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The Story of Justice Potter's Remarkable Relationship With the Governor of the Commonwealth.

SCORED BY THE PAPERS OF ALL PARTIES

Severe Criticism From Sources Which Demand Attention. What Will Be the Outcome? Will the Court Order an Inquiry?

The Philadelphia Press has submitted to the people of Pennsylvania proof that Justice William P. Potter, Governor Stone's former law partner and appointee to the Supreme Court bench, has prostituted the office by betraying secrets of the court and attempting to smirch the integrity of his Judicial colleagues.

When the legislature was in session there were "leaks" on questions affecting "machine" legislation pending before the Supreme Court, and it was an open suspicion that either one or the other of Governor Stone's appointees, Justice Brown or Justice Potter, was the betrayer of court se-

On May 1 The Press laid the grave charge directly at Justice Potter's door, declaring that he informed Governor Stone of the standing of the court upon the Pittsburg "Ripper" legislation prior to the announcement of the decision.

Although Stone and Potter made weak denials at the time, the justice took no steps to refute the charge or protect his sullied reputation, and the announcement of the decision confirmed the account of the betrayal, even the names of the justices voting affirmatively having been announced in advance.

The Press now gives in detail the long-distance telephone conversations between Potter and Stone when the justice "tipped" the governor in advance of the "Ripper" decision, and also the decision sustaining the governor's cut of the school appropriation.

These telephone talks revealed Potter in the attitude of a boasted "manipulator" of the remaining members of the Supreme Court; he assumed to be able to "control" certain justices, without hesitating to reflect upon their integrity; and Governor Stone commended him for "doing a good thing."

The papers of the state generally, except a few stalwart organs that would defend highway robbery if done by one of their candidates, condemn Justice Potter for his course. It shows that he acted more as a paid attorney determined to win his case than a member of the highest judicial body of the state. Following are some of the opinions of leading papers of the state:

Philadelphia North American.

No greater infamy could be charged against a judge. The offense alleged is not a mere impropriety. It is a crime punishable by impeachment and perpetual disqualification to hold any office of honor or profit. It is incredible that a reputable newspaper would make such an accusation without absolute certainty of the completeness of its evidence, and evidently The Press has not the least doubt of the accuracy of its reports of Justice Pot-

tory particulars of a most damnatory character. It is apparent to the dullest apprehension that such collusion between the executive and judicial departments of the state government could only exist as a result of the betrayal of the most sacred trust. If the allegations of The Press be true. Governor Stone and Justice Potter are unfit for the high offices they hold. Were the organization of the Republican party in the control of honorable and self-respecting men they would insist upon immediate disproof, or, failing that, upon the immediate withdrawal of Justice Potter from his place on the Republican state ticket.

It is to the last degree infamous that the executive, legislative and judicial authorities of the state should all have been dragged into the miro in order to minister to the ambition of a discredited leadership and to the greed of political harples and adventurers who override alike the laws of God and man to compass their ends. Unless the people of Pennsylvania have themselves gone mad they will take their November opportunity to revenge themselves upon their coarse and impudent betrayers.

of the country have been heard complaints against judges who have seemed to waver in the performance of their duty and who have not always held the scales of justice firmly. This is one of the most depressing signs of the times, full of significance and danger. The American people have always, heretofore, hold the judiciary in the very highest respect. They cannot permit any lowering of the standard; nor can they tolerate any looseness of personal or official conduct.

Throughout all the partisan and factional conflicts waged in our own state no member of the supreme court, and no candidats for a place therein, has ever been publicly subjected to such a grave charge as that which now confronts Justice Potter. Such flagrant disregard of propriety as this misfit appointee of the present executive is accused of, is unprecedented in the entire history of the court. Such intimate secret relationship between a justice and any other public official is mutually discreditable. In this instance the offense is aggravated on account of Governor Stone's misuse of his official powers to serve himself and a corrupt political organization. It shows Justice Potter to be himself a part of the machine. This is contempt for judicial dignity that words cannot fitly characterize. These revelations surely will make a profound impression upon self respecting citizens regardless of partisanship.

