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Democratic County Ticket.

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EDITORIAL.

TOM JOHNSON is conducting a mighty lively campaign in Ohio this year and is pouring hot shot into Hanna.

The Republican State committee has decided that there shall be no stumping tour on the part of the State candidates as has been the custom heretofore. A policy of extreme silence is believed by the managers of the campaign to be a wiser one than a whirlwind speech making tour from one end of the Commonwealth to the other.

In the Wanamaker libel case, at Beaver, Pa., last week, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty, meaning that his utterance that there was a dishonest "job" in the printing of the famous Warren "Bird Book," was privileged because there was proof for the declaration. Had Wanamaker been tried under the present libel law, it would have been different. As it was the Quay machine got another black eye.

An applicant for naturalization who appeared before the Dauphin county court last week, when asked "Who is president of the United States?" answered, "Matt Quay!" An Austrian was asked, "Who is the emperor of your native country?" He replied promptly, "Francis Joseph." Asked, "Has this country an emperor?" he replied, "Yes, the pope!" Neither applicant for citizenship had his desire gratified.

MASSACRES, plunder, carnage is the story that comes daily from the Turkish domain. The jealous spirit among European powers thus far has prevented an interference. The bloody sword of the religious fanatics in the far East is one of the most frightful incidents of the age. When European nations can agree to demolish the Sultan and his dominion, the better for civilization.

FATHER M. J. WARD, of Beloit has declared that neither he nor any other priest of the Roman Catholic faith will give absolution to those who have taken the oath of the International Typographical union. The oath of this union requires that the member's allegiance to his union shall have priority over every obligation, religious or otherwise. This promises to cause more contention among organized labor than any difficulty that has ever arisen.

TEDDY ROOSEVELT keeps making nice speeches, but also keeps dodging his more important duty of having rogues found out under his administration sent to the penitentiary. He is mighty slow about that work—you see the scamps are all g. o. p's and Teddy wants the next nomination. Its words of honey to the people with him, and freedom for the rascals in the postoffice department, swindlers of the Indians, counterfeiters in the penitentiary, and a long list of the same breed of cats.

Must Report County Roads.

Attorney General Carson has decided that "County Commissioners and County Engineers, as well as other officers of cities, boroughs and townships," must report to the State Highway Commissioner the number of miles of roads in each township, and that a failure to do so made them liable to proceedings in mandamus.

Foot Ball at Williamsport October 3.

A great foot ball event will be witnessed in Williamsport on Saturday, October 3, 1903, when Bucknell and the Carlisle Indians will line up for another battle on the Athletic Park grounds. The usual excursion rates of one fare for round trip have been granted on the various railroads for a distance of one hundred miles.

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Champ Clark's Letter

A Pourpoint of Political and Personal Pointers Pleasingly Presented

[Special Washington Letter.] N dit that great pressure is being brought to bear on Republican Indiana congressmen to take the stump in behalf of the Republican nominee for mayor of Indianapolis and that they are showing great resistance to the pressure, not one of them being willing to follow the lead of a political corpse.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat and the Washington Post are engaged in a queer gabfest. The G-D vociferates that the Republicans did it, while the Post solemnly asseverates that Grover Cleveland did it and adds that the G-D, and all other Republicans are a lot of ingrates in not ascribing the glory to G. C., in which contest a Democrat takes about as much interest as did the impartial old woman in the fight betwixt her husband and the bear.

Judge William H. Taft resigns the governor generalship of the Philippines on physicians' orders, yet we have been repeatedly assured that the archipelago is a veritable paradise—really a splendid health resort.

Governor Beckham of Kentucky talks like a man who has no skeletons in his political closet. He hurls defiance at the Republicans. In his initial speech he said:

We have nothing to conceal; we invite a full and fair investigation of our record, and we gladly go before the people upon that record, believing implicitly in the sincerity of our purpose and in the righteousness of our cause.

The Pennsylvania Democrats in their state platform eschew national politics altogether and devote their utterances entirely to local issues. The piece de resistance is the outrageous and idiotic Pennypacker libel law. Eastern papers are predicting that the Democrats will sweep the state.

