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LET JUSTICE DICTATE JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS

The storm of protest caused by the nomination of Pierce Butler, corporation attorney of St. Paul, to be Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, clearly shows the growing evil effect of tarring the judiciary with the political brush. Unquestionably, unless some way be found to check the reactionary tendency both in judicial appointments and judicial decisions, the country will soon find itself ready for revolt, not at the hands of labor agitators and economic disturbers, but at the hands of the plain forward looking Americans who love impartial justice and appreciate fair play.

Whatever merit there may be in the attack on Butler may be open to argument, but plainly his legal training with important corporate interests is not calculated to have developed in him the judicial mind.

The first reform in our judiciary might well come in recognition of the principle of civil service to which this country is committed. No man should be raised to the dignity of the United States Supreme Court until he has demonstrated his breadth of mind and understanding and proved his judicial abiltiy. Nominations for the Supreme Court should come from the United States Circuit Courts or some other United States Courts, perhaps even from the Supreme Courts of the several States. Such a practice would raise the standard of the lower courts in addition to further safeguarding the rights of the people. At present the lower courts offer little to attract the best of attorneys. The salaries are inconsequential and if, plus this, promotion is to be denied, if men who have served faithfully and efficiently are to be set aside at the behest of political hucksters who in turn are dominated by corporation powers behind the throne, then contempt for the judiciary will soon reach the danger point. Such appointments as Butler's will cause a demand for the people to elect their judges and with a right to recall them.

AMERICA'S SCIENTIFIC TRADE HARI-KARI

Perhaps the most serious reflection on American intelligence is the fact that from the formation of our nation to the present day we have spent nine-tenths of our time in convincing our own people that imported goods are better than those of our own manufacture.

In Great Britain and in other countries the words Home Made stand as the guarantee of excellence. With us the mystic word imported is used by every merchandiser in the land to command the higher price, and no opportunity ever is lost to convince the customer that if real worth be desired then the imported article must be bought.

Neither loyalty, tariff, common sense or anything else has served to stem this tide of boosting for the foreigner at the expense of the American.

Naturally the tendency has been to cause the American manufacturer to live up or rather down to his reputation and produce in many cases goods not quite up to the standard of those that come to us from foreign lands.

The American can manufacture the best quality goods in the world, no matter what the line, if he sets himself the task, but in chinaware he knows, we think, of Limoges or Dresden; in pottery we think of Lincolnshire; in cutlery we dream only of Sheffield; our linens remind us only of Nottingham and Belfast.

Always we are told the imported article ranks first. If we had been hired, each one of us, to strangle American production, we could not have made a better job of it. We have become obsessed with the thought of foreign superiority.

If the American people will respond to the battle cry of "Home Made" and the American manufacturer will answer the call, it will give us a more constructive loyalty than ten thousand Fourth of July orations, and do more to solving our economic problems than anything one can conceive.

RIDGELY

Mrs. T. E. Mason entertained the Willing Workers Sunday School class at her home last Friday evening. Officers for the New Year were elected as follows: Mary Robinson, President; Mildred Rowe, Vice President; Catherine Pinder, Secretary; and Cressia Smith, Treasury. After the business meeting refreshments were served and a sociable time had by all.

Mrs. C. W. Jackson delightfuly entertained the Ladies Aid of the M. E. church at her home on last Thursday evening. Refreshments were served and a good time had by all.

Mrs. M. Ruth Perry and Miss Alma Robinson spent last weekend at the home of the latter's aunt Mrs. J. Raymond at Hobbs.

Mr. Mervin Seward, of San Antonio, Tex., is spending some time with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Seward.

Messrs. I. T. and A. D. Saulsbury attended the Tri-State Packers Convention in Philadelphia last week.

Master James Dukes of Centerville recently visited his aunt Mrs. Leonard Dean.

Miss Beatrice Bowers is on the sick list.

Miss Myrtle Thompson is substituting at the high school during her absence.

