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A RED HOT CAMPAIGN

Judge Pennypacker Resigns Office to Go on the Stump.

A GREAT BAND OF SPELLBINDERS

Pattison is Dodging the Free Silver Issue, and Refuses to Meet W. J. Bryan—What State Newspapers Say of the Rival Candidates.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) Philadelphia, July 29.—Pennsylvania is to witness the liveliest kind of a campaign this fall. Indeed from indications it will be the liveliest campaign the Commonwealth has ever seen. Judge Pennypacker has left the Bench for the express purpose of participating in the canvass. His resignation is in the hands of the Governor and he will leave the Bench on August 1st. He will take the stump about six weeks before the election in November. There will be associated with him the greatest company of spell-binders that ever travelled the state.

It has not been settled definitely as to who will compose the Pennypacker party, but among the names mentioned are those of Senator Penrose, Assistant United States District Attorney Jas. M. Beck, Ex-Postmaster Charles Emory Smith, Ex-Governors Hastings and Beaver, Attorney General John P. Ekins, Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart, General Jas. Latta, Hampton L. Carson, George S. Graham and possibly United States Senator Chauncey M. Depew.

The Democrats are going to put a band of spell-binders on the road that will represent the best speakers in their party. It naturally follows that Ex-Governor Robert E. Pattison will head the combination. Other members of the party will be Ex-Attorney General W. U. Hensel, Congressman Henry F. Green, Congressman J. K. P. Hall, George W. Gothrie, candidate for lieutenant governor; Hon. W. F. Harrity, Hon. George A. Jenks and State Chairman Wm. T. Crensey.

PATTISON RUNS FROM BRYAN. As to the issues that will be discussed it can positively be asserted that the Democratic candidate for governor will not discuss National issues nor Republican prosperity. He is very much afraid of those subjects at the present time. Mr. Pattison is ashamed of Wm. Jennings Bryan whose ardent admirer he was four years ago. A very funny incident attended the appearance of Wm. J. Bryan in Philadelphia last week. Bryan was on his way to Allentown to address a Democratic meeting. When he reached Philadelphia there was met a corporal's guard of Democrats to meet him. Every prominent Democrat in the city had run away.

Robert E. Pattison, Democratic candidate for governor, was the most conspicuous among the missing. He made it convenient to be in New York when Bryan arrived in Philadelphia, Democratic City Chairman Charles E. Donnelly and Commissioner Thos. J. Ryan were also among the absent ones. Judge Gordon could not be expected to meet Mr. Bryan because he had opposed him, and so the up-shot was that the late Democratic candidate for the Presidency encountered a "freeze-out." Naturally he was very indignant, and when he spoke to the Lehigh County Democrats that night he declined to mention the name of Ex-Governor Pattison or even invite his hearers to vote the Democratic ticket in Pennsylvania.

WHAT THE NEWSPAPERS SAY. The Republican newspapers of the state, both stalwart and independent, have been devoting considerable editorial space to an outline of what candidates Pennypacker and Pattison will discuss. The York Daily Dispatch, heretofore a leading independent Republican newspaper cleverly puts the matter as follows:

"Ex-Governor Pattison, it is understood, will not discuss national affairs on the stump in Pennsylvania, but as he is booked to open the campaign in Illinois in September he will be permitted to shout for tariff reform and the unlimited and independent coinage of silver at the dishonest ration of 16 to 1. Of course he will take a whack at the way the Republicans have acted in the Philippines, and denounce expansion—in Illinois, but he will be as silent as a clam in Pennsylvania on such subjects.

"On the other hand Judge Pennypacker has boldly declared that he will discuss local issues and national issues. The Republican party is again united, and the Republican nominee, after he reaches the Governor's chair, will manfully carry out his ante-election promises, and impress upon the Senate and House that a proper ballot law and other reforms must be enacted."

