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Democratic County Committee for 1902.

Table listing Democratic County Committee members for 1902, including names like John J. Bower, Chairman, and various ward representatives.

The Ship Subsidy Bill.

The ship subsidy bill is practically certain to become a law at this session of Congress and present indications point to its passage at an early date.

Reports from Washington are to the effect that the Democrats of the Senate have allowed the measure to pass that body with the idea of making it a political issue in the coming congressional elections.

To our minds, therefore, it would have been infinitely better for the Democrats in the Senate to exhaust every available expedient to defeat the bill.

The Grangers on a Few Public Questions.

The executive committee of the State Grange held a meeting at Harrisburg last week at which those present expressed their views on various public subjects, in a manner that leaves no doubt as to where the Grangers think they stand on these questions.

"The severity of the recent frosts and the immense damage done thereby call forcibly to mind the need for the preservation of our forests and we recommend that farmers and other plant forest seeds and trees on hill sides and rough and waste lands, which in time would hold the snows and rains from sudden flow and prevent soil from being washed away."

provide for the discussion of the subject of taxation at our farmer's institutes. We also call the attention of the Governor and the Secretary of Agriculture to the act of the Legislature appropriating \$35,000, of which \$5,000 was set aside for a state agricultural exhibit at the Charleston exposition, and would inquire why this provision of the act has not been carried into effect, thereby showing the agricultural resources of the State.

"We hereby enter our protest against the expenditure of the \$5,000 for any other purpose than that provided for in the act. We urge the United States Senators from Pennsylvania to use all honorable means to further the passage of the House measure providing for the election of United States Senators by a direct vote of the people."

"We insist that the grange platform of a tariff for all or a tariff for none, be carried out in the adjustment of our import duties on our new foreign possessions, and a reduction of duty on farm products shall be followed by a corresponding reduction on manufactured products."

Conscience and the Trust.

The struggle between the beet sugar trust and the conscience of Congress still continues in Washington and with varying prospects. One day the information comes that the monopoly is certain to win and the next day it is contradicted in circumstantial detail.

The honor of the government, as well as the conscience of the country, is involved in this contest. When this country voluntarily assumed the guardianship of Cuba it was with an implied pledge that the obligation would be discharged with due respect to justice.

The Evangelical Conference in Lock Haven.

The sessions of the Evangelical Conference for Central Pennsylvania which had been in session in Lock Haven for a week have come to a close and the ministers scattered to their various appointments.

Rev. A. H. Snyder, of Wilkesbarre, a minister of the East Pennsylvania Conference, was received into the Conference as an advisory member, and Rev. Amos Baldwin, pastor of the Trinity M. E. church, of Lock Haven was introduced to the Conference.

The statistical committee submitted their report, which was heard with considerable interest. Over 2,000 conversions and 2,422 accessions were reported, which now brings the total membership of the Conference to 1,218.

The matter pertaining to the financial condition of the Unionville church was referred to the Church Extension society for further investigation and favorable consideration.

Rev. J. W. Messenger was elected editor of the Conference Journal. Zion appointment was detached from Howard charge and added to Nittany circuit.

The following were elected trustees of the consolidated college:—Clertal—W. E. Dewiler, N. Young, J. Hartzler, U. F. Swengel, J. W. Messenger, E. Crumbling and H. W. Buck. Laymen—Prof. F. C. Bowersox, Isaiah Bower, William Paul, J. C. Winter.

Revs. W. E. Dewiler, A. H. Irvine, U. F. Swengel, S. P. Remer, E. Crumbling, J. W. Messenger, N. Young, A. Stapleton and J. Hartzler were elected delegates to the general Conference at Williamsport, October next. The lay delegates elected are: J. M. Cooper, Carlisle, Pa.; Charles A. Shaffer, Harrisburg, Pa.; I. S. Frain, Abdera, Pa.; J. S. Austine, Baltimore, Md.; Dr. J. S. Hetrick, New Freedom, Pa. and H. W. Shaffer, Lock Haven.

The ministerial alternates to the General Conference are the following: Rev. Buck, Benfer, Reeser, Wallace, Gobble. The lay alternates are: Jacob Lawter, J. W. Ruby, H. S. Wallick, C. T. Hile and Daniel Shoemaker.

Rev. H. C. Stoyer, of Deuver, Col., was granted his credentials. Rev. E. C. Basom received his credentials and recommended to the Oregon Conference.

