

SON VINDICATED (By Richard Linthicum.) The defenders of C. Bascom Slemm, who bears the title of Secretary to the President, but whose duties appear to make him a sort of assistant President, put great emphasis on the fact that Representative T. W. Harrison of the Seventh Virginia district, who exposed the trafficking in offices involving Slemm and his Secretary, Howard, when Slemm was a Congressman, was unseated in a contest which brought to light the "Dear Ben" letters. But they do not tell that following this action by a partisan Republican Congress with a partisan majority of 169, Representative Harrison appealed to the people of the Seventh district of Virginia and was elected in 1922 by 12,954 votes against 7,841 for John Paul, the Republican who had been given Mr. Harrison's seat in the contested election case.

Isolation Hurts Agriculture, Commerce Experts Show. Light being shed on the cause of this country's loss of foreign trade and of the American grower's present distress is the Republican policy of "isolation" which is reacting against the agricultural and industrial interests of the United States.

Alfred P. Dennis, special representative of the Department of Commerce, on his return from a five year's study of conditions in Europe, gave a reporter for the Baltimore Sun an account of the difficulties that face American exporters.

"If chaotic conditions continue in Central Europe we shall be under the obligation of financing our wheat, raw cotton, leaf tobacco, and pork products right up to the door of the consumer," Mr. Dennis declared.

"Commercially, the restoration of European buying power awaits stabilization of exchanges," he said. "Nothing can be hoped for in this direction until a composition of political difficulties is arranged."

Anything like American helpfulness in stabilizing Europe even as a measure of intelligent self-interest and in behalf of the agricultural producers who are growing and selling their crops at a loss, is regarded by Republican politicians as a "European entanglement."

Democratic Women Offer Wilson's Autograph as Premium. Former President Woodrow Wilson has autographed two copies of his latest essay, "The Road Away from Revolution," which has been reprinted in booklet form by the Atlantic Monthly, to be used as premiums in a circulation contest among Democratic women. Mrs. Blair Banister, editor of the Fortnightly Bulletin, the official publication of the Democratic Women's Clubs, requested the autographs from Mr. Wilson.

Mrs. Banister will award one autographed booklet each to the Democratic Women's Club and to the individual women sending in the greatest number of subscriptions to the Fortnightly Bulletin in a nation-wide contest which is to continue during the months of October and November.

This little publication, which goes out twice each month from the headquarters of the Democratic National Committee, is only six months old, but has a circulation among women in every State in the Union and is the official organ of more than 1,000 Democratic Women's Clubs. Women everywhere have received with great enthusiasm announcement of these premiums and the contest among them for the possession of the great War President's autograph is already a lively one.

SUCH IS LIFE

"Eighteen years ago I had three ribs broken, fourteen years ago my right leg; eleven years ago I nearly went over with typhoid fever and since then have had awful stomach and liver trouble. Was filled with gas most all the time. I would have colic attacks so bad as to become unconscious. No medicine helped me and doctors advised an operation. One day talking with a stranger he recommended Mayr's Wonderful Remedy, which helped me at once." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. For sale by Standard Drug Company and druggist everywhere.



Chairman Durbin's History of the Civil Service Commission Labeled by Democratic Party. Mr. W. W. Durbin, Chairman of the Democratic State Executive Committee, of Ohio, has produced a piece of valuable political literature in a pamphlet entitled "A History of the Origin, Principles and Purpose of the Democratic Party."

Among historical facts he makes clear are that the plan of the Constitution of the United States which was adopted was proposed by James Madison, a Democrat, the first lieutenant of Thomas Jefferson, known to his generation as the Father of the Constitution.

That it was basely false that Jefferson was against the Constitution, his original objection to it being remedied by the addition of the Bill of Rights comprised in the first amendment.

That government of the people, by the people for the people, began in 1801 under Thomas Jefferson.

That the most recent biographies of Abraham Lincoln—one by Jesse Weir and one by Prof. Stephenson—contain the statement that the only two men Lincoln was ever heard to praise were George Washington and Thomas Jefferson.

Among some of the great constructive acts of the Democratic party he sets forth the following:

The Bill of Rights in the Constitution.

The Acquisition of Louisiana, Florida and California.

The Monroe Doctrine.

Opening of public lands to settlers. Pioneered a fight for an income tax. The popular election of Senators.

The creation of the Federal Reserve System, (the greatest piece of financial legislation in the history of the world).

Gave the farmers the Rural Credits Act, (the most helpful financial legislation ever enacted for agriculture).

Gave labor the magna Charta of its rights.

Passed the first national act to end child slavery.

Under a Democratic administration, directed with brilliant success, the greatest war in history and gave the world an international plan for peace.

Mr. Durbin has compressed a great deal of Democratic party history into small space and has done it attractively and convincingly.

Practically all of the great constructive acts of the nation have emanated from the Democratic party.

BIG INCOME DAIRY FARM

Jesse C. Causey, living near Liberty, twenty years ago bought a run-down farm, 366 acres, for \$800, his first payment on the farm being \$100.00, \$50.00 of which he had to borrow. Mr Causey lives in Guilford and has one of the leading farms of the State. He now has an income of from \$5,000 to 6,000 a year. His home is valued at \$30,000 and the whole farm together with equipment is worth close to \$100,000.

