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PASSING OF SENTENCES DEFERRED BY COURT

NEGROES PLEAD NON VULT AND PAY FINES.

Com. Kuchnle, McDavitt, Aniole and Freeholders Were Present to Receive Judgment But Justice Kalsch Was Not Ready.

Sentences on Com. Louis Kuchnle, George Aniole, Thomas McDavitt, Freeholders John Upperton, Harry May and Frank Endefelt and County Engineer E. D. Ridgiture will be imposed by Justice Samuel Kalisch on January 24, announced his Honor Wednesday last, following appeals for clemency made by counsel for defense when Attorney General Edmund Wilson moved for sentence. It was expected that sentence would be passed Wednesday last and the further postponement in the case of Aniole and McDavitt, also that of Com. Kuchnle, occasioned considerable surprise.

With Court convened Wednesday morning Attorney General Wilson moved one of the indictments against James O'Leary and Ernest Washington, both colored, charged with participation in election plots. A special jury selected by the Court was present to try the case, but a change of plans was made when Isaac Nutter, counsel for defense, announced that the defendants would withdraw their plea not guilty and plead non vult. Mr. Nutter also announced that five other clients all colored, desired to do the same thing.

Their pleas being changed, Justice Kalisch, with a caution that the sentences were more in the nature of punishment than punishment, imposed the fines following:

James O'Leary, \$250; George Bradford, \$100; Andrew Ferry, conspiracy, \$100; Michael Green, conspiracy, \$100; Benjamin Allen, conspiracy, \$100; Jarvis Griffin, conspiracy, \$250.

The fines were immediately paid by the defendants to Sheriff R. H. Ingorsell and they were discharged from bonds and custody.

A petition signed by seventy prominent citizens of Atlantic City was presented to the Court by Theodore W. Smith, Esq., on behalf of Aniole, which Justice Kalsch took under advisement. The Court said he had already interviewed a number of citizens in regard to the defendant and wished to inquire further into his record and conduct before passing sentence.

In arguing for mercy from the Court in imposition of sentences, counsel said "In view of the political unrest at present in the County and strong feelings on either side, it is impossible at this time to get a jury that can be absolutely impartial, a fact which should be considered in imposing sentence on these defendants. In the case of Mr. Kuchnle, there is disagreement even among authority as to the proper interpretation of a statute under which his indictment was drawn and this is first presented to the court. If lawyers disagree on how the law may be expected to interpret and obey it, the fact that this is the first prosecution should also have weight in influencing the Court to mercy."

A writ of error was obtained in the Supreme Court by counsel for Commodity Louis Kuchnle which takes up the Atlantic County Court the case in which he was convicted of counterfeiting. The writ of error is formal documents and does not go into the merits of the case, but it stays carrying out the sentence pending the result of Kuchnle's appeal to the Supreme Court.

PRISON FOR WIFE-BEATER.

Judge Higbee Reaffirms Policy In Regard To Such Offenders.

Reaffirming his policy of dealing severely with wife-beaters, Judge E. A. Higbee, sitting here Thursday last, sentenced James Peters to an indefinite term of from three to five years in State Prison. Peters attacked his wife here in Atlantic City, causing a quarrel, cutting her to the head and throat.

Judge Higbee also directed a quartette of youths, who pleaded guilty of looting Boardwalk stores, sending all four to the reformatory. The lads were William Benner, Charles Zimmerman, Richard Morrey and James Keyhole.

James Moody, who pleaded guilty to an assault and battery charge was sentenced to not less than one year and not more than three years in the State Prison and the same sentence was passed upon Jessie Johnson, also guilty of assault and battery, and Levi Ferdinand, who made no defense to a larceny charge. Charles York and John Smith, each of whom pleaded guilty to robbery, were sentenced six months and ten months in the County Jail and Benjamin Williams, was allowed to go free under suspended sentence when he pleaded guilty to assault and battery charge.

Sentence was also suspended on James Rose, assault and battery, and Charles Williams, larceny, and James McCorkle, larceny. Other minor cases scheduled to come before the court were postponed until Wednesday of next week.

ENTERTAINED FREEHOLDERS.

Luncheon Served in Dining Hall After Inspection of Building.

Following the annual meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders on New Year's Day, Sheriff Robert H. Ingorsell invited the members into the new residence provided for his use by the County, where he served an enjoyable luncheon in the spacious dining hall after an inspection of the building and its handsome furniture by the Freeholders.

Mrs. Edmund Applegate in Hospital, Suffering from a blood tumor, Mrs. Edmund Applegate, of this place, is in the Atlantic City Hospital in a critical condition. She has taken ill while spending the holidays at the home of her son in Atlantic City and her condition became so serious that the physicians advised her removal to the hospital to undergo an operation. Her many friends extend their sincere wishes for her recovery and restoration to health.

Ranking Uptown Bridge.

Over the bridge connecting the bridge over the Great Egg Harbor adjacent to the 4th Street mill with heavy plank, which are being laid diagonally across the old floor, and will greatly strengthen the bridge, of which the old flooring was nearly worn through in places.

