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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1925

DEMOCRATIC TICKET

FOR STATE SENATOR
C. D. ASBURY

FOR REPRESENTATIVE
WILLIAM J. CURTIS

FOR COUNTY JUDGE
A. B. TILTON

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY
FOSTER V. COX

FOR SHERIFF
L. E. BARTON

FOR COUNTY CLERK
2ND. A. WESTFALL

FOR TAX COMMISSIONER
JIM WILL MARTIN

FOR JAILER
W. E. OWENS

FOR MAGISTRATE
(First District)
JOHN G. ALLISON
(Second District)
J. E. BARTON
(Third District)
E. M. MYERS

ANENT POLITICS.

Another "election" comes. Next Tuesday those who are of legal age will exercise, as citizens of a Republic a prerogative which all too few regard as a duty. The majority of us will cast our ballots as members of one of the two old political parties, voting either as Democrats or as Republicans, a method of procedure, which for the lack of any better method, has been found to be the most practicable means of selecting the officials of county, State and Nation. There are those who refuse to be bound by party lines; who vote here and there as the spirit moves them, or as the primaries go agin' 'em. With them The Mercury has no quarrel. Sometimes they hold the balance of power; more frequently they reduce somewhat the magnitude of the dominant party, receive, after election, scant welcome from the party members of the group to which they "bolted;" deprive their own party of their future services in the selection of nominees more to their mind and rather effectively succeed in wasting their sweetness on the desert air.

Being a Democrat by birth, tradition, environment and choice and having contracted with our party in the Ab Agent primary, through the vote cast then, to support the nominees of that primary, we shall vote the Democratic ticket, the Lord willing, come next Tuesday.

Now, The Mercury is not given to "whooping it up," bearing a political pennant to tatters, or its hair or shirt, in the interest of any particular office seeker. We have some very good friends who are so misguided as to vote the Republican ticket, in whom, despite this failing, we are able to find most admirable and endearing qualities of mind and heart. We are not blinded by partisan zeal; in fact we were taken to task recently by a Lexington contemporary for lack of interest in the great American game of politics. So, it is not as a bible-bound zealot, a yellow-dog Democrat that we make the statement that party regularity is not the only reason for supporting the Democratic nominees in next Tuesday's election.

Most of the candidates are standing for re-election. The record of their services is know to all and The Mercury believes that an unbiased estimate will fail to disclose where a single one of them has failed to give honest service. This newspaper is not blood to the faults of men, simply because they happen to appear beneath a party emblem; they are but human beings, sharing faults with the rest of us. Presently failings some of them may have, but we have yet to see any charge of official dishonesty or inefficiency substantiated. In every instance such charges may be traced to political prejudice or personal dislike, or they are the repetitions of hearsay.

A Democrat who believes as we do that the man who takes part in a party primary enters into an implied contract to abide by the result of that primary will support the ticket regardless of his personal dislike of any candidate. He is keeping his pledge to his party, as we see it; he is "playing the game." In the case of next Tuesday's election, however, this is not the only reason that The Mercury would urge all Democrats to rally to the support of their party's nominees, for it is our conscientious belief that these candidates are all able, efficient, honest and worthy of your vote.

Our friends, the Republicans, want the offices. So do the Democrats, for that matter. Now it is reasonable to believe that the Republicans are not actuated by any higher motives in their office-seeking than are the Democrats, nor are they offering themselves as sacrifices on the altar of unselfish politics with the ideal of service as the only beacon that beckons. As Abe Martin says, "Politics is about hopelessly mixed up with office-seeking." And so it is.

