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EDITORIAL.

It is no wonder that "Old Penny" wanted the press muzzled in Pennsylvania.

BERRY would make a good governor of Pennsylvania. He is a useful man at Harrisburg.

WITH wheat jumping up around the \$1 mark our farmers will have occasion to rejoice.

IT LOOKS as though President Roosevelt would nominate Taft for President. It would be better than Foraker or Fairbanks.

THE coming primary election in Centre county will be devoid of interest as there is no contest on hand in either party.

GOVERNOR Stuart is up against a stiff proposition, more appropriations than money, and the pruning process will have to be applied.

THE party platform and campaign pledges are quite different from the record of the recent legislature. Only a few pledges were fulfilled.

THE man who called state Treasurer Berry a "Liar" last fall is gradually swallowing his own spew, in the hope of retaining some favor in the public estimation.

CENTRE county will send a representative to Harrisburg to vote for Bois Penrose for United States Senator, but it will be like the woman who kept hotel out west.

Judge Love wanted to be a delegate to the next republican State convention and the boys said, "nit." He will not go. Little rough on the Penrose crowd who give out postoffices.

THE CAPITOL trimmings robbers are now offering to refund stolen thousands on condition that there be no prosecution. Heaven forbid. Let the penitentiary enclose the rascals for life—and let the prosecution go on at once, the same as it would against any other thief or thieves.

No Stalwart republican need apply for anything in Centre county unless he wants to get it where the chicken got the axe. It takes a long time to get this through Judge Love's cranium, but after he has received several more hard knocks, below the belt, he'll waken up to the stern reality that no gangster can touch bottom in Centre county.

WHEN you hear a fellow advocating in favor of the "Old Organization" you can put him down as an endorser and upholder of corporations, of the old machine that has disgraced Pennsylvania; and mark him as one who winks at the capitol steal, and who favors Penrose, the arch corruptionist and tool of Quay, for re-election to the United States senate. That's what is meant by the "Organization." In the State Capitol iniquity, alone, the people have received a dose that will stink in their nostrils for the next half century, let alone the other plunder schemes perpetrated by the same "Organization" in the past twenty-years. The "Old Organization" has both an advocate and an organ in this county to vent an advocacy of it—both standing largely discredited by honest men of all parties.

THE STANDARD OIL company continues to break all law, defy the government, rob the people and strangle all independent oil operators. If the Government is hedging about bringing up the monster to the obedience and requirements of the law, then let the people take the bull by the horns, like the revolutionary fathers did King George for his tyranny and stamp out every vestige of the Standard—if it met the approbation of the public to throw the tea overboard in Boston harbor, it will meet the approbation of the robbed people of the world, if a dose of the medicine of the revolutionary days be administered to the great octopus. Let it be stamped out entirely—it deserves no better fate. It has millions piled up mountain high and cares nothing for fines. Put the robbers to jail and end its career. The petty thief is railroaded to state's prison the first court after his theft is committed but this thief of millions, unjustly raked off the public, is permitted to be at large with sham proceedings covering years and ending in nothing. Is that a "square deal"?

CLOSING EVENTS OF THE LEGISLATURE

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The Penrose machine dominated the Senate as completely as the Speaker, with all his vast power, controlled the House. The Senate killed the McClain bills not because they were bad, and some of them were atrocious, but for the reason that they were McClain's bills. In resentment McClain, on the last legislative day of the session, slashed and slaughtered the Senate bills with merciless pertinacity. He wasn't very particular as to the character of the measures, either. The fact that they were Senate bills was enough. He refused to permit any of them to be considered with the result that more than sixty Senate bills, good, bad and indifferent, fell into the Legislative waste basket that day.

As a result of this resolution was introduced into the Senate by Mr. Blewitt, of Lackawanna county, on Thursday, deprecating the "unparliamentable" position taken by the Hon. Frank B. McClain in the closing hours of the session of the House of Representatives." The resolution was referred to committee without debate but it is nevertheless a part of the record of the session and in position which practically makes it impossible to obliterate it. At least it will remain in its present position until the next session when the committee may report it with an affirmative or negative recommendation and a motion to expunge will lie.

QUEER CAPERS OF MURPHY.