PATTISON IN ILLINOIS. The Franklin "Repository" of Chambersburg, in pretty much the same strain has this to say:

"Mr. Pattison is booked by the Democratic State Committee of Illinois to open the campaign in that state early in September, and as Pattison is precluded from discussing national politics in Pennsylvania, this will afford him an opportunity of telling the Democracy of Illinois that when Cleveland and Hill, and Whitney and General Palmer harked, he stood resolutely for the Kansas City platform—tariff reform and the unlimited and independent coinage of silver at the dishonest ratio of 16 to 1.

"In the meantime while Pattison is studying how he may make a canvass for Governor and avoid touching upon any issue of vital importance to the nation, Judge Pennypacker is prepar-

ing to resign his judicial office in order that he may take the stump in advocacy of all that the Republican party in its National and State platform stands for.

"Judge Pennypacker will not falter on any of the leading issues of the day, and especially will he stand up for his party in its acquisition of the territory of Alaska, Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Philippines. He knows that under the aegis of the American flag the ignorant, pitiable, half-civilized creatures of the Philippines will be raised to a high level of citizenship."

A characteristic side light was thrown on Judge Pennypacker when a Philadelphia reporter called on him in connection with the announcement of his retirement from the bench, and requested an interview. The Judge declined to be interviewed, saying:

"I do not deem it consistent with my judicial position to be interviewed for publication, particularly on political subjects. Of course I am a candidate for office, but I am still on the bench, and this fact precludes any discussion of political or policies. After the first of August I will be a private citizen, in the sense that I will be no longer in office, and then I will be in a position to discuss any proper subject."

Insurance Commissioner Durham, Republican leader of Philadelphia, said: "Republican campaign speakers this fall have plenty of material ready to hand. That Democratic re-union at Nantasket Beach furnishes material, to my mind, for a dozen speeches. If the Democratic leaders can ruin our present prosperity to their political advantage they would do it in a moment. Take Senator Camack's utterances as a sample. He openly threatened revolution against present industrial conditions. That is Democratic policy. Mr. Pattison himself was a vigorous advocate of the ruinous policy of 16 to 1. The people of Pennsylvania want no such theorists to direct their affairs. Pennsylvania Republicans are standing together this year as they have not done for years, simply because they know that any other policy would encourage the Democrats, and Democratic success means industrial revolution and a hold up on our national prosperity."

A SENATOR FROM PENNSYLVANIA

His Works Harder Than Any Average Business Man in the State.

The bulk of Pennsylvania's business in Washington rests on the broad shoulders of Senator Boies Penrose. The junior Senator has always borne this burden. It is an heritage of the office. Quay did it when Cameron was the senior Senator, and Penrose does it now that Quay is his senior. Here are a few statistics and facts about the junior Senator's daily work when congress is in session:

His daily mail averages between 400 and 500 letters. It embraces everything from the prayer of a broken-hearted mother whose soldier son has been court-martialed and for whom she is begging a pardon, down to the request of a farmer for an agricultural bulletin on the destruction of plant lice. Every mail is a mixture of tear-stained epistles, begging, threatening, demanding and commending letters.

Every letter is answered within twenty-four hours of its receipt. People imagine that Senator Penrose's private secretary attends to all the business of his office, while the Senator does nothing but make speeches and sit in the cloak room. That is a dream of the canal boat era. To attend to correspondence, file and tabulate it, so that any letter received within five years can be produced in five minutes, requires the services of an assistant to the secretary and four stenographers.

The rooms of the Committee on Immigration is Senator Penrose's office. Here he receives hundreds of callers every day. Secretary Andrews is in charge and here letters and telegrams are dictated. The actual work room is over in the Malby building, where all day the "clack" of the typewriters goes ceaselessly on. There are the documents, maps, plans, seeds, and other impediments of senatorial life are folded, wrapped and expressed.

Four persons are engaged in this. In addition, two men are constantly employed in visiting the departments and gathering information in which constituents are interested. In all a staff of eight persons is required to attend to his purely clerical and departmental work.

Senator Penrose has the reputation in Washington of being the hardest worked member of the United States Senate. His duties are executive rather than legislative, as these facts demonstrate: Pennsylvania is larger than New England with its 12 Senators, and the records of the Senate post office shows that the mail of Pennsylvania's Senators is the largest that goes through the office with the single exception of Senator Hanna's, and he is chairman of the Republican National Committee.

