The Transcript.

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EDITORS.

THE State tax rate for 1912 will remain at 22 cents on the $100. For 1913 and 1914 however, the rate will be 31 cents on the $100, an increase of 9 cents.

MR. WILLIAM PERKINS has been made sheriff of Cecil county to succeed the late Sheriff Myron Miller, who was murdered last Saturday by an Italian named Ducca.

L. WETHERED BARROLL, ESQ., president of the Johns Hopkins Woodrow Wilson Club, of Baltimore, is doing some effective work in behalf of the New Jersey Governor's nomination for President.

GOVERNOR WILSON swept Wisconsin in the presidential primaries this week. Champ Clark was scarcely in the running. Governor Wilson's great popularity with the people of the country should be proof conclusive to the politicians that it is suicidal to make the effort to accomplish his defeat. The people of the country want Wilson. Let the people rule.

IN appreciation of the excellent service rendered by President Price, of the Senate, and Sperker Trippe, of the House, during the session of the Legislature, each was presented a handsome silver service by their colleagues. Both gentlemen have made splendid presiding officers, and they enjoy the confidence and esteem of the members of the two Houses.

DELEGATE W. Irving Walker, of the Queen Annes delegation, deserves the commendation and thanks of the farmers throughout the State for the excellent work he did in the Maryland Legislature in using his influence for the passage of many beneficial laws for the welfare and financial interests of the farmers. His efforts were productive of many excellent laws, and the farmers will appreciate his services, we are quite sure.

THE CHESTERTOWN TRANTCRIPT was the first paper in the State to declare openly for the nomination of Governor Woodrow Wilson for President. We did so, absolutely confident of his eminent fitness for the great office, and because we believe he is the choice of the great majority of the people. If the people are left free to express their preference for President, we believe that Governor Wilson will win the nomination easily, and that he will be triumphantly elected in November.

...ll introduced by Mr. Harris in ...ure to pension Mr. Jesse G. ...uries received ... the State as a ...d House of Correction has passed the Senate, and it is sincerely hoped that Gov. Goldsborough will not veto the bill. Mr. Duyer's eyesight has been almost totally destroyed by the injuries received, and a pension of $200 a year from the State is small compensation for a man who was so seriously injured while defending the laws of his state.

IT HAS BEEN reported during the week that the real motive behind the candidacy of Mr Albert Constable is not to make the chief Judgeship, because it is apparent that Judge Adkins will be nominated in the circuit, but that the friends of Mr. Constable are only desirous of making a good showing for him in this contest, in order to make him the logical candidate to succeed to the associate Judgeship next year. Should Mr. Constable make a good showing against a man of Judge Adkins' popularity and fitness, it is believed that he will have the advantage of any other Democratic aspirant for the associate Judgeship next year. Has not the Kent News endorsement of Mr. Constable for Chief Judge shut the door against Mr. Lewin W. Wickes, Mr. William W. Beck, or Mr. Wm. M. Slay, of the Kent bar, for if the News believes Mr. Constable so well fitted for the chief Judgeship, how could it refuse to support him for associate Judge next year.

THE COURT OF APPEALS is the highest tribunal in the State. The judges who sit in this court are men of mature minds, whose knowledge of the law has been put to the test by years of experience on the bench, and who by reason of long practice have acquired the "judicial mind" and also an ability to interpret questions of jurisprudence in the light of years of study and experience. It would, therefore, be unfortunate that Judge Pearce's successor on the Court of Appeals bench shall be a young and inexperienced man, a man who has been practicing law for only a few years, and who, though a splendid gentleman personally and socially, cannot possibly be as well qualified for the chief judgeship as is Judge William H. Adkins. We believe it would be a great mistake not to promote Judge Adkins, whose career on the bench has been eminently successful, and who by reason of his long years as a practitioner and his fine judicial mind, possesses all the qualifications for promotion to the Court of Appeals bench. It is an exceedingly dangerous thing to inject the bitterness of factional politics into the selection of our judiciary. And in view of the fact that Judge Adkins is now serving as associate judge, and desires promotion to the chief judgeship, we feel that such promotion is not only his due, but that because of his experience, his fitness and his fine judicial attainments, we feel there is no just reason for opposing the promotion of Judge Adkins, except from the standpoint of factional politics. Judge Adkins is the logical successor to Judge Pearce, and there should be no opposition in this circuit to his promotion, and the opposition to the gratification of Judge Adkins' desire for promotion is not only the injection of factional politics into the selection of the members of our bench, which should never be countenanced, but it is a reflection upon the ability and fine qualifications of one of our associate judges whose desire for promotion is not only a natural one, but whose experience on the bench justly entitles him to such promotion.

