



HARRISBURG NEWS LETTER.

Joseph F. Guffey, Candidate for Democratic Nominations for Governor. Makes Statement.

Joseph F. Guffey, acting Democratic State Chairman, identified for years in the campaigns against Prohibition and the liquor traffic, and ardent supporter of President Wilson, whose pupil he was at Princeton University, has announced himself formally as a candidate for Governor on a platform that includes a strong plank for the immediate ratification of the federal prohibition amendment. He advocates woman suffrage, a reorganization of the system of State-aid to charities, the throwing into the war of all of Pennsylvania's great resources, intensification of disloyal citizens, development of Pennsylvania's harbors, a liberal road policy, an efficient and economic State administration and the support of the National administration at all times.

The announcement of his candidacy and his principal platform planks was made at his home in Pittsburg where he has been politically active since the days of late George W. Guthrie in his mayoralty fight upset that strong Republican city. From his college days Mr. Guffey has always been a strong Wilson man, and when Governor Wilson, of New Jersey, was suggested for President in 1912, he got into the National delegate fight with the result that he aided materially in electing 71 Wilson delegates out of the 76 chosen by Pennsylvania.

Mr. Guffey's announcement declaration voices the sentiment of the progressive Democracy of Pennsylvania, that Democracy that not only made possible the first election of President Wilson but which has stood firmly back of the Washington administration in its every act since the days of the Baltimore convention. The platform pledges of the candidate ring true and there is no wavering in his assertion that he is for the prohibitory amendment.

The statement of Mr. Guffey is as follows:

"I am a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor of Pennsylvania. To my mind the dominant purpose of our people is to win the war, and how to do that is the paramount issue. To that end, if elected, I will endeavor to the utmost to place at the disposal of the President the physical, mental and financial resources of the great State of Pennsylvania. I stand unflinchingly for the progressive and constructive policies

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DEATHS.
Mrs. Mary A. Mason, of Altoona, died Thursday evening of disease incident to her advanced age. She was born at Millmont, Union county, on August 22, 1833, the daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Shirk. She was married to Samuel B. Mason on November 14, 1854. Six children were born to them, only two of whom are living. Her husband died twenty-five years ago. She is survived by one son, William F. Mason, Chicago, and one daughter, Mrs. Amanda F. Weaver, of Altoona, at whose home she died; also by two brothers, Abram Shirk, of Laurelton, and John Shirk, of Green Springs, O., and one sister, Mrs. Rachel Stover, of Coburn. She is also survived by six grandchildren and eight great-grand children. The funeral was held from the Weaver home on Sunday, with services in charge of Rev. J. W. Long, pastor of the church of the Brethren. Interment was made in the Rose Hill cemetery.

John Thomas Coxey, whose early life was spent at Boalsburg, died at his home in Juniata on Tuesday of last week, of complications culminating in pneumonia. John T. Coxey was born in Lycoming county, January 29, 1855, but when he was but a child his parents moved to Boalsburg, this county, where the family was raised. He was a carpenter by trade and for years past has lived in Altoona and later in Juniata. He leaves his wife and four children: Mrs. H. C. Ringman, of Bellewood; Mrs. S. E. Kink, of Juniata; John Coxey, Jr., at home, and Charles R., in the service at Camp Hancock. He also leaves two sisters and three brothers: Mrs. Will Fortney, of Monongahela; Mrs. Harvey Season, of Tampa, Fla.; Jasper, of Seattle, Wash.; Caleb, of Hurley, Wis., and W. C. Coxey, of Bellefonte. He was a consistent member of the Methodist church.

Brief funeral services were held in his late home in Juniata Wednesday evening and the body was taken to Boalsburg, where services were held and burial made Thursday afternoon.

Aquilla Brown, a brother of Edward Brown, the telephone man, died at his brother's home in Millheim on Tuesday of last week, aged fifty-five years. Chronic degeneration of the heart caused his death. A serious illness in his youth resulted in weakening his mind, a handicap which followed him throughout his life. Two

sisters and three brothers survive him. Burial was made in Millheim on Thursday.

