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## COURT HOUSE NEWS

**Warrants Issued**

A. J. Quillett, Dover ditch No. 1268 ..... 265.00
C. M. Gray, estimate No. I. C. H. No. 301 ..... 1359.35
LaBoiteaux and Hayes, bridge estimate ..... 713.43
C. J. Taylor, Pike ditch No. 1266 ..... 72.65
John Bryant, Pike ditch No. 1259 ..... 200.00
Treasurer of State, examination of County Officers .... 828.07
LaBoiteaux and Hayes, estimate No. 1, I. C. H. No. 20, Section Delta .. ..... 1,285.57

**Building Notices**

O. M. Eldredge, Dover Township, straw barn, estimated cost $1200.

H. A. Gigax, German Township, straw barn, estimated cost $1500.00.

H. A. Gigax, German Township, porch, estimated cost, $200.00.

Henry Heer, German Township, repair shop, estimated cost $600.00.

**Real Estate Transfers**

Susie Strong to John A. Weirick, lot 29, Oakwood Add., Delta.

Louie Puehler to Elmer Puehler, section 35, 20 acres Swan Creek Twp.

Helen Y. Strong to A. M. and Mary S. Fish, lot 103, Gates Add, Delta.

Wm. H. Marsh to Wm. Kuebler, lot No. 4, East Lawn Ad., Swanton.

Myrtle Haller to Toledo and Indiana R. R. 13 acres, Sec. 15, York Township.

Herman Busch to Eugene Baker, 2.50 acres, Section 8, Amboy Twp.

Earl A. Harger to Frank and Nettie Marks, lots 9-10-11 East Lawn Ad., Wauseon.

John Winzeler to Jeanette Dominique, part lot 293, and parcel 113, Wauseon.

Henry G. Phillips to Hattie C. Ferguson, part lot No. 9, John Gambers Ad., Fayette.

**New Cases in Court**

Melissa Clair filed through D. B. Johnson, action for divorce vs Leon Clair.

Walter Griffin as Admr. filed thru F. S. and J. M. Ham action for cognovit note vs W. O. Garber.

Park S. Bishop filed through Geo. A. Everett action for revivor of dormant judgment vs Charles A. Allen and wife.

Henry Gottschalk filed through Heise and Barber action for money only, amount $322 vs Edward Tucker.

**Court Orders**

Daisy Brillhart vs Edward Brillhart action for alimony, dismissed at costs of plaintiff.

Henry K. Smith vs Chas. Edwards et al action for injunction, dismissed for failure to prosecute at costs of plaintiff for which judgment and execution is awarded.

Delbert Geesey vs Jacob Loucks et al action for quiet title, heard and submitted, service by publication proved and approved, title quieted as prayed for. Plaintiff to pay costs.

Bessie Hallett vs Harry Hallett action for divorce. Heard and submitted on petition. Answer and cross petition. Petition and cross petition dismissed. Divorce refused. Defendant to pay costs.

Hoover and Allison Company vs Gray and Gray, action for money only, amount $213.75. Heard and submitted, judgment by default in the sum of $238.65 and costs.

Davis B. Johnson Adm. vs Chas. Pultz, action for money only, amount $1000. Defendant in the open court offers to confess judgment in the sum of $200 with interest from the 8th day of April 1921 and costs of suit. Rejected by plaintiff.

Nettie M. Guilford vs Clyde Guilford, action for divorce. Heard and submitted. Plaintiff decreed divorce from defendant on ground of gross neglect of duty. Plaintiff awarded custody of minor child, defendant ordered to pay plaintiff $15.00 per month for support of minor child. Plaintiff to pay costs and recover the same from defendant for which execution is awadred. Defendant permitted to visit child at all reasonable times.

R. Gottschalk vs Jay Turpening, action for money only, amount $608.56. Heard and submitted. Judgment by default for plaintiff in the sum of $608.56 and costs with interest at 6 per cent from June 17th, 1921, execution awarded.

Anna Flory vs Henry Roth et al action for quiet title. Heard and submitted. Service by publication proved and approved. Title quieted as prayed for. Plaintiff to pay costs.

Otis R. Johnson vs Harvey J. Higley et al, action for money only, amount $270.30. Heard and submitted judgment by default in the sum of $276.52. Execution awarded.

F. M. Holladay vs Franklin Cannon action for money only, amount $1049.49. Dismissed at costs of plaintiff.

Jay Gibbs vs Bert Whipple action for money only, amount $3265.00. Heard and submitted on motion to strike out. Motion overruled, defendant accepts.

