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**Political Announcements.**

**FOR SHERIFF.**

**BENJAMIN F. FAUST,**  
of Bloomsburg.

Subject to the decision of the  
Democratic Party at the Primary  
Election on June 5th, 1909, 2 to 8  
p. m.

**Signs of Party Treachery.**

The discussion of the tariff bill is developing some curious results. The question of a tariff tax on iron ore, for example, the other day some twenty Democrats, under the leadership of Senator Bailey of Texas, voted with the Republicans for a duty of twenty-five cents a ton, the Dingley bill rate being forty cents. From the beginning of tariff discussion in this country, near the close of the eighteenth century, the policy of the Democratic party has been against tax on raw materials. Iron ore is essentially a raw material. It is in greater abundance and easier of access in this country than any other in the world. Voting for a tariff tax on iron ore is, therefore, not only a violation of the cardinal principles of Democracy but it is outraging the traditions of the party.

The Steel trust and the Standard Oil company own more than eighty per cent. of all the iron concealed and exposed in the United States. A tariff tax on iron ore is therefore, of advantage, almost exclusively, to those two predatory trusts. Practically all the iron and steel mills east of the Ohio line are obliged to buy all the ores they consume from either the Steel trust or the Standard Oil company. There are vast deposits of iron ore in Cuba and if the product of those mines could be brought into this country free of tariff tax a large reduction in the price of structural steel and implements of farming would not only be possible but certain. At present the Steel trust and the Standard Oil company supply the independent concerns with ore only on condition that they will not cut prices.

Some time ago Senator Bailey was under suspicion of being in the employ of the Standard Oil company. It was shown that he received an enormous fee for performing a nominal professional service for that trust. He protested that his relationship with the Standard Oil company, however, and under an agreement that he would resign if the contrary were proven, he was re-elected to the Senate by a perilously small margin. His vote and voice for a tariff tax on iron ore, in the face of the frequently repeated pledge of the Democratic National convention, would indicate therefore, that he is again serving the Standard company, not professionally this time but officially and in the Senate. The circumstances are sufficiently suspicious, at least to justify a careful inquiry. — *Bellefonte Watchman.*

**Children Cry  
FOR FLETCHER'S  
CASTORIA**

**WASHINGTON**

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, D. C., May 24, 1909

Despite the claims and confident predictions of Senators Cummins, La Follette, Newlands and others that provision for an income tax will be added to the tariff bill, your correspondent ventures the prediction that they are all mistaken and that no such provision will be made. There will be an effort to add such a provision in the form of an amendment to the tariff bill, but it will fail and the amendment will be referred to the Judiciary committee with instructions to report next winter whether an income tax law that will stand the test of the courts can be drafted. It is highly improbable, moreover, that the Judiciary committee will ever make any report pursuant to that reference. Some of the Democratic advocates of an income tax law are complaining that they are being opposed by President Taft and that the White House influence is proving effective. That is probably true, for while Mr. Taft has said that he is not opposed to an income tax, he regards it as a last resort and would greatly prefer, first a tax on inheritances, second on the dividends of corporations, and lastly an income tax, if any tax in addition to the tariff is necessary to meet the expenses of the government. The President has further signified his willingness to wait until next December before recommending any of these laws, as by that time he believes it will be possible to tell whether or not the now pending tariff bill will bring in sufficient revenue.

It is somewhat difficult to understand why the Democratic Senators do not advocate a tax on the dividends of corporations. Such a tax would meet with the cordial approval of the President and probably with that of nine tenths of the voters. Of course Mr. Aldrich and the rest of the Republican organization in the Senate would oppose such a tax but it is very doubtful if the organization could command sufficient strength to prevent the enactment of the law. By choosing that form of taxation which the President has declared that he favors only as a last resort the Democrats have, apparently missed an opportunity to undermine the whole system of protection. Senator Aldrich has ingeniously confessed that he believes the adoption of any form of special taxation will undermine the protective system, because once the people come to realize the benefits of direct taxation, with the clear knowledge of how much tax each man pays and the close supervision of public expenditures which that would produce, the people will insist upon the abandonment of the tariff system. Under such circumstances it would seem to be the part of wisdom on the part of the Democrats to align themselves behind that form of direct taxation which would be most possible of enactment.

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**Beneficial Fraternities.**

The good done by the numerous fraternal organization in this country is beyond the conception of those who have not given attention to the subject. The common idea of these orders, or associations, is that their object is chiefly of a social nature, instituted more for the frivolous diversion than the substantial benefit of their members, who are supposed to meet in their rooms at stated times, array themselves in gorgeous uniforms, go through ceremonies more or less absurd in which "the goat" is a conspicuous figure, and hold their meetings mainly for the purpose of having a good time.

It is true that the social element is prominent, but it is merely an attractive feature, while substantial benefits are the main objects of these fraternizations. To have a proper conception of the general benefit derived from these fraternities it should be known that since 1873 throughout the United States they have paid out to families of members one billion one hundred thousand dollars, and that in addition to this vast sum those orders that pay benefits in cases of sickness have distributed three hundred and seventy-five million dollars.

