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EDITORIAL.

Bill Flinn's steam roller was in fine working order at Harrisburg. The job was well done.

Boss Penrose was unhorsed on Wednesday. What will the democrats do next Tuesday to their bosses?

It is thought that Roosevelt's large vote in Massachusetts will put Taft out of the race. It was another stunner.

The Republicans of Pennsylvania have re-organized their party in short order. Why should not the Democrats follow suit?

Teddy Roosevelt rendered a great service to the country by unhorsing Penrose. It now is up to the Democrats to complete the job.

Watch the small-fry politicians who hovered around Penrose's mess tent for years scramble to get on Bill Flinn's band wagon! They are scampering that way already.

Latest revised returns from Massachusetts give Roosevelt 20 delegates. Taft will have 16. All the districts have been heard from on delegates.

Helpless, hopeless and humiliated Boss Penrose appeared at Bill Flinn's convention at Harrisburg on Tuesday. They put the steam roller right over the big boss. Every one is waiting to see if he can "come back."

The recent primaries, wherever held over the country, left this handwriting upon the wall for the bosses: This day shall thy iniquitous rule and domination end and the downtrodden masses be governed by servants of honesty, integrity and justice to all.

President Taft practically charges Theodore Roosevelt with having uttered a falsehood in his Worcester speech on Friday, when he declared that Mr. Taft, as a member of the Roosevelt cabinet, made the motion that there should be no prosecution of the harvester trust pending investigation by the commissioner of corporations.

Taft and Teddy—the president and ex-president—are having a hot time of it between them, assailing each other, being rival republican candidates for the presidency.

The supervisors in the townships along the Bald Eagle Valley have the ideal conditions for the practical use of the split log drag. The entire road could be worked to good advantage if some system were used, and it was carried out.

THE TEST OF STRENGTH.

Next Tuesday the Democratic State Convention will meet in Harrisburg, and it will be one of the most important gatherings in the history of the party for many years.

Both sides continue to claim a clear majority of the delegates, and that matter will not be settled until the vote is taken in the convention to test their claims.

The fact that Gordon has been suggested by every Guffey faction in the state is sufficient to warn the re-organization forces that Gordon does not represent what the people want, or voted for at the primaries.

Let there be harmony—but the majority must rule in any event.

When you are thinking of job printing come to The Centre Democrat office.

ROOSEVELT A MANIAC.

Watterson Declares T. R. Knows Not What He Does. Colonel Henry Watterson in an editorial in the Courier-Journal this week says:

"The spectacle of the president of the United States engaged in an unseemly public quarrel with an ex-president of the United States may be, as the saying hath it, a sight for gothic eyes."

"One moved to ask, is the White House worth it to either of them? Considered from the viewpoint of their antecedent relations, it is pitiable. It is even ghastly. Yet Mr. Taft might have taken a shorter cut to the truth. He might have said, 'I personally know that Theodore Roosevelt is of unbounded mind, and I refuse to fight a madman.'"

"If one of the Caesars who goes by the name of Nero was insane, Theodore Roosevelt, aspiring to be an imitation Caesar, is insane. His plan of campaign from start to finish has been just such an insane delusion. The man is a maniac. He knows not clearly what he does or says. Never an utterance of his will bear discussion or discussion. Never an act of his can be defended."

"Let his family and friends take him to an asylum, before he does something irreparable and it is too late."

BIG EXPENDITURES.

The following tabulated statement of election expenses of the two old parties since 1860, if the reader will look it over carefully, illustrates the power of money in winning political victories:

Table with columns: Year, Candidate, Republican Expenditures by Republicans, Democratic Expenditures by Democrats.

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The First in Ten Years.

It lacks only a few weeks before the test for a nomination at a Pennsylvania Republican State convention. Since Pennypacker was nominated over Elkin on Wednesday, June 11, 1902, everything has been fixed up in advance by the boss and his team.

Split Log Drag Weather.

This is the ideal time of the year for supervisors in the country to make good roads to the best advantage, with the famous split log drag. When the fields are too wet for the spring plowing and the ground is soggy and the roads are bad, the farmer has little to do, and his teams are in the stable eating their heads off when they might be working to good advantage.

When the earth is saturated with moisture the top is plastered down every time the drag goes over it, until you get a coating that becomes hard and waterproof and, as a result, will assure a solid road during the balance of the summer season, with little or no attention.

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Wirtz Estate.

Irvin Wirtz, formerly of College township, sends us the following from West Allis, Wis.: All parties who are direct descendants of the General Field Marshal Paul Wirtz, of Holland, who left a large estate to his heirs, should write to J. H. Wirtz, 1018 Third street, Appleton, Wis. for information.

Don't kick Bill Flinn until he deserves it. Give him a chance.

Remember the Centre Democrat has over 5,500 circulation. That beats the record.

Clark carried Massachusetts and Wilson got the delegates in Maryland. Clark seems to be gaining a late, but the Wilson forces are very confident.

