

Political Pot Boils Merrily in Congressional and County Campaigns

THE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE ISSUES LETTER TO CANDIDATES

To T. M. Kurtz, S. Taylor North and Henry I. Wilson, announced candidates for State Senator; James G. Mitchell, Robert H. Longell, Horace G. Miller, George H. Small and George W. Porter, announced candidates for Assembly, and any others who may later announce their candidacy for said offices:

Gentlemen: In view of an awakened public sentiment, in justice to you and your friends, whose support you solicit, it is but fair that your position should be clearly defined along the line of temperance legislation; therefore, you are requested to make answer briefly to the following questions (for publication):

(1) If elected to the office to which you aspire, will you, or will you not, use your influence and vote in favor of submitting to the people a local option law on the liquor question?

(2) If elected will your influence, sympathy and vote as a legislator, be in harmony with or in opposition to, the policy of the Anti Saloon League of this state along the line of temperance legislation?

Many voters in the county, irrespective of party affiliation, regard the question above involved as paramount to any other issue in the approaching campaign. That they may vote intelligently, an open, public declaration as to your position is desired without delay.

Very respectfully,
C. C. BENSCHOTER,
President Jefferson County Local Option League,
Brookville, Pa., Jan. 24, 1908.

In the list of political announcements in THE STAR this week will be found the name of Daniel Sellen, a merchant of Sprankle Mills, who is a candidate for the nomination for probationer and clerk of courts. Mr. Sellen is now and has been one of the active Republican workers in his district for a number of years and this is the first time he has ever asked the voters of the county for an office. Mr. Sellen is one of the highly esteemed citizens of Sprankle Mills and is worthy and well qualified to fill the office he seeks.

Langham in Indiana, Arnold in Clarion, and Beale in Armstrong

WILL CONTEST WITH SMITH FOR SEAT IN CONGRESS

Every Indication of a Fight Along the Line which may Involve the Senatorial Rotation Agreement Between Jefferson and Indiana Counties.

The following article was taken from the columns of the Pittsburg Gazette Times of January 26, where it appeared under an Indiana date line:

"The contest for congressional honors in this district promises to be something out of the ordinary. Major Joseph G. Beale, of Leechburg, is the candidate from Armstrong county. W. O. Smith, of Punxsutawney, has announced in Jefferson county. J. N. Langham, of Indiana, has also entered the contest. The district is composed of the counties of Indiana, Armstrong, Jefferson and Clarion. Under the new primary law the candidates must submit their names to a popular vote throughout the district.

"Smith represented the district in congress for two terms prior to the election of Maj. Beale, the present incumbent. The rotation rule has always applied in this district under the old conferee system, but this may be changed under the new method of making nominations by popular vote. There is a feeling existing here that insofar as the equities existing between Jefferson and Indiana are concerned that it is unfair for Jefferson to insist on the congressional nomination at this time. Jefferson is claiming the senatorial nomination and there has been a disposition here to concede this nomination to Jefferson unless the Republicans of that county insist upon having both nominations, under which circumstance it looks very much as though there might be a contest along all the lines for all the offices to be filled.

"Langham, who will be put forward by Indiana, is a man in the prime of life and has had very large experience in public and professional matters. He is a graduate of the Indiana Normal school in the class of 1882; was for many years a teacher in the public schools, after which he read law with J. N. Banks of this bar and was admitted to practice in 1888. He served as postmaster at Indiana during the Harrison administration. Attorney General Knox recognizing his fitness for the work, appointed him as the representative of the department of justice to investigate certain charges made against a federal judge, the United States district attorney and the delegate to congress and other matters of this character in the territory of Oklahoma. He performed these services to the satisfaction of his superiors. Subsequently he was made chief clerk in the auditor general's department at Harrisburg, and afterwards became the corporation clerk of that department. He is senior member of the law firm of Langham & Elkins, located here. He has been chairman of the Republican committee of this county for several years, and has frequently represented the county as a delegate in the state conventions and also as a member of the state central committee. He is a good campaigner and will make a vigorous contest for the nomination. He will be given enthusiastic support in his home county."

