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Special Propositions Explained for Voters

Meaning of Complicated Text of Amendment and Bond Issue Made Clear by Judge Martin

To assist voters to understand the two propositions which are to be decided election day, Hon. L. M. Martin has prepared a brief statement explaining the proposed amendment to the State Constitution and the suggested bond issue.

No. 1. A Constitutional Amendment. Since the early history of the State, we yearly purchased forest land until now we own over one million acres of virgin forest. The Constitution provides they should be "forever kept as wild forest lands and not be sold or exchanged, nor the timber sold or destroyed," thus preventing waste and preserving our water supply.

An amendment was passed allowing the building of two highways, one from Saranac Lake to Old-Forge by way of Blue Mountain, and another to White Face Mountain. Later another was passed allowing the State to construct reservoirs for municipal water supply to be managed by the State.

The new proposition opens up all this land to be rented or farmed out by the State for camp sites, recreation and other similar purposes. The same to be owned by the State and a charge to be made for such use. This will, to a great degree, end or destroy our forest preserve in its primitive state.

No. 2. A Bond Issue. An act was passed by the State Legislature last winter to issue \$30,000,000 worth of bonds at five per cent, the money to be used to relieve the people of the State from the hardships and suffering caused by unemployment. It was provided in the act that it could not go into effect until voted on this fall. A vote "yes" approves the issue, and "no" disapproves.

As of June 30, 1931 the State was indebted for various projects in the sum of \$384,800,000. If this bond issue is approved it will increase the debt in the amount stated.

In further explanation of these two matters which the voters will be called upon to decide, the Weekly News of the New York League of Women Voters has the following to say:

In August a year ago \$20,000,000 was appropriated at the special session of the legislature for relief of the unemployed and an Emergency Relief Administration was set up to distribute this fund through local relief agencies.

Last March the Governor sent a "message of necessity" to the legislature asking for a further appropriation to carry the work from June until this November and the authorization for a bond issue of \$30,000,000 for relief during the coming winter. The two appropriations of \$20,000,000, and of \$5,000,000, were raised by taxation. The proposed bond issue creates a state debt to be repaid in two installments, one a year after the date of issue, and the other within seven years. Bonds for the first \$15,000,000 may be issued in November and the rest as funds are needed.

A special session of the legislature is to be called immediately after the election and if the bonds have been authorized the necessary legislation will be passed for securing and distributing the money. The comptroller is permitted, if necessary, to borrow in anticipation of the sale of the bonds for the purpose for which this state debt is authorized.

It is the first time that New York has ever proposed to borrow money for such direct aid. If we deal wisely with the present desperate situation, it should be the last time, but in any case, the present desperate need must be met and this is the one way of getting funds promptly into the hands of the relief organizations. Such community disaster is a community responsibility.

The amendment to the State Constitution on which we are to vote this year is a proposal to permit the building of recreational facilities in the forest preserve. It adds a paragraph to that part of the Constitution, Article VII, Section 7, which provides that "the lands of the State now owned or hereafter acquired, constituting"

KLASS WESTER PASSES AT HIS HOME FRIDAY

At his home on the Seneca Turnpike on Friday night occurred the death of Klass Wester, well known and successful farmer. Mr. Wester was a native of Oldbloom, Free-land County, Holland. He was born November 30, 1863, a son of the late Fred and Clara Wester, and was married in Holland to Gertrude Speers.

When 27 years of age he came to America and was first employed at the Pochantas Garden in Marcy and later conducted the farms of H. Gilbert Hart and the Campbell Estate in New York Mills. In 1906 he purchased the Bryden farm on the Seneca Turnpike.

Mr. Wester was the father of twelve children, six sons and six daughters, all of whom are living. Among them are Murt R. Wester and Mrs. J. F. Fryer of this village. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. John Hoffstra of Dion, and a brother, Harry Wester of Paterson, N. J., and fourteen grandchildren.

