Aemocratice Hatchman.

BY P. GRAY MEEK.

Ink Slings.

The festive West ward poet gay Is droning out a mournful lay

And looks as though he should be kicked Because he had his pockets picked. He thinks he is a wise old owl-

No place too dark for him to prowl-But now since he is four plunks short He's sure he'll cut out Williamsport

-Well, Well! Is Philadelphia to be reformed at last.

-Strange that the HEAD of our ticket should really be its tail.

-A PRUNER hospital would be of far more use to this community than a PRUNER orphanage

-Do you think that Mr. Boston LAW-SON might have a cure for those Oklahoma cyclones?

-There seems to have been a spring hinge on that wide open door that TEDDY made in the tariff wall.

-At \$2,000 a week NAN PATTERSON will probably deliver \$10 worth of talent and \$1,990 worth of notoriety.

-Wouldn't it be funny if JOHN WEA-VER's latest sensational act should land him in the Governor's chair.

-The way stocks have been falling lately makes it look as if recent frosts had frozen the water out of them. -We Democrats are dandy platform

builders but our trouble seems to be in getting enough people to stand on them. -Mayor WEAVER, of Philadelphia. made Is DURHAM and his crowd look like

dirty deuces in a hay-mow deck when he fired their pets SMYTHE and COSTELLO. -In refusing passes over all railroads Mayor DUNNE, of Chicago, has set an ex-

ample that if followed in Pennsylvania would make a great many men stay at home more than they do. -If Mayor WEAVER, of Philadelphia, only has the courage to keep it up there

will be such an exodus of rascals from that city as will keep the police all over the country busy keeping tab on them. -Farmers complain because the oats not doing well, while Bellefonters are

alarmed lest the crop of the wild variety in Bellefonte will be too large this season. There are several new sowers in the field. -You will find out after it is all over

t hat Philadelphia has done to her gas lease stealing councilmen just what the Republican press of that city did to the press m uzzling members of the Legislature. That is, help all of them back into office.

-Secretary HAY is said to be considering retirement from the cabinet. We infer that if the rumor is true it is because there is something wrong with his system. If so, JOHN, why not consult Tom LAW-SON, of Boston? He is a "system" special-

-When the Williamsport Sun, on Monday, advised the residents of that city as follows: "Don't forget to lock your doors if you go away from home tomorrow," it evidently didn't expect all of the visiting Knights to be as innocent as our friend SPEER.

-Mr. Doc. WADDELL, the press agent of the John Robinson shows, has an imagniation that would make Baron Mun-CHAUSEN green with envy. It is a pity that we didn't get him to touch on the PRUNER orphanage a little. He would have built it twenty stories high and end owed it forever-on wind.

-Remember that next Tuesday will be Memorial day, the season of grateful reverence and remembrance of the dead who gave their lives for their country. It will base-ball games, horse racing and other games of amusement. Could we but look across the sea to Japan and observe the dignified reverential tribute the living pay to these who have died bearing the colors of their Empire we would find

-The Democratic state convention did the right thing in nominating but one candidate for Superior court judge. Now we are sure be will be a Democratic representative and not the choice of the ballot box stuffers of Philadelphia. Had three men been nominated it would have been possible for the rascals in Philadelphia to select the one whom they preferred and then stuffed in enough ballots to have put him ahead of his fellow Democratic candidates; thus accomplishing his election.

-Every day some new evidence is presented confirming the belief that men of a poetical turn are really not responsible for a great many things they do. The latest matter of record are the sundry erratic performances of the West ward poet laureate during his recent trip to the Knights Templar conclave in Williamsport. Before he got on the train in Bellefonte he lost his ticket and then tuckered himself out so in the eight mile march in Williamsport that he wandered into a Republican club for reinforcement. What he got there no one knows but what he got after he mixed up on the streets again was good for a Democrat who would so far forget the tenets of his infantile training as to take on Republican spirits. His pockets were picked and to cap the climax, when he got home at three o'clock in the morning he aroused the whole neighborhood by making a raid on his own hen roost, explaining to the white robed figures that appeared at nearby windows that he was "only hunting the eggs."

