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CONFIDENCE IN PALMER AND BELIEF THAT WILSON WILL TRIUMPH IN NOVEMBER.

UNITED, AGGRESSIVE PARTY

Live-Wire New State Chairman Has Co-operated With Roland S. Morris, mocracy Wins Tributes From All Sides.

spicuously co-operated with the Dem- rate. ocratic "reorganization" leaders of the The state platform which the comstate in their work of the last few mittee adopted specifically covers the publicans in Luzerne."

glad that the law makes such provi- ticket." cessful lawyer, is a young man of

Louis National convention. Labors of Morris Appreciated. complishment, have appeared in many gress in 1882 was followed by Cleve-Democratic newspapers of the state. land's success in 1884. A Republican party, he has established an envia. A Democratic Congress was chosen which any successor might be justly election of Cleveland. In 1894 the ambitious to duplicate. Calling at- Republicans won Congress and Mctention to his great personal and Kinley's victory came in 1896. professional sacrifices for the uphold- After the election of a Democratic ing of the principles of his party. Congress in 1910 Wilson's election that newspaper states that the "un- followed in 1912. Two years later, usual demonstration" of esteem for although with reduced strength, the him at the recent meeting of the Democrats still held Congress. That state committee, which unanimously Democratic falling off, however, was elected Mr. McLean to succeed him, in a year when the Republicans and was evidence from Mr. Morris' fellow Progressives stood together instead Democrats of their appreciation of of giving the Democrats again the his devotion to their interests, and advantage which they gained from of their regret to lose his services as the Republican split in 1912. The chairman, although they hardly need- 1914 Congressional election was afed the assurance which he gave them fected also by the tariff and currency that, in consistency with his record measures and by the war conditions. as an active Democratic worker for Despite unfavorable circumstances

upon a sound basis, and managing re-election of Wilson. the party's affairs with integrity and ability. The commendation states, not the limit of reasonable endur- people's demand." ance been reached, he would still remain the party's chairman. The edimight well strive and that a Demo- that Democratic rule is nearing the crat of his mold will take his place end, in the ranks with the same enthusiasm that marked his course in the chair.

for work.

Democrats United and Confident. Evidently the Democrats throughout wagon, which bears the labelthe state are highly gratified by the "America first, last and always." Seatremarkable "get-together" spirit man- ing capacity is ample for Republicifested at the recent meeting of the ans. new state committee. The session was not only perfectly harmonious, but also one of the most enthusiastic that were disturbing the political political gatherings held in recent thought of the country four years years. It was animated by a just ago, and will contrast them with pride in the achievements of Prest- what has been going on under the dent Wilson and by confidence that, Wilson administration.

as a candidate for another term in the White House, he will triumph at the polls next November. In giving the meeting's remarkable evidence that the Democratic party of the state is hopefully united, representatives of every element of the Democracy participated. There was not the slightest reference to past disagreements of the party leaders or of the rank and file. No evidence of former or present factionalism showed itseif. The sincerity of all present in manifesting a fraternal spiris and putting should to shoulder for both the state fight and the Presidential campaign was undoubted. Lead-Whose Record of Sacrifices for De- before the primary over this or that ers who had clashed with one another candidate and on one issue or another, spoke and acted as a unit in giving unstinted and enthusiastic approval to the Wilson administration The new chairman of the Demo- and confidently predicting the Presicratic State Committee, William S. dent's re-election by an overwhelm-McLean, Jr., of Wilkes-Barre, has con- ing majority of the American electo-

