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Locals

Dr. S. Luther Bare, of this city, has purchased a motorcycle.

A large number of freight trains passed through this city Sunday.

Major and Mrs. Johnson Poe, of Baltimore, have arrived at the Main Court Inn for the summer.

Miss Etta Yingling, of Webster street, this city, visited friends in Reisterstown Sunday.

Mr. Charles Vanderford, of Baltimore, visited relatives in this city Sunday.

The Board of School Commissioners for this county held a lengthy session Monday.

Miss Onedia Morris, of Baltimore, has been visiting Miss Irma Byers of this city.

Miss Fannie VanHollen, of Baltimore, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Eckenrode of Reese.

Mrs. Harry J. Myers, of Pleasant Valley, is suffering from the effcts of running a nail in her hand.

Mrs. Amanda Hoff and Ruth Tanner and Harry Arnold visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eckenrode of Reese.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Devilbiss of Reese, are visiting friends in Baltimore.

Mr. Lawrence Wroth, of Baltimore, is visiting friends and relatives in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Myers, and daughter Cordelia, of this city spent Sunday at Sam's Creek.

Mr. Vincent Powers visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Powers, of this city, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Armacost, of Chambersburg, Pa., left to-day for Atlantic City, N. J.

Mr. Raymond Hahn, of Philadelphia, Pa., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hahn, of Pleasant Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Albaugh, of E. Main street, attended the Democratic Convention Thursday and Friday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ralph Royer, and two children of Baltimore, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Myers, of this city.

Misses Mae and Louise Yingling of Harrisburg, Pa., are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Yingling of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Buckingham, of Baltimore, are visiting Mr. B's father, Mr. Alfred Buckingham, of E. Green street, this city.

Mr. Daniel Roberts, of Pittsburgh, visited his sister Mrs. Charles E. Stewart and other relatives of this city, Sunday.

Messrs Wm. Strong, Robert E. Frazier and Cornelius Sullivan were arrested Friday for riding unlawfully on a train of the Western Maryland Railroad.

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Beacham, of Avondale, this county, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Catherine, to Mr. Wm. Sharrer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse C. Sharrer, of this city.

Work on the construction of a state road between New Oxford, Pa., and Gettysburg will begin this week. Contractor John Doblin, of York, Pa., will do the work. He will have 100 men on the job and expects to complete the road in about three months.

Mr Charles B. Stoner, of near Hanover, Pa., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth J. Stoner, of Bond street, this city.

Misses Mary and Jennie Selby, of Mt. Olive, this county are visiting their sister, Mrs. Francis J. Albaugh, of E. Main street, this city.

The safe and sane Fourth of July celebration in this city will be an attractive an patriotic one. Stay home and help to make it a success.

Mr. C. P. Devine, president of Yakima Highlands Irrigation and Land Company of North Yakima, State of Washington, was in this city yesterday on business with Mr. Chas. E. Fink.

The Chesapeake Motorcycle Club, of Baltimore had a 200 mile endurance run to Lancaster, Pa., and return Sunday. The members passed through this city and stopped at the Main Court Inn for checking up.

Mr. Charles Schwartzbaugh, of this city, was kicked by a colt Sunday morning and injured severely. He had been driving the animal but something frightened it and when it started to kick it did not stop until the road cart to which it was attached was in pieces and Mr. Schwartzbaugh was out on the ground.

A horse belonging to Mr. H. H. Harbaugh, liveryman, of this city, attached to a dirt cart ran to the stable Saturday noon and in making the turn from the street into the stable struck the curbing of the pavement and was thrown to the ground. Mr. Harbaugh's little son, who was standing near the stable entrance narrowly escaped being struck by the horse.

The Forest and Stream Club will hold a meeting Friday night, July 5th. 8 P. M., at photograph gallery of Mr. James D. Mitchell, to arrange for encampment. All members are requested to be present.

The Fishing Contest promises to be a success. Prizes promised so far are; 2 rods, 2 reels, 10 artificial baits, 6 fish stringers, lines, duffle-bag and landing net.

Mr. Frank Diffendal, of Baltimore is visiting relatives in this city.

Mr. Leonard Eckenrode, of Baltimore, is visiting relatives in this city.

Rev. J. Tolly Marsh, of New Windsor, visited friends in this city Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward O. Weant, of Willis street, will leave tomorrow for a visit to Atlantic City, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Rose, of this city, left this morning to spend a few weeks at Blue Ridge Summit.

