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REPUBLICAN TICKET

FOR COMPTROLLER
OLIVER METZEROTT
of Prince George's County

FOR STATE SENATOR
LAWRENCE B. TOWERS

FOR MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES
GOOTEE S. TODD
SHERMAN L. TRIBBETT
ELLWOOD C. ORRELL

FOR CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
J. ALDA JACKSON

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER
WILLARD C. TODD

FOR COUNTY TREASURER
T. FRANK SEWARD

FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR
J. WALTER NOBLE

FOR SHERIFF
CLARENCE E. BEAUCHAMP

FROM OUR POINT OF VIEW

In various parts of this paper and in practically all of the county papers will be found political advertisements denouncing or defending the candidates for the coming election. We wish our readers to understand that these are advertisements, paid for as such, and do not reflect the opinions of The American Union. Whatever opinions we hold on the subject of the election and the candidates will not be bought and paid for. They will appear in the editorial column, under our own "hand and seal," as it were.

The newspaper is run primarily for the benefit of its readers. One of its functions is to serve as an advertising medium, and its columns are open to all legitimate advertising. Not that the editor of the paper always supports or agrees with the advertisement; far from it, often, is his own opinion or the policy of the paper. The only place where that can legitimately appear, however, is in the editorial columns. The rest of the paper belongs to the people and the events of the town and county, and it is our earnest endeavor to print it minus any "local coloring" from office opinions.

We wish our readers to keep this fact firmly in mind, both now and in the future.

CLEAN POLITICS

When a man enters a public office he lays himself open to criticism, adverse and favorable. If he remains simply a figurehead in that office, doing nothing to cause any particular comment, one way or another, little is said either for or against him. The next election, however, finds some one else in his place. The man who wilfully abuses his public trust is cried down by everyone, even his own party, and he is not returned to office. When a man, however, is successful as an officer of public trust, then the trouble for him begins. Then it is that the opposing party finds it necessary to take every means at its command to injure him. His past actions are dragged to the depths in order to find some insignificant thing on which to build a harrowing tale of disabuse of public trust or worse. The cleaner the record, the harder the opponents dig, the more they elaborate the veriest trifle, or imagine dark deeds where none exist. The bigger and more successful the man, the more he has to bear from his opponents.

The offensive in this campaign has been taken by the Democrats. Apparently they feel in desperate need of resorting to any and everything in order to gain their ends. It would take little investigation—and no imagination—to find black spots on the record of some of the Democratic candidates, but the Republicans have kept above it. Even had they felt it to be necessary in order to win the election, they would not have descended to such methods.

It is up to the people, finally, to choose their representatives. All we ask is that you let your sane judgment and the fair play on which every man prides himself, see over and through the wild tales and lies and abuse which are being circulated over the county to hide the real issues and to confuse and confound the people as to the characters of the candidates.

Ford Owners!
here's your battery



USL "FORD TYPE" BATTERY $25 EXCHANGE PRICE

A quality battery accepted by Ford engineers for use on Ford cars.

USL STORAGE BATTERY SERVICE
Service for all makes

Same quality as other USLs supplied to 29 automobile builders. Machine-Pasted Plates give USL long life.

Other Sizes for All Cars

DEN-MAR MOBILE CO.
Cor. Main and Third Sts. Telephone 84
Denton, Maryland

FACTS FROM FEDERALSBURG

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Local Observer Writes of Things Civic, Social, Religious and General in Lower Caroline

Personal and Social News

Miss Ruth Brown, a former teacher in our high school, who is now teaching in the Newark, Del., high school, spent last week end in Federalsburg with her sister, Mrs. Charles H. Smith.

Mrs. Martha Walters has returned from a visit with relatives at Rehoboth, Del., and elsewhere.

Mr. Victor Sparklin, who has been sojourning in Federalsburg since early September, left Wednesday of this week for a brief stay at Ocean View, Va., where he has been residing the past year, and where he has business interests.

Mrs. J. P. Patchett is spending some time with her son, Mr. E. E. Patchett, who is ill at his home in Camden, N. J.

Mrs. E. C. Fields of Baltimore spent a few days of last week here with her sister, Mrs. Laura Fields.

