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THE NEW STYLE NEXT.

The political conventions in Centre county, and throughout the state, have had their day. The political convention, such as is known to the active politician, has been supplanted by a method governed by state laws, that shears the politician of all parties of his manipulations.

Hereafter the voter who attends the primaries will have positive assurance that his vote will count one for the man candidate he prefers. Under the new system it will be the aggregate of the votes cast that will decide who will be the candidate. There will be no delegates to snap; location will count for naught; "non-instructions" will be unknown. In fact, the nominating system will be revolutionized, the entire question being left with voter and his choice cannot be denied him at the polls nor his act juggled with in convention.

Location and political expedience will have little influence with the voter who hereafter attends the primaries. The curtain drawn on the voters back spells independence. Strong Democratic districts, notably the townships and boroughs on the South Side of Centre county, will be in a position to largely dictate who shall be the nominees on the Democratic ticket, and the Republican strongholds will be no less effective in naming the standard bearers for their party.

The campaign in 1907 will be a very important one; the centers of activity in local politics will be shifted to points where the voters of one or the other party predominate; to succeed, in either party, it will be necessary to co-operate more than heretofore with the voters who are less inclined to take orders.

In brief, under the new primary law there will be as much independence among the voters at the primaries as there is at the general election.

Memorial Day.

Memorial Day is becoming a day of general recreation. A new generation has grown up to which the war is not even a personal memory. One-quarter of the present population have either immigrated since 1865 or are the children of such immigrants.

In the local cemeteries there were many who watched the straggling lines of veterans marching to the cemeteries. How many of these failed to look upon the sight with eyes a trifle dimmed? Every year the spectacle grows more pathetic of the straggling lines, the gray hair, the occasional empty sleeve, the old men in carriages too feeble to walk. It is a sight which it does any American good to see, recalling great sacrifices made for a cause whose appeal was wholly to the ideal.

The address on the occasion by Colonel D. F. Fortney was one of special interest because it appealed to the young men of to-day.

"The war was largely fought by boys," said the Colonel, "but the youngest are now old men or elderly. Death makes sad ravages in their ranks."

Continuing the speaker expressed the beautiful thought that these old veterans, now fast closing their ranks, by sacrificing their own blood had given to this generation a free government, and what would they do with it?

The address throughout was one full of the most noble sentiments, and elicited for the speaker the most kindly expressions from veterans and citizens.

The opening prayer was made by Dr. James W. Boal, and the benediction was pronounced by Dr. W. H. Schuyler.

Lincoln Party Ticket.

The Lincoln Party of Pennsylvania nominated Thursday of last week Lewis Emery, Jr., for Governor; Rudolph Blankenburg, Lieutenant Governor; Major George W. Merrick, Auditor General, and Elisha A. Coray, Secretary of Internal Affairs. This was done by the State convention in Musical Fund Hall. The ticket was received with great enthusiasm by a representative gathering of the Republican intellect and manhood of the State.

The change from the proposed nominating of ex-Senator Bayard Henry for Lieutenant Governor and Robert K. Young for Auditor General was, however, a surprise, and was due, so far as Mr. Henry was concerned, to adoption, by the State Committee, prior to the convention, of a resolution offered by Franklin S. Edmunds, "that a full ticket be nominated, and in case a revision of the same be found necessary, it may be made by a reconvening of the full convention."

This leaves an opportunity for the Lincoln party to fuse.

The fellow who has money to burn generally comes to the point where he sieves the ashes.

THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

News of a Semi-Local Character Gathered from the Exchange Table.

Harry Nelson, sixteen years old, of Lock Haven, had his right hand torn from the wrist by being caught in machinery at the Standard Steel Works, at Burnham.

Mrs. S. F. Seybold, of Lockport, Clinton county, killed two large black snakes near the house door. One of the reptiles was lying on a bench when discovered and was about to enter an open door.

After sinking \$2400 in the venture, the famous "Clairvoyant" test well drilled near Marshfield, Potter county, in the hope of tapping the elusive feeder to the Gaines oil field has been abandoned. The hole was sunk to a depth of 4200 feet, and there was no sign of either oil or gas.

It is to be regretted that the judicial proceedings in connection with the attack upon the constitutionality of the senatorial apportionment bill have again been postponed, owing to the illness of Judge Kunkle, of the Dauphin county court. Schuykill and Lancaster are to be joined by Lebanon, it is said, in the effort to overthrow the act.