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The Mercury is not alone in its belief that the voter who takes part in a primary owes it to himself as well as to his party to abide by the results. Editor L. S. Fitzhugh, of the Wilmore Herald, is a veteran of many political campaigns. In the Castrill-Barkley race, we remember, this doughty Knight of the Pen entered the lists under the banner of Mr. Barkley. When his horse had been shattered in a joust could he be sulk or refuse to accept defeat? Not for a moment. Mr. Castrill was accorded his hearty support as the winner of a tourney, in which all entrants had agreed to abide by the results. A paragraph from one of Mr. Fitzhugh's editorials concerning the Democratic election, coming from one who not only preaches a faith, but practices it as well, is a particularly timely sermon for Democrats. He writes:

> The ballots will be ready on November 3rd for you, men and women voters, to determine who will compose the next Fayette County Government for the next four years. Those officers were selected by the vote of the August Primary and they stand as the choice of the majority of their party. Those who voted in this primary entered into a contract—one more or less—to support the ticket named there. Everybody's choice could not win, of course, but everybody had a fair chance to register their with. It was a fair and open poll. The fundamental rock on which this country is founded is the will of the majority. The majority has spoken and it is up to you to back it.

A GOOD INVESTMENT.

> Experience is always quite the best of teachers. Once one experiences tanks first, but the experience of others is often equally as valuable. The question of issuing bonds to erect a filtering plant at the local reservoir is presented to the voters of Carlisle next Tuesday. The Mercury is for the bond issue. The need of the filter is evident. The bonds may be voted without entailing a burden upon the tax-payer in the future. The water-rate will all wonder, as is the case of the water works, how we did without it for so long.
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> Now for some experiences from a town of approximately the same size—now—as the Nose point Two. Mayor Kenney says: "The bonds were voted without entailing a burden upon the tax-payer in the future. The water-rate will not be increased to pay the bonds. The water-works pay for themselves. The people of the city of Carlisle are able to compare the water situation here now with what it was before we had our filter and can sympathize with their neighbors in Carlisle who, besides bathing in "mud," have not been able to use their city water for either drinking or cooking purposes."
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> One of the very best investments of money Versailles has, payers ever made was when they built a fine-class filtering plant.
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> In our opinion the investment will prove equally valuable in the case of Carlisle. The water-works bond issue should receive the overwhelming support of our citizens.

THE IMPORTANT OFFICES.

> It is one of the mysteries of the prevailing system of selecting county officials in Kentucky, and perhaps in all other States, that the most important offices go haggling, to speak, and the candidates for those offices receive scant attention from voter or press. There is no office, for instance, more important than that of magistrate, unless it be that of member of the county board of education. Both are regarded as minor offices and yet the magistrates of a county are in charge of the finances of the people, the county school board is responsible for the education of the children of the county.
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> It is the country in contrast its progress, if there is hope of relief from the moral and social problems that confront us, that hope lies in the education of our children. Too much care may not be shown in choosing members of the county board of education from men and women of the highest type of citizenship. The future of the generation, in a great measure, lies in those hands.
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> Mr. Hughes in his recent address as President of the Kentucky Bar Association, said, "An honest, high-minded, able and fearless judge is the most valuable servant of government, and is constantly need to emphasize to the community, to create a public sentiment of its interests, the importance of obtaining for the bench such judges and the administration of an expert bar. A county may get along with an unwastful indulgence of the community's money; but to patronize a merchant who does not carry a good stock, but you have no recourse before a judge who is careless of moral principles are inferior. Good intention is no substitute for adequate knowledge. But if we are to have and keep good judges, we must properly pay for them."
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> The amendment which appears upon the ballot next Tuesday will permit the payment to members of the Court of Appeals of salaries commensurate with the high ability that should characterize those who occupy positions of such great responsibility. Times have changed, as all know, since the salary limit provision in our constitution might be regarded as adequate pay for judicial service. "Justice to those who administer it" is the slogan of the new admendment. The amendment should be voted.

POEMS THAT WE LIKE.

JUBAL AND TUBAL CAIN.

(Apologies)

Jubal sang of the Month of God
And the curve of thistle and thorn;
But Tubal got him a pointed rod,
And scrubbed the earth for corn.

Jubal sang of the golden years
When the world was young and free;
But Tubal fashioned the hand-flung spears
And moved his neighbours prey.
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Jubal sang of the cliffs that hot
High—high at the snow-lands lie,
But Tubal delved in the valley low
Wherever they be they can never go

Jubal and Tubal Cain!

