

### WATERTOWN VIEW OF COUNTY POLITICS

#### FORECAST CONTEST BETWEEN MRS. R. F. GRAVES AND W. L. PRATT

The Watertown Times says editorially:

There are indications that there may be but one assembly district in St. Lawrence county under a new arrangement. There are two St. Lawrence representatives in the lower house of the legislature at the present time. If the county goes to a basis of one assemblyman it will break a custom that has been operating for over 100 years. It was in 1809 that the county sent its first representative to the assembly. Alexander Richards went as the one assemblyman from the county. The county had one representative continuously after that time until 1827 and since that year we believe it has had two and sometimes three in every session during the 99-year period. There was a period of three years from 1806 to 1809 when St. Lawrence Jefferson and Lewis were linked in one assembly district and Henry Coffeen, pioneer of Watertown, represented the district part of the time to be succeeded by Moss Kent brother of Chief Justice James Kent of the New York state supreme court and author of Kent's Commentaries.

Thus if St. Lawrence county goes back to a basis of one assemblyman it will have shattered a century-old status of a larger representation. It is understood that there is no definite assurance that the representation will be cut down. Certainly the county is extensive enough to call for bigger representation.

If the representation is cut down a pretty question will have to be decided. Mrs. Rhoda Fox Graves of Gouverneur represents the first assembly district at the present time and Mr. Walter L. Pratt of Massena the second. Which one would survive? The primary might have to decide. Mrs. Graves' constituency is not slow to give the denial to a report from Albany that she would be retired in event of the consolidation of the districts and Mr. Pratt would represent the entire county. Mrs. Graves has proved to be a capable representative. Speaker Joseph A. McGinnis announced yesterday that he would appoint her chairman of the committee on public institutions an important designation and one never given to a woman before. When he made the announcement he said: "I want to recognize the women of the state and I am going to do it through you." This indicates how she is viewed at Albany.

Her home paper, The Gouverneur Free Press which opposed her nomination originally came out yesterday with an editorial championing her selection. If the districts should be consolidated, it bluntly says: "Her record of last year and the stand that she took on important questions has convinced Republicans throughout this section of St. Lawrence county that she is better qualified for the position than Mr. Pratt of Massena and if it comes down to a contest between the two this fall Mrs. Graves will be returned."

All of which indicates that St. Lawrence is headed toward some interesting politics if there is consolidation.

Mr. Pratt of Massena who by the way originally came from Adams is well regarded up North and has made an especially good record in the legislature. He has strong backing in his end of the county.

If there is consolidation a particularly interesting situation is likely to develop and judging from the news from up North during the last two days it will be a situation from which Mrs. Graves is by no means intimidated.

#### WON'T SEE ECLIPSE Will Be Visible Only On Indian Ocean

There will be an eclipse of the sun tomorrow but residents of this section will not see it. During 1925 residents of Northern New York had a view of such a phenomenon although visibility in Potsdam was not so good all the time. The coming eclipse will be visible in the region embracing Sumatra, Borneo, Eastern India and the Indian ocean.

A number of American scientists and naval officers traveled half way around the world to get a glimpse of the phenomenon. Two expeditions were sent from this country, one from the Navy Department and the other from Swarthmore College. They went to Sumatra where for three minutes the entire Indian ocean will be steeped in Stygian darkness.

The naval expedition sailed from San Francisco on the Chaumont on Sept. 1 with elaborate equipment, including balloons, dirigibles and airplanes. The expedition is headed by Captain F. P. Littell.

Last year's naval expedition discovered many things which were very helpful to science. The expedition was a boon to radio for it was found that the absence of the sun from the atmosphere eliminates static.

The party from Swarthmore is headed by Dr. Herbert D. Curtis, director of the Allegheny observatory and with him are several other scientists from the college. The party sailed from San Francisco on Sept. 26 for Shanghai, China. The expedition will take motion pictures of itself and of the eclipse.

Few Americans will see the eclipse as it is only visible in the Far East. The members of the two expeditions and a few scattered missionaries and diplomatic representatives in the Far East probably will be the only Americans in the total eclipse zone.

