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VERDICT

Is in Favor of Mercer County Commissioners

RENDERED IN NOTABLE SUIT AT GREENVILLE—JUST IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT SAYS JUDGE

[Greenville Daily Advocate.]

In the mandamus case of the state of Ohio ex rel the Commissioners of Mercer County vs. the Commissioners of Darke County, Judge Bowman decided the case in favor of the plaintiff Monday morning.

In making his decision Judge Bowman stated that the Darke County commissioners filed an answer in the Probate Court of Mercer county stating that they were unable to reach any agreement regarding the amount of money that should be assessed against the county for benefits received from the ditch that drains a large portion of land in the northern part of this county, but which is situated in Mercer county. The Commissioners asked that a committee of four freeholders be appointed by the Probate Judge of Mercer county to determine the amount of the assessment. Four freeholders, two from Darke and two from Mercer county were appointed and came to the conclusion that Darke county should pay $12,820.20 for the benefits derived therefrom.

The Commissioners of Darke county took exceptions to the ruling of the committee and took the case to the Supreme Cour of Ohio. This tribunal held that the decision of the commttee was legal and that Darke county should pay the amount specified.

However, the Commissioners neglected to do this and a short time ago the Commissioners of Mercer County filed a petition in the Common Pleas Court of Darke county to force the Commissioners of Darke County to pay the amount set off by the committee.

Judge Bowman held that the amount was just in proportion to the benefits derived therefrom and ordered the commissioners to make a levy on the land owners receiving benefits from the ditch.

This does not involve the land.

After the assessments are made according to benefits derived the property owners have the right to appeal to the courts for redress if they think that the assessment is unjust.

MERCER'S CANDIDATE

Mercer county has but one candidate in the field, ex-senator James D. Johnson who is known to our home people as one of the oldest and most successful members of the bar. He is big and broad enough in honor, experience and qualifications to fill the responsible position he seeks, that of Judge of the Court of Appeals.

Mercer county has never had her quota of offices. In fifty years she has had by one congressman, in thirty five years but one Senator and in thirty-two years but one Circuit Judge.

We urge that every voter in the county rally to the support of Senator Johnson a man who has spent his life and influence with home people and help to give Mercer county the recognition she deserves by casting your vote for Johnson for Judge of the Court of Appeals at the August primary.

CHILDREN

BY THE THOUSANDS ASSEMBLE IN ROME TO PRAY FOR RESTORATION OF PEACE

ROME, August 2.—Sunday's ceermony at the Vatican, during which Pope Benedict asked the children of Rome to pray for the restoration of peace in Europe, recalled the children's receptions given Pius X. Five thousand children thronged the great hall where the papal throne had been erected. Around the throne sat many cardinals, and all the parish priests and nuns.

On his entrance the pope was escorted by a detachment of the noble guards and followed by his whole court and a few privileged guests.

The pope said:

"Christ's love for children prompted me to order communion and prayers for the ending of the war. Angels are the children's representatives in Heaven. I believe God will hear their prayer.

"While our spiritual advisers have already informed you of the reason for our invitation, I want you to hear the reason from our mouth so that a lasting memory of this moment may remain in your soul—so you will always remember what you heard from us in this tragic epoch.

"Learn, children, that for two years men, formerly kind and loving, have been rendering and massacring each other. Your hearts are naturally made for beautiful spectcles and abhor horrid scenes. You cannot grasp the immensity of slaughter which the war is causing.

"Some of you, perhaps, have heard vivid accounts of the conflict from the lips of father, brother or other relatives but luckily the majority of you cannot comprehend the immensity of the appalling catastrophe.

"Be satisfied with the knowledge that you are today unconscious spectators of the darkest tragedy of human hatred and madness. You are witnessing the most terrific explation which God in his infinite wisdom ever compelled sinning society to inflict on itself with its own hands.

"For two years, we the father of the faithful, have suffered, prayed, exhorted; but the exhortation to lay down arms and end the shameful conflagration has been in vain."

TRY-OUT A LITTLE EXCITING

The hill at the foot of Sugar street connectin g with the reservoir bank road was the scene of an automobile accident last Saturday afternoon, when a new Oakland, driven by Jake Harting, of Rockford, and containing the other parties, turned over at the top of the hill.