Farm Demonstration agent, E. B. Garrett, of Guilford, has this to say of Mr. Causey: "Mr. Causey made his money by improving his soil, milking about 35 cows per year, and selling his farm produce through cows, poultry and hogs. He grows all the supplies needed on his own place and the money from his butter, poultry, eggs and hams is clear cash. He has used sound methods, worked hard and produced a quality product. This is shown by the fact that he sells about 150 pounds of butter in Greensboro each week at a price 10 cents above the market quotation. He has regular customers who depend on him to supply them with butter or any other produce that he may have for market. Mr. Causey uses labor-saving equipment on his place and saves his wife and family the drudgery usually associated with farm life. Yet this is the man of whom it was said, "He will starve to death on that place."

MR. UPHAM'S IDEAL CANDIDATE.

(By Richard Linthicum.) Frederick W. Upham of Chicago, Treasurer of the Republican National Committee, who is always looking for ideals—when he is not looking for campaign contributions—sees in President Coolidge an ideal candidate of his party for 1924. In what does this ideal consist? Let Mr. Upham answer:

"Because he is light on his expense account and doesn't know what a swindle sheet is. I never knew a man who would go out and make a couple of campaign speeches and send in as small an expense account as 'Cal'. He didn't know what it was to pad an account. He was a rare politician in that respect."

While this speaks well for Mr. Coolidge, what inference is to be drawn concerning the other Republican spell-binders on Treasurer Upham's payroll in the 1920 campaign? Treasurer Upham's reference to padded expense accounts and swindle sheets adds a new interest to the spell-binding campaign of 1920, when taken in connection with his declaration that Mr. Coolidge "was a rare politician in that respect."

If Treasurer Upham's spell-binders were turning in padded expense accounts and swindle sheets, as one led to infer from the Treasurer's interview as published in the New York World, the Republican National Committee was not only the only one that swindled in that campaign. The stump speeches of Mr. Upham's payroll were padded with campaign falsehoods, misrepresentations and abuse, all carefully calculated to swindle his hearers.

Mr. Coolidge was such a rare exception however, to the other spell-binders that it constitutes him an ideal candidate in Mr. Upham's eyes. To some this will seem extravagant praise of a man for simply displaying one Democratic trait.

GOVERNOR PINCHOT AND THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION

(By Richard Linthicum.) Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania deserves all the praise he will receive for having prevented a cessation of hard coal mining this winter after the agencies of the national administration had failed. The strike is averted, but the results of the Governor's efforts will fall far short of public expectation if the increase in the price of coal is to be paid by the consumer. Governor Pinchot himself realizes this, and in an open letter calls upon the national administration to take the necessary action to protect the public.

It is already forecasted that the report of the National Coal Commission will show that the operators are making unusual profits, and the people are in no mood to countenance profiteering either by the operators or distributors.

In the 1920 Republican platform, the Democratic administration is condemned for alleged failure to enforce the anti-profiteering law. The implication is that the Republican party would enforce the anti-profiteering laws if it came into power. Everyone knows that the pretension so far has been farcical. The prison cells that were to be filled with profiteers by Attorney General Daugherty are still vacant. The Attorney General has been made the adopted child of the tail end of the Republican National administration.

Governor Pinchot's letter indicates that he feels he has done the major part in preventing a strike in the hard coal industry, and that if the public is to pay an extra price for coal this winter it will not be his fault, but that of the National Administration.

THOSE "DEAR BEN" LETTERS

(By Richard Linthicum.) Get all you can. "Give it to the one who will give you the most." Be sure and destroy this letter after you are through with it, are some of the choice phrases in the "Dear Ben" letters, signed by L. B. Howard, secretary to former Representative Slemm, the latter now secretary to the President, in the Virginia office-trafficking exposure.

Mr. Slemm's defense was that the money was being collected for the Republican National Committee, but if this is true it is a prostitution of a public service which should not at least escape action by the National Civil Service Reform League.

Mr. Slemm's letters to "Dear Ben" urged him to complete his quota of collections for the Republican National Committee by the 12th of February 1921. After Feb. there is no reference in any correspondence made public to collections for the Republican National Committee. The most damaging letters in the entire case were written in December 1921, ten months after the quota for the Republican National Committee is supposed to have been filled.

The five months old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Johnson, of Jackson Training School, in Cabarrus County swallowed a small gold baby safety pin last Sunday afternoon. The point was open.

WHOLESALE PRICES

Wholesale prices began to rise another upward trend in the middle of September and touched the highest level reached since last July. They stood on September 15 at 254 points above the level of 1915. This was an increase of 19 points over the index number of January 1, 1922.

Republican propagandists are telling the farmers of the country that their condition shows great improvement and that the prices of their products are some 15 per cent higher as a whole than they were a year ago. The fallacy of this statement is capable of demonstration.

Wholesale prices represent commodities which the farmer has to buy and those which he has to sell. The most recent figures indicate that they are now some 12 per cent higher than they were on January 1, 1922. In April last they were about 25 per cent above the level of January 1, 1922.