Women's Jersey leggins 60c, misses' 50c and child's 40c. Adam's.

W. H. BELL IS WINNING FRIENDS ALL OVER THE COUNTY

In our political column this week will be found the announcement of W. H. Bell, of Reynoldsville, who seeks the Republican nomination for County Treasurer. To a large number of our readers Mr. Bell is no stranger, and, therefore, needs no introduction; but to those who do not know him personally we would say that he is a Republican of known ability and has every qualification necessary to faithfully fill the important office to which he aspires. For many years he has been engaged in the mercantile business in Reynoldsville, where, by his fair and honorable treatment and square business principles, he has built up an immense trade, and is classed among the leading merchants of his town.

Although a very busy man, Mr. Bell has always taken a deep interest in county politics and has been of much service to his party in every important campaign in recent years. Three years ago he spoke to a number of his friends about entering the contest for County Treasurer, and received much encouragement, but after sizing up the situation and seeing that a bitter contest was imminent, withdrew, with the understanding that he would be a candidate three years later. During that time and the present there have been many radical changes in the manner of nominating county officers, owing to the new Uniform Primary Law, and the result is that there are a large number of candidates for all offices to be filled, and especially in this case with the office of Treasurer.

That all these aspirants are good and worthy men is not denied by Mr. Bell, but his impression is that his candidacy should be seriously considered on account of the sacrifice he made three years ago. He is making an active and thorough campaign and will place his claims before the people in a frank business-like manner. The verdict of the voters next April, whether favorable or unfavorable, will be received by Mr. Bell as a just one, and he can be depended upon, as he has been for several years, to render the same valuable assistance and advice, and, if necessary, to shed his coat and pitch in for the whole ticket and work for its success.

Mr. Bell is possessed of broad-gauge principals and has the intelligence and tact necessary to putting up a winning fight. If he is successful the people of the county may rest assured their money will be in safe hands.—Punxsutawney Republican.

The Jumping Off Place.

"Consumption had me in its grasp; and I had almost reached the jumping off place when I was advised to try Dr. King's New Discovery; and I want to say right now, it saved my life. Improvement began with the first bottle, and after taking one dozen bottles I was a well and happy man again," says George Moore, of Grimesland, N. C. As a remedy for coughs and colds and healers of weak, sore lungs and for preventing pneumonia New Discovery is supreme. 50c and \$1.00 at Stoke and Felcht Drug Co. druggists. Trial bottle free.

A new State law which is now in force gives greater power to all borough Boards of Health. Through this law whenever persons or firms fail to obey the verbal directions of the health officer with relation to the abatement of a nuisance within the time stated by him, the matter may be reported to the State Department and will be taken up by its engineers and if the nuisance is found in actual existence the prosecution of the offenders will be undertaken by the State instead of the local bodies.

White pine shingles for sale at W. A. Leech's planing mill, West Reynoldsville.

Just received another lot of finest sugar-cured hams. They go this week yet at the special price of 11c. Robinson & Mundorff.

Everything reduced in Millren's 10 day sale.

When you want plumbing done or anything in the plumbing line, call on C. E. Humphrey on Main street.

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THE HIGH SCHOOL BULLETIN

Editor-in-Chief, Graydon Robinson
Senior Reporter, Miss Best
Sophomore Reporter, Miss Dillman

The High School basket ball team will play the St. Marys' H. S. team at St. Marys next Friday. Reynoldsville defeated St. Marys here quite recently and hopes to win again.

Don't forget the Lyric Glee Club in Assembly hall to-night.

Prof. Rife began his duties as principal of the Reynoldsville school Monday. The scholars all wish him success in his new position.

Dr. L. L. Means was in chapel Monday morning to see that the new principal started right.

Miss Coleman—What is that property which causes roots to grow straight down?
Annabel—Isn't it gee-o-something?

