

## PRES. ROOSEVELT CAUSES SURPRISE

### Openly Accused of "Bad Faith" on the Rate Bill

## PUBLIC WAS DISAPPOINTED

### Another Surrender is Predicted—Hurts "the Lie" at Wm. E. Chandler—Signed Statement Puts President in a Bad Light

The Hepburn Railroad Rate Bill, now in the U. S. Senate, attracted more than usual attention during the past week, and the final outcome of this important measure is now more in doubt than ever, just at the moment when success seemed assured. As the bill was to contain an amendment placing full power in the hands of the commission and restraining interference by the courts, so that prompt action could be assured and immediate relief attained when railroads charged an excessive rate, the entire country applauded. All along the President advocated such a feature, but half of the republicans in the Senate opposed it, under the leadership of Aldrich, Foraker, Spooner and Knox. Then the President sent former Senator Wm. E. Chandler to Tillman and Bailey, who assured the President that the democrats would join to pass the bill as the President desired. The fight became aggressive; last week when victory was assured the country was startled by the announcement that the President had deserted in the heat of the fight and favored the measure advocated by the corporation senators, and now he wants a wide court review. At first it was thought a compromise then was the only thing left, since it has developed that he deliberately deserted, without ever any notice to those who joined his cause and fought under his direction, and went over into the railroad camp. At once he was charged with bad faith on the floor of the Senate by Tillman and Bailey and other democrats and republicans who had been ignominiously deceived. They produced the written statement of ex-Senator Wm. E. Chandler, a republican of high standing, to prove that Roosevelt had violated his pledges. To this Roosevelt replied by denouncing Chandler's statement as an "unqualified falsehood"—in other words he called this eminent man "a liar." This has produced a sensation over the country, and especially since the President has but recently denounced about a dozen of prominent men as "liars" and falsifiers, including such as Alton B. Parker and others. In the last instance the facts in the case all bear out Chandler's statement, that he was sent by Roosevelt to enlist the democrats in the fight against the railroads. At the time the democrats mistrusted Roosevelt, and not until a signed statement was furnished, as to what the President would do, were the democrats willing to join in the fight. Since then Roosevelt has tried to explain, but the situation remains unchanged, and the statement that he "mistrusted Aldrich, Spooner and Knox," made to Chandler, is unchallenged. This has been considered the most inconsistent and unfortunate episode in the career of President Roosevelt. The country, excepting the corporations, were applauding President Roosevelt, democrats and republicans alike, for what seemed a remarkable battle against long-standing abuses; but when the crucial moment arrived he broke faith, he deserted, and the imputation of having been a falsifier is openly made against him.

## CLUB GRABS PUBLIC STREAMS.

For many years the Lackawaxen and Dyberry creeks, in Wayne county, have been noted trout streams. This spring anglers found them posted with trespass notices, and for violation of those notices several have been arrested and fined, among the number being three students of the University of Pennsylvania. Both of these streams are public, having been made so by act of legislature, and they have been repeatedly stocked with fry from the state fish hatcheries. This spring thirty prominent sportsmen obtained a charter as the Wayne Hunting and Fishing club, secured control of both branches of the Dyberry and posted notices. State Fish Commissioner Meehan was in Honesdale recently, and said: "I should like no better business, were I a resident of Honesdale, than to go fishing in either Dyberry or Lackawaxen, let them arrest me, pay the fine and get a receipt. Then the fun would begin. There is a heavy penalty for posting public waters or obtaining fry from the state hatcheries for private ponds or streams."

## A BAD LOT.

Early Sunday morning the authorities of Benner township swooped down on a notorious house, out at Roopsburg, and captured a half dozen inmates who were hustled off to the county jail. About April 1st the property was first occupied and since then the conduct of the occupants became so bold and offensive that the neighbors made common protest to the authorities. Monday evening the parties were given a hearing and the testimony clearly showed that they maintained a bawdy house, and a very disorderly one at that. No defense was made and in default of bail they were bound over for their appearance at court and sent back to jail, there being two men and two women. For the sake of friends names are omitted. As men and women from town, and quite a number of them, frequented this resort, it was fortunate for them that they were not there on Saturday night.

## Base Ball.

State College Varsity base ball team defeated Lehigh University at State College Saturday by the score of 9 to 3. The Bellefonte Academy won from Snow Shoe at the latter place Saturday by the score of 15 to 5. State College Reserves lost to Williamsport High school Saturday at Williamsport by the score of 11 to 2.

quitter. Some magic power seems to have captured him at the crucial moment when a great reform measure was to be enacted, and the criminal acts of corporations restrained thereby in the future. The nation stood by applauding, suddenly to be disappointed and grieved. In recent issues the Centre Democrat has carefully outlined and followed the progress of this bill, because it is the most important measure of its kind attempted in many years, and marked what promised to be a new epoch in public affairs by restraining unlawful combinations of wealth from imposing on the public.

## HORSE DISEMBOWELED.

### Rearing up the Animal Plunges on the Point of an Iron Hitching Post.

The Lock Haven Democrat says: A sickening sight was witnessed on Water street near the river bridge entrance, by a number of persons Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. A horse belonging to Mert McCloskey, of Dunstown, hitched to a buggy, was tied to a pointed iron post in front of the court house. Suddenly and without any apparent cause the animal reared up on its hind feet and coming down was impaled on the post. In its struggle to get loose the animal's abdomen was torn in a frightful manner, the bowels dropping to the ground. The horse broke loose from the buggy and started for the bridge, but in doing so tramped on the dragging intestines and tore a large portion off, which dropped on the square in front of the bridge. In this condition and with other portions of the internal organs hanging out, the animal, incredible as it may seem, trotted across the bridge and came out on the Lockport side, when it fell in front of Hoover's store. Dr. Weickel, who was summoned, mercifully hastened the animal's end by shooting it. The "inwards" which dropped on the street were removed by several men, under the direction of Health Officer McGhee. The animal is said to have been quite a valuable one.

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The delegates chosen at the above stated time will meet in the Court House in Bellefonte, on Tuesday, June 5th 1906, at 12 o'clock noon, and nominate the following:

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