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## AS TO JOHN LAMB.

The Indianapolis Star recently contained an attack upon John Lamb, of Terre Haute, declaring that he had been an attorney for a trust, and therefore was not a fit man to conduct a campaign for the Democrats

## Fall Greeting

We take pleasure in announcing our readiness for the fall and winter SHOE business. Everything that's good and desirable in the Footwear line is here, ready for your choosing. With this store it's always "how good" rather than "how cheap."

Our aim has always been to furnish such satisfactory Footwear as would induce our patrons to tie to us—come here themselves and induce their friends to come. It is on this platform that we have built up our large Shoe Business and upon this platform that we base our hopes for the future.

We believe an investigation will convince you that this store gives you the best all around Shoe satisfaction—best Shoes—best styles—and best prices. w 13t d m w f 13t39

Christie's Shoe Store

who oppose trusts. We think that no Democrat has ever opposed a man because he has been employed by a corporation, while he was in private life and gave value received in professional services. No one will, we think, go so far as to hold that a corporation is not entitled to an attorney to plead its cause before the courts. It would, we suppose, be impossible to find a lawyer of any standing that had not been employed by the corporations. There would be no justice in urging against Mr. T. T. Moore that he was unfit for office because he had represented the Terre Haute, Indianapolis & Eastern Traction Company. Unless it can be shown that a man was employed by these companies to knowingly do dirty work for them, we doubt if they are to blame. What the country does object to is for men to act as the agents or attorneys of corporations or trusts while acting as the servants of the public. What we do object to is a man elected by the people receiving from these corporations sums of money which will tend to cause him to forget the people and to act in the interests of the corporation solely. It is not legitimate for an attorney to represent a trust upon the floor of the house or senate when he is there to represent the people. That Mr. Foraker has done. That Mr. Aldrich has done, and Mr. Penrose and DePew and Platt and Hopkins. Nor do we think it wise to send to the senate or the house a man directly connected with the great trusts or Railroads as is Mr. DuPont, candidate Sherman, Gugenheim and one-half the senators now in seats in Washington. We consider it something against a man's fitness to take part in legislation that it has been proved against him that he has passed legislation for hire, or has consistently stood against all that was good in legislation that was desired by the people as have Cannon and Watson. We do not know what Mr. Lamb's ambitions are, but we know that the fact that he has served in a legitimate way, as an attorney for a corporation, and this is all that is claimed against him, does not make him unfit to serve the Democratic

party honestly in its present campaign for the people. Mr. Haskell and Mr. Bailey, Democrats, and the long list of Republicans have not served honestly, and for that reason are now opposed by the people as are Cannon, Aldrich, Hopkins. Some are so closely associated with great corporations that the corporate interests, by the natural operation of human nature, must be closer to them than the interests of the people. Such are DuPont, Sheldon, Aldrich, Lodge, and even Sherman. And finally there are those whose election to office is considered so valuable to the few great corporations that they are willing to pay for such elections, and under this head comes Taft himself. These are legitimate reasons, appealing not to blind prejudice but the thinking man. And when it is remembered that Taft is the friend of Roosevelt, lately considered the enemy of corporate wealth, its support of him, in spite of his position, is doubly suggestive.

### As to Experience.

Mr. Beveridge, in his speech at Terre Haute, made the declaration that Mr. Marshall ought not to be elected Governor of Indiana because he had had no experience as a Legislator or Executive. He also stated that Mr. Watson was the logical man for the place because he had Legislative experience, though no executive experience. It occurs that a man may have experience that unfits him to be the representative of the people, an experience that is worse than no experience at all. Mr. Watson's experience has been of this kind. As right hand man to Speaker Cannon he has learned that the wishes of the people are of little weight in Legislation. As whip-of-the-house under this same Cannon he has become expert in forcing upon the people legislation they do not desire and killing those bills they do desire. His experience has shown him ways and means to defeat the people. Thus he was able to force upon the country the ship subsidy bill, the Aldrich-Vreeland currency bill, was able to aid Speaker Cannon to smother the Littlefield liquor bill. His experience has taught him that it is better to be on the side of party and the interests than on the side of the people. All this, shown from his record, is the kind of experience that unfits a man to be the honest representative of the people. As a matter of fact the great executives of this state and nation have been men with little or no experience. Governor Morton, Presidents Grant and Lincoln were such inexperienced executives. Governor Hughes of New York and Johnson of Minnesota are other examples. We are inclined to believe that honesty, and strength of purpose, the belief that the people's desires should be respected, a belief in the theory that "public office is a public trust" are more desirable qualities in a governor than experience as second in command to one of the worst foes of the people and of progress that this country has seen. We prefer honesty and ability to the experience of the perennial candidate and professional politician.

