

Menaced by a Heartless Corporation

It seems that the City Council has concluded to battle on Olympia and seal the creek, in demand of the Northern Pacific Railroad for a new franchise, including both the tunnel on Seventh street and the water-front. It is true that no franchise has yet been granted for a track on Water street, but it is announced that that matter will be taken up for consideration hereafter.

The consideration for this municipal surrender for 99 years of all means of ingress to the city, is concerning the tunnel and paving Seventh street, and even that is guarded and fought by wily lawyers of the corporation, step by step, to afford the least possible return for the special privileges conveyed. So far no provision has been considered for joint occupancy of tracks, or the right of way for any other companies, nor are any contemplated if the trend so far is an indication of formal results. All contention seems to be directed towards protecting minor details of the tunnel itself, a matter in which the company could well afford to give a sheet of blank paper and allow the city to write its own terms, as a recompense for the privileges and authority conferred by a practically perpetual franchise.

While the Council magnanimously agrees to give the railroad three years to complete the subway and ostensibly waits ninety days for acceptance of the terms, it is asked that the completion of these preliminary negotiations shall be done at once, and reluctantly consented to await final disposition of the matter till the next meeting of the Council.

It is quite evident that the Council have never before come up against so obdurate and aggressive agencies as General Western Counsel George T. Reed and Superintendent H. C. Nutt. That the city is represented by as able an attorney as George C. Israel is a fortunate matter for the people in this emergency, and that fact conduces to the belief that the Council will not err with their eyes shut.

THE CROOK AND JACKASS CLUB.—The Colonel has organized a new club to supersede the old Ananias Club, which, as a political asset, has become stale and unprofitable. The new club has been organized especially for "crooks and jackasses," and the Colonel has named Judge Anderson, of Indiana as President, who, he declares, is an adept in both characters. Other members nominated by the Colonel are, former Chief Justice Baldwin of Connecticut, now Democratic candidate for Governor; John A. Dix, newly elected Governor of New York; Judge Holmes, Judge Holt, and some other Justices of the Supreme Court, with plenty more candidates in view. Each of these have not been formally declared "a crook and a jackass," but they belong to the same category; and an appropriate name for the club—from the Colonel's standpoint—would seem to be the "Crook and Jackass Club." All who oppose Mr. Roosevelt are crooks, and all who do not vote his bidding are jackasses; so, as to numbers, the future of the club is assured.

The Harvest Festival, that proved such a success in Portland last Fall, will be perpetuated as an annual event. This was decided at a meeting held the past week by the Portland Fair and Livestock Association, at which the success of the fair was recounted and considerable enthusiasm aroused. The double-tracking of the street car lines to the fair grounds is considered requisite to the success of future shows and assurances have been given that this will be done by the trolley company as soon as property owners make arrangements to pave portions of the route to be traversed. It is planned to make next year's show the biggest ever held.

The point raised by a Seattle attorney in a prosecution against a Jap that the speaker who signed the enactment was an alien at that time, even if true, possesses no merit, in view of a former decision of our Supreme Court, to the effect, when the Governor approves a bill it becomes a law, that prior records of legislative proceedings will not be considered in order to show the invalidity of the law. Our courts are, generally speaking, opposed to collateral attacks. If this is not collateral, what is it?

A TERRIBLE winter is already on in the East, extending westward through the middle States. The whole Atlantic coast seemed for a time to be under a great storm. Deep snow fell in many places in New York and Pennsylvania. Vessels at sea were reported in distress; floods still prevailed in Indiana, but considering the agitation of the elements, no serious disasters have been noted, but this may be owing largely to the suspended communication by prostrate wires.

TROUBLE still prevails between the white and Jap laborers in the lumber mills. The Bob White mill at Rainier, contributes the last item of this continued unrest. The Jap is under arrest and the white man was at last accounts in the hospital.

The "Night-Shirt Parade."

In the P. O. of the 26th, under the caption of "Public Opinion," appears a letter written to that paper, which is in criticism of a recent parade of college students (University of Washington) termed a "Night-Shirt Parade," wherein these same students, broke into the majestic theater in Seattle, and after being taken to jail, were released without trial. The letter was written by Austin E. Griffiths, and should be read by every citizen of this State. The first duty of all public instructors is to teach students that being such imports no license for prohibited acts or excuse for rowdiness.

I see by your paper that the university boys who broke into the majestic theater were released without trial. This was a mistake. College boys who turn hoodlums should be taught the consequences. If young men of these boys should have been handed over to the juvenile court and given a suspended sentence, otherwise fined and sent to the city lock or wood pile until they worked out their fines. Treatment like this would give them individually a life lesson and serve as an example to all the rough bloods in the university.