Earl Severance vs M. E. Walls, action for money only, amount $400. Dismissed at costs of plaintiff.

James B. Jackson vs J. V. Shindler et al, action for money only, amount $320. Motion to discharge attachment heard in part and further hearing continued to September 26, 1921.

Walter L. Griffin, Admr., vs W. O. Garber, action for cognovit note. Judgment by default in the sum of $199.20. Interest from July 26th, 1921 and costs. Execution awarded.

**Marriage Licenses**

Jesse Frey, farmer 27, Wauseon and Emma A. Rueger, 24, Archbold.

George W. Plassman, 25 ditcher, Napoleon and Anna Kahrs, 18, Wauseon.

Clyde Johnson, 23 farmer Morenci and Jennie Brotherton, Fayette.

John Paylos, 24, laborer, Delta and Blanch Waldeck, 25 Delta.

Erwin Smith 63, farmer Delta and Carrie Williams, Delta.

**Probate Court**

Guardianship of Frank Bilor et al 2nd partial account, hearing.

Estate of Caroline Schultz, first and final account. Hearing.

Guardianship of Hazel F. Barhite, first partial account. Hearing set for October 17th, 1921.

Estate of George W. Free. Application to determine inheritance tax filed.

John J. Gineman guardian vs Agnes M. Gineman et al, hearing continued.

Estate of Clayton Murphy, application to sell stock belonging to said estate filed and granted.

Julia E. Beck, plaintiff vs Board of County Commissioners et al, on appeal of order of County Commissioners on road vacation etc. Clerk of Court ordered to draw 30 names from Jury wheel. Hearing set for Oct. 3, 1921.

Estate of Elmer Vonier, application for letters of administration filed. Bond filde and letters of administration issued to Erwin Vonier, W. J. Weber, J. C. Frey and Henry Weber appointed appraisers.

Will of Daniel Rupp, hearing 2:00 p. m., testimony of witnesses taken and will admitted to probate and record. Widow elected to accept said will.

Estate of Joseph Obrela, application for letters of administratoin filed. Bond in the sum of $1000 filed. Letters of administration issued to Eddie Oberla.

Estate of Opal Oberla, application for letters of administration filed. Bond filed and letters of administration issued to Eddie Oberla.

Guardianship of Isabelle Bollinger second partial account, hearing Oct. 17th, 1921.

Estate of Maria Miller, application to settle wrongful death claim for $310 with B. and O. Railway Co., filed and granted.

Estate of Joseph Oberla, deceased, application to settle wrongful death claim with B. and O. Railway Co., for the sum of $510 filed and granted.

Estate of Opal Oberla, deceased, application to settle wrongful death claim with B. and O. Railway Co. for $510 filed and granted.

## READER OF TRIBUNE FOR MANY YEARS

Mr. Levi McConkey, a farmer living northeast of town paid the Tribune his annual call one day last week. Mr. McConkey has been a subscriber to the Tribune ever since it was founded by Mr. Smith some 38 to 40 years ago.

He was 82 years old last April and is hale and hearty. He told the editor that he is just as sound as ever, that he goes about every day looking after his farm.

He came here from Wayne county in 1859 when there was nothing but woods and Wauseon had but one or two houses, he being one of the old pioneers of the County. He has seen Fulton County grow to the fine rich county that it now is with its wonderful farm lands and dairy herds.

When the call came he enlisted and served three years in the Civil War. He is a member of Losure Post and is active in the welfare of the county.

Mrs. McConkey died some six years ago and two children. Clarence and Catherine both live here.

If youth but knew
What age would crave,
Many a penny
Youth would save.
—Oliver Wendell Holmes

## A VALUABLE LESSON

We feel sorry for the Wauseon boys and girls who are forced to lose a popular idol through recent escapade in San Francisco in which "Fatty" Arbuckle figured. For he was the idol of every youth who has an opportunity to visit picture shows. But from all appearances he can never regain the throne from which he toppled and guilty or not guilty of the awful crime with which he was charged, the American people will never again be able to smile at his antics as they once did. For always they must look beyond the picture to a jail cell and the awful charge of murder. It has cost "Fatty" Arbuckle his fame, but it has been worth millions of dollars to our boys and girls if they can be made to see the moral. If they can be made to understand that to win fame, and especially to hold it, you must be clean in both mind and body and able to face those who are with a record that is unstained. It should teach them that you can't live one life privately and another publicly and hope forever to deceive the public. There is always a day of reconing, though it may not always come as swiftly or be uite as severe as it has in the case of "Fatty" Arbuckle.

Don't park your automobile in front of a private driveway, the owner might want to drive in or out.

