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DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET

Sheriff JOHN M. BOOB of Millheim	County Commissioner JOHN S. SPEARLY of Spring Township
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WE MADE THE BED; LET US LIE IN IT.

In the days of the Punic wars Caius Gracchus was to old Greece and Rome, just what Herbert Hoover is to the United States and Gifford Pinchot to Pennsylvania today. Caius gave corn and soon had cities overflowing with idlers and beggars.

The President of our country, the Governor of our State have been running hither and yon for a year to find a legislative panacea for a country that has no malignant malady, a country that is suffering only from nerves that have been strained by excesses of every form.

The President can appoint commissioners until there are no more eligibles for such duty left. The Governor can call extra sessions until the crack of doom and nothing more will be accomplished than Caius Gracchus accomplished when he threw corn to the Greeks and Romans.

The U. S. A., the world, is learning a lesson today. Anything that the President or the Governor might do by way of urging paternalistic legislation will only be spreading corn and circumventing the lesson that was given to the world centuries ago when Sodom and Gomorrah were wiped from the face of the earth.

Drunk with wealth our country has strayed a long way from the ideals for which its founders fought.

Man made laws can be nothing more than sops to those who will not look for the real reasons for present conditions.

What is needed is moral fibre in our citizenry. Sense to know that what we are going through is the consequence of our own improvidence. And courage enough to face it without groveling at the feet of our President and our Governor; beseeching them to be as unwise as Caius Gracchus.

THE COUNTY NEEDS A VICTOR BRUNGART.

It would be a very wholesome thing for the taxpayers of Centre County if J. Victor Brungart were elected to the Board of County Commissioners. Someone is needed in that office to call a halt on the riot of spending and with the courage to stand up and fight against outside domination of the business office of the taxpayers of Centre county. Mr. Brungart is just such a man.

If he is made a County Commissioner there will be an end of this thing of using public money to pamper political favorites. He's a fighter, just the kind who will want to know why and for what any dollar in the county treasury should be paid out. There is too much of this "Oh, that's all right" stuff in the management of the county's business. It might be all right to those who are getting theirs but it isn't all right to the people who will go without clothes enough to keep them warm this winter in order to save their properties from being posted for tax sale in the corridors of the court house.

How are men who are desperate as to where they might get even bread and molasses to feed their families with tomorrow going to get money enough to pay taxes for wax to polish the court house floors, for voting machines that a Pinchot satellite shipped to Philipsburg the other day, law books in \$2400.00 lots that litter the floor of the library in the court house, for salaries of officials as useless as fifth wheels to wagons?

God save the county. Victor Brungart can't do it alone, but he'll try. We know he is free enough from political entanglements, to be under the thumb of nobody. We know he is clever enough to forestall any attempt to put anything over on him. We know he has been so successful in his own occupation as a farmer that the salary of the office is of little consequence to him. We know that all he wants is a chance to show the taxpayers of Centre county that their business should be managed for their benefit, instead of that of building up a machine, whether it be one of his own party or that of his opposition.

—The ideo of November are approaching and county candidates are hot-footing it day and night. We hope that none of them are troubled with "dogs" as mean as Mr. Andrew H. Brown would have his radio audience believe his are.

—Whatever they do at the coming extra session of the Legislature we hope some way can be devised for getting the State's help to the needy without taking fifty or sixty cents out of every dollar for cost of distribution.

—Thomas A. Edison was an exceptional genius. The Watchman has no thought of undertaking to dim a single memory of his wonderful usefulness to mankind, but does anyone suppose that we would not have had electric light, the phonograph or any other of his revolutionizing inventions had he never been born?

—D. A. McDowell needs no praise from us. His uncomplaining acceptance of physical affliction that would have knocked nine out of every ten other men down into the mendicant class, his struggle and success under such a handicap, his record as tax collector of Spring township are things that those of us who have no cross such as he bears can view with nothing less than admiration. Let us give "Sandy" the office he seeks. He would be an excellent Recorder and, being a Scotchman, we know that two terms in that office would insure him a much needed competence for his old age.

FIFTY YEARS AGO IN CENTRE COUNTY

Items taken from the Watchman issue of October 28, 1881.

—The public sale of the Bellefonte car works, which was advertised for yesterday, did not come off. Mr. Tiffin, the manager and agent, bought them himself for \$47,000.00. There were a lot of bidders, but as their owners thought they were too good a proposition to let go off now, Mr. Tiffin bought them in.

