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EDITORIAL.

The two parties in Centre county have placed their tickets in the field, and as the warm period is approaching, the politicians and political heebers should go way back and sit down. Give politics a rest until the dog days are over and everybody will feel better and be relieved.

Russia and Japan are just now taking a recess preparatory to holding a conference about ending the war. So peace may be looked for providing—they can agree. Russia says she will continue to fight rather than accept humiliating terms on the part of Japan. We will soon know.

The good work of cleaning out the gang in Philadelphia is going right along; almost every day Mayor Weaver boosts some henchman out of office. The last to go was the famous Sam Salter, the ballot box stuffer, who fled the country and when he came back got a \$2000 office as a reward, for service. The spirit of reform is spreading and other cities will follow Philadelphia's example.

WHENEVER Miss Alice Roosevelt takes a ride in an automobile, goes visiting, or takes part in a taffy-pull or the like, the daily papers gush out columns of trash on the event. The cut of her bib, color of the gloves, and all the spit-licks hanging about her get notoriety in print. Dear Alice may be a most amiable young lady, but there is too much "slopping over" concerning the young Miss. It is growing tiresome. American snobs must have their way.

In the democratic county nominees and the platform the taxpayers have a pledge that honesty and economy shall be the aim in administering the affairs of the people. This has been the policy of democratic county officials for over a quarter of a century, and resulted in the paying off of a debt of some \$40,000 and reducing the burden of taxation very materially by democratic house keeping. This is proof enough that democratic promises can be relied upon and that economy in the affairs of the county will be inaugurated. The large increase in the expenses of the county under recent republican officials is proof that nothing better can be expected by a continuation of a republican board of commissioners. By the election of the democratic candidates, Messrs. Calvin Weaver and John Dunlap, the democratic pledge will be carried out and the expenditures of the county brought down to the basis of economy—this has been the record of the democrats in the past and will be in the future. Bear this in mind, taxpayers of old Centre.

THE PRUNER ORPHANAGE.

In another portion of this issue we publish an exhaustive opinion on the will of the late E. J. Pruner, relative to the bequest for a "Home for Friendless Children" for Bellefonte and Tyrone. Many persons do not fully understand the nature of this bequest for that reason we advise its careful reading. From this opinion we glean the following:

It is not in the power of either the Bellefonte or Tyrone council or both to annul the bequest made by Mr. Pruner for the benefit of orphans of these boros—much less to divert it to any other purpose. As trustees they can simply refuse to act and in that way will only for a time delay the organization and establishment of the institution. When they do that, the rentals on the properties keep accumulating at the rate of \$3000 a year and will enable the institution to be better equipped when our boro fathers awake to their obligations to humanity, as well as conduct themselves in accordance with the oaths of their office administered to them.

It is not the fault of the orphans that our council made such a grievous blunder in the matter, and these little ones should not be made the victims of others mistakes. To err is human, but stubborn resistance is not manly, when some may think they are "standing pat."

The Pittsburg Post's greater Pittsburg edition, a few days ago, was a winner in that line and the publishers may well feel proud of it. It certainly puts fresh blood into the greater Pittsburg proposition and go far to aid in its success. The Post is never behind the times and as an enterprising daily takes front rank.

WILL DOUBLE PIPE LINE.

Standard Oil Company Will Spend Millions.

The Standard Oil Company will double the capacity of what is known as the Pennsylvania pipe line, which extends a distance of over 250 miles from Colegrove, McKean county, to point Breeze in Philadelphia, where the big storing reservoir tanks are located. The improvements will cost several millions of dollars.

It is the intention to lay another six inch pipe parallel with the present line, to enlarge all the pumping stations, and to equip them with the finest machinery procurable. This herculean task will be completed within the next six months and it will require a force of fully 300 men and forty teams to do the work in that time.

The capacity of the Pennsylvania line at present, is 500 barrels an hour. When the improvements are completed it will deliver 1000 barrels an hour to the distributing station at Millway, Lancaster county. There the pipe lines from the Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania fields will deliver an estimated total of 800,000 barrels daily after the capacity of the line from McKean county has been doubled. From Millway, oil is distributed to Baltimore, Md., Bayonne, N. J., and to Point Breeze, Philadelphia.

It has been ascertained the new pipe of the Pennsylvania line will be utilized in bringing oil to the East from the Kansas fields, which are now being developed so rapidly. Links in the long line from the state west of the Mississippi, have already been built.

The Pennsylvania line traverses McKean, Cameron, Clinton, Lycoming, Union, Northumberland, Schuylkill, Lebanon, Lancaster and Chester counties.

The pumping stations are located at Colegrove, McKean county; North Bend and Pine, Clinton county; Latshaw, Northumberland county and at Millway, Lancaster county. Each of the pumping stations is to be remodeled and enlarged. The present engines will be replaced with 157-ton pumps with fly wheels attached.

The pipe is usually put down at a depth of about thirty inches. When once started, the work will progress with great rapidity. With a force of several hundred men and teams to do the hauling of the iron pipes and other material, the Standard Oil Company has frequently placed a mile of pipe in the ground in ten hours.

