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Vote for Benson for Congress. Vote for Noll for the Legislature. When the W. C. T. U. forces meet...

William H. Noll rendered a great service to Centre county when he was a Commissioner. He had a large part in pulling the county out of debt...

Now, honestly, what has Billy Swoope done for you since going to Congress? Name one thing that he has done that has had any beneficial effect on the District that he represents...

Really Coolidge might have been laughed out of the Presidential race. Partisanship aside, the situation is laughable. Here is Cal. pleading for votes because through him the Constitution can best be protected...

We don't want to believe it and we can't, notwithstanding the fact that he hasn't undertaken to deny the charge. A Vice President of the United States charging for a memorial speech is unthinkable.

Last week we promised to tell the old line Republicans how their Willy-nilly Congressman had turned yellow on their President. Here we make good.

We're after information. Shortly after midnight, Saturday, a party of young fellows picked the shade of our domicile as a likely place to park while the moonshine in them wanted to the point where it was safe for them to start home.

To others the editor of the Gazette may have the appearance of being jealous. Last week he gave voice to such a spirit by saying that we have so frequently boasted of having a private boot-legger that some people are really inclined to believe we have.

Advertising the sheet a bit, pardon us while we say that last week we published three simple little notices. One was that a tourist through Centre county had lost a lot of golf sticks while befuddled as to the way from Bellefonte to State College.

No, dear Gazette, we didn't work strenuously to get opposition to Holmes for the Legislature. His friends got it for him, when they undertook to induce certain Democrats to sell their heritage for the \$500 that they said Holmes would contribute...

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Dangerous Dabbling in Politics.

Frequently, of late, the rumor has reached us that State College is "going unanimously for Holmes for the Legislature." While we believe nothing of the sort the fact that such rumors are afloat indicates that some thoughtless persons in that community are working to consummate such an eventuality.

State College as a voting unit, is a borough. State College as a great educational institution is something entirely different. In the old days the differentiation was "the Village" and "the Campus." The line was clearly drawn and we might add that the feeling between the two was not as it should have been.

Of a sudden Pandora's box was pried open a bit by "the Campus" and great extension programs were carried to completion. The result was increased values everywhere in "the Village." "The Campus" grew and with it, "the Village," until it became a borough and the third town in population of the county.

If our Commonwealth had not awakened, at least partially, to its obligation to The Pennsylvania State College, State College, today, would be the village of one street and a half that it was thirty years ago.

We think no one will refute this assertion. We have made it solely to bring home to that borough the thought that all it is and can ever hope to be is dependent entirely on what happens on "the Campus."

From a long and fairly intimate knowledge of what has been going on up there we feel justified in saying that "the Campus" has never actually organized in support of any particular candidacy for public office. It has been charged with doing so. In fact, Governor Pinchot, after he had been inaugurated, with impudent inference, charged Dr. Thomas with just such an undertaking.

Why? Because State College, as it naturally should have been, was strong for Gen. Alter for nomination for Governor in preference to Pinchot and later gave McSparran a generous vote. "The Campus" had little to do with either result. The borough did it and both have suffered in consequence.

Governor Pinchot was so mad that it will be recalled that when on his itinerary through Centre county after he had left the Granger's picnic, two years ago, he sped through State College so fast that the crowds who had gathered on the streets to welcome his anticipated stop scarcely recognized him.

All of this is recited merely to suggest the danger there is to a community like State College in dabbling in politics in a contest where it has so much at stake.

Mr. Holmes is a very reputable citizen of that borough. He has acquired somewhat of a reputation as a soap-box orator. We are told that he has become comfortably affluent through real estate transactions made possible only because of what has happened on "the Campus."

The truth is that his contribution of \$500 to the Centre County hospital was exploited for the purpose of stopping any nomination against him and the milk in that cocoa-nut was that if he had no opposition he would have no campaign expenses and would be saving money by making such a contribution.

Now what is going to happen if by any chance, Mr. Holmes should be sent to Harrisburg to represent Centre county?

Either he must be for Pinchot or Harry Baker, as exemplifying the old organization of the Republican party, the one that under Tener and Sprout, did more, relatively, for State College, than Pinchot did or will. Baker's is also the organization that will have the appropriations to make two years from now. In the face of these facts, what is Holmes going to do? And who is going to suffer, either immediately or in the future? The only sane answer to these questions is: "The Campus" and when "the Campus" suffers State College borough suffers.

