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COUNTY OFFICIALS FORMALLY QUALIFY

New Faces Seen in Place of Old; Two Remain in Harness.

The new County Officials were formally inducted into office Monday, the 2nd., the change hardly being noticeable, as the outgoing officials remained around their former posts, acting in the capacity of aids for those assuming charge.

Sheriff, G. A. Ralph made his first arrest Monday when a visitor at the Sheriff's office displayed more liquor than discretion. Ralph has had the following Deputies sworn in as his present assistants: Former County Judge, Mack Cook, George P. Jones, of Beda and Iris Renter of Pt. Pleasant. The latter has been serving in the capacity of deputy for some time, for the former sheriff, S. A. Bratcher, while Jones has had considerable experience, having served some three years as deputy. Everybody concedes that the new Sheriff has made a good start in the selection of his deputies and a successful administration of the affairs in connection with the County's Chief Peace Officer is practically assured.

Judge Wedding is no novice when it comes to administering the duties of the office of County Judge, having previously served in that capacity. His ability, knowledge of the law and experience mentioned, give him the edge, in fitness, beyond all but a very few, who have heretofore filled this important position.

Next in line, up the hall, is Frank Black who succeeds A. C. Porter, as Circuit Court Clerk. Mr. Black is a man of ability, although without experience in that particular line of work, but it is expected that he will, by diligence and painstaking service, fully measure up to the records of past incumbents. Black has secured the services of Leon H. Bishop, of Centertown. Mr. Bishop is a young man, bright, and educated for work of just such a character as he will be called upon as Deputy Circuit Court Clerk.

Across the hall, in the County Court Clerk's office, the face of Guy Ranney is seen where that of Claud Blankenship's formerly was beheld. Mr. Ranney has had considerable experience in corporation clerical work and bookkeeping, which, together with his natural ability and general experience well qualifies him for recording your deeds, mortgages, issuing your license and keeping the records straight on the hundred and one other things he must do as County Court Clerk. He has retained the services of Miss Myrtle Maddox who has held the position of chief deputy with Mr. Blankenship, the outgoing Clerk for several years. Her wide experience will serve the office well.

Of Mrs. Mason, the newly inducted Superintendent of Common Schools, we have elsewhere spoken.

Otto C. Martin, since Monday, County Attorney, while a young man, comparatively speaking, is a lawyer of several years experience and comes to his new duties with a thorough knowledge as to what may be expected of one who serves as County Attorney in both prosecutions and an advisory capacity. We may expect good service from Mr. Martin, in fact, with his equipment he should fully measure up to the high standard set by a long list of predecessors.

Nat Hudson, while having no knowledge of the inside working of the Jail, seems to have fit into the position just as tho it had been specially made for him. We mean the position of Jailor. Mr. Hudson is energetic and desirous of making as good a record as the best hung up, and we predict in advance that his keeping watch over the public property and guard at the County Bastille will be done in such a manner as to win commendation from all.

Last, but by no means least down the hall, is D. E. Ward, the only member of the former sextette of has-beens who still is, as under the law he must complete the assessment for the year 1922, made as of July 1st, 1921, which cannot be done until after the whole business has been reviewed and passed upon by the County Board of Tax Supervisors, which will not be done for some time yet. Mr. Roy

F. Keown has been qualified and sworn in, but will not in fact assume the duties of the office until July the first, next, that being the beginning of the new tax year. Mr. Keown has had considerable experience as deputy assessor and Tax Commissioner, and comes to the office with a knowledge of the duties, and may be counted upon to discharge them properly and in a manner as to meet with the approval of those who know what the duties imposed upon a County Tax Commissioner are.

C. S. Moxley, the County Surveyor, who succeeded himself, seems to have a monopoly on that office, as he has been filling that position since, well, the memory of the oldest inhabitant runneth not to the contrary. It is said that his vote came largely from the females of the species, presumably on account of his handsome appearance, as he prides himself upon being good-looking, even excelling John Henry Thomas in that respect.

