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EDITORIAL.

Speaker Champ Clark has been gathering in delegates at a smart pace the past week.

Read the Democratic platform in the next column. It will be time well spent—then think it over.

Bryan is kept busy these days denying that he is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for president.

Donnelly and Ryan, down in Philadelphia, have announced their intention to support the Democratic ticket this year. If they do, they certainly have been re-organized.

The republican state convention being over, the estate of Penrose, Donnelly, Ryan and Guffey, has been settled up and no assets found. All persons interested, call on, or address, William Flinn, administrator, Pittsburg.

By public acclaim the premium is awarded to Pennsylvania for the most admirable "house-cleaning." The Democrats cleaned out the Penrose-Guffey cancer, and the Republicans cleaned out Penrose and cast him upon the rubbish pile.

This, from the Philadelphia Press, isn't taffy either: "The Hon. Walter E. Ritter insists that he is still Democratic State Chairman. Evidently he likes the amusement, but as the reorganizers have taken the party away from him what is he going to find to play with." By resolution Ritter and his headquarters were repudiated at the recent state convention. Does he want to be mutilated before he yields?

We forgot to mention last week in the report of the State Democratic convention that G. L. Goodhart was recognized at Harrisburg by being placed on two of the best committees, credentials and resolutions. He also was conspicuous as the "sticker" delegate from Centre county who stuck. Everybody had heard of his campaign and was anxious to meet him and inquire how he was able to win in such an unequal fight.

WILSON GAINS.

Chances for Nomination Grow Brighter Every Day.
With victories in Texas, South Carolina and Porto Rico during the last week, Governor Woodrow Wilson picked up sixty-four delegates to the Baltimore convention. He is in the lead among the other candidates.
The present week is a most important one in the Democratic contest. Conventions and primaries are being scheduled in eleven states. With the lead obtained last week, the indications are more hopeful that Governor Wilson will be the party choice at Baltimore.
Speaker Clark has 160 delegates. He will receive the 20 votes of the Kansas delegation on the first ballot, but two-thirds of the delegation favor Governor Wilson and are free to go to him in pursuance of instructions on any ballot.

Democratic Prospects.

Conservative observers are practically of one mind respecting the outlook for the Democratic party in Pennsylvania. The consensus of opinion is that there is a strong prospect of success by reason of the total collapse of the Republican organization that has for years held the State at its bidding and dictated to its following.
With this outlook before them the Democrats of Pennsylvania must exercise a care so that no mistake be laid at their doors. Their first duty is thorough and complete organization. This should be carried on in every county of the State, with an avoidance of anything that would bear the semblance of factional favoritism. The will of the majority was expressed in the convention, the minority acquiesced, and there is no longer a division of opinion as to the management of the affairs of the party. With unity, harmony and good will displayed at every point, the Democrats of the State will be able to put forward a stronger front than at any time in recent years, recover all the ground they have lost and poll their full strength.—Pittsburg Post.

Pounds Teddy.

Taft and Roosevelt are having it hot and heavy in Ohio for over a week. In an address at Cambridge Mr. Taft made one of the most bitter speeches since he began his campaign for re-nomination, holding Colonel Roosevelt up to ridicule, calling him an intense and dangerous egotist, a flatterer and demagogue, and suggested that there would be "but little hope for the future of this nation if Mr. Roosevelt were waffled to the skies in a chariot like the prophet of old and there was no one left to do the job. Mr. Roosevelt said the country needed him to do it."
"You'd suppose there wasn't anybody in the country to do this job that Mr. Roosevelt talks about but himself."
"It's I, I, I, all the time with him.

DEMOCRATIC STATE PLATFORM.

The following is the full text of the platform, as adopted by the Democratic State Convention at Harrisburg on Tuesday, April 7th. It is a strong and conservative declaration of principles that is the subject of much favorable comment and meets with the approval of all Democrats and of many prudent Republicans as well. Read it over carefully and study it thoroughly. It is Democratic to the very core:

"The Democrats of Pennsylvania in convention assembled in this time of industrial discontent and political unrest recall once more to the people of the State that these conditions have arisen during a long period of uninterrupted Republican rule. The marks and results of Republican rule are these:
"Destruction of representative government through the control of State and National legislatures by the agents of special interests and privileges; a loose and often dishonest constitutional interpretation that has turned the fundamental law into a barrier against proper regulation of corporate wealth instead of a protection and safeguard to the whole body of the people; a so-called protective tariff, the duties of which have constantly mounted higher at the demand of the employer, for the sole benefit of a privileged class. The immense profits, thus guaranteed by the government, have resulted in swollen fortunes to the few, while the great industrial centers have been crowded with unemployed workers and the masses of the people have been heavily burdened with unjust taxation.

