

55 PREBLE COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOLS IN ANNUAL CONVENTION

NEW PARIS, O., June 4.—Preble county has fifty-five Sunday schools that will be represented in the county convention and rally to be held at New Paris, Registration Day, June 5. The program will begin Monday evening in the Presbyterian church with an open meeting of the Boys' and Girls' Congresses.

The Jefferson Township School orchestra will furnish the music for that meeting, a play, "Boy and Girl Passing Through," to be given. The Rev. Mr. Wiseley of Lewisburg will deliver a short address. On Tuesday, the sessions will open at the Christian church at 9 a. m. Mrs. Phoebe Curtis, State Elementary Supt., Columbus, O., and State Secretary Arthur T. Arnold, of Columbus will speak during the forenoon. In the afternoon, Rev. Alva M. Kerr, Pleasant Hill, O.; Secretary Arnold, Prof. M. A. Honline, Dayton, O., and Temperance Supt. West will give addresses.

At the evening session, Prof. Honline again talks and there will be musical numbers by Benham quartet. Free coffee will be served in the Sunday school room of the M. E. church to all who desire to bring their own basket dinners and suppers. All are invited to so do, if convenient, on account of the short noon recess.

Celebrate Golden Wedding.
Thursday, May 31, marked the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. John Marrian, who for most of this half-century have made New Paris their home. They were married at Greenville, Darke County, O., and have two daughters and three sons living. Both are members of St. John's Catholic church. They belong to the colony of those of "the old sod," whose places are fast being vacated in "Ireland," as the northern portion of New Paris is called. No special celebration was held Thursday, the day being spent quietly by Mr. and Mrs. Marrian in receiving relatives and friends.

TWO BOYS INJURED IN AUTO SMASH-UP

Two Centerville young men, John Spahr and Paul Mathews, were painfully but not seriously injured in an automobile accident in the north end of Centerville about 11 o'clock last night. Spahr was driving his father's machine, a Ford, and in entering the town after a trip through the country he lost control of it when a wheel caught in a deep rut. The car turned over on its top plowing the two young men beneath. They were both severely cut and bruised. The car was badly wrecked.

WILLIAMS ELECTED

Charles O. Williams was unanimously elected County Superintendent of Schools this morning, at a meeting of township trustees. Williams has served as County superintendent for two successive terms.

The trustees discussed the advisability of turning over all township roads to the county. No definite action was taken this morning. The matter will be discussed later.

HEAVY LOSS

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they made a new thrust last night further west, near Froldmont farm, along the Chemin-des-Dames plateau. The Paris report shows this to have had some measure of success, the Crown Prince's troops forcing their way into some advanced trench positions.

Germans Oppose British Move.
The British on their front, have not been so frequently counter-attacked, but whenever recently they have essayed an advance they have evidently found dense masses of Germans opposing them.

Today's official British statement does not mention any further fighting in the vicinity of Lens and apparently General Haig has not pressed further the attempt to advance made there yesterday which was checked by violent counter-attacks.

In an independent operation further south, near Cherisy, the British last night recaptured the post taken from them by the Germans in an attack on Saturday night.

The situation in Russia continues extremely uncertain. But better reports have come from the army of defense, Minister of War Kerensky declaring it constantly increasing in power, conditions in Petrograd are becoming still more unsettled.

AVIATORS BOMBARD BRUGES.

LONDON, June 4.—An air raid on Bruges is reported in an official statement issued by the war office this morning. The statement follows:

"The command at Dunkirk reports that a bombing attack was carried out on the Bruges docks and canals last night with good results."

NEWFOUNDLANDERS WIPED OUT

ST. JOHNS, N. F., June 4.—The part played by the Newfoundland regiment in the fighting about Monchy is described in a letter received by the governor of the colony from a general serving in France. The regiment was brought up to relieve the troops holding Monchy, "our most advanced and most important point," and was sent forward to gain more ground. Two companies pushed on beyond the objective and rushed a wood in which they saw masses of Germans. A terrific fight followed. Of the two companies, only one man returned. His only comment was that it "was the most glorious fighting" he had ever been in.

A barking dog saved the life of a little two year old girl in New York. She fell into a tub of water and the dog's barks attracted the mothers attention.

Decorating Soldiers Under Fire



The above photograph shows a French officer decorating soldiers for bravery within sound of the enemy's guns. This picture was taken during the recent advance on the western front and illustrates the havoc wrought by artillery fire.

Carry Liberty Bond in Your Pocket, Luke McLuke Describes a Patriot

By LUKE McLUKE
You are trying to show your Patriotism by wearing an American flag on your coat lapel. But the real way to show your Patriotism is to wear a Liberty Bond in your coat pocket.

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to Liberty Bonds goes to help win this war. If you can't carry a gun, you can carry a bond.

