AN IMPORTANT OFFICE

In the political history of the county there seems to have been noted the idea that anybody can be a Sheriff and some believe that anybody will be acceptable to the voters for Sheriff. This is not the case. We have in the Sheriff's office now a man who appreciates the duties of the office and tries to uphold the dignity of the same. One of his opponents two years ago was William Goodman, of Quaker Neck, now a candidate. His vote two years ago in Quaker Neck with Sheriff Hadaway, John Burris and Emory Crouch in the field proves his popularity at home. He is a true and tried Democrat, a loyal friend and believes in enforcement of law. We bespeak for him a successful campaign.

In reference to this high office of Sheriff we would impress the voter with its importance. Upon him lies the responsibility of carrying out all orders of the court, serving summons, writs, executions and other processes of the law. The Sheriff is also looked to for the preservation of law and order and it is on him that the community must to a great extent depend for the detection, arrest and safe-keeping, until the Courts pass judgment, of criminals from the petty thief to the murderer.

A very brief study of his many important duties is enough to convince one that to properly fill this office requires a man of many parts. Both his duties in civil and criminal matters makes it first of all imperative that he be industrious, honest and upright, above a bribe and incorruptible, free from entangling alliances or influences that could tend to interfere with his official duties.

As he may be called upon to arrest a desperate and dangerous criminal, at any time, he must possess physical courage enough to make him fearless in the performance of his duties. Since criminals do not aim to leave any evidence behind them, the Sheriff, in order to arrest the perpetrators of crime, must possess the abilities of an investigator and sleuth.

He must be a student of human nature, wide awake, alert, always on the watch, ready to read in the most trivial happenings or circumstances the facts relative to a crime and to those guilty of committing it.

Due to the unusual wave of lawlessness that has swept over the county, State and Nation, the office of Sheriff is of even more importance now that in the recent past. To hold the criminal classes in check requires a firm and intelligent hand. The right man is bound to act as a detriment to law-breakers because of their fear of his activities and the wrong man will conversely be a bid for lawlessness.

It is this that should make the Democratic men and women of this county think before they register their choice for Sheriff in the Democratic primary this year. There is something more than the mere giving of the place to a friend involved in the question; there is that involved which affects the life and property of all.

Before casting a vote for a man to fill this office the men and women of the county owe it to themselves and to the community to make a thorough investigation with the idea of ascertaining as much as they can about the character of the men asking for their support.

There are several aspirants this year for the office, and the question to be solved by the voters is to find a among these aspirants the one most fitted for its duties.

Outside of its importance the office of sheriff is a good paying office. The sheriff is paid by fees and commissions, and this amounts to about $2,000 a year, varying as the conditions and activity of the sheriff varies.

The duties, if properly performed, are onerous and often unpleasant and at times may be even hazardous. The power for good is great and the opportunity for harm is also there.

A strong, honest, capable sheriff can do much to stem the tide of lawlessness and curb the activities of the criminal classes; the court can direct, command and punish after conviction, the State's Attorney may assist, help and direct, and after arrest, vigorously prosecute, but the field officer in detecting and arresting criminals is the sheriff and his deputies—his must be first performed before the State's Attorney can prosecute or the Court punish.

To our mind the man who can fill these requirements is Capt. William Goodman, of Quaker Neck. For many years he was mate on the steamer Corsica under the late Capt. Vandyke.

THRILLS GALORE IN "THE THIRD ALARM"

A Colossal And Magnificent Heart Drama That Immortalizes American Firemen

At last a photodrama, constructed on gigantic lines, that sings the long-delayed praises of the firemen of this country. It has been a long time coming, to be sure, but now that is is here in lavish reality, firemen and their hundreds of thousands of friends are rejoicing because it shows in vivid and logical sequences the degree of service the firemen gives to his employers—the well known public.

The production is appropriately titled "The Third Alarm" and is scheduled for its initial exhibition at the Lyceum Theatre on Friday and Saturday of this week. That the fireman is a vital factor in the welfare of any community is brought out with smashing dramatic power in "The Third Alarm." It shows not only how diligently he serves but it also depicts in thrilling scenes the dangers he confronts, the erils he faces uncomplainingly in he daily pursuit of his duties.

