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American Citizens Abroad.

A great many otherwise intelligent persons have an entirely erroneous impression of the obligations of government to citizens who engage in enterprises abroad. This fact may be accounted for, in some measure at least, in the policies pursued by recent administrations in pursuance of what has come to be known as "Dollar Diplomacy."

Take the case of American citizens engaged in business ventures in Mexico, for example. Many of our contemporaries expressed the greatest measure of indignation because President WILSON in his recent message to Congress recommended American citizens engaged in Mexico to come home or seek safety for their persons by leaving Mexico.

When a citizen of the United States, influenced by cupidity or ambition, engages in a hazardous undertaking abroad, he does it at his own risk, just as he engages in similar employment at home. The government is under no obligation to guarantee the safety of a man employed at hazardous work about machinery, in powder mills or other dangerous occupations.

Bull Moose Activity.

The activity of the Bull Moosers of this State shows that though BILL FLINN may be in the hospital, his check book is always within reach. No other party is making half the effort for organization. The Republicans are moving in some sections to adjust factional differences, but doing little work preparatory for future campaigns.

But the Bull Moosers are working everywhere and working hard. Clubs have been organized and are being maintained in every community of considerable population and public meetings are being held systematically throughout the State.

The meeting in Galeton, Potter county, the other evening was only the beginning of a series of gatherings which BOSS FLINN has financed and the party is preparing to hold in every section of the State between this time and the campaign for Governor next year.

Wonders Where He's At.

From the Dallas News. The last heard from Gen. Felix Diaz he seemed not to be certain whether he was up a tree or in a hole.

—Have your Job Work done here.

Let Common Sense Prevail.

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As we said above Reorganization was effected in our party in the State and county a year ago so that it is not the issue now. Rather, ought we now to be looking for results of it. Something better than we had ever had in party organizations was promised us, something more efficient and inspiring. We are neither criticizing nor endorsing it. We are stating a plain truth when we say that the results in Centre county are not such as to inspire much hope.

All but a few of the voters who voted for Reorganization of the party were sincere. They did it because they thought the party needed reorganization, and so it may have, but common sense tells us that no Democrat would have voted for the kind of Reorganization that has left the organization in Centre county in the sorry state it is in, had he known then what he knows now.

"RAISING HELL IN THE PARTY."

After calling him "liar," "malicious liar," "traitor" and most every other name known to his vile vocabulary the editor of the Centre Democrat now accuses P. GRAY MEEK of "raising hell in the Democratic party." This reminds us of the old lawyer who once gave advice to a young lawyer who went to him to consult concerning a case that had been entrusted to him. The older attorney told the young fellow "When you have a weak case jump in and give the other side hell."

The Democrat would have you believe that because COL. TAYLOR is supporting Mr. SMITH for State Committeeman Mr. SMITH should not be elected. What has COL. TAYLOR to do with it? What if he did support his brother BERT, who was the Republican nominee for Legislature against our party candidate, the late Hon. J. C. MEYER. Was it any worse for Col. TAYLOR to support his own brother for an office than it was for Col. D. F. FORTNEY, COL. JOHN A. WOODWARD, COL. J. L. SPANGLER, Mr. ZERBY's father and many other Democratic leaders in Centre county to openly support the late DANIEL H. HASTINGS for Governor?

We are not recounting these facts for the pleasure there is in the writing. We are not telling them to you to excuse or condemn COL. TAYLOR. COL. FORTNEY or any of the others concerned. We are telling them to you because they are facts and facts that should help you as an intelligent, honest Democrat to make up your mind that when the Centre Democrat talks about "raising hell" in the Democratic party it is only trying to deceive you into overlooking the fact that Satan himself couldn't have "raised more hell" in the party in the county, than the little "faction" that is now in control of that paper is trying its best to do.

Weasel Darklantern Zerby, the Political Peddler.

To the Democratic Voters of Centre County:—

This is the first article that I have penned and published in politics in more than twenty-three years of loyal, honest service to the Democracy of Centre county. But, from the fact that now I am not County Chairman; am not a candidate myself, or directing any fight, but am an individual Democrat and have the right and choice to support any candidate for any nomination or any office within the gift of the party, then to be traduced or maligned for such action by any person, persons or publication—I refer to the editorial in the Centre Democrat of Thursday, August 28th., which editorial I desire every Democrat in Centre county to read, in order that he can fully understand this article.

I have always stood squarely against personalities in party papers, and have always frowned upon quarrels in our party between Democratic organs. None tend to up-lift, build up or strengthen our breastworks, but all tend to tear down. Although I issue this article, at this time, you will bear with me, as my first and last thought is of the harmony and success of our party. My mission when County Chairman was harmony and success. To every Democrat a square deal.