Political exigencies make presiding officers cut up queer pranks at times and the session just closed was no exception to the rule in that respect. Speaker McClain was absolutely fair as a rule, and thought he "did things" once or twice, in the main there is no just cause of complaint against him. But Lieutenant Governor Murphy "went the limit," whenever such service appeared to be required of him. For instance on the last day but one of the session, he ruled that a motion to lay a motion on the table was not to lay a previous motion on the table was not in order for the reason that in the event that it prevailed there would be nothing tangible to lay on the table. That was the acme of absurdity.

G. D. H.

\$57,000,000 THIS YEAR.

Pennsylvania's immense wealth is eloquently shown by a summary of the present legislature's appropriations.

More than \$57,000,000 has been voted away. Schools get \$15,000,000, about \$7,000,000 goes for good roads. Hospitals have not been slighted, and \$600,000 has been voted for the relief of indigent consumptives. The department of health gets \$1,500,000 to carry on its work.

Failure of the senate to pass revenue measures and the political play of that body in jamming through the Cochran pension bill will probably cut the state's \$10,000,000 surplus to about \$4,000,000 unless Governor Stuart vetoes the pension bill or slashes the hospital appropriations.

THE TOWN COUNCIL.

EDITOR DEMOCRAT: THE PRIMER Orphanage seems to be coming to the front again. It is to be hoped that this is so. The question of the organization of the orphanage is the only one that is open. The bequest has been accepted by the borough, and for the purpose designated by the bequestator. It is a matter of some wonder to our people why a thing of so much value and that will, if rightly used, be of much benefit to a helpless and needy class of people, has been so long and needlessly delayed. Of course it is well known why this bequest to the boroughs of Bellefonte and Tyrone has been held up, and at whose instance it was done.

This interference should be discontinued. It was Mr. Pruner's will that these two boroughs should have a large and valuable property for the purpose named. Why not leave it at that? No effort has been or can be made to break the will. It should not be annulled or set aside by means that would do credit to one of the experts of the "Philadelphia Gang." Let the council serve their courage and meet the question like men.

The council though is great, and, it is, or thinks it is doing great things. Last March it organized and elected a clerk, a collector for the water tax, and a solicitor. Since then it is said that an Act of Assembly has been passed and approved by the Governor authorizing the election of a Borough Solicitor for three years, this likely is correct. Then, though there was no vacancy in the office of solicitor, for he had been elected for a year, without any resignation, without any need, the council proceeded to elect a solicitor to a vacancy which did not exist. Dr. Kirk and C. Y. Wagner are to be congratulated on the opposition they raised. Nobody with ordinary capacity to think, much less a lawyer, but could easily understand that when the council had once exercised the right of electing a solicitor that was the end of it for the year, unless he proved unfit or resigned. This act of Assembly, being approved by the Governor after the council had organized and chosen its solicitor, was not intended to apply until the organization of the next council. Say I have gone to Philadelphia. Only some of the "Gang" come to us! Only a hair splitter of the law could elect a solicitor for three years, and date it back to cover a period before the law, authorizing an election for three years had been passed.

There is a case before council now relating to a sewer which the owner of a lot wants the borough to move. This sewer was put where it is in a perfectly legitimate way. No one has any right to touch it but by consent of course, and it must be moved by the owner of the lot, not at the expense of the borough. The solicitor has not sized this up yet. Our borough should be run awhile in the interest of the public instead of individuals.

NORTH WARD REFORMER.

WHEAT on Wednesday, in Chicago, \$1.02—this is with the wheat gamblers, but the farmer who raises it, gets 70 to 72.

"Brickyard Bill" continues to do business at the old stand as our state treasurer. He lifted the lid and is keeping her up.

APPARENTLY the Penrose and Elkin people are preparing to lock horns in the coming Republican State convention.

RECENT DEATHS.

DANIEL CONFER—aged resident of Suganley, died Friday morning, aged 80 years. Burial was made in the church cemetery.

MARY CALDWELL—the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Caldwell, formerly of Milesburg, but now of Pittsburg, died Wednesday of last week of spinal meningitis. She was a bright and interesting child and her death is a sad blow to her parents. The remains were brought to Milesburg, Friday for interment.

