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A Final Appeal To The Farmers of Carroll County

The men in Carroll county who were engaged of farming during the years between 1892 to 1896, at which time we were living under a Democratic administration that had passed a low tariff bill which prostrated every industry of the country and drove many of the large corporations, including a number of railroads, into the hands of receivers and sent hundreds of farmers to bankruptcy, have not forgotten the financial troubles they were then compelled to endure and we feel certain they do not desire a repetition of them.

In an editorial of August 1st, 1896, The Democratic Advocate, of Westminster, said:

"FACTS THAT CANNOT BE DENIED"

"That mortgages are multiplying.
That public debts are increasing.
That most of the railroads are bankrupt.
That prices of farms have greatly fallen.
That the prices of fam rproducts have
fallen fully one-half.
That tramps are numerous."

The financial troubles of the country came about during the last Democratic administration and to offset the effects of the legislation enacted by it the cry of Free Silver was raised by William Jennings Bryan and offered to the people as a panacea for the financial ills we were then enduring. The farmer was then receiving 46c a bushel for wheat and $1.25 a barrel for his corn.

During the past fifteen years of Republican rule, you have, with the rest of the country, enjoyed prosperity and the Democratic party is again asking you to entrust it with the government in order that it may inaugurate its policy of free trade. Mr. Wilson, its candidate, has promised, if elected, to reduce the cost of living to the people of the cities, which means, of course, the lowering of the prices of your products.

Do you, Mr. Farmer, intend to vote to reduce the price of the fruits of your labor?

Do you intend to vote for the representative of any party that proposes to reduce the cost of living to the people of the large cities and thereby rob you of the just reward of your hard labor on your farm?

Remember, that a vote for either Wilson or Roosevelt is a vote to bring about the same conditions we endured during 1892--1896. A vote for Wilson is a direct one and a vote for Roosevelt is an indirect one to a return to those conditions, but a vote for Taft is one in favor of the continuance of the present prosperity of the country. It is a vote for $1 wheat and $3 corn, together with all the other good things you have enjoyed during Mr. Taft's administration.

Your answer will be looked for next Tuesday. What will it be?

—Editor.

Local Items Of Interest

IT TAKES BUT TWO MARKS TO VOTE THE WHOLE REPUBLICAN TICKET. ONE MARK FOR PRESIDENT TAFT AND ONE FOR LABAN SPARKS FOR CONGRESS.

A Christian Endeavor Rally will be held at Deer Park Church Sunday next.

There will be a special meeting of the L. T. L. at Carroll Hall Saturday afternoon at three o'clock to which all children are invited.

The Grand Lodge officers of the Knights of Pythias will visit Charity Lodge No. 58, of this city, Friday evening, November 8th.

Mrs. T. J. Allen and her daughter, Miss Marry Allen, mother and sister of Mr. James Allen, of this city, motored to their home in New Jersey, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Steplin, of Meredosia, Illinois, spent Thursday and Friday of last week with Mayor David E. Walsh and family, of E. Main street, this city. Mrs. Walsh is a niece of Mr. Steplin.

The Western Maryland Railroad [illegible] burned a lot of old cars near the Tannery, Thursday night, and the blaze made the heavens so red that many people thought a barn was on fire.

A Hallowe'en social was held in the lecture room of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of this city, Thursday evening, October 31st., for the parents and scholars of the Sunday school. Games appropriate to Halloween were played and refreshments served.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Deer Park Church held its 16th anniversary at Smallwood Hall, October 25th. A long program and list of names of those present were sent to the Sentinel but owing to the crowded condition of the paper at this time of the year it was impossible to publish the same in this issue. It will be done Tuesday next.

On account of the new schedule of the Western Maryland Railroad Messrs Wm. F. Helm, gateman, and Wm. Sullivan, assistant to the agent, are forced to be on duty daily from 4 A. M. to 10.30 P. M. This arrangement allows them about four hours and a half to enjoy society of their families and to sleep. We think they have a pretty tough job. Don't you think so too?

IT TAKES BUT TWO MARKS TO VOTE THE WHOLE REPUBLICAN TICKET. ONE MARK FOR PRESIDENT TAFT AND ONE FOR LABAN SPARKS FOR CONGRESS.