Doll and Craft Show At Library This Month

Annual Affairs for School Children Planned During Week of November 14 to 19

The Doll and Craft Show which is held annually at the Kirklund Town Library during Children's Book Week is to be held this year during the week of November 14th to 19th. As so many attractive examples of real talent have been shown in former years, the committee anticipates a truly interesting exhibition. The rules are as follows:

1. Members of the Clinton Central School District up to and through the eighth grade are invited to exhibit.
2. All articles for exhibit must be made by the exhibitor unaided.
3. (a) Each doll must represent a character from a book.
- (b) Each handicraft exhibit must represent an object from a book.
4. All articles must be at the library on Saturday morning, November 12th, from 9 to 12, or Monday morning, November 14th, from 9 to 12.

REPUBLICAN WOMEN OPEN HEADQUARTERS

A Republican headquarters was opened last Saturday in the Rudd building on College street. A small voting machine is there for demonstration, and sample ballots and copies of the amendments are available for the information of voters. There are also pictures of the candidates and literature, for which no charge is made.

Yesterday afternoon Mrs. Gene M. Gelas and Miss Harriet Myrick were in charge of the room, and in the evening, Mrs. George F. Riley, Mrs. Charles Ellinwood and Mrs. Edward Hughes were in charge. Beginning Saturday the room will be open from 9 to 11 instead of afternoons and evenings as formerly. The public is urged to visit the headquarters and secure literature and pictures.

HOME BUREAU MEMBERS REFINISH FURNITURE

In the program of the Clinton Home Bureau, the last meeting at which the refinishing of furniture will be taken up will be held in Grange Hall Thursday afternoon, November 10th. The lessons have been under the supervision of Mrs. George Busch, county leader.

Twenty members of the unit are taking the lessons. Among the old chairs and tables brought in for refinishing were found two genuine Heppewhite tables. These were painted covered and stained from years of wear and were considered worthless. The tables now are waxed and the beauty of the wood brought out. Through the expenditure of about a dollar and a quarter for materials plus the labor the tables have been given a money value far beyond the owners' expectations.

The furniture that has been refinishing by the Home Bureau will be on display to the public from 3 to 4 o'clock at the Grange Hall.

Voters, to avoid the rush hours, are requested to visit the polls during the morning next Tuesday.

C. H. S. Football Team Downs New Hartford

Gains 13-6 Victory in Thrilling Contest Witnessed by Many Local Fans

Behind a well-masked attack that packed power, speed and precision, Clinton High School administered a 13-6 defeat to its ancient enemy, New Hartford, before a colorful and cheering local delegation at the Utica Country Day School field Saturday afternoon.

Clinton tallied in the first eight minutes when Howard Dawes ran 22 yards to score, and with 7 seconds to go for the half when Captain Carroll took the ball over from the 1-foot line. The try at placement was blocked for the first extra point but on the second score Toner drop-kicked successfully.

Clinton masked a powerful and at times vicious offensive behind a disarming first quarter, only to cut loose in the second with unmistakable design, necking its traditional opponent against the wall in surprising fashion and never relenting until the final whistle of the game.

New Hartford kicked-off and downed Crane on Clinton's 40-yard line. Down the field came the Maroon, making three first downs in five plays, to bring the ball to New Hartford's 22-yard marker. Howard Dawes, local fullback, took the ball on a reverse and stormed his way off tackle for 22 yards for the first score of the game.

However the excitement was not yet over for this opening period. New Hartford received, returned the ball to their own 38 yard line, made four first downs when Ingals skirted Clinton's end for their only touchdown. An unsuccessful line plunge cost them the extra point.

Going into the second quarter with the score tied at 6-6, Clinton was forced to yield its advantage temporarily. With the frenzy of desperation coupled with an important break, New Hartford tore through for three consecutive first downs, to bring the ball to the local's 25-yard line. Visions of victory snatched from the brink of defeat flamed before the eyes of the Red and Blue but only momentarily.