Mrs. Charles W. E. Gosnell, of Baltimore, is visiting her mother-in-law, Mrs. Frances L. Gosnell, at the Main Court Inn.

Miss Mabel Hunter, of E. Green St., has returned home after a six week's visit to her sister, Mrs. Frank Armacost, of Chambersburg.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Edwin Weaver and grandchildren Henry and Janice Livingston, have gone to Coatesville, Pa., to visit their two sons.

Mrs. Mary S. Schaeffer, of W. Main street, this city will leave for Pen-Mar, this week, where she will spend the balance of the summer at her cottage.

Mrs. Julia Seboure, of this city, who has been spending some time with her son, Mr. George Seboure and family in Baltimore, returned home on Sunday. Her granddaughter, Miss Ethel May Seboure, accompanied her.

The Farmers and Mechanics National Bank, of this city, has declared a semi-annual dividend of 6 per cent, the Union National a 5 per cent, and the First National a 5 per cent, clear of taxes.

The Pen-Mar Presbyterian Reunion will be held Thursday, August 1, 1912. The principle address will be made by Mr. Wm. T. Ellis, of Philadelphia, Pa., editor afield of The Continent, a famous traveler, journalist, lecturer, writer on missions and other world topics.

Marriages

THOMPSON—HOUSER

Miss Emma V. Houser and Mr. Charles E. Thomson, both of this city, were married Saturday afternoon, June 29th, 1912, by Rev. J. W. Reinecke, pastor of Carroll Reformed charge, near this city.

Deaths

WILLIAM C. HOOD

Mr. William C. Hood, employed as a lamplighter for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad at Mount Airy, this county, was struck by a helper engine shortly after midnight Friday and sustained injuries from which he died in the Frederick City Hospital about 3. 30 o'clock Saturday morning. He was 50 years old and is survived by a widow and three children.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED

Jesse W. Wilson and Phenice W. Yingling.

Wm. J. Wilson and Edna Wilson.

Chas. E. Thomson and Emma V. Houser.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The board of county commissioners was in session Monday and in addition to the transaction of routine business approved the bonds of Messrs Wilson L. Crouse, Edward F. Smith, J. Edward West, Chas. E. Baumgartner, Theo. R. Strevig and John G. Hoffman.

ORPHANS' COURT

John G. Hoffman, executor of Nancy Arnold, deceased, reported inventory of personal property, list of debts and received orders to sell personal property and real estate.

John W. and Luther H. Hoffacker, executors of David H. Hoffacker, deceased settled their second account.

Nathan H. Baile, executor of Mary Jane Carter, deceased, settled his first and final account.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE

Henry A. Warner and wife to Henry S. Stick, 136prs.

Laura M. C. Werner to Hanover Produce Co., 43 prs.

Samuel F. Winter, trustee, to Chas. F. Stick, 43prs.

Wm. H. Rodkey and wife to Wm. H. Bloom, 139 prs.

Francis A. Logue and wife to Wm. H. T. Yingling, 24a.

Wm. H. T. Yingling to Francis A. Logue and wife, 24a.

BALTIMORE COUNTY ROAD LOAN CONSTITUTIONAL

$1,500,000 Loan Will now Be Fastened on County

Judges Duncan and Harlan of the Baltimore County Court filed an opinion Thursday sustaining the constitutionality of the Road Loan law and dismissing the bill filed by Dr. Wm. P. E. Wyse against the Good Roads Commission. The case will likely be taken to the Court of Appeals to lend strength to the validity of the 1,500,000 bonds to be issued under the law, but it is not generally believed by lawyers that there is much probability that the decision of the lower court will be reversed. Since the defection of Dr. Mattfeldt, president of the Board of County Commissioners, to the Talbott ranks there will be no heart in the fight against the road loan.

The decision of the court was on a demurrer filed and argued by Mr. Osborne I. Yellott, counsel to the Good Roads Commission. The demurrer was broad enough to cover the whole question of the constitutionality of the act and was to the merits of the bill itself. It is not likely that the County Commissioners will throw further obstacles in the way of the Good Roads Commission and doubtless preliminary work will commence at once.

UNIONTOWN

Mrs. Hilda, wife of John Hiltabridle, was taken to the Franklin Hospital Saturday and operated on for appendicitis. At last account she was doing well.

