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REMINISCENCES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—In discussing the Lincoln anniversary with some of the members of the Pennsylvania delegation at Willard's last night, Colonel Wesley R. Andrews, Chairman of the Pennsylvania Republican Committee, recalled some of the exciting incidents of the campaign that preceded the first election of Lincoln. Colonel Andrews has been in politics for more than half a century. In the campaign of 1856 he was not old enough to vote, but he arranged political meetings in support of Fremont and Dayton, the first national ticket of the Republican party. He cast his first vote at a state election two years later. "The campaign of 1856 was a tame affair compared with the first Lincoln campaign," said Colonel Andrews. "Fremont and Dayton had been nominated at Music Fund Hall, in Philadelphia, by a convention representing a combination of the Whigs and Free Soil Democrats. The slogan of the Fremont men was, 'Free speech, a free press and free men.' Fremont swept New York but James Buchanan carried Pennsylvania and other large states and won. In the campaign of four years later I was living at Jamestown, New York, then a small town. I was a delegate to the county convention called to elect delegates to the state convention that was to name national delegates. Alonzo Kent was the national delegate for our end of the congressional district. I was a member of a committee that waited upon Mr. Kent and urged him to do his utmost to advance the presidential candidacy of William H. Seward, then the idol of the Republicans of New York. With thousands of other Republicans in the state I was deeply disappointed over Seward's defeat. But when Kent returned home he spoke so highly of Lincoln that I was reconciled to his nomination. By the opening of the campaign I was one of the most enthusiastic Lincoln men in the county. I participated in organizing a 'Wide Awake Club,' which was commanded by Captain James M. Brown, who, as colonel of the One Hundredth New York Regiment, was killed at the battle of Fair Oaks in 1862. The campaign that followed was the most exciting political campaign this country has ever witnessed. Men neglected their business for politics and the women plunged into the whirlwind campaign with men. At that time the polls opened at sunrise. I arose at four o'clock, and equipped with tickets sought out voters and urged them to vote early. In performing this duty I frequently met with strenuous opposition, but I remember I usually succeeded in inducing the hesitating voter to cast his vote for Lincoln and the full Republican ticket. We received the returns at the station of the Atlantic and Great Western Railroad, which had been built through Jamestown that year. We persuaded the operator to remain at the key until daylight, when a message came from New York indicating that Lincoln had been elected. Then came a lull, followed by the inauguration of Lincoln, the firing on Fort Sumter and the Civil war. No other figure in public life has been so shamefully abused as was Abraham Lincoln. But he outlived the attacks of all of his enemies for he was the greatest man this country has ever produced."

Colonel Andrews was a member of a large body of citizens who waited upon the editors of some of the seditious newspapers of New York City and compelled them to display the United States flag. He served with New York regiments until honorably discharged for disability incurred in the line of duty.

Harrisburg Letter.

FEB. 16.—Members of the Legislature may go to Washington to see Judge Taft inaugurated as President, but if they do, the expenses will be borne by individuals and not by the State. A resolution was introduced last week authorizing the expenditure of \$4000 for the trip, but it is not likely to pass, not so much because a lot of the members of the House were opposed to it, but because of what would happen to it higher up. Somehow Gov. Stewart could not be made to see that the Legislature had the right to use the people's money that way, and here is a Governor who not only has fine ideas of right and wrong, but has the courage to back them up. How things have changed! Within the short space of ten years ago junketing trips involving thousands of dollars were rather common and but little protest was made. Here is one, with a really praiseworthy object, involving only \$4000, and yet the Legislature hesitates and loses. Public opinion is changing, and for the better. Credit part of that up to the man at Washington, please.

Washington is becoming some thing of a storm centre, most of the agitation being over one Philander Chase Knox, U. S. Senator from Pennsylvania. Pres-

dent-elect Taft wants him in the Cabinet, at the head of it, and it looks as though Taft would have his way. Legislation may remove the obstacle by putting the salary of the Secretary of State back to its former figure, but it would not surprise some of Knox's friends if he failed to take advantage of their kindness in making it possible for him to accept the higher position. Knox has a keen sense of honor, so fine that the average politician cannot at times comprehend his attitude, but the Constitution cannot be violated in spirit to his advantage. He is maintaining a deep silence, but is keenly alive to the situation. It will be a shameful loss to the country if Knox does not become Secretary of State.

The Legislature is taking advantage of election and other holidays and will not sit until next week. So far over 900 bills have been introduced and the end is not in sight. Lots of them are not worth the paper they are written on and will never get out of committee. It would be wise to kill off at least half of them that way.

A measure that seems to meet with favor is the proposition to create a tax or revenue commission to formulate a revenue-producing measure and report it to the next Legislature. The commission will undoubtedly have wide powers. Its members will be asked to serve without pay, but an appropriation will be made for the services of clerks, stenographers, etc., and for the necessary expenses of the members of the Commission.

