

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 Nominations For the National House and For Other Candidates On the Ticket, Along With Electors For Taft and Sherman.

[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 had 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 throughout 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. Public 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...

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD

BULLETIN

FOUNDERS' WEEK PHILADELPHIA.

From October 4 to 10 Philadelphia will celebrate the 225th Anniversary of the City's founding by a series of remarkable events.

On Monday afternoon 25,000 soldiers, sailors, and marines will parade. The Police and Fire Departments will parade on Tuesday afternoon, depicting their development from the early times. Wednesday afternoon will witness one of the greatest industrial parades ever seen in this country. Over 100 floats will illustrate the evolution of the City's industries. A great river pageant will be given on Thursday afternoon, in which 500 vessels including United States and foreign warships will participate. Fifteen thousand uniformed Red Men with historical floats will parade in the evening. On Friday the first great historical pageant ever given in America, illustrating by 40 floats and 5000 costumed characters the history of Philadelphia, will be the grand climax of the celebration. The P. O. S. of A. will parade in the evening. Saturday will be devoted to athletics, motor races, and Knights Templar parades. The city will be specially illuminated every night and a musical-historical drama "Philadelphia" will be given every evening on Franklin Field.

Special tickets to Philadelphia will be sold October 3 to 10, good to return until October 12, at reduced rates; minimum rate \$1.00. See Ticket Agents.

FESTIVAL OF THE DEAD.

Esquimos Provide Food and Clothes For Returning Ghosts.

The natives of the Yukon river region hold a festival of the dead every year shortly before Christmas and a greater festival at intervals of several years. At these seasons food, drink and clothes are provided for the returning ghosts in the clubhouse of the village, which is illuminated for the occasion with oil lamps. Every man or woman who wishes to honor a dead friend sets up a lamp on a stand in front of the place which the dead one used to occupy in the clubhouse. These lamps, filled with seal oil, are kept burning day and night until the festival is over. They are believed to light the shades on their return to their old home and back again to the land of the dead. If any one fails to put up a lamp in the clubhouse and to keep it burning, the shade whom he or she desires to honor could not find its way to the place and so would miss the feast. When a person has been much disliked his ghost is sometimes purposely ignored, and that is deemed the severest punishment that could be inflicted upon him. After the songs of invitation to the dead have been sung the givers of the feast take a small portion of food from every dish and cast it down as an offering to the shades. Then each pours a little water on the floor so that it runs through the cracks. In this way they believed the spiritual essence of all the food and water is conveyed to the souls. With songs and dances the feast comes to an end and the ghosts are dismissed to their own place. The dancers dance not only in the clubhouse, but also at the graves and on the ice if the dead met their deaths by drowning. On the eve of the festival the nearest male relative goes to the grave and summons the ghost by planting there a small model of a seal spear or of a wooden dish, according as the dead was a man or a woman. The totems of the dead are marked on these implements. The dead who have none to make offerings to them are believed to suffer great destitution; hence the Eskimos fear to die without leaving behind them some one who will sacrifice to their spirit, and childless people generally adopt children lest their shades be forgotten at the festivals. -New York Tribune.

FUNERAL FOR BIRDS.

Chicago Children Pray Over Feathered Pets Killed by a Storm.

"We are very sorry, O God, that all the poor birds had to die, for we would like to have them stay around in the trees, but we needed rain, and we guess you know what is best, and we hope that you will take them all to heaven."

Two thousand birds were killed by the recent terrific storms in the grove near West Sixtieth and Adams streets, Chicago, and the next day all the children in the neighborhood paid their last respects, including the foregoing prayer, to their little friends that would sing no more. With childish rites and genuine solemnity the little feathery bodies were laid at rest. About the wide grave the children stood with bowed heads, sobbing as they strewed flowers.

The rain, which came after twenty-three days of drought, was the heaviest in twenty-three years.

A Domestic Moose. A cow moose came out of the woods near Houlton, Me., recently and is now making her home with the cattle on Ira Porter's farm. The moose seems to have lost all her wild instinct and is contented to remain with the cows.

