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## TUESDAY'S ELECTION

### The Importance of Every Democrat Being Out

### BOSS RULE MUST BE DOWNED

This Can Only Be Accomplished by Getting Out Every Democratic Vote—Now is the Time to Defeat Quayism in This State.

Democrats, independent republicans, next Tuesday the country demands your presence at the ballot box. This is most especially true and urgent in the old Keystone state, where the battle against bossism and rank corruption is to be decided. Politically, the people of this state have smarted under the yoke of unprincipled bosses. These have trampled upon the rights of the people and robbed the public treasury wholesale for a quarter of a century, and when any of the guilty ones were brought into court, found guilty and sentenced, they escaped punishment by immediate pardon by a governor and pardon board made up of the machine and of the Governor Stone stripe.

Shall the Commonwealth be longer disgraced by keeping this gang of plunderers and jobbers in power? The good people of the state of William Penn have cried unto heaven against the bosses who have been enriching themselves and plundering the tax-payers.

Next Tuesday is the great day of battle against the pardoned penitentiary gang. Every honest citizen owes it to himself, his neighbor, his state and his God, that he cast his vote on Tuesday to wipe out bossism in machine-ridden Pennsylvania. This sacred duty can only be performed by casting your ballots for the nominees of the anti-machine republicans and the democratic nominees. All these are pledged against the blight of Quayism that is trampling under its feet constitution, law and the most sacred rights of the people of our state.

GET OUT THE VOTE, on Tuesday, next.

Democrats, independent anti-machine republicans, all depends upon getting out the vote, on Tuesday.

The honest people of the state now have an opportunity to throw off the galling yoke of Quayism, it is this: GET OUT THE VOTE, ON TUESDAY, NEXT.

Victory is beyond question, if you bring every honest citizen to the polls. The great majority is sick and tired of the notorious Quay machine.

GET OUT THE VOTE.

### BIG FIRE AT PINE STATION.

Saturday night at 11:30 o'clock fire was discovered in the roof of the building of R. C. Quiggle at Pine Station and in a short time the whole structure was ablaze. A portion of the building was occupied by the general store of R. C. Quiggle & Son and the other portion as a dwelling by A. N. Bittner, telegraph operator at the Philadelphia & Erie railroad station at Pine. The spread of the flames was so rapid that but little of the contents of either the store or dwelling was saved, says the Lock Haven Express.

Pine postoffice was kept in the store of Quiggle & Son and all the mail matter and other postoffice belongings were safely removed. The flames communicated to the Pine Hotel, a large frame building also owned by R. C. Quiggle. The hotel building was completely destroyed, with most of the contents. A portion of the household goods of operator Bittner were saved. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss of the contents of the store is estimated at \$2,200, on which there is \$1,100 insurance. The store building and dwelling was valued at \$2,500, insurance \$1,200.

The Pine hotel was valued at \$2,500 and the insurance is \$1,200. Mr. Weymouth's loss on contents of the hotel is \$1,500, on which there is \$500 insurance. Total insurance \$3,500—loss \$6,200.

Mr. Bittner and his family were not at home and there was no fire in the building. He with his family being on a visit to his former home in Potter township, this county.

### Thanksgiving.

According to the custom of years, President McKinley has appointed the last Thursday in November as a day of Thanksgiving. The proclamation is admirably written.

### HIT BY A TRAIN.

While Crossing the Railroad Track Near Howard.

A serious accident occurred at Howard on Saturday morning which resulted in serious injuries to Jackson Confer, a farmer who resides two miles from Howard. Mr. Confer was on his way to the creamery at Howard, and was driving two horses. A Bald Eagle Valley freight train which stood on a siding at a crossing of the public highway had been cut in order that teams might cross. As Mr. Confer drove between the cars, and was about to cross the main track the engine of an east bound freight train struck his team and wagon. The horses were rolled around considerably but escaped without the least injury. Mr. Confer was not so fortunate. His wagon was crushed into kindling, and he was dragged about 150 feet. When picked up it was found that he was badly hurt, as two of his ribs are broken, and he is badly cut and bruised about the head. He also complained of being hurt in the back, and it is feared that he also sustained internal injuries.

### ONE MAN KILLED.

Another frightful wreck occurred on the Beech Creek road Saturday morning. A freight train stopped at the water tank above Beech Creek to take water. As the train was straight at that point, the flagman did not come back to flag the following train, he presuming that the engineer would see the train ahead.

