

Ink Slings.

We're for EMERY. Does the ticket suit you? Wonder how PENROSE is taking it. HENRY CUTE QUIGLEY will not be so keen for that senatorial nomination now. Now to drive the last nail in the machine coffin. As usual the Johnstown Democrat is not satisfied with the platform. Commence to save up the barrels for the jollification on the night of November 6th. Don't you think that the QUAY monument enterprise will be temporarily postponed. Now to elect an Independent Governor and an independent Legislature to back him up. From the looks of our platform the casual reader will understand that we are about to kidnap TEDDY. There will be no political parties in Pennsylvania in the fall. It is to be the people against the machine. The sun do move. Forty years ago a LINCOLN man would not have been given a place on a Democratic ticket. If the machine is busted in Pennsylvania what will become of Judge LOVE and FLEMING. Surely they will be men without a party. When CREAMY becomes Auditor General Colonel CHAMBERS, as traveling attorney for the Auditor General's Department will become "nit." We have a BLACK and GREEN on our ticket, but what we want to do is make the machine in Pennsylvania look black and blue on November 6th. The meat packers are having their own troubles, but the plan to compel them to stamp the date of packing on each can has failed. In consequence any old thing will do. It is rumored that the President has picked Secretary TAFT as the only man who can beat a Democrat for President in 1908. We are sure NICK LONGWORTH would be for him. Miss MAE WOOD still maintains that she is the wife of Senator TOM PLATT, but if she really thinks she is what right has she to call herself Miss. Is it because she made a mess in her PLATT connection? After much discussion certain interested Chicagoans have decided that a young man can marry on \$10 a week. We have known them to marry in this community on nothing more than a wash tub and rubber. It is up to Capt. CHARLEY FRYBERGER to tell us where he is at. Still that doesn't matter so much, after all, because we're sure Capt. CHARLEY won't be at Harrisburg during the next session of the Legislature. Columbia county will lose a distinguished Representative in the retirement of "Farmer" CREAMY from the House, but Pennsylvania will gain an Auditor General who will make the corporations step up to the captain's office. Our candidate for Lieutenant Governor has political ancestry that should appeal to the Democrats of Pennsylvania. He is a grandson of JERRE S. BLACK, the noted jurist, and a son of CHAUNCEY F. BLACK, a foremost Democrat in this State. Following that New York shooting affair Mr. LINCOLN CARTER will have to get busy with a new melodrama for the road next season. Any settings that haste left out of it LINK can put in, all right enough, and he can have a couple more people shot, just to keep the villain earning his salary. Yesterday's Philadelphia Press pictured the editor of this paper as smoking a big cigar; something we have been led to believe he hasn't done for forty years. If this is the way "the old man" carries on when he gets away from home he'll get something hotter than the end of that cigar when he returns. Lewis EMERY Jr., our candidate for Governor, has for thirty years fought for the cause of the people against the greed of the corporations. He twice helped to elect PATTISON, he supported BERRY and has been a leader in every fight for good government. In the language of Mr. CLAUDE SMITH, of Drummer Boy of Shiloh fame: "Follow your noble leader and he will conduct you to victory." Too much money has been the undoing of HARRY THAW the young Pittsburgh millionaire who is now occupying a cell in the Tombs in New York for the murder of STANFORD WHITE. The idle rich have no more idea that the law is made to respect than have the anarchists who are flocking to our shores. Yet who can say that young THAW has been any worse in his conception of it than have the heads of the great trusts who have openly disregarded its mandates for years. The Democrats have done the square thing for the good of Pennsylvania. Now let us see how many Republicans there are who are independent enough to stand up for a Legislature that will do the square thing. This means that in Centre county all the Republicans who think it right that the Democrats should eschew party feeling and vote for EMERY must eschew party feeling and vote for JOHN NOLL for Assembly. It will do no good to elect EMERY Governor if his hands are to be tied with a machine Legislature.

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The State Ticket.

While there might have been an honest difference of opinion as to whom the Democratic party of Pennsylvania should choose as its standard bearer for the campaign next fall there can be no doubt of the good character, fitness and eminent respectability of the men who were nominated at Harrisburg on Wednesday.

