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LACK OF FAITH IN JUDGE LOVE'S school fund veto decision is shown by the State officials who secured it. They intend to disregard his opinion by paying in full those school districts which bring suit in the Dauphin County Court for their share of the fund on the basis of \$5,500,000 annually.

To make these compulsory payments the officials have prepared a special warrant, which is buff in color and recites that the money so paid is "on account of the State appropriation to school districts as per act of Assembly, making an appropriation to the common schools, approved May 13, 1899." The regular warrant issued to the district paid on the basis of \$5,000,000 is green in color and states that the money so paid is "for the school year ending June, 1900."

Any district which by bringing suit compels payment on the unvetted basis can be sure of retaining the money so secured, as in the end the \$11,000,000 fund for two years is bound to be forthcoming, either through process of law or in fulfillment of the Administration's promise to restore the extra million. Therefore the provision "on account" in the makeshift warrants means absolutely nothing.

The veto supporters have not yet paid the two Montgomery county districts which have brought a suit in the Dauphin County Court to recover their full share of the appropriation on the basis of \$5,500,000 since Judge Love's decision was rendered, and probably will not until January 21, when the writs in the cases are returnable.

The officials are troubled by having to pay docket costs at the rate of \$7.25 for each suit. So far they have had to settle \$400 in costs and hand over the money demanded by suing school districts.

Sooner than allow a decision on the constitutionality of the veto to come from the Dauphin County Court, however, they will continue to pay costs to almost any extent. Any district which enters suit can secure its money and keep it.

SENATOR HALE, of Maine, raised his voice in protest in the Senate, and warned his Republican colleagues that the line must be sharply drawn against further expenditures except those of real necessity.

Senator Allison's estimate: "The appropriations, including those that are general appropriations, will be \$750,000,000 this year, I think."

Speaking very slowly and deliberately, Mr. Hale said: "I have the impression—and I am not authority against the Senator from Iowa—that the appropriations this year, including what are reckoned miscellaneous appropriations, would be nearer \$800,000,000 than \$700,000,000. The appropriations are rapidly rising, the country knows nothing about it. We were shocked at the idea of a billion dollar Congress, and before we know it we will have a billion-dollar session."

Speaking solemnly and impressively, Mr. Hale said: "The military budget of this republic for the coming year will be nearly \$400,000,000. It will be nearly twice what any great European power is spending."

MR. BRYAN RESPONDS in a moderate and well-considered letter to the request that he should give the House coinage committee his views on the pending bills making the silver dollar redeemable in gold, thus depreciating it, and also providing for the gradual recoinage of the standard silver dollars in circulation into subsidiary coinage. There are over \$500,000,000 of silver and silver certificates in circulation or in the treasury, so that the question of practically demonetizing this vast sum is a very important one.

Mr. Bryan, in the first place, maintains there is no necessity for the redemption of the silver dollars in gold, and that redemption means their retirement or coinage into subsidiary money without the legal tender quality. The parity of two metals is now maintained to an unlimited extent in the payment of public or private debts. As soon as the silver dollar is depreciated as inferior money redeemable in gold, another endless chain will be created, as Mr. Cleveland said of the greenback, and the argument used against them will apply to silver. It will be possible to raid the treasury for gold by this process of silver redemption. This is apparent on the face. It creates a standard money into a credit money, and, as Mr. Bryan says, narrows the foundations of our financial system and enlarges the superstructure. This is dangerous, especially, as is not improbable, should there be a world demand for gold through foreign complications.

As to the other provision of the bill reported to the House for the conversion of standard silver dollars into a subsidiary coin, Mr. Bryan well says this is equivalent to the retirement of silver as standard money, and the last act in the program instituted in 1873 with the demonetization of silver. "If this is completed," he says, "gold will be the only legal tender money and bank paper the only credit money. Bank notes not being a general legal tender and gold not being in circulation among the people, the masses will be doing their business with money which will not legally discharge their debts."

