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Political.

Democratic State Ticket.

FOR STATE TREASURER, JOHN G. HARMAN, of Bloomsburg.

Democratic County Ticket.

FOR ASSOCIATE JUDGE, WILLIAM KRICKBAUM, of Bloomsburg.

Sheatz and the Capitol Steal.

In behalf of the Machine candidate for State Treasurer it is claimed that he would prove a most vigilant and inflexible guardian of the public finances in spite of all the insidious influences that might be brought to bear upon him. With his plea many an independent Republican had been almost persuaded to vote for John O. Sheatz before his full legislative record was spread before the people of Pennsylvania, with its ample proof of his support of some of the worst schemes of the Machine. As an example of his want of the vigilance that is gratuitously attributed to him is his vote for House bill No. 486, that conveyed the technical legal authority under which the Pennypacker-Snyder-Mathues Board of Public Grounds and Buildings flung open the vaults of the Treasury to the State Capitol brigands.

Whilst the authors of the act fully understood its sinister import, John O. Sheatz was doubtless as innocent as a new-born babe when he gave it his vote. He merely went along blindly with most of the followers of the Machine who were not in the secret of its legislation. But how can this justify the boast that partisanship makes in his behalf? By what metamorphosis can a careless and subservient representative of his party be converted into a jealously vigilant administrator of the finances of the people? Citizens of Pennsylvania who sincerely desire a fit successor of the intrepid William H. Berry in the office of State Treasurer have only to contrast the high legislative record of John G. Harman with the record of John O. Sheatz and vote accordingly.—Phila. Record.

HARMAN NOT DISSATISFIED.

Democratic State Chairman Dimeling telegraphed from Clearfield Monday evening a positive denial of all the essential points of a published report that State Treasurer Candidate Harman had expressed dissatisfaction with the manner in which his campaign was being conducted and had demanded that there should be a stirring up by the State Committee so as to improve his prospect of election. Chairman Dimeling asserted that Mr. Harman had not made to him, or to anybody so far as he knew, any complaint whatever about the management of the campaign. They were together last Saturday and up to that time Mr. Harman had been evidently well satisfied that the State Committee was doing everything possible for the success of the ticket. Mr. Dimeling added that he would have more to say upon his arrival at the headquarters in the Hotel Walton concerning efforts of the enemy to spread false impressions about Democratic conditions.

WASHINGTON

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, D. C. Oct. 3, 1907.

In spite of the fact that the President is out of Washington, political speculation is rife as to the outcome of the next nominating convention. Every politician who drifts into town is full of talk, rumors and speculation as to what the attitude of the President will be toward the candidacy of the several "favorite son" Republicans who are avowedly in the fight for the nomination. This speculation is almost profitless at this time, nevertheless it persists and is more or less interesting. It is a case of Taft against the field, always with the proviso on the part of the speculator that the President will not take a third term himself. Everything possible has been done to get further expressions of opinion from the President as to his attitude toward renomination and his preference for a candidate. It is not likely that there will be any further announcement from the administration on either of these points just now. The President has already expressed himself about the third term, saying that he did not want it and would not take it. As to his preference for the Taft candidacy, he has given it his quiet but positive approval. The same cannot be said for any of the other candidates. He is not apt to make any further statement on either subject at present because it is by no means a psychological moment. The convention is too far off for anything but talk.

Advocates of the ship subsidy bill are already at work in Washington. There will be a desperate effort made at the coming session to get legislation of some sort through. This is a measure that has by no means popular support throughout the country. All of the seaboard cities realize that it would be to their advantage if it materially helped to build up the mercantile marine, but the inland communities may be regarded as indifferent, with the element against it that shies at the prospect of heavier public expenditures of such an indefinite extent as entrance to the subsidy field would entail. It is quite possible that if there is subsidy legislation, it will take a very mild form and will be first urged to secure additional steamship facilities for South America. This is unquestionably needed from a commercial standpoint though whether even a heavy subsidy would secure it is a matter for serious consideration.

Admiral Coghlan has certainly secured for himself a well earned reputation as a troublemaker for the government. He has just come out in a long interview on the subject of war with Japan and the necessity of sending the battleship squadron to the Pacific. It will of course be recalled that it was Admiral Coghlan who got this country into very warm water with Germany over his "Hoch der Kaiser" poem at a banquet a few years ago. There was nothing of malice in his reciting the poem, but it was just jesting near enough to facts to be very uncomfortable, and it came at a moment when the relations of this country and Germany were none too cordial, though the governments of both countries would willingly have had it appear otherwise.

