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SQUEEZING POSTMASTERS URING a long period of feeding upon the husks of a hopeless minority the newspapers and orators of the dominant faction of the Democracy of Pennsylvania were nstantly attack the political methods of their adversaries, the Re-Party management and individual ambition were everlastingly ambasted as the concrete demon strations of political corruption. Con tributions for campaign purposes were characterized as blood money extracted by brutal bosses for their own elfish purposes. Voluntary contri butions were denounced as the robbing of Republican voters of necessary income for the support of their famishort, anything and every thing that was done for the support and upbuilding of a party organization was heinous and crooked and unfair everything that was low and

For this reason it is quite natural that the reorganization bosses of the Democratic faction who climbed into control of that party by denunciations of this sort should feel alarmed over the exposures of wholesale bargaining for patronage that has been going on every since the election of Woodrow Judgeships have been jug political power and federa appointments have been held back to tration measures at Washington, but now comes the worst of all. Right in the midst of the holier-than-thou onstrations of the dominant wing of the Democracy is uncovered a line political grafting which starts in the State committee headquarters of the regenerated Democracy and, like the tentacles of a great octopus, reaches out into the surrounding coun ties and grips the protesting postmasters, who must first enter into a contract to give up annually a portion of their salary before they get their

It is not any wonder under these circumstances that the people, and especially those Republicans who were deceived by loud-sounding promises of reform, are turning their acks upon the little men who have for a short season been permitted to gratify their vanity and get into the

for United States Senator, ex-Mayor Dimmick, of Scranton, is observing the spirit of the State-wide primary law. Senator Penrose has also indicated his purpose to acquiesce in the spirit of the new law, and in this way only can the intent of the system of nominating candidates be given legitimate expression. It remains for the voters to demonstrate at the May primary whether there was a real demand for a change from the old to the new method provided by the last Legisla-

HARRISBURG EXPANSION ARRISBURG has been the bene-

ficiary of a tremendous amount of publicity in the magazines and newspapers of the country during the last decade. This publicity during the last decade. This publicity dred-dollar bill. has been the result of the progressive attitude of the community and the transformation of the city from an overgrown town to a modern and up-to-date municipality. Changes have been wrought which a decade or more ago would have been regarded as impossible and all because the people tests were made to ascertain the obstood together for everything that servance of train safety rules and that contributes to the public welfare.

While it is unreasonable to expect the employes to be observing the rules the same kind of progress during the in the strictest sense. This report is next decade, owing to the fact that a universal paving program, the filtration of the water supply, the expansion of the sewerage facilities and the creation of a fine park system are in the nature of achievements which need not be repeated, these ought to be an inspiration for still further advance along all the lines that make the company are fighting to safeguard for the public betterment.

Perhaps nothing more important confronts the city than the harmonious development of the suburian districts. Unless a comprehensive plan in provided for the contiguous territory harmony with the development of the trenchments will not be permitted to city proper there must be a ragged growth that will mean not only in-

street grading and other like improve will require the attention of the proposed City Planning Commission when it shall have been created and the placing of the River Front in attractive

FRIDAY EVENING,

of the park authorities to the end that the people may have the full benefit of their splendid river frontage. Building operations in Harrisburg also invite a broader vision in some cases than now obtains. While we those who are not able to purchase the more expensive dwellings, it ought to be possible to build these smaller homes with sanitary and attractive environment. There has been a dis position to jam houses together withlight and the conference which will nousing problems ought to be attended by every builder in Harrisburg. believe, generally speaking, that the average builder wants to do the right thing and he should be encouraged in every possible way to provide the kind of dwellings that will assure health

Harrisburg is now ready for its sec nd period of expansion and improve It depends upon its citizens of walks of life to further the plans that may be agreed upon from time to time for the betterment of the people from the standpoint of a city

Our preachers in the pulpits, our teachers in the schools, our civic or-ganizations and fraternal societies, our clubs of every sort-these are the agencies through which the propa ganda of a better city should be given wide publicity that those who have no yet learned of this beautiful city may no longer remain in ignorance of its splendid features.