"The Third Alarm" is not propaganda for the firemen. Keep this point in mind. It is a powerful dramatic story about a fireman and his little family, of his struggles for happiness, of his failure under the weight of increasing years, of his dismissal from the department and of his comeback in a conflagration so staggeringly big in its scope as to put other screen fires to shame.

Then, too, there is a delightful note of romance. The unceasing loyalty of Fireman M'Dowell's wife, her bravery in the face of her husband's discharge, all make for drama of poignant appeal. There are young people in the cast also and their experience in love heightens the romantic interest of the story.

"The Third Alarm" unfolds a story that is right down to the level of the average American citizen and the members of his family. Its producer, Mr. Emory Johnson, has told the whole truth about the firemen just as he told the truth about the policeman in his epic photoplay "In the Name of the Law." Believing that the nation owed a just debt not only to the fire fighters of the big cities but to those of the smaller communities as well Mr. Johnson has created "The Third Alarm" as a means of paying this debt of gratitude to the men who risk their lives day in and day out that our property may be safe-guarded.

In the cast are Ralph Lewis, Johnnie Walker, Ella Hall, Virginia True Boardman, Richard Morris, Josephine Adair and Frankie Lee. It's an F. O. B. attraction.

RICH NECK AND CRUMPTON

For the first time in a generation political interest in a county primary has become keen in this section. This is due to two things: first the fact that one of the candidates from this district is on the ticket for a most important position, and second, because of the close contest between the Wilson-Roe tickets. Chiefly the first. Our people are vitally interested in Mr. Walker's nomination, and judging from a recent canvass made by the writer, he is about as near a 100 per cent. candidate as it is possible to find. Every body is for him, even the Republicans. There is a reason for this Mr. Walker has been to the State Legislature before and made a most excellent representative. He does things—the things his constituents want done. He is the kind of a man the county should send to Annapolis, when we send more of them we will have better laws. The Second District will give him a big majority.

E. R. Anthony, the leading grower of plants and flowers in this part of Queen Annes county is adding an addition to his already fine hot house plants.

Our truckers are literally swamping the Chestertown market with cantaloupes and watermelons, which are being sold for a minimum price.

It is quite probable that the Chester River boat will in a few months at most, be discontinued. This leaves our section with no river boat to Baltimore. What this section needs is a fast, narrow steamer, not a side-wheeler, but one that can pass through Chester River draw. This boat should go from Crumpton to Baltimore daily, a great part of the year, leaving that town at about six a. m., and arriving in Baltimore at 12 m. This would give the vast section, which now has practically no market, an outlet for the finest cantaloupes, watermelons, berries and fruits grown anywhere, besides the large number of poultry farmers would have a quick and ready market for their produce. A boat line of this calibre would do more to develop this secion than anything we know of.

Mrs. Emma Newnam, of Baltimore, is the guest of Mrs. H. Clay Hendrix.

Mrs. Mollie Chandler and Mrs. Williard Biddle and children are visiting Mrs. John Parson, Baltimore.

Mrs. Mary Tarbutton is entertaining relatives from N. Carolina and Wilmington.

Miss Helen Stack is spending the week with friends at Barclay.

Mrs. Harry Eck, of Baltimore, has been the guest of her brother, Mr. Austin Bowers.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter Walls, of Philadelphia, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harrison.

Mrs. Sallie Fennimore and Miss Evelyn Sneed are visiting Mrs. Hattie Rubsamen at Atlantic City.

Mrs. Poe Hartley spent last week at Church Hill.

William Bowen, of Baltimore, was in town alst week.

Mrs. Ida Milburn is visiting friends in New Jersey.

Championship Won By Massey

Massey defeated Sudlersville for the third consecutive time on the Sudlersville diamond Saturday by a score of 1 to 0. This concludes the series between the two towns. Although Massey won all three games by superior playing they were fought to the limit by the Sudlersville aggregation who deserve much credit for their splendid showing.

The third game was a pitchers duel from start to finish. Both Groff and Scott pitched an excellent game, with Groff having slightly the better of the argument.

