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POLITICAL ASPIRATIONS.

The city is agog right now with politics—dozens of men are campaigning either in their own or others' interests and the voters are all more or less interested in and a part of the general campaign.

PROOF OF HARD TIMES.

In Chicago four men have been indicted for buying votes. The indictment charges the men with paying eight votes sums varying from twenty-five cents to fifty cents for voting for Sweetzer for mayor at the primaries.

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MERITED PROMOTION.

Here's to Major General Goethals, the canal builder. The president has wisely recognized, in a way most appreciated by an army officer, the splendid work that has been done by Colonel Goethals. It was feared when the colonel went to the canal that he would establish a military regime that would alienate the civilian employees and make them dissatisfied.

STATISTICALS.

Statisticians estimate that Iowans spend \$400,000 annually for books for the children in the grade school. That is about sixty cents per pupil. These figures are not to be reconciled with the claim of free text book advocates who say millions of dollars can be saved for the tax payers by the adoption of their propaganda.

STILL WATCHFULLY WAITING.

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The Young Man in Politics

By William Allen White.

Editor and Author of "A Certain Rich Man," "The Court of Boyville," Etc.

This is the time of the year when a "young man's fancy lightly turns" to politics. He is taken up into a high mountain and shown one of two things: Either that he is a Logical Candidate for whom the people have been subconsciously clamoring since the founding of the town, or he is told that his name will help a cause, and if he is a susceptible young man, to whom the blandishments of place and power are pleasant, he succumbs to the tempter and gets into politics.

There is nothing but ultimate failure for the man who goes into politics thinking that office is the chief end of politics. He may hold office one year, two years, ten years, twenty years, a generation, but when he is defeated for office the defeat comes as a bitterness and shatters his faith in the wisdom of the populace.

But if he goes into politics as a sower goeth forth to sow, realizing that it is not for this election or that candidate that he is working; if he is willing to accept the defeat after defeat and realize that the things he stands for often are elected when his candidate and his flag go down; if he can read local history wisely and see that the minority in most cases impresses itself upon the administration of the majority even deeper than the pre-election platform and promises of the majority itself; if a man in politics is willing to spend his time, his money, his energy and his good name entirely for a cause without any reference to the immediate temporary success of the candidates or parties who represent his cause, nothing can defeat that man and nothing can embitter him at the close of his career.

Men who have been successful in

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years, but is one who is young in politics. It applies especially to those who are making their first or second race for public office but the lesson can be turned to good account by those who have been through the mill often.

Read the article, it is very timely.

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THE TRADE BALANCE.

Table with 3 columns: Location, Imports, Exports. Rows include New York, Galveston, New Orleans, Baltimore, Detroit, Buffalo, Boston, Philadelphia, San Francisco.

Cities in the middle west that have far sighted men at their heads, see that the time is coming when water borne traffic will have to be provided, and they are going about getting river frontage and securing what they have not already given away.

The Indiana legislature has just adjourned and spent less money than previous legislatures. That's a terrible thing for each member to have said about him for the balance of his life. What can the tax payer think when he finds an official who won't waste money?

At this time of the year it makes no difference whether your friends call you next president or ex-president. Neither counts for anything. If you didn't understand which it was they didn't understand which it was either.

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politics are men who are willing to wait, men who are not fundamentally interested in winning this campaign or carrying that election. And in city politics particularly, where personalities often seem to win or lose, campaigns where mud-slinging is easy because candidates are intimately known to their neighbors, and copiously lied about, it takes a quality of courage and character to get into politics that is of a higher order than the courage and character of those who enter the larger arena.

It is the success of a man who is willing to accept shame as his victory, who is willing to accept contempt and ridicule as his triumph, who really wins in politics.

W. A. WHITE.

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GENERAL STRUGGLE THAT IS KILLING OF THE MEXICANS THEMSELVES.

The watchful waiting policy may be based on the belief that if the Mexicans are allowed to fight out their troubles they will exterminate themselves.

With Jane Addams trying to fan life into a peace boom, and George W. Perkins being nearly drowned and one of Lawrence Y. Sherman's friends calling him the next president, things are getting all in a huddle.

The state of Illinois will go into the insurance business if a bill now before the legislature is made a law.

When breakfast foods are being discussed, just remember the fact that the largest cereal plant in the whole world is in Iowa.

The sooner the legislature gets down with its prohibition laws, and forgets about the liquor question for two years the better it will be.

Carranza denies that his general Obregon, is acting bad. If Carranza says it isn't so, there is no further evidence necessary to establish the truth of the charge.