**A Dining Room**

where food is well cooked, prepared in a sanitary kitchen and served in an appetizing manner is what our patrons demand. It is onr pleasure to fill this demand in a way that brings satisfaction.

AVERY INN
F. W. AVERY, PROP.
WAUSEON, OHIO
A LITTLE BETTER SERVICE A LITTLE BETTER FOOD
A LOT MORE HOMELIKE


## BIG PROBLEM IN FALLING PRICES

**AUTOMOBILE UNDERWRITERS KEPT GUESSING**

**Very Difficult to Prevent Over-insurance — Changing of Forms Causes Protest — "Passive" Moral Hazard Hard to Deal With**

Frequent announcements of reductions in the price of automobiles continues to keep to the front the problem of over-insurance of cars against loss by fire and theft. The situation faced by the underwriters is complicated by the fact that, in the opinion of some of them, the "passive" moral hazard is really the most difficult question with which to deal. Through reporting agencies and other means the companies can learn the standing of a man who is in bad repute and refuse to insure his car, but they cannot tell how far a man of good reputation may be influenced towards carelessness by the fact that his car is insured for an amount in excess of the price of a new one of the same make.

With a view of impressing upon agents the extent of the cut in prices and the fact that when they insure cars they must have in mind the fact that other cuts are to be expected and that the amount of insurance granted must be kept down. We quote the following list of old prices of well known makes of cars and prices of the same makes on September 7, 1921:

| | Touring | | Sedan | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Make | 1920 | 1921 | 1920 | 1921 |
| Buick | $1,785 | $1,525 | $2,895 | $2,435 |
| Chalmers | 1,795 | 1,545 | 2,745 | 2,445 |
| Chevrolet | 820 | 525 | 1,245 | 875 |
| Cole | 3,050 | 2,795 | 4,450 | 3,995 |
| Cleveland | 1,435 | 1,385 | 2,445 | 2,295 |
| Case | 2,650 | 2,250 | 3,700 | 3,285 |
| Davis | 2,185 | 1,895 | 3,185 | 2,795 |
| Dodge | 1,285 | 985 | 2,150 | 1,785 |
| Dort | 1,215 | 985 | 1,995 | 1,685 |
| Essex | 1,595 | 1,375 | 2,650 | 2,230 |
| Ford | 510 | 355 | 795 | 650 |
| Franklin | 2,750 | 2,350 | 3,750 | 3,350 |
| Haynes | 2,935 | 2,485 | 3,650 | 3,485 |
| Hudson | 2,600 | 1,895 | 3,400 | 2,850 |
| Hupmobile | 1,685 | 1,485 | 2,800 | 2,485 |
| Lafayette | 5,625 | 4,850 | 7,400 | 6,500 |
| Lexington | 2,285 | 1,835 | 2,785 | 2,185 |
| Liberty | 1,985 | 1,595 | 2,900 | 2,400 |
| Marmon | 5,000 | 3,985 | 6,600 | 5,275 |
| Maxwell | 995 | 845 | 1,695 | 1,545 |
| Mercer | 4,950 | 3,950 | 6,325 | 5,650 |
| Mitchell | 1,750 | 1,490 | 2,900 | 2,690 |
| Nash | 1,695 | 1,545 | 2,895 | 2,395 |
| Oakland | 1,395 | 1,145 | 2,065 | 1,725 |
| Overland | 945 | 595 | 1,575 | 895 |
| Packard | 6,000 | 4,350 | 8,450 | 6,800 |
| Pierce Arrow | 8,000 | 6,500 | 9,700 | 8,500 |
| Studebaker, big 6 | 2,150 | 1,985 | .... | .... |
| Studebaker, light 6 | 1,300 | 1,125 | 1,995 | 1,850 |
| Stephens | 2,400 | 2,000 | 3,400 | 3,000 |
| Stutz | 3,600 | 2,985 | .... | .... |
| Willys Knight | 2,195 | 1,525 | 2,950 | 2,395 |

## CHARLES W. COVERT

Charles Wellington Covert was born in Cleveland, Ohio, September 15, 1866 and died in the home of his step son, Lloyd W. Schad at Charleroi, Pa., Sept. 20, 1921.

When fifteen years of age he moved with his parents to northern Michigan where he lived until 1914.

In 1910 he married Mrs. Emma Schad of Wauseon, after which they lived for four years near Central Lake, Mich. In order to be near her son he and Mrs. Covert moved to Washington D. C. in 1914 and thence to Newark, N. J. in 1918 and to Mongohela City, Pa., in 1920.

