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DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET

For Congress T. E. COSTELLO, of Bradford

For Representative in General Assembly ANDREW CURTIN THOMPSON, of Phillipsburg

Fund for Porto Rico Hurricane Sufferers.

Charles M. McCurdy, treasurer of the Bellefonte chapter American Red Cross, acknowledges receipt of the following contributions for the relief of the hurricane and flood sufferers in Porto Rico and Florida.

Table listing names and amounts for the fund for Porto Rico hurricane sufferers.

ANNUAL MEETING OF CENTRE COUNTY HOSPITAL.

Next Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the court house the annual meeting of our local hospital will be held.

According to the constitution of the corporation, this is the meeting of the members of the hospital corporation, the members being all persons or firms who have during the year subscribed to the membership fund or donated to the hospital to the amount of one dollar or more.

All such persons are entitled to vote at this meeting upon matters which may come before it.

Reports of the year's activities of the different departments of the organization will be read, including the Women's Auxiliary. At this meeting it will be necessary to elect five trustees of the Bellefonte district.

Attend Monday night's meeting and show your interest in your local institution. Learn some inside facts of its progress and the service it is rendering in the community. If you do not show an interest in your hospital, you are hardly in position to appreciate its progress, its necessity to the community nor to criticize. Let's make it a large meeting.

Centre County Conference.

The Woman's club, of Bellefonte, will be hostess to the Centre county conference of Women's clubs on Saturday, October 20th, in the High school auditorium, on Allegheny street, convening at 10 o'clock a. m.

Representatives from every organization of women in the county are urged to attend and be a vital part of the conference.

As usual written reports of women's activities of the past year will be an important feature of the program which promises to be attractive. Also election of officers. A box luncheon will be served.

HELEN E. C. OVERTON, President County Conference

—During August 43 deer were killed in the act of damaging farm crops in Pennsylvania. In the same month last year 71 were killed.

GEPHART.—Mrs. Ella Hayes Gephart, widow of the late John Wesley Gephart, passed away at her home on east Linn street, Bellefonte, at 9:30 o'clock on Tuesday evening, following a long illness.

She was the only child of William Wallace and Elizabeth Magill Hayes and was born in Danville, at the home of her maternal grandfather, Dr. Magill, on April 21st, 1854, hence was in her seventy-fifth year. When only three months old her parents came to Bellefonte and occupied the house on west High street which for many years past has been the property of the P. Gray Meek family, and which Mr. Hayes had built as the new home for his bride. Her childhood life was divided between her home there and her grandparents, in Danville, until she reached the age of fifteen years when she went to make her home with Mr. and Mrs. William P. Wilson, a cousin of her father, Mr. Hayes having gone to Washington, D. C., to live. She remained at the Wilson home until her marriage to Mr. Gephart on October 16th, 1879. All her married life was spent in Bellefonte. She was a member of the Presbyterian church from girlhood and until overtaken by illness took an active part in church affairs.

Her husband died upwards of twenty years ago but surviving her are three children, Wallace Hayes Gephart, of Bronxville, N. Y.; William Wilson Gephart, of Brooklyn, and Miss Elizabeth, of Bellefonte. She also leaves one aunt, Mrs. M. D. Kline, a sister of her mother, living in Danville.

The passing of Mrs. Gephart marks the severance of another of the few remaining links that bind the Bellefonte of today to the pioneers who laid the broad and strong foundations on which the town has stood for a century and a quarter. Her active life reflected her rich inheritance of gracious, christian character and her years of suffering were patiently born in anticipation of the glorious reward that came to her Tuesday evening when she was called home.

Funeral services will be held at her late home at 11 o'clock this (Friday) morning, by Rev. Thompson, burial to be made in the family lot in the Union cemetery.

FETZER.—LeRoy Fetzer, a brakeman in the Tyrone yard of the Pennsylvania railroad, died at the Altoona hospital, last Thursday night, as the result of injuries sustained while at his work on Thursday evening. He was riding the front end of a draft of cars traveling down "the hump" when he fell off the car onto the track. Two cars passed over both legs. He was rushed to the Altoona hospital but nothing could be done to save his life.

The young man was a son of George M. and Anna Fetzer and was born at Runville, Centre county, on January 16th, 1891, hence was in his 38th year. He married Miss Edna Lucas who survives with four children, Gertrude, Evelyn, Robert and Doris, all at home. His father has been dead for many years but he leaves his mother, now Mrs. Anna Heverly, of Mt. Eagle, one half-brother and two half-sisters, Toner Heverly, of Mt. Eagle; Mrs. William Bryan, of Bellefonte, and Mrs. Raymond Deitz, of Lock Haven.

