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## SHAFFER-HAZEL FAMILY REUNION

HELD AT MADISONBURG LAST WEDNESDAY.

## THE PROCEEDINGS IN FULL

One of the Most Successful Gatherings Ever Held by This Clan—Historical Address By W. R. Bierly, Esq.—Reunion Notes.

Wednesday of last week was an ideal day for enjoyment of a family reunion and its attendant exercises, including a feast, and the gathering of the Hazel and Shaffer clans in Detrick's grove at Madisonburg was one of the happiest of the eleven annual meetings, attracting many descendants from Central Pennsylvania and some from Ohio and Indiana. The committee in charge had prepared a program which was carried out without a hitch, music being furnished by Wise's orchestra, with Mrs. Boyd Hazel as accompanist.

A bounteous lunch was served prior to the exercises, which was enjoyed by all.

After music by the orchestra, Rev. J. F. Hassinger, of the Lutheran church, Rebersburg, offered a prayer. Secretary A. J. Hazel of the Association then made his report and the historical committee reported. The orchestra played some fine selections. Then followed the address of Chas. S. Harter, Esq., of Lock Haven, who urged upon all the farmers to stick to the farm. He gave a practical talk upon farming as witnessed by him in the Virginia and North Dakota and compared the modern methods there employed with ours. A violin solo was then rendered by Prof. Karl Reed Bierly, Mrs. Boyd Hazel, accompanying. A fervent address followed by Rev. J. F. Hassinger, of Rebersburg, who read the sterling traits of the Pennsylvania Germans. This was followed by an address by W. R. Bierly, Esq., who spoke of the causes which led our German ancestors to leave the garden of Europe and settle in the then wilds of Pennsylvania and their patriotism they proved in their new and permanent homes.

After more music and a violin solo by Prof. Bierly, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Uriah S. Shaffer; Vice President, Byron Hazel; Sec'y., A. J. Hazel; Treas., G. W. Hazel; Ex. Com., Thomas Hazel, B. F. Hazel, A. L. Shaffer, B. F. Hazel, J. H. Roush; Historians, Verne Allison, Boyd Hazel.

The next place of meeting will be Madisonburg, Aug. 29, 1914.

The committee on resolutions reported condolence upon the death of members as follows:

1. Whereas, the All-wise Creator saw fit to remove from our midst Ex-Senator Wm. C. Heinle, of Bellefonte, during 1913, who always took a deep interest in and faithfully worked for the success of our annual reunions. Therefore, be it resolved that we deeply feel his loss as a member, an eloquent speaker and an earnest friend in the Hazel-Shaffer Reunions.

2. Whereas, since our family reunion, our esteemed and beloved relative Ellis Shaffer has been called by his Master to a higher life and a reunion of the blessed saints:

Be it resolved that we hereby express our deep sense of the personal loss we have sustained in his death from our association and our midst as a husband, associate and friend.

A. J. HAZEL,  
U. S. SHAFER,  
BENJ. SHAFER,  
Committee.

The presiding officer, J. Adam Hazel, of Axemann, made some suitable remarks and suggested that at the next reunion some improvements be provided in the grove, such as a stand and pavilion for musicians and speakers.

Among those who attended, these were registered: A. J. Hazel, Gladys Hazel, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. S. Harter, Hazel Faxon, Henry Stitzer, Mrs. C. H. Stitzer, Rebersburg; W. A. Hazel, P. E. Hazel, Bellevue, O.; J. A. Hazel, Axemann; Mrs. L. C. Miller, Mrs. Harv. Haugh, Spring Mills; John Roush, Dorothy Roush, Norman Hazel, Harold Hazel, Gibson, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Greb, Bellefonte; Mrs. E. Stover and sons, Millheim; Mrs. Wm. Hazel, Miss Mildred M. Hazel, Bellevue, O.; Mrs. J. S. Hazel, Bellefonte; Mrs. T. Hazel, Madisonburg; Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Shaffer, Millheim; Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Smith, John Herz, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hazel, Spring Mills; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Shaffer, Mrs. Samuel A. Bierly and Mrs. Hannah Fulmer, Rebersburg; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Hazel, Emma M. Hazel, Sarah M. Hazel, Madisonburg; Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Harter, Loganport; Mrs. R. Harter, Lock Haven; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Deitrich, Ernest Wise, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Shaffer, Madisonburg; Hon. C. L. Gramley, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Carlin, Jared B. Kreamer, Rebersburg; Annabel Solly, Greensburg, Pa.; Chas. H. Small, Rebersburg; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ocker, Benj. Lambert, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Fiedler, Mrs. Henry Fiedler, E. H. Ziegler, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Royer, J. N. Royer, Rebecca Ha-