It is given out that Senator Matthew Stanley Quay will close his public career at the end of his present senatorial term and voluntarily retire to private life. That is a good story to tell for the edification of the marines. Matthew Stanley will retire when the coffin lid is screwed down good and tight over his mortal part, and not till then. The political boss may die or be bounced, but he never voluntarily retires.

It is given out that hereafter President Roosevelt will insist on fitness in consuls. As nearly all the consuls now in office were appointed by President McKinley or himself, the new pronouncement is rather tough on Republican consuls. The best way to improve the service is to turn them out and appoint Democrats in their place.

The San Francisco Chronicle advocates a high protective tariff because it brings a large revenue into the treasury! A large customs revenue means a large importation of foreign articles, which is the very thing which we have been told for a century that a high protective tariff is intended to prevent. Evidently the Chronicle, as a stand patter, has got its lines mixed.

Another Republican vice presidential Richmond in the field! This time it is William H. Hunt of Montana, now governor of Porto Rico. Perhaps "Cheap Wheat John" L. Webster of Omaha will consider Hunt's candidacy as a trespass on his preserves.

Hon. "Gas" Addicks could bully the men of Delaware successfully and with impunity, but when his understudy, Senator Allee, had a female postmistress fired she set the state ablaze with indignation.

The latest political roorback is to the effect that Secretary of the Navy Moody is to resign and Governor Crane, also of Massachusetts, is to be appointed in his stead. Moody will not resign. Republicans hardly ever do.

Since Lieutenant General Nelson A. Miles made his famous ninety mile dash in nine hours in Oklahoma nothing quite so strenuous has happened among those under the limelight as gubernatorial Candidate Belknap of Kentucky in his great act of pumping a hand car. Really President Roosevelt had better look to his laurels or he will no longer head the procession of physical cult.

All good citizens, without regard to race, color or previous condition and without reference to political affiliations, will heartily endorse President Roosevelt's practice and theory in refusing to accept any gift of considerable financial value. A president of the United States should be as Caesar demanded his wife should be—above suspicion.

Governor Alexander Monroe Dockery, who was once pronounced "the most pulchritudinous member of the Missouri delegation in congress," is evidently fixing to snuggle up to the eastern Democrats, as he has removed his badge of Populism—his whiskers.

Pennsylvanians For Judge Gray. While it is not at all probable that Pennsylvania Democrats will be permitted to name a Democratic candidate for the presidency it may be of interest to note their actions looking toward that result. A press dispatch from Scranton, a center of the anthracite coal industry, runs as follows:

The Democrats of Lackawanna county, in convention here today, endorsed George Gray of Wilmington, Del., for president of the United States. The following resolution was adopted: "We, the Democrats of Lackawanna county, in convention assembled, recognize with pleasure the mastery ability, sound judgment, strong sympathy with the masses and broad statesmanship of the Hon. Judge George Gray of Delaware, and we earnestly commend him to the

next Democratic convention as a candidate for president of the United States." Judge Gray is a member of the United States circuit court, Third circuit, and was the chairman of the anthracite strike commission whose award settled the difficulties in the coal fields. He also sat as chairman of the arbitration board for the Birmingham (Ala.) soft coal fields.

The Unspeakable Turk. One thing the Christian powers of the world owe it to themselves and to humanity and civilization to do is to expel the unspeakable Turk from Europe. West of the Bosphorus he is an anachronism. The Russians were in sight of the minarets of St. Sophia in 1877 when England intervened and said, "No farther shalt thou go." It's a great pity that England was not made to keep her hands off and let Russia have her way. Recently a Russian consul was murdered by Turks. More recently an attempt was made by them to assassinate an American consul. The United States should join Russia in an appeal to the other civilized nations of the earth to drive the Turks back to Asia, where they belong. They are a blot on the face of Europe. Their butchery of men, women and children indiscriminately in Macedonia causes the gorge of every decent man in America to rise. If Napoleon and Czar Alexander could have agreed on their Tilsit raft as to which should have Constantinople the Turks would have been expelled from Europe a century ago. Great pity that they could not agree. The Turk must go!

