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It's Easy to Spout Words

If the good honest citizens were to follow the line of thought that the Gleason boys, Andy and Bob, the latter the Cambria County Republican chairman, pass out from time to time, the impression would be impressed upon them that there just aren't any honest Democrats holding office in Cambria County, or probably anywhere. There's always "something rotten in Denmark" when a Democratic officeholder, or officeholders, are in charge, according to the Gleason book.

Last week when the registration totals were announced by the Bureau of Elections in Cambria County, in order to hide the bitter disappointments in the Republican totals, the G.O.P. county chairman immediately, in the presence of the Democratic-controlled Commissioners Office with the thought in mind of "covering up" with his state bosses the "flop" which the party made in his bailiwick. He said an audit of the registrations would be sought; and implied that perhaps something was dishonest.

In this connection, Robert Gleason struck not only at the two Democratic Commissioners, but he stabbed just as hard at the Republican member of the board and at the head of the Registration Department, also a registered Republican. If ever there was an open and above-board registration period conducted in Cambria County, the special period of last month was just that. The "always-suspicious Gleason boys asked for every protection the election laws afforded. They asked for special Republican watchers at various places. They were granted every request they made to the Commissioners. The Democratic County Chairman didn't request any such watchers, but in a couple of cases Democrats were assigned to such posts by the Commissioners.

What methods either party pursued in obtaining registrations, so long as those registrations were legally made, is beside the point insofar as the Bureau of Elections is concerned. When potential voters appeared at any of the duly-advertised registration points on the days and hours mentioned, and registered to vote, that constituted a legal registration. How they registered was their own business. Surely the Gleason boys wouldn't for a minute presume that the Bureau of Elections would toss out some of those legal registrations, or would "change" the politics of a registrant.

To the best of human ability, voters who gave the correct information when registering were entered in the files of the commission, and will be able to vote on Tuesday, Nov. 7, with the exception of duplications or other illegal cards. Certainly there was no thought of the political preferences of any registrant when the cards were made up and filed. Rather the thought of all the employees—and they are comprised of registrants of both parties—to do a good job, and to do it well. After the books were completed, party designations were totaled. Bob just didn't like the complexion of the totals.

It's too bad that there are some folks in responsible party positions who can "blast" away with allegations unfounded and unheeded for when a majority of the citizenry supports something not to their individual pleasure, and then endeavor to create an impression that "there's something rotten in Denmark."

Maybe the Gleason boys would do better to get it into their heads that public officials, generally speaking, do realize that they have taken on oath of office and do have an obligation to both God and their constituents to uphold the oath. In the "blast" of the Gleason boys last week, good honest Republican officeholders, as well as Democrats, were assailed. The Democratic party can congratulate itself on having such bungling leadership in the Republican party.

Good Feeling from Both Sides

While it passed our notice at the time, it never is too late to chronicle something well worth while in a community, and we are talking about what happened in Patton on Labor Day when the management of the Patton Clay Manufacturing Co. played hosts at a picnic for their employes. The good will that exists between the management and their union employes is something that could well be an example for many manufacturing plants throughout this country of ours.

While we're boosting for this and for that in Patton, and while we're pressing ahead as the years roll along, too many of us are prone to forget to some extent the major role the Patton Clay Manufacturing Co. has in the prosperity of our community. It's been the backbone of employment for men since the time the mines in and about Patton discontinued operations, and it was a huge contributory factor to the payrolls of the community long before that time.

We can talk of our silk mills, our large shirt factory, maybe shortly to be expanded, and of all other advantages, but let us never forget the Clay Works and what it means to all of us. The Patton Clay Manufacturing Co. has been giving life blood to a large part of the residents of this section through good times and through those periods not so good. The Labor Day picnic is only an incidental matter in management-labor relations, but it's something wholesome and pleasing.

Fire Prevention Week

The week of October 8 to 14 has been designated as National Fire Prevention Week throughout the nation, and the Patton Fire Company, as usual, will take part in the movement wholeheartedly. In fact, Fire Chief James Blake, this year as he has for many years, will take the same active lead in making the period a success. Speeches in our news columns will be found outlining some of the many, many tasks of firemen as outlined by members of Zone 1 of the Volunteer Firemen's Association of Cambria County & Vicinity.

Of course the pressure for elimination of fire hazards and the cause of fires is an appropriate subject for every day of the year, fire is the leading cause of all disasters and catastrophes in the United States. The American Red Cross reports that fire is responsible for more disaster relief than all other causes combined. The common use of matches and smoking materials is the greatest single cause of fires in this nation. About 50 percent of all fires of known origin are due to this cause.

Would License the Kids

If the legislation now pending before the Pennsylvania Federation of Women's Clubs passes, it will be a tough problem for the parents of 14 and 15-year-old boys and girls who like to go fishing. The sportsmen want to have the youths in these two age groups licensed at \$2.10 each. The sportsmen are somewhat reluctant to impose a license on those under 16 years of age, but it is reported that youngsters of this age do considerable damage on fishing trips, especially when they are without adult supervision or in parental custody when along the streams.

