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For governor of Pennsylvania, on the issue of an open field and fair play, JOHN P. ELKIN, of Indiana, subject to the will of the Republican

Choose the Safe Path.

T IS freely admitted that the past year has been an exceptionally good year in the mines. The miners have worked full time and earned more pay than in many years. There have been grievances. There always are. There has been much unrest. This is inevitable in the formative stages of a labor union movement. But on the whole, comparing the miner's condition in the year just closing with his average condition in, say, the past ten years, certainly no one will contend that it was not better.

Shall this comparative prosperity be put on a desperate hazard by another strike? If the advice of those who have at heart the best interests of the miners, the miners' families and the whole community shall be taken it will not. Any man can see that the operators are de termined to make no more important concessions at this time. They seem to have courted a strike. This can only be explained on the supposition that they regard one as inevitable sooner or later and prefer that It should take place at once and the sooner be over. The chances are that they are fully prepared for a strike and will, if it comes stand out for a final settlement. Under

them by not striking. morrow's meeting of the executive comcareer of the United Mine Workers in the operators' challenge and strikes, as prior mine unions have gone down under the stress of whole or partial defeat. The first of these alternatives seems very unlikely to come to pass. when Judge James T. Mitchell was ele-The second can only come by the men letting anger get ahead of careful calculation. Two years ago a presidential election brought powerful auxiliaries into play in the miners' behalf which are absent today. If fight is the word it can hardly fail to be a desperate one, carried to the bitter end. The union officials doubtless, therefore, know whether they are ready to accept the issue on that basis. If they have not yet decided in their own minds it behooves them, for the community's sake as well as for their own, to weigh the matter carefully and, in case of doubt, to choose the safe path.

The imposition of a fine of five dollars upon the consumer ought to prove an effective blow at "scab" eigars; but a rather difficult task appears to await some one in the detecting of non-union smoke,

Back to Reason. CAREFUL examination of the representative newspapers reflecting the public opinion of different sections shows unrelieved, they had an ugiy look. Op- Pennsylvania. ponents of the administration took the air at once.

But they are coming down. The Democrats overplayed their hand. They and variousness of his interests, he is made their motive too visible. The or has been state commissioner for the publishing of the testimony in the Valley Forge reservation, a member of court martial and acquittal of Major the supervisory committee on the res-Waller, with its illuminating wealth of toration of Independence hall, president detail as to the circumstances under of the Pennsylvania Historical society, which the recourse to retalliation had of the Pennsylvania German society to be taken, opened many eyes. The and of the Netherlands society of Philafact that Major Gardener, who first delphia, vice-president of the Colonial made charges against the character of society, president of the Philobiblion the military administration and club, member of the American Philomethods and whom the Democratic sophical society, the Society of Colonial critics at Washington wanted to have Wars, the Society of the War of 1812, senf home Immediately, so that they the Deutsche Pioneer verein, Deutsche could work up more anti-administra- gasselschaft, Canstatter Volksfest vertion campaign thunder prejudicial to ein, Union League club, founder and

Filipinos, has failed to obey the war mander of Taylor post, Grand Army of department's cabled instructions to the Republic, and president of the specify charges in order that they may Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Emergency receive thorough investigation has also Regiment association."

Democrats now admit that Gardener martial in case he continues to refuse to back up his slanderous assertions Republican to vote against him. with specifications, including names and dates,

And so it goes and will go. The the soldiery on the firing line and to poison the popular faith in the honesty of the administration's intentions. It tried this in '64 and failed and it will fall even more signally in this year of grace, when the soldiers whom it would discredit have under circumstances of exceptional difficulty and trial, in a for away land, amid a strange people speaking a strange tongue, performed wonders in quick pacification as well as in laying foundations for the future. Mistakes will not change the determination with which the American people have addressed themselves before the world to the problem in hand. Scuttle will fall overwhelmingly as a vote winning issue and the party seeking to carry it on top of abuse of our soldiers will need a coroner's inquest.

This is also a growing season for

Judge Pennypacker.

