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EDITORIAL.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all mankind.

Don't waste your time writing letters to Gov. Wilson proffering your advice as there are at least ten thousand similar communications now on his desk awaiting his consideration.

A great many Democratic politicians will hang up large stockings this year in the hope that Woodrow will be a good Santa Claus, and drop a rich plum. The trouble is, there are too many stockings.

Don't worry yourself in making gifts to those who neither deserve or need them. Remember those who may be in real want for the comforts of life. Go out among the poor and needy, and they are always among us.

As the holiday season approaches let each one plan at least one kindly act that will bring good cheer and sunshine into the life of some less fortunate of God's children. Contributing to other's happiness will be the surest manner of observing Christmas time, in its truest sense.

Chairman Guthrie says it is the duty of the Democratic party to support progressive measures in the coming session of the Legislature and it matters little who writes the bills. The people of Pennsylvania are tired of labels, they want the goods.

The Washington Party had more votes in Centre county than the Republicans. For that reason Hon. Cephas Gramley is classed among Flinn's forces. When local option comes up, we are anxious to see whether he will stand up or be among the missing as it is openly alleged that he promised the liquor people not to vote on any such measure, and would find it convenient to be absent.

On Monday Woodrow Wilson arrived home from his vacation to the Bermuda Islands, and this has given the cabinet builders another excuse on write columns in the daily papers on what his selection will be. All that has been written thus far is founded on imagination. When the newly-elected president is ready to announce his choice it will be given to the public in proper form. Until then don't waste your time in idle speculation.

WILSON A PROGRESSIVE.

Declares He'll Oppose Reactionaries at Every Turn.

War in Democratic politics in New Jersey was declared on Tuesday when Governor Wilson came to the state house and announced that he was ready to give battle to the old-line Democratic politicians in that state.

He also declared it his duty to stand back of the progressive forces in the Democratic party everywhere and at every juncture.

"The people of the state need not fear that I will become indifferent so long as their confidence encourages me to believe that they wish my aid and counsel. I shall in the future use every proper and legitimate power I have and every influence at my disposal to support and assist the new forces which have regenerated our life during the last two years.

"I shall not go slack in this business for I understand my duty to be to stand back of the progressive forces in the Democratic party everywhere and at every juncture, and I feel that in these matters I am under particular obligations of conscience and gratitude to the people of New Jersey."

"The party has now arrived at a point where it must choose whether it shall be progressive or not and I cannot separate myself from the fight. My conscience forbids me to. I see no vacations ahead of me for some time to come and I don't feel as if I wanted one while there is a fight on."

Mr. Wilson and William J. Bryan are to confer on Friday or Saturday in New York on many subjects which may affect the coming administration at Washington. Both are to speak at a dinner to be given Saturday night to Governor-elect Sulzer. Either before the dinner or immediately after it Wilson and Bryan are together and discuss politics and patronage.

SPRING MILLS.

Mrs. David Baree was buried at the Presbyterian cemetery, Monday afternoon. Mrs. Baree had been a resident of this place for more than thirty years, until five weeks ago, when she was taken to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Kuhn at Centre Hall, at which place she died.

Mrs. Moses Stover died at her home very suddenly last Thursday morning from the effects of paralysis, she was buried at the Union cemetery on Tuesday forenoon of this week.

C. G. Gentzel, former leader of the M. E. choir, is assisting the Lutheran Sunday school, in preparing their Christmas service.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Grove attended the burial of Mrs. Swatzel, at Milroy last Monday.

Mrs. R. E. Gentzel and children, of Altoona, are here visiting at the home of Andrew Kormas.

The stores in this place have already decorated for the Christmas season.

PINE GROVE MILLS.

Walter Woods and family are spending a few weeks with Dr. G. H. Woods on Main street.

W. P. Ard, a student at Susquehanna College, is spending his Christmas vacation at this place.

Mrs. Wilbur Sundry, of Penna. Furnace, is visiting her home on Main street.

Dr. R. M. Krebs transacted business in Bellefonte on Monday.

J. N. Decker, of Bellefonte, spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. W. D. Port is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Earl Smith, of Altoona.

John Billets, of Tyrone, spent the beginning of the week at the home of C. N. Martz.

The festival held in the Hall on Saturday evening was well attended.

The sum realized was \$55.

The senior class of the Ferguson township High school will hold a fair in the I. O. O. F. hall on the evening of January 11, 1913.

Christmas exercises will be held in the Lutheran church on Christmas evening. Come and see Santa Claus and his family.

Oscar Osman Not Dead.

An item was printed in a number of the county papers last week announcing the death of Oscar H. Osman a former resident of Centre county, at Columbus, Ohio, on the 18th inst, which undoubtedly is untrue, as his relatives in this county know nothing of such an occurrence. In fact a letter was received by the young man's mother, residing at Lemont, which was written a week later than the day which his death was supposed to have occurred.