It also is argued by the angler sportsmen that hunting licenses are required for youths under 16, down to 12 years of age, and therefore a fishing license should be a requirement. Being licensed would thrill the "teen-agers no doubt, but it is doubtful whether many boys or girls would be taught to fish, or to take on fishing trips, if they had to earn their license fees. The state association will act on the license plan in mid-October.

It's That Time of Year

October is a month that has its beauty of nature, with the tree colorings and autumn skies. It is a month the poets like to chronicle. However, in recent years, it also seems to be a month in which some of the population of younger America seems to take as a "licensed" period to do a lot of things that simply are not right and proper. They regard the entire month, it seems, as a sort of Halloween period. When the writer was a kid, we can remember of our school days, when the costumes were made up in one or two days. Modern youthful minds seem to have bordered.

There is no license whatsoever for any young man or woman, boy or girl to get "off the reservation" during the month of October or any part of it. Burgess Theodore Ott has issued a warning that Patton parents had better keep an eye on their children, and where they are, especially after dark. Police will be on the lookout for youngsters who disrespect the rights of property. Their liability will run up to as high as \$10 plus costs of prosecution, and parents also will be held to account for paying for the repair of any damage done.

St. Benedict Birthday Dinner Sunday Honors D. J. Dougherty

A birthday dinner was held on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Berringer in honor of Mr. Berringer's father, Dennis J. Dougherty of Spangler, and also her aunt, Mrs. Clara Bearer of Ebensburg. Attending the dinner were the following:

Mary Beasie and Laura Dougherty of Loreto; Mrs. Clara Bearer of Ebensburg; Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Leiper and daughters, Diane and Marian of Ernest; Mr. and Mrs. Regis Dougherty and son and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Strassler and sons, Robert and Ronald, of Spangler; Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Dougherty of Spangler; and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Berringer and son, Philip.

Norbert Feighners Feted On Wedding Anniversary

A party was held last Saturday evening at the Rembrandt Club here in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Feighner, who celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary, and also for the birthday anniversary of John Reid Sr. The evening was spent in playing cards and refreshments were served. Attending the affair were the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Feighner, Verlo Berringer, Bud Brown, James Hunter, Clarence Hunter, William Kost, Leroy Lawrence, Orville McKee, Harry Painter, John Reid, Charles Sticker Jr., Chester Wisner and Mrs. Francis Williams and Mrs. Bernard Swanson, all of St. Benedict; Remond Peale of New York; Horn Smith of Pittsburgh; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Russell of Curwensville; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pavlock of Barnesboro and Mr. and Mrs. Simon Kline and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Benosky of Spangler; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sharbaugh and Anthony Kline of Carrolltown; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Lloyd of Uniontown; Mr. and Mrs. Milton Beaver of Carrolltown, Pa.; and Mr. and Mrs. James McKee of Emigh and Mr. and Mrs. John Kuhn of Colver.

CLASS MEETING HELD

A class meeting was held at the home of Jane Hunter for her Sunday School Class last Friday evening. Those attending are as follows:

Mary Stoltz, Judy Stoltz, Barbara Koral, Evelyn Jean and Marilyn Knarr, LaRue Saylor, Margie Symons, Della Ludington, Carol Jean Hunter, Queenie Wisc, Kathie Shirley and Rick Hunter and Margie and Jayne Painter.

Out-of-town guests who visited at the McDevitt home in town and also attended the wedding of Richard McDevitt to Miss Betty Lou Stoltz of Carrolltown last Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McDevitt and Mr. and Mrs. Robert McDevitt of Pottsville; Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Wiskowski, Dorothy Wiskowski, Mae McDevitt, Mrs. Mary Flaherty, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Flaherty and Mrs. James Connelly of Pittsburgh; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Spence and family of Johnstown; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dutra and Mrs. J. Marts of La-Jose and Joan McDevitt and Mr. and Mrs. Paul McDevitt of Spangler.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bowersox visited relatives in Tyrone on Sunday. Sunday visitors at the Saylor home were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Saylor and family of Hommelstown, Pa.; Mrs. Fred Davidson of Indiana and Mr. and Mrs. Eli Blake and daughter, Betty Jean, of New York. Mr. and Mrs. John Emerick Jr., attended the football game at Penn State last Saturday. Harold Lippie, "Shorty" Williams, Ed Smith and Leo Berringer motored to South Bend, Ind. over the week end where they witnessed the Notre Dame-North Carolina grid classic. Saturday evening they stopped in Chicago, Ill., where they were in attendance at the wrestling matches in Rainbow Gardens. They returned home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller and family spent the week end in Potter County at the Miller Camp. Margie Miller visited in Ashubula, Ohio, over the week end. Mrs. Benny Bilko was hostess to members of her club last Thursday evening. The evening was spent playing cards followed by a lunch. Attending included

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Mrs. Leo Berringer, Benny Bilko, William White, Bernard Swanson, Jake Bilko, John Emerick Jr., and Clyde Bradford.