—At the annual meeting of the Bellefonte Y. M. C. A. last Friday night, steps were taken to have the association incorporated. The officers for the new year are: President, D. S. Keller; vice president, Reuben E. Shaffer; secretary, Newton S. Bailey; treasurer, J. W. Gephart; directors, F. W. Crider, Abram S. Valentine, Dr. J. W. Rhone, F. Potts Green, W. S. Zeller and James A. Beaver. The association then proceeded to the work of selecting its first general secretary in the person of J. Willard Miller, at present principal of the High school at Shickshinny.

—The inaugural meeting of the Phillipsburg Driving Park Association was held four days last week. There were a lot of horses entered in the races and large crowds present to be thrilled by their speed. The half-mile foot race for a purse of \$100.00, was won by John Reynolds, Abe C. Steele was second and Wesley Hargrave third.

—Mr. Abe Weber, of Howard, was in Bellefonte yesterday. He brought his wife and baby up to have their picture taken.

—George Wolf, one of Bellefonte's brag tinner, is now making a specialty of setting up stoves and getting spouting ready for the winter. Gottlieb Haag has completed his grist mill at Pleasant Gap and it is now running full blast in custom grinding.

—Social circles among our Jewish fellow citizens are considerably excited by the approaching nuptials of Mrs. Dora Sussman, the fair widow of the late Abraham Sussman, to Abraham Hirsch, a wealthy merchant and realtor of Lancaster.

—Miss Ada Gill, 18 year old daughter of Amos Gill, of Gilttown, near Pleasant Gap, died last Sunday from typhoid fever.

—Did you notice the big, new eggstone in the Bush house office? It is a regular furnace.

—New and second hand buggies and spring wagons are being offered at bargains at Bartruff's carriage works on Bishop street.

—A nail works for Bellefonte appear to be a certainty. Gen. Beaver has announced that work on the buildings will be started shortly.

—Mrs. Hoop, of Philipsburg, accompanied by her niece, Miss Alice Fiegal, and Dr. John McGirk, left week before last for Idaho Springs, Col., where she will join her husband Dr. Hoop, who has mining operations in that section. Dr. McGirk made the trip just to see the country.

—A charter has been granted for the building of what is to be known as the "Nittany Valley railroad." It is to be a narrow gauge line four miles long and will run from the Annesley ore bank to Bellefonte, through Armore's gap and connecting with the Bald Eagle valley R. R. near Cowdick's brick yard.

—Luther Rishel, of Gregg township, and D. C. Keller, of Centre Hall, have just returned from Canada where they purchased a carload of full blooded Leicester lambs for stock in Centre county.

—Lucy, the two ear old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dunkelberger, of Pleasant Gap, choked to death last Saturday morning. She had gotten some popcorn lodged in her windpipe and it could not be gotten out.

HOWARD.

Mrs. Stella V. Williams entertained the members of the Civic club at her home, Wednesday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Kilpatrick and daughters, Edna and Kathryn, of Bellefonte, were Sunday guests of Mrs. Stella V. Williams.

Mrs. Claude Confer is spending this week with her husband, at Kettle Creek, where he has been employed the past several weeks.

Mrs. Mary DeHaas fell down stairs at her home, Tuesday morning, and fractured her left arm near the wrist.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nagney and children and Mrs. Sarah B. Kyle, of Reedsville, were Sunday callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. McDowell.

The Woman's Home Missionary society of the Methodist church held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. W. C. Thompson, last Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Robert Benison, who has been a surgical patient in the private hospital, at Lock Haven, returned home Saturday and is getting along very nicely.

The W. C. T. U. institute will be held Thursday, October 29th, at the Christian chapel. There will be two sessions, beginning at 9 A. M. and 1 P. M. Everybody is urged to attend these meetings.

John Wetzler, Democratic candidate for Register, was in town, Monday night, and was accompanied by his brother, Frank Wetzler and the Milesburg band, which played several selections at the intersection of Main and Walnut streets. They also visited Blanchard, Monument, Orviston and Mt. Eagle.

The annual school fair was held in the High school building, last Friday. Children and their parents were very much interested in bringing fruits and vegetables for display, and many splendid drawings were on exhibition from the primary grades, making this the most successful fair ever held here.

A HODGE—PODGE OF NEWSY INCIDENTS.

