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Democratic State Ticket.

For Governor: ROBERT E. PATTON, of Philadelphia. For Lieutenant Governor: GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, of Allegheny.

The County Ticket.

For Congress: D. E. HIBBER, of Clearfield. For State Senator: WM. C. HEINLE, of Centre.

A Despicable, Lying Journal.

Like Banquo's ghost, the spirit of "Taisy" won't down. She still keeps her place with "Me and Tash" in the editorial chair of the Gazette.

The Gazette accuses commissioner PHILIP MEYER of collusion with the editors of the Centre Reporter and of the WATCHMAN in trying to secure more money for printing the tickets last fall than the job was worth.

In the first place Mr. MEYER had absolutely no connection with the transaction. He was attending the Buffalo exposition at the time, having gone away with the understanding that the tickets were not to be awarded until his return home.

"Concerning the printing of the ballots last year: In the first place, Philip Meyer was not here when we got the bid from the Centre Hall Reporter that it would do the work for \$150; nor was he here when we contracted with the Gazette.

I further wish to state, that the editor of the Gazette told me a day or two after we had awarded the contract, that he (Mr. Harter) would lose money on the job, but he took it for political effect."

(Signed) DAN L. HECKMAN.

It was generally understood among the Democratic printers in the county that the tickets were to be done at either the Reporter or the WATCHMAN offices. The Centre Democrat having printed them in the fall of 1900 Mr. KURTZ declined to compete for them on the ground that it was not his turn to have them.

The WATCHMAN's representative before the Commissioners went further. He stated that rather than attempt to cut the throat of other printers in the county or cause the Commissioners annoyance he would withdraw the claim of this office entirely and leave them free to place the order where they pleased.

Meanwhile, Mr. SMITH of the Reporter, who had never done a job of that sort before and knew absolutely nothing about the size of the ballots desired, had sent in an offer to do the work for \$150. But when he discovered the mistake he had made in figuring without being fully informed on the nature of the work, his bid was withdrawn.

Following this Mr. HECKMAN called both the Reporter and WATCHMAN offices and informed them that bids would have to be in the Commissioners hands by 4 o'clock p. m. on October 22nd, 1901. At 11 o'clock that very morning Mr. HECKMAN called the Reporter and WATCHMAN offices again and we quote his own language over the phone.

"You needn't send us bids on those tickets. We have given the job to the Gazette." Mr. HECKMAN will not deny the statement of fact, therefore you see the Gazette convicted of malicious lying in its statement that we ever made a bid for the tickets.

To show the true character and animus of this jealous creature we can produce two gentlemen of repute who will swear that he (HARTER) said at the time that he would take the job at any price rather than lose an opportunity to put the Commissioners in a hole."

But who did he get in the hole, if any one. Mr. MEYER was out of town and knew absolutely nothing about the transaction. Mr. HECKMAN is not a candidate for re-election, so the only one left is Mr. MILLER. And if there is "a hole" he is the gentleman who must be in it, placed there by the smart editor of the Gazette.

The facts set forth above are correct in every detail and even if, as the Gazette says, "the relations between Mr. HECKMAN and the WATCHMAN are very strained" that gentleman will vouch for their accuracy. Perhaps we have gone into them a little more explicitly than the circumstances warranted but we did so in order that you might the more fully appreciate the following:

Ever since the Gazette fell into the hands of this avaricious carpet bagger from Snyder county, who, even now, has a face out on all sides in order to cover up his sneaking tracks for the Belleville post-office, it has made a practice of crying "stop thief!" at the WATCHMAN. We have never said that a newspaper in Centre county robbed it or would attempt to do so. Nor have we any other idea than that they should all receive fair compensation for their work.

He charges PHILIP MEYER, S. W. SMITH and P. GRAY MEEK with collusion to "raid the treasury" because we frankly told the Commissioners that we ought to have \$240 for printing the same number of ballots than they had paid \$240 for the year previous. And this in the face of the fact that he had charged \$100.00 for a less number of smaller ballots only the year before that.

Further, if there has been any "hogging of the county work," as the Gazette says, we want this opportunity to show you where you will find the real ring-tailed, steel snooked-trail split-tail variety, in all its perfection. During the past eight years there has been paid for county printing:

TO THE GAZETTE \$4,122.22 TO THE WATCHMAN 1,682.45

These figures are taken from the county statements and are accessible to any one who might doubt this assertion because of its astounding revelation.

