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# LIGHT ON BIPARTISAN "DEALS" DUE TODAY IN PENROSE PROBE

# Point to Affiliations Between Old Guard and Liquor Ring of Machine.

Bipartisan deals between the Old Guard Democrats and the Republican Organization in Philadelphia through a communion of interests in the "liquor ring" are expected to be brought to light before the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections when that ommittee meets in Washington today decide upon an investigation of Senator Penrose's primary campaign "slush

Reorganizers point out that the Old Guard Democratic City Committee, which frequently has been a party to biparti-san deals, is bound to the Republican Organization and the liquor interests by financial and marriage tles through its mirman, B. Gordon Bromley. Bromley is secretary and treasurer of

the Continental Brewing Company, at 21st street and Washington avenue. John Gardiner, president of the brewery, is his brother-in-law. Gardiner lives at 1800 Pine street, in the 17th division of the Seventh Ward, and was profled at the last election as a Re publican.

Gardiner, according to reports. been called to appear as a witness be-fore the Senate Committee as the president of the Pennsylvania Brewers' As-sociation. The reports state that the committee has also called Charles F. Ettia who manages the mahogany-fur-nished offices of the Fennselvania Brewers' Association at 1504 Land Title Build-ing, and Nell Bonner, of 22d and Carpenter streets, president of the Pennsylvania Federation of Liquor Dealers.

Bonner was associated with the old Donnelly-Ryan organization 10 years ago, and later became an independent Democrat. Last spring he returned the Old Guard fold. Immediately aft primaries he announced that he was a Republican, and that he would support Senator Penrose and the Re-publican ticket. Ettla has always been

"liquor man" in politics. It has been through the influence of Bromley, its chairman, and his connec-tions with a Republican, a "liquor man" and a former Democrat, that the Democratic City Committee has obeyed the dictates of the liquor interests by refusing to support the Democratic party of the State in its local option pledge. Bromley and Vance C. McCormick, the Democratic candidate for Governor on the platform which the organization headed by Bromley refused to indorse, were delegates to the last Democratic National Convention and voted together r President Wilson. They both worked to swing Pennsylvania in line for Wil-

ben McCormick became a candidate for Governor, however, on a platform of which local option was a principal plank. Bromley broke with McCormick because his financial and other connections with the brewery interests, and the Demcratic City Committee, under Bromley's falled to indorse the Det cratic State platform because it favored

Political leaders who are watching the effort being made for a Senate investi-Senator Penrose's campaign funds, today recalled Bromley's views liquor question, expressed by the emocratic City Committee chairman At that time Bromley, in answer to a question regarding the probable attitude cratic State platform, called local option "an stinck upon personal liberty." He said that he did not know the views o the members of the Democratic City Committee, but that this was his personal

#### RIDICULES PENROSE'S FAILURE TO MEET CHARGES

#### Palmer Shows Weakness of Attempted Answer to Indictment.

CORRY, Pa., Sept. 25 .- Congressman A Palmer, candidate inited States Senate, stopped here just one enough this morning to ridicule the yeak reply made by Senator Penrose to the indictment against his public record in Washington which Mr. Palmer has en placing before the voters through-Palmer said he had read the re

from Penrose in the newspapers, and was evident that the answer was welfor throughout his entire speech held it up to ridicule, exposed its single one of the charges made against Penroseism.

Mr. Palmer arrived here from Sayre, here he spoke last night. Today he will visit nearly all the small towns in Susquehanna County, ending at Montrose night, where he will address a political

#### BRUMBAUGH AT ALTOONA: HAS CORDIAL RECEPTION

Prominent Men Welcome Candidate and He Addresses School Children. ALTOONA, Pa., Sept. 25.-Dr. Martin Brumbaugh and Henry Houck, arrived here this morning for the big Republican mass meeting tonight. A not-able delegation met them at the station included George W. Creighton, general superintendent, and N. W. Smith. Walker, ex-Congressman J. D. Hicks, County Chairman J. Lee Plummer and nearly all the local Republican

