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AGRICULTURAL JOURNALISM

Bedford Farmers' Club Gets Valuable Data on Trials of Farm Papers.

BENEFITS OF COUNTY FARM BUREAU

The April meeting was held in Firemen's Hall, Bedford Hills, on Wednesday, the 29th Mr. G. D. Brill presiding.

Meers, Effingham C Murray, Chas. F. Mitchell and Russell H. Rawlings were elected members.

Mr. Brill spoke of the benefit the County Farm Bureau would be to everyone cultivating land, and strongly urged all present to be at White Plains on Saturday at the permanent organization.

The subject of the day was "What Should an Agricultural Paper Be?" Mr. C. W. Burkett, editor of the American Agriculturist, was the speaker. In introducing Mr. Burkett, Mr. Brill spoke of the wide experience that gentlemen had in experiment stations and agricultural colleges in many different states besides practical farm work, and how well fitted he was by reason of such experience to be the editor of an agricultural paper.

A recent number of the Sunday Magazine contained an excellent likeness of Mr. Burkett and an account of the valuable work done by him in different states.

Mr. Burkett said that had he been consulted he would have chosen a different subject, for in talking of this one he must necessarily be personal. Briefly stated, the paper should be true to agriculture, to be in broad touch with everything that concerns country life, to be useful and helpful, to be critical with tolerance and jealousy of farmers' rights without asking special favors, to seek to build up and make more glorious the country home; to exalt the farm family and make more profitable the family farm, and never forget that the one purpose is to serve the subscribers and them only.

The farm paper has been a great feature in promoting agriculture. There is no other way to bring the necessary knowledge of it before the public. It is the forum where the farmers come and express their views.

The first experiment station in this country was started in Connecticut by Orango Judd when editor of the Agriculturist. An editor tries to get the opinion of farmers on many broad subjects and analyzes these opinions, and to get articles from persons that have had practical experience with the subject written about. It seems a common opinion that the business management of a paper controls the editorial page. Speaking for the paper he is connected with, and he is convinced that such is the case with every prominent farm paper; there is never even a hint that the editorial page should be governed by its advertisers. No farm paper could be published if it depended upon subscribers for its existence. The cost of publishing one equals, if it does not exceed, that revenue, therefore it depends upon advertisements for its sustenance and profit. Farm papers as a class are very critical about what advertisements they insert. Every one of them turns away much money yearly by reason of what they reject. He believes the time is coming when every publication will censor advertisements and many we now see will no longer be accepted.

History is written in advertisements. It is very interesting to look over the back pages of any publication. Much of the advertising farmers want to see it published at cost, as many who advertise could not pay a greater rate.

There is no fortune in publishing a farm paper. If it pays a decent profit that is all anyone connected with it expects or desires. A farm paper is a school, the business department secures the money to maintain it, the editors are the instructors and the readers the pupils.

Mr. Burkett was heartily applauded at the conclusion of his remarks and answered many questions asked by his audience.

When director of the Kansas experiment station he was sent to Russia by that State to investigate the varieties of wheat grown there.

REESE CARPENTER ESTATE TO BE SOLD.

Outcome of Foreclosure Action Brought by Estate of Late Jas. W. Daly, of Mt. Kisco.

To satisfy claims aggregating \$170,000 the estate of the late Reese Carpenter, known as Buena Vista, at Valhalla, will be sold Saturday at 11:30 o'clock from the front door of the Court House to the highest bidder.

The sale is held by the direction of Attorney John M. Digney, of the law firm of Digney & Digney, White Plains, and Bryan L. Kennedy, of New York City, is the auctioneer.

The sale is the outcome of a foreclosure action brought by the estate of the late James W. Daly, of Mt. Kisco, and the original claim is for about \$120,000 while there is a subsequent claim of about \$50,000.

The property consists of 301 acres of fine lands, a three story dwelling known as the homestead property, a two story cottage and many out-buildings.

The property is admirably situated and extends along a ridge from which views of many miles of the prettiest part of Westchester County may be had. It overlooks the Knollwood Country Club, the Cochran estate, the James Butler property at Eastview and many other handsome country places.

The Carpenter property is one of the best known in this section and its late owner was the man who made the Kensico Cemetery possible and developed much of the country in that section.