Mr. Covert was a member of the Congregational church from youth but in 1910 he and his wife united with the Eastport, Mich., Baptist church where he was a member when he died. His life was one of quiet service and devotion to duty. The people with whom he came in contact held him in the highest esteem and learned to know him as a man of the most dependable charcater.

He leaves his wife, son L. W. Schad, granddaughter, little Phyllis Schad and sister Mrs. George A. Badehon of Gaylord, Mich.

**Card of Thanks**

Through this medium we wish to thank our friends for their kindness and sympathy extended us in our great sorrow. Especially do we mention Rev. Rostofer for his words of comfort.

Mrs. Emma Covert
Lloyd W. Schad

## THE CHILD CONSERVATION LEAGUE

September 29th

Hostess ..... Mrs. Dunham
Paper ..... Mrs. Roos

Developing boy material for the world work of the man.
Discussions ..Led by Mrs. Cummings
From the gang spirit of loyalty to high ideals of social obligations.
The neglected gang spirit, or saving the boy before adolescence.
Paper ..... ..Mrs. Wertz
The adolescent wanderlust.

**PENSION 300 TEACHERS**

Under the law, effective September 1, 1920, providing pensions, ranging from $300 to $1000 a ear for the remainder of their lives, about 300 Ohio school teachers will be retired on pensions this year. Pensions, which are to be paid in monthly installments, will be equal to half the average salary for the past 10 years. These approximately 300 men and women teachers have either taught 36 years or are at least 60 years of age, or both. Pensions will come out of the retirement fund created by payment of 4 per cent of their salaries by teachers to which is added an equal amount by school boards.

**CRABBE ACT BRINGS FINES**

Since the enactment of the Crabbe prohibition act, the state of Ohio has collected over half a million dollars in fines from violators of the liquor laws. Half the fines go to the county in which the fines are paid and half to the state. Williams county has collected $742; Defiance $250; Fulton, $1,100 and Henry $200.

The figures go to show that the Sheriff and his deputies are on the job in this County.

**HAS NO DIVORCE LAW**

South Carolina is the only state which has no divorce evil. A divorce cannot be obtained on any ground whatever in that state, which goes so far as to forbid by law the marriage of persons getting divorces elsewhere. Accordingly as reported by the Episcopal Bishop of South Carolina, no other state has a purer home life. What a blessing it would be if all states had such a law.

**NEW ARMAMENTS IN JAPAN**

The keel of a new Japanese ship of war has just been laid at Camden New Jersey. Meanwhile the United States is largely curtailing its own naval construction. We hope the incidents do not indicate the relative good faith of the two nations in their desires for limitation of naval armaments.

## FULTON COUNTY TAX VALUATION FOR THE YEAR 1921 COMPARED WITH THE YEAR 1920

| Taxing District | 1920 | 1921 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amboy Township | 2,118,890 | 2,059,600 | 59,290 | loss |
| Royalton Township | 1,516,690 | 1,489,690 | 27,000 | loss |
| Chesterfield Township | 1,733,490 | 1,709,010 | 24,480 | loss |
| Gorham Township | 3,449,640 | 3,365,780 | 83,860 | loss |
| Franklin Township | 2,167,780 | 2,100,370 | 67,410 | loss |
| Dover Township | 1,465,870 | 1,436,600 | 29,270 | loss |
| Pike Township | 1,666,290 | 1,616,360 | 49,930 | loss |
| Fulton Township | 2,026,700 | 1,990,810 | 35,890 | loss |
| Swancreek Township | 3,284,110 | 3,312,940 | 28,830 | gain |
| York Township | 4,358,970 | 4,315,370 | 43,600 | loss |
| Clinton Township | 4,602,320 | 4,589,220 | 13,100 | loss |
| German Township | 5,422,120 | 5,379,950 | 42,170 | loss |
| Delta Village | 2,627,150 | 2,891,860 | 264,710 | gain |
| Wauseon Village | 4,471,620 | 4,710,250 | 238,630 | gain |
| Archbold Village | 1,533,090 | 1,608,500 | 75,410 | gain |
| Fayette Village | 1,354,360 | 1,365,450 | 11,090 | gain |
| Swanton Village | 1,852,890 | 1,908,050 | 55,160 | gain |
| Metamora Village | 739,650 | 713,350 | 26,300 | loss |
| Lyons Village | 465,080 | 481,910 | 16,830 | gain |
| Total | 46,856,710 | 47,045,070 | 188,360 | gain |

## BITS O' NEWS

NAPOLEON — Arthur Gingrich was bound over to the grand jury for non-support of his minor children.

OTTAWA — Eight bands will play at Putnam Co. Fair, Oct. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 1921.

