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THROUGH THE DAY

I have seen dawn stremble on the hills,
Calling the little leaves to rise and shine;
I have seen youthful day grow brave and strong;
And soft-eyed dusk with prayer and evensong;
I know the wonders of each common day—
But—cannot think it strange that one should say
He walked with God.

Kathrine Hyman Williams.

A REFRESHING CONTRAST

In refreshing contrast to the conventional campaign strategy, which consists of attacking the opposing candidate, the Smith-Hoover race promises to introduce new tactics. Governor Smith has indicated that he will try to "sell himself" to the country on the man he is qualified for the job, securing the negative course of pointing out the shortcomings of Mr. Hoover. Mr. Hoover's campaign will be equally as dignified, one feels sure. The attitude of the press is a straw in the political wind that seems to indicate a spirit of tolerance, which is evidently a reflection of the reasonableness of the two candidates. As an instance of this is an editorial statement of policy made by Joe Berry-Howard Chain newspapers last week. These newspapers, supporting Mr. Hoover, stated:

An independent newspaper is not a party organ. In supporting Hoover we will not align ourselves as the enemy or a follower of the good and able man who is his opponent.

We want to see Hoover in the White House. But, excepting Hoover, we would rather see Alfred E. Smith than any man since Woodrow Wilson.

Naturally now is the small fry if there will be bitternesses and slander. Knifed whispering for Mr. Hoover and Governor Smith will traduce and abuse, forgetting the important issues in their partisan hatreds. The Mercury anticipates a campaign marked by much feeling. Religious intolerance and the wet and dry controversy may be depended upon to furnish enough heat to keep the pot boiling merrily until November, but so far as the two men are concerned, in the outcome are concerned, so far as the leading parties, newspapers are concerned, there is apparent a feeling of mutual respect and admiration.

An instance of the unusual treatment of an opposing candidate by a strictly partisan newspaper is the following, as published by Time's weekly newsmagazine, issue of July 9th:

Republicans were surprised. Democrats pleased, non-partisans filled with admiration when, last week, the New York Herald Tribune, outstalwart G. O. P. organ in the East, published a "piece" about Nominee Smith written by Arthur Brown Krahl, a correspondent seasoned by a quarter-century of political writing in the U. S. and abroad. It was not a "piece" calculated to help Hoover beat Smith. It was an honest effort by Writer Krahl to report on Nominee Smith of he saw him. Excerpts:

"There is something interesting about 'Al' Smith . . . something alive, dynamic, go-ahead-reality in a spiritual sense . . .

"The late President Harding, let us say, presented a facade which was suave and winning . . . But once touched or pierced it too often turned out to be but a facade and little more.

"Al' Smith's facade, the grin, cocked derby and half-chewed cigar . . . has little to do with the sort of 'reality' one has in mind here . . . Underneath . . . is something else—something taut and expert, quickly sensitive; something that boils and struggles in there, that answers and leaps. Touch or pierce that rough-neck facade, ever so lightly, and that other something starts, flames, comes leaping back.

"There is about him a touch of that quickness of feet with genius . . .

". . . One gets an impression of exceptional force, or honesty, intelligence and absence of flabbiness and pretense. . . .

". . . Potentialities of responsive and responsible leadership."

Can it be that the Hoover-Smith campaign is to mark a new, saner era in political campaigning?

APPLIED CHRISTIANITY

It is so seldom that one sees a man who applies his Christianity instead of bringing or preaching it that when we do run across such a fellow, he should receive the unqualified admiration of all of us.

There is such a man in this community and he deserves the support and encouragement of every man and woman in this county. His name is Worth Sapp and for several years he has been doing as fine a bit of work for local boys as one could imagine. His activities in maintaining a Boy Scout troop here, the effort he has expended to build a beautiful little camp, the good he has done for many boys at the important formative period of their lives—all without one cent of salary—evokes the admiration of this newspaper. And though we have expressed often the genuine admiration we hold for him, it is an expression that will bear repetition.

The other day he came to this writer and said: "I'd like to give two of those little fellows from the city a vacation at camp. I wonder if we could get up a few dollars to pay for their meals for ten days? I'd take care of them and after them a good time."