WILLIAM CUFF—died on Monday morning of last week at his home near Centreline, Halfmoon twp., as the result of a complication of diseases contracted during a ten month's incarceration in the Andersonville prison during the war. He is survived by his wife, seven brothers: Emanuel, Henry, David, Joseph, John, Frank and Perry, and two sisters.

ADAM WEAVER—aged and esteemed resident of Woodward, died Saturday May 11, of dropsy. He was born in Haines twp. May 10, 1819, making his age 77 years, 11 months and 26 days. He leaves to survive a widow, one son, James, and one daughter, Mrs. L. D. Orndorf, all of Woodward. Funeral services were held Wednesday forenoon. Interment was made in the Union cemetery at Woodward.

MRS. BRIDGET GALLAGHER—wife of the late William Gallagher, died at her home, at Lock Haven, Friday afternoon after a lingering illness of asthma, aged about 72 years. Deceased is survived by one son James, and three sisters, Mrs. D. Delaney, of that city; Mrs. C. Kane, Howard; and Mrs. Daniel O'Neil, Marsh Creek. Funeral took place Monday morning at 9 o'clock. Interment in St. Mary's cemetery.

MRS. MARY KRIDER—died at her home Warriorsmark, Wednesday afternoon of 15, aged 98 years and 9 months. She was born in Warriorsmark township in which she resided all her life. She was twice married, her first husband being Jesse Mothersbaugh, their marriage occurring in 1825. Later she became the wife of Henry Krider. Both of her husbands preceded her to the grave by many years. Although she was not blessed with any children of her own, Mrs. Krider was a devoted and faithful mother to eight of her second husband.

MRS. FANNIE KAUFFMAN—wife of Israel Kauffman, passed away Saturday morning at her home on East Bishop street at 5:30 o'clock. She had been ill for about five months with tuberculosis from which she had been a patient sufferer when a little girl. She united with the Lutheran church and lived a life consistent with its teaching. She was a most excellent lady, having many warm friends. The deceased was born at Lemont, June 26th, 1844, and died May 18th, 1907, making her age 61 years 10 months and 22 days. Interment Tuesday afternoon, and was largely attended. Interment was made in the Shiloh cemetery.

OSCAR FETZER—died Friday morning at his home near Runville, under circumstances that were most pathetic. He is a son of George M. Fetzer, who several weeks ago suddenly disappeared and his whereabouts is not known up to the present time. His sons have not given up the search, and each day they are found roaming the mountains and the hills of that vicinity with the hope of finding some trace of him. Oscar was always in delicate health and a favorite of his father. Although weak and emaciated he frequently would wander over the mountains and return tired and weary. The mental strain seemed more than he could bear and thus came his untimely death. Thursday he had an attack of epilepsy but seemed to have recovered. On Friday he had a fainting spell and laid down on the sofa. A physician was summoned, but before he arrived the young man passed away. He was 23 years of age, and was highly respected by all who knew him. He is survived by a mother and the following brothers and sisters: Boas, Harry, John, James, Alice, Annie and Bessie. The funeral took place Sunday morning.

MRS. ANNA MARIA HARSHBARGER—wife of David Harshbarger, of Hublersburg, died on Saturday afternoon, May 18, aged 71 years, 3 months and 16 days. Deceased was born in York, Pa., Feb. 2, 1836. Her health had not been perfect for some two years. After her marriage to Mr. Harshbarger, who then had his home with his father in Gregg township, he moved to their present home and has since that engaged in farming. The deceased became a member of the Lutheran church at Aaronburg in her early years and has remained a devoted member of that denomination up to her death. During the residence of the family in Nittany valley, the Lutheran church at Snyderstown was their regular place of worship—true to her vows when she was confirmed, she led a consistent christian life. Surviving her is a sorrowing husband, and the following children, Wm. Kurtz, and James Franklin, at home; Charles Cuddy, at Montandon; Mrs. Florence McClain, of Hecla; the following have preceded the mother to the "other shore": Mrs. Joanna Shamp, Alive Arora, and Almetta Menetta, also a son, Joseph H. A sister and a brother also survive her, namely, Mrs. Sophia Ettinger, of Milton, and Frederick Kurtz, of Bellefonte. Funeral on Monday forenoon, services being held at the house, and interment in the Union cemetery at Hublersburg, Rev. Fleck officiating.