Think of it. The impudence of this man trying to cloak his own greediness by accusing the WATCHMAN of getting it all when the figures show that he has received nearly three times as much as we have within the past eight years, five of which were under Democratic administration.

What respect or confidence can the public have in a paper guilty of such brazen, impudent lying. But little else is expected by those who really know the editor of the Gazette, for they know that Judas will never die so long as the blatant bag of braggadocio, the author of "OUR German book" and the "man who gave Centre county's delegates to DRESSER" lives.

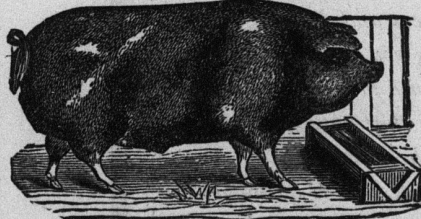
Democratic Meetings in the County.

County chairman BOWER has arranged to hold meetings at various places in the county during the time that will elapse between this and the election. Able speakers will be in attendance at each meeting, to discuss the questions that every Pennsylvanian should have so much at heart this fall.

If a meeting is scheduled for your locality you should not fail to attend it. Every good citizen should be anxious to uphold the honor of Pennsylvania and for that reason he should lose no opportunity to hear a fair and dispassionate discussion of the wrongs that are dragging the old State down.

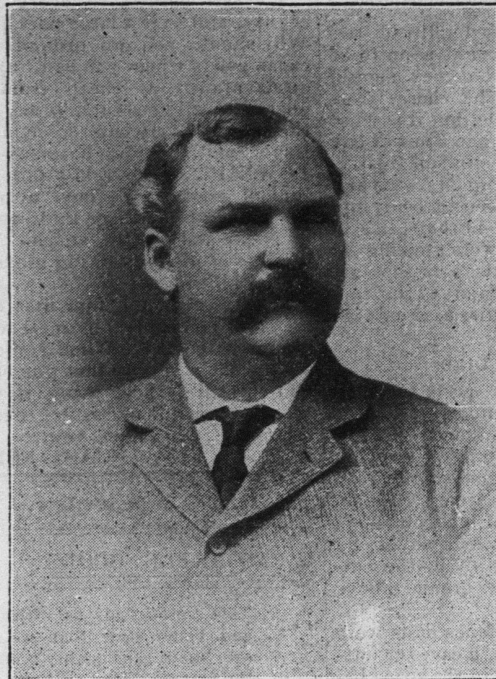
- The meetings are scheduled as follows: 24—"Ripka's School House in Gregg Twp." 25—"Potters Mills." 27—"Sandy Ridge, and Mann's School House in Cortin Twp." 28—"Woodward and Snow Shoe." 29—"Millheim."

THE REAL



During the past eight years, five of which have been under Democratic administration, THE KEYSTONE GAZETTE HAS DRAWN \$4,122.22 FROM THE COUNTY TREASURY.

During the same period the Watchman has drawn only \$1,682.45.



J. H. WETZEL.



J. W. KEPLER.

The Men You Should Support for Assembly.

Kepler and Wetzel.

Reasons why KEPLER and WETZEL should be chosen to represent Centre county in the next General Assembly are so many that it would take an entire edition of this paper to present them all to you.

The personal history of them both is well known. It was published two years ago, when they were aspirants for the same office they are now seeking and, again, in June of this year when they were honored with nominations by their party convention.

Two years ago the county was flooded with malicious stories about the character of Mr. KEPLER. Everything possible was said about him by the slanderous tongues of those who had a purpose to serve and all because he, as a boy, had indulged in some wild pranks that would have been laughed at in College fellows.

Who hasn't sown a little wild oats and who has not been the stronger and wiser for it? If all of Mr. KEPLER's better were suddenly transported to another sphere there would be a very lonesome little colony of them somewhere in space.

He is a true type of the progressive young farmer. He knows how to work and he does work as hard as any man on the farm. From boyhood he has manifested a keen interest in affairs of State and is alive to the questions of the day.

Things are different now. The people have grown to know Mr. KEPLER, to value him at his true worth and many of them are anxious to atone for the injustice they did him two years ago. In fact you can hear it on all sides: "KEP. is not the kind of a fellow they told me he was the last time he ran. And I'm going to vote for him." That's the real reason that there is such a great tide toward KEPLER. You need not be surprised at all if he leads the ticket in two weeks.