The above subject of this article, with his darklantern political methods, is responsible for the editorial of the 28th. is a candidate for State Committeeman, and he favors a new policy in the political history of our party that attacks individuals in public, and in secret, to further his success, instead of making a square fight. He cries faction. We know no faction; we want no faction. But, since he has been a worker in the party, he is the primary cause of most of the factional discord. He differs from the weasel from the fact that the weasel can pass through any opening into which he gets his head, because his head is larger than any other part of his body. He cries out that I urged him to betray the Democratic party when the late Hon. J. C. MEYER was a candidate for the Legislature. He lies and he knows he lies. Taking the action of HARRY KELLER, Esq., as a precedent, who was County Chairman of the Republican party and who when his brother-in-law, Judge ELLIS L. ORVIS, was nominated on the Democratic ticket, resigned and then took up the Chairmanship after the election was over. I advised ZERBY to do the same, under the circumstances.

The late J. C. MEYER was my friend and teacher, was my brother's attorney for years prior to the election, during the election and afterwards until the day of his death; was one of the finest men that Centre county ever produced. A few days after that campaign was on me met me on the street, smiled and said "I am sorry, Taylor, that I do not have you with me in this fight. I know you are going to stand by your brother and I commend you for it; I could expect nothing else. I would do the same thing under the circumstances." Yet, ZERBY, like a ghoul in the night, holds up the dead before him for protection to further his cause. What do you think of it? What can you expect of a man who wears his armor on his back?

I have always been taught that the character assassin is more deadly and dangerous than he who steals into a house in the dead of night, intent on murder or rape. The only time in my long service to the party that I ever attempted to defeat a candidate on the Democratic ticket, was for councilman in the Borough of Bellefonte; a prominent and able business man whom the leaders thought should be chastised for his actions toward the party. At their request I stood against him. He was defeated, and ZERBY was one of my first lieutenants in that election, yet holds himself out as an angel of Democracy. I could relate you more, and will if I am compelled to defend myself again.

When ZERBY asks you for your support, ask him how many candidates on the Democratic ticket he has fought bitterly. How many candidates, when County Chairman, has he attempted to defeat for the nomination, when it is the Chairman's place to keep harmony and stand neutral.

Ask him how many candidates he has secretly brought out in the party to disrupt it and break up the harmony, when the men announced did not suit him. Ask him, was the county Democratic when he received the chairmanship. Ask him what was its complexion when he retired as Chairman. Ask him if he has not peddled everything in sight, and made promises that were never carried out. Ask him if he attempted to peddle wholesale and retail liquor licenses in Centre county, when he knew he was lying. Ask him if he wasn't paid for his services to the Democracy for years. Ask him if he did not have one of his best friends sell out a fine business, promising him the nomination and election for an office and, later, finding that it did not suit him, advised him to withdraw. There has never been in this county such base betrayal of friendship in all the political history since it was organized.

I yield to no man my standard as a Democrat and my Democracy. I learned it at the feet of the great JOHN H. ORVIS, and the late C. M. BOWER, Esq. Two hours after BRYAN was nominated, in 1896, I made a speech on the court house steps, and during the campaign, spoke in every school house in Centre county where political meetings were held. I went with him on his special car, from the city of Pittsburgh to Madison Square Garden, New York, where he made his speech of acceptance. I have stood by him ever since, and was for BRYAN from the bottom of my heart when this man ZERBY was traducing him. I have always

supported him, and a few years ago I was the only Democrat from Centre county who went to Altoona where he delivered a lecture. I sat by his side at the dinner table, at the University Club. My support for the Wilson administration is stronger than this man who attempts to disrupt our party in the county. I am in favor of organization, harmony and equity in party privileges. I have no quarrel with him because he is a candidate for Committeeman; that is his right, but I think he is the last man in the county to ask for it, or receive the honor. But I have the right, and will always defend it, to support W. F. Smith, ex-prothonotary, for this position, whose Democracy, honor and integrity is above reproach.

Many years ago, when a boy, "BILL" SMITH stood by me financially. He supported me in all campaigns when I was County Chairman, and was a tower of strength to the success of Democracy. My record is known in Centre county as one who never deceives or deserts a true friend, and I plant my standard on that rock and there I will stay until the day of doom.

In this same article Senator P. G. MEEK and the Hon. JAMES SCHOFIELD are maligned. They are able to take care of themselves, and there are no stronger, truer, better Democrats and supporters of the administration than these two gentlemen, who have given the very best years of their life to the party.

A vote for W. F. SMITH will mean harmony in the party. Where is there in all Centre county a more noble Democrat and a man who will represent us all more carefully, considerably and to the best interests of the whole party, and the success of all?

