

INK SLINGS. BY GEORGE R. MEEK.

—There certainly was a hot time in the old town on Armistice day. Something must have let go. Such ebullience of spirits was probably pent-up patriotism, but we rarely see the community so patriotic before.

—Of course everyone has his or her own notion as to the cause of the recent Republican debacle in Centre county. Ours is that while the many would-be captain generals were squabbling over who should lead the army in battle the privates nearly all ran and hid.

—Warren Jones, of Lackawanna county, has succeeded Warren F. Doane, of Stonehurst, as official letter opener in the Executive Department at Harrisburg. He gets five thousand a year for it, too. When Cornelia hears that Giffy has an official letter opener she will probably have an official can opener at ten thousand a year appointed for the cuisine of the Executive mansion.

—We'd like to say something about the high dudgeon king Carol, of Rumania, would have the world believe he is in because his brother "Nicholas" ran off and married a commoner. We are not going to do it, however, because what we thought of saying would surely sick Mr. Owen K. Adams, of Lock Haven, on us again and we haven't gotten all of our hide back since the last time he skinned us for saying something mean about Carol.

—The Republican State organization is reported as being disposed to throw no monkey wrenches into the legislative machinery during the extra session. Such abstention from making all the trouble possible for the Governor would certainly be a very popular gesture to those who think the Governor is always right. If it is done, however, it will be only because it is smart politics. The extra session is the Governor's show and he should be handed no blows should it fall to produce the relief he promises in consequence of it.

—Political gossip here is to the effect that if opening the ballot boxes does not jimmy Keeler into the Sheriff's office he is to be made a meat inspector at one hundred and fifty per. The rumor goes further and predicts that Mr. White is to be made county chairman and Mr. Levery State committeeman for the Republicans of Centre county. The gentleman who gave the Watchman his information was unable to explain how it is all to be brought about. W. I. Fleming is the present county chairman of his party and Senator Scott the State committeeman.

—The Rev. H. McAllister Griffiths, pastor of Holland memorial Presbyterian church, Philadelphia, as publicly rebuked those who could have military training at the Pennsylvania State College made mention of that objective, along with world disarmament. Having gone through some years ago and noted its effect during most of the time that he slipped away since then we are of the opinion that the military training the students at State gets isn't calculated to flood the world with young manhood that lusts for war meat or the companionship of illicit cooties. Next to the contacts with cultured men we rate the new notion of what discipline means and the physical set-up we got out of for four years in the cadet battalion as the most valuable and lasting gifts the Pennsylvania State College gives us.

—We fear we are getting the reputation of being a gay old Lothario. It appears that the obliging telephone lady whom we offered to hug and kiss, when she gave us the wonderful news the morning after the cent election, thinks we're a poor sport because we haven't made good. While we regard her peevish attitude as a very great compliment we just can't disillusion her by showing up in awful decadence as a huggable kisser. We don't know whether the story in last week's Watchman had anything to do with it or not, but in Millheim, on Saturday night, we made a miserable spectacle of ourselves. Such a one as we have been ashamed of ever since.

While walking with a gentleman on a dark street in that town so very attractively dressed woman made a desperate attempt to "kick" us up. They were successful in getting each of us by an arm and dragging us a few yards further down the darkened thoroughfare we succeeded in tearing loose. You will note that we admit they did drag us. Boy! "The old lady are ain't what she used to be" is the fussy lady who took our arm would have gone galloping clear into Penn township and even the ree bands that were in Millheim at night couldn't have lured us back. We blush for shame as we record this confession of our ungallantry to the telephone lady in Bellefonte and the other in Millheim. There isn't a crumb of consolation, here, in the fact that our companion tried as hard as we did to save himself from the wiles of the woman who had him by the arm.

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KEELER ASKS RECOUNT VOTE FOR SHERIFF IN MILLHEIM BOROUGH.

Recount of Ballots Will be Made Today by Charles F. Cook and G. Hunter Knisely, of Bellefonte, and Charles Freeman, of Philipsburg.

