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## A. C. THOMPSON IS WORTHY CANDIDATE.

### Democratic Aspirant for Assembly Champion of Dry Issue.— Will Support Platform As Promised.

In the near future the Temperance cause of this county are going to choose whom they will serve at the forthcoming general election.

Whether they make this choice as individuals or as a unit, their selection must be based upon the same facts, and must occur under the same circumstances. If the cause of temperance was ever an issue in Pennsylvania, it is one today. The supporters of this cause must make a careful choice, not only in selecting their major candidates, upon the ballot, but

secure his position. Mr. Holmes' first vote in the Legislature was not only cast in favor of a "wringing wet," but one who takes his orders directly from the champion of the wet cause, namely "Bill" Vane. When Mr. Blount was made Speaker of the Lower House at Harrisburg, Mr. Holmes was one who helped elevate him to that position. This act was not entirely unforeseen, because Mr. Holmes had served notice upon the temperance forces who had helped to elect him, that he was under no obligation to them.



A. C. Thompson, of Phillipsburg, the Democratic candidate, who now seeks to replace Mr. Holmes in the general assembly, has always been an ardent supporter of the cause of temperance as it is to be found in our county. Those who know Mr. Thompson can qualify to his definite and unreserved stand upon this vital question. If any candidate in our county was ever entitled to the support of the temperance people, Mr. Thompson is that man.

If we were furnishing an admonition to those who espouse the cause of temperance, in casting their ballot at the next election, we would say simply this: "With the facts in hand, let your conscience be your guide."

## THE STATE S. S. CONVENTION AT READING

### 2500 Delegates, Representing Every County in the State, Are Expected—Railroads to Give Special Reduced Fare.

Twenty-five hundred delegates, representing 67 counties of the State, are expected at the 64th annual convention of the Pennsylvania State Sabbath School Association to be held in Reading, October 13, 14 and 15. Building a program to meet the religious, educational needs of the day, the committee has selected as the theme for the convention, "Enlightened Leadership for Christian Education."

The Rajah Temple, the largest auditorium in Reading, will be headquarters for the convention, and seven of the leading churches of the city will be used for conferences, inspirational meetings, and for other gatherings.

The program is a noteworthy one, calculated to meet the needs and conditions of Sunday School endeavor in all the phases of its activity. Beginning Wednesday morning with Percy L. Craig, of New Castle, President of the State Association, presiding, a special music and devotional period will open the session of the convention. Prof. H. Augustine Smith, of Boston University, will be convention director of music, and the leader of the devotional periods will be Rev. Floyd W. Tompkins, of Philadelphia.

Sessions Wednesday morning will be devoted largely to business, but will include the convention sermon by Dr. A. Ray Petty, of Philadelphia, the successor of Dr. Russell H. Conwell, who for many years was pastor of Grace Baptist Temple. Then will follow three days of a very intensive program which will cover practically every phase of a Christian education. There will be conferences each afternoon of the Children's Division, Young People's Division, Adult Division, School Administration Division, and State, County and District organizations, and a host of leaders will be present to present vital and virile messages at these conferences.

Among those who will participate in the program are: Dr. H. Shelton Smith, International Director of Religious Education; Dr. Walter Scott Athead, of Boston University; Dr. H. Hadwin Fischer, of Gettysburg Seminary; Bishop William M. Bell of Harrisburg, senior Bishop of the United Brethren Church; Dr. W. G. Landes, of New York, General Secretary of the World's Sunday School Association; Dr. E. Morris Ferguson, one of the best known S. S. leaders in the country; Dr. J. W. Elliott, of Philadelphia, Director of Bible School work of the Baptist Church; John W. Mace of the Near East Relief; John W. Vickerman, of Bellevue, President of the State Adult Bible Class Federation; Dr. H. McAfee Robinson, General Secretary of the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church; Rev. E. H. Brewster, Director of Religious Education of the Philadelphia Methodist Episcopal Conference; Dr. C. A. Houser, Director of Religious Education of the Reformed Church in America; H. E. Paisley, of Philadelphia, treasurer of the Reading Railroad, and many others.

