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A PARTY CRISIS.

The coming campaign will present one issue which the Republican party must meet face to face. Hon. C. A. Prouty put his finger upon that issue when he said that Senator Dillingham had "Consistently and persistently acted with that coterie of senators who have become known as the champions of special interests and as the body guard of Senator Aldrich."

It behooves the Republican party to be cognizant of the fact that more than 22,000 voters left the party for no other apparent or expressed reason than that they were not satisfied with the candidates; that a swing of 601 more votes would have made the Progressive party a winner in our last election in Vermont; that the Progressive party is today hoping and praying that the Republican party will once more nominate Senator Dillingham and thus arm the Progressive party anew; that to defend Senator Dillingham's record in Congress will be to defend the records of Senators Aldrich, Penrose and Lorimer; and that from the moment Senator Dillingham is nominated until the day of election willing Progressives will proclaim that record from the house-tops, from the stump and through the press, not alone for the purpose of defeating Senator Dillingham, but also to defeat the entire Republican ticket.

Note—Since the above was written the report has gone out from Burlington that at a meeting of the Progressives there, when they endorsed Mr. Prouty as their senatorial candidate, he declared that he had said he would refuse a nomination from the Republican party. The Monitor does not believe this report is true. If it is, Mr. Prouty has made a mistake which will cost him many votes and possibly the election. The Monitor believes Mr. Prouty will accept the Republican nomination as he will accept any other party nomination, but he refuses to run as any party man. He stands as an independent or non-partisan candidate whom anyone of whatever political faith can whole-heartedly and loyally support.

Gov. Fletcher did not show his teeth as many expected when the special session idea was put up to him by the Republican state committee.

The farmers have reason to rejoice. A good hay crop and fine weather in which to secure it is the local condition. And many crops are reported in excellent condition.

If the people of northern Vermont would put as much money into the asbestos properties here in their own state for one year as they blow into stock gambling there would be developed one of the largest, best and most profitable industries in the state.

Was there ever a more lucid statement of a person's stand on public questions of importance than that of C. A. Prouty as contained in a letter to a St. Johnsbury man and copied in this issue? And is it any wonder that the Prouty senatorial stock took another decided jump?

Manager Brown of the Passumpsic Telephone company writes the editor a letter touching telephone subjects upon which this paper has spoken, and the Monitor prints it on this page without comment but reserves the right to take up the question and answer in the near future.

The Monitor prints elsewhere some of the results obtained by the farmers of Caledonia county from the use of chemical fertilizers, which were bought by the county adviser. Such results make not only interesting reading but what is more important makes money for the farmer. That is what he is looking after. The Orleans county agent has been on the ground only a few months, but many farmers are already noting results from his work and by another year magnificent results are looked for. The annual meeting of the association comes in August and every member should plan to be present and get his brother farmers, who are not in, to become members of the organization.

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY.

No Crown for M. A. Brown.

Mr. Brown has taken over the Times not only to save himself further monetary loss, but also to preserve this home paper to the valley in which he was born and reared, and in which naturally his sentimental interests are paramount. In connection with this matter, the editor of the Times takes the opportunity to state that in an interview with Mr. Brown the latter stated emphatically that he will under no circumstances accept any political office of any character—Wilmington Times.

Candidate Prouty's Attitude.

Candidate Prouty makes his attitude pretty clear in a letter printed in this issue. In the main his views are those of the liberal man who thinks for himself. There are many who will not agree with him in favor of national prohibition even while it is apparently coming within a very few years in this country. He favors the referendum, but balks at the initiative and is a supporter of short-term elections or appointments of judges instead of a recall—on this issue advocating precisely what The Banner has been urging for several years. He is behind the times in favoring employers' liability instead of workmen's compensation as the latter is much better for the workingman and employer. On the tariff his answer a little indefinite and incomplete but of course it is impossible to cover a great question like the tariff in a paragraph. In the matter of railroad and corporation control Mr. Prouty is on familiar ground and his views are thoroughly sound. The voters should read this letter from Mr. Prouty as it is evidently the platform on which he is a candidate for the senate this year.—Bennington Banner.