Harry V. Keeler is not satisfied with the official returns of the vote cast for Sheriff of Centre county which showed John M. Boob the winner by two votes and has petitioned the court for a recount of the votes cast in Millheim, Mr. Boob's home town. The petition alleges belief in a "fraud and error," and Judge Fleming has issued a decree ordering a recount to be made in open court, in the court house, Bellefonte, this (Friday) afternoon, the computation board to consist of Charles F. Cook and G. Hunter Knisely, of Bellefonte, and Charles Freeman, of Philipsburg. The petition for the recount was signed by three resident voters of Millheim borough, and while "fraud or error" is named no specific charges are noted. Following is the petition in full:

To the Hon. M. Ward Fleming, President Judge.

The petition of the undersigned, three qualified electors of the borough of Millheim, county of Centre and the State of Pennsylvania, respectfully represents:

1. That the said undersigned petitioners are qualified electors of said voting precinct of the Borough of Millheim, and that they voted at the last general election held on the 3rd day of November, A. D. 1931.
2. That the said borough of Millheim, Centre county, Pa., constitutes of and by itself a separate election precinct.
3. That upon information which they consider reliable they believe that an act of fraud or error, although not manifest upon the general return of votes made therefrom, has been committed therein the computation of the votes cast in said election.
4. Your petitioners, under the aforesaid, respectfully pray your Honorable Court to make an order and decree directing that the said ballot box containing the ballots cast at the general election on November 3rd, 1931, be brought forth into the Court opened, and there be recomputed in accordance with a decree of your Honorable Court and in compliance with the Act of Assembly approved the 23rd day of April, A. D. 1927, and to make such other order and decree as your Honorable Court may deem meet and equitable in the premises.

5. And as in duty bound they will ever pray.

F. CATHERMAN
A. M. WILSON
E. H. ZIMMERMAN

The Court's decree is as follows: And now, to wit, November 10th, A. D. 1931, the within petition having been read and after careful consideration, it is ordered, adjudged and decreed that the High Sheriff of Centre county, H. E. Dunlap Esq., is hereby directed to take into his custody the ballot box and key thereof used in the borough of Millheim, Centre county, Pennsylvania, at the general election held on the 3rd day of November, A. D. 1931, and that the Sheriff, in the presence of the undersigned, shall affix his said seal to said box in addition to the seal now on said box and shall keep this ballot box and key safely in his custody until the 13th day of November, at 2 o'clock p. m., in the court room of the Centre county court house, with all seals intact, and deliver the key thereof to the Court.

It is further adjudged and decreed that Charles F. Cook, G. Hunter Knisely and Charles E. Freeman shall constitute a board to recount the entire vote, and it shall be the assistance of the above designated persons whether or not fraud or substantial error was committed in the computation of the vote cast on the ballots contained in said ballot box or fraud in the marking of the ballots contained therein, or otherwise in connection with such ballots, as provided by the Act of General Assembly passed the 23rd day of April, 1927.

The Prothonotary is directed to administer in open Court to the board the usual oath assumed by election boards with appropriate reference to the creation of the board and the purpose of its appointment.

By the Court
M. WARD FLEMING, P. J.

If the vote in Millheim is found correct as returned by the election board there are rumors that other ballot boxes may be opened on petition of Keeler. And should an error be found in Keeler's favor it is quite possible that Mr. Boob's supporters will also petition the court for the opening of one or more boxes.

—When you find it in the Watchman you know it's true.

OFFICIAL COUNT OF CENTRE COUNTY VOTE NOW COMPLETED.

The Watchman is able to give, this week, the official vote cast for every candidate on the county ticket at the election on Tuesday of last week. The count began at 12 o'clock, last Thursday, and because of the exceptionally close vote for Sheriff unusual care was exercised in the computation.

