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We will place a blue cross mark in this square which is to notify you that the time for which you paid your subscription has expired, and unless you renew at once your paper will be stopped. We do not want to stop your paper; we want you to get every issue, but our terms are cash in advance, and if you don't pay up promptly we will take it for granted that you don't want us to send it to you and we will not push it on you.

POSTOFFICE CHANGES.

Now that the postoffice is to change hands again, we have every reason to look for some much needed improvements.

Of course no one could or would blame Acting-Postmaster Averill, as he is merely taking care of the postoffice, as a bondsman has to do, until the vacancy could be filled.

But it is different with the incoming incumbent, as he has the assurance of serving four years and, if he makes a good official, which he doubtless will, as long as his party remains in power. So it is plain that he can well afford to go to some expense to arrange for the comfort, convenience and accommodation of the people.

This is no cross roads town or country village, and that kind of postoffice service is becoming awfully tiresome. Hayti is a right important business town, and as such needs and demands a postoffice conducted along up-to-date lines, and not according to the clock as in the past, endeavoring to discover every excuse and pretext to close the doors against the public and to shirk a little extra labor.

That man in the shop, in the factory, at the desk, behind the counter or in public life who watches the clock, who is always ready, willing and inclined to leave his post right on time, will never get very far up his ladder. It is the man who lingers just a little longer, who carries just a little while with duty and strikes just a few more licks that rises to station and fame. The appointment of C. A. Crow to the postoffice at Caruthersville paved his way to congress.

The number of boxes at this office should be more than doubled, and then by leaving the doors open on Sundays and opening the noon mail the requirements of this office would be well filled.

POLITICAL ADVERTISING.

Most every newspaper man of any experience knows what it is to be bothered with "write-ups, puffs," etc., for various kinds of candidates during every campaign, and in many instances feeling is caused when they must be declined. As a general rule, people do not realize the position of an editor, and few people are willing for their articles to come out under their own names. In such cases the editor has little protection. It ought to be the rule to publish the writer's name to everything that goes in print.

In Oklahoma the law regulates such things in matters political, by requiring such matter to come under the head of "political advertisement," together with the amount paid or whether it is free, with the name of the person ordering the article to be printed. A reasonable fine is imposed for a violation of this law.

At first the newspapers of Oklahoma were inclined to fight the law as an infringement upon the press, but experience in the past campaign went to prove it was the publishers' friend, as it made all the office-seekers or their friends father their own political boasts and brought the ringster sheets from under the cover. It afforded the legitimate papers great relief and saved the editors much embarrassment and censure.

We would like to see such a law on the statute books of Missouri.

Who will father the bill?

WE'RE LOADED.

A certain medicine concern not a thousand miles from Chicago is liable not only to get into deep water, but to get its traveling representative shown up for false representations, etc., to procure an ad contract with the Herald. The contract was never returned to us, and after waiting nearly three months they expect us to still accept the same price. We won't do it. We have since learned that the representations made to us by their

representative were false and misleading, and we are prepared to give them the kind of advertising they will not relish. With all courtesy to the drug stores, up to the present no patent medicine advertisement has ever appeared in these columns, and we will head the list of newspapers to forever decline them. They may be all right for the half-starved, antiquated backwoods printer, to fill his space, but patent medicine men shun a live, up-to-date paper as much as a tramp does water; they won't pay the price; they only pay about one-fourth to one-tenth what the home merchant pays, and if the printer should offer to run it free some of them would want him to buy a dozen bottles of slop for the privilege.

EXPLANATION.

This week "A Citizen" undertakes to answer our question: "Why the South Leads the North in Prohibition?" While it seems to us he could have condensed his answer down into a "nutshell," which was our intention should be done, yet on account of his being a northern man we allow him full space, except that we prune away from his article anything that might be construed either for or against intoxicants.

It must be strictly understood that we are not responsible for any views advanced by others than ourselves.

It must also be strictly understood that we will not allow a controversy of any kind in these columns, and in case of an attack by another paper, that paper is due you the journalistic courtesy to defend yourself in its columns.

Make your letters short and to the point, and stick to the subject, not whether intoxicants are good or evil, but why the south leads the north in the matter of prohibition?

This is general information for every one writing on this question.

If President Roosevelt never accomplished but one good thing in his life that was when he vetoed the James river water power bill, which congressmen paid with the people's money had given their time and energies to put through, instead of devoting their time to the people's need. This man Standish, in whose interests this gigantic monopoly was intended, has been literally drummed out of Arkansas, where he was trying to get congress to give him White river. These little rivers belong to the states through which they run, and these water rights sought through congress ought to be the "death knell," politically, to the congressman who favors them.

It has been eleven years since we set the "Small Boy's Essay on the Editor" from the case, one lazy day in May, and to this day it is being swiped from one end of the country to the other. Some time we are going to write an essay on "the editor that swipes things" and see how that goes.

The recent blizzard was something fierce out in Southwest Oklahoma, and according to the Granite Enterprise the wind blew that office full of tin cans, dead cats, old shoes, socks and undershirts. It's an ill wind that blows nobody good, and as every rose has its thorn, hence the cats.

There is no better opening anywhere in Missouri for good, live business men than Hayti—not small concerns, but large ones, able to reach out for business. There is room here for many such firms, and the more of them the better. It takes these kind of men to bring trade.

P. S. Ravenstein suggests in this issue that the citizens have a meeting to discuss and arrange for the improvement of the public square. This is a good suggestion and the meeting should be had at once. Let's get busy.

Remember L. C. Averill's appeal and offer of aid for the improvement of the public square. Let's work together in harmony in this matter, and put a mark on the first man who tries to cause discord.

The city election is the first of April. This election is of vast importance to the city of Hayti, and our people should be thinking.

Don't forget the public square.

MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the merchants of this city was held at the city hall, January 20 and an organization formed to be known as the "Retail Merchants Association."

The officers elected were: J. A. Cunn-

ingham, president; R. F. Coppage, vice-president, and O. R. Cole, secretary and treasurer.

At a regular meeting held last Tuesday night the following members were present: J. A. Cunningham of the Cunningham Store Company; R. F. Coppage of the Ward & Coppage Mercantile Company; O. R. Cole of Cole & Williams; E. H. Musgrave of Musgrave & Mason; H. C. Nanson of the Nanson Dry Goods Company; N. C. Myers of the Myers Grocery Company; J. W. Reed of the Famous Store Company; J. C. Lonon of Lonon & Elkins; W. L. Bennett; C. H. Clark; B. Stockman and J. T. Martin.

A few members were absent on account of sickness, etc.

The membership fee is \$1 per month. All members were instructed to furnish the secretary the name of all delinquents and bad accounts of long standing and how long such accounts were held. The secretary was instructed to take all such lists and have typewritten copies made of them and to furnish a copy to each member.

It was agreed by a majority of those present that the stores close at 6:30 p.m., beginning February 1, each night except Saturday, and continue until May 1. At that time the hour of closing will be changed according to what then best suits the association.

Prospective members who have not applied for membership, will be furnished a list upon the payment of the regular dues of \$1 per month.—Caruthersville Democrat.

Now make a county organization, and the full benefits will be realized, and any good man, at any place in the county, can do business and buy goods.

Such an organization was gotten up in Greer county, Oklahoma, while we were there last year; the lists were printed, and it showed that some dead-beats owed accounts at every town in the county. Lets push this; its good.

If you don't see it in the Herald it is because you did not tell us.

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