



DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM.

Perfect State of Affairs Promised in State—Declares for Local Option.

The Democratic declaration of principles, adopted at Harrisburg last week, in speaking of national issues, said that in a single year the present national administration has written a record of achievements which command the admiration and support of a vast majority of the people of the country. The whole of that record is commended and approved.

Among the achievements quoted are the tariff law, the income tax, the elimination of the lobby from congress, the passage of the new currency law, the enforcement of existing laws relative to railroads and shippers and to private monopolies and pending legislation to reform the business world.

The Mexican policy of the administration is heartily endorsed; also the Lever law for farm extension work; the industrial arbitration act; the negotiation of peace treaties; the using of government deposits to aid in moving crops; partial self government for the Philippines; the enlargement of the parcel post system; the extension of the pure food law to meat inspection; the establishment of markets and of a farm bureau; the first law to give the governmental aid to highways. These give assurance of the intent and ability of the democratic party to do constructive work along both legislative and executive lines.

As to state issues, the platform demands the absolute destruction of "Penrosism"; the revision of the system of state taxation so that certain revenues may be left to cities or counties and the administration of the system so that equality of taxation may be evident to all; the cutting of the expenses of the state government so that taxation may be both equalized and reduced.

Appropriations should not be beyond revenues and should be primarily for public purposes or worthy charities, the claims of which should be established by a non-political board. Increased appropriation for public schools is pledged and a just system of state pensions for state Civil war veterans. The elimination of "grave yard" committees in legislature is promised.

The plank on local option is as follows:

The wishes of communities in regard to the sale of liquor within their borders have been disregarded. Liquor licenses have been arbitrarily granted or refused, and issues have been created which have tended to impair the confidence in various communities in their judges. We declare for the passage of a local option law placing the sale of liquor in every county within the control of the people of the county as expressed by their voice at the polls. It is a cardinal principle of the Democratic faith that local self-government and home rule are essential to the preservation of the real liberties of the people.

With reference to good roads the document charges republicans with graft of various kinds and proposes to inaugurate a comprehensive system of improvement from current revenues, to be maintained outside political control. Agricultural interests should be consulted in drafting legislation and a thorough reorganization of the highway department is promised.

Progressive measures as to relation of employer and employe; child labor, ballot evils, municipal home rule, civil service in state, initiative and referendum, woman suffrage, conservation of natural resources are favored; also a constitutional provision that would do away with bi-partisanship.

The calling of a constitutional convention is urged, in order that laws to meet modern conditions may be enacted.

This is the second week in June.

HIGH POINTS IN PLATFORM OF DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES.

The Democratic party platform declares for:

- Commendation and approval of record and policy of the National Administration.
- Revision of the state taxation system so that there will be equality.
- Arrangement of the state appropriations system.
- Increased appropriation for public education.
- System of pensioning Civil War veterans.
- Revision of the rules governing the courts.
- Good roads and proper maintenance of them. Thorough reorganization of the state highway department, eliminating favoritism and

Marriage Anniversary Celebrated.

On Wednesday of last week a very pleasant occurrence took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph K. Bitner. They, with their son-in-law Paul Swabb and family, occupy the large stone mansion on their fertile farm a few miles north of Spring Mills. The event celebrated was the thirty-ninth anniversary of the marriage of Joseph K. Bitner and Miss Elizabeth P. Fetterolf. The beautiful day, the bright sunshine, the clear air, the cloudless sky, seemed in perfect harmony with the surroundings. The entire farm seemed to be put into the pink of condition for this event. The large new barn and all the buildings were brightened with a new coat of paint; the fences and the trees looked fresh and clean with an application of white wash; the yard and garden were trimmed and burnished.

A few closely related friends were invited to help celebrate the anniversary. There were present Rev. and Mrs. Robert Fetterolf, Selma Grove; Prof. and Mrs. Philip H. Meyer, Centre Hall; Postmaster and Mrs. Charles A. Krape, Spring Mills; Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Bitner, Centre Hall. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Swabb were the host and hostess for the occasion. The congratulations were hearty and sincere. At high noon the procession was formed, the bride and groom leading to the dining room where a bounteous feast was served. The remainder of the day was spent in reminiscence and friendly talk, with a look at the excellent equipment of this model farm. An inspection of the herd of cattle belonging to Messrs. Bitner & Swabb helps one to understand how it is possible to realize more than \$1000 annually from the milk products alone of a farm of less than 150 acres.

With the wish that this bride and groom may enjoy many succeeding anniversaries the guests dispersed and thus closed a red-letter day in their life's history.

Democratic State Organization.

