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LOGAN, HOCKING COUNTY, OHIO, THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 1906.

The Only Democratic Paper in the County

RECOMMEND REMOVAL.

Committee Reports Against
Water Works Board.

DIRECT MAYOR TO ACT.

Charged With Gross Mal-
feasance In Office.

Some weeks ago, by resolution, Councilmen Thurness, Shaw and Weldy were appointed a committee to investigate the books and affairs of the Water Works Board of Logan, and on Tuesday night submitted their report as follows:

To the Honorable Mayor and Council of the Village of Logan:

Your Committee here-to-fore appointed, pursuant to a resolution of the Council, employed an expert bookkeeper, to wit, Capt. W. M. Bowen, to investigate the books and papers of the Board of Public Affairs whose statements are here-to-attached marked "Exhibit A" and made a part of this report.

And we on information acquired from said statements and other information report as follows:

First. That the books of the Board of Public Affairs are in a very unsatisfactory condition, which is more definitely shown in the statement hereto attached.

Second. The management of said Board of Public Affairs of the Water Works is also in a very unsatisfactory condition, and should be immediately remedied. There is no superintendent of the Water Works, excepting a member of said Board who acts as such, which is unlawful. We believe it would be economy and for the best interests of the Village, for a superintendent to be appointed who is capable of keeping the books, collecting the water rents and keeping all of the works in proper repair and efficiency.

We especially find on inquiry, that the fire plugs are not being cared for as they should be. That the taps are rusty, and such force is required to be used in opening them for use by unscrewing the taps, that they are broken off. These fire plugs should be kept in extra good order, so that should a fire occur they would be ready for use without applying such extra force. And we further find that the present acting superintendent has given but very little attention to the water works, if any at all.

Third. We find that on the 22nd day of March, 1905, said Board of Public Affairs, who then being in session, were guilty of gross malfeasance in this, that on said day, said Board unanimously passed a resolution that the members of said Board have their water rent free during their term of office. We further find that since the day of said resolution, the books of said Board do not show that any of its members paid water rent to the Village.

Fourth. The records of the Board do not show the numbers of the lots, nor the owners of the same to which water is furnished; this the records should by all means show, as very frequently the property is occupied by tenants, who are not responsible and the Village loses the water rent. Owners whether they occupy the property or not are responsible for the water rent as provided for by law.

Fifth. We find that there is inequality of charges for water furnished in the same grades and especially of the different saloons, and also as to private houses.

Sixth. We find that the water works if properly managed would be self sustaining, and would require no extra appropriations from

the Village, as has been the case in the past, to sustain it.

The premises considered, we recommend that the Mayor proceed against the members of said Board of Public Affairs as provided for in Section 225 of the Municipal Code.

M. F. THURNESS,
Chairman,
J. G. SHAW,
S. WELDY.

Dramatic Club Organized.

The Logan Amateur Dramatic Club was organized last Friday evening at the home of Miss Lillian James, with a membership of eleven, as follows: Misses Josephine England, Nelle Bray, Lillian James, May Kirker and Mary Josephine Wright; and Messrs. Fred Naile, Charles Smith, Orla Wright, Emerson Poston, Joe Smith and Arthur Murphy. The following officers were elected: Mr. Murphy, acting manager; Mr. Naile, stage manager; Miss James, secretary; Mr. Wright, treasurer.

The club will hold regular weekly meetings for the purpose of dramatic study and the private rendition of plays and sketches. There will probably be a slight increase in membership.

Wes McClintock
Passes Away.

The Life of an Able Writer
Goes Out Quickly.

Defiance, Ohio, March 21.—Wesley H. McClintock, Secretary of the State Board of Public Works, an old newspaper man, and one of the best known politicians and political writers in Ohio, died suddenly at his home here this afternoon from heart trouble. He was past 50 years of age.

Mr. McClintock got his experience on the old Ohio State Journal, and came to this city 20 years ago. From that time until his appointment to the Public Works Board, he was editor of the local Republican Express, and is given credit for nearly all the Republican victories in this strong Democratic county. He was the first man who put William Kirtley's name before the public for member of the Board of Public Works, and conducted his campaign after his nomination when Mr. Kirtley led the Republican ticket.

Mr. McClintock has been sick for two weeks with heart trouble, but his condition was not considered serious. He dismissed his nurse yesterday and his demise was very sudden. He leaves a wife and three children.

