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## MEN WHO DO NOT BOLT.

Roosevelt Will Not be Able to Lead His Followers from the Old Organization.

The ex-President and some of his followers indulge in hints and threats, but not one of them says bolt.

Last March Mr. Roosevelt wrote: "If the convention decides against us as the result of juggling the people's will, I shall have a good deal to say." At about the same time James R. Garfield exclaimed: "If both of the old parties are to be dominated by reactionaries, a third party is possible."

A few days ago Medill McCormick remarked that if the National Committee should refuse seats to certain Roosevelt delegates he "would be willing to shoot the roof off the convention hall."

Considering the desperate character of the hardened tennis-players who make them, these threats are ominous indeed; yet people who have a kindly regard for the Republican party as an organization will not fail to take heart from the fact that bosses like Ward, of New York; Brown, of Ohio; Hadley, of Missouri; Stubbs, of Kansas, and many others in the train of the necessary man indulge in no such menaces.

No doubt the plan for a bolt has been prepared by the numerous contests instituted in Mr. Roosevelt's behalf in states which did not respond to his demands. In most of these cases the claimant's only grievance is that he was defeated. Those who fear a bolt at Chicago assume that the third-termers will repeat there on a national scale the sensational performances that they have been staging in many of the states.

No one will execute a bond guaranteeing the regularity of Theodore Roosevelt; neither would a sane person go bail for Garfield, McCormick and Pinshot, of whose fierce and unbridled natures there is ample proof. But of the devotion to party of the old-timers who largely constitute the Roosevelt delegates there is no doubt whatever.

Most of these men are in the third-term camp because they regard the movement as the one chance for office and spoils in a year that presents every promise of Democratic triumph. While such men can bluff and bluster, they do not bolt.

## Conklin Renamed Forestry Chief.

Robert S. Conklin was reappointed chief in the department of forestry by Governor Tener. He has held the position since June 1, 1904, when he succeeded Dr. J. T. Rothrock, of West Chester. Mr. Conklin is a resident of Columbia and has been connected with the forestry department since 1895. The governor also reappointed Doctor Rothrock as a member of the forestry commission and announced the following additional appointments:

Frederick P. Coursin, of McKeesport, to be a member of the board of trustees of the State Institution for feeble-minded at Pottsville; John W. Jordan, Julius F. Sachse, of Philadelphia; Frank R. Diffenderfer, of Lancaster, and Boyd Crumrine, of Washington, to be members of the advisory commission for preservation of public records; Charles I. Landis, E. L. Trout and Frank B. McClain, all of Lancaster, to be members of the board of trustees of the Thaddeus Stevens Industrial School of Pennsylvania.

## Yearick-Hoy Reunion.

The ninth annual Yearick-Hoy reunion will be held at Hecla Park, on Thursday, June 20th. A large number of relatives and friends are expected to attend. It is a day of pleasant social intercourse in which all become better acquainted with each other.

Such family reunions should be well maintained and appreciated by the people directly concerned. They are becoming very popular in all parts of the country. The Yearicks and Hoyes have a large connection, and many prominent family names in the county are represented in the ever widening circle, by the intermarriage of successive generations. The address at the coming reunion will be delivered by the Rev. U. J. Snyder, pastor of the United Evangelical church of Howard.

## Prepared to Teach Instrumental Music.

The undersigned, who just graduated from the Conservatory of Music connected with the Susquehanna University, is prepared to give instructions on organ and piano, either at his home or the home of the pupils. Terms reasonable, and satisfaction guaranteed. Write or call over the Bell phone.

## NEDSON KELLER, Linden Hall, Pa.

All stock first class, no shop-worn goods; at the Tibbitts furniture store, Centre Hall. Goods marked down to lowest figures, with a discount of six per cent, on cash sales. Furniture delivered any where free of charge.

## COUNCIL MEETS.

The Light Ordinance Occupied Most of Body's Time—The Measure was Referred to the Light Committee.

Mr. Malin's light ordinance was the chief topic of discussion at a regular meeting of the borough council held on Friday evening, at which meeting Messrs. Daniel Daup, W. Frank Bradford, William H. Meyer, Lymal L. Smith and John Martz, Jr., were present.

After the routine business of the council had been disposed of, the president asked Mr. Malin whether he had anything to bring before the body, when he read the same light ordinance presented a month ago, with a maximum rate section added. The rate quoted is the same as was mentioned in the contract accompanying the first of the three ordinances presented on the subject, or \$80.00 for a 6.6 amperes light, and \$24.00 for a 40 candle power metal filament street light. And for domestic purposes a rate of 12 cents per k. w. hour was named, this being a new feature.