Three Great Issues.
"The Democratic party has for years past pointed out the methods and prophesied the results of this species of government. Alarmed at last by the conditions which they have helped to bring about, the Republican party of Pennsylvania has issued a pronouncement, miscalled a platform, which announces a program upon almost every subject of municipal, State and National Government, every item of which presents an indictment against the course of the Republican party in State and Nation, coupled with admissions of its failures to keep its promises contained in previous platform declarations.
"Three great issues overshadow all others. Representative government must be restored; the judiciary must be restricted to its proper sphere; the evils of the tariff system must be corrected. The Democratic House of Representatives has earned the gratitude and won the praise of the people by its action in meeting these issues. It has destroyed the unwarranted power of the speaker and restored the control of legislation to the House of Representatives itself. It has stopped waste and promoted economy in the administration of its own business and of every other branch of the Government.
Paves Way for Victory.
"It has paved the way for the election of United States senators by the direct vote of the people. It has passed bills for publicity of campaign expenditures, both before and after election, and for the publication of campaign expenses by presidential candidates. In extra session the Democratic house of representatives, true to the historic principles of the party, which demand that taxes shall be levied only for purposes of revenue and wherever possible the necessaries of life shall be freed from tariff taxation, secured the passage of bills for the reduction of the duties on wool and woolen goods and on the manufactures of cotton goods, and provided for the admission, free of duty, of many articles of necessity, used by the farmers and wage-earners.
"The relief from exorbitant taxation and the high cost of living, which was assured by these measures, was only denied the people by the veto of the Republican President. In the present session it has already adopted measures for the substantial reduction of duties on metals and the manufactures thereof, and to shift the burden of taxation from consumption to wealth, by placing sugar upon the free list and imposing an excise tax measured by income.
Many Broken Promises.
"Such a record is in startling contrast to the broken promises of the Republican party in our State and Nation. We need not recall the pledge of tariff revision downward before the presidential election and its immediate repudiation thereafter; the pretense of a progressive and enlightened policy which a Republican President immediately abandoned. With the great body of the American people we share in the humiliation which all feel at the spectacle of the Chief Magistrate of our country lowering the dignity of his office by indulging in a petty personal quarrel with his predecessor, and we declare that the use of this office by the present Chief Executive, and the withholding of prosecutions against great corporate interests, as well as the same conduct by the former President in the successful effort to name his successor four years ago, furnished a conclusive reason for an amendment to the constitution making a President ineligible to succeed himself, as well as for legislation which will prevent any executive from employing the great power of his office to fasten upon the country a successor of his choosing.
"In our own State of Pennsylvania the people will not readily forget how they were deceived by the promise of a public utilities bill with the shallow pretense of public hearings followed by an entire abandonment of the measure at the behest of large corporate interests; how the promise of good roads for the State, enacted into legislation, and nullified by the failure to make appropriations to carry that legislation into effect; how the oft-repeated promise of an enlightened employers' liability act still remains unrealized.
Exposed Capitol Graft.
"We recall that there has been but one Democratic State official in Pennsylvania in 18 years, and yet in his one short term as State treasurer he exposed the capitol corruption, aroused the conscience of the people of the State, and thus paved the way for recent reform victories in our larger cities.
"With a record of pledges kept and promises redeemed and with an ordinance freed from all corrupt alliances, and responsive to the will of the voters, the Democratic party again asks the suffrages of the citizens of Pennsylvania. It will enter into no obligation which it cannot meet. It pledges itself as soon as it attains power in the State to pass the necessary measures to make elections free and easily expressive of the popular will, and in particular to repeal those provisions of the law permitting the assistance of voters not physically incapacitated.
"To provide for the effective control of all public utilities, and to

amend and reform the corporation laws of the State.

