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## THE DEMOCRATIC TICKET

- For Mayor  
**HERMAN L. CONTER**
- For Clerk  
**H. M. DEVOSS**
- For Treasurer  
**W. J. ARCHBOLD**
- For Councilman-at-Large  
**JACOB MARTIN**  
**M. BURNS**
- For Councilman First Ward  
**ISAAC CHROMSTER**
- For Councilman Second Ward  
**JOHN B. HALL**
- For Councilman Third Ward  
**CHARLES N. CHRISTEN**

## THE SEASON OF THE LAST APPEAL

Tomorrow is election day. This is the last day in the afternoon of the campaign, and the season of the last appeal. Tomorrow the voters will have the real thing and their verdict is supreme. The Democrat has endeavored to place before its readers and the voters the business as well as the political side of the issues of the campaign. Whether we have succeeded or failed matters not, for after all the greatest responsibility rests with those in whose hands is placed the ballot. Their decision is final and binding for the next four years, so it is up to you Mr. Voter to do your duty and do it right. The Democrat believes more than ever that as a business proposition the Democratic straight ticket embodies all that any voter could wish and that the interests of the city can be better served in their election, than in the election of the reform ticket or any part of it. We believe that our young and progressive candidate for mayor is better capable of serving the people, that he will do it more in keeping with the day and the year in which we live, that he is honest, faithful and capable and is in closer touch with the real things of today than is the reform candidate who opposes him, and who was selected by trained and experienced leaders because he was harmless and inoffensive, and because they thought this fact would help them win the election and thus help these trained and experienced leaders in a political way. We believe that the record of the present council is a better record in behalf of the people than is the record of Jud Tappin when he was on the council, or Simeon Fordyce when he was on the council, or Ves Peterson when he was on the council. We believe that the present council has accomplished more reform than was reform, than any council that has served the city in

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\* If elected mayor of the city \*  
\* of Decatur, it will be my honest \*  
\* purpose to uphold and enforce \*  
\* the law, and especially the law \*  
\* against the blind tiger and the \*  
\* bootlegger. They shall not live \*  
\* during my administration, and \*  
\* my first instruction to every ap- \*  
\* pointed police officer will be that \*  
\* their resignation will be demand- \*  
\* ed upon the first evidence of such \*  
\* law violations. \*  
\* **HERMAN L. CONTER** \*  
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the last quarter of a century. We believe that the fact that they reduced the city debt thirty-five thousand dollars while their predecessors increased it twenty-nine thousand dollars, is but a sample of the reform that the reformers have been palming off on the citizens and taxpayers of the city. We believe that this is one time when it will pay the taxpayers for business reasons to "stand pat" and that it is one time when the taxpayers for personal or any other reasons cannot afford to "slip one in for me." We believe that with the re-election of the present council that the city debt at the end of the next four years will not exceed fifty thousand dollars, and in that event it would mean the payment of seventy-five thousand of the city's indebtedness in the last eight years. We believe that the present council have plainly shown their ability and sincerity in the management of the affairs of the city, and that they have used the best financial judgment of any previous council in the history of Decatur, as a city. We believe that the taxpayers of the city ought to congratulate themselves in the fact that they have consented to serve them for the continued period of four years, and that the vote of confidence ought to be overwhelming. We believe that the record of the present treasurer is one that speaks volumes for his efficiency as an officer. During those trying days, we mean "those good old days," he was bulldozed and browbeaten from soda and hock because he would not kite one fund to another fund, and pay orders that technically he had no right to pay. He had the backbone to do his duty then and he has done it since, and he will ever do his duty, no matter where he is, or what he is doing. We believe that as city treasurer he knows the city's financial condition and needs better than any other man in the city, and that he can better serve the taxpayers in the office of treasurer. We believe that Huber DeVoss is among Decatur's cleanest young men, and that his qualifications are the best and that his election would mean a continuance of experience and competency in the office of clerk. In addition to all this we believe that the political game of reform as played by the leaders in the Republican party, is sufficient and of a character to cause every Democrat to vote his party ticket, and to vote it straight. When it is necessary to defame men, misrepresent their public acts and private life, and do it in the name of reform, then there is something rotten about the caliber of that reform. It is not only apparent but it is evident that politics is the only thought in the minds of those great reformers in this campaign. It is their hope to cloud the minds of enough Democrats in the name of reform, to make political success possible for them. The Democrat should be too wise. They should refuse to be strung to their political kite, and the way to do it, is to vote the Democratic ticket straight. It is now in your hands and that you will do your duty and that you will help make this a glorious victory for the candidates on the Democratic ticket, we have no doubt.

Tomorrow is election day. Every voter is interested and the way to help, is to vote early. An early voting club should be organized in every precinct in the city. This is one way of helping those in whose charge is the responsibility of getting into the ballot box every vote. You should help. No invitation is necessary and it is not only your privilege but your duty to help in this the most impor-

tant work of getting out the vote and getting it out early.

Every voter in the city should help in the work on election day. You should help by voting early if not often.

All the good work of the campaign can be lost on election day. Let every voter give this day or at least part of it, in seeing that the vote is in the ballot box. Show your interest for your city and for your party and be one of the workers on election day.

