



There was a treasury surplus in March and again in May. In spite of war expenses the Republicans maintain their old record as debt-payers.

Secretary Phillips, of the McKinley League, gives the lie, both direct and circumstantial, to President Berkeley, of the McKinley League.

The similarity in the editorials of these of our county contemporaries indicate that the combination of "bosses" jointly editing them are afflicted with that tired feeling.

In President Cleveland's hands the civil service was an implement for clinching Democrats in office. When some of the mischief he did is rectified Democrats say an assault is made on the "merit system."

There is danger of the Populist editor of the Berlin Record working over time in his effort to earn the few paltry dollars for the Somerset "bosses" by paying him for the use of his columns during the present primary campaign.

You can't get candidates who were "endorsed" by the "bosses" to admit that they were within gunshot of the "compare notes" meeting, but the people are on to them, all the same. And how they do wish they hadn't been "endorsed."

The Democratic State Convention, which meets in Harrisburg to-day, will be the largest attended that has assembled for years. There are almost as many candidates for the nomination of Judges of the Supreme Court as there are counties in the State.

The Franklin county Republican convention last week elected three friends of Senator Quay as delegates to the State Convention. Franklin county is the home of Judge John Stewart, for whom Representative Koonz cast his vote for United States Senator on almost every ballot taken during the senatorial contest.

SENATOR HANNA has given notice that he will not be a candidate next year for Chairman of the National Republican Committee. The astute Senator evidently thinks that it will not require much of an effort next year to re-elect President McKinley, and that there is no necessity for him to enter on a vigorous campaign. And he is about right.

The Erie county Republican Convention, held at Corry, Monday, elected four delegates to the State Convention, all of whom are stalwart Republicans, and adopted resolutions endorsing Governor Stone's administration, and his policy in appointing Hon. M. S. Quay United States Senator. Every county of President McKinley's name was loudly cheered, and his administration was strongly endorsed. The advocates of minority rule are largely in the minority in Erie county.

In Ed Hoover and Fred Rowe are selected to represent the Republican voters of Somerset county at the coming State Convention they will vote for candidates with a clean record, political and otherwise, and they and their friends will support the nominees of the Convention this fall. If Horner and Boose are elected there is no assurance that they will not bolt the ticket nominated and oppose its election in November. They are the personal representatives of Assemblymen Koonz and Kendall, who brazenly proclaimed their opposition to party regularity and majority rule during the recent session of the Legislature. They openly took the position that nominations do not nominate, and that a Republican minority is justified in uniting with Democrats to defeat the will of a Republican majority.

The State machine snarl in 1897, for amending the public grounds at Harrisburg \$300,000.00, and \$100,000.00 for Soldiers' Orphan Schools. The old soldiers' cause is supported by Scull delegates to the State Convention.

The above item from the "fake" organ is one of its many illogical and nonsensical arguments appealing to two Republicans who are firm believers in majority rule as delegates to the State Convention, where candidates for State Treasurer, Judge of the Supreme Court and Superior Court Judge are to be nominated. Just how these delegates are to control or affect State expenditures, the "fake" organ does not explain. If the "fake" contention is correct, then it would not be safe to send his own personal card, ex-Associate Judge Horner, to the Convention. He would simply vote the entire resources of the treasury to the pay of Associate Judges, and the public grounds and Soldiers' Orphan Schools would have to take care of themselves.

The regular Republicans, the men who believe in party organization and majority rule, have already elected a sufficient number of delegates to the State Convention to insure their control of that body by a large majority. In only three or four counties in the State where primaries have been held have the Insurgents or followers of John Wannamaker been successful. Should Somerset county Republicans declare in favor of guerrilla warfare, party disloyalty and minority rule by sending D. J. Horner and John R. Boose to represent them in the Convention, they would be joining the small minority and taking a stand in opposition to the large majority of the Republicans in the State. It is for the voters of the county to say at their primary whether they endorse the disgraceful, treasonable and party-wrecking methods of the Insurgents at Harrisburg last winter, by voting for Horner and Boose, or whether they condemn such methods and adhere to the principle of supporting regularly nominated candidates and majority rule by voting for Ed Hoover and Fred Rowe.

WANNAMAKER Koonz's "fake" accused the editor in bad faith the sentiment of the voters for the Louis Combs elected street rep- this contumacious and blarneyed by the Boose and the Boose for the Boose. Mr. Scull

A FRAUD EXPOSED.

