

PEOPLE HEARD FROM.

Significance of the Luzerne Republicans Repudiation of Insurgents.

SENTIMENT IS OVERWHELMING.

Comment Upon the Latest Move to Defeat Candidates of the Republican Party and Predictions of Another Sweeping Victory.

(Special Correspondence.)

Philadelphia, July 9.—An illustration of the misrepresentation of popular sentiment which is daily being presented in insurgent and Democratic newspapers has been given through the votes of Republicans at their primary election. Luzerne county is the latest to come to the front and repudiate the enemies and the critics of the Republican organization and Republican officials. Throughout the session of the last legislature one of the most conspicuous opponents of the regular Republican organization was Representative Coray of Luzerne. He was regarded as the leader of the Insurgents on the floor of the House of Representatives and no Democrat was more bitter nor more venomous in assailing the Republican leadership and the Republican State Administration than Coray. He was ever eager to fill columns in insurgent newspapers with speeches and interviews attacking the policy of the leaders of the Republican organization, and seeking to help make capital for the Democracy. Despite the fact that a large majority of the Republicans of Luzerne favor party regularity and the rule of the majority, there was but one stalwart Republican vote cast in the Legislature at the last session from this county.

The close of the legislative session was quickly followed by the primary elections of the Republican party in Luzerne county. The issue was shall the Republican voters of the county stand by the regular Republican party and the administration of Governor Stone or shall they give a vote of confidence to the party wreckers and the Insurgents. When the ballots were cast there could be no mistaking the sentiment of the Republicans of Luzerne. In every section of the county the stalwart Republican element scored a signal triumph and Coray and his associates were repudiated by overwhelming majorities.

The entire ticket nominated is composed of stalwart Republicans and there is reason to predict that there will not be a single insurgent member elected to the next Legislature from Luzerne.

The insurgent newspapers by booming of Coray had hoped to develop him into a candidate for state treasurer. They did not expect him to get the regular Republican nomination but they did expect that with a showing of strength by their favorite in his home county they would be able to present him as an available independent nominee.

Attention has been attracted to the political situation in Philadelphia. Through the medium of the Wanamaker controlled newspapers an effort is being made to create the impression that there is a great independent movement in process of formation which is likely to imperil the success of the nominees on the local Republican ticket.

The facts of the case are that Wanamaker has come to the conclusion that he has no political standing in the state and that instead of wasting his substance in different counties of the Commonwealth he will first make an effort to gain a political foothold in his home county. He has never given up the idea of some day sitting in the United States Senate, although after his many defeats and after the expenditure of many hundreds of thousands of cash in his interest he finds that he is no nearer the goal than he was when he started.

The latest move seems to be to concentrate all the Wanamaker energy and resources into the campaign to defeat the nominees of the Republican party in Philadelphia and thus have the influence of David Martin, who was then in control, Wanamaker's private counsel, P. F. Rothmel, was nominated and elected to succeed George S. Graham as district attorney. When the Republican conventions met recently it was decided by a unanimous vote that one term was all that Mr. Rothmel should have in the office, and John Weaver, a leading member of the bar, was nominated to succeed him. At once the Wanamaker insurgent machine started in to organize an independent movement. The old Martin lieutenants who still stand by the retired combine chief, were summoned to help the work along and, of course, the professional reformers who maintain a regular organization which is always opposed to Republican candidates, saw an opportunity to figure again and they quickly got into the game. There are, no doubt, some sincere reformers who have allowed the use of their names to endorsements of Mr. Rothmel, but the great majority of those active in the campaign against the Republican candidates are either Insurgents, Martin retainers, or the little contingent of reform leaguers who are prominent in all independent movements and who almost invariably are found with the losers when the election returns come in.

FOUR NEGROES HANGED.

Execution in a Florida Town Witnessed by Thousands.

Chipley, Fla., July 6.—At Vernon, sixteen miles from here, yesterday morning, four negroes, Belton Hamilton, John Simmons, Jim Harrison and Will Williams, were hanged for murder. Williams, Harrison and Hamilton had been convicted of murdering a helpless negro and attempting to kill his wife. It was adduced in the evidence that the three had warned their victim, Jeff Davis, to leave a certain turpentine camp. Davis obeyed instructions at once, but was forced to return on account of lack of transportation of his household goods. He came back on October 2 last and was spotted at once by his enemies, who surrounded him in his home and stationing themselves behind convenient trees proceeded to riddle the cabin with rifle bullets. Davis was told to put his gun outside, which he did, and afterwards was dragged from his house and shot to death while in his wife's arms. During the trial Hamilton on cross-examination confessed, saying, "I'm guilty, before God I am guilty, and I ought to be hung until dead." By his confession the others were convicted.