Missionaries returning from Palestine predict that massacres of Christians will follow the forcing of the Dardanelles by the allied fleets.

Prompt Action Will Stop Your Cough

Dr. King's New Discovery will stop your cough. The first dose helps. Good for children. All druggists, 50c.

Press Comment

Davenport Times: The dries in the Iowa legislature are now proposing a series of laws in the hope of making prohibition effective. To be consistent it is up to them to do this.

Des Moines Tribune: At the rate the Germans have been capturing Russians it may be necessary to equip staff headquarters with adding machines to keep accounts straight.

Cedar Rapids Republican: America invented the submarine, but other nations have made more use of the invention than we have ourselves. It is only lately that we have come to realize their importance.

A traveling salesman tells of his visit to a general store in Boston, where a woman was looking at some hats. "Have you nothing of a subdued mouse color?" she asked.

For a moment the salesman was staggered, but he recovered his breath and replied: "No, madam, but we have some in enraged rat color."

Another woman, in search of a cer-

tain kind of basket, made the salesman reach down every article of that nature on the shelves except two. Then she said, as she turned away: "I only came to look for one of my friends."

Waterloo Courier: Iowa has warned its auto speeders.

The state supreme court has driven the edict home with force. The result seems obvious.

Last Friday the Iowa supreme court issued a ruling that reckless driving of an automobile that results in the death of a person is liable to a charge of manslaughter.

The opinion affirms an indeterminate sentence of eight years given G. W. Blewett of Keokuk county for killing with his automobile Clarissa Hammes, an 18-months old baby, in the road between Harper and Richland.

The autoist, after striking the child, did not stop.

This is the first decision of its kind in the higher court in this state.

And it is a mighty good one.

The ruling should tend to erase the recklessness and abandonment which generally makes itself dominant in a party of "joy riders" and which is, in other instances, a "fad."

When we have to pay the fiddler for speeding in human lives it is time to call a halt. This ruling should do much to stamp out the fast growing speed fad.

Algonia Upper Des Moines-Republican: Maybe prohibition in Iowa will assist in solving the high cost of living in this state.

Davenport Times: While the European war continues to be waged according to some semblance of rules and with the humanitarian element of warnings before new rules are enforced, an old advocate in Mexico each commander appears to do anything he happens to think about the first thing in the morning. The Mexican nuisance would have been ended long ago by the nations of the world if other and larger matters had not been occupying their attention.

Kansas City Journal: After a conference with a number of manufacturers, merchants and other business men in New York, Chairman Charles D. Hilles of the republican national committee reports that the present business situation was discussed and the decision was reached that not until a republican is seated in the white house can there be a return of prosperity in this country.

And there is little doubt but that this decision tallies with the sentiment of American business men generally. This sentiment is based upon the forced conclusion that President Wilson's administration has thus far been a lamentable failure.

Hannibal Courier Post: Men and women are evidently put in the world to live in it, and to do the best they can in it and it is certain the cause of life never intended that men should make failures of their lives.

It then behooves every one to discover the best way for him to live and this requires effort and study and intelligence.

Vocational education is now looked to for much help in a practical way, in directing and adding to the natural efficiency of boys and girls, and to give them early a goal and a mark to reach which will keep them from the undesirable ranks of unskilled labor when they leave school.

Dinner Stories

A man entered the cloakroom at the end of a banquet and began to smash in silk hat after silk hat.

"Hold on, boss! Wot fo' yo' smash-

in' all dem high hats?" demanded the attendant.

"I'm looking for my own," the gentleman answered. "It's an opera hat—collapsible, you know. None of these seem to be it."

RICHLAND.

Mrs. Hazen White of Beckwith is visiting her sister, Mrs. S. R. Tracey, Capt. Tim Spence of Colorado Springs, Colo., spent Wednesday in this city calling on school mates and comrades of the civil war.

Rev. J. C. Caughlan of Milton Junction is visiting his son, Walter and family.

Mrs. Zerelda Tracey and sister, Mrs. Hazen White went to Sigourney Thursday to visit Mrs. L. A. Funk and Mrs. Ralph Smith. These sisters have a reunion once a year.

Dr. W. E. Dadds and his newly wedded wife have arrived from Illinois and have gone to house keeping.

The funeral of Oscar Hobson who died Tuesday evening of heart failure occurred this afternoon at the M. E. church. Revs. Wilson and Caughlan conducted the services at the church, after which the order of Odd Fellows of which Mr. Hobson was a faithful member closed the services at the cemetery.

