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BANKRUPT'S PROPERTY IN LITIGATION. NOT THE WHOLE TRUTH

In the last issues of the Democratic Advocate and the Times there appeared an article under the caption "Bankrupt's Property In Litigation," written by Charles O. Clemson, an attorney of this city, in which he makes it appear that Howard A. Bixler, one of our best citizens, is, by fraudulent and unlawful means, endeavoring to get control of certain personal property and crops on Mr. Bixler's farm, lately occupied by Vernon R. Hook, tenant, and now a bankrupt.

Why Mr. Clemson saw fit to write the article no one, knowing the facts in the case, can understand, except it was for his own glorification and to make Mr. Bixler appear small before his friends and neighbors.

The United States District Court did order all the property sold, but it was done because of the expense of feeding the animals, and the perishable character of the crops. Mr. Bixler's claim for the property could not have been heard under 60 days and, in the meantime, the crops would be spoiled and the expense of feed and care of the animals would amount to considerable. The order to reduce the property to cash is the usual one in such cases.

In the order, however, (and this is the part Mr. Clemson left out of his communication) the Court directed the trustee to hold the money received from the sale of the personal property and crops until Mr. Bixler's claim can be adjudicated.

At the proper time Mr. Bixler will file his claims for the proceeds of the sale, because he feels assured that when the Court, for the first time, hears the truth and bona fides of his case it will not hesitate to allow him all he asks.

Respectfully,
Joseph D. Brooks,
Attorney for Howard A. Bixler.

EUROPE AS SEEN

(From the Milwaukee Journal.)

A summer visitor to Europe tells newspaper men that he can best detail his impressions of the old countries by listing the things he did not see. He did not see as fine streets as the best of ours. He did not find as imposing a business building as any one of dozens of ours, a theater as fine as the average on Broadway, a hotel with service to equal ours, a motor car as luxurious as that we lean back in * * *

But when this traveler was in Europe, did he notice the cottages, humble though they may be? Were there flowers about them, riotous, joyous flowers, seemingly happy because knowing hands tended them; or were the homes "landscaped," with the flowers looking stiff and uncomfortable and one yard as much like the next as twin peas in a pod? Did he happen to notice whether the children said, "Yes, madam," and took off their hats in the presence of elderly people; or did they say, "Aw, so's your old man," and "Don't be a pill, Ma.?"

UNION MILLS MAN HAS HAND MASHED IN WRINGER

Harry N. Groft, assistant treasurer of the Union Mills Savings Bank, met with an accident Monday evening about 7:30 o'clock when he was demonstrating the mechanism of an electric washer, which was recently installed in his home, to a number of friends. His left hand was caught in the wringer and before he could reach the switch to turn off the current, his entire hand was drawn in the machine, fracturing the bones of the hand and inflicting a lacerated contused wound of the palm of the hand, involving the entire hand to the wrist. He was hurried to the office of a physician who gave the necessary surgical attention. The wounds required 18 stitches to close.

BANK REOPENING

The Sentinel has received from the officers and directors of the Central Trust Company of Maryland, Union Bridge Station, an invitation to attend the reopening of their bank to be held this Friday evening from 7:00 to 11:00 o'clock. Extensive improvements have been made to the banking house at Union Bridge.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED

William S. Funk and Dorothea C. Cuppe, Baltimore.

Charles W. Hartman and Grace Coxen, Manchester.

James W. Tydings and Helen F. Ely, Baltimore.

Roland Davis and Mazie F. Snyder, Westminster.

Charles R. Phillips and Susan R. Moul, East Berlin, Pa.

William C. Alwine and Ruth R. Rickrode, New Oxford, Pa.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE

John W. Kelbaugh and wife to Harry Bixler and wife, 4760 sq. ft., $5.

E. Walter Ruby and wife to Gertrude R. Jenkins and husband, 1 a, $5.

Heirs at law of Mrs. Abbyloney Stambaugh to Howard G. Stump and wife, 23,140 sq. ft., $870.

William B. Sanders and wife to Dean W. Hendrickson and wife, 50 sq. ft., $10.

Dewey D. Davis to Nimrod Davis and wife, 10 acres, $10.