MR. BECK'S paper advised the County Commissioners to watch carefully the expenditure of the road fund during the next several weeks, and see how it is being spent. This is almost an impossible thing for the Commissioners to do, as the money is going so fast. Last Tuesday the Commissioners were compelled to approve road bills amounting to more than $1000 for only one week's work, and how in the world are the Commissioners going to keep up with the road fund when it is going at such a pace as that? But the road engineer and those behind him are using every device known to the trade to induce the County Commissioners to levy an additional $4000 over and above the $18,000 already levied and practically spent, to provide for an emergency that should have been guarded against when they were spending that $12,721.99 in the six months prior to the last primaries, and for the expenditure of a great part of which there was not the slightest necessity. The Commissioners will be very unwise either to levy more money or to assume any of the responsibility for the *borrowing* of any more money to waste on the roads than has already been wasted.

The voters of Kent will on this occasion have the opportunity to rise above petty factional lines and vote for a candidate who belongs to neither faction—ALBERT CONSTABLE, JR.

The above is taken from an editorial published in the Kent News last Saturday indorsing the candidacy of Mr. Constable for chief judge. The entry of Mr. Constable as a candidate for chief judge against Judge Adkins has injected factionalism into this judiciary contest. Judge Adkins is now associate judge of this circuit. He has served for nearly six years with marked ability and impartiality. By reason of his position on the bench as associate judge, he is the logical man to succeed Chief Judge Pearce, he is already on the bench, and why cast such a reflection upon our present judiciary by putting on the bench a young and inexperienced man over the head of Judge Adkins, who is justly entitled to the promotion, exeept for factional reasons, for the injection of which into this contest the supporters of Mr. Constable are responsible. There are five counties in this judicial circuit—Cecil, Kent, Queen Annes, Caroline and Talbot. Of all the newspapers published in these five counties, so far as our own careful observation goes, the Kent News is the only paper outside of Cecil county, Mr. Constable's home county, which is supporting Mr. Constable. This fact should be a sufficient test of the popularity of Judge Adkins, and the wisdom of his promotion to the chief judgeship, to insure his nomination and election by a handsome majority and we believe it will.

WILSON IN THE LEAD.

The New York Herald, one of the most reliable papers in the country, has been keeping close "tab" on the presidential outlook in the country, from a purely disinterested view. The Herald stated this week that Woodrow Wilson is far in the lead of all the Democratic candidates for president, and will undoubtedly have a majority of the delegates in the Baltimore Convention on the first ballot. The Herald also states that Gov. Wilson is undoubtedly the choice of the great mass of the people and if the question of the nominee were settled in a presidential primary, Wilson would be nominated beyond question. As the present situation stands it looks like it is the "field"—a combination of the Clark, Harmon and Underwood forces against Wilson. Gov. Harmon's nomination is an impossibility because William Jennings Bryan has publicly stated that he will not support Harmon, and Mr. Bryan's influence in the country is such that no Democrat can be elected without it. The fact that four of Champ Clark's campaign mangers—ex-Senator Pittigrew, of South Dakota, ex-Senator Dubois, of Idaho, George Fred Williams, of Massachusetts, and William Randolph Hearst, New York, are Republicans, and that Pettigrew voted for the iniquitous Force Bill, which was killed by the efforts of the late Senator Gorman, of Maryland, will greatly weaken the possibility of Clark as a candidte, and the southern sugar growers are against Underwood because of his fight in Congress for free sugar. This makes Underwood an impossibility, because his own section is divided as to his availability. Gov. Wilson is the only candidate who seems to meet the demands of the people, and he is strong in all sections of the country. It is a settled fact that the politicians will seek to defeat Gov. Wilson because he does too much thinking. But he is undoubtedly the choice of the great body of the people, and he will have a clear majority of the delegates in the Baltimore Convention.

LEGISLATURE CLOSES.

