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Political Announcements.

FOR JUDGE OF THE COURTS OF CENTRE COUNTY.

I am a candidate for President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters at the primaries, Tuesday, September 15th.

Should I be nominated and elected, I will bring to the office an experience in the trial of causes and in the general practice of law in our local and appellate courts, of more than thirty-three years, and an administration conducted with fidelity, economy and to the best of my ability.

Your support and influence in my behalf will be much appreciated.

NEWTON B. SPANGLER.

I hereby announce my candidacy for Judge of the Courts of Centre County, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters as expressed at the primary election to be held Tuesday, September 15th, 1925.

In the event of my nomination, and finally my election in November, all of my time, energy and efforts will be devoted to SERVICE and the best interests of those who may have business before the Courts of our county; and I now, without reservation, solemnly pledge my courteous, prompt, honest, economic and efficient administration.

Your vote, influence and friendly support is most earnestly and respectfully solicited.

W. HARRISON WALKER.

As a candidate I respectfully announce: That if it be the pleasure of the Democratic women and men voters of our county to nominate me for the office of Judge of our Courts at the September 15, 1925, primaries, I shall appreciate it highly.

And if it be the will of our voters to elect me to said office at the general election, I shall consider it a call of duty to serve all of our citizens in a practical, impartial, just and economic manner without fear or favor; and shall endeavor to do so by example, as well as by precept, governed by no uncertain principles which our sincerely patriotic citizen demand from all public officials.

I sincerely trust that I may have YOUR hearty co-operation.

J. KENNEDY JOHNSTON.

FOR JURY COMMISSIONER.

We are authorized to announce that James C. Condo, of Greengarden, is a candidate for nomination for Jury Commissioner on the Democratic ticket, subject to the primaries of the party to be held Tuesday, September 15th.

Mr. Condo will appreciate your support and assures faithful and cordial service should he be nominated and elected to that office.

Pete DePaolo Won Altoona Auto Classic on Saturday.

That veteran driver, Tommy Milton, had the prize for Altoona's big auto classic, on Saturday, within his grasp for almost a day, and might have received it had it not been for a protest filed by Frank Elliott. At the finish of the race the starter announced Milton as the winner; DePaolo second and Elliott third. The latter protested on the ground that he was not given credit for one round of the big bowl. A check-up on Sunday revealed the fact that the No. 1 scorer had checked one round to Milton which should have gone to Elliott, and thus the mistake was made. The corrected score showed that DePaolo won the race with Elliott second and Milton third.

Many Centre counties were among the large crowd that saw the race and while there were a number of mishaps no fatal nor very serious accidents occurred. The purse hung up was \$25,000 and it was divided as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. DePaolo \$9,000, Elliott \$5,000, Milton \$3,000, Hartz \$2,000, Corum-Duray (split) \$1,500, Kreiss \$1,000, McDonogh \$500, DeVore \$500, Heppburn \$700, Bill (Jimmie) \$600.

Farmers' Field Day.

Following close upon the annual commencement Farmers' Field day will be celebrated at State College today. The program includes tests and demonstrations of seeds and farm crops of hay and the various grains, electric light and power demonstrations, dairy science, stock judging, etc. A special program has also been arranged for the women who may be in attendance, the latter to include a play by local talent entitled, "Mother Sees Light." An afternoon tea will also be served to all visiting women at the home economic extension department.

Walter Clark, the western penitentiary prisoner who killed a deputy sheriff of Allegheny county, at Huntingdon last July while being transferred from the penitentiary to the Fairview insane asylum, was convicted of second degree murder at Pittsburgh last week and promptly given a penitentiary sentence of from ten to twenty years to begin at the expiration of his present term in 1929.

It will be recalled that just as the train pulled into the Huntingdon station Clark threw red pepper in the deputy's eyes, then grabbed his gun, shot him and jumped from the train. He was caught the same day.

McCLURE.—Mrs. Theresa Ianda McClure, wife of James I. McClure, passed away at her home in Bellefonte on Sunday night following an illness that dates back about two months. At that time she suffered an attack of the grip. She undertook to resume her household duties before entirely recovered, suffered a relapse, with the result that her heart became affected and her death followed.