TUESDAY A NATION of more than seventy five millions of people celebrated the birthday of Abraham Lincoln, the liberator of more than four millions of slaves. Democrats, Republicans, Populists, Prohibitionists and those who acknowledge allegiance to no political creed each in their own way honored the memory of him whom all the world honors, or pretends to honor.

Our new Republican imperialists, however, honored him only with their lips, while their hearts were not in accord with his teachings. They did not quote his declaration at Gettysburg about those who died that the government of the people and for the people might not perish. They are doing everything in their power to substitute government by and for trusts, subsidy hunters are political bosses. Neither did they quote his remark that "no man is good enough to govern another man without that other man's consent," for they are asserting their right to govern millions of people not only without their consent, but in spite of their most earnest protest.

There was an abundance of sincere homage rendered to the memory of Lincoln Tuesday but it could not be rendered by those who assume to be the leaders of the great party which elected him twice to the Presidency. Republican imperialism and the Republicanism of Lincoln are as wide apart as the poles. Not a passage in all his writings or speeches can be quoted to uphold, defend or excuse the subjugation of unwilling peoples in the interest of commerce or anything else. Lincoln was the leader and champion of the plain people, not the oppressor and tyrant of those who aspired to the enjoyment of freedom. All homage rendered to him Tuesday, by those who advocate openly or justify secretly the subjugation of the Philippines or the spoliation of the Philippines or the spoliation of Cuba, was the veriest hypocrisy.

DEATHS.

Prominent Citizens of Centre County Called to Rest.

MRS. ARCHIBALD ALLISON.
Mrs. Allison, wife of Archibald Allison, of Spring Mills, died after a brief illness at her home Monday evening at 6 o'clock. The lady had been suffering some from an affection of the lungs but her condition was not regarded as particularly serious until a short time prior to her death. The disease turned into pneumonia, which terminated as stated.

The funeral took place this, Thursday morning, interment being made in the cemetery at the Presbyterian church. Rev. Dr. W. H. Schuyler, pastor of the Presbyterian church, of which the deceased was a consistent member for many years, performed the last sad rites over the mortal remains of the much loved woman.

Deceased's maiden name was Jane M. Geddis. She was the only daughter of Dr. John R. Geddis, of Hartleton, and was married to Mr. Allison forty-six years ago in June. To this union were born seven children, who, with the exception of one son, who died at the age of twenty-three, survive the mother. The family for many years lived on a farm north of Lamar, Clinton county, but about eight years ago moved to Spring Mills.

Besides the sorrowing husband, who is a man well known through Centre and Clinton counties, the following children survive:

Dr. J. R. G. Allison, Leroy, Bradford county; Barbara L., wife of Merchant Charles P. Long, Spring Mills; Ella, wife of Jonathan F. Conde, State College; Harry, Spring Mills; Margaret, wife of Dr. H. S. Braucht, Spring Mills, and Merrill, a student at Bucknell University.

JACOB KOCH.

Jacob Koch, one of the county's oldest citizens and a member of one of the leading families, died Thursday morning of last week at the home of his son-in-law, George Markle, near Buffalo Run. Death was due to infirmities incident to old age. He was a native of this county and was seventy-eight years of age. During the rebellion he served his country as a member of Co. D, 148th Pennsylvania Volunteers, which regiment was commanded by Col. James A. Beaver. Two of Koch's brothers were members of this regiment also and were killed in the battle of Gettysburg. Deceased is survived by his wife, two sons and one daughter, all of whom are residents of Buffalo Run; namely, Amos, James and Mrs. George Markle. Geo. Koch, of Centre Hall, and Amos Koch, of Buffalo Run, are brothers, and Mrs. Thomas Allen, of Boalsburg, is a sister.

DAVID YOUNG.

David Young, of near Colyer, died very suddenly at his home Tuesday morning. The deceased had been complaining for some time, but on the morning of his death he partook of a hearty breakfast, after which he went out on the porch where he fell to the floor and in a short time life was extinct.

Mr. Young was a well known character on the south side where he lived for many years. The deceased, who was seventy-eight years of age, is survived by six children, namely, Aggie, married to Frank Brown, at Colyer; John, Orangeville, Ill.; Mrs. Kate Rowe, Michigan; James, in Oregon; and Miss Maggie and David at home. Funeral took place Saturday morning at 9.30 o'clock.

