

FRANCIS SPEER'S

Breezy "That" Column

That if you are hunting for the smallest man in Bellefonte just pick out the stiniest. That some people in Bellefonte are always prepared for any emergency—except twins. That when E. R. Chambers, the Bellefonte lawyer, goes into Jim Sumner's restaurant, it's a case of law and order. That love may be blind but marriage is a pretty good eye opener. How many young girls in Bellefonte have seen this when it was too late. That many a wife in Bellefonte will look like a saint in her Easter bonnet, but before the milliner is paid her husband will look like the devil. That if the Hostetter bitters man needs additional hops he probably could find some in Bellefonte just now as we have three dancing classes. That it is stated that a Centre county man in advertising his farm states that it is advantageously located twenty-five miles from a lawyer's office. That Henry Lowry, the Bellefonte contractor, says the best way to treat a knocker is to give him a handful of nails, a hatchet and a pine board. That it is stated that a man in Allentown felt recently and tore his liver. It would be a good thing if some fellows in Bellefonte would fall some day and tear their gall. That Rex Barlett, of Bellefonte, says that he has been around enough where there is baking going on to know that a mince pie may be puffed up, but the doughnut is really the whole thing. That there is a woman in Bellefonte who is running her husband into the ground by trying to keep up with the fast set. A man with a brainless wife might just as well be in the world of despair. That there are two young men in Bellefonte who have palpitation of the heart over one young lady. The chances are that the wrong fellow will marry the girl, and she is to be pitied. That there is a man in Bellefonte who isn't satisfied with holding his own wife but slips out on the "Q. T." and nurses the wife of a neighbor. It is said that at times this chap wears slippers to deaden the noise. That there is a young man in Bellefonte if he would attempt to show as much discourtesy at his own home as he does when he is in another's home, he would be invited to leave, and that mighty quick. That the fellow in Spring township who is making so many friendly calls at a certain house when the husband is away, had better resist the temptation and pass by. The people are beginning to smell the rat. That when a person in Bellefonte or Centre county gets so stingy as to borrow a newspaper when they could pay for one themselves reminds us of the fellow who talked through his nose to keep his teeth from wearing out. That one of the prettiest grey foxes to be seen any place has been on exhibition in the show window at Knisely's pool room. Probably that also was caught by George Knisely in his cellar after the flood had subsided. How did it get in? Crawled through the drain pipe. That the other day "Pappy" Haines, of Bellefonte, was standing on the High street bridge looking into the deep muddy water, perhaps thinking about drowning his sorrows because of the girl who left him behind. Cheer up old man, you may yet live to sleep and snore in Lock Haven. That a certain clerk in Bellefonte called on a certain young lady and spent the evening. After he had departed the fair damsel closed the door repeating "Thank Heavens that stick's gone." The young man who goes to this house and doesn't hold hands, kiss and hug is about what she called him. That Architect Joe Huston, of the Capitol graft fame, was in Bellefonte Thursday. He spent considerable time in making observations around the soldiers' monument, when it was quietly rumored that the soldiers were running great risks by not having the granite memorial chained to its foundation. That there is in Bellefonte a male gossip whose main endeavor is to put into circulation slanderous stories about respectable young girls. He is viler than a yelping cur and more venomous than a hissing snake. Decent people are always justified in any indignation they can place upon a freak of degeneracy of this kind. That the finding of a long gray hair on the coat of a young professional man in Bellefonte came within an ace of causing another scandal in Bellefonte. The explanation he gave to his wife of how the frosted hair got there was very shallow and mystifying. After he is through with escapades of this kind he should give a boy a nickle to brush his clothes. That it is no credit to a young man in Bellefonte to come out on Easter with a new suit on, and topped up to beat the band, all at the expense of his tailor. Better to come out with red flannel patches on the bosom of his pantaloons if he can call them his own. There are some girls in Bellefonte who should like-wise put this in their pipes and smoke it. There would be some startling revelations if the books of some of our milliners and dressmakers could be examined. That J. C. Rumberger and son Sam, of Bellefonte, have purchased the poultry business from A. A. Huffman, the large henry being located on Armor street. "Sam" being a ready genius he is going to introduce some new and novel features which will be especially interesting to the ladies. Every live hen he sells he is going to put felt shoes on it to prevent her from scratching up the flower beds. This is a new method of shoeing a hen, and the invention will, no doubt, prove a money-maker. That it is stated that a certain young plumber in Bellefonte started out the other evening for the purpose of having an enjoyable time. He found it in a very nice home, reclining on the arm of a large chair by the side of a pretty young lady, whom he was carressing. The unfortunate thing about the whole affair was that the blinds were up and his best girl happened to take a peep. It is to be hoped that no breach of promise suit will follow. A fellow can't "Rush" two girls at the same time without some interference. Moral: Always pull down the blinds.

