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—“THIS IS THE YEAR”—

HARDING'S \$75,000 will not get many testimonials at \$2.50 apiece.

THE COMMUNITY is beginning to understand why Claris Adams did not seek re-election as county prosecutor.

BUT THEN, you remember, one arrest of a baseball pool peddler did not stop the gambling last year, either.

STORIES OF MAYORS who have volunteered to help break the strike that when Mayor Jewett was a candidate he laid great stress on the fact that he fired a switch engine in his youth.

JUDGE PRITCHARD might investigate the statement attributed to Ralph Spaan to the effect that he “wouldn't stick Leibold, anyway” when he gets back on the city bench.

IF GOV. GOODRICH succeeds in getting federal prisoners sent to the penal farm he can then parole all the state prisoners there without danger of closing the institution.

“FORCE AND VIOLENCE” was used by the police in obtaining confessions, according to advice Prosecutor Adams tells Judge Collins he received. Why wasn't that phase of the Parsons case investigated?

INCIDENTALLY, it should not be forgotten that money to pay teachers' salaries and money to build new school buildings come out of separate funds that are in no way dependent on each other.

A CANDIDATE INDICTED

The indictment of Frederick Crum by the federal authorities on a charge of bringing liquor into the state illegally, serves to recall a singular lapse of the Marion county authorities in regard to the “physicians” who helped the Haags dispose of so many gallons of liquor in this dry community.

Crum was one of the “physicians” who wrote prescriptions for the thirsty who desired to purchase liquor of the Haags.

His participation in the operation of the blind tiger was duly set before Claris Adams, county manager of the J. W. Fesler boom for governor, many months ago.

But Adams has been too busy collecting an enormous sum in fees from the police court and dabbling in republican organization politics to conduct prosecutions in the Marion criminal court.

Crum and others of these “bootlegging physicians” have so far been able to escape paying the penalty of their transgressions of the liquor laws.

Crum is also one of these “physicians” who now seeks political preference at the hands of the voters of the county.

His indictment in federal court ought to be sufficient notice to all democrats that he is not a fit man to receive their votes on primary day.

WILL ADAMS EXPLAIN?

In the statement which Claris Adams and others submitted to the judge of the criminal court recently, concerning the Parsons case, the prosecutor says:

The said Rollinson represented to the prosecuting attorney that the only evidence tending to connect his client with this gang of automobile thieves was a confession taken from Parsons by members of the Indianapolis police department and that said confession was false and untrue in every particular. He represented that it had been obtained from the defendant, Parsons, through the advice of a lawyer whom he had first employed, said lawyer advising him that it would go easier with him if he should sign a confession, though untrue, and get off as light as he could because all the other men who were caught were going to try to lay the blame upon him. He further said that there was FORCE and VIOLENCE used in obtaining this confession from Parsons.

Mr. Adams here discloses that two accusations of serious misconduct were made to him.

He admits that he was informed a lawyer whom he does not name has betrayed the interests of his client and demonstrated his unfitness to be a member of the bar.

He admits that he was informed that police officers had forced a confession from a prisoner by chicanery and the use of “force and violence.”

But there Mr. Adams' admissions cease. He does not disclose that he ever gave these charges his personal attention, nor does he indicate that they were proper subjects for his attention.

In the absence of any direct statement from Mr. Adams on the subject, it must be assumed either that the prosecutor did not think these allegations concerning misconduct on the part of policemen and a lawyer were of sufficient weight to warrant investigation or that he investigated and proved them unfounded.

Perhaps the latter supposition is correct. It might explain how Mayor Charles W. Jewett came to be interested in the Parsons case and some of the subsequent proceedings.

However, if Mr. Adams did investigate this matter, he owes it to the “other lawyer” and the members of the Indianapolis police department to tell the public what he uncovered. He has given the accusation publicity and it is only fair that he should complete the story.

Now that the judge of the criminal court has been formally advised of the charges, it is not unreasonable to expect that these reflections will be the subject of complete investigation.

THE REPUBLICAN DILEMMA

Some time ago it was said in these columns that the only political issues of importance in the coming campaign would be the incompetency of the republican ring-made candidates and the intolerable injustices of the present tax law.

Many subdivisions of these issues have been defined in the last few weeks, but no other issue has been raised.

The republican platform sub-committee has just declared that the party must uphold the present tax law, practically as it is, and the republican administration of the state and Marion county has by its tolerance indicated that the party desires to uphold the officials who have exposed their incompetency in the management of penal institutions and in road building.