MRS. TIBBENS.

Mrs. Tibbens, widow of Michael Tibbens, residing on the Tibbens homestead near Penns Cave, died Sunday last. Mrs. Tibbens had been ailing for some time from dropsy, and at last gangrene set in, which terminated in her death at the time mentioned. The deceased was a member of the Reformed church, and her pastor, Rev. G. W. Kershner, performed the ceremonies at the burial, which took place, Thursday, morning at the Union cemetery at Farmers Mills.

The surviving children are Mrs. Andy Corman, Spring Mills; Mrs. Jacob Musser, Penns Cave; Mrs. L. J. Zabler, Spring Mills; Mrs. Benjamin Hecker, Morgantown; Mrs. Albert Bartsge, Aaronsburg; Mrs. Pierce Vonada, who lives on the old Tibbens place.

JOHN LEATHERS.

John Leathers, of Mount Eagle, died at his home at that place from pneumonia, Thursday of last week. His age was thirty years.

MRS. CLARA WILSON.

Mrs. Clara Belle, wife of Benjamin Wilson, died Monday morning at 12.30 o'clock at her home in Altoona, of tuberculosis. Deceased was born June 14, 1853, at Oak Hall, Centre county. She was married to Mr. Wilson in

1876, and resided in Altoona about eight years. Besides her husband she is survived by one daughter, Miss S. Gertrude, and two brothers, Robert V. Lytle, of Bellwood, and Ira Lytle, of Houserville, this county. One sister, Mrs. Anna McCurdy, of Turtle Creek, also survives.

REUBEN REED.

Reuben Reed, of Petersburg, died on Sunday, after an illness of several months from dropsy. His age was fifty-five years. He is survived by a wife and four children, Samuel, Blaine, Blanche and Mary, all at home. Also a brother, Jacob, living in Centre county. Interment took place at Pine Grove Mills. He was an heir to the Sparr estate.

THE HAMILTON ROAD BILL.

An Appropriation of \$1,000,000 Asked to Make It Operative.

The State Road Commission, provided for by resolution of the Legislature of 1899, has presented its report to the Senate and House, accompanied by three bills which they recommend.

The commission is composed of A. J. Cassatt, W. L. Elkins, Hibberd B. Worrel, James A. Beaver, H. M. Brackenridge and H. C. Snively.

The majority report recommends that the law known as the Hamilton road law, passed in 1897, be put into effect by repealing the Twenty-first Section, which provides "That a million of dollars shall be appropriated before the law shall become operative."

In their report they refer to this point by saying: "This act is now inoperative, and while not so radical in many respects as may be necessary in the near future, contains provisions which are a great improvement over the existing system and fully meets the requirements of the present time. That is a large percentage of the replies to questions sent out to agricultural organizations throughout the State are favorable to the conditions of this act."

The Road Commission leaves the control of the roads in the hands of the localities in every respect, except so far as State appropriations are concerned, and these are to be expended by the local boards according to plans and specifications which the State prescribes.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.

Jacob H. Gephart et. ux. to C. H. Stitzer, dated April 2, 1900, 3 tracts of land in Miles for \$1600.

Elizabeth S. Tomlinson to Thomas C. Sharer, dated Dec. 24, 1900, 291 in Potter for \$100.

Pennsylvania Census.

Population of state, 6,302,115. Increase since 1890, 1,044,101.
Centre county, 42,894.
Belleville, 4216.
Centre Hall, 537, gain of 96.
Gregg twp., 2,098.
Harris twp., 826.
Millheim, 612, loss of 88.
Potter twp., 1,765, gain of one.
State Coll-ge, 831.

Pearls Fall from Her Lips.

Dislodgement of a toothfilling in its contact with a hard substance has netted Mrs. George Netherton, of Wyoming, the sum of \$300. While dining with a neighbor a few days ago her teeth struck one large and six smaller pearls as she was eating a small raw oyster.