Bill Himes the coroner-elect, did not take kindly to holding inquests and therefore failed to qualify. So that office at present is left vacant.

Judges Wilson and Cary, who are to serve this district in the capacity of Judge and Commonwealth's Attorney, respectively, are moderately young men, said to be well versed in the law, and as a matter of course ambitious to make for themselves a place in public estimation, and we have no doubt will render capable and faithful service. While practically strangers to us personally, one of them we know only by hearing him spoken of, yet we, jointly with the other Ohio Countians, lay claim to a one-fourth ownership of the new Circuit Judge and Commonwealth Attorney.

NEW COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETS

The new County Board of Education met at the office of Superintendent of schools, in the Courthouse Monday, organized and transacted some routine business, the most important of which was approving the financial statement made by Commissioner C. M. Crowe, of the former County Superintendent E. S. Howard and the School Board.

The Board as now constituted is composed of the following persons: R. A. Owen, Chairman; W. R. Carson, vice-Chairman; Claud Renfrow, Nat Lindley, Otis Stevens and Mrs. I. S. Mason, County Superintendent, by virtue of her position, Secretary-Treasurer. Otis Stevens was elected by the Board some time ago to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. W. O. Reed, resigned. W. R. Carson was chosen to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of W. S. Hill.

MRS. MASON HEADS OUR COUNTY SCHOOLS

Mrs. I. S. Mason was formally inducted into the office of Superintendent of County Schools Monday. She bears the distinction of being the first woman to fill this most important position within the history of Ohio County.

Mrs. Mason is a lady of splendid qualifications, being well educated, of several years experience in both common and graded school work and heretofore familiar with the needs of the schools of our County, aside from being energetic and thoroughly in sympathy with the movement for better education.

MRS. M. P. MADDOX

Mrs. Samantha Maddox, wife of Mr. M. Pender Maddox, died at their home near Equality, Tuesday morning January 3, of an illness of considerable duration, having been a sufferer from asthma and heart trouble, the latter perhaps, being the direct cause of her death.

Mrs. Maddox was 73 years 11 months and 15 days of age and had been a consistent member of the Baptist church since her early life, having professed faith in the Savior and united with the church at the age of 13. Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. R. E. Fugate, at the Smallhouse Baptist church and the remains deposited in the burying grounds at that place.

Besides her husband the deceased is survived by one son and two daughters; Dr. M. D. Maddox of Louisville, and Mrs. Ollie Hill of Hartford and Mrs. Jesse Kirtley, of Equality.

NEW FISCAL COURT IN REGULAR SESSION

One Justice-Elect Failed to Qualify; Court Refuses To Employ County Agent.

The Ohio County Fiscal Court, composed of the newly elected members with one exception, met in its regular January Session Tuesday. Mr. Clinton Igleheart, who was elected from the district formerly known as the Centertown, but now district No. 2, failed to qualify, due to the fact that he is postmaster at Equality and the officers being incompatible. His acceptance of the office of Justice of the Peace would have necessitated his resigning the postmastership, which he at the last, decided not to do. Squire W. C. Knott who was formerly magistrate from the district by appointment, is continuing in the position and will remain a member of the Court, so we are informed, until his successor is appointed and qualified.

The Court as now constituted is composed of the following members, with County Judge R. R. Wedding presiding: District No. 1, J. P. McCoy; district No. 2, W. C. Knott; district No. 3, Q. B. Brown; district No. 4, J. R. Murphy; district No. 5, Sam H. Holbrook; district No. 6, Mack Martin; district No. 7, J. Walter Taylor; Ex-officio Clerk, Guy Ranney; Otto C. Martin, County Attorney has also been in attendance.

The Court has transacted a considerable volume of business, amongst which was the rejection of the proposition to continue the employment of a County Agent or Farm Demonstrator. The motion for the appropriation or employment having lost by the vote of 2 to 5.

