

### LODGE'S NEW ROLE.

#### Is Lodge A Humbug Now or Was He A Humbug Two Years Ago?

It is interesting to watch the "scholar in politics" in his new role of champion of a treaty. We have become rather too familiar with him as an opponent of a treaty, a treaty which took what Mr. Lodge himself said in 1915 was the only road to world peace. Over and over again in 1919 what Mr. Lodge said four years earlier was read in the United States Senate, and the senior Senator from Massachusetts smiled cynically and never made the least effort to reconcile his attacks on the treaty of Versailles with his address at Union College.

Now he has a treaty that undertakes to do in a very small way what the peace treaty would have done—what it has done as well as it can without the United States—and he is deeply impressed with the importance of ratifying it. Plainly he appeals to the Senate, "Are we to sink back into a sullen attitude, a prey to dark suspicions, a hermit nation armed to the teeth, and looking forward always to wars as inseparable from the existence of mankind upon the earth?" Well, that is the course he imposed upon the country by defeating the peace treaty. "The United States," he declares, "has never yet permitted failure or defeat to be written in her history. She will not permit it now." Mr. Lodge was the chief artist who decorated American history with failure and defeat when the Republican Senators repudiated the peace treaty, deserted our Allies in the war, and "broke the heart of the world."

Mr. Lodge says of the Four-Power treaty: "It involves the United States in no obligation except to meet with the other signatories and consult in case of any controversy arising, or in case of aggression by some outside Power not a signatory." But would meeting and consulting be of any use? If nothing more than this is involved in the treaty, then it is entirely worthless. Either the treaty is a mere mass of words, a delusion for the United States and for the world, or else there is the clear and unmistakable obligation to do something as the result of consultation. And that is all the United States would have been committed to do by the peace treaty, with the single exception that it would have bound itself to apply the economic boycott of a nation that disturbed the world's peace. If that were not effective the Council of the League of Nations would advise the members what ought to be done. If that bound the United States to take the advice, then the Four-Power treaty binds the United States to put the results of the consultation into effect.

If the Four-Power treaty binds the United States to nothing but talk it is worthless. If it has any real value it imposes a moral obligation, or an obligation of honor, upon the United States, just as much as the treaty of Versailles would have done. Mr. Lodge is humbugging the country now, or he humbugged it two years ago.

"It was our earnest hope," says Mr. Lodge of his associates in the conference, "that in a portion of the earth's surface at least we could do something to substitute the assurance of peace for the arrangements and calculations of war." The United States Senate would have done that, not for a portion of the earth's surface, but for practically all of it. If it had not been for Henry Cabot Lodge.

"Buck" Taylor, the famous cowboy, is back from his trip in the west and was an arrival in Centre county last week. "Buck" attracted a lot of attention in Pittsburgh, where he towered above the heads of other guests and wore the style of hat he has felt at home in for many years. He had some business in Centre county that he wishes to close up this week and explained that was why he did not take a longer stay. He says business is not good in Chicago nor in Omaha, but seemed best in Pittsburgh.

John F. Short, the frey Democrat of Clearfield, is succeeded as U. S. Marshall in Western Pennsylvania by James C. Gregor, of Indiana. Marshall Short made a good record for himself.

#### Girl Gives Pint of Blood.

The condition of Irvin Achmody, the sick soldier, is improved, the blood transfusion operations seemingly helping him slowly, but surely, the Cottage State hospital reports, states the Phillipsburg Journal. One of those who gave a pint of blood to the sick soldier the other day was Miss Laura Grafius, 15 years old, of Graham Station.

**Public Sale of New Farm Machinery.** Everything in new farm machinery, from manure spreaders to plows, will be offered at public sale by the undersigned at their mill at Centre Hall station, on Saturday, April 8th, beginning at one o'clock p. m.

This will prove an opportunity you cannot afford to miss if in need of farm machinery of any kind. Remember the date.

BRADFORD & CO.

