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Fall in and for d to victory.

Go to the polls next Tuesday and do your full duty.

Oh, how sad will Bryan be when the returns come in.

Get out the votes and there'll be no doubt about Taft's election.

Wake up; come out; shout and hurrah for Taft and Sherman.

If you wish to see "Old Glory" wave in proud triumph, vote for Taft.

Let us see what a big majority we can give for Taft and Sherman and the Old Flag.

Get up early in the morning and stay late at night working for Taft and Sherman.

With glee we'll sing "My country 'tis of thee, land of the noble free," when Taft is elected.

A vote for Bryan is a vote for an empty market basket; hard times come when the Democratic party is in power.

See to it that every voter who favors the right puts his ballot where it will count one for Taft and Sherman.

Take off your coat and work for Taft and Sherman until the evening of November 3; then we can shout and yell until we are hoarse.

Get out and hustle; see your neighbors and your neighbors' neighbors, and induce them to vote for Taft and Sherman.

If you desire the election of Taft and Sherman you must not only vote for them, but you must see that your friends cast their votes right.

When the glorious sun beams on the smiling earth on the morning of November 3, be at the polls ready to vote and work for Taft and Sherman.

Be sure to make a vigorous fight for the Republican candidates for Congress in every district. A Republican Congress is needed to uphold a Republican President.

VOTE YOUR TICKET STRAIGHT.

We are on the eve of the most important election which has been held in this country since 1860. That election was followed by a bloody war in which the lives of thousands were sacrificed on the country's altar. In the event of the election of the Democratic ticket this year we believe that the injury to the country would equal that which followed the election of 1860, when war spread over our beautiful land and drenched the soil with the blood of the flower of the country. War would not be the result of the election, but hunger and want would visit homes where now peace and comfort dwell.

We wish to continue to enjoy the good times we now have, and the only way to be assured that prosperity will continue is to stand by the Republican party. We should not try any experiments or indulge any petty spite, as every vote is needed, and where any one fails to vote for the Republican candidate that is equivalent to a half-vote for the opposition. This is an important matter, especially in some of the close Congressional districts, for it is necessary to have a Republican Congress to uphold a Republican President.

It is possible that some objectionable men may be on the ticket in certain localities, but there is so much at stake this time that they should not be overlooked. Do not take any chances by voting a split ballot.

VOTE THE REPUBLICAN TICKET STRAIGHT.

WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT.

The Republican party made no mistake when William Howard Taft was nominated for the presidency.

He is a man of the people, his public record is clean and he stands for policies which mean the continued progress of the nation. He is especially well equipped for the presidency by the experience he has had in the public service.

Mr. Taft's first public office was as assistant prosecuting attorney of Hamilton county, Ohio, to which he was appointed in 1881 and from that time he has been continuously a public servant. And he has made good in every place.

His greatest achievements were in the Philippines, where he initiated a stable government among the many warring factions and savage tribes, and in Cuba, Panama and Porto Rico, the sober judgement and broad statesmanship of William Howard Taft have aided in the solution of the many complex racial and religious problems presented.

The Afro-Americans have a good friend in Mr. Taft. He inherited his open sympathy for the race from his father, Judge Alphonso Taft, than whom the Afro-American never had a better friend.

Recently, Mr. Taft was appointed a trustee of the Jeannes Fund for the education of the poor Afro-Americans in the country districts of the South, and his acceptance of the trust is an evidence of his sympathy for the poor and downtrodden.

In his public utterances, William Howard Taft has stated that he stands squarely on the plank in the Republican platform for the enforcement of the war amendments, he has denounced lynching in the strongest terms, he has paid high tribute to the race for its great progress in education and industry during the past forty years, and he has expressed his deep sympathy for the sufferings of the Afro-American from the contemptuous insults of white men not his equal in intelligence and devotion to duty.

When the representatives from the National Baptist Convention recently assured Mr. Taft that the Afro-Americans would continue to support the Republican party, he replied:

"When I get into the White House—assuming that I am to be put there—on plea in favor of a Negro will have any less consideration because he is a Negro than if he were a white man. You are Americans as I am. The starry flag that is mine, is yours."



