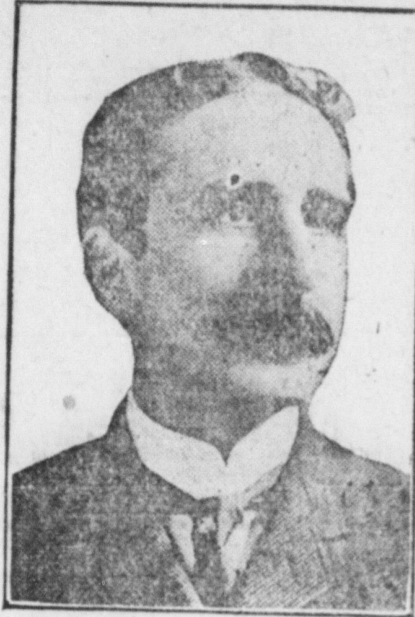


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HONORABLE ELLIS L. ORVIS
of Bellefonte, Pa.
Candidate for United States Senator

Is a son of the late John H. Orvis, one of Pennsylvania's famous ejection lawyers and eminent jurists; a graduate of State College in 1876, and for many years has served as a member of the board of trustees of that institution. He was admitted to the Centre County Bar association in 1880 and continued actively in the legal profession until 1904, when he was elected President Judge of his district. He filled that position until 1916, becoming one of the foremost jurists in Pennsylvania, having the remarkable record of but one reversal during eleven years of continuous service as President Judge. Mr. Orvis also has been largely interested in extensive coal and fire brick operations, in central Pennsylvania, through which he has had intimate relations with the financial and business world. Much of his leisure time is devoted to literature. Scholar, jurist, business man—of wide experience and culture, and in the prime of life, Honorable Ellis L. Orvis would be an able, fitting and distinguished representative of the Keystone state in the councils of the nation.

THIS IS IMPORTANT

Close attention to the election of members of the Democratic State Committee in the primary should be given by the Democrats.

There are 113 members of the State Committee. Each of the fifty senatorial districts is entitled to elect two State Committeemen, and where a Senatorial district is composed of more than one county or part of a county, in which case the electors residing in each county or part of a county embraced in the senatorial district are entitled to elect one state committeeman. The members of the state committee shall meet for organization not later than the third Wednesday following their election at a time and place designated by the state chairman.

Undesirable Elements.

"The rank and file of the Democratic party of Pennsylvania are positively opposed to any return to the old bipartisan days when the Democratic bosses were part and parcel of the Republican machine. The very fact that all the undesirable elements of the old misleadership are active supporters of the candidacy of Mr. Liebel, the head of the Liebel Democratic machine in Erie county, is proof sufficient that his election cannot but prove to the detriment of the party."—Norristown Ledger.

Don't Be Misled.

"Democrats should not be misled by the misrepresentations of such papers as the Philadelphia Record. The policy of the Record has ever been to find fault with the existing organization, no matter who was at its head, and while it harps about 'Party harmony' it never loses an opportunity to promote discord in the party ranks."—Sillsgrove Times.

An OLD Game.

Whenever the Hall-Guffey crowd sell out to the Penrose machine, as they did in 1912 and 1914, they invariably insist the loss of their votes is due to the "inefficiency" of the Democratic State Committee. Such deception will not work with intelligent men.

There is but one real issue in the factional fight started by the professional followers of Michael Liebel. They have no special interest in the success of Michael Liebel, further than to use him as a tool to defeat Palmer and Morris, the National Committeeman and Democratic State Chairman, and thus capture the party organization. They wish to control and dictate, that is all. All sincere Democrats should be on the firing line on Tuesday, May 16.

For Himself.

Since Michael Liebel, Jr., who seeks A. Mitchell Palmer's seat in the Democratic National Committee, broke his open affiliation with the Republican organization and became, nominally, a Democrat about eleven years ago, he has never supported any Democratic candidate for congress in his district, except himself, when he was the nominee in 1914.



SAMUEL B. PHILSON
of Meyersdale, Pa.
Candidate for State Treasurer

has been actively engaged in banking in Somerset county for thirty-four years.

He is president of the Citizens National bank of Meyersdale, Pa., which from a small beginning has grown under his management and supervision to be the largest national bank in Somerset county.

He is also president of the Philson National bank of Berlin, Pa., a thriving bank of that town.

Mr. Philson is a prominent citizen in the southwestern part of the state. Of wide experience in the financial and business interests of that section he is peculiarly well qualified to serve as State Treasurer. His integrity could not be challenged, nor his Democracy questioned.

