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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)
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It is difficult to find words to express the gratification felt at the successful outcome of the president's efforts to end the coal strike. When he first broached the subject, Mr. Roosevelt's political advisers deprecated his proposition. They said he would accomplish nothing and would make enemies for himself and his party, and even if he secured the consent of both parties to arbitration, it would possibly fall to him to name the arbitrators and that he could not do without making enemies; he had no legal right to interfere and he had better abstain from adding to his responsibilities. To all of which, Mr. Roosevelt replied that he could not contemplate the appalling prospect of the continuance of the strike into the winter months, with the terrible and widespread suffering which must ensue, and feel that he was doing his duty as the chosen representative of the people without at least making an effort to culminate the struggle.

The history of his efforts is known, including the tact with which he conducted the meeting of the opponents, the gentleness with which he received the accusations of the railway presidents, that he was not doing his duty because he had not sent federal troops to protect their interests, the earnestness with which he pursued his efforts, even after the first conference failed, the courage with which he insisted that the operators permit him to add a labor leader to the list of arbitration commission he had selected. The whole goes to make up one of the most creditable chapters in the history of a long line of republican administrations and demonstrates beyond cavil the excellent judgment of the President of the United States.

Everyone seems confident that the commission Mr. Roosevelt has selected will ascertain the facts and adjudicate the contentions with perfect impartiality. Under the rules which will govern the proceedings of the arbitrators a two-thirds vote will be required on every mooted question and their findings will bind both miners and operators for a period of at least three years, it is to be hoped much longer.

By his close attention to the coal strike, the President has forfeited the short period of rest he hoped to secure at Oyster Bay before it became necessary to prepare his message to Congress. Mrs. Roosevelt has been compelled to go to Long Island without him. While there she will close the summer home and will soon return with the children to Washington. Every effort is being made to complete the new office building which will be used by the president so that he may have the use of the entire building known as the temporary White House for residence purposes, after his family returns for the remaining two months which it will take to complete the renovation of the White House proper.

Although determined to do so only as a last resort, Secretary of the Treasury has finally been compelled to resort to the purchase of bonds as a means to relieve the money stringency which is now claimed to be general. The bonds which are now being purchased are not due until 1925 and the Treasury is paying at the rate of 137½ to induce the holders to part with them. It is anticipated that sufficient bonds will be cashed at this figure to draw out of the Treasury \$25,000,000. When this purchase shall have been completed Secretary Shaw will have released from the Treasury approximately \$47,000,000 and procured an increased bank circulation of \$15,000,000 thus adding to the available circulation of the country about \$62,000,000.

The Purification of Politics.

This is the most pressing need which the body politic experiences to-day. Says the pessimist: "Politics are hopelessly corrupt. A decent man can have nothing to do with political matters." But we must remember that a pessimist is usually a narrow and selfish coward. He is narrow and selfish, because he thinks that the body politic is something which is wholly external to him and in which he has no vital concern or part. He fails to see that he himself is one of the many who go to make up the political community and that his influence, be it positive or negative, helps to form the character of politics as a whole. He is a coward for not daring to face actual facts and conditions, and for fearing to assume his share of the burden and responsibility of citizenship. It is the passive, hopeless citizen, and not the wily active boss, who is primarily to blame for bad politics. Let us grave it in the palms of our hands that no people or community ever had a worse government than it deserved to have. It will always be possible for a community to elevate its government by elevating itself. But it will never do this so long as its citizens remain passive and despondent, croaking about the corruption of politics, but doing nothing to uplift political life. It is an easy thing to croak. It takes neither brains nor character.

The optimist says: "Yes, politics might be better, and they will be better. If they are bad, I am to blame as well as others. I shall not croak, for I should have to croak at myself as well as at others, for I am part and parcel of the body politic."

What we need is positive activity and achievement in political life. "It is better to fight for the good than to rail at the ill." To brood over ills with no definite plan for correcting them is only to intensify them. Be up and doing, with a strong, brave, hopeful heart. Be positive, work for positive ends. Look on the evil side only as far as it is necessary to find out how to correct the evils. If you have nothing hopeful and practical to offer, better keep your eyes away from the evil side altogether. It is even better to say that the state has no ills worth speaking of, than it is to be always uttering negative, hopeless croaks.