The Centre Reporter, \$1.50 a year.

### DEMOCRATS UNITE FOR STATE TICKET.

#### All Candidates Unanimously Selected.—Shull and Kerr for U. S. Senate.—McAvoy and Thompson for the Lesser Places.

The last vestige of factional strife in the Democratic organization of Pennsylvania disappeared on Friday when the Committee of 72, representing every element of the party, completed a State ticket that will be submitted to the voters for ratification at the May primary. Unanimous indorsement of Judge Samuel E. Shull, of Stroudsburg, for one of the United States Senatorial nominations, formed the direct move that restored harmony to the ranks and insured the party presenting a united front at the November election.

As a senatorial running mate for Judge Shull, the committee selected Colonel Fred Kerr, of Clearfield county, who commanded a regiment of engineers in the world war. For Lieutenant Governor the committee agreed upon Charles D. McAvoy, of Norristown, a former United States District Attorney. A Marshall Thompson, dean of the law school of the University of Pittsburgh, was the unanimous choice as a candidate for Secretary of Internal Affairs. That array of talent will take the stump with John A. McSparran, master of the State Grange, who was indorsed for Governor at the conference at Harrisburg a short time ago. It is a significant fact that from one end of the ticket to the other, every candidate has received the unanimous indorsement of the committee. In the deliberations on Friday several names were presented for each office, but in every case sentiment quickly crystallized and the chosen candidates were given a rising vote of indorsement.

At the conclusion of the meeting Chairman Sterlino asserted the results he had in mind when he issued the call for the general conference had been attained.

"What I started out to do," he said, "was to make harmony in the Democratic party in the State an accomplished fact. The committee selected and approved by the general conference of Democrats performed its duties earnestly with the thought to unite the forces of Democracy behind capable candidates for the purpose of redeeming the State."

If the ticket recommended is ratified by the Democratic voters in the primary, Colonel Kerr will be pitted against Senator Pepper in the fall campaign. By nominating him the Democrats hope to demonstrate their interest in the welfare of the former service men in contrast with the attitude adopted by Pepper since he took over the place of the late Senator Penrose. Pepper's stand on the bonus question probably will be made an outstanding issue. Colonel Kerr is reported to be committed to a policy of adjusted compensation along lines advocated by the American Legion. It was this policy that prompted Pepper to issue a statement attacking the entire proposition.

#### Beware of Mill Creek.

The following article is reprinted from the Belleville Times and is done so with the view of calling to mind that Centre Hall was in Mill Creek's position in many respects some years ago when auto drivers were pinched and the borough treasury fattened to the extent of \$1,000. At that time the Reporter repeatedly called the attention of the council to the injustice of their method. If the councilmen responsible for the arrests will read the appended they will see what they were thought of by the outside world:

Eighty autoists arrested in Mill Creek during the past four weeks. The charge: Exceeding the fifteen mile speed limit.

Mill Creek is trying to get itself on the map with both feet, but we do not envy her her position. For many years the streets of Mill Creek were a disgrace to any civilized country and to travel over ten or twelve miles per hour was impossible.

During the past year the State Highway has been generous enough to build them a concrete road through their borough—or part of it, at least—and now if you drive through the town at a speed of over fifteen miles an hour you are "pinched." This is done, no doubt, to help fill their treasury which for years has been reported empty. Part of the borough extends far out into the country, where there is no habitation and you would never suspect you were in a town, if it were not for the glaring caution signs.

You can drive through the streets of any large city in the state and not be hauled up for speeding, providing you are not in a congested district. Mill Creek is never congested with traffic, but if you drive through the town over fifteen miles an hour and no one on the streets, you are arrested. Pro-

### Snively—Ripka.

To reduce to a minimum the liability of having their matrimonial plans frustrated by their friends who were keeping vigilantly on touch with developments, Harry I. Snively, of Centre Hall, and Miss Beulah M. Ripka, of Spring Mills, quietly entered the Methodist parsonage at Spring Mills late Monday night, March 6th, and were married by Rev. C. F. Catherman. Mr. Snively is a son of John Snively, progressive farmer, of Centre Hall, and Miss Ripka is a daughter of Elmer Ripka, of Spring Mills.

