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STATE RE-APPOINTMENT.

Districts are Gerrymandered in the Interest of the Republican Party.

The proposed re-appointment of Pennsylvania shows very plainly that Republican bossism has lost none of its cunning. The districts are to be gerrymandered in the interest of the Republican party so as to reduce the Democratic representation. To accomplish this the law which provides one congressman for approximately 212,000 inhabitants is set at defiance and the counties arranged to produce the results desired.

According to the bill not one district complies with the law. Nine districts have less than 186,000 population. Democratic counties are attached to strong Republican counties so that the latter will be enabled to elect the congressmen. The variation in population is shown by the fact that one district has but 137,013 and another 343,186. As a result of this manipulation of counties the Democratic party will suffer, which, of course, is the object sought by the gerrymander.

Democrats in the Legislature ought to know by this time that they have nothing to expect from the Republican machine. Not one of them can afford to vote for this bill, which provides for a misrepresentation of the State.

Webb Liquor Bill a Law.

The act prohibiting the shipping of liquors into dry territory was passed by the senate and house over the president's veto. This law makes "dry" territory dry actually and legally. The house passed the measure over the president's veto by a vote of 244 to 95. It is fifteen years since congress passed a measure over the president's veto, and that was when the Rainey river dam bill was passed over President Roosevelt's disapproval.

Mr. Harry Bowser.

Mr. Bowser comes to the lyceum platform and chautauquas this season with new popular lectures on "The Philosophy of Fun," and "Brain Sells." They are live ones. They are novel presentations of happy messages. At the same time a riot of wholesome fun and a heart message to every man, woman and child. Mr. Bowser is richly endowed with the rare gift of true oratory, a pleasing, polished, powerful speaker. He has an easy, natural, magnetic platform presence, always with his audience and his audience always with him. A close student of human nature, he is a happy dispenser of the sunny side. All of his lectures create cheerful, invigorating atmosphere. Whoever you are, wherever you are, you will like this man Bowser because he likes you and wants to give you a lift into the sunshine. In Gange Arcadia Thursday evening, March 13.

Haines-White.

David Haines, of McAllisterville, and Miss Mary V. White, of Centre Hall, were united in marriage, at the home of the bride's father, Joseph White, in Bellefonte, by the Rev. R. B. Jones, pastor of the Reformed church, of Centre Hall, at high noon on Thursday, February 27th, in the presence of about thirty invited guests.

Mrs. Curtis White, of Bellefonte, played the wedding march. William White, of Jacksonville, was best man and Miss Edith White was bridesmaid.

The many friends of the bride were present with their congratulations, and the presents received by the newly married pair were many—both useful and ornamental.

Weber Had \$2000 Sale.

J. H. Weber, the Centre Hall implement dealer, sold \$2000 worth of implements at his sale last Thursday. The weather was very unfavorable, and had a bad effect, yet every article—big or little—put on the block was sold to the highest bidder, and after the sale several buggies and machines were sold privately. Most of the purchasers made good bargains.

High School Appropriation.

John H. Puff, treasurer of the Centre Hall school board, received from the state \$200, the appropriation due on account of maintaining a High School in the borough. The regular appropriation, received some time ago, was \$693, making the total aid from the state for the borough schools, \$893.

Big Business at Burnham.

The Standard Steel Works at Burnham during 1912 did a business footing up to \$6,559,321.25, and the net profits were \$1,039,325.39. The standard works are operated by the Baldwin Locomotive Works, at Philadelphia. The company's business at all its plants during the past year has been very satisfactory.

JUNIATA COUNTY DRY.

Ten Licenses Refused by Judge Selbert—Women Sign Petitions for Licenses.

Juniata county has been placed in dry territory by Judge W. N. Selbert and the associate judges when all the applicants for liquor licenses in the county were refused. The reasons of court during the hearing of the cases were largely attended, and the decision of the court was more or less a surprise to the liquor men.

The applicants refused were: James G. Stewart, National house, Millintown; Elmer S. Schott, Jacobs house, Millintown; Singer J. Smith, Keystone hotel, Millin borough; Adam Arnold, Seven Stars hotel, Greenwood township; H. S. Hubler, Hotel Royal, Port Royal; George H. Ehrenzeller, Monroe house, Monroe township; William H. Sheffer, Oriental house, Susquehanna township; Samuel Leach, Ashton hotel, Millin; G. A. Brantthoff, Thompson town hotel, Thompson town; David A. Youtz, Union house, Millin borough.

