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Democratic State Convention.
Democratic State Headquarters, Harrisburg, Pa., February 6th, 1912.
To the Democrats of Pennsylvania:

In pursuance of the rules governing the Democratic party of Pennsylvania and agreeable to the action of the Democratic State Executive Committee at a special meeting held in the Democratic State Headquarters, Harrisburg, on the last day of February, 1912, notice is hereby given that the Democratic State Convention will assemble in the Majestic Theatre, at Harrisburg, on Tuesday, May 7th, 1912, at 12 o'clock, noon.

The business to be transacted at said convention will be:
The nomination of one candidate for Auditor General.
The nomination of one candidate for State Treasurer.
The nomination of six candidates for Electors at large, and to elect in the manner provided by the rules of the party.
Twelve delegates and twelve alternates at large to the National Democratic Convention.

and to consider such other matters, pertaining to the interests and success of the party in Pennsylvania, as may be brought before it.
WALTER E. RITTER, Chairman
P. GRAY MEEK, Secretary.

To Mark Your Ballot Right

To vote for men who will represent the Democratic party, and not simply a disgruntled faction of it, or who are Democrats all the time and under all circumstances, mark your ballot just as this sample following shows.

Delegate to the National Convention
Vote for Two

Table with 2 columns: Name and Vote. Includes John C Barclay, William A Hagerty, Asher R Johnson, P Gray Meek.

Delegate to State Convention
Vote for One

Table with 2 columns: Name and Vote. Includes Abraham Weber.

Chairman of the County Committee
Vote for One

Table with 2 columns: Name and Vote. Includes Arthur B Kimport, W Harrison Walker.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

PLANK—BECK.—On Monday, April 8th, a very pretty though quiet wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Beck, at Nittany, when their daughter, Miss Helen Beck, was united in marriage to William B. Plank, of Pittsburgh. Promptly at the noon hour the bridal couple entered the parlor and took their places before the officiating minister, Rev. L. N. Fleck, a former pastor, who performed the ceremony which united them for life. The parlor was very prettily decorated in pink and white, and all the immediate relatives were present to witness the happy nuptials. Following the ceremony and shower of congratulations a delicious wedding breakfast was served and later in the day Mr. and Mrs. Plank departed for their future home in Pittsburgh. The bride is one of Nittany valley's well known and popular young ladies and she and her husband have the best wishes of all their friends for their future happiness and prosperity.

BOOZER—SCHOENSTEDT.—On Wednesday, April 3rd, Ralph C. Boozler, of Chicago, Ill., and Miss Louise Schoenstedt, of Joliet, Ill., were quietly married in Chicago. The bridegroom is a well-known Centre countian, being a son of David A. Boozler, of Centre Hall. He holds the responsible position of sales manager for the Joslyn Manufacturing company, one of the largest electrical supply houses in Chicago. His bride is well known and popular among Joliet's most exclusive social set. The young couple will be at home in Chicago after May first.

MILLER—GRIEB.—On Easter Sunday at high noon Mr. Lynn O. Miller and Miss Lulu Anna Grieb, both of Tylersville, Pa., were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Grieb. The ceremony was performed by the pastor of the bride, the Rev. G. A. Stauffer, in the presence of a few relatives and friends. The contracting parties are well known and highly respected in their home community. They have the good wishes of their many friends for a happy and prosperous wedded life.

—A special Easter dance was given in the Bush Arcade hall on Monday evening by Miss Eva Crissman.

SEVEN GOOD REASONS

Why Mr. Kimport Should Not be Re-elected County Chairman.

Because he has already been county chairman for two terms and that is as long as the party management has been permitted to remain in one person's hands in the past.

Because no matter whether he was right or wrong in his action at Harrisburg that action has been the cause of a bitter fight within the party and the fight cannot be ended as long as Mr. Kimport is chairman.

Because he has done what you never heard of another Democratic county chairman doing. This week he has ridden all over the county soliciting Democrats to vote for Mr. Goodhart as against Abram Weber. Do you think Mr. Weber's friends will ever be able to work in harmony with a chairman who has shown such partiality? And, do you as a Democrat, feel sure that such a chairman would treat you or a friend of yours fairly if you were to become a candidate?

Because he is now sending all over the county a marked ticket suggesting to Democrats to vote against P. Gray Meek for National Delegate. And this in spite of the fact that Mr. Meek is the only candidate from Centre county and Centre county has had only three National Delegates in the past forty years.