Long Submitted Resignation.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The third change in the cabinet of President Roosevelt occurred to-day, when Secretary Long submitted his resignation in a graceful letter, it being accepted in one equally felicitous by the President. The change was made complete by the selection of Representative William Henry Moody, of the Sixth congressional district of Massachusetts, as Mr. Long's successor in the naval department.

Prince Henry's Last Day and Departure. Royal Visitor Was Hastened About in Lively Fashion. Was Cheered By Thousands. Prince Henry Was Deeply Interested in the Revolutionary Relics at Independence Hall—He Inspected Cramp's Shipyard.

PHILADELPHIA, March 11.—On Prince Henry's last day in America it was only fitting that he should visit the birthplace of the nation's freedom. Thrice before he had stolen through in the dead of night, and only a few had caught a glimpse of a flying palace on wheels.

The Prince's train left Jersey City at 8:20 o'clock, and the special made a fast run across the intervening country. Its distinguished passenger had often declared that he liked speed and lots of action and applause flew over the 90 miles or so separating the two big cities.

The streets through which the Prince passed from the municipal building to Independence Hall were thronged with cheering people, and the right hand of the royal guest was kept constantly in motion acknowledging the welcome ovations.

The four mile drive from Independence Hall to Cramp's shipyard, in the northeastern section of the city, was one continuous ovation for the Prince and his party. The sidewalks along the entire route were filled with a holiday crowd, and all windows of factories and residences were lined with spectators.

Prince Henry and his suite arrived at the Union League about 1 o'clock. The men of affairs were his hosts here, and the regular toasts to the President, the Kaiser and the Prince were drunk. Prince Henry remained at the Union League until 20 minutes after three o'clock.

British Force of 1,200 men Routed by General Delarey in Battle Near Wynburg.

Four British Officers and Thirty-Eight Men Killed and Five Officers and Seventy-Two Men Wounded—The Boers Captured All of Their Enemy's Baggage.

LONDON, March 10.—General Methuen and four guns have been captured by General Delarey. Three British officers and thirty-eight men were killed. Five British officers and seventy-two men were wounded.

The fight in which General Methuen was captured occurred before dawn on March 7th, between Wynburg and Lichtenburg, Orange River colony. The British force numbered 1,200 men. The Boers captured all the British baggage.

The text of Lord Kitchener's dispatch announcing the capture of General Methuen is as follows:—"PRETORIA, Saturday, March 8. I greatly regret to have to send you bad news of Methuen. He was moving with 900 mounted men, under Major Paris, and 300 infantry, four guns and a pom-pom, from Wynburg to Lichtenburg, and was met Grenfell, with 1,300 to-day. Yesterday morning early he was attacked by Delarey's force, between Tweesbosch and Palmietkniil. The Boers charged on three sides."

PURSUED FOUR MILES BY BOERS. "Five hundred and fifty men have come in at Maribos and Kraaipan. They were pursued by the Boers four miles from the scene of the action. They report that Methuen and Paris, with the guns, baggage, etc., were captured by the Boers. Methuen, when last seen, was a prisoner. I have no details of the casualties, and suggest delaying publication until I can send definite news. I think this sudden revival of activity on the part of Delarey is to draw off the troops pressing Dewet."

In a second dispatch, dated Sunday, March 9th, Lord Kitchener says:—"Paris has come in at Kraaipan, with the remainder of the men. He reports that the column was moving in two parties. One with the ox wagons, left Tweesbosch at 3 a. m. The other, with the mule wagons, started an hour later. Just before dawn the Boers attacked. Before reinforcements could reach them, the rear guard broke. In the meantime a large number of Boers galloped up on both flanks. These, at first, were checked by the flank parties, but the mule wagons, with a terrible mixture of mounted men, rushed past the ox wagons. All efforts to check them were unavailing. Major Paris collected forty men and occupied a position a mile in front of the ox wagons, which were then halted. After a gallant but useless defense, the enemy rushed in to the ox wagons and Methuen was wounded in the thigh. Paris, being surrounded, surrendered at 10 a. m. Methuen is still in the Boer camp."

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Prince Henry Bids Goodbye to America. WASHINGTON, March 11.—The following exchanges took place today between Prince Henry of Prussia, who sailed for Europe on the Deutschland, and President Roosevelt:

"Hoboken, N. J., March 11th, 1902. "On this day of my departure I beg to thank you personally, as well as the Nation whose guest I have been, for all the kindness, consideration and good-wishing I have met with during my visit to your interesting country. I hope that my visit may have increased the feelings of friendship between the country, I represent and the United States. Bidding you farewell, let me wish you every possible success, and, pray, remember me to Mrs. Roosevelt and Miss Roosevelt, who so charmingly and with so much pluck, accomplished her task when launching his majesty's yacht Meteor. Once more most hearty thanks. May we meet again."