A one-story stone mill near Landisburg, Perry county, erected in 1786, still has some of the machinery that was part of the equipment when the mill was first put in operation. The cog wheels are made of wood, and there is but little of any other material in any portion of the machinery. The mill has been in constant operation since its erection.

Negotiations recently closed between the Logan Iron and Steel Company and the State Forestry Commission, whereby the latter secures the Greenwood Furnace tract, removing one of the oldest landmarks of the early iron industry in central Pennsylvania. Greenwood Furnace was erected in 1833, and for many years the plant's product was large. Operations were discontinued a few years ago.

Robert Pitcairn, of Pittsburgh, resident assistant to President A. J. Cassatt, of the Pennsylvania railroad retired Friday from the position after fifty-three years' service with the company. Mr. Pitcairn announced that he did not favor any particular publicity of the fact of his retirement, and declared that he would surrender his position and sever his connection with the company in a quiet manner and without "any fuss of that kind," as he puts it.

When it was learned at Lewistown that the Baldwin Locomotive Works was establishing a large iron foundry at Eddystone, Delaware county, a general fear was expressed that the new plant would take away an important department of the Standard Steel Works and its number of employees would be materially cut down. But the Democrat and Sentinel assures its readers that the Eddystone plant will do work not heretofore done at any of the Baldwin Locomotive Works.

The Northumberland-Union county bridge scrap was settled in court. The present board of commissioners charged the retired Northumberland board with graft in connection with letting the contract for a joint bridge, which letting was made a few days before the officials retired. The charge could not be substantiated, yet it is apparent that the bridge specifications call for a structure that will accommodate a trolley track, and that certain politicians will profit by such a move on account of being interested in a trolley company that will likely use the bridge built by taxpayers.

A sad accident occurred at Allentown, in which Miss Lizzie, daughter of Joseph A. Kangy, was badly wounded. While in the act of scrubbing their porch, Lizzie discovered a large house snake and called to her father, who was at work in the yard, to come and kill the reptile. Her father securing a Winchester rifle started in pursuit of the snake when in some unknown way in handling the weapon the contents discharged and the bullet entered his daughter's left breast near the bone, coming out a few inches from the shoulder and penetrated the left arm, breaking the bone in its course and coming out at the opposite side of her arm, the bullet lodging in the sleeve of her dress. The lady will recover.

Keith's Theatre.

There is a promise of variety at Keith's Chestnut Street Theatre, Philadelphia, this week. First on the bill is Rose Coghlan, in a playlet, "The Ace of Trumps." Willard Simms & Co. appear in a comedy sketch; the Tan Ji Troupe of oriental acrobats form a pleasing addition to the bill and W. C. Fields, comedy juggler, is on the program. Others who add interest to the week's entertainment are Arthur and Mildred Boylan, in "Jack and Jill"; Al. Carleton, monologist; McNamara, modeler; The Ferraro and the musical dog; Laura Ordway in monologue, the World's Comedy Four, Leonard Kane, the Burkes, Charley Chase, etc.

GRANGE RALLY.

Members of State and Local Granges to Meet at Centre Hall, June 15-Sixth Degree to be Conferred.

The prospects for a large gathering of Patrons at Centre Hall, Friday, June 15th, are most encouraging. The morning session will open promptly at 9:30 a. m.

The following officers of the State Grange will be present to conduct the ceremonies: Worthy Master, W. F. Hill; Worthy Secretary, J. T. Allman; Worthy Chairman of the Legislative Committee, Hon. W. T. Creasy; Worthy Flora, Mrs. John Dale, and possibly several others.

The morning session will be taken up by an elaborate illustration of the local Grange degree work. The four subordinate degrees of the order will be given in full.

A free luncheon will be served in the Hall at noon, by the members of the local granges.

The afternoon session will open at 1:30 p. m. At 2 p. m. the degree of Pomona (fifth degree) will be conferred in full form by the Centre County Grange. All fourth degree members are eligible to this degree and can make application for the degree on the day of the meeting.

At 3 p. m. the degree of Flora (sixth degree) will be conferred by the officers of the State Grange, who will have charge of the ceremonies. All fourth degree members are eligible to this degree by first making application for the fifth degree.

Application for the fifth and sixth degrees will be received at the same time on the day of the meeting, so that this meeting will give every member of the order in the county an opportunity to take the higher degrees of the order. It is expected that every member will, if at all possible, avail himself of the honor of these higher degrees.

