

GREAT INTEREST IN NOVEMBER'S BATTLE

Republicans of the County Are Alive to Its Importance.

THE CONVENTION ON TUESDAY

At a Republican County Ticket Will Be Placed in Nomination. Democrats Have Not Yet Decided When Their County Convention Will Be Held—Organizing at Dunmore.

A good evidence of the interest Republicans feel in the battle of next November crops out in the preparations for Saturday's primaries. On that day the Republican voters of the county will select delegates to represent them at next Tuesday's Music Hall convention, when one candidate for congress, two candidates for county commissioner, and two candidates for county auditor will be named. Although these promises to be little contest for any save the auditor nomination, a warm interest in the primaries is displayed throughout the county, and the indications are that a good sized vote will be polled in all of the election districts. This is an evidence of the interest of Republicans in the welfare of the party and shows that early in this presidential contest, which promises to have a lasting effect upon the politics of the country, they are alive to the gravity of the danger that threatens and intend to do their utmost to assist in maintaining the honesty and prosperity of America. Tuesday's convention will be a harmonious gathering and will be called to order at 2 p. m. by John H. Thomas, chairman of the county committee. The primaries will be held at the regular polling places Saturday afternoon between the hours of 4 and 7 p. m.

The Democratic leaders have not made a decision concerning the date of the party's county convention. After the Republican county convention has completed its work the Democrats will gather in response to a call from County Chairman James J. O'Neill and a date for holding the county gathering will be decided upon. With respect to congress, the party is in the same position they after the latest, when no suitable person could be found who would say that he wanted to be a candidate. This year a number of well-known Democrats are spoken of in connection with the congressional nomination, but when approached on the subject they all deny a desire to be honored with a nomination or preserve a discreet silence. There are many candidates for the nominations for commissioners and auditors and it will require considerable fact on the part of the leaders to prevent the flashing of ambition which sparks will fly. One thing which disturbs the men who take a hand in running the local machinery of the Democratic party is their inability to count this year on many men who have been stalwart Democrats in the past. These men refuse to endorse the platform of the party, or to take any platform, and make no secret of the fact that they will not vote for Bryan and Sewall. This has a tendency to complicate matters and in the words made immortal by the Populist candidate for vice-president the leaders want to know "where they are at."

The way in which the local Populists have fallen on the neck of Democracy is another cause for disquiet. It is not heartily relished. A prominent Democrat in speaking yesterday about the Populists and Democrats joining forces said: "There are many good, well-meaning men among the Populists, but there are others. The others I object to. Some of the men who are forging to the front in the Populist's movement in this part of the state are renegade Democrats; men who possess no settled political convictions, and who when identified with our party brought no credit to it. We were glad when they left us and have no desire to see them return. These men are disturbers and nothing can induce them to long remain in peace and quiet. They are the dire enemies of any movement they attach themselves to and will always act as a drag upon it. A hundred of them would not give any cause a particle of prestige. After being divorced from the Democratic party for several years they now do us the honor to say that we have at length come around to their way of thinking, and that they will be generous enough to forgive our lapses in the past and co-operate with us in the future. We have no objection to their voting for Bryan and Sewall or any other Democratic candidates for that matter if they see fit, but we will certainly not allow them to sneak back to the party under the cloak of Populism. They were kicked out once and they will stay out."

The Wilkes-Barre Record has the following concerning the new county chairman of Luzerne: "The Record has already mentioned the selection of Leonard P. Holcomb as chairman of the Republican county committee. Mr. Holcomb is a resident of West Pittston and

is at present chief clerk in the prothonotary's office. He was born thirty-three years ago in Northampton, Wyo. county, and is a son of J. W. Holcomb. His father and numerous other relatives are Democrats, but he has always been a Republican, casting his first vote for Blaine. He has been actively identified with county politics for several years. Four years ago he was on the county committee, and when John Leisinger ran for congress Mr. Holcomb, as assistant chairman of the county committee, did some splendid work for the ticket. Last year he was on the county committee again. He has been assistant chairman of the legislative district committee for four years and has made an excellent record for party service, quietly but effectively performed. He is a good organizer, possesses marked executive ability and has the faculty of making friends. The retiring chairman, W. S. Tompkins, has professed his hearty support, in addition to which Mr. Holcomb will be aided by the secretary, Walter Koons, who will again serve. Further than this he will have the counsel and practical assistance of the executive committee made up of prominent Republicans from the several legislative districts."

