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I. O. O. F. HOME TO COST TWO MILLION

Ground Will Soon Be Broken on Site Just Outside City, Convenient to Lehigh Valley Railroad

Ithaca, July 25. — Ground will soon be broken for the new state home and orphanage of the I. O. O. F. in this city, with an initial development of about \$150,000, in addition to the cost of the site.

The site at Ithaca was chosen after a committee of the grand lodge had viewed possible locations at Rome, Auburn, Binghamton and other cities and towns of the state. This committee, composed of Thomas McKnight of New York, Dr. E. G. Kern of Herkimer, Robert J. Cooper of Dunkirk, Fred J. Joyce of Unadilla, Alfred H. Fish of Poughkeepsie, George A. Dunn of Watertown, and Harry G. Forby of Buffalo, recently reported to the grand lodge that the Ithaca site was ideal for the purpose. Contracts will be awarded at the session of the state body this week.

The Odd Fellows of Tompkins County purchased the farm of 120 acres from Sidney D. Lawrence, a member of the fraternity, and turned the property over to the grand lodge. Several thousand dollars had recently been spent to make the place an ideal farm home. The barns and other out-buildings are all of modern type, with concrete floors and tastefully painted. The farm is three miles from the heart of the city of Ithaca and is on the main traveled route between New York City and Buffalo.

Railroad is Convenient

The Lehigh Valley railroad tracks run thru the farm, making the construction of sidings for the accommodation of coal cars an easy matter. The lodge hopes to eventually establish a station near the home.

Engineers have discovered several springs within a short distance from the property which it is planned to dam, and thus form a natural water supply for the home. It is believed that there will be elevation enough to give sufficient pressure for fire fighting purposes without recourse to power pumps. The property has a frontage on Cayuga lake and extends for about a mile east and west. From the elevation on which it stands on West Hill an unobstructed view of the lake and surrounding country for miles around is to be had. Buildings opposite are included in the view.

The first structure to be erected, the administration building, will be of fire-proof construction, the exterior being of Gothic design, using sea-faceted native stone, trimmed with Indiana or cast stone. It will have a slate roof. Large quantities of building stone have been found on the farm and this will be utilized in the construction of this and other buildings to be erected later.

Commodious Building

On the ground floor of the administration building will be kitchen, dining-room, boiler plant, laundry and two rooms for kitchen help. The first floor will contain main entrance and stair hall to tower, two reception rooms, library, superintendent's office, bath room and rooms for guests, which rooms can be used as hospital rooms if necessary. The second floor will have superintendent's rooms and bath, two baths and rooms for guests. On the third floor will be a bath and rooms for guests, while two additional rooms will be provided in the tower. An elevator will be installed going into the tower from which a fine view of the surrounding country will be had.

Future development, it is expected, will carry the total valuation of the home well toward the \$2,000,000 mark.

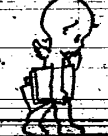
POTATO MEETING

Another meeting of the potato growers in this community is called for Monday evening, Aug. 22nd, at Village Hall, to complete the organization.

C. T. ROGERS.

THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

From mute inglorious
Miltons — ah,
We may miss many
a lyric gem.
I wrote five books
myself last year —
And then no
one would
read them.



HOME BUREAU MEET

Miss Coats, of Alfred, was present at the meeting of the Home Bureau, Tuesday afternoon, and gave practical demonstrations in millinery work, and a talk on the construction of fall hats. There was a good attendance of members and several visitors.

SOME MORE RECORD BY DEAN GORDON

For Republican Readers Only. (Others Kindly Skip This or Close Their Eyes. — Editor's Note)

To those who could not believe the facts as given in this paper a few weeks ago regarding our Assemblyman's record, I wish to say that they may verify the statements in the Legislative Record.

Some did not get the full significance of his Sunday business record. I will try to explain further as every man and woman in this country should understand it before Primary Day. It is the reason why that after being beaten last year, I again entered the race when our Assemblyman asked this county to endorse his record by re-election.

There are 1,500,000 Jews in Greater New York. It is by far the greatest Jewish city in the world. But few of them are religious, having only one church to 10,000 people. They never give up a Jewish custom. In business they are wondrous. They dominate New York financially and politically. The city only lacks twenty of a majority in the Assembly. Assemblyman Dickstein is one of their ablest representatives. Our Assemblyman is with Dickstein on the committee to which Sunday bills are referred. Dickstein wants to break up our American Sunday and turn it into a day for business. With our Assemblyman's help he actually got a bill thru the Assembly last year which would have done this very thing. It was killed in the Senate. He presented a similar bill this year. It was advanced to the third reading March 16. The opposition which developed showed it could not be passed. The very next morning our Assemblyman introduced his "quiet and orderly" manner. Sunday business bill, legalizing a limited amount of Sunday business. Who was he working for? He tells the voters that "if re-elected I will endeavor, as I always have done in the past, to represent them and carry out their wishes."

