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FRIDAY, January 26, 1912

Democratic Announcements

County Primary, Tuesday, May 21, 1912

Notice to Candidates

The prices for publishing announcements of candidates for county offices is \$5.00, no difference whether the announcement is made immediately or at a future date...

FOR COUNTY AUDITOR

STEINBRUNNER—We are authorized to announce the name of John F. Steinbrunner, of Marion township, as a candidate for Auditor, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, Tuesday, May 21, 1912.

UNGEHER—We are authorized to announce the name of Ed. G. Ungerer, of Jefferson township, as a candidate for County Auditor, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER

SPRIGGS—We are authorized to announce the name of John A. Spriggs, of Washington township, as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

BECKE—We are authorized to announce the name of Frank Becke, of Jefferson township, as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE

RAUDAUGH—We are authorized to announce the name of Charles Raudaugh, of Jefferson township, as a candidate for Probate Judge, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

DUGAN—We are authorized to announce the name of F. F. Dugan, of Jefferson township, as a candidate for Probate Judge, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

FOR COUNTY RECORDER

STELZER—We are authorized to announce the name of Henry J. Stelzer, of Jefferson township, as a candidate for Recorder, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

MAURER—We are authorized to announce the name of John B. Maurer, of Union township, as a candidate for County Recorder, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

MYERS—We are authorized to announce the name of H. A. Myers, of Jefferson township, as a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

SHORT—We are authorized to announce the name of Frank V. Short, of Jefferson township, as a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

HEIN—We are authorized to announce the name of John Hein, of Jefferson township, as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

FRYSINGER—We are authorized to announce the name of Jason T. Frysinger, of Hopeville township, as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

STAEGER—We are authorized to announce the name of Edwin Staeger, of Union township, as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

BEKWE—We are authorized to announce the name of A. Bekwe, of Union township, as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

DAUBERT—We are authorized to announce the name of Barney Daubert, of Franklin township, as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

BRUNSWICK—We are authorized to announce the name of Andrew Brunswick, of Greenville township, as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

NELSON—We are authorized to announce the name of J. P. Nelson, of Union township, as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of Mercer County at the county primary, May 21, 1912.

TAFT and ROOSEVELT

Roosevelt's desertion of Taft is worthy of consideration. Roosevelt posed as the one big noise of the whole country, and his exit was spectacular, noisy and grandiose.

With a bow that splashed water on both coasts at the same time, he selected Mr. Taft as his successor, and as the "perfect public servant" he was to carry out "my policies" to the utter salvation of us all.

Taft was inaugurated. He carried out "my policies" and was a better Roosevelt than Teddy himself; but, to the discomfiture of Theodore Africans "my policies soon dried up and warped in the sun, and Mr. Taft found himself stranded, helpless, wrecked on the shores and deserted by the great admiral.

The conclusion, therefore, is forced and clear, T. R. was unable to choose the right successor for he knew neither what was needed nor how it should be accomplished. Neither did his successor.

So the duty is now clear a good Democrat, and a proven one, must be chosen

Effects of Guarantee in Nebraska

Operation of the bank deposits guarantee law in Nebraska has failed to result in panics, business chaos and bank failures in Nebraska last year.

The law did accomplish, on the other hand, more and better business for the banks. The money on deposit in 669 state banks was increased last year over the year before by \$2,209,674.35.

The reserve on hand is 27 per cent, or 3 per cent more than a year ago. The law accomplished an increase in the banks' opportunities for profit because of increased deposits. Then it made the banks more immune from evasion upon the legal reserve, due to the fact that the depositors knew their money was absolutely safe, weren't so anxious to draw it out as heretofore.

Last, but not least, no depositor ran the risk of losing a penny of his savings!

The Progressive Victory in Ohio

Outside of Ohio the significance of Herbert S. Bigelow's election as president of the Constitutional Convention of that State, may not be very clearly understood.

Even in Ohio itself there are many good people who have so far lost their way in pious contemplation of the merits of their own particular reforms, as to have turned their backs upon the true way for getting them democratically which Bigelow's election opens up.

His election means that the "gateway" principal he has worked for in Ohio these ten years back has triumphed—unless the forces of plutocratic reaction, which have thus far been defeated in their opposition, succeed later on in their game of "playing both ends against the middle."