#### Rev. W. A. McClellan Accepts Call to Rebersburg Reformed Charge.

Rev. W. A. McClellan, for some years past pastor of the Reformed church at Rockwood, has accepted a call from the Rebersburg Reformed charge, and it is believed will enter upon his new duties in the near future.

#### Received H. S. Appropriation.

On Monday, the treasurer of Centre Hall borough school district received the State appropriation for high school—\$270. This is for the school year ending July, 1921. The district could very well use the \$1100 due on account of the salary increase.

#### Made a Life Member.

The first birthday anniversary of Anna Mary, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Drumm, brought about a genuine surprise. The birthday came Wednesday of last week, and after prayer meeting the members usually in attendance went to the parsonage prepared with a life membership of the Light Brigade of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, and refreshments. To the life membership a number of others in the Lutheran church contributed. The evening was very delightfully spent.

#### Play Postponed.

On account of so many people moving March 31 and April 1st, the play, "Professor Pepp," has been postponed to one week later, Friday evening, April 7, 1922. Prices and full particulars will be given later.—Rev. M. C. Drumm, director of play.

#### Saloonless State Coming.

The refusal of the Lackawanna court to grant licenses in that county is the most significant license action in the state this year. Refusal of applications in Philadelphia could not have been more so. Lackawanna has a heavy foreign population which, because of its European custom, has been used by license advocates as the chief reason for the granting of license and the perpetuation of the saloon. Conditions are very similar to those in Clearfield county where Judge Bell last week continued all applications, although the number there was only a fraction of the number of applications which came before the Lackawanna court. These two actions presage a time in the near future when Pennsylvania, as a result of or in spite of the Woner law, will be a saloonless state in fact as well as in theory.

#### JUDGE BELL UPHOLD.

#### Phillipsburg Law and Order League Hopes Local Court Will Follow Suit.

At a meeting of the Law and Order League, of the borough of Phillipsburg, held on Wednesday evening, March 8th, and which League is composed of over five hundred citizens of the said borough, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this League be tendered to the Hon. Singleton Bell, Judge of Clearfield county, immediately joining us to the west, for his recent stand and decision and his refusal to grant any further licenses for the sale of liquor of any kind under the Woner law in his county hereafter, and that it is our earnest hope that his actions may be everywhere upheld and maintained, and that the judicial head of our own county may see his way clear to adopt the same procedure; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the Hon. Singleton Bell, and also published in our daily paper.

#### LAW AND ORDER LEAGUE.

If you haven't made your income tax return, it's too late; you must pay a fine.

We take views (\$x10) or smaller, at reasonable prices. Post cards made for retail dealers.—C. J. Harter, Millheim, Pa. adv.

Probably this is due to their council being so used to their old mud roads and ten miles an hour that they now think they are flying, and their lives are in peril. This may bring some "dithy luere" into their treasury, but it will also bring their town into disrepute and hence we do not envy them their position. Beware of Mill Creek.

### ORATORIO CANTATA IN LOCAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

#### To Be Given Sunday Evening, March 19th at 7:45 O'clock.

An Oratorio Cantata entitled "Son of the Highest" will be given in the Centre Hall Presbyterian church, Sunday, March 19th, at 7:45 p. m., by the representatives of the town church choir.