Japan's Timber Exports. Japan is beginning to send timber of excellent quality to England and other European countries.

MONUMENT TO YOUNG HERO.

A monument to Midshipman James Thomas Cruise has recently been erected in the National cemetery at Arlington, and on it are inscribed these words by himself while suffering from mortal injuries: "Never mind me, I'm all right. Look after those other fellows."

Young Cruise, who was a Kentuckian, unfortunately met death last summer from injuries received in an explosion in a turret of the battleship Georgia while at target practice in Cape Cod bay. He was rendering all the assistance he could to the injured seamen when some one reminded him of his own serious condition. Then it was that he uttered the words inscribed on his monument.

EMOTIONAL POLITICS.

The Republican national convention yelled for Roosevelt for forty-five minutes, and the Democratic national convention yelled for Bryan for an hour and a half. The woman suffragists are now saying that if the clubwomen of the D. A. R. or any other body of women had behaved in that way over the election of their president it would have been pointed at on all sides as proof that women were too emotional to be trusted with the ballot.

RAPID CLOTHES WASHER.

A Hungarian has invented a washing machine which, with electrified water, will cleanse 300 garments in less than fifteen minutes without the aid of soap.

MERE MAN'S ELEVATION CHECKED.

A man cannot make a balloon ascension in Austria without the written consent of his wife. It's getting so a man can't even get off the earth on his own responsibility.

THERE WERE COVERED MARKET CROSSES IN ANCIENT ENGLAND FOR THE SHELTER OF TRADERS, AND THEY WERE GENERALLY IN CITIES WHERE THERE WERE MONASTERIES.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD PERSONALLY-CONDUCTED EXCURSIONS

TO NIAGARA FALLS

October 7, 1908 Round-Trip Rate \$7.30 From South Danville.

Tickets good going on train leaving 12.10 noon, connecting with SPECIAL TRAIN of Pullman Parlor Cars, Dining Car, and Day Coaches running via the PICTURESQUE SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY ROUTE

Tickets good returning on regular trains within FIFTEEN DAYS, including date of excursion. Stop-off within limit allowed at Buffalo returning. Illustrated Booklet and full information may be obtained from Ticket Agents.

J. R. WOOD, Passenger Traffic Manager. GEO. W. BOYD, General Passenger Agent.

Proposed Amendments to the Pennsylvania Constitution

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION PROPOSED TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION.

NUMBER ONE. A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so as to consolidate the courts of common pleas of Philadelphia, Allegheny counties, and to give the General Assembly power to establish a separate court in Philadelphia county, with criminal and miscellaneous jurisdiction.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly met, That the following amendments to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same are hereby, proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article of the Constitution: That section six of article five be amended by striking out the said section and inserting in place thereof the following: Section 6. In the counties of Philadelphia and Allegheny all the jurisdiction and powers now vested in the several courts of common pleas, shall be vested in one court, to be known in each of said counties, composed of all the judges in commission in said courts. Such jurisdiction and powers shall extend to all proceedings at law and in equity which shall have been instituted in the several numbered courts, and shall be subject to change of venue as provided by law. The president judge of each of the said courts shall be chosen by the Governor and shall hold office for a term of four years, and shall be eligible for re-election for one term only. This amendment shall take effect on the first Monday of January succeeding its adoption.

Section 2. That article five, section thereof so that the same shall read as follows: Section 5. The said courts in the counties of Philadelphia and Allegheny respectively shall, from time to time, in turn, detail one or more of their judges to hold the courts of oyer and terminer in the county of Philadelphia the General and the county of Allegheny the Associate, a separate court, consisting of not more than four judges, which shall have exclusive jurisdiction in criminal cases and in such other matters as may be provided by law.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 1. ROBERT MCAFEE, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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NUMBER TWO. A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, allowing counties, cities, boroughs and townships to be divided into two school districts, or other municipal or incorporated districts, to increase their indebtedness.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That section eight, article nine, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, reading as follows: "Section 8. 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