The Court has been doing quite a bit of thinking and discussing ways and means by which the public roads and bridges are to be maintained and cared for, but at press hour decision on permanent arrangements had not been announced.

LADIES' AID MEETS WITH MRS. FRAZIER

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church held a most interesting session with Mrs. T. T. Frazier, at the parsonage, Monday afternoon. A large attendance was noted, there being 21 members present.

The following program was rendered: Roll Call, Resolutions, Address by the President—Mrs. Rowan Holbrook; Parody—Mrs. John B. Wilson; Coming Events Cast Their Shadows Before Them, Prophecy—Mrs. J. R. Pirtle.

At the close of the meeting light refreshments were served by the hostesses.

U. S. SENATOR PENROSE DIES IN WASHINGTON

Boise Penrose, U. S. Senator from Pennsylvania, died at his apartments in Washington, D. C., Dec. 31, of pulmonary thrombosis. The Senior Senator from Pennsylvania, belonged to what is commonly spoken of as "The Old Guard" of the conservation order. He figured strongly in the memorable campaign between Taft and Roosevelt, during the division of the Republican party in 1912, and to him more, perhaps, than any other individual within the whole country, went the credit of Taft's nomination. Penrose rarely ever delivered addresses while in the Senate, but rather made himself famous by his work, by the things he was able to do. His tenure in the chief house of the legislative department dated back to the year 1897, having been first elected in that year.

Senator Penrose was an ardent supporter of protective tariff policies and his main hobby was said to have been the tariff.

The deceased Senator was a man of enormous size, weighing approximately 300 pounds, he was a bachelor and a man of considerable wealth.

Mrs. W. C. Schlemmer and little daughters, Elma Fehr and Wilhelmina, who had been in Cannelton, Ind., during the past three weeks, and Mr. Schlemmer and daughter Miss Gertrude who went to the Indiana city Sunday to be present at the funeral and burial of Mrs. Wilhelmina Fehr, mother of Mrs. Schlemmer, which occurred Monday, returned to their home here Tuesday.

6,500 HAND-SHAKES FOR HARDING JAN. 1

Throng Visits Mansion As Doors Open First Time In 9 Years.

Washington, Jan. 2.—President and Mrs. Harding threw the White House doors open to the public today for the first New Year's reception held there for nine years. The number responding to the general invitation was officially estimated at 6,500 many of whom stood for hours in a biting wind and in a slowly moving column of fours which extended for blocks from the Pennsylvania avenue portico.

The President and Mrs. Harding met and shook hands with all, a physical feat of no mean magnitude and one from which they showed more than a few signs of strain at 4 o'clock when the last person in the line had passed.

The official session was received from 11 to 1 o'clock and there were approximately 2,000 participating in it, headed by the Cabinet, the diplomatic corps, members of Congress, army and navy officers, and the higher officials of the government establishments. The brilliant uniforms and gala dress kept the big state rooms of the White House full of color while the curving driveways were jammed with automobiles. The numbers were swelled by the delegates and attendants upon the arms conference, all resplendent in orders and decorations.

Two Motives For Moving. The gates of the White House inclosure were swung back at 2 o'clock for the public to enter, and led by the inevitable small boy the head of a long column which had dared the January breeze swept forward to the pillared entrance. A red-coated marine orchestra, divided in two sections, so that by alternating continuous music could be maintained, began its program as the procession moved up. The big doors were propped back and for two hours the moving mass moved thru the massive entrance, its individual units jiggling under the combined stimulus of the music and the cold.

Secret service men, ushers and gold-corded military aides cut the quadruple line down to single file once it was within the entrance. Under their insistent instructions of "keep your hands in sight" many developed a tendency to put both hands out in front above the waistline and hold them there. Uniformed police meanwhile combed the column outside for cameras, relentlessly relieving their bearers or taking the boxes away for deposit.

