

# CAMPAIGN BRIEFS

"Tim" Woodruff, notorious as "old guard" leader in New York, admits that Colonel Roosevelt will split the New York delegation to the national convention.

The formal entry of former United States Senator Albert J. Beveridge of Indiana, which took place at Indianapolis last week, has accelerated the popular interest greatly.

At the first presidential primary this year, held in the Fifth Missouri district, Roosevelt received 5,565 votes; Taft, 390; La Follette, 55; Cummins, 6. The Taft faction threatens to "bolt."

From Iowa the following poll has come from the Orange City Herald, at the county seat of Sioux county: Roosevelt, 54; Taft, 16; Cummins, 17.

A poll taken from the Lincoln (Nebr.) Journal shows: Roosevelt, 1,720; La Follette, 371; Taft, 310.

Returns from 115 counties in Oklahoma, where Republican county conventions were held, showed 293 instructed delegates for Roosevelt and 70 for Taft.

Medill McCormick, a prominent Roosevelt supporter of Chicago, declares there is no longer any doubt of the colonel's nomination in June.

Joseph Cleaver, a Roosevelt enthusiast, who lives on a farm near Berwick, Pa., has shipped a box of 100 four-leaf clovers to Colonel Roosevelt at Oyster Bay. This message accompanied the box: "I send you these for the luck that they will impart to your campaign and election. I would have sent you more, but I am rather busy now looking for a wife, as I am a firm believer in all your policies."

Governor Deneen of Illinois will call an extra session of the legislature to enact a presidential preference primary law, provided a pledge is signed by two-thirds of the members of the senate and house that they will pass a bill with the necessary emergency clause.

Presidential primaries to instruct delegates to the national convention will be held on April 30 by Massachusetts voters. The state legislature enacted the law in response to a demand by Roosevelt Republicans.

According to a poll in a presidential preference primary contest conducted by the Sentinel, a Democratic paper of Knoxville, Tenn., Colonel Roosevelt was shown to have a lead over Taft in the proportion of 14 1/2 to 1, the total figures being 644 to 45.

Ex-Congressman Hiram R. Burton of Delaware, one of the most ardent supporters of President Taft had in 1907, has announced for Colonel Roosevelt, declaring that if he is nominated the success of the Republican party is absolutely assured.

A straw vote taken by a newspaper at Mt. Carmel, Pa., shows that sentiment is strongly in favor of Colonel Roosevelt. Of 100 voters who were asked to express a preference 52 said they were going to vote for Roosevelt. Only six declared for Taft. Governor Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey ran second to Roosevelt with fourteen.

United States Senator Robert M. La Follette in his campaign platform has announced in favor of the initiative, referendum and recall, direct primaries, government ownership and operation of express companies.

Boies Penrose has refused to allow his candidates for national delegates in the Philadelphia district to print on the ballots the fact that they will vote for Taft. He was challenged to do so by the Roosevelt leaders.

Edward D. Brown, an attorney of Uniontown, Pa., has announced his candidacy for national delegate to the Republican convention at Chicago and declares he will vote for Roosevelt as long as his name is before the convention.

The statewide presidential primary plan, which is being considered by the Ohio state Democratic committee, has received a strong endorsement from William J. Bryan, who addressed the constitutional convention at Columbus. He said: "You will not find many opposed to it unless they are afraid that it would defeat their choice."

### A Puzzler.

At an examination in an English school the teacher was so pleased with his class that he said they could ask him any question they liked.

Some were asked and replied to. Seeing one little fellow in deep thought, the teacher asked him for a question. The boy answered, with a grave face:

"P-please, sir, if you was in a soft mud heap up to your neck and I was to throw a brick at your head would you duck?"

The answer is not recorded.

### Blackleg.

Owners of livestock in Sullivan County whose cattle are exposed to the infection of Blackleg or black-quarter, may have their cattle vaccinated against this disease by the State Livestock Sanitary Board without cost to the owner of the cattle by complying with the following rules:

1. A letter asking for the vaccination shall be written and mailed to Dr. C. J. Marshall, Secretary of the State Livestock Sanitary Board, Harrisburg, before April 1st, 1912.

