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ISAAC SNYDER,  
OF West Winslow Township.

Subject to action of the Democrats of Jefferson county at the primary election June 23, 1900.

FOR CONGRESS—  
STEWART H. WHITEHILL,  
OF Brookville.

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## WHY THE G. A. R. EXISTS.

Memorial Day Address Delivered by R. W. Kunz at Rathmel.

Below we publish part of the address delivered at Rathmel by Comrade R. W. Kunz, of Reynoldsville. The article has been crowded out until it is a trifle late, but it is interesting enough to make good reading any time. Following is the speech:

Friendship, which has its origin in your immediate surroundings, in the neighborhood, in the club house, or for that matter in the church itself, is not of such a lasting character as that born of adversity, as that which brought men together to share and carry heavy burdens and to meet great responsibilities, much less than that which cemented man to man on the bloody field of battle. This last one is indestructible. It has been many times sorely tried and was not found wanting; it created such a fraternal feeling that it surmounts everything and will last until the bugle calls one from the others, severing earthly, human ties, and even then our thoughts wander beyond the graves and express themselves by adorning their resting places once a year with evergreen on this, by us created, grand and noble Memorial Day.

As everything has its wherefor, and nothing exists without reasons, so has the Grand Army also its motives and its objects, but as they are, by many, not understood, and by others willfully misrepresented, I think a few words of explanation why we exist is not out of order on this day.

Freedom and liberty are fruits which only ripen from the red blossoms of men's hearts' blood. Such was the experience of every nation that ever desired and obtained freedom; such was the lesson taught to the thirteen colonies which formed the nucleus of the present U. S., but bloodier still is the history of the generation, now passing rapidly out of existence, and who made this country really and actually free, not only by liberating six million slaves, but also by raising the poor whites of the South to a higher sphere; by protecting the old, and establishing a new Union, which is now recognized as indissoluble.

On Friday, April the 12th, 1861, at half past four in the morning, thundered a cannon down in the harbor of Charleston, S. C. A shot was aimed and fired by erring brethren against the national ensign, which waved from the ramparts of Fort Sumpter; fired under the leadership of an arrogant, slaveholding power, who either meant to govern or ruin the country, and to destroy the best government on earth. What was the result of that shot? It was the signal for a long and bloody war. Its sound vibrated from the South to the loyal North, from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It awoke thousands upon thousands from their indifference, from their slumber, who thought such an act impossible. They marched forth to resent the insult and to do battle for our beloved Union.

In 1865, B. F. Stephenson, of the 14th Ill. Infantry, with several others, conceived the idea to create a fraternal and charitable order into which all Ex-Union soldiers, who were honorably discharged and were loyal throughout the war, could be mustered, and in April, 1866, the first Post of the G. A. R. was mustered at Decatur, Ill., and has since assumed such proportions that but few soldiers stand outside the pall of our order.

But this Grand Army has been accused of being a political machine! Oh, how wrong! We were, and are still, sometimes yet blamed for being a secret society, and that all secret societies are, more or less, dangerous in a republic. Certainly very plausible charges. Our secrecy mainly consists in protecting ourselves from would-be impostors. We have no purpose which we are unwilling to reveal to the world. The Grand Army has no obligations which any loyal citizen cannot take without hesitation or reservation. It has no political significance. No, we are a brotherhood of an entirely different character, and unless our hearts were flint we could not be insensible or cold to those who stood shoulder to shoulder

on many hard contested battlefields. Our lives depended upon their fidelity and courage and it is therefore that we adopted, among ourselves, that dear word, "Comrade."

Our motto is, "Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty." We believe in that fraternity which joins us in indissoluble union, justice and right, that never forgets the brightness of that cause which was made illustrious by the heroic sacrifices of those whose graves should be the shrines of a nation's reverence. We love to meet fraternally together during the short time yet allotted to us, to speak and learn from the past and strengthen us for the future.

We believe in a charity that, while merciful to a conquered foe, will not stultify itself by surrendering the fruits of victory. We believe in a charity that shows itself not only with an open hand, but also by a generous heart, towards our former opponents, for they were brave; they were, and are now, Americans—flesh of your flesh, blood of your blood. We must especially be charitable to our suffering comrades and our destitute wards, when the outside world forgets what happened thirty-five years ago.

We believe in a loyalty that recognizes only one country and one flag, that calls rebellion a crime, and the penalty of treason, death.