Dauphin county Republicans and Progressives (Washington party) are showing a disposition to forget the un-fortunate division of 1912 and a determination to stand together against Democracy. Earnest men of both wings of the party—for after all, it's one po-litical family—are comparing notes, and except for a few malcontents here and there the rank and file are manifesting a purpose to harmonize differences and present this year a solid front to the

WORK FOR THE IDLE

HERE are many men out of employment and it is the business tion wherever possible. It is to will be started at the earliest possible moment and if it is necessary City Council should have extra sessions in order to expedite any legislation that will provide ways and means of em ployment.

With the work on the river from improvement, the Paxton Creek job, the large number of sewers to be con structed, the street paving, and park and other improvement projects of this sort, many men will be given employment, and not a day ought to be lost in furnishing to the willing working man an opportunity o earn a living.

Now is a good time also for own ers of property who contemplate im provements to get busy to the end that worthy men may not be thrown into dleness when they are ready and willing to work. Spring is at hand and there is no more important duty devolving upon those in authority than taking care that the idle element of the population is reduced to the low-Preparation should started at once and anything in the way of beginning the work on any of these undertakings ought to be eliminated without a moment's delay.

Judge Bird, of Chicago, says he never knew a bankrupt plumber. But did he extend his observations to the plumb-

> BANK INSPECTION ILLIAM H. SMITH, State

Banking Commissioner, intiannual report, issued yesterthe supervision of the Banking Department. That's why the department was created, and no bank, except that having something to hide, should object to the periodical visits of official examiners. Indeed, the uptoclaration and conscioutions banks by Uncle Sam. own system. At all events, no honest bank can object to letting the State know that it is honest.

The London Times suggests that England, in return for a "no tolls" law ought to give us national representation

"SAFETY FIRST"

HE Pennsylvania Railroad Company's "safety first" movement is bearing fruit. Reports for the past year show that during 1913 more than 2,000,000 efficiency 99.9 per cent. of these tests showed accompanied by the remarkable stategers carried by the Pennsylvania las

The Pennsylvania has impresse upon its employes that from the high. est to the lowest the men who serv the persons and property entrusted to their care, and that in order to do so successfully each must not only do his part, but must feel sure that all others will be equally careful. It is to be hoped that the present necessary resystem of "safety first" that is vielding artistic suburban sections, but heavy such excellent results.

year not one met death in a train

accident.

EVENING CHAT

"I've been getting around different states a good bit lately and I tell you that this is a great State and that it conducts its affairs in a businesslike way, too," sald A. E. Sisson, former senator and former Auditor General, yesterday afternoon in the course of a visit to the Capitol. The "general," as he is affectionately called by people on the "Hill," said that folks had been putting him into politics so much that he did not know for what he was supposed to be a candidate, but that at present he is devoting more attention to picking up his law business than anything else. However, it would not be like the sage of Erie if he did not have his weather eye on the political barometer. "I have found that this State has a good business system," said he. "Of course, in these days of business efficiency fault would probably be found with some portions of it and it may be fashlonable to say that it is not good, but compared to the systems of business at some of the seats of State governments I want to say that Pennsylvania stands away up. This is a great State and it could not handle the matters that it does and get the results which all admit that it does without some good system. I am proud of Pennsylvania and I feel more proud of Pennsylvania and I feel more proud of Pennsylvania and I fake a trip to some other State." The "general" is giving a little time jus, now to Spring plougling because beneath that legal exterior he is a farmer. He likes the soil and he has a couple of good farms, from which he sells the crops himself. And one of the best stunts he does is to drive a bargain for his potatoes. He gets out early and keeps tabs on the crops and at the end of the year he has had the fun of being a boss farmer on farms that pay.

Prominent engineers from all over Central Pennsylvania and some from

Prominent engineers from all over Prominent engineers from all over Central Pennsylvania and some from Philadelphia and Pittsburgh will attend the tenth anniversary of the Engineers' Society of Pennsylvania at its clubhouse at Front and Chestnut streets next Tuesday night. The society is the largest of its kind outside of the larger cities and next week the men active in its inception will teli about the early days when the club was domiciled at Second and Walnut streets and how it grew to its presentlarge membership and prosperity.