Wes McClintock was a Logan boy, and a Logan man. His father was a minister, and at his death the family was reared here in Logan. Mrs. F. M. McKay, with her family, still lives in the old homestead on Walnut street. He started his newspaper career here on the old SENTINEL, in its balmy days, later taking up the newspaper work on the Ohio State Journal and the Defiance Express.

Everybody liked Wes McClintock that knew him. Always a good, whole-souled fellow. Upon his visits in Logan, it was a joy to talk with him, and exchange reminiscences of Logan's early unique characters. Wes always saw the amusing side to every happening and could relate them most entertainingly. His sudden death is a great shock to his sister and his host of friends here. We extend our sincere sympathy to Bro. McKay and wife in this sudden and deep bereavement.

Besides his wife and three children, he leaves two brothers, Will McClintock, in Lancaster, and Dr. Frank McClintock, in Newcome, Tenn., and one sister, Mrs. F. M. McKay, in Logan, all of whom were called to Defiance. The funeral took place in that city at one o'clock Tuesday.

STEPPED INTO TROUBLE.

Logan Gentlemen Have a
Warm Reception.

SHOWED THEIR GRIT.

And Came Out With Fly-
ing Colors.

On Wednesday afternoon of last week there was some doings in Murray City that did not smack of sweetness for a few hours, and some of our Logan heavy weights were foremost in the melee.

The story goes that some weeks ago two Anti-Saloon detectives, Brebury and Wein, of Columbus, went to that town, and on Saturday mixed around with the "boys" some, and then on Sunday morning coaxed George Van Sickle's bar tender to sell them some whiskey, alleging that they were sick. They got the whiskey alright and later fled affidavits against the bar tender for selling whiskey on Sunday. The case came on for hearing before Mayor Albaugh on Wednesday afternoon. The detectives with Attorney Doty, came down from Columbus to get off the train at Murray City a goodly crowd of saloon attaches were awaiting their arrival. As soon as the gentlemen alighted, one John Heavener smashed Detective Brebury in the face, and guns were flashed, but Marshal Baynam clubbed Heavener out of the game, and by the efforts of Attorney Sparson peace was restored and a riot averted.

As Judge Wright, B. E. Sparson and Prof. P. E. Pierpont, the latter gentleman having chanced to drop into that town, walked up street, things were quite boisterous. Such sallies as, "who is that big blankety blank," meaning Pierpont; and "There goes Ollie Wright the blankety blank; I'll take a punch at him for giving me six months in the work house." All these were such pleasant and touching greetings that our Logan friends were more than amused.

At the Mayor's office there was certainly something doing and his honor took advantage of his prerogative, and bound the accused over to court, and cleared his office. The detectives escaped overland to Gloucester, and trouble settled down, but their is much feeling that the detectives acted in a very wrongful manner.

The Logan contingent returned safely and all is peace again. They feel safer in Logan where they are more cordially addressed.

WHO IS GOVERNOR?

Is there any good reason why Lieutenant Governor Harris should not act as governor of Ohio?

For months Governor Pattison has been confined to his home by illness and his private secretary Lewis Houck, has virtually been governor of the state. Is this in accord with the wishes of the people of Ohio? Houck was the democratic candidate for lieutenant governor at the recent election and he was defeated by Harris by a pronounced majority.—Youngstown Telegram.

So you want the governor's office before the governor is dead. Well, you will have to wait awhile. Governor Pattison is not dead yet and it is to be hoped that he has many years before him of

comfortable, happy life. The above is about as brutal as anything we have ever seen in a newspaper.

It was hoped and believed that this legislative session would not be disgraced by a lobby such as was seen in Columbus in the days of legislatures noted for their overwhelming republican majorities, but this week the salary question is up for discussion, and the lobbying in behalf of the organizations of county officials has been a disgrace to the organizations and of such character as to warrant the voters in every county in the state in settling with officials at the first opportunity at the polls. The official head of every one interested in the lobby ought to come off at the first whack.—Youngstown Vindicator.

Amen to that. And the most astounding thing about the lobby is that it really had a lot of effect with many legislators and showed that they would very much like to do the wrong thing if they dared do so.—Cleveland Recorder.

Mentioned for Congr. SS.

[Lancaster Democrat.]
Judge Wright and Colonel Weldy, of Hocking county, have both declared their intention to become candidates for the Democratic Congressional nomination in this district.