After reading the ordinance and commenting on its merits, Mr. Malin retired from the chamber.

Mr. Daup, the president, expressed the belief that the ordinance ought to be laid on the table; that there was no popular demand for its passage, but on the contrary there were many citizens who opposed the measure, thinking the council was engaging in the matter in advance of necessity. Mr. Meyer and Mr. Smith were radically in favor of the measure, while Mr. Bradford was more inclined to have the measure skinned of some of its wicked features. Mr. Martz was a silent partner.

It was contended on the part of the citizens present that the whole transaction was for the benefit of foreign parties, since it was acknowledged by every councilman that the light would be too expensive for a borough like Centre Hall, and Mr. Malin also advised that the council should not sign a contract to light the streets because of its great cost.

There was not a scintilla of wisdom shown in the arguments advanced by Messrs. Meyer and Smith. If their exact words could be quoted here the shallowness of their arguments would be apparent, but their expressions were simply rambling with no substance that can be put into printable language. As a sample of their lack of insight of the subject, it might be stated that after the ordinance was read both of them contended that they failed to see a clause making the ordinance perpetual, and therefore it was not perpetual. Deliver us!

Mr. Bradford stated, upon inquiry by the president, that several of the members had consulted with an attorney, who had advised that several clauses be inserted in the measure, before it became a law. The first section of the ordinance is innocent in its appearance, but the attorney advised that the sections state definitely what the purpose of the company is. The advice was also given that a penalty clause be inserted, which would give the borough an opportunity to surcharge when light was not furnished; and that the kind of light should be specified, etc., etc.

Mr. Meyer and Mr. Smith thought the charges for light were not too high, but on this point Mr. Bradford disagreed, and thought that better terms ought to be sought. The truth is, the rate is about double what it should be.

Mr. Meyer and Mr. Smith also contended that it did not matter whether the company was a responsible one or not; that if any one was faked, it was the individual's lookout; that it was not necessary to ascertain whether or not the company could comply with the conditions of the contract; that they were elected councilmen and proposed to do business.

## ROUTINE BUSINESS.

B. H. Arney, superintendent of the water plant gave a verbal resignation to the president of the council, and this was brought before the body and accepted. Mr. Arney acted in this capacity ever since the water plant was built, and received very little compensation. He took an interest in the town's welfare, and gave much valuable assistance and advice on taking care of the water plant for which he received nothing whatever. W. F. Floray, the street commissioner, was elected to take Mr. Arney's place. Mr. Smith, of the nuisance committee, reported that the Weber, McClellan and Cleveland Mitterling walks were in bad condition. Mr. Bradford stated that Mrs. Horner would build her walk as soon as she could get material.

The erection of "run slow" sign boards was authorized at the five approaches to the borough limits, and the speed limit for automobiles within the borough was discussed. The following bills were presented and ordered paid:

## BIRTHDAY RECEPTION.

Gen. Taylor and Dr. Radcliffe Celebrate Anniversaries Together.

The Lewistown Democrat and Sentinel in its issue of Friday published this item of interest to Reporter readers: Gen. John P. Taylor of Reedsville gave a birthday reception yesterday to Dr. McCluney Radcliffe, of Philadelphia. The General celebrated his 85th birthday anniversary and it was the 58th natal day of Dr. Radcliffe.

One of the features of the birthday banquet was a large cake bearing 85 candles and an American flag to represent the age of the General, and the age of the Doctor when taken in the reverse order. The flag was to signify the General's connection with the G. A. R. and his period of service in the civil war. Turkey and trout were on the menu.

Speeches were made during the banquet by the General and Dr. Radcliffe. General Taylor, in his remarks, stated that he was of the third generation of the original Scotch-Irish settlers of the Valley, and of his early associates of 1840 but three are alive at the present time. These are Mrs. E. T. McWilliams and Charles Kyle of Reedsville and Mrs. Martha Maclay of Bellefonte. He also took a retrospective view of the early days, recalling vividly the invention of the telegraph and the sensational trip of the first steamship across the Atlantic. The General told of the great value of the timber he had seen cut down and burned to make room for the fertile farms of the Kishacoquillas Valley. Dr. Radcliffe spoke of his early days in Mifflin county and of his long acquaintance with General Taylor. The afternoon was pleasantly spent in recalling other pleasurable reminiscences of bygone days.

