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## AS TO CAMPAIGN FUNDS.

Indianapolis News (Rep.).

According to the report of Treasurer Sheldon it cost \$1,655,518 to prosecute the campaign of Mr. Taft. Out of this there was turned over to the various State committees \$620,000, concerning which no detailed report is made. We have no information in regard to the amount received by the congressional committee. How much of the \$620,000 turned over to the State committees was saved we are not informed. Further than this we have no report of any contributions less than \$500.

Doubtless these gifts are small as compared with those of other years—1896, for example. But they are nevertheless disgracefully large. The Democrats got through with \$620,000, and they had all the money they really needed for all honest purposes. To be sure we have no report from their congressional committee, but there is no reason to think that it had much money. If a campaign can be honestly financed for \$620,000 anything spent over and above that must either have been wasted, or spent for corrupt purposes. In the Republican list will be found the names of many protected manufacturers, such as the Joneses, Olivers and Laughlins, of Pittsburgh, and the Duttons of Philadelphia. Of course, our old friend Cromwell responded liberally, his gift being \$15,000. The committee had \$20,000 from J. Pierpont Morgan. Robert Bacon, an Assistant Secretary of State, and an associate of Morgan, gave \$5,000. Brother Charles heads the list with a contribution of \$110,000. We do not discover the names of any of the Standard people or of Edward H. Harriman in the list. However, no one can know who helped to make up the funds given by the Union League Club, of Philadelphia.

This report of Mr. Sheldon again raises the old issue and in very direct form. The American people can not afford to shirk it. With the increasing tendency to look on politics as a mere department of business, and with the growing disposition to subordinate everything to the so-called "prosperity" issue, we are likely to see larger rather than smaller campaign funds. Yet they are so large now as to be a positive menace to the purity of our institutions. We must in some way arrange to have the fullest publicity both of receipts and disbursements and to have it prior to the election. This was the demand of the Democrats during the campaign. It is a righteous demand. If our Presidents are to continue to be elected by the people rather than by the interests, if in a word, we are to preserve free and popular government, we must put an end to this campaign fund scandal. In some way we must make it impossible, or at least very difficult for contributions to be made by men who have any direct and personal interest in legislation, for after all that is the greatest scandal in the business. It is a scandal because it amounts to a direct purchase of law. Protected manufacturers make large gifts to the campaign fund and they then plead their generosity as a reason for protective duties to be levied in their interest.

No one is foolish enough to impeach the validity of Mr. Taft's title. The result shows that nothing could have defeated him. He was fairly the people's choice. The election could not have been bought away from him. But there is still the danger that our elections may degenerate into a mere financial struggle in which the longest purse will win. If the Republican fund had been no larger than the Democratic fund, Mr. Taft would still have been elected. The necessary conclusion is that the fund raised in his behalf was much larger than was needed. Its only effect will be to create a feeling of gratitude on the part of Republican leaders to

ward the men who gave so lavishly to the party's war chest. There will thus be the usual feeling of obligation—an obligation that ought not to exist. The best thing that could happen to the country would be to have both party committees "hard up" all the while. This would enforce an economy which would make for honesty, make even for true party efficiency. For the only men who really strengthen a party are those who vote for it because they believe in its principles, and never those who vote for it because they expect or hope to get something out of it.

## ROME AND THE GOVERNMENT

**Cardinal Gibbons States His Church's Position on a Question Recently Raised.**

Baltimore, Nov. 27.—In the course of an address delivered at St. Benedict's school Cardinal Gibbons said: "The church teaches that the civil au-

thorities must be respected, no matter what the nationality or religion of the incumbent in office. I received a letter today from a man asking me whether he ought to respect Mr. Taft, the president-elect, because he was informed that Mr. Taft was not a believer in our Lord.

"I was amazed, and can scarcely believe that the man was a true Catholic. You must have no less respect for those at the head of your government than you have for the pope in his department. There is a great evil in this land that forebodes revolution or a partial upheaval of society. The only way to avoid a catastrophe is to teach our young men to respect the authorities placed over them."

## WAR ON THE CATTLE PEST

**It Is Well Under Way in Michigan—Slaughtering Diseased Cattle Is Proceeding Today.**

Detroit, Nov. 27.—Secretary of Agriculture Wilson and Chief A. D. Melvin, of the bureau of animal industry, have left for Washington after expressing satisfaction that the campaign to suppress the local outbreak of the foot-and-mouth disease among cattle is well under way. Five herds, numbering about sixty milch cows, have been appraised in Livonia township by B. F. Taggart, of Romeo, Mich., under the auspices of the Michigan live stock sanitary commission. The owners were allowed from \$40 to \$60 for the condemned animals.

Today the slaughtering and burying of the diseased cattle was begun under the direction of Dr. P. H. Mullowney, of Boston. It is expected that the killing of the 186 animals already condemned will be completed by tomorrow night. No new cases are reported in Michigan, though two additional herds in Livonia township are under suspicion and will be investigated today.