A spirit of wide-awake, hopeful, positive, patriotic citizenship on the part of all our citizens will surely redeem our political life from its ills.

Pennypacker's Honesty.

Those carping critics who for weeks past have been saying that the Republican nominee for Governor, ex-Judge Pennypacker, would avoid State issues while on the stump, says the York Dispatch, must feel rather small after reading his great speech delivered at Pittsburgh. Never did a man more fearlessly assail the acts of the past Legislature than the Republican nominee. He hammered the Ripper bills and other iniquitous legislation with a force that must win for him the respect of every honest man. He did not spare his friends, members of the Citizen's party, which endorsed the Pittsburg and Allegheny outrage and to show that an honest man's ringing words of denunciation are appreciated, he was, to quote the newspapers this morning, "vociferously cheered."

The question arose when he was first mentioned as the standard-bearer of the Republican party, "Why do the Independents fall in line for Pennypacker?" The question was answered last night in Pittsburgh. The independent Republicans recognized that he would be able to unite all factions, and his integrity could not be assailed, and that when he entered the Governor's chair he would veto wicked legislation. His word has never been questioned. He stands to-day high in the esteem of his fellow-citizens, for if there is anything that appeals to the public it is an honest, upright, manly man. And such a man is Judge Pennypacker.

A Remarkable News "Beat."

"The Press" on Oct. 14 was the only Philadelphia paper giving in its early editions, the result of the conference between President Roosevelt and J. Pierpont Morgan that practically settled the coal strike. The agreement of the coal mine operators to arbitrate their differences with the miners was news of national importance. "The Press" being the only newspaper to give the public this news in the wide territory covered by its first editions, made a notable addition to its many similar achievements in the past. "The Press" at the popular price of one cent daily places its vast and complete news service within the reach of all.

On Washington is the slogan, Mr. Dresser will take up his residence there for two years after November 4th.

New York Life Settles Death Claim.

Two weeks ago the Court appointed Edward Blinzler guardian of the children of Geo. H. Dickinson, and in accordance therewith the New York Life Insurance Company on last Friday paid over to Mr. Blinzler a check in settlement of Mr. Dickinson's policy in the New York Life. The widow Mrs. Dickinson, also received a share in the settlement.

Mr. Guy S. Felt who was appointed by Don M. Larrabee to act as agent in Emporium in the latter's absence, adjusted this settlement, which further attests the Company's prompt and reliable manner in adjusting all its death losses. Mr. Dickinson took out this policy three years ago while engaged in work at the Emporium Iron Furnace, and later on entered the employ of the Keystone Powder Company, where he met his death a few weeks ago.

Ask Why.

Just a few words to the thoughtful voter, be he Democrat or Republican—all the better if he is a Democrat, as they may set him thinking. Did it ever strike you as significant that the greatest period of depression this generation has witnessed occurred coincidentally with the existence of a Democratic administration? Furthermore, that so soon as a Republican administration was assured, and before the Democrats gave up power, the tide turned and ushered in this mighty flood of prosperity which is sweeping over the country?

Now is there not some deep, practical reason for this? Of course there is. The reason is that Democratic policies are harmful to the business interests of the country and the material welfare of the citizens, and the Republican policies are helpful.

As Others See Him.

(Mt. Carmel, Pa., Daily News.)
Henry H. Mullin, of Emporium, has been nominated by the Republicans of Cameron county for the legislature. Mr. Mullin is the successful publisher of the CAMERON COUNTY PRESS, is an able man and will fitly represent his county at Harrisburg. Mr. Mullin spent some years as a boy in our city and gave evidence then of his ability.

(Port Allegany Argus.)
Harry Mullin, editor of the CAMERON COUNTY PRESS has been nominated for representative by the Republicans of that county. There is nothing too good for the fraternity.

(Warren Mail.)
Harry H. Mullin, editor of the CAMERON COUNTY PRESS, was nominated for Assembly by the Republicans of Cameron county last week. He ought to be elected by a large majority. Is about the best member Cameron ever had.