The next legislature will be asked to pass laws for the more easy prosecution and punishment of crooked game wardens and just as crooked justices of the peace who work with them.

WILSON STRONG, SAYS O'GORMAN

Senator Sure He Can Carry State of New York.

COULD WIN IN NEW ENGLAND.

Senator Gardner of Maine Indorses New York Colleague's View That New Jersey Governor is Strong in Sections Where Foes Say He is Weak.

(Atlanta (Ga.) Journal.) Senator O'Gorman of New York declares that Woodrow Wilson if chosen the Democratic nominee can carry that state against any Republican.

A weightier comment on present day politics has not been made. It crushes the flimsy pretension that Woodrow Wilson's candidacy would lose or imperil the party's chance in New York state and indicates his strength in the strategic center of the east as well as in the west and the south.

Coming from a leader of Senator O'Gorman's prestige and farsightedness, this estimate is particularly significant. He is the titular head of the Democracy of New York, a state that has ninety votes in the nominating convention and forty-five votes in the electoral college, the state for which both parties strive most vigorously in presidential years as the key to national success.

He has the support of Tammany Hall, but he is immeasurably beyond and above the system with which Tammany is identified in the public mind. He is versed in practical politics, but he is also a statesman of spotless record and of rare ability, so much so indeed that when he was called to the senate the people as a whole, regardless of party connections, rejoiced that the duties of the office had fallen upon a man so eminently fitted to bear them.

Of all the Democratic nominees yet suggested Woodrow Wilson would not only stand the largest chance to carry New York, but according to the recent testimony of Senator Gardner of Maine, he is the only Democrat who could win portions of New England.

From the clear headed testimony of these two eminent Democrats, Senator O'Gorman of New York and Senator Gardner of Maine, it is evident that Governor Wilson is particularly strong in the very places wherein his foes would have us believe he is fatally weak.

When to this fact is added the confidence and the following he has won over the country as a whole there can be no fair minded doubt that of all the aspirants in the field he is by far the best fitted both as a statesman and a candidate.

GOVERNOR WILSON'S CHANCES.

(New York World.) The World is unable to agree with its friend Colonel Watterson that "the Woodrow Wilson presidential boom has started on the down grade."

Viewing the situation without prejudice, we should say that the governor of New Jersey is still the leading Democratic candidate for the nomination and that he is still the only candidate who has shown strength in all sections of the country.

GOV. WILSON'S CANDIDACY.

Harrisburg (Pa.) Patriot: "Hon. James O'Gorman, who left the bench of the supreme court of New York to become a senator of the United States, shows political acumen when he expresses the opinion that Woodrow Wilson could carry New York and by a larger majority than any other man who has been mentioned for the Democratic nomination for president."

Coriscana (Tex.) Sun: "Looks as though the more fight made against Governor Wilson the stronger his support grows. Governor Wilson knows the political game as well as those who are in it with him."

Bradentown (Fla.) Herald: "United States Senator N. P. Bryan has declared for Woodrow Wilson for president. Senator Bryan doesn't make any grand stand plays, but his sympathies are with his constituents."

Montrose (Colo.) Enterprise: "The Democratic party will make a grave mistake if it fails to place Woodrow Wilson at the head of its national ticket—a mistake which will more than likely cost it the presidency."

Rockford (Ill.) Star: "It is Woodrow Wilson against the field and against Wall Street too."

Gaffney (S. C.) Ledger: "It's precious little comfort the boomers of Messrs. Harmon, Clark and Underwood are receiving in this state. To be perfectly frank about it, Governor Wilson seems to have the goat tied out."

Hartford (Conn.) Post: "Governor Wilson of New Jersey says that our tariff is a mist—that it's a child's garment. Perhaps that's so. Somehow it does pinch terribly, and it's getting worse all the time."

OLD INDIAN MILL.

The Susquehanna Chapter, D. A. R., of Clearfield, has recently erected an iron rail fence around a large irregularly shaped stone known as the Indian Mill, situated three miles west of Woodland and about midway between that place and Clearfield.

The stone, which measures 6x8 feet, is oval in form, has an indentation near the center that is about 11 inches in diameter and 8 or 9 inches in depth, and is not unlike a wooden butter bowl.

It is said on good authority that the Indians used this hole in which to grind their cornstaple the grain being put in the hole and pounded with a small boulder held in the hand.

About 1,000 feet north of this stone, on the ridge along the old Milesburg Pike, is another stone of the same kind with a similar hole in it, and with no doubt used by the Red Men for the same purpose, while to the south of the stone first mentioned is a steep high mountain over which ran the Indian trail, and has been traced as far as Philipsburg. This trail kept to the top of the ridges and was later used by the white man when he first came to these parts.

The reason the path was on the top of the mountain was because there the forest was more open, the valleys being almost impassable on account of the dense undergrowth of laurel and vines that grow on the swampy bottoms.

Persons passing along the road can easily find the mill by remembering it is on the north or right hand side of the road, about one-fourth mile beyond Barrett Station (P. R. R.) near a large culvert at the corner of the woods, and on the farm of George Brett.