Mrs. Fred Noble Wright spent a part of last week in Baltimore, as did also Mrs. John W. Stowell.

Dr. Handy Long, pharmacist at the Jefferson Drug Store, spent the past week end at his home, Lewes, Del.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Ford Breeding, of Seaford, with their children, Jane and Billy, are spending this week with Mr. Breeding's parents here, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Breeding.

Mrs. Susan I. Still left last week for a two month's visit with friends and relatives in Pennsylvania.

Rev. and Mrs. T. E. Terry, of Bridgville, Del., were guests last week end of Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Mowbray. Mr. Terry, who is a beloved ex-pastor of Union Methodist Church here, has retired from the active ministry and located at Bridgeville.

Mrs. Carrie J. Carroll is enjoying a week's visit with Mrs. Frank Shannahan at Easton.

Birthday Anniversary Made Happy

The 73rd birthday of Mrs. G. S. Williams was made a memorable one for her by the happy surprises the day brought—her two distant sons, Rev. G. C. Williams, with his wife and daughter, of Wilmington, and Mr. H. V. Williams, of Philadelphia—together with a shower of flowers and gifts from these and other children and friends.

A most delectable dinner, prepared and served as a surprise by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. F. L. Williams, of this place, proved one of the most pleasing of the day's events, and about this enjoyable board the company which included besides the three sons, two daughters-in-law and three grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Murray, of Wilmington, waxed merry.

Mrs. Williams in spite of increasing years remains active, well, and, apparently, ready to enjoy many more such happy occasions as this. We trust she may.

Entertainment for Bride and Groom

Especially unique was the method Federal Post, American Legion, chose to entertain their newly-married commander, Mr. J. Robert Eddington and his bride, who was Miss Marie Louser of Lebanon, Pa.

The marriage occurred on October 1 in Tabor Reformed Church, Lebanon, and after a week's wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Eddington arrived in Federalsburg and took possession of their home on Holt Avenue. It was here they were quietly sitting on Wednesday evening when surprised by the appearance of four military guards, with bayonets fixed, commanded by Lieutenant Brower who presented orders from the Commander-in-Chief, Allied Forces of Love and Matrimony. Allowing them ten minutes to make ready for departure, the captive bride and groom were ordered to accompany the guard as prisoners to a destination unknown and to ask no questions. Blindly obeying "Dan Cupid's" command, the amazed bridal couple at length found themselves in the midst of a gay company of ex-soldiers with their wives or feminine friends, who had gathered at the home of their chaplain, Rev. J. L. Nichols, to delicitate their commander and his bride. A merry evening followed with music, song, and friendly chatting. Dainty refreshments were served.

New Homes Erected

The building of homes seems not to have waned in Federalsburg, in spite of the general financial depression, as ten new dwellings have been, or are now being, constructed. Professor Brower's home, adjacent to the high school, is nearing completion, as is also that of Mr. Charles Covey, who purchased a lot on Academy Avenue of the Misses Myra and Addie Davies. On Bank street extended, the new home of Mrs. Myra Walker is well under way, while Mr. Henry Morris' nearby is practically completed, as is also that of Mr. Frank L. Williams on the corner of Park Lane and Greenwich Road. Mrs. Lydia Eddington has been residing for some time in her new bungalow. Other homes in process of building are those of C. E. Turner, H. L. Brown, N. C. Coulbourne and Frank Knox.

Sudden Death of Mr. Hilliger

The sudden death of Mr. John L. Hilliger, Jr., aged 31 years, was especially shocking to his family and friends as it occurred while Mr. Hilliger was driving a plow on his farm, and was only discovered when a neighboring farmer, Mr. Arthur Logan, chanced to notice the motionless team and on investigation found the driver dead beside his plow. The death, which occurred on Friday, October 7, was due to heart trouble.

Funeral services were held the following Monday.

Mr. Hilliger is survived by a widow and two small sons, also by his mother, three sisters and two brothers.

Terse Paragraphs

The town commissioners have recently beautifully rounded the street leading from the Preston road to the high school and intend, as early as convenient, to likkewise improve Bank Street extended.

Evangelistic services at Union M. E. Church are in charge of the pastor, Rev. F. C. MacSorley, assisted by Rev. R. W. Mills, of Blades, Del.