Mrs. Netherton was surprised to learn from a Philadelphia expert that the largest pearl was worth \$125, and the others a proportionate amount.

Where the Danger Was.

A little beyond a certain Scotch village the main road has a marked declivity, and this added to a sharp turn at the bottom decided the authorities to erect a danger board. The job was entrusted to an old worthy, who duly fixed up the warning at the foot of the hill.

"What's wrong with the bottom of the brae, ye thundering idiot?" exclaimed a village dignitary angrily.

"Man, there's ever'thing wrang," came the curt reply. "Is it no there where a' the accidents take place?"

Early Football Players.

Football was for many years the national game of Florence. The season was from January to March, and the ladies and gentlemen of Florence and the populace as well were wont to assemble on the Piazza Santa Gioce to witness the game, which was called "Calcio," from the word meaning "to kick." The last game was played in 1739.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A Helpful Suggestion.

"Kin yeou tell me, young feller," inquired Mr. Reuben Hay of Four Corners, "where hereabouts I kin git me a good farmer suit?"

"Why, there's a good pharmacist not two blocks away," replied the young fellow blithely.—Harper's Bazar.

The Treasurer's report of the Lycoming County Fair Association shows that during the two years that the fair has been held in that county the profits have reached a total of \$7,329.

FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

What the Legislators are Doing Beside Spending Money.

The senate committee on military affairs agreed to report favorably the nomination of Major General Nelson A. Miles to be lieutenant general.

The bill amending the immigration laws so as to exclude persons affected with insanity, idiocy or epilepsy was favorably reported from the house committee on immigration and naturalization.

A bill was introduced providing that congress shall assemble on the second Monday in March, 1901, and on the same day in each second year thereafter. The object of the bill is "to provide for additional sessions of congress."

Bills Introduced in the Legislature.

A bill to reform primary elections was introduced in the Legislature by Senator Flinn, the purpose being to abolish party conventions and to name tickets in a manner similar to the present system of elections.

A new and comprehensive compulsory education bill comes from Mr. Ford, of Allegheny. It proposes that all children between the ages of 8 and 16 shall be required to go to school continuously during the entire time that a day school in their district shall be in session. Irregular attendance will not be permitted.

Mr. Lack, Chester, providing that every person who shall use public roads in hauling loads of 4000 pounds and upward in wagons having tires less than six inches in width shall be liable to a fine of not less than \$5 for every offense, the fine so imposed to be used by the road supervisors for the road fund.

Miles Now Lieutenant General.

The Senate has confirmed the following nominations:

Major General Nelson A. Miles, to be lieutenant general.

To be major generals—Brigadier General S. B. M. Young, U. S. A.; Colonel Adna R. Chaffee, Eighth Cavalry, U. S. A., (major general U. S. V.); Brigadier General Arthur MacArthur, U. S. A. (major general U. S. V.)

Marriage Licenses.

W. I. Royer, Bellefonte, and Bertha M. Felder, Madisonburg.

Erwin E. Zettle and Margaret A. Kline, Penn Hall.

Joss Sharer and Carrie Jones, Sandy Ridge.

Miller Herman, Bellefonte, and Belle Fleck, Julian.

Robert I. Smith and Florence C. Meyer, Centre Hall.

The only signs the Boers are sick of the fight is their occasionally throwing up intrenchments.

It is evident Congress is going to hold in those West Point hazers a bit. Of course the bit must be a curb bit.

With one eye on Porto Rico and Cuba and the other on the Philippines, no wonder the administration's views are not quite straight in this expansion business.

Apologists for Congress are saying if the tide of extravagance is rising it's merely rising to the occasion.

Another \$1,000,000,000 Congress can't help making a big figure in the history of this country.

Centre Hill

Thomas Hosterman who has been teased up for some time with a severe sore throat, is able to be about again.

Miss Roxanna Brisbin and friend, Prof. Hgen, of Centre Hall, spent Saturday night with Miss Lola Strohm.

John Evans, wife and little daughter, were out enjoying sleighing several days last week.

W. W. Royer, after having an attack of grip is about again.

Ed. Meyer has been hauling some large timber to Centre Hall the past week.

