

COLDEST WEATHER OF WINTER PREDICTED FOR TONIGHT

MACHINERY FOR CENSUS TAKING IS WELL OILED

Corps of Workers on Big Job Were Announced Today.

TO COVER THE 8 WARDS

All Protestant Churches Join Hands in the Enumeration.

Machinery for putting the church census across on Sunday, January 20, is at work and today the various census takers were assigned places by those in charge of the work. The census taking will start on Sunday, January 20, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and the workers will be under the direct supervision of two chairmen in each ward in the city. Those in charge of the census ask folks to remain at home that afternoon and also respond cheerfully to the information requested. Not only will this census show the number of church goers, but will reveal the actual number of people living in Fairmont.

The great purpose to be achieved is to group the members of each denomination and turn them over to the pastors of churches of that faith so that they may have an opportunity to have a line on all "slackers." The movement is of the "big brother" sort and proselytizing is frowned upon.

All of the Protestant churches of the city have joined hands in the movement and all of the churches have "filed their quotas" so to state. The purpose of the announcement of the committee at this time is to call their workers together if they so desire.

The workers on the East Side will conduct the census at the same time, as follows: First ward, W. A. Husted and Lute Brown; second ward, Levi B. Harr and Fred McIntire; third ward, Frank White and J. C. Glasscock. Their committees have not yet been completed. The committees for the West side are:

Fourth ward—W. D. Straight, Cecil McDonald, chairman; Roe Tripp, Frank Crawford, Geo. Hough, Brock Showalter, John M. Kiser, Miss Clara Leaman, J. F. Shaffer, Miss Ruth Shaffer, Mary Frazier, A. P. Jones, W. E. Stanagan, Mrs. W. E. Stanagan, Mrs. Chas. Bartholow, Howard Metz, Mrs. R. A. Watts, Miss Ella Straight, Alf Hood, J. D. Brown, Wm. Eubanks, Scott Nelson, Rich P. Heines, J. G. Collins, J. P. Cole, F. J. Fast, Raymond Fisher, O. E. Maddox, Chas. Robertson, E. J. Thomas, Walker Thomas, Miss Nora Simon, Nina Simon, Dorothy Howard, Madge Hout, David Hout, Miss Mary Hawkins, Blake Neely, Olive Neely, Avon Reynolds, Miss Mary Sturm, R. F. Jenkins, Dr. J. W. McDonald, J. Walter Barnes, H. F. Giffin, N. M. Michael, H. F. Smith, Lemar Satterfield.

Fifth ward—Kenneth Barnes, Harry Williamson, chairman; Dr. R. Earl McCray, Miss Lucile Henry, Harry Tucker, Mrs. J. E. Rose, O. J. Fleming, Miss Naomi Heffner, J. E. Smith, Miss Buena Orr, Mr. Schummel, D. E. Van Fleet, Homer Bill, Lattie Glover, Martha Taylor, W. E. Johnston, Chas. E. Mumford, Walter Cole, Mary Powell, F. R. Clelland, R. A. Watts, Jesse Wright, Will Merrill, Chas. Clayton, Carl D. Yost.

Sixth ward—W. F. Shaffer, Tom Boggess, chairman; Harry Engle, L. H. Randall, L. W. Kelley, Miss Vera Kirgen, Prof. G. H. Colbank, M. P. (Continued on Page 4)

RUSSIANS HAVE BEGUN TO YIELD TO THE GERMANS

Give in on Question of Continuing Conference on Neutral Ground.

ASK FOR SEPARATE PEACE

Say That Is In Full Accord With Their Original Resolution.

(By Associated Press.)
AMSTERDAM, Jan. 12.—Leon Trotsky the Bolshevik foreign minister to the conference at Brest-Litovsk yesterday said that in order to continue the fight for peace the Russian delegation accepted the demand that the negotiations be continued at Brest-Litovsk.

The chairman of the Russian delegation said that in full accord with their former resolution, the Russians desired to continue the peace negotiations quite apart from the fact whether or not the entente powers participated. Trotsky said he had noted the statement of the Central powers that the basis of a general peace as formulated in their declaration of December 25 was null and void and added: "We adhere to the principles of a democratic peace as proclaimed by us."

Dealing with the declaration at the previous session by Dr. von Kuehlmann and by Count Czernin, Austrian-Hungarian foreign minister, respectively, the failure of Russia's allies to participate in the negotiations which "frustrated the peace offer of the Central powers and resolved the discussion to a question of a separate peace with Russia," Trotsky said:

"We are in full accord with our former statement that we desire to continue the peace negotiations quite apart from the question whether or not the entente powers take part."

