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WILBURN CONVICTED.

Rev. James E. Wilburn, preacher, was convicted in the Circuit Court of Jefferson county last Friday of the murder of Deputy Sheriff John Gore in Logan county during the armed march of the coal miners in August, 1921. The prosecution had piled up a mass of evidence against Wilburn from which there was no escape, even though his witnesses were the subject of savage attacks on the part of the defense in attempts to break down their testimony. Friday was given over to the summing up by the attorneys, each being allowed three and a half hours. The court-room was packed all day long with men and women from every section of the county, who listened with attentive interest to the speeches of the lawyers. Those who spoke for the defense were James M. Mason, Jr., H. W. Houston and T. C. Townsend, Col. Forrest W. Brown, prosecuting attorney John Chafin of Logan county, Hon. C. W. Osenton and A. M. Belcher spoke for the prosecution, and it was agreed that they had the best of the argument. The State pressed for a verdict of murder in the first degree, and described with startling vividness the cruel murder of Gore and the two other deputies who were shot down on Blair Mountain. The defense dwelt principally upon attacks on the credibility of the State's witnesses.

During the long and trying day the prisoner sat in his chair with but little change of expression upon his face. His wife and several of their children were with him. Mrs. Wilburn was nervous and ill at ease, and wept when the attorneys turned their batteries of denunciation upon her husband. A night session was held, and Attorney Belcher made the closing argument for the State. About 8.15 the case was given to the jury and they retired to their room, where Jesse A. Engle was chosen as foreman.

The crowd remained in the court-room, though the judge left the bench and went to his chambers. It seemed to be the general opinion that a verdict would be agreed upon, and the crowd buzzed and chattered as it awaited the decision. The prisoner and his family sat alone within the enclosure of the bar, apparently deserted by the union leaders who had gotten him into his predicament. At 9.35 a bell rang, and almost instantly there was silence—it was a signal from the jury room. A moment or two later the jury with serious faces filed into the room and took their places. Foreman Engle held a paper in his hand. Clerk Conrad asked him if the jury had agreed upon a verdict. "We have," he replied, and handed the paper to the clerk, who read it. It was a verdict that James E. Wilburn was guilty of murder in the second degree. The prisoner scarcely changed expression at all. His wife put her face into her hands and wept bitterly. The judge suggested a change in the phraseology of the verdict, and Clerk Conrad wrote it as it should be in order to conform to local requirements. The jury affirmed that this was their verdict. The attorneys for the defense made the usual motions for a new trial, to be argued later. Judge Woods then ordered that the jury be released from further duty for this term and court adjourned. The prisoner was led back to the county jail. A friend guided him through the crowd to the outside of the court-house. One or two persons spoke a word of sympathy to her, and a tender-hearted woman pressed into her hand a handkerchief with which she wiped her tear-dimmed eyes.

The jurymen, weary and anxious from their constant service of twelve days, quickly gathered up their belongings and lost no time in hurrying to their homes and families who were anxiously awaiting their return. The verdict met with general approval. The jurymen would have found the prisoner guilty of first degree murder under the provisions of the court, but as there was no evidence as to whether or not he knew that the fatal shots, he was pronounced second degree. The verdict, it is said, was practically unanimous from the very first consideration given to the case, and is considered to be in accordance with the law and the facts.

The prosecution announced that it would place upon trial John Wilburn, son of Rev. James E. Wilburn, who was indicted for the same crime as his father was convicted. It was charged that John Wilburn and other deputies killed Gore and the other deputies. Tuesday a grand jury of twenty jurors was impaneled in court, and from them and the grand jury of a former panel who had done jury duty was to be selected twelve men to try John Wilburn. Among the new jurors called were Charles S. Wilburn and I. Allen Hendricks of the Shepherdstown neighborhood. There were a number of so much protest because of the fact that their farming interests would be neglected if they were taken from their homes at the present time that Judge Woods finally decided to postpone court until August 7th.