MR. W. C. BROWN

One of Indiana's favorite sons whose has "made good" at Washington. He is the Messenger to Congressman Overstreet. Mr. Brown recently purchased a beautiful home on W. 12th street, where with his charming wife, is now residing. His legion of friends are anticipating something good for him after March 4th.

For Congress,

JESSE OVERSTREET.

For Judge Circuit Court,

HENRY CLAY ALLEN.

For Prosecuting Attorney

HARRY O. CHAMBERLIN.

For Judge Superior Court, Room 4,

LAWSON M. HARVEY.

For Judge Superior Court, Room 5,

CHARLES T. HANNA.

For Judge Probate Court,

MERLE N. A. WALKER.

For Judge Juvenile Court,

GEORGE W. STUBBS.

For State Senators,

WM. E. ENGLISH,

JAMES T. LAYMAN,

ALFRED F. POTTS.

For Representatives,

JAMES A. ALLISON,

THOMAS A. DAILY,

JOHN F. ENGELKE,

RUSSELL B. HARRISON,

W. D. HEADRICK,

JAMES M. OGDEN,

FRANK C. OLIVE,

SAMUEL K. RUICK,

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EDWARD J. ROBINSON.

For Sheriff,

JOSEPH L. HOGUE.

For Coroner,

GUSTAV A. PETERSDORF.

For Surveyor,

HENRY W. KLAUSMANN.

For Commissioner Second District,

JOHN R. ALLEN.

For Commissioner Third District,

ALVY JAY.



MR. A. B. HANSON

The Recorder takes great pleasure in presenting the above likeness of Mr. Hanson who so successfully fill the position of private secretary to Capt. W. E. English. He enjoys a large acquaintance and his affable bearing has made a legion of friends.

For Judge Superior Court Room No. 4
LAWSON M. HARVEY

Lawson M. Harvey was born at Plainfield, Hendricks county, Indiana; is 32 years of age and a son of the late well known Dr. Thomas B. Harvey; was educated in the Indianapolis schools, at Haverford College and Butler University; graduated at Indianapolis Law School in 1882 and has since practiced here except when judge of the Superior Court from 1894 to 1898 and from April, 1907, to the present time.

Was president of the Indianapolis Bar Association in 1907. Has for years been connected with charitable and other like institutions, and has always been an active supporter of every movement for public welfare.

Judge Harvey is a man of such judicial temperament, such fine legal ability and of such genial personal character that if the selection of judges was left to the lawyers of the Marion County bar he would receive practically a unanimous vote, without respect to party.

No. 18 b on the voting machine.

For County Surveyor

HENRY W. KLAUSMANN

Henry W. Klausmann is 40 years old. He has followed surveying and civil engineering for the past eighteen years.

Is the present county surveyor, and during his term of office a large number of bridges and culverts have been designed by him and constructed, principally of stone and reinforced concrete.

Our bridges over White River and Fall Creek have been pronounced by expert engineers to be among the finest in the world and equal in design and construction to the best of the European bridges.

Mr. Klausmann gives his entire time to the work of his office and the careful discharge of his duties. No man in the county is better posted as to bridge and highway construction.

He is a member of the Masonic and K. of P. orders, and a member of the Columbia Club and Marion Club and the Commercial Club and Musicians' Union, and is held in high esteem as an upright, honest servant of the public.

No. 35 b on the Voting Machine.



For Congress,

JESSE OVERSTREET

Jesse Overstreet has represented this district in Congress since 1904, and has accomplished much of immediate benefit to this district, and especially to Indianapolis and vicinity; among other things he brought about the erection of our magnificent Federal Building and the location here of Ft. Benjamin Harrison.

Has in Congress done much effective work on committees on elections, on judiciary, on war claims, on banking and currency, and particularly as chairman of Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads has his work been of great value. He has been such chairman for five years and his industry and study and the thorough knowledge acquired of the workings of the Postoffice Department have brought about many improvements in this department and the service connected therewith, particularly the extension of the rural free delivery system. His recommendations have been such that the efficiency of the department has been improved and the income of the department has been increased. Has been a member of a number of important commissions, among them the National Monetary Commission.