We have too much confidence in the judgment of the voters of that district to put any credence in the rumors that "State College will be unanimously for Holmes." Their own welfare will warn them of the danger of sending a man to Harrisburg who if he tries to pull them away from the jaws of Scylla will throw them into those of Charybdis.

The real advantage to State College lies in the election of Wm. H. Noll. Neither Governor Pinchot, nor Harry Baker would advance a claim on him. His vote would be free of future consequences, because he is a Democrat.

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Noll Should be Your Choice

William H. Noll is a candidate to represent you in the General Assembly of Pennsylvania. Next Tuesday, if you go to the polls, you will be face to face with the question as to whether he could do more for you in the Legislature of the State than his opponent.

Neither one of them have been tried there, so all the guide you will have is as to what the two candidates have done for you when opportunity of service has presented itself in the past. Mr. Noll has something more than promises of what he will do to support his request for your vote. He has had eight years' experience in the very office of the county through which moves the business that directly affects the taxes. The business of assessment, taxes, poor accounts, road improvement, bridges and all the other avenues through which the Legislature works to effect the fortunes of the tax payer.

We have previously published a resume of what was done by way of paying off debts, reducing the tax millage and general progress while he was a Commissioner of Centre county. All of this was very gratifying. But the experiences there by way of coming in personal touch with every class of business, industry and society in the county was the very thing that fits him so specially for the office he now seeks.

Who could help with legislation that may affect Centre county very directly most intelligently? A man who knows the county's needs or one who merely offers to try to find them out. Mr. Noll knows because he has had opportunity to learn. He is splendidly equipped for the Legislature and will make a record of service for Centre county in Harrisburg just as he did in the court house from 1913 to 1920.

Who Will You Send to Congress?

Next Tuesday the voters of the Twenty-first Congressional District will have the opportunity to put their seal of approbation on their present Member, or recall his commission to longer represent them in the highest legislative body in the land.

Two years ago they accepted William I. Swoope, of Clearfield, at his own and the word of his advocates, that he had the ability, the back-bone and he will go to Washington and serve the District in a manner that would reflect credit on it. Mr. Swoope is pleading that he be returned for another term.

On Tuesday you will have to answer his plea with your ballot. Naturally you should ask yourself: What has this man done to justify me in voting to have him represent me in Congress for two years more. If you do ask yourself that question, or ask it of any one else, there will come the only answer that is truthful: Nothing.

Mr. Swoope has been a district disappointment. He is a well dressed, well mannered and pleasant spoken gentleman and that's all. His polish isn't merely veneer. It's real. But there's little else than the polish. Search his record through the last session of Congress and you won't find one constructive utterance. You will find, however, the signs of a wobbling trimmer who was thinking more of getting back for another term than he was of the good of his country or the party that sent him there. No one knows this better than some of the men who were behind him two years ago with their influence and their money.

He is running as a Republican, a Socialist and a Prohibitionist. A powerful Republican in the District, told us a few weeks ago that he did not believe Swoope knew anything about being a Republican, and proved it from a purely party standpoint. Is he a Socialist? If not, what kind of promises did he make to get the endorsement of that party? He is not a Prohibitionist, we know that, so how did he get the endorsement of the good people who are called to pray for guidance next Monday afternoon as to how they shall vote? Why did they fix their choice before they started to pray for the wisdom that would tell them what it should be. He would be on the Labor ticket too if John Brophy, president of the Miners Union of the Central Pennsylvania fields hadn't known him better than the Republicans, the Socialists or the Prohibitionists. Mr. Swoope went to Mr. Brophy's office and plead for the Labor endorsement.

However, the voter should not be so much concerned about his present equivocal attempts to carry the Republican elephant, the red flag of Socialism and the water wagon of Prohibition, all on the same shoulder as it should be as to what he did during the last session of Congress. He did nothing. Absolutely nothing but betray the President by voting to over-ride one of his vetoes and appoint a boy from Allegheny county to West Point when two boys from Clearfield and two from McKean county had asked to have a chance in a competitive examination for the great opportunity.

You will find the name of Edward R. Benson, of McKean county, as a candidate for Congress, next Tuesday. Naturally, you will wonder who he is. Let us answer that question for you. Mr. Benson is a Democrat. He is of Swedish ancestry, but a four-square, red blooded American citizen who doesn't temporize with anything. So square and fair and sensible that McKean, where Democrats are few and far between, sent him to the Legislature in 1913 and while there he voted "Yes" on such important bills as equalization of taxation, minimum wages for women and children, Woman's suffrage, local option, workmen's compensation, and "No" on Bigelow's plan to Bigelow township roads.

