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THE LOCAL ELECTIONS.

Solar Plexus Blow Given to the Socialist or Citizens' Union Gang in Elk Lick.

Combination Tickets Get the Best of it in Borough and Township—The Vote in Elk Lick and Salisbury.

The local elections have been held, the victors are shouting, and the vanquished saying nothing and sawing wood. The result in old Elk Lick was looked forward to with intense interest, probably more so than the result in any other district in Somerset county. The reason so much interest centered on Elk Lick township, is due to the fact that at the general election, last fall, the Socialists carried the township by ten votes for their candidate for Supreme Judge, and their vote for Debs, for President, was only one less than the vote cast for that greatest of all Presidents, the peerless Theodore Roosevelt. In fact over half of the Socialist vote in Somerset county, last fall, was polled in Elk Lick and Salisbury, all of which was due to the miners' strike.

Owing to an extremely foolish and illogical manner of reasoning, a great many working men, when on a strike, always forsake the old political parties they formerly adhered to, and tack onto any wild and woolly political aggregation that flourishes by the support of malcontents, idle dreamers, cranks and worthless calamity howlers. That's what made the Socialist vote so heavy in Elk Lick and Salisbury, last fall.

Encouraged by their success in Elk Lick township, the Socialists began to organize immediately after their first battle, for the purpose of getting control of all the township offices at the next township election. They met secretly and nominated a ticket before the Republicans and Democrats held their caucuses, but they thought it best to get their nominees onto the official ballot in disguise, hence they called it the "Citizens' Union Ticket," using the name of another aggregation that cut more or less of a figure on the county portion of the ballot voted at the general election, last November, but which in reality was only a sideshow of the Socialist party, which had no county ticket in the field. Therefore, last fall, the Socialists voted their state and national ticket, but having no county ticket of their own, they created one and called it "Citizens' Union," which they eagerly supported.

That explains why the Socialists sailed under false colors during the campaign just ended. While their candidates were on the ballot under the caption of "Citizens' Union," the fact remains, nevertheless, that every man on that ticket was a dyed-in-the-wool Socialist and voted that ticket last fall. The false name was adopted to fool people into voting for the sorry aggregation, but the scheme failed to work.

The Star saw the African in the woodpile right from the start, and it urged the Republicans and Democrats of Elk Lick township to combine against the ugly serpent that was rearing its venomous head in their midst. The farmers became aroused at once, and when the farmers of old Elk Lick got their war paint on, it means something. They are the bone and sinew of the township, and they are not yet ready to hand the township offices over to a gang that pays only a comparatively small portion of the taxes and is made up largely of illiterate people who are utterly incompetent to fill the township offices.

The returns will show how necessary it was for the Republicans and Democrats to combine. The figures also show that when the farmers lay politics aside that they can "rule the roost" any time. Following are the township returns:

JUDGE OF ELECTION.	
J. P. Vogel, R. & D.	232
John Naylor, Cit. Union.	187
INSPECTOR.	
Clarence Miller, R. & D.	211
Jerry J. Engle, Cit. Union.	187
CONSTABLE.	
H. J. Christner, R. & D.	220
John Hersh, Cit. Union.	200
AUDITOR.	
W. D. Miller, R. & D.	215
James May, Cit. Union.	172
SUPERVISORS.	
Wm. Folk, R. & D.	227
J. J. Thomas, R. & D.	232
Richard Glotfelty, R. & D.	250
Chauncey Bowman, Cit. Union.	172
C. L. Walker, Cit. Union.	171
J. W. Pile, Cit. Union.	168
SCHOOL DIRECTORS.	
M. E. Hershberger, R. & D.	239
John H. Bender, R. & D.	228
Floyd West, Cit. Union.	191
Melchoir Hochman, Cit. Union.	172

TOWNSHIP CLERK.	
J. S. Stevanus, R. & D.	217
Geo. W. May, Cit. Union.	189

We congratulate the substantial citizens of Elk Lick township on their sweeping victory, and we especially congratulate the Republicans of the township on the way they soaked it to the jackassical Georg Feik, of Boynton, when he appeared at their caucus for a renomination for School Director. He got all the way six votes in the caucus, which shows what his party thinks of his official record. Feik is the director who tried to keep the institute programs out of the columns of THE STAR, but he heard from the people in such a way as to make his head swim. He was informed by many of his constituents that they subscribed for no other county paper, and that they wanted to see the institute programs in their home paper. Then Smart Aleck Feik had to yield, and at the Republican caucus he was knocked clean off of his high prejudicial perch.

Poor Georg Feik is now quite meek. He's a badly wounded jay; He's very weak, the poor old freak, Because he's had his day.

THE BOROUGH VOTE.

At the general election in Salisbury borough, last November, the Socialists outvoted the Democrats, but their vote was far short of that cast for the Republican candidates. Therefore, as the time drew near for the holding of the late borough election, the Socialists, strikers, Democrats and all manner of soreheads combined against the Republicans.

