

WILL PLEAD GUILTY AT SPECIAL SESSION.

PRISONERS WAIVE INDICTMENT AND JURY TRIAL.

Judge Higbee Will Hear Cases and Impose Sentences—Will Also Hold Session of Orphans' Court.

Many prisoners awaiting trial in the County Jail have entered applications with Prosecutor Goldensberg to be heard before Judge E. A. Higbee at the special session of Criminal Court to be held here next Wednesday morning. The applicants will plead guilty to the charges preferred against them, waiving the right of indictment and trial by a jury. Judge Higbee, after hearing their cases, will impose sentences.

The number of prisoners is considerably less at this special session than at the last, when thirty prisoners were heard in this manner rather than await trial at the regular session of court. Many received light sentences and will have served their time when the regular term opens.

The applicants who have thus far asked for a hearing, with their respective charges, are as follows:

Roy Gardner, larceny; Ellis Nickman, selling obscene post cards; Charles Johnson, assault and battery; Joseph Smith, malicious mischief; Arnold Lehner, forgery and passing check; Patrick Devlin, larceny; Bert White, larceny; William Chapman, larceny; Murray Taylor, assault and battery; William A. Griffin, assault and battery; Harry Griffin, breaking and entering.

O. U. A. M. CONVENTION.

Sixty-second Annual Session Held in Atlantic City.

The sixty-second annual convention of the National United American Mechanics convened in Odd Fellows' Hall, Atlantic City, Tuesday morning last and sessions were held until Thursday evening. Nearly two hundred representatives with their wives, including the city by the sea and a royal good time was had by all. Wednesday the delegates with their better halves enjoyed a chair parade on the ocean beach, a sail to sea and in the evening a dance party. Thursday was occupied in legislation for the fraternity's welfare, following which officers were elected for the ensuing year: National Council, John M. Hornbaker, Pennsylvania; Vice-president, A. C. Loring, New Hampshire; Protector, W. N. Noeb, Ohio; Doorkeeper, W. D. Graves, Maryland; President, R. L. L. was voted the next annual session. Ex-Secretary H. W. Shaver represented Atlantic County in the convention.

In the Churches.

Services will be held at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church to-morrow as follows: Mass at 8 and 10 A. M.; Sunday school at 2:30; Vespers and Benediction at 8:30 P. M.; Rev. Father Theodore B. McCormick, pastor. Services will be held in the Methodist Episcopal Church to-morrow as follows: Preaching by the pastor, morning, 10:30; evening, 7:45. Sunday school, 2:30; Epworth League, 4:45; special music to-morrow at all services. Everybody welcome. Rev. William Dineen, pastor. Presbyterian Church—Preaching both morning and evening by the Rev. George Smith, of Cedarville, N. J.; Sunday school 2:30; Christian Endeavor meeting at 8 P. M.; Town meeting under our Society by Church Attendance. Leader, Mrs. H. C. James.

Unclaimed Letters.

The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the May's Landing, N. J., post-office September 12, 1908:

Mrs. Rose Swam, Miss Emma Stroh (4), Mrs. Frances Riley, Miss Marie E. Tish, Mrs. Laing, Mrs. Maynard Howard, Edna Farrell, Miss Gertrude Edell, Joseph Walsh, Mr. John Tinner (2), Mr. Charles Tanner, Mr. James O'Neill, Wm. Morton, Floyd Heutmann, Peter Hennan, Mr. Arthur Adams (2). The letters of the post office and nut, Pascale Marandola, Alphonso Bellotti, Francesco Michele, Nick Savo. Persons calling for any of the above letters may "advertise" for them by a general notice in this list.

Ten Don'ts for School Children.

Don't fail to go to school.
Don't carry tales.
Don't make unnecessary noise.
Don't forget your manners in school.
Don't think you know more than your teacher.
Don't think your teacher is trying to find fault when she corrects you; she does it for your good.
Don't idle away your time in study hours.
Don't ask how to do anything until you are sure you cannot do it yourself; the only way to find that out is to try.
Don't be selfish on the playground.
Don't forget at all times to be a good woman or a little lady, ready to help others, too honest to deceive or do a wrong thing, and obedient.

Tendered Birthdays Surprise Party.

In honor of the passing of another milestone of his life, a number of friends of James Thorp, Jr., gathered at his home Wednesday evening last and made the occasion a merry one with games, after which a generous repast was served in the dining room and the guests departed, wishing their young host many happy returns of the day. Among those present were: Misses Louella Lagroff, Lillie Austin, Rachel Souder, Mary Souder, Bertha Cordwell, Messrs. Frank Harris, Robert Turp, Fred Ludertis, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harris, Mr. and Mrs. James Thorp, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Christian Ernst.