Judge M. Ward Fleming read off the vote from the official return sheets, which were opened and handed to him by prothonotary S. Claude Herr. Syd Weller, Republican, and D. Paul Fortney, Democrat, checked the figures on the tally sheets. Ivan Walker also checked a sheet in the interest of Mr. Boob while Mr. Keeler was also represented. The clerks were Roy Wilkinson and Mrs. J. H. Decker. The last district was called at 5:15 o'clock and the vote for Sheriff was totaled. It gave Boob just two of a majority over Keeler, instead of eight, as given in the unofficial newspaper returns published last week.

Because of the fact that, under a new law, the court is required to count the vote cast not only for county candidates but for every candidate for borough and township offices, he was unable to complete the count last week, and this being court week could not resume the count until Wednesday, with the result that the final computation was not completed until that time.

Judge of Supreme Court:

James B. Drew, R.	5621
James B. Drew, D.	4507
James B. Drew, L.	28
Charles Palmer, P.	1447
John W. Slayton, S.	179

Sheriff:

Harry V. Keeler, R.	6458
Harry V. Keeler, P.	204
Harry V. Keeler, N. P.	6968
S. Victor Brunst, D.	6968

Prothonotary:

Leland H. Walker, R.	6221
S. Claude Herr, D.	5992
S. Claude Herr, P.	538
S. Claude Herr, N. P.	4

Treasurer:

Harry F. Jones, R.	5766
Robert F. Hunter, D.	7201

Register of Wills:

Raymond Brooks, R.	6414
John L. Wetzler, D.	5944
John L. Wetzler, P.	1
John L. Wetzler, N. P.	1

Recorder of Deeds:

Malcolm H. Hall, R.	6226
D. A. McJowell, D.	6292

County Commissioners:

H. E. Holtzworth, R.	5977
H. E. Holtzworth, P.	139
H. E. Holtzworth, N. P.	5813
Howard M. Miles, R.	538
John S. Speary, D.	6642
John S. Speary, P.	298
Irvin A. Meyer, D.	5531

County Auditors:

Robert D. Musser, R.	6597
Robert D. Musser, P.	201
Robert D. Musser, N. P.	538
David A. Holter, R.	5750
David A. Holter, P.	237
Clarence A. Yearick, D.	5531
Irvin A. Meyer, D.	4700

Coroner:

W. R. Heaton, R.	6285
W. R. Heaton, P.	229
W. R. Heaton, D.	6251

County Surveyor:

J. Thompson Henry, R.	6318
J. Thompson Henry, P.	229
J. Thompson Henry, D.	4749

SHERIFF-ELECT BOOB SERENADED SAT. NIGHT.

Headed by Legionnaires from Bellefonte, Philipsburg and State College a thousand or more "buddies" and friends of sheriff-elect John M. Boob gathered in Millheim, last Saturday night, to show the new official how happy they are over his election.

The main street of the town was crowded with cheering onlookers when the parade swept into it from the assembling place at the school house.

First in the line was a color bearer, then a Democratic donkey (mule size), then Wetzler's band displaying a banner expressing its gratitude to those who had voted to make one of its members Register of the county. Following it was a delegation of Legionnaires. The Spring Mills band was next with a delegation from Gregg township and Spring Mills. After it came the Aaronsburg band with a crowd of marchers following it.

The line of march was over the principal streets of the town and when it had been completed most of the crowd repaired to the community house where an informal and very enjoyable evening was spent with the retiring and incoming sheriffs, the centres of the activities.

—On her way to the parochial school, Monday morning, Elizabeth Saylor, six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Saylor, of North Penn street, was hit by an automobile driven by John Gordon, on Bishop street, knocked down, and dragged twenty or more feet along the street. She was rushed to the Centre County hospital where it was found that she sustained a number of bad bruises and contusions but no broken bones. So far as can be determined she suffered no internal injuries.

RAMEY FISHERMEN LOSE COURT APPEAL PAY FINE AND COSTS.

For Breaking His Parole Thomas Franklin Auman Was Haled Into Court and Sent to the Penitentiary for Two to Six Years.

