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STATE TICKET.

For Governor,
S. W. PENNYPACKER, of Philadelphia.
Lieutenant Governor,
WM. K. BROWN, of Lawrence.
Secretary of Internal Affairs,
ISAAC B. BROWN, of Erie.

COUNTY TICKET.

Congress, (full term.)
FRED A. GODCHARLES, of Milton.
(unexpired term.)
W. K. LORD, of Mt. Carmel.
Member of Assembly,
A. L. DYER, of Lopez.
County Treasurer,
ULYSSES BIRD, of Estella.
County Commissioner,
W. L. HOFFMAN, of Hillsgrove.
G. W. BIGGERS, of Muncy Valley.
County Auditors,
A. P. STARR, of Muncy Valley.
W. C. FANNING, of Shunk.

THE DEADLY PARALLEL.

Extract From Legislative Record

Mr E. G. Rogers, Sullivan County:
Page 2967.
Salary \$1500.00. Asked leave of
Absence 80.00.
Stationery 50.00. Presented three
petitions.
Total, 1630.00.

Scouten backs water on Rogers
failing to vote on 255 measures by
saying he served on four committees,
Forestry, Labor and Industry, Public
Roads and Centennial. It may be
worth while seeing how well Mr.
Rogers looked after his committee
work. He is reported absent and
not voting on final passage of:

An Act to establish a Department of
Forestry; page 297.
An Act relating to shooting of deer; p. 2013.
An Act requiring non resident gunners
to secure a license; page 767.
An Act for the encouragement of For-
rest Culture; page 774.
An Act for the appointment of game
commissioners; page 779.

So much for his interest in Fore-
stry, and be it observed, that he did
not care enough for Sullivan county
to be present and vote for a bill
which required non resident hunters
to pay \$10 into our County treasury.

He was marked absent and not
voting on the final passage of

An Act taxing all papers representing
payment of wages, dividends etc; p. 1105.
[N. B. This bill was lost, only 95 Yeas.
An Act providing for the health and
safety of men, women and children in
manufacturing establishments; page 1256.
An Act requiring semi-monthly pay-
ment of wage workers; page 1515. [N. B.
This bill was lost, only 97 Yeas.
An Act regulating Trusts; page 2579.
An Act requiring registration of plumbers;
page 2654.
An Act requiring sealers of weights and
measures of bituminous coal; page 2781.
An Act requiring inspection of weights
and measures; page 3079.

So much for his interest in Labor
and Industry.

He is also recorded absent and not
voting on the final passage of

An Act for the improvement of the
main travelled roads; page 758.
An Act defining the boundary lines of
public roads; page 771.
An Act relating to roads in Chester Co;
page 1507.
An Act regulating the maintaining of
fences; page 1599.
An Act authorizing County Commis-
sioners to construct roads to either end of
a county bridge; page 2007.
An Act relating to the maintenance
and repair of abandoned turnpikes; 2009.
An Act relating to road in Lancaster
county; page 2209.
An Act relating to roads, highways and
bridges; page 2215.

So much for his interest in the
Road Committee work.

There only remains his Centennial
Committee. We have looked
through the index of the House and
could find no mention of any legis-
lation on the subject. Centennial
affairs in Pennsylvania in 1901 cut
no figure. The fact that Mr. Rogers
is marked absent and not voting on
the bills above named shows that he
neglected his Committee work as
well as his duties as a member of the
House. It is no answer to say he
may have been present for if he was
present and neglected to vote on
such important measures as those
above named he might as well been
at home. The truth must be that
Rogers belonged to a Committee not
named by the Speaker and which
held its sessions down town.

In another place we print in par-
allel columns showing what Rogers
received and what he did for his pay.
But he did more than is shown at
page 6232 of the record.

He voted against the bill to pre-
vent pollution of the streams. This
bill was directly in the interest of
Sullivan county for it would have
prevented the flow of filth from the
tanneries.