The new car was for John Stillabarger and Mr. Harting was going to run it to his place. He was going out the bank road and at the Sugar street hill he attempted to turn around, the machine backing down the hill and turning over. Fortunately none of the occupants were hurt and only the top of the machine was seriously injured.

LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE

Since E. L. Putt, District Director for the Moose Lodge in Celina, has been with us, the membership has been largely increased, large classes being taken in every Friday night and a nice class will be taken in this (Friday) evening. The public in general are beginning to realize what it means to be a Moose and are responding satisfactorially.

He Accepts

Hughes has accepted the Republican nomination for the presidency. We thought he would. He also gave the Democrats fits for the way they were running the country. The Republican campaign for the presidency may now be said to be on. Hope our readers will survive the bombardment.

GET

To the Polls Tuesday, Democrats, and Do Your Duty

Plenty of Good Timber to Select From, and the Time to Do It At the Primary.

The Ottawa Sentinel hits the nail squarely on the head when it says:

"Men should vote and vote thier choice at primary elections. Selecting candidates is a legal and public duty. Voters are as much interested as the candidates. The voter pays the frieght. Who will best serve the public? Best judgment should be used when answering this question at the ballot box. The primary election is as important as laying a foundation on which to construct a building. What we get in the primary is what w ebuild on in November. Men shoudl stand before the ballot box and be counted as citizens on election day.

"Rain or shine the polls will be open next Tuesday from 5:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Help your party select candidates. Go to the polls and put a cross mark in front of the men whom you think best fitted to serve you. There will be no circle at the top. No Rooster or Eagle to help you vote. You must put a cross mark in front of the name of each man for whom you desire to vote."

Below is a complete list of candidates on the Democratic tickt to voted upon at the primary next Tuesday, as well as the Republican county ticket. The names of the candidates will apear in alphabetical order on the ballots, as follows:

DEMOCRATIC TICKET, STATE, DISTRICT AND COUNTY

For Governor—
James M. Cox
J. C. Martin,
A. P. Sandles

For Lieutenant Governor—
Earl D. Bloom
E. J. Hopple
D. L. Sutter
George W. Tooill

For Secretary of State—
Carl F. Anderson
Wm. D. Fulton
C. D. Meekinson
J. Henry Newman
Thornton R. Snyder
Wm. A. Yeygandt

For Auditor of State—
Vic Donahey

For Treasurer of State—
Chester E. Bryan

For Attorney General—
Joseph McGee
W. J. Schwenck
Scott Stahl

For Judge Supreme Court (Two to nominate)—
Maurice H. Donohue
James S. Johnson.

For United States Senator—
John J. Lentz
Atlee Pomerene

For Congress—
N. W. Cunningham
F. M. Hunt
* T. P. Riddle
L. M. Studevant
B. F. Welty

For Member State Central Committee—
J. C. W. Coppess
Con. F. Drees

For Judge of the Court of Appeals, (long term)—
Phil M. Crow

Short Term—
Harry L. Conn
William P. Duffy
Fred E. Guthery
Kent W. Hughes
James D. Johnson
Benjamin Meck

For State Senator—
Wm. Behne
Thomas M. Berry
George W. Holl

For Representative to General Assembly—
Fred Huber
E. K. Huddle
John E. Pifer
S. S. Scranton

For Judge of the Probate Court—
Orvelle Raudabaugh

For Clerk of the Common Pleas Court—
J. B. Haslinger

For Sheriff—
William Pumphrey
Leo C. Schunck

For County Auditor—
James K. Carlin
Earl E. Garwick
William H. Hecht
D. E. Mott
Ed G. Ungerer
Clarence L. Vining

For County Commissioner—
John Dues
Jason T. Frysinger
John Hein
John Hildbold
George Hill
Irvin Hole
John Now
Joseph Stammen
Robert Steinbrunner
Jacob A. Tingley

