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PLATFORMS FOR 1908 CAMPAIGN.

What Bryan and Taft Hope to Win On at the Coming Conventions.

Below are presented for comparison the platforms on which Taft and Bryan are expected to face the people in the presidential race next fall. The platform adopted by the Ohio State Republican Convention Thursday is credited with representing the War Secretary's ideas, and the platform of the Nebraska State Democratic Convention Thursday is regarded as embodying the views of the Nebraska leader.

BRYAN'S PLATFORM.

Tariff for revenue only.
Protection of bank depositors by guarantee fund, issue of emergency currency by Government, establishment of postal banks and award of United States deposits by competitive bidding.
Notice of injunction in labor disputes, trial before other than issuing Judge and trial for contempt by jury.
More stringent railroad curb to prevent stock watering and competition with shippers and to reduce rates.
Federal license permitting trust to control not more than 50 per cent. of the product in which it deals, and to force corporations to sell on equal terms in all parts of country.
Prevention of duplicate directors in competing companies.
Immediate protectorate for Philippines. United States to retain naval and coaling stations.
Exclusion of Asiatics.
Curb on centralization of government.
Adequate employers' liability law.

TAFT'S PLATFORM.

Tariff revision next winter.
Currency reform to prevent panics.
Limitation in exercise of power of injunction to prevent its abuse.
Indorsement of rate law and other policies of President Roosevelt.
Government regulation of trusts and monopolies.
Prohibition of child labor.
Greater merchant marine and adequate navy.
Protection of negro in his right of franchise by reducing electoral vote of State where he is not allowed to cast ballot.
Speedy completion of Panama Canal.
National safeguarding of health.
Compensation for injured Government employes.
Improvement of waterways.
Constitutional employers' liability law.

They Like Grimes.

The Morning News, published at Danville, Pa., has this to say of a former McConnellsburg pastor. "The Rev. J. Conley Grimes is one of the rising ministers of this conference and large congregations are attracted by his eloquence while his sound and practical views on all matters affecting things temporal or things sacred and eternal find a ready acceptance. Improvements at church and parsonage have been installed during the year, while in point of collections and accession to membership the showing is quite up to that of the most prosperous years of the past."
At a recent meeting of the quarterly conference at Riverside a formal request was made for his return.

Six Widows.

With the death of Joseph A. Shaw, of Taylor township, on the 20th ult. (whose age, by-the-way, was 60 years and 6 days, instead of 66 years and 6 days, as given in the News), his wife became the sixth widow in the immediate Shaw family, to wit: Mother, Mrs. Irena Shaw; wife, Mrs. Rosa C. Shaw; daughter-in-law, Mrs. Esther P. Shaw; sister-in-law, Mrs. Alice V. Shaw; cousin, Mrs. Sarah Shaw, and aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth Shaw.

KILLED ON LIVE WIRE.

Howard Naugle, of Burnt Cabins, a Pole Climber in the Service of the A. T. & T. Co., Meets Death in Atlanta, Ga.

Howard Naugle, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Naugle, of Burnt Cabins, was killed instantly at Atlanta, Ga., on Tuesday of last week. Howard was a pole-climber in the service of the American Telegraph & Telephone Company, whose lines pass through the northern end of this county, and was at work in Atlanta. In the act of climbing a pole he, in some manner, fell backwards, alighting on a live electric wire, and was instantly killed.

The remains of the unfortunate young man, accompanied by a Mr. Robinson, a fellow workman, arrived at Burnt Cabins on Thursday, and the funeral was held from his father's home on Friday, services being conducted by Rev. W. M. Chue, of the M. E. church at that place. Interment in the cemetery at Burnt Cabins.

The unfortunate young man was aged about 28 years.

Pushing the Ox into the Ditch.

DEAR EDITOR:—We will try to open the door, but we do not know whether or not we can get it to swing the right way. We, as a people—a great many of us, at least—live in glass houses, and, consequently, ought not to throw stones. We are led to make these observations from some items in the NEWS from the Cove a few weeks ago, which said that some fellow had broken the third commandment. Assuming that the said commandment was broken or badly bent by some one or more of our citizens, can we gather up a crowd in this community who will join in stoning the violator to death. Will he that is without sin, cast the first stone? To test the matter, let us notice the answers given by the first few men we approach.