CARNEGIE'S COIN TAINTED?

The board of trustees of the University of Mississippi has rejected the offer of Andrew Carnegie of \$25,000 to assist in the construction of a library for the university. Governor Vardaman, who is a member of the board, says that the offer was rejected as a matter of principle, adding:

"I would rather see the walls of the state university and our colleges crumble into dust and the buildings be battered and grimy than that they should be built up and handsomely painted and furnished by this money, which has been coined from the blood and tears of the toiling masses, demanding the usury of self respect, which we cannot afford to pay."

"We may not have in Mississippi the scientific equipment for imparting knowledge and all the modern accessories that make up the great institutions of learning, but we have the means of making strong and stalwart men and women who scorn the slavery of wealth and stand unequalled in their proud independence of thought."

If Rockefeller's coin is tainted and it is—then Carnegie's is equally tainted. Both made their millions through agencies of high tariffs—robber tariffs—and trusts. Few men and institutions have the courage to refuse coin—it requires unusual courage.

TIMES HAVE CHANGED.

When Judge Stewart shall accept the Supreme Court nomination which is certain to be tendered to him by the Republican State Committee he will find himself heading a judiciary ticket on which Judge James A. Beaver is running as a candidate for re-election to the Superior Bench. Twenty-three years ago, when Beaver was the Republican nominee for the Governorship, it was Judge Stewart's candidacy as an independent that defeated the "regular" and resulted in the election of the late Robert E. Pattison. Formerly it was said of the Organization that "it never forgets," but times have changed. This is not a good year for rewarding stalwarts and punishing independents.

A CARD.

LEMONT, PA., JUNE 8, 1905.
I wish to say a word to those candidates before the recent Democratic County Convention, who like myself did not win. Be of good cheer; smile in the morning, at noon and at night, and if that don't make life happier and brighter, call around at my home for dinner any time and we will hold an experience meeting.

To those who supported me at the primaries, I hereby return my sincere thanks; and with those who voted for some other person, I have no fault to find. To all republican friends who took an interest in my behalf I extend my best wishes. Pledging my hearty support for the ticket nominated, I remain Sincerely yours,
D. A. GROVE.

Representatives of the Wabash railroad are in Indiana county this week buying right of way for their proposed line through this section of the State. It looks like business.

FULL OF FIGHT.

Japan makes no concealment of fact that her attitude in the peace negotiations initiated by President Roosevelt is one of reluctance, and that she assents to the President's proposal for a discussion of terms solely in the interest of humanity.

Tokyo dispatches indicate that Japan expects Russia to reject the peace terms she will offer, and that she will not be sorry to have it so, as she is convinced that, if the war goes on, the future holds for her a series of glorious victories in Manchuria and the conquest of a great portion of Eastern Siberia. Finally, Japan feels that for all she has borne from Russia in the past, she ought to go pressing the war until Russia becomes an abject suppliant for mercy.

Japan's terms, it is intimated, will be made as moderate as possible, considering her successes, and Russia may take them or leave them, since Japan will not abate an iota from them. There will undoubtedly be a demand for a large indemnity.

Japan made it plain that she intends to enforce such terms as will firmly establish her mastery of the Far East.

The Russian Government has made no move since accepting the President's suggestion. It states that she is waiting for Japan to name the place for the plenipotentiaries to meet.

Bonner's First Ad.

When James Gordon Bennett the elder was editor of the New York Herald Robert Bonner, publisher of the Ledger, was struggling to build up its circulation and decided to try a little advertising. He wrote an announcement consisting of eight words, "Read Mrs. Southworth's New Story in the Ledger," and sent it to the Herald marked for "one line." Mr. Bonner's handwriting was so bad that the words were read in the Herald office as "one page." Accordingly, says Modern Advertising, the line was set up and repeated so as to occupy one entire page. Mr. Bonner was thunderstruck the next morning. He had not to his name money enough in the bank to pay the bill. He rushed excitedly over to the Herald office, but was too late to do any good.

In a short time the results of the page announcement began to be felt. Orders for the Ledger poured in until the entire edition was exhausted and another one was printed. The success of the Ledger was then established. Ever after that time Mr. Bonner was an ardent believer in advertising and a liberal purchaser of space.

Warning to Councilmen.

On a warrant charging him with being interested in a contract for furnishing filtration sand and gravel for Philadelphia, Frank H. Caven, Select Councilman from the Thirty-fourth Ward, was arrested Tuesday morning and held in \$10,000 bail for a hearing.

Caven is being prosecuted under the law of 1860, which makes it a misdemeanor for any councilman of any municipality to be interested in contract. It is further provided that any person who violates the provisions of the statute shall forfeit his office.

The arrest of Caven, opening new vistas of unpleasant possibility, gave the politicians that surround City Hall a shock such as even the removal of the directors did not occasion.

NEW JUDGE.

The appointment of President Judge John Stewart, of Franklin county last week, to the seat on the Supreme Court bench made vacant by the death of Justice John Dean, is in every way admirable.

