

Republican News Item.

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-Vote the Republican ticket. -Read our editorial columns, then hand the paper to some friend. -Bryan is a dreamer and theorist; McKinley a practical, sensible man. -Dr. Murrell of Athens, will be at Laporte next week, prepared to do dental work. -Mrs. Wm. Lawrence and daughter Hattie, returned on Tuesday from a visit with friends in Luzerne county. -You cannot help the farmer by more coinage of silver. He can only be helped by more consumers of his product. -Mrs. H. T. Downs returned to Williamsport on Monday, after spending a week with her daughter, Mrs. N. C. Maben. -The McKinleyites trying to settle the coal strike are at better business than the Bryanite trying to defeat the settlement of it. -Henry Upman is home from Eagles Mere where he has been employed in a grocery store the past summer. -Mr. and Mrs. John Whitely of Eldredsville, and Mrs. Orville Bartow and sons of Philadelphia, visited at the home of Sheriff Osler. -Vote for Atty. Shoemaker for District Attorney and Thos. S. Simmons for jury commissioner. They are well qualified for the office. -James Cunningham of Dushore, was transacting business in town on Monday. He did not argue politics as he had a limited time to catch the train. -Dr. H. G. Wilson is still very sick with heart trouble. Dr. Rose Morgan and Dr. Heberton are giving him careful attention, and his many friends are hopeful of his recovery. -A. J. Hackley, who had the misfortune to break his shoulder by a fall at the tannery several weeks ago, is now able to be around in his usual good humor. -Is there an Astor or a Vanderbilt in the Democratic national committee? The tales of expenditures for hotel luxuries, cold bottles, hot birds, carriages and servants would make it appear so. -Supt. F. W. Meylert will move into his beautiful residence this week. It is now complete throughout and is very suggestive of comfort and convenience. Mr. Meylert is now erecting a new barn in the rear. -The Declaration of Independence will be all right after election. Indeed, it is all right now. But then, the Democracy of this county will be able to declare its independence of Scoutenism, and that would be a great gain. -Mollie Conklin, while at play in the school house yard one day last week, received a painful injury about the eye. A playmate accidentally ran a stick into the member which nearly caused the loss of the sight. -We remember a story of two little boys who were sent to pick up chips. The smallest boy returned to his mother crying. "What is the matter Jimmy?" said his mother. "Oh" said Jimmy, sobbing, "Johnny's big foot covers the whole ground." Somebody's big foot is covering up all the good democratic chips in Sullivan county this year—is it Johnnie's?

-Vote for Dr. Christian for the Assembly and Hon. W. C. Rogers for Associate Judge. They are men of integrity and ability and particularly qualified to fill these high and important offices. Give them a vote. -Atty. F. H. Ingham has purchased a large, hand cider press and will divide his leisure pressing juice from his apples. For a good draught apply at the rear of the brick house. As drinking water is now very scarce, it may be a paying investment. -Mr. Bernard Sheehan, a highly respected citizen and farmer of Laporte Twp., died at his home Saturday morning, aged about 73 years. Mr. Sheehan had not been in good health for the last year, and his death was due to a complication of diseases. He is survived by two sons, Thomas and Daniel, and three daughters, Mrs. McDermot, Mrs. E. J. Flynn and Miss Annie. Funeral services were held at the Sacred Heart Church as this place, Tuesday morning conducted by Rev. Father Enright. Interment was made in St. Basil's cemetery, at Dushore.

-R. E. Evenson is now conductor of the passenger train on the W. & N. B. R. R. This road always have had gentlemen and obliging conductors and Mr. Evenson is fully sustaining these distinctions to the highest limitation. It is plain to see that he is keenly alive to the comfort of travelers, and it is evident that manners is of more moment to him than style in assisting those burdened with luggage and collecting ticket, bearing his name, that were issued when he was general manager of the road. -The man who boasts that he has dollars where his neighbor has cents seems to be running what he calls the democratic party of Sullivan county. That it is not the democratic party of four years ago is sufficiently apparent. The old principles are left in the back ground, and we do not hear from these talented men who were then holding public meetings in almost every school house. It remains to be seen whether the men of brains, or the man of dollars, will lead the democratic party of Sullivan county next year.