First Man: "I went to the house of God last Sunday, and made arrangements with my brother to make a trip Monday."

Second Man: "I went to church a Sunday or two ago and tried to hire a man to do a job of work for me."

Third Man: "I drove seven or eight miles last Sunday looking after a hired girl, and I was not forced to have her that day, either; and while I am about it, I might add that there are a few other things that I did on Sunday that I do not think were just right."

Fourth Man: "I do not care about taking a hand in the stoning match. I have been in the habit of taking my neighbors down into my cellar on the Lord's day, and giving them stuff to drink that is mean enough to make a jack-rabbit spit in a bulldog's face." So, we go on from one to another and get the same old story and, finally, give it up and say, "Isn't it a shame that we cannot find a man who may conscientiously cast the first stone?"

In this day of strenuous living, the ox is pushed and pushed through the week, until when Sunday comes, he is bound to be in the ditch in spite of himself. The farmer goes out after breakfast Sunday morning and in a few minutes returns excitedly saying, "Wife, our ox is in the ditch. Come, we must get him out." The next Sunday the wife says to the husband: "The ox is in the ditch again, and we must not leave him there until Monday—he may die, and, you know, the corn has to be plowed." The truth is, the ox has been in the ditch so frequently that he is getting weak, and is not so hard to push in as he once was.

It seems to me there ought to be some way to keep him out. If there was a good wire fence along the ditch, and by watching a little when the ox comes near, he could be kept out.

If we had a Nehemiah of old, the gates would be locked, and there would not be any going in or coming out. Then the guns would lie on the hooks, the horse would stand in the stall, and the man would get more rest on the Lord's Day.

IMPORTANT MEASURES.

The Employer Liability Bill and the Postal Savings Banks Bill Introduced in Congress by Senator Knox.

WASHINGTON, March 11. (Special)—Two of the most important measures introduced at this session of congress, the employers liability bill and the postal savings bank bill, were introduced by Senator Knox, of Pennsylvania. Both of these bills are now under consideration in committee and will be reported to the senate at an early date. The indications are that both will become laws at this session.

A sub-committee of the committee on judiciary is holding hearings on the employers' liability bill, giving the workmen and the railroads every opportunity to present arguments for and against it. The object for which Senator Knox strove in framing the bill is the one that will be kept to the front by the committee in reporting upon it, and that is to give the workmen the greatest consideration possible for their protection and yet keep within the bounds of the constitution, so that when the bill becomes a law and gets before the courts, it will not suffer the same unfortunate fate that the former law did.

The postal savings bank bill is now being considered by a sub-committee of the committee of postoffices and postroads. Two other bills, having the same object as that introduced by Senator Knox are before this sub-committee, but it is believed that the Knox bill will be reported to the senate. This bill embodies the views of the postmaster general and has the backing of President Roosevelt and the administration. Every effort will be made to secure its passage at this session of congress and the prospects of success are good. Bankers and financiers as a rule will favor it, as they recognize that it will go a long way towards preventing the recurrence of such financial stringency as the country has just passed through. The people will welcome it as it will provide an absolutely safe depository for their savings.

END.

Miss Nellie and Annie Barnett after spending some time with their aunt, Mrs. H. M. Truax, have returned to their home at Everett.

Nearly all of A. D. Berkstresser's family have been housed with gripe and tonsillitis.

Mrs. Jno. M. Schenck is quite poorly with gripe and quinsy.

Mrs. J. C. Foster is spending some time with her son Cooke at Findlayville.

Quite an excitement was raised last Saturday morning when word went over the telephone that Esie Foster's house was on fire. It was soon after learned that it was the shop instead. The house would have taken fire if it had not been for Rev. Strayer and Harry Foster and Harry Zern.

The Rev. Strayer, of the U. B. church, is holding revival services at the U. B. church in the Valley.