For Prouty.

In a letter answering questions by a St. Johnsburyite, Hon. C. A. Prouty sets forth his views on leading public questions with a clearness that challenges admiration if not complete approval. For ourselves we find one reason in Mr. Prouty a man of unquestioned ability whose stand upon the main issues of the day is in almost every particular identical with our own. Especially with regard to the great economic problems are we well pleased with his position.

We believe Mr. Prouty has the constructive capacity to do some of the things he outlines if given the opportunity. We may be mistaken but it is our conviction that the opportunity to make use of such a man now offered to Vermont is worth reaching beyond mere party ties to accomplish. We should prefer, of course to see Mr. Prouty elected to the senate by the Republicans but if there are not enough of them disposed to take hold it would better be done outside the party than to be left undone.—Randolph Herald and News.

Manager Brown Replies.

Referring to your editorial in last week's Monitor, (July 15) I beg to say that it is not economy to operate a central office for a small exchange within three miles of a much larger exchange, and so for that reason and also to improve the service, the subscribers of the West Glover exchange were connected into the Barton switchboard and the West Glover operator transferred to Barton, where she continues to handle the business of the West Glover exchange, the two operators of the Barton and West Glover ends of the switchboard assisting and relieving each other in their work.

I would state for your information that the size of the exchange areas or "territory" has nothing whatever to do with the question of the location of the switchboard. These exchange areas were arranged only after a most careful study of local conditions and I believe are satisfactory to a majority at least of the company's subscribers.

The subscribers of the West Glover exchange, with the exception of our pay station at Glover, are being furnished service temporarily on grounded instead of metallic circuits, it being necessary to rebuild a very large part of the lines before these circuits can be made metallic. The Passumpsic Telephone company has not cut its rates. It simply has not charged these subscribers their regular rates because they are having grounded circuit service on multiparty lines. As to advertising rates, I would say that when a party applies for service, he is quoted the rates filed with the public service commission of Vermont, for the exchange with which he desires to be connected. These rates are on file in each central office and are open to the inspection and for the information of the public.

Yours truly, C. A. Brown, General Manager.

Newport, Vermont, July 21, 1914.

Why "Pop" Opposed Operations for Appendicitis.

In the August American Magazine Alice Hegar Rice, the famous Louisville short story writer, contributes a splendid story of a Kentucky mountaineer called "Pop." Pop is the principal character in the story and his observations on life are most amusing. His daughter is taken to the hospital for an operation for appendicitis. Following is Pop's comment on this "new-fangled doctorin'":

"I ben a-studyin' these here doctors, an' I don't take much stock in 'em; instid of workin' on an organ that gets twisted, they ups and draws hit. Now the Lord A'mighty put that air pecker in there in you fer some good reason an' ther's bound to be a hitch in the machinery when hit's took out. Hit's a marvel to me some of these here patients aint a-samin' round on all fours from what's ben did to their insides!"

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STATE NEWS.

Autoist Fatally Injured.

Clinton H. Ward of Moretown was fatally injured Wednesday in Morrisville when his automobile plunged over a ten-foot embankment, crushing him. He was returning alone from the funeral of H. P. Manson and lost control of the machine while avoiding a pedestrian. A special train made up at Burlington to take him to a hospital had not reached Morrisville when he died.

Gov. Fletcher on Special Session.

Replying to a letter and petition from the Republican state committee to Governor Fletcher asking him to call a special session of the legislature for the enactment of a direct primary law and pledging their support of such a measure, Gov. Fletcher replied that he appreciated the stand the party had taken and would give the matter due consideration. He called attention to the fact that no proposed bill was submitted and that the session would cost \$1500 per day.

Handcuffed Man Escapes under Fire.

