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—THIS IS THE YEAR—

THE REPUBLICAN CONGRESS continues to vindicate Wilson's unheeded plea for a democratic congress in 1918.

AFTER JIM WATSON had endorsed the Goodrich administration, it was entirely unnecessary for him to say he knew little about state affairs.

SO, AFTER ALL, what Wood got was ten delegates, three of whom are not "for him." What an "accumulation of faith!"

THE ONLY DEFENSE the republican press seems able to make of the tax law is that Phil Zoercher, the paid speechmaker of Jim Goodrich, continues to favor it while he draws a salary for administering it. Phil is the kind of a democrat Goodrich always selects for his boards.

THE NEWS complains that the Marion county democrats' platform is not specific enough, after declaring that it is divided into ten indictments of republicanism and republican officials. We seem to remember another indictment that the News believed was not specific, too.

## Are the Democrats in Earnest?

The people of Indiana were enlightened last week as to who constitutes the republican party and for what it stands, at a convention marked by more tumult than any that has preceded it for years.

This week the people of Indiana will be enlightened as to who constitutes the democratic party and for what the democratic party stands at a convention which gives promise of being just as lively as that of last week.

The republican convention demonstrated that James P. Goodrich and Charles W. Jewett still control the party in Indiana and Marion county.

Mr. Goodrich obtained an endorsement of his own administration and the election of his own choice as chairman of the party. Mr. Jewett succeeded in instructing the four delegates at large for Gen. Wood, largely through promises of delivery of Marion county's votes for certain candidates.

The Watson element, generally regarded as the strongest in the party, failed to register in the chairmanship fight or in the matter of instructions to delegates.

The platform appears to have been a compromise which is well described by the News as "safe."

Fortunately, in the democratic ranks there is considerably less room for disagreement than in the republican camp. The party, however, is not without its differences and there is every indication that these differences will have their effect on the forthcoming convention.

The people of Indiana can reasonably be expected to find out this week whether the democratic party is an adjunct to the kite of Thomas R. Marshall whose views on national and local affairs are being so thoroughly disseminated by the republican press, or whether it is constituted of voters who think in terms of today rather than the last century and earnestly desire to present a ticket and platform that will appeal to democratic voters and the vast army of disaffected independent voters.

It is also more than likely that the democrats this week will give evidence of whether or not they earnestly desire to make Indiana a democratic state, whether or not they intend to follow a leadership that will make the state democratic, and whether or not they will.

If the democrats of Indiana desire to carry this state they will adopt a platform that will be as far different from the republican platform as it is possible to make it—a platform that is positive, not equivocal.

If the democrats of Indiana desire to carry this state they will follow the leadership of men who are capable of realizing the needs of today, not the beauties of yesterday.

And they will name national delegates who have some other object than to spout sophisms and vote for themselves.

With these two things disposed of properly there will remain between the democrats and victory in Indiana only the necessity of nominating men capable of standing on given platform and the expression of confidence in leaders who are ready to lead a democratic battle and unwilling to compromise themselves for republican plunder.

## Collins Vindicates The Times

The voluntary action of Judge James A. Collins in disqualifying himself to sit in judgment on Robert Miller, sheriff, who is charged with malfeasance in the conduct of the county jail, is a complete vindication of the position assumed by The Indiana Daily Times in a recent editorial which Judge Collins declared a contempt.

This editorial, under the caption "To Investigate Themselves," now appears in the court's records as follows:

The Marion county grand jury has been instructed by James A. Collins to investigate the intolerable conditions that obtained at the county jail.

Prosecutor Charles Adams is to conduct this investigation and it is to be directed against Sheriff Robert Miller and his deputies.

Thus we have the interesting spectacle of a court investigating itself and no assurance whatever that the investigation will be conducted with any other purpose than to whitewash the participants in the corruption that the federal court has found to exist in the county jail.

Sheriff Miller is an officer of the criminal court, James Collins is the judge of that court. Prosecutor Adams is an officer of the criminal court.

Collins, Adams and Miller all had very personal knowledge of the conditions that existed at the county jail all through the year 1919.

None of them stirred a finger to stop the abuses until they were compelled to do so by the federal court.

Now the judge of the court and the prosecutor propose to conduct a probe of the jail condition through a grand jury of their own creation!

Either one of them could tell sufficient from their own personal knowledge to send men to the penitentiary.

Neither can conduct an honest investigation of the jail conditions without revealing his own malfeasance in office.

What, besides whitewash, may be expected of such an investigation?

Now, after judicially declaring that these words were "false, libelous, scurrilous and corrupt," Judge Collins admits that he is not qualified to act as the judge in the criminal proceedings that are a part of this investigation and announces his intention of vacating the bench!

Could there be any clearer vindication both of the truth, the theory and the spirit of this editorial than is afforded by the judge's public acknowledgment that he is not qualified to sit in the case of State vs. Miller?

Considerable water has passed under the mill since The Times first exposed the conditions that existed in the county jail.

Nothing that gives more hope of proper legal redress of these jail wrongs has come to light than the retirement of Judge Collins from the bench in this cause.

Now, if Prosecutor Adams can be prevailed upon to devote a little of the fortune he has accumulated in the way of prosecutor's fees to the hiring of a lawyer to prosecute the case against Miller there will be some chance of the state of Indiana being properly represented in the court action against the sheriff.

## Marshall's Republican Boosters

Some few days ago the republican newspapers of Indianapolis were complaining of alleged democratic interference in their fight to force Wood down the throats of the republican party in Indiana.