As for the other nominee, Hon. HENRY WETZEL, he has already served Centre

county in the halls of the Legislature and a more dignified, thoroughly reliable, conscientious Representative no community could desire. He was true to every pledge and not once did he take middle ground on an issue that affected the personal interests of his constituency.

He is a man of mature years, one whose conservative judgment is just the kind to link with KEPLER's strenuous activity in forming a legislative representation that would bring splendid results.

Mr. WETZEL has been almost a life-long resident of the county. He is sprung from a large and honorable family and bears a reputation that might indeed be envied.

Comparisons are odious, at best, but SCHOONOVER and STROHM appear veritable nonentities in all the qualities that make for a useful and dignified Legislator when compared with such men as WETZEL and KEPLER.

Remember that MEYER and HUMPTON represent the lowest millage the county has ever known and a condition that keeps it out of debt. Vote for them.

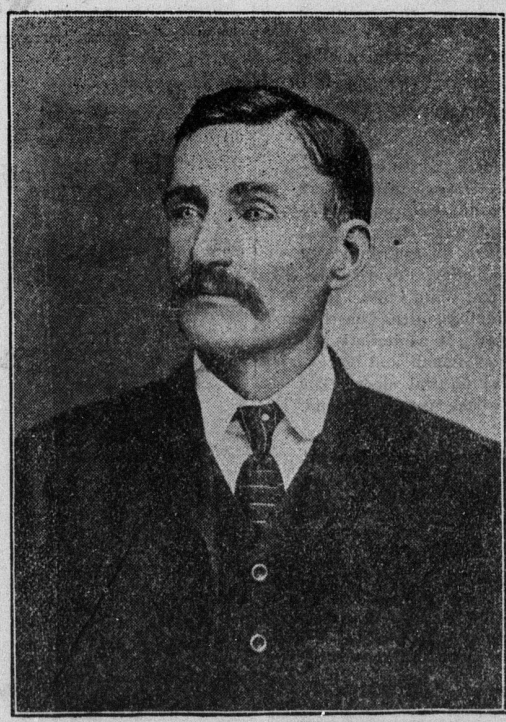
A Popular Candidate.

Few men who have been in office in Centre county have combined in them to such a marked degree the qualities possessed by A. G. ARCHEY, the nominee for Register. When he came down from the little farm he calls home, up in Ferguson township, to take charge of the office three years ago, those who didn't know the manner of man, upon whom had been imposed the important duties of Register and clerk of the orphan's court, were skeptical as to how he would fill the bill.

It did not take long, however, for Mr. ARCHEY to demonstrate that he was more than a master of the office. He had been accustomed to hard work all his life, the Irish in him gave him the determination to "master it, and a good mind proved a store-house of little things that have been of invaluable assistance to those seeking information in the office.

"Squire ARCHEY is neither a sport nor a ladies man, but he is a sterling fellow who will stand the closest acquaintance and improves every time you meet him. Reared in a plain, unpretentious home, he knows nothing of sham or deception and is frank to a fault.

This is the kind of a man you have undoubtedly found him to be. He is worthy your support for another term and has a record of faithfulness behind him that gives him every right to ask it. Vote for ARCHEY.



For Register, A. G. ARCHEY.

The Miners Returned to Work Yesterday.

Representatives of the 141,000 Mine Workers Placed all the Questions Involved in Struggle into Hands of Arbitration Commission Appointed by the President. Everyone Now Looks for Better Times.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Oct. 23.—With a shout that fairly shook the convention building, the representatives of the 147,000 Mine Workers, who have been on strike since last May, officially declared off at noon today the greatest contest ever waged between capital and labor and placed all the questions involved in the struggle into the hands of the arbitration commission, appointed by the President of the United States.

LOOK FOR BETTER TIMES.

The anthracite coal region, from its largest city—Scranton—down to the lowliest coal patch, has suffered by the conflict, and everyone now looks for better times. While the large army of Mine Workers and their families, numbering approximately a half million persons, are grateful that work will be resumed today, the strikers have still to learn what their reward will be.

DIDN'T WISH TO RUN RISK.

The engineers and pumpmen get better pay than other classes of mine workers and they did not wish to run the risk of losing altogether their old places and be compelled to dig coal for a living. This question came up yesterday and was argued right up to the time the vote was taken. No one had a definite plan to offer to overcome the objection and the report of the committee on resolutions recommending that the strike be called off and that all issues be placed in the hands of the arbitration commission for decision was adopted without the question being settled.

