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REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

There will be a meeting of the Republican Standing Committee at Laporte, Pa., on Saturday, March 29, 1902, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of fixing dates for Republican Primaries and Convention. And such other business as may be required of the Committee.

The following is a list of the committeemen on the several election districts:

- Bernice—C. B. Watson.
 - Cherry—E. W. Huffmaster.
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 - Davidson—R. W. Simmons.
 - Dushore Boro.—Dr. H. N. Osler.
 - Eagles Mere—C. Peale.
 - Elkland—Philander Keeney.
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 - Forks—A. T. Wilcox.
 - Fox—Sam Leonard.
 - Hills Grove—A. A. Ludy.
 - Jamison City—J. D. Allison.
 - Laporte Boro.—F. H. Ingham.
 - Laporte Twp.—W. J. Lowe.
 - Lopez—Samuel E. Messersmith.
 - Mt. Vernon—Geo. Lawrenson.
 - Ricketts—E. T. Wilbur.
 - Ringdale—S. Mead.
 - Shrewsbury—R. W. Bennett.
- WM. P. SHOEMAKER,
Chairman.

Harrisburg, March 25.—The return of Senator Quay from the south and his prompt declaration that it is not his purpose to interfere in the matter of the selection of the next Republican candidate for governor, believing that the delegates to the convention will be thoroughly competent to do that, has been a keen disappointment to some of the aspiring politicians with small following.

These men had confessed to the hope that the Beaver statesman would come home with a so-called "harmony slate," in which some men with no influence of their own, or personal following to speak of, would be forced upon the Republicans of the state as their candidates for the fall campaign.

Senator Quay is not going into the state making business in the present canvass. That is apparent from his very frank and candid statement given the very day he reached Washington.

"The delegates to the state convention will be thoroughly competent to make the selection of the candidates," remarked Senator Quay.

That sentiment has been applauded everywhere by fair minded Republicans who believe that the field should be open to all aspirants for the governorship and the other offices to be filled at the November election.

The candidate for governor showing the greatest strength in the state convention and able to control a majority of the votes should and will be declared the nominee.

Senator Quay ridiculed the talk that he might run for governor.

There was but one county to hold primaries since the interesting struggle in Blair county and the naming of delegates in the several other counties also holding their primaries on the 15th inst.

Cumberland has since chosen her delegates. They are three stalwart and true blue Republicans, Charles H. Mullin, Captain Clinton G. Heyd and John R. Brandt. In accordance with the custom which has prevailed in Cumberland county for twenty years, these delegates go to the convention without formal instructions, but Mr. Mullin, who has been the acknowledged leader of the Republican organization of the county for many years, says that the entire delegation will vote for Attorney General Elkin for governor.

Interest this week is mainly centered in the contest under way in Lebanon county, where a square fight is on between the supporters of Attorney General Elkin and those backing L. A. Watres.

Two sets of delegates have been placed in the field, one representing the Elkin cause and the other the Watres candidacy. The Republicans of the county will have an opportunity to make their selections and the contest will be waged with the issues clearly defined.

There is reason to believe that Mr. Elkin is a strong favorite in this contest. He has a host of personal friends among the active Republicans of the county, who have taken up his cause and who are predicting that he will get the delegates to the state convention by large majorities. General Gobin, who figures as a disgruntled factor in the contest, is managing the campaign for Mr. Watres. He sprung a surprise on the county leaders when he put a Watres slate in the field, as it had been agreed among some of the most influential men representing the heretofore warring factions, that there would be no opposition to a harmony ticket which was made up of men from all factions who favored the nomination of Mr. Elkin for governor.

The returns from Lebanon will be watched with interest.

HOLLAND NOT IN THE RACE.
The homing coming of District Attorney Holland, of Montgomery, and the announcement that he will not be a candidate for the nomination for governor clears the field in Montgomery county for the election of delegates favorable to Mr. Elkin. All the stalwart leaders in the county are friendly to the attorney general and it is predicted that he will get the full delegation from this county.

The announcement from General John W. Schall, of Montgomery, that he would accept a nomination for secretary of internal affairs, has opened up an interesting situation as far as this office is concerned. General Schall is one of the most respected veterans of the Civil War, he was one of the bravest soldiers in the Union army, and he today holds the position of brigadier general in the National Guard. He is assured of delegates from many of the eastern counties and it is likely that he will become a formidable factor in the canvass. Major Brown, of Erie, who has been an aspirant for this office for some time, has the endorsement of Blair county and the Republican county committee of Erie on Saturday last declared in his favor. Either of these candidates would make an acceptable nominee.

The contest for the nomination for lieutenant governor is still an open one, with former Senator W. M. Brown, of Lawrence, and Dr. Theodore L. Flood, of Crawford, among the leading candidates.

THE CAUSE OF LABOR.

The hundreds of thousands of miners and other hard toilers of Pennsylvania are deeply interested in the passage of the Chinese exclusion bill which was drafted by the committee on immigration, of which Senator Boies Penrose is chairman, and which is largely the product of his thought and pen. There has been a most strenuous campaign waged by ocean steamship companies and other large transportation interests and railroad and mining corporations and other large employers of labor against the bill which Senator Penrose has reported. He will, however, fight to the finish, and it is believed, to a successful finish, and have the bill made a law of the land and a permanent safeguard for American labor.

Senator Penrose has been in consultation with leading members of the miners' organization and other representative union labor leaders and he is well fortified with facts and figures to show the necessity for legislation which will keep out the Chinese and other objectionable foreign cheap labor.

He realizes that in taking this stand he will incur the ill will of powerful influences and that he may experience the effect of heavy contributions from these sources to the campaign funds of his opponents when he comes up for re-election to the United States senate, but he has set all this aside and he will champion the cause of the American workingman and the American home in this important crisis in the history of the country.

FIGHTING FOR PURE BUTTER.

When Senator Penrose was in this city last Saturday he had a conference with a large delegation of leading farmers and dairymen of Pennsylvania who are exceedingly anxious for the passage of the anti-oleomargarine bill which will come before the senate this week, if the present program shall not be changed.

The action of the last legislature in this state in passing the bill which the grangers' organization of Pennsylvania advocated was in accordance with the policy of the Republican organization as outlined in the platform of the last state convention.

Senator Penrose stands upon that platform and he is now preparing to take up the fight of the Pennsylvania farmers and dairymen in the United States senate.

The purpose of the conference which he had at his law offices in this city on Saturday was for him to procure desired information and data from the farmers and dairymen regarding the agitation which is now on throughout the country for the protection of the pure butter interests. While Senator Penrose's primary concern is to look after the Pennsylvania farmers and dairymen he must necessarily fight the battle of the same interests in every state when he figures as the leader of their cause in the committee rooms and on the floor of the United States senate.

The meeting on Saturday last was entirely satisfactory. Senator Penrose is now at work on his speech which he will deliver when the anti-oleomargarine bill shall be taken up and he is expected to make a masterly presentation of the facts of the case. He is a polished orator, a thorough student, and one of the recognized leaders of the college bred men in the senate.

As an old college chum of President Roosevelt and a companion with him on many a hunting trip, Senator Penrose, with Senator Lodge, another warm personal friend of the president, is looked upon as among the influential administration leaders on the floor of the senate.

He is a frequent caller at the White House and there is no doubt that he has the hearty good will and co-operation of President Roosevelt in pressing for the early passage of both the Chinese exclusion and the anti-oleomargarine bills.

Senators Quay and Penrose have both been in consultation with President Roosevelt within the last few days. They are working with the president on all propositions and have been largely instrumental in getting the Pennsylvania delegation in the house to do likewise.

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