The outbreak in Livonia township has been traced to the Michigan Central stock yards, in Detroit, as also the outbreak in the Buffalo stock yards, and the present problem is to locate the point from which the infection went to the local stock yards.

**Put 1,500 Miners to Work.**

Fort Smith, Ark., Nov. 27.—Thomas Moses, state mining inspector of Illinois; George Colville, of the Missouri miners, and Carl Sholtz, president of the Rock Island Coal company, a committee of arbitration to which was referred the shot-firing question which has tied up the mines at Denning, Ark., for eight months, have reported, upholding the contention of the miners that the workings are dangerous and recommending the employment of shot-fires. The report will be accepted by the operators and 1,500 men will go to work Monday.

## Bold Deed of Bank Thugs.

Pierce, S. D., Nov. 27.—The Hughes County bank at Blunt was robbed by four masked men who called Cashier R. C. Freer to the door of his residence, seized him and compelled him to go to the bank and open the vault. The robbers secured only \$130, all of the money in the vault outside of the safe. The safe was protected by a time-lock.

## Was It Crime or Accident?

Hartselle, Ala., Nov. 27.—The home of Tom Richardson, at Woodland Mills, seventeen miles east of here, was burned to the ground and Richardson's wife, mother and three children were burned to death. The remains of the children were found in the burned barn which adjoined the house. Richardson is missing.

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# CALL FOR A COUNCIL

**Democratic Members of the Legislature Will Hold a Conference Next Month.**

**WOULD MAP OUT THEIR POLICY**

**Attempt to Throw Suspicion on a Cripple—Two Boys Crushed by a Cave-In.**

Indianapolis, Nov. 27.—Platform legislation and the merchants' proposals for laws for the conduct of public offices will be discussed at a meeting of Democratic state senators and representatives in Indianapolis, Dec. 15. The call for this "get together," ante-legislative convention will be issued within a few days and will be signed by Representatives W. S. Wells, of Allen county; Thomas Bradley, of Jennings and Scott; W. S. Raycey, of Knox, Gibson and Vanderburgh, and Senators Harry Brube, of Kosciusko and Marshall, and William E. Rank, of Allen county.

## WEIGHTY REASONS FOR CONFERENCE.

As viewed by the Democrats there are weighty reasons for holding such a conference. The Democrats are in the ascendancy in the house and lack only a few votes of breaking even in the upper branch. Responsibility for legislation, therefore, will rest on the shoulders of the Democrats; at least they will share the responsibilities equally with the Republican party. The programme of the merchants for elimination of graft in public office has caused state-wide discussion, according to statements of the law-makers who have been in the city recently, and it is believed advantages will be gained by discussing this programme previously to the convening of the session.

## CONTESTS, AND ALSO OPTION.

The question of contests for state and legislative offices also will come up for discussion. It is probable also that the Democrats in the December meeting will attempt to get together on the option question. The meeting is to be called for the purpose of discussing platform legislation, and the party in its platform is pledged to ward and township local option.

## SIMON CONFERRED ON HIS CASE.

Edward Simon, of Hammond, who was the Democratic candidate for representative in Lake county, was in the city in conference with members of the Democratic state committee.

Simon is contesting the place of E. W. Wickey, of East Chicago, the Republican candidate for representative from Lake county, who was declared elected.

The count showed that Wickey had been elected by about 1,000 votes and the Democrats believe there will be evidence of fraud sufficient to change the result and cause Simon to be seated.

## WAS WORSE THAN A THIEF

**Used the Shoes of a Cripple to Cause Him To Be Suspected of Crime.**

Richmond, Ind., Nov. 27.—Post-office inspectors are here investigating a peculiar case which may lead to arrests within the next day or two. An ordinary rural mail box was stolen last Saturday from a post in front of the farm house of Albert Harmeson, north of Richmond. Footprints about the place indicated that the thief was a cripple, a man with club feet. Suspicion at once was directed to a well-known young man who is a cripple. He was arrested, but after establishing a complete alibi, he was released.

Inspectors believe they have established a clew which points to the real thief and shows that he plotted to send his crippled relative to prison. It develops that a pair of shoes taken from the crippled man's home were worn by the thief who took the mail box for the purpose of causing the crippled man's arrest. The mail box was not desired, but it is alleged that the man now under suspicion planned the theft in order that he might rid himself of the relative.

## HE TELLS WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

Mount Vernon, Ind., Nov. 27.—James V. Holloman, of this city, while eating an oyster stew in Evansville, found nine pearls in the soup. One of them was unusually large and he had visions of a neat sum of money from the sale of them. However, a close examination showed that the hot milk had destroyed their lustre and value. Now he exhibits the pearls and tells what they might have been worth.

## Two Boys Buried Alive.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Nov. 27.—Arthur Grossman, aged twelve, and Herbert Hoeltje, aged eleven, were killed by a cave-in here. The lads were members of a party which had dug a cave in an embankment and went to play there and the earth fell on them.

