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Editorial

ELIMINATE THE POLITICS

THE True Northerner has for a number of years been firmly convinced, that for the best interest of everybody concerned, politics should be eliminated from the administration of village affairs. This is not a new theory with us, for we have advocated in years gone by, and now, on the eve of another village election, we again venture the suggestion, and urge it for the serious consideration of the electors of the village.

From our point of view, there are no serious objections to the plan, but on the other hand there are many points to commend it. What does it matter in village affairs, whether the officials are democrats or republicans? What we should be the most interested in, is a business administration. The selection of men, without regard to their political affiliation, who are best fitted for the administration of public affairs. The office of village president, or member of the village council is, at the best, a thankless job. There is no remuneration and mighty little honor, to say nothing of the kicks and criticisms. There are doubtless many men of good business ability, who are conscientiously interested in village affairs to accept an office and give the village the benefit of their experience and ability, were it not for the necessity of a political campaign and the humiliating possibility of defeat at the polls.

The True Northerner casts no reflections on the present or past administrations. The officers are all business men, who have given freely of their time for the benefit of the village. But would it not be good business judgment to call a general citizens caucus. Let everybody attend, and there select without regard to what political party they belong, the very best available men of the village, whether it be the present officials or others, for the various village offices. Let the contests, if there be any, be decided in the caucus, and let there be but one ticket nominated. Wouldn't it be better than the strife and bitterness that have characterized the village elections in the past? Wouldn't it be conducive to a more harmonious and co-operative feeling among the citizens? Would it not insure a better and more effective administration? Would it not be good business policy for Paw Paw?

Think it over.

BIG ENOUGH FOR THE JOB

REPRESENTATIVE Peterman of the Upper Peninsula, one of the really big men of Michigan, has been endorsed by the board of supervisors of his county for governor, but the tall gentleman from the north says, "There is nothing doing, we are all going to be for Diekema." And by the way, it begins to look more and more, as though our pompous friend from Ottawa county will be the logical candidate of the republican party for this honor. This campaign has hardly started yet, and there are many booms and counter booms, but the announcement of Gerrit J. Diekema's candidacy has met with favor all over the state. He is an orator of ability; a man of

wide experience; of sound judgment and unquestioned integrity. He is big enough for the job.

HISTORY WILL REPEAT ITSELF.

THE announcement that Attorney General Grant Fellows will be a candidate for judge of the supreme court to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge McAlvay, will be met with favor throughout the state. Judge McDonald of Grand Rapids, and Judge Mayne of Charlevoix have also announced their candidacy. Each will undoubtedly have a strong following in their respective localities. But Grant Fellows has made one of the most efficient attorney generals the state ever had. He is widely known and popular. The last two members of the supreme bench have been elevated to that position from the attorney general's office, and it is a pretty safe bet that history will repeat itself in this instance.

THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM

IT is about time for the advocates of the county system of building roads to get busy in Van Buren county. Experience in other counties has demonstrated that this is the only system for efficient and economical road building. Nevertheless the proposition will have strong opposition this time, as it had before. It will need a systematic and energetic campaign of education to carry it. It should carry, and will eventually. Why not now.

HAVE you subscribed a bit to the Farm Bureau Fund yet? A little more money is necessary to insure the necessary amount. Such a bureau, with a competent expert, will give Van Buren county one of the greatest boosts it ever had.

It will make one dizzy to keep track of the numerous caucuses, conventions, primaries, and elections that will be pulled off in the next six or seven months.

THERE is one redeeming feature of the zero weather of the past week. It puts a smile on the face of the coal dealer and ice man.

HAVE you visited the schools this year? Paw Paw never had a better school than right now.

THE next real event in Paw Paw will be the Firemen's ball.

February 1, is the date.

Fischer's orchestra.

Nuff ced.

Uncle Zeke's Diagnosis.

If yu git up in the mornin
A feelin mity burn,
Yure feet are like 2 cakes uv ice,
Yure hed feels like a drum;
The sokets uv yure eyes
Just ake and ake;
They feel jest like the yelks uv eggs
All beten uv fur cake.
The handle uv yure face
That yu sumtimes call a nose
Feels like the Hoosic tunnel
Through which water gently flows.
You are wabby when yu walk,
You dont seem to have the strength,
Your back is 8 feet long
And akes the whole blamed length.
He giva yu a tip,
Just take a nip
And let her rip;
You've got the grip.

—DAD.

Book Agent—Madam, have you read Bunyan's— Mrs. Pupper—No, you impostor man, nor even corns!