More Than Enough Is Too Much.

To maintain health, a mature man or woman needs just enough food to repair the waste and supply energy and body heat. The habitual consumption of more food than is necessary for these purposes is the prime cause of stomach troubles, rheumatism and disorders of the kidneys. If troubled with indigestion, revise your diet, let reason and not appetite control and take a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and you will soon be all right again. For sale by Morse & Co.

Democrat Pick Mayoralty Candidate.

Constitution James Murland, of the Fourth Ward, may be the Democratic nominee for Mayor of Atlantic City, in view of the positive refusal of former Mayor Joseph Thompson to enter the office made by his party at the recent conference at Egg Harbor to place him as candidate of the city ticket. Party leaders admitted that Connelman Murland had been slated, and no official announcement of the endorsement has been made.

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MAY'S LANDING JOTTINGS.

Paragraphs, Personal and Otherwise, Briefly Describing What Has Occurred in the Capitol of the County.

Township politics are waxing up.

The Record "is" thirty-one years old with this issue.

A number of young ladies are forming a social club.

Mr. John Abbott has entered upon his duties as school teacher.

Miss Mae Maloney, of Philadelphia, is visiting Mrs. Maggie Veal.

Work on the new Surrogate's office has progressed rapidly this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Norcross, of Red Bank, N. J., were visitors this week.

Mrs. Maurice Kendall, of Jersey City, is visiting Mrs. Charles Godwin.

The Fall schedule on the West Jersey and Seashore railroad took effect Tuesday.

Warm weather may be expected during the latter part of this month and early October.

Miss Sara Abbott returned Monday from a week's sojourn among relatives in Ocean City.

The public fountain continues to quench the thirst of scores of individuals and horses daily.

Amie's cousin Scott Champion has been laid off duty. He received official notice Thursday.

Miss Jennie Yeiter returned Tuesday evening from a four days' visit among friends in Camden.

The M. E. Mite Society will meet Tuesday evening, September 15, at the residence of Mrs. Walter Hudson.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Shump, of Millville, were the guests Tuesday of Deputy Sheriff and Mrs. Enoch L. Johnson.

Miss Emily Pennington, of Jersey City, N. J., is visiting Mrs. Charles Godwin.

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Mr. and Mrs. James H. Glover, of Bridgeport, Conn., are here as the guests of their sister, Mrs. Carrie G. Abbott.

The Township has reason to congratulate itself on the efficient corps of teachers in charge of the public schools this year.

A dancing school, it is stated, will probably be established here this Fall and Winter by a dancing master of Philadelphia.

Messrs. Morton and Lyle Crowell, of Hammon, spent several days this week as the guests of friends at Gravelly Run.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dinkler and child, of Centerville, Pa., have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Yeiter during the week.

It is stated that plans are under consideration by the State Waterway Commission for the dredging of the Great Egg Harbor River.

Messrs. B. Frank Jarrett and F. E. Deane, hour and families have returned to Philadelphia after spending the Summer at Meadowcroft.

Property along Main street are not kept in proper repair, and their general good condition testifies to the progressiveness of the owners.

The night school continues to prosper and the scholars to increase. There are now sixty pupils enrolled, and all are enthusiastic in their work.

Mr. Frank B. Glover and children, Frank Jr., Charles and Mae Florence, of Egg Harbor City, spent part of the week with relatives at Gravelly Run.

A meeting of the Missionary Society will be held at the home of Mrs. L. B. Corson next Thursday afternoon. A good attendance of members is desired.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Howell, of Atlantic City, who have been spending a vacation at the Moore cottage, returned to their home last Saturday morning.

Property for sale or rent is scarce in this neighborhood. Nearly every house within a radius of five miles is occupied. Good land is selling at high prices.

The regular monthly meeting of the Presbyterian Mite Society will be held at the residence of Miss Kate Endicott on Gravelly Run avenue next Monday evening.

Endorsements may be made to secure a better train service from Atlantic City to this place in the evening, as the present accommodation is not all that could be desired.

Master Myra Riley, of Lead's Point, N. J., brother of Mrs. Evelyn Riley, of the Gravelly Run school, spent Sunday last as the guest of Mrs. Carrie G. Abbott.

The launch "Alma," which was formerly used on Lake Lenape as a passenger craft, has been transferred by Captain Roy E. Beach to the waters of the Great Egg Harbor River.

Misses Grace Babcock, Maude Johnson and Winifred Sommer, of Atlantic City, spent several days here recently as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ansel B. Crowell at Gravelly Run.

