

Epitome of the News from all Over Allegany County

Wellsville

Allegany County Press Service

Frank Reeves on Probation

Frank C. Reeves, 32, of Ceres and Port Allegany, Pa., who admitted framing a false hold-up story, pled guilty to a charge of grand larceny, second degree, when arraigned before County Judge Walter N. Renwick at Belmont Friday and drew a suspended sentence. He was placed on probation to Sheriff Dan W. Witter for five years.

He is understood to have made restitution for the money which he took from himself in the alleged holdup. Reeves was the driver of an Olean bakery truck.

Reeves drove into Elm Valley, stopped at a store and telephoned state police that he had been held up at the point of a gun. Authorities were busy for several days attempting to locate the bandits in connection with the case.

The mystery was finally solved by Deputy Sheriff Monroe D. Ray of Scio who secured from Reeves a confession that the story of the holdup was a hoax and that he appropriated the funds, about \$100, to his own use.

Relief Activities

The time sheet for Wellsville's Unemployment Relief Workers for last week, submitted Monday, by Chairman Ralph Hamilton, shows a total of 774 1/2 hours put in by about 25 workers, making a grand total of 3,025 1/2 hours to date. The Seneca street drainage project took the time of practically all of the workers, only 40 hours being charged to work in the City Hall. This was done by men who are unable to work outside. The men are paid 30 cents per hour in script, good at local stores by the Wellsville Employment Association.

Alexander N. Bryson Dead

Funeral services for Alexander N. Bryson, well known oil producer who died in Findley, Ohio, will be held Thursday at 2 p. m. in the home of his son John Bryson, 23 Jefferson street with the Rev. T. Garland Smith officiating. The body will be brought to Wellsville Tuesday morning. Mr. Bryson was for many years a resident of Wellsville. Mrs. Pufus Murray, Wellsville, a daughter, also survives.

Attend Preachers' Gathering

Rev. M. H. Sangree, and Rev. T. Garland Smith of Wellsville; Rev. Arthur Gregson of Bolivar, and Rev. Frank H. Bisbee of Andover are among the ministers of this vicinity attending the three-day New York State Pastors' conference, sessions of which are being held February 1, 2 and 3 in Plymouth Congregational church, Syracuse, under the auspices of the New York State Council of Churches. Close to 200 ministers are attending.

An outstanding program has been prepared for the conference, including addresses by Albert William Beven, D.D., president of Colgate-Rochester Divinity school and president of the New York State Baptist convention, and Adna Wright Leonard, D.D., bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church, central area of New York State, both of whom have been heard in Wellsville churches. Lieutenant Governor Herbert H. Lehman will also speak.

Mrs. Roe Slawson Funeral

Sorrowing relatives and friends of Mrs. Roe Slawson, former resident of Beech Hill, who died in Franklinville last week, attended the last rites at Woodlawn cemetery in Wellsville, Sunday. There was a short service at the grave.

Physician Improves

Dr. Edwin F. Comstock, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at Jones Memorial hospital on January 24th, is reported much improved. Dr. Comstock's condition Friday and Saturday was regarded serious.

Wellsville Personals

Otto Gritzer of Jefferson street returned Saturday after spending a few days in Buffalo visiting friends. Leo Fitzgerald of North Broad street and Daniel Sibble of Franklin street were visitors in Hornell Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Potter, Mrs. Myrtle Grow and Mrs. Lester Burdick of Alfred attended the funeral of Mrs. Edna Satterlee Sunday afternoon.

The Monday club met at the home of Mrs. Maynard D. Church, North Main street, Monday afternoon. Maynard Ayres of East Fassett street spent the week-end at his home in Fillmore.

The crater of Haleakala, a huge extinct volcano in the Hawaiian islands, is large enough to hold Manhattan Island.

Alfred

(From the Alfred Sun)

Supt. W. Gates Pope of Andover was in Alfred Wednesday. A. S. Gould has been drawn as trial juror for the term of County Court to open February 14th. Harlo Clark and family of Hornell, accompanied by his father, Melvin Clark of Ellicottville, were Friday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Clark.

