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BURLINGTON COUNTY HAS NO FURTHER USE FOR SMALL BOARD

EXPERIENCE COSTLY BUT
SATISFIES RESIDENTS
WITH LARGE BODY

RURAL DISTRICTS UNREPRESENTED

Experience of Neighboring Citizens
Promises To Have Telling Effect
On Agitation For Commission
Rule Here—Taxpayers Welcome
Return Of Old Form Of Gov-
ernment.

Public satisfaction in Burlington County with the large Board of Freeholders after a most unsatisfactory experience with a small board of five members will doubtless have a great effect upon Atlantic City in the question of adopting a small board, one which has caused considerable discussion during the last year or so. Not only did the small board prove unsatisfactory, but it plunged the county into heavy debt and the several townships and municipalities did not have representation and suffered accordingly. The following editorial from the "New Jersey Mirror," of Mt. Holly, reflects general sentiment in that county on the situation:

"Burlington County's large Board of Freeholders on Wednesday wound up its business for the first year of its existence after reinstatement by the voters following a brief but unsatisfactory experience with the much smaller plan of conducting county affairs. The net results of the large Board's work during the past twelve months has justified the wisdom of the people of the county in their return to large Board rule. With a legacy of debt necessarily left by the late unenlightened small Board, the present Freeholders have been able to wipeout the deficit with which they started the year and to meet numerous extraordinary expenses with which their predecessors did not have to contend. County affairs have been administered satisfactorily and every district has had a resident representative in the Board who attended to the interests of his local constituency more closely than would have been possible when the needs of the entire county were looked after by five members elected at large, two of them chosen from one township. Little is heard of a desire to return to small Board government and the taxpayers appear to be better satisfied with the present manner of administering county affairs than they were under the experimental plan which was given such short shift. So long as the large Board of Freeholders evidences its present appreciation of the county's needs and transacts its business so satisfactorily there is not likely to be any further agitation for a return to a small Board control."

During the reign of the small Board in Burlington County, their roads were in the worst shape in many years and bridges in the outlying townships were neglected. Atlantic County has twenty-eight districts represented in the present large Board and each one is deeply interested in the needs of its own community. Every member of the Board, except five members, the majority, if not all, of whom would come from Atlantic City if this form of county government were adopted, leaving the many county districts unrepresented. There are 550 bridges throughout the county, each representative looking after those of his own district.

It is rumored that petitions are being prepared calling for a special election to decide whether Atlantic County shall adopt the small board idea and if this is the case the experience in Burlington County will doubtless play an important part in the decision of the voters of this county on the proposition.

SHERIFF'S DAUGHTER CLAIMED BY DEATH

Mrs. Kathryn Rogers Succumbed
After Three Months' Illness.

Death ended the sufferings Saturday last of Mrs. Frederick R. Rogers, who, for three months had been critically ill. She was the daughter of Sheriff and Mrs. Joseph R. Bartlett and had many friends here. About a month before her death she came to this place to recuperate, apparently on the road to health, but a relapse came in a few days and since then she has been steadily failing. Mrs. Bartlett has been by her bedside constantly during her long illness.

Mrs. Rogers was a graduate of the Atlantic City High School and an active member of the First Baptist Church. She resided at 122 South Jackson Avenue and was very popular in Atlantic City social circles. Although not altogether unexpected, her demise was a great shock to her many friends. She is survived by a husband, her parents, a brother and a sister.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from her late residence and private interment was made in the Pleasant Cemetery.

SCHOOLS CLOSE WITH APPROPRIATE PROGRAMS

Will Not Be Reopened Until Fourth of
January.

Hundreds of merry young hearts left school desks Wednesday afternoon last throughout Hamilton Township for their annual Christmas vacation, which is to last until Monday, January 4, 1915. The first portion of the school year has passed very successfully, both as to studies and attendance.

Appropriate exercises were held in the several rural schools and in the various departments of the May's Landing High School, several of the rooms uniting. The teachers gave interesting talks on Christmas, its meaning and customs and the children took part with recitation, songs and readings. Many of the teachers left Thursday to spend the holidays at their homes in Pennsylvania.

Fifty Deaths During Year.