The initial step towards the organization of a Republican club in Dunmore was taken Monday evening at Boyle's hall in the borough. The hall was well filled with prominent Republicans, who, after forming a temporary organization, appointed five voters from each district of the borough, whose duty it shall be to get all the Republican voters in their respective districts to meet in Boyle's hall next Monday evening, at which time a Republican club will be organized.

FUNERAL OF MRS. ANN O'NEILL.

High Mass of Requiem in St. Rose's Church, Carbondale.

The funeral of Mrs. Ann O'Neill yesterday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. J. Kelly, in Green Ridge, was attended by a large gathering of persons from up and down the valley. The remains were taken to Carbondale on the 2 o'clock train. The pall bearers were James Barrett, Ells Birs and P. A. Carroll, of Carbondale; P. J. Horan, of Dunmore; John J. O'Boyle and James Phillips, of this city.

In Carbondale at St. Rose's church a solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated. Rev. Joseph O'Neill, of Philadelphia, a nephew of Mrs. O'Neill, was celebrant of the mass; Rev. T. F. Coffey, pastor of St. Rose's church, Carbondale, was deacon; Rev. P. J. McManus, pastor of St. Paul's church, Green Ridge, was sub-deacon; and Rev. W. A. Nealon, of Carbondale, master of ceremonies. The following priests were also present: Rev. John Griffin, Rev. M. J. Millane, Carbondale; Rev. John J. Curran, Wilkes-Barre; Rev. Joseph J. McCall, Avoca; Rev. M. K. Lynott, Jersey; Rev. Richard H. Walsh, Moscow; Rev. James A. O'Reilly, Rev. J. I. Dunn, Rev. William P. O'Donnell, Rev. J. E. McAndrew, Rev. J. A. Moffitt, and Rev. James Malone, Scranton. A large number of sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary were present.

Rev. Father Coffey preached a brief sermon. He read from the last chapter of Proverbs, and took for his text the words: "She has opened her hand to the needy, and stretched out her hand to the poor." "The woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised." Final absolution was granted by Father O'Neill. The interment was in St. Rose's cemetery.

WAS NO MISUNDERSTANDING.

Permanent Man George Repents Chief Hickey's Words.

The permanent men of the Chemical Engine company deny that there was a misunderstanding on their part of Chief Hickey's order transmitted to them by telephone Tuesday morning. When seen by a Tribune reporter yesterday, Permanent Man J. W. George, who received the order from Chief Hickey, said: "The order I received from Chief Hickey was this: 'I wish to have the house until you have notified me where the fire is whenever you get a still alarm. That will be your orders from this on. I am positive he said that, and am willing to make an affidavit, if necessary. When we received that order there was nothing for us to do but quit.'"

Thomas Campbell, another of the permanent men, said: "Chief Hickey admitted in the engine house that he said not to take the engine out until he had been notified in case of a still alarm. He added we could not do that, but meant that. Nearly all still alarms are sent in by telephone, and that he might be notified of them at the same time we are, the chief had a direct wire put in connecting the Chemical Engine house with his headquarters. When an alarm comes by messenger I will not wait to ring up the chief, because we would be losing valuable time, and I will not hold the engine for any person who does telephone unless I receive instructions in writing to do so."

IT WAS HOT ENOUGH.

Patrolman Perry Didn't Want to Visit a Hotter Time.

For telling a patrolman to go to a clime hotter than this, Bradley Allen, 34 years old and a tinner, yesterday began serving a 30-day sentence in the county jail.

Early in the morning Patrolman Perry saw Allen emerging from between two buildings on lower Lackawanna avenue, and, thinking the circumstances suspicious, asked him to explain his presence there. Allen replied by telling the patrolman to take the journey mentioned in the foregoing paragraph. The latter declined to do so, arrested Allen and took him to the central police station where "suspicion and abusing an officer" was recorded opposite his name by Desk Sergeant Deiter.