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT." ALL FAREWELLS ARE SAID. NEW YORK, March 11.—Without an unpleasant incident to mar a single one of the 17 days of his visit here, Prince Henry sailed away this afternoon, leaving behind him a most favorable impression which his personality made upon the day of his arrival.

New York got its first glimpse of the distinguished visitor from the bridge of the Kronprinz Wilhelm, as she sailed up the bay that bright Sunday morning of two weeks ago, and got its last glimpse of him as he stood on the bridge of the Deutschland, in equally bright weather, this afternoon.

From the time the Prince got yesterday morning, until 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the Deutschland began to back away from her pier, he was engaged receiving delegations of one kind and another, and attending to his voluminous correspondence.

As the big liner passed through the narrows, up on the crest of Ft. Wadsworth, the garrison was paraded at present arms on the ramparts, so that the line of soldiers was set out in silhouette against the faint glow of the sun. There was only left the salute of Ft. Hancock at Sandy Hook, and that of the United States cruiser Cincinnati outside.

The police boat patrol, which had kept close under the steamship's stern all the way down, swung away from her when the big swells began to roll up from outside the Hook. The pilot boat New York ran in and took off the pilot, and the Deutschland headed out to meet the Hohenzollern, which was waiting for her off the lightship. The Cincinnati ran up the code flag, meaning "wish you a pleasant voyage; goodbye." The Deutschland ran up the answering signals: "Thank you," and began to fade away into the dusk.

Houses Were Unroofed and Streets Covered with Debris in Omaha. One Church Turned Clear Over—Several Persons Were Injured, but So Far as Known No Deaths Resulted. The Railroads Report a Heavy Rainfall—Storm Also Visits Other States.

OMAHA, Neb., March 11.—Omaha was visited by a cyclone at 1 o'clock this morning for the first time in the history of the city. Many houses were unroofed, fronts blown in and windows smashed. Fifty buildings were more or less damaged.

Of the larger structures, the Coliseum is the worst wrecked. Throughout the section visited by the wind buildings are unroofed, windows blown out, sidewalks torn up and fences thrown down. Lightning and rain added to the terror. The month Park Methodist Episcopal church was practically ruined by the wind. A number of flat buildings were badly damaged by lightning. Several persons were injured, but none seriously. Telephone and telegraph wires were badly damaged.

The Monmouth Park church was turned completely over and the two-story dwelling occupied by Mrs. Amanda Gearing and daughter was torn into kindling wood. One of the freaks of the storm was the tearing out of the pendulum of a large clock in an undertaker's shop, the clock being otherwise undamaged. All railroads report heavy rains around Omaha, but little damage was done except along the Union Pacific.

BARRETT, Iowa, March 11.—A severe wind and thunderstorm struck this place yesterday afternoon and did considerable damage to buildings. One residence was blown down, but none of the occupants was seriously hurt. There was a terrific downpour of rain, which lasted nearly an hour.

At Oakland, ten miles east of here, the Rock Island tracks were badly washed out and the wind caused much damage to small buildings.

Twenty Thousand Men are Idle. The Outlook in Boston by No Means a Reassuring One.

BOSTON, March 12.—With 20,000 men idle, their ranks likely to be greatly swelled by sympathetic votes of the Building Trades council and the Boston Central Labor union, which meets tomorrow night, and the entire city beginning to suffer from the effects of congested traffic, the only ray of light visible tonight is the hope that the conference of business interests which has been arranged for tomorrow may lead to a settlement of the strike.

This conference, which is due in a large measure to the influence of Governor Crane, was arranged late this afternoon at a meeting of representatives of the Boston chamber of commerce, the Boston associated board of trade and the merchants' association, with the state board of arbitration, businessmen of the city and those presidents of the produce exchange, the coal exchange, and of all the railways will be invited. It is also hoped that secretary Easley and other representatives of the civic federation may be present.

Figures are Significant. From the Altoona Times.