RECENT DEATHS.

McDOWELL.—Mrs. Sue McDowell, wife of W. E. McDowell of Walker township, Centre county, died Tuesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dolan, at Lamar in Clinton county.

KAHL.—Mrs. Daniel Kahl died at Greenburr on the 7th inst, aged 52 years. She leaves a husband and four daughters. Interment was held last Tuesday morning, services having been conducted by Rev. John Smith, of the United Evangelical church.

SWABB.—Mrs. Edna Swabb, wife of Frank Swabb, died at her home in Pine Grove Mills, on Sunday, the 8th inst. She had been in delicate health for several years, although her condition was not considered alarming up until two days prior to her death when she had a sinking spell and lapsed into unconsciousness. Deceased was the daughter of Thomas and Mary Leach Black, and was born in Stone Valley sixty-one years ago. She was a woman of noble qualities and an active member of the Lutheran church. Surviving are her husband and the following children: Mrs. Blanche Erb, Baltimore; Mrs. Margaret Goodhart, Minnesota; Mrs. Fred Williams, and George, Pine Grove Mills; Mary, Grace, Ruth and Claude, at home. Interment was made in the Lutheran cemetery at Pine Grove Mills last Wednesday, services being conducted by Rev. S. L. Spangler.

KARSTETTER.—Mrs. Rebecca H. Karstetter, wife of Joel Karstetter, of Laurelton, died in Philadelphia, December 2, aged 61 years, 9 months and 12 days. Her death followed an operation in the hospital in that city. She was born in Sugar Valley and was the daughter of Samuel and Mary Greshinger. She is survived by her husband and the following named children: Samuel A., H. Cleveland and S. M., of White Fish, Mont.; Mrs. Wilfred Luse, of Centre Hall, and A. Thomas and Jennie at home. Also by two brothers, Thomas Greshinger and Daniel Greshinger, of this county, and three sisters, namely: Mrs. James Kooney, of Jersey Shore; Mrs. Herman Barsler, of Corning, N. Y., and Mrs. Jane Schrechengast, of Laurelton. Funeral services were held at her late home at Laurelton on the 7th inst.

STOVER.—Mrs. Moses Stover, wife of the proprietor of the Spring Mills Hotel, died quite suddenly early Friday morning of last week, aged 58 years 11 months and 23 days. Mrs. Stover's illness dated back but a few hours before her demise, having been stricken with paralysis about 7 o'clock on Thursday evening. Her maiden name was Neese, and her place of nativity Penn township. All through her life she was a member of the Lutheran church. She is survived by her husband and one daughter, Mrs. Annie Detwiler, who resides at home. Two brothers and two sisters are also left to mourn, namely: John, of Memphis, Tenn.; Calvin S., of Arkansas; Mrs. Armbruster, of Farmers Mills; and Mrs. Emma E. Roman, of Centre Hall. Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday morning by Rev. Barry, and interment was made in the Union cemetery at Farmers Mills.

BILLET.—William Billet, a highly esteemed veteran of the Civil war, and one of Nittany valley's best known citizens, died at his home in Huston on Tuesday of last week, aged about 75 years and 6 months. Mr. Billet's death came as the result of paralysis, with which he had been afflicted since last August. During the Rebellion he served 2 years and 10 months in the Penna. Heavy Artillery, receiving an honorable discharge at the end of his enlistment. His wife preceded him to the grave about 33 years ago, leaving to survive three sons, namely: William, Coleville, John, Mackeyville, and Robert, Rockport, Pa.; also the following brothers and sisters: Wesley, Lewistown; Taylor, Tyrone; George, Lamar; Mrs. Elizabeth Deeters, DuBois; Mrs. Mary Martz, Pine Grove Mills. Mr. Billet early in life accepted the Disciple faith and his interment took place under the auspices of Rev. Swisher, the Disciple minister at Howard. Burial was made at St. Paul, Clinton county.

BAUMGARDNER.—D. H. Baumgardner died in Greenville, Pa., December 7th, 1912, after a brief illness of a few days, aged 79 years. Mr. Baumgardner was born in Mifflin county and when a young man he located in the vicinity of Huston township where he followed carpentering until the outbreak of the Civil War when he enlisted in Company H. of the 148th Regiment, where he had a splendid record for courage and duty. At the close of the war he returned to Huston township where he was married and soon after he moved to Mercer county and was a resident of Brookville for a long term of years. His first wife died in 1901 leaving three sons, B. B. Baumgardner of Pittsburg, H. H. Baumgardner of Detroit, and C. P. Baumgardner in the West; and one daughter, Mrs. G. S. Garvin, of Greenville, at whose home he died. His second wife and three children also survive. The interment took place from his late home in Brookville. Mr. Baumgardner will be well remembered by numerous citizens of Huston township, as well as the members of the 148th Regiment. He always attended the reunions of his regiment and was a popular in-

The Lookout Man.