A \$2 fine was the punishment prescribed by Alderman Miller in the morning police court. Allen was forced to take the 30-day alternative as he was not in possession of the fine.

Primaries Saturday.

To the Republican voters of the First ward of the Borough of Dickson City. There will be a primary election held on Saturday, Aug. 1, 1896, for the purpose of electing one delegate to the Republican county convention and also two persons for the office of vigilance committee. Voting will be held in the borough building. Polls open from 4 to 7 p. m.

Richard Barron, William E. Moses, Vigilance Committee, July 28, 1896.

Tones Up the System.

Green Grove, Pa., July 15, 1896.—I have taken quite a number of bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and it has done me a wonderful amount of good by toning up my system. Coars, Hood's Pills cure indigestion.

HAVE DESIGNS ON CITIZEN'S CHARTER

Battle Between Trolley Companies Will Be Fought at Harrisburg.

STATE OFFICERS APPEALED TO

Attorney-General Will Be Asked to Have the Charter of the Citizens Company Declared Null and Void, August 11 and 12 Are the Days Selected for the Argument.

Proceedings have been taken by the Scranton Traction company to have the charter of the Citizens' Street Railway company declared null and void. The latter was granted a charter at Harrisburg on June 2 last. It was chartered at a capital stock of \$200,000, and the directors of it are Hon. W. L. Cornell, H. H. Archer, P. S. Page, County Treasurer C. H. Schadt and P. J. Horan.

A few days after the charter was granted the directors met and elected ex-Mayor Cornell president, Mr. Horan secretary, and Mr. Schadt treasurer. The ink on the document was scarcely dry when an ordinance was introduced in select council providing for a franchise which would give them right of way over a large number of the city streets.

The Citizens' company agreed to pay into the city treasurer on Jan. 15 of each year \$2 for every car in operation. They proposed to occupy a great many streets now occupied by the Scranton Traction company under franchises of the Valley Passenger Railway company.

ACTION AT HARRISBURG.

The Citizens' Railway ordinance was killed in council and that put a quietus on the matter until Tuesday, when a dispatch from Harrisburg announced that attorneys were arranging for a time for a hearing before Attorney General McCormick on a quo warranto proceeding brought by the Scranton Traction company against the Citizens' company.

A Tribune reporter learned yesterday that a short time ago Attorney Horace E. Hand and Major Everett Warren, representing the Scranton Traction company, went to Harrisburg and presented a petition to the attorney general, asking that a writ of quo warranto issue.

The time set for a hearing is Aug. 11 and 12. Mr. Hand, Major Warren, H. Burns and Hon. M. E. O'Grady, of Harrisburg, will be the attorneys for the plaintiffs at the hearing and the defendant will be represented by Hon. John P. Kelly, Joseph O'Brien and J. Alton Davis.

The petition filed with the attorney general alleges that the Citizens' Street Railway company has no authority to use the tracks of the People's Street Railway company. Their charter states that they propose to use 2,500 feet of those tracks on Lackawanna avenue from Jefferson to Franklin, and they need that 2,500 feet of road to make a continuous route as required by law. That is one reason alleged why the charter should be set aside, the People's company alleging that they have had no authority to use that amount of track.

ANOTHER REASON GIVEN.

Another reason alleged is that in the defendant's articles of association it is expressly stated that no tracks are laid or authorized to be laid on any street named in the articles. The Traction company alleges that there are tracks laid by them for over 11,000 feet of streets that the defendant's proposed route covers, and also that the Traction company has authority to lay about 45,000 feet or over eight miles more of track on streets over which the Citizens' line proposes to pass. Another contention is that they have the right to use not more than 2,500 feet of the tracks of any one company under any circumstances, but that they propose to use more than that.

TWO INJUNCTION CASES.

There Was a Hearing in One and the Other Was Continued for a Week.