Yesterday attorneys for the defense argued for a new trial for Rev. Mr. Wilburn. They based their contention on two points: First, alleged error by the court in permitting the jury to consider statements made by persons other than the defendant after the killing and concerning property exhibited at the same time of the statements and alleged to have been taken from Deputy

Gore's dead body; an affidavit presented in support of the motion in which James F. Mason and A. G. Grubb, Jefferson county residents, swore that James D. Kemp, one of the Wilburn jurors, said in the store of C. R. Landon at Myerstown, this county, during the Blizzard treason trial, that the "miners would not get their dues until every one of them was hanged." The State filed a counter affidavit from Kemp himself and also an exhibit of his examination on the voir dire. Judge Woods took the matter under consideration and said he would announce his decision later. The court refused to grant bail to the seven men now in jail charged with murder and other offenses. Judge Woods expressing the opinion that the court ought to go slow in extending bail in these cases after it had been refused in Logan county.

The court was then adjourned until Monday, August 7th, by agreement of counsel on both sides, and the jurors were dismissed until that time.

Notes of the Churches.

The first union open-air service which had been announced for last Sunday evening was not a satisfactory one. About forty drops of rain fell at 5 o'clock, and though the evening was clear and pleasant and there was no good reason why the service should not have been held out of doors, the benches were not brought out and the people were invited to go to the college auditorium. This, having been closed for some time, was warm and stuffy, and much dissatisfaction was expressed at the lack of proper arrangements. Rev. W. M. Compton preached an excellent sermon. An open-air meeting is announced for the coming Sunday evening at 6.30 o'clock. The service is to be a patriotic one, with sermon by Rev. Dr. S. L. Flickinger.

Communion services will be held in the Presbyterian churches Sunday, in Shepherdstown at 11 a. m., and at Kearneysville at 8 p. m. Preparatory service in the Shepherdstown Presbyterian church Saturday at 11 a. m. A special offering for the Lord's Day Alliance will be made at both churches.

M. E. Church—Shepherdstown, 9.45 a. m., Sunday school; 11 a. m., sermon, "Should the 18th Amendment be Nullified?" Shaarbesy, 8 p. m., same subject. Mt. Wesley, 9.30 a. m., Sunday school; 7.30 p. m., Epworth League.

Christ Reformed Church—At 10 a. m., Sunday school; at 11 a. m., holy communion. Open-air service in Shepherdstown at 6.30 p. m., subject, American Foundation Stones, sermon by Rev. S. L. Flickinger, D. D.

There will be services in Zion Presbyterian Church Sunday at 9.15 a. m., in Elk Branch Church at 11 a. m., in the Union Church at Middletown at 3 p. m., and in the Presbyterian Church at Shenandoah Junction at 8 p. m.

Rev. Wm. U. Beeler, of Green Allen, Va., has been engaged to serve the Baptist churches of Leetown, Shenandoah Junction and Summit Point this summer.

Trinity Episcopal Church—At 9.45 a. m., Sunday school; at 11 a. m., celebration of the holy communion and sermon, "Religion and Patriotism."

Lutheran—Service Sunday in Shepherdstown at 11 a. m. Sunday school at 9.45 a. m.

Summer Weddings.

Mr. George Wesley Whiting, formerly of this vicinity, and Miss Florence Marie Barrett, of Chicago, were married last Saturday at the home of the bride in the latter city. Mr. Whiting and Miss Barrett have both been members of the faculty of the University of Kentucky for the past four years and are among the most popular teachers in that institution. The bride is a graduate of the University of Chicago and also has her master's degree from that institution. She was made an assistant professor in the department of Romance languages last June. Her remarkable gifts as a teacher of the French language have made her work most successful. Mr. Whiting is a graduate of Shepherd College and of Harvard University and has been a valuable member of the English faculty of the University of Kentucky. His advance work toward a higher degree has been practically completed at the University of Chicago. We join with many friends in wishing for the young couple lifelong happiness and prosperity.

Mr. Ralph A. Mills, of Martinsburg, and Miss Grace Ellen Elliott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Elliott, of Jefferson county, were married at the Southern Methodist parsonage in Hagerstown last Saturday afternoon by Rev. L. M. Ferguson.

Mr. John S. Long and Miss Blanche Hines, both of Martinsburg, were married last Saturday in Frederick, Md., by Rev. W. R. Glenn.

Mr. Raymond Brandenburg and Miss Blanche Comiskey, both of Martinsburg, were married in Hagerstown last Thursday.

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PERSONAL NOTES.

Mr. Henry C. Marten, the hardware dealer, is spending this week in New Haven, Connecticut, attending the convention of the National Association of Winchester Clubs. A couple of thousand of Winchester dealers from every section of the country are attending the meeting. A very interesting programme is being enjoyed by the delegates, who are the guests of the Winchester Arms Company.