MAN FOUND DEAD AT VALHALLA TUESDAY.

Body Was Lying in Brook Under Railroad Trestle Near Station When Discovered.

The body of Frank Klusko, a driver for the Kerbaugh Company, was found at six o'clock Tuesday lying in a small brook beneath the railroad trestle south of the Valhalla station. The body was discovered by Joseph Prespe, an Italian, and he notified the Valhalla precinct of the aqueduct police.

Patrolman Augermueller was sent out on the case and he found Klusko lying on his back in the brook parallel to the railroad tracks. Coroner Dunn was called and ordered the body brought to Lyon and Harriett's morgue in White Plains.

Coroner Dunn could find no evidence of foul play and the theory is that he either fell from the trestle and broke his neck or was struck by a passing train. An autopsy was performed Tuesday afternoon by Dr. Lawrence Moody.

The dead man was 33 years of age and was last seen at 6 o'clock Monday evening by Tony Merritt.

At a special meeting of the Board of Education held on Friday evening, Miss Ruby Donohue, of Sharon, Conn., was engaged to fill the vacancy in the list of grade teachers and Miss Helen Piper that of Kindergarten teacher. The position of extra High School teacher will be filled by Miss Jeanette M. Campbell. This completes the list of teachers engaged for the coming year as follows:

Thomas E. Morgan, principal; Mary E. Crane, Lois Stone, Gladys MacArthur, Jeanette M. Campbell, High School teachers, Carolyn D. Cain, Jennie M. Stark, Ruby Donohue, Florence M. Tuck, Adalade Arnold, Sophia A. Wibbe, Ruth M. Schoens, Frances E. Keegan, Grade teachers; Helen P. Piper, of Mattewan, Kindergarten.

While abroad he also studied the matter of farm banks in Germany and Denmark, and what he learned about them was of benefit to the committee sent abroad by our government of which Mr. Van Cortlandt was a member, and upon which he spoke so well at the meeting of the club in October last.

WORKING ON FIRE ALARM

Progress Being Made in Installing New System at Mount Kisco.

TRUSTEES BUSY SESSION

It developed at the regular meeting of the Board of Village Trustees of Mt. Kisco on Monday evening that the Gamewell Company was at work on the new fire alarm system. The time limit will probably be extended and an extension granted by the trustees, but it is hoped that the system will be completed within the present month. The concrete base for the bell tower is being placed by the Fowler Construction Company in the rear of the Corporation Building and the largest part of the equipment is on the ground. President Banks reported that he had refused to approve some inferior parts of the striking mechanism and his action was approved by the Board.

Chairman Chichester for the Lighting Committee, reported favorably on the installation of additional street lamps in front of the High School building and on Prospect street. The matter was referred to the committee with power to install.

In response to a request from the District Nursing Association Street Commissioner Digney was directed to place at the disposal of the Association one of his teams on the afternoon of the 16th, to be used in the "Clean-up" campaign on that day.

Trustee Dakin presented a map, plans and specifications drawn by Fowler & Sigglekow for the laying of 200 feet of concrete sidewalk on Manchester Terrace at the junction of Main street. Bids for the work will be advertised for and opened at the meeting of the Board on May 18th.

A bill was submitted by the Mt. Kisco News for \$135 with interest amounting to \$810 for publishing ordinances. Suit was threatened unless the bill was paid. Corporation Counsel Banks stated that the Board had not authorized the publication and was in no way liable for payment of the bill and it was ordered returned to Mr. Mores.

The following bills were audited and ordered paid from their respective accounts:

Chief F. J. Creiger	\$80.00
Officer Egan	70
Officer Platt	44.75
Officer Leopold	70.00
Justice DuFrane	33.33
Jos. E. Merriam	37.50
Williamson Law Book Co.	4.50
East End Printing Co.	10.00
Walter Selleck	24.00
Town of New Castle assessment	13.15
N. Y. Telephone Co.	6.38
L. B. Richards	14.00
A. Bartholdi	20.00
U. Dingee	2.00
Cox & Fish	1.95
T. Baggio	16.14
Jas. Hannigan	24.00
W. F. Brundage	40.15
Chas. Brundage	25.28
M. Collins	48.00
Irish Dingee	179.68
Fowler Constr. Co., Mountain Ave. sewer work	315.00
Delacave	42.09

Treasurer Green made report of the balances on hand turned over to him by former Treasurer Egan, and Trustee Shaw took occasion to say that the bondsmen of the latter had no occasion to worry as Mr. Egan's accounts were correct, the only mix-up being a matter of bookkeeping not entirely the fault of Mr. Egan, and that the matter would be straightened out to the satisfaction of all in good time.