Elkin delegates,

HE announcement that Judge Samuel W. Pennypacker, Senator Quay's cousin, will be the senator's candidate for governor is not necessarily final. It has the appearance of a "feeler" to uncover insurgent sentiment. Nevertheless it justifies interest in Judge Pennypacker's personality and record. We append a biographical sketch taken from the Pittsburg Gazette:

"Judge Pennypacker was born April 1843, in Phoenixville, of a family whose genealogical record reads like a list of all the Teutonic settlers who ever gave Germantown its name. The founder of the family in America was Hendrick Pannebecker (1674-1754), who was land surveyor under the Penns and took an active part in the early administrative affairs. The judge's father, Isaac Anderson Pennypacker, was a distinguished Philadelphia physician, a professor in the college of medicine, and his grandfather, Matthias Pennypacker, sat in the state assembly and in the constitutional convention of 1837. His nother was Anna Whitaker, the daughter of a Pennsylvania iron master.

"He received his education at the Trovement seminary in Phoenixville and at the West Philadelphia institute, where he was prepared for Yale college. In 1863, when he was just 20, came the civil war, and young Pennypacker went to the front as a private with the Twenty-sixth Emergency regiment. When the war closed he studied law and his success was far out of the ordipary. He was admitted to the Philadelphia bar in 1866, after preparing himpresent circumstances they are virtual- self in the office of Peter McCall and in ly a unit and have back of them unlim- the law school of the University of ited resources. If they want a strike or Pennsylvania. Within two years after If they are ready for it and will do commencing active practice he was nothing further to avert it, then mani- elected president of the Law Academy festly it would be good generalship on of Philadelphia. About that time he the part of the miners to disappoint commenced the series of important legal compilations with which his name Looking at this whole situation in the is associated. He edited, with E. G. light of history, it seems as though to- Platt and Samuel G. Hollingsworth, a mittee were the crucial point in the Reports' (1879). He collected, in four volumes, 'Pennypacker's Supreme Court the anthracite coal fields. If it accepts | Cases,' a volume of Pennsylvania colonial cases, and assisted in the bringthen it must win absolutely or go down ing out of the 'Weekly Notes of Cases,' a work which embraces forty volumes. "He was admitted in 1887 to practice

vated to the Supreme court in 1889 Governor Beaver appointed Pennypacker to the vacant place on the bench of the court of common pleas. He was regarded as so eminently suitable for the place that the following autumn he was elected by both parties by what imounted to a unanimous vote for a en-year term and was re-elected two years ago: He is one of the vice-presilents of the Philadelphia Law academy. "As a historian of his native state nd especially of the German-American colonization movement within its borders, Judge Pennypacker is acknowledged to stand pre-eminent. He has written over fifty books and papers on this line of research, of which a number ave undergone Dutch and German translations. Among them are the 'Anands of Phoenixville and Its Vicinity, 'The Pennypacker Reunion' (1878), 'Historical and Biographical Sketches' and 'The Settlement of Germantown,' a highly valuable work, which was published about two years ago with an edition limited to 350 copies, of which all were sold within two weeks. His library contains a most remarkable colthat already the American people are lection of the first books printed in recovering from the sudden fit of Pennsylvania, to the number of 7,000, hysteria which followed the publication, and of these 250 are from Benjamin with Democratic exaggerations, of the Franklin's press. It is said that he has orders given by General Smith in the the best collection extant of books re-Samar campaign. Unexplained and lating to the German colonization of

"His interest in educational matters hold of them and started in to fire the has been always very strong. From feeling of the country. Many who 1886 to 1889 he was a member of the know nothing about war and are board of public education of Philadelwholly ignorant of the trying con- phia, and was controller of public ditions surrounding General Smith in schools for the Twenty-ninth ward. his work, and of the necessity and Franklin and Marshall college bestowed swift efficacy of a show of severity to on him the degree of LL. D. He has checkmate Malay treachery, went into been for a long time a trustee of the University of Pennsylvania.

"To give some idea of the wideness the good name of the army and in- manager of the Pennsylvania Society jurious to our influence among the of the Sons of the Revolution, past com-

had an educational effect upon flutter- It is evident from the statement of

ed citizens who want to be fair. The facts that Judge Pennypacker has a creditable record, and while it has been is biggest in the index. They have largely academic and cloister-like, it is withdrawn their demand for his pres- clean. His position on the bench has ence before the senate Philippine com- kept him aloof from political activity; mittee and are ready to applaud the he is without factional embarrassments war department for ordering a court and if nominated at the call of the people there would be no reason for any

It is, however, evident to all that his mention for the nomination is wholly the work of one man, and that man a Democracy aims in vain to discredit relative, Senator Quay, If nominated he could not be other in the estimation of the people than Quay's man, peculiarly and especially so since the popular choice as elicited in open primaries to date has fallen upon another, If the Republicans of this state are willing to substitute Senator Quay's choice for their own choice, Judge Pennypacker may be nominated. It is up to the people to decide.