For County Treasurer—
Perry Baker
Henry F. Lempke
Henry Schroer

For County Recorder
James E. Hart
J. B. Maurer
George H. Preston
Clyde E. Thomas

For County Surveyor—
Noah L. Hinton
Bert Morrison

For Prosecuting Attorney—
John Kramer
Orel J. Myers
C. A. Stubbs

REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET

For Representative to General Assembly—
C. W. Halfhill
Clarence D. Rice

For Judge of the Probate Court—
C. S. Younger

For Clerk of the Common Pleas Court—
W. B. Nichols

For Sheriff—
Tom Roop

For County Auditor—
J. H. Harting
John Zenz

For County Commissioner—
B. F. Smith

For County Treasurer—
A. H. Barber

For County Recorder—
Anthony Meiring

For Member of County Central Committee—
Adam Bollenbacher

JUNIOR

Contests Will Feature the Coming Banner Fair

HORSE-SHOE PITCHERS REQUESTED TO SEND NAMES TO SECRETARY HAMILTON FOR RULES

The boys Pig Raising and Poultry Raising Clubs will be well represented with large exhibits at the Banner Fair, August 15 to 18. A large tent has been secured as headquarters for the boys' clubs. Look for the big sign. Do not miss seeing this novel and interesting feature. A large number of boys have entered the stock judging contest. Come and see the boys judge live stock at 9 a.m., on Thursday of the Fair.

All children 14 years of age and under who come to the Secretary's office on Tuesday of the Fair will be given a free ticket for a ride on the Merry-to-Round.

All men who desire to enter the Horse Shoe Pitching contest should send their names to the Secretary and Rules and Regulations will be sent.

Mrs. F. N. Chesmore, who has been visiting at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Linn, East Fulton street, returned to her home in Nebraske last Friday.

PLANNING FOR A LARGER WHEAT CROP

Banner yields of wheat on farms scattered throughout Ohio, in spite of the unfavorable winter are due to the excellent care of soil in preparing the seedbed and to the fertility of the soil, say the soil specialists. Just now the College of Agriculture of Ohio is arranging for soil fertility meetings in August and September, which are designed to help the farmer handle his soil for a bigger crop yield. A specialist is at your service who will consider the fertility of your soil, the manure available on the farm, the best fertilizers to buy and test it for acidity. Any reader of this paper can secure a demonstration by writing to Clark S. Wheeler, Director of the Agricultural College Extension Service, Columbus, O.

LISTEN TO THIS

The American Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian church at Chicago on June 9 adopted resolutions recommending, as follows:

1. That the Synod commends the land laws of the Hebrews as containing basal principles which recognize the perpetual proprietorship of God in the land.

2. That Synod commends the object of those laws: (1) That each family should own a home, (2) that monopoly should be prevented (3) that equality of opportunity should exist.

3. That we believe the direct command "six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work," has its corrolary in the social obligation to make conditions such that that there need be no worthy unemployed.

4. We hold that each contributor in the production of wealth, whether individual or community, should share in distribution in ration of contribution.

5. We believe that the adoption of those propositions in our economic system would work for the attainment of the ends secured by the land laws of the Hebrews.

OF THE MOST IMPORTANCE

At the Franklin county grange picnic at the state fair grounds last Friday, L. J. Tabor, master of the stae grange, spoke and said the question of better men and women in the country was more important than that of better crops and better stock, and then he urged all the farmers to vote at the primaries, and he might have added, vote for men and not for politicians. That is the way to show what is important in this country. Hanging on to a lot of bosses and deadbeats is worse than raising weeds and mangy stock. The farmers have it in their hands to put real men in charge of public affairs. The old-time politics is played out. Men are more important than politics. Good clean upright men mean good policies whatever the platforms say. Let the farmers find out who are the real men on the tickets and vote for them and not for the suckers who have been placed there by the bosses.—Ohio State Journal.

Those who have been contending that this country has been unneutral in the European conflict as against Germany will please observe that Germany doesn't hold this belief, else she would not have sent the Dutschland, her first submarine merchantmen to America with a cargo of material which we needed.—Alexandria (Ind.) Press.

TEACHERS

Will Meet in Annual Institute on August 21

WEEK'S SESSION WILL BE REPLETE WITH GOOD THINGS OF LASTING EDUCATIONAL VALUE

The Mercer County Teacher's Institutet will be held in the City Hall, Celina Ohio, August 21 to 25, 1916.