This Oratorio Cantata was written by E. K. Hoyes and will be directed and accompanied by Mrs. Marie Haugh Kirkpatrick. The program is as follows:

1. Introduction ..... Instrumental
2. "Sing Aloud Unto God."—Full chorus with solos and duet. Soprano Solo, Mrs. Fisher; alto and tenor duet, Mrs. Benner and Mr. Fisher; soprano solo, Miss Emerick.
3. "Now the Lord Said Unto Abram."—Bass solo ..... Mr. Boozer.
4. "O Worship the Lord."—Ladies trio; Miss Isabel Rowe, Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Goodhart.
5. "Behold, the Days Come."—Tenor solo ..... Mr. Geary.
6. "For Unto Us Is Born." Full chorus.
7. Behold, I will Send My Messenger.—Bass solo ..... Mr. Emerick.
8. "He Shall Come Down Like Rain."—Soprano and alto duet—Miss Verena Rowe and Miss Ethel Rowe.
9. "And the Angel Said Unto Mary."—Recitative alto ..... Mrs. Benner.
10. "My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord."—Alto solo ..... Mrs. Goodhart.
11. "And Mary Brought Forth."—Recitative soprano solo ..... Mrs. Moore.
12. Women's quartette—Miss Emerick, Miss Isabel Rowe, Miss Verena Rowe, and Mrs. Benner.
13. "Glorious to God in the Highest." Chorus.
14. Intermezzo ..... Instrumental
15. "There's a Song in the Air."—Male quartette—Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Geary, Crawford and Boozer.
16. "Lord Now Lettest Thou."—Bass solo ..... Mr. Emerick.
17. "Brightest and Best."—Female quintette—Miss McWilliams, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Benner, Mrs. Goodhart, and Mrs. Odenkirk.
18. "What Grace, O God."—Hymn with solo and duet—Mrs. Fisher and Mrs. Odenkirk.
19. "Thou Art the Way."—Mixed quartette—Miss Emerick, Mrs. Benner, Mr. Fisher and Mr. Brooks.
20. "Friend of Sinners."—Tenor solo ..... Mr. Kirkpatrick.
21. "Hail! King of Glory."—Chorus with soprano solo ..... Miss Isabel Rowe.
22. "Rejoice Greatly."—Soprano solo ..... Miss McWilliams.
23. "Lift Up Your Heads." Full chorus.

#### Election of County Superintendent.

Notice is hereby given that the school directors of Centre county will meet at the Court House in Bellefonte on Tuesday, the eleventh day of April, 1922, at 10:45 o'clock Ante Meridiam, for the purpose of electing a legally qualified person as county superintendent of public schools for the ensuing term.

DAVID O. ETTERS,  
Superintendent of Public Schools.

#### \$1,000,000 FOR SEED GRAIN.

By a vote of 99 to 82, the House on Friday passed a bill authorizing \$1,000,000 to purchase seed grain for farmers in drought-stricken areas of the Northwest.

As previously approved by the Senate, the bill carried a \$5,000,000 appropriation, and the difference must be comprised before the measure goes to the President.

The bill was brought up in the House Monday previous on a motion to suspend rules, but was defeated, proponents failing to muster the necessary two-thirds majority.

The measure was brought up again on Friday under a rule requiring only a majority vote for passage.

The House Agriculture Committee recommended the \$5,000,000 Senate appropriation be reduced to \$2,000,000, but the House adopted an amendment by Representative Garrett, Tennessee, Democratic leader, further reducing the amount to \$1,000,000.

The bulk of the funds appropriated under the bill would go to farmers of North Dakota, Montana, Idaho and Washington, who received a \$2,000,000 Government loan last spring for purchase of seed.

#### Carload of Fencing.

Bradford & Co., Centre Hall, recently received a carload of fencing, consisting of cattle, hog and chicken woven wire and cattle and hog barb wire. This is the best grade of galvanizing goods. The price is materially reduced from last year. You can find here just what you want.

#### Will Open Class in Music.

About April 15th, I will open a class in instrumental music. Special attention given to beginners. Call Bell phone 84R12—Floyd Jordan, Tusseyville, Pa.