Miss Alice Ecker, whose illness was noted last week died at the home of her brother Charles on Saturday afternoon. Funeral at Pipe Creek church Tuesday, at 9 A. M. Burial in adjoining cemetery of the Brethren.

Mrs. Perry Daly, of Narrows, Va., accompanied her sister, Miss Alice Lamb, on her return home and will make a short visit here.

Mrs. Neary and little daughter, of Hanover, Pa., are visiting Harvey Erb's family.

Dr. Walter Brown, formerly of this place, but now practicing in Westmoreland, Co., Pa., paid a flying visit to relatives and friends here last week.

The Willing Workers, of theLutheran Church, have decided to hold their annual bazaar on Thursday evening, August 1st., 1912.

Mrs. Pearla M. Master left on Friday for a visit in California. A sister resides there. She was accompanied as far as Salt Lake City by Mrs. Nellie Haines, of Linwood, who will meet her aunt Mrs. Sarah Clark, and family, there, and with them will tour through the Yellowstone Park.

Charles Ruppel and wife, of New York, are visiting the latter's sister Mrs. John Hack, and family, of this place.

Miss Elizabeth Sittig, a trained nurse from the Union Protestant Infirmary, is spending her vacation with her father, Charles Sittig, near town.

Mrs. James Cover, Mrs. Burrier Cookson and Mrs. Jesse Englar, attended a family dinner at Jos. Yingling's, Pleasant Valley, on Saturday.

Mrs. Susan Myerly, is sending some time with her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Fritz.

William Devilbiss and wife were callers at Mrs. Deborah Segafoose's on Sunday.

Mrs. Dr. J. J. Weaver spent several days last week with her sister, Mrs F .T. Darby, in Hagerstown.

Last Friday, while John Bowers, of Clear Ridge was working in the garden some insect stung him and in a short time his hands were quite swollen, and he became unconscious, but after medical attention he rallied and is improving.

HAMPSTEAD

Miss Katie Snyder, who has been visiting in York, Pa., has returned home after spending her vacation.

Mrs. A. H. McKinley and Miss Dora Worthington, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Crum at Walkersville, have returned home.

Mrs. Nicholas Leppo, of York, Pa., is spending the week with her mother, Mrs. Blizzard.

Mr. Frank Sullivan, of Baltimore, is spending some time at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sullivan, while recuperating from an injured knee.

Master Jinks Matthews, is home again, after spending some weeks as the guest of his sister, Mrs. Lee Leister.

Miss Effie Ebaugh, of Baltimore, spent a few days this week as the guest of her sister, Mrs. Ellen Armacost.

Miss E. L. Blizzard has had a C. and P. telephone installed in her progressive store.

Miss Grace Hard, of Gwynbrook spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of her aunt Mrs. Rovilla Harris.

Miss Wadeen Winters will return home after spending a month with her aunt Mrs. C. V. Lipton.

Mr. Guy Miller, who has been leader of our band, left last week for Hershey, Pa., where he has accepted a position as a member of the Hershey band. Mrs. Miller will follow him in a short time, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Jennie Lippy.

Miss Gladys DuVall spent the week's end in Baltimore taking in the Convention. Also to visit her sister and brother. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Allgire. Mr. Allgire who has been very ill, is convelescing.

The stork has again visited our neighborhood and left Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Murray Jr., a baby girl.

WESTMINSTER WINS

The Frederick Young Men's Christian Association met with a surprise when they tackled Westminster here Saturday afternoon, being defeated 13 to 1. The visitors are said to be a strong team, but were no match for the home team, although the Westminister boys are slight in weight. Lamotte Smith held the Frederick batters at his mercey until a good lead had been piled up by the Westminster. C. Arnold fielding and batting featured the game. He ran far back of second and made a one-handed catch of a sure Texas Leaguer. A fast double play by Crouse and Gehr also brought forth much applause.

Westminster	Frederick
C. Arnold, ss	Bokers, lf
Sayers, c	Derr, ss.
Jenkins, cf	Young, 1b.
Cook, 1b.	Staley, 2b.
Gehr, 2b.	Lease, p.
F. Arnold, rf.	Creager, c.
L. Smith, p.	Webb, 3b.
Crouse, 3b.	Miller, rf.
J. Smith, lf.	Albaugh, rf.

Westminster 2 4 4 0 2 0 0 1 x — 13
Frederick 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 — 1

Runs scored—By Arnold (4), Sayers (3), Cook, Crouse (2), J. Smith (3); Albaugh, Two base hits—C. Arnold, Cook and Crouse. Struck out By Lease, 10 by Smith 13 Umpire—Doyle.

