

TWO CENTS.

SCRANTON, PA., WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 6, 1902.

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TENSION INCREASING AT SHENANDOAH

Unsettled Condition of Affairs for the Last Few Days in the Region Continues.

RIOTING LITHUANIANS ARE UNDER ARREST

Two of the Strikers Engaged in the Disturbances of Last Week Are Captured—The Two Men Were Located in the Heart of the Foreign Districts of the Town—Escorted to Prison by Soldiers—They Are Identified by Police.

Shenandoah, Aug. 5.—The peace of this town protected town remains unbroken. The unsettled feeling which has been apparent for the last few days, however, continues. It was a lively day at brigade headquarters where all the staff officers were kept busy in connection with the movement of the troops and in keeping in touch with the situation in the entire county. There were many rumors of trouble but they were all unfounded. A workman was shot and slightly injured, nothing of a serious nature occurred any where.

Brigadier General Gobin was unusually alert however and kept soldiers in readiness for instant use all day. Probably the most important development in the Shenandoah region today was the arrest and commitment to the county jail of two wounded Lithuanians who participated in the riot of last week. Their arrest was attended with a considerable show of military force. They were taken into custody by constables who were surrounded by a platoon of infantrymen and were taken through the streets under a strong guard.

The prisoners are Anthony Klimovitz and Stanislaus Zukowski. Each had been shot in the foot during the riot and was unable to walk. They were located in boarding houses in the heart of the foreign quarters of the town.

Trouble Was Feared.

The constables feared that trouble would ensue if they attempted to make the arrests themselves, and, upon their suggestion, General Gobin sent a platoon of Company I, of the Twelfth regiment, to protect them. The soldiers formed a line around the houses and the two Lithuanians were carried from the houses and placed in an open wagon.

By this time, a crowd of foreigners of different nationalities had gathered around the soldiers and followed them and the prisoners to the office of Squire W. H. Shoemaker, where the prisoners were given a hearing. While the hearing was in progress, the platoon of the Twelfth regiment, from the place, the Lithuanians, along with a fellow-countryman named Waldo Rowinski, who was arrested late Saturday night on the charge of being a participant in the riot, were then arraigned. The principal witness was Thomas R. Beddall, a deputy sheriff, who was in the riot. He identified the men and testified to having deliberately shot Klimovitz and Sukowski, wounding them in the feet. The three men were then held in \$200 bail each and in default they were ordered taken to the jail at Pottsville.

They were quickly taken to a closed carriage and surrounded by the infantrymen, they were rapidly driven to the Pennsylvania railroad station, the soldiers being compelled to run to keep up with the carriage. Along one side of the station is a high hill, and this was practically covered with about one thousand persons, nearly all foreigners. Between the station and the hill a whole company of soldiers were drawn up, facing the throng, ready to frustrate any attempt at rescuing the prisoners.

The transfer of the Lithuanians to the train was quickly made and the crowd then dispersed. Another Lithuanian was to have been arrested today, but he could not be found.

Colonel Theodore F. Hoffman, of the Eighth regiment, and Captain Ott, of the Governor's Troop, gave a dress parade in town at 5 p. m., as a compliment to General Gobin. Practically the whole town was out to see the parade. Tomorrow afternoon, Colonel Clement, of the Twelfth regiment, will tender the brigadier general a similar compliment.

SHERIFF BEDDALL SENDS REPORT OF THE RIOT

The Details of the Malicious Attack on Pottsville Machinists Are Explained to Governor.

Pottsville, Aug. 5.—S. Rowland Beddall, sheriff of Schuylkill county, has forwarded to Governor Stone a report

of the riot at Shenandoah on July 30, made to him by Deputy Sheriff Thomas Beddall, who, in detail, details the occurrences resulting in the call for the militia. Deputy Sheriff Beddall says that about 5 o'clock on the afternoon of Wednesday, July 30, he observed crowds of men moving towards the Lehigh Valley Philadelphia and Reading railroads, shouting "scab" after three men who were walking up the railroad to the depot. These men were Mr. Good, Mr. Vaughn and Mr. Bennett, of Pottsville, Mr. Good being a draughtsman and the other two machinists. Mr. Bennett and Mr. Vaughn each carried a bundle. Mr. Good sat to the pursuers: "We are not scabs; we are machinists." To the deputy sheriff they gave their names and stated they had been sent from Pottsville to procure the draughts of some machinery. They were then on their way to the Reading railroad station to board the 6.10 train for Pottsville.

