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SOLDIER'S BALLOT FACTOR IN COMING ELECTION

Swing to Democratic Candidate for U. S. Senator in Pennsylvania Indicated—Kerr, for Congress, a West Point Man, Favored by Veterans.

A leading political article in the Sunday issue of the Philadelphia Record, by Robert B. Vale, is of special interest to readers of the Reporter. Portions of the article are reprinted below:

Veterans of the World War may cast the deciding ballots in the Presidential election.

The "Battle of Anacostia" did more to weave sympathy into the fabric of comradeship than all of the speeches made since the world conflict.

For the first time in a dozen years World War veterans are doing what the Grand Army of the Republic did following the Civil War.

With this difference: In the '60's the soldiers went Republican and now the bent is distinctly Democratic.

Last week Pennsylvania veterans attending the American Legion convention in Portland were plainly, aggressively antagonistic to President Hoover.

Pennsylvania is known as the home plate, the Alpha and Omega of Republicanism. It sounds almost fantastic that the war veterans from this State should take a leading part in any hostile move toward the Republican party.

Last week a delegation of war veterans called upon Lawrence E. Rupp, Democratic candidate for United States Senator in Pennsylvania. They asked him for his views on the soldiers' bonus.

Rupp replied that he favored it. He did not issue any public statement, but within a few days the news had spread from one end of the State to the other.

And with the word went the companion piece, a reminder that United States Senator James J. Davis had voted against the bonus. The soldiers' swing to Rupp was increasing at a rapid rate when the week closed. And this, mark you, without any great publicity.

In the central part of the State we have the interesting fight between Col. Frederick B. Kerr, Democrat, and J. Banks Kurtz, Republican. This Congressional district is normally Republican. Bets at even money are now being made that Colonel Kerr, a West Point man, will be elected. The veterans are organizing a powerful support for him.

In this district the wet-dry issue cuts a considerable figure. Kerr is wet and Kurtz is dry. It is claimed that the drier outnumber the wets, so that the swing toward Colonel Kerr possibly may be attributed to other causes, and the outstanding one is that the veterans are determined to put him across.

There are 700,000 veterans in Pennsylvania. It would be absurd to say that all of them or a large majority of them will not support Hoover. But it is equally foolish to say that the movement among the service men against Hoover has not been growing at rapid rate and is gaining in its momentum.

It is one of the big issues in the campaign of 1932.

And with it is tied up the liquor question in which the veterans favor the straightforward declarations of the Democratic party and its candidates rather than the involved and confusing pronouncements of the Republican party.

Daylight saving time will be on the bench after 2:00 o'clock next Sunday morning. While this section has been running on standard or sun time, the change of time affects us in many ways, especially so since we are in almost constant communication with localities where "fast" time is observed.

KIWANIANS HEAR SECRETARY OF FARM SHOW COMM. SPEAK

Prof. Fry Covers History of Farm Shows in Penna. from 1838 to Present Day—Farm Show Building in Harrisburg Greatest Structure of Its Kind in U. S.

Monday evening, members of the Bellefonte Kiwanis Club met in a joint meeting with members of the Grange at Unionville. The ladies of the Grange served a delightful chicken dinner, with all the "extras."

Following the dinner, all repaired to the second floor of the Grange hall to listen to the speaker of the evening, Kiwanian Prof. J. Martin Fry, who was secured for the evening through the office of the Kiwanian Agricultural Committee.

Prof. Fry chose as his subject, "History of the Farm Products Show." He is serving the State as Secretary of the Farm Show Commission and delivered a very interesting and instructive address. He covered the history of farm shows throughout the State since as early as 1838, at which time the Philadelphia Society for the Promotion of Agriculture held an exhibition of livestock and farm products.

For many years various divisions of agriculture such as the Penna. Fruit Growers, Dairymen's Association, Horticultural and the Live Stock Breeders' Association held separate exhibitions and shows in various parts of the State. Not until 1917 was the plan of bringing the separate interests together into a single unit successfully carried out, when five organizations required 10,000 square feet floor space.