Senator Penrose has distributed more public documents than all the New England Senators combined. Last year he had demands for 50,000 packages of seeds. Each Senator is allotted 14,000 packages. By begging from Senators whose constituents were careless, Mr. Penrose secured the whole amount demanded.

At the last session Senator Penrose introduced and had passed more bills than any two Senators. Pennsylvania had more claims against the government than all the rest of the United States put together. They were border raid claims, claims of the state against the National Government, of ship builders, armor plate makers, and the thousand and one individual claims for losses sustained. All told over 600 bills of every kind were introduced by the junior Senator. Since he went into office he has handled over 30,000 pension claims for three wars—Colonel George Nox McCain, in the Philadelphia Press.

Mutual Surprise. She—When I married you, I had no idea that you would stay away from home so much. He—Well, neither had I.—Life.

If the best you can say about your neighbor is in reply to the worst he said about you, don't say it.—Baltimore News.

One-third of the United States proper is vacant land.

Flies Which Never Go Out.

There are domestic flies burning in England today which have never been out for hundreds upon hundreds of years.

At the old-fashioned farmhouses in the dates of Yorkshire peat is still burned. The fuel is obtained from the moors, and stacks of it are kept by the farmers in their stack garths.

The country roundabout is noted for its "girdle cakes," which are made from dough baked in quaint pans suspended over the peat fires.

These fires are kept glowing from generation to generation, and the son warms himself at the fire which warmed his sire and his grandsire and his grandsire's sire and which will warm his son and his son's son.

There is a fire at Castleton, in the Whithby district, which has been burning for over 200 years. The record probably is held by a farmhouse at Osmotherby, in the same district. This fire has been burning for 500 years, and there are records to show that it has not been out during the last 300 years.

Could Not Pass the Examination.

A southern woman speaks with pride of the many years of faithful, loving service rendered by her dusky housekeeper. Not only is "Aunt Caline" valued for her executive ability, but her judgment is so wise in most cases that her mistress has come to depend greatly upon her opinion in certain matters.

"Do you think James would be a good man for us to take up into the mountains with us this summer, Aunt Caline?" she asked one day, referring to a handsome young dray who had been for six weeks in her employ.

Aunt Caline folded her arms and assumed her most judicial aspect. "Missy Kate," she said firmly, "I done watch dat boy eber since he come hyer, an' I done test him. When I tested him in de case ob de spring bed I found out dat when it come to testin' dat boy was all take hold an' mighty little raise. Missy Kate, an' dat's a pure sign ob character, in my opinion."

Like Any Other Man.

The following story is told in reference to Mr. Lowell's second marriage: At the time when rumors of the event became current among his friends one of them, a staunch admirer of the first Mrs. Lowell and a firm believer in her husband's permanent widowhood, took it upon herself to deny the gossip every time it met her. Finally, however, the announcement came to her from such extremely good authority that her faith was shaken.

She wrote frankly to Mr. Lowell that she had heard the reports and persistently denied them, but now began to doubt her right to do so. She begged him to let her know the true state of affairs, whether she was to believe him a never-to-be-considered husband or, after all, "just like any other man."

The answer was prompt and brief: "Dear Madam—Yours, like any other man."

A Wonder in Pennsylvania.

Among the curiosities preserved by the Minnesota Historical society is a lithographed copy of an engrossment of the emancipation proclamation. The engrosser, one W. H. Pratt of Davenport, Ia., was so very skillful in his manipulations of the pen that he succeeded, by careful and exact shading of the letters, in producing a very excellent portrait of Abraham Lincoln, the author of the famous document, in the center of the copy. In other words, the lettering itself is made to form a portrait of Mr. Lincoln. There were probably a large number of them originally struck off, but copies of it are now very rare. As a specimen of pen-work it is certainly very unique.

An Annoying Question.

Teddy—Mamma, Tommy knocked me down on the way home from school today. (After a pause.) But I gave him a but in the eye!