The only serious question that entered into whatever controversy there may have been was the one as to whether it was better to name a straight Democratic ticket or fuse with the LINCOLN party. The expediency of the latter proceeding will be a matter for discussion for years to come, no doubt, but what matters it, after all. It is a present condition not a future possibility that confronts the people of Pennsylvania and as their champion the Democratic party has again proven itself far beyond selfish or partisan interests.

There will be no politics in the November election. It is true that all of the parties have placed their nominees on platforms that make positive declarations on national issues, but these will be regarded as merely fore-runners of the next presidential campaign and as having no real bearing on the Pennsylvania crisis. There is but one purpose in view and that is to tear out the machine. Democrats, Prohibitionists and independent Republicans here meet on common ground and should fight with equal determination for the purification of the State. It is not a political issue that the departments at Harrisburg are reeking with corruption and dishonesty. It is not a political issue that corporations and trusts are favored, while the small taxpayers of the State are burdened almost beyond endurance. These are personal interests. They appeal to the civic pride and the pocket-books of the masses and for that reason we urge all, irrespective of party affiliations or past feuds, to rally for the cause of the clean, honest and impartial government of Pennsylvania.

Those who stand for such a condition of affairs will work and vote for LEWIS EMERY Jr., of McKean county, for Governor. JEREMIAH S. BLACK, of York county, for Lieutenant Governor. WILLIAM T. CREAMY, of Columbia county, for Auditor General. JOHN J. GREEN, of Philadelphia, for Secretary of Internal Affairs.

Mr. EMERY has been a Republican, the others have been Democrats, but in this campaign they are neither. They are the people's champions.

An Excellent Lesson.

The baccalaureate sermons to the graduating classes of several of our educational institutions this year have breathed the highest political ideals. One of the most meritorious of these was that delivered by Rev. O. S. KREIBEL, principal of the Perkiomen Seminary. His subject was "The Testing of Human Character and Institutions," and he applied himself to the iniquities of the public life of the country at this time. "We are in the midst of a season of searching investigation of all public institutions, organization and combinations of wealth and individuals," he said: "But he didn't stop there or apologize for what followed. On the contrary, he arraigned those who have perverted these beneficent institutions. 'The gigantic corporations and captains of industry,'" he added, "who have been conducting these concerns, frequently for their own selfish aggrandizement and in utter disregard of the rights and interests of the public, have been put to the test and have been found wanting." His remedy for these evils is "to build into the structure of our lives and of our institutions our best thoughts, our noblest ideals, our loftiest aspirations, our worthiest endeavors."

Mr. KREIBEL is only right in part. What he says is true so far as it goes but the real duty of good citizenship is to put the elements to which he refers not only into our business life but into our political affairs. We have plenty of men moral in their personal lives who vote to perpetuate the iniquities of the machine in the public life of the country. That is the greatest impulse to vice. Machine politicians felt safe in their grossest infamies because Christian citizens would vote to keep them in power. When that condition changes the beginning of genuine reform will be in view.

A "spaw" in this issue of the WATCHMAN states the fact that in Armstrong county there is an alarming dearth of school teachers. With four hundred and eighty schools to supply only one hundred and twenty-five teachers successfully passed the superintendent's examination and received certificates qualifying them to teach. In Centre county there are close to three hundred schools and the prevailing trouble now is more teachers than there are schools for, there being half a dozen applicants for many of the schools in the county.

President's Plans Fanciful.

During a lucid interval, the other day, the House of Representatives in Washington punched a large hole in the President's preposterous plans for the enlargement of the navy. That is to say, that body occurred in the Senate amendment to the naval appropriation bill postponing the construction of the 20,000-ton battleship until after the plans have been submitted to and approved by Congress. "The President is said to be greatly annoyed by this interference with his naval program," writes a Washington correspondent. "It will prevent new additions to the first-class fighting ships for a year," he continues, "which is unendurable. Emperor WILLIAM and King EDWARD are building ships right along and an inconsiderate Congress has tied his hands.