There may be some question in the minds of the voters of the state as to what they should do to express their disapproval of the present government of Indiana, but there can hardly be any doubt that they can not vote the republican ticket without casting their ballots in approval of the very things against which they so freely express themselves.

IMPROVED OR DETERIORATED?

Under the heading, “Will This Happen Again?” The Times printed an editorial on Dec. 24, 1919, as follows:

Two years ago this winter the police of Indianapolis rounded up a gang of automobile thieves and indictments were returned against a number of persons, some of whom had attained some prominence. The prosecuting witness was placed in an automobile and was permitted to drive away without giving any assurance that he would return. He did not return and his absence was made the basis for the dismissal of the indictments. Ever since that time there have been reports in circulation that the prosecuting witness was not permitted to escape until arrangements had been made for the dismissal of the indictments, on the grounds that he had disappeared.

Another crowd of alleged automobile thieves has been rounded up by the police. The conditions under which they worked are not dissimilar from the conditions under which the other gang operated.

The weight of public opinion by a repetition of the same episodes that led to dismissal of the cases against the Uncle auto thieves, and the conduct of the cases when they reach the courts will be an indication of whether our local government has improved or deteriorated since the events of two years ago.

Time has given an opportunity to judge whether our local government has “improved or deteriorated.”

Today one of the lawyers for a member of this gang is under arrest charged with taking money from his client “under false pretenses.”

In defense he says he took the money for “conducting a defense of his clients before the grand jury.”

WOOD'S CHANCE UP-STATE HURT BY SPENDING

Extravagance of General's Forces Sends Support Over to Hiram Johnson.

DON'T LIKE TAX LAW

By a Staff Correspondent.

FT. WAYNE, Ind., April 17.—Watch Johnson!

The inevitable conclusion of any one making a serious effort to obtain all the information available on the political sentiment in the northern third of Indiana is that Hiram W. Johnson is far the strongest of the republican presidential candidates in this section.

Ft. Wayne is no exception.

Here, as elsewhere, the enormous expenditures of the Wood organization have had their effect and Johnson has polled immensely.

It appears that the voters, disgusted with the tactics used by the Wood organization have turned to the opposite extreme and are supporting the candidate whose campaign expenses are the smallest.

The Johnson sentiment in Ft. Wayne has developed within the last two weeks, according to indications here.

No campaign has been made for Gen. Wood by the press and otherwise and the Johnson sentiment is the reaction.

WOOD FORCES

SPEECHES FREELY.

The Wood people have representatives who are active in Ft. Wayne and who have spent considerable money.

They are turning their efforts now to the selection of delegates to the state and national conventions who will be favorable to their cause.

This in itself is considered an admission that the delegates probably will not be instructed to vote for Wood and that they must be lined up quietly.

The first blow for Wood came with the revelation of the tactics being used in Indiana and elsewhere.

The second came with the Michigan primary, in which he ran far behind Senator Johnson.

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DISTRICT WATCHES

MICHIGAN CLOSELY.

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The Newberry case was watched closely, but the second with the Michigan primary, in which he ran far behind Senator Johnson.

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TAX EXPERT

WORKS FOR TONER.

Edward C. Toner is making a considerable effort in this district to win the working men here, and he has come here in his behalf is Carl Mote, “the eminent tax expert” and the publicity man and adviser of the Goodrich administration.

The tax law is not exactly popular in Allen county, and even “the eminent tax expert” has not been able to explain away the great increase in taxes in each township to the satisfaction of the taxpayers.

James W. Fesler has gained considerable popularity in the last few weeks.

There seems to be a general impression in Indianapolis that Warren T. McCray is almost certain to receive a plurality of the votes in Indiana.

It is possible that McCray will make a strong showing, at least in spots, and McCray will not obtain the plurality in these places without some effort.

Pluralities, however, are not worrying the candidates to any great extent.

The problem which is worrying them and to which they are devoting most of their attention is that of lining up the delegates.

After all, the nomination will go to the candidate with a majority of the delegates.

In the classical words of the professional politician, “The people be darned.”

Rules Hearst Right to Bring Ship Suit

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Justice

Bailey of the supreme court of the District of Columbia today overruled a motion to dismiss the action brought by William Randolph Hearst to enjoin the United States shipping board from selling at auction twenty-nine former German passenger ships, confiscated during the war.

