

Evening Chat

Another use for newspapers has been discovered by the West Virginia investigating committee in addition to reading them or using them for curl papers and concert programs and wall paper or something to sit upon. This new use is not really a new use and it is likely that the coal miners of this region have for a long time been using newspapers thus, but so far we have never properly chronicled the fact. They use them for "Shoot Paper."

"Shoot Paper" in the vernacular of the miner, is paper that is rolled up into a sort of funnel and used to introduce the powder into the holes preparatory to shooting down the undermined coal. At all of the news stands along the river in the mining towns all old unsold newspapers are saved and sold to the miners in large bundles. For one dime a miner can purchase enough "Shoot Paper" to last him two weeks, and it is likely that many of the Sunday supplements and magazine feature sections are read far beneath the ground by the light of a flickering carbide lamp that otherwise would not be read. After reading the miner uses the paper to place his shot and after all of the powder is in the hole he wads up the paper and uses it as a plug or stopper to prevent a powder fizzle or poor shot.

Several of Fairmont's residents have wondered why it is that Fairmont has two companies of National Guard when Wheeling has none and when Clarksburg and Morgantown have but one and Gratton has a company. The military spirit seems to have been fostered in Fairmont many years ago for in a copy of The Fairmont Index of October 25, 1878, we note the following editorial jottings:

"Fairmont has the military fever bad. It already has a fine and well equipped volunteer company, and we learn from The Index that a movement which promises to be successful is now on foot to organize a second one. Sill Gratton is without a single 'sojer' boy. Shame!—Gratton Sentinel.

MCCURDYVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. Romeo Epling, of Charleston, were visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brown Tennant. Mr. Howard Gano, of Bellsville, O., was a week-end visitor with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Walter Brownlee, of Barracksville, is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Leblond.

Miss Eleanor Freeland has returned home from a visit with relatives at Manington.

Mr. Melvin Walker, of Coalings, Cal., is at home on a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Walker.

Mrs. Sylvia Brookover gave an ice cream supper Saturday evening in honor of her guest, Mrs. Ethel Rose, of Fairmont.

Misses Nannie and Sallie Tennant are visiting relatives and friends at Waynesburg, Pa.

Mr. Arthur Musgrave, of here, formerly of Fairmont, is building an ice cream parlor.

Miss Dessie Eddy and Mr. Eugene Kennedy, who were married at Clarksburg Saturday evening, have returned home to take up their residence temporarily with Mr. Pinkney Eddy.

The Baptist and Methodist Episcopal churches held their annual Sunday school picnic last Saturday, August 12, in the Varner grove.

SPECIAL NOTICES

TEACHERS' FUND ESTIMATE

Estimated Receipts
The amount due, and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source, except from the levy of taxes to be made for the current fiscal year.

Balance due from sheriff... \$ 2,251.29
Due from general school fund (enumeration)..... 658.83
Total receipts..... \$ 2,910.14

Estimated Expenditures
The debts and demands owed by the district as a whole and payable out of the teachers' fund.

Delinquent taxes..... \$ 180.42
Exonerations (estimated)..... 157.63
and discount.....
Sheriff's commissions (estimated)..... 1,280.00
Transfer of pupils..... 1,150.00
Surplus for teachers for 2 months' under new depositary law..... 637.19

ESTIMATE

At a regular session of the County court of Marion county, held on the 8th day of August, 1916, present: Lee Swisher, president, and A. M. Glover and S. L. Shaver, Commissioners.

In accordance with section 2, chapter 9 of the Acts of the legislature of 1905, the court proceeded to make up an estimate of the amount necessary to be levied for the current fiscal year, and doth determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

ESTIMATE
1. The amount due, and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source, except from the levy of taxes to be made for the current fiscal year.

Balance due from sheriff... \$21,656.94
Redemptions (estimated)... 500.00
Jury Fees collected (estimated)... 100.00
Fees from County Officers... 4,000.00
Sale of real estate... 7,000.00
Rents, etc... 1,200.00

Total... \$34,456.94
The debts and demands owed by the county as a whole.

ESTIMATE FOR ROAD PURPOSES
The court proceeded to make up an estimate of the amount necessary to be levied for the current fiscal year, to open and keep in repair the district roads in Marion county, and doth determine and estimate the several amounts to be levied as follows:

Mannington District
1. The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source, except from the levy of taxes to be made for the current fiscal year.

Total... \$ 2,241.39
2. The debts and demands owed by the district as a whole.

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levy of taxes to be made for the current fiscal year.
Balance due from sheriff... \$ 1,877.91
Redemptions, etc... 75.00
Capitation Road Tax... 800.00

Total... \$ 2,752.94
2. The debts and demands owed by the district as a whole.

Outstanding orders... \$ 785.45
To open and repair roads... 10,491.43
Commissions, Exonerations and Delinquencies... 1,250.00

Total... \$12,526.94
1. The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source, except from the levy of taxes to be made for the current fiscal year.

Balance due from sheriff... \$ 48.26
Redemptions, etc... 100.00
Capitation Road Tax... 500.00

Total... \$ 1,448.26
2. The debts and demands owed by the district as a whole.