In 1930 thirty-one organizations had combined and 125,000 square feet floor space was required.

Today there is at Harrisburg the greatest structure of its kind in the United States—the Pennsylvania Farm Show Building—covering ten acres of land and every square foot devoted to aisles and exhibition space.

Approximately \$60,000 was paid at the Show in January of this year in cash premiums, and a quarter million visitors were admitted during the week.

A fine illustration it is of how an institution that arises in response to a definitely felt need requires no artificial respiration to keep it alive.

R. F. D. MAIL ROUTE NO. 1 FROM CENTRE HALL EXTENDED

The rural free delivery mail route from Centre Hall, known as No. 1, carried by W. P. Keller, has been extended to embrace the service from Linden Hall to Gingerich's corner, a distance of one-half mile. The Linden Hall section was added only a few months ago, when the post office at that point was closed.

The extension, to become effective by October 15th, is a half-mile retracement and will serve the following families: The Confer farm, occupied by William Lansberry; Wieland, farm, Charles Messmer, owner; N. B. Martz, farm owner; Elmer Campbell, and Gingerich brothers, on the Gingerich homestead.

FOURTEEN APPLICANTS ARE GRANTED LICENSES

Nineteen applicants appeared at Bellefonte on Wednesday last week for the State tests for drivers' licenses given by the Bellefonte detail of State Highway patrolmen. Fourteen passed: Walter Hall, Flemington; Kay Loner, Port Matilda; R. J. Parks, Dorothy Spicer, Ralph Stapleton, George Scarsville, State College; Ruth L. Beaver, Lemont; Christian Smith, Jr., Gus Pappas, Bellefonte; Blaine Brooks, Pleasant Gap; James Hartman, Bellefonte; Nellie Gravatt, State College; Kathryn Shallcross, Bellefonte; Richard Z. Thomas, Spring Mills.

WILLS EYE HOSPITAL MARKS 100TH YEAR

In a few weeks the Wills Eye Hospital will move into its new quarters at the corner of 16th and Spring Garden Streets, Philadelphia. There it will carry on its remarkable work in developing the science of the eye to which it has devoted its efforts for just a century.

The institution was founded by an unknown and lonesome grocer, who left more than \$100,000 for the founding of a hospital for relief of indigent blind and lame.

Since 1834 more than 800,000 patients have been treated at the Wills Hospital. Last year alone 800 cataracts were removed. Moving pictures of this delicate operation have been perfected by a member of the staff. Last year 25,000 clinic cases and 2413 house patients, coming from 20 States aside from Pennsylvania, were treated at the hospital.

Work is almost completed on a modern \$290,000 six-story building, containing 250 beds.

The institution is well known to Centre county residents, due largely to the personal acquaintance of many with Dr. McCluney Radcliffe, long connected with the hospital as the head operating surgeon.

BELLEFONTE TAKES TWO FROM HOWARD IN BIG SERIES

Bellefonte captured both scheduled games with Howard during the past week for the county championship, and needs but one more game to clinch the honors.

Last Thursday afternoon, at Howard, Montgomery, for Bellefonte, blanked the Howard boys, 8 to 0. He was opposed by Renninger. The game proved uninteresting.

On Saturday, Howard went to Bellefonte, and for seven innings a struggle ensued with neither side scoring. Bellefonte, however, in the eighth found their batting eyes, and the game ended with a 4 to 1 victory for the county seaters. Thomas pitched for Bellefonte and Spangler for Howard.

This (Thursday) afternoon the scene of conflict again shifts to Howard. Considering Howard's excellent showing against Bellefonte during the regular season, it is figured that Howard will be able to prevent Bellefonte making it three straight.

TAX REFORM IS THEME OF STATE MEETING

The Tax-Justice League of Pennsylvania has called a meeting at Pennsylvania State College, starting Monday afternoon, September 26, for the discussion of remedial legislation on matters of taxation. Delegates of all taxpayers' associations in the State are invited to meet with similar delegates from the league, according to the announcement of the president, Thomas S. Rawlings, Blairsville, and the corresponding secretary, H. S. Lydick, Homer City.

