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THE Supreme Court of the State of Indiana has decided that where a publisher continues to send a newspaper or a magazine to a subscriber longer than the time contracted for, or over one year without a renewal of contract, the subscriber is under no obligation to pay for more than the time contracted for, and, in case of no contract, only for one year.

STATE HEALTH COMMISSIONER DIXON issued an urgent warning last week against the increased danger of typhoid fever that he declared most certainly follow a period of heavy rain, saying, "Boil all water. Heavy rains following the long drought that we have had, will wash into the streams any accumulated filth along the watersheds. This must necessarily increase the danger from polluted drinking water, especially where the water is not effectually filtered. Therefore the people should be on the closest guard against typhoid fever and boil the water used for drinking and other domestic purposes."

THE writer who said that no newspaper which took truth for its standard would make a pecuniary success was not far from right. The press might return the compliment, however, by remarking that no minister who told the truth about his congregation alive or dead, would occupy the pulpit much longer than on the Sunday afterward. The press and clergy go hand in hand with the charitable whitewash brush, wearing rosy spectacles, magnifying little virtues, and kindly throwing little deformities into oblivion. The pulpit, the pen and the gravestone are partners in Saint making.

THE second or short session of the Sixtieth Congress is now being held. There isn't much expected of it. There will be some discussion of tariff revision; postal savings banks will be considered, with some opposition and there will be an effort to make provision for the next census. It is doubtful if Congress pays much attention to President Roosevelt's recommendations in his message. The most important question before Congress is how to run the government on the present revenues. The demands are large and growing larger. If the legislators had any idea of economy and practiced it for a while there would be no deficit; but that is too much to expect.

IT costs something to dispose of dead Chinese dignitaries. On Thursday last accompanied by a procession of six thousand mourners and four thousand soldiers, the body of the late Emperor Kwangsu was carried from the Forbidden City to the Coal Hill Mortuary, there to lie in state until a commission and a band of necromancers fix on a propitious site in the Eastern Tombs for a final sepulchre. So far the post mortem expenditures on Kwangsu have been more than 2,000,000 taels, and it is estimated that before he and the late Dowager Empress have been laid away with their ancestors for good and all it will have cost China and the estates of their late majesties 6,000,000 taels (\$4,200,000.) For the first time foreigners were permitted to see a royal funeral procession.

THE Herald is worrying over the possibility of the Federal Government going into bankruptcy under a continued Republican administration. It also expresses its thanks for Bryan's defeat on the ground that he might have been blamed for the dread mouth and hoof disease, which is prevailing to such an extent. We can not see how the hoofing and mauling of Mr. Bryan in his campaign could affect innocent and useful cattle, but we do believe if the same method of exterminating this cattle disease was applied to perpetual Presidential candidates the better element in the Democratic party would be glad, for it is very evident that a few more of Bryan's hoof and mouth campaigns will destroy the solid South as a Democratic asset, which is about all that they count on with any degree of certainty, when they take their quadrennial inventory.

DR. J. C. KALBFUS, State Game Commissioner, says plenty of game was left over after the close of the season and that he sees no reason to change his belief that a decidedly important factor resulting in benefit to our bird life as well as game is the destruction of vermin, such as weasels, minks, wildcats and foxes, brought about through the passage of the Kiess bounty law, and the intelligent work of many agents of the commission. Data collected from many parts of the State show the presence of ruffed grouse in numbers. A very general increase of wild turkeys in sections where they are found at all and the presence of quail in localities and in numbers has led to considerable arguments and discussions regarding the disposition of the quail to migrate from one section of this commonwealth to another, as do the woodcock. Quail have appeared this spring in sections of the State where no such birds have been heard or seen for several years.

Washington Letter.