A plainly lettered cardboard sign, bearing the words "Marriage Licenses," adorns the wall in the corridor of the court house close to the Register's office. As it was put up only last week there was naturally some curiosity as to the why and wherefore. Some were of the opinion that Register Harry Rossman had inaugurated a campaign to corner the matrimonial market before his term expires on the fourth of next January, but an investigation showed that such was not the case. It was inspired through the embarrassment of a young couple who got into the Treasurer's office by mistake, one day last week, and to their request for a license the young lady deputy handed out a dog license and a tag.

Depression, hard times, no work, no money, form the topics of nine-tenths of the discussions these days in most any crowd and gathering, and we wonder if a lot of it isn't psychological. Up to the first of October the borough tax collector had taken in eighty per cent of the school tax duplicate, or about \$1400 less than last year. And the fourteen hundred discrepancy was not the result of people being out of work but was the result of a number of large taxpayers failing to get under the wire before the five per cent was added.

Strangers coming into Bellefonte by way of north Water street cannot help but be impressed by the improved appearance of the approach to the new Lamb street bridge. The trees and brush along the banks of the stream have been trimmed up, giving a splendid view of the stream and new bridge. Lamb street around the old Gamble mill has been widened and much improved so that the approach to town from that direction is on a par with that of any other road leading into Bellefonte.

Centre county farmers are selling their porkers at 6 cents a pound on the hoof. The butcher does the killing and sells the meat to consumers at 20 to 25 cents the pound. The head meat is made into ponhaus, the liver and heart into liverwurst, the fat is rendered into lard, the small intestines are used as caselins for the sausage, pig feet have a ready sale for pig feet jelly, and the bristles are probably sold to the tooth brush manufacturer. So we'll let the reader figure out for himself how much profit the man who eats the pork pays to the butcher who bought the hog from the farmer who raised the pig to pay his taxes which Pinchot promised to reduce but didn't.

The Centre County hospital did a business of approximately sixty thousand dollars last year, according to the annual report of the business manager. The hospital corporation has a membership in excess of twenty-three hundred. There are fifteen members on its board of managers, eight of them being from Bellefonte and vicinity, and only eleven people, just five of whom were members of the board, manifested sufficient interest in the institution to attend the annual meeting of the corporation last week. This is not intended as a reflection on the hospital. It is doing a splendid work for humanity in Centre county, but the people at large, and the members of the board of managers in particular, should exert a greater interest in its welfare than is exemplified by the small attendance, every year, at the annual meeting of the corporation. Any one who read the report submitted by the Woman's Auxiliary, published exclusively in the Watchman last week, must admit that the members of that organization were active during the year. A total of 2601 separate articles were their contribution, in addition to taking an active part in the hospital drive last spring. That is the kind of work that is worthy of commendation.

From now, henceforth any man who wants to be appointed a game warden or forester in Pennsylvania will have to undergo a regular civil service examination to determine his fitness for the position. Politics are not supposed to cut any figure. All the man will have to do to get the job, when there's a vacancy, is to show that he has a good knowledge of woodcraft, knows the habits of wild animals and birds, is not afraid of a bear and has been and will continue to be a Pinchot supporter.

Forty-seven years ago, this fall, W. Miles Walker was elected sheriff of Centre county, hence is the oldest living ex-sheriff by quite a number of years. At that time there were but 42 voting districts in the county, now there are 65. The actual voting strength in those days did not exceed 8,000 and the county was decidedly Democratic. Now the voting registration is over 21,000, which includes the women, and the Republicans are in the majority.

—Vote for J. M. Keichline for Justice of the Peace. He is the only nominee on the Republican and Democratic ballots. He is a lawyer by profession and a Justice of the Peace and has the qualifications to fill the office. 41-3t

PINE GROVE MILLS

A baby daughter arrived at the Roy Snyder home last Wednesday. John Harm and daughter Mae have moved from Salsburg to Rock Springs.

George W. Ward, of Pittsburgh, is here looking after some business matters.

Mrs. C. A. Breen and daughter Esther were week-end visitors in Williamsport.

Miss Rosella Reed, of State College, is in town, this week, visiting her girl friends.

Mrs. Charles Smith has gone to State College for a week's visit with Mrs. John S. Dale.

J. I. Keller and wife, of the Steel city, are spending a week among old friends in this section.

On October 28th Fred B. Tate will offer at public sale his full line of farm stock and implements.

Mrs. Rose Lytle and Mrs. Maude McCormick spent the latter end of the week in the Mountain city.

Mrs. Laura Krebs went out to Indiana, Pa., on Friday, to visit her brother, A. J. Musser and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Homan and three children, of Centre Hall, spent Sunday with the Royal Kline family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Swartz motored to DuBois, the latter part of the week, to visit Dr. G. R. Swartz.

