

"The Totem Pole"

Philadelphia, July 15—The Democratic National Convention here in the fair city of Philadelphia is fully under way—and like the Republican convention, the strategic and important decisions are not being made on the convention floor but in downtown hotel rooms.

No matter how much the politicians would like to dispel this theory, the fact remains that the important plans of action are decided upon in the smoke-filled rooms hereabouts.

Prior to the GOP confab, the political gentry of that party went out of their way to give all assurances that no such things as smoke-filled rooms would exist—yet it was under such precise circumstances that virtually all forces operated.

This also applies to the current convention. What takes place here on the floor of the convention is only the result of a series of private conferences.

And so it is not remiss by any chance that Grampaw Pettibone puffing and sweating last night after a round of important rooms should report to us something as follows:

"Son, the boys are hard at it. They've been going around beating out each other's political brains.

By now, almost all opposition to the wishes of the political dictators has been nailed to the wall. It's truly a sight to behold."

He declared that his observation had convinced him that "Little Old Harry will definitely get the nod although there may be some token opposition as a cover-up."

The city is thronged with donkey-riders, just as the elephant boys cluttered the town last month. Most of those here are walking about with that political gaze in their eyes, feeling confident the Democrats will win in November and that pastures will be green once more.

In one of his rambles, Grampaw Pettibone ran into the Pennsylvania delegation holding one of their little off-the-cuff caucuses.

"Why I never saw Phil Mathews in a more confident and sure mood," opined the old political sage in speaking of the new State Chairman. "He seemed to exude confidence and a new spirit for Pennsylvania's Democrats at least."

"Then there was Pennsylvania's senior U.S. Senator, Francis J. Myers, beaming and jovial as usual," Pettibone continued. "He seemed to feel confident the Democrats would win with a harmony ticket too in November. In fact the Pennsylvania delegation and Keystone State leaders all seemed to be confident of victory in November, including Pittsburgh's Mayor David L. Lawrence, who you know, is also a National committeeman."

Express Gratitude

The family of the late John N. Jones wish to thank their friends and neighbors who responded so kindly to them during their recent bereavement.

Your Health

Shakespeare must have been reading the Aphorisms of Hippocrates.

They both wrote that desperate diseases call for desperate remedies, but Hippocrates, the Father of Medicine, said it 2,000 years before Shakespeare, the Bard of Avon.

In bygone centuries, when a man was desperately sick, he was either given extremely rough treatment or left to die.

Today, we have improved and expanded medical treatment and now physicians and surgeons are able to save the lives of countless desperately ill people.

Every single advance in medicine changes the existing social structure in the population and, whereas in centuries past, longevity was rare, today it is the accepted pattern of life and new problems present themselves.

There are about 25 million Americans suffering from either disabling or nondisabling chronic disease.

Some authorities lay the blame for much of this chronic disease to the strain and stress of modern living.

Character conflicts promote illness and accidents.

With men, it is the problem of dependence versus independence, and many men break down when they are deprived of their independence through profitable labor and achievement.