DEC. 15th.—Throughout this session and until the adjournment of the extra session, which the President will call, the most important legislation before Congress will be the measure revising the tariff schedules. The tariff bill will not be reported until the new Congress assembles for the extra session. But the Ways and Means Committee has been holding hearings at which representatives of the various interests affected by the proposed revision have appeared and submitted statements outlining their demands in the preparation of the revised schedules. The great industries of Pennsylvania are depending upon Senator Boies Penrose to protect them in the enactment of tariff legislation. Since Congress assembled for this session Senator Penrose has been one of the busiest men in Washington. The great lumber, mining, glass cutting and other manufacturing industries of the Keystone State have sent delegations to Washington to consult him regarding the schedules in which they are interested and to appeal to him to see that they are dealt with fairly in the revision. No other Senator will have more to say regarding the proposed legislation than Senator Penrose. As the representative in the Senate of the greatest industrial State in the Union and as a member of the Senate Committee on Finance he occupies a commanding position in the enactment of tariff legislation. The tariff bill will be referred to that Committee when it reaches the Senate, and Senator Penrose will be consulted with reference to every provision affecting Pennsylvania. By reason of his familiarity with the industrial conditions in the Keystone State, Senator Penrose is well equipped for the work of preparing a tariff measure. He is a stalwart protectionist, and while he recognizes the fact that many of the schedules should be revised the prediction that he will insist upon the fullest protection for the industries of his State is a safe one.

The certainty that Penrose will be re-elected has greatly increased his influence in the councils of the Senate. Already there is talk of his selection as chairman of the Committee on Finance, in many respects the most important Senate committee. Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island, who has been chairman for many years, has announced that he would retire from public life at the end of his term and the general belief at the capitol is that the Pennsylvania Senator will be his successor. Senator Penrose now has one of the most important chairmanships. As head of the Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads he directs the deliberations of the great business committee of the upper branch of Congress. At each session that committee prepares and reports the largest appropriation bill considered by Congress. It provides expenditures for the entire postal service. At the last session it authorized appropriations aggregating about \$225,000,000. An index to the extent of the Committee's work is found in the fact that on one day last week, President Roosevelt sent to the Senate the nominations of more than four hundred postmasters. Each of these appointments must be considered separately by the Committee before it can be reported to the Senate for confirmation or rejection. In addition to his duties as chairman of the Committee, Senator Penrose is chairman of the Postal Commission, which is now preparing a bill, which, if enacted, will bring about an entire reorganization of the business methods of the Postoffice Department. Senator Penrose is a conspicuous example of the United States Senator who more than earns his salary.

OBITUARY.

Veit Wildenstein, of Creamton, died on Monday morning, Dec. 14, 1908, at 8 o'clock. The funeral services will be held at noon to-day, Wednesday, at the family residence, Creamton. The services will be in English, Rev. W. F. Hopp, pastor of the Honesdale German Ev. Lutheran church, officiating. A more extended notice will appear in our next issue.

Hulbert S. Blossom, aged 68 years, died at his home No. 16 Summer street Bradford, Pa., at 7:05 o'clock on Tuesday morning of last week, Dec. 8, 1908, from a complication of ailments. Mr. Blossom was born in Paterson, N. J., and lived there for a number of years and went to Oswego, N. Y., and worked on sailing vessels on the Great Lakes for twelve years, after which he removed to the oil country. Before going to Bradford he resided at Rew City and had charge of the Bennet Creek lease. Mr. Blossom had been a resident of Bradford for the past 21 years and up to six years ago was a partner in the firm of Blossom & Toy, grocery dealers. He was a man who was liked and respected by all who knew him. He is survived by his widow, formerly Miss Fanny M. Lord, daughter of Solomon Z. Lord, of Hawley, this county, one daughter, Miss Sara; one sister, Miss Ellen E. Blossom, of Bradford; one brother, W. E. Blossom, of Portland, Ore., and a half brother, Lewis C. Blossom, of San Francisco. He was a member of all local Masonic lodges of Bradford. Mr. Blossom had been in ill health for several years and his death was not entirely unexpected.

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COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Motion day, Dec. 14, 1908. Auditor's report distributing proceeds of real estate of The Armory Association, of Honesdale, sold by Sheriff: R. H. Brown, \$77.19; J. N. Welch, \$10; O. L. Rowland, \$50; F. P. Kimble, \$15; costs and officers' fees, \$99. Confirmed nisi.

Estate of H. C. Gaylord, Clinton. Auditor's report of distribution: A. T. Searle, \$10; George Wildenstein, \$26.92; F. M. Gaylord, R. M. Gaylord, each \$2.70; A. T. Hawkins, Richard Mills, Charles Payne, each \$3.66; R. Hankins, \$6.84; W. A. Gaylord, \$5.14; E. H. Ledyard, Charles Williams, each \$2.40; A. A. Kennedy, \$2.46; Mrs. C. N. Howell, \$2.34; Warren Spencer, \$1.56; Henry Erk, \$1,920. Confirmed nisi.