Slowly but surely the kindergarten is growing. Twenty-five little ones are now enrolled in this new department, which is conducted by Miss Alice M. Sander in the Bartha building.

Peddlers of worthless goods are disappearing under the enforcement of the ordinance requiring them to pay a license before vending their wares along the highways of the municipality.

Rev. and Mrs. Bramitt, who are spending a two weeks' vacation among friends and relatives in Bridgeton, N. J., and Laurel Lake, Pa., will return to the Presbyterian Home next Saturday.

If the trees along the highways of the municipality were properly trimmed, the electric light system would be more effective. The low hanging branches prevent free circulation of both light and air.

Mr. and Mrs. John Van Baat have returned to their home in Brooklyn, N. Y., after spending the summer at their home at Gravelly Run. In the near future they intend making this their permanent place of residence.

Mrs. Charles Hanzelroeder, who has been spending several weeks here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Treen, is in Atlantic City for a week's sojourn, at the end of which she will return to her home in Mansfield, Ohio.

The Epworth League services reopened in the Methodist Episcopal Church last Sunday evening with an attendance of ninety-five.

Members are asked each Sunday evening at 6:45 o'clock and the organization has a strong membership.

Mr. J. Logan Pitts and family, of Merchantville, N. J., who spent the Summer at "Camp Logan," on the Great Egg Harbor River, will return to their home next week after a pleasant sojourn. Mr. Pitts is prominently connected with the Mercantile Bank of New York.

Miss Virginia McClinch, teacher of music and drawing in the public schools, has given up her duties this week. Study periods are held in the school in May's Landing for these subjects. The new department is exacting general commendation and has aroused considerable interest among the children.

James and the present Township officers to be filled this Fall have not as yet filed their petitions with the Township Clerk. The law prescribes that candidates must file their petitions on or before midnight to-day. The full tickets are made up by the several political parties will be announced in our issue of the 19th inst.

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FREEHOLDERS INSPECT

NEW COUNTY ROAD.

FOUND BOULEVARD IN EXCELLENT CONDITION.

Accepted Subject to Approval of Road Commissioner Gilkyson—Dangerous Bends Will be Brushed Out to Insure Safety.

Seven large automobiles conveyed members of the County Board of Chosen Freeholders and County officers to inspect the new road.

Landing-Downtown boulevard Thursday, when the road was inspected from this point to the County line.

Following the tour of inspection the Board held a meeting in the Court House and accepted the road for the County, subject to the approval of Road Commissioner Gilkyson, who must file his report before it can be turned over by the contractor to the County.

The party gathered from different sections of the County at the Court House at 11:30 A. M. Mr. Robert H. Roberts, of a light luncheon. Return, they took dinner at the Hotel Union Hotel, after which they held their meeting.

It was ordered by the Board that the Road Committee take proper steps to brush out the bends of the new road, which may be found either direction to secure a good view of approaching machines.

Members of the Board expressed themselves as highly gratified with the condition in which they found the new road. While it is only sixteen feet wide, it is well built and calculated to withstand heavy traffic. It is at present in a dusty condition, and at several points the sides have partially washed out owing to the unevenness of the road, but these minor defects will be remedied before the next meeting of the Board, when the road will be finally approved and accepted.

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Of New York.

With this issue "THE RECORD" begins the thirty-second year of its existence. During the thirty-one preceding years a conservative policy in regard to editorial and general news matter have placed the stamina of reliability on its columns, which have been first, last and all the time the champion of public improvement and a staunch support of the Republican party. One of the oldest journals of South Jersey, it has been identified with the growth of Atlantic County, and has exerted its influence to the best interests of Hamilton Township and the municipality. It has heretofore been, and will continue to be the aim of the publisher and owner to present authentic news, including a record of the work of the County Courts and public offices. The same policies that have guided the publication of news formerly will be continued in the new edition, and so long as the present proprietary control continues it will be with the steadfast purpose to publish a newspaper which shall command the respect of all good citizens and in every legitimate way advance the interests of Atlantic County.

Every live, up-to-date, progressive municipality boasts of what it calls "boomers," men who talk and think and act consistently and continuously for the good of the community. The real "boomer" is a man of whom any citizen can be proud. He is not an infanter, a pretender or a man who hopes to reap pecuniary reward for his trouble; but the man who, realizing the opportunities of a community for growth in any particular line, conscientiously praises its attractions and seeks to make it better known by divers methods. He does not "run down" his neighbors' property. He does not complain to every newcomer, "what a bad place this town is to live in," or unduly advertise its disadvantages. For no community, however attractive and well situated, is wholly without fault. The real "boomer" is a man in a thousand, who honestly believes his place of residence to be superior to others, and stands for his convictions at every opportunity. He is at once an optimist, a prophet and a most desirable citizen.