When William A. Stone was elected Governor of the State of Pennsylvania four years ago, he did not receive a majority of all the votes cast. There was in 1898 an overwhelming preponderance of Republican voters in this Commonwealth. Yet Stone is a minority Governor. Figures which show how rapidly a large Republican plurality in this State can be reduced are significant. In 1900 William McKinley was the choice of the people of this State for the Presidency. He had a plurality over William J. Bryan of 288,433. One year afterwards there was a fusion opposition to the machine ticket. The immense plurality received by McKinley was reduced to 45,750 votes. There are nearly a million and a quarter of voters in this State. A margin of 45,750 is not very much to wipe out.

The Best Telephoned City. What is the best telephoned city in the world? San Francisco seems to be the answer. In that city, with a population of 342,782, there are 21,324 telephones, or sixty-two per thousand. In Europe, Copenhagen is probably the best telephoned city, with 15,311 telephones to its 312,850 of population, equal to forty-nine per thousand. In Copenhagen, too, the best conditions for the public exist, although the rates are relatively as high as those in American cities. London compares very unfavorably with these figures.

At the beginning of this year there were 41,111 telephones to a population of more than 5,600,000, or a proportion of seven to every thousand people. New York, with a population of 2,350,000, had 54,647 instruments, or twenty-six to a thousand.

Husbands' Motto a Bible Verse. The Husbands' Protection Society of London has as its motto the naive verse found in what is known as the Wife Beater's Bible, published in 1549, copies of which may be found in many museums and libraries. This verse is as follows:

"He dwelleth with his wife according to his knowledge and taketh her as a necessary helpmate and not as a bond servant or a bond slave. And if she be not obedient and helpful to him he endeavoureth to bate the fear of God into her head that thereby she may be compelled to learn her duties and to do it."—London News.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS. Mrs. Jesse Cleaver and her family, so long well known residents of Unionville, will move to York in the Spring.

Physical inability to stand the work longer has forced Jacob Heller, Rebersburg's veteran blacksmith, to retire.

Elwood Fisher, of Unionville, has entered the University hospital in Philadelphia for treatment for stomach trouble.

Mothers have riddled the handsome parade coats of the Logan Engine Co. so badly as to make them a total loss. They cost over \$400 when new.

The Pennsylvania State College basketball team gave the Williamsport Y. M. C. A. team its first defeat of the season on Friday night. The score was 17 to 12.

The new creamery to be erected on the site of the Howard Creamery Co's plant destroyed at Centre Hall by fire last week will be a fine plant. Work on it is to begin soon.

On Wednesday Mrs. John Confer, while driving to her home in Holt's hollow over the Divide from Snow Shoe intersection, slipped from the spring seat of the wagon and broke her hip.

Word from W. F. Cobick, the former Bellefonte attorney who is in Texas on account of pulmonary trouble, is to the effect that he is improving slowly. He is located twenty miles from El Paso.

Harry McManaway, formerly connected with Sheffer's grocery in this place, has moved to Millheim to go in business. He had about completed arrangements to purchase John Condo's store in that place when it passed into the hands of assignees.

E. R. Owens, of Ax Mann, is the latest addition to the large clerical force for the Potter-Hoy Hardware Co. He resigned his position as teacher of the Bush Addition school and Harry Hartcock, of Pleasant Gap, has been appointed to the vacancy.

Will McCalmont, who is just about finishing up his second year's work at the Medico-Chirurgical school in Philadelphia, sprung a surprise on his friends week before last by getting married. His bride was Miss Marion Hinchey and they are now comfortably located in apartments in Philadelphia. Will is a mighty nice boy and his bride is said by those who have met her to be a very charming woman.

It wasn't because he has been so successful in business or because he has lately secured patents on two devices that are likely to net him quite a neat sum, but because he is a good fellow and knows that most any one would have enjoyed such entertainment that L. C. Bullock, the Milesburg carriage builder, invited a few of his friends to a stag dinner last Friday evening. It was served at his cosy home in that place and was an affair that will long be remembered by those who were fortunate enough to be there. The menu was too elaborate for publication, but the guests took care to see that none of the many courses were neglected. The following gentlemen were present: Joseph E. Borchers, of Knoxville, Tenn.; James B. Noll and James Gregg, Milesburg; Rush Larimer, Hard P. Harris, Dr. M. J. Locke, H. C. Quigley Esq., Edward Hoy, Frank C. Williams, Joseph Fanble, Joseph Lose, George Beazer, Robert Morris, Dave Kelly and Geo. R. Meek, Bellefonte.

The Neptune fire company of Tyrone celebrated the thirty-first anniversary of its organization last Friday evening.

