



**ELI HUTCHINSON**

**Democratic Candidate for County Superintendent.**

Prof. Hutchinson has had the experience of serving one term as county superintendent of schools in Decatur county, and he made a record for efficiency and hard work for the betterment of the schools. His opponent is a candidate for a third term. Don't you think he has had the office long enough? If you do, then vote for Eli Hutchinson.

**NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, INDIANA AND OHIO ARE CERTAINLY DEMOCRATIC.**

We have now reached the straw vote period of the campaign. Forecasting election results is not the least hazardous of political occupations, for a prophet is without honor in his own country. Last year this magazine made a forecast. But now we've reformed. Not that this is not the year for those who wish to make a prediction to do so. Some years are much better for election forecasting than others, and if we had any desire to attain distinction in that line, this is the year we should take a chance.

Because it is going to be a democratic sweep—

From Maine to California! When the returns came in from the Pine Tree State showing a tremendous democratic victory republican congressmen George R. Malby, of New York, said: "The result in Maine is the kind we may have in other states if the new nationalism continues to be preached by the man just back from Africa."

Of course, Mr. Malby had particularly in mind the state of New York when he made that statement. The Lion Hunter, he went on to say, by his "loose talk" was responsible for the Maine result. While it is not true that "loose talk" by the "Lion Hunter" turned the tables in Maine, it is true that the "Lion Hunter" has put the finishing touches upon a complete Republican disaster in New York state. There is now no serious question about the election of John A. Dix as governor of New York. The betrayal of the people on the tariff revision, the high cost of living, the policy of privilege, all of which figured essentially in the defeat of the republican party in Maine, figure just as prominently in New York. They constitute the underlying sentiment which spells a republican defeat. Since the Roosevelt convention at Saratoga in which the "Lion Hunter" shelved his new nationalism in favor of a stand pat platform he has been put down as a tricky politician. That move has increased the resentment his "loose talk" originally occasioned. The support given the splendid democratic ticket by Harper's Weekly and practically all the great Metropolitan papers, that heretofore supported the republican ticket, gives evidence of making the sweep a most complete one.

Reports from various sections of the state would indicate that a democratic legislature will be carried in which the state ticket, and, at least, six additional congressional districts will be won. The democrats will lose none of the districts they now hold. Information from official and private sources in Ohio clearly indi-

cates the re-election of Governor Harmon in that state. The governor is making an exceptionally effective campaign, and starting out with a safe lead, he has increased it steadily. His majority should be far in excess of that of 1908. No information is at hand to justify a statement as to the congressional campaigns at this time although there will be a very substantial gain. If we were making a forecast, we should say, at least three, and only Heaven knows how many more. A very able correspondent quotes an old republican manager in the Buckeye state as follows: "If you can analyze the state of mind of the republican voters in Ohio and accurately chart the currents and cross-currents that are effecting and crystallizing public sentiment you will do more than any of us have been able to do. There is restlessness, uneasiness and dissatisfaction among the voters of the state. With some it is caused by the high cost of living and disapproval of the new tariff law. With others it is a feeling that the time has come for a general house-cleaning. If the feeling of revolt is as strong on election day as now it will be a clean sweep. The same cause that brought about the overturn in Maine are operating here. There has been republican graft in the state House at Columbus, which Gov. Harmon has exposed; so that, just as in Maine, state issues are commingled with national issues and all is working towards the democracy."

New Jersey by the nomination of Woodrow Wilson, President of Princeton University, has made the election there of National importance. Dr. Wilson is in a brilliant campaign that has not alone had its effect in New Jersey, but has spread to democratic candidates in many other states. Dr. Wilson's election is a safe prediction. Despite the early lack of harmony in the Nebraska campaign, the ill-feeling following the defeat of Gov. Shallenberger by Mayor Dahlman has died out and Mr. Dahlman will be the next Governor of Nebraska. Democracy's fight there is a difficult as in any of the other so-called doubtful states, but the result in Nebraska on the reports so far received is less uncertain. Indiana will show a complete sweep for the democratic congressional candidates. Some leaders are claiming the entire thirteen districts. And, if we were to make a prediction, we should say they are right. The presence of Roosevelt in the campaign has had about the same effect as his presence elsewhere, and Mr. Keam's candidacy for the United States senatorship has gained rather by reason thereof. The party in Indiana is united and the spirit of resentment over the action of the

republican party on the tariff question is acute. In California Mr. Bell is making a winning campaign for Governor. Despite the fact that the republican party has long claimed the Golden Gate as certain republican territory there is most genuine indications of a victory there. California can be hardly less progressive than Maine. Every newspaper forecasts to date has shown a consistent swing to the democracy in every section of the country, and the reports from political leaders are the most encouraging the party has received since the 80's. Nowhere does there seem to be any party division, and even down in old New England there is a sniff of Baldwin's fight in Connecticut is a winning one, and New Hampshire is sufficiently alarmed as to send for Theodore Roosevelt to make a few speeches. After the republican leaders secure the service of Mr. Roosevelt, they will have time to ponder as to whether or not they have an elephant on their hands. The senatorial contest in Delaware and the gubernatorial campaign in Minnesota have awakened interest elsewhere than within their state boundaries.