Loyalty! I wish to emphasize this word, as it is the rallying word of our whole body; it gives pulse beat to every heart in every Post; it is written upon each and every altar we call a soldier's grave; it is woven in every thread, red white or blue of our glorious banner; it shines in every ray of light we have plucked from the skies to beautify our flag. Our views are written upon the pages of our nation's history in ineffaceable characters, for the ink was blood and the pens our sabres and bayonets. It seals our allegiance to one country and one flag, that flag which is dignity itself; the emblem of purity, liberty, power and strength, that flag which is revered and feared by other nations and should be the flashing morning star for the down-trodden and oppressed of all countries. That flag which we raised to its highest glory, it gives us strength.

Yes, comrades, when your footsteps get lacking and weary, when you are outdone in the daily race for existence by those who did not give four years of their best time to a suffering and palpitating country, then look upon that flag and you will be enthused anew with that patriotism which carried the western armies safely from Atlanta to the sea, and the Army of the Potomac from the wilderness to the Cannan of Appomatox. Look upon it, and it will give you strength, until you are called by the Chief of Chiefs to muster upon the parade ground of heaven.

Genuine French balbriggan underwear at Millirens.

All—everything—that exclusive fashion demands in shoes. Robinson's.

See our fine line of toilet sets, just received. Reynoldsville Hardware Co. New nice ties each week at Millirens.

### Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued the past week by John D. Evans, Clerk of Courts of Jefferson county: Samuel C. Barr, of Fisher, Clarion county, and Juniata Porter, of Kane. A. A. Anthony and Lillie B. Anthony, both of Oliveburg. Stephen Molnar and Elizabeth Friesco, both of Eleanora. Plates Riba and Marcela Macierka, both of Delancy. C. J. Wolfe and Mildred Hanna, both of Vandergrift. Maltia Dambrosio and Francesca Nocciarone, both of Punxsutawney. Kennedy Cameron Schuckers and Amelia Reynolds Morrow, both of Reynoldsville. Harry L. Bair and Ella M. Rishel, both of Cloe, Pa.

Women's low shoes for hot days—see ours before buying. Robinson's.

Low prices, good fits, first-class work at John Flynn's tailor shop.

If you want a nobby suit of clothes go to Shick & Wagner's.

Straw hats, all kinds, at Millirens. Don't you know that we have the very best assortment of gas ranges, cookers, hot plates and ovens ever shown in this country. Every one a gas and time saver. Come in and see them and get our prices. Hall & Barton.

### Letter List.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the postoffice at Reynoldsville, Pa., week ending June 16, 1900: Geo. E. Diamond, Mrs. Anna Far, S. J. Holben, Antonio Hamez, Miss Lizzie Lee, Irene Osborn, Antonio Pozozzo, Francis G. Parker, Mrs. Bert Sprague, Minnie Snyder, Edward Snyder, Miss Grace Thompson, Miss Mary E. Wells. Say advertised and give date of list when calling for above.  
A. M. WOODWARD, P. M.

On account of the Republican National convention, June 19, and Gymnastic Union and Festival at Philadelphia the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg R'y will sell excursion tickets to Philadelphia June 15th to 21st, inclusive, good to return until June 26th. Excursion tickets from Reynoldsville, round trip, \$9.04.

Real Moca half hose at Millirens. 2 for 25 cents.

If you want a perfect fit, order suit from John Flynn, the tailor.

Lot for sale in West Reynoldsville. Inquire at this office for particulars.

Johnston & Nolan have a fine line of Emerson's shoes for gentlemen. See them.

## ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON.

Town Illuminated Saturday Evening—Several More Lights Needed.

It was the intention of the Electric Light Company to turn on the lights Thursday evening, but a mishap prevented the illumination at the time reckoned on and the lights were not in working order until about nine o'clock Saturday evening. The nights have not been dark enough yet for our people to fully appreciate the lights, but the majority of the townspeople are well pleased with them, and they have reasons to be, for the lights are all right. All the lamps have not been working perfectly yet, but the company will soon get them in order. A drive over town after night makes it plainly evident that more lights will be required to light the streets to the satisfaction of all the citizens. An are light is needed near Baptist church, on Main street, and it should be put in.

West Reynoldsville has not been illuminated with electricity yet because the A. V. R'y will not allow the Electric Company to run overhead wires over the railroad and the company will have to cross with underground wires, but it will not be long until the are lights will be in operation in West Reynoldsville. Men are now at work digging for the underground wire at railroad crossing.

