

# WHO WILL BE SPEAKER?

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## HENDERSON IN THE LEAD

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Discussion Regarding the Reason for Selecting May 30 as National Memorial or Decoration Day—Idea Originated Among Maryland Women—Other News From the National Capital.

Washington, June 6.—Something of a turn in the Speakership tide has been experienced here within the past day or two, and among those best posted in the political affairs it is conceded that the strong support for Col. Henderson, of Iowa, which is coming to the surface every day, gives him an encouraging prospect to capture the coveted honor. The western and northwestern States will go, it appears at present, very nearly solid for the Iowa man, and the support that has been pledged to him by eastern admirers puts him somewhat in the lead of other aspirants. The withdrawal of Hopkins from the race has increased Henderson's prospects to a considerable extent. A good many Congressmen in the Middle States have also pledged themselves to support the Western man.

New York, June 6.—Sixteen members of the Sixty-fifth Congress, comprising the Republican delegation from this State, have swung into line for David B. Henderson, of Iowa, for the Speakership. The caucus of the New York men will be held in parlor D R of the Fifth Avenue Hotel, when a formal endorsement of the Iowa man probably will be recorded.

The President has begun his round of diploma distributing, making his first appearance in this capacity at the commencement of the law school of the Howard University, the large colored institution of Washington. The exercises were very interesting. From now on the President will be in demand for commencements.

There has been a great deal of discussion this year as to why May 30 was selected as Decoration Day. Some have said that it was on Gen. Grant's suggestion that a National Memorial Day was selected. The idea originated among the women of Maryland, who put flowers upon the graves of both Union and Confederate soldiers once a year during the War of the Rebellion. By the time the war was over, the custom had spread to other States, and it had almost become general among the Northern people, but it was not until 1869 that Gen. John A. Logan, as Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, appointed May 30 for that purpose. In his order he called the day Memorial Day. It is said that he selected May 30 because it corresponds with the date of the last honorable discharge given a soldier in the Union Army in the war between the States. Within the last few years he name has gradually been changed from Memorial Day to Decoration Day.

Gold is coming into the United States Treasury at such a rapid rate that the clerks find it difficult to count it and put it away in bags. In fact, some one has remarked that Uncle Sam now has more gold than he can count, and that for the first time in his history there is more gold in the United States than any other country in the world. It is said that with what this Government now holds and what is in circulation the total comes very near one thousand million of dollars. On the 1st day of May Uncle Sam presented as a consolation purse to Spain \$200,000,000, and since that time the gold has been pouring in in such a stream that the hole made is nearly filled and the Treasury statement for last month shows that there is \$201,281,301.67 of gold coin and bullion in the Treasury.

Now that the President's civil service order has been promulgated for several days, those affected are beginning to understand that the President was letting down the bars and putting in office hordes of clerks that are now carried on the temporary rolls have found that they read the order wrongly, and that the bars are not to be let down so very fast. The special section to which the civil service reformers took so much exception, was the one allowing temporary clerks to be transferred to the regular rolls by the appointing power. This was thought to affect a large number of clerks appointed in the War Department during war times. Since the order was issued, Secretary Alger, at the War Department, and Assistant Secretary McKeljohn have been besieged by the temporary clerks with requests to be placed on the regular rolls. To their amazement, all these clerks have been told that it was not the intention of the President, nor the meaning of the change in the rules, to transfer them to permanent places. This would be creating new clerkships, a thing which the President never intended, nor would the law allow.

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Officials Will Investigate.

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Rushed Into the Breakers.

Atlantic City, N. J., June 5.—Charles Johnson, a prosperous merchant of Hartford, Conn., plunged fully dressed into the surf near the Ocean Pier, and was rescued, greatly exhausted. Johnson struggled with his rescuers when reached, breaking from their grasp and turning toward the sea again. When the reached the strand with him finally Johnson fell prostrate on the beach and gave no cause for his act.

Death of Col. Geo. N. Terry.

Atlantic City, N. J., June 5.—Colonel George N. Terry, the first proprietor of the Hoffman House, New York, and who was prominent in financial circles of that city, died here at the home of a friend. He was sixty-one years old and unmarried.