MORGAN

Rev. T. M. Dickey spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Trayer.

Mr. J. J. Brandenburg raised the new addition to his barn Wednesday.

Mrs. Lula Pickett and Carroll Buckingham spent the day with Mrs. C. H. Milter and family Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F Gosnell visited Mr and Mrs. Wm. F. Fowble Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheeler Flohr called on Mrs. C. H. Milter Sunday.

Miss Esther Gartrell is visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Gartrell, Baltimore.

Don't forget the Sunday School picnic July 20th.

Mrs. E. Leo Spurrier, of Mt. Airy, this county, is visiting Miss Lillian Shipley, of E. Main street, this city.

Wilson Forges Ahead Of Clark, But His Vote Begins to Drop Off

NO SIGNS YET OF A STAMPEDE TO ANY ONE

Many Exciting Episodes in the Convention--New York's Implied Threat to Kill Off Candidate Tainted With Bryanism. Situation Muddled

At 12.40 this morning the Convention adjourned until noon.

The forty-second ballot, the last one taken before adjournment, stood:

Total Number of Delegates	1088
Necessary to a Choice	725 1-2

CLARK	430	BRYAN	1-2
WILSON	494	GAYNOR	1
UNDERWOOD	104	JAMES	1
HARMON	27	LEWIS	1
FOSS	28	ABSENT	1-2

The Democratic Convention is still in session at the Fifth Regiment Armory in Baltimore, not having been able to select a nominee for president. Messrs Clark, Wilson, Harmon and Underwood are the leading candidates but the bitterness engendered by the conflict between the conservatives and the progressives will probably defeat all of them and force the nomination of some one whose name has not been mentioned. The two-thirds rule, while a very good one at times is evidently causing considerable trouble and disappointments to the candidates and their supporters.

Senator John W. Kern, of Indiana, is beileved to be the choice of Mr. Bryan but Tammany Hall, led by Mr. Murphy, of New York, is evidently determined to prevent his nomination and also that of Wilson.

Mr. Bryan in a formal statement issued Sunday night stated that the convention should 'nominate either Senator Kern, of Indiana, Senator-elect James, of Kentuckey, Senator O'Gorman, of New York, Senator Culberson, of Texas, or Senator Rayner, of Maryland.

WILSON FORGES AHEAD OF CLARK

Governor Wilson has had his day in the Democratic Convention. On the thirty-ninth ballot he had 501 1|2 votes. He held his strength for only nine ballots. Then he slowly fell back.

When the Convention, after the forty-second ballot, adjourned at 12. 40 o'clock this morning, until noon today, he had dropped to 494 votes, having lost 7 1|2 votes from his greatest strength.

Speaker Clark had fallen to his lowest vote, 422, when Governor Wilson crossed the 500 line. Thereafter, as Wilson sank Clark rose, until at the close of the last ballot he had 430 votes, a gain of 8 over his mark.

Governor Wilson's friends did not fulfill yesterday the great expectations they aroused on Sunday by their confident claim that yesterday would bring the 600 votes and the control of the Convention.

Speaker Clark's friends claim that Governor Wilson is defeated. All day Mr. Wilson's managers confidently claimed victory. because his vote gained steadily. On the first ballot later he passed Speaker Clark by five votes, having 460 votes to Clark's 455.

But the expected stampede to Wilson failed. Even while the Indiana men went over to Wilson, the Clark men stood firm, and the next ballot showed that the action of the Indiana delegation had not driven away a single Clark vote.

The only result of the day was an increase in the bitterness between the Bryan and anti-Bryan elements. Mr. Stanchfield, of New York, one of the "ninety wax figures," as Mr. Bryan characterized the New York delegation Sunday night, made a savage reply to Colonel Bryan, in which he denounced him as "a money-grabbing marplot" and retorted to Mr. Bryan's challange that no man who was nominated by the aid of New York's vote would have his support with the threat that no man could go forth from this Convention "stigmatized and branded with Bryanism and come within half a million votes of success."

All in Bad Humor

Almost a full week of controversy between rival factions had sorely tried the patience and tempers of the delegates. The slow, vacillating rise and fall of the vote of favorite candidates throughout the day increased the steadily growing bitterness of the past week, and a match of offense, touched to the excitement, would have set the entire Convention ablaze.