BIG FIRE AT SOUTH PERRY.

Store and Dwellings Burn
With Heavy Loss.

South Perry, O., Feb. 26.—Last Friday evening between 5 and 6 o'clock South Perry was visited with one of the most destructive fires in its recent history. The fire originated in the dwelling occupied by Simon Steel and family who were living in the hotel building formerly known as the Valley House in which was conducted, until recent years, a hotel for about a half century. The lower rooms, save one, have been changed and made into store apartments in which the firm of Steel & Note-stone conducted a general merchandise business, the firm being composed of Simon Steel and P. W. Note-stone.

The upper floor was used as sleeping apartments and sitting rooms. It was in these rooms that the fire started and it had gained such headway when discovered that it was impossible to extinguish or even remove the contents from the rooms which contained about all the household goods. Willing hands arrived on the scene in time to remove the greater part of the stock of goods, a portion of which caught fire and were destroyed after being removed from the burning building and others were damaged and broken in removing. Several buildings were in danger of being burned, one on the east about 30 feet in which was located the barber shop of Leroy Kay, but by constant use of water this was saved. Christopher Judy's residence just across the street was in dire danger, but escaped, the paint being badly blistered. Mr. Steel carried a small insurance on the house and barn of \$100, and \$1400 on the stock of goods, far below what they were worth. The goods that were saved were moved into the vacant store room of J. W. Weaver. The future of the firm is not definitely known. The firm deserves sympathy in this disaster and especially Mr. Steel and family who are left homeless.

The fire fighters of this community were there and, as usual, did splendid service.

Mr. John T. Brannan, of Columbus was in Logan Tuesday afternoon and night on business.

1000 DOLLAR DOW TAX.

The Aiken Bill Becomes a
Law.

OPERATIVE IN MAY.

Sensational Climax to a
Bitter Contest.

On Tuesday afternoon the Ohio Senate had up the Aiken Bill, raising the Dow tax on saloons to \$1,000 per year. The galleries were crowded and all Ohio seemed to have their ears to ground awaiting the result. Joe Miller, for the saloons, had fought the fight up to the minute, and now the trying moment had come. The Anti-saloon League officers had refused to take any part in the matter because they do not believe in the licensed saloon but the church people everywhere were clamoring to have the bill pass to put out of business the low dives in the state.

When the vote was called all breathless, the result being 18 to 18, Senator Lawyer not voting. Immediately, before the vote was announced Senator Beatty changed his vote from "against" to for the bill. This carried the measure, and Senators Berry and Lauman and others also changed passing the bill by 23 to 13, and the \$1,000 Dow Tax becomes a law.

It is claimed that at least one-half of the saloons of Ohio cannot stand the pressure and will have to go out of business. The church people rejoice and the saloon men wail. Such is life. Now your up and now your down. Now you see it and now you don't.

HOCKING COUNTY

Will Have a Fair This
Year.

It has been decided by the Agricultural Board to repair the old fair ground and have a county fair this year. The Commissioners have granted the legal stipend of \$600.00 to the cause, together with the state's per capita of \$180.00, and \$300.00 in the Societies treasury, a county fair seems sure. D. W. Wright and Frank Adcock, members of the board seem to be pushing the thing along, and are receiving much encouragement from the farmers and business men. It has been many years since Hocking enjoyed a real live county fair, and now let us all get together and give a long pull together for its success this year. If you can't boast, don't knock.

A Public Statement.

The statements made by me at the Union meeting at the Presbyterian church on last Sunday evening, as every body knows were not made from any personal knowledge, but from information. The information did not come from superintendent, teacher or any other person officially connected with the school. I am now informed, from what I consider reliable sources, that my information was not correct and am anxious to so state to those concerned in the matter.

I wish to thank the members of the Senior class for the lady-like and gentlemanly manner in which they received a full explanation and apology from myself. If the kindly spirit in which they

received an invitation for an interview, and the gentle way in which they conducted themselves in my home shall continue their success is assured.

I said nothing in malice but with a view to the public good, I deeply regret if wrong has been done, and especially if injustice has been done to any person.

This card must not be construed as in any sense a concession to prevailing evil, but in the interests of those whose characters should be protected.

T. B. WHITE.

U. S. Court.

A meeting of the creditors of the Hocking Mfg. Co. was held yesterday afternoon in the office of E. D. Ricketts, U. S. Reference in Bankruptcy for the purpose of proving claims and electing a trustee. The total liabilities amount to about \$8000. Mr. Dugan, of Columbus was chosen trustee.