Mrs. Herman Holland and her daughter, Miss Elizabeth, of Easton, Md., spent the past week week-end in Shepherdstown with Mr. R. S. M. Hoffman. Mrs. Holland was formerly Miss Virginia Wright, of Shepherdstown, and her friends here were glad to greet her again and to see her looking so well.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cox and their two children were here the past week visiting the home of Mr. W. R. Louthan, north of town. They drove from Morgantown in their automobile. Mrs. Cox was formerly Miss Maggie Merrells, music teacher at Shepherd College.

Miss Lillie Marten has returned from a visit of a couple of weeks with her sister, Mrs. Harvey W. Harmer, in Clarksburg, W. Va. Mrs. Wilbur Davis, of Mt. Hope, W. Va., is here with her two children to spend a couple of weeks at her old home.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Walter Washington and their son John A. Washington, of Charles Town, sailed last Friday from Montreal, Canada, for Glasgow, Scotland. While they are abroad they will visit S. W. Washington, Jr., a Rhodes scholar at Oxford University.

Prof. A. C. Kimler, of Waynesboro, Va., is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Miller, west of Shepherdstown. Prof. Kimler was principal of Shepherd College some years ago and his friends here are glad to see him again.

Mr. William Gehri, who recently graduated from Kenyon College, at Gambier, Ohio, is visiting the family of Mr. H. C. Malone in Shepherdstown. Mr. Gehri preached a very excellent sermon in Trinity Episcopal Church last Sunday morning.

Mr. B. F. Long, of Brunswick, Md., and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stewart, of Carnegie, Pa., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Spewer, west of town. This is the fifth trip Mr. and Mrs. Stewart have made over the mountains in their car.

Miss Alice Osborn, of the Duffields neighborhood, is in Woodsford, Maine, this week, where she was a bridesmaid last night at the wedding of her brother, Mr. Cleon Scott Osborn, and Miss Beth Loring Neal.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Miller and their daughter and their son Stewart and his wife, of Roanoke, Va., motored to Shepherdstown and spent last week with the family of Mr. Wm. R. Miller.

Mrs. Porter Garnett, of Pittsburg, is here to spend the summer with Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Crawford, at Crawford Hall. Professor Garnett has gone to California for a month or two.

Mr. I. N. Bonham, county superintendent of schools, was in Shepherdstown yesterday visiting Shepherd College and renewing acquaintance with his friends.

Mrs. Fred A. VanMetre, from south of town, was a caller at the Register office on Tuesday and renewed her subscription to her favorite newspaper.

Miss Dorothy Burck left this morning for a visit to friends in Roland Park, Baltimore. She will spend next week in Cape May, New Jersey.

Mr. Ross Louthan is home from Randolph-Macon Academy at Front Royal, Va., where he has been a popular student the past year.

Mr. Walter R. Houston, of Hagerstown, and Miss Mabel Siler, of Martinsburg, were married in the latter city yesterday evening.

Prof. C. J. Dryfuse is here from Philadelphia to spend some time with his family at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Banks.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Waid, of Parkersburg, W. Va., are visiting Mrs. Waid's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Licklider, west of town.

Mrs. Annie L. Deck, of Washington, is visiting at Ingleside Farm, the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Engle, at Uvilla.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. McDonald drove to Romney last Saturday and spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Staub.

Mr. T. Lee Koontz, one of the Register's subscribers from south of town, was among our callers yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Knott spent Saturday and Sunday in Bunker Hill with Dr. and Mrs. M. G. Hoffman.

Miss Julia Grove has gone to Harrisburg, Pa., to spend a few weeks among relatives and friends.

Mrs. J. C. Hahn, of Lancaster, Pa., is in Shepherdstown visiting her sister, Mrs. S. P. Humrickhouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McDonald, of Parkersburg, W. Va., are visiting their relatives in Shepherdstown.

Miss Lottie M. Houser, of Sharpsburg, was a caller at the Register office on Tuesday.

Miss Florence Myers, of this vicinity, is visiting Miss Eleanor Groh in Hagerstown this week.

DEATH IS EVER BUSY.