Every home that displays an American flag should be able to display a Liberty Bond.

Your Uncle Sam needs aid today. Old scout, will you respond? Let no American delay. Kick in and buy a bond.

FINROCK RETIRES AFTER LONG SERVICE

After riding more than a million miles, during a period of 51 years, J. W. Finrock, conductor on the Richmond division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, was retired from active service with a pension on June 1.

Mr. Finrock started with the company as a telegraph operator and with the exception of two years, from 1884 to 1886, has been in the service of the company continuously since 1865.

Mr. Finrock, in the period of his service has had but two accidents, both of them slight, and was never in a wreck. He lives at 115 South Eleventh street.

CHESTER, IND.

Miss Marjorie Pickett and Miss Hilda Hampton, delegates from the Sunday school at this place, are attending the County convention at Cambridge City this week. Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Duke visited relatives at Oxford, Ohio, Sunday. The funeral of Frederick Buhl was held at the home in Spring Grove Thursday. Mr. Buhl was a former resident of this place. Mrs. Corn Isenhour of Fountain Town has been visiting friends here. Everett Hunt and family and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williams attended the Sunday-school convention at Cambridge.

On The Screen

MURRETTE

To secure the interiors of the prison workshops in the Lasky-Paramount production "The Prison Without Walls," in which Wallace Reid and Myrtle Stedman will be seen at the Murrette on Wednesday and Thursday the company obtained permission to use the work rooms of a well known penitentiary and the services of a number of guards and trustees. As this was the first time a motion picture had ever been enacted within its walls, the warden gave permission for as many of the good-record prisoners as possible to watch the filming of the scenes.

Hugh Ford, who directed the Famous Players-Paramount adaptation of Daudet's classic "Sapho" in which the talented Pauline Frederick is starring, found the screen interpretation of "Sapho" one of the most interesting in all his varied experience. "Sapho" is the Paramount Picture at the Murrette today and Tuesday.

"Hurry, hurry! We must follow them, wherever they go!" Pretty Polly Pollard urged her chauffeur to even greater speed as they raced after the feeble automobile ahead of them. In the car ahead were her father and Baron Wootch, member of the Japanese Embassy. And Polly was confident that her father, driven almost out of his mind by his desperate need for money, had stolen the valuable plans of a new army aeroplane from her sweetheart, and was about to sell them to the Japanese government through the medium of Ethel Clayton, at the Washington, Tuesday and Wednesday.

GOES TO CINCINNATI

EATON, Ohio, June 4.—Roy Lounsbury, for a long time manager of the Eaton Buick Sales company, has accepted the position of the manager of the Mitchell sales company in Cincinnati.

A Philadelphia oyster dealer bears the appropriate name of Shellem.

CITY OFFICIALS EXPLAIN WHY BONDS WERE NOT PAID

Refusal to take up certain public improvement bonds maturing June 1, because of a ruling of the state board of accounts, has been responsible for the circulation of a report that the city is bankrupt and has repudiated its credit.

This report was vigorously denied by city and county officials today and an explanation was advanced showing that the city had no other recourse than to act as it did.

Recently the state board of accounts ruled that in the event no funds were available in the special public improvement fund of the municipality to meet interest on any public improvement bond issue whenever payment was due, or to retire such bond issues on maturity, then settlement must be withheld until the collection of the delinquency had been made and paid into the special improvement fund.

Hitherto it has been customary for the city to meet interest on such bonds, or to retire them on maturity, by making up existing deficiencies out of the general fund. The state board of accounts flatly refuses to permit the city to do this any longer.

"Under the order of the state board of accounts a hardship is worked against the city," said City Clerk Bescher today. "The bonds have already been issued against the benefited properties but the city has always stood back of such bonds."

Under the account board's ruling bond holders must foreclose liens on delinquent properties to collect such delinquencies before interest is collected or payments advanced at the maturity of bonds. This is a cumbersome method for the bondholders to pursue, and, in consequence, the marketable value of public improvement bonds will be reduced, making it difficult for the city to interest contractors in submitting bids on improvements.

Proposes Remedy
"I believe that to prevent such a situation arising the council should make an appropriation to cover all bond issue delinquencies, protecting the bondholders, the city then recovering the amount of such delinquencies."

YOUNG MEN

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war Wayne county will tomorrow offer its young men to the service of the republic.

Several Richmond business places will suspend operations all day tomorrow, or a part of the day, to permit employees of military age to register.

Need Not Answer Question 12.
A special meeting of the county board of registration was held yesterday following the receipt of an order from the governor announcing that it is not compulsory for the conscripts to answer question 12, as to whether they claim exemption from military service.

Special messengers will be sent to every precinct registrar tomorrow morning explaining to them that they will not be required to summarize the answers to this question in their reports.