While the three men were making this explanation the crowd surrounded them and one of the mob took the paper from the bundles which they were carrying, revealing a dinner bill and overall. Immediately the three men were knocked down and were beaten, kicked and stoned. The deputy sheriff says he attempted to read the riot act, but the paper was torn from his hands. He drew his revolver and fired over the heads of the mob. The rioters fell back for a moment and Beddall and the three victims succeeded in reaching the railroad station.

The mob stormed the station, but the deputy sheriff held the rioters at bay until the arrival of the borough police, with whose assistance Good, Vaughn and Bennett were placed on a locomotive and taken to Mahanoy City. The deputy sheriff says he did not know until two hours later that his brother, Joseph Beddall, had been fatally assaulted while trying to assist him.

WILKES-BARRE MINES ARE ALL PICKETED

Four Men Arrested at Nanticoke Charged with Inciting a Riot. Miners Are Dissatisfied.

Wilkes-Barre, Aug. 5.—Lest some of the coal companies might attempt to bring out some of the strikers and start up some of their mines today, pickets were stationed in the vicinity of nearly every colliery, but no attempt was made to resume operations at any of the mines. At Nanticoke four men were arrested charged with inciting a riot. It is alleged they interfered with the deputies in charge of one of the mines of the Susquehanna Coal company. The defendants were held in \$500 bail each for trial at court. If the other companies were as alert as the Susquehanna there would be many more arrests. The officials of the company operating the Nanticoke mines say they intend to pursue every case where their men are interfered with.

At the offices of the local coal companies it is said that reports are being received daily that there is more or less dissatisfaction among the strikers, and that their meetings of late have become very stormy affairs, a large element, it is claimed, not being in favor of the present method of distributing relief or a continuance of the strike under present conditions.

THE MINERS WILL NOW RECEIVE RELIEF

Threats of Union and Non-Union Miners to Go to Work Have Prompted This Move.

Shamokin, Aug. 5.—From the Ninth United Mine Workers' district headquarters today it was announced that hereafter all miners whether they belong to the union or not will receive financial aid. Idle non-union men have the past week been threatening to go to work unless they were aided by the union to buy provisions.

The Royal Oak colliery, which when in operation employs 300 men and boys, was sold today by C. K. Sober, of Lewisburg, to William and Frank Lewellyn, of this place. The new owners will enlarge the breaker to increase the capacity of the colliery. In order to prevent the workings from flooding the eight-hour work day was granted to the firemen and pumpmen.

SHAFT BROKE IN MID-OCEAN.

Steamship Alexandria, from New York, for Copenhagen, Delayed.

London, Aug. 5.—The British steamship Indrapati arrived at Greenock today and reported that on Aug. 2 in latitude 54, longitude 23, she spoke the Danish steamer Alexandria, Capt. Thomsen, from New York, July 19, for Copenhagen.

The Alexandria's shaft was broken, but no assistance was required. Capt. Thomsen said that it would take about five days to make repairs.

Died of Broken Neck.

Wilkes-Barre, Aug. 5.—Joseph Kearney, aged 19, died at Mercy hospital today of a broken neck. He sustained the injury four months ago by being whirled around a shaft in a mill. His whole body with the exception of the right hand was paralyzed. He was unconscious to the last and the fact that he lived so long was a puzzle to the doctors, as the break was such a one that it was thought the patient could not survive more than a couple of days.

PRESIDENT SAILS FOR GARDINER'S BAY.

Will Witness the Target Practice by the Mayflower.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Greenport, N. Y., Aug. 5.—At 4.30 this afternoon the President and Mrs. Roosevelt went aboard the Sylph which sailed immediately for Gardiner's Bay where the target practice of the Mayflower is to take place tomorrow. Gardiner's Bay is to be the scene of the competitive gun practice by the Mayflower and is about twelve miles from this port.

