

It would be too bad if Pennsylvania were not to keep pace with the sweeping reform movements that have been started in so many of the other States of the Union.

Mr. TENER will be in Bellefonte tomorrow. Perhaps he will have time while here to make some explanation as to why he was connected with those swindling corporations.

Former Mayor GUTHRIE, of Pittsburgh, has expressed a willingness to lead the united forces of reform against the PENROSE machine, if Mr. BERRY will only get off and let them unite.

WALTER WELLMAN's attempt to cross the Atlantic in a balloon was a nerve thing but that was about all that can be said of it unless we were to figure up the cost of the dirigible that he and his crew had to abandon after going about one thousand miles in the wrong direction.

When PENROSE nominated JOHN K. TENER for Governor of Pennsylvania of course he expected to put a gold brick into the public. But recent sidelights on Mr. TENER's career have shown that even PENROSE must have gotten something of this same sort when he got this candidate.

Inasmuch as the Supreme court has just handed down a decision that State Treasurer WRIGHT will hold over until 1913 there will be no election for State Treasurer this fall. As a consequence Mr. PHILSON will not need to worry any longer about the outcome of affairs on November 8th.

Dr. WOODROW WILSON, Democratic candidate for Governor of New Jersey, said: "Trade does not rise and fall with the tariff, but the bank accounts of some few men do." That is the sum and substance of it all and the time has come when the many men are demanding that the tariff shall fall so that their pantry accounts may improve.

Dr. STEWART is making friends everywhere he goes, and why not? Isn't he just about as pleasing a man as you want to meet? Then, too, he has ability. A man doesn't become recognized as a leader in his profession unless he has earned the distinction. And that is exactly what any physician in Clearfield county will tell you he is. Vote for Dr. STEWART and help us send a fine Senator to Harrisburg.

This paper stated two months ago that JOHN K. TENER was unfit to be Governor of this Commonwealth. If you are in doubt as to the truthfulness of the statement read the story on page 6 of this issue and decide for yourself whether a man who associated himself with swindlers and accepted a large salary from a get rich quick concern is the kind of a man you think ought to be Governor of Pennsylvania.

When that eminent committee of Seventy of Philadelphia sent their reform bills to Harrisburg to whom do you suppose they entrusted them? To Senator GRIM! Because they knew he was the man who would take the best care of them and prove indefatigable in promoting them. This same Senator GRIM is now an aspirant for Governor and our wonder is: How many of that eminent committee of Seventy are supporting him.

It is a question whether TENER's connection with the swindling schemes that the Philadelphia North American has identified him with is any worse, after all, than his connection with the PENROSE Machine that has swindled and robbed the people of Pennsylvania for, lo, these many years. It is readily to be seen how TENER could fall in with the one after his schooling in the other for, in the language of the crooks "Any graft that pays is good enough for me."

Every student of politics will recall the outburst of indignation on the part of the Prohibitionists when LEWIS EMERY, then the fusion nominee for Governor, said: "I support the breweries, just the same as I do the school and the church." Mr. BERRY stumped Pennsylvania with EMERY pleading for votes for him. Mr. BERRY is now pleading for Prohibition votes for himself. Can a Prohibitionist be true either to his cause or his conscience and vote for him when only four years ago he was urging others to vote for the man who put the brewery and the school and the church on the same level.

There has not been a scintilla of suspicion pointed at Senator GRIM. Of the three men who are aspiring to be our Governor he is the only one against whom no charges have been made. No one questions his ability, his character or his integrity. He is a clean man morally, physically and mentally a giant in strength so why should you not vote for him? Supposing, for the sake of argument, that you don't approve of the man in which he was nominated could a man of his type be anything else than a clean man if he were elected. The same influences exactly that nominated Mr. GRIM for Governor nominated Mr. BERRY for State Treasurer and was he controlled by them after he was in office? Was he hindered in any of his efforts to expose rottenness? No. He was helped.

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Will Berry Reach the High Level.

The offer of Senator WEBSTER GRIM to withdraw from the campaign for Governor of Pennsylvania reveals a measure of self-abnegation rarely equalled. His nomination was fairly acquired and his campaign has been conducted with consummate ability and dignity. The offer to withdraw subjects him to aspersions, at least by innuendo. But in order to save the honor of the Commonwealth from the hazard which the election of the machine candidate for Governor involves, he offers to withdraw himself from the contest, sacrifice his ambition to serve his State, in order that the elements in the electorate which stand for good government may be united.

