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## TWO SOUND DOCTRINES.

The Hon. Sedgwick Kistler, of Lock Haven, member for Pennsylvania on the Democratic National committee, addressed a gathering of Centre county Democrats in the ball room of the hotel Philips, at Philipsburg, recently. His talk was brief but, in five minutes, he expressed the ideals for which the party of his choice contends so concretely that the most obtuse auditor must have understood the high plane on which he is striving to serve his party. Mr. Kistler preached the sound, old fashioned doctrine that it is only the principles of a party that are worth fighting for. Those who carry its banners in battles are merely the agencies through which it should operate when in power. And further than assurance of their moral and mental fitness and integrity of character the personality of a candidate should not be made a factor in a political equation.

If those who support the two great parties of our Nation could be brought to the broad concept of duty that Mr. Kistler holds, what a reformation there would be in our national politics. Then men and women would vote, not with the thought of personal gain, or of registering bigotry and fanaticism, but with a sense of honest conviction that the platform of the party they elect to support promises most by way of the greatest good to the greatest number.

In a Bellefonte church, the following Sunday morning, a minister of the gospel preached much the same sermon to his congregation that Mr. Kistler preached to that gathering of Democrats in Philipsburg. He took his text from the epistle of Paul to the Philippians, I, XXI, "For me to live is Christ," and interpreted it to mean that the matter of what creed one adheres to is of little consequence in building the Kingdom; that only the spirit of Christ in the individual can be constructive.

It might seem like going far afield to draw a parallel between a political speech and a Sunday morning sermon, but the fundamental truths in both of them are so obvious that tremendous good to both politics and christianity would follow a public awakening to the soundness of such doctrines.

If great principles, not party leaders, were to be fought for in our national politics; if Christ, not creeds or sects, were the sole inspiration of the militant christian then there would be less fear for the decadence of our governmental fabric and our spiritual welfare.

## BETTER "LET A SLEEPING DOG LIE"

John Boob's supposed majority of eight votes in the contest for Sheriff of Centre county dwindled to two in the official count. The result was so close that Harry Keeler, his opponent for the office, has asked for a recount of the ballots cast in Millheim borough, the home of the Sheriff-elect.

Three persons voted in Millheim borough whose right to vote there was challenged. The election board accepted them, notwithstanding. The Millheim ballot box has been impounded and is now in the custody of the Sheriff. The ballots in it will be recounted today.

While the outcome of the recount is not known it is reasonably certain that it will reveal no advantage to Mr. Keeler, since the ballots were called off by the Republican inspector on the board. It is not likely that one who was opposed to the election of Mr. Boob would be careless in scrutinizing the ballots that were cast for or against him.

Should the recount of the Millheim vote make a change in the relative positions of Boob and Keeler it is likely that every ballot box in Centre county will be opened.

And in that event developments may be expected that will overshadow Keeler's attempt to go behind the official count in order to get himself into office. Under the new ballot law all tickets are numbered. The number is supposed to be torn off by the voter before placing his ballot in the box. There is a fine of ten dollars imposed on the judge and majority inspector of each election district for every ballot that is deposited in the box without having had the numbered corner torn off. And all such ballots are invalidated as to all candidates thereon.

Inasmuch as it is known that there are many such ballots in districts carried by Mr. Keeler and one in which they were torn off when being counted by the election board it is just possible that the gentleman has started something that is likely to get those who supported him into serious trouble.

The voters of Centre county have never been friendly to election contests. They have ever been willing to accept the official count as final, no matter how narrow the margin between contestants.

## WE WELCOME SUCH "RUBBISH"

With characteristic venom the Keystone Gazette last week read hundreds of Republicans out of the party it presumes to own in Centre county. After charging them with "treachery" and calling them "degenerates" the Gazette expresses the thought that it would be "good riddance of bad rubbish" were they to get out of its party and stay out.

The Watchman hopes they will do exactly what Editor Harter commands them to do. Such "bad rubbish" would be welcomed in the Democratic ranks, for it comprises the very best element of the citizenship of the county: Men and women who refuse to be led by the nose by any party boss; Men and women who are coming to see that there are no political principles involved in the elections for precinct or county offices and have the good sense to vote for their own interests rather than to grease a political machine.