CYRUS LUSE—who has been in ill health for the past two years and confined to his bed the past week at his home in Tyrone, died Wednesday evening 5th, of nerve depression and heart trouble. The deceased was born at Spring Mills, Centre county, being aged 64 years and 14 days. Mr. Luse by occupation was a blacksmith and had resided at Farmer's Mills, Centre county, till March 20, 1890, from whence with his family, he removed to Tyrone, where he had resided since, working for a period at his trade and for three years serving on the Tyrone police force. The deceased was twice married, his second wife, Elizabeth (Brindle) Luse, survives him, with the following full and direct and step-children, viz: William L. Luse, of Altoona; Mrs. A. Zerby, Berrien Springs, Michigan; P. C. Luse, Elgin Oregon; Miss Rebecca Souls, Red Lion, York county, and Mrs. C. L. Grimm, Madisonburg, Centre county. He is also survived by two brothers, D. F. and A. P. Luse, of Centre Hall, and two sisters, Mrs. J. W. Shook, of Spring Mills, and Mrs. John Rutter, of Loraine, Ohio, and three half brothers, Perry Luse, Centre Hall; Lloyd Luse, of Aaronburg, Pa.; and Malcolm Luse, of Johnstown, Pa. Interment in Union cemetery at Farmers Mills, on Saturday.

MRS. DANIEL BOWER—died at her home at Rote Tuesday morning of paralysis aged 74 years. She is survived by her husband and a number of children.

MRS. EMILY RHINE—who resided near Tylersville, died last Friday of a complication of ailments, aged 63 years. Deceased is survived by several children.

MRS. MARGARET DUNCAN GOUGH—of Lewisburg, died last Friday and was buried Monday afternoon at 2:30. Mrs. Gough was very well known in Bellefonte having visited here quite often.

MRS. HECKENDORF—a sister of Mrs. C. Y. Wagner, died at her home in Snow Shoe township, on Wednesday of last week. She was cooking supper and while standing at the stove fell to the floor and expired.

MRS. DEBORAH WILLIAMS—wife of Roland Williams, of Salona, died Friday evening of heart affection, aged 38 years. She is survived by her husband and five children. The deceased's maiden name was Deborah Caldwell. She was reared and lived her entire life in Salona.

MRS. LAVINA HOUSER—probably one of the oldest residents of College twp., died on Tuesday evening of last week after a long illness. She was aged about 68 years. She was twice married, the first time to John Wasson by whom she had two children, Charles, who is a Methodist minister located at York, and Arthur at home. Her second husband was Daniel Houser, who also preceded her to the grave. The funeral took place Thursday morning.

Mrs. JAMES WEAVER—passed away Saturday evening at 7 o'clock at her home in Milesburg from diseases incident to her advanced age. She was a good lady and her kindness will never be forgotten by those who received aid from her generous hand. She belonged to the Methodist church and never became weary in espousing its cause. Mary Hall Weaver was born at Milesburg and was a daughter of Sheriff Hall at one time a prominent citizen of Centre county. She was the wife of Colonel James F. Weaver who preceded her to the Home above about three years ago. After the death of her husband Mrs. Weaver and her son and daughter moved from the old homestead east of Milesburg to a little home in Milesburg. She was in her 76th year. The deceased was a charter member of the Bald Eagle Grange and has filled the offices of Pomona, Flora and Ceres in a most acceptable manner. She leaves to mourn her death three children, Willis of Wimer; James and Lizzie at home. The funeral took place Wednesday morning from her home at Milesburg at ten o'clock. Interment in the Union cemetery at Bellefonte.

A fine team of gray horses owned by David Chambers of Clarence, took sick last week and died in a short time. At first it was thought to be colic, but since then it is thought they were poisoned by some evil disposed person. The team was procured from Alf Baum, of Bellefonte.

Get busy occasionally and dust off your conscience.