Not in years have we witnessed a better fight than is being put up in every state in the Union by the state organizations; never has the party been so completely united; never have the people been so disgusted with republican rule; never has the congressional committee shown greater vim and energy; never have the prospects of victory been brighter.—National Monthly.

If you vote for I. A. Smith, the republican candidate for representative you will vote for a man who will vote in favor of electing a republican United States Senator to succeed Senator Dolliver who will continue to carry out the Aldrich-Cannon ideas. If you believe that either a democrat or progressive republican should represent Iowa in the United States Senate you should vote for Heman Smith. Remember there are two Smiths this year, both candidates for representative, so make no mistake, but vote for Heman C. Smith.

Reuben E. McLaughlin, the democratic candidate for county auditor is one of the cleanest and best men in all Decatur county. He comes from a family of Decatur county pioneers, and you never knew a McLaughlin in your life who was not the soul of honor. If elected to the office of county auditor he will discharge the duties of the office in a manner satisfactory to all the people of Decatur county. He is running for the office because he wants to be elected and asks that all his friends give him their hearty support.

Don't make a mistake when you go to vote for sheriff next Tuesday and vote for a man you will be dissatisfied with. Vote for a man who will make a first class officer, always on hands, and one who will discharge his duties without fear or favor. That man is Charles R. Piercy, of Bloomington township. See that you place a cross in front of his name for sheriff.

From all parts of the country come encouraging reports for the success of the democrat party at the polls next Tuesday. Don't fail to do your duty on election day. Don't think that your vote will not count or will not be needed, but make up your mind to vote. Go to the polls early in the day and vote, and get in line to enjoy a genuine democratic victory.

Don't forget to vote in favor of the hospital proposition next Tuesday. The hospital is for the benefit of all the people of Decatur county, and it is a public institution which is needed badly.

There is not a man on the democratic county ticket who is not worthy of the hearty support of every democrat in Decatur county.



**GEORGE W. BAKER**

**Democratic Candidate for County Attorney.**

George W. Baker has made the best county attorney Decatur county ever had in office. He stands on his record, which is well known to the people of Decatur county. He is one of the best criminal prosecutors in the state. If you want a man with the experience and ability to conduct the office you should vote for Mr. Baker.

When Johnnie Mendenhall took charge of the clerk's office he asked that the books be inspected when he took charge of them, and expects to have them inspected when he turns them over to his successors. He knows that everything will be accounted for in the way of fees and monies entrusted to him. Then too, he is doing the work for less salary than his predecessors for several years. It is to the interest of the taxpayers that Mr. Mendenhall be continued in the clerk's office for another term.

The democratic candidates for members of the board of supervisors, Patrick Griffin and Frank A. Gardner, are men in whom the taxpayers of the county would not hesitate to entrust their personal business affairs. They have both been successful farmers, made a success of their financial affairs and they are the kind of men who should be elected to look after the business affairs of the county.

Geo. W. Baker, the present efficient county attorney, stands before the people for an endorsement of the manner in which he has conducted the office. He invites an inspection of the records made by all the other county attorneys who have held the office, and it will be seen that he has been working in the interest of the taxpayers.

Eli Hutchinson made perhaps the most efficient county superintendent Decatur county ever had. He only held the office one term and the present superintendent has now held the office for two terms. It is a good thing to make a change. If you think so, be sure that you mark the square in front of the name of Eli Hutchinson.

O. L. Craig, the democratic nominee for county surveyor is a man who has had experience and is in every way qualified for the office. Don't forget him when you go to vote next Tuesday.

There is a democratic victory in the air this year.

Here is what Senator Cummins said in regard to Judge Towner at Creston in June of this year: "A vote for Judge Towner is a vote for Cannonism and Aldrichism and all that the term means." Remember this and then make up your mind whether you want Judge Towner to represent you in congress. If you don't then vote for Frank Q. Stuart, the democratic candidate.

We wonder if the progressive republicans of Decatur county have forgotten how the standpatters treated them at the republican county convention? Now the standpatters are imploring the progressives to vote the ticket straight. The only use a standpatter has for a progressive is to get his vote on election day.

Just because Rollin Benefiel is not the biggest man in the county, don't overlook the fact that he is a candidate for county recorder. Give the little fellow a boost. He is worthy of your support, and would make an accommodating and efficient recorder.

Mr. Voter, vote for your own interest and vote for a man to represent you in congress who will represent you and not the corporate interests. That man is Frank Q. Stuart, the democratic candidate for congress.

