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RESULTS OF THE ELECTION

Comments by the Lexington Leader.

Democrats made Deal With Liquor Interests at Last Moment Says Former Official.

The Lexington Leader last Sunday contained the following editorial: The Leader has received possibly a score of letters from Republican leaders throughout the State commenting upon our full page article two weeks ago on the "Causes of the Result in Kentucky." The general expression is one of agreement with our views of the remarkable reversal of conditions between the announcement of Judge O'Rear's candidacy in the Spring and the election in the Fall, with occasional side lights or new light on phases of the campaign.

From several sources we have been advised that in the last two or three days before the election 600 telegrams were sent out of Louisville to men interested in the liquor traffic telling them to do all in their power for Senator McCleary and the Democratic ticket, as everything had been arranged. Of course the telegrams were guarded in their language, but they were sent to men who knew what was intended and how to respond. There is circumstantial evidence that the leading liquor people held off until the last few days before showing their hands, as men who had been dormant became suddenly active at the eleventh hour.

The Leader learns that the liquor interests expected Governor McCleary to recommend the passage of the County Unit bill in his message to the General Assembly, but will be satisfied if he lets the latter drop there. After the Democrats and Republicans declared for the County Unit bill in their platforms the liquor people were "between the devil and the deep sea," but when Judge O'Rear emphasized his platform by saying he would keep the General Assembly in session a session until it passed such a bill they decided that it was all over in that direction. The story goes that in their dilemma they agreed to support the Democratic ticket as a body if they were assured that no extra session would be called if the Legislature failed to pass the county unit bill at the regular session. This pledge is said to have been given and the liquor people at once "shelved out" an enormous campaign fund and telegraphed all over the State to their friends telling to get busy.

It is a matter of common talk in political circles that a tremendous fund was turned over by the Democrats in the closing days of the campaign, and it is credited to the liquor interests, the American Tobacco Co., the railway corporations and the Eastern Kentucky and West Virginia millmen who are preparing to exploit the resources of the mountain section of the State and want men in power who are friendly to their interests.

In Kentucky the general experience of both parties has been that the campaign committees have been besieged with appeals for financial assistance in the districts and counties and the struggle has been to divide the money on hand in such a way as to make it go as far as possible without actually turning anybody down. This year, according to the gossip of the inner political circles, the Democratic committee had such unlimited funds that the local committees in the counties "open to business" were only asked "how much can you use?" and the amount was forthcoming.

It is notorious that vote-buying upon a scale never before known in Kentucky and the reports of wholesale traffic in registration certificates led Governor Wilson to issue a proclamation before the election offering a pardon to any one who bought or sold a certificate who would turn State's evidence on the other party to the transaction.

An exceptionally keen student of politics in Kentucky, a former high official, who knows the "kitchen book" and who was on the same

during the last campaign presented his views of the recent election in a forceful letter called forth by a personal matter. He had no idea that any part of the letter would be printed, and will be surprised to see it in print, but some of the thoughts he presents are so striking and so well put that we are taking the liberty of quoting liberally from him. Here is what he says about the land-slides:

Kentucky is in an ungodly condition and has been for several years. In 1903 Beckham carried the State over Belknap by nearly 28,000; in 1907 Wilson won by 18,000, and in 1911 McCleary wins by 34,000. The State is wobbling and may not settle down for many years. Indeed it may be best for it not to drop into a partisan rut on either side. An independent consistency is a safeguard against continuous bad policies.

Many things contributed to our defeat. Some of them, in my opinion, should have had an opposite effect, but did not. Undoubtedly the principal cause was money. This liquor people made up their minds to carry the Legislature against the extension of the County Unit law along lines proposed by Judge O'Rear, and in accomplishing that purpose material aid was rendered Senator McCleary. The Democratic platform deliberately avoided promising to extend the "County Unit Law," but used Colonel Wadsworth's phrase "local option" instead.

Some legislation will be enacted on the subject of the sale of liquor, but it will hardly follow the Constitution as construed by the Court of Appeals. In my opinion it will make the smallest unit the final arbiter of its own destiny. It will provide for taking the vote in each county, city, town, precinct and district, but it will be so worded that if a county votes "dry" as a whole, any one of its smaller units voting "wet" shall be "wet," and if the county votes "wet," any smaller unit voting "dry" shall be "dry." This is what is meant by "local option" in the Democratic platform in my judgment.

Then the American Tobacco Com-

K. OF P. BANQUET WAS ELABORATE AFFAIR

Most Enjoyable Occasion of the Kind Given in the Year—Miss Neely Entertained.