"To abolish the present corrupt and extravagant system of State appropriations for charitable purposes, which has been such a potent agency to coerce the Legislature, and to provide that hereafter no appropriations of State funds shall be made except for purely State controlled charities.
"To make a searching investigation into the abuses of the auditor general's office, to abolish all forms of favoritism therein, and to secure the equal assessment and collection of all State taxes.
Present Corruption.
"Amend the present corrupt practices act, so that it shall effectually limit campaign expenses and prevent the improper use of money in elections.
"To provide for the establishment of State-wide primaries.
"To abolish the illegal and unjust system of classified cities, and to provide a liberal plan of municipal home rule.
"To provide for an immediate referendum on the question of granting to women the right of suffrage.
"To introduce economy and efficiency in the administrative departments of the State government, and to charter the State government from the multiplication of offices and the unwarranted increases of salary.
"To extend the civil service law to the State and all its municipal divisions.
"To the end that these legislative reforms may be speedily and effectually accomplished, the Democratic party pledges itself to provide that all the committees of the State House of Representatives and Senate shall be elected by the members of those bodies.
"In a country of the area and population of the United States ordinary government is possible only through representation; but in order that the State and municipal legislatures shall remain truly representative, the Democratic party believes that the people should have the means to indicate their desire through the initiative and the power to control through the referendum.
The True Remedy.
"The true remedy for the removal of the barrier which some of the courts have erected against progressive legislation will be found in the assertion of the Democratic and American principle of the separation of judicial and legislative functions. The evil has its foundation in judicial legislation, and the Democratic party, supported by public opinion, will successfully demand that the court shall cease from interfering with the discretion of the Legislature in the exercise of the police power and shall be relieved from all executive functions.
"The recovery in business already discernible since the election of a Democratic House of Representatives shows that the people of the United States look forward with hopefulness and confidence to the now assured return of the Democratic party to power in every branch of the Government. We believe that this feeling of satisfaction will be increased and strengthened by the nomination for President of the man who is the choice of the Democrats of Pennsylvania—Governor Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey. His abilities and his broad Democratic sympathies preeminently fit him for this great office. His complete fulfillment as governor of the promises he made as a candidate; his absolute independence and freedom from the domination of special interests and privileges, which a certain indication that as President he will employ his constitutional authority to secure a free, progressive and enlightened government.
"We pledge ourselves to the support of his candidacy and call upon our sister States to join us in effecting his nomination.
"With the reading of the platform completed, Mr. Palmer read the following resolutions which were adopted:
Resolved, that the Democratic party of the State of Pennsylvania in convention assembled sincerely regrets the death of the Hon. William H. Feltus, and for the recognition of his sterling character as a man, his devotion to the principles of his party and his great service to the State and nation, adopt this minute of respect to his memory.
"Resolved, that the delegates to the National Convention this day elected be and they are hereby instructed to vote for the nomination of Woodrow Wilson for President and, to use all honorable means to accomplish his nomination as long as his name remains before the convention.
Resolved, that this convention ratifies and approves the action of the State Central Committee in effecting the reorganization of the party by the election of George W. Guthrie, State Chairman.
Electoral College.
"Under the Reapportionment act of 1911 the electoral college will contain 531 votes, as compared with 483 formerly. Comparison of this apportionment with the previous distribution shows that the larger portion of increase means that the successful presidential candidates in 1912 must receive 266 electoral votes instead of 242 as formerly, and that if he be a Democrat he will be compelled to obtain the electoral votes of several northern states.
Voters to Elect Senators Passed.
"The house on Monday adopted 37 to 39 a joint resolution providing for an amendment to the constitution to permit the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people. It already had passed the senate and now goes to the states for ratification.
"All that remains to be done is the formal signing of the instrument and the issuance of a proclamation to the states to signify their wishes on the proposed change.
Pennypacker Gets a Bath.
"Ex-Governor Samuel W. Pennypacker on Tuesday was appointed a member of the state railroad commission. He takes the place of the late Charles N. Mann, of Philadelphia. The other commissioners are: Nathaniel Ewing, of Uniontown, and Milton J. Brecht, of Lancaster. The salary is \$5,000 a year.
"This is a shock to Pennsylvania. A man who was at the head of the state capitol building commission, and who defended the big steel mercantiles to every taxpayer. But Pennypacker defended the capitol looters, now he receives his reward.
"Hon. James Foust, dairy and food commissioner of Pennsylvania, was in Bellefonte on Saturday where he met Dr. William Frear of State College, and the two arranged a program for two of the sections of Association of State and National Food and Dairy departments, the annual convention of which will be held at Seattle, July 9 to 12. Mr. Foust and Dr. Frear will attend the convention.

AS OTHERS SEE IT.

