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Democratic County Ticket.

- For Sheriff, GEO. H. RICHARDS, of Philipsburg.
For Prothonotary, D. R. FOREMAN, of Bellefonte.
For Treasurer, JAMES E. HARTER, of Penn Twp.
For Register, J. FRANK SMITH, of Bellefonte.
For Recorder, W. FRANCIS SPEER, of Bellefonte.
For County Commissioners, W. H. NOLL, Jr., of Spring Twp.
D. A. GROVE, of College Twp.
For District Attorney, D. PAUL FORTNEY, of Bellefonte.
For County Auditor, JEREMIAH BRUNGART, Miles Twp.
SINIE H. HOY, of Benner Twp.
For County Surveyor, PAUL L. WETZEL, of Bellefonte.

District Attorney.

For this office the people have nominated D. PAUL FORTNEY, who by the will of the voters has very honorably, satisfactorily, and worthily prosecuted the pleas of the Commonwealth since the beginning of 1912. It being the custom to give to all officers who faithfully met and performed the obligations of the office they held, two terms, he was accorded a second nomination and he should be given another term on his merits.

No District Attorney has met and overcome the difficulties and prosecuted all manner of pleas on the part of the Commonwealth with more care and dignity and more successfully than the candidate now before the people. He conducts cases very successfully as was clearly shown in the cases of the Commonwealth against JOHN MOSARACH, and the Commonwealth against JOHN ROBINSON and others for the murder of HENRY CONFER.

These are only instances, but the manner in which he conducts a prosecution extends over the entire period he has been in office.

Under an Act of Assembly approved the 15th day of April 1907, providing that in all kind of criminal cases, excepting homicide cases, the persons charged with a crime may enter a plea of guilty without the presentation of a bill of indictment to a grand jury. As is usually the case with persons charged with a crime innocence is stoutly maintained. Only when such persons are confronted with what the Commonwealth can and will produce against them do they come and enter a plea of guilty.

Putting a person charged with a crime in a position from which he is brought to the conclusion that there is no escape the District Attorney accomplishes much and saves to the people all the cost of witnesses, ranging anywhere from two to ten dollars in each case.

The office of District Attorney as a rule brings the officer invariably in contact with the worst elements of humanity. In all this Mr. FORTNEY, during all the time he has occupied the office, has treated defendants and prosecutors kindly and courteously and conducted all prosecutions with the energy and ability due from him and yet not vindictively. For D. PAUL FORTNEY, a young man with energy and ability, well educated, of genial disposition, and forceful character we bespeak the support of all voters.

What Careful Auditors Have Done.

Everyone has been amazed at what wonderful savings in the management of the county's business have been accomplished by the present county officials. While the County Commissioners, Messrs NOLL and GROVE are the men who have brought all these savings about they could not have effected any such results as are shown had not every other county official worked in harmony with their plans for economy. From the Sheriff's office down to that of the Auditors there has been splendid team work. Every leak, every needless expenditure has been taboo in every office in the county with the result that in three years time there has been an actual cash saving of \$132,920.23. Almost \$45,000.00 a year.

Just to show you how these wonders have been worked without reducing the service in any of the offices let us show you how, in the mere matter of auditing the county accounts, there has been an almost unbelievable contribution to this magnificent saving fund.

It cost the Board of Auditors of 1908, 1909, and 1910 \$5690.89 to audit and circulate the statements in three papers for three years, or \$1896.96 per year.

It cost the present Board of Auditors of 1911, 1912, 1913, and 1914—\$4247.11 to audit and circulate the statements in from six to nine papers for four years, or \$1061.77 per year.

A saving of \$835.19 per year in favor of the present Board. That is what team work does. That is how it pays you to have men in office who are not afraid of some political boss. Men who have the courage to stand up and look out for your interests whether it pleases some little "inside ring" or not. Vote for BRUNGART and HOY.

Judge Orvis Will Not Get a Pension.

There seems to be more or less misunderstanding among some of the voters in Centre county concerning the status of Judge ORVIS with relation to the Judge's Pension Act. In order that the whole question may be cleared up finally let us state the following:

By Act of Assembly Judges of the Supreme and Superior courts may be retired AFTER TWENTY YEARS SERVICE on the bench at half their regular salary, provided they have reached the age of 70 years during the service.

