

TWIN CITIES

POINT PLEASANT-GALLIPOLIS TEAM IN V. V. LEAGUE.

Base ball enthusiasm is running high here since the meeting held last Wednesday night at which a stock company was organized to promote that popular sport, the coming season.

W. I. Campbell, representing John Spinney, a large sporting goods man of Cincinnati and Manager Jaek Benny of the Charleston team were here last Wednesday and called a meeting of the fans for that night at the office of H. H. Henry. The meeting was largely attended by former ball players and citizens.

Several shares of stock were sold and the stockholders elected the following officers, to serve temporarily:

Clyde Ingles, President, C. W. Alexander, First Vice-President, W. W. Baxter, Second Vice-President, John Hutchinson, Sec'y and Treasurer, H. H. Henry, Business Manager.

The team will be called "The Twin Cities B. B. Club," and the stock will be offered for sale in both the places named.

Five other towns are represented in the league, which is called "The Virginia Valley League," viz: Charleston, Huntington, Montgomery, Parkersburg, and Cattlesburg-Ashland. A salary limit of \$900. per month has been decided on, thereby restricting the larger towns from getting the cream of the players, which they could easily do were they permitted to pay more.

It has not been definitely decided yet, just where the grounds will be located. Mgr. Henry in looking over the situation here does not seem to find just what he wants in that respect. The sites looked at by him being too small in his opinion to accommodate grand stand, bleachers and leave enough room for playing purposes. There is some talk of making the park on the other side of the river where there is plenty of level ground. It is thought that by placing it on the Ohio side it would be a stimulus to encourage the sale of stock over there.

The following named from here were in attendance at the meeting of The Virginia Valley League, in Huntington, Monday night: W. W. Baxter, Chas. Alexander, Alex Kelso, John Hutchinson, John Smith and H. H. Henry. They report a very enthusiastic meeting, presided over by Pres. John Spinney. It was decided to start the season on May 5th and play a 120 game schedule. Iron-ton was dropped and Parkersburg again reinstated. The management will let the contract for the building of the park and grand stand just as soon as it is definitely decided where the grounds will be. The citizens here will be asked to subscribe liberally for the stock, and will no doubt do so as the prospects for good ball were never better than now. There is a bill before the Ohio Legislature, permitting Sunday Ball, and will probably be passed within the next two weeks. If this bill is passed the park will in all probability be placed over at Kanawha.

CHARLESTON MAIL, SATURDAY.

Manager H. H. Henry, of the Point Pleasant-Gallipolis Base Ball Club, the latest addition to the Virginia League, in a telephone communication with Treasurer W. I. Campbell, of the Charleston club, this morning stated that the two towns on the Ohio river were enthusiastic over the prospects of league baseball and success was assured. Manager Henry stated that all the fans from the Point and a number from Gallipolis were going to attend the meeting at Huntington Monday.

At a meeting held in Huntington, yesterday, the following directors were elected for two years: Huntington, Thos. J. Gentry; Charleston, W. I. Campbell; Point Pleasant, H.

ROMANCE FIGURED

IN SUICIDE CASE. VICTIM WAS ENGAGED TO LILLIAN BLAIR.

Josh Myers, former employe of C. C. Ricketts, who committed suicide Saturday night at the home of Mrs. M. F. Cheveront on Fifth avenue, where he boarded, was buried yesterday at Ironton, the funeral taking place from the home of his people in that city.

Myers had been engaged to Miss Lillian Blair, 26, of Point Pleasant, formerly employed at the Newberry Shoe Company's factory, and latter as clerk at the Tweel fruit stand on Third avenue near Tenth street. The wedding was to take place Easter Sunday, providing that Myers kept sober. It was because of his continued drinking that Miss Blair at one time broke off the engagement. She knew nothing of the tragedy until almost 3 o'clock Sunday morning when the news was carried to her at her rooms at 1134 Fourth avenue. She arose at once and ran screaming down the street where she attempted to see the body but the place was closed and she was forced to return home.

Miss Blair told of an attempt he had made in her presence only a few days before, when she had to knock a glass of poison from his lips to save him. The acid splashed on her hand at the time burning it terribly.

Miss Blair stated that on the night of his death Myers had gone to the stand for her but finding her gone, had gone to his room and ended his life.—Huntington Herald-dispatch.