### NORMAL NOW RUNNER UP

#### TAKE SECOND PLACE IN THE LEAGUE BY DEFEATING OGDENSBURG.

About the best offering on a local court this year was the game Saturday afternoon between the Normal high school and Ogdensburg Free Academy. The locals nosed out a 21 to 20 verdict in the last few seconds of play. As a preliminary, the Normal second team defeated the O. F. A. Juniors 9 to 7.

In the opening stanza, Maine started the scoring for the locals soon after play began. The Normals had a lead of 12 to 5 at the end of the period, Sanford and Manfred doing most of the scoring.

The visitors came back strong in the second half, however, and tied the tally chiefly by the free throw route. Hayes, for the locals, going in for Perry proved a clever performer along the life himself and twice put the locals in the lead again on fouls. His clever free throw just before the final whistle gave the locals the game. The Normals' victory gives them second place in the League, O. F. A. and Normal being tied for the position of runner-up. The locals meet Franklin Academy, now heading the League, at Malone Friday, January 15th.

Summary:	Field	Foul	Total
P. N. S.	3	1	7
Sanford, r. f.	3	0	0
Anable, r. g.	0	0	0
Manfred, l. f.	2	1	5
Maine, c.	3	0	6
Perry, l. g.	0	0	0
Hayes	0	3	3
Total			20
O. F. A.	1	1	2
Blydenburg	2	1	5
Taylor	0	0	0
Briar	1	1	3
Rupert	1	1	3
Lapine	2	4	8
Kiah	0	1	1
Total			20

Sub.—P. N. S., Hymers, Hayes.  
O. F. A.—Kiah, Referee, Bruce.

#### NORMAL GIRLS LOSE

##### O. F. A., Defeats Locals In Ogdensburg Friday

Playing their first game together on a strange floor the Potsdam High School girls were somewhat bewildered during the first half of the game with Ogdensburg Free Academy girls Friday night in the Academy gymnasium. Letour of the O. F. A. team had made five baskets in quick succession during the first quarter when the Potsdam team called time-out and Katherine O'Brien was sent in as guard in the first half the score was 20-1 in favor of the Ogdensburg girls, Bostick having made one four goal. The ball was in the Ogdensburg half of the court most of the time during the entire first half.

When the second half was called Katherine O'Brien was sent in again to guard Letour and things took a different turn. The ball was in the Potsdam court practically all the time. Time and time again the Potsdam forwards would try to get the ball up near the goal, for close shots but the Ogdensburg guards would out it and send it over the line where the Potsdam guards on the alert would send it back again. Then the Potsdam forwards started long shots, and Bostick's shot each made a field goal so that when the game came to an end the score was 5-20 in favor of the O. F. A. girls.

This is just the first game that the Potsdam team have played together. The good work done during the second half shows that the team has plenty of good playing qualities which ought to bring results in the remainder of the games. The next game which is with Malone on the local court ought to show the team in splendid form with a little more team work. Parents and towns people will help the team by coming out to cheer the girls.

#### NAMED CHRISTMAS SEAL



Gov. J. A. O. Preus of Minnesota is seen holding his six-weeks-old son which, the family being unable to agree on any other title, has been named "Julie Merkle," the Norwegian words meaning "Christinus Seal." The name was felt to be appropriate in that the first Christmas seal was designed by a Scandinavian, Elmer Holboell, clerk in a Danish post office. A cable has been sent to Mr. Holboell informing him that he is godfather to the governor's son.

The line-up for the Potsdam-O. F. A. game was as follows:

Potsdam: Ogdensburg, Blanche Dixon, Edna Gutman, Captains  
Leonora Bostick, Laylene Forwards  
Beulah Riley, Margaret Bowman, Laure, Dillingham, Center  
Isabell Hymers, Bothwell Guards  
Annie Lenney, Katherine O'Brien, Gorkey, Tindall, Substitutes  
Conrad, Brian

#### LOCAL BREVITIES

The Fortnightly Club will meet with Mrs. C. R. Van Housen in LeRoy street on Tuesday, January 19 at 7:30 instead of Monday.