The real reason that Zerby is antagonistic to me personally, while he would try to make you believe otherwise, is that some years ago, shortly after Zerby was chosen County Chairman, I advised a close personal friend of mine and of his, that too close a business or professional relation might be injurious in the long run. I did this with the best interests of the parties concerned, and had no thought in my heart to injure Zerby.

But, why take up your time and the space in this paper to mention the subject of this article? Why should I waste my lather to shave an ass.

Sept. 2nd, 1913.

H. S. TAYLOR.

Republicans Working for Salary.

The policy of the Republicans in Congress to put currency legislation over until next session is now obvious. Why they have adopted that course is not equally clear. If there were even the shadow of a chance of changing the political complexion of either branch of Congress at the next election their plans could be understood. They could then hope to defeat currency reform legislation altogether, for a Republican majority in either House or Senate would mean a continuance of the present system of fostering the financial trust. But even without Democratic gains at the next election both branches of Congress are secure in Democratic majorities for several years to come.

Senator WEEKS, of Massachusetts, the most experienced banker in Congress admits the necessity for currency legislation. "But I do not agree with the President," he adds, "that there is any emergency that makes revision of the currency laws essential this month or this week or next month. I can easily demonstrate that the banks of the country and the treasury itself are in as good condition now as they were at this time last year." But that is not sufficient. They ought to be in better shape now than a year ago for the guarantee that the administration will be against currency or credit manipulation ought to have a strengthening influence alike upon the banks and the treasury.

The fact that the Republican minority in Congress has set its face against currency legislation at this session ought to make the majority the more determined to exact such legislation. The future of the country commercially and industrially is most promising. The certainty of early tariff revision downward has inspired hope. But as the President said in his message on currency legislation financial reform is necessary to supplement the tariff legislation in order to give the people the best and speediest improvement. There should be no recess of Congress after the passage of the tariff bill. In fact there should be no recess until the work of the session is completed.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

LEWIS.—Mrs. Jane Lewis, wife of James Lewis, died at her home at Dix on Thursday of last week after an illness of six weeks with cancer of the stomach. Her maiden name was Jane Crain and she was born in Canoe valley, Blair county, over sixty years ago. She was married to Mr. Lewis about forty years ago and most of her life since has been spent in Bald Eagle valley. In addition to her husband she is survived by the following brothers and sisters: William Crain, of Port Matilda; Wesley, of Williamsburg; Mrs. Ada Lewis, of Dix, and Mrs. Miles Dickson, of Tyrone. Funeral services were held at her late home at ten o'clock on Sunday morning by Rev. Mr. Cook, of Port Matilda, after which burial was made in the Bald Eagle cemetery.

SCHENCK.—Following a long illness with a complication of diseases David Schenck, a well known farmer of Howard township, died on Thursday night of last week, aged seventy-three years. His death was hastened by a stroke of paralysis sustained two weeks previous. Deceased was a native of Howard township and was highly respected by all who knew him. He was a member of the Hunter Run Methodist church for many years. Surviving him are his wife, one son and three daughters. Burial was made in the Schenck cemetery on Sunday afternoon.

STOVER.—Miss Marcella Stover, daughter of Charles and Sadie Elizabeth Lutz Stover, died at the Bellefonte hospital on Saturday of last week of heart failure, following a protracted illness with tuberculosis. She was born on September 29th, 1899, hence was 13 years, 11 months and 1 day old. The funeral was held on Tuesday, burial being made in the Centre Hall cemetery.

SAGER.—Louise, the infant son of Clementine and Blanche Whippo Sager, died at the Bellefonte hospital on Wednesday of last week, aged 4 months and 17 days. The remains were laid to rest the same day in the Union cemetery.

stitutions of the North and West. It has a membership of some three thousand, among whom are many men distinguished in the educational and professional world, probably the best known being the Hon. Oscar W. Underwood, potent factor in national affairs. The chapter at State, which is the first to be established in Pennsylvania, will be installed during the coming fall.

HUNTERS' LICENSES RECEIVED BY COUNTY TREASURER MILLER.—County treasurer John D. Miller on Monday received from the State Game Commission the hunters licenses, now required by every person who wants to hunt game of any kind, in accordance to an Act passed by the last Legislature. One thousand licenses were received by Mr. Miller and if this number is not sufficient to supply the hunters of Centre county more can be secured.

All applications for a license must state the applicants full name, residence, age, height, color of hair, color of eyes and nationality. Persons applying for a license should bear this in mind as failure to give the above facts will result in no license being granted. The fee for a license is one dollar.

PINE GROVE MENTION.