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Within a period of two weeks President ROOSEVELT has made two important declarations respecting the tariff. In the first he asserted the reasonable and just policy of purchasing materials for the use of the government in markets where they were offered cheapest. He was influenced to that by exorbitant prices asked by American manufacturers for necessary articles. For example, home shipbuilders demanded \$1,400,000 for two 6,000-ton ships for use in the construction of the Panama canal which foreign builders offered for \$750,-000. There is no such difference in the cost of construction but the American builders conceived the idea that they could rob the government and the President proved that if he had courage and

conscience they couldn't. But within a week he changed his opinion. According to the published gossip Speaker CANNON and Representative DALZELL protested that this action would destroy the party. The shipbuilders and steel mongers, they alleged, had purchased his election under promise that they would be licensed to loot the public for four years more and that it is his duty to make good the iniquitous bargain. DALZELL made this proposition entirely plain. "A President elected on a protection platform, Mr. Carnegie's hired man told him, "has no right to adopt the free trade policy of buying in the cheapest market." Manifestly, according to Mr. DALZELL, his d uty is to buy in whatever market will aford the largest profits to the contributors

to the corruption fund. And the President has adopted that notion. He has gone into partnership with the plunderers by revoking his obviously just order and declaring that no ships will be purchased abroad. Those that are needed will be charted at exorbitant rates and the grafters and plunderers will pluck the government bird bare. The steal barons who sell rails to European customers for \$13 a ton will make the government of the United States pay \$28 a ton for every pound used in the Panama railroad and the difference will make the ROCKEFELLERS and the MOR-GANS, the CARNEGIES and the SCHWABS richer and the taxpayers poorer as they criminals, but it is the rule of the Republican party.

The Philadelphia Gas Deal.

The excitement in Philadephia over the infamous lease of the gas works has taken on a new phase. Mayor JOHN WEAVER on Tuesday summarily dismissed from office director of public safety SMYTH and director of public works Costello. These two men were henchmen of the machine and controlled thousands of municipal appointees, as well as all the profitable city contracts. Their dismissal threw ROOSEVELT is absolutely without political a bomb into the machine camp and gave Philadelphia hope that the Mayor has at last awake ned to a full sense of his duty.

The lease of the Philadelphia gas works ander the conditions embodied in the ordinance which passed last week robs the interest or flatter his inordinate vanity not be a gala event to be celebrated with people of Philadelphia of more than \$200,- The proposition to buy in the cheapest 000,000, which vast sum will be divided among the contracting parties. It is a would prefer it and probably believed when crime which could be perpetrated in no he declared that policy that he would adother community in the civilized world. here to it. In fact it may be assumed that Any body of men who have the least he never dreamed that there would be any measure of man hood would resent such an objection. But when the objection came the semi-heathen setting an example that outrage upon their children. But the he laid down like a moral coward and this great Christian land might well follow. Philadelphians won't remonstrate in a practical way. A few blatherskites will make incendiary speeches and the news- so materially to his personal aggrandizepapers will cry shame. But the general ment as that expressed in his movement to public will quietly acquiesce in the crime and the captains of industry and mag- The President of one considerable railroad nates in finance will be truckling after has vast influence but the control of all of DURHAM for a share of the spoils before six months.

We have no regret for the loss to the people of Philad elphia. There is no even if it wrecks every corporation of the reason why the people of Pennsylvania character in the country and he will sacriand throughout the country should not re- fice every other idea and principle to acjoice that such imbeciles have been de- complish it. He will fail of course, as he prived of their property, except one. The triumph of crime in one locality jeopardizes virtue in another and this most colossal of all iniquities in Philadelphia will are exhausted. probably breed similiar villainies in other communities. Except for that we should say it is a just retribution for the crime of creating and fostering such a gang of political pirates as exist in that city. As we remarked last week in commenting upon the existing political immorality in that the "ripper" bill, the people of Philadelphia have deliberately cultivated ballot that opinion. Governor PENNYPACKER'S frauds and other forms of political corrup- eulogies of QUAY have done more to ention and it is just that they should suffer courage crime than any other single influthe natural consequences.

-Some one has been circulating the story that JAMES J. GRAMLEY has withdrawn from the race for commissioner and he writes to inform us that such is not the case. He says. "I am in to win and have no notion of withdrawing.

-The Pennsvalley Oil and Gas com-

The State Convention.