No. 13 b on the Voting Machine.

The funeral of Edward Brewer, sr.; the well-known barber and a highly respected citizen of the State, was held from Allen Chapel Tuesday afternoon. The death of Mr. Brewer occurred Sunday after a few weeks of illness from nephritis. He was the father of Gurley Brewer, editor of the "World" and the Rev. H. H. Brewer now of the Kentucky Conference. Widow and several other children survive her.

Mrs. W. H. Brown, widow of the late Rev. Brown, well-known in the Indiana A. M. E. conference, was in the city, this week visiting old friends. Mrs. Brown is engaged in the Lecturing and Missionary work and is now living in Ft. Wayne, Ind.

For County Coroner

DR. G. A. PETERSDORF.

Dr. G. A. Petersdorf, born in Starke county, Indiana, in 1876. Lived on a farm and went to country school until he was 13 years of age. Was in the Soldiers and Sailors' Orphans' Home 13 to 16. Then entered Purdue University school of pharmacy, graduating in 1894. Served one year as a drug clerk. Entered the Medical College of Indiana, graduating in 1899, there, as at Purdue, having worked his own way through. After graduation he was appointed an interne at the City Hospital after a rigid competitive examination. After a year in the hospital work he began the practice of medicine, in which he has been very successful. He is also a member of the faculty of the Indiana Medical College, and holds the chair of instructor in chemistry. Was elected coroner in 1906. Ran 230 votes ahead of the state ticket in his own ward.

Member of Marion Club, German House Commercial Club, South Side Turners, American, State and Indianapolis Medical Societies, Druids, Red Men, Woodmen and Masons. Enjoys the rare distinction of being exonerated by the grand jury after an investigation conducted by a political opponent.

No. 34 b on the Voting Machine.

For County Sheriff,

JOSEPH L. HOGUE.

Joseph L. Hogue, born in Shelby County, came to Indianapolis when he was 12 years of age, where he has resided ever since. Was a resident of the South Side for many years, but more recently in North Indianapolis. Is an active member of the Knights of Pythias, Masons, Red Men, Odd Fellows and Marion Club. While an active worker has held only one office, that of street commissioner, performing the duties of that office with such fidelity and vigilance that the department received constant praise instead of the customary censure.

Mr. Hogue has the rare quality of endeavoring himself to every man he meets by a genial, frank, manly manner, and is conducting a clean, honest campaign. He has volunteered two important pledges: 1. That he will ask for but one term. 2. That he will join in the effort to secure legislation putting his and all other county offices on a salary basis.

No. 33 b on the Voting Machine.

For Judge Probate Court

MERLE N. A. WALKER.

Merle N. A. Walker, was born at Winchester, Ind., in 1871, is a graduate of De Pauw University, a member of the Second Presbyterian church of this city, of the Mystic Shrine and of the Knights of Pythias. He was deputy state attorney under Chas. S. Wiltse in the City Court. In 1898 he was appointed probate commissioner and served until appointed judge of the Probate Court when it was created in 1907, which position he now holds.

The Probate Court has 1,500 estates in course of settlement and 1,500 minors, insane persons, habitual drunkards, etc., under guardianship, whose estates range from \$50 to \$750,000. Real estate and personal property of the value of more than \$10,000,000 annually are under the management and care of this court, and over \$5,000 different matters are passed upon by the judge in the course of a year.

On all hands it is agreed that Judge Walker has remarkable business ability, as well as a thorough knowledge of the law in his court.

No. 18 b on the Voting Machine.

For State Senator,

WILLIAM E. ENGLISH.

Capt. William E. English, ex-member of Congress and Indiana Legislature. Ex-president Board of Park Commissioners and Board of Safety of Indianapolis, (serving on both without salary).

Captain in Spanish war, serving through Santiago campaign. (Refusing to accept salary.)

Past commander in chief United Spanish War Veterans of America.

Past grand exalted ruler Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Past Grand Master of Masons of Indiana Knight Templar and 32d degree member.