Because as our county chairman he went to Clearfield several weeks ago and there entered into a deal to give McKean and Clearfield counties the National Delegates from this District when he knew that P. Gray Meek, one of the oldest and hardest working Democrats in his own county, was a candidate for the honor.

Because he does not expect to remain in Bellefonte and is only running for chairman in order that if elected he can appoint a new county committee to suit Mr. Charles Kurtz and then resign and leave the county committee to select a chairman according to the dictation of Mr. Kurtz.

Because if we are going to reorganize the party the very best place to begin the reorganization is right here at home.

Who They Are.

It is right that the Democratic voters of the county should know exactly what kind of men are asking to be sent to represent them in the coming National Democratic Convention.

Two of these men have not been known as Democrats for years—JOHN BARCLAY, of Clearfield, and ASHER JOHNSON, of McKean. Formerly they voted the Democratic ticket, but for several years neither of them have either worked for, nor voted with the Democratic party. In another column of this issue is given a statement, that neither BARCLAY nor any of his friends will deny, showing the dirty treatment that he gave Centre county Democrats, when he had the power to do so. Less than two weeks ago he asserted in the presence of the writer and another gentleman, that he "was not a straight Democrat," but claimed the right to represent the party because he counted himself one and would be one if the party would nominate the candidates he favored.

The other candidate of the disorganizers—MR. ASHER JOHNSON, of McKean county, who claims in his letter to be the "running mate of BARCLAY," makes no pretense of being a Democrat now. He is a member of the Keystone Executive County committee of McKean county and as such has been riding over that county for weeks past to elect three Keystone delegates, to a Keystone State convention, that has been called to meet in Philadelphia to endorse MR. ROOSEVELT as a candidate for President. Last fall he helped defeat the Democratic candidate for county commissioner in McKean county, and with his own and the efforts of others like him, has succeeded in practically annihilating the Democratic party in that county.

MR. HAGERTY, of Clearfield, is a clean-cut, energetic, reliable Democrat—stumping his county every fall for the Democratic ticket and always ready to do his full share for Democratic success. Any Democrat should be proud of the opportunity to vote for him.

As to the Democracy, the work and the trustworthiness of the remaining candidate for this position,—P. GRAY MEEK, the WATCHMAN has nothing to say. You all know him and if you don't think him worthy this little honor, or don't want Centre county to receive it, then vote for men who are strangers to you.

Above all, however, we appeal to you to select men as your representatives to the National convention, who are Democrats and have the good of the party at heart. This is your duty.

ROBERTSON—BRISBIN.—A quiet though quite a pretty wedding took place at High noon on Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Brisbin, at Centre Hall, when their daughter, Miss Roxana Brisbin, became the bride of Mr. George Robertson, of Hartford, Conn. Miss Alice Boone, a niece of the bride from Hartford, played the wedding march which was the signal for the appearance of the bridal couple, who marched into the parlor and took their position before the waiting minister, Dr. W. H. Schuyler, of the Presbyterian church, who performed the ceremony which made them man and wife, using the ring service. The bride wore a gown of Paris muslin over white satin, trimmed with hand-made Irish lace. There were no attendants. Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served and later Mr. and Mrs. Robertson left on the afternoon train on a wedding trip to Atlantic City, from which place they will go direct to Hartford, Conn., where they will be at home after May first at No. 133, Putnam street.

The bride has been a resident of Centre Hall all her life, is quite accomplished and one of the most popular young ladies of that town. Her husband is one of the leading druggists in Hartford and an enterprising young business man. The only guests at the wedding aside from the immediate members of the bride's family were her aunt, Mrs. James Ruble, of Cleveland, Ohio; Miss Boone, of Hartford, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shirk, of Centre Hall.

SHOPE—BOYER.—Clay Shope, of Milesburg, and Miss Marcella Boyer, of Yarnell, were united in marriage at the United Evangelical parsonage at 10:30 o'clock on April 4th, by Rev. C. W. Winey, pastor. May the young couple have a long life of happiness.

—At a late hour Saturday night members of the Undine fire company flushed the brick pavement on Allegheny street and the Diamond and Sunday morning it looked as clean and neat as a new pin. To keep it in a good condition of respectability it should be flushed every Saturday night.

