



BRYAN FOR PRESIDENT.

Indications point to Col. William Jennings Bryan as the Democratic candidate for president in 1908.

The Democratic state conventions of Missouri, Arkansas, Indiana and South Dakota have officially endorsed Mr. Bryan's candidacy.

The fact that the Republicans have swung around, and through the president, have adopted every measure (excepting free silver) advocated by Mr. Bryan, has led the Democrats to believe that their leader was simply in advance of the conceptions of the masses.

Henry Watterson, in the Louisville Courier-Journal, speaking of Mr. Bryan, says:

"He has survived the crudities and hysteria of the ill-starred campaign of 1896, and though he went to a dwindling instead of a rising vote in 1900, he held his organization and following intact. The end of the campaign of 1904 saw him the one king pin erect and standing; since then it must be conceded that he has carried himself with prudence and aplomb, indicating to thoughtful observers the growing rather than the waning man."

"Mr. Bryan has served his probation and earned his reward."

There is at least one citizen of the United States who prefers to remain a stranger rather than to occupy a seat in the United States Senate. Of course, he lives in Kansas. His name is Foster Dwight Coburn, appointed by Governor Hoch to succeed the discredited Burton. Mr. Coburn decides to stick to agriculture in Kansas rather than to bother himself with politics at Washington, D. C. The fact that Mr. Coburn declines a Senatorship will go far to convince his contemporaries that no mistake was made in offering him the place.

The Philadelphia Record remarks: The time was ripe for the erection of a monument to Pennsylvania's War Governor, Andrew Gregg Curtin. Not a man of this generation grudges the cost or disputes the due meed of honor. As Governor Pennypacker made the presentation speech at the unveiling of the monument in Bellefonte last week amid the plaudits of assembled thousands he must have been impressed. There was no occasion to erect the statue of Curtin within doors.

The Philadelphia Public Ledger, The Press, The North American and The Philadelphia Record oppose Stuart for governor. Their chief reason for so doing is because he is the representative of the Gangsters.

The thought that "no one cares and no one knows" blights many a bud of promise. Be it the young artist at the easel, the workman at his bench, the boy at his mathematical problems or your little girl at the piano. Give what praise you can.

Nearly everyone is figuring on having a fine time just ahead when he or she gets all fixed, and this vision is just ahead when the eyes are closed for sleep. To live in the now and enjoy the present is the work of a philosopher.

The Logic of the Situation.

From Sunday's Philad. Record

At a time when thousands of aroused and indignant Republicans in Pennsylvania are willing to forego regularly in order to punish their rascals and redeem the State from misrule, the Democrats cannot afford to make any mistake.

It is the wisest policy to help on Republican rebellion and make it successful.

Unless the Democrats can name a candidate of their own for the Governorship more urgently favoring reform than Lewis Emery his nomination seems to be indicated by all strategic considerations. Nothing will carry such confusion into the camp of the Penrose-McNichol aggregation as a strong fusion ticket. It would create uncertainty and disorganization among the gangsters in every county in the State.

Decision Favors Employer.

The highest Court in the State of New York has decided that an employer may hire men with the stipulation that they shall or shall not join the union. He can offer employment on any terms he likes and the men can refuse it if they don't like the conditions. Judge Chase says that "the free and untrammelled right to contract is a part of the liberty guaranteed to every citizen by the Federal and State Constitutions." Men may employ only union men, or only non-union men, or only Germans, or only Italians, and so long as their agreements with their men "do not interfere with public safety, health or morals they are not illegal." A contrary decision would have opened the way for a harassing amount of legislative interference with the natural right of every man to manage his own business.

From Canonsburg.

This morning I shook the dust of the Flood City from my feet and started for Canonsburg, Washington county. Arriving at Pittsburg, I soon found our Centre Hall boys, Earl Fleming, Will Sandoe and Will Keller, who are still holding down good clerical positions on the fifth floor of the Union Station. I visited the station of the Wabash, which is there claimed to be the finest building in the city, and then took the trolley for Ingram, where our old Centre Hall neighbors, W. A. Sandoe and P. F. Keller.

Mr. Sandoe is doing a lucrative business as a tailor, and Mr. Keller is handling a good trade for a Chicago soap firm. Both own good properties in Ingram.

Later in the day I took the train for Canonsburg. On the train out I met Mrs. Heckart, nee Carrie Tibbens, whose husband is one of the teachers in the Morganza Reform school. They own a nice, cozy home near the school grounds. They expect soon to spend their vacation in Penna Valley.