Two dogs did considerable damage to the flock of sheep belonging to Ed. Pierce at Five Corners, Tuesday.

A large barn on the Mat Karr farm just out of Almond burned early this morning. The farm is occupied by Mr. Conroy, and the cause is said to be the tipping over of a lantern.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Payne of Perry and D. M. Greene of Andover were in Alfred, Sunday. Mr. Greene returned to Perry with Mr. and Mrs. Payne and will spend some time as their guest.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Fenner were Friday and Saturday guests of their daughter, Mrs. Richard Lyon of Olean. Mrs. Minnie Abbot accompanied them and was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Charles King.

Funeral Directors P. S. Place and J. L. Sisson were in Wellsville Wednesday evening, where they attended a meeting and banquet of the Allegany County Undertakers, held at Ye Olde Tavern.

A number of the town boards in the surrounding counties are patting themselves on the back and crowing over the fact that they have reduced their own pay from \$4 to \$3. Alfred's town board has never had but \$3 per day.

ALFRED STATION

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cook spent Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Cook in East Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Gould and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gould were at Adrian, Jan. 14th, fishing and enjoying an outdoor picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson left Monday night for New York City, to find an apartment and get settled, before he takes up his work with the Metropolitan Opera company.

Mr. and Mrs. Gifford Stevens and two children of Wayland spent Saturday evening at the home of T. C. Turner as a surprise for their grandmother, Mrs. Fanny Turner; her birthday being Sunday, the 24th. Dinner was served.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Willard entertained at dinner at the Hills Coffee Shoppe Thursday night. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fenner of Almond, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Greene of Tip Top and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Shaw. The remainder of the evening was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willard playing five hundred.

Cuba

(From the Cuba Patriot)

Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Thorne of Andover were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Scott.

The cheese market at Cuba today was 12 cents; Plymouth, Wis., Jan. 22 was 10 1/2 cents for twins.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Utter are in Rochester this week and will move their household goods here Friday from that city, and will occupy the L. L. Dye residence on Chamberlain street.

Fred Stevens of Spring street has purchased of Mrs. Ammi Campbell her vacant lot on the corner of Grove and Chapel streets, and plans to build on it a bungalow with garage attached, in modern style. Construction will probably begin in the Spring.

Mrs. Bertha Williams, instructor in mathematics in Cuba High School has resigned to go to Columbia University, where she will continue work leading to her master's degree, at which she has already spent some time in New York and she expects to finish in June.

Word was received here last Saturday of the death of Thomas McGuire of Long Beach, Calif., a former resident of this place and uncle of George T. Wood of South Cuba. Mr. McGuire was killed in an automobile accident last Thursday or Friday. He was a brother of the late Terrence McGuire, a well known resident of South Cuba. He had been engaged in the oil business all his life.

Bolivar

(From the Bolivar Breeze)

James McMillan, a retired oil producer, died at his home on Olean street, this village at 1:45 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 27, from the infirmities of age. He was 86 years old last December.

Forrest J. Woodard passed away at 7 o'clock this morning at the Jones Memorial hospital in Wellsville, as the result of injuries received on the Boyd & Woodard oil lease at Allentown on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Howard Smith died at her home on North Main street at 5:30 o'clock this morning, following a long illness. She is survived by her husband and three brothers. Runs in the Allegany field for the week ending Jan. 23, averaged 7,985 barrels. In the Bradford field

during the same period runs averaged 27,220 barrels a day.

The House of David basketball team was left stranded in Bolivar Saturday night. Their manager, it is reported, left that day with the bus in which they traveled and all of the organization's funds. Today (Wednesday) was pay day for the players, but they failed to receive their pay. They came here from Rochester, but are from Los Angeles, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sawyer and Mr. and Mrs. John Sawyer and daughter, Jane, left Tuesday by automobile for Brownsville, Texas, where they will spend several weeks. Messrs. Wilson and Sawyer, while in the Lone Star state will look over their fruit lands in the vicinity of Brownsville and incidentally relieve the Gulf of Mexico of some of its fish.