The following people were present at the reception: Mrs. M. Radcliffe and daughter Miss Sarah, of Philadelphia, Miss E. Robeson of Lewistown, Misses Rhoda Kyle, Bless Garver, Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor, John and Wm. Taylor of Reedsville.

## LOCALS.

Mrs. Shem Hackenberg, of Spring Mills, solicits your patronage. She is conducting an ice cream parlor, and serves the Dewart cream.

The first week in June was pleasant in a way, but the nights were very cool, ranging in temperature from thirty-five to sixty degrees.

Mrs. J. C. Glenn and little son, of Hundsdale, came to Centre Hall last week and since has been at the home of the former's mother, Mrs. Mary J. Goodhart.

Mr. and Mrs. William Burgardner, of Milroy, last week, drove to Centre Hall and spent the day with Mrs. Burgardner's mother, Mrs. Mary J. Goodhart.

Nedson Keller, of Linden Hall, advertises as a teacher of instrumental music. He just graduated from the musical department of the Susquehanna University, and is skilled in his particular line.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Meyer, Mrs. Rebecca Murray and Miss Edna Murray were in Hartleton on Sunday where the day was spent at the home of Mrs. Murray's brother, W. H. Harter. The trip was made in Mr. Meyer's car.

It is one hundred and twenty-five years since Old Franklin College, in which institution the present Franklin and Marshall College had its foundation, was founded. The charter celebration will be held today (Thursday) when the principal address will be delivered by Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador to the United States.

Harry Rogers, of Buffalo, New York, visited his aunt, Mrs. Byron Garis. He is a fireman on the Pennsylv, and some time ago became pinned under his locomotive for three hours before he could be gotten loose. After a stay in a hospital for some weeks, and a rest afterwards he is now again able to resume work, and on Monday afternoon returned to Buffalo.

A statement of the money collected for expenses on Memorial Day was turned over to the Reporter by P. H. Meyer, the collector, or publication last week, and did not find its way into these columns. The account was audited by C. D. Bartholomew, and shows that twenty-six dollars had been collected, twenty-five of which were paid to the O. Jeville band, and the remainder to Capt. G. M. Boal, treasurer of the Grand Army fund.

## (Continued from Previous Column.)

Best Light Company, supplies.....	\$15 00
Glymer McClellan, lighting lamps.....	13 00
Gulf Refining Co, gasoline.....	6 10
J. S. Weaver, fumigating Alfred Dunt dwelling.....	4 00
W. F. Floray, posting placards and disinfecting Colyer dwelling.....	2 75
Interest.....	32 50
Total.....	\$74 35

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## SCHOOL TEACHERS ELECTED.

Former Teaching Force Will be in Charge for School Year of 1912-1913—Milage Not Increased.

The Centre Hall school board met in regular session Thursday evening of last week, all members being present. The board is composed of Messrs. H. G. Strohmeier, John G. Dauberman, John H. Puff, and Dr. H. F. Bitner, the fifth member, L. G. Reasick, having resigned.

The principal business before the board was to elect a teaching force for the coming school year. All of the former teachers were re-elected at the same salaries, except the intermediate teacher, whose salary was raised from the minimum to fifty dollars per month, or an increase of \$10.00 per month. The school term was again fixed at eight months, and the tax rate eight mills—six for school and two for building purposes.

The teachers elected were Prof. C. R. Neff, Principal of High School, \$75.00 per month; Miss Ethel Grieb, Grammar grade; D. Ross Bushman, Intermediate grade; Miss Helen Bartholomew, Primary grade, at a salary of \$50.00 per month each.

No other business was reported as having been transacted.

The provision in the school code that the school financial year should begin with the first Monday of July will be effective this year for the first time and the school appropriations, which have for years dated from June's first Monday, will be made a month later. The effect of this change of the time will make the state's appropriation \$7,500,000 available next month instead of the first Monday in June.

Coincident with this change of time of beginning distribution to districts which file the required reports with the State Department of Public Instruction a new system of calculating the allotment to each district will be made. Heretofore the appropriation has been based on the number of taxable inhabitants, teachers regularly employed and school children. This year and hereafter it will be paid according to number of children and teachers. This basis of distribution will work a loss to most rural communities, and especially boroughs like Centre Hall where the population of school children is small.

The apportionment of the \$7,500,000 which will be available for educational purposes next month will be as follows: common school districts, \$5,744,000; normal schools \$300,000; high schools, \$225,000; nonresident high school pupils, \$50,000; salaries of superintendents, \$115,000, and girls' normal school and school of pedagogy, \$38,000.