The Christian Endeavor Society of Deer Park M. P. Church, at Smallwood, this county, will hold a rally Sunday, November 3rd. Students from the Westminster Theological Seminary will assist the pastor. Rev. William Bauscher. Special music will be a feature of the program. Services will begin promptly at 10 A. M. and 2.15 P. M. Revival services will begin Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

The Woman's Missionary Societies of the Maryland and Virginia Eldership met at Carrollton, October 19th. The following officers were elected: Mrs L. F. Murray, president; Miss Jarrett R. Barrick, vice president; Miss Arminta Murray, recording secretary, and Mrs. F. I. M. Thomas, corresponding secretary. The latter was elected delegate to the General Missionary Society which will meet in Harrisburg, Pa., in May 1913.

The annual meeting of the Carroll County Medical Society was held Wednesday at the Hotel Westminster, this city. After the election of officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of routine business Dr. A. Kloman, of Baltimore delivered an address. The following officers were elected: President Dr. Chas. R .Foutz, of this city; vice-president, Dr. D. B. Specher, of Sykesville; secretary and treasurer, Dr. H. M. Fitzhugh, of this city, and member of board of licenses, Dr. S. Luther Bare, of this city.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of Rev. C. S. Slagle as pastor of the Westminster charge will be commemorated next Sunday by St. Paul's Reformed church of this city. A union service will be held in the morning at 11 o'clock, in which St. Benjamin's Reformed congregation will participate. This congregation was a part of the Westminster charge during the first four years of Dr. Slagle's pastorate, and it was under his ministry that their present church edifice was built. On Monday evening a reception will be given at the parsonage to members and friends of the congregation.

The Missionary Societies of Grace Lutheran Church will hold their annual Thank Offering meeting on Monday evening Nov. 4th at 7.30 o'clock. Rev. Ayers who spent many years on the African field will make the address of the evening. He will have with him a very fine collection of African curios chiefly pertaining to the home life of the natives. The exhibit will be in the lecture room of the church where from 6 P. M. Rev. Ayers will explain the mysteries to all who come. This is one of the finest African exhibits to be seen outside of a museum.

No admission will be charged and only a collection taken to help defrey expenses. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mrs. Nelson Gilbert, of W. Main street, this city, was paralyzed Tuesday.

Mr. and Mre. Ralph Royer, of this city, visited Mrs. John Landers, of Thurmont, Sunday.

Mr. E. Leo. Spurrier, of Mt. Airy, this county, was in Westminster Thursday on business.

Mr. Joseph Hoppe, of near this city, has accepted a position as plumber with Mr. D. S. Gehr, this city.

Rev. Snider Stephan visited his mother, Mrs. Andrew Stephan, of this city, during the past week.

Protracted meetings will begin next Sunday evening at Stone Chapel There will be no services in the afternoon.

Miss Flora Dudderer, of Mt. Airy, this county who was operated on Friday last at St. Agnes Hospital, Baltimore, is improving.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Helm, of E. Green street, this city, Tuesday, and left them a fine baby girl.

Mrs. John J. Rose, of E. Green St., this city, returned Wednesday from a Baltimore hospital and is getting along very nicely.

Mr D. S. Gehr, The Hardware Man on the Corner, has begun the installation of a modern hot water heating plant in the residence of Miss Roberta Shriver, Belle Grove Square, this city.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Hayes Wilson, who were visiting Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs .Denton S. Gehr, of this city, have returned to their home in Dover Delaware.

Mr. and Mrs. David Haines and two sons, and Mrs. Joseph T. Stem, of Dennings, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Leister and other relatives near Roseville, Sunday.

Rev. Dr. J. F. Heisse, former district superintendent of West Baltimore Circuit of the Methodist Episcopal Church, who has been ill with pleurisy, is able to be out. Few people knew of his illness which lasted several weeks.

During the past week this city has had an abundance of political oratory. With the Republican meeting Monday the Democratic one Tuesday and the Progressive Wednesday, the band, the red fire, the boys and the enthusiasts and orators all had a good time. "We sure are some people."