True to Wilson.

"When Palmer kept the Pennsylvania delegation intact for Wilson, at the Baltimore convention, although the Old Guard tried to swing to Clark, the Stroudsburg man's clarion call to duty—'We will remain for Wilson until the Chesapeake freezes over'—won for him, not only the applause, but the support of every Wilson Democrat in the State. Those Democrats who really are for Wilson, cannot help but be for Palmer."—Pennsburg Town and Country, April 29.

They Are Decent.

"The controlling forces of the Pennsylvania state Democracy are decent. A. Mitchell Palmer is honest. He is able. He is courageous. He stands for things that are right. In short, he is a Democrat and has never traveled with the corrupt powers that dominate and control in Pennsylvania."—From Delaware County Democrat.

If the Hall-Guffey crowd had supported Wilson in 1912, he would have carried this state. These disgruntled disorganizers wanted Wilson beaten in Pennsylvania in order to discredit the Democratic state organization.

Just Like the Record.

"It is a high sign of weakness when opposition newspapers will fall back on the Allentown Democrat for political editorial and news matter. The Allentown Democrat is one of the best Penrose newspapers in Pennsylvania. It has fed honey to the bipartisan Democrats for so long that the best people of Lehigh county have long been accustomed to either ignore its political gabberings altogether or consume them with liberal sprinklings of salt," says the Monroe Democrat.

In this connection it is interesting to know that the Allentown Democrat is owned largely by Colonel Harry C. Trexler, a Republican, who is an ornament on Governor Brumbaugh's staff, and George H. Harden, regular standpat Republican. The editor, J. G. Welsch, is a disappointed, disgruntled political sore head, because he failed to secure the appointment of postmaster at Allentown. That is what ails the Allentown Democrat.

Go to the primary election next Tuesday, May 16. All sincere Democrats who stand for clean politics and good government have a duty to perform on that date.

Jim McNichol's judge, Bonniwell, elevates his tin horn long enough to boast that he and his fellow party-wreckers humiliated the Democracy in Pennsylvania in 1912, betrayed it in 1914, and will ruin it in 1916. Where was Bonniwell in 1915, when City Chairman Gordon N. Bromley polled less than 5000 out of 25,000 votes in Philadelphia?

Every sincere Democrat in Pennsylvania, who believes in decent politics and good government, owes it to his party to attend the primaries on Tuesday, May 16, and support President Wilson and the Democratic state organization.

A. Mitchell Palmer was the champion for Woodrow Wilson at the Baltimore convention when Michael Liebel, Jr., was doing his utmost to prevent the nomination of Wilson.

SCHOOL BOARD RE-ELECTS SAME CORPS OF TEACHERS.

Prof. W. O. Heckman and Elmer Miller Receive Increase in Salaries in Recognition of Efficient Service.

At the regular monthly meeting of the local board of school directors, Friday evening, the teachers who just completed an eight months' term in the borough schools, were re-elected for another year. A substantial increase in salary was given the principal, Prof. W. O. Heckman, who will receive \$100.00 per month instead of \$85.00. This is the highest salary ever paid a teacher in the borough schools. Prof. Heckman's methods of teaching and results attained during his first year have been most satisfactory and there was no hesitancy on the part of the directors to grant the asked increase in salary.

The excellent work of Elmer Miller, who likewise completed his first term as teacher of the grammar school, was rewarded with an increase of \$5.00 per month in salary. The salaries of the intermediate and primary grades remain the same. The teachers elected and salaries to be paid are as follows:

Per Month
High School, Prof. W. O. Heckman.....\$100.00
Grammar School, Elmer E. Miller..... 85.00
Intermediate School, D. Ross Bushman.....50.00
Primary School, Helen Bartholomew.....50.00

The school board received a little over \$23.00 in tax money, besides a small sum for tuition, at this meeting.

Use Your Route Number.

Patrons of rural mail routes should not fail to use the number of their routes in connection with their address. Offices from which several routes are served frequently have a number of patrons of the same name, and when no more definite address is given than the postoffice, the distributing clerks are at a loss to know which John Brown, or Mary Jones, or Sally Sprens is meant—whether it is John Brown served through the general delivery window, John Brown, the dealer, on Route Two, or John Brown the farmer, on Route Five? The truth is no one can tell which Brown is entitled to the piece of mail unless the seal is broken, and this must be done by one of the Browns. Now, if the mail would have had general delivery on or a route number added, it would have at once reached its destination.