What is a dutchman's per cent? Who of those that have been using the term will explain? Suppose that the owner of a newspaper should file a bill against the city for more than fifty dollars for the publication of an ordinance when under the rate defined by law he was entitled to only about seventeen.—P. L.

If a newspaper man would perform in this beguiling way we would never defend him as you have seen fit to defend a reform council that added sixty odd thousand dollars to the city debt, and then never left a scratch of record to show how the money was spent. We would never defend as you have seen fit to defend a reform council that destroyed the property and business of an electric lighting company in order that the city might engage in the business, and who even never left a scratch of record showing how the money was spent. We would never defend as you have defended a reform council who made no improvements—that they paid for—and who increased the debt of the city twenty-nine thousand dollars. We would never defend as you have seen fit to defend an administration that would permit Doc. Shoity to get the lion's share of the laboring men's orders, shaving them unmercifully because he had them by the heels. We would never gow eloquent about the white robed sanctification of Jud Tappin, after his public record in helping to destroy a neighbor's property. The fifty dollar transaction is bad enough, but these others are enough to make even such an expert reformer as P. L. hang his head in shame and to revolt. You do not notice any revolting, however. P. L. is standing heroically by his guns and is preaching reform in the face of it. Why? Just politics, that is all. He has been for reform and he is red hot for reform again, just for the political good the Republican party will receive therefrom. Here is an object lesson that should sink deep into the minds of every Democrat, and which should convince him of his duty on election day—the voting of the straight Democratic ticket.

The enforcement of the blind tiger act was dwelt upon more extensively than any other question at the big smoker Thursday evening at the court house. So anxious were they about the matter that the prosecuting attorney volunteered his services to help take care of those who should violate it.—P. L.

Here you have it from P. L. himself that the Democrats are so sincere in their declaration of law enforcement, that Prosecutor Heller sends without equivocation, his office and his services to make good every pledge made, and to make Decatur morally clean and law abiding. If there is a Democrat in the city who is wavering on the point of law enforcement, he can well afford to take the additional word of Prosecutor Heller who, as P. L. says, will help the mayor clean out the blind tigers.

Get ready for the balloon ascension. Let every Democrat help to make the victory decisive.

Doc. Shoity is positive that this administration is lacking in business acumen, and that the best interests of the city demands the election of the reform candidates. If you know what business acumen according to Doc.'s diagnosis means, then you will know why he discriminates in favor of the reform ticket. Doc. has had no opportunity to file

any thirteen hundred dollar suits against the city during this administration, and if the Democrats are elected he will have no opportunity to file one during the next one. You all know the sort of business that looks good to Doc.

City orders were not sold to the curbstone broker during the life of the present council. The orders were all good for their face value, and they were cashed upon presentation at either bank in the city, and the city had the cash on deposit for their redemption. Doc. Shoity thinks this council were bad business managers.

Discussion of the issues are now a thing of the past. It is plainly and squarely up to the voter. Take the record of the present council and the pledges of the candidates in this election and then vote the Democratic ticket straight.

Every Democrat should remember his primary pledge, a pledge to support the nominee. Personal grievances should not count against his party candidates. Especially is this true in the face of the kind of reform that is being preached with the hope of deceiving you into voting reform candidate into office, just to help the Republican party in a political way. Be just as good a reformer as they are, by voting as they do, a straight party ticket. It is politics with them so make it politics with yourself. Be Democrats in this election, and let's make it a rousing majority for the Democratic party and for a clean and moral and well administered city.

An important change in the election law was made at the last session of the Indiana legislature. Under the amended law the burning of ballots is expressly prohibited. This fact is not generally known. Therefore attention is directed thereto that election officers may have ample time to acquaint themselves with what the law now is—not what it was once. This is a matter of the utmost importance and should be brought to the attention of all persons likely to be connected with election boards.

**NOTICE TO HUNTERS**

Notice is hereby given that no hunting or trespassing is permitted on the farm of John Tonneller, 260-1st

**AUTOMOBILE BARGAINS**

For sale, one Auburn runabout for \$125.00.

One two cylinder touring car in first class condition for \$600.00. Will demonstrate to prospective buyers. Write or call on Peter Kirsch, N. Third street, Decatur. 260-1st

**BOX SOCIAL**

On next Wednesday evening at the Peterson school house a box social will be given and the public are cordially invited to attend. Albert Sellenmeyer the teacher, is arranging to have things in readiness and all those who attend will enjoy a very pleasant evening.

**PENSIONERS TAKE NOTICE**

The commissioner of pensions has issued an order that all pensioners must present their pension certificate when they take their voucher to an officer to be executed for their quarterly payment. He further demands that this order be carried out to the letter of the law.

Robert Blackburn.