J. L. Burcher reappointed Director of the Poor District of Texas and Honesdale, and O. L. Rowland appointed Director, vice M. E. Simons, resigned.

Com. v. Elmer Alpha. Appeal from summary conviction of illegal fishing. On motion of District Attorney, rule to show cause why appeal shall not be dismissed; returnable 2d Monday of January.

Luke P. Richardson v. Edward Richardson and Mary F. Richardson. In re bail on appeal to Supreme Court. Ordered that appellant give additional security in \$4,000.

Overseers of Damascus v. John Ryan. Petition by Overseers, alleging that the defendant has deserted his wife, leaving her a charge on the poor district, and that he has money on deposit in the Honesdale National Bank. Ordered that said bank file record, prior to next term of court, a statement of the moneys on deposit, in the name of John Ryan, on Nov. 24, 1908, and enjoining it from paying out any of the same until further order of the court; and rule granted on said bank and said John Ryan to show cause why said bank shall not pay to said overseers \$1,000 of said moneys, for the maintenance of the wife of said Ryan; returnable next term.

Etta Miller v. Elmer Bridges et al. Partition of real estate of J. C. Menhennett, deceased, in Preston and Buckingham. Master's report of inquisition, appraising the land at \$800, with waiver by parties of rule to accept or refuse, etc. Order of sale made.

J. L. Sherwood, Jr., appointed Deputy Constable of Preston.

Oath of office of M. E. Simons, District Attorney elect, filed.

Estate of Henry Croft, Dreher. A. C. Angel and J. W. Hause appointed to appraise property retained by widow.

Estate of Frank G. Wheeler, Prompton. Sale of real estate ordered.

Estate of F. L. Cook, Starucca. Auditor's report of distribution: Costs, \$18.50; balance of fund to A. E. Kellogg, judgment creditor.

Bond of David L. Hacker, committee of Robert Bates, filed and approved.

Overseers of Mount Pleasant v. Overseers of Clinton. Rule on defendants to show cause why they shall not pay costs and charges on appeal from order for the removal of John Kesler, amounting to \$52.20; returnable next grand jury week.

A. Amanda Rockwell v. W. C. Rockwell. Libel in divorce. Leave granted libellant to take testimony in the city of Binghamton, N. Y.

Joseph Etsall v. John Reynard. New trial refused.

Tryphena Smith v. Township of Texas. New trial refused.

Com. v. Henry A. Miller. Rule to show cause why certain proceedings in an action of trespass, before R. A. Smith, J. P., shall not be dismissed. Answer filed.

FIFTY YEARS AGO.

What Was Thought Then of the Future of the Coal Trade.

The Wilkes-Barre Record of the Times is reprinting from its files the current news of that city fifty years ago. The following extract from an article which appeared last week will interest many of our readers: "It is well known that the Delaware & Hudson Coal Co. has been purchasing and leasing so as to extend their operations down the Lackawanna to Scranton, leaving nearly exhausted their mines around Carbondale. We have heard of negotiations nearer Wilkes-Barre. Scranton has its magnificent railroads to furnish with tonnage. The Pennsylvania Coal Co. has its road and the D. & H. its canal. If they extend their purchases much lower down, where are the North Branch and Wyoming canals to seek tonnage? Is it good policy for the canal companies to permit rival companies to monopolize the best lands remaining without an effort to prevent it? Anthracite coal really should bear the comparison in value to other coals that gold does to silver. We hope our coal men will have an understanding among themselves and cease to sacrifice the black diamonds. Let them insist on a fair return for it. The amount of coal sent from Honesdale by the D. & H. Canal Co. is nearly 360,000 tons, being 135,000 tons less than last year. The amount sent from Hawley by the Pennsylvania Coal Co. is 660,000 tons, being 90,000 tons more than last year. We are afraid that even our wisest business men do not appreciate the reckless extravagance with which we are squandering our anthracite deposits. Take the amount of coal sent to market and allow an average of ten thousand tons of coal to an acre, what an extent is excavated each year!"

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Correspondence

Items Gathered by
THE CITIZEN STAFF
About the County.

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DEC. 14th.—Miss Beahan, who teaches the Lakeville school, passed Saturday and Sunday with her parents at Hawley.

Cassie Roberts returned from Stroudsburg on Thursday. She will remain at home until after the holidays.