BASE BALL FOR BUFFALO.

The base ball enthusiasts of Buffalo met at Col. R. E. Blake's office Tuesday night, Feb. 8th. Postmaster Ed. Higginbotham was chosen chairman, and Will Watkins, Sec'y., Andrew Walters, Gus Douglass and R. E. Blake were named as committee to secure a diamond for this season. Buffalo expects to have the best team, in their history, this year. Manager Douglass states that he has secured the services of Col. Robert McDermott, of Pittsburg, Pa., to coach the team; also two good pitchers.—Winfield Irrepressible.

LOCK AND DAM 26.

They are putting up a tower cable at Lock and Dam 26 and have one of the towers up. It is 100 feet high and the one on the Ohio side will be 150 feet high. It will be used to carry material to the Ohio side. Wickets for the dam are being made also. Not many men are at work but lots is being done.

The ship carpenters will begin the construction of six barges this week for carrying sand and material is now arriving.

BUSH-HARMON.

G. F. Bush, of New Haven, and Mrs. S. B. Harmon, of Charleston, were quietly married here Monday, at the Trinity M. E. Church parsonage, by Rev. Pullins. The groom is 49 and the bride 42 years old. They will make their home at New Haven.

H. Henry; Montgomery, F. E. Smart; Cattlesburg, Louis Houtz; Parkersburg, John Dixon.

Each club in the league will have a "Ladies Day."

President Spinney will not select his umpires until he is certain he has the best men that can be secured. He wants men who can control the players.

President Spinney will offer a beautiful silver cup to be played for by the first and second clubs in the league at the end of the season.

No betting will be allowed in any of the games at league park, and special boxes will be erected for the ladies and for special parties.

The meeting adjourned to meet at Charleston on later date.

WILLIAM BOGARD

DIES AT HOME OF HIS FATHER ON KANAWHA STREET.

William Bogard, son of John and Martha Bogard, died last Thursday, at the home of his father, on Kanawha street, Extension, of Tuberculosis. He was 29 years old at the time of his death. About two years ago, he was married to Miss Laura Jones of South Milwaukee, at which place they made their home. To this union was born one child now about 9 months old. He leaves beside the bereaved wife and baby a sorrowing father and one brother.

The deceased was a sober, industrious, upright young man, a dutiful son, a loving brother, a kind affectionate husband and father, and will be sorely missed among a large circle of relatives and friends. His brother living in Milwaukee did not arrive here in time for the funeral, owing to a wreck, at Zanesville, Ohio, in which he was badly injured. He arrived here Monday. While in the hospital at Zanesville, in an effort to send a telegram to his father, here at Point Pleasant, and one to his wife at Milwaukee, he gave a party two dollars to pay for them. He received back thirty-cents, and the information that the telegrams had been sent; when in fact they had not been sent. A Mr. Harry Mabez, a passenger on the train with him going to Baltimore, upon his arrival at Wheeling, as a matter of courtesy, sent a telegram to the father at this place stating that Thomas Bogard had been injured in a train wreck but not seriously and was in a hospital. This telegram, however, did not state where or at what hospital he was taken. The father was unable to ascertain where his son Thomas was, although he made every effort, from the time of William's death until Monday morning, when he arrived here on the 12:40 B. & O. train, one day after the burial.

Mr. Thomas Bogard belongs to the police force of the city of Milwaukee, Wis., and was known to leave that city with something like \$250 with which to defray expenses. Recently he had made an important arrest of a party that had been wanted for a long time, and it was suspected that he had been dealt with by some of the pals of the person arrested.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon, at 2 o'clock under the auspices of the K. of P. Lodge at the Baptist Church, and was largely attended. Interment followed at Lone Oak Cemetery. The bereaved ones have the sympathy of all in this their hour of sorrow.

FIVE YEARS

FOR DUDDING—MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL OVERRULED.

Earl E. Dudding was sentenced Monday to five years in the penitentiary by Judge Taylor for the murder of his uncle, Ira S. Chapman, on the sixth day of last September.

The action of the court followed a period of several days, during which the motion to set aside the verdict was being considered. Immediately after Judge Taylor announced that he would overrule the motion to set the verdict aside sentence was conferred upon Dudding, Attorney George J. McComas asked that a stay of sixty days be granted so that an opportunity would be given to carry the case to the supreme court. Judge Taylor granted the stay.