"We note the statement of the quadruple alliance that the basis for a general peace formulated in their declaration of December 25 is now null and void as the entente countries in the period of ten days allowed them did not join in peace negotiations. We on our side adhere to the principles of a democratic peace proclaimed by us."

The desire of the Russians to transfer the negotiations to neutral soil Trotsky explained arose from their wish for equally favorable conditions on both sides.

COUNTY COURT TO PAY HALF OF ROAD

Next Step Taken Toward Getting Federal Aid on Morgantown Pike

One step closer to securing some federal assistance on road matters for Marion county developed this morning when the county court appropriated the sum of \$20,173.25 to build a stretch of one and a half miles in length on the Randolph-Fishing Creek turnpike. This road is better known as the Morgantown pike and is the main artery to Morgantown, Uniontown and Pittsburgh.

It is estimated that this road work will cost \$80,000, and is to be a standard cement road.

The action was taken in pursuance to a letter received from Tim S. Scanlon, secretary-treasurer of the West Virginia State Road Association. The county court made application for federal aid last spring and there is a batch of "red tape" to be gone through before it can be secured.

Four Took Exams For Rural Carrier

Four applicants took the rural carrier examination at the local post-office this morning. If the men pass they will be given positions at Hammond and Fairview. A similar examination was also given at Mannington. There are about ten or twelve vacancies over the county yet unfilled. Other examinations will be announced in the near future.

HORSESHOE LUCK FROM A FRENCH GIRL



One of the American Congressmen who visited the battle fields a few weeks ago received an emblem of good fortune from a worker in an ordnance depot.

U.S. GOVERNMENT IS LEASING W. VA. GAS

Wants It to Run Its Various Enterprises Around the State Capital

(Special Dispatch to West Virginian.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—The government is to build a powder plant at Charleston. In fact, work on it has actually been started.

The government is also going to put a byproducts plant at Charleston and still another one at Clarksburg—plants from which chemicals are to be made from coal.

These statements were made here today by S. P. Puffer, secretary of the Charleston Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Puffer is here to confer with government officials about these projects. Secretary Puffer is also authorized for the statement that 25,000 acres of supposed gas land has been granted to the government and to the Ohio Cities Gas company, by himself, ex-Senator W. E. Chilton and State Geologist I. C. White and that a bill will soon be introduced in the United States Senate providing for an appropriation of \$125,000 to take over these options.

Congress a year ago appropriated \$25,000 to develop the gas supply to furnish the proposed plant at Charleston, and the proposed government powder plant. It was under the authority of that appropriation that Messrs. Chilton, White and Puffer worked.

Expert gas men in West Virginia say that the price that is proposed that the government should pay is generous to the land owners, at least.

WSS COMMITTEE TO MEET ON THURSDAY

Blue Postal Cards Will be Passed Out at That Meeting.

The Marion county War Savings campaign committee will meet in the office rooms of the Fairmont Chamber of Commerce at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening to make further plans in connection with the campaign to sell war savings stamps in Marion county. The committee met last Thursday evening with the state directors. At the next meeting on Thursday evening the final plans for the campaign will be worked out and the committeemen given their final instructions.

At the meeting on Thursday evening the postal cards used in selling stamps will be distributed to the members of the committee. Immediately thereafter they will distribute the postal cards to the workers in their respective organizations and the real work of the campaign will begin.

Some of the committeemen are already making plans to organize their part of the work. The exact means by which the stamps will be sold in the various organizations is not known, but it is very probable that most of the organizations will organize war saving societies.

W. VA. COAL WILL BE SENT TO OHIO AND TO MICHIGAN

Emergency Order Issued to Tide Those Sections Over a Fuel Crisis.

Press dispatches from Washington today were to the effect that Fuel Administrator Garfield had ordered mines in West Virginia, Kentucky and Pennsylvania to concentrate for the next ten days in shipping coal to certain districts in Ohio and Michigan where coal shortage is acute at present.

Up to the middle of the afternoon this order had not reached the office of Field Representative D. R. Lewson in this city. It is possible that this district will not be affected by this order.

Coal Notes.
Resolutions pledging their wholehearted support to J. H. A. Garfield, national fuel administrator; A. H. Land, deputy fuel administrator; and William G. McAde, director general of railroads, were adopted by the Guyan Valley Coal Operators' Association, which held its annual meeting in Huntington yesterday.

Making a report to United States Fuel Administrator Garfield and Director General of Railroads McAde, Kanawha coal operators showed that 50 mines employing 5,700 men with a producing capacity of 44,200 tons are idle on account of insufficient car supply.