Now, when the situation is just about the same with Japan, the loquacious admiral comes out in print with a long talk about the possibility of war. He says that it would be a good deal cheaper to duplicate the American navy, and that is what it would mean if the battleship squadron is to remain in the Pacific, than it would be to put up a six month's fight with Japan or any other first class power. He says that \$150,000,000 spent in new ships would make this country impregnable to attack by any power and that it would be a good investment, tantamount to a life insurance policy for an otherwise indigent family. He says also that it would remove any possibility of war and leave this country free to develop commercially as it chose. All this is quite true. But the inopportunity of the talk lies in the fact that it comes just at the moment when Secretary Taft and the Japanese higher officials are falling on each others necks and swearing eternal friendship and scouting the possibility of war. Quite naturally if Japan has any lingering notion of war, she is not going to publish the fact in advance, and the way she struck Russia at the outbreak of the Manchurian trouble is an indication that the Oriental and Occidental minds work in different channels and that any nation with the faintest likelihood of Japanese trouble on its hands, does not want

to leave its gun at home when it goes visiting.

Secretary Root is making a record as a close second to Secretary Taft in cultivating international friendliness. His journey to Mexico is being watched by officials here with the greatest interest. He seems to have the faculty of doing and saying the right thing to appeal to the Latin-American mind, and the reports so far of his reception in Mexico are decidedly encouraging. It was less than 20 years ago that Mexico was not only rated as a decidedly fourth-class power, but was regarded as the last place on earth for the investment of American capital. Under President Diaz, however, the country has developed into a strong and compact nation with ambition for commercial development and the ability to absorb the best of everything modern. Tens of millions of American capital are invested in Mexico not only in mining but in manufacture, and they are regarded quite as safe as investments in Canada. The Mexican people look to this country as the model in commercial and mechanical development, and it is not only natural but appropriate for us to take keen interest in the development of the big, strong state just south of us. Mexico will be able in the next few years to do more towards solidifying South America and keeping Central America in order than this country could ever do and it is well that she should have not only our friendship but our cordial support. The visit of Secretary Root to President Diaz is a vital means to that end and seems to be accomplishing its purpose well.

It is announced from Ottawa that the Japanese-Canadian controversy is to be settled by the prompt payment of \$5,000 damages to Japan for the Vancouver riot, and that Vancouver will be called on to foot the bill. This will make the end of the Japanese incident from the standpoint of the Ottawa government, but the affair is sure to rankle among the people of Japan and of the Pacific coast for a long time to come.

THE TRESPASS LAW.

Hunters Should Keep Off Posted Lands.

It will be well for hunters who are planning to go into the fields and woods in search of game to remember that the trespass law is in force and that many farmers have posted notices on their premises warning hunters and others not to trespass on their lands. The hunter who tramps all day through the fields with little success may be inclined to ignore trespass notices, but it will be well for him to take heed of the warnings lest his hunting trip shall cost him dearly. It is required by the law that trespass notices shall be conspicuously displayed so that hunters and others may readily see them. Unless they are so posted the farmer cannot collect damages from those who walk through his fields. The hunter who has to search diligently for trespass notices is not in much danger of being fined for trespassing, for he is excusable in supposing that because the notices are not conspicuously posted none exist on that particular property.

Bloomsburg Souvenir Books, 48 half tone pictures, 25 cents, at the COLUMBIAN office.

Wanamaker on Business.

John Wanamaker, in an interview in New York a few days ago, said: "There is nothing the matter with business. Wall street is agitated, but Wall street is a world by itself. It kicks money around as though it was a football. In the main it is a great game of speculation. At times the country is filled with wonder at the power of a few to tie up money and to project it into great corporation movements that for the time-being make banks and trust companies their partners and indirectly affect the mercantile business. But the great country is not affected by the spasms of Wall street. It can be counted on to continue in good financial health. The real business of supplying the wants of 80,000,000 people has to go on because wants go on. I feel sure that it can be proven that a large majority of the mercantile world was never in so sound a condition."

Advertisement for Boys' Stylish Fall Suits. Includes images of a boy in a long coat and a boy in a double-breasted jacket. Text: 'BOYS' Stylish Fall Suits. That will wear well, always look well, and please the boy as well as you, are the only sort you'll find here at the right prices. \$2.00 to \$8.00. ONE OF THE MOST Popular Suits for this season consists of double breasted Jacket with or without belt and knickerbockers or "bloomers" as some people call them. Here in a large assortment of beautiful worsteds, cassimeres and chevots. \$4.00 to \$8.00. TOWNSEND'S CORNER.

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Advertisement for My Hair Ran Away. Text: 'My Hair Ran Away. Don't have a falling out with your hair. It might leave you! Then what? That would mean thin, scraggly, uneven, rough hair. Keep your hair at home! Fasten it tightly to your scalp! You can easily do it with Ayer's Hair Vigor. It is something more than a simple hair dressing. It is a hair medicine, a hair tonic, a hair food. The best kind of a testimonial—'Sold for over sixty years.' Made by J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Also manufacturers of Ayer's PILLS. SANSAPARILLA. CHERRY PECTORAL.

Advertisement for Jayne's Expectorant. Text: 'Before that cough turns into a serious throat or lung trouble, stop it with Jayne's Expectorant. It has proved its real value during 75 years. Ask your druggist for it.