Joseph D. Brooks to Fred E. Harrison, 139 a, $4,000.

Harriet Rebecca Hill to Ray A. Hill, 1 a, $150.

Henry Newton DeVries and wife to Howard E. Hatfield and wife, 1 a, $10.

ORPHANS' COURT

Monday, Aug. 29.—James Rudolph Scott received order to draw funds.

Emma J. Schildt and Laura A. Rineman, executors of Tobias Hahn, deceased, reported sale of real estate on which the court issued an order ni si.

Noah Geiman received order to draw funds.

Westminster Deposit and Trust Co., guardian of Norris R. Hardy, received order to use funds.

Mary E. Bixler, received order to draw funds.

Mary F. Sanders, executrix of William E. Sanders, deceased, settled her first and final account.

Letters of administration on the estate of Greenbury W. J. Everhart, deceased, were granted unto Norma E. Wentz, who received order to notify creditors and who returned inventories of debts due and current money.

The last will and testament of William H. Zeller was admitted to probate.

The last will and testament of George L. Warner, deceased, was duly admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon were granted unto Sadie G. Masenhimer, who received warrant to appraise personal property and order to notify creditors.

Letters of administration on the estate of Hiram A. Jenkins, deceased, were granted unto Albert V. Jenkins, who received warrant to appraise personal property and order to notify creditors.

Chester R. Hood, executor of Ella Webb Hood, deceased, returned inventory current money, settled his first and final account and received order to deposit funds.

Monday, September 5th being a holiday court will not be in session. Court will sit Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

FIRE IN SHOE SHINING SHOP

A mass of fire being carried out a store door by one man and the fire truck coming down East Main street, held up all traffic Tuesday afternoon about 4 o'clock, near the railroad. One of the men of the Westminster shoe shining parlor was cleaning a hat and the gasoline caught fire from the motor. The blaze cracked a large mirror in the store and damaged the ceiling and counter. The worker picked up the pan and hat and threw them out into the street, burning his hand. The loss was covered by insurance.

TANEYTOWN FAIR WILL BE HELD SEPT. 13 to 16

Arrangements are being completed for the annual Carroll county fair to be held on the Taneytown fairgrounds September 13 to 16. Cattle, poultry, farm implements, fruits, vegetables, household products and needlework will be exhibited.

On Wednesday and Thursday evenings of fair week there will be displays of fireworks, and dancing will be a feature each evening. On Friday which is Children's Day all school children will be admitted to the grounds free of charge.

OBITUARY

ISABELLE V. JOHNSON

Isabelle V. Johnson, wife of James W. Johnson, died Tuesday, August 30, 1927 at her home, near Sykesville, this county.

This afternoon at 2:00 o'clock the funeral was held from St. Luke's A. M. E. church and interment was made in Mt. Gregory church cemetery.

WILLIAM D. HAIFLEY

William D. Haifley, aged about 72 years, died in this city Sunday, August 28, 1927. He was the son of the late David and Catherine Haifley and is survived by a sister, Mrs. Samuel Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa. Funeral services were held on Tuesday at 3:00 P. M. in Baust Lutheran church, Rev. R. S. Patterson, pastor of Salem Lutheran charge, officiating. The deceased had been a member of that church for a number of years. Interment was made in the adjoining cemetery.

Harvey Bankard funeral director.

JACOB H. PRICE

Jacob H. Price, this city, died Wednesday, August 31, 1927, aged 35 years, 9 months and 19 days. Besides his widow he is survived by three children, Mrs. George Bostian, Bark Hill; Mrs. Luther Mills, Norfolk, Va., and Mrs. Helen Hill, Taneytown; also one sister, Mrs. John Wagner, Baltimore.

To-morrow morning at 10 o'clock funeral services will be held at Harvey Bankard's funeral parlors, Rev. J. T. Brown, Taneytown officiating. Interment will be made in the Hill cemetery, Uniontown.

The pallbearers will be Marshall Smith, Nevin Hiteschew, Fielder Gilbert, John Heck, Maurice Englar and Samuel Repp.