The Root of the Trouble. Under the above caption the New York World prints the following editorial: Most of the troubles with our fiscal and currency systems have the same cause—a redundant revenue. Bills are already preparing for introduction at the extra session of congress providing a way in which the banks can get a regular and larger share of the government's surplus revenue—of course without interest. But why should there be a surplus revenue of \$50,000,000 a year? Is there any better place for all the money not needed by the government than in the pockets of the men who earned it? Again we hear of the movement to pass a service pension bill which would wipe out the surplus at one fell swoop. If not spent in pensions the excessive revenue is certain to be a temptation to grafters and grabbers of some other kind. An "overflowing treasury" is a perpetual incitement to extravagance. Would any of the surplus lending or surplus spending schemes now in contemplation have the ghost of a chance if money to pay for them had to be raised by new taxes? Still again, our tariff protected monopolies, though the stocks of some of them have been badly squeezed in Wall street, are still working on full time to supply the home market with goods at from 10 to 50 per cent above their prices in foreign countries. It is the maintenance of these high duties which "shelter monopoly" that produces the redundant revenue, causing currency lockups and putting a premium on congressional extravagance. Rooted evils require radical remedies. The first duty of congress is to reduce the taxes and return to a rigid economy in public expenditures. "Unnecessary taxation is unjust taxation," and unjust taxation is robbery.

"Cheap Wheat John." If the Nebraska Republicans persist in pressing the "claims" of Hon. John L. Webster for the Republican nomination for vice president and should succeed in their endeavors they will furnish the Republicans with a heavy load to carry, for Hon. John L.'s sobriquet in Nebraska is "Cheap Wheat John," which would undoubtedly cause the farmers to whoop it up for him—in a hurr.

Indefinitely Postponed. That Republican supremacy in Missouri is indefinitely postponed is demonstrated by the following editorial paragraph from the Missouri State Republican, written by its brilliant editor, E. C. Brockmeyer:

If Missouri Republicans can find men of intelligence and integrity and plenty of backbone to lead them, factionalism will cease. Then, and not until then, will Missouri go Republican.

Brockmeyer also lets in a flood of light upon the much vaunted Republican Harmony, with a big, big H, when he says: A deserving Republican cannot be found in Missouri who did not belong to one or the other of the party factions. If he did not openly fight the party boodlers that represented the Kerens faction and thus strive to maintain the supremacy of the party's integrity, he has no claims for party honors. He has failed to render his party a service when most needed.

Et Tu, Iowa! The St. Louis Globe-Democrat sets up an ear splitting howl because, as it alleges, Major Vardeman, the newly nominated Democratic candidate for governor, favors the repeal of the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments. Wonder if the G-D ever heard of the Scriptural injunction about removing the beam from one's own eye before making objection to the mote in the optic of somebody else? Why does not the G-D jump on those Iowans up at Waterloo for ordering all the colored people to leave town? What is sauce for the southern goose ought to be sauce for the northern gander. Why should Iowa Republicans be permitted to abuse Sambo and order him to move on? The Globe-Democrat's denunciation of Vardeman and its dense editorial silence as to the Republican negro haters of Waterloo, Ia., can be accounted for only on the great principle enunciated by Josh Billings that "the best place to have a boll is on somebody else's back."

Amazingly Indefinite. Certain Missouri Republican scribes, having nothing else with which to

amuse their readers and themselves, have been writing up this and that Missouri Republican as a possible vice presidential nominee. Of course the thing has been simply ridiculous from the beginning. Now, Colonel Richard C. Kerens, who has been furnishing the shrews of war to the Missouri Republicans for some years, has been interviewed on the subject by Tact, a brand new newspaper. The interview displays the colonel's faculty for sarcasm:

"After a conference in the east with Senator Hanna and numerous party leaders Richard C. Kerens, Republican national committeeman from Missouri, returned to his home in St. Louis very much impressed with the idea that a Missouri man should be nominated with Roosevelt on the next national ticket."

"I am for a Missouri man against the field," said Mr. Kerens when he was asked who he favored for the vice presidency. "What Missouriian do you suggest?" was asked.

"Why, the woods are just full of good men; you can find them anywhere," replied the silver haired leader of so many local causes in Missouri.

"What particular section of the timber do you think is most favored with candidates?" the writer asked in an effort to get nearer Mr. Kerens' choice.