Fourth Quarterly Conference.

District Superintendent M. N. Nichols presided last evening at the Fourth Quarterly Conference of the M. E. Church. Reports of the various departments were read in, particulars of which will be published next week.

School Roof Needs Repainting.

Boards have remarked recently on the appearance of the roof on the school building, which is said to be getting badly and in need of repainting. The matter will likely be looked into by the school officers at an early date.

LIEDERKRÄNZ MADE MERRY.

New Years' Concert and Ball Proved Big Success.

The New Year's concert and ball held Monday evening last in the Open House by the May's Landing Liederkränz proved a big success from both a social and financial standpoint, the hall being crowded and the net receipts exceeding the hundred dollar mark. The Liederkränz, under the direction of Hermann Mueller, rendered several good old German songs in an able manner that brought the audience to its feet.

The climax of the evening was a visit by the Atlantic City Turner Maennerchor, which rendered a number of fine German selections and wound up with a rousing chorus of "Old Kentucky Home." Dancing and auctioneering of a number of articles on sale kept the crowds entertained until the wee small hours and everybody voted one of the merriest entertainments ever held here.

Next morning a number of Liederkränz gypsies were seen flirting around the Open House and up down Main Street and echoes of the songs still rang out from the walls of the building, causing passerby to pause and listen to the festive strains.

RESIGNS AS FREEHOLDER.

Makepeace Withdraws Because Appointment Was Questionable.

Because his appointment as Freeholder from Hamilton Township to all the unexpected term of the late John S. Ridley was questionable by the fact that he was member of the Township Council, he tendered his resignation April 1st. Makepeace tendered the Committee his resignation Monday last and did not take his seat in the Board.

Appointment of the late Freeholder Riley's successor will be made by the Committee at its meeting to-night or at an adjourned meeting within a few days. The term is for one year and a regular freeholder will be elected next November at the general election. The appointment will be made in time for the new freeholder to be sworn in at the next meeting of the Board.

PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

Mauidlin Benney returned Monday from a vacation spent among relatives in Maryland.

Mark Shimph, of Millville, was the guest of Mrs. E. L. Johnson Friday of last week.

Joseph Davis and Marion Barker will resume their studies in Rutgers during the coming week.

Mrs. Marie Johnson has been spending the holidays here as the guest of Mrs. Ellen Becker.

Rev. William Dobrow, of Camden, was here Thursday and was cordially greeted by his many friends.

Mrs. Helen E. Somers, of Atlantic City, was the guest of friends here Wednesday evening last.

Prof. and Mrs. John P. Walker and son, Elton Walker of Trenton, came down Tuesday to spend a few days at The Forge.

Mr. and Mrs. William F. Williams, of Williamsport, N. J., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Smith New Year's Day.

Charles T. Abbott left Saturday for New York to welcome the New Year, returning Monday evening.

Roy E. Beach enjoyed a well-earned vacation on New Year's Day, no mail being sent out Monday on the Round Delivery.

Director Herman Mueller and the members of the Liederkränz are receiving many congratulations on the progress this organization is making.

Miss Edna Newcomb and Mrs. H. Smith, guest Sunday and Monday at Darby, Pa., as the guests of Miss Clara and Ethel Clark, returning Monday evening.

Mr. L. J. Veal, a former resident, is partner in a new hotel, the Gleeson, recently opened in Charlottesville, Va. Mr. Veal is acting as manager and his daughter, Miss Amanda Veal, as day clerk.

William Bean, who has a summer home here, remembered his friends by forwarding gifts of the season, and photograph of "The Beans," as they are known in theatrical circles.

Mercurial Appraiser Charley Fortner, of Atlantic City, has thousands of friends and every one of 'em is unanimously of the belief that he will more than make good.

Broke Into House and Stole Gun.

During the absence of Mrs. A. Frelander last week her residence at Esteville was broken into by thieves who stole a shotgun, a box of shells and a watch. Mrs. Frelander declares she has evidence of the guilty person and is waiting to fatten the crime by more positive proof and she offers \$25 reward for information that will lead to his whereabouts and arrest. She says she could identify the gun among a number of them. There were two guns in the house but only one was taken.

Dance To-Night After Movies.

Manager D. D. Hoover announces another of those popular Saturday evening dances for to-night, immediately after the moving picture show, free to all patrons of the theater. The dance will be held next week, two nights only, Thursday and Saturday. Standard room will be \$1.00 and a half, extra room \$1.50. The dance will keep increasing as an addition will have to be made to the building. Some of the first films made are being shown at each performance.

Death of Mrs. L. H. Austin.

Word was received here Wednesday last by Prof. F. A. Austin of the sudden death of his mother, Mrs. L. H. Austin, aged 63 years, at her home in Pittsburgh, Pa. Death was due to a sudden attack of pneumonia. Mrs. Austin spent much of her time here with her son and was well and favorably known. The news of her death came as a great shock to many friends here, who extend their sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

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INSTRUCT SOIL TILLERS

Exhibit Car Will Be Feature of Special Farmers' Educational Train Which Will Visit Farming Sections of State.