The Ladies Aid of the Valley M. E. church met at John M. Schenck's and sewed for Mrs. Chas. M. Schenck on Thursday.

Mr. J. F. Early, as the roads were bad and he had nothing else to do, kindly took his big sled and gathered up the members and took them to their work. He thought he had a heavy load, so before they were ready to start home in the evening, he had them put on the scales—when it was found he had almost a ton of ladies. Mr. Early contended that the load was heavier than when he came, which was probably true as they had all done ample justice to the good dinner provided by the Mesdames Schenck. Any one wanting a good days work done should give the Aid a call. A dollar a day and their dinner is their charges.

PHILIP HENRY SNYDER.

Civil War Veteran. Member of Company I, 158th Regiment. Funeral Services Monday under Auspices of King Post, G. A. R.

Philip H. Snyder, a well known citizen of Tod township, died at his home about two miles north of McConnellsburg, last Friday evening, and his remains were laid to rest in the Union cemetery on Monday.

Mr. Snyder was born in Obermoschell, Germany on the 4th of June, 1826, and came to America in 1848.

On the 4th of November 1862, he was mustered into the United States military service becoming Third Sergeant in Company I, 158th regiment Pennsylvania Infantry. Some of the men who served in the same regiment are David A. Gillis, James T. Connolly, Daniel P. and David M. Doshong. Mr. Snyder's regiment was mustered out of service on the 12th of the following August.

Mr. Snyder was a man of more than ordinary intelligence, an interesting conversationalist, and possessed good judgment. He was for many years a consistent member of the German Baptist church.

He leaves to mourn their loss, the following children, namely, Mary, wife of Zack Vallance; Fredrica, wife of Adam Shaffer, residing near Summerfield, Ill.; Phillippa, wife of Harry Miller, at Burnt Cabins, and Miss Etta at home, whose faithfulness and devotion to her invalid parents for a long time is worthy of the highest commendation.

Mr. Snyder had been practically blind for several years, on account of which he was confined closely to his home. King Post, G. A. R., of this place, attended the funeral and assisted in the burial service.

MRS. REBECCA MELLOTT.

Mrs. Rebecca Melott, wife of Mr. Job Melott, of Bethel township, died at the home of her son William, near Sideling Hill post-office, on the 5th of March, 1908, of heart disease. Funeral on the 7th, conducted by Rev. Powers, of Needmore, and interment in the cemetery at Cedar Grove Christian church. Mrs. Melott's maiden name was Hull, and she has a brother, John S. Hull, living at Mansfield, Ohio.

Mrs. Melott was a consistent member of the Christian church during the last forty-five years of her life, and was highly esteemed by a large circle of friends. Her age was 70 years, and 5 months.

A husband and six children are left to mourn the loss of wife and mother. The children are William; Amy, wife of John Harmon; Ella, wife of Charles Lewis—all living in Bethel township; Joseph E. and John D., in Belfast township, and Howard, in Whips Cove.

SUSAN TROSTLE.

Mrs. Susan Trostle, one of Ayr township's most aged people, died at the home of James Bivens, Jr., near Big Cove Tannery, on Tuesday morning, after an illness of but a few days, of bronchial pneumonia. Mrs. Trostle was a daughter of the elder Jacob Crouse, deceased, and was born in Adams county about 84 years ago.

Her remains were laid to rest in the graveyard at the Reformed church in the Corner yesterday.

HAZEL C. ROTZ.

Hazel C., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Rotz, of Tod township, died last Thursday evening, aged 4 years and 12 days. Funeral on Saturday, conducted by Rev. Fassold, and interment at McConnellsdale church. Little Hazel had been an invalid from the time of her birth.

SAMUEL KUNKLE.

Samuel Kunkle, a stock dealer well known in this county, died at his home in Williamson, Franklin county, last Saturday, of cancer, aged 57 years, 6 months, and 28 days. Mr. Kunkle was a member of the Lutheran church and a good man. His funeral took place yesterday.

LOOK OUT FOR THE OFFICER.