At 5 p. m. a public meeting will be held to which everybody is cordially invited. Addresses will be delivered by Worthy Master Hill, Worthy Secretary Allman, Hon. W. T. Creasy and others, with recitations and music by local talent.

A public festival will be held by Progress Grange during the day and evening, in the basement of the hall. Ice cream and refreshments will be served at all hours, and everybody is cordially invited.

COMMITTEE.

The Blurt of a Youth.

"The world owes me a living," was the blurt of a youth. It is a mistake. It is hoped for that young man's good that he'll get the notion out of his head. It's a mistake, a grave mistake. He never entertained a more foolish idea nor one which will bring him a smaller measure of respect. The world owes the young man nothing; but instead he owes the world and society an active, noble manhood, a steady, honest energy which will enable him to associate with decent men and women in a true manliness of character that will make his friendship valuable and his presence and companionship desired. The truly intelligent activity, and this young man should contribute to society's happiness and welfare the grace which comes through study, toil and honest thought.

Commendable.

Superintendent D. O. Etters has adopted a system of examination for school teachers holding professional certificates. They are questioned with a view of determining whether or not they have been making an effort to post themselves by study of the authors and advanced text books. This move is entirely commendable.

There is another class of school teachers who need yearly examination and weeding out, and until this is done by an act of the legislature, the public schools will suffer. Reference is here made to the teacher who holds a permanent certificate, no matter how acquired.

There are exceptions, of course, but the rule is that these teachers become antiquated; indeed, they become so antiquated and rusty that they become entirely unfit for school work. They are unwilling to equip themselves for present-day school work; they live in the past and condemn anything that is progressive.

The writer has evidence, in the form of applications for schools, before him that will illustrate the point. Most of them are from State Normal School graduates, and to say the least it would be criminal to oblige children of perceptive minds to sit for a school term and expect to be taught by such illiterate characters. The man or woman who is incapable of writing a decent application for a position is unfit to teach children the alphabet.

Witmer Gets U. S. Marshalship.

President Roosevelt nominated Charles B. Witmer, of Sunbury, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

INCIDENTS OF 1878.

Local Items Taken from the Centre Reporter of Interest to 1906 Readers. [Note: The spelling of proper names is the same as found in the files of the Reporter.]

APRIL 25—In the senate a further supplement to an act erecting Henrysburg, (a part of Rebersburg), in this county, was defeated.

The dwelling house of Amos Beddyon, in the southern part of Potter township, was destroyed by fire at noon Sunday.

Last Sabbath the house of John Roush, near Madisonburg, was robbed. Two hundred dollars were secured. An entrance was gained through the cellar, and the robbers are supposed to have been tramps who were prowling about.

Jacob Shook's dwelling, in Brush Valley, was struck by lightning, Friday of last week.

Rev. S. Roeder, who is about to finish his course at F. & M. Seminary, has been extended a call to the Centre Hall Reformed charge.

J. O. Deiningler will erect two houses on Church street—one of brick, the other of plank.

Jacob Solt, who in March left this place for Kansas, is now on his way back again, traveling by private conveyance.

A Sunday School has been opened in the M. E. Church, in Georges Valley, known as the Synagogue. Samuel Bible is the Superintendent.

The Order of Odd Fellows held their first meeting in their new hall in the Penna Valley Banking Building. The furniture was purchased from W. R. Camp, and is very handsome. George L. Goodhart was installed master by Deputy H. Y. Stitzer.

Notes from Rebersburg—A. J. Gramley left for Iowa. Much building will be done in Rebersburg, including a barn by N. N. Miller.

The mail is carried twice a week—Tuesday and Friday—from Centre Hill to Tusseyville. Twenty dollars is paid Mr. Bair for this service.

MAY 9—Prof. Henry Meyer was re-elected county superintendent of schools.

Willis W. Rishel, son of John Rishel, of near Centre Hall, was thrown from a colt's back, and was seriously bruised about the head. He was unconscious for several hours.

A meeting has been called in Gift and Floray's shoe store to organize a military company.

Henry Boozer has taken the contract to carry the mails daily between Centre Hill and Spring Mills.

MAY 16—A. O. Deiningler, of Millheim had the misfortune to severely cut his head with an axe that caught on a rope.