There you have the man—making the largest donation himself. If you don't think so, try taking care of two or three lads, not yet in their teens, entertaining them and keeping them out of mischief for only two or three days.

So when you read the appeal that appears on the first page of this issue and when you are solicited to help, remember that you'll have to be mighty generous indeed to approach the generosity of Worth Sapp.

CHAUTAUQUA

The Mercury is glad that Chautauqua is to return in 1929. It should be an institution in a town like Carlisle, deficit or no deficit. The gathering of the people of a county, under conditions that are pleasant, entertaining and cultural is worth more than any probable deficit might cost the guarantors.

The radio has made sophisticates of us country folk in the matter of musical programs and lectures, perhaps, but the appeal of the big tent, the social contact, the "personal touch" one might say, is lacking in radio entertainment. Chautauqua is too valuable an influence, even if we do grow critical of programs, for any small town to lose.

LOCUST ST. LANDING FIELD

When the big tent is pitched in the court house yard next year, The Mercury wonders if some plan may not be devised to exclude automobiles that insist on "warming up" at one-minute intervals during the night programs?

Last Saturday night a boiler factory could have been no noisier than that fleet of cars parked on Locust street. One Model T that warmed up longer than the Spirit of St. Louis before crossing to Paris, woke up a whole covey of cars, trucks, motorcycles and an airplane or two, judging from the sound. The poor actors were forced to "tear a passion to tatters" to be heard above the din.

Let's move the landing field to some other street next year.

AVOID IMPURE WATER

Again The Mercury would yarn against the potibility of a contaminated water supply, following the recent heavy rains. Be sure that the surface water did not drain into your cistern. If you are well water, the risk of contamination is even greater and in either case you should send a sample in a clean bottle to the Experiment Station at Lexington for analysis.

The State Board of Health fears a typhoid fever epidemic may follow the June floods and urges vaccination against this disease and in a bulletin issued this week suggests the following precautions be followed:

"Whereas there is danger of typhoid fever and other filth borne diseases becoming prevalent in this community, thereby endangering the lives of many people, the State Board of Health, by virtue of its authority and consistent with its duty in the matter, urges that the people of all ages report to their family physician or to the County and State Health Officials, immediately and be vaccinated against typhoid fever.

"Every physician and the County and State Health Officials in the community are prepared to vaccinate any who will call upon them.

"It is further urged that every householder immediately see to the cleaning up of his premises, getting rid of filth, nuisance, and other breeding places for flies, making all privies flyproof and sanitary, and protecting all cisterns, wells and springs from the danger of any surface drainage.

"All houses should be screened against flies which are constant carriers of filth.

"Drink only water which has been pronounced pure by the Health Officials and boil all water used in washing uncooked fruit and vege-

Plank Adopted by the Boys

tables. If the water supply is polluted, boil water used for drinking, for bathing, and washing hands and face, and for dishes and tableware. See your County or State Health Officials for advice as to how to make your drinking water supply safe."

KANSAS BARS BILLBOARDS

A Kansas law prohibits billboards along highways. The supreme court of Kansas upholds the validity of the law. Billboards are ugly in many cases; they are placed close to dangerous to traffic and their value as an advertising medium is questionable.

Under present conditions one whirls past a string of billboards at thirty to forty miles per hour, conscious of no reaction to the painted planks at all, unless it be annoyance that a pleasing view is obstructed by a row of gaudily daubed boards. In the days of horse and buggy, it is true, one jogged along slowly enough to read the "Go to John Jones for dry goods, boots, shoes and undertaking," but even then there is no record of a fence rail or a billboard ever having been taken home to read around the stove after supper.

The passing of billboards would add to the beauty of landscapes and save the advertiser a pretty penny that might be invested more profitably.

THE SMITH CANDIDACY

(The New York World)

It is sheer partisan nonsense to talk as if any party had a monopoly either of virtue or of vice, and any candidate who went on the stump this year with the intention of talking that nonsense would soon discover that the American people are not such fools as the theory implies. They have taken the measure of both parties and they know quite well that both of them are a mixture of good and bad. They will laugh at a candidate who tries to tell them anything else. They know that to be buncombe, and if there is one thing more than any other which the independent voters of the United States are tired of it is buncombe.