The court found an unusual situation in examining the application of William H. Sheffer at Oriental, in Susquehanna township. His original petition contains 91 names and his supplementary petition contains 82 names, of which 70 are names of women of that township, who ask that a liquor license be granted to Mr. Sheffer. Only 4 voters, 5 women and 11 minors in that township have signed the remonstrance.

The petition of Adam Arnold for a license at Seven Stars, in Greenwood township, contains 68 names and his supplementary petition contains 42 names, of which 28 are the names of women. Exactly the same number of women, 28, and 19 voters and 9 minors have signed this remonstrance.

The High Cost of Prosperity.

While certain sage economists continue to charge the high cost of living to the failure of the farmer to farm more extensively and intensively, our eye falls on these pleasing little items:

The Standard Oil Company divides a \$40,000,000 melon.
For the first time in almost twenty years the oil-purchasing agents quote \$2.50 for Pennsylvania crude.
More than \$6,000,000 will be distributed among holders of the common stock of the American Tobacco Company from a 15 per cent extra dividend, making a total of \$14,000,000 in extra dividends since "the dissolution of the trust."

Farmers in grip of Harvester Trust. United States Bureau of Corporations Discloses Secrets of the \$40,000,000 Trust.

All of which would seem to show that business is business, and that "them as has gets"; which is small comfort for the man who is offered the hole of the doughnut and is then chided for asking for a small bite of the ring.

Low Fares to the West.

Pennsylvania Railroad. Tickets to Rocky Mountains, Pacific Coast, Western Canada, Mexico and Southwestern points on sale daily March 14 to April 14 inclusive at reduced fares. Consult nearest Ticket Agent, or David Todd, D. T. A., Williamsport, Pa.

TAXING TIMBER LANDS.

New Method Proposed in Bills Now Before the Legislature—Roads and Schools Come in for share of taxes.

A proposition of unusual interest to timber land owners in this county is being agitated at the present time. It is the changing of the present method of taxing growing timber. Bills have been introduced simultaneously in the house and senate to place land on which timber is growing in a separate class for purposes of taxation.

It is proposed to place growing timber in a special class for taxation purposes, to be known as auxiliary forest reserves.

The land will be assessed each year at a valuation of one dollar per acre for purposes of taxation, but the growing timber will pay no taxes until it is harvested. When the timber is cut the owner will pay to the county treasurer one-tenth the value of the trees.

It is also proposed to charge the property each year two cents per acre for the benefit of roads and two cents per acre for the benefit of the schools in the district in which the land lies, as is now done in the case of the state forest reserves.

The enactment of these bills into laws is claimed will greatly encourage the planting and care of growing timber in the state and will place the growing of crops of trees on a profitable basis.

Easter post cards, in great variety, will be found at this office. Price, fifteen cents per dozen. Sent by mail postage paid at this end.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

Elaborate Program for Meeting at Spring Mills, March 14-15.

The last of the three Farmers' Institutes will be held at Spring Mills, Friday and Saturday, March 14th and 15th. The program is printed in full below:

FRIDAY MORNING—9:30

Essentials of Success With Potatoes, by M. H. McCallum. Discussed by Noah Corman and David Bartges. Breeds and Feeding, by Prof. H. P. Davis. Discussed by Gross Shook, W. E. Bair and S. G. Walker.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON—1:30

Music and Query Box. Alfalfa and Forms and Uses of Lime, by M. H. McCallum. Discussed by J. K. Bitner and S. W. Smith.

Chestnut Blight, by C. E. Martin. Propagation, Planting and Care of Fruit Trees, by Fred W. Card. Discussed by Prof. W. P. Hosterman and Cyrus Brungard.

FRIDAY EVENING—7:30

Music and Query Box. The Call of the Land, by Fred W. Card. Agriculture in the Public School, by Prof. C. R. Neff. Discussed by C. E. Royer.

Economic Maintenance of the Productive Power of the Soil, by J. T. Campbell. Discussed by W. P. Hosterman.

SATURDAY MORNING—9:30

Nature's Laboratory, The Soil, by Fred W. Card. Poultry Farming as a Business, by J. T. Campbell. Discussed by Mrs. F. M. Fisher and J. S. Meyer.

Slage Corn for Centre County, by Prof. W. H. Darst. Discussed by L. E. Stover and W. E. Bair.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON—1:30

Music and Query Box. Things Worth While on the Farm, by M. H. McCallum. Pigs and Pin Money, by Fred W. Card. Discussed by William Rishel and Robert Campbell.