It was on this situation that many of the leaders based a hope of a final vote and a nomination before the night was over. They argued that the weary delegates, tired by a week of work, would break from the hard and fast lines they have been holding and throw enough votes to one of the candidates to end the agony of suspense. Others contended that the situation made impossible an agreement on any one of the candidates now before the Convention. They pointed to today's physical clash between the Clark and Wilson forces as an evidence that the feeling between the two was so bitter that neither would allow enough votes to go the other to nominate.

TANEYTOWN

Mr. Clyde L. Hesson, Miss Elizabeth Crapster and Miss Irene Fringer returned from college, on Wednesday evening.

The heaviest shower of the season passed over town on Wednesday evening about six o'clock. Terrific thunder and the most vivid lightning accompanied it but little or no damage is reported.

Quite a number of political inclined citizens attended the Democratic Convention in Baltimore last week.

Miss Buelah Englar has returned home, to spend her vacation. She was teaching in New Jersey the past season.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Galt of Keymar, and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Galt, of Union Bridge dined with Robert S. McKinney Wednesday last.

Edward Classon and family and Harry Fair spent Sunday in Baltimore visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Jessie Mercer, of Mercersburg, is the guest of the Misses Reindollar.

Miss June and Mr. Richard Schwartz, of Hanover, Pa., are visiting Miss Eileene Schwartz.

Miss Agnes and Elizabeth Bingham, of Gettysburg, and Miss Annan are visiting Mrs. Sue Crapster.

While Mr. Samuel Clingan, a farmer living about two miles West of town, was driving to town Saturday evening last his vehicle was struck by a passing team driven by a person who was evidently filled with "booze". Mr. Clingan was thrown out and injured seriously. His family escaped with a few bruises.

While Mr. and Mrs. David Baughman were driving to church in Taneytown Sunday morning they met several automobiles which frightened their horse. Mr. Baughman finally go out and tried to quiet the animal but was unable to do so. The buggy was upset, Mrs. Baughman was thrown to the ground and the wheels of the vehicle ran over her neck and shoulders. Fortunately she was not injured seriously but both of them were very much frightened.

Mr. Charles G. Buffington and family, of New York City, are visiting his brother, Messrs Jacob and James Buffington, of this place.

WARFIELDSBURG

Harvest is now the order of the day. Fine crops of hay and grain are being gathered.

Miss Bessie Hobbs, of Baltimore, who has been visiting friends of near this place has returned home.

Miss Elizabeth Robertson, of near this place, spent Saturday with her sister Mrs. Mahlon Lambert, of Westminster.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel T. Robertson was the scene of an attractive birthday surprise party Saturday evening in honor of Mr. Robertson's 61 birthday. The evening was spent in games and social conversation until a late hour when all were invited to the dining room where a table was laden with all good things of the season.

Those present were: Messrs and Mesdames Samuel Robertson, James Robertson, Washington Robertson, David Null, Henry Koontz, Daniel Hollinger, William Duvall Claude Myerly, Herberd Baker, Frank Miller, Henry Robertson, Mahlon Lambert, and Charlees Goodwin; Mrs. Harry Summers, Mrs. Wivie Cook and Mrs. Maggie Poole; Misses Annie Barnes, Elsie Koontz, Mabel Cook, Pauline Robertson, Hazel Robertson, Louise Robertson, Fern Summers, Jannette Gertrude Morelock Flora Morelock, Elizabeth Robertson, Beerl Summers, Martha Robertson and Mary Miller; Messrs Raymond Cook, Wesley Cook, Guy Barnes, Danner Duvall, Edgar Miller, Edgar Robertson, Emory Robertson, Charles Robertson, Walter Cook and others.

Preaching in the Bethel Sunday after-noon at 2.30 by the pastor Rev. J. H. Gonso.

A LETTER FROM MR. EZRA M. BISH WHO IS VISITING HIS SON AT ROCKY FORD, COLORADO.

Mr. ———

My dear Sir:

It is just three weeks this morning since wife and self arrived at this place. I stood the trip nicely but my wife not quite so well as she was in bad shape when we left home. But am glad to say that she is very much improved and we have been enjoying ourselves very much indeed.