She was a daughter of Samuel and Sarah McCloskey Hall and was born at Beech Creek a little over seventy-six years ago. Her girlhood life was spent in that place but after her marriage to Mr. McClure forty-seven years ago she came to Bellefonte as a bride and this had been her home ever since. She was a member of the Methodist church and a good, christian woman. In addition to her husband she is survived by four sons, Charles McClure, of Wayne; J. Harvey, of Aurora, Ill.; Samuel and Lawrence, of Bellefonte. She also leaves one brother and one sister, Alvan Hall, of Cape Charles, Va., and Mrs. Sarah Mobley, of Wilkesburg.

Rev. Homer C. Knox, of the Methodist church, had charge of the funeral services which were held at two o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, burial being made in the Union cemetery.

BREON.—John Henry Breon died at his home near Centre Hall, at 2:30 o'clock on Wednesday morning, following about a year's illness as the result of a stroke of paralysis. He was seventy-four years old and a son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry George Breon, deceased. He followed farming the greater part of his life and was a resident of Benner township many years prior to his retirement. He was a member of the Methodist church and a good citizen in every way. Surviving him are his wife and the following children:

Mrs. J. W. Benner, of Bellefonte; William Irvin, residence unknown; Mrs. J. Cloyd Brooks, Centre Hall; George D., of Reading; Mrs. John Brooks, of Barberton, Ohio; Edgar S., of St. Paul, Minn.; Mrs. Lynn Platt, of State College, and Mrs. Marion Keyser, of Cuyahoga, Ohio.

Funeral services will be held at his late home at two o'clock tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon by Rev. Hassen, of the Methodist church, and burial will be made in the Centre Hall cemetery.

STOVER.—Mrs. Rachel R. Stover, widow of the late Noah Stover, of Haines township, Centre county, died at the home of her son Charles, in Altoona, on Sunday morning, aged 85 years. Her husband has been dead for some years but surviving her are two sons and one daughter, Charles H. Stover, of Altoona; Harold C., of Millheim, and Mrs. Harry Rohm, of Lancaster county. Mrs. Stover was a member of the Lutheran church all her life. The remains were taken to Wolf's Store where funeral services were held in Wolf's chapel on Wednesday afternoon, burial being made in the cemetery adjoining the chapel.

Bellefonte Team Wins Two More Games.

The "Afaletics," of Philadelphia, have nothing on the Bellefonte baseball team of the Centre County league. They won both games played the past week and were also awarded the contested game played with State College on June 6th, which gives them a clean score to date. Of course the season is quite young and there is plenty of opportunity for any or all of the other teams to overtake the home hitters.

Last Thursday Bellefonte defeated Millheim by the score of 2 to 0, which in itself is evidence that there are some good ball players on the Pennsylvania team and the day will come when they will have to be reckoned with. The same day Hecla Park defeated State College 7 to 2. Last Saturday Millheim won from Hecla 8 to 2 and on Tuesday evening Bellefonte played its postponed game with State, winning by the narrow margin of 2 to 1.

Tomorrow Bellefonte will play at Millheim and Hecla at State College, and next Thursday's games will be Hecla at Bellefonte and State College at Millheim. Following is the standing of the clubs to date:

Table with 4 columns: Team, W., L., P.C. Bellefonte 6 0 100, Millheim 3 3 50, Hecla Park 2 4 33, State College 1 5 17.

Dr. Pattee to Edit American Classics.

Dr. Fred Lewis Pattee, professor of American literature at the Pennsylvania State College, has been asked to edit the first of a series of early American classics which are to be reprinted by a well known publishing house. It is felt that there is a great demand for up-to-date editions of the older and outstanding works of early American writers, and Dr. Pattee will start the series with the editing of Charles Brockden Brown's "Wieland." This book was published in a number of editions, the last one appearing in 1887.

Sunday will be the longest day of the year but notwithstanding the long evenings the scenic continues to be the popular place in Bellefonte in which to pass them. Of course Bellefonte people don't need to be told about the quality of pictures shown at the scenic, because they know them to be the best that can be secured. And manager T. Clayton Brown will continue to give the best entertainment of any place in Bellefonte.

