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MEN of Baltimore, go after that National Demoratic Convention of 1912. It will be a great thing for your city.

REMEMBER when you vote the Organization ticket in the next primaries, you vote to put the leaders in office. The rank and file get precious little.

A GUN is being made for the United States Government at one of its arsenals that will fire 400 shots per minute. That's what you call a "big gun" all right.

THE Sun Almanac, for 1911, the State's Bureau of Information, is on our desk. We extend thanks to the Sun for the book, which contains everything of interest to know concering all phases of life.

THE ENTHUSIASM manifested among the Organization forces at the names of their candidates seems to be confined almost exclusively to the leaders of that faction. The rank and file of the party do not seem to be at all excited.

Now that Baltimore's great harmony dinner is a matter of history, we can devote our attention to Kent's similar dinner. We are going to have it all right, and it will be good and hot by the time it is ready to serve.

THE Baltimore Sun and American of last week contained pictures of groups of those who attended the Commissioners' meetings. Mr. Samuel Hicks, the efficient clerk to the Kent county commissioners, was seen standing close to Governor Crothers. When asked about the matter Mr. Hicks said: "The Governor and I were playing the game together."

EX-MAYOR FERDINAND C. LATROBE, seven times mayor of Baltimore city, and one of the most prominent and popular men in the State, died at his home in Baltimore on Friday. The splendid character and general worth of Mayor Latrobe is expressed in the following beautiful tribute which ex-Mayor Hayes paid to him before his Sunday school class last Sunday: "He owed his success to two things," said Mr. Hayes. "First, he was a Christian; second, he loved his fellow-men. I dare say there was not a man in Baltimore better loved by those who knew him than the late General Latrobe."

CHIEF JUDGE JAMES ALFRED PEARCE, School Commissioner John P. Ahern, Senator William M. Slay, State's Attorney William W. Beck, Honorable Joseph A. Wickes and Delegate Harry C. Willis enjoyed the banquet at the great harmony dinner at the Fifth Regiment Armory, Baltimore, on Tuesday night. The celebration was in every respect a success, and it was attended by Democrats of all shades of political opinion. The keynote of all speakers was "victory in 1912," and if the sentiment and enthusiasm manifested at the celebration is any cirterion, a united and harmonious Democracy will face the Republican foe in 1912. So may it be.

THE fight which Gov. Woodrow Wilson is making for the people of New Jersey against the Organization machine is precisely the same fight which the TRANSCRIPT is making for the people of Kent county. We are not opposed to men, but we are opposed to the methods which the Organization has employed in the past in selecting candidates for office and in shaping legislation. It is time for the people of this county to manage their own affairs, and they can only do so by selecting men for county offices and for the Legislature, who will be the representatives of the people and not of a few leaders of the party. If the people are to enjoy low taxes and good laws, they can only do so by depriving those of power who have been the cause of high taxes and bad laws. This is clearly the people's fight, and they should be awake to the situation.

## A Play Party.

A play party was given this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Weller, in Quaker Neck. A pleasant evening was spent in playing games, after which refreshments were served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Silas Weller, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. J. Reiche, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Stafford. Messrs. William Faulkner, Spencer Biddle, Howard Walls, Charles Meredith, George Dickerson, James Walls, Elwood Vansant, Carl Stoopes, Ralph Story, Clifford Cooper, William Scoone, Jet Townsend, Rolin Leager, Louis Nain, Wm. Stant, Alva Stant, Herbert Townsend, Elmer Willer, L. W. Weller, Robert Smith, John and Jack Newnam, George Walbert, Mr. Edwards, Misses Edna Edwards, Beulah Walbert, Anna Haley, Ethel Walls, Clara Walls, Flora Kirby, Lena Vansant, May Dickerson, Cora Chairs, Sadie Buchanan, Julia Anthony, Ethel Smith, Addie Everett and Emma Leager.

## SENATOR FOXWELL vs. MR. BECK

The fight for the State Senate is not a contest between Senator Garrett Foxwell and State's Attorney William W. Beck, as individuals. Personally both men are excellent gentlemen, and either s well qualified to represent his constituents in the Senate. But the contest is one of the people, who believe in economy and sound business in the conduct of county affairs, as well as in the passage of laws that are made for the welfare of the people, rather than for the benefit of politicians, as against a political Organization which seems to care far more for its political advancement than it does for the welfare of the people. Senator Foxwell represents the taxpayers of this county who are striving to be rid of bad financial management and the enactment of bad laws, and he is the candidate of that wing of the party which believes in economy and popular government. Mr. Beck, on the other hand, represents an Organization which has forced upon the people high taxes and unwise laws. Indeed he is a very important leader of that Organization and as such could not be anything else than a party to the passage of those unwise laws by the last Legislature, and to the conduct of the county finances as they have been conducted for the past six years. Mr. Beck favored the passage of the Slay Road Law, he favored the passage of the bill requiring the indexing of the records in the clerk's office; he favored the reassessment of property; he favored the law requiring the treasurer of Kent county to deposit the people's money in three banks, which was declared unconstitutional by the courts last October, and which law Mr. Beck helped to defend in court, and we believe that Mr. Beck had much to do with the drafting of these laws, and he was present at the caucus which determined to force these laws upon the tax-payers. Mr. Beck, therefore, stands committed to the continuance of these laws. He stands committed to the perpetuation of an organization which in six months wasted $35,000 of the people's money on the roads of this county, and the Organization leaders, not the people, have indorsed Mr. Beck to become their candidate for the Senate, believing that Mr. Beck's fine ability and genial manner, can blind the people of the county to the motive which is behind Mr. Beck's candidacy for the Senate. Mr. Beck stands for those laws which will cost the tax-payers of this county in the levy of 1911 close to $15,000, and he stands for that organization of the party, as one of its leaders, which has cost the people of this county an enormous tax rate of $1.85.