SAMUEL GALT

Samuel Galt, a well-known retired farmer, died at his home in Taneytown Sunday, August 28, 1927, following a series of paralytic strokes which he suffered during the past four weeks. He was aged 85 years, 10 months and 11 days. He was married to Miss Rebecca Garner who died about five years ago. A daughter Mrs. Samuel Johnson also died. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Upton Birnie, Philadelphia. The funeral was held Tuesday meeting at the house at 2 P. M. with further services in Piney Creek Presbyterian church, his pastor, Rev. Thomas T. Brown, officiating. Interent was made in the cemetery adjoining the church.

MRS. MARGARET WARD

Mrs. Margaret A. Ward, this city, died Tuesday, August 30, 1927, at the age of 81 years, 9 months and 21 days. She was a daughter of the late Frederick and Margaret Devilbiss. Her husband, John T. Ward, died 14 years ago. She is survived by six children as follows: Frederick Ward, Dayton, O.; Mrs. William Schaeffer, Chas. J. Ward, Mrs. John D. Poisel, this city; Mrs. Philip Flater, Baltimore; Mrs. Marion Flater, Finksburg; also by 21 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. The funeral was held this afternoon with services at the house at 2:00 P. M. and further services in Sandy Mount church, Rev. Edward Hayes, pastor of Centenary M. E. church, officiating. Interment was made in the adjoining cemetery.

The pallbearers were Eugene Abel, George Wantz, Samuel Haines, Philip Flater, Francis Flater and George Zigler.

Harvey Bankard funeral director.

NOAH POWELL

Noah Powell, a well-known resident of Pleasant Valley and retired farmer, died last Sunday, August 28, 1927, after a prolonged illness from a complication of diseases. He was aged 80 years, 11 months and 23 days. He was a son of the late Jacob and Hannah Powell and was married to Miss Martha M. Myers, who survives with the following children: Charles U. Powell, Cherrytown; Milton J. Powell, Pleasant Valley; Mrs. Christopher Zepp, Hanover; and Miss Maggie M. Powell, at home. A sister, Mrs. Isaiah Stair, Pleasant Valley, 11 grandchildren and four great grandchildren also survive. The funeral was held Wednesday meeting at the house at 1:30 P. M. with further services in the Pleasant Valley church, his pastor, the Rev. W. E. Saltzgiver, pastor of the Lutheran charge, officiating. Interment was made in the adjoining cemetery.

MILETUS T. PICKETT

Miletus T. Pickett died at the county home, August 26, 1927. He was aged 81 years, 2 months and 23 days. He was a son of the late Winchester and Jerusha Pickett and was the last of his family. He was never married. Funeral services were held at Bethel Church of God Saturday at 2:00 P. M., the Rev. Lloyd Davis officiating and burial was in the family burial ground near Woodbine. The pallbearers were: George Jenkins, I. R. Davis, P. H. Welch, L. T. Haines, J. William Glennan and Elmer E. Hood.

WILLIAM J. WALTMAN

William J. Waltman, Frizellburg, this county, died Tuesday, August 30, 1927, from a sudden attack of heart trouble. He was aged 72 years, six months and 29 days. He was a son of the late John and Hannah Waltman and is survived by his wife Mrs. Sophia Waltman, one daughter Mrs. Joseph F. Stoner, this city, and one son, Murray, at home. Six grandchildren and a sister, Mrs. Jane Yingling, Mayberry, also survive. He was a retired dairyman. The funeral was held yesterday with services at the house at 2:00 P. M. Rev. T. W. Plaenker, Baltimore, officiating. Interment was made in Meadow Branch cemetery.

The pallbearers were Frank Snader, Jacob Rodkey, William Arthur, Benton Myerly, Thomas Zile and William Akers.

Harvey Bankard funeral director.

MRS. EDWARD MYERS

Mrs. Ella M. Myers, wife of Edward J. Myers, near this city, died Wednesday, August 31, 1927, aged 53 years and ten days. She was a daughter of the late James H. and Sarah Ellen Whitmore Myers. She is survived by her husband and the following sons and daughters: Myron, Gaylon, Martin, Mrs. Garland Hildebridle and Mrs. Lindsey Cook, near this city; Ruth and Marie, at home. She also leaves two sisters, Mrs. Robert Harbaugh, Hanover; Mrs. Ada Yingling, and one brother, Frank P. Myers, both of this city; also five grandchildren.

