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Interview with Chairman Hatfield.

I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. W. N. Shaffer of Paulding relative to an incident in connection with the former administration of the banking department, to which I have made the reply attached herewith.

Insofar as Mr. Shaffer, or any other individual is concerned, we have in this campaign no special interest and certainly had and have no desire to reflect upon them. The real matter in interest is the remarkable character of the conduct of the state banking department under the administration of James M. Cox as governor and Emery Lattanner, his bank superintendent.

In all the history of Ohio no department has ever been so mal-administered as this one during the governorship of Mr. Cox.

Let me illustrate: Pictures of the governor and others were framed and paid for from the funds of a closed bank. The re-payment of this money was enforced during this administration.

Liquidation expenditures in the sum of \$47,153.87, not approved by the courts, were allowed. An example of the unreasonableness of such allowances is shown by the fact that in one case where \$5,434.34 was allowed, the court reduced the allowances in the sum of \$2,300. And the judge, in passing on these extravagant allowances, said: "It was no doubt the idea of the superintendent as to the way to do things. The trouble was the conditions and surroundings of the department has become such that their ideas were erroneous and wrong."

This indictment of this very important statement of the government of Ohio, coming from a judicial source, is the best characterization that can be made and further comment would seem superfluous.

October 8, 1916.

Mr. W. N. Shaffer,
Paulding, Ohio.

Dear Sir: I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 4, 1916, relative to the publication concerning the payment of a bill for an overcoat by a check drawn by you, as Deputy Superintendent of Banks, on funds of the Metropolitan Bank of Cincinnati, then in process of liquidation.

In reply, I beg to state that the facts are that this overcoat was billed to an employee, other than yourself, in the banking department in the liquidation of this bank. His name was omitted for publication simply because of the feeling that the material fact was that the overcoat bill was paid by a check from these funds.

We did not and do not claim that you received the overcoat in question, or profited in any way by the transaction.

If, as you claim, the overcoat was paid for by you out of the funds of the bank, merely as an

accommodation to this employee and the amount paid for the overcoat was later deducted from compensation due him, we can only say that we have been unable to find a public record of such deduction in the liquidation of this bank.

The businesslike procedure, at least, would have been for the banking department to have paid the employee whatever compensation was due him and have let him pay for the overcoat.

The sole intent of the publication was to call public attention to the unbusinesslike methods which prevailed at the time in question in the banking department of the state and it was in no sense intended to reflect on your personal honesty and integrity, which we did not and do not question.

We shall be pleased to give the same publicity to this statement, insofar as we are able, as we have given the original statement. Very truly yours,

Chas. S. Hatfield, Chairman.

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Pimples, muddy complexions are due to impurities in the blood. Clear up the skin by taking Dr. King's New Life Pills. Their mild laxative qualities remove the poisons from the system and brighten the eye. A full, free, non-cringing bowel movement in the morning is the reward of a dose of Dr. King's New Life Pills the night before. At your druggist, 25c. —Adv

Palestine.

P. D. Groendyke and family visited at Grover Hill, near Van Wert, over Sunday.

J. B. Wilcox and wife have returned from a stay of several weeks at a sanitarium for treatment for Mr. Wilcox.

Indiana relatives from Gas City visited Mrs. Monk's family Sunday.

Born, Saturday evening, to Mr. and Mrs. Allen Koontz, a son.

Mrs. Esther Campbell has been visiting relatives at St. Paris and other points.

Fred Hiatt and family spent Sunday at Joseph Ross's. Those who were present at the ball game on the Cole farm last Saturday say it was the great sporting event of the season.

Elmer Jefferis of California is visiting his numerous relatives in this part of the country. Oct. 16. FROM PALESTINE.

Don't Neglect Your Cold.

Neglected colds get worse, instead of better. A stuffed head, a tight chest must be relieved at once. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey is Nature's remedy. Honey and glycerine heal the irritated membrane, antiseptic tar loosens the phlegm, you breathe easier and your cold is broken up. Pleasant to take, Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey is an ideal remedy for children as well as grown-ups. At your druggist, 25c. —Adv

See Clubbing List

Gettysburg.

A couple of young men have become experts in the game of basket ball. The one can arm himself with a cane and then toe the mark equal to the best; the other can put his hand in a sling and mark up with the best. Nothing like proficiency and win the honors.

Another pioneer has been called to that bourne from whence no traveler returns. Abraham Farmer died last week, aged nearly 72 years. His wife preceded him in death several years. He is survived by several daughters, all married and settled in life, having homes within a radius of five miles. Funeral services were held yesterday morning at the Oakland Brethren church, north of this place about three miles, conducted by Rev. H. Miller, minister of that church. Interment in Versailles cemetery.