Under such circumstances, it becomes the duty of all decent Republicans to unite with the minority party in electing Judge Yerkes to Justice Potter's place. Happily, the Democratic reform candidate is a jurist of the highest rank already, so far as ability, character, experience and learning are concerned. For nearly 20 years he has presided over the courts of Bucks county with thorough acceptability to all classes of the people, and has repeatedly been called, in a neighborly way, to fill a gap on the bench in Philadelphia, when judges have been fill. The people of Pennsylvania will make no mistake if they promote Judge Yerkes to the supreme court, but they will be greviously unjust to themselves and greatly imperil their own interests, should they vote to continue in an exalted place in the public service the Allegheny tool of Quayism.

TAX RIPPER BILL KILLED

Court Declares Philadelphia's New Measure Unconstitutional.

court handed down an onin ing the finding of common pleas court, No. 3, of Philadelphia, in the board of tax revision case, on the ground that the act was unconstitutional, by reason of it being special legislation. Under the old law the officers of the board of revision of taxes for the county of Philadelphia was filled by appointment by the board of judges of the common pleas courts. The ripper proposed ousted the members of the board in January, and provided for the election of officers at the coming November election. The present incumbents, Rinaldo A. Lukens and Simon Gratz, were joined by two taxpayers, Rudolph Blankenburg and Samuel Sartain, in a bill against the county commissioners of Philadelphia to restrain the placing lawns nor dig gardens, clean furnaces. of the names of Alexander Colville and John E. Hanifen on the ballot and to prevent them from furthering their candidacy for the office. The defendants filed a demurrer

BUSY WOMEN STUDENTS.

How Poor Undergraduates Manage to Make Both Ends Meet at American Colleges.

Miss Alice Fallows is the author of an article in the Century, which is entitled "Working One's Way Through Women's Colleges."

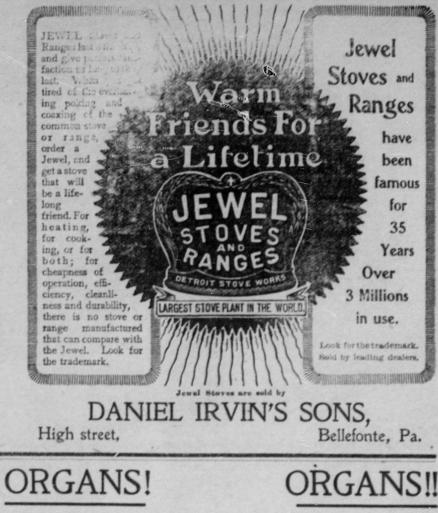
Just within the entrance of the gymnasium at Smith college is a small square room which looks like a booth at a church fair. The bulletin-boards on its walls are covered with blue prints, copies of Gibson pictures, painted frames, college flags, brightcolored class banners, pincushions, pillow-covers and a score of other



CATCHING FROGS FOR THE LABORA. TORY.

fancy articles which seem the pastime of an idle hour. In reality, each one represents the serious investment of a girl who is working her way. The Smith college calendar hanging in a corner took one girl half through the term. The picture-frame opposite paid the incidental expenses of another for a year, while the jolly pair of football players, constructed out of tissue-pape and pecans, sitting on the window-sill made the temporary fortune of their inventor. A day after she had slipped in and put them there they became the college fad, and for weeks she could not turn them out fast enough to fill her orders. Then suddenly their popularity waned; no one wanted them; and now, faded and covered with dust, the two favorites of a past hour sit neglected in their corner, a pathetic warning of the inconstancy of college demand.

Like Smith students, college girls everywhere try these picturesque methods of making money. The pretty trifles which they sell might seem to a poet the spontaneous expression of the feminine instinct for grace and beauty, but they illustrate rather a poverty of financial opportunities. A college man in his effort to support himself is limited only by his capacity. He can break stones in the road or publish a paper, as his talent provides. He is free to enter any trade or business in the town, or invent a new one if he pleases. He may wander Pittsburg, Oct. 22 .- The supreme where he will along economic high- and privileges conferred by the said act and ways and byways. No one thinks of putting an obstacle in his way. But when a girl, out, of the fullness



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ter's conversations with Governor Stone.