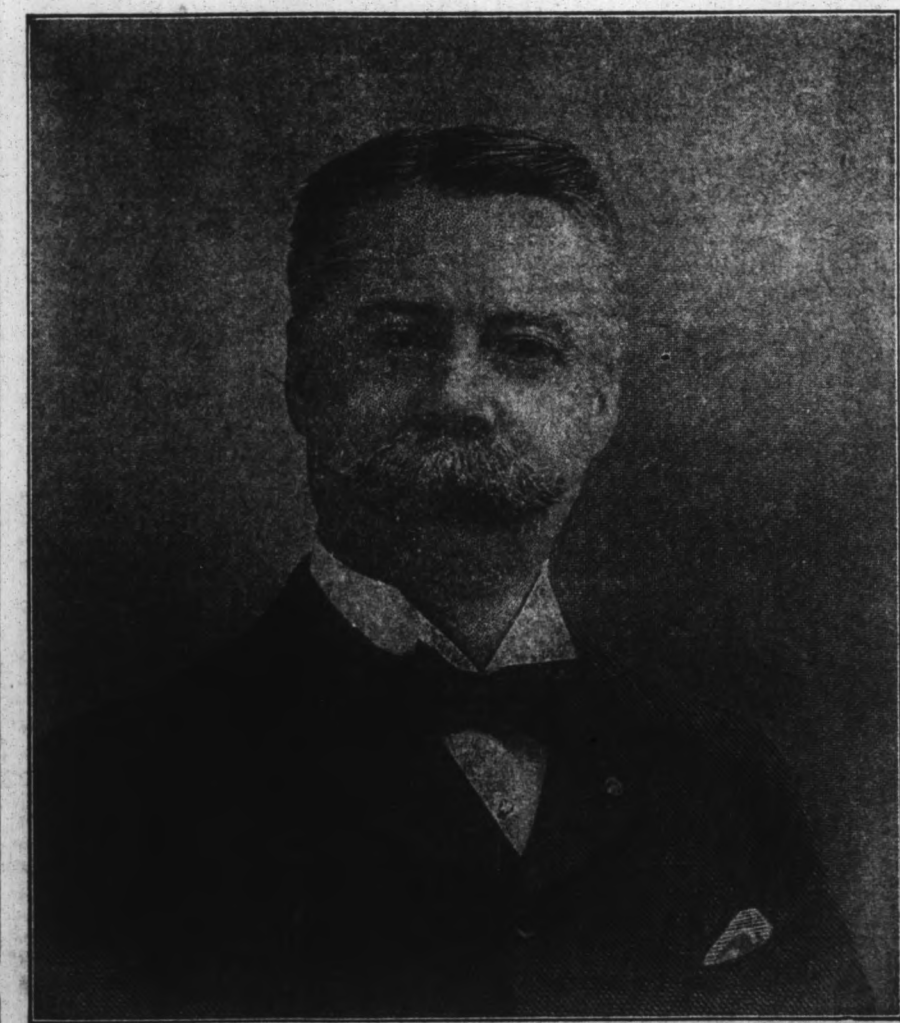
Honorary member Indianapolis Musicians' Union and Stage Employees' Union.

Ex-president Commercial Club, member Board of Trade, etc.

Resident of Indianapolis forty-three years and active participant in affairs and politics of Marion county for quarter of a century, for the last ten years active in councils of Republican party, serving upon executive committees, delegate to conventions and speaking in all parts of the state in every campaign.

Nominated at the Republican primary for Senator, carrying every precinct in the county but one and receiving 13,149 out of 16,069 votes cast.

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Capt. W. E. English, Most Popular Nominee on the Republican Ticket

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Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Proctor of

Washington, D. C., will be the guests

of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brown. Next

week Mr. Proctor is employed in the

Government Printing Office.

Minority Side Wins

Appellate Court Renders Final Decision in Case of Second Baptist

The judgement sustaining a demurrer to the complaint of George Yanthris and others, as trustees of the Second Baptist church colored, of Indianapolis to recover possession of the church building at Michigan and West streets from the pastor, Charles H. Johnson, and another set of trustees who supported him, was reversed by the Appellate Court. Johnson was supported by a decided majority of the congregation, but the court holds that the church belongs to the minority if the facts stated in the complaint are true.