The presidential party stood in the oval Blue room just out of hearing of the orchestra and the visitors passed at the rate of thirty or forty a minute. This speed was attained thru the insistent pressure of aides and attaches, and the President and Mrs. Harding rose to the occasion, meeting the physical test without flagging. The crowd was thoroughly cosmopolitan, representative of many races and nationalities. The children of whom there were many, were given special attention.

"Hello, dearie," the President said to one tot who was passing on a paternal shoulder.

The next moment the flickering line disclosed four small negroes marshalled ahead of their mother.

"Why, look who's here," the President exclaimed as he bent over and smiled into the flashing teeth and rolling eyeballs that were sweeping by. "How are you youngsters?"

Mrs. Harding smiled and added a pleasant word here and there while she quickly developed an efficient swing to her right arm and shoulder, which stood the strain as well as the President's gold-developed muscles.

The people passed quickly and in perfect order thru the east room and thence to the street, there being never an interruption or a moment of confusion.

Only occasionally did the President discover a personal acquaintance in the throng, one being Urban Ledoux, whose activities in connection with unemployment and other activities have been noted frequently. To him the President gave a cheery greeting.

As the line ran out to extinction Mrs. Harding beckoned forward the newspaper correspondents, greeting

them cheerfully but announcing that she was "ready to go home."

The White House reception was not the only one held in Washington today. When the President received the public, the Vice President and Mrs. Coolidge were at home to several hundred guests, while cabinet officials were at home to their official associates and friends. Secretary and Mrs. Hughes gave a breakfast to the diplomatic corps at the Pan-American Union Building at 12:30 o'clock, while Secretaries Weeks, Denby, Wallace and Hoover received at their homes.

NEW CITY OFFICERS TOOK CHARGE MONDAY

The recently elected City Officers formally took charge of the local government Monday evening, by being sworn in and holding a brief session of the Council. The Board is made up of the following citizens: Mayor W. C. Blankenship, members of the Council: John H. Wilson, W. J. Bean, A. E. Pate, L. S. Igleheart, S. O. Keown and W. S. Tinsley.

Judge Wilson was elected temporary secretary, pending investigation and election of a suitable person to permanently fill the position. A committee was also appointed to make investigation as to the advisability of electing a marshal and plans and arrangements under which the Marshal should be required to work.

The Board will meet again Monday night, that being the date for regular session as designated by ordinance of the former Council.

MRS. WILHELMINA FEHR

Mrs. Wilhelmina Fehr, widow of Mr. Jacob Fehr, and mother of Mrs. W. C. Schlemmer of Hartford, died at her home in Cannelton, Ind., after being ill several months of hardening of the arteries and disorders usually accompanying such trouble.

Mrs. Fehr was slightly beyond the age of 73 years, a splendid woman and held in high esteem by all who knew her. She was born in Germany, having come to this Country with her family and settled at Cannelton, at the age of 16, where she had ever since resided.

The deceased lady has visited her daughter, Mrs. Schlemmer, of this place, regularly during the past several years and was quite well-known by a number of Hartford citizens.

Funeral services and burial of the remains took place at St. Michaels, in Cannelton, Monday afternoon.

HAYS TO TAKE \$150,000 MOVIE JOB, SAYS PAPER

New York, Jan. 4.—Postmaster General Will Hays has signed a contract to become director general of the National Association of the Motion Picture Industry, at a salary of \$150,000 a year, according to the New York World. The contract, which runs for three years, the newspaper says, was signed more than a week ago.

Mr. Hays, the World added, has arranged a conference with the national leaders of the motion picture industry in Washington January 14, at which time he will make public on his own account his decision to accept the post.

OWENSBORO QUINTETTE BOWS TO BEAVER DAM

On Saturday night, Dec. 31, witnessed by a crowded house, the Owensboro Basket Ball team lost to Beaver Dam by a score of 15-43. The visiting team was defeated only once last season and that was by Beaver Dam. They came this time with a stronger team than last year, but the splendid team work of the home team completely rattled the visitors.