The wife of Clarence Besecker died last week, leaving her husband and four small children. Interment tomorrow in cemetery near this place.

J. M. Moul, wife and children, autoed to Piqua via Pleasant Hill to visit his father, who is confined in a hospital on account of an operation performed on his leg, afflicted for many years, from which it is said he is recovering reasonably well.

Thanksgiving will be our next public function and many of us will be put to our wit's end to get up a suitable menu for the occasion. Turkeys, like everything else, are way up on the perch and not a few will find it necessary to load our tables with something else than the usual gobbler, and probably some will have to be content with the luxury of pumpkin pie only. No matter, I suppose what we may have we will doubtless be as thankful for as if supplied with an abundance of the best of vitamins. Thankfulness is the valuable ingredient for the day, and not gormandizing.

President Wilson passed through here on a special train last Thursday on his return east from the Indianapolis gathering. While a few gathered at our depot to get a glimpse of the passing train and its occupants, nothing of interest occurred to mar the pageant. Measures for safety were observed to avoid any mishap, which is deemed all right and proper.

The time to make our choice of rulers is fast approaching and I suppose everybody has made his choice and will on the day render his verdict, whether right or wrong.

Miss Mae Brown and Mrs. Grace Dickensheets, with her two children, moved to Bradford last week. Oct. 16. KOB

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Governor Frank B. Willis



REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION.

FRANK B. WILLIS, as governor, has steadfastly and unflinchingly devoted himself to the welfare of the people of Ohio, and he will be re-elected in November by one of the largest majorities in the history of Ohio. For the first time in the history of Ohio under his leadership expenses of the state for current expenses (aside from highway) paid for by a special levy) are less for a twelve-month period than during the preceding twelve months. Savings have been made for the counties, far increased efficiency has been injected into state departments, a vastly increased volume of work has been han-

dled, legislation of far-reaching importance has been enacted and carried into execution. Governor Willis first attained political prominence in Ohio through his fearlessness as a member of the legislature. Elected to congress, he had a first term record of such credit as is given to few men, and in 1914, after one of the most notable campaigns in Ohio's history, he was elected governor. During the two years that have followed he has consistently carried on the fight of the people against a machine rule that has not stopped at any limit to misrepresent him or to thwart the people's will.

The governor is intensely democratic, and as governor he has seen more people than any executive of the Buckeye State in more than a generation. He is just as accessible to the humblest citizen of the state as he is to its most aristocratic citizen. No governor in years has spent so many hours in his office on an average day or so faithfully attended to the duties imposed upon him.

The people of Ohio have come to know him as a man absolutely sincere, of unquestioned honesty, hard working, courageous, unshaken by the hardest of obstacles, always faithful to the trust committed to his care. The people of the nation have come to recognize him as one of the great leaders of the nation today.

For Lieutenant Governor JOHN H. ARNOLD

LIENANT GOVERNOR JOHN H. ARNOLD was born in Freeport, Pa., Dec. 11, 1862. He is of Scotch-Irish descent on the side of his father and from the good old Pennsylvania Dutch on the maternal side. After his graduation from the grammar school in Pittsburgh he worked for several years in the lumber woods for his father. In 1885, a year after the death of his father, Mr. Arnold came to Columbus with his aged mother, now eighty-one, and settled on the east side, where he now resides.



JOHN H. ARNOLD.

Mr. Arnold became actively connected with the Republican party shortly after he came to Ohio, and, although never having previously held political office, he was committeeman in his ward and secretary of the committee. He carries a union card, having worked in a number of Columbus factories while he studied law at night. His thrift and determination to succeed have been responsible for his rise. He is prominent in the councils of several secret orders, is a firm believer in a protective tariff for the protection of American labor and manufacture and believes that all labor should be well paid.

As lieutenant governor his record was such that E. W. Hughes, for years parliamentarian of the house of representatives, says that no other lieutenant governor of Ohio ever presided with greater efficiency. For five months not a parliamentary ruling of Mr. Arnold's was reversed. He was renominated by a large majority and enjoys the confidence of his party. He is married and is a Presbyterian.

For Auditor of State HAYES M. ADAMS OF ERIE COUNTY

HAYES M. ADAMS of Sandusky, present auditor of Erie county and Republican candidate for state auditor, is a native of Crawford county. He was born near Lykens forty-one years ago and has lived in northern Ohio all his life.



HAYES M. ADAMS.

Adams is not only an expert accountant, but has had a wide business experience and for two terms has received the highest commendation for his efficient methods as auditor of Erie county.

In an official report of the chief supervisor of public accounting, after going over the books of Adams in Erie county in 1914, that official wrote: "The work in this office is of a very high order, and much care has been shown in the conduct of public business."