More distinctly and influentially than any other person, Mr. Bigelow represents the movement for the full initiative and referendum in Ohio.

Through his efforts, more than any other one person's, a convention, the majority of whose delegates are pledged to this reform was elected, over desperate opposition by the Ohio State Board of Commerce, which contributed the services of its president, Allen Ripley Poole, one of the slickest corporation lobbyists that ever invaded a legislature.

Mr. Poole and his party were defeated at the polls, whereupon they set about nullifying the vote at the polls by electing a reactionary as president of the Convention. In this battle also they were defeated, thanks to 43 progressive delegates who understood the situation and held together until enough progressives who didn't understand it came over and made the necessary majority.

It now remains for Poole's Ohio State Board of Commerce, by subtle conversion tactics, to ditch the initiative and referendum in the framing of the new Constitution if they can. For his job they are financially "heeled," for in soliciting funds from Ohio corporations for the campaign at the polls they provided for a percentage of deferred payments, one of the slickest conversion tactics of the convention. But Mr. Bigelow has probably spoiled their plans. His speech on the question of appointing committees inspired all the progressive delegates with confidence in him; his reclamation of the promises of that speech will no doubt confirm their confidence; and as the progressives of both parties and all factions make, when united, a large majority of the convention, the game of the Ohio State Board of Commerce has probably been played to a disastrous close.—The Public, Chicago.

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THE WAR FIFTY YEARS AGO

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THIS time fifty years ago Union and Confederate armies were mustering strong on the border and sharpening swords afresh for the clash of arms to come.

In the closing weeks of 1861 movements of troops and ships were being made to end in the battles of Mill Springs, Ky.; Roanoke Island, N. C.; Forts Henry and Donelson, Tenn.; New Orleans; Pea Ridge, Ark., and Shiloh, Tenn., in January, February, March and April, 1862.

The generals to whom the north and south looked for speedy and brilliant victories fifty years ago were George B. McClellan and Albert Sidney Johnston. Second to McClellan in the north was Don Carlos Buell, who led the Federal forces in the central west, and second in point of prominence in rank to Albert Sidney Johnston, though not subordinate to him, was Joseph E. Johnston. McClellan as general in chief directed the army and navy operations which, under General Burnside and Commodore Goldsborough, were to conquer the coast of North Carolina, the army and navy operations under Ben Butler and Farragut, which would open up the lower Mississippi to the Federal fleet, and in person conducted the operations of the Army of the Potomac in Virginia.

The Confederate Genius of the West. It was the genius of Albert Sidney Johnston, a New Englander by birth, which inspired the Confederate operations in Kentucky and Tennessee, leading to the battles at Mill Springs, Donelson and Shiloh during the first three months of 1862. Johnston was in California at the outbreak of the war and did not reach Richmond until September, 1861, after the battles of Bull Run, in Virginia, and Wilson's Creek, in Missouri. Joe Johnston, as he was familiarly called, then led the Confederate forces directly opposing McClellan on the Potomac line, and Albert Sidney was sent west to hold for the south as much of Kentucky as he could get a firm grip on and the whole of Tennessee at all hazards. Taking his stand at Bowling Green, Ky., Johnston gathered around him all the Confederate troops in the west and attempted to keep the Federal army from marching south of that point. He appealed to the government at Richmond for more troops, saying that with 20,000 men he could not hold his ground when the enemy had the Ohio, Cumberland and Tennessee rivers open to their transports and fighting ships on either flank of his territory.

In the early fall of 1861 General W. T. Sherman had been at the head of the army opposed to Johnston, but he was succeeded in November by Buell, who planned a sweeping movement to the south. With his headquarters at Louisville, Buell had gathered a large army and amused the Confederates at Bowling Green in the interior and at Columbus on the Mississippi during the late fall and early winter.

Johnston was an aggressive soldier as well as a strategist, and while confronting Sherman in November had so alarmed "Uncle Billy" that he demanded 200,000 men, for he said that if Johnston took the notion to march on Louisville he would have no power then in the field could stop him. But Buell, after taking in the situation, said, "I would as soon expect to see the Army of the

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the Merrimac and Arkansas became famous in battle, and, of course, the commerce destroyers Alabama and Shenandoah were yet unheard of at this time fifty years ago.