Mrs. George Wells died at her home in Pleasant Gap on Friday, following a short illness with pneumonia, aged about sixty-five years. Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. C. C. Shuey, the M. E. minister, and burial was made at Pleasant Gap. The husband and several children survive.

R. C. Youngman, ex-county superintendent of schools of Clearfield county, died very suddenly from acute dilation of the heart, about 12:30 on Thursday afternoon, April 4th, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. D. Bigler, in Clearfield.

Joseph Swanger died at the home of his sister, Mrs. (Dr.) Bowersox, at Wolf's Chapel, on Friday morning, following a stroke of apoplexy. Burial was made in Millheim cemetery on Tuesday morning.

Perry County is Now Dry.
Twelve o'clock Saturday night, March 30, marked the end of liquor selling as a legalized business in Perry county. At that time fifteen Perry county bars closed their doors for at least a year. Legally their licenses were good until 12 p. m., March 31; inasmuch as the last day fell on Sunday, the business came to an end one day before the license expired.

The grand finale was experienced with less noise and general mischief than had been expected. Street singing in the towns losing their licenses was the chief cause of disturbance. No serious disorder was reported.

Snyder County Boasts of Oil Field.
Snyder county, the district swept by the gold fever about a year ago when a strike was reported near Beaver town, is the scene of another big find. This time it is oil. Petroleum deposits are reported in the vicinity of Verdille, near Fellegrove, and already more than 800 acres of oil bearing (?) soil have been taken under option by prospectors at \$1,000 an acre. There is a possibility that unlike the gold of yesteryear, the oil is real.

Come along now, help lick the Kaiser by putting your money to work. If the great German Beast could tie up every American purse, he'd have no trouble licking every European nation. Loosen up, try War Savings Stamps, the most convenient form of government securities.

11,000 MORE PENNSYLVANIA MEN ARE CALLED.

April 26 the Day When New Quota Will be Sent to Several Camps.—All Class 1 Men.

Approximately 11,000 more Pennsylvanians registered under the draft act will be sent to Camps Lee, Meade and Sherman, commencing April 26, according to a telegram received at state draft headquarters on Saturday. These men have been called in addition to the 7700 men sent to Camps Lee and Meade last week, and Major W. G. Murdoch, the officer in charge, has completed working out the quota.

The new call includes both white and colored men, and makes some changes in destinations of men in what has hitherto been Camp Meade territory.

To Camp Lee there has been sent 8311 men including 6197 men living in eastern Pennsylvania counties which have been in Camp Meade territory, and 2114 men in the regular Camp Lee territory. These men are all to be white and qualified for general military service.

To Camp Meade will be sent from regular Camp Meade territory in addition to the above, 126 white men and 1014 colored men, all qualified for general military service.

To Camp Sherman will be sent 335 men from counties in Camp Sherman territory.

All of these men are to be from class 1, called in order of their numbers, except such as are usually engaged in agriculture.

Immediately upon receipt of the call state draft headquarters sent hurry calls for information on class 1, in which a revision had been ordered early in the week so that the reasons for low registration could be ascertained. Steps were also ordered to correct lists so that men who are in the army and navy and who have been posted as slackers can be given their rightful status and not carried on the available lists.

As soon as the quotas are worked out the railroads will begin preparations to move the men. Special trains will be provided as heretofore and the movement will be distributed over five days.

Maynard Meeker Stricken With Paralysis.

Maynard Meeker, landlord of the Old Fort hotel, suffered a paralytic stroke early Saturday evening and was found in an unconscious state by Mrs. Meeker. He was stricken while out in the yard. While for a time it was thought the stroke would prove fatal, Mr. Meeker's great physical strength assisted him in recovering consciousness in a short time, and while still in a feeble condition his friends feel assured that his complete recovery is certain.

Patriotic Barbecue at State College.

Major Watt, of the British Army, will be the principal speaker at the Patriotic Barbecue and Carnival which will be held at State College on Saturday April 13th, from two to eight o'clock.

A program of military events, music, entertainment, speeches, as well as a grand ox roast, has been prepared.

Nihart-Barner.