It seemed that Clinton had only been resting on its oars. Back came the Maroon, smashing its way relentlessly with slashing gains but finally stopped on its opponents' 25-yard stripe. After falling in two line plays, Kroll was sent back to kick from his own 19 yard line. The pass was fast but Walter Congdon, local right tackle was faster, when he came in and blocked the kick with Art Scoones falling on the ball, giving it to Clinton on their 6-yard line. In a smashing line plunge Captain Carroll went to the 3-yard line, followed by an off-tackle gain, bringing the ball to the 1-foot marker where, with only 7 seconds remaining in the initial half, Carroll dragged three tacklers before he was downed just over the goal line for another Maroon score. Toner then drop-kicked the extra point and the final counter of the contest.

There was method in almost every Clinton move. Besides, there was much clever ball manipulation, lusty kicking, adroit passing and skillful maneuvering in the field. In making its first touchdown, the Clinton representatives gave an impression of fundamental drilling in general helpfulness and team utilitarianism.

THOMAS J. RILEY DIES FRIDAY NIGHT

Thomas J. Riley proprietor of Sunshine Inn, on the Deansboro Road, died at his home on Friday night after a brief illness.

He was born in Cohoes 58 years ago and lived in Utica for some time.

In 1914 he married Rena Roberts of Remsen who died in January. He was a member of St. Mary's Church and is survived by a sister, Miss Margaret Riley of Albany, and a brother, Edward Riley of Cohoes.

The funeral was held Monday morning at St. Mary's Church where Rev. Lawrence J. Bassney, assistant pastor, celebrated a requiem Mass.

REPUBLICAN PARADE AND RALLY TONIGHT

Arthur Seth Evans, of Rome, will be the principal speaker at the Republican Rally to be held in Lumbard Town Hall tonight. A parade, starting at 7 o'clock, will precede the meeting which will start at 8 o'clock. Other speakers will be Congressman Davenport, Assemblyman Dunmore, and Senator Charles B. Horton.

A Republican Rally will be held in the Arthur Hind Club at Clark Mills tomorrow (Friday) evening at 7 o'clock. Congressman Davenport and Hon. L. M. Martin will speak.

Large Crowd Hears Ogden Mills Speak

Leading Republican Orator Addresses Huge Crowd in Utica Thursday

Hon. Ogden L. Mills, Secretary of the Treasury in President Hoover's cabinet, addressed a large gathering which included many Clinton residents at the Majestic Theater in Utica on Thursday evening, and criticized Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt, Democratic Presidential nominee, for his failure to take a definite stand on the issues of the campaign. "From beginning to end he has shunned facts and realities," Mr. Mills said. "He has avoided taking a stand on controversial issues. He has sought to be elected to the greatest and most responsible position on earth by a negative vote of discontent, rather than by an affirmative response to a courageous program of action."

Early in his speech Mr. Mills took time to urge the re-election from this district of Congressman Frederick M. Davenport to his seat in the House of Representatives. "I need hardly add that you should send to Washington a Republican Senator and a Republican Representative to uphold the hands of a Republican President in completion of the task of reconstruction."

"This district is blessed with one of the ablest, most clear-headed, and one of the best-informed members of the House of Representatives. Every one listens respectfully to Fred Davenport, for when he speaks, he speaks with the authority of knowledge and experience, and, above all, his colleagues know that here is a man to whom convictions and principles are living realities."

Secretary Mills then outlined a brief summary of the many promises Governor Roosevelt has made, "promises accompanied by no (Continued on Page Four)

History of Hamilton College Outlined by E. P. Powell in the 'New England Magazine'

First of a series of articles on Hamilton College, condensed from a long paper contained in the "New England Magazine," of June, '39, entitled "New England's First College out of New England," and written by E. P. Powell.