Now, listen, little children, and I'll tell a story true— And better you remember, for it means a lot to you— For if you heed the lesson, then when Christmas time is here You'll get a lot of presents and a lot of Christmas cheer. The Lookout Man is walking when the stars begin to peep To see if little children are in bed and fast asleep; And all who act up naughtily and don't mind their ma's and pa's, The Lookout Man is watching, and he'll tell old Santa Claus.

I knew a little fellow once who got real bad, and said He didn't care for Santa Claus, and wouldn't go to bed; And said he didn't have to mind—O, he was awful bad, And didn't seem to care a mite in making folks feel sad. But when it came to Christmas Day he didn't get a thing. For Santa Claus had heard of him and not a thing he'd bring. He knew that bad boy's record—better mind your ma's and pa's, The Lookout Man is watching and he'll tell old Santa Claus.

I also knew a little girl who was just awful bad. She wouldn't get her lessons and she always got so mad If anybody told her to be still and hush her noisy head. Well, she was always wishing for a lot of Christmas toys; But when 'twas Christmas morning, to her wonder and surprise, An empty stocking hanging in the corner met her eyes. You see, she acted naughty—better mind your ma's and pa's; The Lookout Man is watching and he'll tell old Santa Claus.

The Lookout Man is peeping through the windows every night And counting up the children who are always acting right. And going off to bed at once when told it's time to go. And never putting, not a bit, or taking clothes off slow. He puts them in the good book, but the bad ones in the bad, And when he writes a bad one, O, he looks just awful sad; For he knows they will get nothing—better mind your ma's and pa's— The Lookout Man is watching and he'll tell old Santa Claus.

—From "The Commoner."

dividual among the old soldiers who especially will be grieved to hear of his passing away.

GENSIMORE.—On Tuesday evening, Dec. 10th, George W. Gensimore died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. H. F. Cogan, near Bald Eagle. He was a son of the late John and Elizabeth Gensimore of Tyrone, born in 1837. For many years he followed the occupation of a tiller of the soil, having a farm at Eden Hill. Surviving the following children: Harry C. of Utica, N. Y.; Mrs. Mary M. Cogan, of Bald Eagle; Mrs. Emma P. Lower, of Tipton; Mrs. Caroline W. Neardon, of Warrior's Mark. The wife and two sons have preceded the father to the grave. He is also survived by one brother, William C. Gensimore, of Birmingham and one sister, Mrs. Caroline Wallace, of Council Bluffs, Iowa. Funeral services will be held on Thursday.

SNYDER.—Mrs. Edna Viola Snyder, wife of D. C. Snyder, of Tyrone, died at the Mercy Hospital in Altoona on Saturday evening of septicaemia following an operation. Deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Heberling of Tyrone, born in 1871 at Pennsylvania Furnace on February 14, 1889. She was married on April 14, 1906, to D. C. Snyder who survives with two children, Thomas, aged 5 years and Claude, aged 2 years. She is also survived by her parents, one sister, Mrs. Harry W. Neardon, of Warrior's Mark, and one brother, Robert, all of Tyrone. The funeral took place from her late home Tuesday afternoon.

KURTZ.—Luther D. Kurtz, a veteran of the Civil war and well known citizen of Mifflinburg, died at his home in that place, Monday morning at 9:35 after an illness of four weeks from kidney trouble. The deceased was born at Aaronsburg, Centre county, and was 71 years of age. The greater part of his life was spent in his native place, he having left there only twenty years ago and located in Mifflinburg, where he was connected with an overall factory. He was a sincere christian gentleman and a member of the Lutheran church. Surviving him are his wife and the following children, Mrs. Thomas Hare, of Altoona; Mrs. David Glover and Newton of Mifflinburg; Crider, of New Bloomfield. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. Lenker, of Mifflinburg. The funeral will take place Thursday morning at 10 o'clock from the Lutheran church at Mifflinburg. Interment at that place. Luther D. Kurtz served as a Lieutenant of Company "F" 148 P. V., and was mustered into the U. S. service August 28th 1862, with the rest of the Company in Centre Hall. At the time of his enlistment his home was in Aaronsburg. After serving in several of the minor regiments of Company, such as Corporal and Sergeant, he was on April 22nd, 1864, promoted from First Sergeant to 2nd Lieutenant of the Company. He was mustered out with the Company June 1st, 1865. In closing his article on the Company in the history of the 48th Regiment, Mr. Kurtz said: "Nearly forty years have passed since the war. Then we were young and in the flush of vigorous manhood. Now we are growing old, those hard tack would seem much harder; those cold blizzards on picket much colder; those furious charges we made would lack vim and vigor. With the youngest of us the shadows are lengthening. Many are far down the shady side of the mountain, and will soon pass through the valley of the shadow. We have witnessed scenes which would make us wiser and better, more earnest, sober and thoughtful. As we

proved our physical courage on many a hard fought field so let us prove our moral courage in the great struggle against evil, and at the final roll call may answer to our names and receive our reward." This gives a fair idea of the man and his life. A noble soldier, an excellent citizen, a loving husband and father, a devout christian. In life he heroically performed his duty as soldier, citizen and christian.