## ONLY WANTED ONE GUN.

Washington, Ind., Nov. 27.—A robber broke into a show window at the Hatfield & Palmer hardware store with a brick and took a fine revolver. Despite the fact that the window was filled with guns, cartridges and revolvers, only one revolver was missing.

## SHERIFF STOPS A PRIZE FIGHT.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Nov. 27.—The Morgan-Gordon fight arranged for last night was stopped by the sheriff.

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## TROOPS ARE TO STAY

**Situation at Kearsarge, N. J., Is Quiet, But There Are Fears for the Future.**

Perth Amboy, N. J., Nov. 27.—Although the clay mining and clay working strikers in Kearsarge village on the outskirts of this city are thoroughly overawed at present, yet it has been decided not to withdraw the troops just yet. It is feared that resumption of work may result in more trouble, especially as an attempt of priests to induce the employers to raise the wages has failed. The wounded men are all out of danger and there will be no deaths as the sequel of the fusillade of the deputies. Only one man was seriously wounded, John Sofan.

Rev. Francis Gross, of the Hungarian church, and Rev. Julian Zielinski, of the Polish church, held a meeting with H. M. Kearsarge and R. P. Keeney, of the National Fire Proofing company, and J. O. Rossi, their local manager, and asked earnestly for the increase from \$1.35 to \$1.50, for which the men have struck. The answer to them was that the National was paying its men now 5 cents a day more than the other companies, and that, moreover, business conditions did not warrant an advancement at this time.

## KETCHELL CHAMPION AGAIN

**Papke Knocked Out in the Eleventh—Spectator Drops Dead at the Ringside.**

San Francisco, Nov. 27.—There was a tragic incident at the ringside in the Arena here when Ketchell delivered the blow that wrested championship honors from Papke. Martin Carter, proprietor of the famous Metwood farm, near Lexington, a horse breeding farm, dropped dead from excitement.

In the fight Stanley Ketchell, of Grand Rapids, Mich., showed that Billy Papke, the Illinois "thunderbolt," was simply not in it. From start to finish Ketchell showed himself the best. In the ninth round Papke was practically all in, and in tenth he twice ran away from his opponent. In the eleventh, after being knocked flat he got to his feet only to be driven to his hands and knees with rapid blows to the head. In this position he was counted out. He is not satisfied, he says, and wants a return match which Ketchell says he can have "under proper conditions."

## ROOSEVELT CONGRATULATES

**Writes the Harvard Fullback That All Good Harvards Should Be Grateful to Him.**

Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 27.—Ernest Verweil's wonderful work as fullback on Harvard's football eleven, which defeated Yale last Saturday, has been recognized by President Roosevelt, who has written a letter to Verweil, congratulating him on his work in the game. The president declares that all good Harvards should feel gratitude toward Verweil, and adds: "It was through you more than any one else that the ball was put in a position to enable Kennard to do the work which he did so admirably and to kick the goal from the field.

"For the good of the team your individual good was sacrificed, and through this sacrifice and through the admirable work you had already done, and through Kennard's fine kick, a victory was won. However, it was a first rate example of the interest of an individual being subordinated to the good of the team—there cannot be any better lesson for our national life than to teach that the good of the individual must be subordinated for the good of the people."

## SHRUBB BEATS FOUR MEN RUNNING

Philadelphia, Nov. 27.—Alfred Shrub, of England, champion distance runner of the world, defeated a relay of four men in an eight-mile race at Central park. Shrub covered the distance in 42 minutes, 14 seconds. Each of his opponents ran two miles of the distance.

## CHARGED WITH A POOL FRAUD.

Syracuse, N. Y., Nov. 27.—James A. Teneyck, stroke of Syracuse University eight-oared crew, was arrested here for the Chicago police. He is charged with being a party in a pool game by which Christ Hansen was fleeced out of \$1350.

## POSSE SEARCHING FOR BURGLARS.

Chippewa Falls, Wis., Nov. 27.—A posse is searching the woods in the vicinity of Hannibal for four men who broke into the state bank at Holcombe. The burglars got \$310 in silver, a silver watch and a diamond ring.

## JUDGE AND MRS. TAFT TO SPEAK.

New York, Nov. 27.—President Taft and Mrs. Taft are to be guests of honor at the two days' annual meeting of the National Civil Federation to begin in this city Dec. 14. They will both make addresses.

## YUSSIFF THROWS TOM JENKINS.

New York, Nov. 27.—Yussiff Mahmut, the newest of the "terrible Turks" to wrestle in this country, defeated Tom Jenkins, ex-champion wrestler, in a catch-as-catch-can contest at Madison Square Garden, best two out of three, winning in straight falls.

The man who is skillful in sidesplitting an obligation presumably husband his resources in order to be able to incur further obligations.

## A DAILY NECESSITY

that many people overlook, is the need of a full set of teeth. The loss of a finger does not injure the rest of the body; not so with a tooth. The loss of one or several teeth, affects mastication—digestion. It is very frequent to find that

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