2. The letter shall contain the name and address of the owner of the cattle, a statement as to the location of the farm on which the animals are kept and the number and kind of animals in the herd.

Vaccinations cannot be made at the expense of the State Livestock Sanitary Board upon application received after April 1st. For such cases vaccine will be furnished free of charge, but the owner will be required to defray the expense of employing the veterinarian to administer it.

C. J. MARSHALL,  
State Veterinarian.

### A New Vault.

As we mentioned last week additional vault for the Prothonotary is a necessity. Further investigation shows us that the article in the Item last week was altogether too mild as to the conditions which exist at the court house now. We stated that the file cases were full with from three to five terms being crowded into one case, the latter files have no cases at all or no room in the vault, and have to be kept in an ordinary wooden desk in the prothonotary's office. This is not only true of the files of the Common Pleas, but also of the Quarter Sessions. People may not realize what this means to them. Every entered note, every appeal from the Justices' Dockets, every case entered in court, and all cases tried in either Common Pleas or Quarter Sessions is in danger of being destroyed by fire. This is not idle talk, but a real menace to the whole business interests of Sullivan County.

Your home paper is really a tireless letter writer, if nothing more. Week after week we prepare this printed letter for those living here and for those who have moved to some other locality, telling of marriages, births, deaths, the coming and going of people, of business efforts and progress, accidents, crops, improvements, meetings and so on. In fact every thing of importance and interest. If you should undertake to write a letter to an absent friend every week telling him all the news, you would get a faint idea of the task in preparing a newspaper. Many of our townspeople recognize this and take pleasure in giving items of news. It helps us and is appreciated.

### The Fire Bag.

Every whaler and sealer that sailed the seas in the days of wooden ships carried a fire bag. This was a tarpaulin bag about a foot long and six inches wide lined with waterproof material, with interlinings of oiled cloth and thick flannel. Into this was placed the flint and tinder box for kindling fire, and the bag was then securely fastened with double flaps and tied to keep its contents dry. It was the special duty of the second mate to look after the fire bag and in case of shipwreck to attack it at once by his person by means of stout straps provided for the purpose. Thus if officers and crew were just away on some deserted shore in the desolate arctic circle the means of obtaining a fire to warm themselves by and to heat food and drink would not be wanting as long as the precious fire bag was safe.

The steam whalers and sealers of the present day still carry a fire bag stowed in the lifeboat with the bread and water, but now it is of rubber and contains half a dozen tin boxes of matches.—New York Times.

### The Garden.

The garden must be mellow, rich and kept clean. This is the inside secret of successful gardening.

### Real Luck.

You may not believe in luck, but just the same you are lucky to be in luck.—New Haven Times-Leader

### Mercantile Appraisment.

The vendors of domestic and foreign merchandise in Sullivan County, Pa., will take notice that they are appraised and valued by the undersigned Appraiser of Mercantile and other business for the year 1912, as follows, to wit:

Bernice Store Co.	Cherry Twp., Retail Merc'l.	do	do
Boil Peter	do	do	do
Baldwin, J. H.	do	do	do
Couner, J. J.	do	do	do
Daley, John	do	do	do
Donovan Mike	do	do	do
Edger, Sander	do	do	do
Finan Francis	do	do	do
Fromberg Simon	do	do	do
Gross, John	do	do	do
Gratley, W. C. & Lewis	do	do	do
Hyman, Bros.	do	do	do
Hysner, B. B.	do	do	do
Helman, Joseph	do	do	do
Hope, C. F.	do	do	do
Hood Mrs. Paul	do	do	do
Hainbly, E.	do	do	do
Leverton, L. E.	do	do	do
Lowry, Lawrence	do	do	do
Meyer, Frank	do	do	do
McGee, Patrick	do	do	do
Pauch Samuel	do	do	do
Potter Wm.	do	do	do
Ransay Robert	do	do	do
Ransay James	do	do	do
Schaad, H. J.	do	do	do
Sick, Francis J.	do	do	do
Samuel, J. B.	do	do	do
Sick, C. S.	do	do	do
Sick, Joseph	do	do	do
Touhey John W.	do	do	do
White, John F.	do	do	do
Yonkin, Joseph & Son	do	do	do
Eating House	do	do	do
Kennedy Wm. E.	do	do	do
Berk Wm.	do	do	do
Collins P. J.	do	do	do
Duerfenbach Wm. F.	do	do	do
Dyer, A. L.	do	do	do
Fulmer & Heverley	do	do	do
Hrubenak Joseph	do	do	do
Hainbly, E.	do	do	do
Horton, Ike	do	do	do
Johnson, W. L.	do	do	do
Johnson C. A.	do	do	do
Kellogg, H. M.	do	do	do
Leyfert, Fred	do	do	do
Lopez Drug Co.	do	do	do
Lopez Store Co. Ltd.	do	do	do
Murry, P. P.	do	do	do
McGee J. P.	do	do	do
Martin, Irvin	do	do	do
Pealer, J. B.	do	do	do
Potter F. E.	do	do	do
Rouse, A.	do	do	do
Rohe L.	do	do	do
Rothing, John	do	do	do
Simon, Abe	do	do	do
Simon, Abe	do	do	do
Sulich Mike	do	do	do
Ward, J. B.	do	do	do
Yonkin Simon	do	do	do
Armstrong, A. T.	Davidson	do	do
Buck Art, John	do	do	do
Boudman, Smith	do	do	do
Basley, Harry	do	do	do
Crist, Nora	do	do	do
Houseknecht, B.	do	do	do
Lorah Miss Ida	do	do	do
Meyers James	do	do	do
Moran, H.	do	do	do
Miller, J. P.	do	do	do
Magargel, Frank	do	do	do
Meyers, Geo. W.	do	do	do
Phillips, E. J.	do	do	do
Shore Mrs. Forbes	do	do	do
Starr, Chas.	do	do	do
Taylor, J. B.	do	do	do
Whitton, Jacob	do	do	do
Watson, John	do	do	do
Bahr, C. A.	Dushore	do	do
Connor Margaret	do	do	do
Cunningham, James	do	do	do
Connor, P.	do	do	do
Croll, Chas.	do	do	do
Crimmins, J. H.	do	do	do
Carroll, T. W.	do	do	do
Cole, Samuel	do	do	do
Diefenbach, W. H.	do	do	do
Deegan, J. M.	do	do	do
Farrell, F. H.	do	do	do
Finan, P. J.	do	do	do
Fulmer & Heverley	do	do	do
Grace, J. A.	do	do	do
Hamer, John	do	do	do
Hileman, John Jr.	do	do	do
Hartung, August	do	do	do
Hoffman, E.	do	do	do
Hoffa, Chas. W.	do	do	do
Hoffa, J. S. & Co.	do	do	do
Hammant, O. M.	do	do	do
Harrington, J. S.	do	do	do
Holcomb V.	do	do	do
Kraus, Wm. H.	do	do	do
Kline, Bernard	do	do	do
Kschinka C. R.	do	do	do
Keele, Den	do	do	do
Lusch, Frank	do	do	do
Moore, J. E.	do	do	do
McGee, Robert	do	do	do
North P. W.	do	do	do
Messersmith G. H.	do	do	do
Ober, E. J.	do	do	do
Pealer, Chas. E.	do	do	do
Reeser, J. D.	do	do	do
Ritterburg, Mrs. Bernice	do	do	do
Sylvara, A. E.	do	do	do
Saxer, B. F.	do	do	do
Stuber Geo. W.	do	do	do
Traub, A. C.	do	do	do
Williams, C. M.	do	do	do
Wagner, Winifred M.	do	do	do
Yonkin, J. H.	do	do	do
Orange Boys	do	do	do
Driesbaugh Miss.	do	do	do
Kline, Daniel & son Eagle	do	do	do
Riccom & Foshage	do	do	do
Laird, Wm. L.	do	do	do
Farmer William	do	do	do
Stigler, E. J.	do	do	do
Shogry Regina	do	do	do
Taylor, W. L.	do	do	do
Hartung August	Elkland Twp.	do	do
Bedford U. G.	do	do	do
Hugo, George	do	do	do
Hart, William	do	do	do
Jennings, E.	do	do	do
Jennings, C. B.	do	do	do
Kay, Albert	do	do	do
Mullin, J. E.	do	do	do
Snyder, J. L.	do	do	do
Morton Powell	Forks Twp.	do	do
Kester & Wonck	do	do	do
Fawcett B. W.	Forksville	do	do
Calkins, Wm.	do	do	do
Randall W. J.	do	do	do
Koers and Sons	do	do	do
Campbell, A. E.	Fox Twp.	do	do
Ayer, Charles J.	do	do	do
Caseman, C.	do	do	do
Bedford, Mrs. Jos.	do	do	do
Fanning, J. H.	do	do	do
Hill, B. W.	do	do	do
Kilmer A. B.	do	do	do
Kilmer C. A.	do	do	do
Raub, W. C. E.	do	do	do
Williams, O. J.	do	do	do
Galough, S. T.	Hillsgrove	do	do
Hull, Vernon	do	do	do
Hoffman, G. M.	do	do	do
Tompkins Thos S.	do	do	do
Flester, G. M.	Laporte Twp.	do	do
Nordmont Supply Co.	do	do	do
Snyder, W. B.	do	do	do
McFarland, Jas.	do	do	do
Buschhausen A.H.	Laporte Boro.	do	do
Bahl Julius	do	do	do
Crossley F. M.	do	do	do
Carpenter Joseph	do	do	do
F. H. Farrell	do	do	do
Kraus, Henry	do	do	do
Hassen, John Jr.	do	do	do
Loeb, William	do	do	do
Snyth, John	do	do	do
Socks, Wolf	do	do	do
Stackhouse, J. H.	Shrewsbury	do	do
Atlantic Refining Co.	Dushore, wholesale Merc'l.	do	do
George W. Snyder	Forksville	do	do
Kless, E. R.	Eagles Mere.	do	do
do	do	do	do
do	do	do	do
Censusky Frank	Mildred	do	do
Hymen, B. B.	do	do	do
White, John F.	do	do	do
Carpenter, C. D.	Dushore Boro	do	do
Leyfert Fred	Lopez	do	do
Bahl Julius P.	Laporte Boro	do	do

