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**DEMOCRATS AIM  
TO WIN CONGRESS**

Keystone State's Interests Would  
Thereby be Jeopardized.

**REPUBLICAN CALL TO ACTION**

Special Attention Must Be Given to  
the Canvass For the Nominees For  
the National House and For Other  
Candidates On the Ticket, Along  
With Electors For Taft and Sher-  
man.

[Special Correspondence.]

Philadelphia, Sept. 22.

Pennsylvania Republicans have been called upon by the national leaders of the party to put forth most strenuous efforts to carry every close congressional district at the coming election.

The Democrats are making a great canvass to carry the next house, and it behooves Republicans everywhere, according to reports received at the national committee headquarters in New York, to get to work to line up their voters for the party's nominees for national representatives.

No one doubts that Pennsylvania will roll up a big majority for Taft and Sherman, but unless there shall be close attention paid to perfecting the party organization and enlisting the rank and file of the voters for the congressional candidates in several of the districts there may be a falling off in the Republican representation from this state at Washington.

Pennsylvania has too much at stake to allow this to happen.

Her vast industrial and farming interests, which have thriven so well under Republican rule, must be protected, and there is no better way to insure a continuance of the Republican party's fostering policy than to elect Republicans to congress.

**A Power In Congress.**

Pennsylvania, with the largest Republican delegation of any state in the Union on the floor of congress, has for many years wielded a potential influence in shaping national legislation and in blocking the games of men who have nothing in common with the wage earners, the farm owners, the manufacturers and business men of the Keystone state.

Men who seek to promote the cause of the importers and others concerned in getting into this country at as cheap a rate as possible the products of foreign nations, of their mills, their factories and their farms, are heavy contributors to the Democratic campaign funds, especially to the treasury of the Democratic congressional campaign committee.

They want to break down the tariff, to wipe out the "Pennsylvania idea" of protection to American industries and American granger interests, so that they can reap the benefit of tremendously increased importations of foreign goods and foreign products of all sorts, through their foreign business connections.

**What Democratic Victory Would Mean**

Bryanism in the White House, it is everywhere admitted, would be bad enough, but with foreigners dominating the action of congress, especially in the matter of tariff, Pennsylvania interests would be terribly jeopardized and many of them, in time, absolutely destroyed.

While business generally through out the United States is picking up, mills are resuming operations, the railroads are reporting greatly increased shipments and the telegraph companies, the pulse of the commercial world, show gradually increasing receipts, there are reports of industrial depression, of hundreds of thousands of idle workmen all over Great Britain and the European continent.

**Business Depression Abroad.**

While America is showing that she is going to have a resumption of prosperity, provided that there shall be no unexpected political upheaval, there are no indications of anything like those conditions abroad.

Business men, manufacturers and others who are closely following events declare that if Taft and Sherman shall be elected by a good majority in the electoral college and the

next house shall be Republican, there will be witnessed a period of unprecedented prosperity all over the United States.

If, on the other hand, Bryan should win or the house should go Democratic, the whole commercial and industrial world would be thrown into a state of consternation and disruption, and there would be inevitable distress among the wage earners and men of small capital engaged in business, and even the heavier capitalists would be seriously embarrassed and prevented from promoting or developing enterprises of every character.

**Penrose On This Issue.**

Senator Penrose, in discussing the political situation a few days ago, among other things said:

"A protective tariff is essential to American prosperity. The Republican party has always been pledged to the principle. The Democratic party has almost invariably leaned towards free trade. Panic and financial disaster have generally attended Democratic legislation upon the tariff. Immediate and extraordinary prosperity has always accompanied tariff legislation by the Republican party. If the present tariff, which has been in existence for ten years, a period longer than has marked the existence of any previous tariff law, is to be revised, it would seem evident that such revision should be made by the party which has consistently favored the protective principle. The revision should be made as promptly as possible and with as little disturbance to business conditions as possible.

"Already committees of the house and senate are at work on the subject and it is hoped that the revision is being largely discounted in manufacturing and business circles. On the other hand, a revision by the Democratic party must inevitably mean revolution and disaster. The Democratic platform declares in favor of immediate revision of the tariff by the reduction of import duties and generally states that gradual reductions should be made in such schedules as may be necessary to restore the tariff to a revenue basis. This practically amounts to a declaration in favor of free trade.

"On the other hand the Republican party declares unequivocally for a revision of the tariff by a special session of congress immediately following the inauguration of the next president and affirms emphatically that in all tariff legislation the true principle of protection is best maintained by the imposition of such duties as will equal the difference between the cost of production at home and abroad, together with a reasonable profit to American industries.

"The Democratic party utterly ignores any reference to the welfare of American labor, while the Republican party in its platform specifically declares that its aim and purpose is not only to preserve security against foreign competition, to which American manufacturers, farmers and producers are entitled, but also to maintain the high standard of living of the wage earners of this country, who are the most direct beneficiaries of the protective system."

**CLUBMEN BLAZE  
WAY TO VICTORY**

Pennsylvania League Lines Up  
For the Campaign.

**ARE READY FOR BATTLE**

Republicans Inaugurate An Aggressive  
Canvass to Insure the Election of  
Taft and Sherman and to Keep the  
Keystone State at the Head of the  
Party Column in November.

[Special Correspondence.]

Wilkes-Barre, Sept. 22.

Pennsylvania's Republican campaign was formally opened last week at the convention of the League of Republican clubs, and there is every assurance that the Keystone state will give a splendid account of herself at the election on Nov. 3 next.

The clubmen were particularly fortunate in having so many men of national prominence as their guests and to speak at their mass meeting.