## MISTAKE IN HEADACHE REMEDY

Miss Elsie Mingle in Hospital Suffering From Mercurial Poisoning.

Until a few weeks ago Miss Elsie Mingle, daughter of Mrs. Tammie Mingle of Bellefonte, resided in Pittsburg where she had been employed as a domestic. While suffering with a severe headache about ten days ago Miss Mingle took what she supposed were migraine tablets as a means of relief. In mistake, however, it developed that she had taken instead bichloride of mercury tablets, a slow but deadly poison. A physician who was summoned administered the usual antidotes, but after a few days' treatment Miss Mingle was informed that her case was hopeless and her death would follow in a short time. A peculiarity of this form of poisoning is the slow manner in which it effects its victim. Miss Mingle was told by her doctor that she might live three or four weeks, but nothing could be done to save her.

Under these distressing circumstances Miss Mingle came to Bellefonte to see her mother, and while here was persuaded to enter the Bellefonte hospital. She entered the institution last Sunday and since has shown very favorable symptoms of recovery, although it may take some time to make that fact assured. The physicians at the hospital, who are doing all in their power to bring the patient to her normal health, feel confident that their efforts will be successful.

## 28 Horses Burned in Altoona Fire.

Twenty-eight horses, valued at about \$300 each, were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the stable of the American Brewing Co., at Altoona, early Sunday morning.

## VARIOUS CANDIDATES FILE THEIR PETITIONS

LIST OF THOSE WHO SEEK BOROUGHOFFICES.

## WHAT WILL THE HARVEST BE

Nine Candidates For the Office of Tax Collector—Three Full Tickets in the Field, Republican, Democratic and Washington.

Tuesday was the last day for filing the petitions of candidates for the different boro, ward and township offices and as a result the Commission-ers were deluged with petitions from all over the county for the various offices to be filled. In Bellefonte boro the Democratic, Republican and Washington party have candidates in the field and there promises to be a lively scrimmage for several of the offices. For Burgess there seems to be no opposition to Edward Blanchard, petitions in his behalf being filed in all three parties. For School Directors, Mrs. Gilmore and Mrs. Brouse, the present incumbents, are likely to be endorsed by all parties. For Boro Auditor Edward L. Gates has the endorsement of the Republican and Washington parties. The Democrats have no candidates so far. The big fight seems to be on Tax Collector, there being nine candidates in the field. J. K. Johnston has filed petitions on all three tickets and G. W. Hazel on Republican and Washington party tickets.

For Boro Treasurer, Edward J. Gehret is seeking both the Republican and Washington party nominations, while John A. Rankin and Kline Woodring will be satisfied with the Republican and Democratic nominations in the order named.

There is also a lively fight on for council in the different wards. The primaries will be held on September 16th and let us hope that the best men may win and when elected give us a good clean municipal government.

## Republican.

Tax Collector—W. C. Cassidy, William H. Brown, R. B. Montgomery, Samuel A. Donahy, Henry Lowery, G. W. Hall, J. Kennedy Johnston.

Boro Treasurer—Edward J. Gehret, John A. Rankin.

Burgess—Edmund Blanchard, Auditor—Edward L. Gates.

Council—William A. Lyon, Hardman P. Harris, N. W. F. E. Nagney, James D. Selbert, S. W.

School Director—Mary Harper Brouse, Caroline Humes Gilmore.

Assessor—Herbert Auman, No. W. Wm. Henry Johnson, S. W.

