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CENTRE COUNTY FOR RE-ORGANIZATION

A SWEEPING VICTORY FOR ALL CANDIDATES.

A. B. KIMPORT IS VINDICATED

G. L. Goodhart Wins a Signal Victory Over Great Odds—Stickers Win at Polls—Re-Organization Wins in the District—The People's Verdict.

The most interesting contest in a party primary election in Centre county in many years, took place within the ranks of the Democratic party this year, and was strenuously fought until the last vote was polled in every voting district. The result was an emphatic endorsement, by the voters, of the Re-organization movement, and the result is so decisive that it leaves no room for further doubt or quibble.

Since the Allentown convention the leaders of our party apparently lost the confidence of the people, and from all sections there came a demand for new men to direct the destinies of the organization. Many Democrats honestly clung to the old leaders, who strongly opposed a change. For almost two years in this county, and throughout the state, this issue was discussed in unceasing detail. There was ample opportunity for everybody to read, observe and draw an intelligent conclusion. Therefore, when the primary election was held on Saturday it simply was the legal method of recording the wishes of the Democratic voters of Centre county, and the state as well. It was done in a regular, orderly manner. The verdict came from the highest tribunal in the land—direct from the people themselves. Therefore there can now be no appeal. The issue was clearly defined and understood. In brief, the men who have directed the affairs of the party in this state have been repudiated by the Democracy of Centre county as well as of the state.

As long as popular governments are to be maintained, and if democracy means anything, the people are the ultimate rulers, and the wishes of the majority, when regularly and legally obtained, must be respected or there will be no government, or even civilization. No sane or intelligent citizen can or will refute those fundamental principles.

The result of Saturday's primaries was a tidal wave that swept the "old organization" before it. From top to bottom all went down, with a crash in the battle of the ballots.

The "old" organization had every precinct in Centre county organized. Their workers by the score, for weeks and weeks, traveled every nook and corner of Centre county. Every detail was provided for, and every possible resource was employed to secure full support. There were funds available for every need, so that at the primaries they polled their full strength and more.

On the other hand there was no organized movement; in all but three or four days were spent throughout the county by the Re-organization men. Not one fourth of the districts were entered by any one to get out the vote. Funds there were none except the voluntary contributions from a few of the most means to means of age bills. With one candidate's name off the ballot even, the Re-organization movement depended only on the voluntary sentiment of the individual voters, and upon that alone they won a signal victory. From that we can conclude that the vote on Saturday represented almost the full strength, and possibly more, of the Guffey-Hall sentiment in Centre county. While the vote for Re-organization falls far short as only 56 per cent. of the entire Democratic vote was polled. Nevertheless, Guffey people were swept off their feet by the vote, as every Guffey candidate was defeated, and every man who stood for Re-organization won, as the following totals show:

Congress:
James A. Gleason..... 2019—2019
Assembly:
Geo. A. Beazer..... 832
R. M. Foster..... 897— 65
L. T. Munson..... 455

Delegate National Con.:
John C. Barclay..... 1254— 600
William A. Hagerty..... 554
Asher Johnson..... 619
P. Gray Meek..... 1161

Delegate State Convention:
Abraham Weber..... 917
G. L. Goodhart..... 1174— 257

Chairman County Committee:
Arthur B. Kimport..... 836— 836
W. Harrison Walker..... 702

For Alternate Delegate to the National Convention there was a scattering vote as no name was printed on the ballot. This vote was not copied from the returns but will be given as soon as the official count is made. The above totals are carefully compiled from the returns and the official count will not materially change them.

We have not taken account of the Socialist vote. The official count will be given in our next issue.

Barclay and Johnson Elected.
The following are the latest returns from the different counties in this congressional district for delegates to the Democratic National Convention in Baltimore. The official returns will make some slight changes, but it clearly indicates the election of Asher Johnson, of Bradford and John C. Barclay, of Clearfield, by good majorities, and both are pledged to Woodrow Wilson for President and for the Re-organization of the party in this state.

Gen Clifd Cam Meek Tot
Barclay..... 1254 | 1152 | 59 | 20 | 3245
Hagerty..... 645 | 838 | 79 | 22 | 2522
Johnson..... 1273 | 871 | 68 | 75 | 2967
Meek..... 1161 | 989 | 60 | 14 | 2294

Editor Short's Rebuke.
In Clearfield county Connelly, the re-organization candidate for State Delegate was opposed by Geo. Dime-ling's Democratic County Committee, also by the "Clearfield Republican," and the "Public Spirit," the only supposed Democratic papers in that county, as both were tied to the Guffey-Hall crowd. The vote showed that the citizens of Clearfield county are intelligent and think for them-

UN-OFFICIAL VOTE CAST AT THE PRIMARY ELECTION HELD IN CENTRE COUNTY, APRIL 13, 1912.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES.

Congress	Assembly	National Delegate	Alternate	State Delegate	Ch'rman	DISTRICTS.																											
Dahaa.....	Patton.....	Granley.....	Wigton.....	Boose.....	Gleason.....	Mayo.....	Swoopa.....	Bond.....	Mittern.....	Slocum.....	Austin.....	Fisher.....	Fleming.....	Hurdley.....	Kurtz.....	Symmonds.....	Wood.....	Harris.....	Quigley.....	Con.....	Assembly.....	National Delegate.....	State Del.....	Ch'rman.....									
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