The Woman's Club on October 12, which was the Club's regular day of meeting, commemorated Columbus Day in appropriate manner under the direction of the Civic Department. The Club voted to co-operate with the high school in its plans for celebrating Armistice Day.

On last Thursday morning, Mr. S. M. Noble lost control of his horse while descending Federal Hill, following the team of Mr. Charles Frame, which resulted in a deep wound in the hip of one of Mr. Frame's horses, made by Mr. Noble's dearborn shaft. The occupants of both vehicles fortunately escaped without injury.

The two registration days of this year resulted in 81 registrations, 42 men and 39 women. Of these, 42 affiliated as Republicans, 38 as Democrats, and 1 as Independent. The net gain in voters over last year is 52, as nine names were eliminated through death and there were 20 transfers made.

Mr. James Jester, foreman of the county road force of the Fourth and Fifth Districts, has for several days been effectively operating the new tractoron the roads of this district. By the use of the tractor, which is 40 horse power, he is enabled not only to scrape and level the road bed, but to draw stumps or small saplings that heretofore prevented the widening of the roads.

The Hahl Trio, first in a course of five entertainments to be given at intervals during the season under the auspices of the Woman's Club, entertained in highly pleasing manner a good audience at the Temple theatre on Tuesday night. Three talented young women comprised this trio, and their musical, as well as histrionic, abiilty was excellent. Their varied program, including costume songs and a bit of folk-lore, was very well received.

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT

I SERVE

In the days of Heraldry in Old England, when it seemed that all the mottoes had been appropriated by the mighty feudal barons, a new and then unknown princeling blazed on the escutheon of his line the words "Ich dien," meaning "I serve," and in all history no people have done more for the great masses of the Mother Country than the family with this humble motto.

It cannot be that our people have lost this vision of the scope of a public man's activity. A public office is not something to be handed out because somebody "needs a place," or because someone is " a good fellow" just before election. A public office is a sacred public trust, and an applicant for one should be weighed in the balance of his record—his public record, if he has one—and if he is not found wanting, if he has laid on the altar of public service the sacrifice of his youth, his enthusiasm, and many of the years of his greatest vitality, and if he has done this for a compensation less than his normal earning capacity in the business world, that man can be relied upon to serve all the people to the limit of this strength, and not to commercialize and debase the great public obligation reposed in him by the suffrage of a free people.

Now, suppose an applicant for public office is weighed in the balance of his public record, and found wanting; what then? If his public record shows that while holding a public office of trust and emolument he devoted himself exclusively to his private business enterprises, is it not a fact that this man cannot be relied upon to serve all the people to the limit of his strength, if elected to public office?

When a man asks for a position in private life, what do we do? We find out about his record in the past, do we not? and so judge whether or not we want him. We don't ask him what he is going to promise us, do we? We realize that his record means everything; that his promises mean nothing; we recognize the profound truth of the saying of the Christ: "By their fruits ye shall know them."

The Denton Journal had hoped not to be forced to mention names editorially during this campaign, and still hopes to avoid it, but we warn any candidate who attempts to carry this election by means of purchase and debauchery that an outraged people will sweep him from the field of battle on election day, and we give him and all others of a like mind everlasting notice that our people decided fifteen years ago that their franchise—that sacred birthright of a free people—was not for sale for a mess of pottage, but to be kept unsullied from any venal touch. The people of Caroline demand candidates with this for their motto: "I serve."

(From the Denton Journal, October 15, 1921.)

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FOR STATE SENATOR

VOTE FOR

LAWRENCE B. TOWERS

If elected, will represent all the people, regardless of party

Taste is a matter of tobacco quality

We state it as our honest belief that the tobaccos used in Chesterfield are of finer quality (and hence of better taste) than in any other cigarette at the price.
Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co.

Chesterfield
CIGARETTES
of Turkish and Domestic tobaccos—blended
"They Satisfy"

PUBLIC SALE

NEWCOMER'S
Sale of Personalty
MONDAY, OCTOBER 24th,
commencing at 10 a. m. sharp

Cows:-One 8-year-old Jersey, a good one; one 2-year-old, part Jersey, was fresh in July, very promising; one 2-year-old heifer, will freshen before sale; two 4-months-old heifers.