Trustee Shaw moved the purchase of a flag 5x12 for use on the Corporation Building on all holidays. The Clerk was authorized to make the purchase and the janitor instructed to see that it was unfurled on the proper occasions.

The Board adjourned to meet on Monday evening, May 11th, at 7:30.

The Katonah Tennis Club held a meeting on Saturday evening at which encouraging reports were received from the Finance Committee in charge of raising funds to defray the expense of building the proposed courts on the city land opposite the depot. The applications for membership are coming in fast and every indication points to a most successful organization. It is probable that a double court will be erected.

Preparations for Arbor Day exercises at the various schools of the vicinity tomorrow are being made.

PLANS FOR "CLEAN-UP"

Rubbish Will Have to Go on May 16 Says Nursing Association.

FOR A SPOTLESS TOWN

Plans are being completed for a village clean-up to be held on May 16. Mr. Louis Elliott has allowed the committee in charge to have the accumulation of rubbish dumped on the vacant lot south of the school house and land owners in Huntville and Greenville, have also offered to cooperate in helping to dispose of rubbish.

It is to be distinctly understood that no garbage will be taken.

On Friday and Saturday notices, printed in English and Italian will be distributed by the school children. These will be left at every house and will give directions for the clean-up.

The Committee on Streets and Sidewalks will keep a watchful eye on the vacant lots and parks and it is hoped that the Greenfold and Hermsen Club will assist with rakes and other weapons of warfare to corral all tin cans and straying papers which make the streets unsightly.

The women of the committee will not ride in the carts but as they still hold to the old-fashioned notion that men can do some things better than women, they would appreciate the offer of a half dozen athletic men to lift barrels and boxes of rubbish into the carts.

Several public spirited citizens have given the committee the use of their teams for the half day in order to help the good work along.

No newspapers or magazines will be collected until next Fall when the Nursing Association hopes to make an effort similar to that made with such success last year.

They will be grateful to all who will save magazines, papers and old rubber for the next collection.

STATE MASONS IN ANNUAL MEETING.

Review of Work in Masonic Field of State During Year Was Given.

The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons open their 133d annual communication Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Masonic Hall, 24th Street near 6th Avenue.

Many representatives of lodges throughout the State are gathered in New York for the meeting and preparations are being made by Col. E. L. M. Ehlers, Grand Secretary, for the prompt and orderly dispatch of a large amount of business which will be brought before the communication for disposal. There are more than 800 lodges in good standing in the State, and the representatives of the lodges, with the permanent members of the Grand Lodge number nearly 1000 Free Masons entitled to take part in its deliberations.

Charles Smith, of Oneonta, who has been Grand Master for the past two years, will preside, and he is being assisted in his duties by Deputy Grand Master, Judge George Freifeld, of Brooklyn, the Senior Grand Warden, Thomas Penney, of Buffalo, the Junior Grand Warden, William S. Farmer of Syracuse, the Grand Secretary, E. L. M. Ehlers, and the Grand Marshal, Edward M. Ethers of East Springfield. Among the Past Grand Masters who are expected to be present at the sessions of the Grand Lodge are Col. John W. Vrooman, William A. Brodie, William Sherer, Judge Townsend Scudder, Robert Judson Kenworthy and Judge S. Nelson Sawyer.

Grand Secretary Ehlers reported at the last annual communication that at that time there were 820 lodges in good standing in this State, and that the membership numbered 179,927. Since that time six new lodges have been instituted, namely Mount Masada, at Mount Vernon, Menora, in Brooklyn, Netherlands in the Borough of Manhattan Bay View at Henderson, Jefferson County, Aquahonga, in the Borough of Manhattan. In the last year the lodges have been in a prosperous condition and a substantial increase in the membership has been made.