Further evidence was heard yesterday before Judge Gunster in the equity suit of the borough of Winton against the Mount Vernon Street Railway company. Hon. Lemuel Amerman and Attorneys L. H. Burns and M. J. Martin represented the defendant, and Hon. John P. Kelly, Hon. C. P. O'Malley and Major Everett Warren represented the plaintiff.

The suit was brought to enjoin the company from laying its tracks on the alleged ground that the ordinance granting the right of way was not complied with. The ordinance provided that the road should be ready for operation in three years after May 1, 1895. Mr. Amerman presented in evidence a copy of an ordinance passed Feb. 1, 1894, extending the time three years from that date, which gives the

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company until Feb. 1, 1897, to do the work.

If the second ordinance is proper, the suit fails, but the plaintiff claims that it is void because it was not properly recorded on the ordinance book. Mr. Burns said if that is the case, it was the fault of the borough, which cannot now take advantage of its own neglect in order to benefit by its own errors. Judge Gunster fixed tomorrow as a time for hearing arguments on both sides.

The hearing in the injunction brought to restrain certain members of St. Joseph's Lithuanian church, North Main avenue, from barricading the sacred edifice, was continued until Wednesday, Aug. 5, at 9 a. m.

REUNION AT WILKES-BARRE.

Seven County Veterans Will Meet There on Aug. 21.

"The Seven County Veteran reunion, to be held in this city on Friday, Aug. 21, will be a larger affair than people imagine," says the Wilkes-Barre Record. "General E. S. Osborne, president of the Seven County Veteran association, told the Record yesterday that he expected 5,000 people in town—the veterans and their families. The counties comprising the association are Luzerne, Lackawanna, Wyoming, Susquehanna, Bradford and Wayne in Pennsylvania, and Broome county, New York.

"There will be a parade and business meeting in this city in the morning and a picnic and exercises at Mountain Park in the afternoon. Governor Hastings, Thomas J. Stewart, Judge Darte, P. H. Campbell and W. J. Scott and others have been invited to deliver addresses, and D. M. Jones will read a poem. There will also be singing and music by the Ninth Regiment band.

"Last year the reunion was held in Susquehanna county, and preceding it was an encampment for several days, but no encampment will be held this year.

"The Seven County Veteran association was organized in this city twenty years ago, when the first meeting was held. General Osborne was one of the prime movers in the organization."

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PERSONAL.

Charles Moore is at Atlantic City, spending his vacation.

John H. Brooks left yesterday for a two weeks' stay at "Cottage City."

Mrs. H. G. Dale is entertaining her sister, Miss Margaret Oliver, of Exeter.

Professor H. L. Burdick has returned from an extended visit in Maryland.

Mrs. Allen Singer, of Mowsey avenue, is spending the summer at Hawlers, Monroe county.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Shiffer have gone to Astory Park, where they will remain two weeks.

Miss Gertrude Fisher, of Wilkes-Barre, is being entertained by her cousin, Miss Clara Speitzer.

Miss Rose Jaosity, of Newark, N. J., and Miss Minnie David, of Wilkes-Barre, are the guests of the Misses Gallen.

County Treasurer William Reed, of Luzerne county, and Charles Keek, of Wilkes-Barre, were in the city yesterday.

Mrs. W. H. Stevens and family, of Green Ridge, left yesterday morning for Richmond and Old Point Comfort, to be gone until September.

Deputy Sheriff L. C. Bagtree, of Moscow, will leave for Denver, Colo., today to spend two months with two of his sons, who are residents of that western city.

Miss Lulu Foster and Miss Grace Weed, of Waymart, Pa., took a run to Scranton on their wheels and are visiting Miss Mame Clark, of Copouse avenue.

Rev. M. J. Hoban accompanied by many of the priests of the Scranton diocese went to Blossburg yesterday to attend the funeral of Rev. James A. Connolly.

The Misses Leonard, of Jefferson Avenue, are entertaining Mrs. J. T. Lane, of Jacksonville, Fla., and Miss Tyson, of Pottsville.

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Mutual Aid association will run an excursion to Pleasant Beach on Aug. 22. Fare for round trip will be \$2.00.

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