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Democratic Ticket

- For Governor: AUSTIN L. CROTHERS of Cecil County. For Comptroller: JOSHUA W. HERING of Carroll County. For Attorney-General: ISAAC LOBE STRAUS of Baltimore City. For Clerk of the Court of Appeals: C. C. MAGRUDER of Prince Georges County. For Associate Judges of the Second Judicial Circuit: WM. H. ADKINS of Talbot County. PHILEMON B. HOPPER of Queen Annes County. For the State Senate: J. FRANK HARPER. For the House of Delegates: DUDLEY G. ROE W. J. MASSEY JOHN P. ROE. For State's Attorney: THOMAS J. KEATING. For Treasurer: L. H. PERKINS. For County Commissioners: E. JOHN MERRICK OLIVER C. NEWHAM WILLIAM EMORY ROE W. H. HOPKINS W. STEADMAN CROSS CHARLES H. QUINCY H. CLAY HENDERSON. For Register of Wills: ROBERT W. THOMAS. For Judges of the District Court: GEORGE A. SHIVERS. For Surveyor: S. CHESTER COURSEY.

ADMIT THEIR DEFIAT

Mr. John F. Ruth, Independent Citizens' candidate for Register of Wills, was in Centreville one day last week and admitted to a well known citizen of this town that he did not believe he would be elected, and, we understand, that two other candidates on his same ticket have acknowledged their defeat. Were it not for the fact that their leader, Mr. James T. Bright, kept them bolstered up by his "bluff" game of claiming a tremendous majority, every candidate on this ticket would have long since thrown up their hands and cried enough.

HOW ABOUT THIS TRICK?

Mr. L. C. McGinnis, Independent nominee for State Senator, secured two letters—one to the Board of Election Supervisors and the other to James T. Bright—which he purports to be signed by Mr. Charles F. McGinnis, Independent Republican candidate for Judge of the Orphans' Court, declining this nomination, and asking that this name be taken off the ballot. In the first place the request was not filed in time, nor was this declination in legal form, consequently the Board of Election Supervisors could not act upon it. In the second place, it is not believed that Mr. Charles F. McGinnis signed these letters, or even knew their contents. Mr. Charles F. McGinnis was interviewed by a well known Democrat on Thursday, October 31st, and the letters are dated October 30th—and he could not tell what course he had pursued, only stating that he had said he did not care to run and was willing to have his name taken off the ballot. Mr. McGinnis is said to write a very ordinary hand, yet these letters were signed in a Spencerian manner. One thing, at least, is very significant. Mr. Bright took good pains not to even file the letters with the Supervisors, or give anyone the chance to prove the genuineness of them. The whole matter, it is believed, is a trick of Mr. L. C. McGinnis and Mr. James T. Bright to make it appear that a man was nominated without his knowledge or consent.

REMEMBER, you can vote for but ONE candidate for County Commissioner from each district. If you vote for more than one candidate you will have your vote null and void.

ESTIMATE

Two years ago the Democrats were sluggish and allowed themselves to be defeated, which they realized a few days before election. This year they are united and are working as never before, and victory is assured. Mr. J. Fill Legg, Independent Citizens' candidate for House of Delegates, is not a registered voter of Queen Annes county. His name has been ordered stricken off by the Circuit Court. Will you cast your ballot for a man who cannot represent you if elected?

A STORY calculated to misstate most any white person was that witnessed Thursday in the courtroom, where the two Independent Bosses, James T. Bright and H. B. W. Mitchell, were working with night and chain to have erased from the poll books the names white voters, and at the same time striving with all vigor to have negroes retained. And these two gentlemen claim to be Democrats, too!

THE OBSERVER has always stood for the best citizenship and progress of Queen Annes county, and today it realizes and recognizes its position in this community to the fullest extent. Never has it been a party to any scheme or device to deprive the highest citizenship of the county of their rights in any particular. For more than forty years it has advocated the supremacy of the white race, and it is stronger today in its conviction that for the best interests of the whole people of this county the Democratic party should be in control.

A vote for this party means a vote for the rights of the white man, and a vote for the upbuilding of our public institutions.

Democrats, remember to vote for Robert W. Thomas, Democratic nominee for Register of Wills. His name appears on the official ballot at the bottom of the third column, below all of the County Commissioners. Your ballot should contain 25 X marks if you want to vote for every candidate.

OPEN LETTERS

To the People of Queen Annes County. In a letter in the last issue of the Centreville Record, signed "Queen Annes Voter," the charge is made that I am "asking members" of my own and other churches to support me in the coming election and at the same time using the church as a cloak. I am greatly surprised to learn that any one is willing to print such a statement about me. I am still more surprised that any one, even though he may hide behind the cowardly guise of an anonymous name, should be willing to drag into the field of political controversy the sacred name of the Church.

While I do not feel that a denial of this remarkable statement is necessary, yet in order that my position may not be misunderstood, even by the writer of the letter, I do not hesitate to say emphatically and unequivocally, that I have never pursued such a course. There is a limit beyond which we should never allow the exigencies of political campaigns to carry us, and I regret that this writer, in his anxiety to make an unfair attack upon me at the eleventh hour, should so far trespass upon the proprieties of legitimate argument as to make this unworthy attempt to misrepresent me before the people of my county. I deem it a sufficient answer to his charge to say that I hold the Church too sacred to even attempt to do, directly or indirectly, what this writer, in his misguided zeal, charges me with doing.