Judges of the courts of Common Pleas, or county judges, may be retired AFTER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS SERVICE on the bench, at half their salary, provided they have attained the age of 70 years during their service.

Thus it will be seen that the re-election of Judge ORVIS for another term of ten years will not bring him under the provisions of the Act. In the first place, at the expiration of his second term he will have served only twenty-one years, or four years short of the service required to secure him a pension. In the second place, after Judge ORVIS has completed his second term on the bench he will not then be 70 years of age so that he would therefore also be ineligible to be retired under the Pension Act.

While there is no need of discussing, at this time, the wisdom of pension legislation because it does not apply to the Judge to be chosen next Tuesday, the fact remains that some people who are trying to fool others into voting against Judge ORVIS for fear he might get a pension, are openly advocating the election of Judges ORLADY and HEAD to the Superior court bench, both of whom will be eligible to the pension.

Judge ORLADY had the largest vote at the primaries that was cast for any candidate, yet he is running for his third term and will be 70 years old long before he completes the service and will be eligible to retire at half his regular salary. He received nearly twice as many votes in Centre county as either of the candidates for county Judge.

Can't you see how inconsistent and untruthful is the story that is being used to create sentiment against Judge ORVIS, who can't possibly come under the provisions of the Pension Act at the end of his second term, when the very same people who are circulating it are urging you to vote for Judges ORLADY and HEAD, both of whom will come under its provisions.

There is another angle to look at this matter from. Three years ago, when state road work was beginning to take on the appearance of a substantial undertaking in Centre county readers of the WATCHMAN were told to keep an eye on Mr. HENRY CUTE QUIGLEY. The whole program of how he intended to organize the workers in the State's employ into a machine for his own benefit was published by this paper. The state road work, the forestry department and the new penitentiary were seized upon by him as means to his end. He succeeded in working two of them so successfully that everyone knows that no one has been able to get a day's employment on state road work unless he is acceptable to Mr. QUIGLEY. So far as having been able to use the penitentiary is concerned he fell down, because there is a real, strong man there in JOHN FRANCIES, who has a problem to work out, a problem the very principles of which involve the disregard of machine politics.

With the lever of the state road and forestry jobs Mr. QUIGLEY began building up a QUIGLEY Machine. He even seized the organization of his own party and manipulated it to the end that he made a showing at the primaries that surprised even the most sanguine of his lieutenants.

The WATCHMAN was not surprised, because it knew what Mr. QUIGLEY was working to and had revealed his game several years before.

Now to come back to the pension matter again. Those of you who are opposed to putting Judges on the bench who might eventually become eligible to a pension have far more to fear in Mr. QUIGLEY than you have in Judge ORVIS, for this reason:

Mr. QUIGLEY is a machine politician. He is fooling even his own party men when he states what he will do for the Republican organization if elected. He will do nothing of the sort. He is for QUIGLEY and a QUIGLEY organization. He courts power, he glories in bossing. If he is made Judge of Centre county, mark the prediction, he will build a machine for himself through the state road work, the licenses and the other opportunities that come to the hand of a Judge who would use them for that purpose, that will be well nigh unbreakable. He is a young man and at the end of ten years he would succeed himself on the bench and still being a comparatively young man he would succeed himself the second time, thus bringing himself under the provisions of the Pension Act that is so much feared by some.

These are not dreams, they are facts founded on an intimate knowledge of the character and ambition of Mr. QUIGLEY. If you don't want a Judge in Centre county who will some day be drawing a pension don't vote for him.

Aside from all this the question of fitness is paramount. Judge ORVIS never was a politician. His record on the bench proves that he is not a political Judge. Had he prostituted his judicial opportunities to his personal aggrandizement it is not beyond the bounds of reason to say that he could have built up a personal machine that would have given him fifty-per cent of the total vote of the primaries and he would have had no opposition now.

Judge ORVIS is and always has been a lawyer and a student. He has turned a deaf ear always to political manipulators and devoted himself to the most honorable service in the exalted office he holds.