The treatment which Senator GRIM has received at the hands of some of his former party associates was most cruel and unjust. His public and private records are unassailable and his mental and moral equipment for the office stand unquestioned. Under such circumstances his justly acquired nomination ought to have been ratified by the endorsement of every Democrat in the State and supported cordially by every citizen of whatever political faith, who believes in civic righteousness and aims for honest government. But for reasons inexplicable these reasonable expectations have been disappointed.

It remains to be seen whether Mr. BERRY and his associates on the ticket of the Keystone party will measure up to the standard of unselfish patriotism set by Mr. GRIM. If they do the State of Pennsylvania may yet be spared the humiliation of the election to its Chief Magistracy a man who stands accused of conspiring with adventurers of questionable reputation, to swindling the public in stock-jobbing operations. There is ample time yet to accomplish this result but none to waste. The Democratic State Executive Committee and Mr. GRIM have been together to-day, (Friday,) and are ready and anxious to act. Will Mr. BERRY and his party managers prove equal to the emergency?

Should Mr. BERRY and his party managers refuse to meet this situation by joining with Senator GRIM and the Democratic State Executive Committee in a fusion, the inference is inevitable that the Keystone party was organized and is being maintained for the purpose of aiding Senator PENROSE in the election of his "dummy" candidate. When the Keystone party was in process of organization the WATCHMAN pointed out the parallel which the campaign of 1879 presented. Then the Republican machine spent \$100,000 to get a Democrat nominated on the Greenback ticket in order to divide the vote against HOYT, SAMUEL R. MASON, of Mercer county, became the instrument in the hands of the Republican machine and by polling 81,759 votes defeated ANDREW H. DILL by a small majority. If Mr. BERRY continues in the fight, in view of the offer of Senator GRIM, he will be serving the purpose of PENROSE now which MASON performed for CAMERON and BOB MACKAY then.

We earnestly hope, therefore, that Mr. BERRY will prove himself equal to the condition that is presented. We are not among those who have maligned the Keystone candidate though we have frankly and freely deprecated his attitude with respect to Mr. GRIM. We want to think well of him in the future as we have in the past. But he must consent to this compromise in the interest of good government to justify his claim to patriotic motives and honest intentions in his candidacy. If he remains in the field TENER will be elected as certain as the night follows the day. If he withdraws to make a perfect fusion possible and certain the PENROSE machine will not only be defeated this year but it will be absolutely destroyed.

Will Mr. BERRY measure up to this high standard of citizenship? Only One Above Suspicion. The Democrats of Pennsylvania have every reason to felicitate themselves on the fact that they have a candidate for Governor against whom the finger of suspicion dare not point. WEBSTER GRIM has been in the public life of Pennsylvania for eight years. He has been a practicing lawyer for about twenty years and a resident of the county in which he lives from birth. But no aspersions have ever been cast upon his integrity. No man accuses him of fraud or sharp practice of any description. He is above suspicion, proof against accusation. His bitter enemies freely admit that his character is unassailable.

Penrose Machine Pleased!

KEYSTONER'S REFUSE ALL OFFERS OF UNION

Would Rather Defeat the Democracy Than the Penrose Machine.

The Democratic State Executive Committee, aided by candidates GRIM and GREVVY, with other leading Democrats were in session in Philadelphia all afternoon of yesterday (Thursday,) trying to bring about a compromise with Mr. BERRY and the Keystone party, that would unite the entire opposition to TENER on a single candidate. The following telegram received by the WATCHMAN as it was going to press, at 7 p. m., tells the cause of their failure and why:

Philadelphia, Pa., October 20, 1910

To The DEMOCRATIC WATCHMAN, Bellefonte, Pa.

There will be no fusion. Grim here ready to do anything that will insure the defeat of the machine. Has placed his declination in hands of Executive Committee, conditioned on its ability to get Keystoners to unite on candidate satisfactory to both parties. Berry positively refuses to listen to any compromise. A number of his leaders have thrown off all disguise and declare they don't care if it elects TENER their purpose is to defeat the Democrats, because they refused BERRY the nomination at Allentown. Suspicion rapidly growing that five of their leaders have received large sum from PENROSE to keep the Democracy divided in interest of TENER. Sentiment here turned strongly for GRIM to-day.

GRIM in the present campaign are justly or unjustly under suspicion of improper conduct. Why should the people of Pennsylvania bestow the highest favor within their gift upon such men while they have an opportunity to confer it upon a man who is not suspected and is actually above suspicion? Communities are judged by the character of the men they honor.