The Democratic state committee reorganized by unanimously re-electing Roland S. Morris, Philadelphia, as state chairman, and Samuel Kunkel, Harrisburg, as treasurer. A committee appointed by the chairman by direction of the state committee drafted the platform and made it public. The division district for the carrying on of the campaign were reapportioned and the following chairmen for each district were chosen:

First district, Eugene C. Bonniwell, Philadelphia; 2, John B. Evans, Montgomery; 3, Horace Lehr, Northampton; 4, Henry B. McCormick, Dauphin; 5, B. Stiles Duncan, Perry; 6, Edward Weidenhamer, Northumberland; 7, W. S. McLean, Jr., Luzerne; 8, A. R. Johnson, McKean; 9, Bruce F. Sterling, Fayette; 10, Arthur McKean, Beaver; 11, William Hasson, Venango; 12, Joseph F. Guffey, Allegheny.

Error in Decoration Service.

In last week's issue of the Reporter it was stated that the local lodge of Odd Fellows would hold their Decoration service on Sunday afternoon. The correct time is Saturday, June 13th. Everybody interested in these services will please note the correction.

Deaths of Centre Countians.

Mrs. Sarah Ellen Smith, wife of William H. Smith, at Milesburg, aged thirty-nine years. Death due to heart failure.

Mrs. William B. Rankin, at Bellefonte, at the age of sixty years, following a long illness of heart trouble. Burial was made in the Union cemetery.

Simon Vonsda, born in Centre county July 15, 1840, died in West Lewisburg recently. He served in the 148th P. V. I. during the Civil war.

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

Societies of the Northern Conference Met in Session at Spring Mills.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary societies of the Northern Conference of the Central Pennsylvania Synod of the Lutheran church met in conference at Spring Mills Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. The attendance of delegates and visitors was quite large, and the sessions throughout were full of interest.

Rev. W. B. Glanding, D. D., of Bellefonte, preached the conference sermon on Wednesday evening.

After the close of this session an informal reception was given to the delegates and visitors at which light refreshments were served. This was a delightful feature and was greatly enjoyed by every one.

At the Wednesday morning session Mrs. Julia Deininger talked on Missionary literature in an interesting and forceful manner. The election of officers resulted in re-electing all the former officers.

After the routine work at the afternoon session the pastor, Dr. W. E. Fischer of Shamokin, a former pastor, Mrs. D. M. Geesey, and Mrs. Marion Fischer Keen addressed the conference. The children's hour, presided over by Miss Orpha Gramley, was well spent.

The evening session was given over to Mrs. Keen, whose husband, Rev. Charles Keen, is a missionary to East China. Her talk was exceptionally interesting, and gave the experiences of seven consecutive years in the foreign mission field. Her work there has been one of pleasure, and she gave expressions of the kindest feelings for the Chinese as a people. She displayed a large number of curios, which aided in giving an insight into the manner of living and customs of the people among whom she lived.

Officers of the body are: President, Mrs. Wm. M. Bearick, Millburg; vice president, Mrs. S. W. Smith, Centre Hall; treasurer, Miss Jennie Reifnyder, Millheim; secretary, Miss Orpha Gramley, Spring Mills.

The delegates in attendance were these: Mrs. A. C. Heckman, Miss Florence Heckman, Mill Hall; Mrs. L. H. Gettig, Bellefonte; Mrs. Jas. Stahl, Centre Hall; Miss Grace Elder, Pine Grove Mills; Miss Mae Musser, Millheim; Mrs. Elizabeth Herring, Penn Hall; Mrs. Jerry Brungart, Rebersburg; Mrs. Beck, White Deer; Mrs. F. S. Ocker, Millburg; Miss Elizabeth Bitner, Tusseyville; Mrs. Harry Miller, Drehsbach; Mrs. Wm. Yarger, Hartleton; Mrs. Catherine, Laurelton; Misses Carrie Genzel, Rae Finkle, Spring Mills; Mrs. M. D. Geesey, Aaronburg; Misses Elizabeth Kern, Elizabeth Quinn, Lock Haven; Miss Anna Dale, Boalsburg; Miss Helen Bower, Aaronburg; Miss Adeline McClenahan, Centre Hall; Miss Anna Harter, Tusseyville.