LINDSAY DROWNED.

Former Resident of South
Perry Suicides.

John Lindsay, a native of Fairfield county, and former resident of South Perry, drowned himself March 9th in a water tank on his farm near Tuscola, Illinois.

He was a brother of William Lindsay, of South Perry, and Mrs. Mary Stump, of Laurelville, and visited his relatives in this vicinity last fall. Mr. Lindsay was 76 years old and has been in failing health all winter, and recent sorrows in his family affected him deeply.

Two weeks before his death it became necessary to send his oldest son James, to a private sanitarium in Indianapolis. For an entire week, both day and night, Mr. Lindsay had watched his son and during that time had taken scarcely any rest. Awakening in the night and finding her husband gone, Mrs. Lindsay aroused the family and a search was made. About 3 o'clock in the morning his body was found floating face downward in the tank at the wind mill, where he was accustomed to water his cattle.

TRACTION RAIL-WAY.

Logan in Position to Benefit
by Connections.

The Council of the City of Nelsonville have passed an ordinance granting a franchise to a traction line company, who propose to run from Gloucester to Nelsonville and to Athens. It is said that parties in this company are also largely interested in the company that operates the line from Columbus to Lancaster. They sent a prospecting engineering crew through Logan this week with a view to laying out a route to connect the two lines, and the crew upon being interviewed say there is no doubt of the thirty miles between Lancaster and Nelsonville being connected up as soon as the Gloucester end is completed.

Traction lines in Ohio are becoming almost a thicket work over the State, and a more favorable community could not be lined than this valley.

The Commissioners of Hocking County have been applied to for a franchise to put traction rail ways through this county, and the matter will come before them at their next meeting.

CRITICAL ILLNESS.

Governor Pattison Took
Decidedly Worse Friday.

STRUGGLED BRAVELY.

Getting Better, But Not Out
of Danger.

It has been a most trying time in State official circles since Friday of last week because of the sudden turn for the worse of Governor Pattison's health on that day. Friday night the Governor was reported dead, but his great vitality pulled him over the crisis and he lives on.

He has been sick since the inauguration from exposure on that day, and the collapse came last week. The malady seemed to take the form of uremic poisoning, and the Governor's life has been despaired of for several days, but seems now to be getting better, though no positive encouragement for his ultimate recovery is given out by his physicians. It is but hope against hope that he may be restored to health.

A Few More Kind Words.

[Lancaster Eagle.]

The old HOCKING SENTINEL has been sold to the Logan Printing and Publishing company and has been consolidated with the DEMOCRAT of that place and the two publications will be issued hereafter as one. Ex-Senator Virgil C. Lowry is the President of the new company and Mayor J. B. Dollison will wield the editorial pen. The passing away of the old SENTINEL and the retirement of Col. Green from the profession closes an important chapter in the history of Ohio journalism. There was no more quaint or unique character in the newspaper business than Col. Green. For thirty five years he occupied a position peculiarly his own and his facile pen was able to produce intelligent and readable matter that found no counterpart. There was but one Green and his individuality peered out from every line and syllable of the paper over which he long presided. He was a Democrat of the old school and gave to the party considerably more than he received. He wrote from principle and was content with the results, although others profited and benefited by his efforts. Although the SENTINEL is gone and the aged editor has retired the name of Green will always occupy a prominent niche in the archives of the Fourth Estate.

[New Lexington Herald.]

A few weeks ago the Ohio Democrat was sold to the Logan Printing and Publishing company of Logan. Now McBroom the owner of the HOCKING SENTINEL has sold that journal to the same company thus consolidating the two papers. This is a good thing for the Democratic party and also for the publishers of the two papers, as there never was room in Hocking county for two Democratic papers. After several years of experience the publishers no doubt realized this fact.

[Waynes County Democrat.]

The HOCKING SENTINEL for thirty three years a faithful exponent of Democratic principles has been sold to the Logan Printing and Publishing company. The SENTINEL and OHIO DEMOCRAT will be merged into one publication by the new company now owning both newspaper plants. Here's success to the new firm.

Messrs. Harley Kuhn, Hiram Menzie, and Earl Mender, and Carl Haning of Nelsonville, were Sunday visitors in Logan.