Judge of Election—Samuel B. Miller, N. W.

Inspector—Linn Blackford, S. W.; Thomas Morgan, N. W.; Wilbur F. Baney, N. W.

## Democratic.

Tax Collector—J. Kennedy Johnston, John M. Keichline, W. F. Shope.

School Director—Mary Harper Brouse, Caroline Humes Gilmore.

Burgess—Edmund Blanchard, Boro Treasurer—Kline Woodring.

Council—F. E. Nagney, S. W.; James D. Selbert, S. W.; John J. Bowser, N. W.; Reynolds Shope, W. W.

Judge of Election—John N. Lane, N. W.; Harry J. Waikley, S. W.; A. Luk-enback, W. W.

Inspectors—Claude Herr, N. W.; John McSuley, S. W.; G. Oscar Gray, W. W.

Assessor—Lew L. Wallace, N. W.; L. H. McQuistlan, W. W.

## Washington Party.

Burgess—Edmund Blanchard.

Tax Collector—G. W. Hall, J. Kennedy Johnston.

Boro Treasurer—Edward J. Gehret, Boro Auditor—Edward L. Gates.

Assessor—Herbert Auman, N. W.; William Henry Johnson, S. W.

School Director—Mary Harper Brouse, Caroline Humes Gilmore.

Council—G. E. Haupt, W. W.; H. P. Harris, N. W.; James Selbert, S. W.; Frank E. Nagney, S. W.; William A. Lyon, N. W.

Judge of Election—George Walte, Jr., W. W.; E. E. Davis, N. W.; Harry Waikley, S. W.

Inspector—W. H. Baney, N. W.; E. S. Williams, W. W.; Linn Blackford, S. W.

## PLAIN FACTS FOR DEMOCRATS

Why P. Gray Meek and H. S. Taylor are Raising Political Hell in the Democratic Party in Centre County—Both Have Been Well Served By Their Party—Both Have Fought Our Party Tickets—The Voters Duty.

When the last issue of this paper reached its readers throughout the county, much interest was aroused over the announcement that Guffey, in the Democratic camp, were again on the war path, hunting scalps. In our brief announcement we could only deal generally with the situation, and define the issue in the contest now on for Democratic State Committee-man from Centre county.

Wm. D. Zerby, Esq., of Bellefonte, had his petition prepared about August 12th and 13th. Up to that time no one was known to be seeking the place, but Mr. Zerby's candidacy provoked the bitter ire of Meek and Taylor, who at once began scouring the woods to find some one who would help them defeat Mr. Zerby. They succeeded, on about August 15th, in convincing ex-prothonotary W. F. Smith, of Millheim, that he was the man to take Zerby's scalp, and thereby lick the stuffing out of the re-organization Democrats of Centre county.

The writer, during the past week, made some inquiry in regard to this uprising in the party, and the following we believe will be a fair presentation of the facts:

Capable to Act For Himself. When W. D. Zerby, Esq., determined to be a candidate, is not known. He consulted no one, but, being capable to act for himself, decided to seek the honor and, entirely of his own volition, prepared his petition. Mr. Zerby is a pronounced re-organizer and as such he stands for and upholds the Democratic National, State and County organizations, and supports the Democratic Ticket, as well. From close observation of the present state politics, and how to slaughter Zerby was the issue. After some deliberation the telephone was put to work. Cyrus Brungart, of Centre Hall, was first called and urged by Meek to be a candidate. Brungart "smelled a mice" and declined the unpleasant task on the pretext of being "a prohibitionist." Not dismayed, ex-commissioner Philip Meyer, of the same place, was next summoned to Bellefonte on "very important business" to Meek's office. He responded, but not being willing to be a patsy to pull another's chestnuts out of the fire at the great risk of a good scorching, he also wisely concluded that it was to his best interests to attend strictly to Philip Meyer's business—that of selling first class pianos to Centre county people. He proved another disappointment.