Plans agreed upon in this meeting which will last for two or three days, or until a complete understanding has been reached, will be presented to the next Legislature, the officers of the league state.

The Tax-Justice League has summarized its purposes in three points:

1. To cause all incomes to be taxed for school purposes, except those incomes that arise out of real estate already taxed for school purposes.

2. To cause the Commonwealth to take over all highways within the State, and to improve and maintain them by and through taxes levied on gasoline, automobiles, and drivers' licenses.

3. To cause the cost of government, including salaries of officials, to return immediately to a parity with the cost of government in times of peace as indicated by such cost in 1913.

DECKER CHEVROLET AGENCY SOLD TO EMERSON WEISER

Emerson Weiser, of State College, completed negotiations for the purchase of the Chevrolet agency from Colonel G. Decker, the well known agent of Bellefonte. The transfer took place last week and involves all of the stock and equipment. The financial consideration was not made public. Mr. Decker retains the building.

C. G. Decker located in Bellefonte ten years ago and has done a prosperous business in the auto field since that time. Previous to his arrival there he held the Chevrolet agency for six years at State College, where he had gone after quitting the lumber business in Penna. Valley. He plans to take a well-earned rest for several years.

Mr. Weiser, who formerly conducted the Weiser Motor company at State College but has been out of business for several years, announces that he will make no changes in the personnel at the Bellefonte garage at present. Elmer Decker, son of the retiring agent, will continue in his present capacity of general foreman in the shop.

NOTICE

This Store will be CLOSED Friday, September 30th, at 6 P. M. until Monday Morning, October 3rd, on account of Jewish Holiday.

NIEMAN'S DEPARTMENT STORE, Millheim, Pa.

MOBILGAS TRUCK AND 700 GALLONS GAS BURN

Terrific Fire, But Slight Explosions—Tanks Punctured With Rifle Balls—Fire Starts in Cab—Ralph Keller Driver, Jumps to Safety.

A Mobilgas truck, distributing gas and oil from the Independent Oil Co. plant, near Pleasant Gap, was totally destroyed by fire Friday afternoon at about 3:30 o'clock at a point a short distance east of the farm residence of Fred Slack, on the Old Fort-Spring Mills road. There was a heavy black fire observed by the driver, Ralph Keller, who stopped the Brockway truck several times to make adjustments during the last two miles of its journey. One stop was made opposite the Slack farm house, and the last one a short distance beyond. Fire was first observed in the cab. From there it spread to the oil and gas cans carried on the side. The cans exploded, the reports resembling that of a sharp rifle shot. A State Highway patrolman who happened there, made an effort to puncture two compartments of the large tank with bullets from his side arm, but was unable to do so. The work was accomplished by a rifle obtained from Mr. Slack, and through these openings about 700 gallons of gas flowed like a continuous stream of fire. There was a terrific roaring all the while the gas was burning, and great volumes of black smoke rose many feet into the air. At a distance the fire resembled the burning of a well-filled barn with straw and provender. Of course, the heat was tremendous, blocking traffic. A telephone pole was burned off, as were also the wires carried on it.

It is fortunate the accident happened at a point a safe distance from buildings.

The wreckage was dragged off the side of the road Friday evening by the Hagan Garage wrecker.

Correct Description of Missing Millburg Man.

Clyde W. Boyer, Millburg, R. D. Pa., missing since Saturday, August 27, 1932, is described as follows: Height, 5 feet, 5 inches; age, 52 years; weight, 145 pounds; plainly marked with liver spots on face, neck and hands.

Anyone knowing or learning anything about a person answering this description will please communicate with G. R. Klingman, Walnut Street, Millburg, or Paul R. Lenhart, Thompson street, Millburg.

