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PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.

Grange Inaugurating A Campaign of Education. National Body Favors Federal Aid to Secure Good Roads.

Extract from an address by ex-Governor Hachelder, delivered before the National Grange:

At the last annual meeting you endorsed the recommendation made in my address that the Grange inaugurate a campaign of education, having for its object the enactment of legislation by Congress providing for a federal appropriation of \$50,000,000, to be divided into five annual appropriations of \$10,000,000 each, to be expended for the improvement of the public highways. These recommendations not only received your endorsement, but you instructed your legislative committee to take the necessary steps to inaugurate such a campaign. Since the last meeting, your executive and the legislative committee have given close attention to the work of preparing for this campaign, and we are confident that the time has now arrived when the movement should be prosecuted vigorously, with the view of securing the necessary legislation at the present session of Congress, if possible.

This your legislative committee has made every preparation to do, and I recommend that you take such action before you adjourn as will show that it has the united support of the order in this important matter. The demands of the Grange are both reasonable and just, and we may expect prompt action on the part of Congress if members of the order generally impress their senators and representatives with the fact that they are in earnest. The roads of the United States have too long been a reproach and byword among the nations. The Grange is determined that this must be ended, and we should not cease in our efforts until the federal, state and municipal governments are cooperating in the work of making the American roads the finest in the world.

Every qualification that is needed is found in George F. Weaver, of Gregg township, the Democratic nominee for the office of Register. While he is quite competent to fill the office to which he aspires, there are many positions he could not fill owing to the fact that he is a one-armed man, and, of course, must depend on doing something in which this misfortune will not interfere. Mr. Weaver, to tell the honest truth, ought to have the vote of every one in Penns Valley without regard to politics. He is deserving of recognition, and his neighbors at least ought to throw aside politics when it comes to voting for the office of Register.

It ought to be a source of pleasure for Messrs. Dunlap and Weaver, the present county commissioners, to refer—no matter about politics—to their record as officials. The finances of the county are in the best of condition, and a Republican board of auditors could find no fault whatever with any business transaction performed by them. What officers have done is of much more account than promises made by those who have not been tried. Promises are easily made. Messrs. Dunlap and Weaver have records that commend them.

John D. Miller is another farmer on the Democratic ticket. Like Fred F. Smith, there are no spots on him that need erasing. He is a clean, honest, honorable, capable man, just the fit for the office to which he aspires. It would be a reflection on the intelligence of the voters in Centre county to intimate that a large majority of them would do anything else than vote for these gentlemen.

Although always on the alert to find some fault with Democratic nominees, the Republican newspapers have not been able to find any thing that would reflect in any way on Fred F. Smith, of Rush township. Mr. Smith is a farmer—a real farmer, not a book farmer, but handles the plow and the reins himself, and these are the reasons why the agricultural classes should give him a lift.

The way to keep the finances of this county in good condition, and its debts paid as incurred, is to re-elect Messrs. Dunlap and Weaver. They have in the past administered the affairs of the county in an economical way, and what they have done they can and will do again.

Men once served by their political party magnify their ingratitude by opposing candidates placed in nomination in later years. Of all the miserable, contemptible wretches—political or otherwise—the ingrate is the most despised.

No one has ventured to give a reason of any sort why a self-respecting citizen of Centre county should not vote for J. C. Meyer, Esq., for assemblyman.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORMER.

The one thing that Mr. Roosevelt had distinguished himself in before an extraordinary fate threw him into the Presidency was his advocacy of civil service reform and his relentless denunciation of spoils mongering. When Benedict said he would never wed he did not think that he should live to be married, and when Theodore Roosevelt denounced the spoils mongers it never occurred to him that he would ever hold the appointing power in his own hands and be able to reward his friends and punish his enemies.

Mr. McKinley suspended the Classified Service law three times, and one of these occasions was to accommodate Vice President Roosevelt, who wished his friend and tennis companion, Gifford Pinchot, advanced. Mr. Roosevelt has suspended the Civil Service law 315 times. There are forty-three White House employees, and under President McKinley they were treated as a part of the classified service. They are no longer so under President Roosevelt; forty-one of them are in the "excepted and non-competitive" classes, and two are in the unclassified service.

The longer the President holds office and wields the appointing power the more often he suspends the law which he spent six years in enforcing, and the violators of which he then scolded in the style with which the country has now become so familiar. In three years, while he was serving out Mr. McKinley's term, he only suspended the law twenty times. Then he suspended it forty-two times in a year, the next year eighty-seven times, the year following that seventy-eight times, and last year eighty-eight times.

