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DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL TICKET

- For President, WOODROW WILSON, of Virginia For Vice President, THOS. R. MARSHALL, of Indiana Democratic State Ticket For United States Senator, ELLIS L. ORVIS, of Bellefonte

- For Congress, WM. E. TOBIAS, Clearfield county For Assembly, MITCHELL I. GARDNER, Bellefonte Rural Credits Bill Signed by the President.

Washington, July 17.—In the presence of a dozen Senators and Representatives President Wilson today signed the rural credits bill, giving the farmers of the country for the first time a law under which they can borrow money from the government.

"I cannot go through the simple ceremony of signing this without expressing the feeling I have in signing it," the President said just before he affixed his signature. It is not only a feeling of profound satisfaction, but of real gratitude that we have completed this piece of legislation, which I hope will be immensely beneficial to the farmers of the country.

German Campaign for Peace. Berlin, July 19.—via London, July 20.—A campaign of oratory designed to check the extreme annexationist movement represented by the Conservatives and the right wing of the National Liberals is being organized by the so-called German national committee, whose chairman is Prince von Wedel, formerly vice secretary of Alsace-Lorraine and now general adjutant to the Emperor.

Penny Troops in U. S. Service. Mount Gretna, Pa., July 19.—Twenty-three of the thirty-six recruiting officers authorized for Pennsylvania have now been sworn into the federal service, five being added today by medical examination and muster.

They are all good enough, but the WATCHMAN is always the best.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

MATTERN.—Jacob G. Mattern, the last of a family of eight children who during their life were prominent residents of Buffalo Run and Halfmoon valleys, died at the home of his adopted son, Albert S. Mattern, at Scotia, at 2.15 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Deceased was a son of John and Mary Hartsock Mattern and was born on the old homestead on Buffalo Run on February 5th, 1835, making his age 81 years, 5 months and ten days.

In 1863 he and his brother John purchased the old Gray foundry at Matternville and conducted the business quite successfully. In 1867 they erected a large store house and also conducted a mercantile business until 1873 when the store was entirely destroyed by fire.

He was united in marriage to Miss Eleanor Wasson, a daughter of John and Mary Wasson, of College township. They had no children but during their life they adopted and raised four children. The first was named Gertrude who later married W. H. Smull, of Rebersburg, and who died in 1889.

SMITH.—Mrs. Salome Smith, widow of the late Rev. J. M. Smith, died at her home in Coleville at 2.30 o'clock last Friday afternoon, after being in poor health the past two years or longer.

Her maiden name was Salome Weller and she was born in Westmoreland county on February 28th, 1839, hence at her death was 77 years, 4 months and 14 days old.

Funeral services were held at her late home at Coleville at 2.30 o'clock on Monday afternoon.

WORKMAN.—Mrs. Mattie Elizabeth Workman, wife of Charles Workman, of Hecla, died in a Pittsburgh hospital at three o'clock on Sunday morning.

Deceased was a daughter of W. H. and Sarah Thomas and was born at Howard thirty-three years ago in March.

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FELTY.—Following an illness of several weeks as the result of a general breakdown, the venerable Adam Felty died at two o'clock last Friday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Shugert, at Boalsburg.

Deceased was a son of Samuel and Mary Saylor Felty and was born at Lebanon on January 19th, 1837, making his age 79 years, 5 months and 27 days.

Mr. Felty was twice married, his first wife being Miss Mary Saylor. One daughter to this wife survives, namely, Mrs. L. C. Passmore, of Harrisburg.

Funeral services were held at the Shugert home at ten o'clock on Monday morning by Rev. Mr. Courtney, after which burial was made in the Boalsburg cemetery.

KUSTABORDER.—Mr. John Kustaborder died at his home at Bellwood at four o'clock Saturday morning following an illness of a number of weeks with a complication of diseases.

He was born in Ferguson township, Centre county on April 11th, 1838, hence was past seventy-eight years of age.

VAN KIRK.—Word has been received from Canton, Ohio, of the death there last Saturday of Mrs. J. L. Van Kirk, following an illness of several months.

BOTTORF—MURHEAD.—John L. Bottorf, formerly of Bellefonte but now located at Chester Hill near Philipsburg, and Miss Anna Murhead, of Munson, were married on Tuesday evening last week by justice of the peace David Morgan, at his home at Chester Hill.