years, although his political activities achievements of the President and have been mainly in his own county, the Democratic Congress, which have where he has achieved remarkable aided in bringing about the prevailing success as an organizer and man- era of almost unexampled prosperity. ager. Mr. McLean has had several The platform's aggressiveness against years of experience as a state com- "the corrupt, reckiess and extravamitteeman, but his election as state gant policies of the ring-ruled Repubchairman was largely on account of lican organization in Pennsylvania" his having been "a terror to the Re- forecasts a state campaign of straight and heavy hitting from the Demo-Since Mr. McLean, as leader of his cratic shoulder. In this connection, party in that county, in 1911, made the state-issue hit made by Mr. Mor-Democrats the successors of the Re- ris will resound later on, to the effect publicans, who had been holding the that the people now see that the digcounty offices, he has been constant- nity and honor of the state needed. ly laboring for the further advance- two years ago, the election of Vance ment of the Democratic party, which, C. McCormick as Governor, instead in consequence of his well-directed ef- of Brumbaugh. Democratic workers forts, is no longer the "minority par- will urge all good citizens, regardless ty" in Luzerne. Mr. McLean was of past party affiliations, to join again chosen the standard bearer of hands for the election of the nomihis party in the county last fall, and nees of the Democratic party. The again decisive victories were scored popular confidence, as proved by the by the Democrats all along the line. primary vote, in the leadership of When he took the party reins in Lu- National Committeeman Palmer, and zerne there was but one Democratic the proof which State Chairman Mc county officeholder there aside from Lean has given of his ability to acthe offices which the law required to complish good results, will be factors go to the minority party. The Re- in the inspiration of their party workpublicans get the minority representers, laboring enthusiastically for tation there now and are, of course, "President Wilson and the whole

sion for them. Mr. McLean, a suc- All Signs Point Wilson's Way. The state committee's confident fine character and unusual energy, prediction of Wilson's selection by and a hard, steady and patient work- an overwhelming majority has its er, with those amiable personal qual- basis in his admirable and rarely ities which draw men and make equalled statesmanship, which has friends of them. His fellow Demo- carried the country safely through crats of the state will, no doubt, be extraordinary difficulties and trials. informed of important particulars of While the President is expected to his plans for the Presidential cam- triumph upon the record of his expaign in Pennsylvania and for con- ceptional achievements, the political ducting the general business of the forecaster may consider, incidentally state committee, soon after the St. that a party's success in the congres sional election in the middle of an administration's term has been time Tributes to the record of the re- and again the forerunner of a presitiring state chairman, Roland S. Mor- dential victory for the same party ris, of zealousness, fidelity and ac- The election of a Democratic Con-The Warren Times says that, as a Congress was elected two years later trustee of the best interests of his and Harrison was successful in 1888. ble career through an administration in 1890, two years before the second

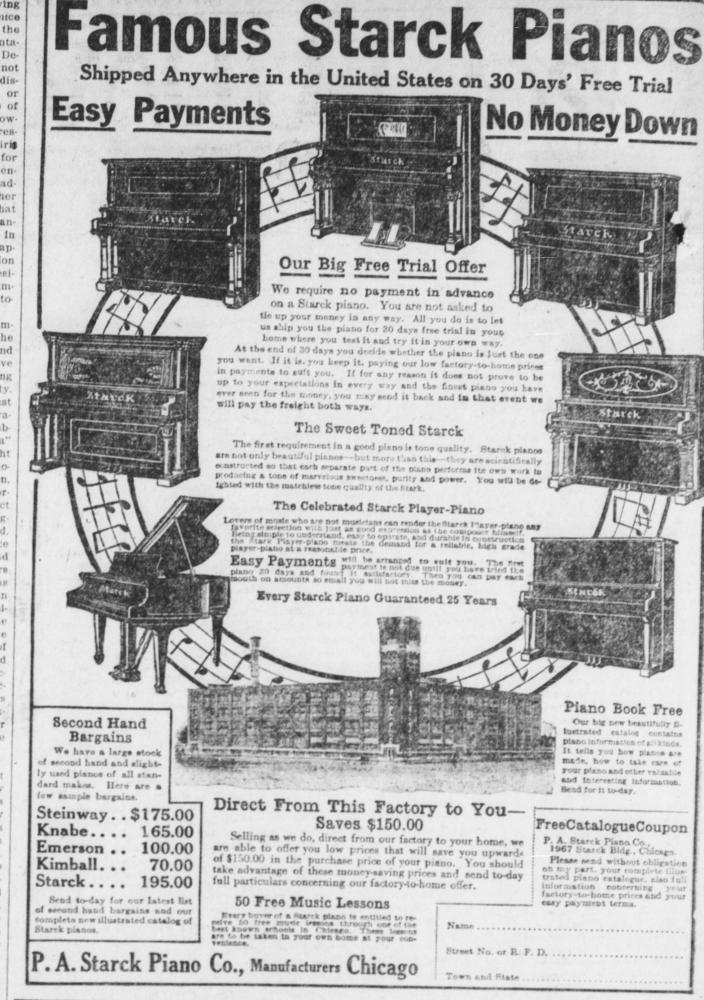
the last twenty years, he would con- the Democrats won. Instead of any tinue to be found in the ranks, ready impairment of that forecast, there has been a steady, great growth of The newspaper commendation hera- popular confidence in President Wilin particularly referred to, expresses son, whose party is fortunate in the comprehension of the difficulties popular approval of the currency legwhich had beset the earnest and pa- islation and other salutary accomtriotic labors of Mr. Morris during plishments of the present administrathe years of his co-operation with Na- tion, and in the country's extraordintional Committeeman A. Mitchell Pal- ary prosperity which is lining up mer in efficiently reconstructing the with the Democrats a host of mem-Democratic organization of the state bers of other political parties for the