Funeral services were held in the United Brethren church, Tyrone, at two o'clock on Sunday afternoon, burial being made in the Advent cemetery, in Boggs township.

GUNSALLUS.—Mrs. Bertha M. Gunsallus, wife of William L. Gunsallus, of Mill Hall, died at the Lock Haven hospital, Tuesday afternoon of last week, as the result of an attack of pneumonia, following an operation.

She was a daughter of Joseph and Emma L. Bechdel and was born at Romola fifty-five years ago. She had lived at Mill Hall the past seventeen years where she was a member of the Church of Christ and the Ladies Aid society. In addition to her husband she is survived by one son and two daughters, Brooks L. Gunsallus, of Oakmont, Pa.; Mr. Frank L. Cessna, of Lock Haven, and Mrs. Lee L. Lar-kins, of Mill Hall. She also leaves her mother, residing at Beech Creek, three brothers and one sister, Jacob and Lloyd Bechdel and Mrs. Hayes Strunk, of Beech Creek, and William Bechdel, of Pittsburgh.

Funeral services were held at her late home, at two o'clock on Friday afternoon, by Rev. H. F. Rector, burial being made in the Disciple cemetery, at Blanchard.

HILLARD.—Mrs. Nancy Hillard, wife of James Hillard, of Coleville, died on Tuesday morning following an illness of four years. She was a daughter of George and Mary Borest and was born in Huntingdon county 54 years ago. In addition to her husband she is survived by the following children: Herbert, Clair, Robert, Martin, Reuben, Francis, Mary and Beatrice, all of Coleville and vicinity. She also leaves two brothers and two sisters, Oliver Borest, of Pine Grove Mills; Samuel, of Stormstown; Mrs. Anne Hillard of Pennsylvania Furnace, and Mrs. Ethel Weber, of State College. Burial was made in Meyers' cemetery yesterday afternoon.

ILGEN.—Daniel Ilgen, a retired farmer of Clinton county, died at his home at Logan Mills, last Wednesday, as the result of a stroke of paralysis sustained over a year ago. He

was 63 years old and is survived by his wife and six children. He also leaves two sisters, Mrs. W. L. Bartges, of State College, and Mrs. David Rearick, of Spring Mills. Burial was made at Booneville, on Sunday morning.

WOLF.—J. Witmer Wolf, a native of Centre Hall, died at his home at Ardmore, near Philadelphia, on September 22nd, following an illness of several years as the result of a stroke of paralysis.

He was a son of William and Anna Witmer Wolf and was born in Centre Hall seventy years ago. He was educated in the public schools of his home town and at Gettysburg college, after which he became associated with his father in the mercantile business at Centre Hall. About thirty years ago he moved to Ardmore where he engaged in the insurance business and was quite successful.

He married Miss Bessie McCoy, of Centre Hall, who died several years ago, but surviving him are two children, Miss Emma, at home, and William, of Philadelphia.

Funeral services were held at his late home, last Tuesday afternoon, burial being made in the Ardmore cemetery.

Heavily Laden Beer Truck Seized in Bellefonte.

State highway patrolmen, on Wednesday, captured a heavily laden beer truck in Bellefonte and an analysis is now being made to find out if the liquid refreshment is of the high-powered variety or merely the soap-suds kind.

The big truck, covered with a tarpaulin, passed the armory, on Lamb street, where highway patrolmen were examining applicants for motor drivers' licenses. The truck looked suspicious and the officers followed it to Wilson street, where it was stuck on the hill. An examination revealed a load of forty kegs of beer. The truck was seized and the driver, who gave the name of Ernest Hall, of Mill Hall, was confined in the Centre county jail pending an analysis of the beer. Where the truck came from or whether it was bound the driver refused to divulge.

Tyrone Quarry Worker Killed.

Calvin S. Mogel, of Tyrone, a laborer at the limestone operations at Stover Station, fell into a bin of finely crushed stone, on Tuesday morning and was smothered to death before he was discovered and could be removed. Mogel, who was 24 years old, was working on top of the bin and evidently made a misstep and fell in. His plight was not discovered until the body was observed passing through the chute from No. 1 bin to No. 2. Six tons of ground limestone had to be removed to release the body.