The campaign was vigorously waged by the combination from the time their nominations were made until the polls were closed, while most of the Republican candidates did little or no electioneering, and but few of their friends did any work. Yet, in spite of Republican inactivity, the grand old party elected two of the three Councilmen, while their candidate for Constable ran a tie vote with the combination candidate. Having the Burgess and a nice majority in the Council, it will be seen that the Republicans have full charge of the borough government, and that's the main thing, after all.

It is sweet to know that the strike and Socialist element is not going to run the town, and it is sweeter still to know that all the strikers and Socialists got out of the combination doesn't amount to snow-water. Their cunning Democratic and sorehead Republican partners simply used them for a good thing to ride into office on, while they allowed such fellows as W. W. Hawn, C. H. Beal and John Walker to bleed and die on the firing line. Some of them told us they were going to fool those three candidates, and they did. It is also sweet to know that 27 Republican soreheads have taken themselves completely out of the Republican party, by signing nomination papers setting forth that they are members of the Citizens' party or policy. Next month some of them will come sneaking around to the Republican primary and expect to participate therein, but not one of them will be permitted to vote, as that will be an election for Republicans only, and the soreheads have themselves declared, over their own signatures, that they are members of another party. They will have to vote the Republican ticket at the next general election before they can again become eligible to participate in Republican primaries. No man can lawfully participate in a party primary who fights that same party, its candidates and organization during the other 364 days of the year. It used to be the fashion with some people, but it won't go this year.

At Tuesday's election 235 votes were polled, out of about 270 voters residing in the borough. The stay-at-homes and absentees were nearly all Republicans. A little work on the part of certain Republican candidates would easily have landed one more member of the Council and at least one of the School Directors. Following is the vote in detail:

JUDGE OF ELECTION.	
W. H. Boucher, R.	81
Harvey Fogle, C.	148
INSPECTOR.	
John Martin, R.	104
P. M. Wall, C.	118
AUDITOR.	
W. B. Stevanus, R.	78
Albert Petry, R.	115
M. R. Hay, C.	135
STREET COMMISSIONER.	
P. J. Livengood, R.	96
Norman Newman, C.	135
CONSTABLE.	
M. D. Thomas, R.	113
John J. Walker, C.	113
TOWN COUNCIL.	
N. G. Speicher, R.	113
A. C. Maust, R.	118

Nevin Newman, R.	117
W. W. Hawn, C.	95
C. H. Beal, C.	110
W. D. Thompson, C.	120

SCHOOL DIRECTORS.	
Richard Newman, R.	104
Stewart Smith, R.	106
S. R. McKinley, C.	130
C. T. Hay, C.	112

HIGH CONSTABLE.	
M. D. Thomas, R.	107
John J. Walker, C.	111

There you have it, gentlemen, and the result does not suit any man in town all the way through, but such is politics. While we voted the entire Republican ticket, most of which was defeated, there are only two men elected that we consider unfit for office. Their initials are Norman Newman and S. R. McKinley, but monstrosities can't always be kept out.

No, Peter J. Livengood, who ought to have been elected Street Commissioner, but wasn't, is not the editor of THE STAR. Had the editor (P. L.) been the candidate, the majority on the wrong side would have been even larger. The two Pete Livengoods are both hard workers, and if either of them were Street Commissioner, men working on the streets would have to do an honest day's work or get fired. Last summer when Newman filled that office, a big lot of men were employed, many of whom didn't earn 50 cents a day. It was a snap for them, and, of course, they all voted for Newman's re-election. We don't blame the fellows who had the snap, but it's very rough on the tax-payers, who have been footing the enormous bills and getting the poorest road work that was ever done by any Street Commissioner elected in this town.

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LOU SMITH says the strike-breakers are making spectacles of themselves. Some of them are also making nice bank accounts for themselves, while the strikers and old Lou are making nothing but blunders. Well, let the workers continue to make spectacles, for spectacles are badly needed by the strikers, who are too short-sighted to see that they are thoroughly beaten and their union utterly powerless to lead them to victory. The union has ruined many homes in this region by holding out inducements it could not make good. It is sad, but true.

POOR Abe Lowry is in an awkward position. Last fall, at command of his masters, the Scull brothers, he was aiding and abetting the Citizens' Union movement all he could. It was a Socialist sideshow to do the Republican ticket as much harm as possible, but the fool element got so strong in Elk Lick as to frighten Abe Lowry himself. Abraham's dupes became so strong in numbers that it looked as though they were going to get hold of all the township offices. Abe knew that that would never do, so this spring he worked as hard as any man to combine the Republicans and Democrats for the purpose of killing the ugly serpent he helped to hatch out last fall.

CHAS. H. BEAL, W. W. Hawn and John J. Walker are all wondering what struck them. Gentlemen, you were hit hard by the treachery of your self-chosen new political bedfellows. The few grand moguls who did not want to show their hands by attending your caucus, but who nevertheless directed affairs and made you believe they were right with the whole combination ticket, passed the word around on the q. t. that it would have a bad effect to elect Walker, Hawn and Beal. "They must be secretly knifed," was the word passed along to those who could be trusted with knowledge of the conspiracy. But some of the trusted ones gave the secret away to a few of their Republican friends, even before the election. The Republicans onto the secret said nothing at the time, for they wanted to see the traitors fooled.

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