Mrs. Margaret L. Cecil entertained the Ladies Aid of the Baptist church at her home on Tuesday evening. Refreshments were served and a good time had by all.

Mr. Sherman E. Flury, of Red Lion, Pa., was recently entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Pendleton.

Mr. Lee Bennington has accepted a position in Chester, Pa., and has moved his family there.

Mr. Harry Welch, of near Centerville has moved into the house recently vacated by Rev. E. E. Krouse, on the corner of Central avenue and Second street.

Mrs. George Dutton, of Newark, Del., spent last week end with her parents Hon. and Mrs. T. A. Smith.

Rev. Samuel Troxell recently visited his home at Birdsboro, Pa.

Mr. John Knott and family, of Cordova have moved into the house lately vacated by Mrs. W. H. Sparks on Maple Avenue.

Mrs. Frank Ludlow and son Earl, of Baltimore are visiting relatives here in town.

Mrs. M. C. Merdith and little nephew Carter Forrestor have returned after visiting her sister at Wilmington and Mrs Wyatt who accompanied them remained for a longer visit.

Mr. D. Thompson Swing has accepted a position with the Appraisal Co. at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Mr. Earl Cecil and family have moved into the house vacated by Mr. H. Bowen on corner of Railroad avenue and 2d street.

Mr. William J. Ewing has returned from a visit with friends at Philadelphia and Wilmington.

Mr. John Scully is visiting this week with relatives at Wilmington, Marcus Hook and Chester.

HOBBS

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Ricards and Mrs. O. J. Chaffinch attended the Knight's Templar meeting Sunday afternoon held in the M. E. church at Federalsburg.

Mr. J. R. Ricards spent Friday in Baltimore.

The young folks, of Hobbs and the neighborhood gathered together last Friday evening and gave the bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Price a good old fashioned serenade.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lawless, of near Hickman, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Manning Merriken on Sunday.

Mrs. J. R. Ricards was the guest of Mrs. Harry Knotts, of Queen Anne on Thursday last.

Mr. E. M. Willey is in Delaware on a business trip this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Stafford entertained Mrs. Albert Dukes and children at dinner on Saturday last.

Miss Eva Dennis, of Denton was the guest of Miss Helen and Ruth Hubbard on Saturday.

THE FARMERS AND MERCHANTS STATE BANK

REPORT of the Condition of The Farmers and Merchants State Bank at Denton, in the State of Maryland, at the close of business, December 29, 1922.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts		$161,271 64
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		1,369 52
Furniture and fixtures		2,047 66
Due from National, State and Private Banks and Bankers and Trust Companies, other than reserve		866 74
Checks and other cash items		247 52
Due from approved reserve agents		7,006 01
Lawful money rserve in bank, viz:		
U. S. Currency and national bank notes	$2,498 50	
Gold coin	197 50	
Minor coin	1,505 96	4,201 96
Total		$177,011 05

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in		$30,000 00
Surplus fund		6,000 00
Undivided Profits, less expenses, interest and taxes paid		6,943 84
Due to national, state and private banks and bankers and trust companies, other than reserve		1,941 50
Deposits (demand):		
Subject to check	$37,863 59	37,863 59
Deposits (time:		
Savings and special	$49,084 24	
Certificates of deposit	20,177 88	69,262 12
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed		25,000 00
Total		$177,011 05

STATE OF MARYLAND, County of Caroline, ss.:

I, S. E. Hignutt, cashier of the above-named institution, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief

S. E. HIGNUTT, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of January, 1923

WM. S. CROUSE, Notary Public

Correct—Attest:

JOHN T. CARTER,
JOSIAH A. BECK,
D. W. DAVIS,
Directors

THE PEOPLES BANK

REPORT of the condition of The Peoples Bank, at Denton, in the State of Maryland at the close of business December 29, 1922.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts		$350,297 50
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		356 43
Stocks, bonds, securities, etc.		135,001 99
Banking house		10,000 00
Due from national, state and private banks and bankers and trust companies, other than reserve		1,150 80
Checks and other cash items		429 26
Due from approved reserve agents		29,115 62
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz.:		
U. S. Currency and national bank notes	$8,688 00	
Gold coin	780 00	
Minor coin	1,933 52	11,401 52
Total		$537,753 12