—Miss Kate McGowan's faithful old hay-burner missed fire last Saturday and all four pedal cylinders went out at the same time. Unlike Dr. Kirk she is not going to abandon hay motors for the gas propelled engines and just as soon as she can locate another good horse he will be taught the route from her home on Spring creek to her office in Bellefonte. So far as we know at the present Mart Cooney and John Bauer are the only remaining owners of such conveyances in Bellefonte as might, on occasion, cause one to sing: "Thanks for the Buggy Ride."

—The ladies' volunteer Bible class of the Bellefonte Methodist church will direct the annual musicale of the church, which is to be given on Friday evening, Oct. 12. It will be recalled that a delightful affair this concert proved last year and the ladies are sure that they have arranged even a better one this time. Practically all of the talent will be guest musicians.

—Mrs. Alberta M. Krader will reopen her classes in ballet and interpretive dancing on Saturday, Oct. 13. There will be advanced floor work to dancing classes for those already on their toes, ages six to twelve. She will also start a beginners' floor work class in toe dancing, ages three to ten.

—Running out into the street, near the Undine hose house, on Saturday, Jimmie Sprankle, son of Mrs. Ollie Sprankle, of Logan street, was hit and knocked down by an automobile driven by Paul Bartley, of Little Nittany valley. The lad was not seriously hurt.

—The "better dairy sires train" sponsored by the N. Y. C. R. R. Co., will be in Bellefonte on November 2. Plans are being worked out to make it a great dairy day in Bellefonte. There will be lots of bulls, but no "bull."

—The voters of Milesburg borough will have before them for consideration, at the election in November, a proposed bond issue for \$8000 for the purpose of constructing a new reservoir.

—Frank B. Bennett, aged 31 years, a member of the State College faculty, was accidentally asphyxiated with gas at his parental home, in Williamsport, on Sunday afternoon.

Talks with the Editor

This column is to be an open forum. Everybody is invited to make use of it to express whatever opinion they may have on any subject. Nothing libelous will be published, though we will give the public the widest latitude in invective when the subject is this paper or its editor. Contributions will be returned if desired, as the contributor may desire.—ED

LAKE HELLEN THEN SOME.

Lake Helen, Fla., Sept. 11, 1928

Democratic Watchman, Bellefonte, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I do not know who writes all the wise sayings on the front page of the Watchman, but I want to tell you this much, I do not think they are very wise or truthful, and when you are vilifying Mr. Hoover, the next President of the United States, you are going a little too far.

I am a Democrat, my father was a Democrat, but I know and all the rest of the family know that if he were living, he would vote for Herbert Hoover, for he always voted for the man instead of party. About the article you have in last week's paper where you say the Republican Managers in New York rushed to Washington to have the raids of the night clubs stopped, why should they go to Washington? It does not have a thing in the world to do with New York, or the radios wouldn't have been stopped in New York City the night Mr. Hoover made his acceptance speech. The policemen even went into people's houses and cut them out, because it was crowding the sidewalk with people. I hope they cared for that. When the base ball scores are given out, the sidewalks are crowded, and the policemen do not disturb them, and what could you infer that Mr. Hoover would or could do toward the stopping or leaving them run, the night clubs. He is not even an employee of the Government. He had sense enough to resign so capably, and I hope you will notice Mr. Al Smith did not resign. He knows he will need it when he gets done riding around in trains of 111 cars spending the good Democrat's money. He would never have been Gov. of New York, if the foreign element in New York City had not put him in. The outside counties never even gave him a majority. No wonder he wants more emigrants to come in, as you say there are so many unemployed there now, what do we want with more scum from Italy and Ireland and Hungary. I hope Curt Thompson will be elected, but I know he will have a hard pull of it. We sure don't want a President in the White House who * * * We have never had that kind and certainly do not want one now. I can tell you something about the whispering campaign going on here. They are not even whispering, but keeping their mouths shut and will vote for Hoover. I wrote to my folks at home in Unionville if one of them should vote for that big mouthed Al Smith I would disown every one of them.

I do not see how any man with any common sense can ever speak Hoover and Smith's name in the same breath. There is as much difference in them as day and night, and Mrs. Hoover, she is perfection, and look at Mrs. Smith, she may suit the Side Walks of New York, but she would not suit the Nation. I am enclosing check for my subscription, and if his vilifying of Mr. Hoover goes on much longer I shall not want your paper.

Respectfully, Mrs. L. JAMES.