The meeting of the supervisors being held at the Courthouse to-day is the first of the kind to be held in the county and it is expected that it will do much toward bringing the men in charge of the roads in the county into closer relationship. This county has several main highways in the State system, notably those along the Susquehanna and leading to Reading and Jonestown. There is also a route from Millersburg out the Lykens Valley. All told, however, the county has 987 miles of roads, of which but a small portion are in the hands of the State.

Banking Commissioner William H. Smith, whose report on the situation in Pennsylvania contains some interesting matters regarding the history of banking in the State, has been a student of financial affairs from the days when he was a newspaper reporter in Philadelphia, Mr. Smith was one of the best known persenterment. porter in Philadelphia. Mr. Smith was one of the best known newspapermen in the period just after the Civil War when the Philadelphia newspapermen were known from one end of the land to the other, serving on the old North American, Star, Times, Inquirer and Public Ledger. He then became connected with the city treasury and in 1895 was appointed a bank examiner, a position in which he showed such talent that Governor Stuart, who had known him for many years, picked taient that Governor Stuart, who had known him for many years, picked him for the post of Commissioner of Banking, one of the most responsible in the State. He is known all over Pennsylvania for his information on financial matters and his addresses have attracted much attention.

Some of the granite blocks being taken from the Federal building are in such an unchanged condition that the black paint marks placed on them by the shippers back in the early eighties are still legible. Several large blocks were taken out yesterday that looked as though they had just been quarried. In fact, everything about the building has stood the test of years in a splendid manner.

"That's the toughest luck I've heard of for a long time," said the genial foreman yesterday afternoon. "Here's one of the boys that locked his bike and put the key in a pocket that had a hole in it. And he lives up above Broad street, too. And he's not sure that he's got another key up there."

Some of the robins that inhabited the riverside parks last year are back again and there is a tremendous chattering about the big trees every morning Some of the birds have had battles with the sparrows, but the sparrows appear to have been losers. The robins are busy in the Capitol Park and the squirrels do not appear to be as jealous of them as they were last year, when they chased robins on sight.

annual report, issued yesterpublic limelight.

In his vigorous primary campaign for
the nomination of the Republican party
for United States Senator, ex-Mayor
Dimmick, of Scranton, is observing the

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

—State Commissioner of Health Dixon is a lawyer and a member of the bar of Philadelphia. —Daniel Steckel, of Easton, has been elected a director of the Thomas

Iron Company.

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—Secretary N. B. Critchfield has given up his home in Johnstown and will reside here.

—Julian Kennedy will address the Railway Club of Pittsburgh to-night and will discuss suffrage.

—Francis Weaver has been elected president of the Blair county supervisors.

—General E. DeV. Morrell has been spending several weeks in Virginia.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor of The Telegrand

To the Editor of The Telegraph:

Dear Sir: The article in the Telegraph stating the arrest of Chester Toomey, a trapeze artist, for theft, in Lewistown or York, is hurting my reputation, both in social life and in my profession. The party that was arrested for theft is not Chester R. Toomey, of Harrisburg, but some one else using my name to hide their own identity. I have been in the profession for five years, and have not been in York or Lewistown in the last two years.

Yours truly, CHESTER R. TOOMEY,
742 South Twenty-first street,
Harrisburg, Pa. March 25, 1914.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Remarkable Self-control [From the Marion Star.] [From the Marion Star.] simply wonderful the way of Fred Funston is able to resist tation to swim the Rio Grande.

Give Him What He Wants
[From the Kansas City Star.]

Now the Washington correspondents
are trying to wish a 1915 Presidential
nomination upon Colonel Goethals. Why
not show the nation's gratitude to the
great canal builder by letting him
alone?