Labored Effort of Party Weaklers to Deceive Taxpayers About the School Appropriation.

APPROPRIATION FRUITS HEARD BOX

The would-be "bosses" are making a great ado over Governor Stone's having approved the school appropriation and are assigning that as a reason why all of the county officers should be delivered over to them, regardless of the fact that State bonds are not in the present campaign.

In his inaugural address the Governor warned the members of the Legislature that unless they provided by legislation sufficient revenue for the school system of the State government would be unhesitatingly, but regretfully, apply the knife to the school and other appropriations. The gentlemen who are now howling themselves hoarse over Governor Stone's action seem to have lost sight of the fact that the parties against whom they protest so vehemently are entitled to the credit of increasing the school appropriation in Somerset county to the extent of \$100,000 for the year 1899, and a similar amount for the year 1900, or a total increase of \$200,000 for the two years.

It was largely due to the intelligent and persistent labor of Representatives Sanner and Miller that the school system, comprising the school appropriation, which was formerly made on the number of taxable, was changed to the present equitable and just method of distributing it—one-third on the number of taxable, one-third on the number of children in attendance between the ages of six and sixteen, and one-third on the number of taxable. It will be remembered that the cities and larger towns fought the school system, and against the country members of the Legislature, the latter being led in victory by Captain Sanner. The records of Sanner and Miller, State Representatives, who were formerly made on the number of taxable, was changed to the present equitable and just method of distributing it—one-third on the number of taxable, one-third on the number of children in attendance between the ages of six and sixteen, and one-third on the number of taxable.

In order that there may be no quibbling about this matter and to show the hypocrisy of the "compare notes" bosses and their newspaper organ, we herewith publish the records of the school system, as reported by the Insurgent, the exact amount of increase each school district in the county received last year and will receive again this year from the school appropriation, in addition to the amount they received in 1897, and the amount each district will lose in the years 1900 and 1901 by reason of the Governor's cutting down the appropriation. It will be seen that the Insurgent, in 1897, and 1898 and 1900 will still have the sum of \$63,810 in excess of the highest appropriation ever received in the history of the public school system, with the exception of the years 1888 and 1889, and that 1899 and 1901 will still have the sum of \$63,810 in excess of the highest appropriation ever received in the history of the public school system, with the exception of the years 1888 and 1889, and that 1899 and 1901 will still have the sum of \$63,810 in excess of the highest appropriation ever received in the history of the public school system, with the exception of the years 1888 and 1889.

No less an authority than County Superintendent Pritts has said that "the cut in the school appropriation will be felt by the schools in this county, as it will be a mere trifle."

400 Filipinos Fell in the Last Affray.

WASHINGTON, June 11.—The War Department to-day received a report from Major General O'Day of the military movement yesterday to the south of Manila for the purpose of clearing out the rebels in that section. It shows that the movement was a great success, with the rebels' loss considerably greater than stated in the press dispatches. General O'Day's cablegram is as follows:

"Terrible heat yesterday did not permit troops to reach positions at hours designated; enabled majority of insurgents to escape in scattered organization south and westward, which they effected during the evening and night. Movement great success, however; enemy disorganized and suffering heavy loss; troops resting to-day at Lupaing and Pampanga. Navy did excellent execution along shore of Bay, but many insurgent detachments retired in that direction, protected by the cut in the school appropriation will be felt by the schools in this county, as it will be a mere trifle."

Old Soldier Act Invalid.

HARRISBURG, June 8.—Judge Weiss handed down an opinion in the Dauphin county case to-day that the school law of the act of 1897, prohibiting the discharge of a Union soldier from public position without cause. The decision is the result of proceedings directed against the school board in the Dauphin county case, who refused to be removed when the city government changed hands last spring. Mayor Pritchett appointed three Democrats in their place, and the school board, which is controlled by Republicans, refused to consider their nominations. Mandamus proceedings were then brought by the Democrats to compel Council to take action on their nominations, and the case has ended in the decision of the court to-day.

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Twenty-five Drowned.

Floods do Immense Damage in Texas Towns.

