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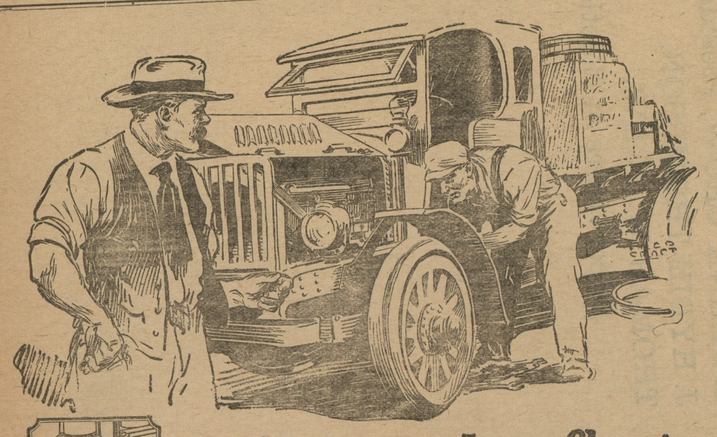

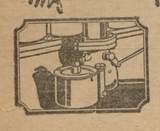

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"RITCHIE, THE COMPETENT"

A striking analysis of Governor Ritchie's record in the last four years is presented in an article in The Evening Sun.

Written without political prejudice or feeling by a man wholly unbiased, an independent, it drives home the real reasons why the Governor was renominated unanimously by his party and why he will be re-elected by an unprecedented majority.

The sum and substance of the article is that the Governor has not only devoted himself unsparingly and unselfishly to the work of the State, with unusual ability and vigor, but he has, to a degree not equalled in any other State in the Country, secured the co-operation and services—in many instances without compensation—of the very strongest and best citizens in the community, in his efforts to place Maryland at the very head of them all.

Some of the names that might be mentioned here, as illustrating the type of men who help make up the Ritchie administration are: Dr. Lewellys F. Barker, Emory L. Coblentz, Dr. Hugh H. Young, Dr. J. M. T. Finney, W. Mason Shehan, Dr. William H. Welch, J. H. Mason Knox, William Milnes Maloy, Ezra B. Whitman, Lewis M. Milbourne, Harvey L. Cooper, J. Frank Harper, Dr. Victor Cullen, Dr. Frank J. Goodnow, W. Bladen Lowndes, J. J. Nelligan, Joseph J. Hock, B. Howell Griswold, Jr., and many others.

Some of these men serve on unpaid boards. Most of them are wholly independent politically, but the big point is that they have been willing to serve the State under this administration, and the State has been a heavy gainer.

The article under the caption "Ritchie, the Competent," is in part as follows:

"Four years ago, during the campaign for Governor, I wrote in this place that Albert C. Ritchie possessed qualities of character and intellect which, if he is elected, may easily raise him to a position in the esteem of Marylanders' far higher than the position he then held. He was at that time regarded as an unusually competent and industrious Attorney-General. It is gratifying to find that prediction abundantly realized.

"Governor Ritchie has undoubtedly associated a high order of statesmanship and high standards as a public man with the office, making it more the position of a statesman, less the job of a politician, reviving some of the standards of the office which were associated with it in earlier days. Maryland has had reason to be proud of its Chief Executive at all the conferences of Governors which have been held since his term began.

"After he has been in the spotlight for four years, it is still possible to say of him that he has no trace of the demagogue about him. He makes his appeal to the public not by pretty phrases which they want to hear, but which, upon examination, are found to mean nothing either to the man who speaks them or the men who hear them. (One need not think long to recall public characters who have that habit.) He is a real worker, possessed of both industry and capacity. That is more important than is the question of whether his record is 100 per cent. perfect. Every man is entitled to a few mistakes in his total score.

"There can be no doubt that he ranks extremely high among the Governors of the country. He is a gentleman by birth and by education, possessed, however, of the common touch. Such men are so rare in public life in America and demagogues so many that it would be the utmost folly to retire the type once he was found. Ritchie does the right thing in public life, I believe, largely by instinct, because his brain imagines situations so clearly that it is really impossible for him to do less. He would see too clearly the poor figure he would cut doing the lesser thing.

"Such a man always sees clearly the point of view of his severest and most able critics, as a smaller man cannot do. The net result is better for the public. Even those who criticize him most harshly grant him this high mental power.

"This is not an attempt to review his administration. He may have made some mistakes. But, to my mind, the net result has been infinitely superior to that of any Governor in the last twenty-five years. There is no doubt about the service he has done the public school system of the State, even if the charge the Republicans made in their platform to the effect that he appointed persons in politics to the county school boards were true, and I do not grant that it is true. The appointment of Albert S. Cook as State Superintendent was a splendid stroke in itself. Everyone knows how highly educators rated the Baltimore county schools when Mr. Cook was at their head.

"He has reduced the State tax rate and the constructive order of his mind assures that if anybody can get it down lower in the next four years he can. His reorganization plan has been criticized, but that the final result will be good there cannot be much doubt. The fewer elections legislation was adopted as a direct result of public demand for it. He was criticized severely for his attitude toward the Merit System four years ago. He was leaving too many positions out, it was said then. He promised to put others in as soon as the worth of the system was proved. He did just that.

"He has appointed to office men of intelligence and capacity to work like himself, and it cannot be said of them that they have worked with their eyes more on politics than on their duties—Gen. Charles D. Gaither, Police Commissioner; Emory L. Coblentz, chairman of the Board of Welfare; William Milnes Maloy and Erza Whitman in the Public Service Commission; John N. Mackall, Roads Commissioner. And having appointed them, he has stood by them in spite of criticisms of them and when there was the most active effort to get some of them out. In that respect, in the entire absence of scandals worked up during his administration against appointees for the purpose of getting rid of them, his administration has been especially clean.