After a brief reception they were es corted in automobiles to the Altoena High School, where 1200 boys and girls narched into the auditorium. Dr. Brun haugh gave the students a heart to heart talk. He advised them to stick to school and make the most of their ti while they were in school. He called children in Pennsylvania were to form i column ten abreast they would form an

would be the grandest army that marched under any flag," he de

After Doctor Houck spoke the candidates were the guests of the school electors at a lunch served in the High School by students in the domestic science department. Doctor Brumbaug? renounced it one of the most palatable

This afternoon the schools of Juniata. a subarb, were visited, and later a re-ception was held in a prominent held. Tonisht Senator Penrose will arrive here to speak t the rally.

# SLUSH" INQUIRY PROBABLE BEFORE THE FALL ELECTION

restimony in Sullivan Case to Open Door on Penrose Expenditures.

FROM A STATE CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Dr. Carl S.

Vrooman, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, was the only witness who appeared today at the executive session of Reorganization Democrats

Point to Affiliations Benatorial primaries in Pennsylvania and inois. Doctor Vrooman is from Illinois and his testimony related to the expendi-tures of Roger C. Sullivan. Pennsylvanians who are familiar with the manner in which Senator Penrose's

campaign for renomination was conducted will appear before the committee at 11 o'clock tomorrow. Senator Kern, chairman of the committee, refuses to reveal the identity of the Pennsylvania wit-

Doctor Vrooman's testimony today is said to have increased the demand for the investelgation asked for by Senator Norris While the committee met behind closed doors and refused to discuss the nature of the testimony given by Doctor Vrooman, the EVENING LEDGER is informed that the Norris resolution will be favorably reported to the Senate. Every effort will be made by Senator Norris and other advocates of the resolution to have the investigation conducted before the

# 1,500,000 RUSSIANS ROUT GERMANS ON PRUSSIAN BORDER

Great Battle Impends as Russians, Resuming Offensive, Advance From Polish Frontier Along 150-Mile

PETROGRAD, Sept. 25. General Rennenkampf has already resumed the offensive against the Germans and hold the entire East Prussia frontier ine while he is driving the Germans who invaded Russian Poland in force back on their own bases.

They have already very strongly fortified the Vistula River from Danzig south, and are evidently preparing to make their real defense along this line.

The news of the war in the east indicates, after all reasonable allowances for exaggeration are made, that the immense forces of Russia are rapidly nearing the German frontier, on a line of advance 150 miles wide

Within a few days is expected news of a pitched battle, as vast as that of the Alsne, between 1,000,000 Germans and Austrians, who are concentrating on this line to save the Kaiser's territory, and 1,500,000 Russians.

Bellef that the direct Russian advance against Germany is apidly progressing is partially confirmed by an announce-ment of the Breslau Gazette that the military authorities there have cut all telegraphic communication between Breelau Posen, Oppeln and Liebnitz. indicate the approach of the Russian There were rumors two days armies. miles east of Breslau

The re-occupation of Soldau, East Prus sin, where General Rennenkampf suffered heavy losses in a battle with superfor The Germans are reported to be vacuating the district about Soldau.

There is no fighting on the German front. Three attempts by the Germans. repulsed and the Germans have been cometely expelled by General Rennenkampf being brought east by sea." ordinary traffic, indicating a great move-

#### MARCONI WIRELESS STATION DEFIES ORDER TO CLOSE

Official Notifies Manager to Do Business Until Force Is Used. NANTUCKET Mass Sent 25 - The

not close at noon today, notwithstanding the Navy Daniels, because of an alleged violation of neutrality regulations Greggs of the Marconi Company wired Manager Cow den instructions that if censor at the wireless station ordered the station closed at noon today will ask him if he is prepared to suck up that order by force and if not that you will continue to do under orders from your superiors." This afternoon Lieutenant Nixon wired retary Daniels that he was in receipt of a letter from the local manager to the ve effect and requesting further in-

In the meantime the wireless station in still doing business pending further action by the censor.

