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WHAT'S THE USE of being mayor if you can't keep your friends on the police force, anyhow?

A CERTAIN DEPARTMENT STORE is advertising "government jams." Seems to us we have had too many government jams already.

WONDER if Ed. Shubert can't get a job in the garage that was Senator Harding's campaign headquarters in the last primary.

STRANGE, isn't it, that Senator Elsner should resent the kindness of Gov. Goodrich in having the legislators' bills all ready for them to pass?

ORGANIZED LABOR appears to be chary of a state owned coal mine for fear convicts will operate it. Labor tolerated convict labor on the Goodrich mine in Pike county long enough to learn what it means.

IT GOES without saying that the bill to abolish the public service commission was not on the governor's program. If it became effective how would the Washington Light, Heat and Power Company ever become profitable to Goodrich and other stockholders?

Remember the Legion

Whatever differences of opinion there may be as to the advisability of passing the bill for a soldiers' memorial which was prepared in advance of this legislative session, there certainly can be no question of the propriety of the state of Indiana doing all within its power to retain the national headquarters of the American Legion.

The headquarters were obtained for this state on the representation to the veterans of the world's war that Indiana was in hearty accord with their purposes and their organization.

Indiana should not, now, forget the obligation to the Legion that was entered into without a doubt of general favorable sentiment.

There is ground for honest difference as to the advisability of accepting the memorial plans as proposed in the bill now before the legislature.

There is no justification for allowing this difference to keep Indiana from showing its appreciation of the fountain head of the great work being done by the American Legion.

Time Will Tell

How time does shift the regard with which we view the Goodrich tax law!

Early last spring, before the May installment of taxes fell due Ed. Wasmuth's state committee hired Carl Mote to write a pamphlet which it caused to be printed in large quantities and circulated as an official publication vouchered for by the committee.

In this pamphlet Carl referred to the Goodrich tax law as "the greatest achievement of the republican party in Indiana since the Civil war" and declared that the law was "the best law possible under our constitution."

Now comes the Muncie Press, whose adherence to the state committee's viewpoint can not be questioned, and in an editorial discussion of this same tax law says:

"One of the most serious aspects of the situation is the effect the loss of all this great amount in taxes—a sum that will amount to at least three-quarters of a million dollars—will have upon the schools. At the very best the money raised for the continuance of the public school system next year scarcely is adequate and if much of this be cut off it will mean the abandonment of many schools in Indiana, and a reduction in the efficiency of many others."

Reformation Begins at Home

Whatever hope or fear may have existed in the mind of the partisan for a division of either of the great political parties this year has been eliminated by the successful conclusion of the two national conventions.

There will be no third party worthy of the name in this campaign.

This is due probably to the fact that there is no individual possessed of sufficient personality to lead a third party who has not already aligned himself with one or the other of the two old parties for the campaign. Johnson might have been this personality, or Bryan might have proved a successful standard bearer. It is sufficient to say that neither has so elected.

Therefore, there remains to the national electorate, as usual, merely the choice between the republican and the democratic fold. Neither is more consistent than the other.

In neither convention were results obtained that are reassuring to those voters who hoped for consistency in the appeal to the electorate.

Mr. Harding has been asked to define his stand on the question of prohibition and Mr. Cox will be expected to do the same. The country will attach more weight to the personal expressions of these two candidates than to the party written platforms on which both will pretend to stand in the acceptance of their nominating conventions.

Thus will the platforms of both political parties be relegated to the oblivion in which the politicians have believed for many years that all platforms belong.

Dr. Burris Jenkins, Kansas editor, declares that progressivism can expect nothing from either party as a result of this campaign.

He is probably correct.

There is nothing on the horizon to indicate reformation, either republican or democratic, and reformation is never produced without a cloud of popular menace within the vision of political leaders.

All of which bears home to the voter a feeling of hopelessness in regard to national progress for the next four years.

Progressive reformation has its inception in the local community. It begins at home. No movement of nation-wide possibility ever won nation-wide attention until it had first overcome the opposition in the smaller divisions of this country.

We believe no one will contradict the assertion that there is much to be desired in the government and politics of this great country. Few will deny that these desires must first be expressed and accomplished in the several units that go to make up the country's national political body.