The following business places and private residences have given orders for electric lights, and some of them are now in: H. Alex Stoke's drug store, Millirens clothing store, Shick & Wagner's dry goods store, Hall, Barton & Co.'s hardware, Robinson & Mundorf's grocery store, Hotel Imperial, Hotel Bolnap, Hotel McConnell, Frank's Tavern, Woolen Mill, W. B. Alexander's residence, F. K. Alexander's residence, S. M. McCright's residence.

A. C. Smith, of the Westinghouse Electric Company, and A. S. Watson, of the General Electric Company, were in town last week assisting in getting the plant in working order. These gentlemen speak very highly of the Reynoldsville plant.

We are selling nails and wire at strictly market rates, regardless of what they cost us. Our loss is your gain. We also have a large stock of strictly pure white lead, linseed oil, ready mixed paints, varnishes, brushes, etc. In fact we have anything you want in our line and the price is right. To convince yourself, come in and see. Hall & Barton.

Nobby suits, the very latest style, is what John & Thompson, merchant tailors, are turning out. Try them.

See the Union-made overalls and pants at Millirens.

The best Electric hose, pure rubber, for sale by Reynoldsville Hardware Co.

## The New Store

invites you to call and see the line of

### Infant's Long Coats

just received. Made of Bedford Cord and Cashmere, ranging in prices from 90 cents to \$3.00.

### Given Away

With every \$25.00 worth of goods you can have a

### Life-like Portrait

made in oilette, in black or colors, from any photograph you desire. We give you the portrait free—we do not require you to buy a frame.

## THE NEW STORE.

CENTENNIAL HALL BUILDING

J. J. SUTTER.

## WAITING FOR YOU

WE'RE WAITING—

For you! Waiting for you to find out the difference between the best drugs and the mayhap kind;

WAITING FOR YOU—

To learn that "Brag's a good dog, but Holdfast is a better."

WE'VE WAITED—

For a great many people who wanted to be sure of their prescriptions.

NOW WE WAIT—

On them instead of for them. Absolutely pure goods, equitable prices and courteous service are waiting for you at

Stoke's Pharmacy.

—GO TO—

## N. HANAU

for fine

Ladies' Shirt Waists, Ladies' Spring Jackets, Ladies' Tailor-Made Suits,

Also DRESS GOODS—Dimity, Lawn, Organdy, from five to twenty-five cents

LACE CURTAINS from fifty cents to three dollars. NIGHT GOWNS from fifty cents to two dollars.

Fine assortment LADIES' NECKWEAR.

## ALSO Clothing

The cheapest place to buy clothing. Men's ALL-WOOL SUITS \$4.75, \$5.50, \$7.00 to \$10.00. They are worth three dollars more a suit.

Our Store Closes at 8 O'clock Every Night Except Saturday.

# MILLIRENS

The largest distributors of Men's and Boys' reliable wearing apparel in Jefferson Co.

WE SELL AS WE BUY

Having two of the largest clothing stores in Central Pennsylvania to buy for we are able to sell for less money than other clothing stores buy.

# OUR STOCK IS COMPLETE.

There is hardly anything fine or fashionable for the summer season of 1900 that is not in our store.

### Men's and Young Men's Dress Suits

Trimmed elegantly and sewed up to perfection; equal in every respect to tailor-made. \$3.50, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 12.00, 14.00, 15.00.

### Men's Crash Suits.

Having closed a house out on these goods this season, we are able to give you a particular bargain. Suits made up, well trimmed, with pearl buttons, to sell at \$5, 6, 7, 8 and \$9; we are selling them at \$2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00 and 4.50. Separate trousers of same kind, 50c, 75c and \$1.00. This is all new stock, not carried for last three or four years.

### Serge Coats and Vests.

Made up properly and lined or in the skeleton style, \$4.00 to \$5.50. Serge, Alpaca, Crash or Sateen in single coats at 50c, \$1.00, 1.50, 2.00 and 2.75.

### Men's and Boys' Neckwear.

A nice lot just in from the best makers of Neckwear in this country. The line comprises Imperials, Tecks, Puffs, Band Bows, Shield Bows, Strings, Clubs and Bat Strings. Made of the latest importation of silk from the Old Country. Anything you think of in this line.

### Boys' Vestee Suits a Specialty

This being the largest Clothing season we have ever experienced we have a few suits of just one of a kind we will sell you at a particular bargain

Come and see us and don't miss the place.

# MILLIRENS,

The Reliable Clothiers.

Reynoldsville, Pa.

