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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR TRUSTEE.

S. R. BRATTON.

We are authorized to announce S. R. Bratton a candidate for Trustee of Obion County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

G. W. WORLEY.

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HARRIS PARKS.

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J. H. SANDERS.

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FOR SHERIFF.

R. N. TANKERSLEY.

We are authorized to announce R. N. Tankersley a candidate for Sheriff of Obion County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

T. J. EASTERWOOD.

We are authorized to announce T. J. Easterwood as a candidate for Sheriff of Obion County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

T. P. NOAH.

We are authorized to announce Tom P. Noah as a candidate for Sheriff of Obion County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

WILL HE DO IT?

It is just about one year before the next Democratic national convention, yet sentiment is gradually and unmistakably centering on Bryan as the nominee. No other name has the power even to attract passing notice. It remains altogether with the Nebraskan whether he will step into the ring, or, with sincere intentions, vacate in favor of a man whom he will choose and support.

With absorbing interest we read his triumphal tour of Europe and Asia. We saw the star rising—Free Silver forgotten—and nothing dimmed its brilliancy. A glorious welcome awaited his return. People traveled from every quarter to see him—the greatest of all tourists from private ranks.

What was the reception? Government ownership of railroads, and the political horoscope turned back in its flight to the ages when Republics began to totter. The heart of Democracy sank to the depths of despair.

Government ownership of railroads for the republic of America. What an incongruity—what a travesty!

Far more reaching in its dreadful results than any policy ever yet pursued by the Republican party, Government ownership is the antipode of Democratic principles, attacking the foundations—the sinews of popular government.

The publishers of this paper supported Bryan heartily in both campaigns of 1896 and 1900. One held to the theory of Free Silver; the other did not.

Now comes the Great Commoner, the friend of the people, with a doctrine which will cripple representative government and ultimately destroy the voice of the people.

But men believe in his honesty. He has the magnetism to lead, whatever theories he may espouse, and the public will follow.

So it is that Bryan, if he chooses, will be the Democratic nominee, and so it is that he will again meet defeat, and with the last crushing blow will totter the walls that Jefferson built, the last hope of an undivided South.

T. P. NOAH.

In The Commercial this week will be found the announcement of T. P. Noah as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Obion County. Mr. Noah is a native of the country west of Union City and a citizen who has always shouldered his part of the responsibilities and duties which pertain to the well being of his neighbors. Mr. Noah has served as Deputy Sheriff for several terms. He is

now serving in that capacity with a good, commendable record. He is a good officer, qualified mentally and physically for the duties of Sheriff. He made a good race in the last election, ranking second in the number of votes. Tom Noah has lots of friends. He is a good Democrat and his candidacy is subject to the action of the Democratic party. We take pleasure in presenting his name for your consideration.

A GOOD RECORD.

The following very complimentary notice of our esteemed fellow-citizen comes unsolicited from the Covington Leader. It is, of course, a pleasure to reproduce it, but the real, underlying facts in the case are that it shows what kind of men Obion County and this section of the State have sent to the Legislature and the advantage of having good representatives in the legislative halls.

Hon. Seid Waddell, of Union City, stopped off in Covington last Sunday while on his way home from a fishing and hunting excursion in Arkansas, his train having been delayed a few hours by the burning of the bridge at Rialto. Mr. Waddell is one of the leading lawyers of this division of the State, and is also known for his active interest in all public questions. He thrice represented his senatorial district in the State General Assembly, and as such was the author of many of the good and wholesome laws on our statute books. His worth was partly recognized by the senate of the Fifty-first Assembly—when he was made speaker—which office he filled with credit to himself and honor to the body honoring him. Mr. Waddell has a few personal friends in Covington who were glad to take him by the hand and congratulate him on having been so kindly dealt with by Time.—Covington Leader.

John Temple Graves is in print again with a lot of Roosevelt cant. Graves is pining for notoriety and he has a malignant case. Whenever Tennessee and Georgia go Republican it will not be on account of anything Graves has said or done. With two such Democrats as Taylor and Carmack and a safe majority of Democratic votes, and then talk of Graves making a present of the State to Roosevelt—well, that is about the limit. He'd better take care of his long-haired literary graft.

The newspaper boys of the State sympathize with Editor Chas. W. Rooks, of the Humboldt Chronicle, in the loss of his mother, Mrs. Bell Rooks, whose death occurred at the family home in Humboldt last Friday afternoon. The interment was at Dresden Saturday.

The Power of the Country Press.

The country paper is effecting greater things in legislation than are the county conventions," says a recent writer on the rural press, and he quotes in support of his position the following statement from a middle-west congressman:

The power of the country press in Washington surprises me. During my two terms I have been impressed with it constantly. I doubt if there is a single calm utterance in any paper in the United States that does not carry some weight in Washington among the members of Congress. You might think that what some little country editor says does not amount to anything, but it means a great deal more than most people realize. When the country editor, who is looking after nothing but the county printing, gives expression to some rational idea about a national question, the man off here in Congress knows that it comes from the grass roots. The lobby, the big railroad lawyers, and that class of people, realize the power of the press, but they hate it. I have heard them talk about it and shake their heads and say: "Too much power there!" The press is more powerful than money.

The writer goes on to emphasize the power of the rural press thus:

The smallest editorial paragraph tells the politician of the condition in that paper's community, for he knows that it is put there because the editor has gathered the idea from some one whom he trusts as a leader—and the politician knows approximately who that leader is. So the country editor often exerts a power of which he knows little.