Patrons on rural routes can do much to help the mail service, and one of the ways that helps most and all to the advantage of the patrons is to insist on their correspondents adding the route and box number to their address.

LOCALS

J. D. Meyer, of Altoona, was home with his parents over Sunday.

Miss Ethel Rowe is spending a few days with her grandfather, Levi Stump, in Millheim.

Merchant C. W. Swartz, of Tusseyville, last week purchased a five-passenger Dodge touring car.

Cherry trees are white with blossoms and never looked more promising for an abundance of the luscious fruit.

An auto license tag, bearing the figure 74917, was picked up on the Brush Valley road one day last week. Same can be had at this office.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brown and four children, and John Camp, of Milroy, spent Sunday with Mrs. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Krise.

The Ladies' Temple, Knights of the Golden Eagle, have engaged a good band to enliven their festival which they will hold on the evening of Memorial Day.

F. V. Goodhart and Harry W. Potter autoed to Altoona on Thursday, where the former attended a convention of the state funeral director's association.

J. Linn Harris, of Bellefonte, was Thursday succeeded as a member of the state forestry reservation commission by George B. Lewis, of Canton, Bradford county.

Tuesday afternoon and evening of next week a sub-district convention of the Epworth League of the Altoona district will be held in the M. E. church at this place. Rev. G. A. Williams, president of the district, and five other district workers, will be present and speak. Everybody is cordially invited.]

Mrs. Arthur S. Gilmore and little son of Williamsport, for a few days last week, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Kerr. They were here while Mr. Gilmore attended the conference of high school principals at State College, he being vice principal of the Williamsport high school. Mrs. Gilmore will be recalled as Elele Kern, daughter of Rev. George W. Kern, but was quite small when the family left Centre Hall. Rev. Kern is a member of the Gilmore family, and his daughter stated that he was not in the best of health, having been run into by a bicycle a short time ago.

TWO FIRES WITHIN A WEEK.

Dwelling House at Coburn Burned to Ground, Five Children Having Narrow Escape.—\$4000 Stock of Wall Paper Ruined in Fire in Weber's Store at State College.

Burning with such fierceness that it was barely possible to rescue their five small children, the home of Stuart Kerstetter, at Coburn, was totally destroyed by fire, Saturday night. The children had just been placed in bed and the mother gone downstairs when one of the daughters cried from the head of the stairs that their room was afire. Going upstairs the parents found the bedroom in flames. They had very little time in which to gather up the tots and remove them to a place of safety. In less than a half hour the building was in ashes.

Regarding the cause of the fire opinion is divided. It is a fact that a lamp was left burning in the bedroom where the children lay and there is a possibility that in some way it was upset. Another theory advanced is that relating to a defective flue. The house was built many years ago, was of pine lumber and instead of plaster light wall board was used in finishing. It burned like tinder and a number of nearby dwellings were in great danger of meeting a similar fate. Owing to the remoteness of the dwelling from the nearest fire plug a hose could not be used, consequently a bucket brigade was formed to save other property.

Mr. Kerstetter moved into his new home only a month ago, purchasing the place from Louis Snively. It is said, however, that the legal transfer had not yet taken place and that the loss will therefore fall upon Mr. Snively, who carried no insurance. The building was not valued very highly. Mr. Kerstetter's loss is complete on his personal effects.

STATE COLLEGE HAS FIRE.

Last Thursday afternoon the wall paper and paint store of Thomas K. Weber, on Fairmont avenue, State College, was discovered on fire, and before it could be outened \$4000 worth of wall paper was ruined. Mr. Weber had only a few days previous received a carload of paper and practically all of this was destroyed or more or less damaged. The fire originated in the office, but from what cause it is not known, and an open stairway acted as a flue for the flames to reach the second story where the big stock of wall paper was located. The stock of paints was not hurt. Both the student and town fire departments responded quickly after the fire signal was given, consequently the flames made small headway in consuming the building. Mr. Weber's loss is practically covered by insurance.

Finds 1796 Copper Coin.

A rare copper coin was turned up to the sun in a spade-full of earth on the Henry Stoner farm, at Tusseyville, tenanted by John H. Horner, one day last week. The coin is a one-cent piece of the size of a half-dollar, of the issue of 1796, only twenty years after the declaration of independence and during the administration of the first president of the United States—George Washington. The coin is in a good state of preservation and the stamping is clear despite its one hundred and twenty years of age. The obverse side contains the inscription "Liberty, 1796," and the profile of a maiden with flowing locks, while the reverse is inscribed with "United States of America, One Cent." The fraction 1-100 appears at the bottom. The coin may be seen at this office.

