

DECLARING WAR ON THE I. W. W. IN CAMPAIGN FOR GOVERNOR

THE younger element in Arizona politics took the bit in its teeth the other day when Sidney P. Osborn, the youthful secretary of state of Arizona, announced his willingness to receive the Democratic nomination for governor.

The principles which Mr. Osborn has gathered to himself for his platform are, like those of Mr. Cobb, of El Paso, 100 percent Americanism and wholehearted support of the government in the conduct of the war.

This statement is so plain as to intend that he who runs may read opposition to the course of Gov. Hunt and to the political faction which lines up with some of the governor's most "advanced" ideas.

These are other Democrats who are understood to be willing to receive the nomination of Mr. Osborn for the governorship, but secretary of state Osborn has jumped in ahead of all of them with his Americanism platform and they can hardly raise the same battle cry without laying themselves open to charges of plagiarism.

What are his chances for obtaining his party's nomination? Just fair. Some other hands in the political game will come into action soon and announce their candidacies and some of them will command support which will be difficult for Mr. Osborn to oppose successfully.

The secretary of state has the backing of the younger element in his party pretty generally and he is well liked throughout the state. But he happens to have been reared in Phoenix, the place of heaviest voting in the state and so many people remember him only as a boy.

until he dies of old age. Youth is often an advantage but sometimes a handicap, especially if one is a candidate for the highest office in the state.

But even those who will not vote for him are frank to say he has made a good secretary of state, which is to say that he has administered his duties quietly and efficiently and without getting into any sort of a rumput at any time.

And really, if one stopped to think of it, the secretary of state, who corresponds to lieutenant-governor, has nearly as great responsibilities as the governor.

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When A Feller Needs A Friend - By Briggs



Having Real May Day Back In Days When You Were Young And All That

IT WAS on a May day, YEARS and years ago, IN OUR villages, AN THERE was a May pole, ON THE largest lawn, AND WE were all asked, AND ALL of the ribbons, HAD BEEN hung to the pole, THE NIGHT before, AND ON May Day, A LOT of little girls, IN WHITE dresses, AND THEIR hair hanging down, CAME ACROSS the lawn, AND WE all clapped, AND THE white little girls, TOOK HOLD of the ribbons, AND STARTED, AND WENT around once, AND STOPPED, AND ONE of the little girls, TRIED TO drop her ribbon, AND COULDN'T, AND CALLED the school teacher, AND WE all watched, EXCEPT WILLIE Hammond, AND HE had it, AND BY that time, ALL THE little girls, WERE SHAKING their heads, THAT HELD the ribbons, AND WE all went over, TO WHERE they were, AND FOUND out, THAT ALL of the ribbons, HAD BEEN messed up with pitch, RIGHT AT the end, WHERE THE girls took hold, AND WE all helped, AND IN a little while, THE WHOLE village, EXCEPT WILLIE Hammond, AND THE sick people, WHO COULDN'T get out, WERE STUCK on with pitch.

Short Snatches From Everywhere

Discretion is the salt that preserves life and fancy is the sugar that sweetens it.—Chicago News. Men who say they always listen to reason are mighty fond of hearing themselves talk.—Birmingham Post. When we contemplate what we do for others, we are too apt to forget what others have done for us.—Memphis Commercial Appeal. Start a rumor today and by tomorrow it will have grown so big that it won't be recognized by the person who set it on its way.— Toledo Blade. The German people are now being fed on the indemnity the Kaiser will collect after the war, which is about as satisfactory filling as those Paris dinners Hindenburg was promising.—Detroit Free Press. As the allies on the western front now outnumber the Germans to the same extent to which the Germans outnumber the allies, a determined offensive on both sides may be confidently expected.—New York Post.

The Young Lady Across The Way



THE young lady across the way says we can't all go to war but we can all help by having war gardens at least and she's glad to say her sweet peas and nasturtiums are coming along nicely.

Uncle Wall's Denatured Poem.