The Gazette is very mad just now. When the next election comes around it will be pleading with the "so called Republicans," whom it charges with "treachery" and brands as "degenerates" to rally behind its banner and fight to give it back the county patronage.

Then it will be wanting to forget the "good riddance of bad rubbish," but there will be many whose memories are not short enough to do that.

—The ruction between China and Japan would indicate that there is a railroad somewhere in the world, so valuable, that Nations are ready to go to war over it. We are supposed to have some wonderful railroads in this country, but the only persons apparently interested in them are prospective receivers.

—With all due credit to Governor Pinchot's attempt to get the farmers out of the mud we opine that they would very much prefer being in some right now.

## Talks 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 signed or initialed, as the contributor may desire.—ED.

### Daniel Peters Grateful for 116 Majority in Walker Twp.

Nittany, Pa., Nov. 6, 1931.

Readers and Fellow-Citizens:

I hereby desire to express my thanks and appreciation for the many votes cast for me by the people of Walker township. I especially want to thank the people in the vicinities of Zion and Hubersburg who gave me an overwhelming majority, and among whom I lived for forty years, while foreman of the Central R. R. of Pa. at Hecla Park from the time it was laid until it was taken up.

At all times I have fought for right and the standards of good citizenship to the best of my ability, not stooping to bribery or being partial to a favorable few at the expense of the people. In carrying out these ideals I could not please every one, and was perhaps misunderstood. My opponents made the mistake of a strong one in this my own precinct.

As supervisor of Walker township I will endeavor to prove that the confidence and faith given me will not be misplaced.

Very sincerely yours,

DANIEL PETERS

### Edgar Was Not A Delinquent.

Altoona, Pa., Nov. 8, 1931.

Dear Editor:

I am enclosing money order to reduce the 775, thus I become the 124th who has responded to your appeal.

Trusting that the other 123 will soon read through your columns of your peace of mind after the other 651 remit, and that there may be universal peace in the world ere another Armistice day rolls round, I am

Respectfully

EDGAR D. REARICK

We thank Mr. Rearick for his gracious expression of good will, but so far as reducing the 775 by 1 he didn't do it all. He was paid in advance of the date on which we called delinquents to our rescue and didn't owe us a cent. He is one of the many who keep us in their debt. The shoe is on the other foot and unless the 651 come across at a livelier rate than they are we are not going to have enough money to buy paper and pay workers to make Watchmans with which we can discharge our debt to the many Edgar Rearicks on our list.—Editor's Note.

—The Muse Has Ticked Claire Again

CYCLONIC REVERBERATIONS.

That sure was an old time Democratic upset.

Understand the returns are coming in yet.

They seem to have gotten the Republicans' goat.

Oh, Hunter must have had Tom Harter's vote.

The Democrats upset the Pinchot apple cart.

Evidently many Republicans taking part. Oh, 'tis a sad and harrowing tale.

Wonder what the Governor said to Dale?

Some thought that Millheim person was a "rube."

Well, he was, and still is, a popular Boob.

And, look who's here, Herr, Wetzler and McDowell.

Let those Watchman roosters crow, they really should howl.

It's the night after election and all through the Court House.

Not a Republican is stirring—like the proverbial mouse.

It was a fine game, and a good time was had by all.

Even though the Republican batter got hit with a Democrat ball.

C. B. WILLIAMS

Westfield, N. J., Nov. 9, 1931

### WOMAN AND BOY HURT IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.

A Mrs. Bumgardner, of Snow Shoe Intersection, and a Mater boy, living on Halfmoon hill, were injured in an automobile collision near the residence of J. M. Cunningham, on south Potter street, at noon on Monday.

The Mater boy was taking dinner to his father who works for the Bellefonte Lumber company, and was riding with James Boscaino, who was on his way to work at the Federal Match company.

Just as he came down off Halfmoon hill his car was struck by a car driven by George Dewey Howard, who had with him Mrs. Bumgardner, and several others.

The Mater boy was thrown into the windshield of the Boscaino car and was badly cut on the head and face by the broken glass. A small piece of glass dropped into his shoe and in stepping on it he cut his heel.