HOSPITAL DRIVE 50 PER CT. DOWN IN CONTRIBUTIONS

The result of the drive for funds for the Centre County Hospital is down fifty per cent. from last year. The approximate result of the drive is \$4,000 against \$8,000 a year ago.

Centre Hall maintained its high standard by bringing up its contribution this year to \$311.00, against \$354.00 last year, or down less than 15 per cent.

CENTRE COUNTY HOSPITAL RECEIVES CONTRIBUTIONS

During the past week the Centre County hospital received the following contributions:

From the Reformed church, Bellefonte, Harvest Home service—13½ lbs. carrots, 2 lbs. onions, 4 oranges, 1 lb. cocoa, 1 egg plant, 1 head cauliflower, 28 peppers, 7 ears corn, 2 squash, 7 pumpkins, 5 lbs. turnips, 6 quinces, 11 lb. crab apples, 2 lbs. wax beans, 8 eggs, 35 lbs. cabbage, 1 bushel tomatoes, 45 pears, 12 glasses jelly 1½ qts pickles, 1½ pts spiced peaches, 1 can corn, 22 lbs. beets, 1½ bu. potatoes, 34 lbs. grapes, half-bushel apples.

From H. O. Miller, Boggs township—1 bushel tomatoes.

From Mrs. Eugene Barr, Halfmoon township—Half-bu. tomatoes.

MILLER MOTOR COMPANY RECENT CAR SALES

The Miller Motor Company, Centre Hall, recently made the following Chevrolet car sales:

Nelson Mowery, Milroy, coach; James B. Swabb, Linden Hall, sedan; Lloyd Hoover, Karthaus, 1½ ton truck; Wallace Bohn, Centre Hall, sport roadster; Harold Hoag, Bellefonte, sport coupe; M. J. Bisker, Harrisburg, sport coupe; Max Franzen, Burnham, coach.

AUTO DEALERS' ASSOCIATION ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

The Centre County Automobile Dealers' Association held its September meeting at the State College hotel. It was the annual meeting and one of the items of business transacted was the election of officers for the ensuing year. The officers elected are: President, Bruce Hagan, Bellefonte; vice-president, Paul Houser, Lemont; secretary-treasurer, R. S. Hagan, Centre Hall.

The next meeting, which falls on Friday, October 14, will be held at the Coffee Shoppe, Top of Nittany Mountain.

The advertisements are printed for your convenience. They inform and save you time, energy and money.

EX-SHERIFF A. B. LEE TURNS INVENTOR

A machine that pares, quarters and removes the cores from apples and that can be adapted for paring almost all kinds of vegetables, has been invented by former Sheriff A. B. Lee, of Spring Mills. The contrivance, run by a crank at one end, drew much attention at the Grange Fair here, where Sheriff Lee first demonstrated it.

The ingenious contrivance weighs about nine pounds, is made entirely of iron, and will fit in a box 18 inches long 12 inches high and six inches in depth. At the right end is the crank, on the end of which is a spool containing three prongs upon which the vegetable to be pared is placed. Turning the crank rotates the apple.

While the vegetable is turning, a movable knife attached to the machine is held against the outside in such a manner that even an amateur can turn out a nicely pared job. A guide on the blade prevents paring off more of the vegetable than is necessary to remove the skin.

If the vegetable is an apple, the process is only partly completed. A lever on the machine, when moved to the left, forces the pared apple against a set of knives crossed at right angles. This quarters the apple. At the same time, a one-inch circular knife fixed where the straight blades meet in the center, cuts out the core, so that after the lever is pushed to the left, the four quarters of the apple fall out a slot— all ready for immediate use, without further preparation.

Sheriff Lee has applied for a patent and has made several of the machines. He is planning to construct more in the near future. They will retail for about \$4.50 each. After a little practice anyone can run a bushel of apples through the device in twenty minutes, Sheriff Lee said.

222 ENROLL IN HARRIS TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Two hundred and twenty-two pupils, taxing the school's physical plant to the limit, enrolled for nine months' study with the opening of Harris township schools on September 6.