OKLAHOMA OPEN TO SETTLERS.

President Issues Order to That Effect But Indians May Contest It.

Washington, July 8.—The proclamation of President McKinley opening to settlement the lands ceded by Indians in the Territory of Oklahoma was given to the public yesterday. It provides for the opening of the Wichita, Comanche, Kiowa and Apache cessations at 9 o'clock a. m. on the sixth of August next. Beginning on the 10th instant and ending on the 26th, those who wish to make entry of land under the homestead law must be registered. The registration will take place at the land offices at Reno and Lawton. To obtain registration each applicant will be required to show himself duly qualified to make homestead entry of these lands under existing laws and to give the registering office such appropriate matters of description and identity as will protect the applicant and the government against any attempted impersonation.

The Indians, whose lands are affected, through their attorney, C. Porter Johnson of this city, will contest the order of the president on the ground that the organic act creating the Territory of Oklahoma made the constitution applicable to this territory and to "Lone Wolf" as well as others.

BIG TRAIN ROBBERY.

Days of Jesse James Recalled by Montana Hold-up.

St. Paul, July 5.—The Great Northern Trans-Continental train No. 3, leaving St. Paul Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock, was held up at Wagner, Mont., 196 miles east of Great Falls, at 3:20 Wednesday evening by three masked men who blew open the express car and wrecked the through safe with dynamite, securing \$83,000. The robbery, in daylight, was one of the boldest that has ever occurred in the West.

One of the robbers boarded the "blind baggage" car at Hinsdale, a station about twenty miles east of Wagner. He appeared to be a common hobo, but when the conductor discovered him at a stop almost immediately afterward he drew a heavy Colt's revolver and ordered him to return to the rear of the train on penalty of instant death. The hobo then climbed over the locomotive tender, and at the point of his revolver compelled the engineer and fireman to stop the train at a ravine a few miles east of Wagner, where his confederates, two in number, both masked, lay in wait. The hobo then compelled the fireman and engineer to abandon the engine and firing began on both sides of the train as it came to a stop.

"SCOT'S" SAD DEATH.

Policeman Shot the Collie Because the Boy Told a Lie.

Chicago, July 3.—"Scott" the collie dog, that in the past five years has saved a dozen lives along the Lake shore, by his daring dives and splendid swimming, suffered the death penalty yesterday for a fib told by a boy whom the intelligent animal had rescued. Tommy Peterson, a 10 year old boy, while swimming in the Lake, got beyond his depth and cried for help. The dog hearing the call, jumped into the water and dragged the youngster to safety. In pulling the boy to shore, Scott happened to bite Peterson on the leg and the boy fearing he would be chastised by his mother for disobeying her and bathing in the lake, told her he had been attacked by the dog in the park and the authorities and a policeman was sent to kill the dog. In the meantime friends of the animal hurried to the police station, and made known the facts, but before the order could be rescinded, the policeman had killed the dog.

Prisoners Break Jail.

Guthrie, O. T., July 6.—Ten of the most desperate prisoners in the federal jail here overpowered the guards yesterday afternoon and escaped. The prisoners armed themselves heavily with pistols found outside the cell doors. All the prisoners ran in the direction of the Cottonwood river. Officers and citizens were soon in pursuit. By dint of good work on the part of federal officers and citizens all of those who broke jail were recaptured and locked in their cells.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED.

Tuesday, July 2.

George Karge in account with Laporte township as collector of special road tax for the year ending June 30, 1901.

The mining town of Globe, near Phoenix, Arizona, has been almost totally destroyed by fire. The loss is very heavy.

Professor Jullien, one of the surgeons at the St. Lazare hospital has announced to the Paris Academy of Medicine that he and M. Justin Delisle have discovered the microbe of syphilis.

Wednesday, July 3.

The Union Broom Supply Company of Chicago has cornered the broom corn crop and raised the price to \$120 a ton.

The Kharkoff Commercial Bank at Odessa, in Russia, has failed, with a deficit estimated at five million roubles. The failure has caused a financial panic in South Russia.

Fresh reports of fighting in Manchuria and on the frontier of Chi Li province have been received. A pitched battle has been fought at Shen Yang, in which the natives defeated the Mohammedans.

Thursday, July 4.

A strike of 250 machinists, which caused the closing of the Bates plant in Hlolet, Ill., several days ago, was settled yesterday. The men received the concessions sought.