According to the official records of Harry Jenkins, Assessor for Hamilton Township, charged by law with keeping vital statistics for this district, there has been during the past year, from January 1 to December 25, fifty deaths in the Township, 20 deaths and 32 marriages.

The figures for marriages, of course, only for those performed in the Township and do not include the number of residents married elsewhere.

Freshfoots Here New Year's Day.

The Board of Chosen Freeholders will hold its annual meeting at the Court House, for the purpose of reorganization, appointment of officials and fixing appropriations for the new year. The regular monthly meeting for payment of claims against the County, etc., will be held at Memorial Hall, Atlantic City, on a date to be fixed at the annual meeting.

SCHOOL TEACHER RESIGNS ON ONE WEEK'S NOTICE

Miss Chalmers Said To Have Secured
Better Position In North Jersey.

Miss M. Ethel Chalmers, for the past 4 years teacher of music and drawing in the public schools of May's Landing, tendered her resignation a few days ago to the Board of Education, to take effect immediately. She left Thursday for her home in Pennsylvania and will, it is said, start teaching in January in North Jersey, where she is reported to have secured a better position.

Miss Chalmers' sudden resignation leaves the schools of this place without a teacher as the Board has not had time to secure a new teacher and it may be several weeks before one can be found. Meanwhile the course of study as established will be interrupted.

This situation brings to light the unsafe law under which teachers are now employed, showing how they can summarily sever their relations with a school in the midst of term, while the Board of Education is unable to dispense with a teacher's services under the statute, after they have taught two years, without cause. This "cause" is oftentimes a very difficult thing to prove, as the teacher has not only the right of fighting dismissed in the first place but can appeal to the State authorities. There is no case on record where a teacher was reinstated and reinstated by the State after dismissed for ill-health, the teacher dying before notice of the decision reached her.

The Board of Education is now looking for another teacher to fill out the term but as yet have not succeeded in finding one.

PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Time to penning writing 1915.
Courtesy Kris Kringle had to have snow for his sled?

Capt. D. F. Vaughn has had a telephone installed in his residence.

Mr. Thomas C. Stewart is "limbering up" after attack of influenza.

Mr. Herman J. Haines was an Atlantic City visitor Wednesday evening last.

Mr. G. W. Norcross royally entertained a number of friends Friday evening of last week.

Mrs Francis Melke is spending the holidays as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lambeth.

The members of Reliance Hose Company decided not to hold a ball on New Years Eve.

The "Record" extends its every render best wishes for a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

Mr. D. A. Eberhart has improved his residence by the addition of a room to the first story.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Abbott moved into their new residence on Parrott Avenue this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Indiana and sons Howard and Russell, of Trenton, are here as the guests of relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Wilson saw "Uncle Tom At Work" in Atlantic City Saturday evening last.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wigglesworth, of New York City, are spending the holidays with relatives here.

Weley and Chester Ford made a goodly purchase Wednesday down the Great Egg Harbor River.

Mail Carrier Roy E. Beach delivered mail on his route yesterday as usual, playing the role of old Santa to many patrons.

Mrs. Newton Nelson entertained his school class at a Christmas Luncheon Tuesday afternoon from 12:30 to 2:30, a good time was enjoyed by all.

Newton Nelson announced his sermon topic in the M. E. Church tomorrow as follows: Morning, "The Message of the Days." Evening, "The Busy Servant."

Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Gordon and Miss Isabel of Knoxville, Tenn., and Mrs. Ellen Hydorn, of Michigan, are spending the Christmas holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. Burton A. Gaskill.

Sup't John Abbott reports a hard time collecting arrears. Inasmuch as there is a penalty provided for non-payment by turning off the water supply, his leniency in this direction should prompt users to pay up promptly as possible.

The Township Committee held an adjourned meeting Wednesday evening to wind up the township affairs for the year. On the first of January a meeting will be held for reorganization, when Curtis Hazleton will succeed John E. Izard on the committee.

Christine More was ushered in before day-break by Rev. Newton Nelson and a number of ladies and gentlemen of the First M. E. Church, showing a number of beautiful contributions to the community. This quiet old English custom proved all the more delightful to us because it was altogether unexpected.