ENGINE CROSSWISE ON THE TRACK. Engineer Bridge was on the train following, but owing to the heavy fog, he did not see the rear of the train at the water tank in time. His engine bumped into the caboose with such force as to reduce that car to kindling wood, and to pile up two or three cars ahead of the caboose and one or two cars behind the locomotive of the second train. The engine was thrown crosswise on the track with the pilot down the side of the road-bed.

ROASTED TO DEATH. Flagman Riddles was taken from under the fire box of the engine about an hour after the collision occurred. His arms and legs were burned off, and his body was burned to a crisp. He was 23 years old, and unmarried. His parents reside at Westport.

THE INJURED. Conductor Ira McCoy had both legs crushed. Brakeman W. S. Triebel's collar bone was fractured. W. C. Roberts severe cuts about the face and head and ugly bruises.

J. W. McCoy, the brakeman who had both legs broken, died at his home in Jersey Shore, that evening.

### Fearful Predicament.

Mr. and Mrs. William White, of Blairsville, went to Homestead Tuesday to visit their son, the Rev. W. J. White, pastor of the Episcopal church at that place. They missed the train returning to their home and had to take one that did not make connection with an Indiana branch train. They got off at Blairsville intersection and started to walk to Blairsville. They had to cross the high and long bridge across the Kiskiminetas river. When half way over they were caught by a freight train. Mr. White dropped down between the ties and held his wife suspended in the air fifty feet from the ground while the long train passed over them. Then with great difficulty he lifted her to the bridge again. His coat was caught by the train and was torn, so close was he to the wheels.

### Hunting Accident.

The Blair's Mills correspondent of the Port Royal Times says: A most distressing accident, which was attended with fatal results, occurred near Doyleysburg on Friday morning of last week. Two young sons of Daniel Symmerman, aged 10 and 12 years respectively, were out in the woods hunting squirrels. The youngest boy noticed a squirrel on a tree, got the gun from his brother and in dodging around the tree to get a whack at the squirrel he tripped and fell. The gun was prematurely discharged and the contents entered the body of the youngest lad, killing him instantly.

### Fatal Fall.

A young son of Wesley Garlick, residing at Tatesville, Bedford county, while climbing a persimmon tree on Sunday last, fell a distance of nearly forty feet, striking on his head. He was taken up unconscious and upon examination being made it was found that his jaw was broken and he was suffering from other and internal injuries. He died at three o'clock Monday morning without regaining consciousness.

### To Raise the Maine.

The battleship Maine is to be removed from Havana harbor, as it is considered an obstruction to navigation. The work will be undertaken immediately.

## TWO PROMINENT CITIZENS

### Of Bellefonte Pass Away During the Week

### SUDDEN DEATH AT ALTOONA

Of Presiding Elder M. L. Smyser, of the Methodist Church—J. D. Shugert, Cashier of Centre County Bank, Succumbs.

J. DUNLOP SHUGERT:—One of Bellefonte's leading citizens, well-known in this and adjoining counties, died at his home in this place, at 8 a. m., Friday morning, 25th; although his calling away was unlooked for, yet the condition of his health was such that his friends felt that the unwelcome news of his demise was to come as a shock to the community sooner or later, having been of ill health for eight months. Mr. Shugert was descended from one of the pioneer families of this county, who, from that early period down to the death of the subject of this article, were prominent in the history and progress of Centre county. John Dunlop Shugert was born in Bellefonte, June 26, 1837, and was the oldest son of Samuel T. Shugert; his mother was a daughter of John Dunlop, one of the founders of this town. The father of the deceased was a prominent democratic leader, and held a number of responsible positions and also gained prominence as a democratic editor. During the administration of President Buchanan he was acting Commissioner of Patents. He was one of pioneer newspaper men of the county and founder of the present Centre Democrat. J. Dunlop Shugert was a self-made man, the architect of his own prominence and fortune. No one in his day was so thoroughly conversant with the business connected with the offices in the Court House as "Lop" Shugert. He was elected county treasurer by an overwhelming majority, and left the office with a faultless record. When the Centre Co. Banking Company was organized in 1868, Mr. Shugert was elected cashier, and held that important position until his death—honor and fidelity characterizing his every act. Enterprises for the general good of the county and native town, found in Mr. Shugert an advocate and liberal supporter. He was married to Mary S., daughter of the late Dr. John McCoy—she preceded him to the other shore September 28, 1883. The surviving children are: John M., Frank M., Jean, wife of David T. Kelly and Catherine, all of Bellefonte. The funeral took place Monday 10 a. m., and was largely attended.