Hiram Grove, of the Morganza school, wrote me a few weeks ago that I would scarcely recognize Canonsburg, so great have been the changes in the town. Although it is only eight years since my last visit, I was surprised to see the development the town has made since that time. I spoke of the high value of properties in Johnstown in my letter of last week, but Canonsburg is not behind in that respect. A house that will not rent for more than \$20 a month in Johnstown, or about \$6 in Centre Hall rents for \$30 here.

I also wrote of land being \$1000 a foot front in Johnstown, in the business part of the city. This week \$2800 a foot front was refused for a lot on Main street, Canonsburg.

Mervin Stover, whose parents live between Centre Hill and Potters Mills, is building a house to rent in Canonsburg. He fills the position of overseer of a company store at Trevesky station, Cuddy post office, about five or six miles from here. I am writing this at the home of Mrs. Stover's father, he being married to Mrs. Krise's niece. I must close or my letter will encroach on too much of your space. After I see Messrs. Grove, Smith and some Brush Valley folks in Washington I will write you again.

Yours truly,
W. A. KRISE.

Canonsburg, June 8

Crop Prospects.

Light showers during the past two weeks have been very beneficial to oats, barley and corn. Oats and barley are very short, but generally there is a good set.

In well prepared soil the corn has not suffered for moisture, but the cut worm and timothy worm have been exceptionally destructive, especially where the crop was planted early and on fields that lay in sward more than one year previous to turning for corn. Wherever these pests are not present or have not already worked havoc, the corn is a good set and is growing nicely.

The continuous drought since the early spring months has retarded the growth of grass. Clover is very short and much of it has already blossomed. Timothy is about ready to shoot heads, and like clover is also short. The crop today represents not more than 50 per cent.

The following table gives the rain fall for the months of the present year to and including June 12th, and the corresponding period during 1905. Last spring was regarded as dry, but the table will show that the rain fall this spring was much below even that of last year.

Month	Inches of rain 1906	Inches of rain 1905
January	1.83	2.07
February	1.23	2.02
March	1.66	1.91
April	2.25	2.56
May	1.90	2.87
June, to 12th	.20	2.33
Total to June 12th	9.07	13.76

Shortage in rain fall from January to June 12th, compared with last year...4.69 in

Democratic State Convention.

In pursuance of the requirements of the rules governing the Democratic organization of the State, and the action of the Democratic State Central Committee at its annual meeting held in Harrisburg, on the 18th of March, notice is hereby given that the Democratic State Convention will meet in the Opera House at Harrisburg, Wednesday, June 27, 1906, at 12 o'clock noon. The business to be transacted will be the nomination of one candidate for Governor; one candidate for Lieutenant Governor; one candidate for Auditor General; one candidate for Secretary of Internal Affairs, and to act upon such other matters, pertaining to the interest and success of the party in Pennsylvania, as may be brought before it.

CHARLES P. DONNELLY, Chairman.
P. GRAY MEEK, Secretary.

WAR GOVERNOR IN BRONZE.

Beautiful Curtin Monument Unveiled and Dedicated. Bellefonte's Day of Glory.

The following dispatch from Bellefonte to the Philadelphia Record describes the dedication of the monument in Bellefonte, Friday of last week:

It required seven special trains in addition to the regulars to bring the people to Bellefonte to witness the unveiling and dedication of the Centre County Soldiers' monument and Curtin memorial, the crowd being estimated at from 12,000 to 15,000 persons. The day was an ideal one.

Many distinguished visitors were here, and with the Governor were Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart and Colonels A. Frank Patterson, S. S. Brown, of Pittsburg; H. S. Haldeeman, Walker T. Bradley and Jacob Green, Philadelphia; W. H. Richardson and James Auker, Harrisburg, and J. Archibald, Pottsville. Among the others were Colonel A. K. McClure and Owen Jones, of Philadelphia, the latter carrying the old Pennsylvania Reserve flag in the parade.

It was one of the biggest days in the history of the town, and the citizens showed no lack of hospitality in the entertainment of the visitors.

The military and the State College cadets were very highly commended for the good showing made and their very gentlemanly conduct while here.

The big parade included five divisions, and was considerably over one mile in length. General John L. Curtin, Burgess of Bellefonte and a relative of the late Governor Curtin was chief marshal, with Captain H. S. Taylor as chief of staff. Governor Pennypacker and staff and the distinguished guests of the day led the parade and then followed the five divisions in regular order.

The dedicatory exercises began at 1:30 o'clock, with General James A. Beaver presiding, who made the introductory address. Five hundred school children from Bellefonte and surrounding towns sang "America."