"Why, now, don't you know there is not a county in the state but what could produce a man if called upon?" he replied. "You are simply paying a compliment, then, to the rank and file in general," suggested the reporter.

"No; I mean that I am for a Missouri man for the Republican nomination for vice president in 1904," replied he with fervor.

"Do you believe that there is a possibility of the party calling upon the state for a candidate?"

"I have heard so."

"Do you think a man could be found who would carry the state?"

"I think there are men who could get the full party strength. You can't always tell about carrying things in Missouri."

"You think, then, Missouri will propose a vice presidential candidate at the next convention?"

"I will say that if the party wants a man to have got him."

"Where?"

"I won't say that."

"In the Commonwealth building?"

"No, sir, I am not a candidate. I have too much to do to even talk politics."

Silence.

"Not Major Warner?"

Silence.

"Not Colonel Dyer?"

Silence.

"Not C. P. Walbridge?"

"They are all good men," said Mr. Kerens, "and there are plenty of others. I am for the Missouri man. Just put that in your new paper and emphasize it with the best published accent on the last syllable in Missouri."

Sane Talk. The Washington Post, Independent, recently contained this paragraph:

So long as the secretary of the treasury can, by the exercise of his discretionary power, operate as a gigantic bull or bear on the stock market the imperative need of currency legislation will be glaringly apparent. That is a power which no secretary desires and which should not remain in the hands of that official. When stocks go up or down with a rush fortunes are lost and won, and when these tragic movements are caused by word or act of the head of the treasury, no matter how upright and able a man he may be, he is sure to feel the breath of scandal. It is certainly possible to so amend our hotchpotch of currency laws that the business of the country and the fortunes of citizens will not, at any time or under any conditions, be at the mercy of any one man. It is discreditable to American statesmanship that this reform is yet to be accomplished.

All of that is admirable except one clause, "That is a power which no secretary desires," which is not consistent with human nature and is not borne out by human experience. Loss of power is second only to loss of fame, if it is second to that. But the Post is eminently correct in declaring that "such power should not remain in the hands of that official."

Those who believe that Republican legislation is so perfect that we are now living in the millennium would do well to ponder the following editorial paragraph from that same Washington Post, which, whatever else it may be, is not Democratic:

When one reflects on the immensity of this nation's wealth, on the splendid solidity of its credit, on its superb achievements in debt paying, on its incomparable growth in manufactures and commerce and on many other facts that are flattering to our national pride, it is humiliating to remember that, instead of a stable financial system, we have a medley of currency laws under which one man is expected to act as the regulator of our finances, not in compliance with statutory directions, but according to his own judgment.

In a Democratic paper or in a Democratic speech that paragraph would be cause for prosecution for leze majesty, but as the gold standard and the protective tariff have no warmer or more consistent advocate than the Post probably Hon. Beriah Wilkins, editor and proprietor, will escape this time. But very much of that sort of talk will render him persona non grata to the administration.

Clark Howell For Gorman. The following dispatch needs no diagram to explain it:

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 2.—Clark Howell, editor of the Constitution and Georgia member of the national Democratic committee, favors Senator Gorman of Maryland as the Democratic presidential nominee in 1904. Mr. Howell says: "Senator Gorman's stanch Democracy, his splendid capability, his knowledge of men and measures, gained through long experience in public life, ought to make him satisfactory to all elements in the party."

Not an "Ex." Homer sometimes nods. Ditto Harper's Weekly. That "journal of civilization," as it styles itself, in a recent issue makes the queer mistake of referring to General Edmund Winston Pettus as "lately United States senator from Alabama." Why, bless my stars, General Pettus began a brand new term March 4, this year, at the youthful age of eighty-one. Long may he wave! He is one of the strongest men in the senate, faithful to his conceptions of duty as the needle to the pole. He is also one of the most popular and is a most delightful companion. He will outlive many of the youngsters.

CLOSE OF THE GRANGE PICNIC.