As heretofore announced Mr. Roosevelt will present to the successful gun crew a prize of \$25 in gold. The Sylph is not expected to arrive in Gardiner's Bay until a late hour tonight. She will anchor near the Mayflower. At an early hour tomorrow morning the president and Mrs. Roosevelt will go aboard the Mayflower and soon afterward the practice with the ship's rapid fire guns will begin. At the conclusion of the competitive test the president and Mrs. Roosevelt some time tomorrow will board the Sylph and start on their return trip to Oyster Bay. They expect to reach Sagamore Hill in time for breakfast.

HUNTING CONVICTS WITH BLOODHOUNDS

Thirteen Tennessee Desperados Who Escaped by Blowing Out Prison Walls Still at Large.

Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 5.—With an armed posse and bloodhounds the county authorities have taken up the trail in a man-hunt for thirteen convicts who made good their escape after blowing out the walls of the Tennessee penitentiary here with dynamite last night. The leader of the gang is Gus Hyatt, a train robber and desperado, and six of the escaped men were federal convicts.

Armed with dynamite, Hyatt led a desperate band of sixteen convicts to liberty out of the prison. Fifteen of the escaping party got entirely clear of the premises. Edward Carney, a safe blower, sent up from Nashville, paid the penalty of death in the bold undertaking.

Joseph Loss and James Work were traced down by bloodhounds and captured, but the rest of the prisoners got so far out of bounds that by midnight no trace of them could be had.

The prisoners were furnished dynamite from the outside. They used it to blow out an opening in the main wing of the prison. Hyatt stood off the inside guard with a brace of revolvers, which also had been furnished him from the outside, while the other men preceded him. Carney the prisoner who was killed, went out immediately before the train robber.

The dynamite was laid by Doc, the Manchester train robber. He made good his escape with the others.

TRYING TO ROUND UP TRACY.

Four Sheriffs Gather About His Supposed Refuge.

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 5.—The pursuers of Tracy are proceeding on the theory that he is somewhere in the southeastern part of Lincoln county. Sheriffs Cuddehe and Debot arrived at Rearsden, fifteen miles east of Davenport early yesterday, having traveled all night. Later, they left for Edwall, and a telephone message from there says they went to the southeast, presumably for the Crab Creek country. Sheriff Douset of Spokane county, and a posse are gathering in Sprague, Spokane county, and Sheriff Gardner of Lincoln, is still covering the northern end of the country. It is reported that Tracy has been seen near Odessa, in the Crab Creek country.

THE IRVINE CASE.

Right Rev. Thomas Marsh Clark, Will Appoint Board of Inquiry.

Providence, Aug. 5.—Right Rev. Thomas Marsh Clark, bishop of Rhode Island, and presiding bishop of the Episcopal church, who was requested by Right Rev. Ethelbert Talbot, bishop of Central Pennsylvania, to appoint a board of inquiry to investigate the charges made against the latter by the Rev. E. H. W. Irvine, D. D., of Kentucky.

Bishop Clark states that a board of inquiry consisting of sixteen members, half clergy and half lay, will be convened.

DIABOLO'S TERRIBLE FALL.

Bicyclist "Loops the Loop" Probably for the Last Time, in London.

London, Aug. 5.—Diavolo, the American bicyclist, sustained a terrible fall while performing his act of "looping the loop" at the Aquarium tonight. He was taken to Westminster hospital unconscious, and is believed to have concussion of the brain.

This is the third time he has fallen while performing this feat in the last ten days.

Dauphin Republican Ticket.