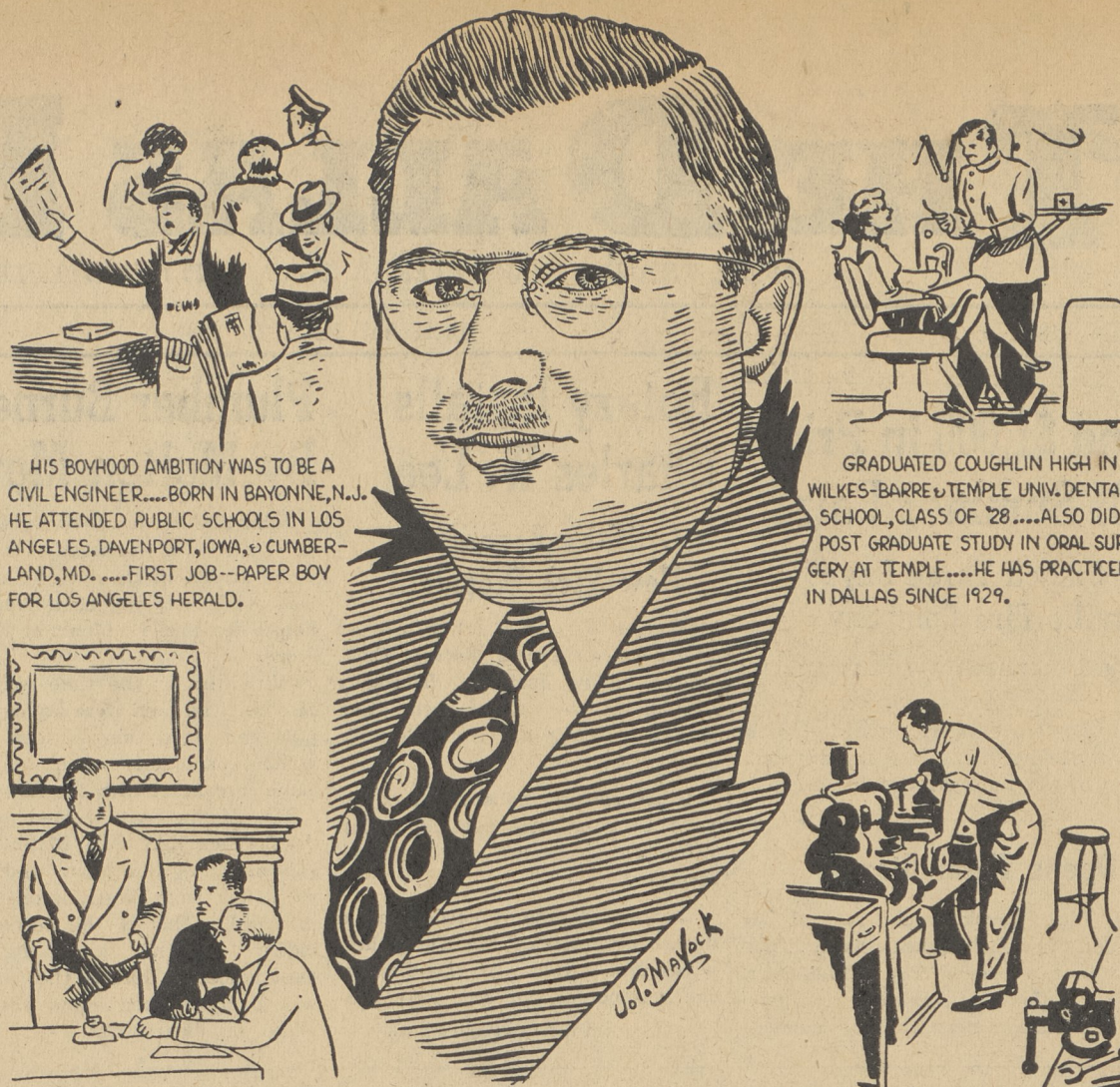
In women, the primary conflict is between self love and love of other persons and is illustrated in hysterical personalities.

DO YOU KNOW?

Nearly 300 muscles are used in standing—100 in the legs and feet, 155 in the trunk, and 20 in the neck—and they are all voluntary muscles, controlled by the postural reflexes and by voluntary effort.

STATE POLICE SAY:

The driver who goes faster than 50 miles an hour after dark is driving in the dark. The night-time motorist cannot be assured of safety unless he is able to stop his vehicle within the distance illuminated by his headlights. To drive faster than 50 miles an hour after dark is to drive in partial blindness.



HIS BOYHOOD AMBITION WAS TO BE A CIVIL ENGINEER....BORN IN BAYONNE, N.J. HE ATTENDED PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN LOS ANGELES, DAVENPORT, IOWA, CUMBERLAND, MD.FIRST JOB—PAPER BOY FOR LOS ANGELES HERALD.

GRADUATED COUGHLIN HIGH IN WILKES-BARRE, TEMPLE UNIV. DENTAL SCHOOL, CLASS OF '28....ALSO DID POST GRADUATE STUDY IN ORAL SURGERY AT TEMPLE....HE HAS PRACTICED IN DALLAS SINCE 1929.

HE IS PRESIDENT OF LUZERNE COUNTY DENTAL SOCIETY & PAST PRESIDENT OF DALLAS ROTARY.... MEMBER OF ALL MASONIC & ODD FELLOW BODIES. ALSO CHAIRMAN OF ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE AT IREM TEMPLE COUNTRY CLUB.

HIS HOBBY IS WOODWORKING IN HIS OWN MACHINE SHOP....MARRIED TO FORMER GERTRUDE LANDERS OF DALLAS....THEY HAVE TWO SONS: ROBERT & RICHARD.

Dr. Robt. M. Bodycomb.

Dr. Aaron Lisses Opens New Wilkes-Barre Office

Dr. Aaron S. Lisses, optometric eyesight specialist, announces the opening of his new offices for the examination of the eyes and the fitting of glasses in the Simon Long Building, 54 South Main Street, Wilkes-Barre. Over Sun Ray Drug Store.