## Transfer of Real Estate.

D. S. McNitt et al to Henry J. Tibbens, tract of land in Marion twp. \$100.

William G. Runkle to William Blauser, tract of land in Potter twp. \$50.

Emanuel Wetzel to W. E. Boob, tract of land in Haines twp. \$6000.

R. D. Bierly et ux to Earnest P. Bierly, tract of land in Miles twp. \$56.

Albert Devine et ux to Eugene F. Harvey, tract of land in Phillipsburg twp. \$900.

Wm. H. Noll et al to Pleasant Gap Fire Co., tract of land in Pleasant Gap. \$1.00.

I. J. Dreesse to Bertha A. Cox, tract of land in State College. \$400.

Park R. Homan et ux to O. M. Bowersox, tract of land in State College. \$375.

Conard Miller to Mrs. Wm. Crawford, tract of land in Spring twp. \$75.

John M. Kelchline, trustee, to Margaret J. Ishler, tract of land in Bellefonte. \$1435.

Winnona H. Evey et bar to William H. Phillips, tract of land in State College. \$5500.

An unknown man committed suicide on Sunday by stepping in front of a fast freight on the Pennsylvania Railroad, at Lewistown. As the train approached a lonely spot in the narrows the engineer, J. B. McDugan, saw the man emerge from the brush, run down the embankment and step on the rails. A strip of paper with the address A. A. O'Brien, 1330 South Main street, Rockford, Ill., was all that was found on his clothing to aid identification. He was about 80 years old and appeared to be demented. He had previously told section men that he was from Reading.

It is now well known that not more than one case of rheumatism in ten requires any internal treatment whatever. All that is needed is a free application of Chamberlain's Liniment and massaging the parts at each application. Try it and see how quickly it will relieve the pain and soreness. Sold by all dealers.

## DEATHS.

Frederick Kurtz died at his home in Bellefonte early on Monday morning. Interment took place yesterday (Wednesday) at Bellefonte.

From 1858 to 1901 Mr. Kurtz was a resident of Centre Hall, and until July of 1900 was the owner and editor of this paper. After living retired for a year, he removed to Bellefonte and became one of the editors of the Centre Democrat.

From the Commemorative Record of Central Pennsylvania, published in 1898, the following is reprinted:

Hon. Frederick Kurtz was born in York, Penn., December 23, 1833, and came from there to Aaronsburg in the fall of 1846. After conducting the Centre Berichter for upward of ten years, he removed to Centre Hall. Here he established the Centre Reporter on the 1st of April, 1868. From the start Mr. Kurtz conducted the business of his office in business style, editing its columns with vigor and to the best interests of his party, and diversifying his reading-matter with more original matter than is contained in the majority of inland journals.

Success has crowned his efforts, and the Reporter is now one of the largest of the county papers, and is a dominant factor in county politics. Mr. Kurtz has at all times stimulated public enterprise, and is the embodiment of a go-ahead man. He was elected to the Legislature in 1866 over Gen. James A. Beaver, and reelected in 1867 by a largely increased majority, and the highest vote upon the Democratic ticket. His record as a legislator was unswayed, and rendered him still more popular among his constituents.

Among other indications of this is the fact that at a public meeting of the citizens of the county, irrespective of party, held at Bellefonte in the winter of 1898, his course in opposition to the railroad monopoly was heartily endorsed by Hon. H. N. McAllister and other leading citizens. It is to the credit, too, of Mr. Kurtz that he was one of the hardest and most earnest workers for railroad facilities for Penn's Valley, devoting days and weeks canvassing for subscriptions, and giving the enterprise continued editorial support, while he was also one of the most liberal subscribers for the stock.

Mr. Kurtz always has taken high ground in support of educational interests, especially advocating the establishment of teachers' institutes, and speaking on that behalf at various points in the valley. He served some twelve years as a school director. For over a dozen years he was president of the joint council of the Lutheran church; for about sixteen consecutive years he has been elected president of the Farmer's Mutual Fire Insurance Co., of Centre county; for twenty-six years has been president of the Centre Hall Water Co.; was chairman of the building committee in the erection of the handsome Lutheran church building at Centre Hall, and for nearly ten years has been an elder in that Society—all of which positions he has filled with characteristic zeal and efficiency. Centre Hall is also indebted to him for the reconstruction of its water-works, and change of the wooden pipes to iron pipes of the best modern style, and he has added to the improvement of the town itself a large roller flouring-mill and five dwellings. Moreover, the beautiful little town owes much of its reputation abroad to the columns of the Reporter, through which its exceedingly healthful location has become far famed.