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in		$50,000 00
Surplus Fund		32,500 00
Undivided profits, less expenses, interest and taxes paid		15,751 96
Due to national, state and private banks and bankers and trust companies, other than reserve		449 04
Deposits (demand):		
Subject to check	$138,596 02	
Cashier's checks outstanding	49 75	138,645 77
Deposits (time):		
Savings and special	$300,406 35	300,406 35
Total		$537,753 12

STATE OF MARYLAND, County of Caroline, ss.:

I, T. F. Johnson, Cashier of the above-named institution, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

T. F. JOHNSON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of January, 1923

WM. S. CROUSE, Notary Public

Correct—Attest:

H. EARLE SMITH,
WM. R. FOUNTAIN,
F. J. WRIGHT,
Directors

NUMBER 2547

THE DENTON NATIONAL BANK

REPORT of the condition of The Denton National Bank, at Denton, in the State of Maryland, at the close of business on December 29, 1922.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	$1,013,679 35	$1,013,679 35
Overdrafts, unsecured		1,974 10
U. S. Government securities owned:		
U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	$50,000,00	
All other U. S. securities	17,702 66	67,702 66
Other bonds, securities, etc.:		86,451 45
Value of banking house		12,000 00
Real estate owned other than banking house		8,500 00
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve bank		53,543 77
Cash in vault and amount due from national banks		63,604 79
Amount due from State banks, bankers and trust companies other than included above		19,389 92
Checks on other banks in same city or town as reporting bank		312 14
Totals of three items above	$83,306 85	
Miscellaneous cash items		917 77
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas. and due from U. S. Treas.		2,500 00
Total		$1,330,575 95

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in		$100,000 00
Surplus fund		175,000 00
Undivided profits	$42,307 75	
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	24,358 79	17,948 96
Circulating notes outstanding		50,000 00
Amount due to national banks		152 87
Net amounts due to state banks, bankers, trust companies, other than included above		20 00
Certified checks outstanding		334 20
Total of three items above	$507 07	
Demand deposits (other than bank deposists) subject to reserve (deposits payable within 30 days):		
Individual deposits subject to check		231,587 82
State, county or other municipal deposits secured by pledge of assets of this bank or surety bond		95,748 47
Total demand deposits	$327,336 29	
Time deposits subject to reserve (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice, and postal savings):		
Other time deposits		659,783 63
Total of time deposits	$659,783 63	
Total		$1,330,575 95

STATE OF MARYLAND, County of Caroline, ss.:

I, William I. Norris, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WILLIAM I. NORRIS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of January, 1923

ELIZABETH MacDONALD, Notary Public

Correct—Attest:

JAMES H. NICHOLS,
A. W. BRUMBAUGH,
J. L. EVERNGAM,
Directors

AMERICAN STORES CO.

This Is Coffee Week In Every American Store

By special provision all of our salespeople will become coffee demonstrators in the interest of any who may not be using Asco Blend. They will take the time to point out to you wherein Asco differs from the usual "hit or miss" blend of coffee. They will point out to you that it's wonderful flavor and delightful aroma is the result of—

1st—The care exercised in selecting the Green Berries.

2d—The sanitary provision—our Coffees are first cleaned, then washed.

3d—The skill applied in the science of roasting.

4th—The expert knowledge that makes possible the blending in proper proportion of the different varieties that gives you that rich golden brew.

—And when you have tried it—you'll taste the difference; for it is just as distinct in its character as the real is from the counterfeit.

Asco Coffee lb **29c**

One Price One Blend One Quality
The Best Cup You Ever Drank

Asco **PORK & BEANS** 3 cans for **25c**
Cooked with pork. Ready to serve.

Asco **BUCKWHEAT** 3 pkgs for **25c**
Easily prepared. Just add water or milk.