The Democratic Machine Desperate Over Prospects of Losing **Pauphin County**

NEW SCHEME TO SAVE THE DAY

Ryan-McCormick Controversy Interesting—Pinchot Rakes the Democracy

Thoroughly rattled by the sentiment against the Jersey ticket in Dauphin county, the bosses of the Democratic machine have determined to name candidates for the Democratic county committee on a Palmer-McCormick platform in every one of the districts

platform in every one of the districts in the county, and the same plan is said to be under consideration in Cumberland and Perry counties. Lebanon is reported as hopeless and when York county is mentioned reorganizers look the other way.

The scheme is to get some man interested in behalf of the inter-state ticket in each district by tying up his interests with the machine. In several boroughs of the county it has been found by scouts that McCormick is anything but popular, and while many are not in love with Ryan, the voters are inclined to resent White House slatemaking. In the city it means a fight because the anti-McCormick people will not give up control of the city committee without a battle.

The Philadelphia Ledger of to-day

The Philadelphia Ledger of to-day says this about the warring Democrats: "Philadelphia Democrats yesterday were stirred by City Solicitor Ryan's call for an opponent to Representative A. For Senate Mitchell Palmer as a candidate for the United States Senate

For Senate Mitchell Palmer as a candidate for the United States Senate and discussed the possibilities of the situation. Reorganizers were of the opinion that Mr. Ryan's supporters for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination would back ex-Attorney General W. U. Hensel, of Lancaster, against Palmer. Ryan men would say nothing on the subject. However, there was a general consensus of opinion that the Ryan supporters would select their candidate from among the following: Mr. Hensel; Henry C. Niles, of York, former Keystoner; Judge Charles B. Staples, of Stroudsburg, Mr. Palmer's home town; Judge John M. Garman, of Wilkes-Barre.

Down in Lancaster county enthusi-asm for Dr. Martin G. Brumbaugh Republican candidate for Governor, is spreading every day. From all parts of the county have come in-dorsements of his can-Brumbaugh Clubs Are Organized

didacy and it is pre-dicted he will poll a record vote in the county. Many Bull Moosers and Procounty. Many Bull Moosers and Progressives are coming out for the "schoolmaster." The first development of the campaign is the organization of Brumbaugh clubs. Epharata was the first to fall in line and it is particularly appropriate, for it was in Ephrata that Dr. Brumbaugh won his wife. Several hundred persons have been enrolled and the following organization was effected: President, Dr. E. R. Miller; vice-president, H. M. Sprecher; secretary, Samuel Y. Wissler; treasurer, H. L. Eitnier. Ward committees have been named to enroll every voter in the town. Similar clubs will be organized at Elizabethtown, New Holland and other places.

Gifford Pinchot said last night that warfare in the cratic ranks, nationally and in the State, is of a kind which cannot be

State, is of a kind which cannot be healed, and said:
The De mo cr at t stand for State rights, for the little point of view in national affairs. Here in Pennsylvania the two wings of the Democratic party are at each other's throats. The same thing will shortly be true in the nation. The split, so long foreseen, has come at last. President Wilson was able to carry through the tariff bill and the currency bill because of a long accumulated public sentiment behind them. With the exception of conservation, he must now handle his own problems without this well grown public support. This is another way of saying that the Democratic harmony in national affairs, which has so impressed the unthinking, is substantially at an end. These are the stantially at an end. These are the two main reasons why the Democracy cannot make good along progressive lines. It is tied hand and feet by the States rights doctrine, and it is divided against iself."

Come sneaking from the wall. Show them no quarter, swat 'em Don't miss one—get 'em all.

The Mulligan Guards have

The Mulligan Guards have entered into the campaign for the aid of the boy scout faction which is struggling with the Old Guard and the mikeryans for the party rosebuds. It was announced yesterday that Revenue Collector For Guard Fritz Kirkendall had named John Mulligan, of Carbon county, to a deputy collectorship in the revenue mill at Lancaster. Mulligan comes from Carbon county, where Mitchell Palmer's slated candidate, P. C. Evans, is in danger of being defeated for congressional nomination by H. J. Steele. Incidentally, his selection is interesting, because most of the appointments have been going to that section and Dauphin and other counties have been ignored.