And that an appeal will be held in the office of the County Treasurer in Laporte, Pa., on the 1st day of April, 1912, at 10 o'clock a. m. when and where you may attend if you think proper.

JAMES C. CAVEN, Mercantile Appraiser.

John Hileman Jr., of Dushore is a candidate for alternate delegate to the Republican National Convention. Mr. Hileman is a strong Roosevelt admirer and is elected will support Teddy at the convention.

### REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF First National Bank of Laporte,

at Laporte, in the State of Pennsylvania at the close of business Feb. 20, 1912.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	45,777 11
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	11 17
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	20,600 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	292 62
Bonds, securities, etc.	970 00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	8,448 46
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	.....
Due from approved reserve agents	3,471 29
Checks and other Cash Items	191 33
Notes of other National Banks	1,985 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	103 14
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Special	\$4,636 15
Legal-tender notes	1,695 00
Reception fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	1,250 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$93,831 27</b>

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$25,000 00
Surplus Fund	2,500 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	278 08
National bank notes outstanding	24,300 00
Due to other National Banks	252 33
Individual deposits subject to check	25,215 31
Demand certificates of deposit	16,276 34
Certified checks	.....
Cashier's checks outstanding	9 21
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$93,831 27</b>

State of Pennsylvania, County of Sullivan, ss: I, Edward Ladley, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly affirm that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. EDWARD LADLEY, Cashier.

Subscribed and affirmed before me this 20th day of February 1912. ALBERT F. HEISS, Prothonotary.

CORRECT ATTEST: A. H. BUSCHHAUSEN, E. J. MULLEN, F. W. MEYLELT, Directors.

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### Administrator's Notice.

Letters of Administration on the estate of John W. Heaton, late of Laporte Township, Sullivan County Pennsylvania, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims, to present the same without delay, to JAMES C. CAVEN, Administrator, Jan. 29, 1912.

### Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Martin Mullen