-Our Shunk correspondent says that there are some animated controversy in that section on the Trust question. In this the News Item asks the privilege of intruding. First, we will refer to the Congressional Record and see what the Democratic situation is on this question. In so doing we find every line of legislation now on our statute books was placed there by the Republicans, and the Democrats voted against a constitutional amendment to regulate them only four months ago. We also find the Democratic national chairman trying to help the sugar trust. Every line of legislation now on the statute books of the United States directed against trusts and unlawful trade combinations was placed there by the Republicans. That there is not more stringent law against them is the fault of the Democratic party. The last occasion on which the parties went on record on the trust question was on June 1, 1900. On that day a final vote was taken on a constitutional amendment to grant Congress power to "define, regulate prohibit and dissolve trusts, monopolies and combinations, whether existing in the form of corporations or otherwise." It requires a two-third vote of Congress to submit a Constitutional Amendment to the State Legislatures for ratification. The question to so submit it was lost by a vote of 154 yeas to 132 nays. Now listen, of the yeas 149 were Republicans and only 5 were Democrats, and Rufus K. Polk of this district was not one of the five to help legislate against Trusts. Of the 132 nays, only two were Republicans, Loud and Call. Richardson, Lentz, Sulzer, Ruppert, Salmon and all the other professional "trust killers" voted NAY. They declined to give Congress the power to grapple with the Trusts. The Democrats indulged in spasms of virtue for two days, denouncing the trusts, and then voted to continue them. Now what kind of hypocrisy would you call that or the fool that will try to argue that the Republicans are favorable to Trusts? In one of Bryan's recent speeches he admitted the value of the Republican idea and the one he would finally adopt after experimenting with other methods first, in case he was elected. Some trusts operate all over the country; others like the New York Ice Trust, which Bryan is tied up with, operates in a single city. The requisite power to reach each and all and bring them within the Federal law, was denied by a margin of 36 votes, ALL DEMOCRATIC. Denouncing is one thing. Doing is another. Mr. Bryan's trust denunciations, in view of his party's record, promises no better than the prophecies he made four years ago; and as a prophet Mr. Bryan has not succeeded. We would like to have our Democratic trust advocates explain these facts, taken from the Congressional Record showing their history of favoring trusts. Now open up, or shut up and haul in those hypocritical Bryan Trust banners.

-E. M. Letts of Shunk, was awarded the contract for building the abutments for the two new county bridges over the Loyal Sock creek. The contract price is \$3,750 per cubic yard, which is considered a low price for a good job. -We learn from the Elmira Advertiser that a vote for Bryan is a vote "to Tammanize the cornfield." No, that would be against the grain. And the cornfields themselves would not survive the effects of the shock on the fodder or of the fodder in the shock.

Shunk. Mr. Jay Leonard is picking Reubin Battin's apples for one-third. Esquire Kilmer is unusually busy this fall. Our constable has a large run of business, owing to wild fires which he had to suppress, and public sales which he must attend.

Old Glory is agaid waving over our 12 by 16 institution for general knowledge, at Shunk. The writer had the pleasure of listening to a very animated conversation between a company of Republicans and Democrats, while Bryan's big hand bill on "Trusts" was a very prominent window decoration. Our little boys are wearing blue caps with our National Republican candidates names printed on the front in glaring letters of gold. The rains which have occurred recently give us encouragement. It is awful to see at what low prices we are compelled to sell our live stock on account of the extremely dry season. Mr. and Mrs. Leon Campbell have returned from their visit in Tioga county. Mr. Bradford's temperance lecture turned out to be prohibitional campaign speech. It was appreciated by all. The trees are putting on their fall coats and are very beautiful.

Sonestown. Mrs. Dora Cook closed school in the forenoon to attend the funeral of Mrs. Secules at Muncy Valley, on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Welch have returned to town, after a summer at Eagles Mere. They will again live with Mrs. Alex Hess. Mrs. Joseph Traugh and daughter, of Nordmont were visiting in town, on Saturday. Joseph Mencer started on Monday for the Williamsport Commercial College.

Owing to an attack of nervousness Frank Shoemaker was compelled to stop teaching where he had been employed at the Lowe school house. Finding it impossible to resume his work, Mr. Shoemaker resigned, and director Gavitt has employed W. B. Hazzen to finish the years work. The concert given by a number of the M. E. church members and Prof. Sturdevant on Saturday evening, was well attended. Several of the numbers rendered were appreciably noticed. Prominent among which were the quartets "The Fortune Teller" and "Hiddidd Diddle." Recitations were also given by Misses Ada Hall, Mildred Hall and Myrtle Turney, of Nordmont. Miss May Mencer of Nordmont, visited her brother, Augustus Mencer's family on Saturday. A very large number of people attended the funeral of Mrs. Secules at Muncy Valley, on Monday. E. J. Lockwood is entertaining Mr. Roberts, of Philadelphia.