Miss Anna Eppel became the bride of Leonard Degrote on Thursday, Dec. 3d, in the Lutheran parsonage at Hawley, the Rev. R. Lucas performing the marriage ceremony. They were attended by the bride's sister, Miss Mary Eppel, A. Stroh, Gotlieb Eppel and Mrs. Laura Lyons. The bridal pair took the afternoon train for a brief tour, returning the following Saturday evening, when a dance was given to their friends at the bride's home. They began housekeeping in their new home near White Mills, on Monday last. The writer extends congratulations.

Mr. Cehler recently lost a horse; the animal dropping dead while drawing ties.

Wm. Sheeley and wife have been entertaining their son, Walter and family, of Port Jervis. Lucy Sheeley accompanied the visitors home to spend Christmas.

Mrs. Charles Utt has had another serious attack of neuralgia.

Julia Kostoch is working for Mrs. Byron Tuttle, who is ill at her home at Wilsonville.

On Tuesday, Dec. 1st, the Odd Fellows of Lakeville were visited by several members of the Salem Lodge, I. O. O. F., who came to assist them in some of their work. Refreshments were served.

Miss Myra Miller, teacher of the Bone Ridge school, and her pupils, will have a Christmas tree and appropriate exercises on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 24th.

Walter Butler has resigned his work of railroading, and has moved his family from Carbondale to Prompton, where he will work for a lumber firm.

The Young Peoples' society of the Jonestown Baptist church went to Hollisterville on Friday night and gave a farewell party to their pastor, Rev. Mr. East, and his family, who will soon leave for a new field in a warmer climate, owing to the delicate health of Mrs. East, who previously lived in the South.

Mr. Gangaby has gone to New York to purchase a team of horses.

Charles Locklin, of Lakeville, on Friday moved his family and household goods to Carbondale, where he has secured a position with Mr. Jordan, the wholesale confectioner. He will drive one of the delivery wagons.

As it is conceded that President-elect Taft is a distant relative of Royal Taft, of the Scranton post office, then of course he must be a relative of Mrs. N. E. Hause, now of Harrisburg, as she is a sister of Royal Taft, also Miss Anna Taft, another sister who is now organist of the Hawley M. E. church. In Mr. Hause's plea for Republican votes last fall, why was he so modest as not to let the facts be known? Had we known, we might have worked with much more energy and secured many more votes for our worthy scribe's wife's kin.

R. P. Murphy's pond at this place is now gradually filling with water. For fear of leaks by the frost he now has a gang of men working on the dam.

R. K. Cramer was here on Friday in the interest of the Scranton Fire Insurance Co. to be incorporated. Many subscribed for stock thinking it a good investment.

Ledgesdale.
Dec. 10th.—Those attending school every day during the past month are Augusta Schrader, Ruth Simons, Alvin and William Gillett. Bessie M. Decker, teacher.

Isaac Martin has returned home after spending some time in Hawley.

Mrs. Olver, of Honesdale, is assisting Mrs. F. B. Simons with her house work.

J. H. Reid, wife and children, Inez and Percy, of Kushequa, McKean county, are visiting at S. H. Reid's.

Lewis V. Runyon is home after spending the past few weeks in Dunmore.

B. K. Bortree has gone to spend the winter with his daughter, Mrs. Moses Cobb, at Hub.

Andrew Biesecker, of Newfoundland, was kept very busy in the blacksmith shop at this place, several days this week.

A. M. Surplice is cutting logs for Michael Madden.

F. B. Simons is on a business trip to Scranton.

J. D. Reid, and J. F. and James Gerrity have gone to Rickett's to spend the winter.

Bethany.
Dec. 14th.—Miss Edna Lavo, of New York, arrived home Saturday, to spend the holidays.

Your correspondent was misinformed in regard to William Pethick's birthday, our oldest resident, as it came on Dec. 13th, instead of the 14th. John Goff celebrated his seventy-fourth birthday on the same day. Their friends wish them many happy returns of the day.

Those who have not heard Mrs. Larkin are missing so many good things. The meetings have been well attended, the

largest crowd on Sunday morning. They will be continued every evening this week; deciding on Saturday evening as to future meetings. Next Sunday services at 10:30 A. M., and 2:30 and 7:30 P. M. Rev. W. B. Signor also expects at this time to have the President of Beulah Park Camp Meeting Association with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vaughn have moved to Honesdale.

Laura Starnes visited in Carbondale recently.

Sherman.
Dec. 14th.—Fine sleighing and good snug winter weather.