Among the more prominent of the New York city heat victims yesterday were the Rev. Dr. Maynard, the Episcopal clergyman and lecturer, and Jacob S. Rodgers, the famous locomotive builder.

Ten boys were caught like rats in a trap in a tunnel leading to the old Keeling mine owned by the Pittsburg Coal company near Pittsburg, yesterday. Two were killed and eight were overcome by the foul fumes.

Friday, July 5.

Col. Julian Scott, the well-known artist, is dead at his home in Plainfield, N. J.

Henry L. Wilson, American minister to Chili, arrived in Santiago yesterday from the United States.

The third wife of the Sultan died yesterday after three years illness. The Sultan is much affected.

Prof. John Fiske of Cambridge, the famous lecturer and historian, died yesterday at the Hawthorne Inn, East Gloucester, Mass.

The six-story brick and iron building in Baltimore, directly opposite the city hall and known as the "Hoen" building, was completely destroyed by fire shortly after 7 o'clock yesterday morning.

In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Chamberlain announced that a bill would shortly be introduced, changing the title of the king so as to more clearly recognize his sovereignty over the entire British empire.

Saturday, July 6.

The following fourth class postmasters were appointed for Pennsylvania yesterday: Adamsville, W. G. McKee; Bolivar, F. R. Hammond; Canoe Camp, C. J. Knowlton.

A general railroad strike for increased wages has commenced in Perth, Australia, and the consequent tie up of the roads is complete throughout western Australia.

Major Thos. W. Hall, a prominent journalist and editorial writer, for the Baltimore Sun, died last night at his residence in Ruxton, a suburb of Baltimore.

Twenty-one disciples of John Alexander Bowie, visited Eanston, a Chicago suburb last night and despite the efforts of the entire police force a mob of 1,000 people drove them from town.

Monday, July 8.

Franz Renz, for many years the principal circus proprietor in Germany has just died at his villa near Hamburg.

Reports from Havana say that the condition of Governor General Wood, who has been suffering from typhoid fever, is now much improved.

George Kenna, the well known traveler and writer, has arrived in St. Petersburg after a short stay in Finland. He will study Russian life and literature.

There is now said to be little hope of the sheriff's posse overtaking the men who held up the Great Northern express train at Wagner, Mont., last Wednesday.

James E. Yeatman, well known as a philanthropist and one of the most respected citizens of St. Louis, died yesterday, aged 84, from the effects of uraemia. Mr. Yeatman is believed to be the original of the character, "Mr. Brinsmade," in Winston Churchill's novel, "The Crisis."

FROG PLAGUE IN ITHACA.

Railway Traffic Impeded by Thousands of Amphibians.

Ithaca, N. Y., July 8.—All Ithaca is suffering from a frog pest due to the recent heavy rains. The frogs have appeared in great numbers. The ground in the vicinity of Renwick Park is covered with them. A train which left for Auburn late Sunday night had difficulty in working its way through the myriads which appeared on the track. The track became so slippery from the ones killed that the wheels would not take hold of the rails. Traffic on a branch of the Ithaca street railway running on Stewart avenue has been impeded and thousands of the frogs appeared on the vacant lots south of the Fiske-McGraw Mansion. The little animals have invaded houses and destroyed many of the gardens of the residents in the lower part of the city. It is difficult to proceed on the walks in that vicinity.

Laporte Township Statement.

George Karge in account with Laporte township as collector of special road tax for the year ending June 30, 1901.

Cash Account: Amt. collected within sixty days, 340 70; Collected on face duplicate, 99 69; Collected 5 per cent added, 43 25; Amt. uncollected, 99 22; By receipts filed, 465 82; By rebate, 14 69; Balance in Collector's hands, 87 32.

EXTRA ROAD TAX: To amount of duplicate, 214 40; By exonerations, 9 39; By land returns, 106 30; Amt. collected within 60 days, 106 30; By rebate, 5 76; Collector's commission, 3 29; Collected on face duplicate, 33 20; Collector's commission, 1 75; Collected 5 per cent added, 16 47; Amount uncollected, 39 46; Balance, 214 40.

Cash Account: Amt. collected within 60 days, 115 35; Collected on face duplicate, 34 95; Collected 5 per cent added, 16 47; Uncollected, 39 46; By receipts filed, 155 28; By rebate, 5 76; Collector's commission, 3 04; Balance in collector's hands, 31 15.

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT.

George Karge in account with Laporte township as collector of school tax for the year ending June 30, 1901.