Good news comes from the County Board of Taxation, who have notified the people of Hamilton Township through Assessor Harry Jenkins that the rate of taxation this year has fallen to \$1.70 on each hundred dollars valuation, a reduction of twenty-three cents from the former rate. While many municipal improvements have taken place and considerable money been expended on good roads, the influx of State moneys for school purposes has made the lower rate possible. The Township farmer, upon whom a large portion of the burden of municipal expenses falls, will find herein another justification for the present administration of government and reasons for a continuance of the policies that have made this reduction possible.

Automobilists are rejoicing over the removal of the "auto cops" who were stationed along the County roads to force drivers to observe the speed law. The cops cost the County five hundred dollars a month, and there is no record of any arrests or fines for violations to recompense the treasury for the expenditure. But there is no gainsaying the fact that the constabulary has accomplished considerable good in restricting the speed of automobiles and rendering the roads more safe to drivers of other vehicles. If this was the object of the appointment of the police, it has been attained. Few machines are now observed exceeding the speed limit, especially near settled districts.

The enrollment in the night school is exceeding the most sanguine expectations of its projectors. Over half a hundred have so far resolved to take advantage of the opportunity afforded to receive an education and are zealously working each evening from seven until nine o'clock. No one is now disposed to dispute the efficacy of this new department of the public school system, which enables those who are unable to attend the sessions of the regular day school to receive at least a common school education. No age limit is set above fourteen, under which all children are obliged by law to attend the day school.

The motor-cycle, as a pleasure vehicle, seems a failure, but as a means of quick transportation to men whose occupation requires their presence at many places in a day, such as repair linemen, etc., it is a useful invention, and one which will continue in use. Whatever objectionable features it may possess, it is ready for quick service, handy and economical, and these insure its popularity with the class of workmen mentioned. But its objectionable features will prevent it from gaining any great prestige as a popular means of transportation.

"The overshadowing issue of the campaign really is: Shall the administration of President Roosevelt be approved, shall a party of demonstrated capacity in administrative affairs be continued in power, shall the reins of government be placed in experienced hands, or do the people prefer to trust their destinies to an aggregation of experimental malcontents and theorists, whose only claim to a history is a party name they pilfered?" Said Vice Presidential candidate Sherman in his speech of acceptance. "With a record of four decades of wise legislation; two score years of faithful administration; offering its fulfilled pledges as a guarantee of its promises for the future, the Republican party appeals to the people and, with full confidence in their wisdom and patriotism, awaits the rendition of the November verdict."

Since the new May's Landing-Downtown boulevard has been opened to travel, probably no bridge in the County has been more used than that at the intersection of Main street and the Pleasantville highway spanning Babcock's Creek. And it is likely, very likely, that no bridge has been allowed to remain in a similar condition when exposed to such heavy traffic. The bridge should be raised at least ten inches, the abutment repaired, new planking laid and the road leading thereto maintained in good condition. What should be done is plain enough, but the Board of Freeholders have apparently quite overlooked the necessity for an appropriation to execute the work.

Need of a better drainage system along Main street is becoming more and more apparent. Every storm is the cause of innumerable diminutive ponds forming along the highway in low places where no means of exit for the water has been provided. The present drainage could be greatly facilitated by keeping the road clear of waste matter, leaves and other foreign substance, which clogs the drains and prevents the water from flowing off the street properly. Cold weather is coming, when the ground will be too hard to make any improvements, and steps should be taken immediately to insure fairly comfortable highways during the coming winter.

STATE PRESS COMMENT.

"The New York and Philadelphia newspapers are finding fault with Governor Fort for insisting that the law shall be observed by the Atlantic City saloonkeepers, and why?"

"Because it is a place where the sporting element in these communities has gone in the past and enjoyed privileges that were denied at home on the Sabbath day."

"It should make no difference to Governor Fort what the opinion of the New York and Philadelphia newspapers may be concerning his action in this emergency. There is no influence in the State of New Jersey. They have no interest in the institutions of the State of New Jersey, excepting that which benefits the citizens of their own states, and they have come to consider this State a dumping ground for all the vice that has been crowded out of New York, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh."

"Report has it that last Sunday the saloons in Atlantic City were closed in accordance with the provisions of the law, and that because of this fact fifty thousand dollars were taken out of circulation in that community."

"These statements may be correct. If they are, it is reasonable to estimate that two-thirds of the money that wasn't spent because of the enforcement of the law was in the pockets of men and women who have no property interests in the town. Men and women who have no property interests in the State of New Jersey; men and women who are sojourners here."