Last year, Dr. Lisses received an award from the Pittsburgh Optometric Association upon completion of a post-graduate study of Industrial Visual Problems as "a token of recognition for his contribution toward the advancement of the profession of Optometry."

He is a member of Pennsylvania and American Optometric Association, and a graduate of Pennsylvania State College of Optometry and a Clinical Associate of the Optometric extension program.

He was recently married to the former Charlotte Reichlin of Luzerne.

A fort was built on the site of what is now Pittsburgh in 1754 on recommendation of George Washington.—PNS.

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Montross-Kitchen

Montross-Kitchen reunion, the 42nd annual reunion of the Montross-Kitchen families will be held at Norris Glenn the last Sunday in July. In case of rain, the following Sunday.

THE LOW DOWN

FROM HICKORY GROVE

To start off my lecture with a bang and get to the meat of the coconut quick, I claim there has been too much pecking-away at business—too much rant and rave—too much loose insinuations.

Mediocre people have been getting themselves elected—and a nice salary—by being "down" with something. Being "down" on business, especially if it is big or a success, has been a good vehicle. I don't give a hoot about votes—don't need to fool anybody—am not running for Congress, play-ground supt., or any job where the expense account is liberal, or there is a free car. I am independent as a pig in clover—so keep on readin'—maybe I will say something.

Everybody is for free enterprise and private business—but kinda forgets it at times. Everybody has fire insurance of some kind—also life insurance. There would be no money to pay for your fire losses when your house burns down, or pay life benefits if there was no corporations or business in which the insurance people could invest and earn interest.

Every mama and papa should stir themselves if they want their off-shoot to grow up and have a chance to show his calibre and ability and to prosper in proportion to his effort. Off-shoots can't do that in countries of Big Govt.—and where private business is elbowed around, and out.

Yours with the low down,
JO. SERRA

Kunkle Girls Hold Picnic At Transue Home

Friendship Class of Kunkle Methodist Church held a picnic at the home of Madeline Transue Tuesday, July 6.

After a swimming party at Lake Catalpa, a picnic supper was enjoyed by the following: Mrs. Betty Meeke, Mrs. Joan Elston, Phyllis Kunkle, Geraldine Mitchell, Nellie Finny, Grace Klimeck, Charlotte Boston, and the hostess.

Report Of Condition Of The Kingston National Bank

KINGSTON, PA.

JUNE 30, 1948

RESOURCES

Cash in vault and due from Banks	\$ 1,976,697.19
U. S. Government Securities	6,137,917.38
Other Bonds and Securities	190,479.79
Loans and Discounts	4,059,559.88
Banking House \$102,500.00 and Furniture and Fixtures \$28,050.34	131,005.34
Other Real Estate	1.00
Accrued Interest	20,911.24
Prepaid Expense	8,950.76
Total	\$12,525,522.58

LIABILITIES

Capital	\$ 460,000.00
Surplus	500,000.00
Undivided Profits and Reserves	497,579.74
DEPOSITS	11,067,942.84
Total	\$12,525,522.58

TRUST DEPARTMENT

Total Individual Trusts	\$ 4,102,614.60
Corporate Trusts	503,000.00

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Barnyard Notes

An out-of-town visitor summed it up; "An auction like this does something for a community."

The crowd was captivated by Henry Calkins' hound, "Sparky." His soft brown eyes, drooping ears and wagging tail seemed to say, "I like people." Mrs. Dyke Brown couldn't resist and bought him. On Wednesday he had taken possession of the family sofa and had become an important part of the Brown household.

Mrs. Al Gibbs, Mrs. A. D. Hutchison and Mrs. Durelle Scott Jr., were intrigued by the white painters' overalls presented to the Auction Committee by Charlie Gregory. They closed the barn doors and tried them on refusing Harry Ohlman's offer to help with the fitting.

Prof. and Mrs. Charles March of Wyoming Seminary were interested bidders. They purchased the fine maple bed contributed by Mrs. B. C. Banks of Harvey's Lake.

A beautiful picture frame purchased originally for \$100 by Julius Long Stern of Holiday House, Idetown, went to Mrs. Abram Nesbitt at her high bid of \$35. "Now I hope the picture fits," she told cashier Frederick Eck.

Dorothy Barber of Wyoming attending the auction with her husband made a number of spot sketches of the crowd. Earlier in the week she made several fine ones at Lehman Horse Show.