RICE.—The venerable Samuel M. Rice, an old and highly esteemed resident of Bellefonte, died at his home on Water street at 6:20 o'clock on Monday evening. Four years ago he was stricken with paralysis which left him an invalid and since that time he suffered three additional strokes, so that he had been confined to his bed the past year.

Deceased was a son of Jacob and Nancy Rice and was born at Petersburg, Huntingdon county, on October 3rd, 1836, making his age at death 75 years, 6 months and 5 days. Thirty-eight years ago he came to Bellefonte and went to work for the Valentine Iron company as a furnaceman and was one of their most faithful and trusted employees for years. He also worked for their successors until age and declining health compelled his retirement. He was a man of strong principles and was greatly esteemed by all who knew him.

On January 13th, 1860, he was united in marriage to Miss Catharine Woomer, of Taylor township, who survives with three sons and two daughters, namely: John G., David H., Harry, Mrs. Alice Hockenberry and Mrs. Jacob Shirk, all of Bellefonte. He also leaves one brother and two sisters, Harper and Mrs. Jane Campbell, of Bellefonte, and Mrs. Samuel Cupp, of Centre Line, twenty-six grandchildren and nine great-grand children. The funeral was held from his late home at two o'clock yesterday afternoon. Rev. A. F. Weaver, of the United Evangelical church, officiated assisted by Rev. C. C. Shuey. Burial was made in the Sunnyside cemetery.

SOURBECK.—After over a year's illness with tuberculosis Fred Sourbeck died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Sourbeck, in the Garman residence on the corner of Spring and High streets, at ten o'clock on Saturday morning. He came home from Latrobe early in the winter, having been compelled to give up his position there on account of ill health. Early in February he was taken to the Bellefonte hospital for treatment but it becoming evident that his death was only a question of days he was taken home about a week before his death.

Deceased was born in Bellefonte on June 17th, 1870, hence was 41 years, 9 months and 19 days old. His early life was spent in this place but during the latter nineties he spent two or three years in Brooklyn and New York. Seven years ago he went to Latrobe as clerk for his uncle in the Hotel Royal a position he filled until his last illness compelled his retirement and his return home. His death is an unusually severe blow to his parents, as he is the third one of the family to die within two or three years. In addition to his parents he is survived by one sister, Mrs. Herbert Bellringer, of Brooklyn, and one brother, John, of Burnham. The funeral was held from the Catholic church at ten o'clock on Wednesday morning, burial being made in the Catholic cemetery.

YOUNGMAN.—John Youngman, one of the oldest if not the oldest, newspaper men in the county, died at the home of his sister in Sunbury on Saturday night from a general breaking down of the system. He was within a month of being eighty-one years old and was born in the same house in which he died. When but nineteen years of age he with his brother assumed the management of the Sunbury Gazette, a paper established by his father, and conducted it from 1850 to 1883 when publication was suspended. When the late lamented Joseph W. Furey resigned as associate editor of the DEMOCRATIC WATCHMAN, about 1886, Mr. Youngman succeeded him and for four years did the local and most of the editorial work on this paper. From Bellefonte he went to Philadelphia and worked at his profession in various places until 1904 when he returned to Sunbury, the home of his birth, and became an editorial writer on the Sunbury Daily. Failing health the past few years kept him from active newspaper work, though up until quite recently he contributed occasional articles, being a fluent and forceful writer.

MEISS.—Mrs. Anna M. Meiss, wife of J. H. Meiss, of Osceola Mills, formerly of Philipsburg, died on March 30th of myxomatosis, aged 42 years, 9 months and 20 days. Deceased was a daughter of Andrew and Sarah Cassel and was born at Williamsburg, Blair county. In addition to her husband she is survived by two sons and two daughters, namely: George, Charles F., Gertrude and Mary, all of Osceola Mills. She also leaves one sister, a brother and a half-brother. Funeral services were held at her late home on April 2nd by Rev. E. A. Deavor, of the Methodist church, of which she was a member, after which burial was made in the Osceola Mills cemetery.

ATHERTON.—Mrs. Benjamin Atherton died at her home at Jersey Shore on Sunday after a lingering illness. Her maiden name was Wilson and she was born at Julian, this county, fifty-eight years ago. In addition to her husband she is survived by two sisters and two brothers, one of the latter being Charles Wilson, of Julian. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon, burial being made at Jersey Shore.