The presentation of the Curtin statue on behalf of the State Commission was made by Governor Pennypacker, and received on behalf of the County Commissioners by W. C. Heinle. The presentation of the soldiers' monument on behalf of the contributors was made by Hon. John G. Love, and received on behalf of the County Commissioners by Colonel J. L. Spangler.

The Curtin statue was unveiled by Miss Margaret Brunett, a granddaughter of the "Old War Governor," and the soldiers' monument was unveiled by Miss Helen Fox, a daughter of the late Joseph Fox, a gallant soldier in the Civil War.

Following the unveiling the children's choir sang "The Star Spangled Banner," at the conclusion of which Colonel A. K. McClure, of Philadelphia, delivered the main oration of the day on "The Life and Character of Andrew Gregg Curtin."

Jacob A. Cramm, of Harrisburg, paid a tribute to Governor Curtin on behalf of the Soldiers' Orphans, and Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart made an address on "The American Private Soldier." The meeting closed with the singing of "Tenting To-night on the Old Camp Grounds."

This is one of the most artistic and costly monuments erected in any county in the State. It is of Barre granite, semi-circular in shape and 54 feet from end to end. It is 28 feet deep 11 feet high. At either end are large bronze panels representing "War" and "Peace." The monument contains 20 bronze panels, on which are engraved the names of Centre county's almost 3800 soldiers.

The Curtin statue in the center is 18 feet high, including an 11-foot pedestal and a 9-foot bronze figure of Curtin. On each of the four sides of the pedestal is a bronze panel, the front one bearing the inscription and the other three various incidents in the life of Curtin at the time he was Governor.

Flag Day, June 14.

Many of the towns of Pennsylvania will observe Flag Day, June 14, with more or less elaborate services. An appeal has been sent out by those interested in the observance of the day.

Patent Medicines Cause Insanity.

A case that has aroused more than ordinary sympathy is that of James Nestlerode, of Mill Hall. He had for some time been suffering from an affection of the kidneys, and to obtain relief resorted to patent medicines, which, his physicians say, caused him to lose his reason.

He is now confined, awaiting the verdict of the commission on lunacy prior to taking him to an asylum. In his rational moments he begs to be taken to an asylum, where he believes his reason will be restored. The physicians are of the opinion that after his system shall have been purged of the nostrums which he has been taking he will come out all right.

THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

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

The corner stone of the new Trinity Lutheran church was laid at Juniata last Sunday.

The dedication of the state capitol is to take place October 4th. President Roosevelt is to be present, and an invitation will be sent every governor in the United States, and many of them are expected to be on hand.

A new pest has appeared in the gardens at Mill Hall, a small black bug with a big bill that devastates tomato patches and leaves behind it nothing but unproductive stalks. In some places it crops off the stalk close to the ground.

John Mooney, after an absence of ten years from his home in Allegheny county, unexpectedly returned home the other day. His relatives thinking him dead collected \$10,000 life insurance by having the court declare him legally dead.

At a meeting of those interested in the trolley line between Milton and Bloomsburg, arrangements were made for the immediate completion of the road. Rails were ordered and work will commence as soon as they arrive. Right of way has been secured for the entire route.

Capitalists of Wall, East McKeesport and Pitcairn, have organized the East McKeesport Water Company and are planning a reservoir on the farm of Philip Naser, near Wall, with a capacity of 10,500,000 gallons, supplied from springs and artesian wells on the Naser property.

County Commissioner Samuel Dell purchased the Gibboney timber tract consisting of nearly 100 acres, and will begin operations at once. This is one of the best tracts in Millin county, containing nearly one million feet of white pine, oak and rock oak, besides a large amount of bark.

Charles Schmitt, an Altoona butcher, found a half-dollar imbedded in an egg. The coin was imbedded in the centre of the egg, the yolk and white forming around it. The egg was purchased from a Bedford county huckster, and the remarkable freak, which almost surpasses belief, was shown to many people.

Mt. Airy Seminary, near Philadelphia, was given a donation of \$100,000 by a Pittsburg gentleman who did not reveal his name to even the trustees. The gift was made known to the delegates to the 159th annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and adjacent States.

With the formal dismissal of the senior class from further work, President Crawford, of Allegheny College, announced gifts of \$100,000 to the college. Andrew Carnegie and John F. Eberhart, of Chicago, gave \$25,000 each, and \$50,000 came from Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran, of Dawson, Pa., to build college commons for young men.