It is gratifying indeed that the Democratic organization in Pennsylvania has deposed the Guffey crowd and cleansed the party of the vermin that has infested it for years. The old Democratic-Republican machine alliance which has obtained in this state for years and has been responsible for the corruption that has been spread upon the fair pages of the political history of the commonwealth is no more and every citizen, no matter what his party preference may be, should rejoice. After all, the great issues before us today are not issues that have their basis in partisanship. Here in Pennsylvania each of us have a duty to perform and that duty is to raise the standard of civic righteousness, extend the latitude of privilege to the citizen, and place in his hands the instruments whereby he can demolish that condition that has brought down upon this fair state the opprobrium that it is "corrupt and contented."—Pottsville Journal.
"The knocking out of the Old Guard by the Democratic state convention in Harrisburg Tuesday completes the most gigantic task patriotic Pennsylvanians have undertaken since the civil war. The commercial politicians have been relegated to the rear. There is a chance for real progress."—Waynesburg Herald.
"No longer will the people of Pennsylvania need to blush for shame over the boss-ridden condition of the Keystone state, since the Progressives are now in control. Good citizens of all parties are pleased that the Progressives among the Democrats won out in the state convention of that party Tuesday at Harrisburg and also nominated independently progressive state candidates."—New Castle Herald.
"Party is Satisfied."
"There is no necessity for another contest between the recently rival State chairmen for the control of the Democratic party in this State. The party is satisfied with present conditions, and any individual advancement calculated to ruffle the serenity of the surface will be resented. The party has had a sufficiency of "pull and haul" and what it wants now is to effect a change of their convention. Like the Republicans of the State, they have routed their old bosses, but, unlike them, they have not tied up to new ones who are fully as bad and may be worse. James M. Guffey, long-time dictator, has been destroyed, and new men known as "reorganizers" have put the party on a footing that commands a much larger measure of respect than it has enjoyed before, any time within more than a generation. It did what there has been a crying necessity for these many years.—Boston Transcript.

TO THE PUBLIC.

Bellefonte, Pa., May 13, 1912.
In the last two editions of the Bellefonte Republican an unfair, unwarranted and entirely un-called for criticism is satisfied with present disposition of the advertising of the unseated lands of Centre county, which I feel in justice to myself to correct.
By special act of the Pennsylvania Legislature, enacted many years ago, the Treasurer of this county is directed to advertise the sale in all the papers in the county, but allows him only one dollar per tract to perform this. The advertisement this year occupies a space of five columns wide, 161 nonpareil lines in depth—making in all 505 lines, and which, at the rate charged by the county papers, for legal advertising, is a 10 cents per line for the first insertion and 5 cents per line for every subsequent insertion, the six insertions would amount to \$178.50 for each paper; and there being eleven papers in the county, would aggregate a total of \$1,963.50. To pay this bill I am allowed only 25¢ or one dollar per tract; and as I did not feel it incumbent upon me to pay the balance of the \$1,963.50 out of my pocket, I did just exactly as my predecessors in office did; and that is, gave it the widest circulation possible for the money allowed, and for which I do not deem myself guilty of wrongdoing. Hence this explanation.
Respectfully,
JOHN D. MILLER,
County Treasurer.
The venerable Henry Heaton, of Eagleville, who is yet unusually spry at the age of eighty-seven, is visiting relatives and old associates in Yarnell, his former abiding place.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE BELLEFONTE TRUST COMPANY, OF BELLEFONTE, CENTRE COUNTY, PA., AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, MAY 3, 1912.

RESOURCES.

Reserve fund	.....	\$11,313.85
Cash, specie and notes	.....	20,211.43
Due from approved reserve agents	.....	15,000.00
Legal securities (not pledged)	.....	106,538.38
Notes, cents and fractional currency	.....	254.99
Checks and cash items	.....	1,374.42
Due from Banks & Trust Co's not in reserve	.....	2,901.32
Com. retail purchases—old	.....	.....
Upon one name	.....	\$104,300.00
Two or more names	.....	281,022.83
Time loans with collateral	.....	88,412.83
Bonds, stocks, etc.	.....	104,500.90
Mortgages and judgments of record	.....	5,268.77
Purities and fixtures	.....	2,000.00
Overdrafts	.....	904.14
	.....	\$698,077.65