Our son Royer has an automobile and I can assure you that we certainly make good use of it. We have been taking shorter or longer trips every evening since we had a trip to a small town up the Arkansas valley named Fowler. It is about twenty miles and return. I must say for this country that the roads are ideal. The state appropriates considerable money for building up her roads. The state appropriated for 1911 $1,500,000 and for 1912 2,400,000. The state at present has 3300 miles of road. The one that this part of the state is mostly interested in is the old Santa Fe Trail from Kansas City to Denver, about 700 miles. They are digging down the sides and raising the center and after it is settled down and smoothed off it makes a road equal to our state road at home. There is a great deal of auto travel over this road from Kansas and Oklahoma to Colorado Springs and Denver. Many go up into the mountains to camp during the hot weather in July and August..

This I must say of this country, that it is like all of the western country. When it rains the mud gets like soft soap and a horse without shoes and an auto without chains are no more use on the road than a monkey in mid-ocean without a life preserver. Royer agreed to take a party of us to a new settlement in which he has never been. The distance was about twenty miles and the road was everything that could be expected. But sometimes when everything seems most congenial to the situation we are disappointed. Such was our case. We were running along on a road between two barbed wire fences at a thirty mile speed when all at once we were confronted by a piece of road covered with water which came from a small irrigation ditch. There was no road to get around it and we had too much sand to turn round and go back. Finally Royer concluded to venture, and that without chains on the drivers. We did not get far before we were "chock a block" with driving wheels of the machine turning like the ones under a stalled locomotive on the crossing in Westminster. We finally concluded that some would get out and push, which was done, the water being shoe top deep. I was appointed to take hold of the steering wheel and in a few seconds we landed on dry ground and were on our way rejoicing.

We were now in a most magnificent country with over fifty thousand acres under irrigation from a splendid ditch. Here is where we saw two hundred acres in one solid piece of alfalfa and we were told that it would make from two to two and one half tons of hay per acre. It certainly was a beautiful sight to look upon. Any farmer, who has never seen this country should spend a little time and money to do so at this time of the year. There are about five hundred thousand acres of this land under irrigation in this valley from the water of the Arkansas river. This country now presents itself more like a garden than anything else. The crops are composed of wheat,alfalfa,sugar beets cauliflower, oats, rye, cucumbers and other vegetables, except potatoes, The latter will not grow here, there being something in the soil which prevents them from forming.

The land, as in all other places, is bringing fabulous prices. Of course it depends upon where the land is located and the kind of ditch it is under, some ditches being better than others. To give you an idea. Royer took us to a poultry farm, about a mile from the city limits. At the time the present owner bought it, about four years ago, it was improved by a brick house, but no other improvements. He paid $16000 cash for it and since then he has gone into the poultry business extensively which necessitated putting from five to six thousand dollars more improvements on it in order to accommodate his business. He has incubator capacity for 6000 eggs at one hatching and brooder capacity sufficient to take care of the same number of chicks. This Spring he had hatched 20.000 chicks and now has 12,000 laying hens and about the same number of half grown chickens. His incubator house is about five feet in the ground and his laying and sleeping apartments are under the same roof. His stock of chickens are pure White Leghorn of the very best blood that can be had and his devices for breeding, feeding and caring for chickens are something wonderful. The greatest number of eggs he has gathered from his 12000 hens in one day's laying was a few over 1100. At the present time he gets about one and a half crates per day. There are many more interesting things of which I would like to write about but I think this is sufficient for this time.

With kindest regards,
E. M. Bish.

PLEASANT VALLEY

Mr. H. L. Wantz, who has been suffering with cancer of the face for some time, was taken to the county home Thursday. Mr. Wantz is the only brother of Mrs. Samuel Crouse, of Tyrone.

Mrs. Joseph P. Yingling royally entertained at her home on Saturday the following: Mrs. Robert Cookson, of Froid, Montana; Mrs. James Cover, Mrs. Burrier Cookson, and Mrs. Jesse Englar, of Uniontown, and Mrs. Sarah Cover, of Westminster.

Mrs. Englar Lawyer and son Gerald are spending some time with Mrs. Lawyer's mother, Mrs. Grant Yingling, in Mayberry.

The date of our annual Sunday school picnic has been decided upon and it will be held August 10th.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Eckard spent Sunday with Mrs. Eckard's mother, Mrs. Sarah E. Heltibridle, of near Mayberry.

Suffrage at Chicago

The question of votes for women was well to the fore at Chicago, in spite of the intense excitement over the Taft-Roosevelt fight. The women delegates were given an ovation, and both they and the wives of many male delegates were interviewed as to their views on suffrage, which were prominently featured in all the papers.