The Peoples Star Course Opens Tuesday, Nov. 11. Great Array of Talent to be Furnished the Patrons.

The Peoples Star Course will open Tuesday evening, Nov. 11th, with the Brockway Grand Concert Company, comprising these great artists: Mr. Frederick Carberry, Tenor; Mr. Herbert Woodward, Violinist; Mrs. Miss Littleton Smith, Soprano; Miss Georgie Bentley, Pianist. No similar organization before the people can prove more attractive. Each member is an artist and their appearance here will be a notable event in musical circles.

December the fifth, the Brockway Jubilee Singers will appear. This is the leading Colored Concert Company in America.

December the twentieth the Hon. Walter M. Chandler a member of the New York Bar and one of the greatest orators of the day will deliver one of his popular lectures. His eloquence is said to be scarcely less than phenomenal.

January the thirty-first, The Chicago Glee Club, classed among the best male quartettes of the country, having during the last season appeared successfully before 284 audiences.

The Course will close Ebeuary the sixteenth with the Coit Novelty Company including music, vocal and instrumental, magic, readings, posings, etc. Absolutely, this is the best Course, yet offered by the managers of the Star series of entertainments and only the most liberal patronage will insure its financial success. A large number of tickets have been sold but the canvass is being continued. Purchase of some member of the committee or at the book store of H. S. Lloyd.

The delivery of tickets already subscribed for will begin within a day or two. The price of a Course ticket including a reserved seat for the series of five attractions is \$1.50.

Cameron county is falling in line; Mr. Dresser is one of the most popular candidates on the ticket.

Overcoats that are swell at N. Seger's.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

WYLIE.

After many months of suffering, Mrs. Wm. WYLIE quietly passed away, as she slept, last Friday morning, the 17th, inst. The youngest child of Samuel and Catherine Chapman, who came to Cameron county from Lock Haven about 1826. She was born near Sterling Run, May 8th 1833. In 1861 she was united in marriage to William Wylie and her entire married life was spent within a few miles of her birth-place.

For almost seven years she was an invalid, for the last ten months unable to walk or help herself in any way. Everything that love or medical skill could do to lessen her suffering was done, but disease had fastened its hold upon her. She took an active interest in everything about her and was glad at all times to see her friends. Always patient and cheerful she was ready to go at any time but willing to live if the Lord wished.

She had been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for many years. Her pastor, Rev. G. W. Faus, conducted the funeral services at her late home and she was carried to her last resting place, a quiet spot on the farm, by six of her nephews.

The husband, a son, two daughters, two brothers and one sister survive to mourn their loss.

SHNYDER.

The funeral of Miss Lulu Shnyder, whose death was announced in our last issue, was held last Saturday from the Emmanuel Episcopal church, Rev. J. M. Robertson officiating. The funeral was largely attended and her remains laid to rest in Newton cemetery. The floral offerings were in profusion and very handsome.

The friends and relatives from out of town who attend were: J. H. Shnyder, Williamsport; F. F. Snyder and son, Burlingame; Mrs. Turner, St. Marys; Mr. and Mrs. William McVain, Cameron and J. C. Harmon, of Montgomery Pa.

In loving remembrance of Lulu Shnyder, who died Oct. 15, 1902. Gone but not forgotten.

'Tis hard to break the tender cord
When love has bound the heart.
'Tis hard, so hard, to speak the words;
'We must forever part.'

Dearest loved one, we must lay thee
In the peaceful grave's embrace,
But thy memory will be cherished
'Till we see thy heavenly face.
—Her Schoolmates.

Found With Head Crushed.

We clip the following from Monday's Williamsport Sun:

Clarence Willets died at the hospital in this city about 7 o'clock last evening. He was brought here yesterday by John Willets, his brother, and Dr. Robinson, of Cammal. Clarence, with his head crushed and unconscious was found along the Fall Brook railroad, about a half mile south of Cammal, about one o'clock yesterday morning. He did not regain consciousness. Death ensued in about eight hours after patient arrived at the hospital.

