

The Somerset Herald

WEDNESDAY, November 11, 1920

BAER knew his man well, when he dubbed him a "Scientific politician," but he will find out one day, that an endorsement of that kind of science will not smooth his path to Judicial honor.

ANDY CURTIN was the Democratic candidate for Congress in a district polling five thousand Democratic majority, and yet he was beaten, and more humiliating still, by a Greenbacker.

HOTT and the State ticket are elected by magnificent majorities ranging from 29,000 to 25,000, and the Legislature is strongly Republican in both houses, thus securing the reelection of Hon. J. D. Cameron to the U. S. Senate.

TURKISH did deliver the goods to Coffroth according to contract, but what becomes of his dupes? He is landed safely in the Democratic party where men of his stamp always find refuge, but what of the men he duped, sold, and betrayed?

WELL, McClintock did sink through virtue of single voting on part of his friends, but he owes no thanks to Coffroth, or his Lieutenant J. P. Phillips, who peddled Sorehead and Greenback tickets all over the county while distributing the election blanks.

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Governors Probably Elected.

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The result of last Tuesday's voting has fairly made up the issue between a Solid North and a Solid South. The Republicans of the South have been utterly disfranchised through terrorism and false counting; and they will remain so, until they take up arms in their own defense.

YUTZY was betrayed and was sacrificed, as was General Campbell. The odium, however, does not attach to this election precinct. Stoytown and Quakoming were foremost in the quarrel with the P. M. stood by the candidate of the party under which he is holding office. Now, who cast that other vote? Speak up, quick! There are a dozen fellows claiming the honor, and some of them being excellent candidates, are on the anxious seat.

Will, or can the sordid gentry say why they struck at General Campbell? The pretext for their bolt was the alleged corruption of the county primary election, but he had nothing to do with our primaries, did not reside in the county, and was not benefited by them. His nomination was conceded by the entire district, he occupied a preeminent sound position on the main issue before the people, which he maintained with large ability, but with temperate zeal. His orthodoxy was never impugned, and his public career was approved, and yet he was sacrificed and betrayed in the interests of a man who in turn betrayed the traitors.

It is an immutable law of morality that while men will accept the fruits of treason, they will still despise the traitor, and Messrs. Mowry, Shafer, Turner and others have had that fact made so plain to them, that they cannot mistake it. They were used by Coffroth, their influence was pooled with that of the Democrats for his benefit, and they were contemptuously kicked aside. If, as is claimed, their support and that of their following secured Coffroth's election, so much more apparent is the fact that he used, and then betrayed them. We commend them to the table of returns in this paper, for all the consolation they can extract from them. Daped, used, betrayed, and ignominiously rejected by the decent part of the Democratic party, with all their boasted strength and bragging blowing they are to-day the laughing-stock of the county.

Now that the election is over, we want the sordid leaders to "put up or shut up." To cover up their own frauds, as we believe, they principally ran their campaign on charges of bribery and corruption against the regular Republican county candidates. These men are all elected, and if honest, are entitled to have these foul charges withdrawn, if guilty, they should be prevented from occupying the offices to which they are chosen, and moreover should be indicted and punished if they take the oath of office prescribed by the Constitution.

We now invite the men who so industriously circulated those charges, to make them good, to publicly withdraw them, or to stand convicted in public opinion as liars and slanderers. We stand pledged to lend our best aid to expose and convict any violator of this wholesome provision of the Constitution, and we repeat that the men who circulated these stories must now "put up or shut up."

While the Republican joy bells throughout the land are proclaiming the magnificent victory won on Tuesday last, the true Republicans of Somerset county are overwhelmed with shame at the result in this, their citadel of the district camp.

The Republican party of Somerset county is forever disgraced by its base desertion of its candidate for Congress, when certain victory was within his grasp, and worse than all, the bitter shame of this treacherous and cowardly act is brought directly home to our own borough and township.

If the dastards who betrayed us could be dragged out of the camp in the face of the assembled hosts, it would measurably relieve the true men from odium; but as it is, the just must suffer with the unjust, and each individual Republican must bear the stigma of treachery, to which the organization is justly amenable.

It is bootless now to inquire into the causes of this shameful betrayal of the party and its candidate. Anterior to the election, not a single Republican raised his voice against Gen. Campbell. None named him but to praise, and yet he was established to death in the house of his friends, by secret assassins. The real camp-followers, the corrupt, the miserable, mindless, parasite-like men to be found in every community, naturally gravitated to the Democratic candidate, to whom they were conceded, and to whom of right they belonged; but, apart from this unsavory rabble, there were scores and scores of Republicans, claiming to be honest and respectable men, who served the enemy by stealth, and to-day are covering up their treachery by loud professions of regret, at the legitimate result of their own treason. These are the men who have not only disgraced the party, but have brought shame and suspicion and contempt upon the honest Republicans, who stood manfully by their candidate. The assertion that the sordid element produced this result is not borne out by the returns. It may be accredited with a portion of it, but by far the greater part must be attributed to some other cause. We know that some voters were imposed upon by means of a fraudulent ticket, and others were fraud assured were equally bought with a price; but apart from this, the mortifying defection in this borough and township must be largely accounted for in some other way. There are rumors, some of them apparently well authenticated, of gross treachery and fraud, on part of trusted members of the party in this borough. Of them we will not now speak, believing that crimes of this stamp cannot be successfully concealed, but that the murderer, will, one day, be brought to justice. General Campbell was shamefully betrayed and beaten, despite the best efforts of his staunch and true friends, and that thereby this district has not only lost the services of an honest, pure and patriotic representative, always at his post and always right, but it has imposed upon one, who is not in unison with the political principles of a large majority of its people, and whose character is badly smeared by his public record. This county is sojournly accountable for and is immeasurably disgraced by the result.

