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Democratic National Ticket.

FOR PRESIDENT, WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN, of Nebraska.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT, JOHN W. KERN, of Indiana.

Democratic State Ticket.

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT, WEBSTER GRIMM, of Bucks County.

Democratic County Ticket.

FOR MEMBER OF CONGRESS, JOHN G. McHENRY, of Benton.

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FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER, CHARLES L. POHE, of Catawissa.

JERRY A. HESS, of Bloomsburg.

FOR COUNTY AUDITORS, CLYDE L. HIRLEMAN, of Benton Borough, (Second Term.)

HARRY CREASY, of Bloomsburg, (Second Term.)

A Matter that Should Not be Forgotten.

Young men who voted on age last fall MUST be Registered or they can not vote under any circumstances. Others who have paid a State or County tax within two years may be able to swear in their votes, if they are not upon the Registry, but the voter who cast his first ballot in 1907, has no possible chances to do this. He is not upon any duplicate, has no tax assessed against him, and consequently cannot qualify to having a paid a tax, as is necessary where voters are left off the Registry. By failing to register he practically and effectually disfranchises himself. There is no way by which he can vote, and Democrats should remember and see that every young Democrat who voted on age in 1907, is upon the polling list of 1908. And this must be seen to before the evening of September 2nd. Don't Forget this.

Democratic Leaders at Work.

The Democratic organization of this State with commendable zeal and energy is engaged in the work of preparation for the election. At the meeting of the State Executive Committee, in Harrisburg, on Tuesday the greatest enthusiasm was manifested. Members of the committee from all sections of the State spoke most encouragingly of the conditions at present and the indications point to an extraordinarily large vote. We are unlikely to lose any of the congressional districts now represented by Democrats and there is a strong probability of gaining two and probably three. We will certainly gain in both branches of the Legislature.

The most important work of the campaign demands immediate attention and it is gratifying to learn that it is not being neglected. In all portions of the State outside of the cities the registration and assessment of voters must be completed on or before the 2nd day of September. It is less than one week, therefore, until the closing of the assessment for this year and voters who have not paid a tax within two years will be hopelessly barred out of the privilege of voting if they are not assessed. We hope there are no Democrats in this county who will thus neglect their civic obligations.

That Mr. Bryan will be elected is practically admitted by all who have given the subject intelligent consideration. It is not probable that Pennsylvania will contribute directly toward the result, but more surprising things have occurred in politics. Three years ago the Democratic candidate for State Treasurer was elected by nearly 80,000 majority and there was infinitely less reason for political than now. But admitting that Taft will carry the State Democrats of Pennsylvania will achieve something if they make the Republicans remain at home and keep their money in the State. This much can easily be done and those who contributed to that result will be entitled to the favor of the successful party leaders of the country.—Bellevue Watchman.

Lands May Revert.

It is not improbable that as a result of the inquiry made into the corporate standing of abandoned railroads and canals by the State Railroad Commission that a large quantity of land which was either purchased or taken by railroad corporations will revert to former owners or become the property of the state. The inquiry, which has kept several men busy for weeks, has resulted in the discovery that scores of railroads were chartered either by the Legislature or by the state under the Constitution which were never built. In many instances rights of way were bought and the enterprises were given up. Some of them became insolvent and others were crushed by other lines. In many of these old-time companies there was a clause in the charter which provided that work must begin within a certain time or else the franchise given by the state would be void. It is now a question whether under these circumstances the land which the companies secured does not also revert to the persons who held title to it prior to the sale of the company.—Gazette and Bulletin.

BE PREPARED.

There is no one—at least no one worthy of citizenship—who will not desire to vote at the coming election. The privilege of doing so, of having a voice in selecting those who are to administer the affairs of the government, is one of the highest and most important that can fall to the lot of any mortal being. It is not only a privilege but it is a duty, and a duty that we should all discharge. To vote, however, requires some preparation. First you must be registered, and this cannot be done after the second day of September. So you had better see about it now when you think of it. If you put it off, the matter may slip your memory, and the time go by for this preparation. The time to do a thing is when it should be done, and the time to be registered is now. Don't put this off.

Preparing for the Campaign.

State Chairman Geo. M. Dimeling will open Democratic headquarters at Harrisburg this week, and is preparing for an aggressive campaign. He says that he has planned to have things move rapidly, and there will be something doing in the organization's campaign.