The stacks of country weeklies which may be seen on the desks of congressmen attest the truth of this

tribute to the power of the country press. It represents the constituency to which the representative should be true and to whose interests he should be alert and faithful. It registers its sentiment and indicates the rise and fall of the political stock of the representative. This function of a country newspaper, exercised intelligently, honestly and carefully, must make for clean politics and pure Democracy.—The Tennessean.

OUR EXCHANGES.

Should that time ever arrive when that malevolent office and rainbow chaser, John Temple Graves, is able to put Georgia in his vest pocket and carry it up to Oyster Bay and present it to his tin soldier and pewter god, Teddy Roosevelt, then perhaps Georgia may hang herself on a sour-apple tree and Sherman return from that heated climate which he compared to war, when he tried to march through that State to the sea, in order that he might wash and cool off.—Maury County Democrat.

Local pride is the father of local advancement.—Dyer Reporter.

The defeat of the bonds does not indicate the voters of Dyer county do not want good roads. It is up to the County Court to devise some plan to make a start in the direction of road improvements for our county.—Dyersburg Gazette.

Haywood's lawyers say that Harry Orchard has been lying. Did they think anybody would expect them to say he was telling the truth?—Knoxville Sentinel.

Memphis politicians care mighty little what form of Government they have. The offices and perquisites are what they want.—McMinnville Standard.

Crop conditions for the past week are favorable, and a marked improvement both in growth of plant and cultivation.—Reporter and Falcon.

The next Legislature really ought to contain at least a few lawyers. It is expensive to pay men to enact laws which keep the Supreme Judges busy declaring unconstitutional.—Hartsville Times.

The decision of the Supreme Court holding the Memphis charter bill to be unconstitutional carries with it no reflection on Gov. Patterson or anybody else. Many Acts of the Legislature have been held unconstitutional, and many decisions of the Supreme Court have been overruled. Infallibility resides in no department in human government.—Brownsville States Graphic.

Congregational singing in our churches is rapidly going out of style, even in small towns. At the speed it is leaving the congregation and going to the paid choir, it will be only a few years till it will actually be against the law to sing out in an audience. Yes, you will be indicted before our grand juries for disturbing public worship. Selah!—Greenfield Times.

You've tried the rest, now try the best—Sunshine Flour

"Making the Dog Go Back."

Never a sign of Shep about—
Ah, what a threadbare ruse!
Down the lane, to the gate, and out,
Sorry the scamp is loose;
Visions of troubles close at hand,
Keeping one on the rack;
Hard for a boy, you understand,
Making the dog go back!

Whistled to come, day after day,
Lured with endearments fond;
Sniffing you up out in the hay,
Swimming with you in the pond;
Chasing your foe with bristling mane,
Hot on the rabbit's track;
Wonder it goes against the grain,
Making the dog go back!

Ha, there he is, low in the grass,
Only his ears in view;
Spying the way that you must pass,
Keeping his distance too;
Heedless alike to wile and threat,
Sneaking away to tack;
Small returns for your pains you get,
Making the dog go back!

Another halt, a few rods on,
And a bootless chase the while;
The homestead disappears anon;
But, again, within the mile,
Shep's bland nozzle is pecking out
The gate's gaping crack;
Ready to call it quits, no doubt,
Making the dog go back!

Many a memory fond is there,
Dear days that now are o'er;
And ever the heart is fain to face
The old home-road once more;
Only in dreams, I now may see
Old Shep upon my track,
And morning seems unkind to me,
Making the dog go back!

—Kansas City Star.

FOR SALE—A lot of thoroughbred Berkshire pigs, weighing from 50 to 60 pounds each. Price, \$11 at my home. Call or write W. T. Bondurant, R. F. D. No. 3, Hickman, Ky. Purchasers please mention the fact that they saw this advertisement.

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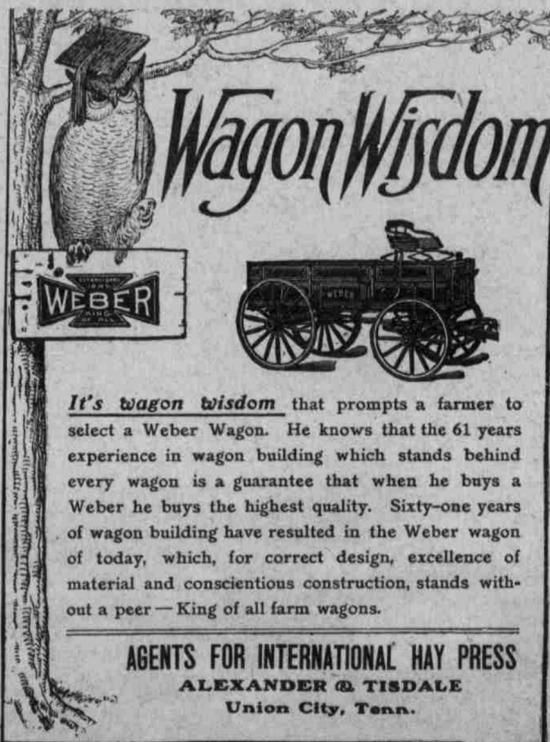
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F. and A. M.

Union City Lodge No. 531, F. and A. M., meets on the first Friday night in each month at the lodge room in the C. E. A. building. The presence of all members is earnestly requested. Visiting members always welcome. T. E. MARSHALL, W. M., E. F. BATT, Sec.

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No. 5, lv Union City 4:23 a.m.
No. 15, leaves (week days).... 8:00 a.m.

NORTH-BOUND.

No. 2, lv Union City 12:10 p.m.
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No. 53, " " 11:15 p.m.

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