Rev. L. S. Spangler is off on a month's vacation. John Bathgate is erecting an Indiana silo of 100 tons capacity. Our section is well represented at the county fair this week. A. H. Hartsock transacted business at Harrisburg last week. O. F. Shaw and wife spent Sunday among friends at Warriorsmark. Some of our farmers are done seeding. Oliver Piolet Bloom is one of them. Mrs. Mary Port Smith and little Eliza are down from Altoona for a brief outing. Harvest Home services were held in the Pine Hall Reformed church last Sunday. Mrs. Austin Brungart, of Zion, and grand-son, Austin Hoy, are visiting friends here. John Behrens sustained a heavy loss on Sunday, when his Percheron stallion died. Foster Bailey, of Trenton, N. J., is home on account of the illness of his father, T. S. Bailey. Rev. J. O. C. McCracken and family came over from Johnstown for a little outing among friends. H. O. Bathgate, of Pittsburgh, and Hamill Bathgate, of Altoona, spent the Sabbath at the family home. Mrs. John Krumrine, who was taken to the Bellefonte hospital last week, is in a critical condition.

Harry Rossmann and family, of Bellefonte, are spending their vacation among friends in this section. Amos Koch, the popular hotel proprietor at Boalsburg, transacted business at Fairport on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Decker were at Altoona Tuesday attending the funeral of their granddaughter. Our Wanamaker, N. J. Krebs, while felling a tree, slashed his left trotter and is now using crutches. Bert Mueser attended the Williams Grove picnic last week and has been on the sick list ever since. Miss Hester Neese, of Penn Hall, and Miss Ruth Koch, of Boalsburg, are visiting friends at Fairport. Mrs. Daniel Kustaborder was taken to the Altoona hospital Wednesday, to undergo a surgical operation.

W. H. Roush and family are arranging to fit to Oak Hall. Mr. Roush will have charge of the planing mill there. Mrs. W. C. Patterson and Mrs. D. C. Krebs drove over from State College and spent Friday at the Sallie Fortney home. Grant Hoover, the popular insurance man of Williamsport, and his wife are visiting the Crosthwaite family at State College. Miss Ethel Dale, of Bellefonte, is visiting friends here before returning to Baltimore college, from where she will graduate next June. Margaret Peters, who for the past year has held a good clerical position in New York city, came home for the Centre county fair.

The public sale of the old church fixtures at Gatesburg last Saturday amounted to \$160.00. The new edifice is almost ready for dedication. Mrs. Elizabeth Pyscher, of Williamsport, and Mrs. Hamilton, of Bellefonte, were royally entertained at the A. S. Walker home, on the Branch. D. Ross Gregory and wife, of Neff's Mills, enjoyed an early Sunday drive over Tussey and spent the day at the Scott Bailey home, at State College. Dr. H. H. Hoover and bride, after a month's wedding tour have returned to State College, where the doctor holds a position in the department of Animal Husbandry. We are glad to note the recovery of Mrs. Charles McGinnis Hood, who returned home from the hospital last Thursday, able to take charge of her household affairs.

The weather still continues dry and farming is almost at a stand-still, as the farmers cannot sow the ground they have plowed, and there is lots of land to plow that they can do nothing with. Mrs. Wm. H. Fry, of Tacoma, Wash., with her two sons, Donald and Edwin, who have been visiting friends at their old home in Maine and New Hampshire, are now for the first time, visiting in the Keystone State.

Paul Kimpfort, who was taken to the Wills Eye hospital in Philadelphia last week for treatment, returned home Saturday very much improved. His sight will be restored and the scars on his face are healing nicely. Col. John Lemon spent Tuesday in Tyrone on a little real estate business that he is interested in, especially the Toe Hill ore mines, which have been in litigation for half a century and are now about to be closed up.

Mrs. J. B. Lemon last week entertained a house party at her home at Gatesburg which included Mrs. James Rider, of Manor Hill; Mrs. James Reeder, of Altoona, and Mrs. Sadie Lemon and daughter Helen, of Morgantown, W. Va. Mrs. Harry Patterson with her son, William Calvin, are spending several weeks at the home of Mrs. W. C. Patterson, at State College. Harry Patterson, a former State boy, is now president of the Maryland State Agricultural College.

Mrs. Margaret Shoenerberger Keller, the oldest resident of Boalsburg, celebrated her ninety-third birthday anniversary on Wednesday with an outdoor gathering on the McFarlane farm. She was born on the old Shoenerberger farm near Boalsburg and spent her entire life in that vicinity. Five of her children are still living, and she has thirty grand-children, thirty-four great-grand-children and two great, great-grand-children.

—The best Job Work done here.