Mr. Kurtz married Anne Harter (born Sept. 6, 1835), daughter of William Harter, of near Aaronsburg. Children: William L., born April 12, 1862; Charles R., born Oct. 31, 1864; John F., May 23, 1868; George W., March 21, 1874.

Mrs. Sarah E. Young widow of the late A. J. Young, who at one time resided at Spring Mills, died at the home of her son, W. H. Young, at McDonald. She was aged seventy years. In 1887 she removed to McDonald from Cannonsburg, at which place she had made her home for fourteen years. Surviving are one sister, Emma Rowley, of Boyce Station; one son, W. J. Young, of McDonald, and six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. A son, Frank, died some years ago.

## Draft Cots For Sale.

The Pennsylvania State College will dispose of four two-year-old draft cots weighing from 1850 to 1450 pounds between now and June 25, 1912. One of these cots is a pure-bred and registered Percheron stallion sufficiently matured to do a small amount of service this year. The others are high grades. For further information address C. L. Goodling, State College, Pa. O.B.

If it is furniture you want, see Tibbitts, Centre Hall.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Attorney William H. Runkle, of Bellefonte, recently purchased a Ford runabout.

The next regular meeting of Progress Grange will be on Saturday evening, 29th inst.

Messrs. Clayton Homan and William Luse rode to Altoona on Saturday on bicycles, and will remain there with friends for a week.

The Centre Hall-Linden Hall telephone company will hold its annual picnic at Rhoneymede on the first day of Summer, 22nd inst.

Asher Stahl came to Centre Hall from Altoona on Saturday and returned Monday afternoon. He is employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as a carpenter.

The Odd Fellows of Pennsylvania are a people who have deservedly prospered. With a membership of about 150,000 in the state they lead all other fraternal organizations.

Misses Bertha and Viola Sharer, daughters of Jacob Sharer, east of Centre Hall, were guests of William Adams and family, at Milesburg, for several days, returning home Sunday evening.

Miss Lulu B. Smith, who formerly taught in the public schools at State College, and who later resigned to accept a government position at Honolulu, has returned to the state and is with friends at State College.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Meyer, on Friday, went to Reedsville to the home of their son, and on Saturday attended the funeral of John K. Moyer, a cousin of the former, who died in Freeburg at the age of about sixty-five years.

D. Scott Currin, editor of the Sugar Valley Journal, while working at a poultry yard fence, injured one of his eyes, and now he is threatened with total blindness, owing to the fact that the sight of the other eye was lost in an accident a few years ago.

W. Gross Mingle is building the foundation for an addition to his dwelling house in Centre Hall. The extension is to the east of his present home, and is calculated to accommodate a bath room and bed room on the second floor and a living room on the first floor.

Some one who went to the trouble to count them says over one hundred automobiles passed through Centre Hall on Sunday. Many of the cars were high grade machines and had come from a considerable distance. The destination of the most of them was either Centre Hall, Penns Cave, Old Fort or State College.

A horse driven by Ernest Wise, of Madisonburg, died in the harness on the pike near Millheim on Memorial Day. The young man had been to Spring Mills, when he noticed that the horse was not moving naturally. He drove to the side of the road, and when he stopped to examine the animal, the horse dropped over and died almost instantly.

Mrs. J. H. Meyer, to whom the Reporter readers are indebted for the weekly letter from Harris township, and sister, Miss Annie Weber, of Boalsburg, came to Centre Hall on Thursday of last week, and for the day were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Weber. While in town they also attended to a bit of business—the business every lady is burdened with, and is carried home in one of those big pokes about 36x40 inches.

Commencement at State just closed. Next Wednesday is farmer's day at the experimental farm connected with the College. Farmers who want to learn something of the workings of the institution should go there on that day. Visitors will be taken all over the farms, the experimental plots, barns, etc., by professors whose line of work covers the particular department being investigated, and everything is explained in detail. If you want the best day's schooling on the farm you ever had, go to State on "Farmer's Day" and you will get it.

Mrs. A. Miles Arney and daughters, Mary and Helen, came from their home at Niagara Falls, New York, to spend the summer at Centre Hall with Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Arney, grand parents of the children. They came to Bellefonte and were met there by Mr. and Mrs. Arney in a carriage, the ride over the mountain being greatly enjoyed by the children who are fond of the country. Mr. and Mrs. Arney have made it a custom to entertain their daughter-in-law and the grandchildren every summer, and this is the most pleasant season in the life of the families. Mr. Arney, who holds a very responsible position with one of the great electric companies at Niagara Falls, is able to enjoy but a very few weeks at the old home.