The Lutheran church at Rebersburg was dedicated Sunday, Rev. Dr. Zeigler, of Selingsgrove, preaching the dedicatory sermon. Rev. Shannon and Rev. McCool also assisted. About \$900 were raised on this occasion.

Samuel, the youngest son of E. C. Cambell, of Millheim, was thrown from a landroller, the implement passing over him. There were no serious injuries.

Michael Duck, of Millheim, while driving through Centre Hall, was thrown from his buggy, and somewhat injured. The horse was frightened by a mule colt running loose.

Messrs. Brisbin and Mingle are in the butchering business.

MAY 30—A fifty-acre field of wheat in Ferguson township, is said to be totally blighted by the late frost.

Prof. C. L. and T. M. Gramley, of Rebersburg, visited Niagara Falls, and went west.

Twenty-six Democratic candidates have announced their names in the Reporter.

Married—March 24, Hiram Lutz and Miss Olive Shaffer, both of Zion.

May 14, Henry Leichty, of Tusseyville, and Mary Magruder, of Millfintown. . . May 8, Col. D. S. Keller, of Bellefonte, and Miss Mattie Schroeder, of Reading. . . May 23, Henry P. Fehr and Miss Eliza M. Runkle, both of Orangeville, Ill. The bride is the daughter of Hugh Runkle, of Orangeville, formerly of Centre county, Pa. . . May 23, Henry Swartz, of Orangeville, Illinois, and Miss Sarah Zettle, of Centre county, Pa. . . May 19, Wm. Runkle, of Gregg township, and Miss Annie Meyer, of Centre Hall. . . May 30, Joseph Lutz, of Zion, and Miss Susan E. Lohr, of near Centre Hall.

Coal in Clinton County.

Coal has been found in paying quantities in the 'Scootac' region, Clinton county. A company has just opened a four and one-half foot vein of excellent quality. Several carloads were shipped to Williamsport, and, after testing, it was pronounced fine.

Coal has been discovered at various times in this region before, but never of sufficient quantity to make mining a paying venture. A number of years ago several extensive operations were abandoned for this reason.

PACKERS AND STOCKMEN.

A Few Trust Recipes that Will Sharpen Your Appetite for Canned Goods.

Stockmen have known for years that a certain number of animals unfit for food are used by the packers. They have known it because they have sold the cattle and hogs to the packers. The whole number of those which ought to have been condemned has probably been much smaller than the public in its present excited state believes, although that fact excuses no one.

The cattleman who shipped a steer with lump-jaw in a carload of beves knew just what he was doing; so did the farmer who rushed his hogs to market when cholera appeared among them. They intended to get what they could out of the stock. It is not in the least likely that the packers' buyers were imposed on. They know their business. That does not make them averse to buying some poor stock at their own price. The only persons imposed on have been the consumers.

The best class of beef cattle offered for sale in the stock-yards are corn-fed steers from the Western States. They furnish most of the dressed beef and practically all the cattle for export to Europe. Properly handled and refrigerated this dressed beef should be beyond criticism.

At the other end are what are called "canners"—poor and old cows, rough steers, bulls and stags. They represent the cheapest classes of cattle sold, and go to fill millions of cans. Where prime beef cattle sell at \$6 per hundred weight on foot, "canners" bring only \$1.50. When the meat has been cut up, cooked or colored by "canning" there is no telling anything about its original state by the ordinary consumer. The same is true of virtually all of the prepared hog products. But it would be absurd to say that all of these food articles are dangerous of made from diseased animals.

The stockmen's protest against the Beveridge amendment is easy to understand. They are not wholly guiltless. More than that, they are dependent upon the big packers for a market.

The greatest menace to public health really lies in unsanitary methods and conditions in the packing-houses. That can never be wholly cured by Federal inspection. Unless State and local authorities join in the work of enforcing reforms wherever needed the spasm of disgust that has seized the country will result in little lasting good.

If you have a penchant for canned meats, packing-house lard, cervelat sausage, etc., rather than meats furnished by your local butcher, the recipes appended may tend to sharpen your appetite for a morsel just now:

Trust recipe for mutton: Hundreds of goats are regularly killed and sold for mutton, and the innocent purchaser is never any the wiser.

Trust recipe for cottage ham: Made of smoked beef ends, smoked ham trimmings, bacon trimmings, and odds and ends that are worked up with fat and beef juices.

Trust recipe for No. 1 lard: Hogs are more affected with cholera than any other disease, but unless very bad are tanked for lard. The heads also, which have been condemned as tuberculous, are almost invariably tanked for lard.