SATURDAY EVENING—7:30

Music and Query Box. The Modern Country Home, by J. T. Campbell. Discussed by Miss Florence Rhone and Dr. A. G. Leib.

Lawn and Garden, by Mrs. C. P. Long. Discussed by Mrs. J. K. Bitner and Dr. A. G. Leib.

Feeding and Care of Little Chicks, by Mrs. John Dauberman. Discussed by J. S. Meyer.

LOCAL COMMITTEE.

A. J. Shook, Chairman, J. P. Grove, Building, Dr. A. G. Leib, Decoration, J. K. Bitner, Advertising, J. S. Meyer, Music.

Methodist Conference.

Next Wednesday the conference of the Methodist church opens in the First Methodist church, in Altoona. The conference is comprised of five districts, namely, Altoona, to which the Penns Valley charge belongs, Danville, Harrisburg, Juniata, and Williamsport. Rev. J. Max Lantz, of Spring Mills, the local pastor, will be accompanied by Cloyd Brooks, Centre Hall; W. W. McCormick, Potters Mills, and S. M. Campbell, Millheim, as lay delegates.

The Methodist church, about eight years ago, having lifted the time limit embargo, the conference will be able to return Rev. Lantz to the Penns Valley charge, and his parishioners here undoubtedly would be pleased to have such action by that body.

Maids at Boalsburg.

The "Old Maids Club" will be given in Boalsburg by a home talent company from Centre Hall, under the auspices of the Civic Club of Boalsburg, in Boal Hall, on Saturday evening, March the 8th. The Ladies Civic Club has been very successful in all their entertainments. Their work has been to pay for and maintain the town lights, and they have been well supported by the citizens of the town and community. They also propose holding a large festival on the evening of Decoration day when a large attendance is always possible.

The bill introduced in the House at Harrisburg, by Representative W. H. Klepper, of Clinton county, increasing the pay of the county auditors from \$3 to \$5 per day, is viewed with favor by many of the members of the House, and the passage of the bill would be hailed with delight by the auditors in the different counties of the state, who think they are entitled to more pay, in comparison with the salaries received by other officials.

All grades of fertilizers can be had by calling on us. We handle the complete fertilizers, or will sell you the raw material for home mixing. Prices, if analyzed is compared, cannot be beaten.—John H. Weber, Centre Hall.

From present indications laborers about Centre Hall will have plenty of work as soon as the weather opens up.

A WRONG CONCLUSION.

The Traveling Man is Not Asking the Boozer to Pay a Portion of His Table and Lodging Expenses.

The great majority of the exchanges that come to the Reporter's desk contain a variety of articles in their columns opposing the sale of liquors as a beverage. Last week one or two of the Bellefonte papers urged that the liquor laws as they now stand be more rigidly enforced, but it remained for the Millinburg Telegraph to print an argument against the delusion that hotel men must have a bar trade in order to make ends meet. The telegraph says:

Another fallacy that is used as an argument on business conditions in favor of saloons is, that a hotel cannot be successfully maintained without a bar attached, so that the profits of the bar can be used to make up the deficit caused by operating the hotel. This assertion means, in other words, that the hotels are serving meals and furnishing lodging that cost more than their patrons are paying for them. To put it in round numbers: that they are serving meals which cost 75 cents to serve and are being paid only 50 cents for them, and that they are only getting \$1.50 for lodging that costs \$2.00 to maintain; and hence each hotel must have the special privilege to sell booze to make up this extra cost of meals and lodging.

If there is any class of people in the world that are willing to pay for what they get it is the American traveling public. It is an insult to their honor and generosity to say that part of their traveling expenses must be borne by men who buy liquor and have families to support; and that many women and little children do not have sufficient clothing or fuel to keep them warm and that many of them must go hungry because the husband and father is enticed through his appetite for intoxicating liquor to help pay the hotel bills of the traveling men.

There is just as much justice and equity in the proposition that a person may go into a shoe store and buy a pair of shoes that cost \$5.00 to make and sell, by paying \$4.00; or that he can buy 75 cents worth of sugar for 50 cents from a grocer as there is in the other proposition that a hotel keeper should serve a meal or furnish lodging below cost.

Outside our high license law, there is just as much economic reason for a shoe merchant, or grocer, or any other dealer in the necessities of life, to have a license to sell liquor, so that he can meet the losses in his other business caused by selling his commodities below cost, as that a hotel man must have this privilege of selling booze for the same purpose.

LOCALS.

Bowser, in Grange Arcadia, Thursday evening, March 13th. The name tells the story.