The Cold Rain

THE wind is cold, the sky is wet, the rain's continuous and moist; and many people sigh and fret who on the sunny days rejoiced. Some veterans are so poorly built they view a dark day with affright; they think that all the beans are split if there should be a cloud in sight. But I have made a gaudy fire, I hear it roaring up the flue; and here I sit and sweat my lye, and raise a happy howdy. I look out at the liquid rain that hasn't sense enough to quit, and see it washing down the pane, and do not throw a morbid fit. The rain will make the fields more fat, and that should cheer up drowsy souls; and it will purify the air, and make the microbes hunt their holes. The rain will save the wats and ryes—that's what the good old rain is for; and thus we see, if we have eyes, that storms like this will win the war. How often, through a lack of rain, has his drouth stricken country groaned! So it is useful to complain because your picnic is postponed. The country roads are dripping wet, no motor cars along them purr; but it's a wicked thing to fret because your joyride won't occur.

Little Interviews Back Up Crawford For Customs Collector, Says The Mayor Get Your Coal Now, Or Go Cold Next Winter, Says Wyatt

EL PASOS should get behind Judge E. E. Crawford and help him to land the customs collectorship," said Mayor Chas. Davis today. "It has now been several days since Mr. Cobb resigned, and the appointment of Judge Crawford is being held up because New Mexico is advancing the quite ridiculous contention that the position should go to a New Mexican man. The El Paso collectorship has always been an El Paso position—both Democratic and Republican administrations have recognized it as such—and El Pasos should exert every influence to prevent New Mexico jumping into our affairs. I cannot blame senator Jones, of New Mexico, for getting all the patronage he can for his state, where it rightfully belongs there. We did not carry anything when he managed to get a nomination for Denton, after it had been elected, and we should not let New Mexico attempt to take a position that has always been recognized as an El Paso position. The most important boundary line is from the New Mexico line west of El Paso eastward along the river and always has been. It is true the customs district covers the southern New Mexico boundary, but there is scarcely any business for the customs men along the New Mexico line. El Paso is the main port of the imported line line. The El Paso customs district is a Texas district, and El Pasos ought to see that an El Paso gets the appointment."

"People in this city will either get coal now or they will go cold next winter. There is not going to be any appreciable amount of coal here during the cold months except what has been stored by the forward-thinking ones," said John M. Wyatt, of the state fuel board. "The people are getting fairly well in the matter of getting their coal in ahead of time, however. There seems to be a misunderstanding among some of the dealers as to what price under the diminishing scale of price reductions is fixed by the government. Some dealers are still quoting a price delivered in the cellar, and none of them have a right to do this. The dealer is allowed to add to the government fixed price the freight and his profit of \$1.25 a ton off the car, or \$1.45 from the bin, and nothing else. The drayage must be quoted as a separate item, and it must be the actual cost of the work, or the consumer must be allowed to arrange with someone else to do his hauling. There has been provided a penalty of \$500 or two years' imprisonment for the dealer who includes in his price quoted to consumer, or introduces any other variable. Each item is clearly fixed and the law is plain. The cost price for drayage has been officially estimated to be \$1 a ton until May 15, and this is all that may be charged. The dealers have given rise to some confusion in other cases by their different way of looking at the scale of reductions. Some will quote the price for the month in which the quotation is made, giving the time limit upon that price, which is the better way. Other dealers, however, quote the high price for next winter and give the reduction as a discount for present acceptance. While both of these amount to the same thing in the end, the different methods tend to confuse some customers' minds."

"Every owner of an automobile in this city should become a member of the El Paso Automobile club," said E. A. Fox, "Cooperate with it and best it, for it means a great deal to El Paso. From the merchant's viewpoint, I must say, it is a mighty fine thing; for instance, it causes the limited time for parking an automobile in front of a store to be 40 minutes instead of 20 minutes, which gives customers more time to make their purchases."