The funeral services will be held to-morrow morning at the house at 10 o'clock with further services in St. Matthew's Lutheran church Pleasant Valley, Rev. W. E. Saltzgiver officiating. Interment will be made in the adjoining cemetery.

MRS. SARAH BANKERT

Mrs. Sarah Bankert, Hanover, Pa., widow of the late Benish Bankert, died Wednesday, August 31, 1927, aged 84 years, eight months and eleven days. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. John Roser, near Melrose, this county, and six sons, Clinton Bankert and William Bankert, near Melrose; George Bankert, California; Milton Bankert, Union Mills; Samuel Bankert and Augustus Bankert, with whom she made her home. A sister, Miss Susan Reigle, a stepsister, Mrs. Ellen Hull, near Littlestown and a step brother, William Reigle, Littlestown, also survive. The funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at her late home with further services in Baughman's Valley church. Rev. A. M. Hollinger and Rev. Charles Rebert will officiate. Interment will be made in the cemetery adjoining the church.

WESTMINSTER FIRE COMPANY TO MARCH

The Westminster fire department will go to Washington, D. C., on Monday, Labor Day, to participate in the District of Columbia Firemen's convention. The department will send the ladder truck and a large representation of members. There will be in line of parade over four hundred pieces of aparatus and twenty-seven prizes will be awarded. William Utz and Joseph Hahn, the committee in charge, are arranging a bus party for that day and hope that a number of friends will accompany the firemen and boast their own fire company. The bus will leave at 7:00 A. M. and after the parade a sight-seeing trip over the city will be made.

The regular meeting of the Westminster Homemaker's Club will be held September 6th, at the Extension Service Office, Times Building at 8:00 P. M.

Miss Emma Shipley and Miss Troxell Poole have returned to their home near Sykesville, after spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shipley, of Cockeysville, Baltimore county.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Mr. Harry Rosenstock, West Main street, is remodeling his store.

Mrs. Simon Nusbaum, West Main street, has entered the Cassell Home.

This week Mr. and Mrs. Russell Mowen and children, Washington, D. C., visited friends in this city.

Yesterday Ira R. Englar, near this city, was taken to a Baltimore hospital.

Saturday Mrs. George Stultz, Uniontown, cut her hand badly with a briar scythe and was taken to Frederick City hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Myers and children, Towson, are visiting Mrs. Myers' parents, Dr. and Mrs. D. F. Shipley, Lincoln road.

Mrs. Bertha Porter and son William, this city, are spending several weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emory Bollinger, Millers.

Mrs. Amos Kerchner, an aged resident of near Lineboro, who last week fell in her room and broke her right hip, is in a serious condition at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Kerchner.

Beginning Sunday, September 4th and continuing for two weeks Rev. F. D. Anthony, of Baltimore, will hold a series of meetings in the Sam's Creek, Brethern church, near Dennings. The public is invited to attend these services.

A farm of 190 acres of which 15 acres is in woodland was sold at public sale Saturday by Mrs. Sarah J. Wildasin in Carroll county along the Bachman's Valley road for the sum of $5,100. The purchaser was Dr. J. H. Preston, Hampstead. The farm is at present tenanted by C. M. Lehigh.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Leister, Los Angeles, California, spent Monday with Mr. Leister's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lippy, Pennsylvania avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Leister have been spending three months with relatives in this county. Mrs. Stocksdale and daughter, Reba, Baltimore, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lippy.

Mrs. Leander Gladhill and Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Stewart, West Main street, had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. John Snader, New Windsor; F. W. Schnaufer and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Schnaufer and daughter Louise, Towson; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Otto and son Eugene, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Forest Otto and daughters Ember and Elizabeth, Baltimore; Mrs. Maude Waddell and daughter Catherine, and Misses Alice, Ella and Florence Forrest, this city.