The convention will close Friday evening with a pageant, "The Gateway to Godwell," under the personal supervision and direction of the author, Prof. H. Augustine Smith, of Boston, who will be assisted by Mr. J. H. Reichert, of Reading.

Special reduced fares for the convention will be given by the railroads and it is expected that each of the 67 counties will be represented by delegates which will make this one of the largest conventions ever held in the 64 years of the splendid service of this State organization.

## I. O. O. F. Installation.

Installation of officers of the Centre Hall lodge, I. O. O. F., will take place Saturday evening of this week in the rooms of the local order. District Deputy Grand Master, Charles Shaeffer, of Bellefonte, will be in charge. Refreshments will be served at the close of business. A good attendance is desired.

## Newberry's Friends Available.

Three Senators who voted to seat Newberry are at present the ranking members of the Senate committee on privileges and elections which passes and makes recommendations upon the qualifications of new Senators. They are Ernst, Kentucky, the present chairman; Watson, Indiana, and Shortridge, California.

Pretty soft for Varp and Smith, the high priced Senatorial nominees in Pennsylvania and Illinois, in the event they are elected. But both are facing stiff opposition this fall. Democrats who are "gunning" for all five of them, are not losing sight of the argument that the situation should not be presented whereby Newberry supporters might pass upon the qualifications of two men who make the former Michigan Senator look like a piker.

## Teapot Dome Lease Fraudulent.

Sinclair, Fall, Doheny, et al, have been rudely awakened to the fact that vast wealth and shrewd minds can not retard forever the turnings of the wheels of justice. A Federal Court in St. Louis has held that the Teapot Dome lease was procured by "fraud and corruption." In its decision the Court also arraigned the manner in which the lease was procured. The Court said:

"A trail of deceit, falsehood, subterfuge, bad faith and corruption, at times indistinct, but nevertheless discernible, runs through the transactions incident to and surrounding the making of this lease. It should not receive the approval of the Court.

"Our conclusion is that the Government has sustained its claim that the lease and contracts were procured by fraud and corruption and that they should be cancelled."

The State of Pennsylvania profited to the extent of \$56,169.79 from the Tunney-Dempsey fight in the Sequit stadium. The money has been paid over to the State.

The Centre Reporter \$1.50 a year.

## ILLEGAL DEER HUNTERS CAUGHT IN CENTRE COUNTY

### At Least Eighteen in Gang Which Was Systematically Killing Deer At Night.

Union county game wardens have been making it deservedly hot for hunters in Centre county, who have been slaughtering deer during the past few months.

The Millifinburg Telegraph gives this account of the warden's work:

Game wardens and deputies have for the past six weeks kept close tabs on a gang of illegal deer killers who have their headquarters near Millifinburg, Centre county.

Last week they rounded up nine of the gang. They all plead guilty and each paid \$100 fine and had their hunting licenses revoked for two years. The wardens had warrants for nine more and on Wednesday four of the nine were arrested. The remaining five will be arrested before the end of the week.

Some of the men belonging to the gang live in Lock Haven, and several small villages near Millifinburg. They had been systematically killing deer for several months and it is claimed some of them sold their share of the spoils in the form of sausage.

With the use of a powerful spotlight and high-powered rifles, the shooting of deer at night is a very simple matter. The deer were taken to a barn near Millifinburg where a complete butchering outfit was installed, where the skinning, cleaning and dividing of the meat took place. It is estimated that more than thirty-five deer were killed this summer by this gang.

Much credit is due Warden Reeder for his good work.

It would be interesting to know who these violators are, and there appears to be no good reason why the Game Commission and other authorities withhold this information.

## The Cow Sale.

Sixteen cows were sold by T. E. Jordan at his sale Saturday afternoon, at the Mitterling barn in Centre Hall. The attendance was very light compared with some of the previous sales, but there were bidders sufficient to make the average price per cow over \$100. The cows were Holsteins, tubercular tested, and some were eligible to registry.