The Bumgardner woman also sustained cuts and bruises on the face and head.

State highway patrolmen arrested Howard and took him to jail. It is alleged that he was under the influence of liquor.

Jury Commissioners J. C. Condo and J. C. Gates will start their job, next week, of filling the jury wheel for the year 1932.

### FIFTY YEARS AGO IN CENTRE COUNTY.

Items taken from the Watchman issue of November 18, 1881.

—There seems to be trouble at the car works. Some say it can mean nothing else than that the plant will be closed ere long. Many of the men are quitting. Some are leaving town to hunt work elsewhere. It is reported that the management is bad. That is indicated if the story is true that they had twenty-five cars ready for painting the fore part of the week and an order was sent to one of the local hardware stores for one gallon of paint with which to cover all the cars.

—Married—At the Lutheran parsonage in Bellefonte, October 23, 1881, by Rev. S. E. Furst, William H. Corman and Lydia A. Rockey, both of near Bellefonte.

—Two of Henry Evey's children, at Pleasant Gap, are lying very low with scarlet fever.

—Judge Larimer informs us that of all the men in Bellefonte who voted for him for Commissioner, in 1847, only nine are living.

—New driving wheels are being put in Duncan and Hale's grist mill, at the foot of Lamb street, and milling operations there have ceased for the time being.

—We noticed Monte Ward, the celebrated base-ball champion, on our streets during the week. This is Monte's home and he is here for a visit.

—Mr. Wilbur Twitmore was spouting a house in College township when he felt the scaffolding under him giving away and jumped before he fell with it. It was 20ft to the ground and his right heel and ankle were badly injured.

—Our young friend George Uzile, of Snow Shoe, shot a buck near that place, the other day, that dressed 180lbs.

—Miss Mary Ray, sister of Sylvester Ray Esq., whose parents reside on the Thomas farm near this place, died on Tuesday morning last of typhoid fever. (The Thomas farm in question included most of "Halfmoon Hill and the meadow now filled with buildings of the American Lime and Stone Co. The farm house stood near the present location of the Company's office building.—Editor's Note.)

—The Sprankles had a family reunion at the home of their mother, near Spruce Creek, last Thursday and Friday. The five sons and five daughters, with their wives, husbands and children, were all there.

The oldest of the family is Mr. Jacob Sprankle, of Coleville, who will be 55 next Christmas day. During the reunion his mother presented him with his deceased father's "specs" for which he had paid eight dollars fifty years ago.

—Arriving at church in Millheim, last Sunday, Miss Ada Eisenhuth declined the proffered help of a young man to assist her from the spring wagon. Then she attempted to jump to the sidewalk, but her dress caught in the lock lever and she was thrown on the stones so hard that for a time it was thought she had been fatally injured.

—Robert Doak, well known painter and paper hanger, of Bellefonte, died of dropsy last Saturday morning.

—The Osceola Reveille is giving the Commissioners of Centre and Clearfield counties fits because they don't do something about the bridge over the Moshannon in that place. It is very rickety and a new one was ordered by the grand juries of both counties many months ago.

—The Watchman sanctum was honored on Monday by a visit from a bevy of handsome young ladies, namely: Miss Maggie Jackson, Miss Alice Van Orner and Misses Sallie and Lida McGinley. Ladies, call again.

### MANY CANARY BIRDS BURNED TO DEATH.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Voyzey, an elderly couple living at New Liberty, near Philipsburg, was entirely destroyed by fire, at an early hour last Friday morning, and when the flames were discovered they had made so much headway that the Voyzeys had barely time to escape with their lives and were unable to save anything.

The aged couple were engaged in breeding prize canaries which they kept in the basement of their home, and many of the birds perished in the fire. Some of the canaries escaped when basement windows were broken open but only a small portion of them were captured.

When the fire was at its height the crowd surrounding the burning building were startled to hear the cry: "For the love of Mike get us out of here, it's hot as hell! Don't rush, it won't be long." When the flames were extinguished a prize parrot was found dead in its cage.

The loss on the building, furniture and canaries was placed at \$8,000, with only \$3,000 insurance.