Philadelphia Times.

The Press has published at length the alleged conversations by telephone between Governor Stone and Justice Potter, in which they discussed the attitude of the supreme court upon the "ripper" legislation and Justice Potter's successful efforts to bring about a decision in favor of the machine. This extraordinary exposure should make impossible the election to the supreme court of an appointed member who has not only betrayed its secrets but dishonored its integrity, if it does not make impossible his further presence in the court. It matters not how this conversation was overheard and recorded. The report is positively vouched for and its authenticity was practically admitted at Harrisburg by the passage of an act, under machine direction, making the betrayal of telephone messages a penal offense

Pittsburg Dispatch.

The charges preferred against Justice Potter and Governor Stone by The Philadelphia Press, in connection with the Pittsburg charter bill, lack the element of freshness. They were published last winter, in a general way, and were promptly denied by both Governor Stone and Justice Potter. Now, after many conferences of insurgents and Democratic leaders, they are renewed shortly before the eleventh hour of a political campaign. without giving the name of the man who made them, but shrouded in even greater mystery of anonymity than ever-yet with a degree of circumstantial detail that most positively calls for an answer in more authoritative form than hitherto given. No affidavits accompany them and no proof is given whether they emanate from a responsible man or a professional campaign liar, yet they are published by The Philadelphia Press in its largest type, attended by declarations from that journal of its entire responsibility and a bold challenge to the governor or Justice Potter to deny them if they can.

Philadelphia Record.

In May last The Press startled its readers by the publication of a Harrisburg dispatch accusing Justice Potter, of the supreme court, of having made improper disclosure to Governor Stone of the impending action of the court with reference to the contested constitutionality of the Pittsburg "ripper" legislation. The governor and Justice Potter both denied the truthfulness of the publication, but the charge was reiterated by The Press and its verity measurably confirmed by the subsequent decision of the court when announced.

The Press has republished its dispatch of May 1, with further confirma-

Pittsburg Post.

The extraordinary disclosures of The Philadelphia Press, owned and controlled by one of the great Republican manufacturers of Pennsylvania, and edited by a member of President Roosevelt's cabinet, in reference to Justice Potter's betraval to interested parties of the confidential discussion in the supreme court of the state of its integrity as a judicial tribunal, and of its decision on an important case, before it was authoritatively made public, presents a state of facts that must have a profound effect on the people of Pennsylvania, and more especially on the members of the bar. This is not "partisan claptrap." It emanates from those high in authority in the Republican party. whose political duty and inclination would be to support Justice Potter election were he an admissible for candidate, on any standard of official and judicial conduct known to men. We can recall no such judicial misconduct in the history of any state of the Union, save in South Carolina and Louisiana, in the worst stages of the carpet-bag regime, when judges were made a matter of barter and sale, and political caucusses or private interests determined their action. This is the low condition to which

the highest judiciary of Pennsylvania has sunk, through the criminal misconduct of one of its members. We reprint the disclosures of The

Philadelphia Press, not because of their probable political effect, but as the most startling bit of news, important to all the people, in regard to judicial degredation that has been made public for years. The judiciary should not only be free of just reproach, but of even the suspicion of misconduct, let alone criminal violation of its recognized duties and responsibilities. That has become the gospel of our politics and the judgment of our citizens.

SAFE-GUARDING THE BENCH.

For the honor of the supreme court the people of Pennsylvania should turn down the Republican candidate who is seeking to remain in the high place to which he was appointed by Governor Stone. To jealously guard this sacred tribunal is the imperative duty of every good citizen. Within the past few years there has grown up in the public mind grave suspicions concerning the integrity and fairness of many occupants of the bench. In all parts

to the bill of the plaintiffs, which was sustained by the lower court.

The appeal was argued last week, and yesterday morning the opinion of the supreme court declared both the acts to be unconstitutional, on the grounds of special legislation, and reverses the lower court, at the same time granting the injunctions prayed for. The opinion of the court is written by Justice Mitchell.