S. S. Convention at Rebersburg.

The thirteenth annual convention of the twelfth district of the Centre county Sabbath-school association, comprising the townships of Miles, Haines and Penn, and Millheim borough, will be held in the Reformed church, at Rebersburg, on Wednesday of next week.

The county chairman and a number of superintendents of county work have promised to be present. All schools in the district are requested to send three delegates, who should be teachers or officers.

The following is the program arranged for the three sessions:

- MORNING SESSION:
9:45 Enrollment.
10:00 "Reverence Personality," T. A. Hegerman.
10:20 "How Good Teachers Grow Better," A. C. Thompson, Sept. 7, T.
11:00 Installation of Teachers, R. U. Wasson.
11:40 Report of Department Superintendents and Schools.
AFTERNOON SESSION:
1:30 Devotions.
1:40 What Can Put This District on the "Up Grade" and Keep It There? County Chairman, A. L. Harvey.
2:25 The Community in Its Relation to the Sunday-school, Miss Jessie Adams.
2:45 The Sunday-school in Its Relation to the Church.
3:30 The Teachers' Advantage, Rev. W. H. Williams.
3:40 Report of Committees and Election of Officers.
4:00 Open Work.
EVENING SESSION:
7:30 Forward Steps for the Elementary Division, Mrs. G. E. Mordick.
8:30 Relation of Emotion to Action, Prof. W. F. Zeigler.

PRISONER IS CAPTURED.

Archie Zettle and Jared Stover Return Escaped Convict and Will Share in \$5000 Reward.

Some time Wednesday evening of last week Harold Enfield, a convict at the new penitentiary at Rockview, escaped, and while the officials at once instituted a search for him in all directions he was practically within the shadow of the prison buildings, waiting for some one to find him. At the noon hour on Friday Archie W. Zettle, formerly of this place, and Jared Stover, who were doing some building for Mr. Sluttman, above the Pleasant Gap toll gate, espied a man sitting at the base of a tree a few hundred feet distant, and Mr. Zettle at once remarked to his companion in a joking way, "Wouldn't that be an easy fifty dollars if he is the prisoner that broke away." Not being sure of the description that the authorities gave of the man, Mr. Zettle went to a nearby telephone to call the pen while Mr. Stover kept an eye on the suspicious man. When the former returned he was satisfied that the description tallied with the makeup of their "neighbor" and at once proceeded to lay hands on him. The convict started on a run toward the mountain but was soon headed off. He threatened to shoot his would-be captors but as he produced no weapon the men had no fear of him. His five-foot stature and slight build was no match for Mr. Zettle's giant build and to overcome him was child's play. He was immediately taken to Noll's store which was but a few hundred yards distant and held there until a pen authority came and returned the man to the confines of the new penitentiary. He will very likely be returned to a cell in the Western penitentiary at Pittsburgh, thereby losing the privilege of out-door life.

The fifty dollar reward offered for the capture of the prisoner will be divided between Mr. Zettle and Mr. Stover, making a good day's pay for the carpenters.

Excitement at Paddy Mountain.

On Saturday morning the freight train, east bound, set fire to the woods about one mile east of Paddy Mountain tunnel on the north side of the track and about a half mile farther east on the south side of the track on the land owned by Jeremiah Aumiller. The land on the north side of the track is State land and is included in the Penn Forest under the management of Charles R. Meek, at Coburn. The section foreman seeing the smoke arrived at the blaze soon after it started but on account of the dryness of the ground and the very rocky condition of the mountain telegraphed for more help. The Lindale, Glen Iron and Coburn sections were soon on the scene as well as Mr. Meek with some more men. On their way to the fire the Glen Iron section men together with Mr. Libby, fire warden at Weikert, extinguished the fire on Jeremiah Aumiller's land and then continued to the larger fire. It proved very difficult to fight on account of the large rocks which made it impossible in some places to reach down to the fire.

About 7 p. m., thinking the fire out, the men left for home and supper but on looking back they saw it had broken out again on top of the mountain. Immediate return of the men to the fire was necessary. It was dark but they arrived at the top of Paddy Mountain and after working until 10:30 p. m. had it again conquered. About this time a welcome rain set in and the tired men started the difficult and dangerous descent of the rocky mountainside. After many falls and stumbles they arrived at the foot of the mountain, scratched, bruised, tired and wet.