Last winter the New York Civic League drew up a bill to control gambling in billiard and pool rooms and gave it to our Assemblyman for introduction. Here is how Rev. O. R. Miller, Superintendent of the League, tells how our Assemblyman got rid of the bill.

"On April 12 Assemblyman Duke moved to advance his (our) bill from second to third reading, but unfortunately there were absent at the time from the Assembly Chamber 46 Assemblymen, most of whom were friends of our bill and the bill was defeated."

"It is paid by the state" covers a multitude of raids on the taxpayer's pocket. Governor Miller tried his best to plug up the holes thru which the people are bled of their money. The following extracts from the Democrat and Chronicle are self explanatory.

"The Betts bill designed to abolish the publication in newspapers of the legislative session laws, failed of passage in the Assembly to-day."

"Immediately after the vote was announced Assemblyman Charles H. Betts of Wayne, the introducer, said he would make another attempt later. In the session to pass the measure which he is sponsoring in accordance with recommendations by Governor Miller.

"The publication of the session laws," he said, in urging passage of his bill, "has been properly called legalized graft. The system of publication was legalized petty larceny and last year it rose to the dignity of grand larceny. It is a criminal waste of public moneys."

Declaring that the money paid to party newspapers for the publication of the laws, was nothing more than party patronage, he asserted the respective parties should pay these costs and not place the burden on the taxpayers. The present system, he said, is a disgrace to both major parties.

Assemblyman Joseph Steinberg, Republican of New York, joined Mr. Betts in supporting the bill and read a letter from the State Bar Association favoring its enactment.

This bill was opposed by Assemblyman William Duke, Republican, of Allegany.

Millions of the state's money has been wasted in this way.

Please read my next articles on a few things that might be done to help us.

Light on Session Law Publication

This is for All, Republicans, Democrats and Mugwumps — Assemblyman Duke Twice Right

In another column of this issue of the News, we publish a political advertisement for Dean D. Gordon, of Rushford, a candidate for the Republican nomination for Member of Assembly from Allegany County.

His statement is published only because it is a paid advertisement, and because it is in accordance with our policy of allowing every person, who so desires, to have his say, over his own signature, in our columns.

We are glad to give Mr. Gordon space to tell his story, but we could not father the sentiments expressed ourselves, and print them only because we have the right and privilege of calling our readers' attention to some of the errors, either thru ignorance or purposely, which the statement contains.

If every other act that Assemblyman Duke has performed, in the last six years he has represented Allegany County in the State Assembly, was wrong, his attitude on the publication of the session laws and Sabbath legislation was right.

Governor Miller and his crowd were trying to make a bluff to the people that they were the first and only simple pure economists that the state capital at Albany had even seen, so they conceived the brilliant idea of taking away the "poor man's law-book," the published session law supplements, and giving the pap to a certain dethroned political state boss who had been temporarily put out of commission by honest and courageous people.

It is estimated that it will cost the State of New York more each year to publish the session laws in accordance with the new plan than it has ever cost before, only now the money is to go directly into the pockets of the Republican bosses instead of being divided among 120 legitimate newspaper publishers, half of whom are Democrats. Thus the money which heretofore has been paid for legitimate services, at a very low rate of

State Surrenders to Telephone Trust; Rates To be Given Big Boost.

The charge that the Miller administration is turning the state over to the corporate interests is borne out by the decision of the Public Service Commission in the telephone rate case.

Last week the new Public Service Commission created by Governor Miller threw out local property valuations, sustained all of the war-time rates of the telephone company, and said that rates must be based on state-wide, not local property valuations.

The former Public Service Commission had taken the position on every occasion that local rates must be determined by the local property valuations. In a dispute over the rates in New York City in 1913 the commission made that definite ruling and ordered that all telephone rate fights should be settled on that basis.

In 1917, the company, obviously dissatisfied with the ruling, thru its representatives at Albany, sought the enactment of a law which would require the Public Service Commission to fix rates on a basis of state-wide valuations, not in accordance with the rates already established by the commission.

So successful was the telephone lobby in its dealings with the Legislature that the bill making state-wide valuations, which cannot be made by up-state cities because of the immense costs involved, was passed by both the Senate and Assembly.

Governor Whitman, seeking information on the proposed bill, thru Franklin B. Lord, counsel to the Governor, immediately called on the Public Service Commission, of which Seymour Van Santvoord was at that time chairman, to pass upon the new law, which provided in plain words for state-wide valuations of telephone and telegraph property, precisely what the new Public Service Commission created by Governor Miller says should now be done.