Those of the American people who think and understand will not share in his regrets, however. There was no more reason for that \$10,000,000 marine monster in the navy than there is need for a diamond necklace on a goat. It was an absurd conceit of the President inspired by the fact that a ship nearly as large had been ordered for the British navy. ROOSEVELT can't endure the idea of being behind anybody in anything. Like an envious child who covets the toys of another, he wants whatever any one else happens to possess or is likely to acquire. The expense is no consideration as long as the payment is made out of the public funds. The effect upon the moral or material interest of the people is equally a matter of indifference.

The public is indebted to Representative BURTON, of Ohio, for this temporary escape from a needless burden. Mr. BURTON is a Republican but he has long felt the danger of the profligacy in naval construction and equipment which has characterized the administration. Chairman of the House committee on rivers and harbors, he feels that the money thus wasted might better be spent in the improvement of our navigable streams and ports of entry. Such expenditures would promote the interests of commerce and add to the wealth of the country. The proposed \$10,000,000 battleship would achieve no good on earth and could only be used as a yacht for the pleasure of the President, the kitchen cabinet and army and navy favorites.

The Pittsburg Millionaires.

The Pittsburg millionaires have been a good deal in evidence lately. A couple of weeks ago one of them committed suicide in the swell hotel Schenley. A few days later information came from over the sea that CHARLES M. SCHWAB had lost a quarter of a million dollars in a European gambling house. Next the wretched story of Mr. COREY's family troubles gets the centre of the stage and finally HARRY THAW deliberately murders a man in New York. All these incidents have occurred within a couple of weeks so that these millionaires have lately had a prominent place in the affairs of the world.

These Pittsburg millionaires have acquired their fortunes through unearned bounties bestowed on them by the government. They are the sons of iron magnates or themselves active in the manufacture of steel. As a rule, they have profited more by the inventions of others than through their own genius, energy or ability. But having obtained the money they live riotously lives of iniquity and scandal and put disgrace and dishonor upon the fame of the entire people of the country. They are drones in the industrial life of the world and parasites on society.

This vulgar display of wealth would not have been possible if the economic laws of the country had been just. Rich men who gain their wealth by honest endeavor in the pursuit of legitimate enterprises do not parade their money and their iniquities. That odious habit is left for those whose "easy money" is the fruit of the toil of others or the unjust exactions from the earnings of employees who labor incessantly that their masters may indulge in expensive vices. The iniquities of the Pittsburg millionaires are the inevitable consequence of protective tariff.

Huntingdon is making preparations for a big celebration on the Fourth of July. There will be a gorgeous parade, including military organizations, patriotic and civic societies, benevolent orders, fire companies, etc. In the afternoon there will be horse racing and a tug of war and sham battle between Companies G, of Lewistown, and E, of Altoona. At night there will be a grand display of fireworks. Excursion trains will be given on all railroads.

Last Sunday in Lock Haven must have been a very quiet day for, according to the newspapers of that place, a porcupine came down from the mountains and wandered into the heart of the town before it was discovered or molested. When discovered the animal put up a hard fight, but was finally killed. It weighed thirty-five pounds.

Expenses of two Candidates.

Colonel WATRES and Banker THOMPSON have filed accounts of their expenses as candidates for the Republican nomination for Governor and taken together they form an interesting study. Mr. THOMPSON, who is a very rich banker of Uniontown, wasted \$17,020.22 on his ambition and Colonel WATRES, a wealthy "Jack of all trades," of Scranton, blowed in \$14,121.68. It may be worth while to remark that EDWIN S. STUART, a fairly well to do dealer in old books, of Philadelphia, secured the prize without paying a cent. In other words, the favor of the machine is more potent than the coin of the realm in a Republican convention, especially if the coin is disbursed in the wrong channels.

Mr. THOMPSON, who is a novice in politics, made what might be called a whirlwind campaign. That is, he organized a campaign committee, established a press bureau, bought buttons, hired marchers and paid car fare for rooters. His press agent spent \$7,287.52 in advertising and the rest of his headquarters at Harrisburg amounted to \$883.12. His brass band came to \$347 and the cost for buttons ran up to a total of \$2,914.94. Colonel WATRES, with a larger experience, managed more wisely. He paid out \$524 for traveling and personal expenses and the balance, \$13,597.68, he invested in Mr. S. A. BACHARACH, of Wilkesbarre, who would have been cheap at any price.