In court, last Friday, John and Joseph Boran, of Ramey, Clearfield county, lost their appeal from a decision of 'Squire Byron, of Philipsburg, and were sentenced to pay a fine of \$20 and costs each for illegal fishing. The two men were arrested on July 14th, on information furnished by Fred Mattern, of Philipsburg, who identified them as two men he saw the night previous fishing Six Mile run with a net and carbide lamp. At a hearing before 'Squire Byron they were adjudged guilty but appealed their case to court. After hearing the evidence the court denied the appeal and pronounced sentence. The men settled.

Homer Detwiler plead guilty to a violation of the liquor laws and was sentenced to pay the costs, a fine of \$300 and 60 days in the county jail.

Elias M. Ripka, of Gregg township, plead guilty to a charge of non-support and was sentenced to pay \$15.00 a month and give bond in the sum of \$300 within ten days. Failing to do so he is to be taken to the Allegheny county work house for six months.

Raymond Hetrick was in court on an appeal from the authorities at State College where he was arrested for retailing goods without a license. Hetrick maintained he was operating under a wholesale license, which he held. After hearing the evidence the appeal was sustained and the costs put upon the county.

Melvin W. Schnars, of Rush township, plead guilty to the charge of desertion and non-support and was sentenced to pay \$15 a month, give bond in the sum of \$300 or go to the Allegheny county work house for six months.

Hayes Cassidy, Gray Hoover and John Keith, all of Sandy Ridge, plead guilty to stealing the automobile of R. J. Barnett, on September 26th, and were sentenced to pay the costs, pay for the damage to the car and undergo probation for a period of three years.

Austin Eiseman plead guilty to a charge of false pretense and was sentenced to pay the costs and undergo probation for one year.

Otto F. Adamitz, proprietor of the Hi-Vue hotel on the top of the mountain along the road to Sandy Ridge, plead guilty to operating gambling devices and was sentenced to pay the costs, a fine of \$200 and spend 60 days in jail. He also plead guilty to a violation of the liquor laws and on this charge was sentenced to pay the costs, \$300 fine and 60 days in jail to date from the expiration of the foregoing sentence. The costs in the two cases were \$65.25. The court also told the defendant that if any further complaints are made against his hotel the place will be padlocked and closed to business.

Frank Clark, an escaped Rockview prisoner, was given an additional sentence of 1 1/2 to 3 years.

Robert M. Courson and Stanley Osgrowski entered pleas of guilty to malicious mischief and each one was sentenced to pay the costs, a dollar fine and spend 35 days in jail.

Arthur Williams plead guilty to the charge of forgery and was sentenced to make restitution, pay the costs and placed on probation for two years.

W. L. Illian, who plead guilty to the charge of a violation of the liquid fuels act, was sentenced to pay the costs, pay a fine of \$200 and spend six months in the Allegheny county work house, the latter sentence to be suspended upon the payment of the fine and costs.

Bills ignored by the grand jury were as follows: Charles Rudy, accused by Price Johnstonbaugh of defrauding a board bill. William Imel, indicted for a violation of the liquor laws. McKinley Corrigan, charged by Viola Corrigan with assault and battery. Harold Askey, charged with assault and battery by Joseph Viard.

REPAIR THE JAIL SAYS WOMAN FOREMAN OF GRAND JURY.

Miss Vera Hummell, of Philipsburg, served as foreman of the grand jury, last week, the first time in the history of Centre county that a woman officiated in this capacity, and according to reports she performed the duties most satisfactorily. The jury completed its work in two days and a half. Its report was also one of the briefest ever returned. It was in effect as follows:

We examined 23 bills of indictment, 17 of which were returned as true bills and 6 ignored.

We found the living quarters in the sheriff's home badly in need of repairs. It is very evident a new jail is needed, but think the taxpayers should take a vote on same. In the meantime there are some very necessary repairs that should be made at this time.