### As They Would Do.

The Republican party is distributing in Putnam County a copy of a speech made since the passage of the county option bill, by James E. Watson. The speech is rather lengthy, but is quite characteristic of the man and his party. The speech is based upon three assertions, none proved. Like President Roosevelt, this professional politician believes it is only necessary for him to make a statement without proof, and it will be believed. The three assertions are that the Democratic party is under the control of the liquor interests, that township local option would repeal the Moore law, and that the Democrats would Gerrymander the state and repeal the county option law if elected this fall. It is characteristic of a certain type of people that they always judge others by themselves. Being a professional politician, accustomed to look with scorn and insolence upon the will of the people, Watson knows that he would at once, if elected, strive to do all the things he has declared the Democrats propose to do. Knowing his own promises are worthless, he pretends to disbelieve the promises made by Mr. Marshall. He can not conceive that the Democrats actually believe in the rule of the people, and would not repeal laws now enacted till the people have stated that they do not desire them. We have an illustration here at home of Republican carelessness of the people's wishes. We remember the redistricting of this city to defeat the will of the majority of our citizens, a redistricting that makes possible the present wet First Ward. As a matter of fact each one of the three assertions made by this man are false and he knows they are false. The Democrats have never intimated that they

intend to repeal the county option law. In fact all the temperance candidates from Mr. Marshall down have declared that it must stand till it has proved itself good or bad. They have no intention of redistricting the state on any such issue. They have opposed the bill on legitimate grounds, but now they refuse to fight it further till their own theories of its fitness have been proved or disproved. If it fails it must be repealed. This professional politician, fresh from his defeat of temperance legislation at Washington, and wearing the halo of suddenly acquired morality, declares that the township option would repeal the Moore law. Again it is but theory for theory. Good lawyers have held that it would not. Good lawyers have held that the county option law will repeal the Moore law. All sane men know that personal declarations upon these things are valueless. Only the supreme court can decide the question. Watson is no lawyer. He is only a politician, the friend of Cannon, the enemy of national temperance. He does not know whereof he speaks and is not honest enough to grant that it is only a legal theory he puts forward. Thus his denunciation of the Democrat party rests only upon his personal opinion, and that biased and warped by long training in party rascality and association with Joseph Cannon. We are not acquainted with any Democrats whose word is, at least, not as good as this man's, and they deny in full all these assertions. Let Watson cease to judge others by himself. Let him remember his record.

### Mr. Lane's Case.

The offer of Mr. Oscar Lane, Republican candidate for representative, to withdraw from the field and leave it clear for Mr. Hostetter, Democratic candidate for re-election, in case Mr. Hostetter would vote for county local option, is being rather widely considered over the state. Various motives are assigned to Mr. Lane for making the offer, and there are many that are inclined to believe that the offer is a matter of bribery under the statute. Knowing Mr. Lane as we do, we are confident that the only motive behind the offer was a desire to promote what he believed to be temperance legislation. We believe that Mr. Lane was perfectly honest in the offer, though we are not so sure of the motives behind the leaders of his party who counseled with him at the time. So far as Mr. Lane himself is concerned any bribery that exists was technical and not intentional. It was an offer prompted by the man's enthusiasm for the question then at issue. On the other hand the integrity of Mr. Hostetter is more firmly established by the incident. His reply to the offer that "he wished no reward for doing what he believed right," made in a time of political stress, shows the caliber of the man. We are confident that neither Mr. Lane nor Mr. Hostetter saw anything evil in the offer made and refused.

### CIRCUIT COURT NOTES

The court had a hard time in transacting its business Thursday morning. The day's business was begun in the court room, but when the band began to play for the Hospital Fair, stationing themselves in the speakers stand on the east side of the court house, so much sound came into the court room that business was impossible. The court then moved to the law library room. But business had hardly begun there when the band, driven out by the chilly breeze that swept over the old speaker's stand, moved into the sunshine on the south side and drove the court back into the court room.

The case of the Star Jack Company against F. E. Lawton and Edward W. Perry was heard by Judge Rawley. The case is one of interpretation of contract. The plaintiff company is represented by Jackson Boyd, and Guy Humphreys of Bloomfield. The defendants are represented by Col. C. C. Matson. The case of the Star Jack Company against James Chadd and Mary Chadd was also laid before the court. Argument was heard Thursday morning Judge Rawley took the case under advisement.