A. C. Brady has arrived at home from Chicago.

Near relatives met at the Wm. Gregory home Tuesday to join in celebrating his eighty-second birthday. A sumptuous dinner was enjoyed by the relatives.

Misses Cecil Coughlin of Wayland and Louise Bristow of Brighton visited friends here Tuesday.

A Cold is Dangerous—Break it Now. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey is fine for Coughs and Colds. Soothes the Lungs loosens the Mucous. Only 25c.

Madame," said the weary salesman, "if you have the slightest idea that your friend is in either of the other two baskets I shall be pleased to take them down."

"You're terribly severe in your religion, Donald. I suppose you think we're all going to perdition and nobody will be saved but you and your minister."

"I'm not so sure o' that," said Donald thoughtfully. "Ye ken, I whistles hae me doots about the minister."

While traveling in a western town the following conversation was overheard:

"What are they moving the church for?"

"Well, stranger, I'm mayor of this place and I'm for law enforcement. We've got an ordinance that says no saloon shall be nearer than 300 feet from a church. I gave 'em three days to move the church!"

ALBIA.

J. P. Early was in Seymour yesterday.

Mrs. E. Foubert visited in Chariton the first of the week.

Mrs. Lou Sterling has returned from Eddyville.

Mrs. J. P. Early has returned from Galesburg, Ill.

Mrs. Caroline B. Drake is in Bloomfield this week.

O. A. Chamberlain has returned from Davenport.

Clude Klassick and family were recent visitors in Centerville.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Puckett spent a few days recently in Des Moines.

John Williams and family have gone to their farm near Melrose.

Miss Jessie Clark has returned to her studies at Mt. Pleasant.

Herbert Oswald and family have gone to their new home in Eldon.

Senator and Mrs. John T. Clarkson have returned to the capital city.

P. H. Waterman has returned from a business trip to Gainsville, Mo.

Mrs. Anna Vanschoch was an Ottumwa visitor the first of the week.

Rev. J. F. McKnight of Chariton is an Albia visitor the first part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Pfender have returned from Excelsior Springs, Mo.

Mrs. Oscar Ruggles of Afton is a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glass.

Miss Grace White, who is teaching at the Castles' school spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. J. B. Dunkin is in Lovilia this week visiting Mrs. Harry Guich.

Mrs. J. E. Benton is enjoying a visit from her mother, Mrs. Jane Whithers of Clear Lake.

Mrs. S. W. Wilson enjoyed a visit from her brother, J. F. Bryan of Cincinnati recently.

J. W. Peatman of Centerville is a guest in the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. C. Pabst.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Edward returned last night from a visit in California.

Gabriel Streiff of Cedar township was a recent guest at the home of his son, David Streiff.

Mrs. Stella Farquhar of Galesburg, Ill., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McConnell have returned to their home in Council Bluffs.

Mrs. Fern Hartsuck is expected home from her winter tour with the Chicago glee club tonight.

Fred White has returned to Broken Bow, Neb., after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. White.

Mrs. Bert Arnold arrived Friday from Washington and will make her future home here.

J. L. Yates arrived Saturday from Chariton for an over Sunday visit at home.

Miss Veda Briggs, who is studying at the university in Des Moines, was visiting friends here recently.

Mrs. Ira Foster of near Moravia came Saturday and spent the afternoon with her sister, Mrs. Harry Hinton.

Mrs. J. R. Duncan has returned from Chicago.

Mrs. Frank Lundin has returned from a short visit in Des Moines.

James Walker has returned to Hite-man after a visit with his sister, Mrs. Ella Beebe.

M. D. Coa of Agency took the folks by surprise this week when he came up to join his wife in an over-night visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McCreery.

MOVING TWICE WHILE GOING ON SAME ROAD

Clarinda, March 11.—This is hard weather on the population engaged in moving as the roads are so bad that it is next to impossible to travel over them. Henry Henneman, who with his family, has been living on a farm near Yorktown, started to move his possessions one day last week to a farm northeast of this city near Hawleyville. At the sons, who were driving the moving teams, came within a half mile of this city, near the county farm, they found the wagons so firmly lodged in the deeply cut road that they had to be unloaded before they were able to move on. They had gone but a short distance farther when they found themselves again unable to move and had to dismount from the wagons and unload a second time before they could proceed on their way.

REDMEN WILL MEET.

Oskaloosa, March 11.—Local Redmen are making preparations to go to a big state meeting of the Indians to be held at Des Moines, next week, Saturday, March 20. The big pow wow is the contest for the state championship drill team. Hiteman had a bunch of boys who are likely to get the "loving cup" for the 1915 championship and the locals are going to boost for them. One of the Des Moines teams is the only competitor about which the Hiteman lads are concerned and they are drilling daily.