Messrs and Mesdames George Bair, Charles Bair, of Sams Creek and Howard Price and son Oliver, of Taylorsville, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Leister, of Roseville, Sunday. Mr. George Bair also visited his aunt Amanda, better known as Grandma Leister.

Messrs J. W. Lockard and Son have sold the following automobiles: To Mr. Arthur M. Zile, Winfield, Chalmers-30; to Mr. G. Lynn Coane, Westminster, Oldsmobile-45; to Mr. Harry Smith, Cranberry, second-hand Cadillac and to Mr. J. W. Shirley, Baltimore county, 1913 Buick-32.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Niner and son Herman, of near Bird Hill, this county, spent from Friday till Monday with their daughter, Miss Carrie M. Niner, of Baltimore. They also visited their brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Appel, of Baltimore.

The frame work of the new house which Mr. Joseph Shriver, of this city, is building on Willis street, is being erected by Mr. N. Claude Erb, contractor, and the grading of the lot is being pushed. The house will be 38 by 40 feet, three stories high and will contain 14 rooms, including pantry and two toilet rooms.

The fast mail train bound for Baltimore, on the Western Maryland railway, on Wednesday ran into a mallet compound pusher engine that was standing on the main track near the passenger station at Williamsport. The locomotive drawing the fast mail plowed into the tender of the mallet engine. Both locomotives were badly damaged, and traffic was delayed.

Hagerstown, Md., Oct. 30—The Potomac Synod of the Reformed Church in session at Mercersburg adjourned October 29, after concurring in the action of the Eastern Synod in abolishing the bi-synodic board of missions. Hereafter all the mission work of the church will be under the direct control of the General Synod's missionary board.

In a letter to Mr. Emory C. Ebaugh, chairman of the Prohibition Party of this county, Mr. William A. Anderson, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, refused to meet Mr. Eugene Chafin, Prohibition candidate for President, in joint debate. Mr. Anderson says he is ready to meet any representative of the liquor interests but declines to "waste his ammunition upon those who ought to be our national friends."

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Stoner, of Medford, this county, entertained a number of their friends on Sunday last. Those present were: Messrs and Mesdames Richard Bennett, Jonathan Dorsey, and J. K. Brandenburg, of Freedom; Edward Stem, of Winfield; Andrew P. Frizzell, of Bloom; Harry Englar and John Baile, of Medford and Russell Fleagle, of Hagerstown. Mrs. Clara Lindsay, of Gypsy Hill and John and Richard Bennett, of Freedom.

Deaths

WILLIAM A. CUNNINGHAM

Mr. William A. Cunningham, one of the oldest and most esteemed citizens of this city, died Wednesday morning at 2 o'clock at his home, Prospect Hill, this city, aged 83 years, 5 months and 9 days. Besides his widow, who was Miss Mary Horn, of Baltimore, he is survived by one daughter (Mrs. George B. Fundenberg, of Pasadena, California) and by two sons (Mr. Frank E. Cunningham, of Washington, D. C., and Mr. John H. Cunningham, cashier of the Farmers and Mechanics' National Bank, of this city).

The deceased was born in Baltimore, Md., May 21, 1829, and was educated in the public schools of that city. In early life he entered the employment of Samuel Kirk and Sons, silversmiths of Baltimore, but later on accepted clerkships in the National Marine Bank and the Citizens National Bank of Baltimore. Just before the Civil War his health failed and he came to Carroll county, The Western Maryland Railroad then was running only to Tannery station and Mr. Cunningham had to have his household effects hauled to this city by teams. He bought a small farm on Cobb's Branch, about one mile west of town. He was not however allowed to remain on the farm very long. A short time after he came here the First National Bank of this city was organized and through the efforts of the late Alfred Troxel, who was its first president, Augustus Shriver and others, Mr. Cunningham was elected cashier of the bank which position he held until 1875, when he resigned to assume the position of cashier of the Farmers and Mechanics' National Bank, of this city. The latter bank had lost its cashier in the person of the late A. D. Schaeffer, the Taylor Manufacturing Co., of this city, had practically become insolvent with a large amount of its paper in the hands of the bank, thereby causing it considerable loss, and Mr. Cunningham assumed the cashiership while the institution was in the midst of financial distress. His clear head and keen financial knowledge brought it out of trouble and placed it upon a sound basis. Mr. Cunningham filled the office of cashier until 1892 when he was succeeded by his son. Mr. John H. Cunningham, the present cashier, the father retiring to his home where he led a quiet life:

During the time between 1875 and 1877, while he was cashier of the Farmers and Mechanics' National Bank of this city, he started the Salisbury National Bank, of Salisbury, Md., the Denton National Bank, of Denton, Md., and the Centerville National Bank of Centerville, Md.

Mr. Cunningham was a member of Maryland Commandery No. 1 Knights Templar and up to within a few years ago was one of its most active members. He was initiated into Warren Lodge No. 51 A. F. and A. M. of Baltimore in 1858; installed Worshipful Master of George Washington Lodge No. 94 in 1864, affiliated with Door-to-Virtue Lodge No. 46, in 1866 and was Worshipful Master of the same in 1883-4 and 5; installed R. W. J. Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Maryland 1871; re-elected and installed R. W. J., Grand Warden, Grand Lodge of Maryland 1872; exhaulted in St. John's Chapter No. 19, R. A. M. in 1865; M. E. N. P. Carroll chapter No. 31, 1887 and 1903, admitted into the Maryland Masonic Veteran Association in 1901; Dep. 111 M Carroll Council No. 7 R. and S. Masons in 1889, for the past 21 years continnously; knighted in Maryland Commandery May 25, 1865 and became a life member in 1901.

Mr. Cunningham also took an interest in helping to build up Westminster and was ever ready to invest his money in anything calculated to help its citizens. In spite of intense opposition of some of the older citizens of Westminster, he, together with the late John L. Reifsnider, Charles B. Roberts, Reuben A. Holmes and others, organized the Westminster Gas company and on Thanksgiving Day 1871 the light was turned on in the city. It was one of Mr. Cunningham's pets and his predictions have been verified.

The funeral services were held this morning at the house at 10.30 Rev. Wm. H. Hetrick, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, this city, officiating, and the interment was in the Westminster Cemetery.

The pallbearers were all members of Door-to-Virtue Lodge A. F. and A. M. of this city.

Maryland Commandery sent a guard of honor to the funeral.

Messrs F. A. Sharrer and Son were funeral directors.

MRS. ANNIE K. YINGLING

Mrs. Annie K., wife of Mr. Chas. E. Yingling, and a daughter of the late Jesse Eckard, died at the Maryland Homeopathic Hospital, Baltimore, after a long illness and suffering, aged 43 years, 8 months and 7 days.

Besides her husband she is survived by one daughter, Angeline, and three sons, Raymond, Paul and Harry all of Baltimore. Also her mother, who is 82 years old; five sisters, Mrs. Calvin Myerly, of Frizellburg; Mrs. George Harman, of Westminster; Mrs. Isaac Copenhaver, of Mayberry, and Mrs. John W. Duvall of Dennings; and three brothers, Messrs Wm. Edward and Newton all of this county and besides many relatives and friends who mourn her death.

Mr. and Mrs. Yingling were at one time residents of this city, from where they moved to Baltimore. Her funeral took place last Friday morning from Meadow Branch Church, after funeral services by Rev. L. F. Murray, of Uniontown, assisted by Elder Uriah Bixler. Interment was in the adjoining cemetery.

The pallbearers were: Messrs W. H. Davis, Harvey A. Stone, S. C. Stoner, John D. Biehl, B. F. Sechrist and Luther E. Wimert, Harvey Bankard and Son, funeral directors.