Of course, as Colonel WATRES testified, the investment in Mr. BACHARACH has been set down as "for lawful expenses of the campaign as set forth in the Act of Assembly." He didn't mean to imply that the law requires BACHARACH, though it is safe to assume that if SOL had been able to control the legislation some such provision would have been embodied in the measure. What he intended to say is, that Mr. BACHARACH, as manager of his campaign, expended the difference between his traveling and personal expenses and the "demission total," and that presumably it was expended in accordance with the law. It is up to Mr. BACHARACH to justify the confidence reposed in him by making a detailed statement.

Finish Work in Hand.

No doubt there has been quite as much discrimination and injustice in the shipment of grain as in the transportation of coal and oil. The recent investigation by the Interstate Commerce commission under the authority of the TILLMAN-GILLESPIE resolution has revealed a vast amount of injustice in the shipment of coal. Other inquiries have shown an equally bad state of affairs with respect to oil and no doubt the same is true of the shipment of grain. It is a good rule to tackle one evil at a time and pursue it until it is actually and completely exterminated. In the coal inquiry it has been shown that in consideration of pecuniary favors on one side transportation favors have come from the other to the positive injury and sometimes the complete ruin of competitors who were entitled under the law to equal protection of the government and the laws. It would be a mistake to divert the proper authorities from the punishment of these offenders by drifting into new fields of investigation.

After the question of discrimination in the transportation of coal and oil has been disposed of it will be time enough to take up that of grain. But the coal and oil proposition can't be disposed of hastily. The full extent of the iniquities must be revealed, the responsibility fixed and the guilty punished, not by censure or the fining of the corporations, but by the criminal prosecution and summary punishment of the individuals. That is the remedy which will satisfy justice for the past and work restraints in the future.

On June 17th Samuel McMorrie, of Colville, celebrated his seventy-seventh birthday anniversary and for his years is about as well preserved as any man in Centre county. He is an old soldier, having served all through the war, and can recount many thrilling tales of that strenuous time. By occupation he is a brickmaker, though he has not worked at his trade for a number of years. For a long time he was one of the road supervisors in Spring township and proved a good official. One of his favorite pastimes is billiards and it has been only a few years ago since he could handle the ivorys with more any average player. For out door sport hunting was next to a mania with him and every year he spent a couple weeks or more in the mountains during deer season and it was rare indeed that he failed to come home with his share of the fleet-footed animals. Of course he does not hunt now like he used to but he can still tell as good a hunting yarn as any man who ever followed a trail.

A few farmers throughout the county began making hay this week, though the grass is short.

An Income-Tax Programme.

Timid persons who shiver at the suggestion of an income tax are invited to consider the programme brought forward in London by the Outlook, the weekly organ of the Chamberlains.

Great Britain now exempts from the tax incomes of \$800 a year. The Outlook suggests a classification of larger incomes as to source: Incomes the result of a man's actual work should be placed in one division, incomes derived from home and imperial investments should be classed at a higher rate, incomes derived from foreign investments should pay a still higher rate of tax. Do these distinctions seem fanciful? They are not at any rate mere theories. Germany already distinguishes between investment income and salary, the former paying the higher tax-rate. France already imposes special taxes on French holdings in foreign securities, such as the \$50,000,000 loan just placed in Paris by the Pennsylvania railroad.

The Outlook further suggests that, in addition to the \$800 exemption, a man should be allowed to deduct \$500 for his wife and \$250 for each of his children whom he maintains. No possible objection can be raised to such an exemption. It is, as the Outlook says, "absurd that a married man with a family should be allowed no more abatement from the tax-paying part of his income than has a bachelor, all of whose income he may spend upon himself."

Great Britain has already a graduated inheritance tax, rising to 8 per cent. upon sums above \$5,000,000. Her income tax will before many years be made progressive.