The above was a brother of R. K. Willets of this place, who left on Tuesday evening for Williamsport to attend the funeral. It is believed that the man met death by foul means. The authorities will make a thorough investigation of the case.

Baptist Church Notes.

Preaching morning and evening by the pastor. Morning subject "Wonderful" evening "Coming Home to Roost". Bible school at the close of morning worship. C. E. Crandell, Supt. P. S. C. E., 6 p. m. B. Olmsted, Pres. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 7:30. All Welcome. Benedictary song service in the lecture room at the close of the evening service in the auditorium.

Chicago Lady Entertainers To-Night.

One of the best attractions of the week will be the above company of talented people at the Court House, to-night. Solos, duets, trios and quartettes, together with dramatic readings will make up what promises to be a program of unexcelled merit and attractiveness. Go to the court house to-night.

Cut Last Log.

Mt. Jewett Herald gathers this: The big Schimmler mill at Instanter has ceased operations, cutting the last log Wednesday, Sept. 27, and is being dismantled for shipment to Cameron, Pa., where it will be used by George Hyde in cutting about 25,000,000 feet of timber owned by that firm.

ASK YOURSELF AND THEN YOUR NEIGHBORS.

Twice in recent history votes for Pattison elected Cleveland.

Remember! N. Seger has the best line of clothing in this county.

Mrs. Krebs no Better.

The condition of Mrs. Charles Krebs who was recently taken to the Williamsport hospital for treatment shows no improvement. Her husband visited her Tuesday last, but received no encouragement from the physicians in charge of the case.

Mr. Robertson in Ashland.

Rev. J. M. Robertson, rector of Emmanuel Episcopal church at Emporium, Pa., stopped off here last evening to see his brother, Major John C. Robertson, Adjutant General on General Wiley's staff, and joined the party who visited Alaska shaft this morning.—Ashland Evening Telegram Oct. 21 1902.

Store Burglarized.

One night this week the store of Peter Schweikart was broken into from the rear door and a quantity of goods taken, including under clothing, socks and other appropriate wearing apparel to meet the approaching cold and chilly winter.

Foot Ball Games.

Last Saturday one of our foot ball teams went to St. Marys and came away the victors by a score of 6 to 0.

Yesterday, Johnsonburg High School met the Emporium High School at Athletic Park and the visitors walloped our eleven to the tune of 16 to 6.

Hit by the Train.

Last evening while Forrest Garret, who resides near Gardeau, was driving over the crossing at Four Mile, was hit by the Buffalo accommodation, killing his team and severely injuring him. The train was stopped and Garret picked up and brought to Emporium where Drs. Smith and DeLong dressed his injuries.

Garret had been in Emporium and was on his way home when the accident happened.

Fair Play.

The American people as a nation are lovers of fair play, and honorable dealing, and not an American worthy of the name but read the news item stating that Cuba had been turned over to the Cubans with a thrill of pride; not but that a great many—perhaps a large majority—believe that the best policy and the best statesmanship, would have annexed the island at once, but the honor of the country was as stake, the nation's word had been pledged before the world, and every honest patriot desired to see the pledge kept, the more so as there was no power on earth that could compel us to keep to our promise.

The President of the United States, has also promised to establish reciprocal trade relations with Cuba, but so far has been unable to do so owing to the influence of the beet sugar trust, although every man with an ounce of brains knows that reciprocity with Cuba would be for the mutual benefit of both countries.

A Republican Congress elected next month will carry out President Roosevelt's plans, and keep our word with Cuba. A Democratic member at Harrisburg next winter will vote for a Democratic Senator at Washington.

No man who approves of the administration of Theodore Roosevelt, has any right to take any chances by voting for any Democrat this year.

A vote this year for a Democrat for any office from Congressman to Assemblyman, is a direct stab at, and a repudiation of the most thorough peoples President, and the ablest Statesman that has occupied the White House since the time of George Washington, bar none.

Vote for Mullin.
Vote for Dresser.
Vote the Straight Republican Ticket.

To Hunters.

