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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

- Congressman, W. D. B. AINEY. President Judge, HON. ALONZO T. SEARLE. Sheriff, THOMAS Y. BOYD. Prothonotary, WALLACE J. BARNES. Register and Recorder, W. B. LESHNER. Commissioners, JOHN MALE, EARL ROCKWELL. District Attorney, M. E. SIMONS. Treasurer, W. W. WOOD. For Coroner, P. B. PETERSON. For Auditors, W. O. AVERY, LEROY GILPIN.

REPUBLICAN SUCCESS MEANS COUNTY PROSPERITY

Vote The Republican Ticket

Leroy Gilpin, farmer of Dreher, and W. O. Avery, farmer of Bethany, are both young men of exemplary habits, good education and competent accountants. No better men could be found in the county to audit the accounts of the Commissioners, Treasurer and Sheriff. Your vote for them will help to secure auditors who will be able to audit.

Remember that a vote cast for W. J. Barnes of Berlin township, farmer and lumberman, will be a vote for a thoroughly qualified and competent man for the office of Prothonotary and Clerk of Courts. Not only is he competent, but courteous and obliging, a gentleman in every sense of the term. He is a life-long resident of our county and worthy of your confidence and esteem.

The other candidates for County Commissioner are residents of Honesdale or its immediate vicinity. It is but fair to the county that one of its commissioners should be away from the center. A vote for Earl Rockwell will be a vote to elect for Commissioner a man who lives in Lake township, fourteen miles from Honesdale, a farmer, builder and contractor, who will make an ideal commissioner. A vote for Rockwell will be a vote for county representation on the Board of Commissioners.

Don't neglect to attend the election on November 7 and vote for W. W. Wood for County Treasurer, the only old soldier that is a candidate for office in our county. Remember that the opportunity to vote for a veteran of the Civil war may not come to you again. He was in the army, when our county needed help, a private in the ranks. He needs your help now and will give it to him by casting your vote for him for County Treasurer? I believe you will, and thus show that you remember the "Boys in Blue."

W. B. Leshner, of Sterling township, is a man of exemplary habits, and enjoys the respect of all who know him. To know him is to be his friend. If you assist in electing him to the office of Register & Recorder you will never have occasion to regret your choice. His penmanship is the best in the county and he is a very capable man, fitted in every respect for the office for which he is a candidate. Gentlemanly, sober, honest, industrious and efficient. What more can be said? A vote for him will be a vote for the right man.

Thos. Y. Boyd, of Damascus, candidate for Sheriff, son of the Hon. Thos. Y. Boyd, who was one of the prominent citizens and business men of our county of a generation ago, many of you remember him, a generous, enterprising, whole-souled man, whose friendship was prized by those who knew him. Our candidate has inherited the same generous disposition so marked in his father. While voting do not forget to mark your ballot for Thomas Y. Boyd, thoroughly competent and trustworthy, a friend of everybody and an enemy of none.

When voting for County Commissioner, do not forget that Wayne county has thousands of dollars invested in roads and bridges, and will spend thousands more in the next four years. You need men in this office, who know how bridges ought to be built and the proper material for their construction. Earl Rockwell, of Lake township, is a contractor and builder, and has had many years of experience with concrete construction and will be a practical man to oversee the erection of our county bridges. John Male of Cherry Ridge, farmer and businessman, is a thoroughgoing and practical farmer, and knows how to accomplish results. He knows what a dollar is worth and will see to it that the county gets a dollar's worth of service or material for a dollar expended. Vote for Rockwell and Male and help secure for the county a business administration of the Commissioner's office.

Hon. Alonzo T. Searle, Republican candidate for Judge, is now fifty-five years of age and is just in the prime of life. With a strong, vigorous and healthy mind and body, and with a mature judgment, gained from his long and active practice in his profession as a lawyer, he is qualified and prepared to give to the high office of Judge of our courts the best of his life. Then his high legal attainments, his fair, honest and impartial mind, as exhibited not only during the two years which he has presided over our courts, but as he has shown himself in his dealings with his fellowmen. If elected Judge Searle will bring to the bench a mind, well-trained, active and keen, ripe with twenty-seven years of active practice in his profession, and two years of experience as Judge. His ability as a judge has been recognized by the Judges and the members of the bar of many of the counties of the state and he has been called upon to preside at the trial of many important and difficult cases in other counties. There can be no doubt about his fitness for the office in every way, and there ought to be no doubt about his election. He is the right man for the office.

THE REPUBLICAN TICKET FOR REPUBLICANS.