Nobody, least of all a Democrat, needs to have any regret that this campaign will not have for its parasaint *inside* the allegedly peculiar viciousness of all Republicans. That sort of talk belongs to a past age when men were much more naive in politics than they are today. The Smith candidacy is a mature thing and its primary appeal to the electorate will be made not upon a negation but upon a positive idea. The Smith candidacy is a responsible thing. The Governor will not go to the people asking for power simply because his opponents have abused power. He will go to the people as a man who has demonstrated that he can exercise power in accordance with the best liberal traditions of the American people and to the satisfaction of the overwhelming majority of men and women of all parties in his own State.

He will have been Governor of New York for four terms. The kind of government he has given New York he will offer to the Nation. They can search his records and find out whether he knows how to deal with profiteers. They can search his records and find out whether he is free of entanglements with special interests. They can search his record and find out whether he knows how to choose men. They can search his record and find out whether he knows how to choose between the State and the machines. They can search his record and find out whether he knows how to protect the State against the importunities of political machines. They can search his record and find out whether he has the dignity, the poise, the judgment and the intelligence to hold office under popular government. They won't get from him a mere indictment of his adversaries. They will get a record by which they can judge for themselves whether this man's promises are to be trusted, whether what he says he will do he has the capacity to do.

The Democrats, in short, under Smith's leadership will not offer the people self-righteousness and partisan criticism. The theory that campaigns should be based on the vices of the other fellow is a theory decent men who have so little prospect

30 Years Ago

Thursday, July 14. 1898

Residence of J. J. Lambert at Moorefield destroyed by fire Wednesday afternoon.

Sam Thompson—of Middletown, formerly of Carlisle—in Carlisle this week making arrangements to start Republican newspaper here.

Approximately forty members of the Lexington Country Club enjoying ten days camp at Parks Hill.

Julian Howe, of Carlisle, trick cyclist, to be one of the attractions at A. O. U. W. picnic at Paris.

Latest war news indicates surrender of General Toral, Spanish leader at Santiago, with 20,000 men to General Shafter.

Francis Howell, young son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Howell, suffers painful bruises when thrown from wagon on which he was riding.

Republicans of Sixth district to meet at Greenup Tuesday to nominate candidate for Congress. Nicholas instructs for Congressman Pugh.

Died—Infant of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Shannon at their home near Mt. Zion on the 12th.—Infant of Mr. and Mrs. William Tucker at their home near Myers on the 12th.—Infant of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Spratt at their home near Myers on the 12th.

42 YEARS AGO

Thursday, July 15, 1886

Charles G. Dallas appointed deputy Marshal under Marshal McDaniel.

L. F. Mann awarded contract to build road from Point Pleasant to Ferry.

Local option law goes into effect here and all bar rooms are closed on the 12th.

John N. Rose, manager of the Bellinger-Caywood Hotel, has made ed improvements made at LaRue hotel at Blue Licks.

Edward Wittenhack, barber in the Lamar House, leaves here for sharpening razors by machinery and applies for patent.

Henry Burika, known as "Dutch Henry," shot by man named Hickerson at his home near Blue Lick Tuesday and dies from wound Wednesday.

Married—Miss Artie Sears and Mr. John Conaway both of this county, on the 8th.—Miss Eliza E. Bell and Mr. John B. Colvin, both of the county, on the 15th.

Died—Mrs. Mary McDonald, at the home of her son, George McDonald, in Carlisle, on the 9th.—Infant of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dalzell at their home in the county on the 12th.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Liston, of the county, on the 10th, a daughter.—To Mr. and Mrs. John Overley, of the county a son.—To Mr. and Mrs. William Clay, of Weston, a son.

At a mass meeting of the Democrats of the county held in the court house Saturday, Hon. J. Q. Ward, of Harrison county, was endorsed as a candidate for Judge of the Superior Court and delegates elected to attend the state convention at Lexington tomorrow.

Married—Mr. Robert Hall and Miss Lizzie Hall, both of this county, on the 14th, by Rev. Mr. Hall.

Mr. John Conaway has been appointed deputy Sheriff under Sheriff Fuller.

Mr. Thomas Hall, of Carlisle, has purchased the stock of goods of Mr. Ed Hall, at Kiddville, and will move the stock to Carlisle.

Mr. Ben