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"Come on in, the water's fine." In Thursday's paper we announced two new men in the race for the office of county commissioner and in today's paper another mighty good man in the person of Mr. J. F. McKay, who is serving the county acceptably now in that capacity, announces that he is a candidate for re-election. Mr. J. W. Carter, chairman of the board, and Mr. A. R. McEachern, who have seen long service and want to get out from under the responsibility, have announced that they will not be candidates for re-nomination. This leaves all accounted for except Mr. J. P. Barker, who was elected two years ago.

Since the above was put in type Mr. Barker has handed in his announcement, which appears in today's paper, so that now all the members of the present board are accounted for; also Mr. C. A. Oliver, a well-known citizen of Marietta, who was a member of a former board, has his card in today's paper.

In a press dispatch giving an account of the great crowd of visitors who descended upon Governor Wilson at the New Jersey Governor's cottage at Sea Girt Tuesday immediately after his nomination became known, it is stated that one of the Governor's daughters,

"Miss Jessie, opened the presidential campaign of 1912 for her father. She gathered a pocketful of Wilson buttons and pinned them on the callers. She did not forget the four brawney railroad brakemen who came in to shake the Governor's hand and tell him they were tired of being Republicans and would cast their first Democratic votes for him."

Lots of other folks are tired of being Republicans and will cast their first Democratic vote for Wilson. He will draw support from all classes and all parties.

They say that some 30,000 people helped Gastonia celebrate the Fourth and that it was some celebration. Now Lumberton could pull off a celebration just as good and everybody in the county and his wife and children would come; and some from other counties. But it cannot be done in a day. No more can you get up a county fair in a day, and if Robeson is to have one this fall—but maybe it is too late already and we'd best begin talking about one for the fall of 1913. And when it comes off we can have a beauty show without any expense, for County Treasurer M. G. McKenzie would take the prize anyway and it would not be any use to have anybody else.

Gov. Chase S. Osborne of Michigan, an ardent supporter of Colonel Roosevelt during the Colonel's battle for the Republican Presidential nomination, issued a statement the other day in which he declared his belief "that there is no necessity for a new political party." He declared that "All is Wall Street

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versus Wilson. . . . All the evil forces in America will finally line up with Wall Street and Taft. Woodrow Wilson in character, temperament, preparation and fitness is above the high average of American Presidents. He is a Christian, a scholar and a fearless citizen. I hope Colonel Roosevelt will not be a candidate."

A few moments after he was informed of his nomination for the Presidency the great Governor of New Jersey, in speaking of the great honor that had come to him, added, "but just at this moment I feel the tremendous responsibility it involves even more than I feel the honor." If he had felt otherwise he would not be as worthy of the great honor he seeks as he is. The Democratic candidate for the Presidency is one of the greatest men who has ever been the standard-bearer of a great party and he will lead the party to victory in November.

When the national committee-men called on Governor Wilson at his home at Sea Girt Thursday all doubt about the Democratic nominee for President being the actual head of the party was dispelled. The Governor has a way with him and without in the least trying to boss or suggest they were all eating out of his hand in less than no time and did not think of taking a step without consulting him. The national committee is to organize at Chicago on July 15.

Lumber river is a dangerous stream and it seems to be rightly called "Drowning Creek". It has claimed many victims and some of the most prominent citizens of the county are among those who narrowly escaped going out by that route when they were boys. The drowning of two boys here last week ought to serve as a warning to other boys to be careful how they trifle with the treacherous currents in the dark waters of the Lumbee.

The only steam roller used at the Baltimore convention was public opinion. That worked overtime and resulted in the nomination of Wilson for President. The people nominated him and the people will elect him.

It is to be hoped that the negroes whose reckless racing across a bridge on the edge of town the other day resulted in serious injury to two white ladies will be caught and given the limit of the law.

Mr. S. McIntyre suggests as a good campaign slogan, "Marshall the Forces and Win With Wilson." We knew somebody was going to do that. It was too great a temptation to resist.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

Seventeen persons were killed, 30 injured, a large number fatally, and many others hurt Friday when a passenger train on the Ligonier Valley Railroad near Latrobe, Pa., was smashed from behind by a double-header freight train. Only one passenger escaped injury. The accident occurred at the fair grounds at Wilpen, one and a half miles from Ligonier, a summer resort.

STATE NEWS.

Geo. C. Gurley was run over and killed by a shifting engine at Tryon on the 2d.

E. B. Swinney, a white man whose testimony convicted Horace Melton, also white, of selling whiskey, was shot and fatally wounded Friday night at Asheville by Clyde Melton, a brother of the boot-legger. Clyde Melton, who did the shooting, was captured while attempting to reload his pistol.

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The American people have set out to regain possession of their government, and Woodrow Wilson was nominated for President because he embodies that issue. The bosses and the plutocrats who tried to prevent his nomination were beaten by the power of the people, and the power that nominated him is the power that will elect him.

With Woodrow Wilson as the Democratic candidate for President it makes no difference what Mr. Roosevelt does. It makes no difference how many third parties he organizes. Progressive Democrats and progressive Republicans now have a candidate of their own. The contest between Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Taft is now a contest for the control of the Republican organization, and nothing more. The menace of a third term no longer hangs over the country. The menace of personal government no longer threatens American institutions. The United States is not to be Mexicanized. It is to be re-Americanized.

It is because Governor Wilson represents this vital principle that The World so persistently urged his nomination. It is because Governor Wilson represents this principle that the opposition within the party was forced to surrender. It is because Governor Wilson represents this principle that he will be triumphantly elected in November. Such a man is imperatively needed, and the American people, true to their traditions in every crisis, have again found him.

Governor Wilson's nomination means that the rule of the boss is over. It means that the partnership between corrupt politics and corrupt business in national politics is forcibly dissolved. It means that the old regime of protection to Privilege and Plutocracy is on the scaffold. It means that the old gods are dead.

The United States is back to the benediction pronounced by Abraham Lincoln on the battlefield of Gettysburg—"that this Nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth."

A Row in the Treasury Department.

A row of more than a year's standing in the United States Treasury Department came to light with the publication on the Fourth of a statement from Assistant Secretary A. P. Andrew in which he resigned and criticized the conduct of the Department by Secretary MacVeagh; and he said he resigned because he did not approve of the way the Department is conducted and he proposed that a congressional investigation of Secretary MacVeagh's administration be made. Secretary MacVeagh on the following day came out in a statement in which he said he was prepared to prove that Andrew's resignation had been asked for repeatedly and that he had to be prized loose from his job, which he was freezing on to like grim death, notwithstanding his work was unsatisfactory.

Senator Lodge Friday vigorously dissented from Secretary MacVeagh's statement that his former assistant was asked to resign because he was inefficient, which charge he characterized as absurd. Andrew was formerly a professor at Harvard.

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Mr. Ed B. Freeman, president of the company, who holds a majority of the stock, has sold part of his holdings to Messrs. J. P. Stephens and J. E. Gilmore, two well-known and capable young men who have been with the company for several years. Mr. Freeman will still have a general oversight of the business but on account of his health expects to arrange to spend a part of his time on the outside looking after a grist mill and wood and coal plant which he and Mr. J. A. Boone, Sr., will conduct at the plant of the old Lumberton Novelty Works, which recently went into the hands of a receiver and was sold.

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