About 150 feet of the coping of the dam at Lock Haven was carried away by the flood and with it many tons of the stone backing. It will now cost ten times as much to repair it as would have been the case before the ice went out.

Tonight there will be the real thing in basket ball at the armory of Co. B. The Pennsylvania State College varsity team, that has not been beaten this season, will be here to play the Co. B team. If you want to see some sport you had better go down.

The Rev. Charles H. Evans, of Toronto, Canada, who has been doing missionary work in Japan for the Brotherhood of St. Andrew for some years, was in town Wednesday and spoke on the mission work in St. John's Episcopal church. He is a professor in the Divinity school at Tokio and his talk was interesting in the highest degree.

At the adjourned annual meeting of the trustees of the Bellefonte Academy held Wednesday afternoon in the office of J. M. Dale Esq., the resignation of Rev. James P. Hughes, principal of the Academy, was presented. No definite action on the resignation was taken further than it was handed over to a committee of five for consideration and report at a special meeting to be held Saturday, March 22nd, at 4 p. m.

Recent developments indicate that the great gold and silver deposits of Colorado and a climate that is even more precious than her mines are not the only resources of the Centennial State. Oil has been struck in many sections, with flows so strong that the markets are already becoming feverish as a result of it. Andrew J. Cruse, a son of the late A. J. Cruse, of this place, who is practicing law in Denver, is interested in the Vulcan, one of the new companies formed under most encouraging conditions.

The minstrel performance given in the armory at State College, last Saturday evening, by students of the College, attracted about six hundred spectators. Though the boys were laboring under considerable disadvantage in presenting their bill it was greatly enjoyed and showed considerable talent, especially in the musical features. The singing of Mr. Saunders was splendid, while the work of the Edison symphony quartet was equally enjoyable.

Earl Hewitt's edition of Ezra Kendall's "Hot Gravy" was clever and earned the recall he got. "Pop" Golden did some shifty sand dances that surprised the friends of the staid-trainer, but there was surprise indeed and many shouts of approval when "old Johnny Corrigan came to the fore," shook out a few wrinkles and did some rare old Irish jigs and reels in the best kind of style. Many graduates of the College remember Pas Aston and his always asserted assertions that he had often danced with Queen Victoria. In those days Pas was looked upon as the real thing in the foot-business and Johnny never even spoke of his talent, discovered so recently. Why, as a master of their respective ideas of dancing Johnny would have had poor old Pas looking like one of these things that pops up and down on a painted stick.

Pine Grove Mention.

Rev. Hepler will conduct a meeting in the Presbyterian church next week beginning Monday evening.

Harry Frantz, the merchant, is cultivating his patience while he is caring for a colony of Job's comforters on his neck.

Farmer James Peters has a new boy to help him harvest but it will be several years before he amounts to much as a worker.

John Neese, of Spring Mills, and J. C. Pease, of Vermont, were circulating in this section last week disposing of cream separators.

Mrs. Bruce Rossman and Mrs. John Neese, of Spring Mills, are visiting at the home of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Amos Koch, near Fairbrook.

Rev. D. E. Hepler is receiving congratulations over the arrival of a little stranger at his home. The baby is the third of the family and is a little daughter.

William Neidigh and family, of Pittsburg, are guests at the home of Mrs. Benjamin Beaver at State College. They are here for a ten days stay with Centre county relatives.

Thomas D. Decker, who has been confined to bed for some time on account of symptoms of pneumonia, is so much better that his physician, Dr. Glenn, considers him past the danger mark.

Our township authorities passed judgment on the accounts of the supervisor and overseer of the poor on Monday. The result was the finding of the township entirely out of debt with the exception of a trifling indebtedness to supervisor N. E. Hess.

Rev. C. T. Aikens will have charge of the dedication of the new Lutheran church at Warnysville on Sunday. In his absence Rev. Mr. Warner will preach at Pine Hall at 10:30 in the morning; at Gatesburg at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and at Pine Grove Mills at 7:30 in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bailey recently entertained the Christian Endeavor society at their hospitable home near Fairbrook. Refreshments were served in abundance and Prof. Ward was present with his gramophone to lend variety and amusement to the program. The society realized \$6.60.

Miss Mary Struble, who has been home for some weeks on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. C. H. Struble, returned to her work at Hahnemann hospital in Philadelphia on Monday. Just as soon as her mother is able to stand the journey she will return to State College and take her with her to Philadelphia to spend the remainder of her days.