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He states that the improvement in the cadets has been marked and very satisfactory. The class of young men presenting themselves as candidates for admission has also improved. He recommends that the practice of making September appointments be discontinued, and that all appointments be made in June, instead of June and September.

This would decrease annually the number of admissions to the institution and consequently the number of graduates therefrom. An advance in the standard for admission and for graduation is suggested. The hygienic condition of West Point is reported as very bad, malaria fever abounding. The appropriation by Congress at its last session has enabled this defect to be partially remedied. Congress should, he thinks, make an appropriation for the completion of the roof of the hospital.

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In Pennsylvania the Republican plurality for Governor is thought likely to reach 21,000. The Congressmen claim a gain of two Congressmen, and an increased majority in the Legislature.

In Massachusetts Talbot's plurality is already over 25,000 and is expected to reach 26,000. The report of the election of a Greenbacker to Congress was erroneous, and the delegation will stand ten Republican and one Democrat.

A remarkable Republican victory has been secured in New Hampshire. Nat Head's majority for Governor is over 1,800, the Republican has a majority of 64 on joint ballot in the Legislature, and have elected a solid delegation to Congress.

In the South there have been elected by the Republicans one Congressman in Virginia, one in Maryland, and there are two districts in Texas, one in South Carolina, and one in Florida, which are in doubt.

In the Western States there are some notable changes. Michigan, which was supposed to be in danger from the Greenback movement, sends a solid Republican delegation to Congress, a gain of one. Nevada, which was a conceded Democratic State, elects a Republican Governor, Congressman, and Legislature.

The Democratic majority in the next House of Representatives is now placed at eleven over all. There are nine Greenbackers, only four or five of whom are expected to vote with the Democrats. In the present House the Democratic majority is 19.

The Democratic majority in the Senate now stands at 6—J. T. Trinneer.

Five Hours a Congressman.

NEW YORK, November 7.—Congressman Alexander Smith, who was elected on Tuesday by the Republicans in the Twelfth district, died at his residence in Yonkers on Tuesday night of acute gastritis, shortly after being informed of his election.

Mr. Smith was never an active or working politician. He was originally a Democrat, but was a Republican from the time that party was formed. His personal popularity was shown by the fact that he carried the Republican ticket, he carried Yonkers by about 1,600 majority, and was elected by about 2,500 in a district strongly Democratic. On Tuesday evening as soon as the returns came in his friends secured a band and were about forming in procession to march to his house to serenade him when the news came of his death.

The flags were at half mast on all the public buildings, hotels, leading stores and large factories in Yonkers yesterday.

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Michigan, Nov. 6.—Poll returns are not in yet, but the Republicans have undoubtedly elected the entire Congressional delegation from this State—which is a gain of one Congressman in the 1st District.

KANSAS. ST. LOUIS, Nov. 6.—A Topeka dispatch says Ryan and Anderson, Republicans, for Congress, are elected, and probably Haskell; but the latter is uncertain. No estimate of the Republican majority in this State can be had.

RHODE ISLAND. PROVIDENCE, November 5.—The election has been spirited. The Greenback vote is insignificant. The following returns from the candidates State except Block Island. In the 1st district Nelson W. Aldrich (Rep.) has 5,910; Davis (Dem.) 1,324; Sayles (Greenback), 606; scattering, 104; Aldrich's majority, 3,875.

In the 2d district, Lattimer W. Ballou (Rep.) has 5,569; Barnard (Dem.) 4,535; Smith (Greenback) 311; Ballou's majority, 798.

VERMONT. ST. ALBANS, November 5.—The election to-day was for a Representative in Congress, there having been none chosen at the September election. Fifty towns give Bradley Barlow, the bolting Republican, and Greenback, 7,272; Great regular, Republican, 3,255; Waterman, Democrat, 322; Barlow's majority over all, 3,295; plurality over Great, 4,117, with twenty-six towns to hear from. As plurality elects, Barlow's election is certain.

MINNESOTA. ST. PAUL, November 6.—St. Paul and Ramsey counties elect Michael (Dem.) for Supreme Court Judge 489 majority; and give Dunnelly (Dem.) for Congress, 2,117. All but one precinct of Minneapolis give Washburn (Rep.) for Congress, 3,090 to 3,500. The Republicans claim the majority in the district to be at least 3,000. The Democrats early this morning conceded the election of Washburn, but now claim that Dunnelly is elected by a small majority.

Strait (Rep.) is elected in the 2d district, and Dunnelly (Rep.) in the 1st. Returns are not in yet from the 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 136th, 137th, 138th, 139th, 140th, 141st, 142nd, 143rd, 144th, 145th, 146th, 147th, 148th, 149th, 150th, 151st, 152nd, 153rd, 154th, 155th, 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