All but three of the cows were purchased by two men—T. L. Greenaway and Lee Larimer, of Jersey Shore. The former bought six cows, knocked off at \$110, \$120, \$84, \$125, \$92, \$100, \$149, and the latter six cows at \$79, \$77, \$100, \$100, \$95, \$100. The other cows were sold to C. M. Long, Nitany, \$89; J. B. Swartz, Bellefonte, \$99; S. P. Shirk, Runville, \$101. Total sixteen head, \$1623.

## 200 Tons Stone Shipped Daily.

The Spyker stone quarries are being operated nearer to full capacity now than for some time, although the weather has interfered to a considerable extent. At this time between twenty and twenty-five men are employed, handling about two hundred tons of stone daily. The stone now being shipped is used in smelting furnaces and are broken to the proper size by the crusher installed during the summer.

## The Potato Crop.

Up to this week few potatoes had been raised in this section, and it appears none have been shipped from the valley. As a rule the first shipments of the season are made from Coburn.

The crop is very fair, although growers are not looking for a heavy yield. The size of the tubers, it is predicted, will run above the average. This is due to the fact that the number to the hills is not as large as in some seasons.

Locally the big acreages are on the Colyer farm, where H. B. Decker, who is an experienced grower, is the tenant, and on the A. H. Spayd farm, at Earllystown, with M. A. Burkholder as tenant. On the former farm twenty acres are planted and on the latter one-half as many. Mr. Colyer estimates his crop at between 2500 and 3000 bushels, and Mr. Burkholder places his figures at 100 bushels per acre. His is a modest estimate; the result will likely be a yield of a considerable number of bushels above that. The crop looked promising during the entire season.

## Teachers' Institute Begins Oct. 25.

Monday, October 25, is the date set for the opening of the eightieth annual Centre County Teachers' Institute, which will convene at the annual house in Bellefonte. An array of the best educational talent has been secured for the entertainment and enlightenment of the three hundred or more teachers who will be in attendance.

## Musser—Merryman.

At the Evangelical parsonage, in Millifinburg, Boyd Musser, of Spring Mill, and Miss Annie Merryman, of Aaronsburg, were united in marriage by the bride's pastor, Rev. H. C. Kieffel. After a short honeymoon the young couple will reside with Mrs. Musser's mother at Aaronsburg.

A Mackay chassis became violent on reaching the brick pavement at the watering trough on Nittany mountain, and dashed toward the post and cable barrier with such force that several posts were knocked over, and the driver pitched into the creek. Not much damage was done to the chassis. It was one of four chassis of the same kind driven over the mountain, passing through town on Tuesday.

## HALF CENTURY OF MINISTRY COMMEMORATED

### Rev. Dr. W. E. Fischer, Pastor of Shamokin Trinity Lutheran Church, Given Reception—Centre Hall His First Pastorate.

The Shamokin Daily News of recent issue contains an extended account of a reception tendered Rev. Dr. W. E. Fischer, pastor of the Shamokin Trinity Lutheran church, on the occasion of having completed a half century in the ministry. He served but two churches—Centre Hall and Shamokin.

The Shamokin News says in part: "Commemorating a half century of faithful service in the gospel ministry by their beloved pastor, the congregation of the Trinity Lutheran church tendered Rev. W. E. Fischer a surprise reception last evening in the main auditorium of the church in honor of the auspicious occasion.

With the choicest of cut flowers lending their beauty and fragrance to the happy celebration, special exercises were conducted under the direction of Chairman William Thomas. The members of the Shamokin Ministerium were present in recognition of the distinguished services of their esteemed contemporary and president of the ministerium for the past quarter century, each of the pastors speaking in the highest eulogy of the guest of honor.