There is some agitation over a proposition to bond the State for \$50,000,000, the money to be used to build good roads. Such a plan could scarcely succeed, on account of a Constitutional provision. An amendment would be necessary and that could not be secured for several years, if at all. The people are shy, and properly so, about tinkering with the Constitution.

During the past week Harrisburg was honored by the presence of Vice-President Fairbanks, who came as the guest of Congressman Olmsted, to make an address on Lincoln. About 5,000 listened to him and as many more were disappointed in not being able to. President Roosevelt also passed through the city twice on his way to and from Kentucky, where he delivered an address on Lincoln's day. Both times he spoke for a few moments to the crowds at the station.

N. E. HAUSE.

INTERNATIONAL NEWSPAPER BIBLE STUDY CLUB.

GOLD AND SILVER MEDALS, BIBLES, BOOKS.

The International Newspaper Bible Study Club is for the purpose of promoting, in an unfettered way among the masses, a wider study of the Bible, the basal truth of Christianity, and the problems which enter into every man's life. It is composed of all those who join a Local Club, and take up the simple course herein outlined, barring only ordained clergymen. All who have not joined are warmly invited to do so and to compete for the prizes.

Persons may join the club at any time during the year, but must, of course, answer the 52 questions hereinafter explained, to qualify for the prizes, and the back questions may be obtained from this office.

THE CITIZEN has secured the right to publish the International Sunday School Lesson questions by Rev. Dr. Linscott, which have aroused so much interest elsewhere, and they will appear weekly. One of these questions each week is to be answered in writing, and upon these answers the prizes are to be awarded.

This paper is authorized to form a Local Newspaper Bible Study Club for its readers, and guarantees to all who join and fulfill the conditions, that everything promised herein shall be faithfully carried out.

CONDITIONS OF THE CONTEST.

1.—Each contestant, or his or her family, must be a subscriber to this paper, in order to qualify for membership in the International Newspaper Bible Study Club and this Local Club.

2.—Each contestant in this Local Club, must answer each of the written questions, for 52 consecutive weeks commencing for Sunday, Jan. 3, 1909, and the answers must all be in the possession of this paper within two weeks of the close of this period.

3.—Each question must be answered separately, and the paper written on one side only. No answer must exceed two hundred words in length and may be less. Each answer must have the name and address of the writer at the bottom of the answer.

4.—The answers must be delivered to this office, and they will be collated at the close of the contest, and forwarded to headquarters for independent examination by competent examiners.

The prizes will then be awarded according to the highest number of marks, won by members of the International Newspaper Bible Study Club, and prizes which may be awarded to members of this Local Club will be given out from this office.

There will be a sale of Fancy Articles in the Reading Room of the Presbyterian Chapel Friday afternoon and evening, Feb. 19.

INTERNATIONAL NEWSPAPER BIBLE STUDY CLUB

Suggestive Questions on the Sunday School Lesson by Rev. Dr. Linscott.

February, 21st, 1909.

(Copyright, 1908, by Rev. T. S. Linscott, D.D.) Stephen the First Christian Martyr.—Acts vi:1 to viii:3.

Golden Text.—They stoned Stephen calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. Acts vii:59. Study Acts vi:8-15; vii:54 to viii:3. Verse 8.—Who was Stephen? In view of present day distinctions, would you call Stephen a layman or a clergyman?

Why is it not a crime against the gospel, that the preaching of the gospel is so professionalized, that our pulpits today in the towns and cities, are practically closed to the laymen of the church, so that even men like Stephen, have to "keep silent" in our church pulpits? (This question is to be answered in writing by members of the club.)

What was the secret of Stephen's power as a preacher, and to what extent may every layman become like him?

Verse 9.—When in a community of thoughtful men, who oppose the gospel, can its claims be established better by debate than by ordinary preaching or declaration?

Verse 10.—If you defeat an opposer in a debate, that is not likely to convert him to Christianity; unless he is a sincere seeker after truth, but is it likely to convert the hearers?

Verse 11-13.—What effect did Stephen's victory have upon his opponents, and what effect did it probably have upon the audience?

Is there any necessary moral value in mere opinion, and will men ever be condemned because of wrong doctrines; i. e. wrong opinions?

When a man with right views of truth, gets angry at the man with wrong views, and does mean things to him, that the latter takes with gentleness; which is likely to be the better man of the two?

Why is it that men who profess religion, can act so like devils, when new truth is presented to them as in this case?

Verse 14.—Can a man's word in a religious dispute, be depended upon, on a matter of fact, if he is untrue to his conscience and to God?

How is it that unrighteous men will fight for their false religious creeds, and shrink from no sort of rascality to accomplish their purpose?

Can you give any other reason than their unrighteousness, or assign to any other principle, the hatred of these men for so lovely a character as Stephen?

Verse 15.—Did the fact that Stephen looked like an angel, make his persecutors love him, or hate him, more?

White Mills.