The question of taking care of all men who will fail to get work immediately will be a serious one for the union.

There is no doubt the executive boards will take care of the engineers, firemen and pumpmen, but there will be thousands of other classes of mine workers who will have to be looked after. In some places hundreds will not be able to work for weeks, and in other localities where the mines are in very bad condition there will be no employment for many workmen for months, which will carry their idleness into next year. Now that the strike is over the volume of relief money will decrease and the local unions will be compelled to call upon the national organization for assistance when the money now on hand runs out. The close of the great conflict will also end in a few days, and probably with the passing of this week the assessment now being levied on all bituminous mine workers affiliated with the union will cease.

Hundreds of men, needed to repair the mines and place them in condition for operators will be at work on Thursday morning, the convention having declared that this was imperative in order to get the men to work quickly and thereby the country's demand for coal. All the locals will hold meetings tomorrow at which instructions will be given the members regarding their application for work. The proceedings in the convention indicated that there will be some friction in some of the local organizations over many little questions which will come up in connection with the men returning to the mine to work for assistance when the money now on hand runs out.

President Mitchell received many congratulatory telegrams from all over the country after the news spread that the strike was ended. On his return to headquarters he was asked for an expression of his views upon the action of the convention, and in reply he said:

"I am well pleased with the action of the anthracite mine workers in deciding to submit the issues which culminated in the strike to the commission selected by the President of the United States.

"The strike itself has demonstrated the power and dignity of labor. Conservative, intelligent trade unions has received an impetus, the effect of which cannot be measured. I earnestly hope and firmly believe that both labor and capital have learned lessons from the miners' strike that will enable them to adopt peaceful, humane and business methods of adjusting wage differences in the future."

After Mr. Mitchell had notified President Roosevelt of the action of the convention and had received a reply to the effect that the commission would meet in Washington on Friday, he sent out the official announcement through the press to strikers that the strike was off. It was addressed to "all miners and mine workers in the anthracite region," and was as follows:

"You are hereby officially notified that it was unanimously decided today, by the delegates attending the special convention, that all miners should report for work on Thursday, Oct. 23rd, and that the issues which culminated in the strike should be referred for adjustment to the commission appointed by the President of the United States.

MORE THAN USUAL CARE.

"We are authorized by the executive officers of Districts 1, 7 and 9, to caution all those who resume work to exercise more than usual care, in order that accidents so life and limb may be averted. Owing to the conditions of the mines, after an idleness of five months, there will be great danger when work is resumed. We are

Beware, Farmers!

The farmers of Centre county are not to be caught by such chaff as Dr. WARREN, of Chester county, better known, perhaps, through the great bird book steal, has been casting about for a week or more. He has been in certain districts working on the farmers to support PENROSE for United States Senator, because PENROSE voted for the GROUT oleomargarine bill.

It is a very slick scheme, but not quite slick enough to catch the farmers of Centre county. They know that the same old fox is behind this decoy. They also know that in supporting the GROUT bill Senator PENROSE only did what any other Senator from Pennsylvania would have done and exactly what he was pledged to do.

It is not votes for PENROSE they are after, half as much as it is votes for SCHOONOVER and STROHM. These two worthies would be plant tools in the hands of the machine and they are needed at Harrisburg to help support its plundering schemes. That is what "Bidie" WARREN has been doing in Centre county lately and that is why the farmers are being asked to support PENROSE. It is about one for PENROSE and ninety-nine for the machine. It needs SCHOONOVER and STROHM and is trying this dodge to fool Centre county farmers into voting for them.

Explained.

It is now up to Philip Meyer to explain why he wanted to squander \$90 of the county funds last fall, in order to give the WATCHMAN a job.—Belleville Republican of Oct. 23rd, 1902.

Vote for ARCHEY.

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White House Relics have Disappeared.

An investigation will probably be made to trace them.

WASHINGTON, October 21.—The President-to-day inspected for the first time the new office building erected near the White House for his occupancy, and the repairs to the Executive Mansion. He was greatly disappointed at the slow progress made, and expressed doubt whether the White House would be ready in time for the formal winter receptions. The office building is nearly completed, considering its cost, \$60,000, it is remarkably plain and unpretentious.

The White House is still torn to pieces, and, notwithstanding statements by architects and contractors to the contrary, only one room is in such shape that furniture can be placed in it.

It is declared that a number of valuable relics from the White House have disappeared, and an investigation of some sort will probably be made to trace them.