The Democrat's forms closing Wednesday night, we could not make report of the closing of the Grange picnic at Centre Hall, and furnish in this issue the material part of the last days. The occupants of tents were:

Centre Hall—Hon. Leonard Rhone, Mrs. Milton Boyder, Daniel Keller, John Dauberman, Geo. L. Goodhart, Geo. Gingerich, Jas. Stall, Sam'l Durr, John Conley, Mrs. Mary Ross, Geo. Boal, David Boozer, J. J. Arney, Joseph Lutz and Chas. Neff. Lemont—Nathan Grove, George Dale, Pottery Mills—Michael Smith. Milesburg—Col. Jas. F. Weaver. Lock Haven—Miss Edith Zeigler. Abdera—J. S. Frain. State College—Mrs. Annie Edmiston. Coburn—Mrs. David Raymond. McLearys Fork—A. M. Johnson. Milton—Wm. Eddy. Aaronsburg—Roland Kramer.

In addition to these the twenty-one subordinate granges in the county each had a headquarters tent.

Thursday was given to addresses by prominent grangers. The rain interfered with the attendance. The stock exhibit was somewhat meagre. The exhibits were:

I. S. Frain, Abdera, pure bred French coach mare 6 yr. old. Pure bred French colt. Jno. S. Dale, State College, French coach mare and gelding 9 yr.

J. C. Goodhart, Centre Hall, Poland China sow and pigs, Chester White sow and pigs Poland China boar, sow and pigs.

J. W. Bartges, Centre Hall, 2 fine short horn heifers 6 cows.

J. S. Meyer, Spring Mills, plymouth rocks and white leghorns, black game, buff leghorns cockerels and chicks.

G. C. Slack, Centre Hall, bantams, Lester Cummings, Linden Hall, Peking ducks.

G. L. Goodhart, Centre Hall, plymouth rocks and white leghorns.

Jno. M. Coldern, Centre Hall, Belgian hare, Sam'l Gingerich, Linden Hall, bantams.

C. D. Bartholomew, Centre Hall, brown and buff leghorns.

J. H. Knarr, Centre Hall, silvercrested wyandottes, bantams.

Gable & Co., Altoona, dry goods and notions, also Thornton Barnes, of Philadelphia; M. C. Gephart, Bellefonte music dealer; Millburg Buggy Co.; Vermont Creamery Co.; W. B. Krape, Centre Hall; Stoddard Mfg. Co., Dayton, O.; G. O. Benner, Centre Hall.

The Pennsylvania State College had its usual display that fills an entire building.

Fruits and vegetables on exhibition: J. J. Arney, Centre Hall, potatoes, tomatoes, apples, turnips and celery.

Mrs. Wm. Boal, Centre Hall, apples, Geo. Dale, State College, apples. Mrs. J. S. Dale, State College, tomatoes, squash, potatoes.

Jas. Stall, Centre Hall, apples, cabbage. Julia Shuey, Lemont, peppers.

Mrs. Wm. Boal, Centre Hall, apples. F. W. Musser, Bellefonte, apples, potatoes, grapes, peaches, quinces.

Jacob Yarnell, Yarnell, corn, beans, onions, cucumbers.

I. G. Walker, Penn Hall, buckwheat. N. B. Shaffer, Centre Hall, corn, oats. M. S. Rhone, Centre Hall, pepper, tomatoes. T. H. Malone, Yarnell, apples. Sam'l Bruss, Centre Hall, apples. Miss Edie Ritter, Centre Hall, grapes. W. E. Grove, Lemont, grapes. I. S. Frain, Abdera, potatoes, grapes. Agnes Grove, Lemont, potatoes, apples. Wm. Lockety, Boalsburg, blue potatoes 1 yr. old 3/4 lbs.

B. W. H. Keller, Centre Hall, grapes. M. V. Thomas, Milesburg, apples. Mrs. Mollie Hill, Fleming, onions. D. C. Keller, Centre Hall, peaches, apples, potatoes, quinces, pears.

Mrs. I. F. King, Centre Hall, apples. Mrs. Margaret Rhone, Centre Hall, cucumbers. Wm. B. Mingle, Centre Hall, apples. Mrs. Kate Conley, Centre Hall, tomatoes, corn, pears, potatoes, pumpkins.

Mrs. Frank Shutt, Centre Hall, large squash. R. Bruce Stumm, Centre Hall, pumpkins. John Speicher, Centre Hall, field pumpkins.

The merry-go-round was noted for its absence. Good order prevailed.

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