They urged republicans not to nominate men whom the democrats wished them to nominate and they insisted that democrats could only be advocating the nomination of the weakest candidates.

These republican papers ought to know whereof they speak. In season and out they have been interfering in the democratic party affairs, urging the nomination of the weakest possible candidate the democrats could select for the presidency.

Day after day they have been parading the sophisms of Thomas Riley Marshall as evidence of his fitness to be the democratic nominee for president.

Why do the republican papers of Indiana want Marshall nominated for president?

The answer lies in their own confessions.

They want the democrats to nominate the man who can be most easily defeated.

## Wants Sallee to Lead the Democrats

Editor The Times—I am a traveling man and cover practically every county in Indiana. In all parts of the state I interview hundreds of people every week on trains, in stores and hotels and otherwise make it a point to ascertain local sentiment on the political situation. I find hundreds of republicans who will vote the democratic ticket this year because they are disgusted with Goodrich. His speechmaking and other obnoxious law and other things, too numerous to mention. And from what I hear I actually believe Tom Taggart will be elected United States senator by acclamation. I hadn't heard a good word for him, even among republicans.

My main point in writing is this: The democratic state committee is soon to elect a chairman to serve through the campaign. The question of organization, to my mind, is the most important thing in the entire campaign. I understand the present chairman, Mr. Bassett, is a thorough business man and would make a good chairman provided he gives it the proper attention. But he admits himself that he is president of twenty-two conventions and is also mayor of Evansville.

Will some one please show me where and how Mr. Bassett can find the necessary time to direct the destinies of the democratic Indiana?

The state chairmanship is a real big job and I am sure will require a lot of time and hard work and the man who receives this high honor should expect to give it his personal time and attention, otherwise it is unfair to the party. I believe, and so do many of the same time, generally over the state, that the best man in Indiana for democratic state chairman is Charley Sallee of Indianapolis. There seems to be universal regret among democrats that Mr. Sallee found it necessary to resign the chairmanship at this time, although it is understood, of course, that he did so for strictly personal reasons.

Mr. Sallee is a successful young business man; he is peculiarly qualified in a temperamental way, as an experienced organizer and made an ideal chairman while holding the office. He is a man of the world, but he does not want an ostentatious chairman. He has the happy faculty of making people feel at home visiting headquarters. Visitors are always sure of a hearty smile and a welcome that makes you want to go out and do something for the democratic party. In other words, Sallee is an all-round "inside wire" and I feel sure it would be pleasant to every democrat in Indiana if he could be induced to assume the chairmanship again for this campaign. We need the active leadership of men of the type of Mr. Sallee in the party this time. Sincerely, J. B. HONING.

WHEN A GIRL MARRIES  
A New Serial of Young Married Life

By ANN LISLE.

CHAPTER XXXVII.—I had described some of Jim's friends to Mr. Mason as if that was common knowledge. I didn't want to offend again.

"Oh, I don't know what to do," I cried, "desperately."

"Of course you don't, you poor little tired child. But I am one of Jim's old friends, Jim's old friends. I would want you to do the right and proper thing. You aren't going to deny me your hospitality—are you?"

In a series of flashes it came over me that I generally did the wrong thing where Jim's friends were concerned.

"This man would be a good kind to have known Jim since boyhood."

"I'm so worn out I can't think," I stammered. "I didn't mean to be rude—I just wanted to do what was dignified and proper. You understand that, don't you, Mr. Mason? You see, I'm a small-town girl and business women, and we haven't had much time for city society training. But I don't want you to think Jim's wife is a hoo."

Mr. Mason studied me a moment with questioning eyes. "Poor little country mouse—of course she was a bit puzzled. But he trusted the judgment of a man so much older than yourself, can't you see?"

"I think so. Oh, of course, I know it!" I exclaimed, smiling my apologies almost毫不。

My verdict was a trifle premature.

"Run along and cool off a bit, little lady. Wait a minute—we can't have you supping in that stiff, formal satin dress. Here's the very thing."

He had stepped over to a warm-oven, steam chest set across one corner of the room and drew out a robe of silk. It glistened in woven lights of blue and green and apricot. It fairly scintillated. He held it toward me with a little smile of complete understanding.

"I couldn't—" I gasped. I was exhausted and the day had been a nightmare of trying to forget. I wanted to cry.

Mr. Mason came toward me and began the fanning silk garment on the couch. Between us as he drew me down into its cushioning embrace and sank beside me holding my cold hands in his strong clasp. His eyes were slight, and his voice vibrated as he spoke:

"Donna Anna! Poor little tired lady. I want you to be happy in your new home. We're friends, aren't we? Don't be formal with me—run and put on the robe, little girl, and we'll have a cozy evening."

There was nothing in his words perhaps to terrify, but absolute panic took possession of me.

"I'm grateful. I thank you for all you."

## BRINGING UP FATHER.

## The Young Lady Across the Way

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The young lady across the way says

she eats the soft inside of her rolls out of politeness, but by preference she is crustacean.

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Students Can't Study, Co-eds Are Barred

LIBERTY, Mo., May 17.—The weaker sex has been barred from William Jewell college—that is until better housing facilities are provided.

Complaint of male students that they were unable to concentrate on their studies while the girls were in the classroom led to the exclusion of the girls.

BANDS OF MERCY INCREASE.

BOSTON, May 17.—From the field workers employed throughout the United States and from volunteers, the American Human Education society reports 904 new bands of mercy organized in April. The total number of bands of mercy organized to date is 126,964.

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