But even if Mr. BERRY were as free from blame as possible he should not be supported in this emergency for the reason that a vote cast for him is half a vote for TENER. Mr. BERRY has no possible chance of election. The only result of his candidacy is the division of the vote of that element of electorate which is opposed to the PENROSE machine and "a house divided against itself must fall." Mr. BERRY has said that at the time of his nomination he didn't expect to be elected. Obviously, therefore, his only purpose in seeking the nomination, was to defeat the election of GRIM and elect TENER. Will the people stand for this?

The State Campaign.

The Philadelphia Public Ledger has never been partial to the Democratic party. It prides itself on conservatism but prefers it with Republican flavor. It professes to be Republican but of the independent variety and it certainly is not Democratic. Therefore its comment on Senator Grim's offer to withdraw from the campaign and surrender his honestly acquired nomination for Governor as the Democratic candidate, is the more significant because it reveals the trend of properly regulated independent thought.

We give the editorial published in the esteemed Ledger in full: Senator Grim shows a spirit of unselfish public service in his offer to withdraw as a candidate for Governor in favor of any one who could more certainly unite the opposition to the Republican organization. There is really no ground on which such self-sacrifice can be demanded of Mr. Grim. He is the regularly nominated candidate of his party; no word has been whispered against his personal character and record, and he has conducted himself in the campaign with an intelligence and dignity which he should not have at least the united support of his own party. If Republican opponents of the Organization are unwilling to vote for him because he is a Democrat it is incomprehensible that they should give their votes to Berry, who contested the Democratic nomination with him. Yet it is only this division of the opposition that at the present time gives assurance of the election of the Republican candidate.

Mr. Grim has frankly recognized this, and has asked that his personal claims be not considered if the party authority can agree upon a candidate who would unite the opposition. Nothing can come of this offer, of course, unless Mr. Berry and his associates prove themselves equally unselfish. At present Mr. Berry's candidacy has developed no practical purpose except to prevent a concentration upon Grim. It has not in any way satisfied the independent Republican sentiment that was hoping to raise the State campaign to a higher level than either of the regular party conventions had reached. Mr. Berry himself has not made nearly so favorable an impression in the campaign as has Mr. Grim, and while he continues in the field, in present conditions, he is simply playing into the hands of the Republican organization.

Yet public opinion was never more ready than now to sustain a strong independent movement that would lift the politics of the State above the plane of petty personalities and selfish intrigue. It is not too late even now to bring forward a candidate who would be instantly recognized as bigger than any faction, a man of such commanding force of character that not only all Democrats but voters of all parties could support him with the assurance that he would be nobody's man, but the Governor of the whole people of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Grim's Prospects Brighten.

From the Pittsburgh Post. Only three weeks intervene before the election. No speck appears upon the Democratic horizon. Despicable calumniators have miserably failed to specify dates, or records, or texts of any vote, speech, proffered bill, or other activity that might connect Senator Grim with the cause of Penroseism. Nothing is thrust forward but the bald and shameless lie that there is collusion with the gang who has persistently and ably fought for years in the Senate. Honored in his own Republican county, he has justified this confidence by exhibiting a study of State affairs and their comprehension, with earnest desire to help in amelioration of evils. This knowledge of the matters which immediately confront a Governor he has shown upon the hustings in a manner that has dismayed the servile adherents of the Penrose machine.

Not one dent has been made in his armor. Brazen falsehood has fallen harmless. In campaign lies there usually is some kernel of fact that annoys, if it does not demoralize. Not one solitary such instance can be urged against Webster Grim. He grows better as the days progress, and what his own neighbors have thought becomes the progressive chorus of belief in the State. This Commonwealth cannot be won by mere claiming it with confidence and swaggering bluff. What is necessary is that the loyal Democrat should catch the stimulus of the victories elsewhere so sure and so joyous, and resolve to stand true to the party of his long allegiance. He can find no atom of excuse for apostasy. Mr. Grim has been debating the real State issues and acquainting the people with facts that were never before so well collated. His opponent, Mr. TENER, is now under a cloud that grows daily blacker, and whether the storm may break by his utter disaster is a needless prediction to decide. There is a third party espousing the ambitions of the disappointed, but what is the concealed bunco cannot make headway in Pennsylvania. If a temperance reform be the inspiration, it is a contemptible swindle they play by keeping their fraudulent stock in the dark. They dare not come forth into the open, and allow the people to debate the pretense they secretly exploit.