"Why did you not put legislation of with reference to Morris' early an- this character on the statute books nouncement that, for personal rea when you were in power?" asked Repsons, he would not be a candidate resentative Hensley of Missouri of for re-election as state chairman, that the Republican membership of the no person would question that he House in a recent speech upon the had reached the decision after honest, rural credits bill. "It was needed mature and fair deliberation. His then as badly as it is needed now. fellow Democrats realized that, had but you refused to respond to the

For a while after the Democrats torial enlogy, commenting upon the revised the tariff the Republicans committee cheering and applause apologized for prosperity by saying which bespoke the admiration of the that it was merely a continuation of Democrats for Mr. Morris, states that Republican good times. Then they his generalship, leadership, honesty said it was the war. And now they and persistency for clean, political are saying that business is good ideals are assets for which any party merely because the country knows

> Prosperity, wages, commerce, industrial expansion, international lawall are aboard the Democratic band

Voters will think about the things



STATE NEWS

The Latest Gleanings From All ington, Catasauqua, Mauch Chunk, Over the State.

TOLD IN SHORT PARAGRAPHS

Raymond Schneck, a Slatington youth, in a fall from a cherry tree fractured an arm in two places.

Robert Tompkins, aged seventy-five. a Civil War veteran, died suddenly in over. the Valley Hotel, South Easton, as he was partaking of a lunch.

The Northampton County Fish. Bushkill Creek.

amicably settled.

a huge rock falling on his head. Caught in an explosion of dynamite the course of his employment. at the McTurk mine, Girardville, two rock men were killed and four others injured. A spark from a lamp set off

United Mine Workers of the Hazleton came up in Council for final consideradistrict, was appointed a trustee of the tion. Commissioner William C. My-Hugh B. Conahan, deceased.

the dynamite.

Highway Department, was appointed after the November balloting. road superintendent of Biair and Cambria counties, succeeding R. L. Devereaux, resigned.

of military activity.

There is a movement on foot among O'NEIL NAMED TO the 1,200 Sons of Veterans in the Lehigh Valley, to enlist as a body for service in Mexico. These sons of vet erans compose the Second Regiment. S. of V., of the Pennsylvania Brigade. McKeesport Man Gets Commissionerfully efficered and thoroughly drilled. The regiment has companies in Bethlehem, South Bethlehem, Easton, Slat-Palmerton, Bangor and Allentown.

drowned, and Calvin Raudenbush, a tol Hill by appointing J. Denny O'Neil, men into water eighteen feet deep. All ective immediately, as vacancies have said that this caused the boat to turn statement accompanying the announce-