More by Way of Suggestion to Creditors of the Centre County Bank.

The suggestion made by the "Watchman" last week concerning the creditors of the Centre County bank has evidently met with favor. As to how generally, we have no means of knowing as at the time it was made there was no person or place suggested as to where or whom the creditors might reveal their reactions to the plan.

Enough, however, have called at this office to convince us that all that is needed is a leader to carry the plan we presented, or, some other one, to successful completion. Within the week some of the creditors representing thousands of dollars in the aggregate of deposits have come in to discuss further the "Watchman's" suggestions that they reorganize the bank. All of them expressed their willingness to go in. Several expressed so much faith in the hopefulness of the plan as to volunteer to not only leave all of their present credits in the reorganized bank, but to put additional money, besides, into it should the opportunity present.

We gleaned from their talk, however, that the thing that is needed most is some one to organize or head the movement temporarily. As no such person has come forward the "Watchman" offers to go this far by way of helping them get together.

All creditors are invited to call or write this office expressing their feeling in the matter. We will keep a list of those favoring the plan and should enough appear to give reasonable encouragement we will then notify all of them of a time and place of meeting where they can get together for a general discussion and final decision as to whether they will undertake it.

The plan suggested by the "Watchman" last week was only one of several very practical ones that might be offered. We had intended to present it in more concrete form today, as well as outline one of the others that would prove more expeditious, but lack of space precludes publication in this issue.

Meanwhile any who are interested might indicate their attitude so that a working group can be secured at once. None of the plans we have in mind will be affected by the new legal processes that were started yesterday or affect them. In fact if they were worked out at once any one of them would bring about a condition that might be very helpful and certainly without any prejudice to the best interests of the creditors.

NEW LEGAL ACTION BROUGHT YESTERDAY.

Yesterday morning a bill in equity was filed in the Common Pleas Court of Centre County. It is in the nature of a petition of Mary C. Harris and George H. Shugert, administrators of the estate of John M. Shugert, deceased, plaintiffs, and makes Geo. R. Meek, Florence F. Dale, Andrew C. Brees, and John Blanchard and Sarah C. Brown executors of the estate of Lavinia C. Harris, deceased, defendants, in a motion to dissolve the partnership known as the Centre County Banking Company and praying that a receiver be appointed to take charge of said firm and its books, property and business.

The defendants are given thirty days in which to answer the prayer and as the service was executed only yesterday morning no indication of what attitude they will take is to be had at this writing.

Shooting Affray Near Philipsburg.

Jack and Leo Dougherty, aged 10 and 9 years respectively, sons of Mr. and Mrs. John Dougherty, of Chester Hill, near Philipsburg, were peppered with bird shot, last Saturday afternoon, by J. R. Straw, principal of the Chester Hill schools, because the latter believed the boys in the act of juvading his strawberry patch for the purpose of stealing his berries.

Mr. Straw, it appears, has gone to considerable trouble and put in a great deal of hard labor on cultivating a nice patch of strawberries. Since the fruit has begun to ripen boys have been invading his premises and stealing the berries. On Saturday he decided to do a little watching and securing his shot gun loaded it with fine bird shot, then secreted himself some distance from the patch. In due course of time he saw two boys skirting his premises and when they got in close proximity to the patch he fired.

Fortunately he was some seventy or eighty yards distant, and while a number of shot hit both boys they did not penetrate any vital spot. A physician extracted ten shot from one of the boys and five or six from the other. Straw was arrested and inasmuch as the shooting occurred just over the line in Clearfield county he gave bail for his appearance before the court in that county. In justice to the boys it can be said that they were not guilty of any intent to pilfer Mr. Straw's strawberries, but were on their way to a store when the shooting occurred.

Centre County Boys to Judge Stock.

County agent R. C. Blaney is at State College this week attending the young farmer's week and the farmer's field day today. The following boys will represent Centre county in the stock judging contests.