Roosevelt and the Insurgents.

From the New York Evening Post. The untutored insurgents of Iowa and Kansas are aghast at the performances of Roosevelt in New York. They had taken him for their bosom in the rampant west, but now feel that they have only been warning a viper. The Des Moines News, which is the personal organ of Senator Cummins, comments with the utmost bitterness upon the course of the New York Republican convention, under the domination of Col. Roosevelt. The platform's sweeping endorsement of Taft and the Payne-Aldrich tariff, and its entire omission of "progressive" doctrine, are described as a "staggering blow to the insurgent cause." Says the News truculently: "Roosevelt, bringing with him Taft, Ballinger, Wickersham, Root, J. P. Morgan, Tawney, Lurton, Hitchcock and all the motley crew of plutocrats, the Hessians of privilege, cannot enlist in the army of insurgency." This is very sad, but it all rests upon a strange misunderstanding of Roosevelt. In the first place, he is not the man to "enlist" in any army, whether of insurgents or regulars. It is his mission to command them both. That is a part of his all-embracing comprehensiveness, which is the second thing that we should have supposed the western insurgents would have grasped before now. Having put himself at their head on his western tour, what more natural than that he should return to put himself also at the head of the administration supporters in the east? This is only a proof of his many-sidedness. As for the New York platform, so offensive to the west, Mr. Roosevelt could privately explain it to Senator Cummins as merely the temporary shift of a "practical" man bent on carrying his immediate point. But one really loses patience with a Westerner who can say, as the News does, that if Roosevelt is to be in the east with men who are "the incarnation of the dollar in politics," the insurgents will notify him that his "room is far preferable to his company." They may as well understand at once that they will have his "company," whether they like it or not, and that he will see to it that there is "room" for all needed contradictory policies and antagonistic personalities.

Roosevelt and the Cost of Living.

From the New York World. In 1908 the corn crop of the United States was worth \$1,616,145,000. The wheat crop was worth \$616,826,000. The oats crop was worth \$381,171,100. The hay crop was worth \$635,425,000. The total value of all the corn, all the wheat, all the oats, all the hay, all the rye, all the barley, all the rice and all the buckwheat was \$3,395,237,281. The total appropriation bills signed by Mr. Roosevelt during his second term aggregated \$3,552,982,816.87. In order to make up a sum equal to the cost of four years of Rooseveltism it would be necessary to add to the value of all the corn, wheat, oats, hay, rye, barley and buckwheat raised all the orchard crops, \$83,750,961; the value of all small fruits, \$25,029,757; and the value of all grapes, \$14,090,234. There would still be a deficit of nearly \$5,000,000 after all these crops had gone to pay for four years of Rooseveltism. Does Mr. Roosevelt think this unparalleled extravagance has nothing to do with the increased cost of living?

D. C. Keller, of Phoenixville, formerly of Centre Hall and ex-treasurer of Centre county, was recently attacked by a vicious boar he was endeavoring to put into a crate and very seriously injured.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

A yield of 400 bushels from seven acres planted on Martin H. Custer's farm was the banner oats crop in Skippack township, Montgomery county.

The State board of dental examiners have elected Dr. G. W. Klump, of Williamsport, chairman, and Dr. C. H. Reynolds, of Philadelphia, secretary.

Charles Fehn, a farmer doing business near Philadelphia, has established a record for growing forty-one pumpkins on one vine, the total weight being 877 pounds.

Frederick D. Lutz, a prominent farmer of Lancaster county, was dragged to death after being unseated from his position on one of a four-mule team. The man's team scared at a run-away and bolted.

Dr. Schaeffer, superintendent of public instruction, favors the organization of a State board of education. He thinks there should be less attention given to politics in the public schools and more emphasis laid upon their work.

A Schuylkill county man who was too cowardly to go home alone, fearing that he would be robbed, accepted the escort of two strangers, who held him up and took his money. Both have been arrested by members of the State constabulary.

Henry S. Robins, a former resident of York who was declared legally dead several years ago and his estate properly divided among his children, has returned after an absence of thirty years during which he accumulated another fortune.

Ward Rhodes, of Johnstown, went to sleep along the tracks of the railroad at the tipple of the Merchants Coal company at Boswell, Somerset county, and was run over by a coal car. Both arms were crushed off between the wrists and elbows.