The Democratic State convention which met, performed its work and adjourned in Harrisburg on Wednesday, may well be characterized as an honor to the party it represented and a credit to the citizenship of Pennsylvania. We have had many state conventions in this old State, and they have brought together splendid men and developed grand thoughts and aspirations. But we are within the limit of reason in saying that no political convention in this State within half a century has reflected greater credit on the Commonwealth than that which was held in Harrisburg this week.

The organization of the convention, to begin with, was admirable. The temporary chairman, Hon. JOHN G. HARMON, of Columbia county, expressed the promise of the young Democracy. The permanent president Hon. J. THOMPSON BAKER, of Union county, reflected the wisdom and experience of the "Old Guard." The platform indicates the courage, integrity and determination of a magnificent, militant and honest political organization. Taken together, the officers, the work and the purpose of the convention must appeal to the manhood and the conscience of the State. Democracy in Pennsylvania means the prosperity and the progress of the people and the fact is clearly expressed in the la-

bors of the convention. Of the ticket nominated we can say nothing but words of approval. JOHN B. HEAD, the nominee for Judge of the Superior court, is so admirably equipped for the service to which he will be called by the suffrages of the people, that reference to it is supererrogation. In the prime of life, profoundly learned in the law, of judicial temperament and trained to the practice of the legal profession, he will adorn the bench and add new lustre to the jurisprudence of Pennsylvania. The nominee for State Treasurer is equally worthy of commendation. His life is a guarantee of political regeneration in the fiscal affairs of the State, in the event of his election, and we confidently invite the support of voters to the Democratic ticket.

Roosevelt's Absurd Ambition.

The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Public Ledger informs the to purchase materials for the Panama cana in the cheapest markets in order to promote his absurd scheme for government regulation of railroad rates and federal control of carrying corporations generally. No doubt that is the correct interpretation of his act. Mr. ROOSEVELT imagined that his free trade policy would encourage tariff revision legislation during the coming session of Congress and that such legislation would consume so much time that it would be impossible to work his pet scheme through.

That is altogether probable. President principles. He has been on every side of every question and like the average opportunist would as readily advocate the doctrines of the Mormon church as any other if such advocacy would promote his own market is so palpably just that no doubt he cringed like a craven.

There is no policy that would contribute get control of the carrying corporations. them would give immense power and myriad opportunities. Therefore ROOSE-VELT has set out to achieve that result. ought to, for the right of owners to control their property is inherent and inalienable. But he will not give up until his resources

Pennypacker is to Blame. The Philadelphia Record suggests that Governor PENNYPACKER is largely to blame for the present evil conditions and city. There is no doubt of the accuracy of ence and probably more than any half dozen evil influences put together. He has methodically and insistently held the evil life of that moral monster up to admiration and no doubt weak minds have imbibed from his declaration the idea that iniquities

that are successful must be respectable. When PENNYPACKER, himself something like a moral pervert, declared that the record of MATTHEW STANLEY QUAY

science of this Commonwealth. When he | Head and Berry Democratic State Nomiadded that he was a greater man than DAN-IEL WEBSTER or HENRY CLAY he proved himself an irresponsible sycophant but planted seeds of immorality which could not help generate and produce vice and crime. As a matter of fact, in that misstatement of merit he demoralized the public mind to the full measure of his possibilities and earned popular execration which should endure until the end of his useless and misspent life.

PENNYPACKER is largely responsible for the evils which exist in Philadelphia and else where throughout Pennsylvania to-day. The miseries which the insane wards of the State will suffer during the next two years are upon his head and wherever he goes public sentiment ought to condemn him as a recreant. He has misused his office to promote fads and contributed to the misappropriation of public funds because such use of the money of the people fed his vanity and encouraged the forms of vice which he favored. He is the greatest enemy of political virtue at present in public life and his example should be reprobated instead of followed by all men.

Our State Platform.

There has never been a more vigorous or ccurate arraignment of the Republican party of Pennsylvania than that embodied in the platform adopted by the Democratic State convention held in Harrisburg on Wednesday. There probably never was presented to any party such an opportunity for arraignment as that which the Democrats had before them on Wednesday. But it is only just to say that the delegates in that convention availed themselves of their advantages to the full measure, with the regraduation he entered the banking house sult that we have a platform of which we may all be proud.