The second paragraph of Chairman Van Santvoord's communication to the counsel to the Governor reads: "It is impossible to make adequate expression of our views upon this subject without pointed reference to the New York Telephone Company, as being apparently the chief beneficiary of the proposed legislation, which later,

under existing conditions, to our mind, must be considered as intended mainly for the advantage of or at least in the interest of that corporation.

Chairman Van Santvoord went on to cite the New York case of 1913, when the New York Telephone Company endeavored to force a valuation of its entire physical property thruout New York State in a dispute over rates in New York City.

Mr. Van Santvoord adds: "But there is another consideration of equal importance, to which your attention is invited and that is the disastrous result of the proposed legislation. Heretofore and now complaints against rates of telephone companies operating in his state have been and are determined upon a valuation of the corporate property used in the particular service, involved in such complaint respectively."

Mr. Van Santvoord then adds: "Stated in plain language, the additional burden thus imposed upon local communities would be the practical throttling of complaints against local rates by the necessity of this apparently unjust and unreasonable requirement of a state-wide valuation as the basis of any rate within the entire state area."

After Governor Whitman received the communication from Chairman Van Santvoord he vetoed the bill passed by both houses of the Legislature on the basis that it was against the interests of the people of the state.

The present Public Service Commission goes even further than the telephone company asked for and permits the installation of a metered service. This limits the number of calls a subscriber may make and imposes additional charges for calls in excess of this number. In cities where metered service has been permitted it has increased telephone costs as much as 500 per cent.

Just how unpopular the telephone decision is may be seen from the fact that it is being roundly scored by the newspapers of Rochester and Syracuse, the two cities which gave Governor Miller his largest pluralities last fall. It is evident that these cities as well as the rest of the state are getting their fill of Millerism.

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compensation, will now go to G. O. P. bosses. If you want the session laws subscribe to the Albany Argus.

The Republican Secretary of State went beyond his authority in giving out session law assignment to certain of his pet newspapers, which was the cause of the abnormal expense of publishing the laws in 1920.

If Mr. Gordon believes he can secure the coveted nomination for member on the Republican ticket by calling his best friends, the Allegany County newspapers, "grafters," "petty larceners," "grand larceners" and "criminals" as is implied by the quotations in his statement, he has another guess coming. It is only thru the courtesy of these same "criminal" newspapers, that Mr. Gordon is getting before the public with his campaign.

Abuse of Assemblyman Duke, misrepresenting his attitude on past legislation and alienating the Seventh-day people of Allegany County, will not get Mr. Gordon far.

Mr. Duke has made mistakes enough at Albany that should give Mr. Gordon opportunity for just criticism, but his attitude on Sabbath legislation and the session-laws are not among them.

Does Mr. Gordon wish his constituents to believe that he is a blue-law advocate? We would infer as much from his statement. Allegany County people have no patience with any blue-law legislation that will compel honest conscientious Christian people to close their business two days a week in towns where the Seventh-day (Saturday) is observed conscientiously for the Sabbath instead of the first day (Sunday).

We have gone about as far as it is safe in this country already in taking away the constitutional rights of our people to be allowed to hold and observe their own opinions on religious matters.

The Republican press of Allegany County, even the called "criminals" and "grafters" do not care to come out and resent these insults thrust upon them, because they figure that they will have to give unrestricted support to the man named, regardless of worth, fitness or anything else, and they do not like to tell the truth about primary candidates for fear they may be later in the campaign reminded of what they have said. It is therefore up to the independent press of the county to put the people

KNOX—LASHER REUNION

The thirteenth annual reunion of the Knox and Lasher families will be held in Island Park, Wellsville, N. Y., Saturday, September 3rd, 1921. There will be a basket lunch.

Mrs. Paul Brown, Secretary.

ANDOVER LOSES TO ALUMINUM

The Wellsville Team and Their Umpire Combined Trimmed Locals Sunday, at Wellsville; Score 3 to 7

The Victor Aluminum base ball team, with the assistance of their umpire, Reddy Moore, carried off the game Sunday, at the Tuller field, Wellsville, 3 to 7.

The game started off by both sides retiring in one, two, three order in the first inning.

In the second inning Bloss got a hit, but did not record, the men following him going out in order. For Wellsville, Hungerford was first up and got a scratch hit, but Bloss struck the next 3 men out.

The third gave Andover the first tally of the game. Decker struck out, Harrington pulled a walk and Trowbridge laid down a pretty bunt, which he beat out, Harrington going to third on the play. Bud went to second on the next ball pitched, and Boyd cracked out a single bringing in the first run. Trowbridge was caught off third, and Williams struck out. The Wellsville boys were retired in order, Boyd making a sensational stop on Reuning's drive.

DeRemer was first up in the fourth and got a single; Bloss followed him with a double; Horan and Theegete grounded out, but Decker came to the rescue with a single scoring 2 more men. Wellsville got two men on base but couldn't push a run across the rubber.