Punishment for Stealing Kisses.

Grand River, Ia., June 5.—Because R. W. Hoeger refused to satisfy judgment against him of \$300 for stealing a kiss from her, Mrs. May Brenner shot and seriously wounded him.

# THE NEWS IN BRIEF

Telegraphic Gleanings From All Parts of the World.

A tin containing \$20,000 in gold has been found by Portsmouth (Ohio) workmen.

The Czar will shortly visit Siberia. London is experiencing one of the hottest Junes on record.

A Worcester (Mass.) doctor declined to treat a patient and she died. Now he has been indicted for manslaughter.

The body of an unidentified boy was found in the water at the foot of East One Hundred and First street, New York.

A twenty-five per cent advance in rates on all freight from the Atlantic seaboard to points in the Northwest is to go into effect June 20.

It has been decided that the Spanish bank shall issue no more bills in Porto Rico, United States Currency will be used there in the future.

Elisha Baxter, the tenth Governor of Arkansas, is dead at his home in Batesville. Mr. Baxter was born in Rutherford county, N. C., September 1, 1824.

Governor Poynter, of Nebraska, has been evicted, the lease on his house having expired. He now lives at a hotel.

Henry Lower, a well-to-do real estate owner, of Cleveland, O., who has been suffering with what appeared to be hydrophobia as the result of a cat's bite received a month ago, died in great agony.

Chas. Lester, a negro of Long Island, has been arrested at Tarrytown, N. Y., on a charge of having criminally assaulted Mary Connelan, the 6-year-old daughter of Michael Connelan of that place. The negro narrowly escaped lynching at the hands of an infuriated mob.

The recent President of the Greek Catholic Church in America, John A. Smit, of New York, was defeated for re-election at Cleveland, O. The new president is the Rev. Cornelius Laurin, of Shenandoah, Pa. The Rev. Theodore Damjanovich, of New York, is made first priest of the American churches.

A Pittsburg firm has sold 200 steel cars to the Egyptian States Railway.

Edwin Leisy has surrendered to the Reading, Pa., police, accusing himself of a triple murder.

Jamaica has sent a delegation to Washington to plead for reciprocity in trade relations.

Twenty-five cows at the Chicago Stock Yards have been found suffering from tuberculosis.

Bert Meyers, of Middletown, N. Y., had his hat torn off by a bolt of lightning, but not seriously injured.

Harry T. Phillips a Filipino, has been admitted to full citizenship in the United States, at Tounton, Mass.

It is the universal opinion both in France and the United States that Capt. Dreyfus will be liberated as a result of his next Court-martial.

A terrific blast discharged at "Indian Head" on the Hudson river dislodged over 200,000 tons of rock and reduced to ruins a considerable portion of New Jersey's famous palisades.

The spring wheat crop in the northwest is reported to be fully up to the average and that the yield will be as great if not greater than that of last year.

Yellow fever has broken out in the South again. There are two cases of the disease in New Orleans, and several at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Johann Strauss, the waltz king, is dead.

Adolph Langerman suicided with a revolver at Newark, N. J.

John D. Crimmins, of New York, approves Sheehan's plan to depose Croker as Tammany leader.

Ten thousand laborers will profit by an agreement to raise wages and shorten the hours of labor.

George K. Nash, of Columbus, Ohio, has been nominated by the Republicans of that State for Governor.

The bodies of three babies, each wrapped in a separate bundle, was found in a Newtown, L. I., field.

Our delegates at the Peace Congress refused to agree to arbitration on monetary and interoceanic canal questions.

Messrs. Mazet, Moss and Clarke, in New York, discussed action to be taken against witnesses who have defied them.

The baby, Marion Clark, kidnaped from Central Park Sunday, May 21, has been found and returned to her parents. The kidnapers, George Beatty, Edward Harris, his wife, and Bella Anderson, the nurse, have been arrested. The Anderson woman has confessed. The child was found near Haverstraw, N. Y.

Walter G. Walling, a performer with Haverly's minstrels, was beaten and robbed by a negro tough at Coney Island, N. Y.