George Hamm, a Civil War veteran living near Frogtown, Clarion county, was seriously burned while trying to save a battle flag from flames which destroyed his home. His efforts were futile and the flag was consumed. Hamm served as color sergeant of the Seventy-eighth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers. The flag was a present to the regiment from Governor Curtin and had been torn into ribbons by Confederate bullets. Hamm was made custodian of the precious relic when the regiment was mustered out. At the peril of his life he entered the burning house to save it.

At a recent public sale in Montgomery county a Swedeland farmer bought a cow, bidding \$36.55 for her. He left before the close of the sale, supposing she would be sent to his farm next day. She never reached him, and the attorney for the estate conducting the sale sued him before a Norristown justice of the peace for the recovery of the amount, contending that the terms were cash, and that if the farmer did not then and there pay for sooky and take her away he is responsible for her loss and must pay the price. The farmer said he wanted the cow and would gladly pay for her the moment she was delivered, but not before. The justice decided against him, whereupon he announced his intention of taking an appeal.

Thanks; Its Not Epidemic.

The "big head" is a popular way of expressing a common and very frequent ailment. It arises from various sources, but the real foundation is a lack of sense. A little money develops it in some people; a few good clothes gives it to others; a little office, where a chance is given to exercise a little authority, is often the cause of it, while others get it having a little better job than their associates. The truth is no sensible person gets the "big head." The one who became stuck up and stiff-necked from sources of any kind, is weak in the intellectual caliber.

TELEPHONE LINE UP

And Instruments Installed on Three Divisions, Swelling the Farmer Line Patrons by Twenty-five.

By the time the reader's eye comes on this notice twenty-five Bell telephones will have been installed on lines Seven, Eight and Nine.

Lines Nos. Seven and Eight extend from Centre Hall to Linden Hall, and are serving seventeen patrons. These lines have been in use since Wednesday of last week, and are giving the best of satisfaction. The patrons are George W. Bradford, L. R. Lingle, Samuel Durst, D. W. Bradford, Frank P. Flory, D. W. Bartges, Charles B. Neff, John Breen, Richard Brooks, Alvin Stump, Harry Cumings, John Frazier, Cloyd Brooks, D. Geiss Wagner, James Swabb, Mrs. J. W. Keller, F. E. Wieland.

Line No. Nine extends from Centre Hall to Tusseyville and Red Mill. The patrons on this line are C. W. Swartz, Wm. F. Rockey, Wm. R. Neff, James H. McCool, James C. Goodhart, D. W. Geary, J. W. Dashem, John S. Auman.

These lines were built by the patrons on the lines and are a part of The Patrons Rural Telephone Company. The lines are connected with the Pennsylvania system, commonly known as the Bell, and enjoy all the privileges given to patrons who hold regular contracts under the Bell. The free territory extends over the entire county, excepting Phillipsburg.

The Patrons Rural Telephone Company has met with marked success since its organization. The idea, when first suggested, was hooted at by the unthinking. Less than three-quarters of a year has passed since the company's organization, yet today it has over one hundred miles of pole line, and on an average over one telephone to the mile. The company is in the field to stay.

Mercury at 35.

Monday night mercury fell to thirty-five above zero, three degrees above the freezing point. Pretty cool for a June night.

Willing Workers—The Locust.

Just now there is plenty of music in the air. The locust is keeping up a continuous concert. The lively little insects are said to have the initials "w" "w" on their wings, signifying, no doubt, "willing workers."

Dr. Land Called.

Rev. Dr. Thomas S. Land, president of Allentown College for Women, and formerly pastor of the Centre Hall charge, was extended a call to become pastor of the Aaronsburg Reformed held at Aaronsburg, Tuesday forenoon.

Republicans Nominate in Snyder.

The Snyder county Republicans instructed for Dr. B. F. Wagonseller for Congress over J. B. Culberson by a plurality of fifty votes. The other nominations are: Prothonotary, G. M. Shindel; Assembly, D. N. App; Register and Recorder, John D. Arbogast; District Attorney, M. I. Potter; State Delegate, W. F. Saunders.

Teachers Re-elected.

The Millheim school board re-elected Prof. C. R. Neff, principal; Linn Emerick for the Grammar Grade and Miss Eva Moyer for the Intermediate Grade.

The Centre Hall school board re-elected James B. Stroh, Miss Luttia Goodhart and Miss Helen Hosterman for the Grammar, Intermediate and Primary Grades, respectively. The High School is vacant.

Married in York.

