## State Senator William C. Sproul's Platform Upon Which He Is Seeking the Governorship

To the People of Pennsylvania After an experience of twenty-two years in the Senate of the Commonwealth, which has given me, I trust, a fair knowledge of the state government, I am now a candidate or the Republican nomination for the office of Governor. I enter the of the primary election laws, which have helped to frame, and will feel that I am, in honor and duty. bound to support, cheerfully and honestly, all of the nominees of the Republican voters of the state who which I have submitted my own

At the very outset, however, let At the very outset, however, let me say, that ambitious as I am to be Governor of this great state, and anxious as I am to work out some of the plans I have developed in a long study of the Commonwealth's affairs, I cannot and will not be a factional Governor nor would I be a candidate on such a platform. The Governorship of Pennsylvania is a great office; the opportunities for real service it offers should be an inspiration for any citizen. I do not aspire for anything else, and I promise you, first, that if I shall be elected, I will not be led up on any political mountain to be shown any wide vista of the promised land of further official preference. Secondly and emphatically, I promise you that the administration of your state's government, its policies and its patronage, shall not be used for the promotion of my political advantage or that of any other individual, or for the benefit of any faction or interest whatsoever. Efficient public service shall be my whole spirit and purpose. Co-operation and not coercion shall be my whole spirit and purpose. Co-operation and not coercion shall be my whole spirit and purpose. Co-operation and not coercion shall be my whole spirit and purpose. Heavier of the people. My constituency in Delaware county has sent me to the Senate for six successive terms, and I have served with six different Governors of Pennsylvania. I have witnessed their successes and their failures, and, I hope, say, that ambitious as I am to



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# How Germany Devours The Little Nations

While his Turkish partner turns again to the wholesale murder of Armenians, the Kaiser, contemplating with satisfaction the heavy bag of little nations that is the reward of his sportsmanlike prowess, permits himself to "live again one of those great moments in which we can reverently admire God's hand in history. Moreover, "with gratitude toward God" in his heart, he faces the future "firmly trusting in the sword." The phrase, "no annexations and no indemnities" was still on its lips when Germany closed its mailed fist over Russia's Baltic provinces, Finland, Poland, the Ukraine, and Roumania, and now the same clutching menace seems to be moving toward Sweden, Norway and Denmark. WILL GERMANY BE ABLE TO DIGEST WHAT SHE IS DEVOURING?

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