And this line of logic brings us to the consideration of our problems in the body politic of Indiana and Marion county.

The citizen who would have more satisfactory national politics must demonstrate his desires by creating more satisfactory local and state politics.

Passing over the condition of Indiana state politics with all its undesirability and even corruption, one finds a sufficient task inviting the best reform effort in the political affairs of Marion county.

Certainly no county in Indiana and undoubtably few counties in the United States are more in need of a political housecleaning than the county of Marion.

During the last three years and a half the taxpayers of Marion county have seen their money squandered scandalously if not corruptly.

They have seen their primaries corrupted, their political choices nullified by crooks and near-crooks clothed in the protection of those who were sworn to uphold the law of the state and have forgotten the oath in their avarice.

They have seen the machinery erected to guard the honest citizen against the depredations of the dishonest converted to the personal use and advantage of a select few who have profited either in dollars or political power at the expense of the honest citizen whose right and fallacy it was to look to them for protection.

They have seen a prosecutor wax fat and sleek off the fees mulcted from law violators who were covertly invited to continue their law violations and fee paying while the county treasurer paid to a special prosecutor more of the taxpayers' money to make possible the representation of the state of Indiana in the criminal court.

Reformation begins at home.

When those of us who are not fully satisfied with the national politics of this country have demonstrated sufficient ability to wipe off the leeches who feed upon our body politic in our own home county it will be time enough to talk of national reform.

Again, reformation begins at home—or never!

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Do you know that more women and girls are coming into this country as immigrants than men? This department of The Times tells you. If you have a question to ask, send it with a 2-cent stamp to The Indiana Daily Times information bureau, Frederic J. Haskin, director, Washington, D. C., and the answer will be mailed direct to you.

POULTRY FARMS.

Q. What is the proportion of the poultry raised on farms devoted exclusively to that purpose?

A. Less than half of the poultry and eggs are produced on poultry farms. The remainder are raised by people who do not make a business of poultry culture, but keep chickens on a small scale, while giving their attention chiefly to some other occupation, usually general farming.

TENNIS RULE.

Q. If a tennis ball is being served, hits the net, but goes over and into the court on the other side, is it a "net" ball? W. R. K.

A. This is not a "net" ball. It is a "let" ball. Should a ball touch the net when going into the proper court during a rally, it is good.

ALCOHOL LICENSES.

Q. How many people are licensed in the United States to handle intoxicants? A. H. R.

A. According to statistics recently compiled, more than 57,000 people have been so licensed. This includes wholesale and retail druggists and manufacturers of proprietary medicines, flavoring extracts, syrups, etc., in the United States and its consular possessions.

PLUTARCH OF PAINTERS.

Q. What is "Plutarch of Painters"? I. M. C.

A. His masterly handling of classical subjects, particularly his "Death of Caesar," which shows in every detail a careful study of Roman customs and surroundings, earned him this title.

QUEEN ANNE'S BOUNTY.

Q. What is "Queen Anne's Bounty"? C. H.

A. This is a fund set aside by Queen Anne in 1704 to augment the poorer livings of the church of England. In 1913 100 livings were augmented, beside benefactions and grants made to the extent of about 50,000 pounds sterling; the capital fund at that time was more than 7,600,000 pounds sterling.

FURS ALL YEAR ROUND.

Q. Why do some animals in the tropic zone have such thick coats of fur? B. L. D.

A. As a provision against loss of heat during periods of famine, rather than as a provision against low temperature, most beasts of prey are clothed in dense, hairy coats.

SILVER DOLLARS.

Q. When were the last silver dollars minted and why was their coinage discontinued? F. J. W.

A. The last coinage of silver dollars was in 1905. They are no longer minted because they are bulky and heavy to carry. None is in circulation in the east, some in the central states, while the Pacific coast still uses them in some quantities.

PUNCH AND JUDY.

Q. How did Punch and Judy shows originate? T. H. E.

A. The origin of puppet shows is lost to antiquity. There are known to both the Greeks and Romans. It is significant that the Sanskrit word for stage-manager means literally "threader holder." The characters Punch and Judy were well known in England in the seven-

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WELL—MY SISTER HAD HER FOUR YEAR OLD DAUGHTER OVER HERE YESTERDAY AND SHE TORE IT UP!