Miss Florence Barner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Barner, former residents of Centre Hall, and now of Clintondale, and Desmer Nihart, of Dover, Minn., were married at the Lutheran parsonage at Salona, Tuesday evening, March 19. After visiting their many friends they left Monday for their western home at Dover, Minnesota.

Ban on Wisconsin Dogs and Cats.

The State Livestock Sanitary Board has placed an embargo against importation of dogs and cats from the State of Wisconsin.

This action was taken on information received from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture that serious outbreaks of rabies or hydrophobia had occurred in twenty counties.

Rabid dogs running at large through the southeastern parts of that State have bitten and caused the destruction of a number of valuable farm animals.

According to Secretary Patton of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, there is little danger of the disease spreading to this State. Any person contemplating the bringing of a dog or cat from Wisconsin should first communicate with the State authorities.

There has been no serious outbreaks of rabies in Pennsylvania for several years and Secretary Patton is hopeful that the new dog law will materially assist in preventing future trouble of this nature.

Gave Concert at Salona.

The patriotic concert, given by Centre Hall talent for the benefit of the Red Cross in the M. E. church at Salona, last Thursday evening, proved a grand success, the pastor of that church, Rev. Ritzman, announcing before the close of the entertainment that over forty dollars had been collected. Little Miss Miriam Foss, with her parents, came over from Loganton and took her part in the program in her rendition of "God Save Our Men". The entertainment, in the main, was similar to the one given at Centre Hall, the one interesting number missing being that given by Miss Lillian Emery, who on account of sickness, was unable to accompany the troupe.

The various numbers on the the program found instant favor with the audience present and the applause greeting each number evinced the sense of satisfaction and pleasure the audience derived from the concert. A concrete example of the hospitality of the people of Salona to the strangers in their community was found in the grand lunch which they served the visitors immediately following the entertainment. It was in the P. O. S. of A. hall that the ladies of the Red Cross laid covers for about forty, the menu being of a well arranged and appropriate order. All present did full justice to the grand layout.

The following comprised the concert company: Misses Rebecca Kreamer, Verna Row, Agnes Geary, Miriam Foss, Rev. R. R. Jones, Rev. Joelish Still, G. H. Emerick, E. W. Crawford, F. P. Geary, C. W. Boczor, W. W. Kerlin, Edward E. Bailey. Those accompanying the entertainers were, Richard Brocke, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Ripke, Hazel and Byers Ripke, Mrs. W. W. Kerlin, Mrs. F. P. Geary, and James Sweetwood.

Council Meeting.

The Centre Hall borough council held a regular meeting Friday night. The business transacted was of but little importance, except that the resignations of two members of the body were accepted and their places filled. The members who resigned were Daniel Deur, president of the council, and Frank V. Goodhart. The members selected to fill their places were Robert D. Foreman and A. H. Spayd. W. A. Krise, a member of the board of health, also resigned, and by appointment Lyman L. Smith fills the place.

The secretary was instructed to get prices on oil for use on the street, and the street commissioner to do minor repairing on the streets, examine hydrants and pipe lines for leaks.

The body adjourned to meet Friday night of this week.

Sheep Help Lick Kaiser.

A single Potter township ewe had earning power of six War Savings Stamps. This particular sheep was purchased five years ago by A. Hugh Smith, and was kept "on the shares" by his father, Robert M. Smith, at Centre Hill. Twenty-five dollars represents the cash on hand in the transaction, besides three sheep, for one of which the youth was offered \$25.00. The total value of the three sheep is estimated at \$50.00. The good feature of the who's affair is that the boy gave his money to the Government in exchange for War Savings Stamps.

Parcels to Soldiers in France.

The parcel post mail to the Expeditionary Forces has become so enormous that steps have been taken to reduce the volume with a view of conserving steam ship space for articles more needed. The parcel post shipments alone at the present time amount to about two hundred and fifty tons per week, utilizing a large section of steam ship space.

After April 15th you will not be allowed to send any parcel to any member of the expeditionary force unless you first receive an approved written request from the person you address. This request must be shown to the postmaster at the office of mailing and then placed in the package. The package itself must have this statement, signed by the sender, on it: "This package contains only articles sent at approved request of addressee, which is inclosed."