The Maryland Legislature for 1912 closed at midnight on Monday. In many respects it has been one of the most unique sessions in the history of the State, but on the whole the session has been a profitable one, and much legislation of a progressive and important character has been passed. Large sums of money have been appropriated for the establishment of a school of Technology in connection with the work of the Johns Hopkins University, and for the erection of a fine new Normal School building; the Corrupt Practices Act has been strengthened, a Presidential and United States Senatorial Primary Law have been enacted; a large appropriation for continuing State road work has been granted, and in the main all the pledges of the Democratic party have been fulfilled in the passage of good laws. The record of each of Kent's representatives has been good. Mr. Beck has occupied a conspicuous part in the deliberations of the Senate and in the passage of important laws. So far as his work relates to local legislation, we do not hesitate to say that we believe he has made a serious mistake in his course on legislation looking to the the erection of schools in the county. He refused to pass this bill in its amended form simply because it required that the funds be controlled by the County Commissioners. He agreed to the referendum clause in the school bill, to changing the time in the maturing of the bonds, and to the increase in the appropriation to Betterton, all of which amendments were inserted in Mr. Harris' bill, but simply because by placing the expenditure of the funds in the control of the County Commissioners, his Organization would not secure control of the funds, he killed the bill, and thus deprived the people of the chance to secure their school buildings for at least two years. His bill to decrease the Board of County Commissioners from five to three members may justly be classed as a piece of partisan legislation, designed as a slap at the duly elected representatives of the people, only because the Organization had lost control of the Board of Commissioners, and Messrs. Harris and Miller very justly and properly killed the bill. Mr. Beck's stand on the oyster bill was in keeping with the interests of the oystermen of his county, and his vote against the Price-Campbell bill was nothing more than it should have been. His record on the Local Option Bill is an open book. We believe he made an egregious blunder in refusing to repeal the Gibbs Road Law, and thereby making possible the enactment of a road law that would have provided competent management, and local supervision over the road engineer The refusal to repeal the present law is a serious thrust at the interests of our great mass of tax-payers, and Mr. Beck must take the responsibility for his actions. The record of Messrs. Miller and Harris, we unhesitatingly say, is excellent. Unfortunately Mr. Miller was too sick for several weeks of the session to be in attendance and much of the burden of protecting the interests of our people and tax-payers fell to the lot of Mr. Harris who has proven a most capable representative. Early in the session Messrs. Harris and Miller passed the bill to repeal the road law, which was the only way of ridding the county of incompetent management and expensive and ineffective road work. This was done in plenty of time to pass a law that would have been perfectly satisfactory to the tax-payers, and which would have been far superior to the present law, and it would have provided for a road engineer also. Besides this Mr. Miller's record on the Local Option Bill is beyond reproach, as is also his record on oyster legislation, and all other measures affecting the interests of his ccunty and State. He has made a most capable representative and his county should feel proud of his services. So far as the record of Mr. James G. Harris is concerned we do not think the county ever had a more capable and careful representative in the House than Mr. Harris has been. 'Tis true, we did not agree with him on his vote against the Local Option bill. We believe however that Mr. Harris was conscientious in the position he took in the matter, and his reason for voting against the measure—that many of the provisions of the bill were too drastic—is the opinion of many of Mr. Harris' constituents, with whom he advised. Aside from this Mr. Harris' record is splendid. He labored faithfully for the protection of the tax-payers interests by amending the Organization's bonding bills in the interest of the people, he and Mr. Miller passed a bill to pension Mr. Jesse G. Duyer, a most humane and expedient act, he voted right on oyster legislation, as he did also on Fish and Game bills. Not a single measure to take money from the tax-payers of the county was introduced or passed by either Mr. Miller or Mr. Harris. They have both done everything in their power to prevent the passage of laws detrimental to the interests of the tax-payers, and they leave behind them at Annapolis an excellent record. It is a mighty fortunate thing for the tax-payers of Kent county at this time that two such men as Charles L. Miller and James G. Harris represented their interests in the House. As to the effect of the work of Mr. Beck and Messrs. Miller and Harris upon the respective factions which they represented is concerned we leave it to the people to determine.

POLITICAL EXPEDIENCY VS. COMMON JUSTICE.

If common justice is to prevail over a far-fetched claim of political expediency, if positive right is to be preferred to cold political deals, and if experience and fidelity are to receive their just rewards in spite of worldly preferment; if these things—common justice, positive rights, experience, and ability—are to prevail, then that justice which is sought and expected to be found in the high court of enlightened public opinion, and which we believe will be found in the purposes and desires of the people in the Second Judicial Circuit of Maryland, Judge Adkins will be the next chief judge of this circuit.

In him we have a man who gave up a large and lucrative practice to go on the bench as associate judge, who has now had five years of valuable experience, gained through hard work and diligent service, who is the senior in point of service of the associate judges, who is able, conscientious, and energetic, and who by every consideration of justice and right is entitled to be promoted to the bench of the Court of Appeals.

There can be little doubt that such claims as these will appeal to the sense of right of the people of this circuit, yet there are some in certain sections who seek to divert the minds of the people from the proper consideration of the real facts that should guide them in this matter and which by every conception of right and justice point to Judge Adkins as the man and judge to be elevated to the high position which his friends are seeking for him.