Everyone acquainted with the history of many great schools in or adjoining a city knows that the tendency of untrained college students to break kind takes the form of destruction and disregard of the rights of the citizens. The old fights "between town and gown" may have been referred to. In our country where offenses are increasing and regard for law needs to be strengthened, it is a mistake to deal too tenderly with intelligent students who, educated at public expense, who set at naught public law and engage in the pastime of injuring others and destroying private property.

Police efficiency also suffers when young men get off by the wholesale by the use of back stairs influence. It would have been better if the regent who interposed his friendly offices had let the law take its course, watching however, that the innocent, if any, were not joined with the real offenders and that the punishment was not in any case too severe for a first offense. University discipline should be strengthened rather than weakened by official supervision. Possibly this recent thought these ambitious students had been already sufficiently punished through their disappointment in finding only vaudeville instead of a Shakespearean play on the boards when they "rushed" the majestic theater.

I take the liberty of saying this because of genuine interest as a parent in the good of the university. Moreover, suggestion has been made that if the garb of "nightshirt" were discarded for apparel more suitable for young gentlemen to wear in public the parade would meet with still more popular favor.

A Sensible Suggestion.

Truer words were never published than by the Tenino News, in alluding to the Perkins Twins. Since Mr. W. F. Dunlap assumed control of its columns, it has leaped to the full stature of an acceptable and dignified weekly newspaper, and its utterance are worthy of all respect. Here, is the plain truth which every observing individual of brains is forced to admit, but what relief can be result as long as the hand of patronage is extended—unwillingly, though it be—while the brain of reason unqualifiedly condemns. Heroic remedies are not often resorted to but the aggressiveness of the coercive measures adopted by the Twins not only justify, but demand a defensive policy.

The control of Sammy Perkins of both the morning and evening fields in Olympia journalism, is for the purpose of making it impossible for an opposition paper to gain a foothold. The community cannot support more papers. Two dailies issued from the same office could not live without public graft—so far they have been able to hoodwink the people of the county, and have kept the taxpayers ignorant of the true state of affairs, at the expense of the very people they are helping to deceive.

It is written that Christ was forced to carry the cross on which he was crucified. It is also true that the taxpayers of Thurston county are being compelled to forge the chains that are binding them just a little tighter each succeeding year.

The voters are weary of the crowd that live in Olympia, but whose hearts are locked up in a Tacoma safe. Alien ownership never benefited any community. Thurston county is big enough to stand alone.

TARIFF TAXES.—Republican spellbinders, headed by Mr. Roosevelt, have felt compelled to misrepresent the revenue produced from the new tariff law. Like a lot of parrots they are all repeating the criminal delusion of the publicity bureau of the Republican party that "the new tariff law has turned a deficiency into a surplus," yet the Treasury Department's daily financial statement shows that the excess of expenditure is increasing as the fiscal year advances, though less than in 1908 and 1909. The report for October 21st, shows the deficiency since July 1st to be \$25,651,937, including the Panama expenditures of \$11,866,654. The customs receipts for the month, and including October 21st, were \$17,779,254, whereas for the same time in 1900 the receipts were \$18,430,615. But supposing the Republican contention were true, and that the customs receipts had increased enough to wipe out the deficiency of revenue, it would only show that the tariff taxes paid by the people are heavier than ever before.

THIS BEATS—RENO!—The provisional Minister of Justice at Lisbon, Portugal, has drafted a divorce law which proposes the most startling marital emancipation yet presented in Europe. It is based simply on mutual desire.

The "bearded lady," one of Barnum's attractions half a century ago, was lately married to a farmer at Kalkaska, Mich. If she is the same woman, her beard has certainly had time to grow.

The baseball championship of the world belong to the Philadelphia Club of the American League.

PRESIDENT TAFT'S proclamation designates Thursday, the 24th inst. as a national day of Thanksgiving.

DEMOCRATS MAKE GREAT GAINS IN EAST

Dix Defeats Stimson in New York—Ohio and Indiana Democratic.

New York—Elections throughout the country Tuesday resulted in a political convulsion of far-reaching extent, similar at many points to the famous wave of 1892, and apparently more widespread in its effect.

In New York, John A. Dix, Democratic candidate for governor, is elected over Henry L. Stimson, republican, by about 55,000, reversing the republican plurality of 70,000 in 1908 for Governor Hughes.