ECKLEY.—KING.—Forest Eckley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Christ Eckley, and Miss Bessie King, daughter of Thomas King, both of Valley View, were married at Cumberland, Md., on Wednesday last week by Rev. M. C. Enders.

SPICHER.—BEACH.—Clarence S. Spicher, a former resident of Bellefonte but now living in Philipsburg, and Miss Fannie E. Beach, of Philipsburg, were married last Friday evening by Squire David Morgan, at his office at Chester Hill.

The Bellefonte Chautauqua Next Week.

To-morrow the big tent for the Bellefonte Chautauqua will arrive in town and workmen will erect it on the High school grounds so as to be in readiness for the feast of good things to be heard and seen there next week, every afternoon and evening.

Dr. Levy is an orator, a scholar and a public-spirited citizen. Born in London, the seventh son of a distinguished Rabbi, he entered the University of London, where he completed the four years course in twenty-eight months.

All fees from lecture engagements are devoted to philanthropic work. Since the opening of the present world war he has been supporting families of his relatives in England, where all the men are at the front.

As an orator, Dr. Levy is recognized both at home and abroad. His weekly addresses in his pulpit on Sunday mornings are attended by large congregations composed of persons of all denominations.

A LAST CALL. A last call for Chautauqua! Seven joyous days because of the treat provided for you.

Season tickets are the bargains! Get them now, and by so doing you recognize in a substantial manner, the generosity of these men and women who are responsible for Bellefonte Chautauqua.

Miller Electrocutted, Filler Respited. Jacob Miller, who two years ago killed two detectives in Philadelphia while resisting arrest, was electrocuted at the new penitentiary at Rockview on Monday morning.

Mr. Harris reported the bridge over Buffalo Run creek as being dangerous and that the borough engineer is now making an estimate of the cost of a concrete roadway, which will probably be ready by next meeting.

The matter of fixing the tax rate for the ensuing year was referred to the Finance committee with power to act, the total millage to be the same as last year, the only question being the distribution.

The big porch at the Nittany Country club is being repaired by Gehret & Lambert and as soon as the work is done the entire exterior of the work is done the entire exterior of the big house will be painted by A. Linn McGinley.

Troop L in Texas.

All reports from the Pennsylvania troops in Texas agree on the fact that they are having a hot time of it. Hot so far as the weather is concerned and on Wednesday Col. Clement ordered all to lay off work during the middle of the day on account of the terrific heat, which was 96 in the shade.

The first cavalry, of which Troop L is a unit, is located at Camp Stewart, about eight miles from El Paso. It is right in the midst of a desert and about a mile from the base of the Rocky mountains.

Another great drawback to the comfort of the troopers has been the scarcity of water. The members of Troop L have been compelled to carry and haul their water a distance of ten miles and then each soldier is allowed just a quart a day, for drinking, cooking and bathing, so it is quite evident that the daily bath does not take much of their time.

So far the Troop has not received its consignment of horses and all their drill so far has been afoot. Many of the horses purchased by the government are Texas range animals, which have never been broken to bridle or saddle, and many of the soldiers are contemplating their first ride with considerable trepidation.

So far the health of the soldiers has been very good. There are no cases of serious illness in Troop L, though quite a number of the members of Troop K, of Lock Haven, have contracted the measles, though in a mild form.

Full particulars of Troop L cannot be given this week because up to the time of going to press the "Watchman" failed to receive Corp. Cohen's weekly letter from the front.

Just six members were present at the regular meeting of borough council on Monday evening and the session was one of the shortest held in a long time.

Burgess Blanchard was present and suggested that it would be entirely appropriate for council to make a contribution to the Soldiers' Relief association, which is engaged in the work of taking care of the dependent families of members of Troop L now serving in Texas.

The Street committee reported the receipt of \$30.00 for sewer permits and that the Pine street pavement is being put down.

The Water committee reported repairing water pipe on Pine street, cleaning out the big spring and that the State-Centre Electric company is now engaged in installing the new electric pump at the spring and expects to have it working in a few days.

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Mr. Seibert, of the Water committee, stated that the ladies of the Civic club were having considerable trouble getting men to flush the brick paved streets, as all complained about it being such hard work pulling around the big fire hose.

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inch hose, which will be large enough and much easier handled. The matter was referred to the Water committee with power to make the purchase.

Bills to the amount of \$402.67 were approved and council adjourned.