(Furnished by Local Option Committee)

TO THE VOTERS OF CENTRE CO.

Fellow Citizens:— At a Mass Meeting held in the Court house in Bellefonte, on Feb. 6th, last, the undersigned were chosen as a committee to conduct a canvass and do whatever seemed fair and reasonable to do to secure the nomination of candidates for the legislature who, if elected, would support and vote for a "LOCAL OPTION BILL" at the legislative session of 1909. The good people of the state were greatly disappointed that the legislature of 1907 smothered such a bill in committee, and by this means took from them the right to pass on this question. During the campaign it has been frequently declared by interested parties that this is Prohibition. This is a mis-statement of the fact and known to be so by those who make it. When made by candidates it is done to carry favor with those who are opposed to the passage of a "LOCAL OPTION BILL" and the submission of the question of license or no license to the people. The proposition to submit such a question to the people is so preeminently fair that it is amazing that even those who favor license should oppose it. "It is but the right of a free people to have, by legislative enactment, provisions made for the use of the ballot to give expression of opinion upon a question of such vital moment. To deny it would be a disgrace and should cover the perpetrators of such tyranny with 'ODIUM AND INFAMY.'" On the 14th of March the Committee sent to each person who had announced himself to be voted for at the primaries as a candidate for the legislature, the following letter: BELLEFONTE, PA., MARCH 14, 1908. Dear Sir:—At a meeting of the undersigned the following preamble and resolution was adopted. You are respectfully requested to give us assurance within a week from getting the same, as to your position. WHEREAS, in view of the fact that the local option question will be one of the most important that can or will come before the next session of the Legislature of Pennsylvania. AND WHEREAS you have announced yourself as a candidate for representative from Centre county in the next legislature, therefore, RESOLVED—That the local option committee respectfully request you to define your position on the Local Option Question, and if you should be nominated and elected whether you will use all honorable means both by work and vote to secure the passage of such a measure. This preamble and resolution is submitted to all candidates for the legislature of both the great political parties. This committee is not a political committee. It is our desire only to ascertain the position of the candidates so that the voters of both parties may be advised as to whom they can rely upon to properly represent them fairly and honestly on this great question. Very truly yours, D. F. FORTNEY, Chairman. ISAAC UNDERWOOD, Sec'y. JAMES HARRIS, Treas. To this time the only replies received have been from J. C. Meyer, Esq., W. L. Foster, Charles E. Fisher and R. M. Foster and are as follows: BELLEFONTE, PA., MARCH 16, 1908. D. F. FORTNEY, President Centre County Local Option Committee. My Dear Sir:—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th, instant, requesting that as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Assembly, I state my position on the enactment of a proposed Local Option Law. I now hereby cheerfully comply with your request, because I do not desire the support and confidence of the people of our county without being entirely frank and honest with them upon this issue, so that they may be able to vote intelligently. I am convinced that the question you refer to will be an important and well defined issue in the approaching campaign. I may go a step further and say, that while the liquor traffic has always been and always will be a great moral issue in the public mind and conscience, it is beginning latterly to assume the phase of a great commercial problem. Recently large corporations employing much labor have declared an advanced code of conduct for their employees and now require of them absolute sobriety as a condition of service. Because, therefore, the right to sell intoxicating liquors as a beverage affects the general welfare of the community, I believe the people should have a voice in the determination of the