The election of officers for the year was held Wednesday Mr. Smith, who has been Grand Master for two years, retired, and Judge Freifeld, the Deputy Grand Master, was chosen in his place. The installation of the newly elected grand officers on Thursday will close the meeting.

KATONAH IN NEW LEAGUE

Four Team Circuit Should Create Added Interest in Base Ball Here.

SEASON TO OPEN MAY 23

At a meeting of the Westchester A. A. held at Pleasantville last Wednesday evening it was definitely decided that the Northern Division League be made up of four teams representing Brewster, Katonah, Bedford Hills and Mt. Kisco. Each team plays a twelve-game schedule, of four regular league games with each other team in the league.

A similar league is to be formed of the survivors of the teams formerly comprising the Southern half of last year's ten team league, with several new towns in addition, and will include Pleasantville, White Plains, Y. M. C. A., Crestwood and a team from Yonkers.

A "Post Season Series" will be played between the winners in each league for the Championship of the Harlem Division. This will include two out of three or three out of five games, the number of games to depend upon the time the regular season closes.

As the weaker teams have been dropped, both leagues a tougher stand are much stronger than the league as a whole was last year and better and more interesting contests should be the result. Another advantage of the four team league is that the trips for the teams will be shorter and less expensive and that more of the local enthusiasts will be able to follow teams on out-of-town trips making larger and more enthusiastic crowds and better gate receipts and collections.

Though the league schedule has not been completed, it is proposed to play the first regular league game on May 23d. Weather and the condition of Lakeside Field permitting, a number of exhibition games will be played on the local grounds before that date.

Groundkeeper Seale, who interviewed recently as to when the field could be ready for use, indicated that he is pursuing a policy of waiting, but said that with a rain break of the weather conditions he hoped to have the diamond ready by the end of the present week.

Meanwhile an enthusiastic committee is making preparations for an entertainment which it is proposed will be different from anything ever before given in Katonah for the benefit of the Lake-side team. It will be a full of snip and snur and absolutely worth the price of admission. When asked what the nature of the entertainment is to be Miss Ethel Green, who has the matter in charge, answered an air of mystery and remarked "Wait and see."

So, there's nothing to do but sit down and wait for the posters, oh well, as long as we get notice in time to secure a seat, we should say "Yes, Roginald you have guessed it. We should worry!"

WESTCHESTER MAN MEMBER OF FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD

Paul M. Warburg, of White Plains, Appointed by President Wilson.

It is announced in Washington that Paul M. Warburg, whose home is in the Town of Greenburgh overlooking White Plains has been appointed by President Wilson as a member of the Federal Reserve Board which body will set in motion the new currency law signed last November.

Mr. Warburg will serve with Richard Olney, formerly Secretary of State, in the Cleveland Administration.

Mr. Warburg is recognized as one of the foremost financial experts in this country, and is a member of the banking firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Company, of New York City.

The third member of the commission is said to be a southern banker but no intimation as to who he is has been given.

Mr. Warburg is New York's representative on the commission. He is one of the best known of the bankers in the metropolis and his home in Greenburgh, just outside of White Plains is one of the show places of Westchester County.

George Hoffman, who has been one of the most trusted and valued employees of Asbury Elliott for a number of years, has given up his position and accepted a place as guard at the State Reformatory.

SUPERVISORS IN MONTHLY MEETING

Transact Much Business of Routine Nature at Session on Monday.

AWARD COAL CONTRACTS FOR YEAR

WESTCHESTER RED CROSS NURSES READY.

County Chapter Offers Services if Needed in Event of Active Warfare in Mexico.

The Westchester County Chapter of the Red Cross organization has offered its services if the Mexican situation develops into active warfare with the United States. A letter of instruction has been received.

On April 30th, the Executive Committee of the Westchester County Chapter of the American National Red Cross met at the Hotel Gotham upon call of the chairman, Mrs. Frank Hunter Potter, Mrs. Potter, on her return from Europe, got into communication with the National Headquarters at Washington and received from the War Relief Board a letter of instructions to chapters in the event of war being declared with Mexico.

The Westchester County Chapter, meeting under these instructions, is now thoroughly organized and while earnestly hoping that war may be averted, is ready at a moment's notice to assist the Government with funds, supplies and efficient workers.