—Friday and Saturday only. Genuine Franklin A grade 3-piece living room suite, covered all over with moth-proof Verona velvet, with the guaranteed "crown sagless" spring construction. A quality suite for \$134.00—W. R. Brachbill's furniture store.

—Donald Beard and Thomas B. Eastburn, two State College students, escaped injury in an auto accident on the concrete highway, near Bald Eagle, about five o'clock last Friday afternoon, when the machines in which they were returning to State College collided. Both machines were badly wrecked.

### A HODGE-PODGE OF NEWSY INCIDENTS.

Election figures are something to conjure with and no college has as yet turned out a mathematician adept enough to provide a tangible solution of the average return table.

Take the office of sheriff at the recent election, Keeler carried 32 precincts, Boob 32 and one was a tie. Hunter for treasurer, carried 39 precincts, and Jones 25, with one tie and was elected by a majority of about 1500 votes, while Boob, who had only two of a majority, ran ahead of Hunter in 33 precincts, tied him in three and ran behind in 29. Herr carried 32 out of the 65 precincts with a majority exceeding 200 while Wetzler, who was elected over Brooks, carried only 30 precincts out of the 65 and was tied in one. McDowell carried 36 out of the 65 precincts while Searly, with a majority in excess of 1900 carried only 35 precincts, and Musser, for auditor, carried 31.

Applications for jobs in the court house under the Democratic officers who will take charge on January 4th, are coming in thick and fast. One man wants to be janitor at the temple of justice because he is looking for a place where the work is not hard. Of course we've never been a janitor but it is our impression that the janitorship is a man-sized job, providing the work is done that should be required of any one who fills the place. The very fact that every grand jury has something to say about unsanitary and uncleanly conditions in the court house would indicate that the temple of justice needs more or better janiters.

Millheim's big demonstration, Saturday night, in behalf of the successful Democratic candidates lacked only one thing, and that was an ox roast for which that town has been famed in past years.

Candy dealers in Bellefonte aver that the past summer was one of the worst they recall for wormy candy. One dealer states that he has been compelled to return whole shipments while most every consignment received contained some wormy boxes. And no one has as yet been able to figure out just why such a condition prevailed.

Canned apples and apple butter will be on the menu at Rockview penitentiary the coming winter. An enormous crop of apples was grown on the trees in the orchard at the institution and hundreds of bushels were canned and other hundreds were made into cider and turned into applebutter. It is also likely that hundreds of bushels will be stored for use in other ways.

The Legislature has convened in special session, at the call of Governor Pinchot, to provide relief for the unemployed during the coming winter season. It will cost at least a quarter of a million dollars, at least, to determine the best method of helping those in need. And the only way of raising a fund for the purpose is by taxation. Just what method of taxation will be devised is as yet undetermined, but whatever it is the people who are already overburdened with paying the price of expensive government at Harrisburg will have to pay the piper in the end.

Thanksgiving is drawing nigh and turkeys are reported fairly plentiful, but what the average man is concerned about is the price per pound and where to get the money to buy one at any price.

One of the albino trout in Bellefonte's big spring died last week and on removing it from the water and examining it closely to see if he could discover the cause of the trout's demise. As no cause for its death could be found on the outside of the fish he cut it open and was amazed to find the inside almost completely filled with fish eggs. The eggs extended up almost to the trout's gills, and six of the eggs, almost the size of a large match head, were completely embedded in the liver. It was quite evident that for some peculiar reason the trout was unable to discharge the spawn and they had so increased in size as to cause its death.

### SUPERVISORS—AUDITORS TO MEET HERE NOV. 24

The annual convention of the road supervisors and township and borough auditors of Centre county will be held in the court house, in Bellefonte, on Tuesday, November 24.

There will be two sessions: One at 9:30 in the morning, the other at 1:30 in the afternoon. Experts on all topics pertinent to the offices of supervisor and auditor will be present to speak and participate in discussions. The detailed program will be announced next week.

H. M. Hosterman, of Boalsburg, is president and Frank A. Carson, of Potters Mills, is secretary of the association.

—Seventy-one patients were admitted to the Centre County hospital during the month of October, and the total number of patient days during the month was 1283. There were eight births and one death. The total receipts for the month were \$4432.53, and expenditures \$4,935.27.