William R. Dale, of Pine Grove Mills, became ill last week and was taken to the Bellefonte hospital for treatment.

"The Daughter of the Desert," a play by Pleasant Gap local talent, will appear in Grange Arcadia this (Thursday) evening.

Capt. W. H. Fry, the Ferguson township veterinarian and staunch Democrat, was one of the Centre county citizens who attended the inauguration of President Wilson.

Sunday morning there was a real blizzard, and snow came from every direction of the compass. Sunday and Monday it was cold, the thermometer registering twelve degrees above zero on the first day and thirteen on the latter.

In another column of this issue appears an advertisement from the Sunbury hospital giving an opportunity to secure an infant for adoption. There are many homes that could be made brighter by bringing into them a child, and here is an opportunity.

This item was clipped from the Phillipsburg Journal of Saturday: Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Stump, after a visit to their daughter, Mrs. Robert Herman, have returned to their home at Centre Hall. Mrs. Stump had been here for six weeks under treatment from Dr. W. B. Henderson.

Ralph C. Boozer arrived in Centre Hall from Chicago, Illinois, on Saturday. He had a unique experience coming from Altoona to Tyrone, between which points he was carried on a special, he being the only passenger. The train from the west was late, and on arriving at Altoona, the accommodation down the Bald Eagle Valley had left. Mr. Boozer put up a strong demand to be restored to his train at Tyrone. A special—an empty—was on its way from Altoona to Tyrone, and this was recalled at a midway point, and it was this train that afforded the electrician passage to Tyrone, where he boarded the Bald Eagle Valley train waiting there for him.

\$50,000,000 FOR ROADS.

How the Money Would Be Used if Bond Issue is Authorized.

Provision that issuance of bonds shall be according to necessity and extended over a period of years will be a feature of the legislation which will be enacted by the state legislature in dealing with the proposed \$50,000,000 bond issue amendment to the state constitution to enable Pennsylvania to build a proper system of roads. Control of the bond issue will be vested in the legislature, which must pass what are known as "enabling" acts before a single bond can be sold.

It is expected that within a short time the resolution to submit to the voter the proposed amendment will be laid before the houses for action. Contrary to general opinion, this measure, which passed the last legislature without opposition, does not provide for the entire bond issue in a lump. It provides that the debt incurred for road building may not exceed \$50,000,000. If the people approve of the amendment after it passes this legislature has full authority to decree that only \$10,000,000 of bonds may be sold in any one year or any two years and it may never authorize the issuance of bonds to the limit of \$50,000,000. It is the plan to ask the legislature to pass such enabling legislation as may provide sufficient funds to maintain a continuous building program, covering half a dozen or ten years, the arrangement to be that certain amounts of bonds may be put out from year to year and made redeemable within certain periods, so that the sinking fund, which will bear interest as a state deposit while accumulating, can be drawn upon to redeem bonds after five or ten years.

Neither Pennsylvania nor any other state could handle contracts for building even \$25,000,000 worth of roads at one time, and in order to safeguard all interests and to secure the issuance of bonds only as required the legislature will pass acts governing that feature together with necessary provisions to legalize the bonds.

At U. E. Conference.

Wednesday Rev. S. A. Snyder went to Lewisburg to attend the meeting of the Pennsylvania Conference of the United Evangelical church. It is generally regretted that the time limit in vogue will not permit the return of the present pastor, who, together with Mrs. Snyder, have very much endeared themselves to not only the members of the several congregations comprising the Centre Hall charge, but to many others as well. The lay delegate to conference is Daniel Daup, of Centre Hall, who for many years has been prominently connected with the church of his choice.

Paid on Bond.

Progress Grange, at its regular meeting on Saturday, ordered the cancellation of one of the building bonds, which bonds are in denominations of \$100. There remains four of these bonds unpaid, and an effort is being made to lift them within the next two years. Grange Arcadia was erected at an expenditure of \$4500 in cash, and \$500 or more was contributed in labor by members of the order. The building is one of the handsomest in the town, and one that gives the community great service.

Long-Hoyer.

J. Gardner Long, of Spring Mills, and Miss Ruth L. Royer, of Potters Mills, were married at the United Evangelical parsonage, Sunday evening, by the pastor, Rev. S. A. Snyder.

Transfer of Real Estate.

Chas. K. McCafferty et al to Potter-Hoy Hardware Co., premises in Bellefonte, \$8500.