These figures prove that the fraternal orders are a good deal more than associations instituted for diversion, and in view of the vast benefit they confer the man who is eligible to membership in one of them makes a mistake if he fails to join at the earliest time possible. — *Ex.*

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retails for \$15, the duty is \$4.76, so that without the tariff the same suit could be bought for \$10.24. A man's overcoat now retailing for \$15 could be bought for \$10.36 if there were no tariff. A woman's cotton dress which now sells for \$10 could be bought for \$8.75 were it not for the tribute which the consumer is made to pay to the manufacturers. A tapestry rug which now sells for \$15 is worth just \$8.64, the extra \$5.36 being the sum the consumer is compelled to pay to the American manufacturer for the same rug which, without a tariff, he could buy for less than \$10. Practically everything is taxed, even salt which costs a cent a pound more because of the tariff and sugar which costs 1 3/4 cents more a pound because of the protective policy.

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor is still wondering if he dare dismiss S. N. D. North, Director of the Census, in view of the opposition of the powerful members of Congress who have come to Mr. North's support. The Secretary determined some time ago to get rid of Mr. North whom he did not regard as competent longer to administer the Census Bureau, but there was a rush of powerful Senators and others to the White House.

**Woman's Home Companion for June.**

There are ten stories in this issue—not heavy, psychological diagnoses of world-worn minds, but breezy stories of love and fun that are suitable to the season.

The stories are illustrated by prominent artists.

Naturally, much is said about weddings in this June issue.

In addition to the lighter, joyous preparations, there are some serious articles handling that most serious of subjects, marriage. In a very clever way the *Companion* demonstrates how marriage should be a success if conducted on a business basis and if the "Junior Partner" does her share. In connection with this, there is a particularly bright article by Katharine Eggleston, pointing out some great dangers in our present methods of teaching girls.

But the entrance into marriage is not neglected, and there are in this issue stories of weddings, the inexorable laws of fashion regarding them, and suggestions for charming original and inexpensive weddings.

Everybody who is not being married this month is planning to go away for a vacation or to furnish a summer home. And for this part of the world there are many practical vacation ideas—ideas for veranda furniture, ideas for bungalows, talks about the ice-box, and a long list of frozen dainties that will make the hottest day a blessing. For the practical woman there is a particularly valuable story of one woman's experience with bees.

The regular Fashion Department, Children's Pages, Girls' Pages and Puzzle Page are complete as usual. The embroidery Department is especially attractive, with designs and ideas to make fingers fly in the long summer days.

A fine new line of Wedding invitations just received at this office.

**Dredging Coal.**

Dredging coal from the bottom of the Susquehanna has become a profitable industry, especially in the stretch of the river between Bloomsburg and Pittston. This operation is very interesting. The coal dredges are built on different plans. Some take the coal from the bed of the river in buckets fastened securely upon an endless chain. Others take it by means of a suction or pan, which draws it up to the boat and then forces it to a screen eight feet above the water line. Here the fine dirt is separated from the coal and run to the stern of the dredge, where it is emptied into the river and carried away by the current. The coarse or stove coal is conveyed to one flat and the fine or steam coal to another by means of screw conveyers.

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**New Spring Suits!**

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A most remarkable feature about these handsome new models is their extremely low prices. Your spring outfit will give you a better service—a much finer appearance and yet cost you a small price. Catering to every taste we've gathered an assortment of choicest correct styles. Prices \$10 to \$35.

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Suits of hard twisted serge and striped worsted in black, blue, green, tan and gray. 36 inch hipless coats; slashed back, patch pockets, self button trimming, full satin lined; satin collar and cuffs; Skirt is Demi-Princess with self covered buttons down the front. All sizes up to 42.



SUIT at \$12.75—Of shadow stripe chiffon panama in navy blue, elect blue, green, tan, ashes of roses and gray. Coat 40 inches long, semi-fitting hipless cutaway front forming points on the sides, new small sleeves, lined throughout with satin; gored flare skirt with trimming of straps and self covered buttons.

SUIT at \$26.50—A 4 button cutaway coat 40 inches long of striped worsted, slashed back and sides, inlaid bengaline silk collar; large flap pockets, trimmed with buttons, lined with taffeta silk; plain 11 gore demi-Princess skirt.

At \$6.00 to \$14.00 Junior Suits for the little Misses in sizes 11, 13, 15 and 17 years. Made of shadow stripe panama and fine serge in navy blue, gray and green, semi-fitting hipless coats, gored and pleated skirt.

SUIT at \$27.00—A strictly tailored suit of French Serge; 4 button cutaway; single breasted (just a slight cutaway effect); lined with taffeta silk; new small sleeves; Demi Princess Skirt with inverted plait at sides.

SUITS at \$20.00—Of chiffon panama in blue, green and black; graceful semi-fitting hipless coat 36 inches long, single breasted, new small sleeves and trimmed with satin piping; gored flounce skirt.

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