Not in many a long year has there been such a shindy in the Democratic party as is now on between Ryan, representing the old regime, and McCormick and Vance Michael Ryan mick, the reorganization group of which McCormick Congressman A. Mitchell Palmer is the head. In a speech at Wilkes-Barre this is what Ryan said: "I deny the right of Mitchell Palmer and Vance McCormick to boss the Democratic party. I protest against their debauching and coercing of Democratic workers and officeholders and officeseckers."

Judge Bonniwell likened the "three Pharisee, and declared that under their "alleged reform leadership" the party has been split into aristocratic and plebelan classes. He added: "We have a Democratic State organization which has been persistently exploited for the private advancement of A. Mitchell Palmer, Vance C. McCormick and Roland S. Morris. The funds committed for the maintenance of the party, taken from the officeholder in the same guise in which Quay maced the Federal servant in his palmy days, are misused to forward a factional battle." The Philadelphia Ledger says he then made reference to mail distribution of Mr. McCormick's newspaper, and said: "I call upon Vance C. McCormick to declare how much harms and the party has been split for in the Harrisburg Post Office for the free

copies which he is distributing. I charge that this distribution of this newspaper is in flagrant violation of the Federal postal regulations, and if it is with the connivance of the postal authorities, ought to be made a subject of Federal postal laws."

POLITICAL SIDELIGHTS

—A big West Philadelphia mass meeting last night endersed Dimmick and Brumbaugh.
—Dr. Brumbaugh does not seem to be as perturbed as the men who are opposed to him.
—Dimmick is in Pittsburgh to day and will visit Washington county tonight.
—Senator Penrose will speak to Dickinson alumni at Washington next week.

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—S. H. Garland took hold of the tiller at the Bull Moose city meeting last night.

—Dimmick men are organizing First Voters' leagues in Philadelphia and declaring for Dimmick and Brumbaugh.

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—A. J. Greene gave a talk to the Bull Moosers last night.

—Wilson Bailey is in much demand, but not as collector, these days.

—Yes, gentle reader. Bradford is the home city of Lewis Emery and other insurgents. It is well acquainted with the reform game.

—Mr. Dimmick's supporters in Eric and Venango appear to be very sanguine about his chances in those counties.

—Cabinet ministers appear to have heard a general alarm from Pennsylvania.

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—All this yelling about deals sounds rather strange when it is considered that the Democratic machine slate was framed up at one of the closest corporation meetings ever held.

—A good many raids for political power have been carried on under the name of the dear people.

—When the reorganization of the Democratic party was pulled through it was in the name of the people and the party. Every man who figured in it is either in office or trying to get there.

there.

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—There never was a standard-bearer yet who did not think that he was the people's choice and those Bradford voters have met bearers of flags in other days.

—In view of Asher Johnson's remark that McCormick believed in cleaning house, the Public Ledger's articles about York post offices are very interesting.

—One Wilson Bailer appears to be a very important cog in the Democratic State machine.

—Senator Penrose went back to Philadelphia yesterday well pleased with his reception in Clinton county.

—A good bit of humor is noticed about the northern tier just now.

—Sheriff Lewis P. Kniffen, of Luzerne, will run for Congress.

a-little-nonsense



Professor Turtle told her they had discovered a race of maidens who carry their money in their mouths, but she thought it was probably only those who often pursed their lips.

BE ON GUARD

By Wing Dinger

Get out your swatters, pistols, guns And other weapons, too; Shine up your searchlights, be on guar There's lots of work to do.

The fly, that pest that beats 'em all, And from the start get after him Just as last year thou didst.

Keep careful watch, and as the flies

For new's the time they lay their eggs By thousands, and quite soon There'll be a million buzzing 're With their nerve-racking tune.

The time to get them is right now. Before their eggs they lay, Prepare for warfare, swat 'em low, By night as well as day.