A man, believed to be Frank Gardner Hill, escaped from two police officers in Rutland under fire from their revolvers Friday and is still at large. Hill was arrested in the Rutland postoffice when he had signed for and accepted a decoy letter from the Winchester, N. H., National bank. The letter was supposed to have contained a check. Hill was placed in an automobile and taken to the station. The officers were just taking him from the machine, when, though handcuffed, he threw the officers off and darted with great speed into the unlighted freight yard just across the street. Officer Pitaniello fired nine times at the fugitive, but apparently none of the bullets reached the mark.

Windsor County Gets Most.

The money realized from the state highway tax—\$120,780.18—has been apportioned by State Treasurer Deavitt by counties as follows:

Table with 3 columns: County, Mileage, Apportionment. Addison: 1,146, \$9,177.41. Bennington: 776, 6,214.85. Caledonia: 1,202, 9,385.98. Chittenden: 873, 7,151.36. Essex: 428, 3,427.55. Franklin: 1,068, 8,552.77. Grand Isle: 174, 1,393.44. Lamoille: 697, 5,581.72. Orange: 1,430, 11,451.76. Orleans: 1,172, 9,385.66. Rutland: 1,386, 11,099.37. Washington: 1,313, 10,514.82. Windsor: 1,473, 11,796.13. Windsor: 1,924, 15,407.86. Total: 15,082, \$120,780.18.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Bull's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally, it acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

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The Silkworm.

Upon attaining full growth the silkworm becomes restless, stops feeding and throws out silken threads. The silk is formed in a fluid condition and issues from the body of the worm in a glutinous state, apparently in a single thread. From this silk the worm constructs its cocoon, an interval of from three to five days being required to complete its imprisonment in the envelope. In order that the silken strands may not be subjected to the danger of breakage by the moth emerging from the cocoon the cocoons are steamed till the inclosed insects are dead. After this the silk may be wound off.—New York American.

Tomatoes, Corn and Peas. Sun cans of tomatoes are sold in this country to five cans of corn and two cans of peas.

PROUTY'S PLATFORM.

St. Johnsbury, Vt., July 9, 1914. Hon. Chas. A. Prouty, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: In view of your recent letter, the contents of which, through the medium of the press, have found their way to the voters of Vermont (who seem especially prone this year to look for political light) several of my friends and myself are desirous to know your position respecting some of the paramount national issues, namely, woman suffrage, initiative and referendum, recall of judges, national prohibition, labor laws in general and especially touching the welfare of big business and children, tariff, control of women and prospective railroad legislation and presidential primaries.

After stating briefly your position on these matters, will you also kindly add your thought respecting that political mechanism known as party enrollment for primaries? Trusting that you will find time to give us a terse statement of your position as above indicated, I thank you for the favor which I anticipate it will be yours to bestow. Very sincerely yours, James B. Campbell.

Washington, D. C., July 12, 1914. James B. Campbell, Esq., St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Dear Sir: Your letter of July 9, 1914, in which you ask me to state my position upon certain political issues, is received. While I have not at the moment time to undertake any discussion of the matters referred to, am glad to briefly answer your inquiry. Below are given in their order the subjects to which you refer, with my comment in connection with each.

1. Woman Suffrage. This I favor. So long as women are compelled to earn their own livelihood, to manage their own property, to sustain their full share of the burden of proper legislation, it is difficult to understand how the right of suffrage can be justly denied if demanded. 2. Initiative and Referendum. I do not favor the initiative. While in many instances the most salutary results have undoubtedly been accomplished by this means, I do not think that on the whole in actual practice this form of legislation will be found to accord with our system of representative government. Especially in national matters, it would prove both confusing and unsatisfactory. The same objection does not apply to the referendum, which may, I think, be resorted to with profit in certain classes of legislation.