Visitors: Rev. W. N. B. Glanding, D. D., Bellefonte; Rev. J. L. Metzger, Mrs. I. V. Walker, Mrs. Mary Frank, Mrs. C. H. Gramley, Rebersburg; Mrs. Julia Deininger, Mrs. G. S. Frank, Mrs. A. Miller, Mrs. Stover, Miss Lulu Musser, Miss Kate Musser, Millheim; Mrs. Arthur Kerlin, Mrs. Sarah Kerlin, Mrs. Frank Grerer, Mrs. Kryder Frank, Mrs. Abner Alexander, Mrs. James Stahl, Mrs. Andrew Zittle, Mrs. Perry Luse, Mrs. Charles Fink, Mr. James Stahl, Centre Hall; Mrs. Weidenhamer, Mrs. Parsley, Miss Lottie Snyder, Laurelton; Rev. W. E. Fischer, D. D., Shamokin; Mrs. Marion Fischer Keen, China.

Commencement at Lock Haven.

June 20 to 24 are the dates set for commencement exercises at Central State Normal School, Lock Haven.

Special interest is attached to the exercises because of the fact that two young ladies from this town—Misses Isabel Rowe and Cora Luse—graduate, and will take part in the speaking on commencement day.

The program follows: Graduating Exercises School of Expression, 8:15 P. M. June 19. Graduating Exercises in Music, 8:15 P. M. June 20. Baccalaureate Sermon, Normal Chapel, June 21, 8:15 P. M.—Rev. W. E. Harr. Field Sports, Monday A. M. June 22. Senior Class Play, Monday, 8:15 P. M. Chapel, June 22. Planting of Class Ivy, Tuesday A. M. June 23. Senior Class Exercises, Tuesday, 9:30 A. M. June 23. Class Reunions, '78-'84-'89-'91-'99-'04-'09-'12, Tuesday P. M. June 23. Alumni Banquet, Tuesday, 8:00 P. M. June 23. Alumni Promenade, Tuesday, 10:00 P. M. June 23. Thirty-seventh Annual Commencement, Wednesday, 9:30 A. M. June 24. Address to graduating class by Dr. W. S. Chambers, '07.

State Must Pay for Bridges.

Bridges on state highway in Centre county, when in need of repair, must be paid by the State, is Judge Ovis' interpretation of the Sprout road law, and he filed an opinion to that effect recently when the case of the Lomont bridge was brought before the court.

FOURTH HORSE SALE.

Peachy and Yoder Sell Thirty-one Animals on Block for \$5673.50.

The fourth horse sale by Messrs. Peachy and Yoder was held at Centre Hall on Friday. A total of thirty-one animals were sold for \$5673.50. The twenty-eight horses passed for \$5343.50, an average of \$190.84. Three ponies sold for \$330. Five teams sold for \$400 and over, the highest selling for \$490.

The prices obtained were very fair considering this season of the year, a time when it was generally thought horses would be a drag if offered at public sale. The light-weight horses very much reduced the general average of the selling price, but this type passed at satisfactory figures.

No definite announcement was made when the next sale will be held, but no doubt the horsemen will be back during the fall season.

Most of the horses sold, as will be noticed in the list of purchasers, went to distant points, the Amish of Millin county being good purchasers, as was also Commissioner D. A. Grove, who parted with a team before removing them from the stable.

THE PURCHASERS.

John Hoover, Tyrone, 2. Amos Yoder, Bellefonte, 2. William Minch, Wolf Store, 2. George Gettig, Pleasant Gap, 2. D. A. Grove, Bellefonte, 3. J. C. Wismer, Bellefonte, 2. Wm. McNitt, Lewistown, 3. James Fleming, Bellefonte, 5. Elwood Brooks, Pleasant Gap. R. C. Yoder, Bellefonte. S. K. Yoder, Bellefonte. Robert Walter, Bellefonte. R. R. Rosman, Spring Mills. J. W. Zerby, Spring Mills. W. E. Tate, Centre Hall. Henry Lingle, Centre Hall. McClellan Rosman, State College. Joseph Yoder, Bellefonte.

TEAMS	SINGLE HORSES	TOTAL
422 50	220	257 50
385	170	215
490	150	239
420	130	210
350	197 50	547 50
490	125	615
	159	65
	200	180

HORSE SALE AFTERMATH.

There was considerable dealing done in horses after the sale by parties who made purchases.

William McNitt traded a team of bays to Mr. Meyer at Rebersburg on a horse and boot money.

The pony, scheduled in the list as sold to Henry Lingle, was knocked off to William McNitt, and sold at a margin to Mr. Lingle.

R. R. Rosman sold the single horse he bought to Lewis Zimmerman, the Lock Haven dealer, which indicates that the former made a good purchase.

George Gettig was offered an advance of \$50 for one of the team of horses knocked down to him. The offer was not taken.

James Witmer, on Friday, was driving the team of bays purchased by him and leading a second pair, when something frightened them. He had too many horses to take care of, lost his balance and fell from the wagon seat, hurting himself pretty badly. The horses ran away.