POLITICAL CALENDAR FOR 1916

Caucuses, conventions, primaries and elections will follow each other in fast and furious confusion.

The political calendar for the year 1916 is a long one, and from the latter part of February, when caucuses for the nomination of village officers will be held, until the last state convention in September, caucuses, conventions, and primaries will come along fast and furious. To assist the public in fixing these various political dates and events in mind, The True Northerner gives herewith the complete "Political Calendar" for the year:

Last of February or first of March, caucuses for nomination of village officers.

March 1. Last day for filing petitions for President of the United States.

March 13. Election of Village Officers.

Last of March caucuses of all political parties for nomination of township officers.

April 3. Presidential primary. Election of township officers, and transaction of township business.

Soon thereafter, caucuses of all parties to name delegates to county conventions.

Soon thereafter county conventions to name delegates to the state conventions and district conventions.

April or May. Congressional District conventions to elect delegates to National convention.

April or May. State conventions to elect delegates at large to National conventions and select state central committee.

June 7. Republican National convention at Chicago, and Progressive National convention at Chicago.

June 14. Democratic National convention at St. Louis.

July 29. Last day for filing petitions for senatorial, congressional, state and county office.

August 29. Primary election for nomination of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, senatorial, congressional, and county officers, and delegates to county conventions.

Within Ten Days. County candidates elect chairman and secretary of county committees.

Immediately After. County conventions of all parties to name delegates to state conventions.

Last of September. State conventions of all parties to nominate state officers other than governor and lieutenant governor.

November 7. National, senatorial, congressional, state, legislative and county elections.

Soon Thereafter. The brass bands will play, and that's all with the exception of a vigorous campaign of all the candidates of all the parties, all the time in the meantime.

PAID Political Advertising FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

At least once in each generation the title to all property in the county passes through the Probate court. Recognizing this fact and the importance to the people of experience and efficiency in the work of this court, it has been the custom in many counties to elect the Probate Judge for several terms. In Van Buren county for more than 50 years it has been the unbroken rule to elect the Judge of Probate for at least two terms. Not wishing to be an exception to this rule and believing that experience has qualified me to render to the people much better service during a second term than I have been able to give during my first term, I have decided to announce myself as a candidate for nomination to the office of Probate Judge on the Republican ticket at the primary election in August next.

WM. KILLEFER.

FOR TOWNSHIP TREASURER.

I desire to announce to the electors of the township of Paw Paw, that I am a candidate for the office of county treasurer, subject to the will of the electors in the coming republican township caucus. I was a candidate for this office two years ago and came within a few votes of being nominated. I respectfully solicit your support.

C. W. VAN TASSELL.

For Township Treasurer

I desire to announce to the voters of Paw Paw township that I am a candidate for the office of township treasurer. I have lived in Paw Paw and immediate vicinity all my life, and have supported the republican ticket for 43 years. Your consideration of my candidacy is sincerely solicited at the April caucus.

Ed Nash adv.

FOR TOWNSHIP TREASURER

I wish to announce to the voters of Paw Paw township that I will be a candidate for township treasurer at the republican caucus this spring.

Jay L. Dodge

PICKED UP ABOUT THE COURT HOUSE

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS.

New suits filed: John Preder vs. Charles DeHaven et al.—Bill for Accounting.

John Vickers vs. Herbert A. Andiss.—Attachment.

People vs. Emanuel A. Belmer.—Abandonment.

Decrees filed: Josephine Moore vs. Walter Moore.—Decree of divorce.

Lula Herring vs. Frank Herring.—Decree of divorce.

Mary Haskins vs. John Haskins.—Decree of divorce.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Edward Ekinner and wife to Waive W. Anderson, pcl. 20 acres, Sec. 28, Hartford, \$1,000.00.

Mable Kennedy to Geo. H. Rix, pcl. 7 acres, Sec. 31, Antwerp, \$450.00.

Edgar B. Longwell and wife to John H. Felter and wife, Lot 1, Longwell's addition, Paw Paw, \$1.00.

Mary Jane Coyle to Samuel Juneau and wife, 20 acres, Sec. 16, Hartford, \$2,000.00.

Chancy Post and wife to Alonzo B. Post and wife, pcl. 75 acres, Sec. 1, Bloomingdale, \$4,500.00.

Will F. Sweet and wife to Samuel R. Smith, pcl. 18 1-3 acres, Sec. 25, Arlington, \$1,000.00.

Walter Ioor and wife to August Gumpert, pcl. Sec. 10, South Haven, \$1.00.