The political status of Wayne county, for at least four years to come, will be practically decided at next Tuesday's election. At the same time, the question of the Judgeship, in its various personal, judicial and political bearings, will be settled for the next ten years.

Every voter who desires the success of the Republican party in the county, and who would have Wayne placed firmly in the Republican column, with the probability of remaining there, will best contribute to this by casting his ballot for the whole Republican ticket. There are no longer any party differences that should lead a reasonable Republican to oppose any of the candidates whom the party has in due form of law selected as its standard bearers; nor is there anything in the character of any of those candidates that should lead any Republican to withhold his support. All are honest and capable; all will perform the duties of the offices for which they are candidates with credit to themselves and the party, and to the general public interest. Their election will furnish a substantial advantage for the contests of the future. No party has ever strengthened itself by either actively or passively helping its opponents; but its own success paves the way to its further success.

KILLED IN YARD AT CARBONDALE.

Bert Monroe was ground to death under the wheels of two loaded coal cars Tuesday evening at Carbondale. He was a brakeman on the train in charge of Conductor Curran and had been working but a short time when he fell victim to the accident. As near as could be learned, the

unfortunate young man was switching two cars of coal from the train and while running along the tracks his foot was caught in the guide rail and before he could get out of the perilous predicament, he was run down and badly maimed. Mr. Monroe was about thirty-five years of age and was a young man who enjoyed the esteem and respect of all who knew him.

The Republican candidates were nominated without dictation from any organization or machine. They were chosen by the voters of the County without any influence except that of the candidates themselves, and if elected will have no political debts to pay. Not a single candidate on the Republican ticket has made any pledge or agreement of any kind or nature whatsoever, save only this, that he, if elected, will perform the duties of his office to the best of his ability and in the interest of the people of Wayne County, whose servant he will be.

A WORD TO THE WISE.

Republicans be sure and vote for both of your candidates for County Commissioner. Let the Democrats elect the best one of their candidates; they can and will do that. Don't you interfere, if you do, you may elect both of them. Already we hear of one of the Democratic candidates advising his friends to vote for him alone. Republicans keep out of this fight—let the Democrats settle it themselves. You look after your own two candidates.

DEMOCRATS PROMISE—REPUBLICANS FULFILL.

Twelve years ago a Republican Board of Commissioners was succeeded by a Democratic Board. This Democratic Board found \$5,303.44 of county funds in the hands of the treasurer, and notes against the county amounted to \$15,450. Such was the financial status of the county when the Democrats went into office.

How did they leave it? A glance at the county statement of 1906, when the present Republican board came into office shows that they found the county funds in the treasurer's hands had been overdrawn \$1002, and the sum total of the notes against the county had increased from \$15,450 to \$24,950, and a final balance of \$14,308 against the county.

Under a Democratic Board the record indebtedness of the county was increased from \$15,450 to \$24,950, an increase of \$9,500. Instead of there being \$5,300 cash in the treasurer's hands, the county owed the treasurer over \$1,000.

Our Democratic friends are making great promises that they will reduce the taxes, if the people will only elect their candidates for County Commissioners. Why do they not tell how they will do it? Do they think that they can make the general public believe that Democratic county commissioners can control the road school and poor taxes of the various townships and boroughs? The people well know that the only tax over which the commissioners have any control is the county tax. That is the sole tax they levy, and the only one they can reduce.

The last Democratic Board of Commissioners ran the county \$20,000 further into debt than it was when they entered upon their terms of office. As it is it takes every dollar of the county tax now levied to pay the expenses of the courts, the elections, the building of bridges, and to provide for the gradual reduction of the indebtedness. If the county tax is reduced, the debt will necessarily increase. Will that be good financial management? Vote for Male and Rockwell who will reduce the county tax just as soon as the financial condition of the county will permit.

OUR SOLDIER CANDIDATE.

The Union veterans of the Civil war have not been conspicuous as office seekers. When, however, one has been selected as a candidate, in Wayne, our citizens, generally, have recognized the justice of rewarding his military service with a civil position; and the veterans thus chosen have performed their official duties faithfully and efficiently. As instances of this, during the fifteen years following the war, we may point to Capt. John R. Ross, elected Sheriff in 1870; Lieut. J. E. Woodmansee, elected Treasurer in the same year; Lieut. Paul Swingle, elected Treasurer in 1874; and Capt. Joseph Atkinson, elected Sheriff in 1879. Later, private Joel G. Hill was elected County Commissioner, Associate Judge, and State Senator; and Capt. T. C. Madden was twice elected Commissioner.