Well, Aldine, it certainly is a messy shame.

Tom's daily inquiry: Got anything good to read?

Sophomores, what is a figure of speech?

Hey! Josephine, pass the olives. No, hide them quick. Here comes the teacher. But we weren't quick enough and the waste basket had the last course of that feast all by itself.

They say "Laugh and the world laughs with you," but just wait till you see Milo laughing.

Was Valdemar a happy king? Ask the Sophies.

Paradise.

If last Sunday rules the next six weeks, look out! More winter.

W. A. Sheesley has had a force of men shoveling snow the last few days.

Some of the school marmos found it very difficult to get to school Monday morning.

Ambrose Strouse made a flying trip to town Saturday. The reason for his hurrying home so soon was the drifting snow.

Madison and Loyd McCreight are filling their ice house this week.

C. E. Strouse was busy hauling coal to Wishaw last week.

John and Frank are busy these days hauling logs.

Miss Edna Holman visited her sister, Mrs. C. E. Strouse, last week.

Jim Sample and wife spent several days last week with friends at Oak Ridge.

Grover Sprague had business in Reynoldsville Saturday.

Mrs. W. A. Sheesley spent a week with friends in Sykesville recently.

Dave Strouse purchased a new driving horse.

Mead Syphrit, of Troutville, visited his parents over Sunday.

Miss Florence Spencer, who has been visiting friends at Lippincott, Greene Co., Pa., returned home last week.

Emma Sheesley and Bertha Little visited in Prescottville over Sunday.

Will Reynolds and Miss Margaret Cathers, accompanied by the big six, drove to Troutville last Thursday and spent a very enjoyable evening.

Amos Strouse spent the greater part of last week at the county seat.

Benjamin Brink and a force of men from Reynoldsville are making srops on the Yohe tract.

John Lott, the industrious lumberman, expects to get a new portable saw mill in the near future.

Bill Sheesley has taken the contract to fill the three largest ice houses in Wishaw.

Mrs. Mary Cathers was on the sick list several days recently.

George Sheesley and Harry Daugherty, two of the Paradise sports, were in Reynoldsville Saturday.

George Reynolds, mail carrier on route No. 3, was unable to make his rounds last Saturday on account of snow drifts.

A number of Paradise grangers expect to attend Henderson grange next Thursday evening.

See the great reductions on our coats and suits at Millren's ten day sale.

Firemen Battle With Flames in a Blizzard

PROF. C. E. WILSON SEEKS THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENCY

Prof. C. E. Wilson, principal of the Brockwayville schools, authorizes the Record to announce that he is a candidate for County Superintendent of Jefferson county, subject to the action of the School Directors' convention next May. Prof. Wilson is one of the ablest and best known educational men in Jefferson county and the mere announcement that he is to be a candidate for the important office of superintendent of the schools of the county should at once place him in the front rank among the applicants for the position.

Prof. Wilson has been principal of the Brockwayville public schools for five years and his work here has been highly successful. As an educator, manager and overseer of all branches of school work he is among the foremost in the county, and he is in every way qualified to fill the office of County Superintendent. As a gentleman and citizen, Prof. Wilson is a man of pleasing personality, public spirited, energetic, and a moral and upright type of the best there is to be had anywhere in men of the best stamp. Prof. Wilson's candidacy has already assumed encouraging proportions and the school directorate of the county will do well to consider the man, his qualifications and general ability in selecting an officer for the county superintendency. We are pleased to publish herewith a brief review of Prof. Wilson's professional career, which, in itself, speaks for one of the best educational men in the county.