These are just a few of the deals made by the various buyers, and it all indicates that the purchasers had the lead on the sale day.

Transfers of Real Estate.

Mary E. Van Valzah ex to Perry W. Bron, tract of land in Potter twp. \$6000.

Anna Delong et al to Sarah Steiger, tract of land in Penn twp. \$20.

Mary R. Potter to Joshua T. Potter, tract of land in Harris twp. \$1.

Ellwood Shiffer to Ferdinand Hason, tract of land in Phillipsburg twp. \$200.

Charles W. Homer et ux to Sadie Nef, tract of land in Potter twp. \$325.

B. H. Arney et ux to Henry E. Homan, tract of land in Potter twp. \$4000.

Phillipsburg Coal & Land Co. to Edward Vaughn, tract of land in Rush twp. \$75.

E. S. Erb et ux to J. R. Stein, tract of land in State College. \$1200.

J. R. Stein to Security Company, tract of land in State College. \$1200.

Hannah Sigfried heirs to Simon W. Sigfried, tract of land in Rush twp. \$1200.

I. O. O. F. Decoration Service.

Lodge No 895, I. O. O. F., will hold decoration services Saturday afternoon at the following places and hours: Tusseyville, 1:30 o'clock; Sprucetown, 2 o'clock; Centre Hill, 3:15 o'clock; Centre Hall, 6:30 o'clock. All Odd Fellows, Rebekahs and children are requested to be at the lodge room not later than 6:15 o'clock. A program of speaking and singing has been arranged. An address will be delivered by Rev. Walter Williams of Spring Mills. The general public is invited to participate.

Be sure to attend the lot sale, June 19th and 20th.

Heckman-Rosman.

A very pretty home wedding was solemnized at "Locust Turn" near Tusseyville, Saturday, at 10 a. m., in the presence of about seventy invited guests, when Ruth E., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rosman, became the bride of Mr. William Heckman of Penn Hall. Rev. Frederick W. Barry and Rev. R. Raymond Jones officiating. The beautiful ring ceremony of the Lutheran church was used.

While the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march were being played by Mr. Ebersole of Lancaster, the ushers, Messrs. Grove, Fox, and Shook, college friends of the groom, placed the robe, bearing the colors blue and white, of Franklin and Marshall College upon which the principals stood during the ceremony.

The bride was attended by Miss Elizabeth Bitner, as maid of honor, and Misses Matilda Fortney, Elsie Osman, Margaret Young, and Helen Wagner of Altoona, and Misses Mayme Weaver, Myra Rockey, and Esther Bitner of Tusseyville, as bridesmaids. Mr. Roy Corman of Penn Hall, a college chum of the groom, acted as best man. Lois Geary and Ruth Rankie, nieces of the bride and groom, respectively, carried baskets filled with orange blossoms and honeysuckles, and little Martha Wert, a niece of the bride, bore the ring in a calla lily.

The bride wore a gown of white crepe meteor trimmed with chintilly lace and carried a bouquet of valley lilies. The maid of honor wore white crepe de chine. The bridesmaids wore gowns of crepe in the colors of the spectrum and carried bouquets of mountain fern. The groom wore the conventional black.

After the wedding ceremony a reception was held until 1:30 p. m., when the bride and groom left for an extended trip in the east, the principal places to be visited being Lancaster, Philadelphia, and Ocean Grove.

The bride received a number of beautiful and useful gifts, including cut glass, silver, china and linens.

The groom will graduate from Franklin and Marshall College at the approaching commencement exercises of that institution. He contemplates taking up teaching for a few years, and then enter upon the ministry of the R-formed faith. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam F. Heckman of Penn Hall, who for a number of years prior to last spring, lived at Tusseyville.

The bride is an accomplished young woman, and holds a high place in the local church and social circles, and has been a successful school teacher in Potter township.

Boalsburg Trims Spring Mills.

On the Boalsburg school grounds last Saturday afternoon the Spring Mills baseball team, composed chiefly of students of the summer school, met defeat at the hands of the Boalsburg club, the score being 6 to 5, in ten innings.

The Spring Mills aggregation looked a winner in the ninth with a lead of one run and pitcher Corman going good, but "Stuffey" Stover, a dangerous batsman at all times, saved the day for his team by doing the mightiest thing any batter can do at a crucial period; namely, hitting the ball for a circuit smash, and giving his team, which seemed doomed to defeat, an even chance for victory.

With brightened outlook for landing the game Boalsburg scored again in the tenth, and by holding the visitors runless in their half, snatched victory from apparent defeat.

