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WILSON PIKE LIST JUDGES AND CLERKS

And the Dear Old Observer Improves Each Shining Hour—Its Latest Break.

"To demonstrate to what straits the county has been brought by exhaustion of funds and an enormous tax coming on, we want to cite the Elchler road improvement begun over a year ago. The improvement is five miles long and three-quarters of a mile remains unfinished and contractors held up for want of funds.

"The Wilson pike, likewise begun more than a year ago, two miles in length, has one-half mile unfinished for the same cause.

"The money that should have built these improvements and paid for other county work has gone elsewhere, and it is up to the people to say whether the like conditions are to be endured and encouraged or whether they will, with an emphatic voice, call a halt to such practices and insure better service in the future."—Mercer County Observer, October 20.

To demonstrate what a dirty, malicious liar one Adolph Gilbert of the sanctimonious old Mercer County Observer proves himself to be, we cite the signed statements of Auditor J. L. Morrow and Treasurer Jno. B. Albers on the condition of the funds of the pikes referred to, which follow:

Table with columns: Item, Amount. Includes Contract price \$6,999.00, Paid to contractors, Lewisburg Stone Co., on their contract 720.00, Paid various other expenses 200.61, Total expenditures 920.61, Balance of money on hand for completion of pike construction \$6,078.39.

"The above figures are correct to my best knowledge and belief." (Signed) J. L. MORROW, Auditor of Mercer County.

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With the interstate commerce report showing that the railroads earned two millions more in June than they spent in operating expenses, it is a little difficult to understand why the freight rates should be increased.

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TEACHERS MEET TO-MORROW

The first bi-monthly meeting of the Mercer County teachers association will be held at the High School building, in this city, to-morrow (Saturday), the morning session opening at 9:30 o'clock. The program is as follows:

Music—Song by association. Invocation. Address by the Board of Education. Messrs. Gortman and Leidy, of Rockford, address "Living vs. Existing." H. N. Hibel, principal of Washington Township High School.

What a Challenge Discloses

Contractor John Tenant wants the job of Sheriff of Mercer County pretty bad, and if his Democratic opponent would get off the earth and the Democratic voters all go to sleep he might get there, though he wouldn't have many votes to spare even then. He has come to the conclusion that Mr. Fisher is very unpopular and has challenged him to fight it out on terms laid down by Mr. Tenant, Esq.

Other county candidates have been said of him by the press, and no audience will be disappointed with him. The lecture is under the auspices of the high school. Season tickets (five lectures)—Adults, \$1; school pupils, 75c; single admissions, 20c and 35c.

Denman's Lost Opportunity.

Mr. Denman was attorney general two months under Governor Harris by appointment before his present term began. That was two months before Judson Harmon became Governor to back him. Mr. Denman didn't find any of the graft he is talking about now. Do you understand?

Third-Term Combination.

Two third-termers (Dunlap and Watkins) on the ticket, and an ex-third-termier (Laylin) to manage the campaign, make a combination for Mr. Harding that the people ought to be more than willing to beat.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

The Board at their meeting last Friday took up the adjourned matter of the Old River Reber road improvement. The viewers having made their report granting the road and allowing compensation and damages, same was examined by the board, and they finding that the petitioners gave about half of the land without compensation, granted the improvement and allowed the bills for compensation and damage, provided the petitioners pay \$100, the county to pay the balance of the expense. The following were the bills included in the report of the viewers:

Table with columns: Name, Amount. Includes Joseph Gutierrez-Compensation, \$112.16; Henry Stachler-Compensation, \$116.80; James Mullenkamp-Compensation, \$170; damages, \$12; total, \$299.

We desire to acknowledge the uniform courtesy shown us by the county officers and their willingness manifested in all offices and their duties in producing books and records when asked for. Respectfully submitted, J. M. DICK, Committee A. M. RILEY, JOHN G. BOMER, Prosecuting Attorney.

Masquerade and Ice-Cream Social at Erastus

The ladies' aid society of Erastus will give a masquerade and ice-cream social to-morrow (Saturday) evening. Admission, 10 cents at the door. All holders of a ticket will be served with pie. A good time is promised all.

BRILLIANT AND QUANT BRUNER

Next Attraction of Washington Township High School Lecture Course. The famous Byron W. King, President of King School oratory at Pittsburg, after hearing one of Mr. Bruner's lectures, paid him the following fine compliment:

"Our people were 'slighted with your lecture; they looked for a flow of eloquence but were not expecting a Niagara; the flood was almost overwhelming. It is quite difficult to get a man with voice power and magnetic force to reach out and draw in four thousand people and hold them spell-bound for two hours or more, as you did. You seem to have something for everybody, and everybody seemed to hear all your other lectures. If you come our way again, you shall surely find me in the audience, with eyes and ears attentive. We shall long remember you here as a scholar, orator and the man with a mission."