question, and I do not want anyone to be in doubt as to where I stand on that question. Let me say, therefore, that if I should be selected as the proper person to represent Centre county in the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania, I shall use all honorable means to secure the enactment of a LOCAL OPTION LAW and shall vote for its prompt and speedy passage. Sincerely yours, J. C. MEYER. STATE COLLEGE, PA., MARCH 23, 1908. D. F. FORTNEY, Chairman. Dear Sir:—Your communication relative to my position on Local Option received. In reply would say: That the local option question is not a direct issue in the campaign. That what is settled by the people later on, should the Legislature give them the privilege to vote on this issue. But should I be nominated and elected to the Legislature I would support any lawful measure to submit the question of Local Option to the vote of the people, and would endeavor to support any measure that the expressed wishes of my constituents desired in the matter. To pledge myself to any particular measure for the purpose of securing votes, I feel would be improper and not in accordance with our constitution and laws. Yours very truly, W. L. FOSTER. BOALSBURG, PA., MARCH 24, 1908. D. F. FORTNEY, Sec'y. President of Centre Co. Local Option Com., Bellefonte, Pennsylvania. Dear Sir:—Having announced myself as a candidate for Legislature, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primary election, on April 11th, next, I wish to state at that time, and if nominated and elected, I will determinedly oppose any movement standing in the way of the enactment of and use my influence and vote for such a law as will give the people of Centre County the right to say by their votes whether or not they are in favor of Local Option. Very truly yours, CHAS. E. FISHER. STATE COLLEGE, PA., March 25, 1908. CENTRE COUNTY LOCAL OPTION COMMITTEE. D. F. FORTNEY, Bellefonte, Pa. Gentlemen:—Yours of recent date before me. In reply would say that if nominated and elected to the Legislature I shall be pleased to aid and support a Local Option measure. When a member of the Legislature I never supported liquor legislation. Hoping this defines my position, I remain, Yours truly, R. M. FOSTER. None of the other candidates have submitted an answer, and the time limit given by the committee in which a reply was requested is more than past, so we conclude no other answers will be given. Mr. W. H. Evey announces himself subject to the action of the Republicans of Centre County as follows: "If elected I will favor any measure giving to the people the constitutional right of expression on any fundamental question, especially such as may be advocated by the Anti-Saloon League." The Committee herewith submit all replies received and append the announcement of Mr. Evey which he believes sufficient, for your consideration. The men who have given their assurance as to what they will do are all known to you. By their characters, in the light of their past lives, you will know whom to choose. The committee has endeavored to act fairly with all candidates and has given each an opportunity to answer. No candidate should be afraid to trust the people or desire to take from them the burden to choose as their preference dictates. We have given you what we have obtained from the candidates of each party. It is to be regretted that only three candidates, among all the number announced as candidates for the legislature, have had the moral courage to define their position on a question of such importance and one so fraught with good to the people. We have called to your attention the declarations made by the assemblies and conferences of the various churches on this great question. There are thousands of members and adherents of these same churches in Centre County. Are you ready and will you follow the lead of the church to which you adhere in this conflict which makes for civic decency, purity in social life and righteousness in the world? Hoping that you appreciate the magnitude of this contest and that you will register your honest convictions at the primaries on the 11th of April 1908, we are very truly, D. F. FORTNEY, Pres. of the Com. CLEMENT DALE, Vice-Pres. ISAAC UNDERWOOD, Secretaries. JARED HARPER, JAMES HARRIS, TREAS.