To enumerate and expatiate on all the provisions of the platform would occupy more space and require more time than we have at our command at this moment. But we will be excused for calling especial at- retired from that firm and formed a parttention to the emphatic and obviously sin-nership with James S. Moorhead, and has cere pledge for the reform of the abuses in Philadelphia, for the improvement of the electoral system of the State and the arraignment of the Republican party for its manifest and manifold delinquencies in the grow older. It is an infamous sacrifice of readers of that newspaper that the Presi- matter of legislation and administration. nonor and honesty to feed the rapacity of dent was induced to revoke his just order These are crying evils and there correction is essential to the perpetuity of the Com monwealth.

No State has suffered from official venality like Pennsylvania. No people so much then took a scientific mechanical course in as those of this State need the fostering influence of better government. Our vast wealth and generous gifts of Providence are systematically perverted to the base uses of graft. That we have prospered is a marvel in view of the waste which has been about us on every side. The Democracy promises us on every side. The Democracy promises not only not to retard but to promote the prosperity of the people by helping rather than hindering our advantages and we invite all citizens to join in this benevolent work.

The Belletonte Schools.

In another column of to-days WATCH-MAN will be found the full program for the twenty-second annual commencement of the Bellefonte High school which will be held next week. A glance at the program will show that in the graduating class this vear there are just seventeen young men and women who will be given diplomas next Thursday. When the fact is considered that notwithstanding the hard curricul um the High school turned out in 1901 a class of 14, in 1902 a class of 17, in 1903 a class of 21, in 1904 a class of 17, and now this year a class of 17 graduates, a record that surpasses many preparatory schools and equa is many of the smaller colleges, it is a safe conclusion that the Bellefonte chools are conducted on not only a high educational plane but in such a manner as to make them not only earnestly interesting to the pupils, but an especial object to them to complete their course.

This fact can be due only to the nevertiring endeavors of the Bellefonte school board to at all times furnish the best equipment and to the unceasing work of the superintendent, principal and teachers to give to the schools all of their time and energy, not only in instruction but in a hearty cooperation in their work to the end that the varied studies are gone through with more of a spirit of rivalry and pride of excellence than with the old-time feeling of compulsion. And in this manner it is to be hoped our schools will continue to grow to even a greater degree of excellence and a place where the young will deem it a pleasure more than a duty to attend.

-The Altoona Times celebrated its twenty-second anniversary, Monday morning, by donning a new dress, and like a modest maiden it is now charming in its simplicity. The Times is a good paper and its management is to be congratulated on its success. May it have many more years like the one just closed, which the propriepany are getting things in shape to put was one worthy of popular emulation, he down a test well for oil.

William H. Berry, the reform mayor of Chester, was nominated for state treasurer. and John B. Head, of Greensburg, for judge of the Superior court by Wednesday's Democratic state convention on a platform confined entirely to state issues.

Mr. Berry was nominated by acclama ation, following a sharp contest over the selection of the nominee for judge, although it was conceded from the start that Mr. Head would be nominated. Mr. Head led all his competitors on the first ballot and before the result of the second ballot could be announced a motion that his nomination be made unanimous was

Berks county started the stampede for Mr. Head on the second ballot by breaking ware switched from Diokinson to Head, and while several delegates were on their feet demanding recognition for the purpose of changing their votes the motion to make the nomination unanimous was sprung and carried.

Judge Peter J. Smith, of Scranton, the resent minority representative in the Superior court, was not a candidate. National Chairman Guffey was present in the convention hall only a short time. So sure was Mr. Head of his nomination that he remained away from Harrisburg during the convention.

He is virtually assured of election, because no elector can vote for more than three candidates, when four are to be elected, which is the case this year.

THE NOMINEES.

John B. Head, the candidate for Superior Court Judge, was born in Westmoreland County in 1855. He is the son of William S. Head, a banker of Latrobe: was educated in the public schools of that town, and afterward graduated at Mt. St. Mary's constructed by his father and took up the study of law. Later he entered the offices of the late A. A. Stewart, of Westmore land county, and was admitted to practice in 1880.

Mr. Head practiced in Greensburg for two years, forming a partnership with H. P. Laird, an ex-State Senator. In 1882 he continued in that firm since then. The firm is counsel for the H. C. Frick Coal company, the Penn Gas Coal company, the Latrobe Steel company and other large rporations in western Pennsylvania. William H. Berry, Mayor of Chester, the Democratic candidate for State Treasurer, was born in Edwardsville, Ill., on September 9, 1852. His father was Benjamin Berry, an inventor. Educated in the public schools, young Berry subsequently came apprenticed to the trade of ma chinist in a large plant in Buffalo. He Mechanics' Institute, in Buffalo.

we need not again renearse the irrefutable indictments of our recent platforms convicting the dominant party of the absolute prostitution of every function of government to corrupt debased personal partisanship.

