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READING THE

ELECTION RETURNS

Republican political newspapers are already sick and tired of county local option—although the law has not been tested. Their early sea sickness comes from the defeat of their party in the state, and their actions now should indicate for all time to come, their insincerity for temperance. They wanted to win an election, and failing in that, they have no further use for church and temperance in politics. Republican newspapers are advocating the repeal of the county option law, and Republican politicians, even in Decatur, are indicating that they would prefer their wet. Such pre-tentative reform is the worst sort of reform.

We note that some Democratic newspapers have fallen under the spell, and in their eagerness to best serve their party, they, too, advocate the repeal of county option. They take the election returns as an index to the thoughts of the people as being opposed to county option and in favor of township and ward option. Were there no local option law on the statute books, this might be true. But there is such a law. It deserves a trial, free from political or personal prejudices, and it is time enough to repeal it after it has proven unpopular with the people.

In our minds the result of the elec-

tion is not so much an endorsement of township and ward local option, as it was the registering of people's belief in and regard for the independent Thomas R. Marshall, and their lack of confidence in James E. Watson. More important even than this, the election returns gave emphatic disapproval to the wholesale extravagance that has marked the administration of the affairs of state. The people disapprove of the studied methods of abstracting money from the state treasury without putting any in. They disapprove of a chautauqua governor and his forty thousand dollar special session. There is many things that tell the story of a Democratic governor and legislature, and the least of them is local option.

But all this indicates that with victory there also comes responsibility, and we have no doubt but that the Democrats will meet this responsibility and solve the problem in the right way.

President Roosevelt told a body of high school students, whose athletic exercises he was overlooking, that they must always "play fair." It was good advice, but is the president sure that in his haste he always follows it?—Muncie Star.

The announcement that the Hon. T. Taggart is not to be considered in the senatorial running, slightly clears the atmosphere, and will necessitate a close corporation to defeat the aspirations of John Worth Kern. There are some mighty clean, capable and bright young Democrats on the job, and none of them measures up to the high standard of proficiency better than does the Hon. Edward G. Hoffman, of Fort Wayne.

The announcement by Mr. Taggart that his place is in the organization of his party and not in the leadership as a United States senator, does full justice to the high character and good judgment of Indiana's most accomplished political diplomat. Mr. Taggart is right. His place is in the organization, and we do not mind saying that it takes a really smart

man to always know his place. Mr. Taggart has rendered valuable service, and as one of the rank and file, a leader in its organization, he can and will render a still greater service.

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

Mr. and Mrs. James K. Niblick Entertain in Honor of Daughter

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Russell Are Visited by Their Friends and Neighbors

One of the most delightful events of the season was the surprise party given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James K. Niblick in honor of their daughter, Miss Verena, it being her seventeenth birthday. The evening was spent in playing many amusing games, one of which was Pedro. Miss Gertrude Omlor secured first prize and Miss Ruth Patterson second. A three-course luncheon was served and after which at a late hour the guests departed wishing Miss Verena many more such happy birthdays. The victim received many beautiful presents. Those present were the following: Misses Josephine Schuhmaker, Vera Rademaker, Emma Schultz, Sophia Fahrenbach, Ruth Patterson, Naomi Niblick, Agnes Weber, Agnes Melbers, Agnes Kohn, Agnes Starost, Celesta Mylott, Marie Kintz, Lena Meyers, Irene Gerard, Esther Corbett, Gertrude Omlor and the victim.

Friday evening was the scene of a delightful time at the home of Edward Barger. It being the anniversary of his 50th birthday. The evening was pleasantly spent in a social chat; music was furnished by John Grim, Orval Grim, William Grim and Arta Shady. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Barger and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Arnold and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Barger and family, Mr. John Barger and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Grim and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Longenberger

and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Porter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stewart and family, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Frauhiger and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Shady and daughter Edna, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bender, Mr. and Mrs. Thos Griffith and son William Mr. and Mrs. Moltz, Mr. and Mrs. Crist Mankey and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Worthman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gahman, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Belneke, daughter and son, Mrs. Rosa Haffner, Mr. Chas. Bryan, Ada Elliott, Cora Frauhiger, Dessie Bryan, Flossie Chronister, Velma Bryan, Elda Gahman, Bertha Bridegan, Christina Borne, Ethel Shady, Edith Shady, Pearl Brentlinger, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Brentlinger, Mr. Mart Shady, Elmer Bryan, Curtis Wibel, Oscar Shady, Grover Neuenschwander.

Friends and neighbors numbering about seventy-five, most of whom were members of the W. R. C. and G. A. R. went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Russell, the newly wedded aged couple, where an old fashioned belling was given. The bellers were invited in the house and the groom distributed cigars to the men, while the ladies contented themselves by an old-fashioned taffy pulling. Games and music furnished amusement until the wee hours of the morning, when the guests departed declaring it the time of their life.

A small company of friends were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Archbold last evening. The playing of "500" was indulged in for several hours, two tables being surrounded by the guests. Dainty refreshments were served. The party consisted of Messrs. and Mesdames W. H. Wiley, C. A. Dugan and C. C. Schafer.

A program consisting of music and speaking has been prepared for to-

night's meeting of the Rebekah Lodge. A great time is promised and a full attendance is desired.

The Shakespeare Club will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Emma Daniels tomorrow afternoon and the hostess is to read a paper on Alaska. An interesting meeting is assured.

The Historical Club will meet with Mrs. M. Burns tonight and a continuation of the study of Christ's ministry will ensue. Mrs. R. K. Allison will have the principal paper and sub-topics will be read by others of the club.

SALESMAN—Weekly salary and expenses. Permanent place. General agency opening. Fairview Nurseries, Rochester, N. Y.

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We have decided to make quick sale of the ENTIRE STOCK and beginning

Saturday, Nov. 21 and continuing during all of the next week, (week of) **November 23**

We will sell the entire lot at 10 per cent above our cost prices. We will also offer at this sale the balance of our Fur Coat Stock, 33 Overcoats and 45 Short Work Coats at actual cost, as we are very anxious to close out the line. The stock consists of Fur lined Coats, Regular fur coats, Reversible imitation buffalo coats, Leather and heavy duck coats, Sheepskin and Corduroy lined coats

Graniteware

One Full Car load of graniteware bought last week at a Bankrupt Sale in New York state. One so id car load of high grade graniteware that we bought at 50 percent less than regular factory cost and we will offer it for sale at the same low prices. This ware has all been packed and will be shipped to us this week. We will put it on sale the latter part of next week (about Nov. 19th) We make this announcement early so you can hold yourself in readiness to buy what you need at less than the price of tinware. The shipment will consist of Dish pans, Tea kettles, Coffee and Tea Pots, Roasters, Coffee boilers, Drinking cups, Large Spoons, Pie pans, Wash pans, Pudding pans. Milk pans, Water buckets, Rice boilers, Jelly pans and numerous other articles that complete a full line. The ware is all first quality and the sale will be one chance of a lifetime to buy granite ware (all colors) at ½ regular price.

Hardware and Tools

Our sale on Bargain Hardware and Tools has been all we could ask and its success has been proven as we have sold more than we had even hoped we could of these fine goods and we will be able to handle the quantity required to get the sale of the 3 lines. These tools and hardware are received direct from Eastern factories and we know the quality is right. Our price on files is exactly 100 percent less than regular prices 10c files **5c**, 15c files **7½c**, 20 and 25c files **10c**

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