The United States, a debtor nation, does not need to discriminate against foreign investments, as France has done. But in every other respect why should not this country borrow the best ideas in theory and in practice of England, France and Germany, and adopt:

- 1. Progressive inheritance taxes, with a liberal exemption of small estates. 2. Graduated income tax, with liberal exemption both for persons and families.

Immunity of the Head Criminals.

From the Philadelphia Record. An officer of the Department of Justice is discouraging in regard to the prospect of getting John D. Rockefeller into the penitentiary, and setting H. H. Rogers and John D. Archbold to breaking stone. He says that the heads of the great corporations that violate the Anti-Trust law cannot be reached. It cannot be proved that they did anything. Probably they instructed some subordinate what to do, but there is no record of this. Walls have no ears. No automatic graphophone listens attentively to the remarks of the head of the concern to his underlings and preserves a record thereof.

If this be true—and it seems reasonable enough—there is not much use in conspiracy suits against the officers of corporations. Prosecution under the Elkins law would result in fines, and prosecutions for conspiracy would not reach the really responsible persons. Clerks can be reached, but it is hardly worth while to send a lot of clerks to the penitentiary for doing what they had to do or lose their jobs. The official says that in the cases against the highest a traffic manager was about the highest that could be reached. In the Ashton case the special counsel believed that President Paul Morton could be reached, and so did President Roosevelt, for which reason he would not allow the special counsel to try it. Yet it is very likely that Messrs. Harmon and Judson and the President were wrong and that a vice president couldn't be reached. Morton said he ordered the injunction to be obeyed, and that for more than two years it wasn't obeyed like a misplaced switch—just an accident.

Still, it may be possible to convict the heads of corporations of conspiracy to procure the things that their subordinates do, but there would certainly be less direct evidence of conspiracy than is required in our courts for the conviction of municipal officials charged with manipulating contracts and public works to the disadvantage of the city.

An Attempt to Again Cheat Workmen.

From the Harrisburg Star Independent. The report of the State factory inspector, which has been sent to the State Printer, is astounding. Contrary to common belief the workers in mills and factories are not protected properly against death or injury. The report sets forth that the slaughter of employees in iron furnaces and mills is a matter of daily occurrence and that: "In some of the largest of these mills the temporary morgue seems to be as necessary a part of the establishment as the stock house or the business office, and the man in life and about such an establishment would appear to be the cheapest of all raw materials."

While the report was not so intended it will be construed as an arraignment of the Republican party. Having controlled and dominated legislation in this State that party is responsible if human life would appear to be the cheapest of all raw materials. "beneath the roofs of iron mills and furnaces and in the yards appurtenant thereto." After many years of legislation, much of which was supposed to be in the interest of workmen, and after years of promise that workmen should be adequately protected in life and limb, the party, in State convention assembled, suggests that "legislation should be enacted accurately defining the liability of employers for damages or injuries happening to employees by accidents occurring during the course of employment."

What "should be" done and what is done by the dominant party are two very distinctly different things. If all platform promises had been kept there would not now be any necessity for another promise to workmen. The factory inspector can only enforce the laws as he finds them. The party is again trying to cheat the workmen with promises to do what it would have done years ago. Will they permit themselves to be deceived again?

Spawls from the Keystone.