Rembrandt Peale Jr. spent the week end visiting in town. Jack Emerick, a student at St. Vincent College, spent the week end here at the home of his parents. Mr. and Mrs. John Emerick Jr.

VAN ORMER Surprise Birthday Party Held Here Last Week

A surprise birthday party was held in honor of David Stevens at his home last Tuesday, Sept. 26. A lunch was served and he received many gifts. Attending the affair included the following:

Harry, Leonard and Alice Noel, Betty, Don, Jim and Dean Gates, Billy Thomas and Francis Gates, all of Fallentimber; Ronald Reghetti, Richard Bergamaschi, Jack Judd and Bob Campbell, all of Dean; Jerry and Paul Noel and Billy Bernix of Frugalita; Eugene Jenkins of Glasgow; Tressa Noel, John Simmers, Jack Bush, Eugene Hamilton, Kenny and Paul Krise, Catherine, Florence David and Mr. and Mrs. Giles Stevens, all of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Purdue and family spent several days last week at the Clifford Hollen home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Merryweather of Barnesboro were visitors recently at the Clair Shomo home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lovell and sons, Lynn and Gary, visited on Sunday at the Walter Fink residence in Patton.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Weld and son, Larry, were Sunday visitors at the Elmer Keith home.

Mr. and Mrs. Park Matthews and family of Johnstown visited on Saturday at the Floyd Mayes home.

Mrs. James Vild was a business caller in Altoona last Friday.

Misses Marie Mizey and Ellen Simmers were last Saturday visitors in Altoona.

The following from Van Ormer attended the Reade Senior Skating party in Philipsburg recently: Bob Keith, Adrith Lamar and Shirley Glasgow.

Miss Clarabelle Hollen, who is employed in Altoona, spent the week end at the Clifford Hollen home.

Mrs. Winter Ammerman, Ardith and Jack Lamar and Charles Hamilton were last Saturday visitors in Coalspot.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Mayes announce the birth of a daughter, last Wednesday, Sept. 27. The child is named Carolyn Louise.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Hamilton spent the week end on a fishing trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shomo and family spent Sunday at the Charles Hamilton home.

Fred Simmers was a last Saturday visitor in Coalspot.

Kenneth Shomo is spending some time in Canada fishing.

BUY PROPERTY FOR \$6,000

Emory F. Churella of Ebensburg has purchased a property fronting 30 feet on Matilda St., Barnesboro, for \$6,000, from Edward F. and Verelda Churella of Whittier, Calif.

Fallentimber

Mr. and Mrs. Russell J. Lovell and son, Charles, spent the week end visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fran Grimes Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Chris Perrott of Salem, Ohio.

Mrs. Howard F. Glass, Mrs. Earl F. Kopp, Mrs. Vivian Lawson and Mrs. Charles A. Matthew, attended a regular meeting of the Ellen Wilson Rebekah Lodge 568 of Coalspot on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Lydick and Mrs. Erma Lydick of Toledo, Ohio, spent several days visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Merl Tonkin.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl A. Campbell and daughter, Connie, and Dolores

and son, Charles, spent the week end at the home of Mrs. John Mahoney.

Mr. and Mrs. Gust Anderson and daughters, Mary and Karen, and Susan Arndt spent Sunday in Coalspot at the home of Mrs. John Mahoney.

Mrs. Clyde Bradford and Mrs. John Emerick spent Monday in Johnstown.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Glori and family visited Sunday in Johnstown.

Sunday visitors at the William White home were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jenkins Jr. and son, Bill, of Detroit, Mich. and Mr. and Mrs. William Jenkins of Patton.

Gloria and Walter Stoltz of Hempstead, N. Y., visited here over the week end with their mother, Mrs. Mae Stoltz.

Pfc. Daniel Michrins of Selfridge Field, Mich., Air Force Base

visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Michrins.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wisner and daughter, Jean, visited in Huntingdon on Sunday.

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and Mrs. Joseph Matish and son, Joe, all of Dyzart, visited Sunday at the Michael R. Matish home.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kibber and daughter, Mariene, of Juniata, spent the week end at the Frank Vogel home.

Mrs. Linda Capion of Akron, O., spent several days visiting at the William C. Thomas home.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl A. Campbell Jr. and children, Connie and Stevie, and Mrs. Carl F. Kopp, visited on Sunday at the N. J. Neal home in Puzosutawney.

MARRIAGE APPLICATIONS

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Francis DeHaven and Geraldine Quinn, both of Gallitana.

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