It is not a reflection on the ability of Mr. QUIGLEY to say that Judge ORVIS is better fitted for the office than he is.

His very nature is serious and profound, he has given his life to the study of law in the most analytical way, he has had ten years of experience to add to a splendid equipment when he went onto the bench and he is the safest man to entrust with the last word as to your property rights, your lives, your liberty and your family happiness.

The election of a Judge is a grave matter for anyone to have a voice in. Let us regard it as such.

Be Careful, Everybody.

Next Tuesday will be election day. Men of all political beliefs who wish to perform their duties as good citizens will go to the polls to vote.

The ballot that will be given them will be large and cumbersome. It will present the name of every candidate who is running for an office in the precinct, county and State.

There is just one point that we want to call particular attention to, for the benefit of every voter, irrespective of his party affiliations.

At the primaries each voter was handed two ballots: One of the party with which he was affiliated, the other a non-partisan ballot on which he had to vote his preference for Judge.

Next Tuesday only one ballot will be given to the voters. On it will appear the party nominees, as well as the non-partisan aspirants for judicial honor.

If you vote a straight Democratic ticket or a straight Republican ticket REMEMBER that that won't be a vote for any of the judicial candidates.

The man who puts a cross (X) mark in the square to the right of either of the party names on the ballot has not voted for a Judge. If he does this he must then find the column headed "Non-Partisan Column" and place a cross (X) mark at the right of the names of three of the men who are running for Superior Court Judge and also at the right of the name of the candidate he prefers for President Judge of Centre county.

Remember this. It is a matter to be careful about, for it may be very confusing.

To the Taxpayers of Centre County.

You are hereby kindly requested to call at the Commissioners' office, where every assistance, possible, will be gladly rendered you, to make a thorough examination of the records, if you have any doubt, whatever, as to the correctness of the brief financial statement, mailed to you on a card, bearing the names of the undersigned, relating to the amount of County debt paid etc., during the first three years of their term of office.

WM. H. NOLL, JR., D. A. GROVE.

Bellefonte, Oct. 26, 1915.

In a speech delivered in Bellefonte Wednesday evening BURDINE BUTLER, of Howard, advanced an argument in favor of the election of Judge ORVIS that was most unique, yet vital it was founded on good, common sense. In discussing the manner of marking the ballot to be used next Tuesday BURDINE declared that the voter need only mark opposite Judge ORVIS' name on the "Non-Partisan" column; That there will be no need of bothering with marking any of the Superior Court Judges, because if Judge ORVIS is elected there will be no need for a Superior Court at all. BURDINE knows because he has been in the Centre county courts as often as anyone in the county. While every one should be careful to vote for three of the Superior Court Justices BURDINE'S tribute to the exact justice that has been given since Judge ORVIS has been on the bench in Centre county was well merited.

A Last Word of the Voters of Centre County.

The campaign in Centre county is drawing to a close. The last word has been said in public print and little remains to be done but the recording of the verdict. It is a significant fact that not one of the opposition papers have been able to trump up a single charge or reason why any of the present holding county officials should not be re-elected.

Their characters have been unassailable, their proficiency unquestioned and their service to the taxpayers generally acknowledged.

The nominees of the Democratic party, collectively, are immeasurably superior to those of the opposition. They are men who have regarded public office as a public trust and come before you with a record of having paid off a county indebtedness of \$139,505 in four years and, at the same time, reduced your taxes to the lowest rate that they have been for many years.

The court house has not been a sinecure for any one during the past four years. It has been a regular business institution, run by live wire officials who were chosen by the people and who have served the people only. Every officer from Sheriff LEE down to Auditors BRUNGART and HOY has been on the job, giving the best that is in him and working with an eye single to the public welfare.

Any criticism that may be heard of any of them must be based on purely personal matters or because some one has failed to get them to grant a favor that would be against the interests of the taxpayers. There can be no criticism of their official acts because they have ever been straightforward and businesslike.

What incentive can there be to make men work as they have done for the public interest if there is to be no reward for such meritorious conduct. Mr. Taxpayer don't you appreciate a faithful servant? Don't you think men who have made money for you are men worth having in your employ? If you do, show your appreciation by rewarding them with your vote.