George Suders, of this Place, Appointed by the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

For the better carrying out of the provisions of the act of assembly for the protection of animals in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, George Suders of McConnellsburg has been appointed for this district, and it may be of interest to our readers to give the law as it stands on our statute books in reference to this subject. Among other things, the Act of March 19, 1869 says:

"Any person who shall, within this commonwealth, wantonly or cruelly ill-treat, overload, beat, or otherwise abuse any animal, whether belonging to himself or otherwise, * * * shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on being convicted thereof before any Alderman or Magistrate, shall be fined by the said Alderman or Magistrate for the first offense in a sum not less than \$10, nor more than \$20; and for the second and every subsequent offense in a sum not less than \$20, nor more than \$50, * * * or upon such binding over or commitment appear before the said Court, and be there convicted of such misdemeanor, he shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars, payable as aforesaid, or undergo an imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both, at the discretion of the Court."

A very wise man, a long time ago, said "A good man is merciful to his beast," and any effort put forth for the cultivation of humane feelings in our growing generation ought to meet with the hearty approval and co-operation of all good citizens.

March Weddings.

LYNCH—DESHONG.

At the Lutheran parsonage in this place last Saturday afternoon, by Rev. J. C. Fassold, Mr. Mack Lynch and Miss Ella Deshong, both of Ayr township, were united in marriage.

LININGER—PITTMAN.

At the Reformed parsonage, Chambersburg, Pa., at noon, Wednesday, March 4, 1908, by the Rev. Dr. Irvin W. Hendricks, pastor of the Zion Reformed Church of that place, Mrs. Anna Catherine Pittman, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Michael Knauff, near McConnellsburg, Pa., was married to Mr. Nathan Walter Lininger, of Kahlotus, Washington.

The bridal couple left Chambersburg Thursday for Ashland, Oregon, where they expect to reside. Owing to the recent death of the bride's mother, they did not take a wedding tour in the accepted sense of the term, but made Denver, Colorado, the first stop in their journey westward, and that only for the purpose of being able to pass over the Rocky Mountains, Royal Gorge, and other places of general interest, in daylight.

The bride is one of Fulton's most estimable young women, and her many friends here join in the wish that she may find her western home very pleasant, and have a long and happy life.

Local Institute.

The teachers of Union township held their fourth local institute at Harmonia school house Saturday afternoon, Feb. 29th. The following questions were ably discussed by the teachers present: 1. Review work Oral and Written. 2. The mission of the public school. 3. Home study and the co-operation of the parents. The following teachers were present: Jessie Gienger, Geo. Lehman, G. B. Melott, T. R. Shank and E. C. Hendershot. The school rendered an excellent program consisting of recitation, select readings and singing. A large crowd was present and the best of order prevailed. The next institute will be held at Center.—E. C. Hendershot, sec.

WRITE NAMES IN FULL.

Former Fulton County Boy Gives News Correspondents Some Timely Advice.

MR. B. W. PECK,
DEAR FRIEND:—Enclosed find Postal Order for which please place my name on the glad side of your ledger and continue to keep us posted on the doings in dear Little Fulton.

The News comes to our home as regularly as the weeks come and go, and is read as carefully as a Last Will and Testament, imparting to us the good tidings, and sometimes the bad, of many we love, who do not care enough for us to write a letter, even occasionally. But, O, how much more real good we could derive from the Fulton County News, if all your correspondents throughout the county would only take the time to write the names instead of giving just the initials as they chronicle the happenings of their respective communities. For instance, a short time ago, I saw the name H. K. Hill. I cannot be sure whether that is Harry Hill, the school teacher, with whom I used to go to school; or Howard Hill, the huckster, with whom I used to play in the band; or Hiram Hill, the farmer, who used to buy goods at my father's store—or some other Fulton county Hill unknown to me.

I was well acquainted with each of the three above named gentlemen, but am sorry to say I could not remember the exact initials of either. This is only one little incident. In this week's News we have account of Mr. D. D. Garland returning from Cumberland, Md., while in the same issue D. Garland spent a week in Fort Royal Va. Now, when I rack my memory a little I find a David Garland, a Daniel Garland and a Dale Garland, and I am still trying to figure out which one staid at home.