D. K. Musser et al to Andrew S. Musser, premises in Aaronsburg, \$1600.

Thomas E. O'Brien et ux to William M. Bowser, premises in Phillipsburg, \$100.

Thomas Bartley to J. Harvey Gulser, premises in Walker twp., \$150.

John I. Thompson, Jr., et ux to Mrs. F. T. Whitshill, lot of land in Lemoist, \$70.

Ida J. Kerlin et al to D. Gelas Wagner, 157 acres of land in Potter twp., \$7000.

John G. Hess et ux to Daniel J. Johnston, premises in Pine Grove Mills, \$575.

William H. Jones to Edward Dobson Jr., premises in Rush twp., \$700.

Edward Craft et ux to Harvey M. Harm, premises in Snow Shoe, \$190.

You judge a man not by what he promises to do, but by what he has done. That is the only true test. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy judged by this standard has no superior. People everywhere speak of it in the highest terms of praise. For sale by all dealers. adv.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Dr. Evan Shortlidge died at his home in Wilmington, Delaware. He was a brother of the late William Shortlidge, of Bellefonte.

In another column appears the program for the Farmer's Institute to be held at Spring Mills, Friday and Saturday, March 14th and 15th.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Horner have decided to move from Centre Hall to McKeesport. John H. Knarr will take Mr. Horner's place in the Centre Hall meat market.

The financial statement of Centre county was issued by the county auditors, and is now in the hands of the printer and will soon be ready for circulation among the taxpayers.

Sidney Poorman, of near Dale Summit, attended the Weber implement sale, and Mrs. Poorman spent the day in Centre Hall among friends, not having been here for some time.

State College has a meager chance to get an appropriation of \$75,000 for a federal building, an item providing for such a building there having been inserted in the congressional appropriation bill.

W. M. Brisbin, of Derry township, and W. S. Brought, of Lewisburg, are Democratic candidates for the nomination for the office of sheriff in Millin county, and H. L. Lines, of Lewisburg, is a Republican candidate for the same office.

While working about a circular saw Earl Markie fell against the saw in such a way that a gash four inches long was cut into his shoulder. The accident occurred at the home of Clyde Fishburn, in College township, for whom Mr. Markie works.

Last week Hon. Leonard Rhone spent several days in Harrisburg in the interests of the dairymen in Pennsylvania, his mission there being to aid in combating proposed oleomargarine laws that would operate against the dairymen and farmers in general.

"The Philosophy of Fun" or "Heart Smile," is the title of the lecture Mr. Harry Bowser will give in Grange Arcadia, Thursday evening, March 13. The title of his lecture also tells the nature of it. If you are not afraid of a "split side," go hear Bowser.

W. W. Cawley, a veterinarian, of Lewisburg, killed three cows that were tubercular, for A. C. Slifer, at Woodward. The three cows were valuable and registered Holstein stock, says the Journal. One of the carcasses was burned and the other two were taken by a Shamokin butcher.

William Raymond Dale, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dale, of near State College, was operated on for appendicitis last week at the Bellefonte hospital. He had had repeated attacks of the disease, and it was thought advisable to operate on the young man while in good health and spirits.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Rickard and children left for Sewickley, Allegheny county, Tuesday, where Mr. Rickard will be employed in operating an electric hoist. Sewickley is located about twenty miles west of Pittsburg, and is the place in which Ellis Rickard is located. He is engaged as a watchman for the Cant-Hook bridge company.

The Jersey Shore anti-license people followed the footsteps of many others of the same mind in other localities and caused the names of the petitioners for liquor license in Jersey Shore to be published. There were many prominent church-workers in the list of petitioners and these were very much chagrined to see their names put in print and circulated.

Al. P. Krape was very much disappointed because the winter finished without plenty of snow and good sledding. He cut a large quantity of logs on the Mrs. Sarah Treasler timber tract, in the Seven Mountains, and it was his intention to skid them and haul them to the mills at Centre Hall on sleds, but the lack of snow frustrated these plans, and may also oblige him to postpone building the large barn, into which the timber is to enter, for another year.

Defective flues and oil lamps cause many fires. During last week, Mrs. John Strouse, of near State College, while descending a stairway, let a lamp fall, which on striking the floor exploded, and not only pretty seriously burned the lady, but came very nearly destroying her home. In Bellefonte the home of William Nightart came nearly being burned and several children with it, through the upsetting and breaking of an oil lamp. The children were playing when the lamp was overturned, and the three little ones were soared to a standstill, when their mother came rushing down stairs, hurried them out of the room and gave the alarm of fire.