The men's lavatory in the rear of the court house, second floor, is loose from the wall and the spigot broken. It should be repaired. All of the lavatories are more or less in need of repair. There is need of better ventilation in the treasurer's vault and also in the jury room, and a more sanitary condition should exist throughout the entire court house.

Commonwealth vs. Joseph Gordon, charged with false pretense by John Junious for evading payment of a board bill. Verdict of guilty and sentence was suspended upon payment of costs.

Commonwealth vs. Justina Harbison, assault and battery. Prosecutrix, Mrs. Clair Watson. This case was from Clarence and the grand jury ignored the bill and put the costs, \$33.07, upon the prosecutrix. She was called before the court, on Monday, and sentenced to pay the costs and stand committed.

The case against Justina Harbison, in which she was accused of being a common scold by Mrs. Watson, was dismissed upon motion of the district attorney because the prosecutor was not in court to appear against her, and the defendant was discharged.

Commonwealth vs. Henry Brown, charged with keeping a disorderly house and aggravated assault and battery, was tried on Monday. The case was the result of a shooting affair at Brown's shack, at State College, a month or so ago. The jury returned a verdict of guilty and Brown was sentenced to pay the costs, a dollar fine and serve a year in the county jail.

Andrew Swiers and Patrick McQueeny, who were in Brown's shack at the time of the shooting, and who were brought into court on disorderly conduct charges, were both discharged, the cases against them being not pressed on motion of the district attorney.

Paul Weaver, of State College, plead guilty to a violation of the liquor laws and was sentenced to pay the costs, a fine of one dollar and undergo imprisonment in the Allegheny county work house for a period of one year.

Thomas Franklin Auman, who at the May term of court plead guilty to the crime of arson for burning his own house, was sentenced to one to twenty years in the western penitentiary and later paroled, was brought into court for a violation of his parole. It was charged that Auman, who is past seventy years of age, threatened to kill his wife and was considered a dangerous character. In fact two of his sons assisted in bringing him into court. He was then sentenced to pay a dollar fine and undergo imprisonment in the western penitentiary for not less than two years nor more than six. It is understood that he will be taken to Pittsburgh for regular entry was an inmate then brought back to Rockview and placed in the psychopathic ward for observation.

A group of students from State College will put on the exercises for "Negro Achievement" week on Sunday, at 7.30 o'clock p. m., in St. Paul's A. M. E. church, Bellefonte. The program will be lively and entertaining. Good music. The public is cordially invited.

Nelson E. Robb, cashier of the Bellefonte Trust Co., has been confined to his home on Curtin street since his return from a vacation several weeks ago. His illness is not serious, however, and he is now able to be up and around in the house.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSSTONE.

—Records of the Game Commission show that more hunters have been killed in mistake for groundhogs than for any other game animal.

—A cache of \$12,000 worth of cigars, stolen by hijackers ten days ago, was uncovered in an abandoned barn near Abington, Montgomery county. Stanley Schultz, who, police said, was guarding the place, was arrested.

—Adam Probst, 56, of Renovo, died in a hospital, last Thursday, from injuries sustained when he was accidentally shot when his four-year old daughter ran against and upset a loaded gun and he charge lodged in his foot.

—Miss Charlotte Carr, deputy secretary of the Pennsylvania Labor and Industry Department, faces loss of her driver's license because her car was in collision with a truck, killing the driver. A coroner's jury recommended she be charged with involuntary manslaughter and that her license be revoked. The Motor Vehicle Department is considering the case.

—Dr. E. B. Bardo, elected last Tuesday to the board of commissioners of Lycoming county, by the highest vote given any commissioner candidate, died suddenly on Wednesday night at the Williamsport hospital. Dr. Bardo, rounding out a four-year term as sheriff of Lycoming county, sustained an injury to his spine some weeks ago while serving a warrant on a refractory prisoner, and had since been a patient at the hospital.