Minor Events of the Week.

On the first day of the new year Mason and Sibley, the two Confederate commissioners under arrest as prisoners of the United States and claimed by Great Britain, were released from confinement at Fort Warren, Boston, and delivered into the hands of Lord Lyons, the British minister at Washington.

This arrangement was according to the stipulations in England's diplomatic but urgent request that the gentlemen be set at liberty. The next day the British gunboat Rinaldo sailed from Provincetown, Mass., for England, having the commissioners as passengers.

The first release of Union prisoners of war held by the Confederates in Richmond was effected on James river on Jan. 3. The captives numbered 240 and were chiefly those taken at Bull Run, July 21, 1861. This was the beginning of regular exchanges, although army commanders had sometimes made exchanges on their own responsibility at the close of a battle, especially of wounded men. The exchange on James river led to the appointment of a commission to visit southern prisons by President Lincoln and later to the organization of a regular system of exchange.

On the 4th Stonewall Jackson's troops, led by him in person, captured the town of Bath, near Romney, Va., and burned a bridge behind them after carrying off valuable Union army supplies. This was the beginning of Jackson's enterprises as an independent commander in the western section of Virginia.

A New Battleground. A new Confederate battleground first appeared in the field in front of Washington. Its distinguishing mark was a red St. Andrew's cross spanning the whole flag. This could be seen from a distance and produced a startling effect. It had been designed especially to overcome the similarity of the opposing national flags, the stars and stripes and the stars and bars. The red, white and blue in each had on several battlefields caused them to be mistaken for friendly flags. The mistake occurred twice at Bull Run, both times to the advantage of the Confederates. At Dranesville on Dec. 20 both sides were confused as to the colors in front. The general aspect of the new flag was weird in the extreme and when flaunted by advancing troops seemed to be a challenge to deadly battle.

The advance ships of the French and English expedition against Mexico reached port at Vera Cruz. The ostensible object of the movement was to secure reparation for loss sustained by European subjects in Mexico, then a republic recognized by the United States. Vera Cruz had already been occupied by Spanish forces soon promptly from Havana to seize this point the moment hostilities were declared. At that date Vera Cruz was the sole gateway for communication between the sea and the interior of Mexico. It was bombarded and captured by the United States during the war with Mexico in 1847. The encroachment of Europeans upon this friendly American republic was far from agreeable to the United States, but with the civil war taxing her energies to the utmost she could not put up a vigorous protest at this stage.

At the beginning of 1862 the Confederate line in the west extended from Columbus, Ky., on the Mississippi, through Forts Henry and Donelson, in Tennessee, to Bowling Green and Mill Springs, Ky. General Albert Sidney Johnston commanded the Confederate army defending this line, with headquarters at Bowling Green and the base of supplies at Nashville. General Don Carlos Buell, the Federal leader in Kentucky directly opposed to Johnston, planned a movement into Tennessee, and a small Federal force under General George H. Thomas set out from Lebanon, Ky., Jan. 1 to march to the east Tennessee border. At this time there was a force of Confederates in eastern Kentucky under General Humphrey Marshall and Colonel J. S. Williams. Williams was a fighter, Marshall a politician. Williams had earned the sobriquet "Cerro Gordo" at the famous battle of that name in Mexico in 1847.

The object of the Confederates in keeping an army in eastern Kentucky was to help guard the valuable salt mines just over the border in western Virginia and to protect southern recruiting agents who were operating in the mountains roundabout. The force under Marshall and Williams early in January, 1862, numbered somewhere between 2,000 and 5,000 men. Marshall claimed to have 1,800. His enemy said the figures should be doubled, if not trebled. Marshall reported his strength Dec. 30 at 3,000, but on Jan. 3 said that fewer than 2,000 were fit for duty. The troops then consisted of a regiment and a battalion in camp at Prestonsburg, on the Big Sandy river, which had been organized in the fall of 1861 by Colonel Williams. The regiment was the famous "ragamuffin regiment," composed of mountaineers, the Fifth Kentucky. They were hardy, raw-

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