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FAVORS
IT'S REPEAL

In a recent speech delivered at New Albany, Thomas R. Marshall, Democratic candidate for governor, said:

"I am in favor of the repeal of the metropolitan police law. This metropolitan police law has enabled the governor to build up a machine throughout the state of Indiana; it enabled him to manage and control the police affairs of the state at long distance. I believe it is the duty of each city to grow in civic righteousness. The best way for it to grow in civic righteousness is to have somebody who is directly answerable to the mass of the people for a failure to discharge the duty resting upon the officer; that while the officer is only answerable to the governor and not to the people of his own community, he will be very likely inclined to manage the affairs of his office as the appointing power requests him to do. I hope, therefore, that the legislature in the discharge of its governmental functions will repeal this law and reinvest the citizens of every city in Indiana with the right to control their own police, but that if the law is not repealed and I have the lawful power to do so, I will appoint as members of the police board such citizens of each city as the mayor and common council of the city recommended to me. This, in my opinion, will be handing over to the citizens of the city again the right of local self-government, will give to such citizens, officeholders who are directly amenable to the judgment and conscience of the citizens of each city, and I would remove an officer at the request of the mayor and common council. In other words, I desire to divorce myself from the idea that if elected governor of this state, I will either directly or indirectly, attempt to build up a machine in the state of Indiana. The only machine that ought ever to be set to work in Indiana is the untrammelled judgment and conscience of the people of this state."

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WANT ADS'
PAY BIG

VALUATION LOWER

Assessments for this Year Not so High as Last

REASON'S ARE GIVEN

County Assessor Gentis Talks About the Valuation Figures

As soon as Auditor Lewton completes the footings on the township assessor's books, we will publish a complete list of assessment by townships with comparisons with 1907. The general total will show a slump over last year, and from our exchanges we note that the slump is general the state over. The decrease comes in the assessment of personal property, and in conversation with County Assessor Gentis, this decrease comes from poor crops of last year, and the general decrease in the market price of nearly all farm products. The same thing is true of stock.

Added to this is the fact that the township assessors placed a lower value on most all kinds of personal property. Incorrect figures from Union township show a decrease in the valuations there of \$31,000, and this with a tax rate of \$1.90 would mean \$589 in taxes to that township. Should this decrease hold good the county over, it would mean to exceed \$7,000 to Adams county. The city of Decatur is also showing a shortage of \$39,000 in its taxable valuation. The figures at hand are very meager and it may be that much of this apparent loss will dwindle when the correct footings are made. The losses here, though, are comparing with those reported from many other Indiana counties.

County Assessor Gentis is busy with the many duties of his office that follow the adjournment of the board of review. Many assessments were changed and other duties that will require his time.

AN AERIAL HORROR.

The Very Dreadful Thing That Stroh-schneider Did.

A group of aeronauts were talking aeronautics.

"Did you ever hear of Stroh-schneider?" said a German. "He did a dreadful thing once. I'll tell you about it."

"Stroh-schneider appeared in a certain village and advertised that he would take the landlord of the village inn up with him on a trapeze hanging from the car of his balloon."

"Though the landlord's wife made a kick and the authorities, upholding her, forbade the man to accompany Stroh-schneider, the landlord sat in state on the trapeze beside the famous aeronaut when the ascension began."

"But those nearest to him noticed that he was paler than a ghost and that his arm was thrown around Stroh-schneider's neck as if in terror. And, noting these things, the people nodded ominously to one another."

"Up and went the balloon, and now a murmur of horror arose among the multitude. The aeronaut and the landlord were quarreling; they were fighting. High up there in the clouds, perched on the swaying trapeze, they struggled, thumped, kicked."

"Suddenly the aeronaut, in a mad burst of rage, seized the landlord by the throat, thrust him backward and flung him into space. Down the poor fellow dropped like a stone, turning over and over. He alighted on his head."

"The people, mad with horror and rage, rushed to the spot. And there, to their amazement, stood the landlord, laughing heartily. The figure that had fallen was a manikin dressed up in his clothes."

"And this," the speaker concluded, "is the only practical joke that has ever been played from a balloon."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Cheap Fun.
He—You talk about men playing poker. It is no worse a vice than the shopping habit of the women. She—Perhaps not, morally speaking; but, then, it takes money to play poker, whereas a woman can shop all day without it costing her a cent except what she pays for car fare.—Boston Transcript.

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EQUAL PAY FOR WOMEN?

The Single Woman's Demand For the Married Man's Wage a New Feature of the Suffrage Movement.