The complaint charged the pastor with having been guilty of immoral conduct, for which he was convicted and fined; averred that he was frequently guilty of intoxication, assault and battery and profanity, of refusing to pay his just debts, and of refusing to obey the church discipline.

It further alleged that he had declared he would stay "in the face of hell" until he died; that he had caused the church to be suspended from the Baptist Association by reason of his immorality; had caused the arrest of members of his congregation on false and unfounded charges, and been guilty of other immoral and sinful conduct.

Having also set out the high standard of morality and good conduct commanded by the church discipline on the part of both pastor and trustees, the complaint charged that Johnson had forfeited his pastorate by his misconduct, and that the other defendants had abdicated their offices as church trustees and deposited them selves by supporting him therein, and that plaintiffs had been elected to take their places.

Judge Roby said: "Civil courts cannot determine questions of a purely ecclesiastical nature. *** The question upon which this congregation divides itself, however, is not an abstract doctrinal question of creed or mode of worship, but it is one which has to do with the conduct of its members viewed from the standpoint of Christian morality, one of the first essentials of the Christian religion in the present age, a high moral standard enjoined by the constitution of this church. *** If the facts alleged are true, the Rev. Charles H. Johnson and a majority of the members of said church are not practicing Christian virtues, but, while professing said doctrine, so far as the complaint shows are setting at naught the mandate of the Scriptures and the church.

"The question for decision then is whether or not a majority of the members of a church can divert the church revenues and subvert the church property to immoral uses over the objection of a minority. A majority cannot so act and confirm acts violative of the adopted faith and teachings of the church. The property of a church is held in trust for the promulgation of the tenets and doctrines of that church and the title to church property is in that part of the congregation which is acting in harmony with its law, usages, customs and principles.

CHURCH NOTES.

Freemont Free Baptist church, 2124 Martindale avenue—Services: Sunday school 9:30 a. m.; preaching 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; prayer meeting Tuesday evening; communion, fourth Sunday in each month. You are invited to attend our meetings. Rev. Jos. Anderson, pastor; Mrs. Emma Turner, cl'k.

Allen Chapel, A. M. E. church: First Quarterly meeting.—Preaching at 10:45 a. m.; and 8:00 p. m. by the Presiding Elder; Rev. Charles E. Hunter.—At 3:00 p. m., by Rev. P. H. Lewis, of Noblesville; followed by communion. Sabbath-school at 1:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor at 7:00 p. m. All are welcome. Rev. Geo. C. Sampson, pastor.

First Baptist church; N. Indianapolis 115, Rev. F. F. Young, pastor. Sunday school at 9:00 a. m. No. 70, Col. 60, V. Jones, Supt. Covenant meeting at 11 and 3 o'clock. Communion at 4:30, assisted by Rev. J. H. Roberts, C. C. Wilson and others B. Y. P. U., at 7:00 p. m.; Pastor spoke at 8 p. m. on music addition. Collection \$20.

The Baptist Ministers and the W. H. F. M. Societies of Indianapolis, are arranging for a large revival meeting.

Dr. M. C. B. Mason, the senior sec'y of the F. A. and S. E. Society; will preach at Simpson Chapel, Sunday morning at 10:45. Dr. Mason is one of the greatest preachers of the race and church. Don't fail to hear him; you do you will miss a rare treat: All are welcome. J. S. Bailey, pastor.

The central District convention of the Indiana Baptist Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society will convene at Shiloh Baptist church, corner of West and Walnut streets. Thursday Nov. 12 The president, Mrs. Josephine Dudley, will preach.

The Rev. J. F. Taylor, of Phillips Chapel C. M. E. Church, on Drake, str. near West, str. will preach his farewell sermon Sunday night. Nov. 1st. All friends and good wishes are asked to be with us. A farewell reception on Monday night, Nov. 2nd. Every body is asked to be present.

The ministers' conference, of Terre Haute. Quarterly meeting, of Free Baptist church are in session, at the First Baptist church Colton, str. Rev. B. McIntosh, pastor.

The young people's South side Choral and New Baptist church will give a joint entertainment at True Reformer Hall: Monday evening Nov. 2nd, at the corner of 12th and N. West, str.