Dairy Cattle: Preston Zeigler, Rebersburg; Walter Johnson, State College; John Decker, Nittany.

General Livestock: Harold Callahan, Boalsburg; Eugene Burkholder, Centre Hall; Harold Albright, Penna. Furnace.

Poultry: Kenneth Thomas, State College; John Kline, Boalsburg; Gervine Schaeffer, Centre Hall.

The swine judging team will be made up of boys from the Spring Mills Vocational school. The young farmer's week has been an annual affair at the College for the past five years. Each year boys and girls who are members of the 4H clubs, and students in vocational high schools, flock to the College campus for this program of education, recreation and inspiration. This year 400 are in attendance. Many of these represent their counties in the various judging teams. Farmer's field day is also an annual event. It is a day for the whole family, programs being provided for the farmers, wives and children.

Katherine Bullock, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Bullock, was hostess Tuesday night at a party given at Edgefonte, the summer home of the Garman family. Forty of the school set were Katherine's guests, who were taken to Axe Mann in automobiles.

John B. Payne Goes to St. Paul as Kiwanis Delegate.

John B. Payne, secretary of the Bellefonte Kiwanis club, has been elected delegate to the 9th annual convention of Kiwanis International which convenes at St. Paul, Minnesota, on Monday, June 22nd, at the big municipal auditorium.

He will carry to the convention the banner of representation of the Bellefonte club, and will be but one of five thousand Kiwanians from the United States and Canada who will take part in the annual business of the continent-wide service organization and also the entertainment features that have been prepared. He will vote in the election for the International president of Kiwanis for 1926 and help determine the convention city for next year.

One of the entertainment features is to be a mid-summer ice carnival, to be held in a large especially built arena. Hockey games and other ice sports by champions of the northwest will be a novel treat for the visitors. The annual reception and president's ball, to be held this year in honor of Victor M. Johnson, of Rockford, Ill., International president, is scheduled the second night of the convention at the city's coliseum.

State College club will meet with the Bellefonte club at the Brockerhoff house on Monday, June 22nd, at 7:30 p. m. This will be the occasion of joining in with 1385 Kiwanis clubs in the United States and Canada to observe the opening session of the convention held at St. Paul. These meetings throughout Canada and the United States are to be observed for the unified consciousness of devotion to the ideals and objectives of Kiwanis. 94,000 Kiwanians on the continent will assemble at the "zero" hour to take part in the "fellowship moment of silence." President Victor M. Johnson's keynote speech will be broadcast from station WCCO.

John W. Harper, only son of Mrs. Mary Harper, of Bellefonte, had a narrow escape in an automobile accident at his home in Schenectady, N. Y., last Wednesday. With his little daughter Elizabeth he had motored down town to do some shopping and was on his way home when his car was hit broadside by a trolley car.

The force of the impact knocked open the door of the automobile and little Elizabeth was thrown out, clear of the wreck, and the only injury she sustained was a contused ear. Mr. Harper was thrown against the steering wheel with such force that he was rendered unconscious and did not regain complete consciousness until the following day. His principal injury was on the breast, caused by the impact against the steering wheel and while considerable concern was felt the first few days in regard to his injuries he is now getting along all right. His car was completely wrecked.

The regular Wednesday evening summer concerts by the I. O. O. F. band, of Bellefonte, will begin on the evening of June 24th, weather permitting. They will be held in the park between the court house and the jail.

CHRISTMAS IN CHINA.

How the Chinese Celebrate the Sacred Holiday.

Chengtu, China, Dec. 25, '24. Dear Home Folks:

It doesn't seem much like Christmas to us out here. Some how or other the spirit of Christmas seems to be lacking, at least so it seems to me. Perhaps the big reason is because our loved ones are so far away from us.