### BRICK CHAPEL BOX SUPPER

There will be a box supper at the Brick Chapel School house Friday night, October 9, 1908. Everyone is cordially invited to be present.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Herbert Blue and Emma Young.  
William E. Morrison and Cecil Hepler.

## There's Everything in Your Favor

### WHEN YOU BUY TAILORED SUITS READY-TO-WEAR

In the first place, They have more style, fit you better and cost you decidedly less than suits of equal merit would cost you to have them made.

In the second place, you know from experience how extremely difficult it is to find competent people to make up your materials, when you want them made.

These are a few reasons why It's so much easier for you to buy Tailored Suits ready-to-wear, than it would be to buy the materials and try to have them made to your measure.



We ordered the past week from three different suit makers some suits in colorings that had proven very good and in each instance they were unable to promise the suits wanted under three weeks.

At the same time we have now—more than double the number of new style suits we ordinarily carry in in stock.

And whether you desire a Tailored Suit light enough to wear with a Heavy Coat—or a Suit made of heavy materials—we believe that you will be able to find here just the Suit you want.

## There's Always One Best Place To Buy Cloaks in Every Community

And if you'll take time to investigate—you'll certainly come to the conclusion that we are "it" when it comes to Cloaks.



One reason why it pays to come to us is—you'll find more Cloaks shown by us than are shown by all the other Cloak stores in the county combined—this gives you a variety from which to choose—And further—In no case will you be asked more—but usually less than Cloaks of equal value and style are sold for elsewhere.

We have desirable Cloaks for every woman and child in Putnam County—no matter how large—or how small.

ALLEN BROTHERS

### Notice of Application for Liquor License.

To the citizens of the First Ward of the City of Greencastle, Putnam County, Indiana.

You are hereby notified that the undersigned, a male inhabitant and a continuous resident of said city for more than ninety days last past, and being of the age of twenty-one years, will apply at the November Term, 1908, of the Board of Commissioners of Putnam County of Putnam, for a license to sell spirituous, vinous, malt and other kinds of intoxicating liquors in a less quantity than a gallon for each day for the year.

in connection therewith.

Said place of business and premises whereon said license is to be sold and drank are located on the ground floor room of a two-story brick building, located on the north side of the public square, in said City of Greencastle, Putnam County, Indiana, and being situated on that part of Lot Number one (100) in said city, described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the southeast corner of said lot one hundred (100) in the old plat of the City of Greencastle, thence north one hundred (100) feet to the alley, thence west two (20) feet ten and one-quarter (10 1/4) inches, thence south one hundred (100) feet to the south line of said lot, thence east twenty (20) feet ten and one-quarter (10 1/4) inches to the place of beginning.

JOHN D. ASH.

## DEMOCRATIC SPEAKING

Henry Warrum and Ralph W. Moss

At Cloverdale, Wed. October 14—1:30 p. m.

Henry Warrum

At Greencastle, Wed. October 14—7:30 p. m.

Ralph W. Moss and F. C. Tilden

Russellville, Mon. October 12—7:30 p. m.

Ralph W. Moss

At Bainbridge, Tues. October 13—7:30 p. m.

Reelsville, Wed. October 14—7:30 p. m.

Greencastle, Sat. October 10—7:30 p. m.

Jas. P. Hughes and John H. James

Carter's School House, Cloverdale tp Tues. October 13—7:30 p. m.

Jackson Boyd and Jas. P. Hughes

Poplar Grove School House, Cloverdale, Mon. October 12—7:30 p. m.

C. C. Gillen and Geo. W. Wilson

Finley, Thurs. October 15—7:30

W. H. Miller and C. C. Gillen

At Brick Chapel, Tues. October 13—7:30 p. m.

John H. James

Grovesville, Friday, October 16—7:30

W. H. Miller and Geo. W. Wilson

At School House No 8 Floyd tp, Tuesday October 20—7:30

Theo. Crawford and Jackson Boyd

Fox Lake, Thurs. October 16—7:30

James P. Hughes

Coleman's School House, Marion tp. Friday, October 9—7:30

Jackson Boyd and Theo. Crawford

Mt Meridian, Tuesday, October 20—7:30

W. H. Miller

Riley Allen School House, Washington tp, Wednesday, October 21—7:20