REVERSED MENU ORDER.

Sweetbreads For the Dearest Persian Tabby Cat. Dashing up to a fashionable restaurant in a touring car of the most expensive make, a middle aged couple entered the place the other day and obediently followed the head waiter to a corner table. Though seemingly persons of culture accustomed to abundance of money, both ordered sparingly. A couple of lamb chops and a single dish of vegetables sufficed for the man, and the woman took a light salad. Neither called for wine, though the restaurant is famous for its cellar, and the light repast ended with ice cream for two. Then, to the amazement of all who sat at neighboring tables as well as that of the waiter, though he was too well trained to show it much, the middle aged matron called for sweetbreads cooked in a French style with which she appeared to be entirely familiar. That waiter went as close to starting as doubtless he ever had been, but he coughed discreetly and, with hardly a glance at the plates on which the cream had been, asked in a low tone, "Sweetbreads, did you say, madam?" The answer came readily, "Sweetbreads, I said, garcon." It sufficed. The waiter bowed without a smile and hastened to the kitchen. In due time he returned with the delicacy. "Possibly you thought we intended to eat these," said madam as she glanced at the well cooked sweetbreads approvingly. It would not have been a wild supposition even though she and her husband had finished ice cream, for the dish was dainty, and it would not have required an epicure to appreciate the exquisite coloring and presumptively delicate flavor. But the matron exploded that idea. "I wish to take them away with me," she continued. "They are for my cat. I have the dearest Persian tabby in all the world, and every time I go out for an auto ride I always take sweetbreads home to her. She is inordinately fond of them, but she eats them only when I have been on a little excursion. I think she knows that if she is good when I am out she will receive her reward in this shape. Anyway, it is a pleasure to me to remember my pet and to know that I share my good times with her at least a little bit." The man paid the bill, and the two left the restaurant. When they had gone the waiter whispered to an old customer that the check for the entire dinner, or supper, for man and wife was \$1.25, while for the sweetbreads prepared specially for puss the charge was 90 cents. Dinner Time. The dinner bell should be a signal for the happiest time of the day. Every member of the family should go to the table in his best genial mood. Each one should bring his best, brightest and most cheerful things to it. No one should be allowed to complain or relate his or her troubles there. The assembling round the dinner table should be an occasion for the fun and laughter and cheerful talk, the enemies of indigestion. A Novel Entree. Canned artichokes may be used now for a novel entree. Small amounts of other vegetables for filling the artichoke cups must be cooked ready for use, such as cauliflower, peas and small French beans. String beans can be added to the list if liked in combination. Bucknell and State. Friday two members of the faculty athletic committee of Bucknell university visited State College to confer with a like committee from State with regard to resumption of athletic relations between the institutions. A contract was formulated which will cover football, baseball, basketball, track and tennis. The faculty representatives from Bucknell were Profs. Wolfe and Heine and from

State Prof. Ray and Physical Director Golden. The Bucknell committee was entertained, while there by Prof. and Mrs. John Price Jackson.

A Lazy Liver

May be only a tired liver, or a starved liver. It would be a stupid as well as a savage thing to beat a weary or starved man because he lagged in his work. So in treating the lagging, torpid liver it is a great mistake to lash it with strong drastic drugs. A torpid liver is but an indication of an ill-nourished, enfeebled body whose organs are weary with over work. Start with the stomach and allied organs of digestion and nutrition. Put them in working order and see how quickly your liver will become active. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery has made many marvelous cures of "liver trouble" by its wonderful control of the organs of digestion and nutrition. It restores the normal activity of the stomach, increases the secretions of the blood-making glands, cleanses the system from poisonous accumulations, and so relieves the liver of the burdens imposed upon it by the deflection of other organs. If you have bitter or bad taste in the morning, poor or variable appetite, coated tongue, foul breath, constipation or irregular bowels, feel weak, easily tired, dependent, frequent headaches, pain or distress, "small of back," gasping or distressing "small of back," perhaps nausea, or "rises" in throat after eating, and kindred symptoms of weak stomach and torpid liver, no medicine will relieve you more promptly or cure you more permanently than Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Perhaps only a part of the above symptoms will be present at one time and yet point to torpid liver or biliousness and weak stomach. Avoid all hot bread and biscuits, griddle cakes and other indigestible food and take the "Golden Medical Discovery" regularly and stick to its use until you are vigorous and strong. The "Discovery" is non-secret, non-alcoholic, is a glyceric extract of native medicinal roots with a full list of its ingredients printed on each bottle-wrapper and attested under oath. Its ingredients are endorsed and extolled by the most eminent medical writers of the age and are recommended to cure the diseases for which it is advised. Don't accept a substitute of unknown composition for this non-secret medicine of known composition.

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Bodies Found in Woods.

The discovery on Wednesday morning of last week of two dead bodies near the mouth of the old Colorado mines, Clearfield county, revealed a murder and suicide. The crime was committed some time on Sunday, but in view of the fact that the bodies lay so far from the roadway they were not found until Wednesday morning when two school children made the horrible discovery. It was a case of two married people falling in love with each other; a short life together; a quarrel; separation and finally death for each. The man's name was Roberts and the woman's name was Shaugar, and for some time past they

made their home in Hawk Run. It is presumed that the man shot the woman and then himself. The dead woman was about 34 years of age, and the man 28 years.

At a meeting of representatives of the clubs interested held in the engine house at Mill Hall, a base ball league was organized to be known as the Bald Eagle Valley league. The league will be composed of four clubs, Orvis, Beech Creek, Howard and Mill Hall. The season will open on Decoration day. In the Renovo shops on Monday, several hundred men were discharged.