It is certainly amusing to see the standpat politicians advising the progressives as to how they should vote. They wanted no advice from them at the county convention.

Don't forget Dr. Fred A. Bowman, the democratic candidate for coroner when you vote next Tuesday.

Don't stay at home next Tuesday and feel that you helped to defeat a worthy man by not voting.



**PATRICK GRIFFIN**

**Democratic Candidate for Member of the Board of Supervisors.**

Mr. Griffin is a candidate for member of the board of supervisors for the term beginning January 1, 1911. He is located in the northwest part of the county, which is entitled to a representative on the board. He is a successful farmer and financier, a good businessman, and one who will look after your interest in county affairs.

**SCHOOL NOTES.**

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"Joy comes and goes. Hope ebbs and flows Like the waves."  
—Matthew Arnold.

Mr. George Hurbach, of the J. A. Lyons company, visited in Mr. Voelker's office last week.

Miss Hazel Howell came to school Thursday afternoon with Vera Cox.

There will be a football game here Thursday afternoon, Nov. 3rd, between Leon and Osceola. We are expecting a fast game and a great victory for Leon. Everybody come and boost for Leon.

Miss Zetta Robinson, formerly a student in High school visited in the ninth grade with her sister last Friday.

We will have vacation Wednesday afternoon, Thursday and Friday of this week when the teachers will go to Des Moines for the state teacher's association. The teachers will hear Col. Roosevelt speak on Friday evening.

Miss Gertrude Machan and Miss Hazel Lionberger visited High school Monday afternoon.

There was a debate in Mrs. Moore's room last Friday which was interesting, the statement being, "Resolved, that in five years the aeroplane will be used as much as the automobile." The affirmative leader was Edgar Rowell, and the first speaker of the negative was Leal Buchanan. Both leaders with their helpers did excellent debating but the negative side won.

Prof. Voelker arranged a good program Friday morning. Maude Ogilvie played a pleasing solo on the piano, then Brown Caster gave some interesting events that took place during the summer when he attended the naval school at Culver. Winnie Shira read a paper on "Hallow'een Customs," which was very interesting and of good advice.

Dr. Nye visited the high school last Friday morning and he gave a good talk on "The care of the teeth." This talk was both entertaining and instructive.

Georgia Hurst expects to go to Ames next Saturday to see the football game between Ames and Iowa City. She is especially interested in Ames for her brother Raymond Hurst is on that team.

Leo Hoffman and Raymond Jenkins visited high school last Thursday afternoon. The manager of the football team received a letter from Ida Grove

asking for a football game with our team at Ida Grove on Thanksgiving.

**Boldman Family Reunion.**

A family reunion of the members of the Boldman family is being held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Arnold, 715 Noyes avenue, Hyde Park. Those who are attending are James Boldman, of Davis City, Ia., seventy-seven years old; his two sisters, Mrs. W. T. Cartwright, Garden Grove, Ia., seventy years old; Mrs. S. D. Radnish, Davis City, sixty-three years old; and Mrs. Boldman's children, Mrs. J. A. Stropes, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. C. J. Merritt, Billings, Mont., and Mrs. F. J. Arnold. This is the first time the family has been together for twenty-five years, and they are enjoying themselves relating the experiences of former years. The out-of-town members have been at the Arnold residence since Saturday.—St. Joe Gazette.

**\$100 Reward, \$100.**

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing her work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer one Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Sold by Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Liza Jane bread at Bradfield & Gardner's.

For Sale—100,000 feet of native lumber of all kinds, 6 miles southwest of Osceola, 5 miles north of Weldon.—T. J. Swisher, Osceola, Iowa.

**Notice of Probating Will.**

To All Whom it may Concern: You are hereby notified that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of Iowa, in and for Decatur county, an instrument in writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of William Rhea, late of said county, deceased, and that 11 o'clock a. m., of the 15th day of November, 1910, has been fixed for the probate of said will, at which time you can appear at the court house in said county and show cause, if any there be, why said will should not be admitted to probate.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court at Leon, Iowa, this 18th day of October, 1910.  
J. L. Mendenhall, Clerk of District Court.



**ROLLIN I. BENEFIEL**

**Democratic Candidate for County Recorder.**

Rollin I. Benefiel has not been able to see all of the voters of Decatur county in his campaign for the only office he has ever been a candidate for, but he respectfully asks for your support at the polls. He is amply qualified to discharge the duties of the office. Don't forget the little man when you mark your ballot for county recorder.



**FRANK A. GARDNER**

**Democratic Candidate for Member of the Board of Supervisors.**

Frank A. Gardner, is a successful farmer, who has made a success as a farmer. He has now retired from active work on the farm, and has the time to attend to the arduous duties of a member of the county board. He is a candidate for the term which begins January 1, 1912. It is to your interest to see that he is elected to this important office.