**HOUSE FOR RENT**—A 6 room house on west Madison street, fruit on lot. Good outbuildings. Inquire Clem Felderman, at Schaub, Gottzoller & Co.'s hardware store. 255-62

**SOCIETY COLUMN**

**Miss Grace Coffee Given Surprise Saturday Evening**

**A DINNER PARTY**

**Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dugan Entertain a Company of Friends**

Miss Charlotte Stumbaugh gave a birthday dinner the 11th in honor of Odley Moser, of Wilshire, Ohio. The day was spent by music rendered by Miss Stumbaugh and Mrs. Moser. The dining room was decorated in ferns and chrysanthemums. The table was filled with everything imaginable to eat. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Noack and son Francis and daughter Ida, and Mr. and Mrs. Emory Walters and son Donald of this city, and Mrs. D. A. Moser of Wilshire, and Master Arthur and Miss Florence Olinger, of St. Wayne, and Miss Stumbaugh of this city.

Dr. and Mrs. Miles Porter and granddaughters, little Miss Anne Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. George Beers, of St. Wayne, came down from St. Wayne yesterday and enjoyed several hours at the Dugan home. They were entertained for dinner and other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Brackett and Mr. L. C. Warting. During the afternoon a number of callers met the visitors and the occasion was a most pleasant one.

An automobile party that enjoyed Sunday at Bluffton was composed of the Misses Ruby Miller, Electa Glancey, Goldie Gay, Bess Baumgartner and Mr. Elmer Gay. During their stay in the city they called on friends.

Mrs. O. L. Vance was the hostess at twelve o'clock dinner and also at six o'clock supper yesterday for Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Beineke and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sellenmeyer. The day was spent in a very pleasing way and those present enjoyed themselves very much.

Miss Blanche Ervin gave a party Saturday and entertained in a pleasant way throughout the evening. Miss Germaine Coffee increased the enjoyment of the good time by playing several piano numbers. Also refreshments were enjoyed.

The pupils of Miss Grace Coffee's room at the North Ward gave a masquerade surprise party on her Saturday evening and celebrated Halloween in a most happy way. The children had planned the event and completely surprised Miss Coffee. A taffy pulling and an enjoyable social time formed the evening's entertainment, and the occasion will be remembered by Miss Coffee and her pupils as one of their most pleasant good times.

A most pleasant pedro party was given yesterday by Miss Gladys Miller at her north Seventh street home in honor of the Misses Wetter of Marion, who are visiting friends in the city. The guests were with a party from that place who just lately returned from a pleasure trip to Washington and California.

Miss Zoia Miller and Mrs. Charles Loeh entertained at a Halloween party Saturday afternoon and the twenty-five ladies who were present enjoyed themselves immensely. The

**A List of Bargains**

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- No. 743—Is a fifteen acre tract well improved on traction line, good barn, comfortable house, good poultry farm .....\$2,500.00
- No. 808—Is a well located twenty-two acre tract near Decatur corporation. Is on main stone road, nice building sites, well fenced, tiled, \$2,100.00
- No. 739—Is a well located twenty-two acre tract about a mile and a half from Decatur, all new, and good buildings .....\$2,550.00
- No. 794—Is a well located 67 acre tract near Decatur on stoned road. Good land, well drained, and some good buildings. ....\$10.00 an acre
- No. 806—Is a good eighty acre tract close to market, on stoned road, new large buildings, good water, etc. ....at \$90.00 an acre
- No. 791—Is a well located eighty acre tract near traction line, on stoned road, has at least \$1,500.00 worth of good buildings at \$2.50 an acre.

- No. 792—Is a single story residence of six rooms on Market street, city and cistern water, brick sidewalks, alley lot .....\$900.00
- No. 775—Is a comfortable cottage on south Ninth street, good location, alley lot .....\$850.00
- No. 905—Is a comfortable cottage on north Third street, city and cistern water, electric lights, good sewerage, fifty feet frontage, good stable, etc. ....\$925.00
- No. 758—A large convenient cottage on Tenth street, near Madison street, brick sidewalk, city and cistern water, good sewerage. \$1,000.00
- No. 776—Is a new five room cottage on Line street, two porches, drove well, cistern, full lot, near traction line .....\$1,150.00
- No. 736—Is a modern seven room story and a half residence on brick foundation in southeast Decatur, electric lights, etc. ....\$1,600.00
- No. 804—Is a well arranged story and a half residence on water and gas lines, on traction line south, stable, two full lots .....\$1,550.00
- No. 778—A comfortable large cottage, on good sewer, on south Tenth street, good barn, drove well, fruit maple shade, etc. ....\$1,750.00
- No. 735—A well built seven room residence on stone foundation in south Decatur, on water and gas lines, electric lights, etc. ....\$2,200.00
- No. 752—A new well built story and a half residence on north Third street, cellar, electric lights, city water good sewerage, etc. ....\$2,300.00
- No. 738—Is a new seven room story and a half residence, on traction line, brick street, good cellar, stable, etc. ....\$2,750.00
- No. 807—Is an up-to-date ten room residence on the brick street, about three squares from the court house, two cellars, hot and cold bath complete, furnace, electric lights, good stable, plenty of fruit, weathered oak and natural wood finish, is well located and a desirable property .....\$5,000.00

We have also a large number of other tracts at from \$90.00 to \$125.00 an acre. And vacant city lots some on brick streets in good locations at reasonable prices.

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