An anthem by the church choir was followed by a solo rendered by George D. Hack, the congregation then singing a composition written in words and music by the Rev. Fischer. The expression of love and esteem of the Sunday school was exemplified when the pastor was presented with a basket of fifty handsome roses, G. D. Hack, superintendent, presenting the floral offering.

Acting as spokesman for the assembled congregation, District Attorney Edward Baker then touched upon the privileged and happy association of pastor and congregation for the past thirty-two years. Upon the conclusion of his address, the speaker presented the Rev. Fischer with a purse of \$400 in token of the congregation's appreciation.

Visibly affected by the practical demonstration of congregational loyalty and esteem, the beloved pastor finally found words to express his gratitude for the fine evidence of popular regard. In acknowledging the generous gift, the grateful recipient recalled some of the earlier incidents of his career as music master, school teacher and minister of the gospel.

A neatly printed brochure, prepared and issued by the congregation in honor of the fiftieth anniversary celebration, presents various incidents in the early life and later ministry of the pastor, some of which are quoted:

After two years of teaching, William Edward Fischer enrolled as a student at Gettysburg, from which institution he was graduated in 1872. He entered Gettysburg seminary the following year and was ordained as a minister of the Lutheran faith in 1876 and was given his first charge at Centre Hall on Sunday, September 14, of that year.

He served as pastor of Centre Hall Lutheran church for a period of 18 years and it was only through considerable persuasion on the part of members of the local congregation and the urging of the Centre Hall parishioners, who were more concerned about the advancement of their beloved pastor than about the void which it would leave, that Dr. Fischer finally accepted the call to the Trinity Lutheran church, coming here in 1892, succeeding the Rev. John T. Steck.

At that time Trinity Lutheran church had a membership of about 400, while at present the membership numbers 858. Over 1,200 persons have been confirmed, 998 baptised, while 659 marriages have been performed by Rev. Fischer during his pastorate in Shamokin. Numerous improvements have been made to the church building and parsonage during the time that Rev. Fischer has occupied the pulpit.

He is a man of brilliant mental attainment and an authority on theology. He served as president of the Shamokin Ministerial Association for a period of 25 years; he also served as a member of the Central Pennsylvania and the Susquehanna Synods, which have been recently merged and is now identified as the Susquehanna Synod of Central Pennsylvania. He had been elected and served in the offices of both president and secretary of each body for quite a number of years. He is also vice president of the board of trustees for the proposed Women's College, which was to be erected at Washington, D. C.

In 1877, a year after his ordination, he was married to Miss J. Annie Phillips, of Berlin, his beloved wife having been recently consigned to the grave. Of the union three children were born, William B., now deceased, Mrs. Marion Keen, serving in the Chinese missionary field, and Mrs. Charles E. Buery, wife of the well-known president of Temple University, Philadelphia.

## Cashier Goes Wrong.

While opportunities were good, J. E. Rupert, cashier of the McVeytown National bank, laid aside for his own use \$200 each month for seven months from the earnings of the bank. The bank is now in the hands of the examiner, whose report indicates that the liabilities and resources of the institution are alike, each being \$386,874.43. The thefts of the cashier are covered by a bond of \$10,000. The future of the bank is unknown.

The Ladies of the Golden Eagle will hold a bazaar and chicken and noodle supper on the evening of November 20th.

## COMMUNITY DAY AT SPRING MILLS.

### Annual Event Under Auspices of Gregg Township Vocational School, Scheduled for Wednesday, October 15.

The annual Spring Mills Community Day will be held under the auspices of the Gregg Township Vocational school on Friday, October 15th.

A program is being arranged which it is hoped will be both instructive and entertaining. A new feature of the program will be a live stock judging contest which will be open to anyone who is twenty-one years of age or over. Anyone in the community who can meet the above qualifications is invited to take part in the contest. The prize offered is a pure-bred calf which has been generously given by one of the citizens in the community. A more definite statement will be given at an early date regarding the types and classes of live stock which will be judged. Other events which are being planned for are:

Health program and demonstration; movies; general meeting, at which time a speaker of note will address the audience; games and races for all ages; orchestra; band; "An old fashioned Spelling Bee," and a soccer game between Rebersburg High school and Gregg Township Vocational School. A definite program will be published announcing the time and place of each event; however, all are asked to come and spend the entire day, and take in all events.