The Chinese make much more of Christmas in the church than we do at home. The celebrations begin the day before Christmas and continue until the day after. Yesterday the kindergarten department of the schools gave their entertainment. Bill and I went and it certainly was interesting to see and hear the little tots perform. There are forty some little kiddies in this department and their teacher, Miss Rachel Pen, is a marvel. She is from here in Szechwan but went down river for her training. She is second generation Christian and is one of the few Chinese who I think really understands the Christian religion and why the missionaries are in China. She never had bound feet, and one day this fall when she and some of the W. F. M. S. girls were walking down one of the streets which was being repaired and was very hard to walk on, she made this remark: "I thank the Lord every day of my life that I have big feet." Of course her feet are tiny compared with our mammoth ones, but her meaning was that she didn't have bound feet.

All of Miss Pen's kiddies just love her and I wish you could see them in school. She has one room set apart where there are little basins and towels for them to wash their hands. In the same room are little cupboards where they keep their school shoes, for they are not allowed to wear their street shoes into the school room. The whole plan of her work compares very favorably with such a department at home and she certainly gets results. I do wish you could all have attended the entertainment with me yesterday.

Tonight in the church there is an entertainment for church members and any who are fortunate enough to have tickets. We secured tickets for all of our servants and got our own supper so that they could go and get good seats. We didn't want to go for the entertainments of that kind are more or less tiresome and we felt we could make better use of our time if we stayed home and wrote Christmas letters to you home folks.

We had our dinner today across the street with the W. F. M. S. ladies. They invited us to have Christmas dinner with them and I consented to go on condition that they let me furnish the plum pudding, so I had the cook prepare one. There were fifteen of us sat down at the table at one time, quite a crowd. We had a very good dinner but lacked the Christmas turkey and cranberry sauce.

Bill and I received some very fine presents. Your box hasn't arrived yet, nor has Anna's, so we'll have another Christmas after while. The North's package came through with the McCordays of our mission, who are just back from a furlough. We received just heaps of potted plants and quite a bit of fruit from some Chinese friends. Some of the fruit we sent back, for it is quite good form here to send back a part of what is sent to you.

The night before Christmas all of the folks from this end of town, between twenty and thirty of us, were invited over to the Starretts for a Christmas eve party. We had, first of all, a delicious lap supper, and then there was the distributing of gifts from the Christmas tree by Santa Claus. All of the grown folks got crazy presents with some crazy poetry attached. My gift was a small pot of baked beans. I like baked beans very well but seldom have them because I can't eat them, so every once in a while I get across the street and eat them there, so the girls across the street gave this small pot of beans to me. Bill got a Chinese toy, a funny man's face with a moveable mustache. The Chinese really make some very clever toys.

Daddy asks if we have honey out here. We did get a little honey when we were at the mountains this summer and Bill thinks it is quite good, but it is not like our home honey. I'm quite sure if you are able to send him any, he will appreciate it very much. Of course, we will soon be back at Chungking and parcels won't have to come so far and will reach us sooner than they do here. Very often parcels are held up for months at Chungking before they are started on their way to Chengtu.

Well, I must quit and get to bed. Bill and I have been sleeping late these mornings and not having breakfast until eight and after, but tomorrow morning he is to leave the house at 7:30 to keep a teaching appointment, so we will have to get up at our usual 6:30. I hate to get up so early these cold mornings. We haven't been having any fire in our bedrooms this winter and it is quite chilly to dress in a cold room. Of course, it doesn't get nearly so cold here as it does at home, but it is a damp chilliness that is more penetrating and disagreeable. I will be glad when winter is over.

A happy New Year to you all. Mrs. W. R. NORTH.

Quite a number of Centre counties attended the Norris family reunion held at Lakemont park, Altoona, last Friday, among them being Mr. and Mrs. William Rishell and daughter, of Lemont; Robert Branen, wife and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. William Kennedy and son and Mr. and Mrs. William Alexander and family, of State College, and Mr. and Mrs. Norris Martz and daughter, of Linden Hall. They are all descendants of William Norris, in his day one of the largest iron ore operators in Centre and adjoining counties.

Billy and Rosanna Brachbill, the two children of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brachbill, were both surgical patients at the Centre County hospital this week.

Campanella.

Written for the "Watchman." Through the smoke and lightnings and thunders of three centuries a hand reaches into the present—from Italy—and I grasp it with the fervency born of spiritual fellowship. It is the hand of Tommaso Campanella (1568-1639), a philosopher and Dominican monk. He had vision of better things and had the courage to publish and proclaim them, with the result that he suffered the customary persecutions of his time.