In 1893 Prof. Wilson graduated from the Prospect Normal and Classical Academy. He was a student at Waynesburg College for two years and later entered Grove City College from which institution he graduated in the year 1900. He since received the degree of A. M. from the Grove City institution. His teaching career began in the ungraded schools of Butler county where he served four years in that capacity. He was for one term assistant principal of Prospect Normal Academy from which institution he had previously graduated. After graduating from college he served for two years as assistant principal and teacher in public high schools of his college town. He was re-elected to a third term at an increase in salary but resigned to accept principalship of St. Petersburg, Clarion county, schools. He was again re-elected and tendered an advance in salary but resigned to accept a more lucrative position in Brockwayville. Prof. Wilson has had much experience in ungraded public school work, academic and summer normal school work as principal of the Brockwayville Summer Normal School for the past five years, and has had six years' experience in supervising principalship work. In all he has taught 101 months. There is no better material anywhere for Superintendent of the County Schools than Prof. Wilson.—Brockwayville Record.

Keeping Open House.

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EXPLODING GASOLINE SCATTERED THE FLAMES

Two Families Lost Their Household Goods and the Total Loss on Building and Furniture will Approximate \$5,000 with but \$1,000 Insurance.

About 12:10 Saturday morning, when a blizzard was raging, fire broke out in what was known as the old "Bee Hive" building; a large frame structure on Fifth street, near Main street, which was owned by H. Alex Stoke. When the fire was first discovered the middle of the building was enveloped in flames and the entire town was so brightly illuminated that citizens four or five squares away from the fire jumped out of bed expecting to see their neighbors' house all aflame. The store room, where fire started, was occupied by R. D. Muir for an oil depot and great sheets of flame bursted out suddenly. With a stiff wind blowing and the fire having such a good start, before it was discovered, it looked for a time as if Reynoldsville would have the biggest conflagration the town has seen for years, but a splendid water supply and the gallant work of our fire company confined the fierce and stubborn fire to the "Bee Hive" and only one other building, John M. Fay's workshop, which was a few feet away from the "Bee Hive," was damaged by the flames.

The "Bee Hive," which formerly stood on the corner of Main and Fifth streets, where the stone and brick building now stands that is occupied by the Bing-Stoke Co. large department store, contained three store rooms and one dwelling apartment on first floor and flats on second floor. Muir's oil depot occupied one store room, Lyon's bicycle repair shop another, one was vacant and John Shobert lived in the apartments on first floor. The entire second floor was vacant, except the flat over Shobert's apartments, and Philip S. Hauck lived there. Shobert and Hauck resided in the department next to the oil depot and about the time the fire was discovered there was an explosion in the oil room, supposed to have been a can of gasoline, which spread the flames into the Shobert and Hauck department so quickly that Mr. Shobert and family barely escaped from the flames and only a small part of their household goods were saved. Perhaps it is fortunate that Mr. Hauck and family, who lived on second floor, were not at home, for they might not have escaped. There was not anything saved out of their apartments. All their household goods and all their clothing, excepting what they had on when they left home Friday afternoon, was destroyed.

The origin of the fire is unknown, but it evidently had been burning for some time before the flames broke out. The night watchman had walked up Main street shortly before the fire was discovered and he did not see any signs of fire, but thought he smelled wood smoke near Martin's confectionery store and looked around that section to see if there was a fire.

Mr. Stoke's loss amounts to \$3,500 with \$1,000 insurance. Mr. Hauck's loss amounts to \$400.00 or \$500.00 and Mr. Shobert's loss amounts to several hundred. Messrs. Muir, Shobert and Hauck did not carry any insurance.

The firemen had a hard fight to get the fire under control, and on account the blizzard some of them suffered considerably from exposure to the cold and storm. While they were fighting the flames, Mrs. Wm. Martin and daughters, Mrs. John M. Hays, J. K. Johnston, J. Van Reed and daughter, Miss Eleanor, and Dr. J. B. Neale served hot coffee to them. Reed's and Neale also gave the firemen sandwiches.

Suffering and Dollars Saved.

E. S. Loper, of Marilla, N. Y., says: "I am a carpenter and have had many severe cuts healed by Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It has saved me suffering and dollars. It is by far the best healing salve I have ever found." Heals burns, sores, ulcers, fever sores, eczema and piles. 25c at Stoke & Felcht Drug Co., druggists.

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