He voted to increase the number
of employees at Harrisburg, making
a useless and unnecessary expendi-
ture of public money. He must have
had a reason for this vote, what it
was we do not know, nor do we
think he is apt to tell.

He voted for the passage of the
Franchise Bills after being at first
opposed to them. His party was
fighting these bills, they asserted
money was being used to pass them.
In the face of all this, he changed
his mind and voted for the bills.
Guthrie and other Democrats say
bribery was used to pass these bills
and that any democrat who voted
for them has forfeited public confi-
dence. This vote Mr. Rogers has
never explained although for weeks
we have called upon him and his
master, Scouten, to tell us who he
saw and what was said to him to
make him change his mind.

In addition to all this Rogers was
absent and not voting on the final
passage of 180 bills, as well as absent
or not voting on 75 other votes of the
House. It is hard to believe
this can be true, but it is a fact as
proven by affidavits in another col-
umn. Rogers was only absent from
Harrisburg one day, but he took so
little interest in legislation that he
was either out of the House or did
not vote. Some of these measures
were of great importance to Sullivan
county. Some weeks ago we printed
the list of bills and the reader can
easily pick out measures on which
we would expect our member to
vote. In conclusion it seems that
Mr. Rogers was too lazy or too care-
less to be present and vote the great-
er part of the time, that when he
did vote it was against the interest
of his own people or in favor of cor-
porations on bills which his fellow
democrats say had money in them.

This record made by Mr. Rogers
is not a good record, it is a bad re-
cord. To be continually out of the
House, to vote against Sullivan
County's interest, to vote for corpora-
tion measures which it is said had
bribe behind them, is certainly not
what our people expected of him.
He is clearly condemned by his own
actions and has no claim upon Dem-
ocrats for their votes. We predict
he will be defeated by a substantial
majority.

We have heretofore quoted from
Mr. Ikeler's speech on the Franchise
Bill, but will make room for one
more extract which may be found on
page 2967 of the Legislative Record.
"But, as I said before I cannot hope to
convince you. Logic, reason, the law, the
constitution, even the truth itself, is lost
upon this floor. An ancient prophet of
Israel once used strong language when
he said 'We have made a covenant with
death, and with hell we are at an agree-
ment.' Of course I would not dare apply
those words to this body; but temptation
does sometimes press a man. I am glad you
have reserved this measure to almost the
last. That is a fitting and final climax
to all of our outrageous work. With the
passage of this bill you may well go
back to your homes, for beyond the wickedness
of your present action there is no iniquity
under God's heaven possible of accom-
plishment."

Notwithstanding this severe con-
demnation of the Franchise Bill
and in opposition to his party lead-
er; **E. G. Rogers voted for it!**
If he believed his party leaders
were wrong, why did he not put his
reasons upon the record? Or failing
in that why did he not explain
his action to the Democratic county
convention? Or, failing in that,
why not publish his reason now
over his own signature?

If his vote was not honest there
is no excuse for him.

Mr. Rogers, it was the Democratic
Representative HON. FRED TAYLOR
IKELER, of Columbia county, (who
has served four terms as City Soli-
citor of Bloomsburg), not the Editor
of the News Item, who said, "With
the passage of this bill you may
well go back to your home, for be-
yond the wickedness of your present
action there is no iniquity under
God's heaven possible of accom-
plishment."

"It looks bad for a Representative
to ride on a Rail Road pass." Thus
argued E. G. Rogers two years ago.
So it does E. G. Rogers, why are
you doing it?



Look Out For Scouten's Eleven-
th Hour Lies.