#### SWISS WILL NOT ALLOW GERMANS TO CROSS BORDER

Washington Officials Skeptical About Report From Rome.

ROME, Sept. 25. The Glornale d'Italia publishes a ort from Basel that Switzerland has fused a request from the Germans for permission to send three army corps

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25. Switzerland recently has received acrance that her neutrality will it was stated at the Swiss Lecation this afternoon.

## NEW JERSEY REPUBLICANS

State Chairman Calls Convention to Meet Next Tuesday.

TRENTON, N. J., Sept. 35.—Newton A., Bugbee, chairman of the Republican tale Committee, today issued a cali for the State convention of the party to be eld next Tuesday beginning at 11 o'clock the auditorium of the Republican Club

The call is issued to the so candidates or the Assembly, seven Senatorial nom-aces, five holdover Senators and the 21 members of the State Committee. afferm committee will meet at 2 o'clock otternoon previous rention in the Republican Club.

# WILSON TURNS DOWN JERSEY DEMOCRATS' SECOND TERM BOOST

#### President Says Such Action Would Take Advantage of Present Extraordinary Situation for Personal Gain

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 .- President Wilson today declined to allow the Democrats of New Jersey to indorse him for second term.

He believed that such an indorsement might look as if he were "taking advantage of the extraordinary situation now existing to gain some personal advantage through such an expression of confidence by them.

He directed his secretary, J. P. Tumulty, o write a letter to Edward E. Grosscup, State Treasurer of New Jersey, outlining his views on the matter.

The letter says: "My Dear Grosscup:

"You were generous enough to consult me as to whether the Democrats of New Jersey should at this time endorse the President for a second term. I had a talk with the President about it and he deeply appreciates the generosity of the suggestion, but New Jersey is his own state, the men who would act in this matter are his own personal friends, and he feels that it might seem as if he were taking advantage of the extraordinary situation now existing to gain some perional advantage through such an expression of confidence by them.

This would be inconsistent with his whole thought and spirit, and he shrinks from it as from something that would embarrass rather than help him.

"He feels confident that you will know the spirit in which he says this, and that in urging the Democrats of New Jersey not to do this he is not abating in the least his deep appreciation.

'Very sincerely yours "J. P. TUMULTY. "Secretary to the President,"

# JAPANESE BOMBARD GERMAN FORTRESS WITH LAND FORCES

#### Tsing-Tao, on Chinese Peninsula, Besieged and Terrific Firing Meets Assault. Night Attack Expected.

PEKIN, Sept. 25. The first Japanese attack against the German works at Tsing-Tao on the land begun today, according to information received in this cty.

A force of British troops under Brigadier-General Nathaniel W. Bernardiston, 800 South Wales borderers. 400 Indian Sikhs and Japanese began bombarding the outer work of the Germans.

(Tsing-Tao is the port of the German easehold of Kiao-Chau on the Shan Tune peninsula in China.)

The Allies are making a vigorous asault against the German works, and the German artillery is replying vigor-

It is expected that the Japanese troops and their allies will make a night attack against the German works soon.

#### ALLIES' FLEET CAPTURES NAVAL BASE IN ADRIATIC

Austrian Warships May Attempt to gain City.

The Anglo-French fleet has secured a base in the Adriatic through the occupation of the city of Lissa, the capital of the island of that name situated just off the Dalmatian coast. The fleet bombarded the ctiv, which surrendered. The British and French marines were then landed and the Austrian garrison has been imprisoned.

It is expected that as a result of this occupation, the Austrian flest, which has been anchored inside of the naval base at Pola, will attempt to drive the British-French fleet from Lissa and a naval bat-

#### CONFESS TO BIG THEFT

Pittsburgh Bank Employes Enter Pleas of Guilty in Court.

PITTSBURGH. Sept. 26.-Pleas guilty were entered in Criminal Court here today by Herman F. Borchers and charged with embezzlement, larceny and forgery in connection with the theft of \$85,000 from the Colonial Trust Company of this city.

Both were connected with the bank at the time the crimes were committed.