Friendship

(From the Friendship Register)

The fire department was called out about 11:30 Monday noon to extinguish a grease fire in John Truby's bakery at the upper end of Depot street.

The Allegany County Medical Society meets at noon today at the Wee Blue Inn for the quarterly meeting and dinner. Dr. E. S. Webster of Friendship is president of the society.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Rice left by auto last week for Bradenton, Fla., where they will spend two months or the balance of the winter. They arrived there last Saturday, after a nice trip and report the weather as very warm there, and that Ben has already enjoyed a swim in the ocean. How a buck deer walked into their camp building thru an open door and, after apparently enjoying their company for several minutes, left quietly is related by H. A. Corbin.

The incident occurred last week at the Corbin-Prindle camp, Camp Dent near Galeton, Pa. Mr. Corbin, Horace Prindle and some others were sitting in the camp when the keeper, Mr. Cameron, came in and left the door open. A large buck deer that had been fed at the camp and was quite friendly, followed him in. Fearing that he might jump thru the windows Mr. Corbin had the shades quietly pulled down. The buck remained in the camp several minutes, then turned and bounded out the still open door. As he jumped the rug slipped under his feet and he fell on the porch but immediately recovered himself and disappeared.

Money Staying Home
If other Allegany county post offices show the 15 per cent lessened outgo for money orders that figures for 1930 and 1931 reveal for Belmont, where has the large sum gone? A check-up of postal receipts at the county seat shows a decrease of \$4,734.13 in money orders issued during the calendar year 1931 over the one before. In the first quarter of the year the falling off was most pronounced, from \$7,038.47 in 1930 to \$5,971.81 last year. The last three months of 1931 saw an increase of \$3.33, indicating a trend back to normal. General postal receipts for 1931 declined \$46.84 over 1930, a negligible amount. Unless the \$4,734 less last year going out of the town of Amity was spent in home stores, where did it go? Or just didn't folks have it to spend?

Stores in the county seat report a far greater number of folks asking for credit than for some years back. The buyer now unable to pay cash may well ask himself whether it wouldn't have been better to spend his cash at home when he did have it. Credit would be easier to secure now.

Home Bureau
Mrs. Henry Smith of Fillmore, vice chairman of Allegany county's Home Bureau, was elected the delegate to represent that organization at Farm and Home Week at Ithaca, Feb. 16-20, at Friday's executive committee conference at Scio. Mrs. Mabel Smith and Miss Margaret Hodnett, both of Fillmore, will also attend and represent the Home Bureau. Miss Elda J. Barker, director of the county Bureau, expects to attend also.

Mrs. Edgar Van Horn of Alfred Station, chairman of the executive committee, was named a delegate to the coming annual meeting of the State Federation of Home Bureaus. A revised budget was adopted. Chairmen of county committees were named, the complete selection to be announced later.

Women in the county to the number of 521 now belong to its Home Bureau.

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Allegany County Press
Association Service

Welfare Workers' Activities

Humanitarian work among Allegany county's women and children who are unfortunate victims of circumstances speaks well for the heart of the folks who dwell in this part of New York State. The Public Health and Welfare Association, working thru its paid executive secretary, Mrs. F. W. LeClere, has put forth a tremendous deal of helpful effort since its organization in 1926.

But aside from that, tho in close co-operation with it, is the entirely volunteer effort carried on by Mrs. LeClere as probation officer to children, county and justice's courts. In many counties salaried workers, often paid as much as \$2,000 or more per year, have done what has cost this county nothing.

A review of this officer's annual report for 1931, just forwarded to the Department of Correction, Albany, brings out the fact that she collected for the county for family support in that 12 months \$6,750, much of which would have been lost but for the 815 visits she made to the 113 probationers during the year.