ATWATER, Texas, June 8.—Many people are now in the hospital here, who were burned yesterday, messenger reports to-night being the number 25. Reports came from Santa Sa and Mandaville, small towns 90 miles north of here, in the mountains, that the bridge had been swept by the floods. In Santa Sa eight people were drowned and the entire town is reported under water to-night. The river at that point is one mile wide, and running like a mill race. At Mandaville 13 houses were swept away, and to-day several more fell into the swirling torrent and started on their voyage down the stream. A small town, located to the right, and in the bend of the river in the valley, it proved an easy prey to the raging torrents.

Seventeen people are known to have been drowned there, and there may be others. Of those drowned, two were young white girls, Lydia and Anna Wells. The others were colored people, who were close to hand at a regular public school near the town of Santa Sa.

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Political Notes.

A photograph of that "50,000 tribe" that was offered to Representative Kendall would command a premium at this time.

The Ohio platform endorses President McKinley for the judicious modification of the civil service rules recently promulgated.

The Greens County Republican Convention elected John T. Rogers, a stalwart Republican and friend of Senator Quay, a delegate to the State Convention.

A. H. Brittain, Quay delegate to the State Convention, defeated E. P. Hollibaugh, anti-Quay, by 121 votes at the Montour County primaries last week.

The meeting held by the "bosses" to "learn" Jenner township Republicans "how to vote intelligently," had the reverse of the desired effect, and it became necessary for the "bosses" to pretend that the McKinley League was not what it really is—an organization for the purpose of allowing a few "bosses" to dictate for whom the people shall vote for county and district officers.

If the candidates all withdrew "voluntarily," why was it necessary to appoint F. J. Koonz, Geo. F. Kimmel and Ed Leonard a committee to write and circulate a "how to vote" leaflet, which was similar to the one for the year 1898, or a total increase of \$21,974.02 for the two years.

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PHILADELPHIA, June 9.—At a special meeting of the board of directors of the Pennsylvania railroad this afternoon, A. J. Cassatt of this city was elected president to succeed the late Frank Thomson, Major General of the Army, first vice president of the Pennsylvania company, was chosen a member of the board of directors to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Cassatt's election to the presidency.

Mr. Cassatt's election to the presidency of the great corporation with which he has been connected for so many years caused surprise in railroad and financial circles, as it had been generally anticipated that the president, General Thomson, would secure the honor. The board of directors, however, were unanimously of the opinion that the emergency caused by the sudden death of Mr. Thomson was best met by Mr. Cassatt, and that gentleman, after some hesitation, concluded to accept the responsibility.

Mr. Cassatt is conceded on all sides to be the man best fitted for the position. Like Mr. Thomson, he has been a member of the board of directors since 1880, and has a thorough knowledge of the road, its resources and business. In 1882 he was appointed as first vice president of the company, but was subsequently elected to the position of president, and since then he has taken a most active part in the affairs of the company, occupying, in fact, the position of managing director or "power behind the throne."

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"Out of Sight Out of Mind."

In other months we forget the harsh winds of Spring. But they have their use, as some say, to blow out the bad air accumulated after Winter storms and Spring thaws. There is far more important accumulation of badness in the veins and arteries of humanity, which needs Hood's Sarsaparilla.

This great Spring medicine clarifies the blood as nothing else can. It cures dyspepsia, with severe pains, liver troubles, rheumatism and kindred ailments. Thus it gives perfect health, strength and appetite for the coming season.

Kidneys—My kidneys troubled me, and an advice took Hood's Sarsaparilla, which gave perfect relief. My kidneys were not what they really are—an organization for the purpose of allowing a few "bosses" to dictate for whom the people shall vote for county and district officers.

Dyspepsia—Complicated with liver and kidney trouble, I suffered for years with dyspepsia, with severe pains, liver troubles, rheumatism and kindred ailments. Thus it gives perfect health, strength and appetite for the coming season.

More of the Ulsterman Tragedy.

In the habeas corpus hearing at Uniontown Thursday to decide the right of William C. McCormick, the murderer of Mrs. Minerva Monaghan, to be admitted to bail, the principal testimony was given by the witness, John McConick, and it did not differ materially from the story of the killing heretofore published, except that the accused struck the witness' mother with a knife instead of the broom.

In her testimony Mrs. McCogan stated that she met McCormick just before her marriage to John McCogan on March 25, 1898, and that she had been in intimate terms with him ever since. She had never seen him before, and she had never seen him since that time. She was married at fifteen, and never left home to live with her husband, who deserted her after accusing her of being unfaithful to him. Being blindly asked whether she had seen McCormick since that time, she said she had not seen him since that time.