Henry Clay Reynolds, one of Shepherdstown's most estimable residents, passed away at his home in this place Wednesday afternoon at half-past three o'clock, in the 78th year of his age. He had been ill for the past two months from a general breakdown and had been bedfast for four weeks. Mr. Reynolds was a native of Berkeley county, but had lived a large part of his life in Jefferson county, having for a number of years farmed one of the Shepherd farms north of town. He was one of the most exemplary men in our community—quiet, courteous, gentle of speech and manner, yet with firm convictions and the courage to express his opinions. He could always be counted upon to take the right side of public questions and to do his full duty. He had for many years been a consistent member of the Reformed Church, serving as a member of the consistory, and was known as a pious, Christian man. Honorable and upright, his influence was always for good; and though he will be missed from our community, his virtues will long be remembered. Besides his wife, he is survived by a brother, John Reynolds, of Berkeley county, and two sisters, Mrs. Louis Robinson, of Martinsburg, and Mrs. Thos. J. Clapham, of the Vanleesville neighborhood. Mr. Reynolds was a Confederate veteran, having served with credit during the Civil War as a member of Company F, First Virginia Cavalry. The funeral service will be held at his late home Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, interment in Elmwood Cemetery.

It is with much regret that we record the death of Mrs. Lucy Bennett Chapman, widow of Thomas Turner Chapman, formerly of Shepherdstown, who quietly passed away about eleven o'clock last Saturday morning at her home at Darkesville. She had been invalid for nearly a year past, the result of paralysis and heart trouble. Mrs. Chapman, who was in the 67th year of her age, was a daughter of the late Washington Bennett, of Shepherdstown, and is remembered here as a woman of cheerful and agreeable disposition and friendly manner. After her marriage to Mr. Chapman she moved to Darkesville, where she lived for the past thirty-four years. Her husband died about nineteen years ago. She was a good woman in every relation of life, a consistent member of the Methodist Church for many years, and will be missed by many friends and relatives. She is survived by five children: Miss Nellie Chapman, of Baltimore; Mrs. Clara Hess, of Martinsburg; Oscar Chapman, of Johns-town, Pa.; Rev. Park Chapman, of Greensburg, Pa.; and Haller Chapman, at home. Also two half sisters, Mrs. J. C. Hahn, of Lancaster, Pa., and Mrs. S. P. Humrickhouse, of Shepherdstown. She was an aunt of Mrs. G. W. Ferrell and Mrs. J. Louis Sheetz, of this place. The funeral service was held on Monday by Rev. J. R. Jacobs and the body was interred in the cemetery at Darkesville.

Two well-known residents of Harper's Ferry died last week, both of them Union veterans of the Civil War. Capt. Charles H. Briggs, who had been a magistrate for forty years, died Thursday morning, aged 79 years, being survived by his wife and two daughters. Louis F. Upright, who was 88 years old, was found dead by his daughter, Mrs. Stralman. He is survived by a son and four daughters.

Harry A. Wright, of the Falling Waters neighborhood in Berkeley county, died last Saturday morning in the King's Daughters' Hospital, in Martinsburg, from a complication of diseases. He was 24 years old, and is survived by his wife.

David Grove Busey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Busey, died last Thursday morning at his home near Ridgeway, after a brief illness. Besides his parents, he is survived by his wife, two children, two brothers and two sisters.

An Exciting Episode.

Last Saturday evening about 7 o'clock there was a thrilling episode at the high bridge of the Norfolk & Western Railway across the Potomac river at Shepherdstown. A number of young folks were at the Rumsey monument and on the cliffs near by, and among them were Misses Pauline Ricamore and Georgia Sanbower. The two girls started to walk on the railroad bridge and were some distance out when a fast freight train swung around the curve and on to the bridge from the Maryland side of the river. The girls started to run back, but being frightened and confused by the screams of those who saw their predicament, they made slow progress. Miss Sanbower got to safety without much trouble, but Miss Ricamore fell two or three times, once her feet getting caught between the ties. The engineer of the locomotive put on the brakes and sounded the danger signal loudly, but while it added to the confusion he was unable to stop the heavy train. A couple of young men, college students, ran to her assistance, and just as she got to the edge of the bridge, with the train at her very heels, they dragged or carried her to one side. The next instant the locomotive roared past, but she had been saved by a hair's breadth. She was cut and bruised by falling on the bridge, but was otherwise unharmed. Some of the young men and young women who witnessed the incident were entirely unnerved, for it seemed certain that the train would run over Miss Ricamore before she could get off the bridge.

LITTLE LOCALS.