Trust recipe for sardine oil: Hogs that have died from cholera or other causes are transformed into "unrendered hogs' grease," which is used all over the world for a variety of purposes. Some of it, under contract, goes to France and comes back to this country as sardine oil.

Trust recipe for cervelat sausage: Made of beef weasands, certain other parts, ends of beef cartilage, etc., and without exception, the cheaper grades of sausage are preserved with curine, which is said to be a combination of borax and some embalming material.

Trust recipe for sausage: One of the steady sources of supply of sausage meat comes from the meats which have been shipped to branch houses. If sales are slow it remains until mouldy, slimy and unfit to be sold in the original form and then is sent back to the packing-house to be converted into sausage.

The Killarney of America.

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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Dr. Alexander's funeral was very largely attended.

Miss Virna Geiss has gone to Altoona to canvass for an Altoona firm. Return train through Penna Valley on Friday, the day the monument will be dedicated.

Register Earl C. Tuten has assumed entire control of the Bellefonte Republican and Daily News.

The members of the United Evangelical church at Spring Mills, will hold a festival on the lawn at the church, the 16th of June.

State College will vote, on the 23rd inst., on the question of increasing its indebtedness by \$5000, for the purpose of enlarging the present school building.

The postmaster at San Francisco notified the Reporter that M. L. Roberts did not lift his paper; reason: burned out. Mrs. Roberts was Miss Amanda Krumbine, of this place.

The Reformed and Lutheran Cemetery Association met Monday evening in the Reformed church. The finances proved to be in a good condition, \$250 being reported in the treasury.

H. J. Royer, of Burnham, was in Centre Hall over Sunday. He has been employed in the Spring shops of the Standard Steel Works during the past year, and likes his work very much.

John Spicher is having his dwelling house painted. The work is being done by John Noll, of Pleasant Gap, assisted by Fred Shreffler, Fremont Hill and Leslie Miller, also of Pleasant Gap.

The Penna very properly recognized the ability of Wilbur Burkholder, and appointed him extra baggage and freight agent and saving fund depository on its Tyrone division. Mr. Burkholder is formerly from Centre Hill.

Paul D. Fortney accompanied his father, Col. D. F. Fortney, to Penna Valley on Memorial Day. The father and son have formed a partnership in the law business. Their office will continue to be opposite the court house. The new firm has the Reporter's best wishes.

Messrs. James A. Keller and J. J. Arney, two of Potter township's leading farmers and citizens, Saturday returned from a two weeks trip to Philadelphia and other points. Part of the time was spent with ex-Treasurer D. C. Keller, near Phoenixville. They had a most delightful visit.

Henry Stoner, who remodeled his barn and built a straw shed this spring, will have the same painted. The carpenters were taken from his place to the farm of his brother, David Stoner, of near Tusseyville. The latter Mr. Stoner will also build a large shed and make other improvements.

Report all items of interest to this office. They will be appreciated, and each item will help to make the paper that much more interesting. Not all the news can be secured but by your help the lion's share can be gathered, and that is what is wanted. All the news that's news will be printed.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip J. Auman, of Johnstown, are visiting friends and relatives in Penna Valley. Mr. Auman is employed regularly by the Cambria Iron Company. And this is what he thinks of the Reporter: "When I want Centre county news, the kind you would find in a hundred letters from home, I read the Reporter."

The K. G. E. festival, held in Grange Arcadia on the evening of Memorial Day, was quite largely attended, and very liberally patronized, the gross receipts being \$103. The pair of pigs were won by W. Houtz, of Lemont, and the chair by Cornelius Bland, an aged veteran. The Lemont band furnished music for the occasion.

Senator J. K. P. Hall returned the whole of his salary, for the extra session last winter, to the state treasurer. The check was for \$598. Senator Hall was in Europe during the meeting of the legislature, and although the average legislator accepts his salary, no matter whether he earns it or not, Senator Hall took a different and honest view. This is applying Democratic principles in life.

That man must have some place where he and his fellows may congregate for recreation and instruction, where toil and business cares may be cast aside for an evening of pleasure and social diversion. The lodge offers one of the best solutions of this question, as is evidenced by the many orders that have sprung up in this country within the last decade. Besides these are the numerous older and grander orders, all of which have in their rituals teachings that have been important factors in the educational and moral development of the people.