FEB. 17th.—There have been more eggs gathered this winter in White Mills than for a number of years, probably on account of the mild weather, but I see that some of the boys are putting forth a little extra effort in the line of winter egg production. The purpose of birds in laying eggs is to reproduce their kind; but man, in treating the matter scientifically, secures large numbers as a product for market purposes. Eggs are formed by the reproductive organs. The ovary, which is located a little to the right of the spine, contains ovisacs of thin transparent membrane in which is formed the germ of an egg. Here the yolk is gradually developed, increasing in size until it bursts from the sack and passes into the oviduct. When the yolk with its germ enters the oviduct it is surrounded by the transparent membrane. The mucous linings of the oviduct secrete the albumen, which is deposited in layers, enveloping the yolk and forming the white of the egg. Two thin skin-like layers are then formed, enclosing the albumen, yolk and germs. At the rear portion of the oviduct it receives the coating of carbonate of lime, which hardens and forms the shell. The egg then passes into the cloaca and is then laid. Tinted shells receive also the layer of pigment which gives them their characteristic color.

George Box, of Seelyville, was a caller in town on Tuesday.

Harloe Skinner, of Lava, N. Y., called to see friends on Friday and Saturday.

Thomas Gill made a business trip to Scranton on Tuesday.

Don't forget the masquerade ball given by the Ideal Orchestra on Saturday evening.

Joe Dorfinger says that the White Mills base ball team will this season be one of the strongest that they have had for some years, and he also says that he is going to capture the championship of Wayne county this year. He is the captain of the "Merry Widows" and keeps his boys in shape in winter by practicing basket ball and doing some foot work on long springs. From Gill's hotel to Neimeyer's Bottling Works, and then back to the Erie station, once or twice each evening, keeps his boys in good trim.

The game of basket ball between White Mills and Hawley resulted as follows:

Merry Widows	forward	Tigers
Finnerty	"	Ryan
Wenders	"	Williams
Dorfinger	center	Ceiler
Murphy	guard	Edwards
Beilman	"	Drake
		Marshall

Baskets: Finnerty 5, Wenders 4, Dorfinger 2, Murphy 2, Ceiler 4, Ryan 2. The score—White Mills 27, Hawley 12. Fouls, Dorfinger 1. Referee, Vetter.

Chap. 7, Verse 54.—What is it which cuts wrong doers to the heart more than anything else?

If these rulers had been innocent of the charge Stephen brought against them, would they have been cut to the heart as they were?

Verse 55.—What do you understand by Stephen being full of the Holy Spirit?

What did Stephen see when he looked up into heaven?

Would the onlookers have probably seen the same things, as Stephen, if they had looked up?

Verse 56-57.—Did they believe Stephen's testimony as to what he saw? Do cold professors of religion as a rule, have any confidence in the experiences of those who walk and talk with God?

Verse 58.—How would these people justify themselves, for committing this great crime? What was the method of stoning a victim to death?

Verses 59-60.—Does the spirit sleep at death, or go into a state of conscious presence with God?

By what power can a man love or forgive his murderers?

Chap. 8, Verses 1-3.—What was the measure of Saul's sin in the stoning of Stephen?

What were the chief results of the stoning of Stephen?

Lesson for Sunday, Feb. 28th, 1909. The Gospel in Samaria.—Acts viii:4-25.

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All who can write, and have ideas, are urged to take up these studies regardless of the degree of their education, as the papers are not valued from an educational or literary standpoint, but from the point of view of the cogency of their reasoned ideas.

Clinton.

FEB. 16th.—At the recent meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society, the following officers were elected: Mrs. J. W. Cowperthwaite, President; Mrs. John Shimer, Vice President; Mrs. C. Bunting, Secretary; Mrs. W. C. Norton, Treasurer.

Mrs. Cornelia Gaylord recently returned from a lengthy visit with her sister, Mrs. Joseph Smith, of Jackson, Pa.

Mrs. J. W. Cowperthwaite was a guest of Carbondale friends last week.

Mrs. Fred. Griswold and son Vance were guests of Carbondale friends last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Bunting are suffering from attacks of the grip.

Pastor Rainey, assisted by Rev. Mr. Kellerman, of Scranton, held a series of meetings in Aldenville, week before last and last week in the Clinton Centre Baptist church, and as a result, one was added to the Aldenville church, and sixteen to the Clinton church. Baptism was given in the Aldenville church baptistry, last Sunday. Pastor Rainey will continue the meetings alone the present week, at the Clinton church.

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Sterling.

FEB. 16th.—A few weeks ago Frank A. Phillips enlisted with the United States Marines, at Philadelphia, and is now at home on a five days' vacation.

On the 11th, Patrons' Day and Lincoln's Birthday were duly observed by the high school. The G. A. R. and the P. O. S. of A. observed Lincoln's Birth-

day at the church, on the 12th. On both occasions a full house greatly enjoyed the exercises, a full description of which we do not now have time to give.

Much interest of late is being taken in school matters, and to-day, 142 voters out of a total in Sterling township of 160 were at the polls. Three votes were refused. The entire Republican ticket was elected.



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Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures	20,000.00	Deposits	408,903.51
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