Last week the Gazette, with its characteristic child's play, published a two column story about differences that have arisen between Commissioners NOLL and GROVE over the conduct of the office they hold. Muck raking frantically, that has been the only thing it has been able to produce during the entire campaign. And of what account is it after all. Did you ever know of partners in any business who have not had honest differences of opinion over matters of business management. This mole hill thing that the Gazette tries to magnify into a mountain was merely the matter of a \$40 clerkship, involving an annual expenditure of \$480. The Commissioners disagreed as to who should have the job and Mr. WOODRING, the minority member of the board cast the deciding vote in favor of the applicant Mr. NOLL favored. Naturally Mr. GROVE was disappointed and expressed himself to several people. That was all there was to it and the Gazette's puerile attempt to throw dust in the public eye has become a boomerang to it for everywhere men are saying: "If that is all he can say against NOLL and GROVE he had better keep his mouth shut. That doesn't deny that they have paid the county debt and reduced the taxes and we're for the men who have made good for us."

In today's Gazette is a signed article by JACOB WOODRING, the minority Commissioner, in which he states that things are not as we have said they are in the Commissioner's office, and that the county debt is not paid off because the bonds that he and ZIMMERMAN put out are not lifted. Why, bless his dear, guileless old soul, no one ever said that the bonds had been lifted. That's where he made his mistake. If some one hadn't fooled him into issuing such long term bonds, just like HARTER fooled him into writing the letter in the Gazette, the bonds would and could be lifted because the money is on hand to pay them. He is responsible for this situation. The present Commissioners have had nothing whatever to do with it. They had to accept things as they found them when they went into office and almost the worst thing they found was that Mr. WOODRING and his associate had tied the County up so that no matter how much money it might have it will have to go on paying interest for twenty-four years. A man who burdened the taxpayers that way when he was in control is a pretty fellow to presume to advise them now.

When anybody tells you, as the Gazette does this week, that the County Commissioners have not kept up public improvements and that by that method they were able to make the wonderful showing they have made, they are telling you a deliberate falsehood. The records in the Treasurer's office will show that they have expended over \$32,000.00 for bridges, roads, etc., and that is more than the average allowance for extraordinary expenditures in Centre county has ever been.

Stand by the men who have saved your money. Finally, if JACOB WOODRING, or anybody else says that there is more than one note outstanding against the county they are not truthful. That note is one for \$1000 held by a woman who refused to accept payment of it before maturity. The money has been in the treasury to pay it and Mr. WOODRING knows that. Every note but this one was paid on January 1st, 1915, and the order to pay this one was drawn at that time, sent to the lady and returned by her because her note was not then due.

Furthermore, when he says that county bridges were viewed and nothing done with them he makes another misstatement of facts. If he pulled the wool out of his own eyes and looked at the records in the office he is drawing a salary for making a bluff at filling he would see that every bridge upon which 'notes were made' has been repaired or is under contract for repairs at this time. Everyone who reads the papers might have seen that on July 7th last the Commissioners advertised in the Gazette itself for proposals for painting all of the County bridges. Proposals were received, contracts let and most of the work was completed long ago.

JACOB WOODRING must be in his dotage. We can account for his wholly untruthful statement in no other way.

When the Gazette says that the Republican Board of Commissioners paid the State tax to the Commonwealth and got nothing back, it maliciously lies, for it knows and everybody else knows, that the State returned seventy-five per cent of the State tax to the County Treasury in 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, and 1913 and always did it before those years. In 1913 a new Act of Assembly permitted the County to retain all of the State tax. This Act did not become operative until 1914 so that there has been only one year in which the present Board of Commissioners have had any advantage over their predecessors in this matter, and that advantage has only amounted to 25 per cent of \$15,000, or \$3750.00.

Has Long Perjured Himself.

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To us the whole thing looks like "a frame-up." Why did Long have Waite secreted under the bed in the room and why did he have others posted to listen at the doors when he did not even know at the time Mac Heinle called upon him what he was there for. The Bellefonte Republican yesterday published long story but frankly questioned its truthfulness.

There isn't another hotel keeper in Centre county who will tell you that money has been demanded of him.

For Prothonotary.