# STONE SPEAKS FOR M'KINLEY.

The Governor Says Pennsylvania Demands the President's Renomination.

## REPUBLICAN PARTY IN GOOD SHAPE.

Democrats Preparing for a Lively Fight at Their State Convention Next Week, and a Big Crowd is Expected at Harrisburg.

(Special Correspondence.)

Harrisburg, June 6.—Governor Stone has returned from his fishing trip to West Virginia very much benefited by his brief period of recreation after his arduous labors incident to the closing out of the work that devolved upon him in scrutinizing the bills left upon his desk by the legislature and meeting the many serious problems with which he was thus confronted. The governor has come out in a strong declaration in favor of the reelection of President McKinley, maintaining that there can be no doubting the fact that he is the choice of the Republicans of Pennsylvania.

"President McKinley," said Governor Stone, enthusiastically, "is the natural and logical choice of the people of this State. He has made an excellent president, a satisfactory president. He has never acted from any desire but the welfare of his country. He has never done anything with a view to his own aggrandizement. He has worked for the honor of the great Republican party and the benefit of the people.

"He has been a wise president, exhibiting a clear foresight and a sure wisdom in all his dealings. This State, and all the States, have prospered, for Mr. McKinley has done well from a business standpoint as he has from a patriotic point of view."

M'KINLEY'S FOREIGN POLICY.

Concerning the foreign policy of the president Governor Stone said:

"Throughout his administration President McKinley has exhibited remarkable wisdom, judgment and forbearance in his relations with foreign countries. Of the Spanish war there need be but little said now. The people are satisfied that it was a righteous war and that Mr. McKinley acted rightly in regard to Spain in the matter. Of the present war in the Philippines the same must be said. There may be a few who would and are those who criticized the Spanish war adversely, but it is recognized and understood that the rebellion must be put down before anything can be done. But not only in these two affairs has Mr. McKinley given proof of his wisdom. The able manner in which he has conducted the negotiations with Great Britain in our little dispute about

the boundary between this country and Canada stamp him as a wise and determined man. He has earned for himself and his country the admiration and respect of Europe.

"Mr. McKinley," remarked the governor, "has won the confidence not only of his party, but of the whole country. He has been one of the best presidents, if not the best, the country has ever had, and the people will insist upon his renomination and re-election."

Asked what he thought of the present condition of the Republican party, the governor replied:

"The Republican party was never stronger or healthier than it is today. In every State in the Union it has become more solid, for it is satisfied with the past and the outlook for the future. In this State the party is stronger than ever. There have been differences and unpleasantnesses, but the decision of the counties has been given from all parts of the State, and the rule of the majority must be sustained. In every other respect the Republican party in Pennsylvania was never in better shape to give Mr. McKinley an unprecedented majority."

BUSINESS MEN PLEASED.

"Republicans of Pennsylvania are pleased to see the leaders of the party organization in this State declare so promptly and enthusiastically in favor of the renomination of President McKinley," remarked Charles H. Mullin, the extensive paper manufacturer of Cumberland county, in commenting on the interviews with Senator Penrose, Governor Stone and State Chairman Elkin, as voicing the sentiments of the men at the head of the Republican organization on this question.

"This is what the business men of the country desire," continued Mr. Mullin. "With President McKinley the nominee the Republican party can give assurance to the business interests that there shall be a continuance of the conservative and safe administration of public affairs, and the usual disturbance of the commercial world incident to a presidential campaign will be avoided."

"What is new politically in your own particular locality?" Mr. Mullin was asked.

"We have just had our delegate election in Cumberland," replied the well known manufacturer, smilingly, "and you could have drawn your own conclusions as to the result if you read our resolutions, which not only commended the administration of President McKinley, but also that of Governor Stone, and endorsed the action of the governor in appointing Colonel Quay to the United States senatorship. The insurgents outside of our county assisted in the fight against the stalwart delegates, as they did in Adams county, but in neither case did they get much satisfaction. As I view the situation I do not think the insurgents will have over 20 delegates in the State convention outside of the following of Flinn in Pittsburg and Martin in Philadelphia."