New Jersey is Democratic. In New Jersey, Woodrow Wilson, Democratic candidate for governor, is elected over Vivian M. Lewis, republican, by about 15,000, reversing the previous republican plurality of 8,000 for governor.

In Massachusetts Eugene N. Foss, Democrat, has defeated Governor Eben S. Draper, republican, for reelection, by about 20,000, reversing Governor Draper's former plurality of 8,000.

In Connecticut Judge Baldwin, Democrat, is elected over Charles A. Goodwin, republican, by about 4,000, reversing the previous republican plurality of 16,000.

In Ohio, Governor Judson Harmon, Democrat, candidate for reelection, appears to have carried the state by about 15,000, over Warren G. Harding, republican.

Vote in Rhode Island Close.

In New Hampshire, Robert P. Bass, republican candidate for governor, is leading C. E. Carr, Democrat, by about 6,000.

In Pennsylvania, the election of John R. Tener, republican, for governor, is conceded by a large majority.

JOHN A. DIX,
Successful Democratic Candidate for Governorship of New York.

In Rhode Island, Governor Pothier, republican, is elected by a plurality of 1200.

In Tennessee, the fusion candidate, Ben. W. Hooper, is elected by 15,000. In Iowa the Democrats claim the election of Claude R. Porter for governor, but this is not yet conceded.

Wisconsin to Return LaFollette.

In Wisconsin, the election of the republican candidate for governor, Francis E. McGovern, is claimed by a reduced majority, and the return of Senator LaFollette to the United States senate is assured.

In Michigan Charles E. Osborn, republican candidate for governor, is assured.

Theodore Roosevelt's home district in Oyster Bay, Long Island, gave Dix a plurality of 204, as against a plurality of 793 for Hughes in 1908.

In Utah Charles A. Talcott, Democrat, defeated Charles S. Millington, Vice-President Sherman's nominee, for congress by 3768.

There were notable upsets in the congressional districts. Representative Herbert Parsons, a life-long friend and political associate of Theodore Roosevelt, was ousted by Jefferson M. Levy.

Representative W. W. Cocks, of Nassau county, Theodore Roosevelt's home seat, was tipped out by Martin Littleton. William S. Bennett was defeated for congress by Henry George, Jr., a son of the political economist.

Serenio Payne, father of the tariff bill, was re-elected, but his home town, Auburn, went for Dix, and Vice-President Sherman's candidate for congress was defeated by a Democrat. Colonel Roosevelt's home town went for Dix and the Democrats jubilantly shouted they had "beat him to a frazzle."

Republicans Win Nebraska. Omaha—Although the returns are comparatively meager, it appears that Mayor James Dahlman, of Omaha, Democratic candidate for governor, has been defeated by Chester A. Aldrich, republican, by a safe majority.

Congressman G. M. Hitchcock, on the face of the returns, has a safe lead over United States Senator Elmer J. Burkett in the race for the senate.

Democrats Sweep Chicago. Chicago—Returns in Chicago and Cook county, although less than one-half the total, indicate the Democrats have swept the city and county by from 30,000 to 40,000.

Stimson Congratulates Dix. New York—Mr. Stimson sent the following telegram to Mr. Dix: "The present returns clearly indicate your election. I congratulate you and send you my good wishes for success in your administration."

New Hampshire Stands Pat. Concord, N. H.—Returns from the election districts of the state indicate a plurality for Bass, republican candidate for governor, of 5,600.

Minnesota is Republican. St. Paul—Minnesota elected A. O. Eberhart, republican, governor, and the legislature will continue to be strongly republican, insuring the reelection of United States Senator Claude D. Inaugur.

DEMOCRATS WILL CONTROL HOUSE

Chicago—That the next House of Representatives will be controlled by the Democrats is conceded. The Democrats gained from the Republicans seats in congress in eight states.

In New York seven republican seats were secured by the Democrats; in Maryland, Massachusetts, North Carolina, each, the republicans lost two seats. Losses are definitely known to have been sustained in Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri and Ohio. The known Democratic gain of 18 seats, is offset by two republican gains from the Democrats, one each in New York and Pennsylvania. Reports received from other states indicate that the Democrats will have ample margin to secure them the 22 seats necessary to give them control of the House, two Democratic gains previously having been reported in Maine. Twenty-four were acquired before the Maine election.

Grandfather Clause Helps. In Oklahoma returns indicated that the Democrats probably gained two seats, due apparently to the operation of the so-called grandfather clause which barred the negro voters from voting.