Taylor and Schofield—Scalp Hunters. Disheartened, but not dismayed, the next day Ex-sheriff H. S. Taylor and Hon. James A. Schofield, of Bellefonte, found it absolutely necessary to attend a picnic near Millheim. Later in the day the petition of Wm. F. Smith for Democratic State Committeeman was started, and all solicited, naturally and cheerfully, signed it, imagining they only were conferring a favor on a townsman and neighbor. On Saturday a prominent Democrat of Pennsylvania, while in Bellefonte, declared that Mr. Smith made the statement that he became a candidate upon the direct solicitation of Meek, Taylor and Schofield—the scalp hunters. (This information came from a reliable man, and Taylor and Schofield were known to have been on the job—all of which explains the underlying motives and purposes of W. F. Smith's candidacy—to scalp Zerby and lick the life out of the Wilson-Bryan-Guthrie-Palmer Democratic Re-organization movement that put Jim Guffey, Jim Gray Meek, and their kind, out of business, because they had been in too close touch with the Penrose machine in Pennsylvania.)

## Field Large—Way Open.

Not for a moment would we have anyone believe that "The Centre Democrat" questions Mr. Smith's right to be a party to provoking a bitter contest. The field is large, the way is open, and it is the royal privilege for anyone to present himself as a candidate for any position; all persons, though, have the right to inquire into the motives and purposes of a candidate who comes before the public seeking an office.

In this issue there is one most gratifying feature—it will be impossible to deceive the people. Every Democratic voter can depend on it that Mr. Zerby stands by the re-organization movement in Pennsylvania, therefore is in perfect harmony with the Democratic State and National organizations.

## Smith's Bitter Attitude.

Mr. Smith represents the opposite sentiment. He denounces all Democrats who favored Wm. H. Berry for governor, after the Allentown Convention. He assails all who had anything to do with the re-organization movement in the State; and words can scarcely express his contempt for Wm. Jennings Bryan, Hon. A. Mitchell Palmer, Geo. W. Guthrie, etc., who were in the last campaign, for these reasons, Mr. Smith refused to support Hon. R. M. Foster, our regular Democratic nominee for Assembly. (If he voted for Mr. Foster we will cheerfully correct the above statement.)

## Democracy Endorsed Re-Organization.

In the last gubernatorial election the strength of the re-organization movement in Centre county was practically expressed by a vote in round numbers of 2700 for Wm. H. Berry and 900 for Grim. At the primaries last spring, on practically the same issue for County Chairman, Arthur B. Kimport, a re-organization candidate, won over W. Harrison Walker, Esq., who was Meek's candidate, by a vote of 1523 to 702. At the same primaries, Meek on the same issue, as a candidate for National Delegate, was defeated in his own county by Asher Johnson, a perfect stranger to our people, by a vote of 1273 to 1101.

In the face of these facts, we believe the Democracy of Centre county, have plainly shown what the large majority desire. If Meek, Taylor and their followers were true Democrats, and not inspired by selfish motives, they now would respect the wishes of the majority, which is the only foundation of a true Democracy, or even a stable form of government.

## Continual Warfare Injurious.

It is reasonable to expect and demand that when the first national Democratic administration in many years at Washington is absorbed in the gigantic task of re-organizing the Federal government; that when the Democracy of Pennsylvania by representatives elected at the primaries, in convention regularly assembled, has decreed a change in this state, we contend, that men who are real Democrats and imbued with real Democratic sentiments now would cease this continual warfare. It reminds us of the constant insurrections and wasteful strife in poor old Mexico, where the selfish motives of a few are liable to impair and ultimately destroy the nation.

## Meek and Taylor Disloyal.

Has not P. Gray Meek been generously treated by the Democracy of this county and our state during the past fifty years? We think so. How then has he now a valid excuse for opposing a part of the Democratic county ticket last fall, and inspiring another factional fight this year? It remains for the individual voter to answer this point at the coming primaries.