G. B. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Jackson and Miss Claire Jackson spent last week at Watkin's Glen, N. Y.

Rev. Samuel B. Brown, G. B. Fry and D. S. Peterson attended the Sunday school convention, in Altoona, last week.

Mrs. Ada Krebs went up to Juniata, last Thursday, to help take care of the little daughter who arrived at the J. C. Cori home.

W. H. Roush and wife, who spent the summer in Ohio, are here mingling among old friends, making their headquarters at the J. H. Bailey home.

When John Hess came back from his trip to Altoona, last week, he brought his gun along to have it ready for another hunt with the Modocks during the deer hunting season.

A number of people from here attended the family gathering held at the Joe Kepler home, on Wallace Run, on Sunday. An elaborate dinner was served by Mrs. Kepler and daughter.

C. M. Fry and John McLaughlin went down to Yorktown, Va., Saturday, for the big celebration. On their way home they will visit a number of the battlefields of the Civil war.

Mrs. C. H. Goss, with her son Charles and wife, of Houtdale, made a brief visit with Mrs. A. F. Goss, on Sunday, on their way to Stone valley to see the George A. Goss family.

Daniel M. Clemson, with a party of friends from Pittsburgh, was through this section, last week, on a motor trip and noticed many changes in the half century that has passed since he left the old ore mines at Scotia to take a job with the Carnegie Steel company, at Pittsburgh.

On Monday night three separate parties went out coon hunting on Tussey mountain. One coon was bagged and members of all of the parties claimed it with the result that there was some trouble settling the dispute. Finally one of the parties got the meat, another the hide and the other one nothing.

S. Wilson Cummings, of Tyrone, was 80 years old, last Saturday, and a birthday dinner was given in celebration of the event, to which a few of his closest friends were invited. Mr. Cummings was born in the Kishacoquillas valley, but before moving to Tyrone spent a long term of years at McAlvey's Fort. He married Miss Alice Irvin, of Baileyville, who passed away two years ago.

BOALSBURG.

Alfred Lee is having a new heating plant installed in his residence.

Mr. Jacob Meyer, who has been ill for a month, is yet confined to bed.

Henry Dale and sons, Jack and Charles, of Mifflinburg, were in town on Sunday.

Mrs. Harry McGirk, of Bellefonte, spent the week-end with her sister, Miss Anna M. Dale.

Mrs. Frank McFarlane, of Bellefonte, was a guest of Mrs. D. B. Thomas, of the Branch, over the week-end.

Misses Anna Mary Hess and Ruth Crain accompanied a friend on a drive to New York, on Friday, returning to attend teachers institute in Bellefonte this week.

Victor Grange entertained their friends at a Hallowe'en party, on Tuesday evening. A grand march, games and refreshments were features of the evening's entertainment.

Very interesting services were held in the Lutheran church on Sunday, at 10.30, in honor of the pastor, Rev. Wm. J. Wagner. Rev. Wagner entered the ministry forty years ago and for the past ten years has been the very efficient pastor of the Boalsburg charge. The sermon for the occasion was preached by his son, Rev. John H. Wagner, of Hudson Heights, N. J., who also read a number of congratulatory messages, among them being one from Dr. Kneubel, president of the United Lutheran church of America. A large and attentive audience participated in the services, friends from other nearby towns being present.

Another service was held at St. Marks, Pleasant Gap, in the evening, Rev. J. F. Harkins, of State College, bringing the message. The church and Sunday school room were filled with interested friends who extended congratulations and wished for Rev. and Mrs. Wagner many more years of continued success in their chosen work. At both services tokens of appreciation were presented to Rev. Wagner. The churches were decorated with flowers and ferns and altogether the occasion proved quite delightful.

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UNIONVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Eckenroth visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Noecker, of Renovo, one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Waite, of Warriorsmark, and Mrs. Waite's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brugger, were guests of Miss Laura Rumberger, last Sunday.

Guests at the home of Mrs. Frances Hall, last Sunday, were Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Lovell and two sons; Mrs. Ella Root and Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Kaak, all of Bellwood.

At the meeting of the board of managers of the lower (Stover) cemetery, on Monday evening, it was planned to serve a baked ham supper in the Community house, November 12th. 30 and 50c per plate.

Don't forget the chicken and waffle supper this (Saturday) evening, at the Hotel Union, by the ladies of the M. E. church. 30 and 50c per plate, with plenty of trimmings and pie. Home made ice-cream and cake extra.



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