Mamma—Before he knocked you down, Teddy, or afterward?—Somerville Journal.

The Way of the World.

Funny world we live in. A man who has six horses standing idle in a stable walks two miles out in the country on a little matter of business a day or two ago, while another man who had no horses and very little money hired a team to go the same distance. This was an actual occurrence and shows the perversity of human nature. He who has the facilities for driving prefers to walk, while he who could much better prefer to walk and has no team goes and hires one. Men are crazy to own a team, and it soon becomes a bore to give the horse necessary exercise. It has always been thus, and we presume, always will be.

A Great Discovery.

Not Made by Accident.

Great discoveries are not always made by accident but often by perseverance, constant study and experience. Such was the case that resulted in the discovery of Thompson's Barossa which is remarkable for its cures in Kidney, Liver and bladder troubles, also Sciatic Rheumatism. Barossa is remarkable also in the fact that the cures it makes are Permanent.

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The third dose of Thompson's Barossa made me feel like a new man. I suffered about a year with pain in the back, side and groin. My hands, arms, and side of face became numb; would wake up numb all over; had to get out of bed and go through gymnastic exercises to get asleep. I made up my mind to sell out the jewelry business, as I lost thirty pounds of weight. I saw very little of my family. I took Thompson's Barossa and shall remain in Titusville. Any person afflicted as I was can call on J. J. Borne, jeweler, 29 West Spring street, and learn what Barossa, Backache, Liver, Kidney and Lumbago Cure did for me. It is a valuable remedy. The above cure was effected five years ago and I have been well ever since. J. J. BORNE.

Cured in Four Days.

About twenty years ago I contracted a strain causing numbness, causing numbness in back and hips, which confined me to my bed. Capt. S. R. Smith called on me and said: "Get a bottle of Thompson's Barossa," which I did taking large doses and to my surprise in about four days I rolled out of bed a well man. Although it was twenty years ago, I have had no return of the symptoms since. (Signed) JOHN P. PIEPFER, Sept. 1st, 1900. Selkirk, Pa.

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PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION.

A JOINT RESOLUTION.

Proposing an amendment to section ten of article one of the Constitution, so that a discharge of a jury for failure to agree or other necessary cause shall not work an acquittal.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following be proposed as an amendment to the constitution; that is to say, That Section ten of Article one, which reads as follows:

"No person shall, for any indictable offense, be proceeded against criminally by information, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger, or by leave of the court for oppression or misdemeanor in office. No person shall for the same offense, be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall private property be taken or applied to public use, without authority of law and without just compensation being first made or secured," be amended so as to read as follows:

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Amendment.

Add at the end of section seven, article three, the following words: "Unless before it shall be introduced in the General Assembly, such proposed special or local law shall have been first submitted to a popular vote, at a general or special election in the locality or localities to be affected by its operation, under an order of the court of common pleas of the respective county after hearing and application granted, and shall have been approved by a majority of the voters at such election: Provided, That no such election shall be held until the decree of court authorizing the same shall have been advertised for at least thirty (30) days in the locality or localities affected, in such manner as the court may direct."

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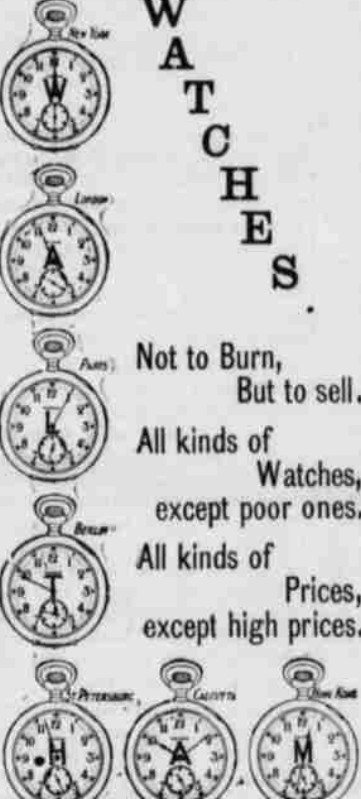
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