Outstanding orders... \$ 246.15
To open and repair roads... 7,229.11
Commissions, Exonerations and Delinquencies... 750.00

Total... \$ 8,225.26
1. The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source, except from the levy of taxes to be made for the current fiscal year.

Balance due from sheriff... \$ 306.12
Redemptions, etc... 50.00
Capitation Road Tax... 400.00

Total... \$ 756.12
2. The debts and demands owed by the district as a whole.

Outstanding orders... \$ 263.79
To open and repair roads... 3,095.33
Commissions, Exonerations and Delinquencies... 400.00

Total... \$ 3,759.12
1. The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source, except from the levy of taxes to be made for the current fiscal year.

Balance due from sheriff... \$ 616.48
Redemptions, etc... 50.00
Capitation Road Tax... 500.00

Total... \$ 1,166.48
2. The debts and demands owed by the district as a whole.

Outstanding orders... \$ 409.48
To open and repair roads... 3,623.00
Commissions, Exonerations and Delinquencies... 400.00

Total... \$ 4,432.48
1. The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source, except from the levy of taxes to be made for the current fiscal year.

Balance due from sheriff... \$ 254.50
Redemptions, etc... 25.00
Capitation Road Tax... 250.00

Total... \$ 529.50
2. The debts and demands owed by the district as a whole.

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ROAD BOND INDEBTEDNESS

Fairmont District, (1915 Bonds)
For the purpose of paying the interest on and to provide a sinking fund for the discharge of the principal of the bonded indebtedness of \$400,000.00 in Fairmont Magisterial District as provided in Sec. 5, Chap. 28-A of the Code of 1913, and authorized by a vote of the people at an election held on the 27th day of May, 1913, it is therefore ordered that a special levy of Eighteen (18) cents be levied on each one hundred dollars valuation of all the taxable property of said district.

Fairmont District (1915 Bonds)
For the purpose of paying the interest on and to provide a sinking fund for the discharge of the principal of the bonded indebtedness of \$100,000.00 in Fairmont Magisterial District as provided in Sec. 5, Chap. 28-A of the Code of 1913, and authorized by a vote of the people at an election held on the 21st day of June, 1913, it is therefore ordered that a special levy of four (4) cents be levied on each one hundred dollars valuation of all the taxable property of said district.

(Mannington District)
For the purpose of paying the interest on and to provide a sinking fund for the discharge of the principal of the bonded indebtedness of \$300,000.00 in Mannington Magisterial District as provided in Sec. 5, Chap. 28-A of the Code of 1913, and authorized by a vote of the people at an election held on the 14th day of June, 1913, it is therefore ordered that a special levy of eighteen (18) cents be levied on each one hundred dollars valuation of all the taxable property of said district.

(Lincoln District)
For the purpose of paying the interest on and to provide a fund for the discharge of \$22,000.00 of the principal of the bonded indebtedness of \$650,000.00 in Lincoln District as provided in Sec. 5, Chap. 28-A of the Code of 1913, and authorized by a vote of the people at an election held on the 28th day of April, 1916, it is therefore ordered that a special levy of forty-two (42) cents be levied on each one hundred dollars valuation of all the taxable property of said district.

For the purpose of creating a Special Fund for the improving, constructing, maintaining and acquiring public roads in Marion County as provided in Sec. 5, Chap. 28-A of the Code of 1913, it is therefore ordered that a special levy of five (5) cents be levied on each one hundred dollars valuation of all the taxable property in Marion County.

County of West Virginia,
District of Fairmont, to-wit:
I, J. F. ICE, secretary of the board of education in and for Fairmont district of said county and state, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy from the records of an order made and entered by said board on the 8th day of August, 1916.

Given under my hand this 8th day of August, 1916.
J. F. ICE,
Secretary Board of Education Fairmont District, Marion County, W. Va.

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1. The amount due, and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source, except from the levy of taxes to be made for the current fiscal year.

Balance due from sheriff... \$ 83.91
Redemptions, etc... 50.00
Capitation Road Tax... 250.00

Total... \$ 383.91
2. The debts and demands owed by the district as a whole.

Outstanding orders... \$ 214.20
To open and repair roads... 2,415.71
Commissions, Exonerations and Delinquencies... 325.00

Total... \$ 2,954.01
The aggregate value of the taxable property in the respective districts of the county, according to the last assessment thereof is as follows:

Mannington District... \$12,010,000
Lincoln District... 12,217,777
Paw Paw District... 6,777,729
Fairmont District... 4,290,556
Grant District... 3,266,997
Union District... 2,571,429
Winfield District... 1,899,630

The amount necessary to be raised by levy in each of the respective districts is as follows:

Mannington District... \$12,010,000
Lincoln District... 12,526,000
Paw Paw District... 8,225,000
Fairmont District... 3,759,000
Grant District... 4,432,000
Union District... 2,954,000
Winfield District... 2,428,000

The rate of levy on each one hundred dollars valuation necessary to raise the aforesaid amount and the rate which the court proposes to lay in each of the respective districts is as follows:

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