The system of chapters has been arranged by the American National Red Cross, so that the work of the organization may be more effectively done. It is important that all money contributions to Westchester County be sent to the Treasurer of the Westchester County Chapter, William B. Franklin, Esq., American Mailing Company, 62d Street and East River, New York City, and in no case directly to Washington.

When the Board of Supervisors met on Monday three sites were offered for the proposed new armory for the Yonkers company of national guard-men.

The first site offered is at No. 40 Locust Avenue, a plot 196x35 feet for \$50,000. The second site is on the Cleveland Estate in South Broadway and the third site is the Catz Estate, St. Mary's Street and South Broadway. No price was named for either of the latter two sites. All of them were received and referred to the committee on armories.

The contract for 100 tons of buck-ahout coal was awarded to R. Young Brothers Coal Company of White Plains. The price is \$1.15 per ton. The next lowest bidder was Clinton C. Swakhamer, who asked \$1.12 per ton. The coal is for the Court House plant.

The request of the Westchester County Farm Bureau a newly organized body, Chairman E. P. Barrett was chosen as a supervisor to serve on the bureau's executive staff with eight members of the bureau.

The Town of Ossining was authorized to raise \$10,000 by bond issue to provide for the making of an assessment map required under the new law regarding the levy and assessment of taxes.

The Town of Eastchester was authorized to raise \$16,500 by bond issue to pay for the town's share of the proposed state highway through that town.

A resolution from Supervisor Forsyth calling for a \$187,500 bond is due for the purpose of redeeming certificates of indebtedness for that sum given as the county's share to date for lands taken for the Bronx Parkways was adopted. This amount represents the total cost of the parkway in the county thus far. The remainder of the cost is borne by New York City.

A resolution calling for a \$52,000 bond issue for the purpose of building the Mount Vernon-Pelham Bridge over the Tuckerton Creek also prevailed. The structure is to be a county bridge.

COUNTY Y M C A BOYS' CONFERENCE

Plans are now completed for the Boys' Conference for the auspices of the Westchester County Young Men's Christian Association, which is to be held at Bronxville, Saturday, May 9th, starting at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Men of state wide reputation have been secured to address this large gathering of boys. Among the speakers are Mr. E. N. Robinson, International Y. M. C. A. Secretary for Boys' Work, Mr. John R. Boardman, a specialist on Boy Leadership, Dr. C. R. Ross, of Manhattan and Mr. W. H. Burger, State Secretary for Boys' Work.

This is a notable array of speakers and the Westchester County Committee is to be congratulated on their success in planning such a fine program.

The Pleasantville High School Band of twenty four pieces will attend the Conference and will render several concerts during the day. This in itself is an attraction that every boy in the county will want to hear and see. The Conference is to be adjourned early enough in the afternoon to give opportunity for some athletic games and sports. Every boy will want to take part in this portion of the program.

The Bronxville Y. M. C. A. Boys' Group are making thorough plans for the entertainment of the visiting delegates and urge every boy who can possibly do so to attend.

MAY DISMISS KENNEDY INDICTMENTS.

Justice Morschauser Asks Counsel To Submit Briefs that He May Determine Points at Issue.

Justice Morschauser Monday intimated that it was shown that other than the proper persons had been before the grand jury he would dismiss the indictment against John S. Kennedy, former warden of Sing Sing and Lyman H. Gibbs, formerly storekeeper at the prison.

The matter came before the Court on the application of Messrs. Kennedy and Gibbs for the dismissal of the indictment against them on the ground that the indictments brought out did not warrant the finding of an indictment.

Attorney Francis L. Hughes appearing for Kennedy raised the point that the Attorney General had never superseded the district attorney and that James W. O'Boyle the special deputy attorney general who appeared before the grand jury had no right there, or in other words that the indictment was void.

District Attorney Frederick E. Weeks, attorney for the state, said he had been led to believe until recently that the attorney general had superseded the district attorney but recent he had been told that this was not the case. The indictments were found before Mr. Weeks was the district attorney.

Justice Morschauser put the matter over until such time as counsel for both sides could submit briefs and facts.

The bills for the investigation that resulted in the indictment of Kennedy and Gibbs were charged to this county and as a result about \$15,000. The investigation was ordered by the then Governor Sulzer.

A new residence is being erected by Donald Congdon on Bedford Road.