The Civil Service law is for other people to obey; Mr. Roosevelt is above all law.

The following editorial appeared in the New York World:

As we understand Mr. Roosevelt's defense of the Harriman campaign contribution—

1 It was entirely proper for Mr. Roosevelt to solicit this money, because he intended to bunco Harriman and did bunco him.

2 Secrecy was necessary because Mr. Roosevelt's motives might have been misconstrued by low-minded persons who would see in the transaction a sordid attempt on the part of Harriman to control the Presidency through the use of tainted money.

3 Publicity of such a contribution before election might have thwarted the high moral purpose of Mr. Roosevelt in separating Harriman from his money without giving him anything in return.

4 Other Presidential candidates should never be permitted to engage in similar negotiations, because even were they sufficiently patriotic to repudiate the moral obligation they would not be sufficiently practical to deceive a man like Harriman.

5 The fact that it was Theodore Roosevelt who did this is a complete answer to all hostile criticism.

Having defended the contribution, perhaps Mr. Roosevelt will now explain just how the money was used, as Harriman said, to turn 50,000 votes in the election.

A dollar voluntarily contributed to the Democratic campaign fund now may result in making it impossible for the trusts to make you unwillingly cough up ten or fifteen times that amount to the Republican fund in future campaigns.

If any one reports to you any dozen sentences that Bert Taylor ever spoke, there will appear in them as many reasons why any self-respecting man should vote for J. C. Meyer, Esq., for assemblyman.

The Centre Reporter holds this view: When a Democrat accepts a nomination for office from his party, he forfeits all rights to at any time thereafter oppose nominees of the same party.

Real Estate Sold.
The heirs of Noah F. Stover and Rebecca Stover, deceased, of Millheim, sold the following real estate: The farm in Penn township, known as the old homestead, was bought by W. A. Stover for \$9050. The farm in the same township, occupied by T. J. Stover, was sold to John Hosterman, of Penn Hall, for \$5500. The house and lot on Penn street, Millheim, was bought by J. L. Winegardner, of Woodward, for \$1000. The tract of timberland in Sugar valley was not sold.

Unclaimed Letters.
The following letters remain unclaimed in the Centre Hall postoffice, October 1st, 1908: Miss Carrie Glass, Mr. Harry Munchow, two letters for Mr. Chas. Tilman.
G. M. BOAL, Postmaster.

COURT NEWS.

Verdicts of the Jury in a Number of Assault and Battery Cases Against Defendants.

Com. vs. D. R. Thomas indicted for assault and battery; prosecutor, Geo. T. Stine. This trouble originated in Patton township. Verdict of not guilty; prosecutor to pay one-third of the costs, and defendant two-thirds.

Com. vs. Mollie Eckley, charge assault; prosecutor, John Fry. Bill ignored and prosecutor to pay costs.

Com. vs. John Fry and Florence Young. First charge, assault; second charge assault and battery; prosecutor, Mollie Eckley. Bill ignored and prosecutor to pay the costs.

Com. vs. Wm. Sampel. First charge, assault and battery; second charge, assault and battery with intent to commit rape. Defendant waived the finding of the grand jury and pled guilty to the second charge. This is the case of the assault on the small daughter of Mrs. Ryan, in Bellefonte.

Com. vs. Lemuel Zindel; indicted for assault and battery; prosecutor, Arvilla Zindel. Verdict Wednesday morning of not guilty, prosecutor to pay one-half the costs and defendant to pay one-half the costs.

Com. vs. John Hess, indicted for assault and battery; prosecutors, J. H. Meese and Gertrude Meese. Defendant plead guilty and sentenced to pay the fine of \$25.00 and costs of prosecution.

Com. vs. Robert Brown, indicted for assault and battery; prosecutor, John Hartsock. This trouble arises out of difficulties between the boys of the prosecutor and defendant, prosecutor alleging that defendant took hold of his boy and struck him twice, injuring one of his ribs so that an abscess had formed which had to be attended to by a physician. Defendant admits striking the boy twice, but alleges that he did so after the boy had called him some vile names when he interfered in the trouble between the two boys.

Verdict of not guilty, defendant to pay one-third of the costs and prosecutor two-thirds.

Wednesday afternoon the grand jury made their final report, stating that they had passed on thirteen bills of indictment, ten of which were found true bills and three ignored. They also recommended some improvements to plumbing and ventilation about the jail.