At Democratic headquarters in New Jersey, it was declared that the state would hold eight seats, making a gain of five.

Democrats in West Virginia had gained in three districts. Missouri showed one known, with three probable Democratic gains, while in Iowa and Illinois the returns indicated the Democrats would gain a total of six seats.

In North Carolina returns indicated Democratic gains which would increase to three.

Socialist for Congress. A big surprise came from Wisconsin when the republican committee conceded the election of Victor L. Berger, Socialist, to congress from the Fourth district, which is now held by the republicans.

Returns indicate that the Socialists have polled more than 40,000 votes in the city of Chicago.

It is the first time in 18 years that the Democrats have carried the House of Representatives.

New York City will be represented by an almost solid Democratic delegation.

WOODROW WILSON ELECTED
New Jersey Elects Democratic Governor by Large Majority.

Trenton—Dr. Woodrow Wilson, former president of Princeton, defeated Vivian M. Lewis, the republican nominee for governor of New Jersey anywhere from 10,000 to 20,000 plurality.

The Democrats claim the legislature and while this claim does not seem so well based as that of victory for the state ticket, it would not be a surprising thing if they were found in a position to elect a Democratic senator.

In the congressional districts the Democrats will probably carry one additional district, giving them four of the ten members from this state.

McKinley Congratulates Lloyd. Chicago—William B. McKinley, chairman of the republican congressional committee, sent congratulations to Chairman Lloyd, of the Democratic congressional committee, upon the reported success of the Democrats in winning a majority in the next congress.

BOTH SIDES CLAIM IOWA. Porter and Carroll Expect to Win in State.

Des Moines—The republicans and Democrats both claim the governorship with the Democrats showing the greater confidence. If Governor Carroll is re-elected it will be by the narrowest of margins.

Claude R. Porter, Democratic gubernatorial candidate, claimed that he would carry the state by 20,000, but more conservative estimates based on 100 precincts out of 2,000, place his plurality (if any) at 4,000 or 5,000.

Governor Carroll declared that the early returns were all from the cities and that estimates based upon them were bound to be erroneous.

This state has 11 congressional districts. I. S. Pepper, the young Democratic candidate in the Second district, walked away with the election, carrying every county over his opponent, Charles Grilik. It was in behalf of the latter that Colonel Roosevelt recently made his address in Davenport.

Washington Cities Dry. Seattle—A remarkable feature of the election was the extension of the "dry" territory. Nine cities in Western Washington, including two of the largest in the state, voted to close the saloons, and 150 saloons were put out of business. The new dry cities are Everett, Bellingham, Mount Vernon, Burlington, Sedro-Wooley, Anacortes, Edmonds, Granite Falls and Arlington.

Beveridge May Lose. Indianapolis, Ind.—The Indiana legislature will choose a successor to Senator Beveridge is hanging in the balance, with the chances against Beveridge.

Senator Lodge Safe. Boston, Mass.—Democrats made gains in the Massachusetts legislature, but not enough to prevent the reelection of Senator Lodge.

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HARMON WINS IN OHIO

Early Returns in State Indicate a Democratic Landslide.
Cleveland—Incomplete official returns from outside the major cities indicates a gain for Governor Harmon of five votes to a precinct, which, if carried through the state, will elect him by more than 40,000.

Columbus—Democratic State Chairman Nichols said returns indicate a Democratic landslide. The plurality of Governor Harmon in Hamilton county is now estimated at 15,000, in Cuyahoga county 23,000, in Montgomery county 4,500.

Election Boards Seized. McAlester, Okla.—Charged with conspiracy to injure, oppress, threaten and intimidate certain negro citizens by refusing them the right to vote half the election officials of McAlester were arrested by a deputy marshal and taken before the United States commissioner and held on bonds of \$2,000 each.

Great Socialist Gain. New York—The Socialist vote shows an increase from 50 to 100 per cent in all of the cities of the state. In Buffalo the Socialists got 3000 as against 775 in 1908; in Syracuse 2200 as against 1100 in 1908; in James town, 600, as against 457 in 1908, and the same percentage is maintained in other cities.

Oregon Defeats Prohibition. Portland—Oregon appears to have defeated the statewide prohibition measure by a large majority, Portland polling a vote of two to one against the measure. At the same time the passage of an amendment modifying the present local option law by granting to each incorporated city the right to regulate its own liquor business, seems to have passed by almost a large majority.

Alabama 50,000 Democratic. Montgomery, Ala.—For governor, Emmett O'Neal, Democrat and local optionist, is elected by about 50,000.

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