Football at New Haven.

New Haven, Conn., Oct. 23 .-- Football of an extraordinary character was witnessed by 12,000 bi-centennial guests at Yale field yesterday, when a team composed of the most famous stars among Yale's former players lined up against the substitute 'varsity eleven. Despite the fact that they were undisciplined and untrained, the veterans outplayed their younger rivals from start to finish, and won by a score of 12 to 0.

Fatal Benzine Explosion.

Lancaster, Pa., Oct. 23 .-- Mrs. Harriet Conter, of this city, was using benzine to clean out a closet in her home yesterday, when it was ignited by a lamp. The explosion that followed blew out all the windows in the front of the house. Mrs. Conter was horribly burned. She was removed to a hospital, where she died in a few hours. She was 38 years old, and is the mother of six children.

Killed By Overturned Car.

Lisbon, O., Oct. 23 .- While unloading a car of steel at the Lisbon tin mill yesterday, John Bleugh, aged 28, and John Mona, aged 45, were killed. Four others were seriously injured. The car, which stood on an embankment, turned over suddenly and buried the unfortunates beneath the load of steel bars.

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of her desire, determines to work her way through college, she must first rid herself of the notion that she can copy her college brother. Otherwise she will meet with disappointment, for long ago Mrs. Grandy set a distinction between labor fitting for men and for women, and our colleges for girls still respect it. During undergraduate days, at least, they believe in an emphasis of the woman womanly. The self-supporting girl, therefore, finds before many an industry open to her college brother a sign on which custom or the college president has written the uncompromising words: "No Admittance." She can neither weed nor shovel snow. The girl who should turn grocery clerk or who became a component part of a baker's or butcher's or hotel-keeper's staff in her college town would be a focus for the puzzled attention of the whole faculty. while a student dairymaid, fruiterer, or butter-merchant within the confines of the college would raise a storm of protest from Maine to California. Yet college men in similar positions meet only praise and commendation.

Doubtless some of the occupations in the diminished list for girls declared official by college censors will seem trivial enough to the masculine student-merchant who sells milk by the thousand quarts and butter by countless pounds. Nevertheless, the college girl invests as much energy and strength and originality in her tasks as the college man in his. If she earns as much money as he, her effort must be almost doubled.* Few girls, under the circumstances, have the physical exuberance necessary to meet the strain of entire self-support. They must stop short at self-help. But the attitude of a woman's college is strongly paternal. Though restrictions are laid on the student who works her way, scholarships and loans, as far as they go, are the compensations, and, when these are exhausted, a protective care and watchfulness which seldom fall to the lot of the collega man

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COURT PROCLAMATION-SPECIAL TERM.

WHEREAS, the Hon, John G. Love, President WHEREAS, the Hon. John G. Love, President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the 49th district, consisting of the County of Centre, having issued his precept bearing date the 30th day of August. 1901 and to me directed. for holding a special term of Court of Oyer and terminer, General Jail delivery. Orphans, Court and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in Bellefonte, for the County of Centre and to commence on the third Monday of November next, being the 18th day of November, 1801. Notice is hereby given that all persons sum-moned as jurors are hereby notified to attend. Given under my hand at Belletonte the 18th day of October Hell and the one hundredth and twenty fifth year of the Independence of the twenty fifth year of the Independence of the United states.

CTRUS BRUNGAB7. Sheriff. Oct. 15th, 1901.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. Estate of JOSEPH C. BIERLY, deceased, late of Miles township. Letters testamentary upon said estate hav ing been granted by the Register of Wills to the undersigned, all persons knowing them-selves to be indebied to said estate are request-ed to make immediate payment, and those having claims to present them for settlement. MENRY MEYER, H. E BIERLY, E. S. BIERLY, Executors.

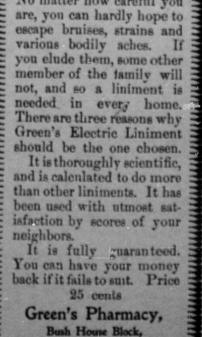
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