BRYAN — A local bank has installed a Burrough's adding machine in the lobby of the bank for the use of patrons.

DEFIANCE — Adam Rose, state dam lock tender recieved $200 Thursday for a 41 grain pearl he took from a clam taken from the Maumee river near the state dam.

MORENCI — Friends of Henry F. Harris, former publisher of the Observer rceeived announcements of his marriage to Miss Della M. Farely o. Kalamazoo.

NAPOLEON — A $6000 damage suit for alleged breach of contract was filed against Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tietjen by James P. Conway, a real estate dealer.

DELTA — At the meeting of the Board of Education last Monday it was decided to re-submit the proposition of the 3 mill levy, at the November election.

WATERLOO —Ora Pattee, 9 years old had both of his feet cut off by a corn binder which was being driven by his father, Bert Pattee, who did not see the lad or even hear his screams

DELTA —Atty G. A. Everett has made a full settlement with the B. and O. Ry. for the six lives lost in an auto accident near Weston a few weeks ago. A damage was collected for each life lost.

MORENCI — Harry A. Dunn and J Frank Johnson, receivers for the Toledo and Western Railroad Co., filed an application in federal court Tuesday for instructions with respect to terminating a franchise for the operation of electric lines in Blissfield, Mich.

DELTA — J. H. Gehring, of the Gehring Bros store is the guest of the Edison Phonograph Co. on a tour of Eastern cities, including a call at the White House, also meet Mr. Edison at Orange, N. J. Mr. Gehring was one of the four who won in the contest for the greatest number of sales in a given time.

MONTPELIER — Wm. Goggin of Celina was seriously injured at the Williams Co. Fair when his horse stumbled and fell, throwing him from the sulky and alighted on his right shoulder and head.

He was taken to the hospital where he has lain in a semi-comatose condition ever since

DEFIANCE — Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Wganre, Supt. and matron of the County Childrens Home and Andrew Squire, Henry Greneler and Geo. W. Elliott, trustees were suspended Monday by the County Commissioners on charges of gross extravagance and misuse of county funds.

OTTAWA — The general store of C. C. Raabe, was entered by burglars last Thursday evening. A light was noticed in the store by a telephone operator who immediately notified Mr. Raabe. Soon twenty or more men appeared on the scene which frightened the robbers who fled out the back door and haven't been seen since. About $1500 worth of silk and other merchandise was piled near the front door.

## PREVAILING FASHIONS

Right here in Wauseon there are two topics of conversation that are always in season—the weather and woman's dress. Two that have been criticised and found fault with more than any other or possibly all others combined—and men above all others are the chief sinners.

Ever since we can remember women and girls have been criticised for what they wore, or what they didn't wear. When they were long skirts the men said they were unsanitary—that skirts should be short. Whne they wore them short the men all over the country "threw a fit." When they wore them short the men men preached against it; and when they cut a slit in the skirt the same men were shocked. Probably never since women commenced to wear clothes, and that dates back to the time of Eve, have they been free from the sting of criticism.

We believe both men and women should wear clothes that are comfortable, healthful, convenient and reasonably attractive. The prevailing styles for both men and women are now more nearly meeting these requirements than those of any since the old Roman times when the loose-fitting toga was the form of garb worn by all classes and when sandals were worn on the feet. While a lot of us may never become reconciled to the short skirt, we must confess that compared with the old hoop-skirt or even later the long train sweeping up the dust, mud or filth along the street, it is an improvement. We may never get used to "bobbed hair." But if it serves to ward off scalp diseases, then we have no criticism to offer. Possibly after all we had best remember that "to the pure, all things are pure." And to the one with an "evil eye"— Good Night!

## BIRTHDAY PARTY

The members of the house of Miss Euphrasia Gushman gave her a surprise party Tuesday evening.

For several days before the affair came off whispering could be heard and groups could be seen in different parts of the house, planning and talking over how they could surprise her and how they could get her away from the house long enough to formulate their plans. The Domestic Science teacher in the house seemed to be the instigator of the affair.

It came about when one of the "kleine madchens" of the house took Miss Gushman out to dinner, and in the meantime the rest of the plotters got in their "dirty" work.

Upon her return she noticed that the lights were different, and of course what else could she expect with an "electrical mechanic" in the house who would persist in doing something with the lights, and after entering she found that she had been "inveigled" away purposely. There were all the school "moms" in the height of their glory and the "abler educators" were also there.

As she entered the room one of the school moms who boasts of her fiery hair rushed to the scene of action and began to inquire if she was surprised. She faltered and said "yes."