With the admission by the New York women school teachers that they are not working merely for an increase of pay, but for equalization of salaries as between men and women, it is realized that the equal pay movement has become an important feature of the woman suffrage propaganda. This demand for equal pay by the teachers has been taken up by the aggressive suffragettes, who see in it an opportunity to enlist indifferent sisters in the cause.

Nothing less than the equalization of the salaries of single women up to the wage of the married men will satisfy the teachers. That 80 per cent of men teachers are the heads of families and that 60 per cent are aiding other relatives in no way abates the women's demands, nor are they dismayed by the fact that for well settled economic reasons stenographers and other women workers receive less pay than men.

What a concession to the equal pay demand would entail in the way of increased taxation is shown by the fact that it would cost New York city alone over \$9,000,000 a year to equalize its school teachers' salaries.

This is only one of the factors that led the superintendent of New York schools to state that "neither by any received economic theory nor by the analogy of any practice in any walk of life can it be regarded as sound policy to determine the salaries of the great majority (women) of the teaching force by the salaries paid to a comparatively few (men) who are employed for special purposes."

Free School Lunches.

In England the problem of feeding insufficiently nourished school children has become so acute that many municipalities have been compelled to supply free breakfasts at least to thousands of public school pupils. The Salvation Army abandoned its work in this field for awhile, but the need was so great that it had to take it up again, and last year it supplied over 350,000 breakfasts to children at a charge of half a cent each.

In looking for a food that would be cheap and at the same time sufficiently nourishing the experts employed recommended a breakfast consisting of a currant roll weighing six ounces and a mug of cocoa. This decision confirms the conclusions of some of the world's leading diet specialists that currants are one of the most nourishing and wholesome and at the same time one of the cheapest food products.

Nature's Foods Best.

The craze for prepared and patented foods of all kinds is moderating. In their place natural food products are being substituted. The dried fruits especially are increasing in popularity. If properly prepared they have lost nothing but water in the drying process, and the addition of this moisture restores the fruit to practically its original condition.

Currants are increasing in popularity perhaps more rapidly than any other dried fruit largely as the result of a better understanding of their wholesome qualities. No artificial processes enter into the curing of this fruit in Greece, the home of the currant. The finest qualities are dried in the shade, others in the sun. It takes about five pounds of the small seedless fresh grapes to make a pound of dried currants.

Perils of Crinoline.

The dangers of the historic crinoline are illustrated by a story told by Lady Dorothy Nevill in her "Reminiscences." Going too near the fireplace, her voluminous skirt caught fire, and in an instant she was in a blaze. There were no men present, and the women could not help her, because if they had gone near enough to be of use their own skirts would have been ignited. Fortunately Lady Dorothy had sufficient presence of mind to roll herself in the hearth rug and thus subdue the flames.

A Judge of Land.

Proud Father—Welcome back to the old farm, my boy. So you got through college all right? Farmer's Son—Yes, father. Proud Father—Ye know, I told ye to study up chemistry and things, so you'd know best what to do with different kinds of land. What do you think of that flat medder there, for instance? Farmer's Son—Cracky, what a place for a ball game!—Kansas City Independent.

Food Value of Dried Fruit.

Sir Francis Henry Laking, King Edward's famous physician, has an article in the Scientific American on "The Food Value of Dried Fruits," in which he says:

"From recent analyses of samples of dried currants the fact has been verified that the fruit contains no less than 73 per cent of sugar in its most valuable form. This great saccharic proportion is already in the shape of grape sugar, and thus is potential to take up its work of producing and maintaining energy and vitality. It is what is known as 'invert sugar,' a composite of dextrose and levulose. It assists digestion, it allays nervous excitement and provides nourishment in case of nervous exhaustion."

"In the dietary of the peasant classes of Greece, a people remarkable for their hardihood and health, the currant appears at almost every meal, while in Germany and Holland currant bread is a common article of food. Indeed, among the many shapes in which the currant may be brought to the table a bread made of, say, thirty parts of currants to seventy parts of dough is one of the best."

"For children and those who must of necessity adopt a diet currants will prove a digestive aid and act as a gentle and natural laxative. Therefore any accusation against the delicious, economical and valuable little fruit must fall to the ground as absurd."

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Leave Cleveland daily - 10:45 P. M.
Arrive Detroit daily - 6:00 A. M.
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*Tuesday & Thursdays 4:00 P. M.
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*Wednesdays & Fridays 9:30 A. M.
Four trips per week commencing June 18th.

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Last car leaves Maple Grove Park at 10:45 p. m.
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