THE SONG OF THE WAGE-SLAVE

(Robert W. Service)

When the long, long day is over,
and the Big Boss gives me my pay,
I hope that it won't be half-fire, as some of the parsons say.
And I hope that it won't be heaven,
with some of the parsons I've met—
All I want is just quiet, just to rest and forget.
Look at my face, toil-furrowed, look at my hands, toil-calloused,
Master, I've done Thy bidding,
Wrought for the little masters, highhanded they be, and rich.
I have used the strength Thou gave me,
Thou knowest I did not shirk,
Threescore years of labor—Thine be the long day's work.
And now, Big Master, I've broken and bent and twisted and smashed,
But I've held my job, and Thou knowest, and Thou will not judge me hard.
Thou knowest my sins are many, and often I've gone astray,
Whiskey and cards and women, they made me the devil's tool.
I was just like a child with money;
I fling it away with a curse,
Feasting a fawning parasite, or gluting a harlot's purse.
Then back to the woods repentant,
back to the toil of the mine,
I, the worker-of workers, everything in my line.
Everything hard but headwork, (I'd no more brains than a kid),
A brute with brute strength to labor, and they were so far apart,
Living in camps with man-folk, a lone wolf that howled at the moon.
Never knew kiss of sweetheart, never caress of wife,
A brute with brute strength to labor, and they were so far apart.
Yet I'd gladly have gone to the gallows for one little look of love,
I, with the strength of two men, the will to obey and serve,
Yet how I'd ha' treasured a woman, and a child that called me "Dad."
Well, Thy world, and Thou knowest, I blaspheme and my tongue be cursed.
But I've lived my life as I seemed it, and I've lived it as I could;
I, the primitive toiler, half-naked forefather, with strength and the will to serve,
Sweated my duty a day at a time, seeking it stark in their eyes;
Hating down Demon Poverty, and spanning tumultuous streams;
Down in the dirts building or not building the work I was set to do;
Up in the air there with the dreams.
Boring the rock to the arm-bird, driving the rivet home,
Resolute, dumb, unexplaining. A child, Lord, but a man.
Master, Thy filled my contract, Thou knowest I always tried;
Not by my sins will Thou judge me, but by what I've done right.
Master, I've done Thy bidding, Thou knowest I've kept the law,
And the long, long shift is over . . . Lord, I'm coming Home.

HOW TO CARE FOR CASE OF MEASLES

Child Health Talks by Dr. Juanita Mc*. Jennings, Assistant Director of Child Health, State Board of Health, Louisville, Ky.

Measles, a disease so frequent in Texas that it is considered by most people a necessary evil of little children, measles followed one year ago by one of the most frequent causes of death in the baby. Mothers have come to realize that children should have measles and get over with. If a child can go there early childhood without having measles he is much more likely to have a much better physical condition than the child who has had measles and is left a damaged child.

The treatment of measles in an uncomplicated case is very simple. The patient should be kept in a darkened room, so as to protect the eyes, which are usually more sensitive to light. The room should be well ventilated, but especially important in hospitals and institutions, should not be exposed to cold or to sudden change in temperature. In the more severe cases, involvement of the throat and involvement of the lungs are very frequent. Cough is a constant and unpleasant symptom. The patient should be kept quiet, preferably in bed, and should be well protected with a suitable clothing.

A warm bath will relieve greatly the appearance of the rash. If the fever is high and the child restless and irritable, he should be sponged or have a tepid bath, which will relieve restlessness and irritability. Complications are treated as they arise. Every case of measles should be examined from time to time, and the temperature taken, to note any rise in temperature. In the more severe cases, involvement of throat and involvement of the lungs are very frequent. Cough is a constant and unpleasant symptom. The patient should be kept quiet, preferably in bed, and should be well protected with a suitable clothing.

Measles itself is usually a mild disease, and the mortality is not so on account of its complications. Pneumonia, especially in the severe and matured disease are frequent causes of death in measles, in institutions and hospitals, and in the homes of children, measles is justly dreaded. Among the sequels of measles may be mentioned inflammation of the lungs making sometimes to a fatal termination.