Mr. Benson has the endorsement of the Labor party, not because he plead for it like Mr. Swoope, but because Labor recognized in him a man who is something more than polish and froth. A real man who is thinking and working for the good of his fellow and it endorsed his candidacy without his solicitation or knowledge of it.

Comparatively speaking, Mr. Benson is the man who represents an honest purpose to serve, whereas Mr. Swoope represents nothing more than personal ambition.

Which of the two are you going to vote for when you go to the polls next Tuesday?

If Gaston B. Means had not been so intimate with high public officials he wouldn't have so many secrets to tell.

It would be worth something, even to an optimist, to know how Republican managers keep up hope of the election of Coolidge.

The President charged \$250.00 for addressing ex-service men, but he vetoed the bonus bill to oblige Wall Street for nothing.

A vote for LaFollette is a vote thrown away, yet the Wisconsin war horse served a good purpose in splitting the Republican party.

Yankee Coolidge.

O Yankee Coolidge came to town, Upon a load of ice, sir, He didn't find it cool at all, But very warm and nice, sir.

And when he rose to highest place The gang stepped in behind, sir, And shouted: "He's the boy for us— He's deaf and dumb and blind, sir!"

Then Fall he took his job one day And started to sell, sir; He made a hundred thousand bucks, A simple bagatelle, sir.

But Coolidge said: "So long I've seen Great mountains 'round my home, sir, I cannot condescend to note This puny Teapot Dome, sir."

And Daugherty, with taking ways He breezed into the town, sir, He jimmied everything in sight, Including things nailed down, sir. But Coolidge said: "Oh, let him stay! 'Twill help remove the smudges, And he can use his office force To frame up all his judges."

Yankee Coolidge, ha, ha, ha, He would never tell on Forbes and Burns and Albert Fall And Daugherty and Mellon.

Vote for Noll for the Legislature.

Mr. Coolidge as a Good Claimer.

From the Pittsburgh Post.

Reading President Coolidge's address before the Chamber of Commerce of the United States one might get the impression that it was his administration that settled the reparations question and his leadership that produced the tax reduction measure.

No one, of course, questions the sincerity of the President's own belief as to the importance of his acts or would withhold from him any credit that may be due him. The whole trouble is that he and his friends appear to put a vastly higher appraisal upon his performances than the average citizen. It is a matter of regret that he does not appear to have a clear title to any of the acts of greatness attributed to him. It is persistently disputed that he was entitled to anything like the credit given him in the ending of the police strike in Boston. Yet it was the impression created of him at that time, that he was the chief factor in the restoration of order, that brought him prominently before the country and led to his being placed in the exalted position he now holds.

Lately his partisan supporters have attempted to usurp for him the credit for the settlement of the reparations question after his administration had refused to have anything officially to do with it. Similarly they are now seeking to usurp for him credit for the tax reduction measure put through by Democrats and progressive Republicans, and which he signed reluctantly.

What the President looks upon as action on the part of the administration others consider either as non-partisan accomplishments or "unofficial observing." The Washington conference came about as the result of Democratic agitation rather than Republican, and Democrats in the Senate, showing an infinitely broader spirit than the Republican Senators did toward the peace work of the Democratic President, joined promptly in the ratification of the treaties of the Washington conference. The Republican administration has no monopoly of credit for that Washington meeting. It is difficult to see where the Coolidge administration can claim any credit at all in connection with the settling of the reparations question. The commission of experts was formed in accordance with provisions of the reparations commission and it was the latter that selected and appointed the American members of the body. All that President Coolidge did was to signify that his administration had no objections to the Americans named by the reparations commission. He made it clear when the American members left for Europe that his administration accepted no responsibility for them. They were to act wholly in an unofficial capacity. General Daves on Saturday, rather than return to the mining town. He was taken to the Hahnemann hospital, where physicians said he probably would recover. Krovak shot himself while seated in the waiting room. Scores of persons saw him draw the revolver from his pocket and place the muzzle under his chin. Krovak said he had worked as a miner for ten years, saved \$500 and decided to return to Poland. He was turned back at New York for lack of a passport. "The thought of going back into the mines was too much," he said.

When it comes to defense of the Constitution or American independence, it is absurd on the part of any one to seek to give the impression that these vital principles would be safer with Calvin Coolidge in the White House than with John W. Davis there. John W. Davis was defending the courts against radicals before the country ever heard Calvin Coolidge or General Daves on the subject. The eminence of John W. Davis in the law and in statesmanship is unchallenged. There is no dispute over his title to important accomplishments. The American people owe it to themselves and to their country to vote for the candidate best qualified for leadership—and John W. Davis is clearly the best.