The time has come when the Company that I represent must object to any one shooting on their property. We have a great many buildings connected with our works, and a great many men employed. These men are scattered over a good deal of territory. Last Saturday some one was shooting on the mountain somewhere close by, and the shot fell like hail on some of our larger buildings. This, of course, is dangerous to life and property.

I do not wish to deprive any man of hunting, or to be mean enough to say that he shall not go on our property to shoot. No one loves hunting any more than I do; therefore, it is not because I do not wish a man to hunt the grounds for the birds that he may shoot, but it is a case with us of life and death. Under such circumstances, I must forbid any one shooting on any portion of our property, and after this notice and the notices that will be put on our farms, we shall prosecute any one whom we see shooting or know of shooting over these grounds as before stated, we forbid them on account of the danger to life and property.

Yours respectfully,
FRED JULIAN, Manager,
The Climax Powder Mfg. Co.

WEATHER REPORT.

(Forecast by T. B. Lloyd.)
FRIDAY, Fair.
SATURDAY, Fair.
SUNDAY, Rain.

No More Numbered Ballots.

One of the constitutional amendments adopted last November does away with the numbering of ballots in this State. This fact was recognized at the succeeding February election in Philadelphia, where no ballots were numbered, each voter depositing his ballot in the box himself after having marked it.

In most parts of the State, however, the old practice of numbering the ballots was followed, wrong advice having been given by City Solicitors and other law authority. Some even refused to recognize that the amendment had been adopted because there had been no official declaration of the fact by the Governor or any other authority. Such an act on the part of the Governor would have been both timely and proper, though no law requires it, and it is unnecessary inasmuch as the Constitution declares that when an "amendment or amendments shall be approved by a majority of those voting thereon such amendment or amendments shall become a part of the Constitution." The amendments voted on last year, therefore, became a part of the Constitution at once after the election.

Depositing ballots without numbers assures substantial secrecy. Deposited, as they were at the last election in this city, by the voter himself, and not handled by the election officers until the boxes are opened to make the count, there is no way in which any citizen's ballot can be identified with his name. It is not in the power of the election officers or anybody else to know for whom a man has cast a vote. This removes what many have contended was a serious objection to our election system, as it did not provide for absolute secrecy in voting. And it is no doubt true that when the ballot was numbered and the same number put opposite the name of the voter on the voting list it was felt that it was not wholly a secret ballot.

The other side of the question is that without numbers it is no longer possible to identify, in contests, ballots cast by persons not qualified to vote, but as recent acts of the Legislature have made election contests such difficult and expensive undertakings that there are likely to be few or none in the future that feature is of much less consequence than formerly. It certainly is of much less importance than it is for the citizen to feel that he can vote as he pleases without danger of having his ballot exposed.—Philadelphia Press.

Institute Evening Attractions.

The evening entertainments presented to our people this week in the Institute course have been deservedly well patronized.

Edward P. Elliott in the play of David Harum, scored a distinct success. His conception of the several characters involved was intelligent and his impersonations in voice, attitude, facial expressions and gesture decided good.

The Ernest Gamble Recital Company gave one of the most artistic treats ever furnished an Emporium audience. Many do not hesitate to say that Mr. Gamble is the best basso ever heard by them, here or anywhere. The depth, the resonance, the strength, the sweetness of his voice is simply wonderful and encore after encore was demanded and cheerfully given. The other members of his company are artists in their respective lines and fully sustained the high reputation of the company.

Thomas Dixon, Jr., is an exceptionally entertaining lecturer. His subject, "Backbone" gave him opportunity to present some unique and striking ideas and the witticisms which he contrived to introduce, kept his audience in the best of humor. His statements were heartily applauded at times.

Miners Resume Work To-day.

WILKES-BARRE, October 22.—Rapid progress is being made by all the coal companies in the anthracite region toward a general resumption of coal mining. The suspension officially ends tomorrow at 7 a. m., but the quantity of coal that will be mined this week will not be great. It is not believed twenty-five per cent. of the normal production will be reached until some time next week. There are a number of mines that will not be in condition for operation for several months and there are others that will not be ready for the men under two or three weeks. Thousands of men of every class made application for work to-day. Engineers and pumpmen who applied for their old positions failed to secure them.