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Announcements

JUNE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY.

For Sheriff, JAMES B. SAYLOR.

For Sheriff, FRANK B. BLACK.

For Sheriff, JOSIAH L. BERKEY.

For Prothonotary, N. D. REEL.

For Prothonotary, JOHN G. EBERT.

For Register and Recorder, JOHN S. SHAFER.

For Register and Recorder, JACOB G. KIMMEL.

For Treasurer, FREEMAN J. HOFFMAN.

For Treasurer, PETER DUBAULD.

For County Commissioner, JACOB KOONTZ.

For County Commissioner, ZACH SNYDER.

For County Commissioner, U. D. BRAUGHER.

For County Commissioner, W. N. ROSER.

For County Commissioner, JOSIAH WOY.

For Auditor, CHAS. H. SCHLUCKER.

For Auditor, SAMUEL M. SAYLOR.

For Auditor, JONATHAN J. WELLER.

For Auditor, JOHN A. BRANT.

For Auditor, JOHN C. GAGEY.

For Poor Director, W. J. GLESSNER.

For Poor Director, W. W. YOUNG.

For Poor Director, DR. CHAS. F. LIVENGOOD.

For Poor Director, W. M. SCHROCK.

For Delegate to State Convention, FRED. ROWE.

For Delegate to State Convention, EDWARD HOOVER.

For Delegate to State Convention, JOHN R. BOOSE.

For Delegate to State Convention, DANIEL J. HORNER.

AUDITORS NOTICE.

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KEELEY CURE.

PARKER & PHILLIPS

We Are Busy

Because our goods are right, our prices are right and because we have the latest in everything. People will not buy old style or trashy Goods.

Curtains, Carpets and Wall Paper.

We are selling lots of Carpets, Curtains and Wall Paper, because they are not the common patterns, but all new and up-to-date styles and cost you no more than the cheap common stuff.

In Silk Waist Patterns, Plain and fancy Dress Goods, Dress Silks, Novelties, Linings and Trimmings, we have a large stock of choice styles at special low prices.

Wrappers, Tailor Made Suits, Skirts, Ladies' Waists. You can always see something new. New styles coming in daily.

Cotton Dress Fabrics, Special Low Prices.

We always keep in close touch with the markets. It enables us to give you the lowest prices on Summer Goods.

40 pieces Amoskeag Dress Gingham, at 5 c.

30 pieces thirty-six-inch-wide Percale, at 7 c.

30 pieces Marabout Lawns, forty inches wide, at 7 c.

30 pieces Organza Etoupe, 57 inches wide, at 8 c.

These are a few of the Cotton Dress goods bargains.

Bargains More Plenty in Stockings, Laces, Embroideries, Ribbons, Ladies' and Children's Underwear, Belts, Stamped Linens, Ladies' Ties, Corsets, Ladies' and Children's Mitts and Gloves, Kid Gloves, etc.

Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods.

In Shirts, Ties, Stockings, Gloves, Handkerchiefs and Underwear, we have just received a new line at special low prices!

PARKER & PHILLIPS.

Mrs. A. E. W.

With a store full of bargains for cash at the proper time, I shall be able to offer extra inducements to customers in prices and quantities of goods.

My Stock of MILLINERY GOODS IS COMPLETE.

The latest styles can be had in trimmed Hats and Bonnets and also great variety. Hats and Bonnets also trimmed to order in all styles, prices are the lowest and quality Workmanship unequalled. All fitted to suit and examine my Millinery Goods.

My Stock of Organdies, Dimities, Chiffonades, etc., is very large, prices from 25 c. up. In White Dress Gown, Pique, Lawns, India Linens, Dimities, with a complete stock of Embroideries for trimmings. Handkerchiefs, Towels, and more selling at from 75 c. to \$1.00.

Ready made Woollens \$1.00 to \$5.00.

Linens Duck Skirts, \$1.00.

Summer Corsets, \$1.00 each.

Silk, Cotton, Lawn and Shirt Waists in great varieties and prices.

Stockings that keep can be found here in great abundance. The new styles in dress and fancy socks, either in black or fancy colors.

Great Bargains IN LACES. Prices Ranging to \$5.

Ladies' and Children's short sleeve and long sleeve range from 50 c. up.