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"NAMES IN THE NEWS. Suspect is the name given to those soldiers selected as being the best soldiers and the most daring to pick off enemy individuals. They use bullet proof sniping posts, which by means of careful construction can be made entirely invisible to the enemy."

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LETTERS TO THE HERALD

(All communications must bear the signature of the writer, but the name will be withheld if requested.)

THE SERVICE FLAG. Editor El Paso Herald: Will you please answer this question for me through the columns of your paper? Can I display a service flag for two friends of the family? They are in no way related, but have been bosom friends of our family for years. Both soldiers have no living relatives as far as I know, and, as they are preparing to go to France, have asked me to accept the flag and display it in our home in memory of them. I wouldn't like to hurt their feelings, but didn't know if I could do this without comment from other people, as nearly all our friends know that we haven't any blood relatives in the war. Inquirer.

HAVE AGAINST DANCE. Editor El Paso Herald: Seventy-five percent of the immorality among high school children is with those who are infatuated by the dance, the invention of the evil one, for breaking down the natural reserve and modesty, which is the best safeguard of youth. Now that our politicians have been aroused to see the evil of the redlight district and are punishing all who are impure wherever they can find them, it does seem as though something might be done to arouse parents to the danger they allow their children to incur in this dancing habit and especially now that even such restraints as used to apply are being discarded. As a matter of fact, I suppose there is no room to doubt that dancing have the way to reach immorality between older people as well, and it is too bad that the good the police have done in stopping immorality should be undone by permitting it to be directly fostered again by this senseless and immorality pastime. Every dance hall in the city should be closed if we are to hold what improvement we have secured by the cleanup, and if that were done, some way would be found for regulating the dance in such homes as might so far forget public welfare as to continue it. Alma T. Birner.

OPHELIA. Now that you got what you wanted what do you want? I luff you!

Hashing Up The War News - By T. E. Powers. A menu of war-themed food items: LIBERTY MUTT HOUND, SAUER KRAUT LIBERTY, FRANK FORTER LIBERTY HOT DOGS, CABBAGE, LIMBURGER LIBERTY SANDOW, HASSENPEFFER LIBERTY RABBIT STEW, HIDDEN BURG.

Things In General

BY H. S.

ON SELLING LOOKS. A REAL estimator took a prospect in his car. "Way out beyond Fort Bliss to this little town in the sandy desert." "This desirable location will soon blossom into a thriving metropolis—A triumph of man over desert, prairie dogs, Spanish needles, yuccas, sun-basking lizards, Utter loneliness, frustration and angst. Where these stakes abound," continued the R. E. enthusiastically, "Lessening his vest-and-wearing his specs eccentrically, "Will arise happy homes, Schools, churches, stores, Landscaped parks, libraries, Amusement, All that sort of thing. The breeding stiffness of the desert. Will give place to palatial, teeming life. The lots will be taken. And trade in value. As the site becomes densely populated. You cannot make a mistake. By investing here. A multitude of. "But business is later as will buy your lots. At enhanced prices. How many will you take?" Concluded the R. E. Producing pen and receipt book. The prospect pondered awhile. "I've said. "I don't think this locality will suit me. "Way out?" "Tragically!" "Because I'm looking for a nice, quiet, secluded, peaceful neighborhood. And I'm afraid. This locality will become comfortable all right."

RISBY HANCOCK thinks saving food is a fine thing for the nation, but it is mighty hard on the defenseless dog that stands especially at the kitchen door.

Luke Mathewson is taking a daily paper and his needs will now have a chance.

Tube Mosley says the fellow who sits around and talks and does nothing ought not to be allowed to call us allies.

GILBERT, WAR SPEAKER. Sam E. Gilbert, El Paso lawyer, has been making a speaking tour in Lincoln county, N. M. on the war program of the government. He spoke at Carrizosa, Lordsburg, Lordsburg, and other points. His tour is in behalf of the national council of defense.

The Pennsylvania railroad is employing 6500 women, including 250 truck drivers on the lines east of Pittsburgh.

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