Has not the Democracy of Centre county dealt generously also with Col. Taylor? We think so. Of late years he has openly and frequently tried to defeat regular Democratic nominees in this county. He fought J. C. Meyer for Assembly, and last fall joined the Meeks in their movement to defeat R. M. Foster for Assembly and elect Cephas Gramley, a Republican. Taylor, in fact, was tried to run both the Republican and Democratic parties in recent years, but made a bad mess of it. When Wm. D. Zerby was County Chairman he tried to induce Mr. Zerby to betray his party by selling out J. C. Meyer to elect R. B. Taylor to the legislature. Zerby refused to follow Col. Taylor in such base treachery, and Col. Taylor's brother was defeated. That accounts for the present fight that Taylor now is putting up against Zerby, for being loyal to his party as County Chairman.

## Eik County Grease Needed.

Another plausible excuse for the contest is: It has been a long dull political season for some time—nothing doing. By fixing a little political hell in the Democratic party in Centre county, they hope to attract Jim Hall's attention in Eik county, and arouse his sympathy in the hope of getting another "slush fund" which they can handle as they see fit. Their affinity for Eik county grease is contagious, and with some has grown into a chronic malady.

This is the crowd back of our friend Wm. F. Smith, and we doubt if he fully realizes the situation.

## The Duty of Every Voter.

Every voter should study this issue over carefully, and then vote at the coming primaries as his conscience directs—as to what is best for the future Democracy of Centre county.

## BIDS TO BE OPENED TO-DAY.

As we go to press we learn from Mr. Seig, treasurer of the Bellefonte Automobile Mfg. Company, that all bids for the erection of their plant at this place, are expected to be in today and will be opened this afternoon and the contract awarded. In explanation as to why the contract was not awarded sooner, Mr. Seig says that the company had made a certain

## "BROTHER" BONNIEWELL LIKE "BROTHER" MEEK

BIRDS OF THE SAME PLUMAGE AFFILIATE.

## TWO DISGRUNTLED POLITICIANS

Why Eugene Broke Out in Violent Rage—Tempted By Guffey, He Yielded—Meek and Bonniwell of the Same Stripe—Facts suppressed.

Last week the "Watchman" devoted much space to an article from Eugene C. Bonniwell, for the purpose of putting Geo. W. Guthrie, A. Mitchell Palmer and other in a false light before our people. Our Democrats, as a rule, know little about Eugene, or the merits of the point raised by Mr. Meek. Several parties asked the editor of this paper as to what there was in Bonniwell's attack. After careful inquiry from parties who are absolutely acquainted with the facts, and who are friends of both Palmer and Bonniwell, we believe the following is the correct story, briefly stated:

After the famous Allentown convention the Keystone Party was organized and Wm. H. Berry was nominated for Governor as a protest to the Guffey-Penrose machine in this state. Eugene Bonniwell, of Chester county, was made the Chairman of the Keystone Party that year, and did some very effective work and thereby, in an unexpected manner, secured a place in the gubernatorial chair of something like the general election only; and it came near electing Berry, while Grimm was a sorry third.

When the campaign was over Bonniwell became obsessed with his political importance, and started on a tour of the state to keep the Keystone organization intact in every county of the state; and, of course, with himself as the head of a great (?) new movement, no doubt he imagined it might sweep him into the gubernatorial chair, or something equally as good, later. He came to Centre county and labored with the publisher of this paper, but we refused to join him in such foolhardy expedition. He was in Clearfield county last summer, and seemed to be short on his scheme, and short got a good licking later for it.

The next event of importance, after the election of Tener, was the starting of the re-organization movement in this state among the Democrats, to unhorse the Guffey-Hall-Brennen-Ritter-Meek-Donnell-Ryan, etc., crowd. It started really with the Democratic Congressional Delegation of this state at Washington. When it became more formidable, Guffey became alarmed and sent for Hon. Wm. Berry. He pleaded with Berry to join with him to lick the re-organization movement. He said that Berry could influence enough Democrats of the state to defeat the re-organization movement. Guffey wanted Bonniwell also to assist Berry. As Bonniwell was not ready to surrender to make Berry National Committeeman, and Bonniwell the Democratic State Chairman, Berry refused to accept the bribe, but promised to carry the proposition to Bonniwell, and the Keystone Party people in his section, etc., crowd. It started really with the Democratic Congressional Delegation of this state at Washington. 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