RAUSHAU.—Irene, one of the five weeks old twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. William Rauschau, of Bellevue, Ohio, died on Tuesday night of last week and the remains were brought east by Mrs. Rauschau's mother, Mrs. Peter Meyers, and taken to Philipsburg, where they were buried on Thursday evening. Mrs. Rauschau was formerly Miss Myers, a graduate nurse of the Bellefonte hospital.

YOTHERS.—Joseph William Yothers died at his home in Bradford township, Clearfield county, on March 20th after six weeks illness with a complication of diseases which culminated in an attack of apoplexy. He was seventy-five years of age and was born at Milesburg, this county, and for seven years he was tax collector of Bradford township and was a most capable official.

VALENTINE.—A peculiarly sad death in Bellefonte was that of Harry C. Valentine Jr., which occurred at the home of his parents on Curtin street about nine o'clock on Monday evening. The young man had been a sufferer the past year or more with Bright's disease and had been under the care of the best physicians obtainable. For some time past he had been considerably improved and on Saturday evening was down town. He got up Sunday morning feeling very well and was getting ready to go to church when he was suddenly stricken. Notwithstanding the fact that everything that medical science could do was done he grew steadily worse and died on Monday evening.

Deceased was born in Bellefonte on January 18th, 1893, and was the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Valentine, at his death being just 19 years, 2 months and 21 days old. He was a student at the Bellefonte Academy when first affected with the disease which finally caused his death, but the past year or so had been under treatment constantly. He was a bright and promising youth and to be cut down just at the dawn of manhood is a severe blow to his family and friends.

Surviving him are his grief-stricken parents, one brother, Stanley B., of Pittsburgh, and two sisters, Misses Helen and Rebecca, at home. The funeral was held from his parents home on Curtin street at three o'clock on Thursday afternoon, burial being made in the Union cemetery.

MARSHALL.—At ten o'clock yesterday morning Mrs. Mary Allen Marshall, widow of the late Joseph W. Marshall, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles F. Cook, on Spring street. While she had been in poor health for several years her last serious illness dated from last Thanksgiving.

Deceased's maiden name was Mary Allen and she was born in Dauphin county on March 9th, 1825. When a girl her parents moved to Centre county and in December, 1849, she was united in marriage to Joseph W. Marshall and all her married life was spent on the farm on Buffalo Run. She was a member of the Presbyterian church all her life. Surviving her are eight of her nine children, as follows: William A., of Kansas City; Mrs. Charles F. Cook, Bellefonte; J. L. Marshall, of Buffalo Run; Mrs. Myra Musser, of Boggs township; Mrs. Harry Shively, of Bellefonte; Mrs. Alice Alexander, of Unionville; Mrs. David Campbell, of Linden Hall, and James G., of Niagara Falls. Samuel Ainsworth died in Kansas about three years ago. All her brothers and sisters are also dead. Up to the time of going to press with the WATCHMAN arrangements had not been completed for the funeral.

ELLEN BERGER.—Just at the hour of noon on Sunday the spirit of Mrs. Anna Ellenberger, wife of Henry Ellenberger, of Marengo, passed away after a long and painful illness with diabetes. She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Martin Farber and was born at Pennsylvania Furnace about fifty years ago. When but twenty years of age she became the wife of Henry Ellenberger and to them were born fourteen children, twelve of whom survive. She also leaves several brothers and sisters. When a girl she became a member of the Ross M. E. church and was one of its most faithful attendants all her life. She was a good and loving wife and mother, a kind neighbor and a faithful friend, so that her death is universally mourned in that entire neighborhood. The funeral was held at one o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. Rev. M. J. Runyan had charge of the services which were held at her late home after which burial was made in the Ross cemetery.

SMITH.—Mrs. Anna Lewis Smith, widow of the late Thomas Smith, died at her home in Blanchard on Sunday morning of cerebral hemorrhage. She was aged 88 years, 1 month and 24 days. Surviving her are four children, namely: Joseph, of Liberty township; Mrs. Ephriam Gardner and Miss Emma, of Blanchard, and Mrs. Irvin DeLong, of Emporia, Virginia. The funeral was held from the Disciple church in Blanchard on Wednesday afternoon, burial being made in the Disciple cemetery.

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BOAL.—Mrs. Elizabeth Rachael Boal, widow of John Shannon Boal, died at her home in Centre Hall at 2:10 o'clock on Sunday morning. She had been a sufferer for more than two years with a complication of diseases and for the past two weeks had been confined to her bed.