Harrisburg, Aug. 5.—The Dauphin county Republican convention today nominated the following ticket: Congress, M. S. Olmstead, Harrisburg; legislature, William H. Ulrich, Hummelstown; B. F. Ober, Pottsville; Charles E. Stroupe, Elizabethtown; sheriff, Michael W. Seiler, Harrisburg; commissioners, John S. Longacker, Londonderry township, and D. P. Lebo, Williamstown; treasurer, Isaac Lyster, Halifax; recorder, Dr. H. M. Stine, Harrisburg; register, Dr. B. T. Dickinson, Steelton; director of the poor, Joseph Reigley, East Hanover; auditors, George Earle, Harrisburg; Elmer W. Dockey, Uniontown.

Earthquakes at Genoa.

Rome, Aug. 5.—There were earthquakes today at Genoa and Pisa. The shocks lasted a few seconds and were accompanied by subterranean rumblings. No damage was done.

THE RECALL OF FRIARS

The Vatican Sure of Satisfactory Settlement of the Question.

FAREWELL AUDIENCE OF RAMPOLLA

The Cardinal Instructs Head of Dominicans, Who is Returning to Manila—Father Pava Says the Priests Will Not Go Back to Parishes—Needed in Church Schools.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Rome, Aug. 5.—Cardinal Rampolla, the papal secretary of state, gave a farewell audience today to Father Santiago Pava, provincial of the Dominicans in the Philippine islands, who will leave on Thursday for Manila. Father Pava, in a private conversation with the cardinal, expressed doubt as to the entire elimination of the Spanish friars of the four orders under discussion, although the total number of them in the Philippines has been reduced to 300. The Augustinians are the most numerous, but the American friars of that order are few in numbers, and, according to Father Pava, do not wish to leave the United States.

Continuing, the Dominican provincial said that members of his own order in the Philippines had already been reduced to the number absolutely necessary to carry on the schools in their charge, and that they had no desire to return to parishes, which they had never occupied in large numbers. It would be difficult to replace them in the schools, he said, as a special knowledge of local dialects is required in order to teach the natives.

CATHOLICS TO DISCUSS FRIARS.

Convention of Federated Societies Meets in Chicago.

Chicago, Aug. 5.—Delegates from more than four hundred Catholic societies attended the opening session of the convention of the Federation of Catholic Societies here today. Solemn interest centered about the question of the question of the Spanish friars in the Philippines. All the regular sessions of the convention will be executive but an open meeting will be held tonight, at which, officers say, the question of the Spanish friars probably will come up. The convention will continue over tomorrow and Thursday.

AFRO-AMERICAN REPUBLICANS.

State League of Pennsylvania in Session at Harrisburg.

Harrisburg, Aug. 5.—About one hundred delegates were present at Odd Fellows hall today, when the first session of the convention of the Afro-American Republican league of Pennsylvania was called to order by President W. H. Jones, of Washington.

The reports of the committee on ways and means and the committee on credentials occupied a large portion of the day's session. This evening the Dauphin county branch of the league tendered a reception to the visiting delegates. Officers will be elected at tomorrow's session.

CAPITOL BUILDING BIDS.

Commission Decides That They Must Be Opened On Sept. 6.

Harrisburg, Aug. 5.—A meeting of the capitol building commission was held in this city today at which it was decided to open bids publicly at noon on September 6 at the executive department of the capitol building. The bids must be sealed and delivered to the commission in an envelope of a uniform size to be furnished by the secretary of the commission. The blue prints may be seen and specifications had at the office of Joseph M. Hustin, of Philadelphia, architect for the building, Philadelphia.

Steeple Climber Killed.

Philadelphia, Aug. 5.—Daniel Barry, 45 years old, a boss rigger, while at work today within the dome of the city hall tower fell to the seventh floor, a distance of ninety-eight feet, and was instantly killed. In his descent Barry struck one thousand iron cross girders and every bone in his body was broken. Barry was said to be the most daring steeple climber in the city.

The Senatorial Deadlock.

Honolulu, Pa., Aug. 5.—The meeting of the Republican conference of the Twenty-sixth senatorial district which has been in session here since yesterday, has taken many ballots. No decision, however, had been reached up to tonight.

All Reading Collieries Closed.

Pottsville, Aug. 5.—The attempt to start Good Spring colliery was abandoned by the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron company today. All the collieries remain tightly closed and the ranks of the strikers are unbroken.