The only run of the game was scored in the eighth inning when after one had been retired Peacock knocked a two bagger to right center, moved to third when Walls threw out R. Jones and scored when Smith muffled Groff's easy grounder.

The Massey team consisted of G. Newnam, 3b; Gibbs, cf; Haley, lf; P. Jones, 2b; Moffett, ss; L. Newnam, rf; Peacock, lf; Jones, c; Groff, p.

Shakespeare says, "the empty vessel makes the greatest sound."

There are a few babblers running around in this campaign doing a heap of talking without knowing what they are talking about. Some of the stuff they are putting out is simply incorrect in statement and nonsense.

But this can not hurt Senator Russell with intelligent and thoughtful people.

Writer Calls It "Side-Stepping"

To the Eotidrs
To the Editors of the Kent News:

Dear Sirs:

According to political announcement in The Tarnscript, Mr. Copper, "if elected, will go to Annapolis with an open mind," being "unable to state his views on particular issues until he knows just what form these issues will take."

To the thoughtful person these statements mean nothing because they are entirely indefinite, but in all fairness I assume that Mr. Copper would have it appear that his mind is not made up on the questions which are at present agitating the public thought, and that he holds himself in a state of mental equipoise.

Mr. Copper has very carefully and studiously avoided any candid discussion of the "Wet and Dry" or "Law Enforcement" question. His most ardent "wet" supporters emphatically contend that he is against an Enforcement Bill, and his "dry" admirers argue with equal sincerity that he is pledged to prohibition. Mr. Copper says he is open-minded, notwithstanding the fact that every intelligent and educated voter in this County has a decided opinion, one way or the other, on the above question. What has the form of this issue to do with the real substance of the question?

It is very apparent to the writer that Mr. Copper is carrying water on both shoulders, and regardless whether we elect an Organization or Anti-ticket the Electorate of Kent County should not allow itself to be fooled by a meaningless tangle of words.

I aim to say nothing unkind of the Anti candidate, but he should not receive the support of the people of this County when it is very clear that he is side-stepping the vital questions in which they are most keenly interested.

A DEMOCRATIC VOTER.

How It Looks To A Democrat

Editors of Kent News:

Politics in Kent County are taking on an old time, familiar aspect, and the Democrats are treading the same road which lead them directly into the lair of the Republicans a few years back.

The county is splint into Organization and Anti-Organization factions, no matter what claims are made to the contrary; and the fight is waged along the same old lines.

If this is not a clean-cut fight against the organization, why two tickets? Why opposition to good men on the regular ballot. Why should Mr. Copper be chosen over Mr. Russell? Is he more successful in accomplishment? Does his mentality merit consideration over and above Mr. Russell's? Does not Mr. Russell's record in the Maryland Senate entitle him to that courtesy which is generally extended to our upper housemen—that of re-election? Does any one question that Mr. Russell deserves a return to Annapolis?

Will Mr. Copper vote his personal views if elected?; or will he be governed by the folks at home? The answer is plain.

Mr. Russell was honored with a position on a committee which enabled him to be of inestimable benefit to Washington College. It is safe to say the financial aid handel out to the local institution was largely through his influence. If he is returned, he will, of course, be honored with an appointment on the same committee.

This can not be predicted of Mr. Copper, and Washington College may suffer by any change in Senatorial representation.

For education, in experience, in ability to express himself on the floor, in every way which pertains to the making of a creditable senatorial member, Mr. Russell is far above his political rival.

Then why not elect him? There is no answer to this question except that in Kent the old disruption is again threatening; the old attempt to destroy the ramparts of the old democracy, and build anew, for no reason except that the old is old, not that the new is better. To the mind of the writer it is secession, it is reactionary, and the Democrats should stand to her guns and beat back all attacks against the citadel of their political faith.

DEMOCRAT.

Nominations by Certificate.

In accordance with the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1912, the following persons have fully complied with the law by filing certificates for nomination with the Supervisors of Elections, and there being no opposition before us to these candidates, and no contesting candidates for the offices for which they desire to be nominated, it will not be necessary to vote for them in the Primary Election, and a certificate of nominatoin will be issued to them according to law, certified as the candidates of the Democratic Party:

FOR GOVERNOR

ALBERT C. RITCHIE,
OF ANNAPOLIS.