The 173rd anniversary of Christ Lutheran church, York, was celebrated Sunday. Samuel Post, a York county farmer, has started a new enterprise, it being the culture of silk worms. Armstrong county is clamoring for more public school teachers. There are 400 positions to be filled and at the examinations so far held 232 presented themselves, 132 receiving certificates. Henry Hose, a slater by occupation and a resident of Johnstown, fell from the roof to the ground, a distance of forty feet, and while badly bruised escaped without any bones being broken. George Munn, of Carbonade, Lackawanna county, who had been committed to an insane asylum, has sued the parties responsible for locking him up for \$10,000 damages. He charges the defendants with conspiracy. A new pest has appeared in the gardens at Mill Hill, a small black bug with a big bill that devastates tomato patches and leaves nothing behind it but unproductive stalks. In some places it crops off the stalk close to the ground. While attempting to separate two girls who became involved in a fight at a base ball game, Eugene Raiston, of Elderton, Armstrong county, was stabbed in the breast by a hat pin, which penetrated his lung. His condition is serious. Mrs. Henry Meis's, of Carlisle, stepped upon a toy left at the top of the stairs by one of her children and fell headlong down the steps, gashing her throat with a pair of scissors which she had in her hand. The prompt arrival of a physician saved her life. Williamsport, always a progressive and enterprising city, added to the total salary list of its public schools about \$3,000 at a recent meeting of its board of school directors. During the past five years salaries there have been increased to the amount of \$11,000. Because he had received threats from the Black Hand organization, which is operating among the foreigners of Indiana county, C. A. Foreman committed suicide at his home in Lovejoy, ten miles from Indiana, Saturday. He was a merchant and agent for foreign steamship lines. According to State Superintendent Schaeffer's interpretation of the school laws, any township that does not have a township High school must pay the tuition of scholars who have passed the district school and wish to enter a High school, even if the High school is in another county. The Pennsylvania Glass Sand company shut down its Mapleton works Saturday evening for the purpose of giving the plant a general overhauling. After the present week a majority of the men employed in the quarry will be given work about the plant and the shut-down, which will be for some weeks, will not seriously affect the laboring class. The loss by the destruction by fire of the Pine Creek saw mill of the Central Pennsylvania Lumber company at Tiadaghton, on Thursday evening, is estimated at \$25,000 with an insurance of about \$14,000. Sixty-five men were employed and these will be transferred to the saw mill at Leetonia, which will be put in operation as soon as possible. Five sisters, Mrs. Rose Frederick and Mrs. Ella Haskell, of Dallas, Texas; Mrs. Emma Monterey, of Akron, Ohio, and Mrs. Elizabeth Harrison and Mrs. Agnes Westman, of Williamsport, are guests at the home of Professor O. H. Blakeless, on Norman hill, Bloomsburg, Columbia county. It is the first time they have all met in thirty-eight years. While working on the excavation for a row of houses on Maple avenue, Johnstown, an employee of the contracting firm unearthed an old pocket book which on examination was found to contain \$2.00. There were three silver dollars and the balance in small change. The pocket book, which was a relic of the big flood, was in a fair state of preservation. A nitro glycerine explosion and lightning caused the people of Cross Creek, Washington county, to flee to the hills. The fumes from an oil well, in which the explosives had been put, drove the people from their homes. Every pane of glass in the town was broken. Large lightnings struck and destroyed six large buildings and a number of small ones, causing a loss of \$60,000 by fire. The derricks, engines and all the other paraphernalia for building the division street subway at Mt. Union are now going into position. Two hoisting engines are to be used. The subway will be 186 feet long with an opening through of forty-five feet wide by fifteen to eighteen feet high in driveway. The cost will likely be \$30,000 for this subway, as foundations are likely to be quite deep. Hearing a noise beneath her bed at 1 o'clock Friday morning, Miss Mary Thomas, of Plymouth, jumped out and landed on the head and back of a man. She was probably the more frightened of the two, and while she lost no time in rushing out into the hall and shrieking for help, the man lost none in jumping through the window and dashing down the street as fast as he could. He had stolen nothing. The Culp Lumber company, Lewisburg, Union county, will shortly be removed to Maryland. According to the Lewisburg Journal, that community will be robbed of a prosperous industry, which kept 150 men in steady employment. The company was working the timber land in Nitany and Buffalo mountains for the past ten years, and during that time cut 80,000,000 feet of logs from the 38,000 acres of land that the company controls in the forests west of Lewisburg. C. H. Irwin, of Big Run, is preparing to cut a large tract of timber about five miles southeast of that town. The timber is contained in tracts, one comprising about 1,000 acres, while the other contains 600. It consists mostly of hemlock, but there is considerable hardwood. It is estimated that the tract contains 60,000,000 feet in all. The timber will be cut at the old mill at Big Run and the structure is again being fitted up. A railroad to the woods is also in course of construction. It is estimated that it will take about eight years to clean out the timber.