How affairs change! A party of Gypsies were in town on Tuesday traveling in a big automobile. A Gypsy doesn't seem to be of the right strain if he doesn't have a horse to trade.

The corporation authorities are improving high street—grading and ditching it and putting down crushed stone. It has been a long time since High street has had any attention given to it to amount to anything.

Robert Gibson, our progressive druggist, has expanded his soda fountain service so that he is in a position to serve any kind of plain or fancy soda or sundae any one may desire. He will use the well-known Vortex Sanitary Service.

Ernest R. Shirley threshed the first crop of wheat for this season on Tuesday—that of C. E. Griffith on the Free Daniels farm, east of town. The crop averaged thirteen bushels to the acre, though the quality of the grain was very indifferent.

Wheat harvest is over in this section, and threshing of wheat will begin this week. As was stated last week, the crop is very disappointing both as to quality and quantity, though the heavy straw had given promise of an excellent yield. While some fields seem to be fairly good, others will yield only from five to ten bushels to the acre.

Kirkland S. McKee, of Shepherdstown, who had been announced as a candidate for county superintendent of schools for Jefferson county, has withdrawn from the contest, having decided to accept an advantageous offer to teach in the western part of the State. This leaves I. N. Bonham, the incumbent, and J. R. Ware, both of Summit Point, as the only candidates.

The faculty of Shepherd College gave a very enjoyable reception last Thursday night to the summer school students. After chapel exercises in the auditorium the reception was held in the old college hall and was greatly enjoyed by teachers and students to the number of a couple of hundred. Music by the Hambone Quintette and a reading by Miss Irene Murray were pleasant features of the entertainment.

A pleasant party of Hagerstown folks are camped along the Potomac river a couple of miles east of Shepherdstown on the Maryland shore. Among them are Misses Virginia Steinmetz, Lorraine Steinmetz, Ida Rowland, May Reese and Mary Widdows, and Edward Patton, John Seaman and Edward Steinmetz. The Register office was brightened on Monday by a visit from the young ladies of the party.

Postmaster C. S. Musser has been advised that the Shepherdstown post-office stands ninth in the list of third-class postoffices comprising the Fifth Federal Reserve District in the sale of Treasury Saving Certificates for the month of May. It also stands 27th in the list of all postoffices, including both first, second and third-class postoffices. The Fifth Federal Reserve District takes in the States of West Virginia, Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina and District of Columbia.

The terms of Dr. G. W. Banks, president of the board of education of Shepherdstown district, and W. E. Osbourn, member, expire this year, and it is said that both these gentlemen decline to be candidates again. Names suggested for the vacancy include H. H. Hendricks, F. R. McQuilkin, A. S. Lucas, L. J. McDonald, Geo. M. Knott and W. P. Licklider. A good many persons think that a lady ought to be put on this board, and Mrs. H. P. Schley has been prominently mentioned in this connection. Names of candidates must be sent to the clerk by Friday in order to get on the primary ballot.

Governor Ritchie, of Maryland, on Monday declared that Dr. J. Hubert Wade, of Boonsboro, treasurer of the Board of Prison Control, was guilty of misconduct in office and dismissed him from his position. The charges against Dr. Wade are that he accepted from Sam Leibowitz, a Baltimore wholesale grocer, a valuable Cadillac automobile, and that thereafter Leibowitz got profitable business in selling supplies to Maryland prisons. Dr. Wade denied that Leibowitz gave him the car, contending that he paid cash for it. At a hearing before the Governor on Saturday last Dr. Wade refused to testify and Leibowitz also declined to give any evidence. The Governor's decision followed the refusal of the two men to testify under oath.

The bugs at the old shack used as a station at Shenandoah Junction by the B. & O. and N. & W. Railways have long been known of all travelers who are so unfortunate as to be obliged to use these roads at that point, but their reputation has been enhanced by a new variety reported to us this week. One of the unhappy persons who was stranded there on Monday sent us a specimen captured at the station that is a real terror. It is about four inches long and has wings and claws and a stinger that make it a truly awful opponent. If many of these creatures shall make the place their headquarters travelers will have to go armed with shot-guns. We suggest that specimens of these bugs be sent to the president of the B. & O. and the superintendent of this division. Perhaps these officials would be impressed by an actual sight, impervious as they are to argument and entreaty. The bug we refer to may be seen at the Register office as a sample of the inhabitants of the station at Shenandoah Junction.