We have deleted a bit of Mrs. James' letter for the reason that she made an assertion in it that we believe might prove libelous and we doubt if she could prove it. We would like to ask the lady in just what issue or issues of the Watchman we have "villified" Mr. Hoover. Her charge is very much of a surprise to us, for we had been under the impression that all of the vilification that is being done in this campaign is being directed at Mr. Smith.

Miss Rhoads is of the Opinion We Misquoted Lincoln.

Washington, D. C., 9, 29, '28

Mr. Geo. R. Meek, Editor:

As you know I have (and my parents and brother before me) for long years been a faithful subscriber to "The Watchman." But this morning upon reading the first item of your "Ink Slings" I cannot refrain from at once sending you this clipping which (by a rather strange coincidence, is it not) has "turned up" at this very moment.

Trusting you will receive this in the spirit of good sportsmanship which seems to have characterized our political differences of opinion in the past, I remain, Sincerely Yours, REBECCA NOAMI RHOADS

The "Ink Sling" Miss Rhoads refers to is the following: —Abraham Lincoln said: "Prohibition strikes a blow at the very principle on which our government was founded."

The clipping she enclosed is from the Christian Science Monitor and covers a report of the address of Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, vice president of the National W. C. T. U. in it Mrs. Smith quoted Lincoln's address to the Illinois Legislature in 1842. At that time he is credited by her as having said:

"The liquor traffic cannot be regulated and must be eradicated. As long as one root remains all society is endangered. Every method of control was considered, local option, high license, local option, state control. All failed, because the traffic was, and is, inherently lawless."

Mr. Lincoln was not President of the United States in 1842. If he

WHY?

Andrew Curtin Thompson FOR GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR CENTRE COUNTY



Ten reasons why the people of Centre County should make him their choice on November 6th.

- 1. Born and reared at Stormstown in Half Moon Valley, Centre County.
2. Educated in Centre County Public Schools, Friends' Academy, and Pine Grove Mills Academy.
3. Farmer, School teacher, and business man.
4. Lifetime leader in church and community welfare. Superintendent of largest Sunday School in Centre County.
5. Clean, capable and efficient.
6. Progressive in thought, energetic in action.
7. Stands foursquare on all public problems.
8. Will serve no political master but his constituency.
9. Opposes centralization in government.
10. Will represent all of Centre County.

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made the above statement at that time and the one he quoted last week when he really was President it would seem to some that he had either changed his mind on the subject or was guilty of inconsistency.

We are of the opinion that Mr. Lincoln was guilty of neither, for it will be seen by reading both quotations that in one he was speaking of the "liquor traffic" and in the other of "Prohibition." To those who really understand the question the two are fundamentally as far apart as the poles.

Miss Rhoads thinks we must be mistaken in the quotation we made because, she adds, in a post-script, "He was known as a teetotaler and vigorous foe of liquor." We can't deny that for we never saw Mr. Lincoln take a drink but he did say what we said he said and for Miss Rhoads' edification we quote the entire paragraph:

"Prohibition will work great injury to the cause of temperance. It is a species of intemperance within itself, for it goes beyond the bounds of reason, in that it attempts to control a man's appetite by legislation and makes crime out of things that are not crimes. A Prohibition law strikes a blow at the very principles on which our government was founded."

Coincidental as it may seem, the above quotation came to us from a very prominent woman of Bellefonte, who is a Republican, in the same mail that brought Miss Rhoads' challenge of its accuracy.

phine Deitz, spent Sunday at Zion, with Mr. Weaver's two sisters and other friends.

The Ladies Aid have changed their time of meeting from Wednesday, October 3rd, to Saturday, October 6th. They will meet at the home of Mrs. Harry Hoy.

Verla, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Rodgers, passed away Sunday evening with cholera infantum. She was buried on Tuesday afternoon. Services in the Reformed church and interment in the Reformed cemetery. The family have our deepest sympathy.

—Subscribe for the Watchman.

STATE THEATRE

Bellefonte's Finest Amusement Center

Friday, October 5

MAY McAVOY

IN "A Reno Divorce"

Topics of the Day and Comedy

Added Attraction — 5 big Vaudeville Acts Direct from

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ADMISSION 25 AND 50 CENTS

Saturday, October 6

HOOT GIBSON

IN "Clearing the Trail"

Also Fox News and Two-reel Comedy "RUBBER NECKS"

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IN "Home, James"

Also Fox News and Comedy featuring

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JACKSONVILLE.

Mrs. Mary Deitz has returned home after visiting among relatives at Zion and helping her cousin with some canning and house cleaning.

Mr. and Mrs. William Weaver, son Willard and granddaughter, Jose-