3. "The Recall of Judges." I believe that some method should be devised by which an unfit federal judge can be gotten rid of, nor do I think the present method of impeachment meets that end. I have never believed that in a popular government like ours any official, not even a judge, should be appointed for life. Every official should come back at stated periods to the source of his authority, where he can be asked, if need be, to give an account of his stewardship. In my opinion, if this system be applied to the judiciary it would obviate any real necessity for the recall. If judges were appointed for a term, of say, seven years, there must be at the end of that term a reappointment by the president and a new confirmation by the senate. I do not think that any good judge would ever be denied a reappointment on political grounds nor that the action of any man fit to be judge would be improperly affected by the consciousness that he must be a candidate for reappointment. It is well that every official should act under a sense of responsibility to some one. In Vermont we have in my recollection re-elected our judges every two years, and under that system have promoted to the bench the best lawyers at the bar and kept them on the bench until a National Prohibition. I believe in that law, state or national, which will most effectively prevent the use of intoxicating liquors, and this in my opinion, under most conditions, is prohibition.

4. "Labor laws in general, and especially touching the welfare of women and children." I favor a fair employment liability act both state and national. I am also in favor of legislation protecting women and children from burdensome conditions of service. 5. "Presidential Primaries." I favor a primary for every elective office, including that of president of the United States.

6. The remaining three subjects mentioned in your letter are the control of big business and prospective railroad legislation. While in my mind these are the matters which today intimately concern the voters of this country and which are of more pressing importance than the subjects just referred to, it is evident to you that I cannot enter upon a discussion of these matters within the limits of this letter.

(a) The Tariff. I have always been an earnest believer in a protective tariff but not always in THE protective tariff then in effect. Our tariff legislation in the past has been too much dictated by certain special interests which have thereby obtained an unwarranted advantage. In a commercial contest between this nation and other countries of the world the tariff should, to my mind, be a potent weapon of offense and defence. Reciprocity as the idea was being developed by President McKinley at the time of his death meets my own view of this situation. I need not add that I do not approve that reciprocity which sacrifices the farmer to the steel trust. Manifestly a subject like the tariff cannot adequately be dealt with by congress. We should have a non-partisan tariff board with such powers and of such quality that its recommendations will ordinarily be accepted.

(b) Railroad Regulation. The regulation of our railroads should be effective for the public protection and it should also be fair to the railroad itself. At the present time the federal government has complete authority in some particulars, while in others it has no authority whatever. I have for the last fifteen years been an advocate of legislation which would have absolutely prevented the happenings of the last few years in New England, but that provision has not yet been adopted although many other things for which I have been contending have become the law.

In my opinion the act to regulate commerce should be so revised as to make it a complete and comprehensive scheme of regulation, but it should be so written and so administered as to leave the railroad the greatest freedom of action consistent with adequate protection to the public. Taking the state and nation together, there is danger of too much rather than too little railroad legislation.

(c) The regulation of business. There is no more delicate question before the country today than the proper treatment of business. The method by which railroad monopoly can be effectually regulated is plain. The government can lay its hand upon the thing itself; it can say when the train shall be run and what rate shall be charged. With business exactly the reverse is true. Competition must be relied upon to fix the quality and the price. In the past there have been two main troubles in the business situation. First: The great concern, typified by the Standard Oil company, has driven its small competitor to the wall by certain unfair practices. Second: Uncertainty has interfered with legitimate business investment. No man could know whether his enterprise were legal or illegal until the money had been invested and a protracted period of litigation had ensued. Some three or four years ago I suggested in a public address that a trade commission be created for the regulation of business, having authority to prohibit these unfair practices, and that it should be possible to apply to this body in advance and ascertain whether a given undertaking was in violation of law. The idea of the commission seems to have been generally accepted; the authority which this body should possess is in dispute. I feel that this subject will finally be worked out along these lines. In the second paragraph of your letter you ask for my thought touching "that political mechanism known as party enrollment for primaries." I have never given sufficient consideration to the details of a primary law so that I care to express an opinion upon that subject. It does seem clear to me that the right to vote in the primary for the nominee of a particular party should not carry with it a pledge to support whomever that party may finally nominate. The voter in attempting to nominate a fit man, should not run the hazard of promising to vote finally for an official whom he believes to be utterly unfit for the place. Very truly yours, C. A. Prouty.

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