Besides the members of the family there were present a number of her friends and neighbors and ice cream and cake were served. Miss Gushman was then presented with a fine floor lamp.

Everybody enjoyed the evening and a good time was had by all.

By one who was there

## AVERY INN

In following out his plan of keeping the Avery Inn up-to-the-minute, Mr. F. W. Avery has redecorated the dining room and re-papered the entire second and third floors.

This is one of the popular places in Wauseon and Mr. Avery has put the town on the map by making his hotel one of the best in Northwestern Ohio.

## WAUSEON BANKS

Wauseon has two good banks, The Peoples State Bank and The First National Bank.

The Peoples State Bank was founded in 1889 and is the oldest bank in the county. Early in this year a partnership was formed by Geo. D. Green, Charles C. Greenleaf, William H. Eager, Geo. S. Clement, Hiram Pritchard and Frank Smallman, for the purpose of doing a general banking business. The capital at that time was about $15,000 and today it is $100,000 with a surplus of $25,000.

Of the original founders of this bank three are still living, W. H. Eager, Geo. D. Green and Frank Smallman. The doors were opened first for business on Dec. 10th, 1889. With the exception of a few months Mr. Chas. W. Struble has been the cashier since it has been founded. The Capital and Surplus of this bank are $125,000 and the total resources nearly one million dollars, making it a sound business institution.

The building that it now occupies is a beautiful two story building and is worthy of the town.

The First National Bank was organized in 1904. With only 17 years of service it has built up a strong financial institution.

The directors of this bank are: E. S. Davoll, S. O. Rothfuss, F. J. Spencer, D. K. Shoop, who are the founders and Mr. F. H. Weber who is at present the cashier.

The capital and surplus of this bank is $80,000. When the bank was first organized it had a surplus of $25,000.

The building that it now occupies is on the north side of the railroad. It has a fine banking room and other fine up-to-date conveniences for their customers.

With two strong banks such as Wauseon can boast of, the town should progress in the future just as much as it has in the past. In the last quarter of a century the town has grown from a rural village to a modern town, which in beauty, attractiveness and progressiveness is surpassed by few if any towns of the same size in Ohio. The dirt roads of thirty years ago have been supplanted by over five miles of pavements.

It is but fitting that Wauseon should have two banks that are worthy of the town.

## TAX THE FOREIGNER ALSO

European and Asiatic industries pay no tax to the United States unless they pay it through the American custom houses. Every American industry pays a tax, many taxes, to the Federal, the State and the municipal governments. Now European nations are appearing before Congressional Committees arguing for a lower duty on goods imported to this country. If they ship their goods in here, American indusrty will suffer to the extent that foreign goods support American goods in our own markets. Therefore, they are asking the United States to relieve them of taxes at the custom house in order that they may the more easily destroy American industry. And they think we might possibly be simple minded enough to fall for that sort of a scheme.

## GOVERNOR DAVIS ON UNEMPLOYMENT

Governor Davis goes to the very nub of the unemployment problem in his purpose to meet it by pro-rating jobs among those who are out of work. There has been much academic discussion in all parts of the country as to the unemployment situation, and that something should be done to meet it this winter and prevent hardships. So far as we have been able to see, Governor Davis' plan which is now in course of being put in effect in Ohio, is the first practical method that has been suggested.

Davis, briefly, wants public improvement work pushed through the winter. Then he proposes to have all resulting jobs at unskilled tasks apportioned among the unemployed every two weeks, rotating them so that all the men will get as much employment as possible throughout the cold season. He asks local authorities and private employees to far as possible, to co-operate with the state in carrying out the plan.

It is creditable that Ohio thus takes the lead in actually helping the thousands of jobless and their dependents. The plan from all viewpoints seems one in which the utmost co-operation by all who may aid in it, is to be strongly advocated. We believe by originating and carring out this plan, Governor Davis is performing a service, the value of which not only to those out of jobs and their women and children, but to the entire state, is beyond estimate.

## STOP AND THINK

Did you ever stop and think, Mr. Wauseon Merchant, that the town that gets the publicity is the town that gets the business? That the town filled with good advertisers is the town that grows? That advertising properly done is worth its weight in gold, and that advertising is business, and not child's play? That people will drive for miles to trade in a good, live town? That your property will increase in value when the outside world knows you and your town are wide awake? That people from neighboring towns will come where there is something worth coming for? That the merchant who doesn't seek to build up a better trade than he now has will lost out? That now is the time your town and your business needs advertising more than ever before because business is harder to get than it has been for two or three years? That if you do not hustle for trade in the community about you the merchants in some other town will? That if they do not get the business you've no one to blame but yourself if it doesn't come to you? Think it over. And then come in and let us show you how little good advertising costs.