Fifty-eight students were registered in the vocational school on the first day, while 154 entered the various grade rooms of the district. Teachers in the vocational school for the present term are, LeRoy Freedy, principal; Edwin Dale, Miss Helen Geer, Miss Lucille Mitchell, and Mrs. G. M. Smith.

In the grade schools, Samuel I. Ross will have charge of the grammar room, and Miss Ruth Craine will devote her activities to the intermediate room. The primary room will be under the care of Miss Anna Mary Hess.

Shingletown schools will be conducted by Paul Durner, and the Linden Hall school under the supervision of Miss Marguerite Gingrich.

COUNTY C. E. CONVENTION.

"Youth, a Little Farther for Christ and the Church," will be the theme for the Centre County Christian Endeavor Convention which will be held on Saturday, October 15, in the Reformed church at Hubersburg. Delegates from the thirty-four societies of the county will assemble on the above date at 9:30 o'clock in the morning and continue throughout the day, for conferences on Methods, Graded Endeavor, Departmentalized program and recreation. Many interesting features are promised for this gathering. Special music will be furnished by the C. E. society of Blanchard and a pageant will be given by the C. E. Societies of Phillipsburg.

CHANGE OF TRAIN SCHEDULE.

A slight change in the train schedule on the L. & T. will become effective beginning Sunday. The train from the east, is scheduled to arrive here at 7:56 a. m., instead of 8:03 as at present. This is a change of seven minutes, and enough to be taken into account if you desire to be carried by rail, or post mail to be transported over it.

40,000 EAT BEAN SOUP; ONE WOMAN DIES

With 40,000 persons milling about the kettles of the forty-first annual McClure Bean Soup homecoming celebration, Friday and Saturday, one fatality resulted.

Mrs. Harry Wagner, 60, widow of Harry Wagner, who was fatally stricken on Thursday, fell from the crowd and died of a heart condition.

She was in company of her daughter, Mrs. John E. Ewing, of McClure, and also survived by a son, Lawrence, also of McClure.

Thirty copper-lined kettles were used to make the soup, and in the kettles went 1300 pounds of beans, 1500 pounds of beef. The customers crunched 1500 pounds of crackers.

The speakers were Thomas H. Bower, Snyder county Democratic chairman; Harry G. Rippman, of Millers-town; Meredith Meyers, Lewistown; Alvin C. Walker, Republican county chairman; Ernest L. Jahmcke, Assistant Secretary of the Navy; former congressman Benjamin K. Focht, of Lewisburg, and Senator Benjamin T. Apple, Sunbury.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

The Union county fair dates are October 11 to 14.

State College bootleggers are either reckless or dumb, or something else. A large number of them got their names in the criminal court proceedings as a result of it.

Saturday of this week, Frank D. Lee will hold public sale of a large quantity of household furniture, dishes, silverware, etc.; also, numerous antiques—articles of rare value. The sale starts at 12 o'clock sharp.

Miss Pearl McCloskey, of Millheim, and Guy Beahm, of Aaronsburg, 1932 and 1931 graduates of East Penna. Valley High school, are preparing for the profession of teaching in the State Teachers' College, Lock Haven.

R. S. Stover, the Millheim jeweler, is able to furnish you with the latest design of hunting license provided you furnish the proper information and fee. The cost is no more than that charged at the Treasurer's office.

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Auman, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Runkle, Mr. and Mrs. George Johnston, all of town, and the latter's mother, Mrs. William Taylor, and her brother, Dick Taylor, of Bellefonte on Sunday drove to Gettysburg to view the battlefield.

At a meeting of the Centre County hospital board, Ivan Walker, Esq., of Bellefonte, and Willard K. McDowell, of Howard, were elected to fill the vacancies caused by the resignation of Rev. Robert Thena and the death of Sumner J. Wolfe.