SOME STARTLING FIGURES

There are 12,000 crippled children in Kentucky. Each child of two is valued by experts at $1,100, making a book value of these children $25,-208,000. The cost of an orthopedic case is from $100 to a maximum of 21 to $6,100. If, therefore, one-half of these children should not be crippled, the saving would be a mode commercially productive, economic investment due to the State of $56,600,000. Let us transfer this problem over to the next side of the State Ledger. Let us cure and restore to usefulness and happiness the unfortunate and matured disease afflicted over to the asset side of our own ones. In institutions and hospitals there are 3,000 such children, measles is justly dreaded. Among the sequels of measles may be mentioned inflammation of the lungs making sometimes to a fatal termination.

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30 YEARS AGO

Thursday, November 7, 1895

W. W. Howe buys the F. E. Congleton residence at public auction for $2,825.

A Lashley, S. McMahill and L. T. Pattie appointed board of city trade supervisors.

R. H. Tone, of this city, farmed to suspend publication of the North Middletown Advance on account of debts.

Butler McClanahan, who has been living in Mississippi for the past several years, arrives for visit with relatives in the county.

Rev. Mitchell closes two weeks revival meeting at the Methodist church, during which 11 persons joined the church.

J. G. Powell, W. J. Kennedy, H. Munger, A. Lashley, J. A. Kreskie and S. McMahill elected councilmen at the election held Tuesday.

W. O. Bradley, Republican, elected Governor of Kentucky over General P. Watt Hardin, Democrat, in the state election held Tuesday.

Married—Miss Ella Fuller and Mr. Chas. Headquarters vicinity, on October 31—Miss Lizzie Hedges and Albert Fewback, both of this city, at Cochranes, on the 30th.

Died—Mrs. Bobbitt Vice, at her home on Cassiday Creek on the 24th inst., at 2 p. m., of typhoid fever, aged 30 years—Mrs. Kennedy, the late merchant, at Cincinnati on the 25th—Miss Lizzie Kennedy, a student at the Louisville Hominine Institute, at the residence of her home at Y. J. Kennedy, in Carlisle, on the 2nd.

42 YEARS AGO

Thursday, November 8, 1883

Firman Henry takes position as Cashier Mann's store.

Tobe Parrish sells his store at Oakland Mills to Green Feebach and Ellard Lee.

Local buyers offering 60 cents per head for turkeys and 20 cents per dozen for eggs.

At a meeting of the county commissioners last week, Dr. T. C. Hedin was appointed county physician.

Wallace Lawrence, of this county, is badly injured when he is caught between two freight cars at the Carlisle depot.

Assessor's report for this year shows the value of Nicholas county property to be over three million dollars.

Gus Ewart, of near Ellisville, contains broken collar bone and otherwise injured when team of horses runs away with him.

Howard & Dinsmore sell third interest in their store to R. A. Baker and the firm will be known as Howard, Dinsmore & Baker.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Fleta Williams, of Cassiday Creek, on the 30th inst., a son—To Mr. and Mrs. George Shreve, of near Myers, on the 7th, a son.

Married—Miss Sarah M. Harvey and Mr. Joseph Laughlin, both of the county, to be married today—Miss Elva Prymus and Mr. Joseph Mattox, both of the county.

MIS RULING PASSION

(Courier-Journal)

Woodrow Wilson wrote no memoirs. Repeatedly he rejected the temptation. But he gave to posterity his own account of what he was and did. Publishers importuned him to set out the record of his principles. Intimate personal friends brought him to leave a picture of the epic days of which he was the outstanding figure in two generations. He could appear in answer was in the negative.

Then suddenly, especially important in hospitals and institutions, he broke his silence. Not in memoirs, not in a book, but in a short article, published in a magazine. In the more severe cases, involvement of the throat and involvement of the lungs are very frequent. Cough is a constant and unpleasant symptom. The patient should be kept quiet, preferably in bed, and should be well protected with a suitable clothing.

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