MR. CAMERON'S ACCIDENT

Cables That He Is Slightly Bruised. Mrs. Cameron Unharmed.

Harrisburg, Aug. 5.—James M. Cameron, son of former United States Senator J. Don Cameron, received a cablegram from the senator himself today at the Cameron homestead, Lochiel farms, stating that he had escaped from the driving accident in Scotland with but slight injuries and that Mrs. Cameron had been unharmed. The cablegram was sent from Fort William in Vernesshire, Scotland, and was as follows: "Slightly bruised, but no cause for alarm. Mrs. Cameron unharmed."

No further details were given but the senator's family was relieved from anxiety by this intelligence.

KING'S CONDITION IS SATISFACTORY

Repeated Stories Concerning His Illness Are Being Denied in London.

London, Aug. 5.—A story afloat for several days that a second operation for appendicitis will be performed on King Edward after the coronation is denied here.

According to all authoritative reports the king is making an excellent recovery and it is considered unlikely that his physicians would allow him to endure the fatigue of the coronation ceremony if another operation was impending.

ANOTHER STRIKE SETTLED.

Camden Interstate Railway Employees Agree On Peace Terms.

Huntington, W. Va., Aug. 5.—An agreement between the Camden Interstate railway of this city and officials of the Street Railway union which now awaits a vote of the union, restores to the employees discharged without cause their former positions and recognizes the union of the Street Railway employees. The restoration of the employees discharged for cause is to be left to arbitration, the governor of the state, one of the members of the supreme court and another to be selected by them to be the arbitrators. One car was stopped by strikers this afternoon, three detectives and the motorman and conductor were taken off and disarmed of their revolvers and winchesters.

PHILIPPINE FRIAR QUESTION.

Archbishop Ryan Misquoted in Regard to His Attitude.

Philadelphia, Aug. 5.—Archbishop Ryan, who returned today from his visit to President Roosevelt at Custer Bay, stated that he was misquoted in regard to his attitude on the question of the retention of the friars in the Philippines.

He said: "My position in regard to the friars in the Philippines is not that they should be expelled, but that they should be left to the pope and their generals to be exchanged for members of their orders of other nationalities, especially Americans, when this can be effected. I believe that the opposition of some of the Filipinos arises from the fact that some of the friars are Spaniards."

HAYTI'S NEW GOVERNMENT

General Firmin, on the Fourth Instant, Selects a Cabinet and Proclaims Himself President.

Washington, Aug. 5.—The state department today received a cablegram from Minister Powell, Port au Prince, Hayti, stating that General Firmin, on the 4th instant, set up a new government and denominated it the provisional government of Artivortie and Northwest, and proclaimed himself president; Killick, secretary of the treasury; Henriquez, foreign affairs; St. Louis, public works; Chicoye, interior, and Lamour, agriculture.

Anthracite Presidents Meet.

New York, Aug. 5.—There was a meeting today of the presidents of the anthracite coal roads at the office of President Baer, of the Philadelphia and Reading company at which it was the coal strike situation that was discussed. Nothing, however, could be learned as to the official details of the meeting. The official of the New York, Ontario and Western said the strike situation was discussed but no action was taken.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, Aug. 5.—Arrived: Friesland, Antwerp; Grosse Kurfirst, Bremen; Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse, Bremen; Cleared: Philadelphia, Southampton; Celtic Liverpool; Suedia, Graf Waldsees, Hamburg; Southark, Antwerp; Arrived: Kron Prinz Wilhelm, New York. Rotterdam—Arrived: Noordam, New York via Boulogne Sur Mer.

Extra Organizer for Hibernians.

Milwaukee, Aug. 5.—At today's session of the convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians of Wisconsin the by-laws are amended to provide for one extra organizer for the state in addition to the provisions made by the national body. The order, it was stated, was in such a prosperous condition that more help was needed in the line of organizing.

PENNYPACKER HAS SOLIDIFIED THE PARTY

READY FOR HAWAIIAN CABLE.

Arrangements Completed for Carrying It to Honolulu.