The instructors will be Dr. W. E. Chancellor, of the college of Wooster, and Miss Anna E. Logan, of Cincinnati.

Dr. Chancellor has written a number of books on school administration and has had many years experience in supervision and educational lecturing.

Miss Logan, formerly of the State Normal College at Oxford, O., is now assistant superintendent of the Cincinnati public schools.

Prof. L. W. West, of Celina, O., will have charge of the music.

State Supt. F. B. Pearson is expected to be present one day.

The county eighth grade commencement will be held on Thursday afternoon, August 24th.

TAMPERING WITH THE SMITH LAW

Cleveland is in another of its paroxysms over the Smith one per cent law. They want more money and object to the economy route. There was never a time that the tax spenders had all the money they wanted. This fact the legislature that enacted the Smith law had in mind, and so they fixed the limit at one per cent in the interest of the tax payers. The axspenders must accomodate themselves to the exactions of the law. They can meet them if they will. But if they can't or won't, the people of Ohio don't want the law altered on their account. If it is, then follow more debt and interest. The Smith law is working just as the legislature intended, which was to force tax-spenders to a habit of economy. That may go against the grain, but that will suit the tax payers. A change in the law means more extravagance. So the alternative presents itself—extravagance or economy. The people prefer the latter and it is highly probable that the people of Cleveland do, also.—Ohio State Journal.

MEETS WITH ACCIDENT IN PECULIAR MANNER

Frank Heckner, residing north-west of this city, while walking in front of a ditching machine Tuesday morning caught his foot in the machine badly wrenching it, tearing the ligaments and crushing small bones in the foot.

There is only one business record of Republican days which Democratic prosperity has not demolished and that is the $178,000,000 of failure liabilities brought about by Wall street and the Republican administration in 1907-'08—which still stands as the world's panic record.

The first six months of 1916 show new industrial and financial incorporations of $1,800,000,000. This is 70 per cent of the greatest twelve month record under republican administration. Moreover, it kills the chief Republican campaign slogan, that business fears the approach of peace.

There are 1,240,000 tons of steel merchant vessels now building in American shipyards against 270,000 under Republican administration in 1912; and yet the Republican platform declares that only under Republican subsidy and subvention can Americans biuld and sail ships.

MRS. MARY DICKMAN, 88, ENJOYS REUNION

Mrs. Mary Dickman, who remains eighty-eight years young, together with her family, enjoyed the happiest of family reunions at the Gast club house Sunday.

With the exception of Mrs. Ida Winklass, of Chicago, and Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Riley and Miss Lela Crockett, who were in Chicago, the children and grandchildren were nearly all present. It is the intention to hold these family reunions every year. Present on Sunday were the revered and respected mother, Mrs. Dickman, Mrs. S .H. Crockt and daughters, Blanche and Myrtle, Mrs. Phene Shepard, Spokane; Mrs. Hannah Brandon, Simmsbury Conn.; Mr. and Mrs. John Dickman and Miss Leona; Wm. Dickman and son Harold, of Midland, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Hedrick, Hartwell, O.; Mr. and Mrs. John Gast and family; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dickman and daughter. Dinner and supper were served and then came an impromptu song service with Mrs. Hdrick's beautiful voice leading them in many a familiar song and hymn. —Standard.

WILL THE OHIO STATE JOURNAL EXPLAIN?

A soldier has no more right to get drunk than a preacher. He cannot be faithful to his country if he defies God's law, and getting drunk is one of the forms of defiance. In fact, intemperance has done this country more harm than all the Mexican, Spanish, British or Confederate guns have done; and the man who will cultivate that vice is as much an enemy of the Republic as they were."

The above paragraph is from an editorial in the Ohio State Journal and every word is true. But the young soldier boys are not the only persons who are to blame for whatever drunkenness there is among the men of the militia. Mobilization camps are located near big cities and the boys are down street in great numbers. They are away from home and temporarilly from the discipline of camp life. The saloons find many of these young men susceptible and every inducement is offered them to drink.