POISON IN THE CHICKEN.

Ida Grove, March 11.—Nine persons were made critically ill as the result of eating home prepared pressed chicken. Mrs. Zoie Labertew and her children were spending the day with Mr. and Mrs. Ward Krick and the chicken was served at dinner. Soon afterward all nine who had eaten were taken desperately ill and it was several hours before they were out of danger.

CLEAR LAKE TO PAVE.

Clear Lake, March 11.—This city has just made up its mind to get into the paving game and will let quite a contract within the next few weeks. Main street will be extended east for one mile. This is along the Mason City and Clear Lake car line and it is stated that the company is favoring the scheme. Other streets will be paved, making a total of something like two miles. It is probable that both asphalt and cement bids will be asked for.

CROCKER FUNERAL AT OAKDALE

Sigourney, March 11.—Wednesday afternoon occurred the funeral of Harlan Crocker, who died late Monday afternoon at Oakdale. Harlan Crocker was just past 20 years of age and the only son of the late C. L. Crocker who, at one time, was county recorder of this county and who died about fifteen years ago. Harlan graduated from the Sigourney high school, learned the printer's trade on the Keokuk County News, working for that paper until his health failed him about one year ago.

About three months ago, on account of his failing health, he was taken to Oakdale in the hope of recovering his health, but all that medical skill could do for him proved of no avail and he passed to the great beyond on Monday. He leaves surviving, his mother, Mrs. May Crocker of this city, to mourn his early demise. He was a member of the Methodist church and a most excellent young man.

MAY MAKE SAMPLE SANITARY SURVEY

Des Moines, March 11.—A sample sanitary survey of one Iowa county will be made by the state board of health and the United States public health service as soon as the legislature makes arrangements for the payment of the state's share of the expense. Probably Dallas county will be chosen with view of locating the cause for typhoid fever there, which has baffled the doctors. A sanitary survey of the entire state will follow. The government authorities hope soon to have under way the sanitary survey of the entire country. They think it would reduce the amount of sickness and lower the death rate.

FAIRFIELD DEBATERS AT CLINTON FRIDAY

Fairfield, March 11.—The Fairfield high school debating teams will meet Clinton high school next Friday evening and Fairfield friends will have the privilege of hearing the affirmative team, Leo O'Brien, Fred Wheeler and Wendell Gloffely, while the negative team, Frank Rizor, Wick Walker and Rollin Israel, will go to Clinton.

The question is, "Resolved, that the parcel post should be extended to include the entire service of the United States." Both local teams have been working faithfully on this question and both sides feel that they can put up a strong argument in defense of their views. Prof. Glen Whitmore will accompany the negative team to Clinton.

VOTE DOWN PLAN TO HAVE PLAYGROUND

Davenport, March 11.—The proposition to erect a manual training school was again voted down by the citizens of Davenport but by a smaller majority than at previous times. The proposition lost by 108 votes. The plan to provide playgrounds for children was also lost, by only 9 votes. The school board was voted \$8,000 to make improvements on grade schools and by a majority of one vote was allowed to sell a lot, which it has held in West Davenport.

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LEE MAY RUN AGAIN.

Des Moines, March 11.—Judge C. G. Lee who was a candidate for governor on the republican ticket at the primary in 1914, yesterday appeared at the state house before the senate judiciary committee.

Talking of the political race in 1916 for governor, he declined to say whether he would be a candidate again, but intimated that he would be in the race.

FARMERS PROTEST RATES.

Dension, March 11.—At a meeting of 100 Crawford county farmers, who are patrons of the Crawford County Telephone Co., a committee was instructed to protest against a 50 per cent increase in rates announced last week.

CATARRH

CATARRH of the nose and throat, Colds and Bronchitis are very prevalent diseases. We remove obstructions to nose and throat, open up the channels so the air can enter the lungs pure. Tonsils treated and removed, as well as all obstructions to nose and throat. Special treatment.

LUNG DISEASES often come from neglected catarrh. Catarrh of the stomach is often an extension of catarrh of nose and throat, produces indigestion and formation of gases, pain and tenderness at pit of stomach. The liver and intestines may become affected. ELECTRICITY and other treatments besides medicine are used. M practice of twenty-five years in Ottumwa has made me an expert in the treatment of ALL catarrhal troubles and am at your command.

DR. J. C. BONHAM

Elk's Building, Second and Green Streets