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

Interest in the Democratic State convention, which will be held here a week from tomorrow, commands the attention of politicians of both parties.

it is unusual for the minority party to lead off in the matter of making state nominations. For years it has been the policy of Democratic leaders to hold off in order, as they said, "to profit by the mistakes of the enemy." Under the rules of the Republican party their state convention cannot be held this year earlier than the last week in August, although delegates to the convention are now being elected throughout the State. Seldom do the Democrats find themselves in the position that a nomination for a state office by this convention is virtually equivalent to an election, as is the case this year. They are now involved in one of the prettiest struggles for a judicial office ever witnessed in Pennsylvania. The Democrats have the naming of a supreme court justice, to be elected in November. If they give Justice Smith, of the superior court, this nomination they will also have an opportunity to nominate and elect a justice of the superior court to succeed Smith.

The Philadelphia Democrats propose to make a strong fight against the nomination of either Representative Creary, of Columbia, or Dixon, of Elk, for state treasurer. They declare that these party in the legislature to the Flinn-Martin insurgent machine, and they are especially bitter against them for helping David Martin knock out the new court bill, by which the Democrats in Philadelphia would have gotten a new judge.

HENDERSON FOR SPEAKER.

Pennsylvania Republicans are delighted to know that General David Bremner Henderson, of Iowa, will succeed Thomas Brackett Reed as speaker of the house of representatives. General Henderson is a close personal friend of Colonel Quay, Senator Penrose and General Bingham. He has rooms at the same hotel with Senator Penrose. Should General Bingham see fit to remain in the field as a candidate the Pennsylvania delegation will probably give him a complimentary vote and afterwards the bulk of them will go to Henderson. If General Bingham withdraws before the caucus of the Keystone delegation during state convention week it is likely that the caucus will decide to support Henderson.

Whenever Pennsylvania has wanted anything in congress Henderson has stood shoulder to shoulder with the Keystone representatives in fighting for it. During the last congress, when the Pennsylvanians were struggling against odds to secure an appropriation of \$350,000 for the international exposition at Philadelphia, General Henderson jumped in with a will and urged his colleagues from the west to vote for the appropriation. When the time came for a vote Henderson sprang to his feet, or rather foot, for he lost a leg in the civil war, and waving his cane aloft, shouted: "All up, boys." His enthusiasm infected the other Republican members and the result was that by a rising vote the appropriation was passed.

The election of General Henderson to the speakership will give Pennsylvania a chance to retain the office of clerk of the house, and Major Alexander McDowell, of Mercer county, will doubtless be re-elected to that position.

Killed by Storm in Kansas.

Kansas City, June 5.—Two people were killed and several were injured in a fierce storm general throughout Kansas. A deluge of rain, amounting to from three to four inches, was followed by a wind storm approaching the proportion of a tornado. Near Valley Centre Mrs. William Thompson, sixty years of age, was struck by lightning and killed, and eleven miles northeast of Stafford George W. Ritter was killed and two of his family were injured, their house being blown away.

Restoring Gettysburg Park.

Gettysburg, Pa., June 5.—The Gettysburg Battle Field Commission has begun the work of restoring the battle-ground as nearly as possible to its appearance when the great battle occurred in July, 1863. The numerous springs are being walled in to preserve them in their places, cannon are being arranged in the position of every battery that took part in the battle, and all the buildings on the thirty-five square miles of the battle-ground are being restored to their original appearance.

Great Fun for Rough Riders.

East Las Vegas, N. M., June 5.—Great preparations are being made here for the Rough Riders reunion on June 24, 25 and 26. An elaborate three-days' programme is being arranged for the entertainment of the Rough Riders, guests and visitors. On the first day there will be addresses by Gov. Theodore Roosevelt, Lieut.-Col. A. O. Broadie, President of the Regimental Organization, and Lieut. J. D. Carter, Secretary of the organization.

Probably Capt. Crapo's Body.