District Doctor Howard R. Bush installed the officers of Unity Lodge No. 90, F. & A. M. Wednesday just as follows: W. M. Melvin Ripley; S. W. George T. Yetter; J. W. B. A. Ooshoff; S. D. D. DeHoover; J. D. George Verner; Tros. J. F. Vaughan; Secy. L. W. Cranmer; Tyler, Elvyn D. Kendall; Chaplain, Joseph R. Bartlett.

John Thomas, U. S. Marine of the U. S. New Jersey, now anchored in Boston Bay, is home to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas. He leaves to-morrow to report for duty Monday. During the trouble in Mexico he was in the second landing party and saw active service, two of the New Jersey's men being killed and two wounded.

Entertained "Triple G" Club.

Miss Grace Estlow delightfully entertained the "Triple G" Club Tuesday evening at about six o'clock. The dining room was tastefully decorated with holly and evergreen, characteristic of the Christmas-time and in the centre of the table, loaded down with appetizing viands, stood a small Christmas tree from whose branches many colored balls and ribbons gleamed which, with the aid of a large number of burning candles cast a brilliant light around the room lighting up the faces of nine happy girls enjoying their Christmas dinner. After paying due respect to the bounteous meal the girls enjoyed dancing and indulged in various games until a late hour. Those present were: Misses Mary and Pearl Jenkins, Alma Smith, Margaret Yetter, Mary Fenney, Laura and Marion Shuler, Mrs. Samuel Keating and Miss Grace Estlow.

Death of Henry Beckmeier.

Henry Beckmeier, who reached his sixty-third year on the 23rd of last September, died Saturday afternoon last after several months' illness of Bright's disease. He had resided a few miles below this place on the Pleasantville boulevard for many years and was well and favorably known here. He had been confined to his home since early in the Fall, steadily declining and his death was not unexpected.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at his late residence and interment was made at Union Cemetery. He is survived by a brother and sister, both of Atlantic City.

Odd Fellows Played Santa.

Atlantic Lodge No. 90, I. O. O. F., of this place, played Santa Claus Christmas eve to thirty poor children of May's Landing and vicinity, taking great holiday cheer into many homes where children would otherwise have had an unhappy holiday. The Committee in charge, D. D. Hoover, John Schuler and Burton A. Gaskill and the lodge members are receiving hearty praise for their thoughtful

EVENING CLASSES AID COUNTY FARM SCHOOLS

Progress of New Agricultural Institutions Most Encouraging — To Extend Annual Contest — Sixty Students Enrolled at Minotola.

Establishment of evening classes for instruction in agriculture is under consideration by the Atlantic County Board of Education, and the Board has not had time to secure a new teacher and it may be several weeks before one can be found. Meanwhile the course of study as established will be interrupted.

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Readers of "The Record" may be interested to know that it is now available in the paper and Postage Paid, for \$12 per annum.

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MAY'S LANDING, DECEMBER 26, 1914.

President Wilson's administration, which has been re-elected, has been received by the members of the United States Senate who have refused to confirm certain appointments made during his term of office.

He insists that every named person be given a chance to be confirmed by his party before he can be confirmed.

For this reason, he has been unable to perfect his program with the Post Office.

In the past, which were made contrary to the wishes of his local party workers. Keeping a good

work, Mr. President.

For several weeks past, we have been trying to get the news from our friends in their districts. At first, I was struck by the strange fact that there had not been a news item concerning the progress of the campaign in the country in which they resided.

I then realized that the campaign in the country in which they resided had been so successful that the news of its progress had been omitted.

For one week, I could not find any news item concerning the progress of the campaign in the country in which they resided.

During the last few weeks, however, many distinguished men have been giving thorough consideration to both National and State Agriculture Departments and State Agricultural Departments have been making efforts to see that those who

sojourned in the country in which they resided.

The State Department should study and advise anyone who will enter the field and it would be helpful to send them information about the number of people in their districts.

Every school day, anywhere from ten minutes to half-hour after the last school bell rings, children can be seen holding along the streets of their town to school, with seeming indifference to the fact that they are leaving school.

There is a fault somewhere. This state of things is not at all creditable to the teachers, schoolboards or parents.

Parents used to be very particular about their children's dress, but now they are not more than they dressed a whipping. If the child caught them in any where on the road to the school house, would be a scolding, but if the child went to school, would be a punishment.

Parents should be the ones to be blamed for this school discipline.

The public school system is not to blame.

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