In Columbus the past week big advertisements have appeared in the daily papers, illustrating soldier life, uniform and all, and appealing to the "physical fitness" which can be gained by drinking certain brands of intoxicants. It was a sordid appeal to the soldier boys to enter saloons and "booze up." Such advertisements are as unpatriotic and un-American as the saloon itself.

What about a newspaper that carries such advertisements? Is it not a big factor in debauching the soldier boys?

We ask the Ohio State Journal if it did not publish such an advertisement, and we would like to ask the Journal to explain the consistency between the advertisement and the editorial paragraph which heads this article.—American Issue.

THE GRIM REAPER

John Kettring, sr., aged 70 years, died at his home in Blackcreek township last Sunday morning.

Mr. Kettring had been in failing health for some time.

About nine o'clock Sunday morning Mrs. Kettring lay down to rest and Mr. Kettring went to the kitchen to shave. She fell asleep and did not wasen until about twelve o'clock and upon going to the kitchen she was horrified to find the lifeless body of her husband lying on the floor.

Deceased is survived by his wife, four daughters and a son.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Zion church. Interment was had at the Rockford cemetery.

Mrs. J. J. Saalman, of Philothea, died at her home last Saturday morning.

Mrs. Saalman is a sister-in-law of Clerk of Courts J. B. Haslinger. The death is made more deploring by the deceased being the mother of a babe five months old. She was the loving mother of a family of eight children, the oldest being fourteen years of age.

Funeral services were held at the Catholic church at Philothea Monday morning.

Mrs. Mary Diebold, formerly of Coldwater, but who for the past several years has been residing in Dayton, died at her home in that city last Saturday afternoon. Death was due to a cancer of the liver from which she had been a sufferer for over a year.

Deceased is a sister of Mrs. John Hamburger and Pete Stachler, of this city.

Funeral services were held at the Catholic churc hat Dayton last Wednesday morning.

The little five months old baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hadas, of Bryan, O., died in this city last Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fox, South Mill street.

Mr. and Mrs. Hadas are Austrians. They arrived Saturday to pay a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Fox. Saturday evening the little one suddenly took ill with cholrea infantum, and all efforts to save the babe's life were in vain.

Funeral services were held at the Catholic church in this city last Tuesday morning and interment at the Catholic cemetery.

The remains of Mrs. Mace Alspaugh Meacham whose death occurred in Pasadena, Calif., on July 14th, arrived here this week and was laid to rest in the family lot in Riverside on Wednesday. Mrs. Meacham was the daughter of Mrs. Jonathan Alspaugh and for a number of years lived just west of Rockford. The surviving husband, mother, brothers and sisters have the sympathy of thier many friends in this, their hour of sorrow. Mrs. Meacham was well and favorably known in this community and the news of her death was a sad shock to her friends.—Rockford Press.

Mrs. Lydia Drake, aged 81 years, died at the home of her son, Harvey Drake, at Portland, Ind., last Tuesday evening. Mrs. Drake was the mother of Mrs. L. D. Brumm, of this city. She had been bedfast for seven weeks, her death being due to a complication of diseases. Mrs. Brumm had been with her mother during her recent illness.

INTRUDER

Attacks Miss Ruth Johnson Daughter of J. D. Johnson

FOUND LYING UNCONSCIOUS ON PORCH BY SISTER EARLY TUESDAY EVENING

Lying unconscious, with a piece of cloth tied over her face, Miss Ruth Johnson, daughter of Senator J. D. Johnson, was found on the veranda of the Johnson home on North Main Street last Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Jonhson and Miss Winifred had gone to the Chautauqua, leaving Miss Ruth, who had not been feeling well, at home. About seven-thirty, Miss Winifred accompanied by William Weis, returned home to get a light coat and the former, upon reaching the veranda was astonished to see her sister lying on the floor. Upon closer inspection, however, she found that Miss Ruth had been attacked by some one, as a cloth was tied across her face. Dr. Stubbs was immediately sent for and word was sent to Mrs. Johnson at the Chautauqua.