The Merchants of Westminster

SMITH & REIFSNIDER

Coal, Lumber and Building Material

We stated in a previous article that the first lumber yard in Westminster was located at Main and Liberty streets on the lot now occupied by the D. S. Gehr hardware store and that Messrs Joshua Smith, Jesse Reifsnider and Henry Dell were the proprietors of the same. We further stated that upon the dissolution of the firm Henry Dell moved the business across Main street to where Messrs Smith and Reifsnider now conduct the coal and lumber business. At the time the business was moved Westminster was using very little coal and we have been credibly informed that the first lot of "blacksmith" coal bought by Mr. Dell about filled a large store box and that it was kept immediately in the rear of the old office which we mentioned in a previous article. At that time blacksmiths were the only ones who used coal and most, if not very near all, of it was hauled here by farmers returning from Baltimore.

The little office used by Mr. Henry Dell had quite a history. Besides being the first lumber office in Westminster, it was the first telegraph office of the local company which owned the telegraph line running to Baltimore and the lumber in it had been used in the field hospital which was located on the piece of land now used by St. John's Catholic church as a cemetery. In this hospital many of the wounded soldiers who were brought to Westminster after the battle of Gettysburg were operated upon and some of their blood was spilled upon some of the lumber which was used for operating tables and afterwards went into the construction of the office. The bloody sides of the boards were turned inside and when Messrs Smith and Reifsnider razed the old office the blood stains were still discernable.

Mr .Henry Dell continued in the lumber and coal business for a number of years, his son Albert being his chief clerk and salesman, and retired in favor of his son. He had two children, Mr. Albert Dell, who succeeded him in business, and Mrs. Samuel Kneller, whose daughter is the wife of Mr. C. R. Miller, one of the vice presidents of the Fidelity and Deposit Company, of Baltimore. Mrs. Miller, who was formerly Miss Sadie Kneller, of this city, has a world-wide reputation as a traveler and photographer.

Mr. Albert Dell conducted the business up to 1885 when he disposed of the same to Mr. Joseph W. Smith. Mr. Dell cared more for art, mathematics and literature than he did for the pursuits of commerce and many of his spare moments were spent in reading or the solution of some difficult problem in mathematics. After he moved to Baltimore to live a life of retirement he became a frequenter of the haunts of the studious.

Mr. Joseph W. Smith, who purchased the business from Mr. Albert Dell, is a son of the late John Smith of Wakefield and Caroline Cookson Smith his wife, and was born on his father's farm, located in the beautiful Wakefield Valley this county, July 11th, 1861. His father was one of the leading men of the county and was widely known for his strength of character and generous hospitality. He was a large landowner and his farm in Wakefield Valley was one of the finest in the state. During the Civil War he took it upon himself to see that no family of a Union soldier suffered for want of food, fuel or clothing and his home became the mecca of all in want. Even a tramp was cared for.

"His house was known to all the vagrant train;"
He chid their wanderings, but relieved their pain;
The long-remembered beggar was his guest
Whose beard, descending, swept his aged breast;"

Mr. John Smith of Wakefield was, besides being a farmer, a man of affairs. He was one of the first presidents of the Western Maryland Railroad and one of its faithful financial friends. He was also a president of the Farmers and Mechanics Bank of this city, and a loyal friend of the Western Maryland College.

Mr. Joseph W. Smith continued in business as the sole owner until 1897 when he formed a copartnership with Mr. John L. Reifsnider Jr., under the firm name of Smith and Reifsnider Mr. Smith attended Western Maryland College and the Eastman Business College at Poughkeepsi, N. Y., graduating from both institutions. He returned from New York and entered the employment of Smith and Yingling, canners of this city, where he remained for three years, and then accepted a clerkship in the First National Bank of New Windsor, of which his brother-in-law, Mr. Nathan H. Baile ,was and is cashier. The duties in the bank were too confining for a young man of Mr. Smith's physique and temperament and at the expiration of one year he resigned and purchased the lumber and coal business from Mr. Albert Dell. Mr. Smith married Miss Margaret Lamotte, daughter of Francis Lamotte, of Glenn Falls, Baltimore county, and they have four interesting and ambitious boys.