By Walter J. Moore, '34

Hamilton College was the result of New England moving westward, for when migration began, settlers took their old educational system with them. From the time of its inception in New England, the educational system had suffered slow disintegration, for the reason that the colonial college and university lay upon a very broad basis of the higher schools, schools which were very primary. Harvard was founded as a state school at the apex of the system. As migration took place to the westward, educational development was hampered, for students could not be sent from the western settlements as far as Cambridge. With the view of a classical training for the young, colleges of various denominations grew up, but as could be expected, the training which they dispensed was far less classical than that received at Harvard. Graduates of the university were purported to be able to speak and write Latin as easily as English, but the graduates of these new colleges, although thoroughly catechised in Latin, were never thoroughly classical scholars. Theological training had come to be stressed over classical studies.

Relief Provided by Roll Call Receipts

Red Cross Membership Fees Supply Funds for Extensive Humanitarian Work

The annual Red Cross Roll Call will this year carry on the work of the great humanitarian organization which is always first to render help at the time of major disaster. Although the Red Cross engages in many activities, its chief purpose is to provide relief at a time when fire or flood, earthquake or famine endangers the lives and property of any large number of the world's inhabitants, wherever they may be located.

One of the most striking examples of the work accomplished by the capable organization of the American Red Cross is seen in the account of how flour for recently stricken Puerto Ricans was milled and shipped to the seaboard in 41 hours. With the receipt of the report of the Puerto Rican hurricane and the immediate need for food supplies in the national headquarters in Washington, the Red Cross set about preparing a shipment of flour to send to the island natives.

Haute was imperative, for a steamship was being held in New York until Saturday at which time the flour must be on board. Shortly after noon on Thursday the milling company in Chicago was informed of the rush shipment. Less than a half hour later its flour mill in Buffalo and two bag companies were turning out the order. The flour mill which was running on Red Cross orders speeded up and produced at the rate of 2,100 bags an hour. The bags were made and steamed, 30,000 of them, and were delivered to the mill by 6:30 p. m. on Thursday.

Before 7 o'clock Friday morning 13 freight cars were loaded with the flour and the long trip to the sea coast was started. In this the railroad assisted, and the special train was rushed through on passenger train schedule. The flour arrived at the port and was loaded on lighters to be carried out to the waiting ship, and at 7:30 Saturday morning, just 41 hours after notification of the order reached the various agencies involved, the Puerto Rican flour was on the sea headed for its destination.

Mrs. Maude E. Claghorn, 60, who died suddenly in Utica on Monday, was a native of this village. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Evans, who now reside in Bardwelltown. She leaves her husband; a brother, Carl Evans of New York, and a sister, Mrs. Clara Thomas of West Winfield.

MARY ANN DZIEGIEL, EVERETT NELSON WED

The marriage of Miss Mary Ann Dziegiel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Dziegiel, Clinton, to Everett Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Nelson, Hamilton, took place Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at Hamilton. The Rev. Charles T. Halcombe officiated.

Miss Winifred Nelson, sister of the groom and Charles Dziegiel, brother of the bride, attended the couple.

A dinner, in honor of the newlyweds, was served at the home of the groom's parents. After a short wedding trip to Buffalo, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson will reside in Hamilton.

PUBLIC INVITED TO HILL DEBATE TUESDAY

Professor Calvin L. Lewis, head of the Department of English of Hamilton College, extends an invitation to the local public to attend a debate to be held in the College Chapel Tuesday, November 8, at 8:30 p. m. A. J. Ervine and Geoffrey Wilson of Oriel College, Oxford, England, will oppose John J. Walsh and R. Kerford Wilson on the subject: "Resolved, That this house deplores the act of the United States in remaining outside of the League of Nations."

Professor Lewis states that the debate will end in time for all to hear the first election returns, and he urges that everyone interested attend this affair as it will be one of the outstanding contests of the college debating season. There is no charge for admission.