"The auditing department of Erie county is certainly to be congratulated on the accuracy of all settlement work."

For four years Mr. Adams was cashier and teller of the Sandusky Gas and Electric company and later general and individual bookkeeper of the Citizens' Banking company at Sandusky. As a business man he has won the esteem of his associates and as a citizen of the highest type is universally respected and beloved. His election to a second term as auditor of Erie county unquestionably shows the regard in which he is held in his own community.

Mr. Adams' family is one of the oldest in the state, he being a direct descendant of John and John Quincy Adams, early presidents of the United States.

For United States Senator MYRON T. HERRICK



MYRON T. HERRICK.

MYRON T. HERRICK'S name is a household word in Ohio. The finest thing that can be said of Myron T. Herrick, Republican candidate for United States senator from Ohio, is that he is a typical American. It is not an extravagant statement that Myron T. Herrick is a citizen of the world, and it is an interesting fact that he was born in a log cabin on a farm wrested from the wilderness by his grandfather, a farm obtained by his grandfather from the government for services rendered as a soldier in the war of 1812.

It was the open air life of his early years on the farm that gave Myron T. Herrick the constitution to stand the manifold activities of later years. His political experience began with his election to the city council of Cleveland in 1885. He was the friend and intimate of all the greatest statesmen of the time, and the American people will not forget that it was Myron T. Herrick with his big heart and open purse who came to the rescue of our martyred president, William McKinley, when the financial storm threatened to wreck the career of Mr. McKinley. Mr. Herrick became the fortieth governor of Ohio at noon, Monday, January 11, 1904, and some of the best reform and progressive measures with which Ohio is now blessed are due to Mr. Herrick's initiative and devotion to the public interests.

The American people know Mr. Herrick best, perhaps, for his deeds while United States ambassador to France. Appointed by a Republican president he was asked to remain at his post by President Wilson during the critical days of the early period of the war. Germany, Austria and Turkey, with the declaration of hostilities, asked Ambassador Herrick to assume the responsibility of caring for their interests in France and for their thousands of subjects stranded there. These people, men, women and children, old and young, were gathered into internment camps by the French. In these places the American ambassador visited them, carrying relief and assurances of safety. He secured the release of hundreds of these non-combatants and helped them on their way to their homes in other countries. The columns of foreign and American newspapers rang with the name and praise of Myron T. Herrick in these days. He was a man of tremendous action and few words. The American people were mighty proud of their ambassador to France.

When the flags of all nations and even the French government itself left the French capital there was one flag and one man who remained at his post of duty, and that flag was the Stars and Stripes of the United States, and that man was Myron T. Herrick of Ohio. With the great city of Paris under the very shadow of invasion, with thousands and tens of thousands of people crowding the roadways out of the city, Mr. Herrick, without any heroics, but with quiet determination, simply announced that his duty was there and there he was going to stay. It is a matter of history that this splendid American inspired the greatest capital of Europe and brought confidence out of panic and disorder by the very power of his courage and real American spirit.

It is a rare opportunity that the people of Ohio have to elect Myron T. Herrick to the United States senate. That his victory at the polls on November 7 next will be overwhelming is conceded by men of all parties.

For Attorney General EDWARD C. TURNER

EDWARD C. TURNER, candidate for re-election as attorney general, is a native of Franklin county. He is forty-four years of age and a graduate of Ohio State university, with degrees of LL. B. and LL. M. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and Shriner, Odd Fellow and Elk.



EDWARD C. TURNER.

In the administration of his office Mr. Turner's chief considerations have been efficiency, economy and impartiality. Notwithstanding the great increase in every branch of the work, he reduced the running expenses of the department almost \$5,000 a month or more than \$85,000 in the first eighteen months. The work of the department has been handled expeditiously and with excellent results.

During the eighteen months ending June 30, 1916, Mr. Turner collected and covered into the state treasury the sum of \$539,067.40 in sums ranging from 8 cents up. This is the largest number of persons ever collected by the department during a similar period of time. In fact, the increase alone would have been sufficient to have paid all the expenses of the department during that period.

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, the department participated in 510 different cases throughout the state, rendered 1,185 opinions and collected for the state treasury alone \$441,308.35.

In addition to this, the department aided in the collection of many findings of the bureau of inspection and supervision of public offices against local officials and others for the benefit of local treasuries. Various investigations were made of alleged misuse of public funds, illegal awarding of contracts, etc. An examination of the records of the attorney general's office will disclose the fact that in every instance Mr. Turner has endeavored to safeguard the public and the public treasury without fear or favor and regardless of political or personal considerations.

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