At the age of 23 he published at Naples "Philosophy Demonstrated by the Senses," which excited against him the partisans of Aristotle. And he wrote an "Apology for Galileo," for which, and other heresies, political as well as religious, he was in 1599 confined for 26 years in a dungeon at Naples and while there was several times tortured by the rack, but confessed nothing. Twenty-six years—think of it! Yet he managed while in prison to write various philosophical works, prominent of which was "Civitas Solis" (The City of the Sun—the idea of a philosophic republic). The "Civitas Solis" enjoyed considerable popularity and has been often reprinted and translated into several languages.

In 1626, through the mediation of the French court and of Pope Urban VIII, he was liberated from prison and removed to Rome where he was well treated. After about eight years at Rome he went to France, where he was kindly received by Richelieu and pensioned by the King. He died in Paris in 1639.

The dominant idea in his philosophy was that there is a sensibility in all created beings, including plants and minerals. While developing this idea his lively imagination sometimes rose to flights of impressive eloquence—"the book where the Eternal Sense wrote his own thoughts."

Campanella appeals to me through especially two things: His defense of Galileo and one of his sonnets, "The People." In this sonnet he discloses his democratic feelings and also recognizes the sad fact that the common people are with the greatest difficulty made to realize and exert their own power—a difficulty which, it seems to me, is not as great now as it was in his time.

The following faithful translation is by John Addington Symonds:

THE PEOPLE. The People is a beast of muddly brain That knows not its own force and therefore stands Loaded with wood and stone; the powerless hands Of a mere child guide it with a bit and rein. One kick would be enough to break the chain; But the beast fears, and what the child demands. It does, nor its own terror understands. Confused and stupefied by bugbears vain. Most wonderful! With its own hands it ties And gags itself; gives itself death and war For fence doled out by kings from its own store. Its own are all things between earth and heaven; But this it knows not, and should one arise To tell this truth, it kills him unforgiven. PLINTHOURGOS.

Circus Day Draws Near; Kiddies Grow Restless.

With only one more day remaining before the appearance of the Walter L. Main shows considerable interest is being manifested, not only by the younger generation, but by some of the older "boys." The Walter L. Main show, now on its 46th annual tour, is looked upon as a national institution. Year after year the big show comes for its annual visit. Each season sees an improvement, until finally it is believed the limit has been reached. Yet the Walter L. Main shows, which come to Bellefonte tomorrow always afford a new and novel entertainment. It is a new and novel entertainment. Yet true the old time features remain. Yet novelties and European thrills are added each year as fast as they are discovered.

Among the features are the flying Jordans, the peerless Potters, gymnasts; the Nanking troupe of Chinese equilibrist; the Maxwell trio, acrobats; Arthur Borella, the highest salaried clown in America; the Florence family of riders; the DeLong Sisters, acrobats and nearly 100 other stars and features of Continental Europe and Great America.

Organized nearly half a century ago by Walter L. Main, the show is still under the active direction and management of this famous American showman. Two special trains transport the big show from city to city. Nearly 700 men, women and horses are carried; the menagerie is one of the largest ever to be exhibited in this section of the State. The equipment and paraphernalia is valued at \$750,000. Ten acres of ground is utilized to house the transient city.

The street parade will be seen at noon on show day. There will be two performances, at 2 and 8 p. m., the doors opening an hour earlier.

Commencement at Reformatory.

The annual commencement exercises and exhibit of Industrial departments at the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, Huntingdon, Pa., will be held at that institution on Thursday, June 25, at 2 p. m. and 7:30 p. m., and to which the public is cordially invited.

Tomorrow will be show day in Bellefonte, when the Walter L. Main circus will be the attraction. The show will come to Bellefonte from Philipsburg and because of this fact will probably not reach here before six o'clock. It will unload at the depot and transfer to the Witter field, on east Bishop street, where it can be seen tomorrow afternoon and evening. A big street parade will be given before the show, probably about eleven o'clock.