—An attempt to fasten a new chain to a bull's halter cost Philip Fulcrode, 55, of Dauphin county, several broken ribs and a badly cut face. The animal turned on the farmer, knocked him down and trampled him until a neighbor, Elmer Schreffler, called to Fulcrode's barnyard by a 16-year-old farm hand, Clarence Engle, warded the bull off with a pitchfork. Fulcrode was taken to the Harrisburg hospital.

—Mrs. Hettie Grieco, 38 years old, of Allegheny county, last Saturday put on her favorite dress, then called her husband at his work and told him she was going to kill herself. Grieco called a taxi and reached home a half hour later just in time to see an ambulance carrying his wife to a hospital. She died within a few hours, from a bullet wound, self inflicted, the coroner's office said, because of domestic difficulties.

—A complaint alleging the Fullington Auto Bus Co., Clearfield, has engaged in interstate operations between Cumberland, Md., and Altoona, Pa., was filed with the Public Service Commission at Harrisburg, on Monday, by the Edwards Motor Transit, Inc., DuBois. The complaint charges that the Fullington company holds a certificate for local service and has been accepting interstate passengers in violation of the provisions of intra-state certificates.

—Billy Pickering, five years of age, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Pickering, of Maceysville, is in a serious condition at the Lock Haven hospital suffering from burns from the waist down, sustained when he got too close to a bonfire his mother had in the yard at their home Saturday forenoon. The child's overalls took fire and he was burned practically to the bone. He was admitted to the Lock Haven hospital at noon Saturday and is not expected to recover.

—William Pittman, a Negro, is in a Pittsburgh hospital with a bullet wound which police described as having been received when the bullet he fired at another Negro bounced off the latter's skull ricocheted and struck him in the chest. Pittman fell to the street after his own bullet had hit him but struggled to his feet again and fired a second shot which found its mark in the heart of the second Negro, Charles Davis, who died soon thereafter. The shooting was said to have been over a woman.

—Stephen Campbell, Jersey Shore, convicted at the last term of Federal criminal court at Scranton on charges of operating a still and manufacturing liquor in the mountains near Logantown, Clinton county, was sentenced to the York county jail for ten months, fined \$500 and placed on probation for two years by Federal Judge Albert L. Watson, at Scranton, last Thursday afternoon. Campbell admitted that at that time he had been made a detective for the New York Central railroad.

—The Bellefonte Lime company, with a plant at Salona, and the Independent Oil company, Altoona, which has a service station in Lock Haven, are planning to aid the unemployed this winter. The Lime company is deducting 10 cents a day from each of its thirty-five employees and gives an equal amount daily, and William L. Schadt, station manager of the Independent Oil company and his son, John, have decided to give one day's pay each a month for the five winter months toward the aid of unemployed. This action followed a vote of all employees of the company after an appeal by Samuel Cohen, president.

—Three United States Navy combat planes, taking six officers from Philadelphia to attend a Franklin wedding, were forced to land in a snowstorm at DuBois late on Friday, after they had flashed word from Bellefonte they would land at Franklin Airport in an hour and a half. In the party was English Hirsch, whose cousin, Charles Barrow, identified with the Franklin Aircraft corporation and himself a pilot with more than 1500 hours' flying, who married Miss Julia Henderson at noon Saturday. The three "Hell-Diver" planes took off from DuBois shortly after daybreak, Saturday morning, reaching Franklin in time for breakfast. The young couple went on a wedding trip to White Sulphur Springs, Washington and Philadelphia.

—A bright future for Lewisburg is envisioned by officials in charge of constructing the new \$3,000,000 Northeastern Penitentiary, near there. They will be needed to accommodate the inmates of the penitentiary who will move their families to Lewisburg. It is also estimated that at least 100 homes will be required to accommodate the influx of families and relatives of those committed to the institution. "We always find," one official said, "that wives and families will follow their husbands and fathers when sent to prison." It is expected that a building boom will be started there next spring that will greatly increase the population and at the same time increase the activities in all lines of business.