Sunday morning fresh men went to the fire to make sure it was out and they found the timely rain had nearly extinguished the last ember. No one was seriously hurt but Mr. Meek and James Stover sustained painful falls over the rocks in the darkness and Ralph Kerstetter, telegraph operator at Cherry Run, was painfully and deeply cut on an important part of his anatomy by a sudden and unexpected seat upon a rock.

Children's Day Exercises.

Sunday evening, June 11th, the United Evangelical Sunday-school will give Children's Day entertainment.

A Children's Day service entitled, "Workers for Our King," will be rendered by the children of the Lutheran Sunday-school, June 11, at 7:30 o'clock.

Schreckengast-Waite.

Wednesday evening of last week, at the home of Robert Hackenburg, of Snullton, Huston A. Schreckengast and Miss Emma Waite, both of Snullton, were united in marriage by Rev. W. M. Williams, of Spring Mills.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

W. F. Floray installed a bathroom outfit in the home of Daniel Daup, last week.

Edgar Summers and W. C. Booker are doing the wiring for electric lights in Grange Arcadia.

Miss Margaret V. Fleisher, of Philadelphia, is spending a week with her aunt, Miss Kathryn Fleisher.

Wednesday, May 31st, is circus day in Bellefonte, the Hagenbeck-Wallace circus being scheduled for that time.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude K. Stahl, of Altoona, spent Sunday with the former's parents, immediately west of town.

The Centre County Pomona Grange will meet at Stormstown, Thursday, 25th instant, in the hall of Half Moon Grange.

A number of people are planning to take advantage of the Penney's \$3.00 excursion to Washington, Saturday night.

Two State College men, one a student, were accidentally shot through the careless use of firearms, last week. One received the bullet in the arm and the other in the finger.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Pennington, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Smith, W. J. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lutz, attended the funeral of George Smith, at Bellefonte, Friday morning.

Timothy and clover fields are looking fine and promise full crops. The alfalfa fields were very much injured by frost, and the April snow no doubt smothered many of the plants that had already shot sprouts.

James R. Hughes, head of the Bellefonte academy, who got half the costs in his effort to relieve the Bush House of its license, decided to take his case before a jury, thinking a jury will look at the testimony in a different light from Judge Quigley.

The White Deer and Loganton railway will pass out of existence on May 31st. While only a narrow gauge road it nevertheless served a good purpose to the residents of White Deer and Loganton, especially in carrying the mail to Loganton, which town must now be served by stage.

Lycoming county boasts of a girl student who has a perfect mark in attendance and punctuality for the past eleven years. She is Miss Rita Sherman, first honor student of the Montgomery High school graduating class. This record of having never missed one session of school, nor having ever been tardy in that long period, has never been equaled in Lycoming county and probably places unique distinction upon Miss Sherman in the state. In addition to this her scholastic average every year was A plus, which according to the rank of the schools, is more than 95.

Dogs chased a deer off Tussey Mountain one day last week but for the timely discovery by William Martz would have drowned in a swamp near the Tussey Sink. The deer was struggling in the mire up to its neck and was apparently making little or no progress in its efforts to get out when Mr. Martz discovered it. With the help of a neighbor he succeeded in getting the animal on dry ground but it was in such a weakened condition that all of the snap and dash characteristic of its kind was missing and it lay as though dead. It proved to be a possum stunt, however, for when the track appeared clear it regained its feet and flew the white flag from the rear, not even returning a glance expressive of gratitude in its dash for the mountain.

The Pittsburgh Dispatch of last Friday contained a double column head photo of Donald A. Mullen, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Mullen, well known here. Heading the picture was the caption, "In Pittsburgh's Business World," and following was this short account of his rise: "Mr. Mullen was born at Renovo, Pa., in 1888, and 16 years ago moved to Pittsburgh, where he completed his public school education. He held a position with the Pressed Steel Car Company for two years and subsequently entered the employ of the Real Estate Saving & Trust Company, serving in the capacity of messenger. Availing himself of opportunities for a business education afforded by an attendance at night school, his business efficiency, as well as his moral integrity, was soon recognized, resulting in his election to the office of assistant secretary of the Real Estate Saving & Trust Company two years ago, with which concern he has now been associated for ten years. Mr. Mullen is president of Pittsburgh Chapter, American Institute of Banking, one of the largest chapters in the country; he is a member of the Masonic Order, resides at 3815 Grenet street, is unmarried, a live wire, aggressive and a loyal Pittsburgher."