Lunch may be had at the booth at noon, and from 5:30 to 7 P. M. a chicken supper will be served. Tables and chairs will be placed in one of the rooms in the Vocational building where the meal will be served by the High school girls. Plan now to eat and visit with your family and friends, while the girls serve you the chicken supper.

All are asked to exhibit articles which are named in the premium list printed below. Large exhibits of vegetables and fruit should be possible, as this has been a good year for both, and particularly for fruit.

The school asks for, and needs, the cooperation of all the community in order to make October 15th a real Community Day at Spring Mills.

The premium list is as follows:

**POLTRY**—Class I: Pen of one rooster and three hens. (First prize, \$1.50; second prize, 50c.)—  
1. White Leghorns.  
2. Plymouth Rocks.  
3. Rhode Island Reds.  
4. Any other breed.

Class II: Pen of one rooster and three pullets. (First prize, \$1.00; second prize, 50c.)—  
1. White Leghorns.  
2. Plymouth Rocks.  
3. Rhode Island Reds.  
4. Any other breed.

Judging on utility plus show points.  
Class III: Capons. Two birds to a pen. (First prize, \$1.00; second prize, 50c.)

**EGGS**—(First prize, 25c; second prize, Ribbon; third prize, Ribbon.)—  
1. One dozen white eggs.  
2. One dozen brown eggs.

**COIN**—10 ear sprigs.—  
First prize, 50c; second prize, ribbon.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

September went out "all wet."

The public schools entered upon their second month of work this week.

Rain all last week, and then Sunday came along with a brisk shower in the afternoon.

Mrs. Alice Durst spent most of last week with her sisters, Mrs. Foster Sharer and Mrs. William Smith, in Zion.

It was a case of bad fair weather the Lewisburg fair management experienced. The attendance from Pennsylvania was light compared to other years.

The Centre county conference of Women's Clubs will be held in Howard, Saturday, October 30th. The annual meeting last year was held at State College.

The "low down" light control rules in Millifinburg are these: Turn right on any color. Turn left only on red. When headed straight through stop on red and go on green. There you have it.

T. E. Jodon lost a valuable cow the day before his sale in Centre Hall, the animal dying of pneumonia. It was the fourteen cow lost by death or through the T-B test by Mr. Jodon during the year, consequently it may easily be seen where the profits went.

An eight-acre tract of woods at the western edge of Fairmount Avenue, State College, has been donated to the borough by J. Laird Holmes and Irving L. Foster to be utilized as a public park. The donation, made through the Chamber of Commerce, has been accepted in the name of State College, and will be cleared and fenced in the near future.

Charles H. Richelleu, of the Richelleu Theatre, Bellefonte, accompanied his poster advertising man through Penns Valley on Saturday. Mr. Richelleu expressed appreciation of the large patronage his theatre received from people in this valley, and is constantly aiming to give them the best possible entertainment on the screen and stage.

Claude K. Stahl came from Philadelphia to the home of his mother,

bon; third prize, ribbon.—  
1. Yellow dent.  
2. White Cap Yellow Dent.  
POTATOES—5 specimens per plate. (First prize, 25c; second prize, Ribbon; third prize, Ribbon.)  
SMALL GRAIN (1 quart)—(First prize, 25c; second prize, Ribbon; third prize, Ribbon.)—  
1. Wheat.  
2. Oats.  
3. Barley.  
FRUIT—5 specimens per plate. (First prize, 25c; second prize, Ribbon; third prize, Ribbon.)—  
1. Apples (any variety).  
2. Pears (any variety).  
3. Quinces (any variety).  
VEGETABLES—  
(First prize, 25c; second prize, Ribbon; third prize, Ribbon.)  
1. Cabbage (1 specimen). 2. Beets (5 specimens). 3. Carrots (5 specimens). 4. Onions (5 specimens). 5. Peppers (5 specimens). 6. Celery (3 specimens; roots on). 7. Cauliflower (1 specimen). 8. Turnips (5 specimens). 9. Endive (1 specimen; roots on). 10. Beans (1 pint to plate.)