Millheim Inn Sold.

The Millheim Inn, a handsome stone building built by J. B. Gephart, at Millheim, several years ago, was purchased last week by S. W. Gramley for \$4,500. Possession will be given on or before June 1st.

Mr. Gramley bought the building for a M. W. A. club, which will apply for a court charter, and convert the second story into a meeting hall for the local M. W. A. and Royal Neighbors. The first floor will be utilized for club purposes and rest rooms for the club members and their families.

It is planned to have living quarters in the rear to be occupied by a small family who will oversee the building for the club.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

A. C. Smith, the painter and paper hanger, of Linden Hall, is doing considerable work in his line at the Centre Hall hotel.

Phillipsburg is to have a patriotic band—a real, musical band—and George H. Richard, one of the town's best citizens, is the promoter.

Robert Snyder was here from Altoona last week, returning with his wife and daughter to the Mountain City where they will make their new home.

The local K. G. E. lodge went over the top recently by using the surplus cash in their treasury to purchase \$400 worth of Uncle Sam's War Savings Stamps.

W. S. Mallalieu, of Bellefonte, for a number of years district manager of the Bell Telephone Company of Pa., was in Centre Hall on Saturday to bid good-bye to his many friends before leaving for his new duties at Williamsport.

R. P. Campbell, the genial proprietor of the famous Penna Cave House, reported that between fifty and sixty tourists viewed the wonders of the cave on Friday and Saturday. This number will be greatly augmented with the coming of warmer weather.

Remember the purchase of a single thrift stamp or W. S. S. that costs you this month \$4.15, proportionately will be as great an aid in winning the war as the greatest denomination of the Third Liberty bond. Do not despise the little things—do something for your country.

Union county in the past week kept up her reputation as a leader in the campaign to sell War Savings Stamps. During the week ending March 30th Union sold stamps amounting to \$217 for each inhabitant, running her per capita to that date up to \$7.45.

Potatoes are bringing about fifty cents in the market, which, under ordinary conditions, would be considered a fair price, and is really not a losing figure under present conditions. The farmer must keep in mind that the 1917 potato crop has nothing whatever to do with the coming crop. If you do not plant, you cannot reap.

Miss Verna Hannah, of Pottery Mills, who for some years has been making her home with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Blauer, is now a student at the Central State Normal, in Look Haven. Mr. Blauer is footing the bill, because he believes an education is the most essential thing a young woman can be given, and he is right.

On Wednesday afternoon of last week while W. S. Shelton, of Millheim, was driving the Millheim Kutting and Manufacturing company's Ford truck on the street at Pleasant Gap the car collided with the dinky. The car was upset and Mr. Shelton was pinned underneath. Aside from Mr. Shelton being badly bruised and a broken wheel on the auto it was rather a lucky accident, and Shelton is free in giving advice to autoists not to attempt to knock the dinky off the track with a "tin Lizzie".

D. Frank Smith, who last week moved from the Bible farm to the Cook Hubler home, which he purchased, found it necessary to make repairs to the front of his new residence long before he anticipated, all on account of a new automobile. He was driving a Chevrolet car and although he was accompanied by a "teacher" the two failed to prevent an accident.

After successfully descending the long mountainside Mr. Smith attempted to turn in alongside of his residence, but took the turn on too great a speed and before his instructor could turn the wheel or apply the brake the new car had struck the porch post, knocking them off, and was on a fair way toward thrusting its nose into the front room of the house. The car was very little damaged.

A Middler in the Centre Hall High school voices his indignation at the action of the Senior class in the disposition of part of the funds derived from their play given in the Grange hall a few weeks ago. As one who had a part in the play, he feels the injustice and lack of fair play in the method employed of disposing of part of the net proceeds of fifty or more dollars, which he, together with the public, rightfully believed should be used toward meeting the expenses incident to graduation. Instead of using the funds for this purpose the senior class very injudiciously financed a dance, held lately at Pleasant Gap and invited a number of their friends, entirely ignoring those of the undergraduates who played a part in earning the money. It is because the public has a right to this information that this publicity of the matter is given.