"It has been said that he has been too complaisant in his attitude toward the police magistrate system. I believe that system could be improved. But it has not been established that the way the Republicans recommend is the only way. To raise the salary and say that only lawyers may serve comes far from being a plan for improvement. It is a question whether there isn't much to be said in favor of having men of sound judgment who come from the people above whom they sit in judgment, rather than in placing in the positions men who are removed from those people by place of residence and daily contacts. Again, I believe that if anyone can reform the system Albert C. Ritchie can. He knows the elements concerned as few other men in Maryland do.

"The Governor is not an 'uplifter.' He is sophisticated. He may use the elements of practical politics to accomplish his purposes. But those purposes are worthy, because the more worthy they are the more credit they give him. How much better to have such a man in office, with high standards of public service of his own, which he must live up to justify himself, than to have some well-intentioned man-child who does not know his way around. American public life is not a tale of "Babes in the Woods.'

"I do not mean to suggest that Alexander Armstrong is the latter type. He is a man of high capacity and honesty of mind. The Republicans were probably influenced in nominating him by the knowledge of the high mental powers and strong character of Mr. Ritchie.

"But Ritchie undoubtedly has the driving power, the brains. He is in the thick of a task of genuine governmental stock-taking and change for the better. It is common sense to return him, to permit him to go on with his task.

"And that can be done without violation of the sound principles of rotation in office. If he is given two terms he will not convert Maryland into a royal principality."

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Kent County letters of Administration on the personal estate of

HARRY C. HAMILTON

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 6th day of April, 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 2nd day of October, 1923.

WILLIAM G. HAMILTON, Administrator.

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PROCLAMATION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 281, ACTS OF 1922.

Whereas, At the January Session of the General Assembly of Maryland, held in the year 1922, an Act was passed proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State by adding a new Section to Article 4 thereof, to follow Section 31 of said Article 4 and to be known as Section 31A, and which said Act is known as Chapter 221 of the Acts of 1922, and is in the words and figures to the legal and qualified voters of the following:

CHAPTER 281

AN ACT to amend the Constitution of Maryland by adding a new Section to Article 4.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, three-fifths of all the members of both Houses concurring, that the following section be and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Maryland, and if adopted by the legal and qualified voters thereof, as hereinafter provided, the same shall stand as an additional section to Article 4 of said Constitution, to follow Section 31, and to be known as Section 31A.

31A. In addition to the authority granted to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore by the preceding Section to pay to each of the Judges of the Supreme Bench the annual sum of five hundred dollars, authority is hereby given to said Mayor and City Council to pay to each of said Judges such further annual sum as an addition to their respective salaries as the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall from time to time deem right and proper, provided, that any such sum being once granted shall not be diminished during the continuance of said Judge in office.

Section 2. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said foregoing Section hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution, shall be at the next general election for members of the General Assembly to be held in this State, submitted to the legal and qualified voters thereof for their adoption or rejection, in pursuance of the directions contained in Article 14 of the Constitution of this State; and at the said general election the vote on said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be written or printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendment," and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," so that the voter may elect; and immediately after said election due return shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, as directed by said 14th Article of the Constitution.

Approved April 13th. 1922.

Now, Therefore, I, Albert C. Ritchie, Governor of Maryland, in pursuance of the direction contained in Section 1 of Article 14 of the Constitution of Maryland, do hereby order and direct that this Proclamation, containing a full, true and correct copy of the text of said Chapter 281 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1922, be published in at least two newspapers in each of the counties of the State where so many may be published and where not more than one may be published then in that newspaper, and in three newspapers published in the City of Baltimore, one of which shall be published in the German language, once a week for at least three months next preceding the election to be held in the State of Maryland on Tuesday, November 6th, 1923, at which said election the said proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State shall be submitted, in the form and manner prescribed by the General Assembly to the legal and jualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

(The Great Seal of Maryland.)

Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of Maryland. Done at the City of Annapolis this 2nd day of July, in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.

By the Governor:

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ORDER NISI

William R. Crow and Walter C. Crow, Administrators of Annie M. Crow versus Frederic W. Bruce

In the Circuit Court for Kent County In Equity. No. 2156.

Ordered, this 28th day of September, 1923, by the Circuit Court for Kent County in Equity, that the sale of the mortgaged real estate mentioned in these proceedings made and reported by Sidney P. Townshend, Attorney for William R. Crow and Walter R. Crow, Admrs. of Annie M. Crow, under and by virtue of power of sale in mortgage from Frederic W. Bruce to Annie M. Crow, dated May 22nd, 1920, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 1st day of December next; provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of four successive weeks before the 29th day of October next.

The Report states the amount of sales to be $2,000.00.

ROBERT R. AYRES, Clerk.

True Copy—Test:

s29-4t ROBERT R. AYRES, Clerk.

John D. Urie, Attorney.

RATIFICATION NISI

Harry L. Woodburn versus William T. Colgain et al

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, In Equity. No. 2144.

Ordered, this 16th day of October, 1923, by the Circuit Court for Kent County in Equity, that the Auditors Account and Report, stated and reported by Herbert E. Perkins, Special Auditor, in the above entitled cause, be Ratified and Confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown within three weeks from the date of the first publication of said notice, viz: November 10, 1923; provided, a copy of this Order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of two successive weeks before the 5th day of November next.

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