Governor Pennypacker, if he had gone to every Common Pleas Court in the State, could not have found a Judge on the bench more absolutely free from all political entanglements than Judge Stewart remarks the Patriot: He has always been stalwartly independent in politics; is a man of the highest character, and a first-rate lawyer, who since he has been on the bench has had remarkably few decisions reversed by the higher courts.

Life Insurance Payment.

The Insurance Press of May 31 gives a detailed statement of the life insurance payments in the United States and Canada in 1904, the total amounting to \$371,642,577. The figures given for the towns of this section are as follows: Lewistown, \$25,620; McVeytown, \$3,800; Yeagertown, \$808; Bellefonte, \$63,380; Huntingdon, \$11,289; Middleburg, \$5,588; Millintown, \$3,509; Newport, \$5,291; Port Royal, \$2,750; Selinsgrove, \$10,125; Sunbury, \$11,825; Tyrone, \$36,500. It will be seen, as in many other things, Bellefonte is much ahead, not that our town has more deaths, but our people take larger "chunks" of life insurance.

Governor Pennypacker last Thursday evening appointed Judge John Stewart of Chambersburg to the State Supreme court vacancy created by the recent death of Justice John Dean, of Hollidaysburg, until the first Monday of next January, when he will be recommissioned for the full term of 21 years, if he shall be elected in November. It is conceded that he will be nominated by the republican state committee for the full term.

It is much easier to profit by the mistakes of others than by our own.

Egotism is a stranger to discontent.

Sale Opens Saturday, June 17.

THE RACKET

Sale Closes Saturday, July 1st.

5TH SEMI-ANNUAL

GREAT REDUCTION SALE

From past experience the public has learned to look forward to our SPECIAL SALES as a great money saving event. The goods advertised below have been bought expressly for this sale much under the regular value.

A careful reading of the following will give an idea of what you can save on purchases at this sale. In addition,

Every Article in Our Immense Stock is Reduced in Price.

Calico.

Fancy prints, an unusual value, sale price per yard 4c.

Standard prints in blue, gray and fancy colors, sale price per yard 5c.

Lawns.

Fancy figured, sale price per yard 4c. and 5c.

India Linens.

White, sale price per yard 5c.

Apron Gingham.

Special at 4c. Also full standard, fast color, sale price per yard 5c.

Muslins.

Good heavy, unbleached, yard-wide; sale price per yard 5c.

Bleached Muslin, sale price per yard 5c.

Towels.

Bleached Huck Towels, 15x28 inches, red border, selvedge edge, good heavy weight; sale price 5c.

Large Honey-comb pattern, 18x42, sale price 7c.

Lace Curtains.

White, 2 1/2 yards long; sale price per pair 29c.

All our large stock of Lace Curtains at 20 per cent. reduction.

Dress Goods.

About 600 yards all-wool Dress Goods, mostly Cashmeres, in plain colors; former price 60 to 85c., sale price 39c.

Our entire stock of Dress Goods at 20 per cent. reduction during this sale.

Ladies' Vests.

Bleached Ribbed Vests, taped neck, crocheted arm-holes; sale price 5c. Only 25 dozen of these; come early.

Cambric Embroidery and Insertion.

Values from 7 to 1 1/2 c., sale price 5c. 20 per cent. Reduction from our entire stock of Embroidery during this sale.

Ladies' Collars.

Embroidered and Lace Stocks and Turn-over Collars, beautiful new designs; sale price 9c.

Ladies' Hose.

Fast black, full seamless heel; sale price per pair 5c.

Children's Hose.

Fast black, ribbed, hemmed top, all sizes; sale price per pair 5c.

All our large stock of Hosiery at 20 per cent. reduction during this sale.

Ribbon.

All pure silk taffeta Ribbon, closely and evenly woven, heavy weight, 3 1/4 inches wide, colors black, white, blue, pink, etc; sale price per yard 9c.

Petticoats.

Black sateen, good quality, full width, accordeon plaited flounce, ruffled bottom; sale price 39c.

Fine quality Mercerized Sateen, double ruffled, seams double stitched; would be cheap at a dollar, sale price 79c.

Satchels.

Chestnut colored, imitation alligator; 12, 14 and 16 inch; regular price one dollar, sale price 59c.

Table Oil Cloth.

Perfect goods, full 12 yards to piece and all new patterns; sale price per yard 15c; roll of 12 yards \$1.69.

Teas.

80c. Black Tea per pound 29c.

200 lbs. Black Tea in sealed packages, which was in stock when we bought the store and was sold at 80c. per lb; we will close out at sale price of 29c.

Graniteware.

A special lot of 10c. Graniteware including Wash Basins, Preserving Kettles, Sauce Pans, Pudding Pans, &c. Any article sale price 10c.

4-quart Berlin Kettle with lid, sale price 25c.

10-quart Preserving Kettle, sale price 33c.

3-quart Coffee Pots, sale price 19c.

No. 8 Tea Kettle, sale price 49c.

Butterick Patterns not reduced—prices fixed by publisher.

RACKET STORE CO., BELLEFONTE, - - PENN'A.

No Premium Dish Tickets during Sale.