Upon the doctor's arrival he found that Miss Johnson had been drugged and it was after 10 o'clock before she regained consciousness. Miss Johnson says she felt the presence of someone near her, but before she could turn, she was siezed and something placed on her face, when she lost consciousness.

The motive of the intruder could not be ascertained. Miss Jonnson received no marks of violence other than slight bruise on the face. The house had evidently not been entered, as nothing inside had been disturbed.

Senator Johnson, who is on his campaign, could not be reached unti lWednesday, and as Miss Ruth had completely recovered from the shock, she requested that her father not be alarmed.

SEEING THE FAIR

Just a few words to my friends (of course, I have but few) about us being at the Banner Fair last year, 1915. We were more than surprised. Why, when we got to the fair ground gates, we met such genteel fellows, who were so anxious to assist you in any way they could. We bought a family ticket, my wife and I and the boys and girls, including old Dick and the surrey, our sack of hay and oats, and a basket well filled with the best a farmer can grow and it cost only $1 to enjoy the whole push. We drove right in as we had been there 25 times or more. We drove under one of those fine shade trees they have there, unhitchd old Dick, gave him some water—they have a lot of it there—then tied him to one of those new iron hitching posts which Dick could never break down, then went back to the surrey and the family, were all waiting to see the sights. We visited the displays of sheep, hogs, cattle, hogs and poultry. My own son Sam was so pleased with the lot of sheep displayed that we could hardly get him away from there, my son Isaac I always call him a hog, because there is no animal he admires as much as a hog. When we went through the hog department he said "Pa, them are better hogs than ours, but in a few years we will have some to equal them," and Peter, he is my horse and cattle boy, says, "They have us all skinned when it comes to horses and cattle." Lydia and Eliza say they are not sure but think they have some hems about as good as they saw at the fair. Then we went and examined the machinery and automobiles. Of course, we would like a lot of them things, but we haven't got the money to buy all the best of everything, so the boys say, "Pa, do not tempt us, or we might get in the notion," so I drew their attention to the Ar Hall and Agricultural Hall, the state exhibit. We witnessed the grand parade on the race track, it is worth going 50 miles to see; the children say they never saw such a lot of fine horses and cattle. My wife, Mary Ann, had been pulling my sleeve for a long time, so I asked her what the trouble could be. She says "It is feeding time, I am getting hungry." So we went back to the surrey, got out our basket, spread a cover on the grass and partook of one of the best meals I ever ate. We enjoyed it so much we intend going again this year. I then fed old Dick, took in the racing, which was surely fine, took in a few of the shows and then drov home. The boys and girls talked of the Fair for months and they say are sure going again this year. We have an auto, that it what I call it, but the children say it is no automobile, it is only a Ford. I noticed last year they were very nice to the auto owners if thy would only obey their orders and drive as told. Hope to see you, my friends, at the fair during 1916. I expect to be there most every day this year; because we have a Ford and it only costs $1 for four days for the whole push.

Scotchman
Scotches The
Country

ANDREW SMITH HURT IN FALL FROM WAGON

Andrew Smith, of Hopewell township, was painfully injured last Saturday morning when he fell from a wagon, while working on his farm.

Mr .Smith was hauling fertilizer from his barnyard and the team he was driving ran away throwing him from the wagon and breaking his leg and bruising his head and face considerably.

Mr. Smith is sixty-five years of age and he feels he was slightly overcome by the intense heat and the exertion in holding down the team caused him to fall from the wagon.

Because of his age, the physician thought the accident to be very serious, however, Mr. Smith is at the present doing as well as could be expected.

HOGS FOR PRIZES IN PIG CLUB WORK

Four purebred hogs have been offered as prizes to the four boys who make the best record in the pig growing clubs which are being conducted by the Agricultural College Extension Service of the Ohio State University, Columbus. The name of the breeds of swine and their donators are: Hampshire, John W. Wulchet, Dayton; Berkshire, W. H. Palmer, Walnut Meadow Farm, Thurston; Duroc-Jersey, Howard Gerlaugh, New Carlisle and Yorkshire Donald Acklin, Perrysberg. The number now in the clubs is 625, all of the boys must submit complete records of their pigs to be eligible to prizes.

WHAT IS A SILO WORTH?