The Register's accounts were confirmed.

The case of Catherine Crawford, administratrix of etc. of Dr. A. Crawford, deceased, vs. Thos. Merriman is an action to recover on a book account, and the jury found a verdict in favor of plaintiff for \$1.95.

B. H. Eters vs. A. I. Garbrick is an appeal and was brought to recover on a book account. Verdict in favor of the plaintiff.

In the case of Harry Washburn vs. Rosa L. Pierce, the defendant confessed judgment in open court in favor of the plaintiff for \$45.00, with stay of execution for thirty days.

A number of cases of assault and battery were continued; several were not pressed, and the county is to pay the costs.

Court adjourned Thursday afternoon.

COURT SENTENCES.
Thursday Judge Orvis imposed the following sentences upon persons who had been tried at this term of court: Joseph Ross, indicted for larceny, sentenced to pay a fine of \$1, cost of prosecution, restoration of stolen goods, and to undergo imprisonment in the western penitentiary for one year.

James Reed pled guilty to larceny, sentenced to a fine of \$1, cost of prosecution, restoration of stolen goods, and to undergo imprisonment in the western penitentiary for three years.

Charles Bartley pled guilty to selling liquor without license. Sentence suspended until next term of court and released under bond.

William Sampel pled guilty as indicted, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$1, cost of prosecution, and to undergo imprisonment in the western penitentiary for three years.

LOCAL EVENTS OF 1879.

Reprinted from the Files of the Reporter to Refresh the Minds of the Older Readers, and Enlighten the Younger.

November 27—The "Modocs", a Boalsburg party of hunters, in one week killed seven deer, and Madisonburg hunters killed three bears.

P. B. Stover, of Woodward, has purchased 320 acres of land in Kansas, and it is understood he intends moving his family there next spring.

Dr. J. B. Stam, of Millheim, intends removing from that place to Linden Hall, where he will practice his profession, and also conduct a store.

The Abraham Reber farm in Brush Valley was sold to George Reber for \$8000.

The George Swartz mill property in Millheim was sold to H. M. Swartz for two thousand dollars.

A new church is to be erected in Madisonburg, the contract having already been let.

December 4—Wm. Barnes, the mail carrier between Millroy and Bellefonte, was thrown from his wagon above Potters Mills, and sustained a number of cuts.

Israel and John Stover, of Michigan, are visiting their friends and relatives in this county.

A. J. Campbell, of Millheim, is the toll gate keeper on the new Millheim pike.

December 11—John Allen, of the Loop, has rented the Hoy mill property, near Jacksonville.

Rev. S. L. Stiver withdrew his connection with the Presbytery at St. Louis, Missouri, and accepted a call from the Congregational church at Bunker Hill, Illinois.

December 18—James Coburn, administrator, sold that part of the Huston farm, east of Centre Hall, lying north of the Brush Valley road, to Jacob Sharer for \$4000.

Dr. James Calder has resigned as president of the State Agricultural College.

December 25—Charles W. Stahl, formerly of near this place, but now of Newton, Iowa, has been admitted to the practice of law in Jasper county, Iowa.

Married—November 20, Jonathan Ling and Miss Susan Auman, both of Gregg township. . . . Jacob Bohn and Miss Sarah From, both of Boalsburg. . . . November 26, John A. Kahl, of Winslow, Illinois, and Miss O. Ellen Sheneberger, of Boalsburg. . . . December 10, H. K. Luse and Miss Rose Deiningner, both of Millheim. . . . December 4, B. C. Brooks, of Shaver's Creek, and Miss N. J. Irvin, of Boalsburg. . . . December 21, Jacob Gingerich and Miss Amelia Long, both of Gregg township. . . . December 14, Charles A. Rachau, of Madisonburg, and Miss Carrie Stover, of Farmers Mills. . . . December 30, Simon Harper and Miss Maggie Klinger, both of Bellefonte. . . . December 24, Wm. H. Runkle and Miss Jennie C. Love, both of Potter township. . . . December 18, Tillman Klinefelter and Miss Agnes Wingard, both of Potter township. . . . December 24, J. Fred Meyer, of Boalsburg, and Mary A. Lutz, of Fillmore. . . . Michael Smith, of Potters Mills, and Miss Lena Jordan, of Boalsburg. . . . Lloyd Brown and Miss Lizzie Bradford, both of Harris township. . . . December 27, James Dufford, of Rock Springs, and Miss Eliza M. Klinefelter, of Potter township. . . . December 23, Harry C. Shirk and Miss Lizzie E. Royer, both of Potter township. . . . December 25, Newton O. Weber and Miss Anna L. Crouse, both of Rebersburg. . . . December 31, John H. Lee and Miss Sadie Lee Keller, both of Potter township. . . . December 30, John B. Royer and Miss Mary J. Lee, both of Potter township.