Vote for Noll for the Legislature.

If the Republicans had been half as anxious to save the valuable assets of the country as they profess to be to save the constitution the naval oil would never have been leased.

Vote for Benson for Congress.

SPAULS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

George L. Lowe, of Bloomsburg, has been named temporary receiver of the Susquehanna Shoe company, at Catonsville, at the first meeting of the creditors, last Friday. The assets of the company were reported as \$16,000 and the liabilities \$50,000.

An epidemic of hog cholera is reported by farmers in the Roaring Creek valley, Columbia county, and losses of more than \$3,000 have been sustained. Quarantines are being established and everything possible done to prevent the spread of the disease, which is the worst in a number of years.

A jury in the Northumberland Common Pleas court on Friday found for the defendant in the damage suit of Mrs. and Mrs. J. J. Conley, of Rock Glen, against Dr. George A. Dieterich, of Jersey Shore. They sought \$35,000 damages for injuries Mrs. Conley suffered in an automobile wreck at that place last summer.

Swinging down upon the little tailor shop of Charles Levin, in Erie, last Friday, five men in a truck knocked Levin to the floor and while he was unconscious made away with his newly invented combination gas and electric clothes-pressing machine. Levin values the machine, which he has patented, at several thousand dollars. No trace of the machine has been found.

Two Venango county doctors—Dr. Mayo Hobbs, of Seneca, and Dr. E. L. Dickson, of Oil City, have just been fined \$25,000 by Fred Sutley, of Cranberry, who alleges that they reduced the fracture of his leg in a fashion that left it three inches shorter than the other. In his bill of complaint Sutley declares that the physicians did what he claims was a "bungling job."

At work on an oil lease, two miles from Franklin, last Thursday afternoon, Frank M. Davis, 53 years old, father of ten children, had his right hand ground off when it became caught in the gears of a gasoline engine, Davis, with rare presence of mind and despite terrific pain, threw off the engine, stopped the cog, pulled out his arm and ran a quarter of a mile for help. Then he endured an automobile ride of two miles to a doctor's office. He will recover.

William M. Seward, colored, aged 47 years, of Altoona, was burned to death, his daughter, Margaret, aged 10, was perhaps fatally injured and six others narrowly escaped injuries on Monday morning when the automobile in which they were riding turned over on the Catfish road, one mile west of Hollidaysburg and was totally destroyed by fire. The party was returning from Bedford, where they had spent Sunday evening. The accident occurred about 1:40 o'clock.

Accepting a dare of several companions to climb to the top of a steel tower carrying high-tension wires of the Pennsylvania Power and Light company, on the mountain south of Shamokin, Matthew Zarick, 14 years old, was electrocuted when he came in contact with a wire carrying 20,000 volts of electricity. His clothes were set on fire by the electric current and he dropped fifty feet to the ground, a flaming torch. The boy was dead when companions reached his side. His body was badly burned.

Taking with him the shoes of his guard and the coat and vest and \$35 belonging to a United States deputy marshal, Eugene Warren, 17 year old postoffice robber, who was being taken from Kansas City to a reform school near Washington, D. C., made his escape from the officers early on Monday morning when the train on which they were riding slowed down to enter the Gallitzin tunnel. Warren eluded the officers by leaving the train through a window and as yet no trace has been found of him, although railroad and state police have been notified of his escape.

Officials of the Penbrook National bank in Dauphin county on Saturday identified Albert Best, of Middletown, as one of the men who held up the institution last Monday and escaped with approximately \$220, of which \$715 was mutilated money. Louis Laurus, of Philadelphia, also is being held as a suspect in connection with the robbery. Best was arrested when he attempted to pass two mutilated \$20 bills at a Middletown bank. He claimed he had won the money in a dice game. At a hearing on Monday he was discharged because of lack of sufficient evidence connecting him with the crime.

Oscar Young, 22 years old, is in the Bloomsburg hospital with a probable fracture of the skull and his father, Michael, and brother, Melvin, are in the Columbia county jail, following a fight on Monday on that Franklin township farm, in which Jerry Oberdorf and son, of Bloomsburg, were also hurt. The two men in jail are also seriously hurt and are said by the police to have been severely beaten after they attacked the Oberdorfs, striking them with an automobile pistol real. The road was taken from them and used by the Oberdorfs before the fight ended. Police said the fight grew out of a dispute between the Oberdorfs, owners of the farm on which the Youngs are tenants.

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