The services were conducted by Rev. Wm. Laurie, D. D. L. D., pastor of the Presbyterian church, who delivered a touching sermon in which he called attention to the manifold good qualities of the departed one. The pall bearers were Hon. Austin O. Furst, Joo. G. Love, Dr. A. M. Hibler, J. L. Kurtz, Chas. F. Cook, J. P. Harris, Dr. Geo. F. Harris, Wm. P. Humes, John M. Dale, J. Howard Lingle, Col. James P. Coburn and Lyman T. Eddy. Interment took place in the Union cemetery.

REV. MARTIN LUTHER SMYSER:—presiding elder of the Altoona district, Central Pennsylvania conference, Methodist Episcopal church, died suddenly about midnight Sunday, at the residence of John S. Hoover, Altoona, Pa., with whom he had been stopping since Saturday. Mr. Smyser was the originator of the idea of the Methodist state convention held at Harrisburg last week, and was the first vice president as well as the secretary of that body. He went from Harrisburg to his home in Bellefonte last Friday, returning to Altoona on Saturday afternoon. He was suffering from a severe cold contracted while holding a quarterly conference at Williamsburg about two weeks ago. [On Sunday morning, although very weak and suffering from a dull pain in the region of the heart, he attended service at the Eighth Avenue church, reading the opening and the second hymn and delivering the opening prayer. In the afternoon he sent for a physician who discovered that he was seriously ill and directed him to go to bed. In the evening the doctor again saw him and thought him somewhat improved. Mr. Hoover sat by his bedside until 3:35 Sunday morning, when, supposing him to be sleeping soundly, he retired. But at 4 o'clock he returned to the room, and, not liking the appearance of Mr. Smyser, he called his wife, who coming in discovered that the sick man was no longer sick. He had passed into the other world, probably about midnight. Mr. Wilcox was hurriedly summoned and that gentleman notified the friends at Bellefonte of the sad event. A committee of Bellefonte Methodists, consisting of Judge John G. Love, G. W. Rees, W. T. Twitmore and John Olewile went to Altoona for the purpose of conveying the remains to his late home.

Brief services were held at Mr. Hoover's home. During his ministry, over a period of thirty-seven years, he served many appointments, including Chambersburg, Lewistown, Bellefonte, Philipsburg, Bloomsburg, Berwick, Bedford, Curwensville, Mulberry street, Williamsport, Shamokin. He was also for a time in the Methodist book room at Harrisburg, was presiding elder of the Danville district, and was serving his first year as presiding elder of the Altoona district when the sudden summons came. He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Misses Jean and Grace, at home, and one son, Professor William E. Smyser, of Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio.

Brief but appropriate services were held at the house at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, after which public memorial services were held in the Presbyterian church at 2:30 o'clock in which several ministers participated. The body was taken to York, Pa., on the 6:40 train this morning and services will be held in the First Methodist church of that place this afternoon at 2:30. Interment at York.

### REUNION OF THE 110th REG.

Tuesday the survivors of the 110th Reg. Penna. Vol. held their 18th annual reunion at Bellefonte. There were about 60 delegates in attendance. Five companies of this regiment were enlisted from Philadelphia while the balance came from Blair, Clearfield and Huntingdon counties. Gettysburg, Pa., was selected as the place for holding the next annual reunion which takes place the third Tuesday in October 1901.

James Krebs, of Milesburg, is the only surviving member of the 110th regiment in this county. A delightful supper for the old soldiers was served in the Post rooms at 6 o'clock. In the evening the camp fire was held in the Court House. The address of welcome was delivered by Hon. A. O. Furst, of Bellefonte. It was responded to by their president Col. B. F. Steward, of Washington, D. C. Other addresses were made by Col. Wilbur F. Reeder, D. P. Fortney, John A. Daley and Capt. Hamilton. Miss Lulu Tate, daughter of Geo. Tate, of McKeesport, and a niece of John Tate of this place, recited a selection that called forth hearty applause. Mallory & Taylor gave another pleasing exhibition. They were delighted with the visit to our town.

### Discovered New Gas Field.

The Pine Creek Oil & Gas Co. has struck a heavy "gasser" at Cedar Run, on the bank of Pine Creek. The drill struck the gas sand at a depth of 1112 feet. After passing through 25 feet of sand, during which time the gas pressure steadily increased, a pool of salt water was struck and water, registering a pressure of 500 pounds, spouted out of the well. Enough gas is forced through the water to make a strong flame at the mouth of the well, thus showing that the gas pressure exceeds 500 pounds.