Continuing its winter's work in the interest of better farming, the Pennsylvania Railroad, co-operating with the New Jersey Agricultural College and the New Jersey Agricultural College, "Annual Farmer's Educational Train" to be operated through the State, with stops in various parts of the state, will be in use making this year's trip even more successful than previous ones. So great has been the interest shown in former years that the railroad company and the State Agricultural authorities have decided to devote an entire week to the work, covering the lines of the Pennsylvania in New Jersey.

The special train, which will consist of three coaches, an exhibit car and a retiring car for the lecturers, will leave Camden at 8 o'clock Monday morning, January 8th. During the week thirty lectures will be given.

A unique feature of the train will be the exhibit car. The State authorities say that the principles of intensive farming can be better brought out by showing the farmers exactly what has been done at the Experiment Station at New Brunswick. The car will contain apples and pears, with some packed for shipment, corn, oats, poultry and poultry feed, hens, eggs packed for shipment, and printed material concerning the work of the Experiment Station.

The subjects which will be given consideration during the week will be the growing of vegetables, root vegetables, soil fertility, fruits and nuts, dairying, alfalfa, corn, com, poultry, and the general subject of truck crops.

The "Annual Farmer's Special Train" will be in charge of Secretary Franklin Dye of the State Board of Agriculture. He will be assisted by Doctors J. G. Lipman and K. C. Davis, Professor F. O. Minkler, M. A. Blake, H. R. Lewis, A. Clark, G. O. Farley, A. S. Cook, A. M. Bladie, Messrs. J. Gilbert Burton, Charles Burton, D. Howard Jones, Henry Pfeiffer, C. Hulbert and E. Q. Collins.

The following schedule has been arranged: January 8—Leave Camden 8 a. m., arrive Paulsboro 8:55, Pedricktown 9:40, Pennsauken 10:25, Gloucester 11:10, Atlantic City 12:45, and New Brunswick 1:45. Return 3:45 p. m. January 9—Leave Atlantic City 8:45 a. m., and Newfield 11:25 a. m., Clayton 10:55, Haddonfield 1 p. m. and Bridgeton 2:40.

January 10—Arrive Margate 8:35 a. m., Medford 10:30, Vincentown 12:20 p. m., Jobstown 2:30, and Bordentown 4:15.

January 11—Arrive Yardville 8:35 a. m., Newington 9:55, Hightstown 11:40, Englishtown 2:25 p. m., Howell 4:00, and Freehold 5:22, thence to Allendale for night session in Mechanicsville.

January 12—Arrive Millford 9:10 a. m., Frenchtown 10:30, Stockton 1 p. m., Toms River 2:35, and Flemington for a night session in the Court House.

January 13—Arrive Ringoes 8:45 a. m., and Somers Point 10:25, Atlantic City 12:45, and Monmouth 1:45.

Representing the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will be Division Freight Agents William Upton and V. C. Williams, Superintendents J. Buckwalter and Victor Wierman, who will accompany the train over their respective divisions.

GRAND JURY FINALLY ADJOURNS

Seven True Bills Handed To Judge Higbee in Final Presentation.

In a final batch of seven indictments returned Thursday morning last by the October Grand Jury to Judge Enoch A. Higbee were true bills against Japhet Boyce, Jr., of Northfield, and Ann A. Atkinson, also of Northfield, charging election frauds at the Primary election of 1910. An indictment was also returned against Elmer F. Nichols for operating as a private detective without a State commission.

The bill against Nichols charges that he assumed the authority of a State Detective on November 7 last. On that day he was a watcher at a polling place in the Fourth Ward. In a diversity that arose between him and the election officials he threatened to shoot them if they did not let him have a gun and was charged with keeping concealed weapons. At the hearing the detective declared he had a right to carry weapons as a State detective. Prior to this time Nichols was affiliated with Simon Faber of Atlantic City.

Mrs. Mary Bump, of Whitney Point, N. Y., will spend the winter with her daughter Adele are spending several weeks with relatives in Delaware and Maryland.

Miss Helen H. Ingorsell, of Milford, Del., and Mrs. M. O. Moulder spent the holidays with their son and family.

One of the town doctors reported eighty births during the past year. Among the number, five pair of twins.

Mrs. Minnie B. Newcomb and sister, Mrs. Campbell, and daughter Minerva, spent New Years with relatives here.

JANUARY COURTS TO OPEN.

Sheriff Ingorsell's First Grand Jury to Be Summoned and Sworn.

The January Term of the Atlantic County Courts, both civil and criminal, will open Tuesday next, when the first Grand Jury selected and summoned by Sheriff Robert H. Ingorsell will be sworn by County Clerk Samuel Kirby and charged by Justice Samuel Kalisch and by the State Department of Justice.

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