San Francisco, Aug. 5.—S. S. Dickinson, superintendent of the Commercial Cable company in Nova Scotia, who has been in Hawaii for some time past making arrangements for the landing of the company's proposed Pacific cable at that point, arrived here on the steamer Sierra. He said that the cable will land at Walkiki, on a strip of land purchased for \$5,000, a part of which is known as the San Souci property, where Robert Louis Stevenson lived during his sojourn in Hawaii.

The territorial government has granted permission for an underground conduit from the landing place at Walkiki to the office of the company in Honolulu. Everything is now in readiness for the cable.

SHAN UPRISING IN SIAM.

Rebels Attack and Seize Town of Phrae and Murder Officials.

Bangkok, Siam, Aug. 5.—A body of troops numbering 2,000 men has been sent north to punish the Shans who recently attacked and seized the town of Phrae. The town is now in possession of 600 Shans, who are preparing to resist the troops sent against them.

The Shans have killed twenty-five Siamese officials but have not molested any of the other inhabitants of the town.

BAD MIX UP AT THE GRAND CIRCUIT RACES

A Collision Unseats Two Drivers on the Track—Good Events at Elmira.

Buffalo, Aug. 5.—The second day of the grand circuit was rather uneventful. Direct Hal and the Roman repeated their wins of earlier in the season, both getting their races easily. The only excitement came in the first heat of the 224 pace, when there was a collision on the first turn, the drivers of King Charles and Grasshopper being unseated. Grasshopper made the circuit of the track without a driver, but King Charles was stopped. Cooper, who drove the former, was not hurt, but Maloney, the owner of King Charles got a black eye and a badly skinned cheek. The judges ruled that as the collision seemed unavoidable all horses would start in the other heats. Maloney got up behind King Charles and in the third heat made a plucky drive, getting second place and third money in the race. Summaries:

224 pace, purse, \$5,000.	1 1 1
Direct Hal, driver, rather uneventful.	1 1 1
King Charles, driver, rather uneventful.	1 1 1
Baron Dillon, Jr., driver, rather uneventful.	1 1 1
Allyvader, driver, rather uneventful.	1 1 1
Queen, Grasshopper, Vice Regal, Cherry Lass and Hallie K. also started. Best time, 2:07 1/2.	1 1 1
228 trot, purse, \$2,000.	1 1 1
The Roman, driver, rather uneventful.	1 1 1
Allie Wood, driver, rather uneventful.	1 1 1
Baron Dillon, Jr., driver, rather uneventful.	1 1 1
Allyvader, driver, rather uneventful.	1 1 1
Minka, Laurette and Lord March also started. Best time, 2:14 1/2.	1 1 1
230 pace, purse, \$1,500.	1 1 1
Gold Brick, driver, rather uneventful.	1 1 1
Fulton, driver, rather uneventful.	1 1 1
Orin B, driver, rather uneventful.	1 1 1
Best time, 2:09 1/2.	1 1 1

Center County Ticket.

Bellefonte, Aug. 5.—The Center county convention today instructed its conferees to support Dr. Melvin J. Locke for congress and Alexander E. Patton for state senate. J. N. Schoonover and James B. Strohm, were nominated for the legislature. Colonel Wilbur F. Reeder was re-elected clerk of the county without contest. The resolution pledged support to the state ticket nominated at Harrisburg.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

Local data for Aug. 5, 1902:
Highest temperature, 83 degrees
Lowest temperature, 56 degrees
Relative humidity, 66 per cent.
8 p. m., 60 per cent.
Precipitation, 24 hours ended 3 p. m., none.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Forecast for Wednesday and Thursday: Eastern Pennsylvania—Local rains followed by fair and cooler Wednesday; Thursday, fair and cooler; fresh southwest shifting to north-west winds. Nuttall held a record of 5.1 for this distance in open water.

Hon. Charles Emory Smith's Opinion of Pennsylvania's gubernatorial Candidate.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT MUST BE SUSTAINED

Pennsylvania Should Proceed in a Way That Will Detract Nothing from the Strength of the Administration—Interesting Interview with the Distinguished Ex-Minister and Cabinet Member—Is Heartily in Favor of Pennypacker, and Will Take Stump.