Mrs. Fred Briggs has purchased of Coleman Real Estate Co., one of their bungalows at 129 Market St. She will move about the middle of the month.

The local fire department received a check of twenty-five dollars from Stanley H. Sisson last week as an appreciation of the department's work in the recent fire at his home.

Firemen answered an alarm from box 29 at Larned and Cherry streets Saturday evening about 8:45. There was an overheated stove pipe in the home of Leo Pelow 30 Cherry street. No damage resulted.

Warm weather several days last week melted what little snow there was in this section very materially and destroyed sleighing on the state roads. Many men's light snowfalls since then have replaced the melting. This section escaped entirely the snow fall ranging from a foot to two feet which blanketed down state areas Friday night.

#### CHEVROLET CUTS PRICES

Reductions Are Announced On All Models

In the face of a 40 per cent increase in tire prices effective January 1, and the rising prices of material generally, the Chevrolet Motor Company announced today a reduction in the prices of all Chevrolet passenger cars and the commercial chassis.

The revised price list is as follows: Coupe reduced to new price of \$645; Sedan reduced to new price of \$735; Coach reduced to a new price of \$645; Touring and Roadster reduced to an new price of \$510; Commercial Chassis reduced to a new price of \$395. The Utility Express truck chassis remains at \$550. The new prices are effective as of January 1. This is the second Chevrolet price reduction within six months. On August 1 the coach and coupe prices were reduced \$40 each and the sedan was reduced \$50.

## KEYSTONE TROUSERS

—for Men Who Work or Play

For dress, work or sport, Keystone Trousers give you the secure feeling of being well dressed, plus the easy freedom of expert designing. And best of all is the thought that your Keystones will stand the strains of your active daily life.

We guarantee the serviceability of Keystone Trousers. And it is a money back guarantee. We know their value. We want you to know it, too.



A special assortment of the season's latest models and fabrics is now on display. Drop in and let us show you real trouser value. Spare trousers are the accepted vogue today.

Prices from \$2.50 to \$7.50

## FLOYD & MORGAN

"The Quality Store"

## "I'm too busy"

A FRIEND of mine was worn out shopping around—trying to buy a particular something-or-other.

Hours had been spent, also strength and temper and the desired articles had not been found.

I asked if she had read the advertisements to see where it could be found—before wasting hours in fruitless search.

The answer was "No, I never have time to read advertisements. I'm too busy."

Yet, in the first paper we picked up, the article she wanted was advertised; its price and merit told; also where to get it.

Reading advertisements is a time-saver. It's a good, safe investment in information concerning the best things the market offers you and where to get them.

TAKE TIME TO READ ADVERTISEMENTS—AND YOU'LL SAVE TIME AND MONEY IN BUYING THE KIND OF PRODUCT YOU WANT

### FURS

I am interested in a large quantity of Raw Furs I am willing to pay 5 to 10 per cent above the market price. Before you sell your Furs bring them to me and I'll give you an idea what the Furs are worth.

I am also interested in 100,000 Feed Bags

**Max Sverdlov**  
30 Water Street  
Potsdam, N. Y.

### AUCTION



On the Sumner Howard farm 2 miles from Hannawa Falls, and 5 miles from Potsdam, on the west side of the River

Wednesday, Jan. 20th

at 12 o'clock, the following:

### 16 Head of Cattle

from 2 to 9 years old. Part of these cows are new milkers and the balance are springers.

### 1 PAIR HORSES

weight 3000 pounds  
1 Horse, weight 1300, and all Farming Utensils

**Mahlon Moore,**  
Owner  
F. O. NORTON, Auctioneer

Putting it off today won't get it done tomorrow. An advertisement in this paper today will bring business tomorrow.

### Did It Ever Occur to You

That price is not the first thing to be considered in a job of printing! The things that go together in a harmonious way does not require any knowledge of the printing art. That isn't the kind of work you want. But artistic typography is essential and advertising reflects credit to any concern. Our knowledge of printing gained by long experience enables us to produce attractive printing for every purpose. Don't order anything in this line until you call on us.

Cutting Ice Along the Potomac

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