### The Public Sales.

The public sales throughout Pennsylvania up to this time have been altogether favorable to the seller. Stock of all kinds has been bringing decidedly good prices whenever it is of a character to commend itself. This is true of horses, cows, young cattle and sheep. Hogs are bringing very top prices and little or no quality is needed to recommend them. Farming implements are also selling well. In fact, all the public sales have been first rate. This is an indication that farming is "coming back." The farmer is a producer; when his products sell well, everybody profits by it.

#### Newspaper Man Gets Appointment.

Hon. F. C. Bowersox has been appointed Deputy Factory Inspector for the district comprising Mifflin, Juniata and Perry counties, and resigned as editor of the Lewistown Gazette to assume his new duties. His headquarters will be in Lewistown.

Mr. Bowersox was the orator at Centre Hall on last Memorial Day and left a decidedly good impression. The Reporter congratulates him on his appointment. He will be succeeded as editor of the Gazette by Lewis D. Beale.

#### Agricultural Statistics.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture sent out on March 10th from the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates, a few figures of interest to farmers in general. According to this report corn is the only staple product held in larger quantities today in the United States than a year ago. There is less wheat, oats and barley in the country today than there was last year at this time.

There are now on hand 31,272,000 bushels of corn, against 30,109,000 bushels the same time last year. The average number of bushels on hand at this season of the year during the past ten years, was 23,826,000 bushels.

Wheat.—There are on hand now 5,966,000 bushels of wheat compared with 7,863,000 bushels last year. The average on hand for ten years at this season is 6,224,000 bushels.

Oats.—Bushels on hand, 14,819,000 now; last year at this season, 23,767,000; average number of bushels on hand for ten years, 16,111,000.

Take heart, Mr. Farmer, take heart!

#### Road Contracts Awarded in Clearfield County.

Four contracts for construction of highways in Clearfield county for which the state will pay the bill were awarded by the state highway department on Saturday and bids rejected for building 33,000 feet in Liverpool borough and Buffalo township, Perry county. The latter are said to have been too high and the new ones will probably be asked soon as the section is on the main north and south highway in the Susquehanna valley. The contracts awarded were:

Clearfield county.—Pike township, \$217 feet, Burnside Construction company, Crescen; \$81,392.21; Knox, 11-284 feet, Burd Construction company, Crescen; \$146,954.41; Osceola Mills, 2-123 feet, Gifford and Pritchard, Phillipsburg; \$27,304.45; Sandy, 6,954 feet, W. C. Gunshon, Smethport; \$52,122.50.

#### William G. Hoffer, P. M.

Willshire, Van Wert county, Ohio, has the distinction of having had a Democrat—a real-to-goodness Democrat, born and raised in Potter township, Centre county, Pennsylvania, a boy who applauded sound Democratic expressions at Democratic rallies in Centre Hall a lad who went from home and kept the faith—appointed a postmaster by the present administration!

The Democrat referred to is William G. Hoffer, who was born and raised immediately west of Centre Hall.

Mr. Hoffer was appointed postmaster at Willshire during the Wilson administration, when the office was in the fourth class. When the office became one of the third grade, it was declared vacant. The re-appointment of Mr. Hoffer then followed. He is editor of the Willshire Herald, a Democratic newspaper which he also owns, and this guarantees he is not shamming in politics. While it may be a bit humiliating for a Democrat to accept an appointment from a Republican president, we are ready to congratulate our good friend on his ability to keep off the hungry band in the opposing party.

#### Borough School Report for February.

Intermediate school.—Per cent. of attendance during month, male 95, female 95. The following were present every day during the month: Russel Colyer, Eugene Colyer, Alfred Grove, Paul Martz, Frank Rines, Myrath Coldron, John Ritter, Philip McClenahan, James Lutz, Brice Smith, George Ritter, Stella Rubie, Sara Runkle, Emma Bible, Dorothy Emerick, Bertha Sharer, Ethel McClenahan, Sara Brunhart, Kathryn Smith, Margaret Delaney, Frances Weaver, Maud Reese, Myra Spyster, Mary Reiber, Helen Meyer, Genevieve Rubie. Those present every day during the term are Dorothy Emerick, Bertha Sharer, Frances Weaver, Maud Reese, Frank Rines, Philip McClenahan. The following made 100 per cent in tests: Spelling—Bruce Smith, Mary Reiber, Sara Brunhart, Eugene Colyer, Russel Colyer; arithmetic—Helen Odenkirk.—Thomas L. Moore, teacher.

### TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

#### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Next Tuesday ushers in the spring season.

Miss Elizabeth Boozer, R. N., of Pittsburgh, is at the home of her parents in Centre Hall.

Send your films for developing and printing to C. J. Harter, Millheim, Pa. Enlargements given free. adv.

A building and loan association with a capital stock of \$1,500,000 was organized in Lock Haven. H. W. Shafter has been named president.

The Gramley addition to Millheim will be supplied with water by the extension of a four-inch pipe line by the Millheim water company.

Messrs. A. B. Lee and Jeremiah Zettle, representative citizens of Gregg township, were business callers at the Reporter office last Thursday.

Thousands of people who had lost hope of ever being well again have been restored to health and happiness by Tanlac.—Centre Hall Pharmacy.

Asher C. Stahl, who is successfully conducting a meat market in Altoona, is visiting his parents in this place. Mr. Stahl is taking a well-earned rest for a period of two weeks.

The daily market reports are becoming more interesting with wheat pushing up almost every day. The price is now up to where we thought we would be satisfied when we were reading it at a dollar and less.

This is March 16th and as yet not even the early gardeners have not planted a single seed. Last year and for several years previous, onion sets were wet, lettuce, beets, cabbage seeds sown long before this period.

Fred Stover purchased one of the best teams of horses sold at any of the local sales. They were bought by him at the A. C. Rockey sale for \$360. Mr. Stover will begin farming on the McCool place, south of Centre Hall.

Prof. Cyrus Grove, who for a number of years served as superintendent of public schools of Stephenson county, Illinois, has again filed his petition as a candidate for the office. Mr. Grove seeks the office on the Democratic ticket.

Keep in mind that Bradford & Co., at Centre Hall station, will sell at public sale, on Saturday, April 8th, beginning at 1 o'clock p. m., a full assortment of new farm machinery. This will prove an opportunity to buy new machinery at your own price.

Transporting live horses on a motor truck is a new idea, but this mode of transportation was adopted by Larry Stroup, of Belleville, who purchased four horses at a Millheim horse sale. The truck came from Lewistown and did the trick nicely.

The Millheim Journal states that J. F. Stetler, of Middleburg, has been engaged to draw plans for Millheim's municipal building. The architect was on the grounds last week, and carefully looked over the proposed site of the structure and its surroundings.

Residents of Aaronsburg and Coburn have the assurance of the managers of the State-Centre Electric Company that they will be given the opportunity to use electricity during the early part of spring. The company is planning to run its pole lines and wire to the centers mentioned as soon as weather conditions will permit.

Announcement was made last week of the engagement of Miss Martha Edith Boyer, of Chicago, and Harold D. Foster, of Evanston, Ill. Mr. Foster is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip D. Foster, of State College. He is a graduate of Penn State, class of 1914, and is now sales agent for the DeLaval Steam Turbine Co., of Chicago, with headquarters at Evanston.

James R. Irwin, of Boalsburg, played the part of the Good Samaritan, last Thursday evening, when the writer's "Liza" stalled on the gravel hill by the strawberry patch of Orvis Horner, near Colyer. It wasn't "Liza's" fault, for an empty gas tank will stop the best of 'em, so "Liza" just naturally took a rest on the steepest part of a very steep hill. Even a gallon of gas carried the greater part of a half mile failed to make 'er move, but fortunately for us, Mr. Irwin came along, after a hard day's lumbering, and hitching his two trusty beasts to our Ford, hauled us to the top of the hill—and, of course, any car can go down hill.