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	.....	\$125,000.00
Surplus fund	.....	25,000.00
Undivided profits	.....	17,008.85
Deposits subject to check (exclusive of trust funds)	.....	871,772.04
Time certificates of deposit	.....	199,593.89
Due to Banks and Trust Co's not in reserve	.....	58,413.10
Deposits saving fund	.....	.....
Due to Banks and Trust Co's not in reserve	.....	3,268.53
Dividends unpaid	15.00
Treasurer's and certified checks outstanding	2,908.94
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State of Pennsylvania, ss.
County of Centre, ss.
I, John P. Harris, Treasurer of the above named company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
JOHN P. HARRIS, Treas.
Subscribed and sworn before me this 10th day of May 1912.
HARRY KELLER, Not. Pub.
Correct—Attest: T. E. GERRARD, J. L. SPANGLER, CLAUDE COOK, A. C. MING, Directors.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
Absolutely Pure
The only Baking Powder made from Royal Grape Cream of Tartar
NO ALUM, NO LIME PHOSPHATE

Must Be Protected From Dust.
Large numbers of agents of the State Pure Food department have been assigned to the duty of visiting all the cities of the commonwealth and prosecuting all merchants who expose fruits, vegetables, etc., for sale in front of their stores, without protecting the same to keep out the dirt and dust of the street, as required by state law. Agents are likely to arrive in this town at any time.
Cold and rains since end of last week have interfered with farmers in prosecuting work on fields, where there is much undone.

The ladies of the M. E. church will hold a pie social at Julian, Saturday evening, May 18th.

LOW FARES TO Atlantic City
Account
CONVENTION AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
Tickets will be sold to Atlantic City on June 1, 2, and 3, good going and returning on all regular trains except the "Pennsylvania Special."
Returning, tickets will be good to reach original starting point on or before June 10.
For full particulars concerning specific fares, time of trains, and stop-over privileges, consult nearest Ticket Agent.
Pennsylvania R. R.

Specials for this week and the week following.
Great Seal Household Ammonia, a bottle, 9c
Great Seal Laundry Bluing, a bot. 5c
Bon Ami, 3 cans 25c
New Ami, the Modern Cleaner, a cake 9c
Scouring Soap, a cake 4c
China Nest Eggs 2 for 5c
Extra Large \$1.50 Clothes Baskets 98c
\$1.50 Mrs. Schoeners Skirts 98c
Do not fail to visit our Second Floor. We carry a full line of Granite Ware, Tin Ware, China and Glass Ware, Dairy Supplies, Lamps, Pictures, Picture Frames, Brooms and Brushes, Screen Doors, Window Screens, Flower Pots and Jardiniers and Table Oil Cloth.
FINKLESTINE'S, Busy Bee Store, BELLEFONTE, PENNA.
Bellefonte, **MAY 28 TUESDAY**
PRAIRIE LILLIE'S AND NEBRASKA BILL'S REAL WILD WESTS COMBINED
PRAIRIE LILLIE'S & NEBRASKA BILL'S WILD WEST
400—PEOPLE AND HORSES—400
THE REAL ROUGH RIDERS OF THE WORLD.
Daring Men of many nations in astonishing Equestrian Feats and Reckless Displays of Saddle Expertness.
LIFE ON THE PLAINS
More than a century ago. Vivid Pictures of distinctive scenes and events.
REAL RED MEN OF THE PLAINS
in War Paint. Cowboys, Cossacks, Mexicans, Bedouin Arabs. Wild West Girls rivaling Cowboys in Equestrian Feats. Military Maneuvers by Artillery and Cavalry.

It Pays
To take care of your teeth. We have sold hundreds of cans of Pearl Tooth Powder without a dissatisfied customer—we are giving this week with each can a beautiful silk "Geis ha fam"—Price 25c the can.
YOU CAN ONLY
Get it at Green's The Rexall Store
Bush House Block, Bellefonte, Pa.
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Prepare For Hot Weather!
New Perfection Blue Flame Wick Cook Stove
This is the time of year to prepare for the hot summer season by buying a New Perfection Blue Flame Wick Cook Stove. On these Stoves you can prepare a meal on short notice. By raising wick and lighting you can begin cooking at once. No delay in waiting for your flame. Turn wick down when through cooking, the flame is extinguished and heat stops instantly.
The Glass Door Ovens enable you to watch process of baking without opening the door. Many people use this oven winter and summer in preference to a coal range. Each stove is supplied with Cabinet containing Towel Racks and Shelves for holding cooking utensils. By placing oven on Cabinet you can keep food warm for hours.
A Heating Plate is given with each stove to heat and iron and for cooking with small vessels.
A free demonstration will be given Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, showing many advantages this stove has over others. All are invited.
Millers' Hardware Store,
Allegheny Street, Bellefonte, Penna.