Caroline H. Stanley to E. P. Rogers, pcl. Lots 3, 4, Blk. 4, Monroe Park addition, South Haven, \$1,050.00.

Elmer Morse and wife to Edward Bailey, pcl. Sec. 29, Columbia, \$100.00.

Archie E. Abrams and wife to Ella Arnold, pcl. Sec. 35, Lawrence, \$300.00.

Josefa Gorney and husband to Terezie Kasper, pcl. Sec. 4, Columbia, \$19.

Oscar C. Herberster and wife to Cynthia J. Young, Lot 6, Blk. 5, Grand Junction, \$25.00.

Ruth Fye Aldrich to Mattee Adrick, 40 acres, Sec. 15, Arlington, \$4,000.00.

Roy Robinson and wife to Peter P. Hylin, pcl. Sec. 5, 5 acres, Hartford, \$780.00.

Walter Wiberg and wife to Village of Decatur, pcl. Sec. 19, Decatur, \$60.

Lynn J. Lewis and wife to Elmer Morse, pcl. Sec. 29, Geneva, \$55.00.

Samuel Brando and wife to Chas. E. Newman and wife, Cp. Sec. 14, Bangor, \$1,500.00.

PROBATE COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Estate Geo. W. Darling, deceased. No claims filed and estate closed to creditors.

Estate Rachel M. Baldwin, deceased. Hearing on claims adjourned.

Estate Tina Mullinex, deceased. No claims filed and estate closed to creditors.

Estate Dwight Foster, deceased. Order allowing final account and assigning residue.

Estate Clara Cox, deceased. Order allowing final account, and order for payment of claims pro rata.

Estate Mary C. Page, deceased. Final account filed. Hearing Feb. 14.

Estate Simon B. Poor, deceased. Bond filed. Letters issued to Harry C. Mosher. Petition for license to sell real estate filed. Hearing Feb. 14th.

Estate Jane Butler, deceased. Petition for appointment of administrator filed. Hearing Feb. 14th.

Estate William Butler, deceased. Petition for appointment of administrator filed. Hearing Feb. 14th.

Estate Nathan Downey, deceased. Bond filed and letters issued to Louise C. Downey. Day of hearing claims, May 22nd.

Estate Sally Ann Murray, deceased. Bond filed and letters issued to William E. Swank. Day of hearing claims, May 22nd.

Estate Geo. F. Conway, deceased. Bond filed and letters issued to Thos. E. Conway. Day of hearing claims, May 22nd.

Estate Julia A. Bollinger, deceased. Bond filed and letters issued to G. W. Merriman. Day of hearing claims, May 22nd.

During the year 1915, there were 30 people committed to the Kalamazoo State Hospital,—8 of this number being private patients.

Notice

My wife, Alma L. Rider, having applied for a divorce, I, her husband, forbid all persons harboring or trusting her to my account.

William H. Rider.

NOTICE

Since the 9th of Jan. comes on Sunday I will make Monday, the 10th the last day for taking taxes at one per cent. I will be at the Savings Bank again Saturday, the 15, and each Wednesday and Saturday following until March 1st.

L. J. Dunham, Treasurer.

Asking a Beginning.

"Could you all lend me a grindstone?" asked Erastus Pinkley.

"Yes, but what do you want with a grindstone? You haven't any ax."

"No, ner I ain't got no wood to chop yit, ner no chicken an' corn bread to cook over de fire. But you got to do one thing at a time in dis life, an' I jes' natchelly had to stah somewhere."

—Washington Star.

HEADLINERS FOR LECTURE COURSE

Wells Watson Ginn is the next attraction at M. E. church Wednesday evening, January 26.

A blind man sitting in a Chautauqua audience at Ishpeming, Mich., hearing Wells Watson Ginn's rendition of "The Man From Home" declared that had he not been informed otherwise he would surely have thought that the play was being produced by a group of ten actors instead of by one man. There are just ten actors in the play. Each character, with its distinctive quality of voice, was real to him. It is doubtful, however, if the play was any more real to this blind man than to those who could see, for he missed the expression of face and the gestures and other features of the im-



WELLS WATSON GINN.

personation which still further distinguishes each character which Mr. Ginn portrays.

Best of all, Booth Tarkington, one of the authors of "The Man From Home," has heard Mr. Ginn give the interpretation of his play and expresses his delight in a letter to Mr. Ginn, a facsimile of which is given on two pages of this circular.