In my canvass of the county, both by my public addresses and private conversations, I have made a sincere effort to be straight-forward and fair in the discussion of the issues of the campaign. I have especially refrained from any kind of abuse or personal criticism of the candidates on the opposing ticket and have tried to avoid saying anything that might justly be construed as a misrepresentation of the motives or purposes of those who do not agree with me politically. Now that the campaign is about to close, I feel that I have fully and fairly made known to the county my own position and attitude. I shall endeavor to conscientiously discharge the duties of the position in the spirit and letter of my official oath.

J. FRANK HARPER

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To the Voters of Queen Annes County

We have about finished one of the hottest and bitterest campaigns that has been fought in Queen Annes county for years. On next Tuesday you will be called to the polls to cast your ballot for the party which you think stands for the best government to all concerned. There have been many things done and said in this campaign, on both sides, which does not appeal to many of our best citizens, but I think, as good citizens, we should look carefully into the different issues, lay aside all prejudices, and cast our ballots for the party and men who, in our honest judgment, are best qualified to fill the positions they have been nominated for. I have tried to make an honest fight for myself. I have done nothing personally that I regret. There have been unfair things said of me, which I have tried to correct by going face to face to the people when the opportunity would permit. To those whom I have not seen, I will say there is not enough real truth in the reports to take any action upon.

With the exception of one time in my life, I have always voted a Democratic ticket. One year I voted a part of the Prohibition ticket. I was a strong advocate of Bryan in both of his campaigns. My services with the Railroad Company have extended over a period of 15 years and I can truthfully say in all this

never once has politics been mentioned to me by the Railroad Company. Now, in conclusion, I wish to say I have increased in the district of Queen Annes county and had many who revolted two years ago are coming back to their party, and on the 5th day of November I look for a good majority for the entire Democratic ticket. I think every fair minded man will agree that the personality of the Democratic ticket is one of the best that has been before the people for years, and I believe any man that casts his ballot for these men, should they be elected, can rest assured that they will fill their respective offices to the honor of themselves, their county and State. With best wishes for the success of the Democratic party, I remain, Yours truly, W. J. MASSEY.

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Chapped hands are quickly cured by applying Chamberlain's Salve. Price, 25 cents. For sale by Forristal & Keating.

Treasurer's Notice To The Taxpayers of Queen Annes County

NOTICE is hereby given to the Taxpayers of Queen Annes county that I have in my possession the tax books of said county for the levy of 1907. Section 123 B. of Chapter 235 of the Code of Public Laws, passed at the Session of the General Assembly, 1906, reads that taxes levied are due and payable on

September 1st, 1907

and I am now ready to receive payment at my office, in the Court House, Centreville, from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. every Tuesday. Interest will be charged from September 1st, if not paid before January 1st, 1908.

During the month of November I will sit one day in the several election districts of the county, from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M. at the following places: District 1, at the Sudlersville Bank, Friday, November 22nd, from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M.

Church Hill, Second district, at Church Hill Bank, Wednesday, November 20th, from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M.

Centreville, Third district, at Treasurer's office, every Tuesday.

Stevensville, Fourth district, at Lowery's Hotel, Friday, November 15th, from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M.

Queenstown, Fifth district, at W. C. McConnor's store, Saturday, November 16th, from 1 to 3 P. M.

Winchester, Fifth district, at James B. Rhodes' store, Saturday, November 16th, from 10 to 12 A. M.

Ruthsburg, Sixth district, at S. C. Walls' store, Monday, November 18th, from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M.

Crumpton, Seventh district, at Bradley's Hotel, Thursday, November 21st, from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M.

My office in Centreville will be open every Tuesday, and all other days when not officially attending my advertised sittings. BENJAMIN L. COPPAGE, Treasurer for Queen Annes County.

Broom-Makers Wanted

WANTED at once, 2 Experienced Broom-makers and 3 boys, 16 to 18 years old, to work at making brooms. Apply to or address CHARLES HARE, Centreville, Md.

ESTRAY NOTICE

CAME estray on my farm in Corsica Neck the latter part of July, One Buck. Owner will prove property, pay charges and remove same. HENRY McCLYMENTS, Centreville, Md.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

I am prepared to Clean, Repair and Press Garments for ladies, gentlemen and children, and will guarantee satisfaction. Rooms over Perry's Grocery Store. MRS. COOK BAXTER, Centreville, Md.

Queen Anne's National Bank OF CENTREVILLE. Capital and Surplus, \$105,000 Resources, 275,000 Security to Depositors, 175,000 We Stand Back of the Farmer. This Bank believes that much of its success is due to the many friends it has among the farmers of this county. Appreciating the fact it offers its facilities to the farmer, not only safe-guarding his money on deposit, but in loaning him money to tide over the "right places" in the year's work. Agriculture and banking go hand in hand. Come open an account with us and when in need of money you will find us able to accommodate you. DIRECTORS: WM. J. PRICE, PRESIDENT; CHAS. A. BUSTEED, VICE-PRESIDENT; JOHN H. EVANS, JAMES B. BRIGHT, S. R. HURLOCK; J. LOUIS RHODES, JOHN R. COOK, WILLIAM D. SMITH; JAS. MERRICK, JR., J. H. C. LEGG, J. FRANK HARPER; EUGENE PENNINGTON, Cashier.

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FOR SALE Long Established Business Best location in town of Church Hill, with a thriving business. Stock up-to-date, consisting of Men's and Boys' Clothing, Gents' Furnishings, Shoes, Furniture. A rare chance for a good man. For further particulars apply to S. G. Newnam, Centreville, or H. H. Warren, Care of W.M., Md.