In Children's Court the work done has been especially effective. Here \$4,449 has been collected for the aid of families visited. Calls on probationers to the number of 553 were made on 53 men, 24 women, 11 boys and one girl thruout the year. At the beginning of the year there were on the lists 47 men, 18 women, 5 boys and one girl. In the cases of most of the men they have been ordered by County Judge Renwick to pay certain regular sums for the support of wives or children. Or they are kept in touch with for direction to the betterment of their living conditions both financially and as to moral surroundings, proper education of children, etc. Eighteen probationers were discharged during the year, some no doubt encouraged by the counsel given to do more for their dependents.

Under direction of the County Court, the volunteer worker has made 250 calls on 32 men thruout the year, collecting \$2,275, turned over to the county for family support.

In Justice's Court, Mrs. LeClere has been called upon to act in but two cases, collecting \$9 to aid unfortunate.

R. F. D. Carrier Retires on Pension
When rural mail delivery was first introduced into Allegany county 30 years ago, living conditions were a mighty sight different from today. So says Miles N. Cline, 65 years old on January 7th, who retired on an annuity of \$1,200 annually, from the Belmont office last Saturday. Not a farmer took a daily paper for ten years after he began on a salary of \$700 per year to start out with a small pouch full of letters; now nearly every box patron has one or more, the carrier having circulars, parcel post, etc., enough to fill four seats of a five-passenger car. Almost every original patron has died or removed. Using a car since 1914, he has resorted, some snowy winters, to adjustable front runners and caterpillar rear tread so well called a "snow bird."

His first year brought him one of his most thrilling experiences. When Bellamy bridge, near Angelica, was washed out, undaunted, he strapped his mail pouch on his shoulders, sat on the top of the buggy seat back and drove his fine mare into the five-foot yellow flood. Once she slipped on a smooth rock and disappeared, only to struggle quickly upright and founder across safely, tho the buggy box filled with water.

Ernest N. Lyons, carrier out of Belvidere, takes Cline's place in a consolidation of parts of the two routes to make one 38 miles long, serving 150 boxes. Cline drew \$2,000 per year before retirement.

But Five Cases on Calendar
County Court next Monday promises to be brief. But five cases are on the calendar: John Casey vs. Howard Zelf; Simon Kilton vs. Frank Baker; Seymour Karr vs. John Rice account; Ernest Hotchkiss vs. Chilton J. Stickle, negligence; Gertrude R. Parker vs. Carroll Chase, foreclosure of mortgage. Due to the many confessions by those indicted by the grand jury and their being

GREENWOOD

(Mrs. Kova Thomson, Reporter)

Epworth League Institute
Fourteen Greenwood people attended the Epworth League Institute in Almond Friday evening. The next meeting, Feb. 5th, will be held in this place. Supper will be served at 6:15 to those attending the classes.

Joint Meeting at Grange Hall
Members of the Dairymen's League, Farm Bureau and G. L. F. will hold a joint meeting at the Grange Hall Friday. Dinner will be served at noon.

Birthday Party
Mrs. Milton Chaffee entertained 18 children Saturday afternoon in honor of the birthdays of Blair Chaffee and Dick Fish. Games were enjoyed after which supper was served.

Misses Ruth and Doris Harkenrider, Miss Verona Stephens, Dwight Young and John Redmond were in Alfred Saturday evening to attend the wrestling meet and basketball game.

Mrs. H. A. Fish was a business visitor in Jasper, Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Dennis spent the week-end with friends in Alpine.

Mrs. Cora Williamson is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Alonzo Groff of Canisteo.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kellogg were in Lyons Saturday, guests of Judge Knapp.

Mrs. Elton White and Mrs. L. F. Thompson were in Hornell Tuesday evening to attend a meeting of the

promptly arraigned and sentenced, few criminal cases remain to be disposed of.