Voluntary manslaughter with the recommendation that the maximum was penalty of five years be imposed, the verdict of the jury.—Herald Dispatch, Huntington.

Yesterday being the 1st day of March was Bern Tippet, Will Kenney, Mrs. Livia Nye Simpson-Poffenbarger and Miss Mable Gibson's birthdays, which they all celebrated. They kept the telephone line busy for quite a while trying to find which one was the oldest.

WORKINGMEN

IN PHILADELPHIA DECIDE TO GO OUT ON SYMPATHETIC STRIKE WITH CARMEN.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 27.—Action fraught with possible momentous consequences to Philadelphia was taken by the Central labor union tonight when that body, representing one hundred and forty unions with a claimed membership of 125,000 voted to begin a sympathetic strike next Saturday in aid of the striking street railway employes.

This action came at the end of a secret session of about seven hundred delegates in Labor Lyceum hall. There was apparently no question that the delegates would vote to strike, the split being on the issue of whether it would be started immediately. The more conservative element prevailed, however, and the walkout was put off until next Saturday. Meanwhile there is hope that the street railway strike will be arbitrated despite the declarations of the transit company controlling all the lines in the city, that "there is nothing to arbitrate."

Nobody doubts that tonight's action of the Central Labor Union makes the situation very grave.

There is no doubt, however, of the strength of the feeling that unionism is at stake and the consequent feeling that a fight to preserve the union is necessary.

This is the sentiment without doubt that prevailed at today's meeting. Seventy-five arrests were made. Crowds of men and boys who usually fill the streets on Sunday in many sections of the city were responsible for the most of the attacks. The orders of the director of public safety that wagons and buses must not be used to convey passengers also resulted in many disturbances.

DEATH OF JUDSON GEORGE.

Judson George, a prominent young business man, of Huntington, died at that place, Saturday, February 19th, after a long illness with Bright's disease. The deceased was a son of Mr. James George, of Hannan district, and Emily C. Hereford, his first wife. A loving wife and two sons mourn the loss of a kind husband and father. The remains were brought to his old home the middle last week and interred in the old George cemetery, the funeral being largely attended by relatives and friends. The sympathy of the entire community go out to the bereaved wife and two promising sons, in this their hour of such great trouble.

CHARLESTON SALOONS

WILL OPEN SOON—WONT WAIT FOR ACTION OF COUNTY COURT.

Charleston, W. Va., Feb. 25.—A rumor prevalent on the street today is to the effect that regardless of what ever action the Kanawha county court will take on the saloon license next Monday at the regular meeting of the court, several of saloons will open immediately and await any action that be brought against them by the officers of the law.

The determination of the saloonists to open the first emporiums is said to be based upon the decision of the West Virginia supreme court of appeals in the Harden case, where the court decided that under the peculiar charter in effect at Point Pleasant, the council of Point Pleasant had the sole right to grant saloon licenses in that municipality.

Whether the same conditions would apply in Charleston would have to be determined in a court of law. The charter of the city of Charleston adopted at the session of the legislature of 1909, specifically gives the county court of Kanawha county the authority to grant state licenses.

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BIG RIVER

OHIO ON RAMPAGE—PITTSBURG AND WHEELING BOTH FLOODED.

With the river rising at the rate of 5 inches an hour at the local wharf, conditions are rapidly assuming threatening proportions here. At the time of going to press, it is reasonably assured that the danger mark of 39 feet will be passed by night-fall. Conflicting reports from above as regards weather conditions, makes it hard to estimate just how much water we will have here, but the consensus of opinion seems to be that it will not go over the 45 foot mark, if it goes that high.

Northern Ohio has been visited by heavy rainfalls for the past week, that together with the snow in the mountains, which is coming off gradually, will prevent the river from receding rapidly even after it starts to fall.

Pittsburg and Wheeling are both suffering extense loss in their manufacturing districts and many of the large mills have been compelled to close down already.

Colder weather is reported up around headwaters and it is hoped that this will check the rise before too serious damage is done.

The gauge here registers 35.4 now.

MARRIED AT CATTLETSBURG.