Edith — Jack Roxleigh is good-look-ig enough, but I don't care for his

ays. Edna — Never mind his ways, my ear; think of his means.—Boston

CLARK AND BRYAN

It looks as though Champ Clark's inability to forgive and forget were the little rift within the lute that soon or late will make the Democratic music muse. When the Speaker refused to permit Representative Murray to call up his resolution asking for a report of the State Department's policy on Ambassador Page's recent London speech, he was not content with ruling it out of order. He had to explain tuat he did not know whether the State Department is Carlon or next year or fifty years from now or next year or fifty years from now what is doubt as Mr. Clark respecting the knowledge our Premier has of the policy his department is supposed to be following. Mr. Bryan is away from Washington so much and so frequently it is unreasonable to expect him to know what is going on. It was unkind, however, for one of the leaders of his own party to assert it out loud in a public place. If this thing keeps up Mr. Clark and Mr. Bryan will be disputing in the rotunda of the Capitol before many weeks and will be remarking what each thinks of the other. As each has a large vocabulary and aremarkable gift of oratory the encounter will add to the galety of nations, but it may not conduce to party harmony.—Exchange.

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NEWS DISPATCHES OF THE CIVIL WAR

[From the Telegraph of March 27, 1864]
Forrest Crippled
Cairo, March 27. — A dispatch from
Columbus, Ky, says that Forrest and
Faulkner are between that place and
Mayfield. Their forces are in a crippled
condition, but their strength is much
greater than was at first estimated.
Mayfield is filled with rebel wounded
from Paducah. From 1,200 to 1,500 are
said to have arrived there. One regiment lost 100, and one company had
fifty killed.

Cairo, March 26. — Reports were circulated this morning, that the rebels, under Forrest, attacked Paducah, Ky, fifty miles above here, yesterday, and burned part of the town; but, as the telegraphic communication was cut of, no authentic information could be obtained.

(From the Philadelphia Public Ledger, The situation that obtains throughout the State may be typified by Lackawanna county. In 1912 Roosevelt had there 15.199 votes. Wilson, 12,423 and there 15.199 votes. Wilson, 12,423 and there 15.199 votes. Wilson, 12,423 and the others upon whom Mr. Pinger 15.199 votes. Wilson, 12,423 and the others upon whom Mr. Pinger 15.199 votes. Wilson, 12,423 and the others upon whom Mr. Pinger 15.199 votes only were involved—the judiciary and the municipal contests were nonpartisan. To-day the enrolled voters are as follows: Republican 19,440. Democrat 14,941, Washington 2,733. That is, over 12,600 votes swing back to he Republican party within two years of the memorable political management and promoting the work of purification.

Governor Hadley, Senator Boral and the others upon whom Mr. Pinchet pours out the vials of wrath, committed the heinous crime of refusing to follow a disappointed loser lust of the party; they were far-sighted enough party; they were far-sighted enough to know that a split would benefit only the Democrats.—Philadelphia Ledger.

From the Telegraph of March 27, 1864]

Court Seasion

The next term of Dauphin County
out will commence on Monday, April
o, and continue two weeks.

T. M. C. A. Auniversary
The eighth anniversary of the Young
Men's Christian Association, of this
city, will be held to-morow (Tuesday)
evening, at 7:30 o'clock, in the First
English Lutheran Church, in Fourth
street. An address will be delivered
by the Rev. Mr. Conrad, from Lancaster, and the Rev. W. G. Cattell, the retiring president, who will also read the
annual report, giving a statement of
the workings of the association during
the past year.

PINCHOT AND THIRD PARTY

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A GENUINECASE OF NEW FREEDOM [From the Philadelphia Public Ledger.]
The Democratic party in Pennsylvaniza and in the nation is likely to discover that there is more gunpowder in the ideal. New Freedom issue than in the leal. New Freedom issue than in the clear. New Freedom issue than in the deal. New Freedom issue of the postmastership were asked by the county chairman, according to affidavits made by them, to agree to make an annual contribution out of their salary to the party funds. The charge, made under oath, may be true or it imay be false. It is sufficient that it is made, to raise the issue of the barter and sale of The country will wonder whether this is the New Freedom for which Democracy stanis. Will he administration, which has been backing the reorganized pary in this State, gloss over this outrageous offense against political decency and criminal act, or will the District Attorney be directed to take instant cognizance?

REPUBLICANS GETTING TOGETHER [From the Philadelphia Public Ledger.]

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