Implements:-One carriage, a good one, horse rake, three sec. rollers, No. 20 Oliver riding plow, one Case Gang plow, 12 inch bottoms, No. 19 Oliver walking plow, Simplex corn planter, good as new, spring tooth harrow, 50 tooth iron drag, potato digger, marking plow, weeder, corn sheller, cultivators, eveners, tools of all kinds, etc.

Miscellaneous:-Texas saddle, good one with bridle and quirt, boy's saddle, carriage harness, cow chains, log chains, 60 rods new 32-inch Gold wire, measures, extension ladders, hog scalders, roofing paint, etc.

Household articles:-Two wood heating stoves, sausage grinder, lard press, canned fruit and preserves, dishes, chairs, cupboards, crocks, etc.

Boat:-One 16-ft. steel boat, nearly new.

Fodder:-1200 bundles long fodder.

TERMS-Sums of less than $10.00, cash; $10.00 and upwards a credit of 9 months, purchaser giving bankable note payable at Peoples Bank.

JAMES TEMPLE,
Auctioneer

SOMERS BLAKE, Clerk

Notice to Taxpayers.

I WILL SIT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING TAXES between the hours of 1 o'clock p. m. and 6 o'clock p. m., at the following places, (all other days at the treasurer's office in the Court House) on the following days:

HENDERSON
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1ST
(COLE'S STORE)

GREENSBORO
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15TH
(CAROLINE COUNTY BANK)

HILLSBORO
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17TH
(THOMPSON'S IMP. STORE)

RIDGELY
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21ST
(BANK OF RIDGELY)

PRESTON
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22D
(COVEY BROS.' STORE)

AMERICAN CORNER
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27TH
(DAFFIN'S STORE)

FEDERALSBURG
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH
(COVEY & WILLIAMS' STORE)

Office in Denton will not be open from 1 to 6 on these dates.

T. FRANK SEWARD.
Treasurer of Caroline County



Take a Tip From the Farmer

Those who have failed to catch the business cloud, may well profit by the first gleams of the silver lining in the farmer's example.

He is going ahead with his fall work, confidently facing the future.

This bank welcomes the opportunity to help the farmer. We admire his backbone.

THE DENTON NATIONAL BANK

Capital, $100,000.00 Surplus, $175,000.00
A Member of the Federal Reserve System
DENTON - - - - MARYLAND

Have you Seen the
NEW MAXWELL
$945 Delivered

If you need a new car we can furnish just the one you will delight to own. If the car you are now driving isn't quite satisfactory let us make it so.

MILLER TIRES

Den-Mar Mobile Co.

DENTON - - - - - - MARYLAND

CONSCRIPTION SHOULD BE UNIVERSAL NEXT TIME

Now would not be a bad time to enact a statute to the effect that whenever, hereafter, conscription shall become necessary as a war measure, it shall be universal; that it shall apply to every man and woman in the country; that no one shall make higher wages or profits more hazardous military service.

Why not? What right has anyone to ask that someone be taken by the government for military service, involving possible sacrifice of life or health, while he is permitted ti pursue his usual profession or employment, protected in that right by the supreme sacrifice demanded of his neighbor?

What better measure of military necessity? With every citizen working patriotically on a thorough war basis, with remuneration strictly confined to his own necessities, the temptation for most of the evile and abuses of war, including waste, extravagance, graft and profiteering would be eliminated. There would be a unity of effort, combined with an intense anxiety for the termination of the struggle, which would make a republic like ours, enlisted in a just cause, irresistible in conflict.

No such measure could be passed after a war has been declared, or is in immediate prospect. Put on the statute books now, it would influence profoundly public sentiment as to war. If such a policy were adopted by all the great powers, it would prove to be the greatest obstacle to future wars next to disarmament itself. No people would submit to such a system in a bad cause, and no people would refrain from going to war in a cause worthy of universal sacrifice because the knowledge that its burdens would be borne by all and not by a selective minority.

What's become of the old-fashioned young widow who wore mourning for several years?

Engraved stationery and calling cards at The American Union.

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