This strike far exceeds the gas pressure at Waterville, and demonstrates the fact that a large gas field has been found.

### Attacked by Three Tramps.

George Wilson, while riding on a freight train on the Philadelphia and Reading road between Williamsport and Montoursville, was beaten and robbed by three tramps Saturday night. He was compelled to disrobe, after which he was thrown from the train. He was found bruised, cut and dazed, lying along the track. Not far away were a ragged coat and a pair of old trousers, which the tramps had tossed after him. No trace of his assailants has been found.—Clearfield Democrat.

### Hunting Accident.

William Campbell, of McKeesport, while hunting with companions in Somerset a few days ago, was shot by mistake by one of the party. The accident resulted from Campbell wearing a speckled cap, which resembled a pheasant. A large number of the shot entered the hunter's neck and body, but it is thought that he will recover.

COMMISSIONER of navigation Chamberlain, an official champion of subsidy, in an article in The Forum of June last described the subsidy bill in its latest aspects at length, and stated that it provides for an expenditure of \$9,000,000 annually for thirty years. This is the bill that Hanna favors, as three-fourths of the subsidy would go to his ships, the balance to other McKinley favorites.

HANNA'S campaign fund, in the headquarters at New York, was looted a few days ago of \$100,000 by some of his hangers-on. No doubt the guilty ones, thinking Bryan would be elected, thought they had best make a grab while the chance was open, before McKinley went out. As it was from the corruption fund the steal was by thieves from thieves—that's all.

McKinley is the obedient servant of the trusts.

## AN "ORIGINAL" REPUBLICAN

### Gives Sound Advice to All Patriotic Citizens

### TRUTH FEARLESSLY SPOKEN

"Life is Uncertain, Liberty is Lost and Hope Expires"—Scathing Arraignment—Truth Forcibly Expressed in a Few Words.

There may be some of our readers who have not fully determined yet as to how they will vote next Tuesday. To all such the following sentiments from a patriotic citizen are submitted for reflection and guidance:

S. P. McCalmont, one of the wealthiest men in the oil regions and the oldest member of the Venango county bar, has replied to a letter received by him from Perry S. Heath, secretary of the republican national committee, and signed by M. A. Hanna and various officers and members of that committee. The letter stated that, in compliance with a suggestion promulgated by Jacob Weynard, the republican committee had requested the surviving founders of the republican party to jointly sign "A Patriotic Appeal" to the voters of the United States to support McKinley and Roosevelt.

Mr. McCalmont, who is one of the thirteen surviving founders of the republican party, which met in Pittsburg on February 22, 1856, and in national convention in Philadelphia in June of the same year, replied as follows:

### M'CALMONT'S REPLY.

"To Republican National Committee: 'Gentlemen; Yours of October 13, with circular inclosed, came duly to hand. I am sorry to say I cannot sign the circular.

"The political acts of Benton and Calhoun are now history, and we, although old and feeble, live in the present. The usurpations and disregard of the Constitution and laws of the nation by William McKinley are present and unblushingly avowed, and were indorsed by the aggregation of politicians who have nominated him at Philadelphia and who assure us that he will, if elected, do in the future as he has done in the past.

### MCKINLEY'S FAILURE.

"How has that been? He has been over three years in power and no effort has been made by him to control the railroad, telegraph or other corporations. He has crippled the civil service law and permitted the Inter-State Commerce Commission to be snubbed and insulted, until it is useless. He has said no word and done no deed looking to the enactment of a graduated income tax, but every measure that would tend to make the rich richer and necessarily the poor poorer has been sustained by him. He has appointed commissioners to whitewash his officers, and when evidence was given that compelled the conviction of one of them, the notes of the evidence were suppressed, and the sentence of the person convicted was commuted by McKinley to suspension from office on full pay of \$4,000 per year. Truly, the hypocrisy of McKinley is only equaled by his impudence. I cannot see how the slander of Lincoln in 1864 can be a justification for McKinley in doing far worse things than Lincoln was accused of.

### REPUBLICAN PARTY IS DEAD.

"The Republican party, as organized in 1856, has ceased to exist. Organized to make men free, incorporating in its platform the immortal declaration that all men are endowed with the inalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; that all governments derive all of their just powers from the consent of the governed, and denouncing slavery polygamy and the doctrine that might makes right, the aggregation that has stolen its name is engaged in enslaving millions of people by one of the most cruel, unnecessary, unholly, unjust, illegal and unconstitutional wars ever waged. And it is being carried on with so much drunkenness and debauchery that the Americans are being rapidly destroyed by disease, while the Filipinos are being killed by thousands, all of which William McKinley, as Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy, could prevented by a word.