## HOMER SMITH BLAIR

Homer Smith Blair was born December 13, 1884 and died September 17th, 1921 at the age of 37 years, 9 months and 4 days.

He was a son of Robert and Elizabeth Blair, the fourth child of a family of twleve children, nine of whom survive him, two little sisters having died in infancy.

Homer was married to Bertha J. Gors on April 16th, 1906. To this marriage was born one child, a daughter, Louise Elizabeth.

At about the age of fourteen he united with the Evangelical church and was baptized by Rev. Kring. He attended the public schools in Dover and York townships.

Homer is survived by his wife and daughter, his father and mother, four brothers and five sisters, his brothers being Roy R. and Merritt M. of Toledo, Dale J. and Walter W. of Wauseon; his sisters, Mrs. Wesley Borton of Tedrow, Mrs. Ira Bourquin of Archbold, Mrs. T. C. Kennedy of Adrian, Mich., Mrs. Frank S. Ham and Mrs. Milton Griffin of Wauseon.

**Card of Thanks**

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to our many friends who have been so kind to us by their words and beautiful floral offerings in the time of our great sorrow. We are also grateful to Rev. S. R. Dunham and the singers who were of real comfort to us.

Mrs. Homer Blair and Daughter
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blair and Family

## INTERESTING FIGURES ON PUBLIC UTILITIES

Figures compiled today from reports on file with the state public utilities commission show that there are in Ohio:

933,011 customers of natural gas companies.

785,755 telephone subscribers.

602,618 customers of electric light and power companies.

9,250 users of artificial gas.

In addition, the reports show, more than one billion passnegers were carried by the city and interurban electric railway companies of the state during 1920.

The figures indicate the widespread use of public utility service throughout the state and tell the story why Ohio ranks so high among the states in industrial and civic progress.

In the production and distribution of electrical energy, Ohio ranks fifth in the United States, distributing 2,785,000 kilowatt hours during 1920, or 7.16 per cent of the total amount distributed in the country.

In the number of farms that have gas or electric light service, Ohio leads all other states with a total of 452,809 farms, or 7 per cent of all farms in the United States.

Preliminary figures of the agricultural census show that 159,478 farms in Ohio, more than half in the state, have telephones. Only three states, Iowa, Illinois and Missouri, rank ahead of Ohio in the number of farms having telephones. Telephone subscribers in Ohio, 785,755 in all, now number 20,537 more than a year ago.

Interurban railways carried 245,330,709 passengers during the year 1920, while 778,542,383 passengers were carried by city street railway companies, a grand total of 1,023,873,092.

The public utilities of the state paid approximately $19,000,000 in taxes during 1920. An investment of more than $1,000,000,000, coming from 120,000 investors, is required to furnish the people of the state with utility services. It cost more than $182,000,000 to operate the utility companies of Ohio last year.

**NOTICE**

The Dorcas Class will hold a regular monthly business meeting at the home of Mrs. A. E. Fish, Friday evening, Sept. 30, at 7:30.

## EARLY DAYS OF THE LAKE REGION

The great Lakes region became known to the civilized world in an indefinite way by crude and incorrect maps early in the seventeenth century. Champlain's map of 1632 shows Lake Erie (Lacus Erius) comparatively much undersize and in a very incorrect form, while Lake Huron (Mer Douce) foots east rather than south and shows many times larger than in fact. Cartographers probably procurred most of their earliest information from the Aborigines. Pere du Creux shows a much more correct idea of the lake region in his map in 1660. Joliet's map of 1672, displays still farther advancement in explorations. Samuel de Cnamplain, who was with the Indians for a considerable time on Lake Huron in 1615, no doubt explored the shores of Erie. But the first adventures who sailed Lake Erie were probably Louis Joliet and Robert LaSalle; the former in a canoe in 1672. LaSalle came somewhere this way on his journey towards the Ohio in 1669, which river he supposed emptied into the Pacific. On August 7, 1679 he sailed Lake Erie from Niagara in the Griffin with Father Hennepin to Green Bay. Then we have to reckon with the adregion (Port Clinton) from 1745 to 1783.