Canned Fruit at Opportunity Prices

Fancy York State Plums ..... can **10c**
doz $1.15
Regular price, 12c. Fully matured and packed in a heavy sugar syrup.

Reg. 19c Hawaiian Sliced Pineapple ..... cut to **17c**
3 cans for 50c
Makes a very healthful and economical dessert.

Reg. 19c Hawaiian Crushed Pineapple ... cut to **17c**
3 cans for 50c
Have you served Pineapple Pie recently?

Hawaiian Sliced Pineapple ..... med can **25c**
Big, luscious slices. Packed in a heavy sugar syrup.

Reg. 29c Calif. Peaches ..... cut to **27c**
3 cans for 80c
Why not buy a dozen cans at this special price?

Gold Seal Flour 12-lb bag **49c**
Milled from the very choicest wheat. The best for all baking purposes.

Everyone Likes
Good Cakes and Candies

NBC
Marshmallow Creams ..... lb **29c**
Butter Crisp Cookies ..... lb **23c**

Peanut Brittle ..... lb pkg 20c
Assorted Chocolates ..... lb 39c
Chocolate Mints ..... lb 33c
Hard and Filled Candies .. lb 29c
Cream Mints ..... lb can 30c

SEA FOODS
Tasty and Appetizing

Ascco Threaded Codfish ..... pkg **9c**
Tasty Norway Mackerel .... each **7c, 15c**

Boneless Codfish ..... brick 19c
Gorton's Codfish Cakes .. can 14c
Gorton's Flaked Fish .... can 14c
Imported Sardines ..... can 15c
Domestic Sardines ..... can 5c

Asco Sliced **DRIED BEEF** pkg **10c**
Sliced thin. Trimmed of all waste.

Red Ripe **CRANBERRIES** lb **10c**
Special price while they last

Victor BREAD Loaf **6c**
Bread as it should be baked. We use only the best of every necessary ingredient in making these big, golden brown loaves of goodness.

Asco TEAS ¼ lb **12c**
½ lb pkg 23c; lb pkg 45c
Five quality blends—Orange Pekoe, Old Country Style, India, Ceylon, Plain Black, Mixed.

Rich Creamy **CHEESE** lb **30c**
Have you served baked macaroni and cheese recently? It's very nourishing.

Asco Oleomargarine lb .. **25c**
Whole Grain Rice ..... lb pkg **9c**
Asco Mince Meat ..... lb **20c**
Big, Muir Evap. Peaches .. lb **25c**
Fancy Calif Prunes lb **12½c, 19c**
Asco Peanut Butter .. lb **18c**
Snowdrift Shortening .. lb can **17c**

304 Market Street Denton, Md.

ERNEST G. COOPER

FIRE INSURANCE

Law Building

DENTON, MARYLAND

Miss Mary Fluharty, of Hurlock spent a part of last week with her brother Master Harry Fluharty at the home of Mr. John Moore.

GOLDSBORO

Miss Anna Taylor who has been spending some time with friends in Chester, Md., has returned to her home in Goldsboro.

DENTON MARKET REPORT

Quotations of Grain, Chickens and Eggs at the Denton Markets:

GRAINS—Wheat, $1a1.10 bu; corn on cob or shelled, 67ca80c; buckwheat, 90c; home made middlings, $2.10; western middlings, $2; white middlings, $2.10; ground oats, $2.25; corn meal, $1.80; chick starter, $4; laying mash, $2.75; growing mash, $2.60; scratch feed, $2.40; scratch feed our own mixture, $2.10; Full-O-Pep laying mash, $3.45; cracked corn, $1.80; oyster shells, 85c.

EGGS—40c.

CHICKENS—14ca20c.

The Farmers & Merchants State Bank
Denton, Md., Dec. 26, 1922

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of The Farmers & Merchants State Bank will be held in their Banking House in Denton, Md., on Tuesday, January 30, 1923, between the hours of one and three o'clock p. m. of that day for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year.

SHERMAN E. HIGNUTT,

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