Senator Foxwell's career in the Senate—a most honorable and successful one—never cost the tax-payers of this county a red penny. The laws he endeavored to pass were for the welfare of the people. This is the record. This is the condition which confronts the people of the county. It is not Mr. Beck or Senator Foxwell personally. It is the perpetuation in power of an extravagant organization, against that wing of the party which stands for economy and justice in administering the county affairs. Which will you choose, Mr. Tay-payer, something for or against your interest?

## DEMAND MORE MONEY.

Lewin W. Wickes, attorney for the Town Commissioners, and counsel to the old Board of County Commissioners, which allowed Chestertown $5,500 in the levy of 1909, addressed a letter to the County Commissioners last week, demanding a balance of $2,417.20, over and above the $2,000 already appropriated by the County Commissioners in the levy of 1910, which Mr. Wickes claims is the balance due the Town Commissioners under the levy of the year 1910, as provided by the Public Local Laws for Kent county, Article 15, Section 71. Mr. Wickes' letter to the County Commissioners is as follows:

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF KENT COUNTY—GENTLEMEN: Attached hereto you will find a statement of the balance due the Commissioners of Chestertown for the town's proportion of the county levy for roads and bridges under the levy of the year 1910, as provided by the Public Local Laws of Kent county, Article 15, Section 71. Will you please settle the balance with me as attorney for the Commissioners of Chestertown, and oblige,

Yours very truly,
LEWIN W. WICKES,
Attorney for the Commissioners of Chestertown.

*The County Commissioners of Kent County, to the Commissioners of Chestertown, Dr.*

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| Jan. 1, 1911. | |
| To proportion of levy of roads and bridges under levy of 1910 | $4,417.20 |
| Credit December, 1910 | 2,000.00 |
| Balance due | $2,417.20 |

The article referred to in Mr. Wickes' letter is as follows:

ARTICLE 15, SECTION 71.

"The County Commissioners of Kent county shall annually, on or before the first day of January, pay over to the Commissioners of Chestertown that proportion of the entire county levy for roads and bridges which the total property assessed within the limits of Chestertown bears to the whole amount of assessed property in Kent county, so that the Commissioners of Chestertown may receive and disburse the amount levied upon the property within the limits of Chestertown for roads and bridges by said County Commissioners of Kent county."

The commissioners referred Mr. Wickes' letter to Hope H. Barroll, Esq., their counsel, who in reply addressed the following letter to the commissioners in reply to Mr. Wickes' demand:

January 6, 1911.

TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF KENT COUNTY—GENTLEMEN:—In reference to the bill presented to Kent county by the Commissioners of Chestertown, I respectfully advise your board to decline to pay anything but the $2,000, which sum has been for years paid by the county to the town under an agreement.

If the town is not satisfied with this the proper thing for it to do is to take legal steps to compel the County Commissioners to levy the tax which they claim is due to them, then the people will be informed exactly how the matter stands, what is done by your board, and the question passed upon by the court.

I think it only proper to add in this connection that if you decline to levy the tax claimed by the town that my legal services are at your disposal, and at the disposal of the tax-payers, without any charge whatever.

Very respectfully yours,
HOPE H. BARROLL.

It is likely that the County Commissioners will settle the matter in court rather than pay over to the Town Commissioners money which they do not feel is due Chestertown under the law. It looks as if the County Commissioners have good ground for the position which they have been advised by their counsel to take. The Article of the Public Local Laws referred to says: "The County Commissioners of Kent county shall annually, on or before the first day of January, pay over to the Commissioners of Chestertown *that proportion of the entire county levy for roads and bridges which the total property assessed within the limit of Chestertown bears to the whole amount of assessed property in Kent county.*"

The total property assessed in Chestertown is given as $1,121,458, which valuation includes Mr. John Bell's farm and several other pieces of property which it is claimed should not be included in the town limits. The whole amount of assessed property in Kent county, including real estate, personal property, banks and corporations, Pennsylvania Railroad stock, etc., amounts to $9,002,072.53.

According to these figures the proportion which the assessed property in Chestertown bears to the total assessed property in Kent county is about one-ninth.

According to the new road law passed by the last Legislature, which took effect from the date of its passage sometime in April, 1910, the County Commissioners levied 20 per cent. of the total assessed real and personal property for roads and bridges, which amount for roads and bridges for the year 1910 amounts in the levy to $17,975.33.