The Knights of Pythias banquet at Castle Hall, Tuesday evening was a most pronounced success in every respect. It naturally was enjoyed by the guests, and even the members themselves were more than pleased. For several days the committee composed of Knights Berry L. Taylor, chairman, E. P. Moore and R. D. Walker, has labored to make the arrangements complete, and their efforts were fully realized and appreciated.

About 8:30 the guests and members were called into the dining room, where there, long tables were placed and places laid for the people. A delightful menu was served, the first course consisting of heads, scalloped oysters, o-beery, cranberry sauce, hams and coffee. While the usual course consisting of brick cream and coffee, was being served Rev. Wright made a short talk, in his usual happy manner.

At the conclusion of the banquet all repaired to the lodge room, and there another surprise was announced. The first number on the program was a song by the K. of P. quartette, composed of Knights W. J. Bean, E. P. Moore, W. F. Anderson and Dr. J. R. Pickett. Then Commander Command or H. E. Brown introduced Miss Willie Neely, of Owensboro, who had been secured to give several of her readings. Miss Neely is a talented reader, and for two years was on the professional stage, in "Polly of the Circus." Her numbers were all splendidly received, and this feature of the program was one of the "highlights" of the evening. Miss Neely sang two beautiful solos that were appreciated, as well as the quartette singing.

Everyone rose profuse in their thank to the committee, to whom all credit is due for the success of the occasion.

TWO HORSES WERE BURNED

Thoroughbreds Perish in Stock Farm Fire.

Monument to be Erected Over the Graves of Great Performers.

Spring Station, Ky., Nov. 26.—Governor Gray, the great 3-year-old son of Garry Herrmann—Salama, winner of the American and Latonia Derbies, second in the Kentucky, Ft. Erie and Hamilton Derbies, and the heaviest money winner on the American turf of 1911 and half-brother, County Tax, owned by R. N. Smith & Co., but reared by Capt. James T. Williams one of the best known turfmen in the country, were burned to death here to-day at Stockwood Farm. No one was on the place when the fire broke out except the veteran fireman and the cook. When Capt. Williams reached the barn that held all that connected him with the turf the barn was too far gone and it was an impossibility for the two great thoroughbreds to be rescued. The loss will reach \$40,000. Both horses and the barn were partially insured.

The origin of the fire is unknown and broke out between 11 o'clock and noon. The bodies of the animals were taken later from the ruins and will be buried, side by side, on Stockwood Farm, where they were brought, yardings and trained. A monument will mark the graves.

Capt. Williams, who has been one of the most picturesque characters of the American turf, is heartbroken over his loss. Out of all the horses that he has raised including Joe Cotton, Ram's Horn and a score of other good horses the big Garry Herrmann—Salama gelding was dearest of them all to him. He valued the horse at \$25,000 and had only recently received \$10,000 for a half interest in the animal. County Tax was valued at \$2,500, one-tenth of the value of his half brother.

WILL LEAVE THE TURF.

On account of his age the veteran turfman will retire from the turf, as the horses were all that he had in training. The passing of Capt. Williams from the turf will cause profound regret all over America, as he has raised horses in practically every part of the country. From the time he entered the sport of things nearly a half century ago he has always owned one or more of the best horses in the land. During his career on the turf he has had the pleasure of seeing his colors, blue and white polka dots, come down to the wire in front of some of the most formidable fields on the turf.

Among the big owners which Capt. Williams has captured are the Kentucky Derby, with Joe Cotton; Montgomery Handicap, with Ram's Horn; Brighton Handicap, with Ram's Horn; American Derby, with Gov. Gray; and the Latonia Derby with Gov. Gray. There were also several other large events won prior to this with other horses reared in American turf stables.

A TYPICAL KENTUCKIAN.

As a sportsman the veteran turfman has always been known as the typical Kentuckian, generous to a fault, quick with temper, but withal one of the most lovable men that was ever connected with thoroughbreds in the country. He has many friends on the turf and to-night many messages were received from turfmen expressing their sympathy for him.

The loss of Gov. Gray to the turf is one of the most serious blows that has been received this year. As a 3-year-old he was a gelding but the loss is not as great as it would have been had he been a stallion. As it is it will never be known what he might have accomplished. As a 2-year-old he showed great speed over a distance of ground, but as a 3-year-old he proved that Capt. Williams' judgment was good and that the gelding was a wonderful horse. His race which he has won have all been in fast time and three times in major events he proved the record by a good margin. At a mile and a half he holds the American record. This was accomplished June 10 at the Latonia

Derby, when he showed such speed that 3-year-olds have never equaled.

HISTORY OF GOV. GRAY.