Officers elected by the Guyan Valley operators: President, A. B. Beisel; Hilden; vice president, J. J. Ross; Logan; secretary, A. H. Land; treasurer, C. W. Jones; Logan.

State Fuel Administrator J. Walter Barnes was a visitor to Wheeling yesterday.

Dr. C. L. Dougherty to Preach Here Tomorrow

Dr. C. L. Dougherty, pastor of Trinity M. P. church in Pittsburgh, will occupy the pulpit at the M. P. Temple tomorrow morning. Dr. Dougherty is a personal friend of Dr. J. C. Brown, who is engaged in Y. M. C. A. work in Montgomery, Ala., at Camp Sheridan, and when the latter left to assume his work there Dr. Dougherty offered his services as a supply at some time during his absence. Dr. Brownfield expects to return to his pulpit about March first.

Bread Demonstration Will Begin at 2:30

The hours for the bread making demonstrations to be held here on Tuesday of next week at the Presbyterian church have been announced for 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon and 7:30 o'clock in the evening. The afternoon's program will be under the direction of the Home Economics department of the Women's club and the evening program will be given by Miss Weisling, of the Department of Agriculture and assistants, and is intended for the women of the town and county irrespective of any club affiliations.

JAMES M. BOYLE TO ENTER THE U.S. ARMY

Engineer, Well Known Here Has Accepted a Commission as Major.

When James M. Boyle, of Sanderson and Porter, engineers, who have had charge of many important industrial enterprises in West Virginia, was in Fairmont this week he told friends that he is about to enter the service of the government and has accepted a commission as major in the army.

Mr. Boyle has been a member of the Navy consulting board but he has been drafted into the land services so that the government may have the benefit of his large experience and fine ability in industrial plant construction. The only civilian work which Mr. Boyle will continue after he becomes Major Boyle is the project of the Greater Fairmont Investment company, of which he has been in direct personal charge for Sanderson and Porter since the beginning. Mr. Boyle is so much interested in this, and has so much faith in it, that he wants to continue the connection and it has been agreed that he may.

BUSY SESSION OF JUDGE VINCENT COURT

Hundred or More Cases Expected to be Tried This Term.

With between 200 and 300 cases on the docket Judge Vincent expects to have a very busy session of intermediate court, beginning Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock in the court room. He calculates that 100 or more cases will be tried at this term. Included are chancery, law and misdemeanor cases.

Edward F. Phillips, deputy clerk of court, who is ill, for service in this term of court by Judge Vincent yesterday afternoon.

Salvation Army Needs Money for War Work

In order to carry on its work in France and America the Salvation Army has launched a million dollar campaign and hopes to realize that amount to carry forward the great work the organization is doing. Col. Wm. Evans, of Pittsburgh, has notified Captain John O'Brien, of the local organization to this effect and states that a member of the organization, probably Brigadier Wisman, will visit this city previous to launching a campaign to raise funds in this section. The province to which Fairmont belongs consists of parts of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia and the goal set for this province is \$200,000.

It is proposed to organize a business men's committee to aid in raising Fairmont's quota of the sum. The quota for Fairmont is not known as yet.

STORM SWEEPS SOUTH; KNOWN DEAD NUMBER 16

Wires Are All Down and Fatalities May Run Much Higher.

CAMP WHEELER WAS HIT

One Man Killed There and Much Property Damage Done.

(By Associated Press.)
ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 12.—With the entire south in the grip of its worst snow and sleet storm of the winter to date, early reports showed that tornadoes which swept through eastern Alabama and central Georgia had taken a toll of 16 lives and injured more than 100 persons.

Wire communication over a great area was paralyzed, scores of small towns in the interior being isolated while Savannah, Charleston, Jacksonville and other cities along the south Atlantic coast were shut from outside communication.

The deaths and injuries reported early today were as follows: Cowarts, Ala., seven killed and 25 injured; Dothan, Ala., six children killed and 40 injured in collapse of school house in country near Dothan; Webb, Ala., one killed and estimated 70 injured in destruction of store and other buildings; Troy, Ala., one killed and several injured; Macon, Ga., one killed at Camp Wheeler and several injured.

MACON, Ga., Jan. 12.—A tornado struck Camp Wheeler, and Central City Park (State Fair Grounds) late yesterday. Great damage has been done at the park and animals from a circus wintering there are on a rampage. Several persons have been injured.

All lines at Camp Wheeler are down and the extent of the damage has not been ascertained. One freight train on the Macon, Dublin and Savannah railroad was wrecked by the storm between Macon and Camp Wheeler. Railroad men say the tornado was followed by a cloudburst.