The chicken and corn soup supper served Saturday evening by the missionary society of the Evangelical church was well patronized, and those who did so were well pleased with the soup and the many side dishes, as well as with the service by the young ladies.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Alexander and children, who the latter part of last week returned to their home in Wagon, N. J., after a visit here among relatives, were accompanied by Miss Margaret Alexander, R. N., who will go to Philadelphia, hoping to find some one in need of her professional services.

Brush valley farmers, or rather a goodly number of them, are harvesting a good crop of clover seed. On a number of farms the yield is considerable number of bushels and at present prices will help balance the budget. Lyman Smith is one of the farm owners in that valley to profit from this almost volunteer crop.

The Millheim Journal is voicing the complaint of residents in that burg that fruit trees and vines, and in some instances garden patches, are being robbed of fruit and vegetables by the younger element. Now, that is just too bad, when every old codger in the land is aching all over to be young again so that he could do the same thing without greatly annoying his conscience.

The Eighteenth Congressional district, comprising the counties of Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Juniata, Millheim, Perry Snyder and Union, has for both the short and long term Meredith Meyer, of Lewistown, as its Democratic candidate; B. K. Pocht, Republican, for the long term, and Joseph F. Biddell, of Huntingdon, Republican for the short term. All the candidates are publishers.

The three convicts who made their getaway from Rockview penitentiary on Thursday were Harry Harding, age 43, Allegheny county, serving a sentence of eight to sixteen years for robbery; William Myers, aged 29 years, Beaver county, for breaking, entering and larceny, serving a term of five to ten years, and John Griffin, aged 27 years, Fayette county, serving a term of one and one-half to three years.

The latter part of August, John Bohn, tenant on the Bradford farm, at Old Fort, while unloading hay, fell through the hay bidders and on landing on the floor tore a ligament in the right leg. Since then he has been unable to walk except with the aid of crutches. And it was his good leg at that, which was injured. The left knee was badly hurt in an auto accident within a year.

There are ninety-eight students in the East Penna. Valley High school, near Millheim. There is some agitation that the News, the official school paper, eliminate from its columns all activities aside from the regular school outline, when it again appears in the columns of the Millheim Journal. It is possible that too much emphasis may be placed on athletics by school papers, consequently an even balance will make the work of the pupils more acceptable.

While at work in setting a post for a grape arbor in the Bartholomew lot on Hoffer street, one day last week, Earl Lutz heard the zing of a rifle ball as it passed close by and heard the crack of glass as the bullet struck a cellar window in the house on the lot occupied by Newton Emeric. Investigation failed to disclose the identity of the one who held the gun. The ball's calibre was not determined. It is probable that the shot came from a 22 in the hands of a boy, and this calls for a reminder on the parts of parents that children should not be permitted to handle deadly weapons.

HIGHLIGHTS IN ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH TO KANSAS FARMERS

High spots in the opening speech of the campaign by Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt, in Topeka, Kansas:

There is no single remedy that will by itself bring immediate prosperity to the agricultural population of all parts of the United States.

This nation cannot endure if it is half "boom" and half "broke." Farming has not had an even break in our economic system.

The things that farmers buy, protected by Mr. Grundy's tariff, are 9 per cent. above pre-war; the things that farmers sell—and remember world prices fix domestic prices—are 43 per cent below pre-war prices.

The correction means finding a cure for the condition that compels the farmer to trade in 1932 two wagon loads for the things for which in 1914 he traded one wagonload.

The present administration and the two previous, destroyed the foreign markets for our exportable farm surplus beginning with the Fordney-McCumber tariff and ending with the Grundy tariff.

We must have national planning in agriculture. First, I would recognize the United States Department of Agriculture, looking toward the administrative machinery needed to build a program of national planning.

I favor a definite policy looking to the planned use of the land.

I propose to exert such influence as I can in favor of a national movement to reorganize local government in the direction of eliminating some of the tax burden which now bears down so heavily on farms.

There is the necessity of refinancing of farm mortgages in order to relieve the burden of excessive interest charges and the grim threat of foreclosure.

I seek to give that portion of the crop consumed in the United States a benefit equivalent to a tariff sufficient to give you farmers adequate price.