Corman, for Spring Mills, retired fourteen batters via the air route. Condo, of the same team, was the heavy hitter for Spring Mills, and with one on base in the first inning, gave his club a substantial lead by putting the ball over the fence for a home run.

Miss Isabel Rowe on Honor Roll.

In the large class of graduates at the Central State Normal School, Lock Haven, Miss Isabel Rowe graduates with high honors this year. Commencement exercises will be held from June 20 to 24, and in announcing the names of students who head the class, Principal Singer has given the name of Miss Rowe, who will be among the four speakers at the Commencement exercises.

Miss Rowe is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Rowe, and in her school work at home always stood toward the head of her class. She is an excellent young lady and one to whom Centre Hall points with great pride.

Tree Planting on Large Scale.

Approximately 750 acres on the Oregon national forest were planted with young trees this spring. Nearly three million young trees are being set out this spring on the national forests of northern Idaho and Montana. On the St. Joe national forest in Idaho three thousand acres will be planted.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Flag day, Monday. Free automobile given away at the big lot sale.

The Yearick-Hoy family reunion will be held at Hecla Park on Thursday, June 18th.

A concrete walk will be laid to the front of the John Slack property, tenanted by George Bradford.

Mrs. John Kreamer despatched a three-foot snake with the aid of a long pole, in her front yard last week.

The annual reunion of the Tressler kindred will be held on the Bellefonte fair grounds, Saturday, June 20th.

W. H. Runkle purchased the Strunk property on Hoffer street, in which he has been living since spring.

Raymond Miller, a State student, pays frequent visits to Centre Hall. One of the town's fair damsels is the attraction.

According to reports recently issued, life insurance companies paid policies in Bellefonte in 1913 to the amount of \$88,500.

Scranton boosters gave one and one-half million dollars to induce factories to locate in that city, and otherwise improve the city.

Edward C. Zerby, a young and industrious farmer of Gregg township, gave the Reporter a call last Friday and ordered his name put on the subscription list.

David Stoner of Tusseyville purchased three lots in the centre of the Lytle addition, State College, from the Leathers Brothers, real estate agents. The price paid was \$1200.

June 14th is flag day, but as the fourteenth falls on Sunday, the following day will be observed. See that the stars and stripes float from your home, the school house and every public building.

Dr. S. C. Musser of Aaronburg was in town on Friday, having been attracted here by the Western horses offered for sale on that day. Dr. Musser has a fine farm this side of Millheim, and this interests him in draft horses.

The millage for school tax in the borough of Millheim was raised from eight to nine mills. The vacancy caused by the resignation of H. F. McManaway was filled by electing C. L. A. Kass a member of the school board.

Robert Thompson, Jr., captured the largest trout ever taken from Spring creek, last week, when he hooked one of the rainbow species measuring 23 1/2 inches in length and weighing nearly six pounds. A piece of pork was the alluring bait.

Falling asleep along the Pennsylvania Railroad on Hollidaysburg at midnight last Thursday, David L. Morgan, twenty-eight years old, of Hollidaysburg, threw his left arm over the rails. The State College Farmers' special train cut it off.

Miss Mary Whiteman, daughter of J. W. Whiteman, last week purchased a new piano from the Conish Company, Washington, New Jersey, and had it shipped here and placed in her home. The instrument is one fine in appearance and sweet in tone.

In the roster of students at Central State Normal School, Lock Haven, are found the following who are known to most of Reporter readers: Misses Isabel Rowe and Cora Luse, Centre Hall, both of whom will graduate this year; Carrie L. Bartges and S. Belle McCormick, Spring Mills; Emaline E. Noll, Pleasant Gap.

An effort is being made to collect back taxes in the borough of Millheim, and to do so it was necessary to turn old duplicates over to an attorney with instructions to go to the full limit. Frank Knarr, deceased, was the tax collector for several years, and on close scrutiny of old duplicates it was found that taxes were due for several years.

Civic pride in Middleburg received a frost last week when the owner of the Central hotel nipped shut the doors and windows with any old lumber he could find, marring the appearance of the building to such an extent that it has become an eyesore to the citizens of that otherwise epic and span town. The refusal of the court to grant a liquor license is the cause of the owner's attempt to get even.

From the Keystone Gazette: Rev. John Hewitt, late pastor of the Bellefonte Episcopal church, has not yet been laid on the shelf for good. Some time last month he received a call to the Episcopal church at Lousburg, N. C. He visited the place but declined the offer. Now he has received an invitation to take charge of a church in Raleigh, N. C., the capital of the state. The church is a large one with a communicant membership of nearly 500, and Mr. Hewitt will take charge of it in August after filling his present engagement at Sunbury.