We have heard but one argument against this, and that, in our judgment, is a poor one, because it is founded, as we have above indicated, on a claim of political expediency and cold practical politics. We had hoped that our judiciary was above questions of mere political expediency; and even descending to a consideration of the matter from the standpoint of practical politics, the nomination of Judge Adkins would be a wise move. His presence on the ticket this fall will lend strength and numbers to our fight.

In 1913 we will nominate his successor, and as we are stronger with our judicial candidates in the five counties forming the second judicial circuit, this certainly is an admitted fact, the presence of judicial candidates at that time will aid the local tickets in each of these counties. This is merely practical politics and ought not to prevail against the higher conception of civic duty, but from every phase of the matter we believe that we have the argument and the facts. This supposed matter of political expediency is the only argument we have heard against Judge Adkins, and from the possibility that Governor Goldsborough will appoint Judge Adkins' successor, who will serve but a part of a year, and who possibly will be a Republican, it is inconceivable how any one can coldly expect Judge Adkins, with his every claim to promotion, to step quietly aside and permit a new and judicially inexperienced man to be elevated over his head to a position which he by common consent is deserving.

Upon this plea, this idle claim of political expediency, has aroused great concern on the part of some of our friends. With this terrible calamity, this bugaboo, they are attempting to frighten the people into something that justice nor the exigencies of the occasion do not require nor even demand.

We have always carried the Second Judicial Circuit and will always do so, yet with this bugaboo and claim of great strength they are attempting to frighten on the one hand and entice on the other. It just won't work. Wm. H. Adkins will be the next chief judge of the Second Judicial Circuit, and in 1913 some good Democrat will be elected to succeed him in this present position.—Easton Star Democrat.

Harris M. Davis, Alfred Green and Thomas R. L. Price were elected town commissioners of Centerville.

ELECTION OF
Town Commissioner
MEMBERS OF
WATER BOARD
And Vote Upon the Bonding of the Town for New Sewers.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Election will be held at the Court House in Chestertown, Maryland, on

MONDAY, APRIL 22, 1912,

for the purpose of electing one person to serve for three years in the place of Wm. T. Duyer, one of the present commissioners, whose term expires on that date. Polls open from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M.

Also three members of Water Borad to serve three years from May 1, 1912.

And under and by virtue of a law passed by the General Assembly of Maryland of 1912, at the said election there will be submitted to the qualified voters of Chestertown the question contained in a bill, to bond the town for sewers the provisions of which will appear later.

By order of Board of Chestertown Commissioners.

a6-3t. JAMES W. CROUCH, Clerk.

NOTICE!

The public is hereby warned to be careful in traveling over the roads and bridges of the county, for, due to the damage done by heavy rains, many dangerous places exist. These, however, are being repaired as rapidly as possible.

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50c Turkish Towels to go at 39c
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25c Embroidery, per yd, go at 15c
15c and 20c Insertion, per yd 7½c
Children's 10c Stockings, sale price .. 5c
Light Calico, in pretty patterns, per yard 3½c
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1 Roll, 1 foot high, 150 feet long 49c
1 Roll, 2 feet high, 150 feet long 98
1 Roll, 3 feet high, 150 feet long $1.47
1 Roll, 4 feet high, 150 feet long 1.96
1 Roll, 5 feet high, 150 feet long 2.45

Wednesday Grocery Bargains

Sugar, per pound 5½c
Best Porto Rico Molasses, per gal 35c
Good Rio Coffee, per pound 20c
6 Boxes Sea Gull Yeast Powder and one Box Cleanser 25c
3 5c packages Garden Seed for 5c
15 Smoked Bloaters for 25c
4 boxes Mica Axle Grease and 1 5c package Axle Grease 25c
1 Bag Flour 23c
4 boxes Elbow Macaroni 25c
3 boxes Coffee Essence 5c
3 packages Bread Soda 5c
Baker's Chocolate, per pound 25c
Washing Soda, per pound 1c
1 Thimble 1c
3 package Hair Pins 1c
3 boxes Matches 1c
1 Tablet 1c
1 Cake Soap 1c
2 boxes Tacks 1c

Easter Carriages and Harness

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Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters of administration upon the personal estate of

JOHN J. LOCKWOOD,

late of Kent county, Md., deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, on or before the 8th day of October, 1912, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. Given under my hand and seal this 26th day of March, 1912.

m30-4t. JOHN J. LOCKWOOD, Administrator.

Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters of administration upon the personal estate of

STEPHEN E. FORD,

late of Kent county, Md., deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 24th day of September, 1912, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. Given under my hand and seal this 12th day of March, 1912.

m16-4t. HENRY H. KLINEFELTER, Administrator.

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