A suffrage deleegation, headed by Jane Addams, had a hearing before the Committee on Resolutions in behalf on the N. A. W. S. A. A report of it is given in another column. A. delegation from the National Anti-Association was reported to be in the city to ask a hearing. The press reports do not show whether they got it or not. At all events, the steam roller went over the suffrage plank in the Taft Committee, as might have been expected; but the platform of the with La Follette, of course, the mat-Roosevelt Convention had one, and ter was never in doubt.

A big meeting was held by the suffragists in Chicago in the Illinois Theatre to celebrate Roosevelt's declaration for a suffrage plank. Representatives of almost all suffrage organizations of Chicago and Illinois occupied the platform.

Gifford Pinchot, who came to the meeting as Roosevelt's representative, assured the audience that if Roosevelt could insert a suffrage plank in the convention platform it would be done. He said the Colonel had called on the women to help him in the fight for public honesty.

Judge Lindsay told how well the women's vote was working in Denver, and attributed the fact that he still was on the judicial bench, despite the attacks of corrupt politicians, to the women's votes.

Mrs. Frederick Nathan, president of the Consumers' League of America, said, in part:

"This is a wonderful moment when the progressives say we must put a suffrage plank in the party platform. I went last week before the Taft Committee to ask them to put suffrage in their platform. William Barnes, Jr., informed me then he did not approve of woman suffrage. I did not remind him then, as I might have, of the testimonial regarding him and his actions made public by the committee at Albany appointed to look into the graft in the State Legislature, to the effect that the one most benefited by the graft and the raids on the public treasury there was William Barnes, Jr., of New York. I should have told him he is just the type of man from whom we expect opposition to woman suffrage.

Senator Yates of California told how equal suffrage was won there and how it had worked. "The California victory was not merely a State victory; it was a national triumph," he said. "Women from all States rallied to our aid. He paid special tribute to the help rendered in the campaign by two Illinois women, Mrs. Catherine Waugh McCullough and Miss Helen Todd.

There were addresses by Mrs. McCullough, Dr. Anna C. Blount, Mrs. Fannie McCartney Worthington of Chicago and Mrs. Antoinette Funk, vice-president of the Women's Suffrage Party of Illinois.

The speech in behalf of Roosevelt by Pinchot, Lindsay and Yates were cheered, but whenever La Follette's name was mentioned the applause was so hearty and so long that the papers say the gathering seemed to resolve itself into a La Follette affair.

Representatives of President Taft sent messages near the close of the meeting to Mrs. McCullough, who was chairman, and to Mrs. Antoinette Funk head of the committee in charge of the meeting, asking that they be allowed to speak for the President, who they said, had declared for suffrage. Mrs. Funk told them that if the President had made a public statement to that effect they might speak. They said he had not.

A large number of delegates to the Republican National Convention and their wives attended the meeting.

CAN YOU BEAT IT

Tom McNeal, of Topeka, was talking to Abe Peters about luck, so Tom reports. Tom thought there was no such thing as luck, but Abe protested.

"Take the case of Ezra Boil," said Abe. "To begin with, think of his name. A name like that is hard enough luck to prove my contention, but Ezra lived up to it. When he was a baby he fell into the horsetrough and was almost drowned. Then he got hold of a can of concentrated lye, and it took them four weeks to bring him around. He fell out of an apple tree when he was six and broke both arms and a leg, and just as he was hobbling round again he went on a watermelon-stealing expedition with six other boys. The others got away, but the dog caught Ezra and chewed him up until the farmer came along and he put on finishing touches with a harness trace. He fell in love when he was seventeen, spent all he had for buggy rides and candy for the red-cheeked object of his adoration and she shook him and married another. A mule kicked him and broke six ribs. He had a lot of hogs, and they died of cholera on the identical day when hogs reached nine cents a pound, live-weight. He had a big crop of wheat, and a hailstorm came alonng and ruined it one hour after his hail insurance policy had lapsed. He got five hundred dollars to make a payment on his land, put it in the bank and the bank busted.

"A cyclone wrecked his house and barn and crippled all his family except his mother-in-law, who escaped unhurt. He bought four gold bricks and took some Confederate money in pay for two good horses.

"Then he died. When they were taking him to the cemetery the team pulling the hearse ran away going down hill and scattered the remains of Ezra along the side of the road.

"In the course of time his family marked his grave by an appropriate stone on which the stone cutter got the date of his birth wrong and misspelled his name in two places.

"And still you say there is no such thing as luck!"

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