Deceased's maiden name was Elizabeth Rachael Cunningham and she was born in Mifflin county on July 31st, 1836, hence was aged 75 years, 8 months and 8 days. On February 18th, 1857, she was united in marriage to J. Shannon Boal and all her life since was spent in Potter township and in Centre Hall.

She was a member of the Presbyterian church for many years and was a woman who by her many kind and charitable acts won a host of friends who sincerely mourn her demise. Her husband died on Easter morning one year ago but surviving her are three grand-children, Ralph, Elizabeth and Edith Booser.

The funeral was held from her late home in Centre Hall at ten o'clock Tuesday morning. Dr. W. H. Schuyler had charge of the services and burial was made in the Centre Hall cemetery.

KUHN.—Mrs. Elizabeth Kuhn, wife of Alexander Kuhn, was found dead in bed at her home in Boalsburg yesterday morning. She and her husband were out calling on friends Wednesday evening and she was in the best of health. Yesterday morning he got up and made the fire then called his wife. Getting no response he went to the bedroom and was horrified to find her dead. Heart failure was assigned as the cause. Deceased, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Hummel was about 71 years of age. She was the last surviving member of her father's family. Surviving her are her husband and two step-sons, William, of Williamsport, and Mervin, of Boalsburg. She was a member of the Lutheran church all her life. No arrangements have been made for the funeral.

POORMAN.—Mrs. Mattie Poorman, widow of the late William Poorman, died in the Bellefonte hospital on Tuesday morning after a long illness with kidney trouble and dropsy. Her maiden name was Mattie Butler and she was well known in Bellefonte having lived here several years. Her husband died on June 5th, 1911, since which time Mrs. Poorman had made her home with Mr. and Mrs. John Watson, in Boggs township. She is survived by two daughters. The remains were taken to the Fleming Poorman home in Holt's Hollow from where the funeral was held yesterday afternoon, burial being made in the Advent cemetery.

The Beech Creek High school commencement exercises were held last Friday evening. County superintendent Ira N. McCloskey, of Lock Haven, made the commencement address and the six graduates were as follows: J. Fred Wynn, Sylvia Mae Miller, Nevin G. McCloskey, Doyle Heverly, G. Willard Snyder and Lucy E. Mantle.

Treasurer Held Up and \$3700 Stolen. Thomas C. Allen, treasurer of the Glassboro, N. J., Building and Loan association, was sandbagged and robbed on the outskirts of the city.

Six hundred dollars in cash and \$3100 in checks were taken. He had been at a meeting of the association and there as a big sale of stock, as it was the quarterly meeting.

Mr. Allen says that his assailant was short and heavy and was rather roughly dressed. All of the stolen checks were payable to the building and loan association and an effort has been made to reach all who gave them to have payment stopped.

The hold-up occurred on the Glassboro and Camden turnpike, when Mr. Allen was nearing his own home. There was no safe at the meeting place and it was customary for Allen to carry the receipts home with him. It is supposed that some one familiar with the amount of money he was carrying was the highwayman.

Calf Venison and Veal. Wilson White, a McVeytown, Pa., butcher, purchased a freak calf from Joseph Harshberger, of Bratton township.

The calf, which is eight weeks old, seems to be veal and venison in equal proportions. The markings of the deer are a round nose, long, slender legs; carries its head high; has pointed ears sticking straight from the head and moves about in leaps and bounds instead of the even strides of the domesticated animal.

The animal's mother, a young heifer, was in pasture with deer in the Licking Creek Valley, in the heart of the Blue Ridge mountains, the past summer and fall.

Thirty Lashes Remitted. Charles B. Wright, a prisoner who has been suffering from the effect of receiving forty lashes on his bare back at the jail yard whipping post in Wilmington, Del., for wife beating, received commutation of his sentence. Thirty additional lashes, due to a sentence, were remitted.

Rob Lynchers Negro Court Released. Released because positive proof was lacking when arraigned on a charge of having written letters to a young white woman, Thomas Miles, a negro, was lynched in Shreveport, La. The body was found swinging from a tree, riddled with bullets.

Rat Bit Hole in His Cheek. Awakened by a severe pain, Charles Reed, of Paris, near Washington, Pa., found that a rat, which he struck with his hand, had chewed a hole in his cheek and badly lacerated his ear. Reed's condition is serious.