Pumpkins and Squash—1. Pumpkin (1 specimen). 2. Squash (2 specimens.)  
NUTS—Ribbon Prizes.  
1. Chestnuts; 2. Walnuts; 3. Hickory Nuts.  
CANNING EXHIBITS—  
(First prize, 25c; second prize, Ribbon; third prize, Ribbon.)  
2 1-qt. Jars Fruit. 2 1-qt. Jars Vegetables. 2 1-qt. Jars Pickle. 2 Glass Jelly or Jam.  
SEWING—  
(First prize, 50c; second prize, 25c; third prize, Ribbon.)  
1. Cotton or Linen Dress; 1 Wash Dress; 1 Silk or Wool Combination; 1 Infant Dress; 1 Renovated Garment; 1 Hat of new material; 1 Remodeled Hat; Undergarments; Handkerchiefs; Needle Work and Freshmen Sewing—Ribbon Prizes.

APPLIED DESIGN—Ribbon Prizes: Wood; Paper; Cloth; Metal or Porcelain.  
BAKING—  
(First prize, 50c; second prize, 25c; third prize, Ribbon.)  
1. Cake. 2. Bread.  
Senior Projects—First prize, \$3.00; second prize, \$2.00; third prize, \$1.00. Open to any boy carrying a vocational project. Judging, 60 per cent record, 40 per cent exhibit.

Junior Projects—First prize, \$1.50; second prize, 75c.

Best Township School Exhibit—First prize, \$5.00; second prize, \$3.00; third prize, \$1.00. Exhibits to be judged on quality plus quantity and on school enrollment.

A single entry in any class will not receive first place unless judge deems same deserving.

All exhibits must be clearly marked with name and address of exhibitor.

No ribbons shall be removed without permission until 9:00 P. M.

Mrs. Mary Stahl, on Saturday, where she will remain for a week. Mr. Stahl is employed by the P. R. R. company in the Broad Street Station office. The Sequit, he says, is drawing fine crowds at this time, and the visitors there now are well repaid for their time.

Howard Emery, of Centre Hall, and John Horner, of Tusseyville, adjusted their difficulties resulting from their respective Fords coming together at the intersection of the Earllystown road with the State highway, in the office of "Squire Drees, at Lemont, on Thursday evening. The young men settled before going through a formal hearing.

Miss Thelma Williams, of Port Matilda, the girl who was selected as "Miss Pittsburgh" in the national beauty show at Atlantic City several weeks ago, has been appearing in a small part on the stage of Pittsburgh theatres, both at the Davis and Olympic. She is in the Keith-Albee vaudeville company and in addition to appearing in the regular vaudeville program makes a brief address on the stage.

Aaron H. Harter, of Harrisburg, was in Centre Hall for a few hours on Saturday, going from here to Millifinburg and Aaronsburg before returning home. Mr. Harter came to Centre Hall in 1885, remaining here about ten years, when he has since been employed as an engineer in electric light plants—first in the city lighting plant and later in the light and power plant connected with the State Capitol while in town he was entertained by the Bartholomew family.

The junction of the Earllystown road with the State Highway proved itself a dangerous one Sunday afternoon when Bruce McCool and Harry Crummy collided there. The former was going from Centre Hall toward Old Fort and the latter was coming down the Earllystown road in an Overland intending to make Centre Hall his destination. Both young men admit their pace to have been above that rated for a small, when they collided. Crummy was cut on the head at several places and was obliged to go to Dr. Morrow to have the wounds dressed. McCool came through without injury, while his companion, Walker, got a slight cut on the wrist. The cars were pretty badly battered up and were towed to the Homan garage.