The suggestions regarding another public park in the central part of the city are timely. The mid-day breathing spot, convenient for tired workers who have a few moments to spare at lunch time or in other hours of the day, will be of greater benefit to the public than the most elaborate parks that are located at a distance from the business centers.

Mr. Bryan announces that he is no longer desirous of being the Moses of the Democratic party. It has evidently just dawned upon the silver prophet that Moses was not allowed to enter the promised land.

The Politicians

N CONSIDERING the charges of cruelty which politicians in congress are bringing against army officers in the field, it must be remembered that war implies severe treatment. That is what war is for. The means employed must be judged with regard to the end in view the suppression of armed resistance. If it is permissible to fill an enemy with hot lead, then it is not wrong to fill bim with water if that happens not wrong to nit him with water it that happens to suit the purpose better. It all depends upon the conditions under which military operations are carried on. Even if mistakes are made and some acts of barbarity are perpetrated, that does not discredit the general policy any more than occasional brutality in police arrests discredits the general system of police protection and control. The particular offenders should be punished, but public opinion should and will sustain whatever measures, however severe, may be recessary to uphold law and order.

The officers who are now the target of conressional abuse are old, experienced soldiers who

ave carried the flag of their county to honor and lory on many fields. General Smith was a voluneer from Illinois during the Civil war, and won commission in the regular army by gallant service and soldierly qualities. In the Santiago campaign, he led his troops up San Juan hill, and although shot through the chest, remained in active command until the Spaniards hoisted the white flag of surrender. Major Waller, of the marine corps, won distinction in Egypt, where, with a handful of men, he protected Alexandria from being given over to riot and pillage by the remnant of Arabi Pasha's beaten army. He led he marines on the march to Peking, and in the ighting from Tien-tsin to the Imperial City, his command was thrown into intimate association with the company of the Ninth infantry, massared at Balangiga in Samar.

The task which these able and experienced offi-ers had to grapple with in Samar was made peculiarly difficult by the treacherous tactics of the gents waged a campaign of torture, robbery and governor and obtained offices so that they could direct bandit descents upon natives friendly to American rule. The movements of our troop were reported to the insurgents, so that small demssacre at Balangiga was perpetrated by tives who had been posing as friends and allies, and had the privileges of campmates, so that they had an opportunity to fall upon unarmed men from behind their backs. They gouged out the eyes of the wounded, cut straps from their skin and played other pranks of torture about which congressional rhapsodists may care little, but which caused some feeling of indignation and entment among Smith's troops and Waller's in the United States Supreme court and

General Smith was sent to Samar because of his recess in Pangasinan. It had been the most turilent province of fazon; he made it the most rangall. He brought to Samar the same er successful in Pangasinan, "among them the us of the water cure in dealing with spies, and i proved very effective. He has suppressed the in prection in Samar, and could not have done so otheswise. Major Waller was an able condjutor and the principal charge against him arose from ction taken during a desperate emergency. He nade a terrible march across Southern Samar, ispersing insurgents and destroying their sources of supply. He reached Basay with his small com-mand worn to the bone by starvation. The na-ive carriers culisted by him had designedly lost the supplies entrusted to them, and were in con-stant communication with insurgent bands. At Basay he was surrounded by some 5,000 savages, the were planning to repeat the massacre of Balangiga, only twenty miles away. Night after night attacks were made, and any opportunity of effective co-operation between the spics in-side and the inemgents outside would have been fatal to the garrison. Major Waller watched un-til he had sure proof of the guilt of a number of the spies, and then be had them shot. This action squelched the plots of massacre and the people of Basay assumed a friendly attitude.

Our army officers are not responsible for the in-arrection in the Philippines. That is the work of the politicians, and continued incitement to nsurrection still proceeds from congress. Mean-chile, the Smiths and Wallers will do their duty athfully and well, and their country will honor them. The snarling and yawping of Jacobin politicians in congress does not represent public

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Sir: I have heard on all sides nothing but anmendation of the editorial under above head ng in today's issue of The Tribune. An appeal of such weight and importance one would hardly hink can fail, but that it will be welcomed and me consideration given to it in the quarter bere it will be most effective.

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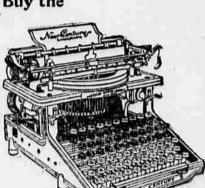
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