The case referred to the juvenile court was that of Wm. Annett, charged with altering a written instrument. The Prosecutor found during the investigation that the accused was a minor.

HUNTER MEETS HORRIBLE FATE

Another horrible death, resulting from the accidental discharge of a gun is chronicled this week. Wm. Franklin Hole, a son of Wm. J. Hole, living six miles west of town, was the victim. In climbing a fence his gun was discharged, the load tearing a frightful hole in his left breast. His clothing caught fire, and in his frightful condition tried to extinguish it. But for the arrival of help he would have bled to death. He died shortly after in great agony.

House and Lot for Sale

New five-room house and summer kitchen, in Citizens addition; cheap if sold soon. Inquire of C. F. DUNCAN, Lisle street, Celina, O.

Report of Examiners of Commissioners' Report.

To the Honorable Court of Common Pleas of Mercer County, Ohio: Sir:—Under your appointment and in compliance of the law, we have made a full and complete examination of the Commissioners' and Turn Pike Directors of Mercer County, Ohio, for the fiscal year commencing September 1, 1909, and ending August 31, 1910, as embraced in their report filed with the Clerk of Courts on September 1, 1910, and respectfully submit the following as our report:

Table with columns: Name, Amount. Includes Wm. L. Morrow fees paid to county on February settlement, \$67.78; Fred Haby, ditch fees for one month of January, \$10; F. W. Dicks, superintendent on Linn Pike, \$7.82.

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BRUSH INDICTED BY GRAND JURY AND ARRESTED AND LODGED IN JAIL WITHOUT BAIL

Six True Bill Presented and Fifteen Cases Ignored—One Sent to Juvenile Court.

After three days and a half of work the grand jury of the October term of the Common Pleas Court reported, through its foreman, J. C. Brockhart, to Judge Layton about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, returning six indictments, four of which were made public. One of the secret indictments was given out last night, following the arrest of Irvyn Brush, of Chattanooga, on a charge of rape.

Immediately after the grand jury had made their report Sheriff Grothman went to Chattanooga and took in custody Irvyn Brush, one of the principals of the Kaylor case, on the charge above stated, whom he brought to this city and lodged in jail without bail. The crime for which Brush was indicted never had a parallel in this county. A few weeks ago a doctor was called to the Kaylor home, in Blackeswek township, near Chattanooga, who found the little child of Kaylor in a horrible condition from a loathsome sexual disease. The disclosure caused the father to become a raving, incurable maniac, and Brush, as understood by the grand jury, was charged with the heinous crime.

The other public indictments are G. W. Weadock, exceeding the speed limit by fast auto driving; Dr. H. H. Miller, on a like charge; Jas. H. Cullen, non-support, and Levi Kiser on a similar charge. Seventy-eight witnesses were examined in all, covering 23 cases. Six true bills were presented and fifteen cases ignored. One case was passed and one referred to the juvenile court. The report states that the jury made the usual visit to the county jail and found everything O. K. They, however, recommended that the cornices and gutters on the jail building be repaired.

SOCIAL GOSSIP

Mrs. James Pearson desires to thank her many friends who so kindly remembered her with postal on her recent birthday, when she received cards to the number of 293.

BASE BALL

With Celina's big third baseman, Mr. George Washington Myers, in the box, pitted against the great Ft. Recovery southpaw, Rubie Walls, one of star performers of the Portsmouth club, penant winners of the Ohio State League this season, the Kids won a close and interesting game from Coldwater at Mercetins Park last Sunday afternoon, 4 to 1.

Difficult from the contest between the same clubs at Coldwater the previous Sunday, both teams played good ball in the field, the work of the Kids band of Myers being almost perfect and in some instances phenomenal. Only four singles were made off Mr. Myers' southpaw, while the visiting southpaw was touched up for double that number. Three of these, with a base on balls, in the fifth inning, gave the Kids three runs and the game. Three more in the seventh added another three to the Kids' score.

Table with columns: Name, Amount. Includes CELINA AGR. H. S. BROS. P. L. McCumb, 4 2 1 0 0 1 0; Wainwright, 4 1 1 0 2 1 0; Betz, 2 0 0 0 0 0 0; Hoover, 4 2 1 0 0 0 0; C. Myers, 3 0 0 1 0 1 0; Weber, 4 1 1 1 0 0 0; Frederick, 4 1 1 2 0 0 0; Betz, 4 0 0 0 1 1 0.

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