Vice Presidential Nominee James S. Sherman was very happy in his references to the stalwartism of Pennsylvania Republicans, and he declared that their fellow Republicans of the Empire state would vie with them at the coming election in rolling up a big majority for the entire Republican ticket.

Congressman Nicholas Longworth, Senator Botes Penrose and John Hays Hammond were among others who addressed the great assemblage in the armory.

This meeting, the splendid attendance at the convention and the demonstration made by the mine workers and others in the parade which was given prior to the opening of the meeting, left no room to doubt the enthusiasm for Taft and Sherman among the Republicans of this state.

Aside from the cordial indorsement of the nominees and the platform of the Republican national convention, the club league placed upon record strong testimonials to United States Senators Penrose and Knox, and later

on there was an exhibition of earnest and sincere approval of a suggestion from Colonel John R. Wiggins that the members of the league should go to work at once to insure the election of Republican members of the legislature who will in January next be called upon to elect a successor to Senator Penrose. Colonel Wiggins was applauded when he advocated the re-election of Senator Penrose.

Following the re-election of Robert B. Habgood, of McKean county, to the presidency of the league and the election of other officers, a platform was adopted, which among other things says:

**A Patriotic Party.**

"The Pennsylvania State League of Republican clubs in its twenty-second annual convention assembled, declares its unwavering faith in the policies of the Republican party under which the state of Pennsylvania, in common with its sister states, has grown and prospered. In the more than fifty years of its existence the Republican party in state and nation has ever been loyal to the patriotic institutions of the country, while it has advanced the

material interests of all the people by wise and progressive legislation.

"In every great movement for the development of industry or the improvement of commerce, it has taken the lead and maintained the ascendancy. It has been opposed and obstructed by the Democratic party, and its achievements have always been in spite of the assaults and obstructive tactics of the Democratic party. Only once in the past fifty years have the people voted for a change from Republican to Democratic rule. They were misled by the arguments of the supporters of Grover Cleveland into believing that tariff revision which would lead to ultimate free trade would be better for the common people than the Republican system of protection to American industry.

**A Painful Experience.**

"The experience was a wretched and painful one, as the records of the second Cleveland administration clearly demonstrate. From the Cleveland administration to the present time Republican policies have been sustained. Under Republicanism thus restored to power, the country has experienced its greatest progress. It has seen the free silver heresy come and go. It has observed the cry of anti-imperialism and of government ownership of railroads. These theories were advanced as the entering wedge for the overthrow of Republican success, but they have been met and countered in each succeeding national election. We are now approaching an election where new theories are to be met.

**Democratic Experiments.**

"One of those is the proposition to impose upon the government of the United States the business of an insurance company for the protection of deposits in national banks to the prejudice of the larger deposits of the farmers and thrifty industrialists of the country who have placed their faith in state banks and savings funds. We are opposed to the introduction of this theory as an experiment in our national life, believing that it is not a government function to protect the money of the schemer and speculator, while the savings of the honest toiler are to be prejudiced and endangered.

"With this new theory advanced as another expedient by the candidate of the Democratic party, this convention has no other concern than to point out its fallacy and the danger that would follow its attempted introduction. We stamp this "new thought" of the versatile dreamer of Democracy as an insidious and dangerous bit of demagoguery, no more entitled to the respect of the people than was his proposition to sell fifty cents worth of silver bullion to the government of the United States for a good gold dollar.

**Warning to Republicans.**

"We warn Republicans upon the farm; in the factory; in the mine; and in business circles generally, against the experiments that are being proposed by our Democratic opponents; each and every one of them is simply intended to confuse the political situation and to undermine the foundations upon which the prosperity of the country has been reared, in order to discredit the Republican party and to place the Democrats in power. We believe as firmly today in the protective tariff of the Republican party as we ever did.

"We believe the time has come when the tariff law may be revised by its friends in order to regulate such inequalities as may have arisen or to correct such abuses as may have crept in, but we do not waive our devotion to the protective principle, nor do we yield in the slightest measure our demand that American industry shall be a safeguard against unfair foreign competition.

"We believe the tariff should be so adjusted, so maintained, that every imported article that comes into competition with domestic manufacture, shall be made to pay duty representing the difference in cost between the wages paid abroad and the wages paid at home, with a reasonable profit to the manufacturer. Our industries have grown and prospered under this system, and we claim for the Republican party the credit of having made it what it is.

**The Two Senators.**

"Our distinguished senators, the Hon. Boise Penrose and the Hon. Philander C. Knox, are to be congratulated upon the records they have made at Washington. The long service of Senator Penrose upon the important committee of postoffices and postroads, during which time he has seen the growth of the postal business of the country from eighty millions per annum to two hundred and twenty millions per

annum, and during which he has contributed largely in the developing of the free rural delivery service of the country, is especially noteworthy. "What shall we say of our junior senator? When the proposition to prosecute the illegal trusts of the country was brought before Mr. Cleveland's attorney general, Richard Olney, it was reasoned that the laws were too feeble to reach the powerful malefactor. Under Theodore Roosevelt, how different the situation! Mr. Knox, the attorney general and now the junior senator from Pennsylvania, declared the law sufficient to hold the rich malefactor equally with the poor and, still better, he demonstrated the truth of his opinion by bringing the illegal combinations to the bar of justice and overthrowing them. And this brings us to the final declaration of this convention."

The league convention was one of the most successful that has been held in recent years, and a telegram received from Colonel Wesley R. Andrews, chairman of the Republican state committee, warmly commending the work of the members of the Republican clubs in recent campaigns.

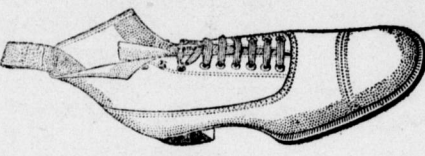
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