Rev. Mr. Moon, of Susquehanna, preached in the Presbyterian church last Sunday. It was a rare treat as we have been so long without a pastor.

Mrs. John Lynch, who has been sick for a long time, is now on the gain.

J. L. Stuart has started his acid factory, which will give employment to several men.

Mrs. Leonard Sweet, who has been sick for a long time is no better.

School is progressing finely under the management of Misses Ida Davy and Louise Lynch.

Mrs. Emily Carl is spending the winter with her cousin, Mrs. Reynolds.

What a pity it is that the people are all so good just at present. It spoils lots of good items.

Oran.
Dec. 14th.—The Sunday school expects to give an entertainment on Christmas.

There is plenty of snow and good sleighing in this vicinity, and the lumbermen seem to be putting in long days.

The Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society met at the home of their President last Tuesday and packed a large, well filled box and sent it to Tivoli, N. Y., for the Watts De Peyster Home for Children.

The Grange at this place will hold a social session after the regular meeting on Friday night of this week—and serve refreshments to their members.

The Ladies' Aid will be entertained on Thursday of this week by Mrs. E. L. Vincent. All are invited to dinner.

MENNER & Co. will close out their winter stock of Ladies' cloaks and suits at cut prices. 41e17

It is unnecessary to have your collars too large or too small—BROGSTEIN'S have them in quarter sizes.

Everybody reads the "cent-a-word column." Do you?

CITIZEN ad's bring results.

COLLECTION OF DIRECTORS—In compliance with an Act of Assembly and in accordance with Article 5 of the Constitution of the Wayne County Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co., notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the said company will be held in the office of the company, in the Post Office building, Honesdale, Pa., on

MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 1909, at 10 a. m., for the transaction of general business, and that an election will be held at the same place of meeting, between the hours of 1 and 2 p. m. of said day, for the purpose of electing ten members of said company to serve as directors for the ensuing year. Every person insured in the company is a member thereof, and entitled to one vote.

S. R. CRANE, President.
PERRY A. CLARK, Secretary.
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SUITABLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS

For both YOUNG and OLD

<p>Embroidery Scissors, plain and fancy handles, 25c to 85c</p> <p>Manicure Scissors, 75 to 85c Button-hole Scis., 65 to 75c Pocket Scissors, 25 to 65c</p> <p>Right and left hand Shears 25 to 90c.</p> <p>Pocket Knives, a large assortment to select from, 10c to \$4.00.</p> <p>Carving Sets, with genuine stag handles, every set guaranteed, \$1.50 to \$8.</p> <p>Manicure Files, 10 and 20c.</p> <p>Bath Thermometers 50c.</p> <p>Thermometers, 25c to \$2.</p> <p>Buggy Heaters, \$1.25 to \$2.25.</p> <p>Perfection Self-basting Roasters, both plain and enameled, 90c to \$1.75.</p>	<p>Razors—every Razor carries a full guarantee, \$1 to \$4.</p> <p>Safety Razors:— The Gillette, \$5. The Ever Ready, with 24 blades, \$5. The Ward, \$4. The Razac, \$8.50. The Gem, Jr., \$1.00.</p> <p>Razor Straps, best quality, 25c to \$1.50.</p> <p>Shaving Brushes, 20c to 75c.</p> <p>Razor Hones, 15c to \$1.</p> <p>Lamps to suit every one, at all prices.</p> <p>Rifles for the boys, \$1.50 to \$14.25.</p> <p>Air Rifles, 75c and \$1.</p> <p>Ice Skates, 65c to \$2.25.</p> <p>Perfection Oil Heaters, \$4.50 to \$5.</p>	<p>Nickel Pated Ware of the finest quality.</p> <p>Chafing Dishes, \$4.50 to \$7.</p> <p>Chafing Dish Trays, \$1.50.</p> <p>Chafing Dish Forks and Spoons, 90c.</p> <p>Serving Dishes with enamel insets, \$2 to \$5.</p> <p>Coffee Pots, silver lined, \$1.25 to \$1.85.</p> <p>Tea Pots, silver lined, \$1.25 to \$1.85.</p> <p>Crumb Trays, 35c to \$1.</p> <p>Tea Kettles, 85c to \$1.25.</p> <p>Soup Ladles, \$1.</p> <p>Bread Trays, 90c.</p> <p>Universal Bread Makers: No. 2—\$1.35 No. 4—\$2.00 No. 8—\$2.50</p>
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