Two prisoners were placed on probation Friday. Frank Reeves of Ceres pled guilty to second degree grand larceny, was sentenced to Auburn for from one to two years, jail sentence suspended on good behavior and paroled for five years to Sheriff D. W. Witter. He staged a fake hold-up of an Olean bakery truck he was driving near Elm Valley and took \$100 which he has restored to his employer. Russell Wick, Buffalo, pled guilty to burglary, third degree, at Hume. He was sentenced to Auburn for one to two years, sentence suspended during good behavior, with parole to Erie county probation officer. Sentence on Ernest Mathias, Olean, was deferred until March 18, bail continued.

Boarding with Sheriff Witter are Ord J. Burrows, Andover, held for the grand jury on a charge of forgery, second degree; John Spencer, Pike, petit larceny, sentenced for 30 days, from Fillmore. Both charges worthless checks. The records of John Martinez and Edward C. Connolly, both out-of-county men, are being investigated while they remain for ten days for disorderly conduct.

Partnership Established
When is a partner not a partner? It took two days, ending Friday, to try the last case of the January Supreme Court term, the last of a calendar of 56 ready to be heard. Of 56 only three reached trial stage and one of them was settled after trial began. Pendleton & Crandall, Bolivar, sued Cady & Guinness, Bolivar, for some \$2,500 unpaid for drilling the Feather Creek duster near Belmont. Cady had paid a three-fifth share but the jurors decided he was a partner with Guinness and held the balance against both, refusing to release Cady from obligation.

Sign of Spring
Boys playing ball Friday at Belvidere. In grasshoppers seen at Whitesville and a snake at Hornell; pansies and hyacinths blooming in Andover and Belmont; tulip setting in Andover no snow for those Maine snowshoe rabbits at Richburg, cars running on dry roads just as in summer, etc., etc., may stir Allegany county to advertise itself as a winter resort for California folks slipping around in snow.

Such continued mild weather starts memory traveling back, revealing how little definite recollection the average person really stores up. Officer Thomas of Belmont recalls eating dinner with doors and windows open and sitting on the porch in shirt sleeves one Christmas Day about 50 years ago in Belvidere.

A Salamanca man knocks this all over by saying that 1876 had no deep snow and temperatures more than 30 below zero continued until the last of April.

Camp Fire Guardians' Association.
Mrs. T. N. Blair is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. C. Jeffers in Canisteo.

Norman Joyce of Andover was a caller in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Lottie Covert of Canisteo is assisting in the care of her sister, Mrs. Melvin Atwell.

Mrs. W. G. Kellogg entertained a party of friends Thursday evening, in honor of Mr. Kellogg's birthday. Fred White is confined to his home with a severe cold.

Miss Queene Cory returned to Rochester, Monday, after spending two weeks with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Cory.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Dennis entertained at dinner Thursday evening Dr. and Mrs. L. T. Hardenburgh, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Matthews, Dwight Young and Walter Redmond.

Robert White of Corning has been spending several days with his grandmother, Mrs. Ella White.

Mrs. Minnie Knight is assisting at the home of Mrs. M. D. Webster. John Prendergast of Hall was in town Friday. Miss Mary Prendergast returned home with him to pass the week-end.

Mrs. L. F. Thompson accompanied Hornell friends to Ithaca Sunday to hear the Ithaca College chorus sing "The Beautitudes."

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Baxter of Belmont and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Atwell of Wellsville were calling on Mrs. Melvin Atwell Sunday.

A. W. Baker spent the week-end in Corning.

Rev. E. J. Cory and Dwight Young were in Hornell Monday evening to attend a banquet given by the Men's Class of Park M. E. Church. Rev. Cory gave a talk as part of the program.

Registration in Greenwood High School now totals 54. Among those from out of town entering the seventh grade this week are Rosamond Rollins and Wayne Wannier.

Thursday evening, Feb. 11th will be "get-together" night for parents, faculty and Board of Education of Greenwood Union School. Music will be furnished by the Williams orchestra and it is expected that Dean J. Nelson Norwood of Alfred University will be the speaker of the evening.

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