Other people die that the undertaker may live.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

Another year has quickly rolled around and another graduating class of the Bellefonte High School will take the posthum next week and bid farewell to the scenes of the school room where the happiest days of their lives were spent. The significance of this, however, will never be fully realized until the young ladies and gentlemen begin battling with the cold and heartless world. This year the High School has maintained its record for proficiency which is a credit to both the teachers and the students. Superintendent John D. Meyer, Jonas Wagner, Principal of the High School, and his worthy assistants, James E. Dunning and Miss Ella Levy have been assiduous in their efforts to the class of 1907, one of the best ever graduated from the school. They had the backing of an excellent board of directors who come in for a share of praise for excellent work done during the last year. The commencement will be inaugurated Sunday evening by Rev. James B. Stein, of the Methodist church, preaching the baccalaureate sermon. Monday evening the Junior contest for the Reynolds' prize will take place in Petrikin Hall, the following being the program:

- Muscle
- "Death-Bed of the Unknown".....Harold B. Gardner
- "John Gresham's Gethsemane".....Rachel E. Shuey
- "The Fatal Effects of Slavery".....Betty M. Selbert
- "At the Gate of Hope".....Betty M. Selbert
- Muscle
- "The Haven of the Oppressed".....Orden B. Main
- "The Queen of the Bees".....Miss Crawford
- "The Old Fashioned Man of God".....Walter Rishel
- Muscle
- "Ginevra".....Besse A. Miles
- "Against Centralization".....Ivan V. Walker
- "A Child of Sacrifice".....Abbie M. Cook
- Muscle
- Decision of Judges.

Tuesday evening the Alumni reception and dance will take place in the armory and will be a pleasing social affair. The following is the program for the commencement exercises on Wednesday:

- Muscle
- Invocation
- Salutatory and Essay—"Motives of Intellectual Culture".....Helen K. Robb
- Essay—"A Land of Fruits and Flowers".....F. Jane Hater
- Oration—"Era of Continental Railways".....John A. Rankin
- Class History.....Miriam Grimm
- Muscle
- Essay—"The Educational Side of Art".....Elizabeth C. Barnhart
- Oration—"Our Progress".....Benjamin F. Swartz
- Essay—"The School of Life".....S. Helen Stover
- Muscle
- Biographical Essay—"George Bancroft".....Harriet E. Ray
- Class Prophecy.....Ivan M. Meyer
- Oration and Valedictory—"The State as a Factor in World Peace".....Clair M. Seibert
- Essay—"The Art of Courtesy".....Elsie C. Bidwell
- Oration—"Expositions an Index of Progress".....E. Blair Fisher
- Oration—"Restriction of Immigration".....Norman M. Kirk
- Essay—"Influence of Music".....Leah D. Woodson
- Muscle

Commencement Address.....Hon. Henry Houck

Presentation of diplomas and a reading of prizes.....Wm. C. Heine, Esq.

Benediction.....S. Helen Stover

Muscle

A dozen mealy wedding presents become innumerable gifts when you ask about it in the paper.

It doesn't take a man nearly so long to reach 30 as a woman.

Teachers Favored.

The legislature passed the bill making the minimum salary of teachers forty-dollars for those holding provisional certificates and fifty dollars for those holding professional, permanent or normal school certificates and having had two years' experience in teaching.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the matter of the estate of ANDREW STOVEN, late of Haines Twp., deceased. The undersigned, an auditor appointed by the said Court to pass upon the question as to whether the fund in the hands of the Orphan's Court, being the share of Sarah E. Needham, in the said estate, should be distributed to the surviving heirs of Andrew Stover, dec'd, as if the said Sarah E. Needham were actually dead; and to make distribution of the said fund in accordance therewith; will meet the parties interested at the office of Fortney & Fortney, in Bellefonte, Pa., on Friday, the 14th day of June A. D. 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where all parties interested may appear or be forever debarred from coming in on said fund.

D. PAUL LORTNEY, Auditor.

Bellefonte Trust Company.

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For ten years the first spent an average of \$1 a week foolishly, absolutely without return. The second saved \$1 a week at home, where it could earn no interest. The third deposited his \$1 regularly each week in a bank paying 3 per cent interest. Here's the way they stood at the end of ten years:

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- No. 3.....\$605.23

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