The Clinton county Veterans' Association will hold its annual reunion and picnic at Hecla park on Thursday, August 24th.

Electors Chosen by State Democrats.

Stroudsburg, Pa., July 14.—National Committee man A. Mitchell Palmer gave out, this afternoon, the nominees for presidential electors in the state of Pennsylvania approved by Woodrow Wilson, nominee of the Democratic party for the office of President of the United States. They are:

- ELECTORS AT LARGE. Samuel S. Fels, Philadelphia; Simon Light, Lebanon; Isaiah Sheeline, Altoona; Webster Grim, Doylestown; Joseph H. Reiley, Philadelphia; John A. McKinney, Clarion. DISTRICT ELECTORS. 1—Joseph L. Galen, Philadelphia. 2—John Hancock, Philadelphia. 3—John E. Hagan, Philadelphia. 4—Henry C. Kline, Philadelphia. 5—Emanuel R. Cantow, Philadelphia. 6—Theodore F. Jenkins, Philadelphia. 7—Frank B. Rhodes, Media. 8—Nelson M. Trout, Pottstown. 9—Jacob Pontz, Lancaster. 10—Edward Mirrfield, Scranton. 11—John J. Shigo, Freeland. 12—James A. Moecker, Schuylkill Haven. 13—William M. Zechman, Reading. 14—A. H. Kingsbury, Towanda. 15—N. M. Edwards, Williamsport. 16—Lloyd B. Skeer, Bloomsburg. 17—John A. Diehl, Marion. 18—Samuel Kunkel, Harrisburg. 19—Harry S. Bender, Johnstown. 20—Allen C. Wiest, York. 21—Henry N. Meier, Rebersburg. 22—James S. Moorehead, Greensburg. 23—Daniel W. McDonald, Uniontown. 24—Charles H. Ruhe, Beaver Falls. 25—Fred L. Woode, Erie. 26—Wesley M. Neiberger, Easton. 27—Don C. Corbett, Marion. 28—Frank D. McCue, Oil City. 29—John Voelker, Pittsburgh. 30—A. P. Burgwin, Pittsburgh. 31—Herman Obernauer, Pittsburgh. 32—Thomas H. Flinn, Pittsburgh.

Havoc Caused by Floods in Southern States.

Atlanta, Ga., July 16.—Serious floods in North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia today caused five known deaths, rendered hundreds homeless, damaged property and crops to the extent of \$10,000,000, according to first estimates, and demoralized railway, telegraph and telephone communication.

The French Broad river has broken from its course near Asheville, flooding factories and homes in the lower part of the city. At Biltmore three persons—Capt. J. C. Lipe, Miss Nellie Lipe and Mrs. Leo Mulholland—were drowned when the Lipe house was flooded. The Vanderbilt estate at Biltmore was not damaged.

Two persons were drowned at Asheville while trying to get food to flood refugees in the second story of the Glenn Rock hotel. Many are marooned in their residences along the river, and parties for hours have fought their way against the rushing currents in an effort to reach them.

Swift streams are flowing down some of the streets of lower Asheville. The Southern Railway station is flooded to a depth of six feet, as are all other buildings in that vicinity. The city proper is without lights tonight, but otherwise is not affected.

HOMELESS CROWD CITY HALL.

Hundreds of men, women and children from the cotton mills section whose homes had been swept away crowded the city hall this afternoon seeking food and shelter. Hastily formed relief committees set to work to care for them.

Almost all of the town of Biltmore, laid out 25 years ago by the late George W. Vanderbilt, is under water ranging in depth from three to five feet. The town is cut off from Asheville by water a mile wide.

Mexicans Beat Off Attackers of Train.

Chihuahua City, July 18.—A band of Villa bandits attacked a train on the Mexico Northwestern railway near Santa Ysabel, about 50 miles west of here, yesterday, according to a report to Gen. Jacinto Trevino today. The bandits were beaten off and eight of them were brought here today for trial.

The prisoners who said they were members of a small band commanded by Martin Lopez, a notorious Villa Lieutenant, asserted they had been cut off from the main Villa army after the recent fight at Jimenez and were on their way to the Big Bend district of Texas.

A loosened rail brought the train to a stop, but before the outlaws could board it the guard detachment attacked. The bandits fled southward afoot, leaving horses, prisoners and several dead. Government troops suffered casualties.