Throng of Bayers Continue.
The people of Centre Hall and vicinity appreciate the great advantage J. D. Murray obtained for them, in getting the Dr. Howard Co. to allow the regular 50 cent size of Dr. Howard's specific, for the cure of constipation and dyspepsia, to be sold at half price, 25 cents, and have bought hundreds of bottles.

Many orders have come by mail at this popular price, for it is very unusual to be able to buy sixty doses of a standard medicine at half price.

Every bottle of the specific sold by Mr. Murray has had his personal guarantee to refund the money if it was not satisfactory, but none has come back, showing the wonderful curative power of this remedy.

It is only recently, on the persistent advice of Mr. Murray that Dr. Howard's specific has been sold for less than 50 cents, but he urged that it would be better to secure a quick introduction in Centre Hall in this way and the result has proven his good judgement.

From Kansas.

A Kansan in the person of J. A. Strunk, located at Vernon, and engaged in farming, writes the Reporter, under date of September 30th, thus:

Hay was an elegant crop in this section, and the weather fine during haying time. The price is right good, and cars are easily to be had, consequently we shipped out one lot. The corn crop will be much below the average yield. Dry weather set in too early. Our own crop, which neighbors say is the best on upland in this section, will yield from 28 to 30 bushels of shelled corn. So much for Pennsylvania farming in Kansas.

Methods of renting farms in Kansas differ widely from the custom in Penns Valley. Here the land owner gives two-thirds of the crops, pays for marketing his share, and pays all the taxes. For grass and pasture lands the tenant pays from 50 to 75 cents per acre, and in some localities one dollar. A farmer can do just as good here as a renter as if he owned the land. He is not bound to keep only a limited number of cattle, but can keep all he can feed.

The seventh day is not observed in this part of Kansas to any great extent and those who do observe Sunday in part do so to the amusement and horror of those accustomed to the ways in the east. Let me tell you something about Sunday observance and the reverse in Kansas.

All kinds of farm work is done here on Sunday the same as on any other day, and the ladies think nothing of doing the weekly washing on that day, and this action causes no comment, but as stated above, seems queer to those brought up in the east to respect and at least with a pretense to observe the Sunday.

The Kansas christian observes Sunday in his way, which I and my family observed in driving through the country the other Sunday. For instance: We passed a neighbor who on his way home from church, stopped at the local grist mill and loaded up and took with him several bags of chop,—making one stone hit two birds of different plumage.

On the same trip this was noticed: In the first school house west of Iola religious services were being conducted. Nearly stood a wagon loaded with corn, the owner having hitched his team to engage with his neighbor in prayer. Of course, his action did not occasion comment here, but it may bring a smile to the readers of the Reporter.

But Kansas is all right.

Horsemen Quarrel.
Lewisburg papers contained the following: Last Wednesday afternoon at the fair grounds two horsemen became involved in a quarrel over a hotly contested race, which led to serious consequences for both. The principals in the affray were Irvin Gray, of Stormtown, owner of Sallie Derby, and Burr Wilson, of Newark, O. Wilson is claimed to have attacked Gray, who drew a revolver and fired five shots at his assailant, none of which took effect. Wilson then secured a board and struck Gray several times, inflicting several wounds and cuts on the head. The affair created considerable excitement around the racing stables, and it was followed by the arrest of Gray, who was taken before Squire Riehl, where Gray testified that his revolver contained only blank cartridges. He was fined \$15 and costs. Gray then had Wilson arrested, who also had a like fine imposed on him.

Dedication of New Building at State.
The new addition to the Woman's Building at Pennsylvania State College will be dedicated Friday, October 16. The original building was erected in 1889, and the addition was placed beside the old structure, the same kind of material being used and a similar style of architecture chosen. There are fourteen suites of rooms and nine single rooms in the dormitories. It also provides laboratories and demonstration rooms for the courses in Domestic Science. The program for the day of dedication includes practical demonstrations in the new laboratory.