"Fair-minded citizens of the State admit the

personal partisanship.

"Fair-minded citizens of the State admit the truth of these indictments, deplore existing political conditions, and yet heretofore have failed to exercise their power to reform them.

"The last session of the Legislature was worse than all its predecessors, disappointed every hope of the people and responded with alacrity to eyery command of the machine. Legislation in the public interest was given no consideration while schenes of the ring were forced through without debate and sometimes by fraudulent counts of legislators' votes.

"Extravagant appropriations were made aggregating millions of dollars beyond the revenue of the State, and leaving only the vote power of the Governor to save the treasury from bankruptcy. The constitutional obligation to reapportion the State was utterly disregarded.

"The demand of the people of all political parties for a fair ballot law was flouted. Salaries were increased and needless offices were created for no other purpose than to reward machine dependents and followers. The established form of government of the chief city of our State was overturned so as to bring its powers more completely under the control of the corrupt and unscrupulous men who have so long dominated it.

"The appalling condition of public affairs in that city has long been a matter of wonder to the people of the entire country, and Philadelphia is spoken of with contempt and scorn wherever municipal government is discussed. The people of our State have been amazed at the apparent subserviency of that city to a corrupt machine. Public sentiment seemed paralyzed and civic pride dead, as at each succeeding election, by enorour State have been amazed at the apparent subserviency of that city to a corrupt machine. Public sentiment seemed paralyzed and civic pride dead, as at each succeeding election, by enormous majorities, the people of Philadelphia voted to continue their own debasement.

"Now, as the crowning outrages are about to be heaped upon her and she finds herself bereft of her franchises and property, she cries for help.

"There is no hope for Philadelphia except in the union of good citizens with the Democratic organization to overthrow her machine government.

vention hereby pledges the power of the Democratic organization in the State, acting through its legislators, and of the Democratic organization in Philadelphia, with all the votes and power it can command.

can command.

"Sincerely intent upon the reformation of public affairs, we invite honest men of all parties and organizations to a full union with us.

"As the first and important steps to this end

we demand:

"1. The enactment of a fair ballot law which shall provide for personal registration of voters in the cities of the State, for the securing of a free, equal and secret ballot, affording the great-set facility for independent voting, making the appointment of overseers and the opening of ballot boxes obligatory whenever demanded by citizens formally charging contemplated or accomplished fraud. Under existing laws, elections in Philadelphia, affecting the entire State as tions in Philadelphia, affecting the entire State as well, have become a farce, and will so continue until these demanded reforms have been secured. Legislative apportionment, as commanded Constitution, to the end that the member hip of the Legislature may properly represen-ne voters of the State. The continued refusal o

"These two propositions accomplished, needed "These two propositions accomplished, needed reforms in many other matters affecting our government will necessarily follow, and we, therefore, present them as the issues of this campaign. "While the officials to be chosen at the coming election will not have power to effect all these reforms, yet a popular rebuke at the polls of our present political domination will do much to eventually overthrow it.

"We pledge our candidate for State Treasurer to reform the abuses of the treasurer, particularly

eventually overthrow it.

"We pledge our candidate for State Treasurer to reform the abuses of the treasury, particularly the distribution of surplus in favorite banks, and we favor the passage of legislation to return this unnecessary accumulation of public money to the people that local taxation may be reduced."

-Neil Burgess, of "The County Fair" fame, has been declared a bankrupt.

Spawls from the Keystone.

-There will be 78 graduates at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, next month.

-Ninety-nine men took the examination for mine foreman in Houtzdale, last week.

-The New York Central railroad has ordered 150 all-steel cars from the American Car and Foundry works at Berwick.

-A Harrisburg dispatch states that Bishop J. H. Darlington has selected Harrisburg as the see city, although he will spend most of the summer at Eagles Mere.

-Ground for the Mifflin county soldiers' monument will be consecrated with appropriate services on Memorial day. Its location is on the public square at Lewistown.

-Prof. Ira N. McCloskey, of Lock Haven, has been appointed one of the State board of examiners for the East Stroudsburg Normal school. The examinations will begin on June 14th.