To amount of duplicate, 531 90; By exonerations, 29 87; Land returns, 16 53; Collected within 60 days, 218 37; Collector's commission, 13 48; Collected on face duplicate, 95 11; Collector's commission, 3 91; Collected 5 per cent added, 36 51; Amount uncollected, 79 34.

Cash Account: Amt. collected within 60 days, 269 53; Collected on face duplicate, 100 12; Collected 5 per cent added, 36 51; Uncollected, 79 34; By receipts filed, 406 80; By rebate, 13 48; Commission, 12 69; Balance in Collector's hands, 52 53.

Account of Lee R. Gavitt, Treasurer of School Funds for the year ending June 30, 1901.

Received from J. Watson ex-Treas., 36 37; State appropriation, 528 28; Received from County Auditor, 550 34; George Karge, collector of tax, 406 80; Lee R. Gavitt, collector of tax, 107 07; By old orders redeemed, 91 00; By new orders redeemed, 1413 68; Treasurer's commission, 107 07; Balance in Treasurer's hands, 144 19.

Amount of orders issued, 1678 96; Amount of orders redeemed, 1413 68; Outstanding orders, 147 50; Balance, 1361 18.

Teachers salary, 1176 60; Attending institute, 89 00; Books, 27 00; Furniture, 47 50; Repairs, 11 40; Supplies, 91 48; Contingent expenses, 43 57; Secretary's salary, 20 00; Printing auditors statement, 3 00; School fund proportion, 156 18.

We the undersigned auditors do hereby certify that the foregoing statement is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

L. E. BOTSFORD, Auditor; H. M. PEETER, Auditor; Attest: E. C. PETERS, Clerk.

Laporte Borough Statement.

John W. Flynn, Treasurer of School Funds for the school year ending June 30, 1901.

To amount received from A. H. Buschhausen collector, 21 00; Wm. P. Shoemaker collector, 684 82; State appropriation, 483 92; Frank Lusch, treasurer, 196 67; P. W. Hayden, collector, 104 90; Amt. due J. W. Flynn last Audt., 354 50; Orders redeemed, 1628 95; Commission at 2 per cent, 20 78; Balance, 1414 32.

BUILDING FUND.

Amt. due at last audit, 355 52; Amt. received from A. H. Buschhausen collector, 14 19; Wm. P. Shoemaker collector, 208 94; Amt. of orders redeemed, 229 83; do do do, 101 88; do do do, 101 88; 34 coupons redeemed, 83 13; Commission 2 per cent on 649 47, 12 41; Balance in hands of Treasurer, 46 17.

To amount of Musical Fund, 108 83; A. H. Buschhausen Collector of School Funds, Balance due at last audit, 21 00; Treasurer's receipt, 21 00; Balance due at last audit, 14 19; Treasurer's receipt, 14 19; Wm. P. Shoemaker, Collector of School Tax for the year 1900, year ending June 30, 1901, 750 36; By Treas. receipt, 405 54; 5 per cent rebate on 4408, 12 54; Treasurer's receipt, 275 28; 5 per cent commission, 11 51; Exonerations allowed, 26 82; Land returns, 8 73; Balance due Wm. P. Shoemaker, 10; Total, 750 46.

BUILDING FUND.

To amount of duplicate, 344 53; By Treas. receipt, 186 63; 5 per cent rebate on 291 87, 14 69; 5 per cent commission on 191 78, 9 59; Treasurer's receipts, 123 31; 5 per cent commission, 5 96; Exonerations, 8 73; Land Returns, 5 50; Total, 344 53.

Statement of liabilities and resources of Laporte Borough School District for year ending June 30, 1901.

Amt. due J. W. Flynn Treas., 167 91; do Wm. Shoemaker, 10; Outstanding orders, 60 00; Land returns 1895, 15 84; 96, 16 77; 97, 10 97; 98, 68 19; 99, 43 17; 1900, 12 76; Balance due in excess of resources, 168 01.

Musical Fund.

To 15 bonds at \$100 each, 1500 00; Land returns 1895, 15 84; 96, 16 77; 97, 10 96; 98, 25 54; 99, 19 26; 1900, 5 50; Balance due from J. W. Flynn, 46 17; Liabilities in excess of resources, 1500 00.

Musical Fund.

Amt in hands of J. W. Flynn Treas., 108 83; We the undersigned auditors of the Borough of Laporte Pa. do hereby certify that we met in pursuance of Act of Assembly at the Court House June 4, 1901, and did proceed to audit, adjust and settle the several accounts of the Borough officers and found the same correct as shown and set forth herein before. Witness our hand and seal this 4 day June 1901.

THOS. E. KENNEDY, JACOB FRIS, Boro. Auditors.

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