This year, another soldier is presented as a candidate for Treasurer, and one who served in the ranks of the Union army at an age when most boys of his years were at school. This is Walter W. Wood. In 1864, when only sixteen, he evaded parental opposition to his enlistment by unobtrusively changing his base from his home in New York to Morristown, N. J., and there enlisting in Company E, 4th N. J. Vols. His first service was in the Shenandoah Valley, under Gen. Sheridan, in the first division of the 6th army corps. Upon the opening of the battle of Cedar Creek, "with Sheridan twenty miles away," he was on the picket line, when a sudden attack by the rebels on the right of the sixth corps cut off the pickets, and they were obliged to fight their way through the enemy's skirmish line to the corps. Throughout the retreat of the Union army, young Wood kept his place in the ranks, fighting with the steadiness of a veteran, and took part in the advance of the Union lines after Sheridan's arrival. The result was a total rout of the Confederate army. At the close of the campaign in the Shenandoah Valley, the sixth corps joined Grant's army in front of Petersburg, and private Wood took part in all the battles in which it was engaged until the surrender of Lee, April 9, 1865. He was honorably discharged with his regiment in June, 1865.

In 1886, Mr. Wood removed to Wayne county, and for most of the time since has resided here. He was Superintendent of the Honesdale Iron Works until the change of ownership a few years ago. He is a close student of political affairs, and familiar with the leading issues of the day. He is a competent and thorough-going business man, and, if elected, will conduct the business of the Treasurer's office with fidelity and accuracy.

In view of the rapidly diminishing numbers of the veterans of the Union army, this election will probably afford the last opportunity for Wayne to show its appreciation of the services of a Union soldier during the dark hours of our national history. Therefore vote for Walter W. Wood for Treasurer.

IS THIS WINTER AGAIN?

"Good Morning!" "Winter?" "Yes, winter again!" That is a sample of conversation passed Thursday morning between county seat business men, when "Squaw Winter" made its first appearance in Wayne.

The flakes began to fall at peep of day, and fell intermittently all morning. Accompanied, as the snow fall was by a sharp, penetrating North wind, it made the average pedestrian think of his last Summer's salary, now spent and gone, and long for one of those furry overcoats offered for sale in the windows of the Maple City haberdashers.

Yes, Winter is here in dead earnest. Goosebumps prophesies of a long, hard winter are beginning to be fulfilled. Old Sol Hicks, the weather wizard of the Lehigh, is shaking his head solemnly, and saying, "I told you so. Whenever there's a large crop of chestnuts, hickory nuts, and the like, we always are sure of

a long and severe winter." "Adieu dear, good old Indian Summer! Greetings to you Squaw Winter! Do yours worst. And the sooner it's begun, the quicker it will be ended!"

BOROUGH OFFICERS.

- Town Council—W. H. Hulsizer, W. H. Kreitzer, C. H. Rettew, Republican and Democratic; John Erk, Democratic. School Directors, 2 years—J. A. Brown, A. M. Leine, on both tickets; 4 years, T. B. Clark, F. C. Schoell, both tickets; 6 years, W. J. Ward, both tickets. Assessor—W. L. Burnard, Republican; Birt Dain, Democratic. Constable—Levi DeGroat, Republican; Patrick Moran, Democratic. High Constable—J. J. Canivan, both tickets. Auditor—T. M. Fuller, Republican. Judge of Election—J. T. Boyd, both tickets. Inspector of Election—Frank Truscott, Republican; Thomas F. Gallagher, Democratic.

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THE RIGHT MAN IN THE RIGHT PLACE

WAYNE COUNTY WILL KEEP HIM THERE

Alonzo T. Searle, candidate for Judge, was especially fitted by early training, education, years of school teaching, coupled with diligent study, to pursue the profession of a lawyer. He commenced practice nearly thirty years ago as a member of the Wayne County Bar with no worldly assets other than good health, the heritage of early life on a farm, education, energy, an ingrained sense of honor and square dealing and a tremendous capacity for hard work. His practice was large from the outset and became as large and varied as that of any lawyer who has ever practiced at the Wayne County Bar.

His clients came from every walk in life and his most humble client always received the same courteous and efficient treatment at his hands as those more prominent. His practice was built entirely upon the rock foundation of square, honorable dealing with each and every one of his many clients. Once a client, always a client and a friend.