Rev. W. H. Buck and Miss Vertie Rudisill were married in York Tuesday of last week. Rev. Buck is the pastor of the United Evangelical church at New Freedom, York county, and formerly served as pastor of the Millheim charge. The bride is from York. The ceremony was performed by Bishop Hartzler at the home of George Buck, a brother of the groom. Mr. and Mrs. Buck have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Geary, in this place during the past week. Mrs. Geary is the only daughter of Rev. Buck.

Items from Millroy.

S. S. Brown has purchased a new team of gray horses to replace the ones he recently sold. They are said to be the finest mated team of work horses in the county.

Daniel W. Decker, one of our worthy young men, very quietly slipped away and took unto himself a wife on Monday, Miss Rosie E. Long being the chosen lady. The calithumpians joined in giving them a serenade on Monday evening but we will extend our good wishes in a more quiet manner. This will not be the only June wedding from Millroy, as you will hear later.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

The locusts are making things hum. Children's day will be observed in the Lutheran church, Centre Hall, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Gfrerer, of near Bellefonte, visited the old homestead at Centre Hall over Sunday.

C. K. Sober, who has large chestnut orchards in Union county, thinks the locusts are destroying his crop.

The Millheim school board organized as follows: President, A. Walters; secretary, Samuel Wisser; treasurer, C. O. Musser.

Mrs. Wieland, wife of Merchant F. E. Wieland, at Linden Hall, has been in Altoona and Huntingdon during the past week.

The Rev. John H. MacSparran, late of Germantown, was installed pastor of Great Island Presbyterian Church, Lock Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Gross Mingle are repairing the Willow property, owned by W. B. Mingle, Esq., preparatory to occupying the same.

A great many minor improvements are going on in Centre Hall. Property owners are putting their possessions into better condition. In Centre Hall it is a case of good, better, best.

Openwork hosiery, short sleeves, peek-a-boo waists and Buster Brown waists are included in the expurged list of ladies' dress in many of the places where ladies are employed in the large cities.

After a stay of a number of years in the west, Irvin Hockman, of Jewel City, Kansas, visited relatives in this valley. Several days were spent by Mr. Hockman with Ephraim Bartholomew, at Millheim.

Mrs. Andrew Gregg and son John, the latter part of last week, returned from Williamsport where they had been staying with Mr. Gregg. The husband and father is engaged with the Bell telephone linemen crew.

Carpenters are framing the timbers for a new barn on the farm of the late J. T. Smith, above Tusseyville. Aaron Thomas is boss mechanic, and is being assisted by Samuel Shoop, Clayton Wagner and Harry McClenahan.

Clayton T. Williams, proprietor of the Bingham Hotel, Pittsburg, visited his brother John Williams, on the Furst farm near Bellefonte, recently. While there he purchased a young horse from Mr. Furst, and had him shipped to Pittsburg.

George Stover and daughter, Mrs. Elmer Greene, both of Altoona, attended the funeral of Mrs. Mary Stover, Thursday of last week. Mr. Stover is a trimmer, and is employed in the shops conducted by Charles Bollinger. Mr. Bollinger is doing a splendid business.

A number of property owners in Centre Hall are making preparations to put "own concrete walks. They will be built similar to those constructed in Rebersburg and Aaronsburg, which apparently withstand the effects of the frost. The crushed stone will be shipped here from Bellefonte.

Mrs. Susan Koch and son Samuel Koch, of Darrahg, came to Centre Hall Friday of last week. Mrs. Koch came to Penna Valley to visit her sister, Mrs. McKinney, at Potters Mills, who is in delicate health. She reports all Centre Hall people about Pittsburg as being well, and getting along nicely.

Showers were the order of the day Sunday. The rain fall about Centre Hall has been exceptionally light. Several brisk showers, the latter part of last week, passed over the south side of Potter township and through Georges Valley that did not touch here. Rebersburg and vicinity also had the benefit of a good rain that gave this locality the go-by.

Prof. W. A. Brown and Master Paul Brown, of Huntingdon, were Monday morning callers at the Reporter office. Mr. Brown is the instructor in band music at the Huntingdon Reformatory, and also a member of the 5th Regiment band, and accompanied the latter to Bellefonte on the occasion of the monument dedication. Mr. Brown has three sons who are splendid musicians, and are members of a musical organization at Huntingdon.

Yes, your garden beds you rake and all manner of pains you take, to have them slick and nice and neat, in fact they simply can't be beat. You turn your backs and walk away and view them on the coming day—Horror! those beds so span and spick are clawed and wollerred—you raise a kick; your neighbor's chickens running loose and garden making's but little use, and those old hens your garden looking, may tempt you yet to do some shooting, and to alleviate your wrath you'll make your dinner on chicken broth.