### TOO ROTTEN TO REFORM.

"The supporters of McKinley are the party of the rich of the corporations, trusts and swindlers. It is too rotten to reform and if not checked and destroyed a few years more will see this base of nations, the country of a very few rich men and many miserably poor, held in subjection by that most effectual and fatal of all enemies of liberty, a standing army. There is nothing safe while such men rule; life is uncertain, liberty is lost and hope expires."

The letter has created a sensation among Republicans, who are amazed at the strong denunciation by Mr. McCalmont.

## FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

### Bright Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

Sweet Evenings Come and Go. Sweet evenings come and go, love, They came and went of yore; This evening of our life, love, Shall go and come no more. When we have passed away, love, All things will keep their name; But yet no life on earth, love, With ours will be the same. The daisies will be there, love, The stars in heaven will shine, I shall not feel thy wish, love, Nor thou my hand in thine. A better time will come, love, And better souls be born; I would not be the best, love, To leave thee now forlorn. —George Elliot.

Oh! lovely Indian summer, with mellow, gold-en days; Of mornings soft and tender and twilights dim with haze; When ripened fruit is falling and nuts are dropping down, And autumn's like a maiden with hair of dusky brown. Ah, then, fair Indian summer, each day along 'bout noon I wish I hadn't put on thick underclothes so soon.

We often see weak o'd women and week-old babies. Lots of men who are short on sense are long on dollars. The circus proprietor is always in-tent on his business. Experience is the pay a man gets for making a fool of himself.

### Miners Are For Hall.

Among the miners the sentiment is strong for Mr. Hall, for his reputation as a friend to labor has crossed the mountain from Elk county. The same thing can be said of the lumbermen and the workmen in the many other industries with which this country is dotted.

It was in Clearfield county that Mr. Hall passed his boyhood and early manhood, consequently one frequently falls in with an old companion of his. They are all for Hall because of their personal knowledge of his sterling qualities and because his public record justifies them in voting to return him to congress. The old soldiers here are strong for Hall, for many a pension in Clearfield county has been secured through his efforts.

His opponent, Mr. Clearwater, masquerading under the title of colonel, does not appeal to them. The people here do not know him. He is an unknown quantity here. Hall's business record, his political record, and his personality are well known, and the prospects are that his vote in this county will lead the democratic ticket by a handsome margin—Clearfield Republican.

Des sin harte zeite fer de bouer un alle schoffite. De hungreche trusts hoite see all orm mit iehre hoche pris. Der bouer bezawit now about doppel fer olles des er brought, un so der shooffman. Olles was der bouer raised ferkauff fer a mighty glaner prise so das er nix moche kan un kumpt on korts end rous, un yust so der orme shooffman. Now des kumpt ol fum McKinley si policy un dot kumme de trusts here. Des is strait un correct. Now won de bouer un de shooffit on next Dienstag fer de McKinley vota, dann werts olles schlimmer un de trusts were graser un richer un plentier un fressa alles noch was twig is. Dann vote fer der Bryan un des stoip des gros unrecht, won er president werd.

HELP to get out the vote next Tuesday. See that your neighbor goes early. The democratic farmers in the remote districts can render a good service on next Tuesday by hooking up the double team in the spring wagon and taking all those in their vicinity who have no conveyance, to the polls. That is one practical way to get results. And when you get them there, see that they vote as they ought. Do this and you will help to swell the democratic majority in old Centre.

MR. BRYAN continues to makes his telling points through unvarying good temper spiced with wit, as when he said to the workmen in Md.: "If a man threatens a discharge if you vote the Democratic ticket, tell him that if this country is as prosperous as Republicans say it is you ought not to have any trouble getting another job."

### U. S. Weather Bureau.

Weekly Report—Bellefonte Station. TEMPERATURE. DATE 1890. Maximum Minimum. Oct. 25, clear..... 72 43. " 26, cloudy..... 69 51. " 27, "..... 71 52. " 28, part cloudy..... 69 53. " 29, clear..... 68 49. " 30, cloudy..... 73 48. " 31, "..... 63 55. Rainfall: On 25th, .34 inch; on 31st, .01 inch. Total rainfall in October, .352 inches.

### Institutes.

Union county farmers' institutes will be held at New Berlin on February 2nd, and at Brook Park, February 4th and 5th.