H. Price Graffius, a disbarred Blair of fire marshal, \$5,000 a year. county lawyer, was found guilty of The appointments leave Highway Game and Forestry Association dis. criminally libelling Attorney H. A. Commissioner and Manager of the tributed 2,500 small brook trout in the Davis, Governor Brumbaugh's cam. State Fund the only big places to fill. paign manager. Graffius was accused It is expected that the men will be of circulating writing reflecting on the selected soon. The strike at William Penn colliery, professional reputation of Daws dur-Shenandoah, which threw 1,500 men ing the campaign. A recommendation option forces in western Pennsylvania, and boys idle for three weeks was for mercy was included in the verdict. and is expected to be a potential fac-Graffius applied for a new trial.

Daniel Quaries, twenty-two years Mrs. John Vargo filed a claim for old, was caught in machinery at the compensation for the death of her hus-Billmeyer Quarries, Bainbridge, and band who was killed during the riot in Braddock on May 2. She asserts that he was shot while on his way to work After he ate lunch in the Susque as a laborer in the mills of the Carhanna Coal Company's Pennsylvania negle Steel Company. The company Colliery, James Francis was killed by filed an answer denying that he was en route to work, and asserting that he did not die from injuries received in

Alteona is to take a referendum on whether or not the lid shall be clamped on Sunday. This was virtually agreed upon when Mayor Charles E Thomas Kennedy, prominent among Rhodes' Sunday-closing ordinance State Hospital at Hazleton to succeed ton introduced a new ordinance sub- pine plantations in the State in order mitting the question to the people at the fall election. It was acceptable to as the white pine blister, two or three A. J. Fasenmeyer, attached to the all members and the Mayor's "blue infections of which have been found. Franklin District office of the State law" will be held in abeyance until This disease, which is particularly de-

this year, the crop being above the at frequent intervals, all infected trees Following the lead of Mayor Smith, average as far as condition goes at this to be destroyed as soon as discovered. of Philadelphia, Mayor Ezra S. Meals, period of the year for the past ten of Harrisburg, issued a proclamation years. The first alfalfa is now being Death Warrants For Two Murderers. urging the citizenry to display the na- cut. Wheat and rye crops are reportrun very heavy.

INSURANCE POST

ship-Captain G. Chal Port Made State Fire Marshal.

Harrisburg-Cyrus Mohr and Bert Reinhard, both | Governor Brumbaugh filled two of of Vera Cruz, Lehigh county, were the vacancies in major places on Capicompanion, had a narrow escape, when of McKeesport, as Insurance Commisa small boat in which they were fish- sioner, and Captain G. Chal Port, of ing in the ice dam on the Perkiomen Huntingdon, as State Fire Marshal. Creek at Palm capsized, throwing the The appointments will become efthe men were heavyweights, and it is existed for some time. There was no ment.

.The insurance commissionership After being on trial for two days, carries a salary of \$7,500, and the office

Mr. O'Nell is the leader of local tor in handling administration matters. in the next Legislature. He is a big merchant in McKeesport and was mentioned for Highway Commissioner, He is said to have indicated a desire for something else. The name of Frank S. Black, of Somerset county, is now being heard for Highway Commissioner.

Captain Port is an old friend of the Governor and is Republican State committeeman from Huntingdon county. He was formerly head of the Pennsylvania Railroad police on the Middle Division and had charge of many important cases, rounding up some bad gangs of car robbers.

To Fight White Pine Disease.

The State Department of Forestry s making a general survey of all white to check up on the tree disease known structive, comes from Europe and has caused heavy loss in France and the Reports received in Harrisburg tell German Empire. The plan is to disof prospects of an unusual yield of hay trict the State and inspect every tract

tional colors in front of their places of ed as showing better prospects than warrants for the electrocution of Jacob Governor Brumbaugh issued death business and homes during this period usual, and it is believed the yields will Miller, Philadelphia, and H. E. Filler, Westmoreland, in the week of July 17.