### ALTOONA BOOSTERS HAVING BIG \$-DAY SALE

As announced elsewhere in this week's issue, the Altoona Booster Stores will hold their quarterly dollar day next Wednesday, November 18.

As mentioned in the Booster Stores' advertisement, this November dollar day will be an outstanding trade event inasmuch as it comes at a time when many people are doing all of their buying for winter, and because of the unusual values to be offered on dollar day many of these purchases can be made at lower prices than have been in effect for many years.

Dollar day will also afford a good opportunity for people to buy gifts, as many things suited for gift purposes, especially the useful kind of gifts that will be in such demand this year, will be offered at special dollar day prices.

The stores that are connected with the Altoona Booster Association sell such a wide variety of merchandise that those who shop on dollar day will be able to buy at good savings, apparel and other personal needs for every member of the family and also new furnishings of all kinds for the home.

Dollar day visitors are reminded to look for the yellow window cards that will be displayed by the official dollar day Booster Stores.

The Altoona city officials are co-operating with the Altoona Booster Stores in their dollar day plans and have removed parking restrictions for dollar day visitors.

Those who drive to Altoona to do their dollar day shopping will be able to park their cars in the business district for as long a period as desired, which will enable them to complete their shopping at their leisure.

As a special feature of dollar day the Altoona Booster stores have arranged a splendid musical program to be broadcast by a specially assembled orchestra over Station W. F. B. G. at 7:45 P. M., Tuesday, November 17.

Our readers are given a special invitation to tune in on station W. F. B. G. and enjoy this excellent program.

### A BELLEFONTER WHO IS UP FRONT IN PHILADELPHIA

The following, which we have clipped from last Thursday's edition of The Progressive Labor World, of Philadelphia, indicates that the City of Brotherly Love is conscious of the fact that Centre county has given it many good citizens.

In these dark days Ira D. Garman, man of business, is not one of those who believe America has come to a standstill. Mr. Garman is made of sterner quality. Pessimism never is permitted to cross the threshold of his establishment in the Burlington Arcade, 1420 Chestnut street. For fifty years Mr. Garman has been established as one of Philadelphia's outstanding jewelers. The house of Garman stands out as one of the city's institutions. The 13th of October Mr. Garman celebrated his half century in his craft. He was the recipient of innumerable congratulatory messages. For eight years this civic-spirited Philadelphian served his community in City Councils. His service for the Commonwealth is well remembered. His voice was always raised for justice, and his hand constructed for social progress. He represented the Forty-sixth ward in those happier, if more prosaic days. For his councilmanic associations he became known to every newspaperman in the town. He is a most likable character, and stands pre-eminent in the jewelry trade.

His success therein is predicated on absolute integrity, courtesy and quality. What more could be said of man or profession? 'Tis said around the village that Philadelphia is virtually composed of those who have migrated from Centre and Schuylkill counties, up state. Most likely 'tis true. Good blood has poured forth into Philadelphia from those territories. Mr. Garman was for years president of the Centre County Association—composed of former residents of that progressive section of Pennsylvania. All of which make it manifest that Mr. Garman is that sort of man who attracts attention and adds value to the community; which all bears out the ancient maxim:

"They win success who deserve success."

### D. A. R. NOVEMBER MEETING AT STATE COLLEGE

The Bellefonte chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met at the Presbyterian church at State College, Pa., at 8 P. M. Thursday, November 5th, 1931.

The hostesses for the evening were Mrs. W. L. Foster, Mrs. Miriam Dreese, Mrs. George Mitchell, Mr. L. A. Nichols, and Mrs. R. D. Gill land.

Mrs. Edwin Earle Sparks gave a very interesting talk on the different countries she had visited while abroad, including England, North Cape, Iceland, Norway, Sweden and Russia. The conditions in Russia at present were described in length.

One new member was added to the society, Miss Helen Bottorf, of State College.

—Among the marriage licenses granted at Cumberland, Md., on Saturday, was one to Joseph Steph Novosol, of Bellefonte, and Doroti Caroline Yorkes, of Milesburg.