It is pointed out, therefore, that if there has been an improvement in the prices of agricultural products, it

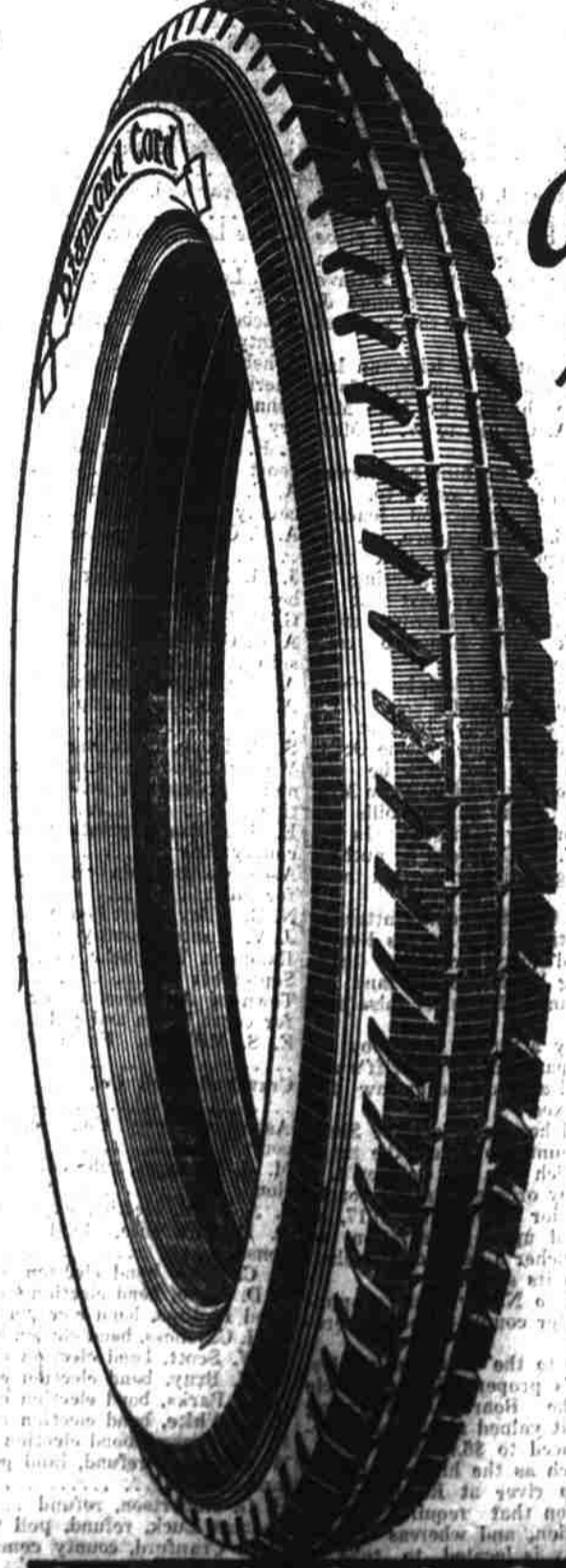
THE ISSUES OF 1924

(From the Ohio State Journal, Rep.) It sometimes looks as if we earnest and active members of the only party fit to govern might have to stand the campaign without exactly knowing what our issues are, let us suppose we lean across the Democratic fence, including 'em anyway.

Clasde Cook, aged 18 years, a young Cleveland country farmer, was stabbed to death one night last week near Gastonia, by Phillip Wineberger. The killing was done because Cook had just returned from a ride with Wineberger's wife.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE FAIR

RALEIGH MAKE IT VACATION WEEK—No Better Outing or More Profitable Vacation Anywhere than the North Carolina State Fair. EDUCATIONAL—ENTERTAINING—INSTRUCTIVE Greatest Exhibition of Cattle, Swine, Sheep and Poultry Ever Seen in the State. More Club Boys and Girls and Vocational Students Will Participate in Demonstration Work than EVER BEFORE. Big Exhibits of Fruits, Vegetables, Flowers, Dairy Products, Honey, Calfary, Home Economics, House Furnishings, and Clothing. WONDERFUL FINE ART SHOW. SPECIAL FEATURES: Five Textile Machines in Operation Working Pottery Exhibit 20-Ton 10-Inch Government Gun Furniture Factory Exhibits Latest War Radio Broadcasting and Receiving Station State Photographers' Association Exhibit The Very Best Carnival Company for Entertainment Row Fireworks Every Night—"Scrapping the Navy" Extensive Line of Free Acts, Both Day and Night, Featured by May Wirth, the Greatest of All Equestriennes Dog Show (Sanctioned); Registry Number Nor Pedigree Required 200 HORSES FROM 22 STATES AND CANADA WILL CONTEST FOR THE \$6,400.00 PURSES NO DULL MOMENTS—EVERY HEAT A RACE SPECIAL RATES OF ONE AND ONE-HALF FARE ON ALL REGULAR AND SPECIAL TRAINS "IT SHOWS NORTH CAROLINA"



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