Under the new law the County Commissioners levied to Chestertown $2,000, and this is all they believe is due them. It will be interesting to watch the developments in this case.

## Road Engineer's Report.

The report of the Road Engineer for Kent county as he presents it to the commissioners was crowded out of last week's issue. It is as follows:

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS—DEAR SIRS:—I have the honor to inform you that during the month of December I spent the following sum on the roads and bridges of Kent county. The sum of $369.10 was expended in the different districts as follows:

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| FIRST DISTRICT. | |
| Labor | $74.85 |
| Material | 19.10 |
| Total for 1st district | $93.95 |
| SECOND. | |
| Labor | $27.33 |
| Material | — — |
| Total for 2nd | $27.33 |
| THIRD. | |
| Labor | $15.95 |
| Material | 14.40 |
| Total for 3rd | $30.35 |
| FOURTH. | |
| Labor | |
| Material | — — |
| FIFTH. | |
| Labor | $15.75 |
| Material | 44.28 |
| Total for 5th | $60.03 |
| SIXTH. | |
| Labor | $ 8.25 |
| Material | 89.15 |
| Total for 6th | $97.40 |
| SEVENTH. | |
| Labor | $45.19 |
| Material | 14.85 |
| Total for 7th | $60.04 |
| Total for county | $369.10. |

ISAAC GIBBS,
Road Engineer.


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# A Bank Statement

## THAT ALL CAN UNDERSTAND

## STATEMENT

—OF THE—

# Condition of The THIRD NATIONAL BANK

OF CHESTERTOWN, MD.,

## At the Close of Business, Saturday, Dec. 31, '10

## RESOURCES.

### Loans and Discounts.

This item represents loans made to farmers, merchants and others in this locality, said loans are secured by first-class Stocks or Bonds or strong personal endorsement. They aggregate... $529,434.93

### United States Bonds.

You have no doubt heard the remark "as good as a Government Bond." Well, this bank has seen fit to invest largely in these securities. We own United States Bonds amounting to..... 51,000.00

### Bonds, Securities, Etc.

The policy of investing a good portion of a bank's funds in first-class bonds, is now regarded with favor by all conservative bankers. This is our policy. Our investments of this character are all in high-class bonds and aggregate..... 145,665.56

### Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures.

This bank owns the property and building in which its business in conducted. The original cost was much greater, but we have allowed for depreciation, and carry it on our books at..... 11,000.00

### Due from National Banks and Bankers

**(Not Reserve Agents.)**

These items consist of the balance due us from all other banks with whom we carry reciprocal accounts, exclusive of our regular reserve. They amount to..... 3,107.48

### Due from Approved Reserve Agents.

This item represents the amount of money we have on deposit with banks in Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York, subject to our check at any time. The government requires this that banks may always be prepared with funds to meet the demands of depositors. We have on hand with these approved banks..... 99,767.95

### Cash in Bank.

This item requires no explanation. It is part of our Reserve Fund, and amounts to..... 57,768.38

### Redemption Fund.

All National Banks are required to keep on deposit with the Treasurer of the United States, a sum equal to 5 per cent. of their circulation. Against this deposit is charged all notes redeemed by the U. S. Treasury..... 5,210.00

Our total resources aggregate..... $902,954.27

## LIABILITIES.

### Capital Stock Paid in.

Divided into 500 shares with a par value of $100 each, and held by the representative business men and citizens of the community. The amount of capital assures financial strength. The capital of this bank is..... $50,000.00

### Surplus.

Surplus is a certain portion of the earnings set aside as a safeguard against possible loss or shrinkage in values. The government concedes a bank to be sufficiently protected when its surplus equals one-fifth of its capital. Our surplus is three-fifths of our capital, giving us a strength far in excess of the government requirements..... 30,000.00

### Undivided Profits.

This item includes all the net profits of the bank to this date, excepting the sums carried to surplus account and paid out in dividends. Our undivided profits are..... 7,536.96

### National Bank Notes Outstanding.

Showing the amount of bank notes that have been issued by the government, and are in circulation. Our money is guaranteed by the United States Government. It amounts to..... 50,000.00

### Due to Other Banks.

This item shows the aggregate of the balances due by us to banks with whom we carry reciprocal accounts. We owe these banks..... 15,187.17

### Individual Deposits.

This item consists of more than two thousand accounts. Some are the accounts of the largest, strongest and most influential business houses in Kent county and vicinity. A large portion, however, are small accounts, for we welcome alike large and small accounts, and take a special interest in new and growing accounts. Our deposits, subject to check, amount to..... 749,059.97

### Certified Checks.

These are checks drawn against depositors' balances, certified by us and charged to the drawer's account at the time of certification. We have checks amounting to..... 170.17

### United States Deposits.

We take special pride in this item. *Never* before did any bank in Kent county have on deposit money belonging to the United State Government. It speaks for itself. Of course it proves that the United States officials have confidence in the management of this institution. This deposit amounts to..... 1,000.00

Our total liabilities aggregate..... $902,954.27

## DIRECTORS.

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