Justice Bailey held that there is no reason why Mr. Hearst as a taxpayer should not bring the action which he did.

Former Miss Gould Quits Y. W. C. A. Board

CLEVELAND, April 17.—Mrs. Finsley

Shepard, formerly Miss Helen Gould, today announced her resignation from the national board of the Y. W. C. A. because of the “course of action” Friday of the convention here.

The action included the adoption of

the social ideals of the churches and

the adoption of a measure to have the association actually work to make the ideals a reality.

BRINGING UP FATHER.

MOTHER HAS INVITED THAT HORRID MR. DE BATE TO CALL ON ME TONIGHT. I WISH I COULD GET OUT OF SEEING HIM!

I NEVER COULD SEE HIM.

The Young Lady Across the Way

SIDENER PLEADS 'LET'S GO' FOR CITY

Tells Rond Men Co-Ordination of Civic Spirit Is Necessary.

“All together—let's go!”

Merle G. Sidener said it in a talk before the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce at noon today and he meant it for Indianapolis.

“We must have co-ordination of civic interest and a crystallization of community spirit to make Indianapolis the best appreciated city in America,” said Mr. Sidener.

Mr. Sidener told the bond men that their organization by reason of its wide influence should get behind the movement to have Indianapolis a city that is devoted to the public home to the people of this city the advantages they enjoy as residents of Indianapolis and the ultimate possibilities the city has.

“We don't care so much about entertaining the visitors that come in June to attend the convention of the American Legion clubs as we do that these guests will be so impressed with the unity of spirit prevailing in the city that they will go to all corners of the globe carrying the message that the people of Indianapolis do things and that it is a live town where the predominant motto is ‘Let's go’,” he said.

Fred A. Likely, president of the club, assured Mr. Sidener that the bond men were behind anything that had the interest of Indianapolis at heart and promised the co-operation of the club as a body and every member individually.

The young lady across the way says

the war began in 1914 and she can hardly remember what happened in the old Anno Domini days.

On the Spur of the Moment

So far as whipping Dempsey is concerned, we are willing, personally, to let Georges do it.

We expect to attend the Chicago convention, not as a presidential candidate, but in a manner of speaking, as a writer of a speech. We will be there if it is demanded to be unanimous we will accept the nomination and we will have a good speech all ready. Every time we go to a convention we remember what happened to Bryan. He was only a reporter in 1896 and they lifted him out of the press seats and made him what he is today, if you understand what we mean.

Due to the present shortage in newspaper print it is the opinion in newspaper circles that Temp should reduce his love letters to one page per week.

Just the mere fact that President Coolidge starts on time and stops on time doesn't bother Bill Bridges and some of the other fellows.

J. Calvin Clarke sure is a long-winded socialist. It is weird for a worthy cause we might have felt different about it. Clarke is the man for that job, all right.

This fellow Temp sure is popular with the fair sex. Among those who continually bother him with leap year engagements and parties is one known as Sylvia “Flash.” With Temp's crystallized pep they should make a speedy couple.

The Tibbs-Bose Realty Company spread out this week into another room. They have added to their sales force George A. M. Ridgeway, formerly in the auto tire business, and Claude M. Ewing, who has been with the U. S. Trust company and is returning to his former office. Mr. Ridgeway will have charge of the farm department, while Mr. Ewing will sell city property. The Tibbs-Bose Realty Company has enjoyed a rapid growth since organizing a few months ago. They now occupy two large rooms in the American Life building.

Lawrence J. Sexton, formerly with the Home Seekers Realty Company, spreads the news that he has opened offices for himself in the Indiana Trust building. He will deal in real estate, farms and insurance.

On March 29 an article was printed in the Tribune which said “what to know as the city rental bureau is a thorn in the side of every honest realtor, etc.”

An investigation has proved this statement to be incorrect as there are a number of reliable realtors who have had satisfactory dealings with the city rental bureau.

It looks as though nobody made any money out of the theatrical business this past season except those who were mixed up in it to some way.

“Sit down when you are in financial trouble,” says an expert, “and see where you stand.”

SCOTTISH HOME BILL UP.

LONDON, April 17.—The Scottish home bill was moved to second reading in the house of commons yesterday. It provides a single chamber parliament of 148 members, subordinate to the imperial parliament.

Other Local Dealers

Whitaker Bros., Whiteland

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