Mr. John L. Reifsnider Jr., is a son of the late John L. Reifsnider and Marianna Shriver Reifsnider and was born in Westminster July 27, 1873. He is a grandson of the late Jesse Reifsnider of this city and the late Augustus Shriver, of Avondale, this county. His grandfather Augustus Shriver was one of the best known men in Maryland. Mr. Shriver's farms spread over many acres of fertile soil and his home was one of the show places of the county. He belonged to the same school of men as John Smith of Wakefield and the lines of their lives were cast in many of the same places. They were both loyal Union men and both looked after the wants of the needy. Mr. Shriver succeeded Mr. Smith as president of the Western Maryland Railroad and was the second president of the First National Bank of Westminster. He was a firm financial friend of St. Paul's Reformed Church, of this city, and one of its first members.

Mr. John L. Reifsnider, father of one of the subjects of this article, was a son of Jesse Reifsnider, and an eminently successful merchant of this city. He was a president of the First National Bank of Westminster, and a devout member and financial friend of St. Paul's Reformed Church. His home, located at the extreme West End of town ,and where he died a few years ago, is one of the handsomest in Western Maryland. Mr. Reifsnider was a kind and generous gentleman and many of his charitable acts were done so quietly that very few of his intimate friends knew of them. The writer of this article is glad to testify to a knowledge of some of Mr. Reifsnideer's acts of charity of which he has personal knowledge.

John L. Reifsnider Jr., attended the private and public schools of this city, Western Maryland College and the Bryant and Stratton Business College of Baltimore. Upon the completion of his schooling he accepted a position as traveling salesman for the S. W. Venable Tobacco Company and later went with the Rosney Iron and Lumber Company. His health becoming poor he traveled through the South and in 1897 formed the copartnership with Mr. Joseph W. Smith.

Shortly after the formation of the firm of Smith and Reifsnider the historic little office was torn down and the handsome one now used by the firm was built. New and extensive buildings were erected on the yard and more land was acquired in order to take care of the ever increasing business. Mr. Reifsnider is the office man and Mr. Smith is the outside one, and the two make an excellent working team. The firm sells everything for building except the smoke of the chimney and furnishes the coal for that

Marriages

BASLER—LOWE

Miss Rosie M. Lowe and Mr. Ira Jacob Basler, both of this county, were married October 30, 1912, by Rev W. F. Hersh, pastor of Salem Lutheran charge, near this city.

WILLIAM—SHRINER

Mr. William Shriner, aged 70 years died October 30, 1912, at his home 1930 W. Franklin street, Baltimore. He had been ill for over a year. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Annie Shriner, two sons (Raymond E. and Charles M. Shriner) and one daughter (Ina C. Shriner). He was a brother of Thomas Shriner, of this county and J. A. Shriner, of Montogomery county.

The funeral services were held this morning at his late residence and the interment will take place to-morrow (Saturday) morning at Uniontown, this county.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED MATTER

Beaver Mr. Granvill.
Kohn Mr. Soloman.
Lynch L. W.
Reese Miss Miva.
Sheets Mrs. Martha.
Yingling Dr. Geo. S.

H. P. GORSUCH, P. M.

WESTMINSTER GRANGE TO HOLD OYSTER SUPPER

The Westminster Grange will hold an oyster supper in Basler's Hall, this city, Thursday and Saturday nights, November 7th and 9th.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF GEORGE O. BRILHART
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF NEW WINDSOR MD.

Oct., 26, 1912.

Whereas: Since our last meeting our worthy friend and Vice-President, George O. Brilhart, has entered into rest; and

Whereas: We desire our records to show the great esteem in which we held him; therefore,

Resolved: That this Board deeply feels that in him the Bank has lost an efficient officer in whom the highest integrity was united with a clear and wide comprehension of his duties and responsibility as a banker and bank officer, and an admirable industry and proficiency in the performance of that work.

As a citizen in our community we lament his death as a loss which must be heavily felt in a wide sphere of usefulness beyond that special field which he shared with us, and we individually mourn him and remember him with affection as a true, a tried and a helpful friend.

Resolved: That we hereby tender our sympathy and condolence to his mother, whose loss is by far the greatest of all.

Resolved: That these resolutions be spread upon our records, published in our county papers and a copy of them be sent to the mother of our friend.

DAVID E. STEM,
GEO. P. L. HOOVER,
JOHN S. BAILE.
Committee.

Nathan H. Baile,
Secretary.

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