Things changed in the fifth, the Wellsville boys must have given the umpire the high sign, as they just walked up to the plate and waited for him to pass them on balls. He passed two men in succession, both of whom should have been called out, and then with second and third occupied, Rankins hit a roller to the infield, which was held to first, in time to get him out had he not resorted to foot ball tactics and rolled Boyd over, just as he caught the ball, both men scoring during the mixup. Trowbridge reached second in Andover's half of the innings, but died there.

Both sides were retired in order in the sixth.

The seventh and eighth were the disastrous ones for the local team. The umpire compelled Bloss to groove every ball to have it called a strike, and most anybody can hit a ball under those circumstances, two passes and four hits netting the Wellsville boys 5 runs in these two innings.

Andover was unable to score.

Decker, a new man, who came to Andover to work in the Cutlery Shop, showed some good, snappy base ball, making a sensational catch of Hungerford's high foul back of 1st.

The Andover boys look natty in their new uniforms which they christened Sunday.

Following is the official score:

Victor Aluminum	AB	R	H	P	O	A	E
Rankins lf	4	0	1	0	0	0	0
Gardner 3rd	4	0	1	0	0	0	0
Besher 1st	3	1	1	1	0	0	0
Hungerford cf	4	1	3	0	0	0	0
Wachter 2nd	4	0	1	1	3	0	0
Graves 2nd	4	2	2	0	0	0	0
Farley rf	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Parley cf	3	0	0	1	0	0	0
Murphy c	3	1	1	1	4	0	0
Reuning p	1	2	0	0	14	0	0
	31	7	9	27	21	0	0

DRAFT BLACKSNAKES IN WAR ON RATTLES

Constructors Brought From Pennsylvania to Olean to Fight Fanged Reptiles, Becoming Numerous

Olean, Aug. 15. — The poisonous bite of the rattlesnake and the scientific fighting of the blacksnake will be matched in a war to the death in the hills just south of Olean, if plans announced to-day by persons interested in the keeping of the wilds of this section safe for humans and small game life are successful.

The rattlers are claiming the wilderness of the hill country as their own. They are crawling across the Pennsylvania state line in armies, and it will not be long before they will be dangerous grounds for oil well workers and berry-pickers. To wipe out the poisonous reptile, a movement has been started to introduce the non-poisonous blacksnake.

Blacksnares are obtained from a number of Pennsylvania counties which they say have more than their share. They are easy to capture and are being brought into the hills by the crate-load.

There is the same love between the rattler and the blackie as there is between prohibition and rum. They never pass up a battle. The rattler, with its bites as its only weapon, is at the mercy of the active blacksnake, which tires out its opponent and then twists itself around the other's neck, crushing out its life.

Extreme hot weather is driving the rattlesnakes to the protection of the brush in the hills, and they are moving upon the country in such numbers that every other kind of life is threatened.

MRS. HAROLD MYERS DEAD

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gill, Sr. received a message Wednesday morning that their daughter, Mrs. Harold Myers, was dead at Terra Haute, Ind., the result of an accident. No particulars have been received at this writing. The body will be brought to Andover.

Andover	AB	R	H	P	O	A	E
Trowbridge 2nd	4	0	2	1	1	0	0
Boyd 1st	4	0	1	3	0	0	0
Williams ss	4	0	0	1	0	0	0
DeRemer c	4	1	1	14	3	0	0
Bloss p	4	1	2	0	15	0	0
Horan rf	4	0	1	0	0	0	0
Theegete lf	4	0	1	1	0	0	0
Decker 2nd	4	1	0	1	4	0	0
Harrington cf	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
E. Dawson cf	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

34 3 9 24 19 0

Score by Innings:
Andover: 0 0 1 2 0 0 0 0—3
V. Aluminum 0 0 0 2 0 2 3 x—7

Summary:

Two Base Hits: Bloss, Hungerford 2, Rankins.

Stolen Bases: Boyd, Horan, Hungerford, Graves, Murphy.

Left on Runs: Andover 3, V. Aluminum 5.

Struck Out: By Bloss 14, by Reuning 9.

Base on Balls: Off Bloss 4, off Reuning 1.

Umpires: Moran and Baker.

Time: 2 hours.

Battling Averages	AB	R	H	P	O	Per Cent.
Boss	44	17	38			38%
Backus	45	17	37			37%
Horan	65	23	34			34%
Williams	57	19	33			33%
Trowbridge	60	20	33			33%
Boyd	54	17	31			31%
DeRemer	53	16	30			30%
Theegete	45	13	29			29%
Harrington	60	17	28			28%
Decker	25	1	25			25%
Worrell	28	6	24			24%
Armstrong	25	5	20			20%

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MRS. C. W. WILLIAMS

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