WE HAVEN'T LOST A GAME.

The American Legion team hung up its fifth consecutive win of the season last Saturday afternoon, when it defeated the Interwoven Knitting Mill team of Martinsburg on the local diamond by the score of 3 to 0. This was an interesting game, as the closeness of the score indicated. Willis and Legge were the big guns for the home team, and F. Cutshaw and Ridings for the visitors. The game stood love-all until the fourth inning. N. McKee, the first man up in the fourth, hit the apple over the right field fence for a home run, the first run of the game. K. McKee grounded out. Legge, not to be outdone, hit one on a line to right field and it hopped over the fence for the second home run of the encounter. This took the heart out of Cutshaw and he weakened a trifle. Tabler, the first man up in the fifth, drew a free ticket to first. He stole second while Potts was striking out. N. McKee dropped a Texas leaguer over second and Tabler scampered across with the final tally of the game. Willis had thirteen strikeouts and allowed the visitors only three scattered hits, which were not sufficient for them to score a run. Legge was a little off in pecking. Ross for the visitors stealing two bases on him—the first chalked against the veteran this season. Lewey Potts was the real hero of the game, and ought to be handled for robbing Martinsburg out of three hits. The fleet center fielder was all over the garden, plucking the horsehide from the most difficult attempts that have been seen on the local diamond in many a day. The fielding of both teams was perfect, not one single error being marked against either. The beautiful part of it was that all three of the runs made by Shepherdstown were earned.

The summary follows:

Shepherdstown	Ab.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Tabler, 2b	1	1	0	2	1	0
Potts, cf	3	0	1	4	0	0
N. McKee, 3b	4	1	2	2	1	0
K. McKee, rf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Legge, c	4	1	2	14	3	0
Moler, ss	4	0	1	0	1	0
Reinhart, 1b	2	0	0	3	0	0
Musser, lf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Willis, p	4	0	0	0	0	0
xHawse	1	0	0	0	0	0
xxNode	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	29	3	7	27	6	0

xbatted for Reinhart in eighth.
xbatted for Musser in seventh.

(Interwoven Mills) Martinsburg

Ab.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.	
Ross, 2b	3	0	0	1	5	0
Minor, lf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Wolford, 1b	4	0	2	11	0	0
Ridings, c	3	0	0	5	1	0
D. Noll, rf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Kirakauf, ss	3	0	0	1	3	0
A. Cutshaw, cf	2	0	0	3	0	0
R. Noll, 3b	3	0	0	2	0	0
F. Cutshaw, p	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	27	0	3	24	9	0

Martinsburg... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Shep'town... 0 0 2 1 0 0 0 x-3
Home runs, Legge, N. McKee. Earned runs, Shepherdstown 3. Bases on balls, off Willis 3; off Cutshaw 6. Struck out by Willis 13; by Cutshaw 5. Passed balls Legge 2; Ridings 2. Hit by pitcher, by Willis A. Cutshaw.

Friday the team journeys to Winchester, where it will play the first game of a series with Unc Sandy Baker's famous aggregation. Winchester stands fifth in the Shenandoah Valley league, and at the rate the locals are going the game in the Virginia City should prove the best exhibition game that Sandy will have this year. Go with the team and help them win.

A Great Company Comes In.

The Potomac Public Service Company has probably been sold to the American Water Works and Electric Company of New York. At a meeting of interested parties last Friday night a deal was agreed upon by which the latter company agrees to pay \$30 per share for the stock of the first-named concern and take over full control. The Potomac Company is the corporation that absorbed the Hagerstown and Frederick Railway Company, the Frostburg Light and Power Company, the Chambersburg, Greencastle and Waynesboro Railway Company, the Martinsburg Power Company, and the Northern Virginia Power Company, the latter owning the big water and steam plant at Millville, this county. The American Water Works and Electric Company is a financial concern with almost unlimited resources, and controls many subsidiary companies, including the West Penn Traction and Water Power Company, and Monongahela Power and Railway Company. It has large operations in thirteen States, and is a very rich and powerful organization.

It is said that the company will put much new capital into this section of the country, and that among its tentative plans is the extension of electric railway lines to Baltimore and Washington and Cumberland. Another project that is hinted at is the construction of a great dam at some point on the Potomac river that will furnish a vast current of electricity throughout this section.