WEATHER FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity-Cloudy tonight, Saturday fair; continued cool; moderate north and northwest winds.

For details, see page 14.

#### **GARRISON ORDERS TROOPS** TO REMAIN AT VERA CRUZ

Withdrawal of American Soldiers Impossible at This Time.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 .- Secretary of War Garrison today cabled General Funston at Vera Cruz that there was no cossibility of the withdrawal of American roops within the next ten days. The departure of the troops may be indefinitely postponed under pretext of civil and diplomatic difficulties, pending the outcome of the new revolt. Delay in completing rmalities for turning over by General Funston of the port and customs collec-tions to a Constitutionalist representative will operate, it was said, to postpone de-parture of the troops. Isolation of Vera Cruz from Mexico City by the cutting of railway and wire communication are also expected to delay the evacuation. Seven transports were today loading army supplies at Vera Cruz in anticipation

army supplies at Vera Cruz in anticipation of early surrender of the city, however. Complications viewed with some apprehension in Administration circles were prospective urgent demands by Carranza for immediate departure of the Americans and a protest from Villa against giving the port to any Carranza agent. This would present a difficult and delicate problem to the President almost a choice. problem to the President—almost a choice of support between the rival leaders.

# VILLA PREPARING TO SEND HIS ARMY AGAINST CARRANZA

Concentrating Troops at Chihuahua and Torreon. Felix Diaz and Huerta's Successor to Aid New Re-

#### By LEWIS T. MATSON

EL PASO, Tex., Sept. 25.-The real situation south of the Rio Grande was hidden today behind the curtain of censorship, and by General Francisco Villa, who has taken up arms against his former chief, Provisional President Venustiano

It is known however that Villa is hurriedly concentrating troops at Chihuahua City and at Torreon

Requests sent to Villa for an expression upon the statement issued by Carranza in Mexico City, in which the Provisional President expressed the belief that peace would soon be restored, brought no reply Political leaders throughout Mexico

ire taking sides and it is reported that

General Fellx Diaz, a nephew of ex-President Porficio Diaz, and Francisco Carbajal, who succeeded Victoriano Huerta as President, are hurrying to El Paso to offer their services to Villa. Great activity exists in Juarez. Trainloads of supplies are being sent south ward. It is evident that for weeks Villa has been preparing for this emergency. His aides declared that the Villasta army has enough ammunition and visions to last "until Mexico City is

captured." VILLA PREPARING SURPRISE. There is a Villista junta here and another at Houston. There revolutionary headquarters are making vigorous efforts side in which Allies have figured was to cloak all of Villa's movements. It is evident that Villa wants to deliver a surprise stack against the army which Carranza is sending northward from the

capital. The United States authorities are con fident that there will not be any fighting along the border, which would imperil the lives of Americans on United States soil or American property. It is confidently believed that the fighting will take place in the southern part of the State of Chihuahua or even farther south. Villa is going to lead his troops in person, whereas General Carranza lends to remain in Mexico City, ing field operations to members of his

on the part of the representatives of General Villa as to what side, if any the United States Government will take Since the embargo on arms and ammu-nition was lifted vast quantities of war supplies have been shipped through the Juarez custom house. If the embargo is again established it will be regarded as evidence that the United States is opposed to the Villa uprising. On the other hand, if this passive assistance is given to the one-time bandit. Villa prob-ably will look to the Government at Washington as his friend.

IF VILLA SHOULD WIN.

The question now is: What will happen should General Villa overthrow Carranza; The belief is strong all along the border that Villa will win, because he has the people with him. But the famous Constitutionalist general declares that he vill not be President of Mexico no matter what happens. The logical conclusion is that Vitla will put a man of his then compel him to put through the reform measures which were formerly be-lieved to be the essence of the Constitutionalist party's principles. Chief among these is the distribution of land among the peons. After this and other mea to disband the army. However, all this a dependent upon his winning Persons crossing the be der declare that sentliment in Northern Mexico is strong-

#### REPORT ON RHEIMS DAMAGE

American Consul From Switzerland to Investigate.