Five days after the conscription registration the complete conscription registration list of the county will be compiled. One copy will be sent to the adjutant general in Washington, one will be posted, one published in the newspapers and one incorporated into the records of the Wayne circuit court.

Boy Scouts Volunteer.
Four boy scouts, James Sackman, 1704 North C street, Homer Meyers, 422 South Tenth street, Sethel Careton, 104 South Fourteenth street, and Sidney Watt, 69 South Fifteenth street, have offered their services to the conscription board as messengers and their offer has been accepted. Several automobile owners have also offered their services to the board tomorrow.

On the recommendation of Auditor Bowman the present county board has been made a permanent organization by Governor Goodrich.

cies by proceeding against delinquent properties."

Under a former city administration a deficiency of \$28,000 in the special improvement fund was caused, for two reasons, which deficiency the city eventually had to make good. It was the practice if a property owner waived on an improvement, assuming the privilege of taking ten years to pay off his assessment, but later, before the expiration of the waiver, paid off his assessment in full, to turn such payments into the general fund instead of placing the payment to the credit of the improvement bond issue in question; and it was also a custom to make up all delinquencies out of the general fund. It was only natural that a large deficiency arose.

MEN OF NATION

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the act making it a penal offense to fail to come forward at the call of the nation.

All indications point to an impressive revelation of the determination of the nation to go through to victory with the war on the Prussian autocracy and to a manifestation of patriotism the like of which has not been elicited since the days of the civil war.

Read, Then Act!
The final directions of the government issued on the eve of registration are:

"All male persons, citizens or aliens, between the ages of 21 and 30, inclusive, must register."

"Exceptions are members of any duly organized force, military or naval, subject to be called, ordered, or drafted in a military or naval service of the United States, including all officers and enlisted men of the regular army, the regular army reserve, officers' reserve corps, enlisted men reserve corps, national guard, national reserve, recognized by militia bureau, the navy, the marine corps, coast guard, naval militia, naval reserve force, marine corps reserve, and national naval volunteers recognized by the navy department."

Hours of Registration.
"The hours of registration will be between 7 a. m. and 9 p. m. Every male person who is eligible should go to the registration place of his home precinct."

"If he expects to be absent from home on June 5 he should go at once to the clerk of the county where he happens to be, or, if in a city of over 30,000 inhabitants, to the city clerk."

"If he is sick he should send a competent friend. The clerk may deputize the friend to prepare the card."

Date on Exemption.
"The question, 'Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)' need not be answered. The answer 'Yes' to this question does not exempt from the draft and the answer 'No' is no bar to make a claim for exemption later."

"The determination of whether a particular claim for exemption, exclusion, or discharge from the draft shall be granted will be made by boards to be appointed by the president. These boards will function under the law and under regulations prescribed by the president. The only regulations that have as yet been prescribed are those governing the registration alone. The determination of exemption, exclusion, and discharges is a second step quite separate from the registration."

"Failure to register leaves the delinquent liable to a year's imprisonment and later enforced registration."

An ad in an English paper reads, "Black billy, eleven months, dam good milker; ten shillings."

Greensfork Service Attracts Large Crowd

GREENSFORK, Ind., June 4.—The memorial services held in this town yesterday by the K. of P. and I. O. O. F. lodges were attended by the largest crowd of people in the town's history. It is estimated that over 2,500 people were present and all enjoyed the music furnished by the Centerville band and who gave a fine entertainment. The address by Rev. Mitchell, formerly of this place was highly appreciated by the crowd and brothers in the lodges.

GILES' ACTION

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indicative of the storm of protest that is gathering in Richmond against the administration of the schools by the Giles' regime.

Fuel was added to the situation by the manner in which two high school boys were kept from graduating in the eleventh hour. This was accepted as an indication of lax methods and of the necessity of a house cleaning in high places.

Giles Is Unpopular
Giles has been on the firing line ever since he espoused the tactics of John Melpolder, lead agent of public philanthropy in Richmond, when he opposed penny lunches in the Whitewater schools last winter.

Citizens believe that the usefulness of Giles as head of the school system is at an end, and that the school board ought to dismiss him at once.

It is felt that the whole school system has been brought into disrepute by his action in dismissing Ramsey. More than 200 persons have already signed the petition asking for the reinstatement of Mr. Ramsey and as yet no house to house canvass of the district has been made. No one has refused to sign the petition and in several instances persons sought out holders of the petition and asked that their name be added to the list.

Among the signers of the petition was one of the boys who attended Whitewater school who declared that although he had recently been punished by Mr. Ramsey, "he was for him, and wanted to sign the petition."

"The presence of Mr. Ramsey in the north end is necessary, and every effort will be made to have him reinstated," said Mrs. Propst.

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