Mrs. Jack Barnes of Elm Crest Drive bought the registered smooth haired puppy given by Mrs. Margaret McL. Cottle of Merri-court Kennels, Shavertown. The puppy will fill the place of the Barnes' little spaniel that wandered away a year ago. The pup will be delivered in four weeks as he is not yet old enough to wean. He was sired by Peter of Fenbor, Mrs. Cottle's prize stud who has produced puppies with impressive show records.

Mrs. Cottle also contributed the stud services of four of her famous sires; Squire of Merri-court, a wire haired fox terrier; Poling's Roderic, a cocker spaniel, and the brothers, Peter of Fenbor and First Nighter of Fenbor, smooth fox terriers. These will be auctioned Saturday.

Harold Payne, Jim Hutchison and Frederick Eck were an ideal trio at the clerk's desk. There were few in the crowd they did not know. Arch Hutchison handled the cash desk.

The set of doll dishes that Frances Dorrance played with when she was a child brought \$26 from Mrs. Harry Ruggles. A dealer expressed the opinion that they were one of the best buys at the sale.

John Davies was left high in the air after he purchased the buggy contributed by Sheldon Cave. John's dad refused to permit his riding horse to be hitched. A last minute appeal to Pete Clark brought the same response; then John dismantled the cart and stored it in the Davies' attic.

Mrs. Ben Davis of Harris Hill Road gave the Mason and Hamlin melodeon which belonged to her grandfather Johnson of Espy.

The donor of the chocolate set which brought a high bid from Mrs. Harry Ruggles remains anonymous. Many fine pieces of china, glass and furniture were brought to the auction early Saturday morning and contributed by persons who did not leave their names or addresses.

Warren and Betty Edson of Scranton bought a sled to use this winter for the removal of ashes.

A near tragedy was averted when Joe Peterson's scooter went up for auction. Fred Eck bid it in at 25c. Later when he went to look for it, Hank Peterson eyed him sheepishly. The sale was all a mistake. Joe had arrived at the auction via "scooter." An over enthusiastic helper had placed the vehicle on the auction block. "Hank" paid a quarter to retrieve it.

Among those on Mrs. A. D. Hutchison's solicitation committee none worked harder than Dorothy Anderson in the Carverton area. Dorothy covered much of the area on foot while Fred had the car with him at business.

Herman Garinger bought the 600-pound boar-hog given by Col. J. Henry Pool of Huntsville. The animal was so large that no one on the auction transportation committee wanted to take on the job of bringing him to the grounds. The animal was sold f.o.b. Huntsville.

Mrs. Paul Warriner got the suckling pig given by Mrs. Frank Wisniewski of East Dallas. Auctioneer Herman Sands bought the larger pig brought to the auction by Hillside Farm.

The large doll house, four by four feet, given by Col. Dorrance Reynolds, is still at the back of the barn surrounded by tons of furniture. It will be auctioned this Saturday.

An anonymous donor on Monday gave Murray Scureman 300 new concrete building blocks to be auctioned off at this week's sale. Clarence Laidler got twelve of the ducks from Paul Warriner's Wayside Duck Farm. They will make an interesting picture along the stream that runs through the Laidler property at Pioneer and Overbrook avenues.

Two small gaily decorated Mexican chairs went to an unknown buyer. A table to match will go on the block this Saturday.

Warren and Mary Hicks came up from New Jersey to buy furniture and stayed at the auction until past midnight. Warren's mother, Mrs. T. M. B. Hicks was high bidder for the earthen ware contributed by Ella Shaver.

The piece de resistance of the auction, a pair of plank chairs, brought \$15 when nobody was looking. They were the gift of Dr. and Mrs. Morrell Kniffen of Wilkes-Barre and many expressed a willingness to bid as high as \$30 for them.

The dog tread mill which was a common fixture on many dairy farms two generations ago, was the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hefernan of Lehman. Some of the oldsters recalled having seen the family dog churn butter in such a contraption during their youth.

A box of Corona Corona cigars brought spirited bidding and sold for \$9. Unfortunately the cigars were worth 19c instead of 64c each.

Shortly after some youngsters purchased "Lassie", the little terrier, that Arthur Miner of Shavertown delivered to the auction grounds Saturday morning, he found that she knew all kinds of tricks. "Lassie" delighted her new owner by sitting up for a hot dog and then waltzing around on her hind legs for more.

Among the new merchandise that brought lively bidding was an Admiral portable radio from Evans Drug Store, Shavertown. The instrument, slightly larger than a modern novel and resembling a handbag, was a bargain at \$18.50. Its retail value was \$30.

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