The Line-up:
Owensboro Beaver Dam
Chamberlain F Davis
Brewer F Renter
Bondmunt C B. Barnes
Clements G K. Barnes
Truman G Alford
Subs for Owensboro, Shively and Leach; for Beaver Dam, M. Barnes and Baker.

TAX ASSESSMENT DROPS IN DAVIESS COUNTY

Owensboro, Ky., Jan. 2.—Tax Commissioner Westerfield has completed the assessment of the property in Daviess County. The total valuation is \$23,362,692, a decrease of \$5,991,493 as compared with the assessment for 1920.

TOKIO ACCEPTS ROOT RULES ON SUB CRAFT

Italy's Assent Alone Lacking To Ban Raids On Trade Ships.

Washington, Jan. 4.—After a five-day New Year's breathing space, the arms negotiations were resumed today with an impetus that swept some of the most troublesome problems of the conference almost to the point of decision.

A final agreement was in sight on the question of a revised Chinese tariff. After a long argument the tariff subcommittee came together on a proposal to increase China's tariff schedules under an international commission plan, and the Far Eastern committee of the whole is expected to ratify the decision tomorrow.

Among the naval experts so much progress was made with technical details of the naval limitation plan that in some quarters it was declared final disposition of the subject was only a question of hours. Precise regulations for scrapping ships and details of replacement were numbered among the day's agreements in the naval subcommittee.

On the question of submarine regulations, which has waited on further advice from the foreign capitals, Japan contributed another step toward decision by accepting in principle the Root resolutions proposing to outlaw the use of submarines against merchant vessels and to make violations of submarine regulations acts of piracy. Italy alone remains to accept the propositions and a discussion by the full naval committee may take place late tomorrow.

In some quarters considerable discussion is believed likely before there is a definite decision on the Root submarine proposals. France has indicated a desire to see some of the terms of the resolutions fully discussed and clearly defined, and although the French said tonight they did not propose to press the point, it was indicated that some troublesome points probably would be injected into the conversations sooner or later, by some of the foreign powers.

Meantime, the American advisory committee met and canvassed opinions on the submarine question with the result that the committee's previous position for retention of underwater craft within strict regulations was reaffirmed. Members said a survey of editorial comment and public opinion in general convinced them that the American people strongly desired that submarine operations be brought within the considerations of human warfare.

LOUISVILLE MARKETS

Cattle—Midweek market ruled active and desirable kinds fully steady. Best handyweight butchers sold readily; medium and inferior kinds unchanged. Good call was noted for the best quality stockers and feeders at prevailing prices; common trashy kinds less active. Best milk cows sold very well. Good clearance noted.

Quotations: Prime heavy steers \$6.50 @ 7; heavy shipping steers \$5.75 @ 6.50; medium \$5 @ 5.75; fat heifers \$4.50 @ 6.25; fat cows \$4.50 @ 5; medium to good \$3 @ 4.50; cutters \$2 @ 3; canners \$1.50 @ 2; feeders \$4.50 @ 6; stockers \$3 @ 5.50; milk cows \$2 @ 6.50.

Calves—Market slow and 50c off. Best veals \$10 down; medium \$5 @ 7; common \$2 @ 3.50.

Hogs—Trade active and a brisk demand noted for the best hogs. Prices on a steady basis. Top hogs, 165 pounds down, \$8.25; 165 pounds up \$7.75; throwouts \$6 down.

Sheep and Lambs—Trade generally unchanged. Best lambs quotable at \$8 @ 9; seconds \$5 @ 6. Best fat sheep \$2.50 down; bucks \$1.50 down.

Produce

Buying prices net to shipper, the shipper paying freight and drayage charges are:

Eggs—Candled 33c dozen.
Poultry—Hens, large 19c lb.; small 14c lb.; large spring chickens 14c lb.; small springers 30c lb.; roosters 8c lb.; ducks 17c lb.; turkeys, No. 1 35c lb.; special offer guinea old \$3 dozen; new 45c.
Country Butter—Per