KERN.—Thomas Kern, a well known retired farmer who resided nearly all his life at Logan Mills, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Harry Wolf, at Wolf's Store, on Tuesday of this week. Deceased is survived by his wife and one daughter. The funeral services will be conducted in the United Evangelical church at Green Burr at 9:30 o'clock on Friday morning by Rev. J. D. Stover. Interment will be made in the cemetery at that place.

CARTER.—Joseph Carter, a well known resident of Penn Hall, died on Monday of heart failure, at the age of fifty-five years. Deceased, who had been in the employ of merchant C. W. Fisher for the past ten or twelve years, came to the Fisher home as usual in the morning, ate his breakfast and went to the barn to perform his everyday chores. A few hours later Charles Lingle, a farm hand, had occasion to go to the barn, and was shocked to find the lifeless body of Mr. Carter lying in a horse stall alongside of the animal he had been caring for. The fork he had been using lay over the body, and his gloves and cap had not been removed. Mr. Carter had been complaining of not feeling well for some time, and it is supposed that heart failure brought death instantly. The body was taken to the Carter home at Green Brier, where interment was made on Thursday forenoon last. He is survived by a wife, formerly Miss Julia Fiedler, and the following children: Mrs. George Long, Farmers Mills; Charles Carter, at home; and Williams W. Carter, in the navy. He also leaves one brother, Frederick K. Carter, of Centre Hall, and two sisters, namely: Mrs. Harrison Bloom, of Pine Grove Mills, and Mrs. James Mowery, of Tyrone.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE.

By virtue of an order issued by the Orphans' Court of Centre county, the real estate of Henry C. Vonada, late of Walker township, deceased, will be sold at public sale at the Court House at Bellefonte, Pa., on Wednesday, January 15th, 1913, at 10 o'clock A. M. The premises are situated about three-fourths of a mile east of Hublersburg, in Walker township. Good church, school and market facilities.

Description of Real Estate

Purpart No. 1. Beginning at stone, thence by land of H. D. Vonada south 77 1/2 deg. west 47 perches to stone, thence by land of H. D. Vonada north 32 deg. west 45 1/2 perches to stone, thence south 78 deg. west 43 perches to stone, thence north 49 deg. west 10 1/2 perches to stone, thence along land of H. D. Vonada north 9 1/2 deg. west 38 perches to stone, thence north 71 1/2 deg. east 20 perches to stone, thence south 42 deg. east 13 1/2 perches to stone, thence north 57 1/2 deg. east 16 1/2 perches to stone, thence south 35 deg. east 12 1/2 perches to stone, thence along land of decedent north 58 1/2 deg. east 26 1/2 perches to stone, south 31 deg. east 34 1/2 perches to stone, thence north



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60 deg. east 45.3 perches to stone, thence by land of L. Candy south 30 deg. east 52 per. to a stone in the creek thence S 1/2 deg. west 29 perches to a stone, thence north 82 deg. west 11.5 perches to stone, thence south 84 deg. west 5.4 perches to stone, thence south 66 deg. west 9.9 perches to stone, thence south 28 deg. east 23.6 perches to the place of beginning, containing 41 acres and 148 perches net measure.

Purpart No. 2. Bounded by lands of said decedent, Wendell Bartholomew, David Emerick, Michael Alt, containing 1 acre and 9 perches and more fully described as follows: Bounded on the south and west by lands of the said decedent, on the north by lands of Joseph Long, and on the east by lot of Mrs. Belle Yocum, now George Vonada.

Purpart No. 3. Beginning at a post, thence along lands of H. D. Vonada south 33 deg. east 80 perches to a stone, thence north 57 deg. east 20 perches to a post, thence along land of Frederick Mechtley's heirs, now Frederick Best north 33 deg. west 80 perches to a post, thence along land of the said Best south 57 deg. west 20 perches to the place of beginning, containing 10 acres more or less.

Purpart No. 4. Beginning at a corner of Frederick Best and H. D. Vonada and decedent and running thence along land of the decedent south 78 1/2 deg. west 47.4 perches to a point on a line of said decedent and H. D. Vonada, and thence along said line south 32 deg. east 12.2 perches to a lime stone, and thence along land of H. D. Vonada north 53 1/2 deg. east 44.7 perches to the place of beginning containing 1 acre and 112 perches. The whole constituting a farm.

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