ventures of the old Fort Sandoski

And here are matters of interest from the writings of Capt. J. Carver, an English officer who explored the northwest and then visited Detroit. He says: "In June, 1768, I left Michilimacinac and returned in the Gladwyn Schooner, a vessel of about eighty tons burthen, over Lake Huron to Lake St. Clair, where we left the ship and proceeded in boats to Detroit. The river that runs from Lake St. Clair to Lake Erie is called Detroit, which is in French the Straight. It runs nearly south, has a gentle current and has depth of water sufficient for ships of considerable burthen. The town of Detroit is situated on the western banks of this river. Almost opposite on the eastern shore, is the village of the ancient Hurons. A missionary of the order of Carthusian Friars, by the permission of the bishop of Canada, resides among them. The banks of the river Detroit, both above and below these towns are covered with settlements that extend more than twenty miles, the country being exceedingly fruitful, and proper for the cultivation of wheat, Indian corn, oats and peas. It has also many spots of fine pasturage, but the inhabitants who are chiefly French that have submitted to the English government after the conquest of these parts by General Amhurst, are more attentive to the Indian trade than to farming. The town of Detroit contains upwards of one hundred houses. The streets are somewhat regular and have a range of convenient and handsome barracks, with a spacious parade at the south end. On the west side lies the King's garden belonging to the governor which is very well laid out and kept in good order. The fortifications of the town consist of a strong stockade made of round piles fixed firmly in the ground and lined with palisades. The garrison in times of peace consist of two hundred commanded by a field officer who acts as chief magistrate under the governor of Canada. Mr. Turnbull, captain of the 60th regiment of Royal Americans was commandant when I happened to be there."

## A WONDERFUL CHANGE

Wauseon parents, those who have been out of school for a long time, should sit down some evening and look over the books their children are studying at school. It will do you good to compare these books with the ones you studied, and to note the wonderful advancement. Note the wonderful illustrations they contain, as compared with the few poor pictures you were once delighted with in the books you studied. And observe, also, how much more interesting the lessons are in the books of today, and how much more carefully the books are edited. School books have kept step with everything else, and just as we have more modern conveniences now than we had twenty or thirty years ago, even so are the school books our children study more modern, and more capable of being fully understood. Of course we will always have those who contend that the "old blue back speller" has never been excelled. But for that matter there are still some who contend that the stage coach beats the railroad train for transportation. We won't argue about it. But just take a moment or two sometime and note the difference between the books your children study and those you had to get your education from.

## REVISION AS PROMISED

Relief from taxation is what the people want. They voted last November for relief from Wilsonism, and high taxes are largely a result of the extravagant manner in which the Wilson administration conducted both the war and the peace business of the government. It is impossible for the Republican administration to put government expenditures back to a normal figure in a few months, but the administration is making progress in that direction. In a corresponding degree taxation will be reduced. It must be remembered that in the campaign of 1920 the Republicans expressly disavowed any expectation of immediately reducing taxes, but they pledged an immediate revision of taxes so that the taxes which discourage enterprise and thrift would be repealed. That much the Republicans can and will accomplish.

**HUNTERS ARE WAILING**

Henry County farmers have agreed to allow no hunting this year.

This is a hard blow to the hunters of that county.

## SOME AUTOMOBILE "DON'TS"

Don't—Buy a new motor driven vehicle without getting a bill of sale. Fine $1000.

Don't—Buy a used motor vehicle without a sworn statement of ownership and a Bill of Sale on a used motor vehicle form. Fine $1000.

Don't—Buy a car and accept the tags that are on the car. Heavy fine.

Don't —Sell a car and let your tags go with it. Heavy fine.

Don't—Trade your used car without first taking out Sworn Statement of Ownership and give a Bill of Sale for same. Fine $500.

Don't—Sell your used car without first making out a Sworn Statement of Ownership and give a Bill of Sale. Fine $500.

Don't—Operate motor driven vehicle unless this law has been fully complied with. Fine $300.

Don't—Have your papers made out and then forget to file them with the clerk of courts in your home county. Fine $300.

Don't Fail to file papers within three days after the same are made out. Fine $500.

Don't—Misrepresent in your papers. Fine $1000 and five years in the penitentiary.

Attorney General Price has ruled that a car bought direct from a dealer before August 16, 1921, need not register, but may.

We advise all owners to file papers on their cars. It will help when one wishes to sell, especially if you happen to be among strangers. These papers may also be of great value when you are in strange lands.

## HOSPITAL

At a meeting of the citizens of the county Thursday evennig it was decided to turn the petition over to the Board of County Commissioners. There are between three and four hundred signers on the petition and represents all parts of the county.

If the Commissioners approve of the petition it will be placed on the ballot to be voted on in November. The amount asked for is $75,000, to be paid for in one year. The tax valuation will be about $1.50 to $1.60 per $1000 valuation.

What will Ford do next? Now he has a Fordson Tractor at work in the D. T. and I. yards at Napoleon.


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