The Ladies of Susquehanna Chapter are to be congratulated in putting up this fence, as they have done a real benefit to the public by calling attention to the relic of a race that has long since left these parts.

A suitable tablet there to tell what the place commemorates, and is inscribed as follows: "Indian Mill, marked by Susquehanna Chapter D. A. R., 1911."

Champ Clark's stock as a presidential candidate has advanced rapidly within the past few months. He is expected to have to hurry along to be in the race.

AN ACT.

Section 1. Be it enacted, etc. That section one of an act, entitled "An act to provide for the improvement of the main traveled roads," which reads as follows: "From and after the passage of this act, the township supervisors and road commissioners of the several townships within this Commonwealth shall, annually, on the first Monday of April, enter into a contract with one or more taxpayers to remove and take away the loose stones from the main traveled highways in such township, at least once a month, during the months of April, May, June, July, August, September, and October of each year."

This act from and after the passage of this act, the township supervisors and road commissioners of the several townships within this Commonwealth shall, by contract or otherwise, remove and take away the loose stones from the traveled roads or highways in such township, during the months of May, June, August and October, in each year.

Section 2. In case of neglect or refusal of the supervisors or road commissioners to carry out the provisions of the first section of this act, shall forfeit and pay for every such offense, neglect or refusal a fine or penalty not exceeding ten dollars, to be recovered by action of debt, in the name of the Commonwealth, before any justice of the peace or alderman of the county with costs of suit. One-half of such fine to go to the informer or prosecutor, and the other one-half to be applied to repairing the roads or highways in such township. Approved—The 2nd day of July, A. D. 1901. WILLIAM A. STONE.

Watch the "Republican" and the "Gazette" crawl on Bill Flinn's bandwagon.

QUITE A CHANCE.

Up to fifty years ago ninety per cent of the inhabitants of the south side of this county spoke only the Pennsylvania German, were taught German in the public schools, and many understood no English. In the territory embracing the townships of Haines, Miles, Penn, Potter, Harris, and Gregg, all the church services were in German, except in the Presbyterian church at Spring Mills. There was no want of churches, the Lutheran and German Reformed were the leading congregations, followed later by the Methodist, United Brethren, and Evangelical churches which, at this day, are quite numerous in that territory. An English sermon was a rarity and in some parts no preaching at all in English. At a day it is just about the reverse—all services throughout the townships named above, with about twenty churches, are in English, while the Pennsylvania German is still largely in use as the every-day tongue, although English is readily spoken by all.

The German has been dropped from the schools entirely, where it was once a requirement in the qualifications of a teacher. The charges were large, consequently services could only be held once every four weeks in a church. Rev. P. S. Fisher's Reformed charge extended from his home at Bonalsburg to the lower end of Pennsylvania, Aaronsburg. The Lutheran charge embraced all the congregations from Aaronsburg to the Union church in Gregg, and the congregations at Rebersburg and Madisonburg. This territory now consists of some ten churches, in addition to the United Brethren and Evangelical church, which came in later.

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Conscience is a still, small voice that tells us when we are found out.

Music hath charms, but it isn't the song birds that make the best pot-pies.

Mrs. Fred Raymond, of Julian, was admitted to the Lock Haven hospital as an operative patient.

The Republicans in Pennsylvania taught the Democrats a few things about re-organization. They did it up to the queen's taste.

Penrose's machine was smashed yesterday. Flinn will be the next boss in Pennsylvania and until he proves unworthy, every loyal Republican should stand by the new standard bearer. The majority should rule.

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RE-FORESTATION WORK.

The state is vigorously proceeding with the re-forestation of the wild lands laid bare by lumber operations within the past thirty years. Centre county alone has thousands of acres of such lands, which within fifty years will have ended denudation and make our now barren forest lands again a source of immense wealth, and hold in their mighty palms the rains that fall from the skies that the earth may get the benefits. Important re-forestation work is being done by the State Forestry Commission's nurseries this spring, and it is expected that when the shipment of seedlings are completed that over 2,000,000 young trees will have been sent out. The majority of the trees being shipped are white pine and the fact that the state has been able to furnish so many for its own reserves and to private parties who agree to take care of them illustrates the wisdom of the establishment of the nurseries several years ago.

The state has three nurseries, one in Bedford, one in Huntingdon and one in Tioga, with Mt. Alto helping along. They are all state reserves and have proved of great importance in the state's work in districts where replanting was necessary to conserve the water supply. Last year close to 2,000,000 seedlings were shipped.

Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hoffman started from their home in Philipsburg to the mountain in quest of trailing arbutus. In their wandering they lost their bearings, and it was nearly midnight before they emerged from the dense timberlands, only to find themselves at Sandy Ridge. They returned home on the morning train, none the worse for their adventure, and were received with open arms by their friends, some of whom had been searching the mountains for the couple.

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Tuesday, May 7, '12 AT 9:30 A. M.

For Further Information Inquire of J. I. Olewine's Store, BELLEFONTE, PA.