On more than 100 Redpath Chautauqua last season, the tour beginning in Mississippi and extending on up into Illinois, Mr. Ginn gave his rendition of "The Man From Home," and it was conceded to be a leading feature of the program, and again the past summer he appeared on 118 Chautauqua.

On June 8, 1914, a communication to the Redpath Bureau from Winona, Minn., signed by five people, read in part as follows: "Our people were delighted with Mr. Wells Watson Ginn. 'The Man From Home' was one of the most attractive entertainments of our Chautauqua, and we wish it could be repeated here. Competent judges pronounced it one of the best readings that they had ever heard."

During the winter Lyceum seasons the same universal praise has followed each appearance.

Caution. Saphead—Waddy, don't you think—Miss Cutting—Not while you are here. It would seem selfish.—Exchange.

OBITUARY

ELTON A. ROGERS.

Elton A. Rogers was born in Ann Arbor and died in Traverse City January 14, 1916, after an illness of almost two years, being 47 years of age. A victim of a long siege of typhoid fever in his early youth, Mr. Rogers never enjoyed robust health and to that illness is ascribed the malady which finally claimed him. Besides his widow, a sister, Mrs. Dwight Barker, and a brother, Roscoe W. Broughton, of this place, survive, both of whom attended the funeral, which was held at his late residence in Cadillac Monday afternoon.

Mr. Rogers possessed a wide acquaintance throughout this county, gained through his 15 years association with his brother in the dry goods business in this place, and will long be remembered for his popularity and activity in the business and social life of this part of the state. The virtue of charity found its best expression in his life and, aside from his association with many public movements of this nature, he found the greatest pleasure in those which were known only to himself. After leaving Paw Paw he became identified with one of the leading and most progressive dry goods firms of Northern Michigan and was credited with being one of the best informed men in his line of business in the state. He continued to keep in touch with his old friends in Paw Paw and through the many years of his absence they received frequent reminders of his enduring friendship.

The deceased was made a Mason in Paw Paw lodge No. 25, and brother Masons of Cadillac carried the remains to their last resting place.

Sealing Wax. In the present form was first noted in London in the middle of the sixteenth century.

GEORGE WILLIAMS PRAISES TANLAC

Marion Man Says Nothing Helped Him Like the "Master Medicine."

George Williams, Box 28, Marion Mich., writes the following regarding the benefit he has derived from the new remedy, Tanlac:

"Although I have had catarrh for years and seemed to be unable to get rid of it, I found that, after taking one bottle of Tanlac my condition is very much improved. Friends have noticed and commented on the change, and I feel better in every way. I have tried nearly every remedy on the market but have never been benefited by anything until I started taking Tanlac."

"Catarrh of the head is very prevalent in this section of the country. Manifesting itself as it does in accumulation of mucus in the throat, watery dripping of the nose, frequent coughing up of mucus, offensive breath, pains across the forehead and throbbing pains in the back of the head, it is very disagreeable. Tanlac has proven especially valuable in relieving these conditions.

Tanlac may be obtained here at the Paw Paw Drug Co.

W. R. SELLICK

Zero weather has affected the price of our merchandise, and Zero prices prevail all along the line. However, a warm reception awaits you.

Zero prices on Underwear: Men's 50c heavy fleeced shirts and drawers, Zero price 35c. Children's 25c fleeced vests and pants, Zero price 19c. Women's 50c union suits, Zero price 43c. Women's Athena fleeced union suits 98c. Children's 50c black tights, 39c.

Zero prices on Table Linen: A recent purchase of Derryvale table linen enables us to offer you these dependable goods at former prices. Elegant \$1.50, 72 inch bleached Damask, Zero price \$1.39. 72 inch \$1 bleached damask, Zero price 85c. 75c, 68 inch bleached Damask at 64c.

Jamestown Dress Goods: Zero on \$1 dress serges, in navy, brown, ecru, black at 82c. 75c dress goods 64c. 15c figured crepe 8c. 12 1/2c dress ginghams 9c.

Zero Prices in Women's Aprons: Women's full size cover-all aprons, light color 25c. Women's aprons in dark colors and better, 39c, 48c, 50c.

Corsets: Royal Worcester Corsets \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00. Gossard Corsets, lace in front, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.50.

Shoes: Broken lines Boston Favorite and Queen Quality Shoes to close \$1 98. Broken lines in men's Walk Over Shoes \$3.50 \$4.00 to close \$2.48.

RUBBERS: Was 65c Storm Rubbers, Zero Price 48c. Men's 95c Rubbers Zero Price 79c.