Following is the history in brief of the great horse: Late in the fall at Lexington in 1908, Capt. J. T. Williams visited a sale at Lexington, which marked the disposal of the famous Semaria study of the late Pittsburgh turfman, Capt. S. S. Brown. He confined his purchases to weanlings, and among the youngsters of this age he purchased was likely looking bay colt by Garry Herrmann, out of Salama, by Farandole, for which he paid \$175.

He took the weanlings to his farm in Woodford county and had him gelded and then in due time broke him as a yearling, working him an easy quarter around 24 at that age.

Rev. Bruner Was Welcomed.

The following from the Daily News, of Center, Texas, has been received by Mr. W. M. Fair, concerning Dr. J. W. Bruner, recently pastor of the First Baptist Church in this city, and will be of interest to his many friends in Hartford: THE NEW PREACHES HAS ARRIVED.

"Rev. J. W. Bruner, the new Baptist pastor for this place, with his family, consisting of a wife and one child, arrived in the city this morning, and Bro. Bruner, in company with Mr. J. C. Rogers, has been calling on and getting acquainted with the people today.

"Bro. Bruner is a gentleman of pleasing appearance, and those who have met him believe that he will make good the splendid reputation as a minister and Christian gentleman he brings with him.

"Center people are always delighted to welcome the advent of such desirable citizens to its population, as we will have in this good family, and the News can assure them that their welcome in our midst will be made most cordial."

Mr. Rogers Has Resigned.

Frankfort, Ky., Nov. 28.—Lon Rogers has resigned as state bank examiner, following his indictment by the Fayette county grand jury at Lexington, on the charge of false swearing regarding the condition of the Kentucky bank of Lexington.

Mr. Rogers formerly resided at Hartford, and he is a brother of Mr. Fon Rogers of Pikeville.

Sentenced Three Years.

In the United States court at Owensboro Monday, Ollie Sampson pleaded guilty to passing counterfeit money, and was fined \$1 and costs, and sentenced to nine months in the county jail.

Clifford Schrecker, who was arrested in Henderson in July, and charged with making and passing counterfeit money, pleaded a plea of guilty, and was fined \$1 and costs, and sentenced to three years in the Federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga.

The prosecution against Jesse Schrecker, who was arrested in Hartford at the same time, and charged with having in his possession negatives from which the counterfeit money was made, was continued, and the defendant was released upon a bond of \$500. His trial will come up next May, and it is thought that at that time he will be acquitted.

Methodist Church.

T. V. JOINER, Pastor.

Services at the Court House next Sunday morning and evening conducted by the pastor of the Methodist Church.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. conducted by Supt. Carson.

It Will Win Next Year.

Going everywhere indicate that the Republicans have gained in the recent elections. While Massachusetts re-elected Foss, Democrat, for Governor, his majority has been reduced to the vanishing point. The Democrats regained Kentucky, but lost Maryland. New York goes Republican also Rhode Island. The issue of those elections were based upon the Tariff, and the Republicans won. Republicans always fight of the Tariff. It will be a paramount issue next year, and will win.—Waterloo (Ill.) Republican.

Farm for Sale.

170 acres of Rough River bottom land. All cleared and well improved. Good residence, barns, outbuildings, wells, etc. Terms reasonable. R. B. MARTIN, Hartford, Ky.

THOUSAND CANDIDATES

Will be Initiated in Hartford.

Into the Woodmen of the World on Jan. 20—City Will be Crowded.

The local camp W. O. W. had an enthusiastic meeting last Saturday night and an elegant banquet was served to the choppers and their ladies.

District Manager, Major R. E. Russell was present and arrangements were completed to hold a mammoth class initiation in this city on January 20th, 1912, at which time a class of One Thousand new members from the 41 camps in the district will be given the Amplified Protection Degree and the entire membership will be advanced to the Sublime Degree of Master. The Public Installation of 419 officers from the 41 camps in the District will be one of the leading features of the meeting. Music by a concert band will be rendered during the afternoon and evening and some of the head officers will also be present. A special dispensation has been granted all camps for this meeting, only allowing them to admit new members at \$5.00, which includes medical examination and transportation to Hartford and return.

Major Russell has established headquarters at the Commercial Hotel where any information desired by camps or members can be obtained. He has just arrived from the Western part of the District and reports all camps in that section coming with good classes of new members. The camps conferring the degree will be announced later and arrangements for a public exhibition are being made. The various committees on organization, will be appointed at the next regular meeting of Hartford Camp No. 202.

THE ROMANCE OF THE REAPER

The Lecture and the Real Facts Facing the Farmers and Business Interests in Ky.