The first message from Camp Wheeler was brought here by a taxicab driver, who said he left the camp during the storm. At that time the corral of the One Hundred and Twenty-second Infantry had collapsed, killing one man.

6 o'clock a telephone operator at Camp Wheeler informed the Macon Telegraph that divisional headquarters was safe then, but that the storm was continuing.

U.S. COURT PASSES ON LOCAL CASES

Brace of Alleged Liquor Law Violators Jailed in This City.

Bootleggers generally fared pretty well before Judge Dayton in the session of the federal court at Parkersburg yesterday afternoon. The prisoners being brought back to Fairmont this afternoon by Deputy United States Marshal John D. Moore. All of the men returned confessed, and the sentences were dealt out accordingly.

Several of the liquor violators were soaked pretty liberally too. The sentences imposed were as follows:

Bringing in liquor—Brooks Huey, ten days; E. Garica, 30 days; Casmel Mishelle, 10 days; Vincenza Buttrigo, 30 days; Jim Kiozek, 10 days; Lee Trimble, 5 days; Reilly Juinn, 10 days; Steve Gaskis, 40 days; Charles Jenkins, 2 days; John Omley, 10 days; Tom Holmes, 5 days; Love Gray, colored, 30 days.

Selling Ben Lumpkin, six months and \$100 fine.

All of the men will be imprisoned in the Marion county jail. Deputy Sheriff Hood assisted Deputy Marshal Moore in bringing the prisoners to Fairmont.

There are a number of Fairmont violators who will be tried by jury at this session.

16 BELOW IN OHIO; SPRING WEATHER IN NEW YORK CITY

Most Amazing Variation in Temperatures Over Small Area.

SHARP DROP COMING HERE

May Get Down to Minus Fifteen and Stay There Over Sunday.

(By Associated Press.)
PITTSBURGH, Jan. 12.—The weather bureau today sent out a general warning that temperatures over eastern Ohio, western Pennsylvania and West Virginia tonight would fall to 15 below zero.

The cold wave will continue Sunday with a possibility of slowly rising temperature Monday.

This condition which is most unusual is brought about, Forecaster Pennewitt explained, by the low temperatures which have prevailed in the west for several days rapidly moving east. They are now over all the central valley with eight below at Memphis, 16 at Cairo, 20 at Indianapolis, 22 at Columbus and 16 at Cincinnati. At Atlanta the mercury fell to four above zero at 5 o'clock.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—A tropical rainstorm accompanied by high winds thunder and lightning descended on New York and vicinity shortly after midnight.

The storm which the weather bureau had forecast as a heavy snow fall was accompanied by a rapid rising temperature.

The thermometer stood at freezing last night with snow for a time falling on ice covered streets. This situation was changed within a few hours to one of spring like weather. The wind and rain did considerable damage.

CHICAGO, Jan. 12.—Chicago is isolated from rail communication with the outside world by one of the worst blizzards in its history. Its business is paralyzed. No milk trains arrived, nor were coal wagons able to move. The thermometer dropped to 14 degrees below zero and a sharp wind from the northwest added to the suffering.

STIFF GALE CHILLS MANY PEDESTRIANS

Drop of Forty One Degrees According to Weather Observer.

With a stiff gale blowing Fairmont found itself in the teeth of a typical blizzard this morning. Townsfolk reeling while torrents of rain were falling and this arose to find that some snow had descended. Pedestrians minded the weather more today than at any time this winter. The direct result was that many thermometers were called "liars" when they really were not deserving of it. A drop of forty-one degrees occurred.

With the sun shining in all its glory yesterday afternoon and a maximum temperature of 49 being reached everybody felt inclined to think that the freeze would ease up a little. Announcement from the Saskatchewan that zero temperature would extend as far south as northwestern Texas of course did not sound so good.

Many thermometers hovered around the zero mark and several a degree or two below, but the government thermometer did not so behave itself above, according to F. P. Hall, weather observer.

As the afternoon wore on the weather appeared to be colder. At 1 o'clock at Martin's drug store it was five above. Ear warmers were in evidence today.

Andrew Clinger of Carolina Mines, Dies
Andrew Clinger, of Carolina Mines, died last night at ten o'clock at Cook hospital where he had been a patient for several days. The body was taken in charge by Undertaker Cunningham and funeral arrangements have not been made.

Laborers Wanted
In Shipping Department. Apply
OWENS BOTTLE MACHINE CO.

All who wish to Assist in the Elk's Charity Minstrel Show
please report at Knights of Columbus Hall (Main and Madison Streets) Sunday afternoon at 2:30.