-Three separate attempts were made last week against the lives of Charles Grange and family, of Muncy. All three times inmates of the household were shot at but luckily missed.

-While Mis. Mary Roch and boarders vere eating dinner at the former's residence on Mulberry street, Hollidaysburg, Thursday, the rear end wall of the house, which is a brick structure, collapsed, falling over in the yard.

-A former conductor of the Pittsburg Railway company has been consciencestricken and has returned \$200 in fares that he had stolen. He makes the return through his confessor, the Rev. Geo. J. Breckel, rector of St. Joseph's church, Milton.

-A few days ago while Rev. H. E. Harnan, of Berwick, was attending synod at Montgomery, John Carothers and Mary Ludiker, two of his parshioners desired to be married and not being able to leave the reverend gentleman performed the ceremony over the telephone.

-Frank Greco, the contractor who is in charge of the new work of the Buffalo and Susquehanna railroad in and around Big Run, has 300 men at work now and in a month will have a force of 1,000. He says that he will rush the work, but it will be the early part of the winter before it is com-

-There is a building boom in Windber at the present time and the indications are that the coming summer will be exceedingly prosperous. Over a dozen large and handsome residences are being constructed and the Windber Lumber company has work valued at \$200,000 under way.

-At the convention of sub-district No. 5, United Mine Workers of America, held at Punxsutawney last week, it was decided to pay out of the treasury the sum of \$200 to each of the seven widows of the Eleanors miners who lost their lives by explosion of gas in the shaft. The parents of the single men killed will receive \$100

-The Owego Rod and Gun club has stocked the Upper Susquehanna river, north of the Penusylvania State line, with 5,000,000 yellow bass fry and the anglers of the Upper Wyoming valley are counting the days it will take for these fingerlings to swim down the stream into Pennsylvania and give them

-Burgess John Doll, of Pine Grove. Columbia county, is anxiously waiting a decision of the treasury department on the value of \$9,000 in incinerated greenbacks, which represents the money he placed in his stove for safe keeping when he went to the circus a few days ago. While he was absent one of the family built a fire in the store.

-After a courtship of less than 24 hours, John W. Fellip, 34, of Dunbar township, Fayette county, and Miss Susie DeKart. 21. of Leisenring, were granted a marriage license there. At the register and recorder's office Fellip said he had first met Miss De-Kart the evening before. This is the second natrimonial experience for Fellip, whose

-The eleventh annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Bar Association, which will be held at Bedford Springs on June 27th, 28th and 29th, will be marked by the presence of Governor Pennypacker and his wife, who will be guests of the lawyers. The Governor will respond to the toast, "The Commonwealth," at a banquet to be held at the close of the session.

-The Methodists of Central Pennsylvania, comprising some 200 congregations, will hold an outing at Reservoir park, Harrisburg, on June 20th. The committee on arrangements met last Wednesday at the home of Rev. Dr. Isaac Woods, of Grace Methodist Episcopal church, Harrisburg, and decided to make 'Methodist Day" the greatest celebration ever held at that place. -The New York and Pennsylvania com

pany Monday closed a deal whereby they ecame owners of the controlling interest in 8,239 acres of woodland in Beech Creek township. The price for the interest was upwards of \$60,000. The land was purchased from Hopkins & Weymouth, Barber & Keller, Brown & David, of that city, the Detweiler estate, of Lancaster county, and the Dallet and Frismuth heirs of New York and Philadelphia.

-Berwick, Columbia county, missed being the location of the largest car shops in the world last week, says the Bloomsburg Press, because the owners of a 40-acre tract of land jumped the price of their real estate to \$1,200 an acre. The American Car & Foundry Co. of that place contemplated doubling the capacity of their plant and the number of their employes, but the high price asked for the required 40 acres deterred the enlargement indefinitely.

-The Blair county Democratic convention, held there Monday, adopted resolutions scoring the Republican State machine for breaking faith with the people and declared that the only effective check to corrupt legislation is to place the law-making power directly in the hands of the people through the initiative and referendum. The following were nominated : County commissioner, John R. Mac-Farlane, of Altoona, and Calvin Walter, of Claysburg; auditor, William Hayes, of Hollidaysburg and Charles Clare, of Altoona; poor director, H. S. Werts. Bernard J. Clark, of Altoona, was elected chairman of the county committee.