Providence, R. I., June 5.—A body was found on Charlestown beach, on the southern coast of the State, by Capt. Charles Church, and there is every reason to believe that the remains are those of adventurous Capt. Thomas Crapo, who on April 29 left this city in a nine-foot dory, the Volunteer, for a trip to Cuba. He was last seen by Capt. Church and the men at the life-saving station at Point Judith, which he passed on May 3.

Repentant Wife Returns.

Wilmington, Del., June 5.—Samuel Clark had a quarrel with his wife at York, Pa., one week ago. He removed to New Castle, where he obtained work in the Delaware Iron Works. Clark was surprised to see his wife and daughter at the works. The woman acknowledged she was in the wrong, and the husband agreed to return home. Then his wife informed him that her father had died and left her \$25,000.

Another Wage Scale for Coal Miners.

Birmingham, Ala., June 5.—The Tennessee Coal and Iron Company announced another advance of 2 1/2 cents a ton in the wages of its 6,000 coal miners. This is the fourth advance since March 1, making the total increase 10 cents a ton, or 25 per cent. Higher prices for iron, which control the miners' wage scale, caused all these advances. Other operators will make a like raise, 10,000 in all being affected.

# New York Markets

GRAIN—Wheat: Unfavorable North-west crop news inspired considerable buying for long account. No. 2 red closed 85 1/2c. f. o. b. afloat, and 82c. elevator; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 85 1/2c. spot, and 85 1/2c. to arrive f. o. b. afloat.

Corn: The market showed further strength, reflecting persistent rains in the corn belt and a scarcity of local offerings.

Oats: The market showed moderate steadiness in sympathy with corn. No. 2 oats closed 31c.; No. 3 oats, 30c.; No. 2 white, 33c.

Rye: Market quiet; No. 2 Western, 64 1/2c. f. o. b. afloat; State rye, 60c. c. l. f. New York carlots.

Barley: Market dull. Feeding, 37c., and malting, 45c. to 47c., both c. l. f. Buffalo.

Beaves: Little doing in live cattle. Dressed beef slow.

Calves: Trade dull. Mixed calves sold at \$4.62 1/2 per 100 lbs. fed veal at \$4.25, country dressed at 46c.

Sheep: Good sheep sold freely; common sheep were dull; yearlings steady; lambs fell off a trifle. Medium to choice sheep sold at \$3.75 to \$5.00 per 100 lbs.; Southern lambs at \$6.62 1/2 to \$6.65.

Hogs: Market firm at \$4.00 to \$4.15 per 100 lbs. Country dressed hogs steady at 46 1/2c. per lb. for heavy to light weights.

Beans: Marrow, choice, per bushel, \$1.75 to \$1.47 1/2; do., medium, choice, \$1.30; do., pea, choice, \$1.27 to \$1.30.

Butter: Creamery, Western, extra, per lb., 18c. to 18 1/2c.; State extra, 18c.; do., firsts, 17 1/2c.; do., thirds to seconds, 15c. to 16c.; State dairy, half-half tubs, extra, 17c.; Western factory, extra, 13 1/2c.; do., firsts, 13c.

Cheese: State, full cream, large, white, fancy, per lb., 8 1/2c.; light skims, small, choice, 7 1/2c.; part skims, small, choice, 6 1/2c. to 6 3/4c.

Eggs: Jersey and nearby, fancy, selected, per dozen, 15 1/2c.; State, Pennsylvania and nearby, average, prime, 14 1/2c. to 15c.; Southern, \$3.00 to \$3.45; culls, \$2.40 to \$3.45.

Potatoes: Domestic, old, \$1.00 to \$1.75; sweet potatoes, per bbl., \$1.00 to \$2.50.

Related to Some Her Relatives

Saratoga, N. Y., June 5.—Miss Minnie Sullivan, of Allegheny City, Pa., who came here recently, and would not disclose the names of her relatives, died very suddenly at the City Hospital. She was twenty-eight years of age.

Was a Premier in France.

Paris, June 5.—It was a premeditated riot that took place on the weighing ground of the Auteuil race course. The object of the rioters was to insult President Loubet, and, perhaps, in the heat of faction and fight to get rid of him.

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