Turning upon his tormentors and bringing a revolver into play when forced into a corner, Pasquale Caruso shot and killed Giuseppe and Giovanni Lovelli at Tyler, Clearfield county, Saturday afternoon, the shooting being the result of a quarrel over a game of cards.

It took Henry Neeb one hour to fail to explain to Mayor Rick, of Reading, how he discovered two black suits and an overcoat while digging sod near that city. The suits were found on his premises and were identified as property stolen from Reading railway cars.

The authorities of Indiana county are on the hunt of two foreigners who are supposed to be guilty of the holding up of H. D. Shaffer near Covode, in broad daylight Monday last. The thieves relieved Shaffer of \$310. Shaffer made a fight for his money but was overpowered and knocked down.

William, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Heathcote, of Hawk Run, aged 21 years, employed at the big saw mill near that place, had his left hand caught in some of the machinery Monday, crushing the same so badly that it had to be amputated at the wrist. The operation was performed at the Cottage hospital, Philipsburg.

John Scarnblock, a woodman employed by the Babcock Lumber company at Ashola, died in the Memorial hospital, Johnstown, Saturday evening as the result of an accident sustained earlier in the day, when he was caught under a falling tree and horribly crushed, his pelvis being fractured. He was 53 years of age.

Jay, the 16-year-old son of Albert Fritz, of Boswell, Somerset county, was badly injured by an enraged bull on his father's farm last Monday. He went into the stall in which the animal was when the beast turned and made a plunge at him, knocking him down. The lad's right shoulder was badly crushed and the collar bone fractured.

John R. Graft, the young railway mail clerk of Indiana, Pa., who was arrested by Postoffice Inspector Dunn, of Altoona, on July 21st, on the charge of robbing the mails, was sentenced by Judge James S. Young in the United States court in Pittsburgh on Wednesday to pay a fine of \$250 and stand committed until the sentence is complied with.

Miss Mary McCord, one of Lewistown's best known residents, died at her residence there Thursday morning, October 13th. For many years she was principal of the Lewistown public schools, and was at one time principal of the Lewistown Academy. Her last educational work was done on the Isthmus of Panama, where she had charge of one of the educational institutions. She had been an invalid for some time.

The Lewisburg bridge case, in which the Lewisburg Bridge Company sought to make the counties of Union and Northumberland pay big damages for erecting a free bridge so close to their old toll bridge that the franchise was worthless, came to an end Saturday afternoon when the jury returned a verdict for the defendants. A rough estimate places the costs, which must be paid by the plaintiffs at \$1000. A new trial will be asked for.

Fire, supposed to have originated from a gas jet in one of the grinding rooms, Tuesday night of this week, almost totally destroyed the big plant of the American Plate Glass company at James City, a few miles from Kane, entailing a loss estimated at \$1,250,000 and throwing 400 men out of employment. There was \$300,000 insurance carried. Several residences near the plant were also destroyed although a greater part of the household goods they contained were saved.

Earlier in the season it was believed that there would not be any shipment of apples from Bedford county worth mentioning, but for a week past they have been coming into Everett, in large quantities. Since Thursday of last week nine carloads have been shipped, and on Saturday another carload was ready for shipment, and five more cars were in course of being loaded, making a total of fifteen cars. Each car contained from 600 to 800 bushels, making the whole amount exceed over 10,000 bushels.

Milton J. Reel, aged 15 years, of Patton, was the victim of a hunting accident Saturday, when one of the bones of his left leg was shattered by a charge from a shot gun in the hands of Peter Kuhn, also of Patton. The two boys were out hunting and when near St. Lawrence, began hunting a rabbit. It was while doing this that the shooting mark. It was while doing this that the limb can be saved. The boys were only about eight feet apart when the accident occurred.

Miss Alice Larue, daughter of a farmer living near Jenner, Somerset county, unwittingly caused the death of Oliver Short, a farmer. Some boys were taunting her and she picked up a stone and hurled it at one of her tormentors. The missile struck Short, who was passing along the road at the time and remonstrating with the boys for their unseemly conduct. The stone struck his head over the right temple, crushing the tissues. He was taken to a Pittsburgh hospital, where the injury was trephined, but the operation was unsuccessful and he died. The young woman will not be prosecuted as the sad affair was entirely accidental.

A new quarry for the cutting of trap rock, was opened at Water Street near Huntingdon, on Wednesday, under the direction of Owen and Grier, of Birmingham, who have purchased the quarry for ballistics on account of its hardness and durability. The power to operate the quarry is taken from the power line that runs from the hydro electric plant at Warrior Ridge.