It would seem like an unnecessary
precaution to warn voters not to pay
any heed to any publication by
Scouten the last week before elec-
tion. He knows that what he pub-
lishes then cannot be refuted, and
all voters should realize this. But
that Scouten is of the class that be-
lieves the last lie does the most
good, is evident by his manner of
conducting his campaign last year
when he got out different papers for
different parts of the county. The
edition he sent to the west was not
the same as that used about Du-
shire. In the western edition he
printed a tale of woe about Reeser
and Vincent that he knew would not
be believed in Dushire. He will al-
so hold back his paper until the other
papers go to press. No person
can feel sure when he has read the
paper that it contains the same lies
that are in the paper his neighbor is
reading in the next township. Why
should any one believe what they
read in his paper when every person
knows that he lies without compunc-
tion outside of his paper and when
caught at it, admits there are times
when he does things he ought not to
be held accountable for. See his an-
swer in No. 41 Dec. term, 1897. Be-
lieve nothing printed in his last is-
sue.

The world loves to hear of the
success of its fellows and the spice
of the telling is enhanced in the
recognition that the subject of the
story is self made in the fullest
sense of the word. Such a man is
W. K. Lord, candidate for con-
gress from the Sixteenth District.
Lowly born he served his appren-
ticeship in the anthracite mines of
Schuylkill county. In the hours
of freedom from these duties he
laid the foundation of an educa-
tion that, accompanied by an en-
ergetic, ambitious temperament,
landed him in the whirl of mercan-
tile activity. That rare combina-
tion of characteristics that bring
success were found in him and his
rise was commensurate. He stands
to-day as one of the highest types
of the successful business man, con-
ducting no less than seven stores
in Mt. Carmel. He has sat as
president of borough [school board
and now sits as director in the
Guaranty Trust Co. of the town
while his associations with all public
enterprises and movements have
proven him a type of the highest in
public spirited men. It is men of
Mr. Lord's stamp of character that
we want in our legislative halls,
men of ability and honesty of pur-
pose.

About Monday next, if former
customs prevail, the Scouten ring
boodle will be tapped.

One of the factors that is enter-
ing into the present campaign, the
effect of which cannot be foretold,
is the manner in which the labor
organizations of the country are
prying into the business affairs of
the congressional and legislative
candidates.

The laboring man has at last
come to understand that a member
of a legislative body is more than
likely to reflect in his official capac-
ity, a bias shaped by his individual
environment as a business man,
and that the member of congress,
or legislature, who as a private citi-
zen possesses interests in common
with trusts and monopoly, can be
counted on to support the interests
of trusts and monopolies with his
vote in all legislative matters.

When it is remembered that the
Democratic candidate for Congress,
Mr. Chas. Dickerman is at the
head of the American Car Trust,
it is not surprising that the labor-
ing men of the district questions
his ability to withstand the pres-
sure brought to bear in the interests
of great monopolies, if he is elected
to a seat in congress.

It was in following out this line
of reasoning that the representa-
tives of trades unions and the So-
cialist party have endorsed Hon.
Fred A. Godcharles, whose inter-
ests lie with the common people.
His record on legislation in the last
session has been investigated and
found satisfactory to the laboring
element.

Principle versus principal and
interest seems to be the rallying
cry of the laboring man; this cam-
paign, and that is why they are
booming Godcharles.

All hands rally to the laborers
best interests.

"89 cents enough for a laboring
man."—Chas. H. Dickerman,
Chas. H. Dickerman would evi-
dently like to see the toiler cut to
89 cents a day. Here in America
where a protective tariff is sustain-
ed for the benefit of higher wages
for the laborers, the voters of this
district have decided to be just
about as liberal with Dickerman.
He may get 89 per cent of the votes
and no more.

"Honesty is the best policy," is
good in politics as well as business.