September 2nd.

Do you ask why we point to that date? If you are not Registered on or before that time, your vote may be lost. It is the last day that you can Register.

HOW CANDIDATES ARE BLED.

Speaking of the various methods used to extract money from candidates for office the Shamokin Herald says:

Grafters, big and little, are making the life of the candidates a burden, and the forms in which the grafting is attempted are as varied as the number of schemers who seek to gather in the easy dollars.

One popular form of working the candidate is through the organization of so-called political clubs, the members of which as a rule are decidedly more zealous in their efforts to induce the candidates to give up their cash than they are in promoting the real interests of any candidates. All look alike to them, and many of them do not scruple to take boodle from both sides.

Another form of graft to which the candidates are constant subjects of prey is the raffle and picnic tickets which they are virtually forced to buy. This form of holdup comes from all parts of the county, the remote and sparsely settled districts being no exception to the rule. Usually from \$5 to \$10 worth of tickets are sent to each candidate, with instructions to remit the full amount to a designated person. If the first supply does not bring results a second supply is sent out and so on until success crowns the effort.

Coal Trade.

Anthracite Trade Conditions Are Fairly Good.

Anthracite trade continues to do fairly well, all things considered, and it is realized now that a five per cent. reduction in volume of tonnage for the year 1908 is an extremely liberal allowance. It surely will not go above that and it may be that the falling off will only be three or four per cent. Undoubtedly there will be economy in the use of this coal—an expensive fuel at most points beyond, say, a three hundred mile radius from the mines—but it is so largely an article of household necessity that economy cannot go far in restricting its use. August is the month carrying only ten cents discount, and so the sales for the first part of the month will probably be light, but as the end of the month comes about and there is a vanishing discount and a probability of early sales to be considered by the retailers, trade will pick up. A great deal of the so-called dullness in the anthracite business this year has been brought about voluntarily by the retailers, who did not care to make the usual credit allowance on their stock of hard coal. In doing this they acted wisely, but the fact remains that the reduction in the volume of their business was, as noted, voluntary. They probably could have sold about as much this year as last had they cared to take chances on credits.—Coal Trade Journal.

May Wear Religious Garb.

Making a ruling on a local case that is of wide-spread interest, Judge Chas. I. Landis handed down an opinion Monday holding that the school garb act is unconstitutional and that the Boards of School Control are not obliged to dismiss public school teachers who wear garb of the Quaker or Friend, Amish, Dunkard or Mennonite. Some time ago suit was entered against the school directors of Mt. Joy to compel them to discharge Miss Lillie Risser, a teacher, who wore the Mennonite dress. The directors immediately filed a demurrer to the indictment on the grounds that the law abrogates the constitution and bill of rights. In his opinion Judge Landis sustains the directors and found in their favor. In consequence the wearing of any particular garb by the teacher in a school room cannot be prevented.

Slick Swindlers Work Farmers.

In the western part of the State a man came along and said he had been commissioned to test cows for farmers, to see if they were free from tuberculosis. In one place he told a man ten of his herd were affected that way and he had better sell them for what he could get. The next day a man came along looking for cows to buy, and the farmer sold the ten cows and they were good ones, at 10 a head. Then in a few days the farmer found out that he had been swindled.

AUGUST

FURNITURE and LINEN SALE

An Important Event for Thrifty Housekeepers.

This year's sales will surpass those of any previous season—surpass them in value-giving strength and in the variety of the offerings. Business conditions have enabled us to purchase goods at the lowest prices quoted in years and we pass the splendid bargains along to our customers in the same way—AT AMAZING REDUCTIONS FROM ACTUAL CURRENT VALUES.

Here are a few items, selected at random from the scores of good bargains to be had. Such economies on Table, Household and Art Linens of absolutely dependable qualities—and on artistic Furniture of thorough reliability—are positively without precedent in Bloomsburg retailing. Read on—and profit.

Furniture at Very Unusual Prices

Buying furniture soon "runs into money," and opportunities such as this must interest every housekeeper who needs furniture, for during this sale we are offering exceptional values. Come and inspect these exceptional values.

The Linen Sale.

We consider it a distinct triumph to be able to quote such low prices on qualities so exceptionally fine. Only the most adroit and farsighted buying enables us to do so.

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