FOR COMPTROLLER

WILLIAM S. GORDY, JR.,
OF WICOMICO COUNTY.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

THOMAS H. ROBINSON,
OF HARFORD COUNTY.

FOR CLERK OF COURT OF APPEALS

JAMES A. YOUNG,
OF CUMBERLAND.

FOR STATE'S ATTORNEY

S. SCOTT BECK.

FOR JUDGES OF ORPHAN'S COURT

EDWARD A. SCOTT.
J. HENRY THOMPSON.
WM. K. HUDSON.

BY ORDER
C. FRANK CROW, President:
J. HYDIE THOMPSON,
THOMAS W. TREW,
Supervisors of Elections for Kent County, Md.

C. J. Reiche, Clerk.

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FOR GOVERNOR

ALEXANDER ARMSTRONG,
OF WASHINGTON COUNTY.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL:

WM. CALDWELL COLEMAN,
OF BALTIMORE COUNTY.

STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

ROBERT R. HILL,
A. PARKS RASIN,
CHARLES H. HUTCHINS.

DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION

JOHN N. BENNETT,
JOSEPH R. LAMBERT,
JOHN W. BROADWAY.

The Oath Taken By Each Member Of Our Legislature

The Constitution of Maryland requires that every member of the Legislature before entering upon the duties of his office shall take and subscribe to the following oath:

"I do swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the State of Maryland, and support the Constitution and Laws thereof; and that I wll to the best of my skill and judgment, diligently and faithfully, without partiality or prejudice, execute the office according to the Constitution and Laws of this State."

And Article 2 of the Declaration of Rights of the State of Maryland says: "The Constitution of the United States, and the Laws made or which shall be made in pursuance thereof, and all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the authority of the United States are, and shall be the surpreme law of the State: and the Judges of this State, and all the people of this State, are, and shall be bound thereby anything in the Constitution or Law of this State to the contrary notwithstanding."

You will observe from the above that each member swears first that "he will support the Constitution of the United States," and second that "he will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the State of Maryaland and support the Constitution and Laws thereof,' and this State Constitution which he swears he will support, in Article 2 of the Bill of Rights, says "The Constitution of the United States and the Laws made or which shall be made in pursuance thereof are and shall be the supreme law of the State."

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has obtained from the Orphan's Court for Kent County letters Testamentary on the personal estate of Annie Cassandra Maxwell, late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 8th day of March, 1924, otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said deceased's personal estate.

All persons indebted to this estate must settle at once.

Given under my hand this 4th day of September, 1923.

WILLIAM S. MAXWELL,
Executor.

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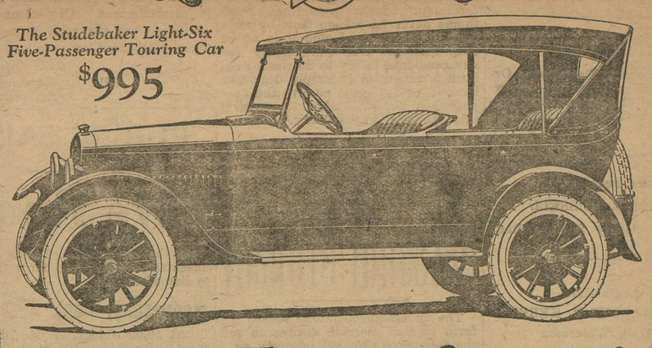

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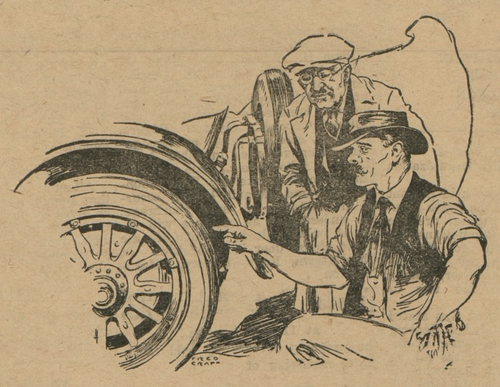

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