Few men have held office in Centre county who have given more uniform satisfaction than DAVID R. FOREMAN, the present Prothonotary. Vainly are the few opponents he has trying to make capital out of the fact that he has been connected with the prothonotary's office a great many years. But sensible people know that he has actually been Prothonotary only for one term. All of his previous service in that office was as a clerk at a salary that was very meagre indeed.

Mr. FOREMAN might have made more money at numbers of other occupations, but he liked the work and hoped that some day the public would recognize his sterling qualities and his peculiar fitness for the office and reward him by placing him in charge. That time came and he was elected. Now he is a candidate for a second term to which he is fairly entitled because of his faithful service.

DAVE FOREMAN is really the information bureau of the court house. Nearly every stranger who has business there lands in his office first and if his mission is really not to the Prothonotary's office DAVE pilots him whither he wants to go and invariably helps in his quest of records, if that happens to be what he is after.

The Prothonotary's office is not the "snit" that it once was. There was a time when it paid nearly twice as much as any office in the court house, but there is not as much litigation now and the fees have been reduced as well, so that we venture that if all the salary DAVE received as clerk in the office were added to his fees for two terms now the gross amount would not be as large as were the emoluments from the office alone at the time the lamented J. C. HARPER was Prothonotary.

Give him a second term. He is entitled to it. He has never been surpassed as a competent official in the office and it will be a long time before Centre county has another Prothonotary as good.

Seldom have the voters of Centre county had an opportunity to show real, patriotic citizenship in their voting like they will have when they come to elect a County Treasurer next Tuesday. In Mr. JAMES E. HARTER, of Penn township, they have a successful business man whose life is an open book, whose whole career has been such as to inspire confidence and respect for his sterling manhood. He is a business man running for a business man's job. Opposed to him is a man without equipment of any sort and about whom we have thrown the cloak of charity rather than reveal a record that, to say the least, would not be a very high recommendation for a man seeking so honorable an office as the County Treasurership.

GEO. RICHARDS, candidate for Sheriff from Philipsburg, will come over the mountain with a vote that will astound those uninformed as to his popularity in his home country. What does this mean? It means that when home people have confidence in their home man he must be worthy of it. Let the voters on this side meet Philipsburg and the Rushes with an equaling overwhelming vote for RICHARDS for Sheriff.

CARNEY BACK IN PENITENTIARY—Clyde Carney, who escaped from the new penitentiary at Rockview on October 7th and was arrested in Chicago last week by postoffice inspectors, was put behind the bars of the western penitentiary at Allegheny yesterday and now has a long term of prison life facing him.

Carney had served but a little over six months of a sentence of not less than four years nor more than eight years for assault with intent to kill when he made his escape, and not content with adding the crime of jail breaking to his original crime, he made his way to New Florence from Centre county, where he robbed the postoffice, securing \$25 in cash and \$306 worth of postage stamps. Fortunately the latter proved his undoing. Not wishing to carry the stamps with him Carney mailed them to Chicago to a fictitious address. Enroute the package was broken and the stolen stamps revealed. This gave the postoffice officials a clue and when Carney called for the package at the general delivery of the Chicago postoffice on Tuesday of last week he was promptly arrested by postoffice inspectors. He later confessed to being the man who escaped from the penitentiary at Rockview and to having robbed the New Florence postoffice.

Carney was brought east to Pittsburgh on Tuesday and given a hearing before United States commissioner Roger Knox on the charge of robbing the postoffice and was released on \$5,000 bail. He was immediately rearrested by parole officers of the western penitentiary and on Wednesday afternoon brought to Bellefonte and lodged in the Centre county jail. Under the law Carney will now have to serve out the maximum of his original sentence, an equal length of time for escaping from the western penitentiary and upon his release can be taken by the federal authorities and tried on the charge of robbing the New Florence postoffice.

The Earl Stock company comes to Bellefonte as the most highly recommended repertoire show since the days of the Kennedy players and Chester DeVond. Only high class plays, beginning with a Saturday matinee November 6th, with "Amy of the Circus." Seven days and three matinees. Prices, 10, 20, 30 and 50 cents. Matinees, 10 and 20 cents.