In the news columns of the Phil-
adelphia Press appears the following
article from a Harrisburg corres-
pondent, which has a particular
interest to Sullivan county voters:

"The State Legislative Board
of Railroad Employees on Sept. 2,
passed resolutions denouncing Gen.
Gobin for ordering his men to fire
on the striking miners who assault-
ed them, denouncing the Coal trust
and pledging the striking miners
support and assistance. The com-
mittee to examine the records
of legislative candidates seek-
ing re-election endorsed the fol-
lowing candidates: J. W. Wayne
(Dem.) Lehigh; Patrick Philbin,
(Rep.) Lackawanna; R. W. Mc-
Whinney (Rep.) Allegheny; W. T.
Cresy (Dem.) Columbia; Jere N.
Weiler (Soc) Carbon; Louis Marr,
(Union) Phila.; J. M. Hunter,
(Dem.) Schuylkill; A. J. Palm,
(Dem.) was endorsed for Senator
in Crawford district and Fred. A.
Godcharles (Rep.) for Congress in
the Seventeenth district." Pattison
was endorsed for Governor because
of the forty-five members present,
about thirty were democrats and
the majority outvoted the others."
This endorsement coming from the
source it does is highly complimen-
tary to Mr. Godcharles. This is
positive proof that our worthy can-
didate is a friend to labor and is
working for their interests. The
above endorsements are scarcely
but one-half of those running for
office that served in the last Legis-
lature, our own member E. G. Rog-
ers not being numbered with them.
This committee, of which a majority
were democrats, did not consider
party lines and were conservative in
their endorsements, taking only
those whom they were satisfied
could be depended upon and in
whom the utmost confidence can be
imposed. Hon. Fred. A. Godchar-
les is the man to send to Wash-
ington.

Since he is a candidate Mr. Dick-
erman says he has changed his mind
about 89 cents being enough for a
workingman. So too we suppose
Mr. Rogers has changed his mind
about accepting Rail Road passes.
Two years ago he was "agin" pas-
ses, but when he got them he chang-
ed his mind and accepted all that
were offered. Perhaps his delight
at being able to ride free may ex-
plain his absence on 255 votes of the
House.

One of the funny episodes of the
campaign is that Mr. Rogers has
said to several voters that if he was
elected it would make the taxes of
the farmers lower. He did not say
how. No one knows how. Mr.
Rogers could not reduce the taxes on
his "portable" (?) saw mill (which
has stood in the same place for 20
years) for the reason that "there aint
no taxes" on that mill, and there
hasn't been any since he swore them
off many years ago.

Mr. Rogers neglect to be pres-
ent and vote "yea" on the final pas-
sage of the bill to compel the semi-
monthly payment of wages to wage
earners was one of the most unfor-
tunate of his acts—that is if he would
have voted "yea" if present. This
bill fixed a penalty for the neglect or
refusal of corporations to pay twice a
month and would have been of great
benefit to all wage earners. It was
lost on final passage because the 101
votes required by the constitution
were not obtained, only 97 votes be-
ing recorded "yea." Rogers's neg-
lect it still worse because his Com-
mittee on "Labor" had reported it
favorably. He had not enough in-
terest in laborers to be present and
vote for this excellent measure. On
page 1515 of the Record it will be
found that he is recorded absent and
not voting, that neither one of the
Democratic Legislators who signed
Scouten's affidavit voted for the bill
AND FRED A. GODCHARLES'S VOTE
IS RECORDED "YEA." LET THE
LABORING MEN REMEMBER
THEIR FRIENDS!

Beware of Last Hour Lier.

We warn voters against last hour
lies. Last year Scouten published
two editions of the Herald. One for
the East and another for the West.
In this last edition he had a lot of
lies about Judge Reeser and a per-
sonal appeal against him. How far
that may have influenced the vote
we do not know, but we do know it
was dirty politics. It is altogether
likely that Scouten will work some
similar game this fall. He gets his
affidavits by the bunch. Now let
no voter be fooled by such tricks.
The issues have been before the peo-
ple for weeks. The News Item has
made an open and above board fight
and we have stored up nothing for a
midnight attack. It is quite possi-
ble that Scouten will attack Bird in
the East and Dyer in the West by
lies that he would not dare print in
time to be answered. We warn Mr.
Bird's friends in the East against this.
We warn Mr. Dyer's friends in
the West. You may be sure that
these eleventh hour stories are sim-
ply lies made out of the whole cloth.