Searle served as Commissioners' attorney from 1885 to 1891 and during that period represented the county in many important matters. During that time many of the old turnpike roads were condemned. The Honesdale and Hawley road claimed \$20,000 damages and the jury found a verdict of \$5,000. The Little Equinunk and Union Woods Co. claimed \$3,000 and a verdict was found of \$1200. The Honesdale and Bethany turnpike claimed \$3,000 and the jury awarded \$900. The Honesdale and Clarksville claimed \$2500 and the jury gave a verdict for \$750. During his attorneyship for the Commissioners two other large damage cases were brought for deaths alleged to have been caused through negligence of the Commissioners. Both of these cases were for \$6,000. In one case the jury brought in a verdict for the county, in the other damages were awarded to the amount of \$1125.

In each one of the above cases Searle won a substantial victory for the county which saved in the aggregate, many thousands of dollars to the taxpayers. One of the last cases which he tried before going on the bench was a case in which he was associated with E. C. Mumford who is now Commissioners' attorney and which resulted in a verdict in favor of the county.

Although Searle has been interested in practically all of the important civil and criminal cases in this county for the past twenty years he seldom lost a case before a Wayne county jury. He brought to the trial of a case a thorough and comprehensive knowledge of the law and an indomitable energy and perseverance in behalf of his client. He was a hard fighter but he always fought his cases honorably and cleanly.

His experience as Assistant United States District Attorney for the Middle District of Pennsylvania for about five years gave him an invaluable practice in the higher civil and criminal law. He assisted in disposing of many hundred varied cases during that time.

His years of practice as a lawyer, coupled with his close and diligent study of the law and his ready application of its principles, qualified him in every way to fill the position of Judge to which he was appointed two years ago upon the death of George S. Purdy.

Judge Searle's record on the bench for the past two years is known to the voters of Wayne county. Had he failed as a Judge or made an unfortunate record, he would not now be the nominee for this high office. Wayne county has seen his conduct and management of two very important cases: The case of the Commonwealth vs. Leona Lord and Commonwealth vs. Carl Howe. The latter case had gone to the Supreme Court three times and the Judges of Lackawanna county demonstrated their confidence in his ability by sending the case here for retrial. During his term of office he has held court not only in Wayne, but also in Lackawanna, Luzerne, Pike, Dauphin, Northampton and Susquehanna counties. It is no small honor to this county and to Judge Searle that in all the cases which he has been called upon to preside, not a single appeal has been taken to a higher court. Appeals and retrials are alike expensive to the parties and to the county. He has obtained and retained the respect, confidence and esteem of the judges, attorneys and litigants in every county in which he has held court. His record as a man, as a lawyer and as a judge has been clean, honorable and square.

Searle can, with good grace, ask for the support of any Democrat for the reason that when Judge Purdy was first elected the Republicans made no nomination. At the end of this term he presided at the Republican convention which endorsed Judge Purdy after tendering the nomination to Searle, who declined.

The attributes which endear Judge Searle especially to the people of Wayne county are those of his sturdy, honest and straightforward manhood. The best years of his life have been spent here in Wayne county and he has always been so thoroughly identified with its interests and has mingled so closely with its people that he is able to call nearly every man within its boundaries his friend. He has in high degree the faculty of making and retaining friends. He is interested in every good cause which has for its object the betterment of conditions in his home county and is always ready to assist with his time or his purse for these objects.

Judge Searle has interested himself in the principal business of the county, farming. Not only has he been a Granger for several years and a member of Pomona, but for the past seventeen years has owned and conducted a dairy farm in Lebanon township. He is interested in forestry; is a life member of the Pennsylvania Forestry association and has been a member of their council for the past fifteen years. He has always taken a deep interest in all educational matters and has been a member of the Honesdale school board for over twenty-one years and for many years was its president. He has always been a generous contributor to objects of public or private nature; no unfortunate person has ever appealed to him in vain for aid.

The veterans have always found him a friend. During the Spanish war, he was president of the Wayne County Relief association.

His services have frequently been called for upon public occasions, upon many of which he has presided, and upon many more delivered addresses. He is eminently fitted to preside upon any public function. As a speaker, he has a fine, clear voice, good appearance, forceful manner, has something to say and is listened to with pleasure and profit.

Judge Searle is sympathetic and kind to all and many have had occasion to be cheered by his ready sympathy and kind words. He has given up his practice to go upon the bench. To keep him in office is no experiment and having earned an enviable reputation upon the bench he is entitled by every dictate of justice and fair play to be continued in office.

He has used and will use in his campaign only legitimate and honorable means for his election. If elected he will enter upon his official duties with no pledges, except to conduct the office honorably, justly, fairly, without fear, favor or partiality and uninfluenced by any consideration save those of law, justice and humanity.

Place the stamp of your approval upon Judge Searle's splendid record as a man, as a lawyer and as a Judge, by casting your ballot for him on next Tuesday, Nov. 7.