William T. Dabney, a prosperous merchant, and Miss Nannie Conwell, both residents of Mason County, obtained a marriage license from Clerk Ed. S. Hughes, at the Boyd County Clerk's office, and the Ceremony which united them in the holy bonds of matrimony, was performed by the Rev. Walter J. Garrison, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, on Thursday.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses have been issued since our last report:

Harry L. Jackson and Letha M. Lanier.

John O. Greenlee and Ida M. Turner.

G. F. Bush and Mrs. S. B. Harmon.

Malvin C. Tucker and Clara May Hill.

GETS OLD HEIRLOOM.

Squire J. N. Robey shipped to his daughter-in-law, Mrs. H. L. Robey, an old spinning wheel which was owned by the Squire's mother and was more than 100 years old. It is quite an interesting relic and the Squire wants to see it kept in the family.—Spencer Bulletin.

LICENSES ISSUED.

The following licenses have been issued from the Clerk's office recently.

There were two license issued to sell tobacco for the month of February, amount \$3.45.

Two real estate license issued, amount \$38.06.

One restaurant license issued, \$1.30.

Total amount of fees \$42.81. This money goes to the state.

18 marriage licenses for February. \$1 to state for each license.

VOTE OF THANKS.

The Ladies of the Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church wish to express their thanks to E. B. Sisler & Company, for their kind and generous offer of Feb. 23rd. We also wish to thank the clerks for their courtesy on that day.—Ladies Aid Society, Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Anna Ryan received a telegram last Wednesday p. m. announcing the death of her aunt in Newport, Ky.

LONGER TERMS

WANTED FOR DISTRICT SCHOOLS—INTERESTING LETTER BY C. A. GREEN.

TO FRIENDS OF EDUCATION.

Do you know that in several counties of this state and in three districts in Mason County that, because of a lack of money, the district schools can not be taught even six months? This condition ought not to exist and is detrimental to our best financial interests as well as the highest degree of citizenship. Country schools can be made as good as town or city schools. The country boys and girls, who help to feed the world, are entitled to as good and as much training as any boys and girls. Better roads and good schools would cause more people to remain on the farms and do more toward reducing the cost of living than all the investigating committees in existence.

Citizens of Mason County, look up the statistics of some of our prosperous counties of this state and of other states. Jefferson County points with pride to nine months district schools and her rural High schools. Ohio boasts that no child within her borders can go to school for less than eight months in any year. Illinois is getting a number of our best citizens on account of her desirable country homes and her nine months rural schools; and her country High schools.

Let us arrange for a few High schools in Mason County. Which district will take the lead in this movement? Teachers, you can do much toward moulding public sentiment in favor of better things. You have observed that where school sentiment is good your stay as teacher is pleasant and that Truant officers are seldom needed. As ignorance disappears crimes and poverty are lessened.

At West Columbia two lady teachers, both of whom are from Jackson County, determined to make those schools successful. They began work in earnest on the first day and are still working in earnest. Working for the good of their pupils. Some of the good things that can be noticed there are few tardy marks, high per cent of attendance, good order, interested pupils, an organ, a nice bookcase and \$23.50 worth of books. After school had been going long enough for the people to see that something was doing at that school building, the money was easily raised at a supper and play with which to make the above purchases. Miss Jennie Bumgarner at Locust Grove easily raised \$23.74 for library purposes. Sincere earnest work on the part of the teachers will make teaching a profession in which one can make a living. Make the closing weeks of your school the most profitable part of the session.

Tell the children that next year the state will print a book for each school. Explain to them that the name of each school, each teacher employed, and the names of all the pupils who are not absent nor tardy for the term will appear in this book. Explain to your pupils that we have a uniform system of examinations for Free School Diplomas. It should be the ambition of every child to secure a diploma. Do not urge your pupils to take these examinations or the teachers' examinations when you know they can not pass.

If you know of any children whose eyesight or hearing is so defective that they can not get the benefit of your school, please send names and addresses of parents of such children to Supt. R. Cary Montague, Romney, W. Va.

Teachers; let us promise ourselves now that we will attend the State Educational Association at Charleston in June. We want to show to the people of the state that Mason County teachers are alive to their work.

The county papers are giving this space gratis.

C. A. GREEN,
Ashton, W. Va.