Did you know that corn in the silo is worth 40 per cent more than corn in the shock? And that every farmer who builds a silo increases the efficiency of his acres about 35 per cent? Recent experiments show that silage when used with cottonseed meal for fattening cattle produced gains as a cost of $4 less per hundred pounds than when corn, stover and hay made up the ration?

Most silo owners say that a silo is profitable to the farmer who feeds at least ten head of cows or fattening cattle the year round. One and one-half inches of silage should be fed daily to insure a minimum loss from spoiling. The silo should be at least 10 feet in diameter.

FOOTPRINTS ON THE SANDS OF TIME

—Elizabeth Evening Times

OH, CALAMITY!

(Cincinnati Commercial Tribune, August 3.)

Figures compiled on business conditions yesterday by the Chamber of Commerce reveals a nation-wide state of prosperity, which has not been equaled for a good many years.

The railroads for the eleventh-month period of the fiscal year shw a net income of $939,329,282, as compared to $650,736,672 for a similar period in 1915.

Big Pete says he sold 304 pairs of shoese sox and gloves last Saturday evening. adv

MAKE YOUR FAIR ENTRIES AUGUST 11 OR 12.

All persons living in Celina or vicinity who can conveniently will confer a favor f they will call at the Fair Board office on Friday or Saturday August 11 or 12 to make their entries. The office is in Raudabaugh & Thomas' rooms.

W. A. HAMILTON Secretary

ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT ERASTUS

The men of the Erastus M. E. church will hold an ice cream sodial Saturday evening, August 5. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

To the Democratic Voters of Mercer County:

As you perhaps know, I am a candid ate for the nomination for County Auditor My friends tell me that I am well qualified and I believe that I am. In any event if I am nominated and elected I shall do my level best to perform the duties of the office in a manner that will be satisfactory to the public, and strive to merit the confidence reposed in me by yourself and others who support me.

You may know, too, that I have been sincere and constant in my support of the party and its candidates in the past, and have, on many occasions, exerted myself in its behalf, having for the past six years served as Secretary of the Democratic County Executive Committee, and I propose to continue such efforts in the future.

It was my desire to see personally every Democratic voter in the county before next Tuesday, but I find this is impossible in the time I could devote to campaign work, and I take this means to solicit your vote and influence, if I have not met you personally, and to again ask for your aid if you are one of the voters with whom I have had the pleasure of shaking hands.

I hope to meet quite a few voters between now and Tuesday, but I take this occasion to ask each and every voter in the county to kindly remember me on next Tuesday, August 8.

Yours very truly,

James K Carlin

LAD MEETS WITH SERIOUS INJURY

Floyd Fast, 10 years old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Fast, of Center township, fell backwards from the separator of a thrshing mchine lst Wednesday, injuring his spine and causing concussion of the bral. He was rendered unconscious and remained in that state for several hours. He rested as well as could be expected yesterday and it is hoped that he may recover in due time.

DAN CUPID VICTIMS

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED

Norris Davis, 23, Wyoming Co., West Va., farmer, son of J. A. Davis, and Maggie Deskins, 18, Blackcreek township, housekeeper, daughter of Marion Deskins.

Robert C. Garwood, 25, Blackcreek tp., laborer, son of Daniel Garwood and Mary Barker, 23, Blackcreek tp., housekeeper, daughter of Gil Cardell.

R. C. Spornhauer, 21, St. Henry, teacher, son of Henry Spornhauer and Frances Gerlach, 18, Carthagena, housekeeper, daughter of Michael Gerlach. Rev. Relas.

Seth A. McCain, 36, Ft. Recovery, carpenter, son of Peter McCain and Hannah M. Portz, 22, Ft. Recovery, housekeeper daughter of Edward Sommers.

WILL OPEN NEW AUTO PARK

The Darke County Agricultural Society i spreparing to handle the greatest crowds in it s60 year's existence. A new auto park will be opened in the southeast corner of the beautiful grounds, which added to the new addition of several acres on the north will furnish bette raccomodations tha never. Other subatantial improvements have been made throughout the extensive grounds—th largest and most beautiful Fair Grounds to be found anywhere.