The woods were full of hunters on Monday, and game, especially squirrels seems to be abundant. Andrew Edgar is having a new roof put on his house. Carpenters Boatman and Ellison are doing the work. Mrs. Dr. Voorhees who has been very ill, is again able to be out. On Saturday night there was no lack of excitement in town, some one attempted to enter Mr. Phillip's house, another person was at R. W. Simmon's door, and the sleeping inhabitants of the town were disturbed at a. m. by some one running up and down the street, swearing and yelling. Dr. Voorhees succeeded in quieting him.

School Report. Report of Laporte Borough High School for first month. Scholars whose names are marked with a dagger were present every day and those marked with a double dagger were present every day and not late. The figures indicate the average per cent. in scholarship and attendance. Class A - Molly Wrode 91, Mae Mae Mason 91, Robert Mason 90, W. Taylor Lawrence 90, Ina Oiler 85. Class B - Dollie Crossley 88, Elizabeth Yagel 88, Freda Crossley 91, Elvina Trigg 97, Bessie Boscogrova 80, Lizzie Loyd 94, Nellie Fitch 80, Mame Helm 80, Josephine Fraley 87, Emma Yeagle 80, Joseph Wreble 86 1/2. Class C - Joseph Gialagher, 91, Samuel Cronan 92, Orlie Mason 97 1/2, Hattie Lawrence 97 1/2, Olive Barrows 96, Floyd Finkle 91, Jennie Minder 80, May Rose 82, Daisy Mauer 80, Nina Green 80, Guy Crossley 91. Number enrolled, 27. E. L. SWEENEY, Teacher.

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Sunday School Convention. The first District Convention of the Sunday Schools of Shrewsbury township was held in the Mt. Vernon M. E. church, Thursday, October 11, 1900. The afternoon session opened at promptly 2 p. m. with devotional exercises by Rev. J. Guldin, followed by the address of welcome by Mrs. Alvin Falmer who did herself credit in this short address. Singing. Why should we have Sunday Schools, was ably discussed by Rev. J. T. Bradford and J. H. W. Little. Recitation "The Boy Hero" by Addie Worthington. The next subject was discussed by Rev. J. Guldin on the Sunday School and Missions, showing the necessity of contributing liberally to the mission cause. Rev. J. T. Bradford and A. P. Starr gave short addresses on the same subject. Singing. The ideal Sunday school class and how to teach it was opened and ably discussed by Walter Hazen followed by Revs. Bradford and Guldin. Singing. Collection, followed by singing doxology. Benediction by Rev. Bradford. Adjourned. The evening session opened at 7:30 with song service conducted by Rev. J. T. Bradford who afterward spoke for some time on the helpful features of Sunday School work. Recitation - "Grandma and Grandpa Spicers Prepare for Church," by Miss Annetta Worthington. Singing. W. E. Hill, J. A. Bennett and Rev. Bradford showed many different ways to increase the Sunday School collection. Recitation - "The Master is Coming," by Miss Emma Secules. How can the Sunday School help the Superintendent, was ably discussed by A. P. Starr who was assisted by the choir of Muncy Valley showing how good singing will help and does help the Superintendent. Recitation - "The First Settlers Story," by Miss B. Frankford Lewis, was beautifully rendered. In the question box were found questions of profit which were ably discussed. The place chosen for holding the next convention was at the Baptist Mission school near Eagles Mere. After singing benediction by Rev. J. Guldin, the convention adjourned with pleasant and profitable memories of the day. ANNETTA WORTHINGTON, Sec.

Things are coming our way. A short day is better than a short dollar. -William McKinley. The vote of next November will decide the length of the war in the Philippines. Mr. Bryan's sneers at the full dinner pail will not efface the memory of the workmen. The Democratic party is consistent in that it is keeping up its record for inconsistency. Wear the Flag. Mr. Bryan will omit all allusions to the Tammany ice trust during his campaign tour of New York. The drift of public sentiment is growing stronger every day in favor of the Republican party. The Hon. George Fred Williams declines to permit some of the gold Democrats to return to the party. Those who uphold law and order wear the Flag. The Republican party is the party that performs. The Democratic party is the party that promises only. Currency is now going west and south to move the crops. Never before did it have such a job of moving to perform. Fly the Flag. Senator Wellington goes away from home to do his campaigning. By this move he manages to escape some of the wrath of his constituents. The difference between Bryanism and Democracy is the difference between politics in its worst sense and statesmanship in its historical significance. Bryan despairs of the future of the country because the voters insist on permitting business to influence their politics, and yet he himself has grown wealthy by making politics his business. It is safe to predict that free silver will never again find place in a Democratic platform, but it will take the party a long time to overcome the stigma of having adopted such a financial heresy. Don't haul down the Flag. Mr. Bryan fears that the full dinner pail may not last through the campaign. It is sure to do that, but it will be empty pretty soon after election, if, by any unexpected accident, he should be elected.

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