Bruce W. Ripka, one of Centre Hill's bright and promising young men, who has been attending Business College at Chambersburg, returned home last week.

Peter Smith made a business trip to Lock Haven, and returned Tuesday evening, without a hat.

Many of the roads in this vicinity are impassable, being drifted full of snow.

J. Frank Bible, a prominent young man of Stone Mill, expects to go west in the near future. Sorry to lose you, Frank.

A. C. Ripka and son attended the horse sale at Millheim Monday.

Samuel Shutt and wife, and Mrs. Peters have been laid up with grip the past week.

Lloyd Smith, one of the young sports, has been engaged in hauling logs in the Seven Mountains, and the other evening while returning with a load instead of having the logs on top of his sled, he got the sled on top of the logs.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Of all the paradoxes
This is the worst, I'd bet;
The more one raises whiskers
The lower down they get.

The Ripper bill passed the Senate finally.

Entertainment in Grange Arcadia Thursday and Friday nights.

Five stationery at the Reporter office. Positively the latest styles.

Wednesday morning was one of the coldest mornings during the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Booser entertained a number of their friends Tuesday evening.

David Bohn advertises sale for March 21. Location is one mile south of Linden Hall.

There are more grip patients at the present than ever before. The doctors are busy day and night.

A sledding party from this place Thursday night took supper at the Musser House, Millheim.

Come and hear the finest musicians in the country, Thursday and Friday nights in Grange Arcadia.

Robert Gardner died at his home in Altoona last week. Deceased was born near Rock Springs in 1824.

Among W. W. Boob's Monday morning orders was one from Jamaica and one from a European country.

A twelve-months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Royer, of Bellefonte, died Saturday morning of brain fever.

Dr. J. F. Alexander sold both his horses a few days ago, and Monday bought a roadster at the Millheim horse sale.

Merchant F. A. Carson, of Potters Mills, was out to town the other day and purchased one of W. W. Boob's fine new sleighs.

Dickinson and State Colleges have made an agreement to hold a series of three debates. The first will be held at State College not later than May 1.

From reports at hand the Linden Hall musical convention is a success, and the concerts Thursday and Friday nights will be well worth the admission.

John Wanamaker is preparing for the erection of a twelve story store building to cost \$5,000,000. It will occupy the site of his present mammoth structure.

See the card of the Old Fort Hotel in another column. The new landlord, S. B. Shaffer will always have good accommodations for the traveling public.

The recumbent statue of the late Queen Victoria, chiseled thirty years ago, is being prepared for its place on top of the sarcophagus, by the side of prince consort's statue.

Lantz Burris, west of town, in handling a pair of fractious horses Monday, was unfortunate in having one of his hands severely injured. A bone may possibly be broken in the wrist.

By being upset in a sleigh William Alters, of Millheim, had his shoulder dislocated. Samuel Ulrich was with Mr. Alters when the accident occurred. The fracture was reduced by Dr. Bright.

Representative Albert D. Shaw, of Watertown, N. J., formerly commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, was found dead Sunday morning in his room at the Riggs House, Washington.

John F. Miller, of Potters Mills, was elected by the Potter township school board to teach the Tusseyville school, made vacant by Calvin Spicher going to Morgantown to fill a position in the Reform school at that place.

Do not miss the wonderful animated picture and phonograph entertainment. The greatest wonder of the age. Entertainment under the auspices of Progress Grange, in Grange Arcadia, Feb. 14 and 15. Admission 10 and 20 cents.

The Millheim horse sale was well attended Monday by parties from this section. Among those present were Dr. J. F. Alexander, Squire John G. Dauberman, Lyman L. Smith, Albert Neuhoff, and Walter M. Kerlin.

The large engine at the stove and saw mill of Wm. Colyer is fired day and night, which consumes an immense amount of water furnished by the borough plant. The creamery plant engine and the engines at A. P. Luse & Son's planing mill, and Boob's wheel factory and the Centre Hall foundry company, all heavy water users connected with the borough plant, so far have been running every day. On account of neglect, one of the main springs connected with the system is not available.