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Political Announcements.

County Commissioner. Having lived in this county nearly all my life and never having asked for, or held, a county office, I have taken this opportunity to offer myself as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to decision of the Republican County Convention.

The State Treasury is no longer a club in the hands of the Quay latters. They have used it in past campaigns for all it was worth. They have lost their only ammunition. Any honest man of ordinary intelligence can run the State Treasury, thanks to the law that a Quay Legislature passed. Under that law there is absolutely no opportunity for manipulating State funds.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

President McKinley has gone to the Virginia Hot Springs where he and Mrs. McKinley will remain for about two weeks. He is not sick, and, although the rest is taken by order of his physician, it is more in the nature of an exemplification of the adage "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

Judging from the latest Philippine advices, the end is near, and no surprise would be felt in official circles should Aguinaldo's formal surrender occur any day. The rebels have acknowledged themselves fought to a standstill, and were it not for the efforts of Aguinaldo and the other Filipino leaders to secure promises that they would be given positions under the local government, similar to those which have been given to Cuban officers in Cuba, the surrender would have taken place before now.

President McKinley hasn't told anybody that there would be an extra session of Congress, simply because he has not fully decided to call one. He has talked the matter over with prominent Republicans and has intimated his belief that circumstances will probably make it wise to call Congress together in advance of the regular session in December.

good politics to call an extra session, not only because it would shorten the Speakership contest, but because it would give more time to act on the financial bill, which has been prepared by the House caucus committee, and allow it to get before the country and be fully discussed and understood before the excitement of the Presidential campaign begins.

As a rule, Republican Representatives resent the attempt, which they say is being made by outsiders, to make the Speakership contest a sectional fight of the West against the East, and present indications are that the attempt will fail, and that it will be solely a contest of men in which sectionalism will not be an important factor.

The Folly of Faction.

There is something so supremely silly and puerile in the idea of a candidate for a county office, who has nothing whatever to do with the election of a United States Senator, running on a Quay or an anti-Quay platform, that one can scarcely conceive it possible. Think of a man trying to divide his party on factional lines, and fighting his campaign under the mean little banner of prejudice, instead of running on his own merits!

That was quite a ball game on Sunday, F. Do you know who writes the Rich Valley items O. O. L? Geo. Granger is employed at Randolph Lockwood's this week. Mr. Joseph McKay, of Driftwood, was visiting in the valley Sunday. The barn raising at Richard Chadwick's last week, was well attended. Leon Lewis was visiting his aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Housler. Little Miss Crystal Housler is visiting her aunt Heneretta Lewis this week.

ALL AROUND THE COUNTY.

Buckwalter. Dr. R. P. Heilman was seen on our streets last week. Thomas Waddington was seen wheeling on our streets last week. John Morrison and wife passed through our town last Thursday. Mrs. Beldin and daughter Ruth were Emporium visitors last Thursday. Lonnie Moser was in our town last week spinning old yarns of years ago. Fred Norton left Monday for Clermont where he has accepted a position. T. Denney who has a large wood job at Glen Hazel was seen in our city Saturday. Geo. Skinner who has been in North Carolina for the past year returned home last week. W. C. Heath is the only up to date farmer on West Creek, if he did plant his onions upside down. Mike Hillyard will raise in the neighborhood of 10,000 bushels of potatoes on the strength of the iron works starting up. W. L. Thomas' smiling face was seen in our town last week. It does us good to see you W. L., but would rather see you back in the office of County Treasurer, as tax payers never had a better servant. Claud Lyons and Archie Phesant passed through our burg last week, with the bark peelers swing, their pants rolled up to their knees and shoes full of teeth, headed for Dixon's Camp, where they have taken a large contract to peel bark and cut logs. TEDDY. Sinnemahoning. It seems that your left hand reporter got a few of us in trouble last week, according to Anthony's view of the case; that the four defunct members of

The S. L. C., was found under Hill's filing bench. If that be correct, we ask out of respect to both clubs, that Emporium L. C., will give them a decent burial and not burn them at the stake. That is not according to our laws governing our beloved organization.

Our club met in regular session last night and the matter was reported to the high mucky muck, and came near causing trouble. Hanscomb wanted to withdraw, but was finally persuaded not to leave the club while good members were scarce. Geo. Decker and Pap Blodgett took first premium for services rendered. Pap Berfield arrived and said that he had been planting a new kind of potatoes, that need no washing nor peeling before cooking, as they grow clean and without any skin. He expects to monopolize the potato market in the future. Harry Decker reported that he was champion rat catcher. Out of five, he caught four in a steel trap, the fifth was a sharp old chap. After fruitless efforts he found the last rat in the garret of his house. His ratship had procured a pint bottle and crawled in, corking the bottle tightly after him. Harry got the last rat. W. H. Michaels told a whopper; most too lengthy to repeat. A special invitation to Johnny Hogan, Tom Davins and the whole Irish nine to visit us some meeting night. We will give them some pointers. Now as there are no further business the club adjourned to Joe M's setting room for refreshments. FIDE.

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The Quay Fight.

The Philadelphia Inquirer is receiving a well-deserved shower of bouquets from the friends of fair play. It made a great battle for right, justice and the unmasking of hypocrisy and hate, and fully merits public approval and applause.—Lewisburg News.

Those Mugwumps who are saying that Senator Quay will not take his seat through appointment by Governor Stone will have to revise their guess. Almost every Senator who happens into Washington now-a-days says that he expects to vote to seat the man from Beaver, and this is not encouraging to the anti-Quay people.—Harrisburg Telegraph.

No Constitution, either Federal or State, contemplates that a State shall be deprived of any portion of its representation at Washington on account of the failure of the State Legislature to perform a constitutional duty. The Legislature of Pennsylvania plainly violated such an obligation. Justice demands that there shall be some relief for the people from the consequences, and it is naturally found in such action as Governor Stone took with commendable promptitude in appointing United States Senator the nominee of the Republican majority in the Legislature.—Pittsburg Press.

It ought to be apparent to even the factually-blinded opponents of Senator Quay by this time that they are not with the people—the common people—for which they presume to speak. Every primary election emphasizes the fact that the Beaver statesman is in touch with those who make up the good citizens of every community and that the fiery furnace of abuse and misrepresentation has only cemented the strong bands which bind him to the body of the people. Those who are fighting Senator Quay must realize some day that they have been engaged in a man hunt that was not creditable to them and which can have but one result—the humiliation of all concerned in it. It is a fact that no man in public life has ever done so much for his friends as Matthew Stanley Quay and it would be strange indeed if at this time of unjust attack they should desert him. Senator Platt and other representative Republicans in the higher branch of Congress have shown that they appreciate the worth of Senator Quay by declaring openly and with much earnestness that they will recognize the Governor's right to appoint by their votes.—Harrisburg Telegraph.

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