BORDEAUX, Sept. 25.-The American Consul at Lausanne, in Switzerland, has gone to Rheims to prepare a report on the damage done the Cathedral by the Ger-

#### PEACE PRICE TOO HEAVY

Germany's Position Must First Be Assured, Berlin Paper Says.

BERLIN, by wireless through Sayville, The Berlin Tageblatt published the foiowing statement, apparently inspired of-

Peace after such enormous sacrifices is possible only when Germany's position in only passemilable for a long future."

# GERMANS' ONSLAUGHTS **HURL BACK DEFENDERS** NEAR FORTS OF VERDUN

Centres of the bitterest fighting in France today are Verdun and along the Oise and Alsne Rivers, German forces have captured Varennes, west of Verdun. The Allies claim slight gains in the enveloping movement against General von Kluk. English reinforcements are being rushed for ward to strengthen the Allies' left. Terrific bombardment of the Verdun Toul line of forts continues.

Belgian forces defeated the Germans in

says the Belgian official statement, and forced them back toward Brus-A troop train was captured with 800 prisoners. Alleged peace proposals from Germany again were

Russians continue pursuit of the Aus trians in Galicia, despite ceaseless rains and difficulty in traversing marshy land. Smaller fortified positions have been taken, opening the important railway centre. The Ausback to the fortress with great loss. The main Russian army is reported at Tarnow, midway between Cracow and Jaroslaw.

territorials, began bombardment of the German fortress at Tsing-Tao

alrehips are raiding coast towns along the North Sea, and England fears an early invasion. A

ship, is reported to have been sunk by the Kaiser Wilhelm off the South are reported to have successfully bombarded three Austrian towns on the Dalmatian coast

German War Office reports the Verdun-Toul line of forts is being battered to pieces by the German siege guns, and the sorties of the French have been repulsed. The official statement admits severe pressure against the right wing, but insists the Allies have made no progress. The capitulation of Verdun is predicted when the big slege guns arrive from Metz. The capture of Varennes, east of Argonne, is an-

Petrograd reports reaching the outer fortifications of Cracow. Repulse is announced of a sortie by the Przemysl garrison and continued pursuit of the Austrians along the pects stiff resistance at Cracow, as its occupation would Jeopardize the German positions in East Prussia and Silesia. The present Russian objective is Chyrow, an important raillin is planned to follow occupation

Servian War Office announces repulse of Austrians, who shelled Belgrade six hours. Victory, after bloody fighting, is reported on the Save and Danube, Austrian forces being repulsed in an invading movement.

China, chafing at Japan's proposal to build a narrow guage railroad for has mobilized troops in the northern coast provinces. The Government is anxious lest this become a permanent line, following the precedent of the Mukden-Antung line in the Russo-Japanese War. Movement of the combined British and Japanese forces in an assault on Tsing-Tao is expected this week.

### WILSON SIGNS "ALLEY BILL"

Eyes Dimmed With Tears as He Approves Measure Urged by Dear Wife. signed today the so-called "alley" bill. which wipes out the alums of Wash-

vestigation of the crowded precincts of the capital and who, on her deathbod, whispered that she wanted the legislation to go through. Just before her death she was assured her last wish would be granted.

The War Today Invaders Capture Varennes, Occupy Meuse Heights and Rush on St. Mihiel in Violent Effort to Break Through Long Line of Ramparts.

> French Advance East of Rheims-Allies Continue Flanking Movement Against Teuton Right Wing and Attempt to Gain Possession of Railroad Centres.

German forces, in a determined astured Varennes, west of Verdun, have occupied the heights of the Meuse River and are marching on St. Mihiel, 20 miles southeast of Verdun

added that the French have occupied heights on the west side of the Meuse

The official report shows the Allies are making a great effort to capture the railroad centre at Tergnier.