Through the courtesy of the International Harvester Company of America the Ohio County Supply Co., and J. A. Daniel our local implement dealers were able to present the lecture-entertainment, "The Romance of the Reaper," at Bean's Opera House last Friday night.

The lecture tells the story of the progress of agriculture from the earliest times down to the present day, and it also shows the development of farm implements and machines from the reaping hook to the reaper, the combine, the tractor, the gasoline tractor, the sprayer, and other modern machines.

The lecture was illustrated with colored views and motion pictures. There not only showed the different farm machines in operation, but the audience was taken on a trip to the International Harvester Company's system of plants, where the machines are made.

The farmers and others in attendance followed the lecture with interest. It contained much information when we consider the millions of farms in the United States, to say nothing of the rest of the world, and the big crops raised on those farms, we realize that the making of farm machines is a large and important industry.

In spite of the fact that the cost of raw materials and wages have greatly advanced since the organization of the International Harvester Company, the prices of farm machines is but little more now than then. I was pointed out that the modern binder, composed of more than 1,200 separately formed parts, and made of the best steel, malleable iron and seasoned wood, is to day the cheapest thing a farmer buys. Taken pound

for pound, a binder costs him less than his plow or cast iron cook stove. The price of binder twine has steadily fallen, until today it costs for only a little more than half of what it did ten years ago.

During the evening the prices of farm machines at home and abroad were discussed. It was shown, by an investigation made by the United States Government, that a six-foot binder which a Kentucky farmer can buy for about \$125.00, costs the English farmer \$135, the French farmer \$175, the Swedish farmer \$160, the Russian farmer \$180, the Siberian farmer \$187, and the farmer of Germany \$203.00.

Just now, on account of the over-zealousness and agitation of certain lawyers, Kentucky farmers are threatened with the worst sort of hardship in the purchase of their farm machines and repair parts for the same.

Sad to relate, in this State there is a law by which any prosecuting attorney can bring suit against any corporation doing business in Kentucky; the Commonwealth pays the cost of prosecution, and should a jury assess a fine, and the fine ever be collected, the taxpayers of the county in which suit is brought are not benefited, but the attorneys and court officers get \$8 per cent of the fine into their own pockets.

Recently one of these suits was brought in Bullitt county. Here is what the Shilohville News said about it: "In the Circuit Court last Saturday afternoon the jury trying the case of the Commonwealth vs. the International Harvester Company of America returned a verdict for the full amount allowed by law, \$5,000. Of this amount, if the verdict stands, the Commonwealth's Attorney will get \$2,500; County Attorney, \$1,250; Circuit Clerk, \$500.00; Trustee of the jury fund, \$150; and the State, \$500. Last \$120 paid twelve jurors for five days and \$25 paid the Taylor and Sheriff, leaving the State \$455 out of \$5,000.00. Bullitt county gets nothing, and ultimately the farmer will pay for the whole thing."

But ultimately the farmers will pay more than they imagine. No county can afford to pay to the lawyers a \$5,000.00 license for the privilege of doing business in a county, and above or below they will draw large percentages from the State. To make modern farm machines out of Kentucky would cost the State half a hundred dollars, and greatly reduce the output of our 200,000 farms.

Those who saw "The Romance of the Reaper" were fully aware that over before the great progress made by agriculture and the entire business world since the development of modern farm machines. To cripple the work of the company that has made all this possible will be to cripple the farms and the entire business welfare of the State.

Prevarication of Ignorance.

One of the schedules in the Protective Tariff law of this country that Democrats call a robber schedule, and which President Taft says is indefensible, is the wool schedule, and yet statistics show that the Tariff on a suit of clothes, assuming that foreign wool exclusively is used, amounts to \$132. And yet the tariff supporters' theory is that wool on the free list clothing would cost about half what it costs now. The "stock in trade" of such men is either prevarication or ignorance.—Marion (La.) Register.

Approves our Plan.

Pleasant Hill, O., Nov. 25, 1911.

The Editor, Hartford Republican.

Hartford, Ky.

Dear Sir:—Enclosed find check for two dollars (\$2.00) to pay my subscription up to and including Jan. 1st, 1912.

I approve, heartily, your cash in advance plan. Experience has taught me, it is the only satisfactory way of carrying on any kind of business.

Yours Very Truly,

E. P. PERKINS.

Miss Felix to Marry.

Mrs. Margaret Felix Announces the engagement of her daughter Vida Belle to Rev. Claude Fillman White, of Huntwell, Ala. On the evening of Dec. 27, 1911 at 7:30 by The Rev. Lewis P. Powell in Saddle Memorial Church, Owensboro, Ky.