"When a law is enacted by the legislature of this State it is enacted for the benefit of the citizens of the State, and not for the benefit of the citizens of New York and Pennsylvania."

"The enforcement of that law is calculated to protect and elevate the morals of this State, with no particular reference to the morals of any other state in the Union, and it is high time that the citizens of other states, who are denied certain privileges that they have a chance to satisfy their sporting proclivities at home, were given to understand that New Jersey is not a free and easy playground for them."

"For these reasons we believe that Governor Fort has been absolutely right in the stand he took and which he has maintained. He has simply insisted that the law must be observed, and that it was not until he threatened extreme measures to enforce the law that the violators of it decided to do what a majority of the citizens of New Jersey are doing voluntarily. If the law is not satisfactory to the people, let them change it. But so long as it is on the books it ought to be enforced."—*Trenton State Gazette.*

"Bryan should settle the heridom question right off, and quit juggling with it. He clutched the other day that he was the natural Roosevelt heir because of the latter's adoption of his policies, and the next day declared that 'Taft is the heir apparent.' The fact of the matter would seem to be that neither is going to inherit exclusively Roosevelt policies, whichever may be selected. Bryan's wild-eyed principles are not Rooseveltian, but they are advocated by him they are illogical, demagogical, and not designed for the general good. On the contrary, while Taft would not doubt carry out the principles of his party, which include Roosevelt policies, he will do it in a way of his own, that will commend itself to the fair majority of the people, and his ability, his knowledge of public affairs, and experience in dealing with them, render it reasonably safe to conclude that he will not content himself with the Roosevelt legacy but aim to increase its value and usefulness. He is a big man mentally and physically, but he has not stopped growing in practical statesmanship, and when he comes to take the helm of the Ship of the State the people will find that he is a safe pilot and to be implicitly trusted. Bryan is only heir to his political absurdities of the past. His patrimony in that respect will not avail him anything in this campaign."—*Cumden Courier.*

"Any lingering doubt that prosperity is returning should be dispelled by the latest official figures of the Federal Department of Commerce and Labor, showing internal commerce movement for the month of July as compared with preceding months of the year. Grain receipts are greater than in June and even exceed the receipts of July, 1907. Lumber and coal movements, as well as the production of iron, continue to show marked advance over the preceding month. The year, though the totals are still below the heavy figures of July, 1907. The improvement in the freight-car situation is still apparent, more than 70 per cent. of the reporting car-service associations showing for July gains over any of the preceding months of the current year. The country of the country and the barometer. At Toledo, that of the increasing demand for freight cars is conclusive evidence that business is improving."—*Cumden Post Telegram.*

"The Republican situation in this city and county seems to be somewhat confused just at present, but there is every reason to believe that the coming primaries will bring order out of chaos. Any citizen who feels disposed to go before his party for a political nomination is privileged to do so upon complying with the provisions of the primary act, and it is up to the voters to accept or reject him as they may see fit. There is a free and open field for all aspirants and if the voters will come out in force, on the 22d inst., and express their preference at the polls, there will be no room for just criticism as to the make-up of the party tickets. The people are now afforded an opportunity to make their own nominations and if they fail to take advantage of it they can blame no one but themselves."—*Cumden West Jersey Press.*

"Thousands of enfeebled and poverty-stricken survivors of the Civil War here and in every corner of the Republic will hail with pathetic delight the suggestion of Commander-in-Chief Burton before the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, that the aged war veterans in arrears be remitted so that they may remain through their fast dwindling days members of the glorious organization of which they are all so proud."

"To deprive them of this right would be a species of refined cruelty under the circumstances."—*Atlantic City Evening Union.*

"Pleasantville must depend upon cheap railroad transportation to develop. If the lines which link it to Atlantic City, raise the fare to 10 cents each way, it would make a monthly tax of \$6 for one and \$12 for two, or almost enough to pay the rent of a small house. It is the great number of residents of Atlantic City who seek homes on the shore, and retain their employment there, the tropical beauty of the shore, and the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, that cause a reaction and would affect the income of the railroads themselves."—*Atlantic City Sunday Gazette.*

"The summer resort season is practically ended and people are trooping home from seashore and mountain. Many will remain until after Labor Day, and then the exodus from the resorts will leave hotels tenanted and rented cottages abandoned. The tropical beauty of the summer were a boon to the summer resort landlord, who had contemplated the prospect of an unprofitable season. Many thousands of people were forced to go to the resorts after they had planned, for economical reasons, to remain at their homes, and the crowded resorts testified to a successful year."—*Bridgeport Pioneer.*

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