The complete official statement fol

On our left wing a general action of great violence is proceeding between that part of our forces which is operating between the Somme and the Oise and the army corps which the enemy has gathered in the region of Tergnier and St. Quentin. Some of these army corps come from the centre of the enemy's line and others come from Lorraine and the Vosges, the latter being transported by railroad to Cambrai by way of Liege and Valenciennes. At the north of the Alse as far as Berry-Au-Bac there

At the centre we have advanced on the east of Rheims toward Berry and Moron-Villiers. Farther to the east up to the Argonne forest the situation is unchanged. To the east of the Argonne the enemy has been unable to debouch from

Varennes. On the right bank of the Meuse e has gained a foothold on the heights of the Meuse, on the promotory of Hatton-Chattel, and is pressing on in the direction of St. Mihiel. He has bombarded the forts of Les-Paroches and Camp Des Romaines.

On the opposite bank, to the south of Verdun, we are masters of the heights of the Meuse and our troops, debouching from Toul, have advanced to the vicinity of Beau-

On our right wing (Lorraine and the Vosges) we have repulsed some unimportant attacks on Nomeny. To the east of Luneville the enemy has made some demonstrations on the line of La Vegoure and La Blette. The Important railway junction

town of Tergnier, on the Oise River, and commanding the railroad lines now so important to General von angle of the Aise and Oise, was today the scene of a general French attack.

heavily reinforced by fresh troops sent | dun forts every 24 hours | h

The general position of the allied loft gradually has been changing. Realizing the folly of sacrificing men in vain attempts to carry the strongly entrenched positions that have the pro-French and British commanders-in- ing the light artillery which is beir chief are contenting themselves with used against the French troops when subjecting these trenches to a constant | they make acrticabombardment. And with the bulk of WASHINGTON. Sept. 25.-President their forces available for further action a series of elaborate redoubts. De-Wilson, his eyes dimmed with tears, they are driving a wedge against the fensive works have also been erected

If they can break them, it will be The measure was advocated by Mrs. possible to split the armies of General either throw the latter back on top of some intropid aviator acouting over the General von Buelow's army, which ad- beleaguered city. joins on the cast, or compel Von Kluk

PARIS, Sept. 25. | to give battle surrounded on three sides

tle, already in progress for 12 days, of the Germans that must carry them back to the lines of the Meuse and

east of Rheims, indicating that the real between Verdun and Toul, which are

Verdun. This movement, it is believed relieving Verdun, which has now been

quarters, however, that by this movement the French centre has been broken. Instead, it is declared as solid as ever, and it is asserted that another movement, details of which are suppressed, is already in progress which will have important results in the near

Fresh British troops have been landed in France and are being rushed to the front to support the exhausted soldiers who have been under fire continuously for more than a month,

It is reported the British reinforcements are being placed along the Oise and the Alsne to support both the left flank and the centre of the Allies. Fighting with the fury of demons,

the French of General d'Amade's army are pressing porthward and eastward, never ceasing their pounding against the German lines. With Peroune in their hands, they resumed the offensive at dawn today, only to be met with a fierce bombardment from the German guns around Roisel.

The German left, which is supposed to contain the armies of the German Crown Prince and Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, are making violent assaults on the fortresses of Verdun. The bombardment is described as even more vigorous than that at Liege. The French, aided by two British Gigantic German siege guns, sent forarmy corps, were assaulting the Ger- ward from the German fortresses man positions here and along the line around Metz, are being ranged upon northward to the vicinity of St. Quen- the uplands around the French city tin in a supreme effort to cut General and are sending in a tornado of shells. von Kluk's communications. The War | More than 5000 shells, each about five Office admitted this, and it also ad- feet long and nearly 17 inches in diammitted General von Kluk has been ster, are being buried against the Ver-

The cannonade goes on night and day. Trained gunners, whose his work has been the study of scientif artillery fire, are at the German from at Verdun directing the bombardmer The Germans have more than 1 tection of the Alane and ties, the heavy guns in action there, not coun-

for the protection of the batteries upon

Wilson, who personally made an in- von Boehm, made up of the bulk of erected on the heights around Verdun, the Germans withdrawn from Belgium, and at times as these pencils of light and of General von Kluk. This will flash skyward at night they reveal

Counting the fresh works, which