Montrose Chew, Patapsco, was arrested on Saturday night by Officer Bowers for being drunk and acting in a disorderly manner to the disturbance of the public peace on East Main street and was taken to jail to await a hearing before Police Justice R. Lee Hutchins on Monday morning. Mr. Chew appeared on Monday morning in charge of Officer Bowers, pleaded guilty and was fined $10 and costs and in default of payment was committed to jail until fine and costs were paid. Mr. Chew was also charged with assault and battery upon Walter L. Taylor, dislocating his four front lower teeth, upon which charge the said traverser pleaded guilty, was fined $25 and costs and was committed to jail in default of payment.

MR. HORNSTEIN KILLED IN MICHIGAN

Saturday last while on a business trip Jacob D. Hornstein, one of the members of The Wear-Well Pants Company, operating a large factory in this city, was killed in Lansing, Michigan when a taxicab in which he, his wife, and Charles Wolfe, a salesman, were riding struck a pole on the sidewalk in an effort to avoid striking a large truck.

Mr. Hornstein was a resident of Baltimore, and a number of years ago he and Emil Crockin, also of Baltimore, established the Wear-Well Pants factory in this city.

Mrs. Hornstein and Mr. Wolfe were also injured, but not seriously.

DISTRIBUTION OF FREE SCHOOL FUND

The Attorney General's office has rendered an opinion of prime importance not only to Carroll but to all the counties of the State, in the matter of a question raised by the Board of Education of Carroll County. It is the question of the disposition of the funds derived by the Board of Public Works from the sale of a number of securities held by the State of Maryland for the benefit of the Free School Fund of the State, the proceeds to be distributed to the counties and City of Baltimore, under the provisions of Chapter 453 of the Acts of 1927. The total amount received from the sale of these securities was $403,874.45. On August 10, the County Commissioners of Carroll county received a check for $17,652.80, Carroll county's share. On August 17th, County Superintendent M. S. H. Unger wrote to the County Commissioners:

"I have been notified by the State Auditor on August 10th that the check for $17,652.80 had been sent to you to be delivered to us. I am, herewith, making formal demand that the total amount of this check be turned over to us immediately to be used by us as directed in the law."

The Board of County Commissioners referred the matter to William L. Seabrook, its attorney, who advised that the Legislature, in providing that these monies should be paid to the Boards of County Commissioners for the use of the several Boards of Education must have intended to charge the Boards of County Commissioners with some other responsibility than the mere delivery of the checks to the Boards of Education as demanded by Superintendent Unger; and that the demand of the superintendent should not be complied with until first the opinion of the Attorney General's office as to the intent of the law could be secured. Charles O. Clemson, attorney for the Board of Education, took exception to this ruling of the attorney for the county commissioners, and, in the name of the Board of Education, on August 22nd, renewed the demand, as follows:

"In the law there is no provision under which this money may be retained by your Board, therefore, its payment immediately to the Board of Education is asked of your Board. This is a duplicate of the request and demand made of the 17th inst by Superintendent Unger."

In the opinion received by Mr. Seabrook from the office of the Attorney General his interpretation of the law is confirmed, and direction given to all the Boards of County Commissioners of the State as to their duty in the premises. In that opinion it is said:

"You will note that Section 2 of the Act provides that the proceeds of sale of the securities shall be paid 'to the Boards of County Commissioners for the use of the Boards of Education of the several counties.'—and that Section 3 further provides that 'the several Boards of Education aforesaid—shall apply the sums of money received by them respectively under this Act in the erection or equipment of school houses or for the purchase of school lots, and for no other purpose.

"It, therefore, appears that the intention of the Legislature as expressed by this Act is that the County Commissioners shall hold the funds so received and deliver them together with any interest thereon which may have accrued in the meantime, upon demand of the Board of Education, upon ascertaining that they are to be expended in the erection or equipment of school houses or for the purchase of school lots. The question of the advisability of the expenditures being entirely within the direction of the Board of Education, and the duty of the Board of County Commissioners ceasing upon the establishment of the character of the purpose of the expenditure."

NEW OFFICE FOR NURSERY FIRM

Contractor Edward Shipley has charge of erecting the building, consisting of office, sale room and apartment, on Liberty Heights, for J. E. Stoner, proprietor of the Westminster Nursery. When completed it will be one of the most attractive Nursery offices and sale grounds to be found in the East.

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