Keith's Theatre.
As a special feature for Founder's Week, there will be presented at Keith's Theatre, Philadelphia, a pantomimic spectacle called, "The Signing of the Treaty", in which are one hundred people, including Wheelock's Indian band, Nat M. Will, "The Happy Tramp", and Bessie Wynn, America's dainty comedienne, are foremost on the bill. Clayton White and Marie Stuart are giving their race-track drama, "Cherie." Gillette's trained dogs are a special feature for the children, and "The Gloke of Death" is such a thrilling act that it was retained for a second week. There is also a trapeze novelty by The Nobles, acrobatic comedy by Scott and Wilson. There is continuous performance from 1.30 to 10.30.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Company B is in Philadelphia this week participating in the celebration of "Founder's Week."

Mrs. Lizzie Wolf, of Altoona, is visiting her brother, Samuel Shoop, and Mrs. Mary Shoop in Centre Hall.

Landlord James Bunkle is having a portion of his hotel building repainted, the work being done by Daniel C. Rossman.

The borough of Loganton, Clinton county, is to have a national bank capitalized at \$25,000. Over one half of the stock has been subscribed.

The money order business at the Centre Hall post office for the month of September was over \$1200. Not so slow for a fourth class office.

The beginning of October were days most delightful, with a temperature of from sixty to eighty-five during the day, and at nights thirty to forty degrees.

From the Millinburg Telegraph: Mrs. Jerry Snively, of Spring Mills, was this week the guest of her son, Mr. Chas. F. Lontz and family on Chestnut street.

The corner stone of a new Reformed church was laid Sunday in Howard. The local ministers, and Rev. Stein, of Lock Haven, assisted the pastor, Rev. H. I. Crow.

Dr. P. H. Dale, who during the past week has had a shield over one of his eyes, underwent a slight operation at the Bellefonte hospital and had a tiny growth removed from his eye.

Dr. Eastman, of Pottsville, Dr. Schuyler, of Centre Hall, and Dr. Platts, of Bellefonte, conducted short services at the Union cemetery, Bellefonte over the remains of Dr. James W. Boal.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Mitterling, of Centre Hall, were not contented with having seen the greatest fair in Pennsylvania, at Allentown, but also visited the Trenton fair, at Trenton, New Jersey, returning home Friday of last week.

Rev. Newton Bailey, who has been serving as pastor of the United Brethren church at Donlevy, Washington county, has been transferred to the Houserville charge and will fill appointments at that place, Waddle, Valley View and Julian.

A large crop of clover seed has been harvested by the farmers in Penns Valley. The crop varied from ten to seventy-five bushels, but since clover seed is secured without any extra expense aside from its harvesting, it is one of the most profitable crops the farmer grows.

Messrs. H. C. Gettig and Charles D. Frazier, both of near Colget, were in Centre Hall the latter part of last week. Mr. Gettig is a contractor and builder, and like the rest of the tradesmen in that line, is busy as a bee. Mr. Frazier is the Potter township constable, and a good one, too.

Stephen Cahoon, of North Rose, New York, is assisting at the Centre Hall and Coburn evaporating plants to take care of the products of the firm. Mr. Cahoon is a carpenter by trade, but having been raised in the fruit belt of New York has also had considerable experience in the evaporating business.

After conducting farm operations for thirty-nine years, Dame Luse, tenant on the farm of Merchant W. H. Meyer, at Centre Hill, will make sale of his farm stock and implements next spring and quit the farm. Mr. Luse has a record as a tenant that cannot easily be excelled. For thirty-five years he lived on one farm in Haines township.

The professional card of Dr. Sol. M. Nisley, the veterinary surgeon located at the Palace Livery, in Bellefonte, will be found in the Reporter. Dr. Nisley is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, and has been meeting with good success since practicing in Centre county. He will respond to calls from Penns Valley. You can reach him over both telephone wires.

S. V. Hosterman, Esq., of Lancaster, accompanied by Mrs. Hosterman, and two children, for a short time were guests of the former's parents, Dr. G. W. and Mrs. Hosterman, in Centre Hall. Mr. Hosterman is assistant district attorney in Lancaster county, which with his own practice keeps him close to his office, and consequently his stay at Centre Hall was short.

The Harter Brothers, formerly of Coburn, but who are now extensively engaged in the lumber business at Harter, West Virginia, draw their laborers largely from Millheim and surrounding country, and among the latest acquisitions are Messrs. R. E. Hinds, of Fiedler; William Fultz, of Woodward; Fred Confer, of Pine Creek; John Reish and W. A. Thros, of Millheim, and Allen Guisewite, of Haines township.