Trusting this little suggestion may be received in the spirit in which it is given—fully believing that many of your readers scattered over the plains remember many of their friends whose initials they have forgotten, but whose names they love to see in print.

With best wishes I remain,
Sincerely yours,
GID COVALT.
Decatur, Ill.,
March 11, 1908.

FIRE AT KNOBSVILLE.

The Dwelling House of Mrs. Nancy Divens Narrowly Escaped Destruction Monday Afternoon.

The quiet little village of Knobsville was disturbed about four o'clock, Monday afternoon by the cry of fire. Smoke issuing from the roof of Mrs. Nancy Divens' house at the north end of the village, occupied by herself and her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Keebaugh. In a very few minutes after the alarm, neighbors were on the scene, and Auctioneer Wible pushed his way into the garret which was filled with blinding smoke, and yelled lustily for water, which was supplied by a willing bucket brigade, and in a short time the flames were under control; not, however, until the roof was practically destroyed, and much damage done to the furniture by attempting to remove it and protect it from water. There is no insurance. The fire is supposed to have originated from a stovepipe which passed out through the roof.

A surprise party was given Mrs. George Parsons at her home on Market street on Saturday evening February 29th by a number of her lady friends. Mrs. Parsons is one of the few whose birthday occurs once in four years, and would be pleased if such a pleasant occasion as Saturday evening could be renewed once each year. All present greatly enjoyed themselves.—Mount Union Times.

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Snapshots at Their Comings and Goings Here for a Vacation, or Away for a Restful-Outing.

NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED

Miss Emma Ray is visiting friends in Franklin county.

C. W. Peck spent the time from Saturday until Tuesday with his cousin Jonathan P. Peck near Knobsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Trittle, of Franklin county, spent Saturday and Sunday among friends on this side of the mountain.

Harry Clouser, N. Roettger, and Joseph B. Doyle were at Mercersburg Saturday attending the Band entertainment.

Mrs. Emma Daniels and Miss Laura Henry went over to Geo. Fox's Saturday and returned Monday. Mrs. Fox has been sick.

Miss Jessie Dickson left for Philadelphia last Saturday and expects to enter the German Hospital in that city to become a trained nurse.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Comer, of Thompson, spent a day or two during the past week in the home of the latter's mother, Mrs. Sarah Pittman in the Southern Annex.

Earl B. Morton, a conductor on the Pittsburg Street Railway Co., is taking advantage of the slack business condition to visit his parents, Hon. and Mrs. Peter Morton, near town.

Mrs. V. R. Sipes and Mrs. S. B. Biesecker, of Foltz, Franklin county, spent a few hours in town on Monday, and met a number of their former friends out in Licking Creek township.

Just a Word More.

We would be ungrateful if we did not thank the many subscribers who have come in and settled their arrears and paid a year in advance, in response to our notice of the recent ruling of the Postoffice Department, to discontinue the sending of papers to subscribers who are more than a year in arrears. The Department, in order not to inconvenience any one, has extended the time to April 1st.

Now, friends, we do not want to cut from our list a single subscriber; and in order that we may be saved this unpleasant duty, we ask that the few who have not yet settled their back subscription, will attend to it promptly.

Next week will be court week, and many people from all parts of the County will be in town. If you do not get to town yourself, send the money with some one of your neighbors. The amount owed is small. It is not like paying for a horse or a cow, and it can be easily paid if you only attend to it.

Our subscribers well know that we have not been urgent heretofore, and would not now, if the Postoffice Department did not compel us to ask for a settlement. Of course, we can still send you the paper, but the increased rate of postage would make the paper cost you entirely too much, and we would not be any better off.

To those away from the county, we ask that you send us the amount by mail between this and the first of April, and save us the unpleasant task of placing the accounts for collection.

You can tell just how much you owe as well as we can. Your last receipt is printed on the label of your paper every week. Thus: John Smith \$21.03 means September 21, 1903, and, of course, Smith owes from that date to the present.

The first figure means the number of the month, that is, 9 means the ninth month which is September. The second figures tell the day of that month, and the third figures tell the year—08 means 1908.