Philadelphia, Aug. 5.—The fact that the Republican party is united in support of Judge Pennypacker is being demonstrated every day. Hon. Charles Emory Smith, postmaster general in the cabinet of McKinley and Roosevelt and editor of the Philadelphia Press, is the latest distinguished Republican to add his voice to the Pennypacker volume. He will be heard later on the stump.

The Philadelphia Press has always been noted for its independent Republican leanings; this year it is supporting the Republican ticket with all the virile force of its editorial page.

Your correspondent had a lengthy interview with General Smith yesterday. Besides being a former minister to St. Petersburg and member of the cabinet he is one of the best posted men on great national issues in this or any other state. In his interview, which follows, the ex-postmaster general expressed himself with great earnestness and vigor. He said:

Wants the Party to Stand Together.

For nearly four years prior to last January, I was practically out of Pennsylvania politics. While at Washington, in the cabinet, I could not actively participate in state movements. On my return in January, I was practically out of the active Republican of the state, I was exceedingly anxious that the party should act in such a manner that all Republicans of every shade could stand together in its support.

It was important on broad national grounds that the Republican organization of Pennsylvania should make this position. It is a transition time. The events of the past four years have put the party on a new trial. While not relinquishing its devotion to the economic, financial and moral principles which its past history has identified, the advance of the republic to new obligations and new responsibilities in the world has surrounded the republic with new conditions. It is vital that the ability of the party to meet a new situation should be demonstrated and that its hold on public confidence should not be impaired.

A Critical Situation.

The situation is critical in another respect. President McKinley had passed away and President Roosevelt had taken the helm. The transition was a vice president to the presidency under such circumstances has always heretofore been marked by trouble and conflict. In every case except McKinley's, the transition was from the south to the north. It has been followed by political revolution. President Roosevelt's patriotic continuation of President McKinley's policies and the great ability, courage and fidelity which he has addressed himself to the highest interests of the people, have made the situation different from any previous transition. But no risks should be taken and the Republican organization should be as wise and true as the president in holding the ship steady.

While the Republican party is thus swinging to a new position and facing new and broader questions, it would be disastrous if the Republican of the state would do anything that would weaken the movement. The country and the party must become as fixed and stable on the new lines as the country and the party were on the old lines. It is a transition time. The events of the past four years have put the party on a new trial. While not relinquishing its devotion to the economic, financial and moral principles which its past history has identified, the advance of the republic to new obligations and new responsibilities in the world has surrounded the republic with new conditions. It is vital that the ability of the party to meet a new situation should be demonstrated and that its hold on public confidence should not be impaired.

Pennypacker Has Party's Confidence.

This fortunate result was assured in the nomination of Judge Pennypacker for governor. That nomination made it certain that the Republican of the state would stand together and that at this important juncture, when the party faces the future under new conditions, its success in a career will not be clouded by any doubt or any extraneous issues in Pennsylvania. Judge Pennypacker possesses and deserves universal confidence. He has been distinguished as a learned, fearless and upright judge. He is a man of an independent type of mind who thinks and acts for himself, and whose sense of right and honor controls all his actions.

The strength of his nomination is shown in the fact that it has practically disarmed criticism and opposition and has been accepted by Republicans of every shade as meeting the requirements of the situation. It is within my knowledge that leading Republicans of every part of the country have expressed their great gratification at the freedom of this action and their satisfaction that the Republicans of Pennsylvania will present a united front. The president, who is so earnestly laboring to meet the best demands of the country and to keep it on the high plane of prosperity and progress, is strengthened by the responsiveness of the Republicans of Pennsylvania to the spirit of the times, and such a victory as may now be expected will uphold his hands in his good work.

In the interview General Smith said that he expected to take the stump for Pennypacker this fall.

Big Fire at Belfast.

Belfast, Ireland, Aug. 5.—Property valued at \$20,000 was destroyed by fire today at Larnoe, County Antrim. There was no loss of life.