REV. BASSNEY FETED BY FORMER PARISH

The Rev. Lawrence Bassney, former assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church of the Assumption, Binghamton, was honored Wednesday night by 300 parishioners and friends at the formal opening of the church's newly decorated auditorium at Hawley and Fayette streets.

A banquet opened the festivities. Cooperating in the arrangements were the members of the Holy Name Society, the Rosary Society and the Children of Mary.

Speakers were the Rev. Geremia, pastor of St. Anthony's Church, Endicott, and his assistant, the Rev. William Ellsworth; Father Bassney, Cavalier Nicola Gallo, the Rev. James Sloane, present assistant at St. Mary's of Binghamton, and the Rev. Matthew Pellegrini, pastor of St. Mary's. Father Pellegrini presented a gift to Father Bassney from the church societies.

Democratic Rally Held Here Tuesday

County Candidates Speak at Meeting in Lumbard Town Hall Tuesday Evening

At a rally held Tuesday evening in Lumbard Memorial Hall a large number of Democrats of the Town of Kirklund listened with interest to speeches by candidates for election November 8th. The meeting was well attended and much enthusiasm was exhibited for the success of the Democratic party in the coming contest.

F. Stanley Griffin was chairman of the meeting and introduced the speakers. Those who responded were: Edmund J. Fitzgerald, Utica attorney; George J. Toussaint, candidate for Member of Assembly in this district; Michael J. Kernan, of Utica, candidate for State Senator; Clarence Gurley, of Rome, candidate for County Treasurer; and Fred J. Sison, Whitesboro, who is opposing Frederick M. Davenport for Congressman from the 33rd district.

FRIENDS INFORMED OF A. E. KERSHNER'S DEATH

The friends in Clinton of Eugene K. Kershner of New Brighton, will be grieved to learn of his sudden death, while asleep on the night of October 14. He had been to his office in Manhattan as usual, the day before.

Mr. Kershner married Belle Waters, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Waters of College Hill. The funeral was held on their 44th wedding anniversary.

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Issues Confused as Election Draws Near

Close Contest Predicted in Presidential Race to Be Decided Next Tuesday

With the 1932 election only five days away, campaign oratory has gone into a slump during the last days of the battle. While President Hoover and Governor Roosevelt rest in their respective capitols prior to making the final speeches of the campaign, radio listening has become once again a popular pastime and one that offers the possibilities of entertainment.

President Hoover leaves today on his wind-up trip to the Middle West with a dash to his California home to vote Tuesday. Governor Roosevelt likewise is making ready for his last appeal to the voters which will be made in New York over the week-end.

During the turbulent campaign that is fast drawing to a close but few issues of major importance were presented by the candidates. The age-old traditional point of controversy between the parties, the protective tariff, was revived with new variations. The Republican party stands pat on a protective tariff policy. Its platform endorses the Hawley-Smoot act and pledges the party to the extension of the general Republican principle of tariff protection of our natural resource industries. Vigorously denouncing the Hawley-Smoot act, the Democratic platform favors "a competitive tariff for revenue, with a fact-finding commission free from executive interference, reciprocal tariff agreements with other nations, and an international economic conference designed to restore international trade and facilitate exchange."

In regard to the soldiers' bonus, the Republican platform has nothing to say, but President Hoover has frequently stated his opposition to immediate payment. Likewise, the Democratic platform is silent on this question, but Governor Roosevelt has expressed his belief that it is impossible to consider the payment of a bonus at this time.

The prohibition question has been presented as a vital issue in this campaign, the Republicans not favoring a vote on the question of outright repeal, while the Democrats come forth strongly for immediate repeal. Consequently Republican candidates have been branded as "dry" and Democratic candidates as "wet". Farm relief, the railroads; unemployment, and other matters have been talked of to an unlimited extent, though the voter is much in doubt as to a choice between the parties in regard to these questions.

Among the local candidates, the campaign issues have settled down to an argument over the Eighteenth Amendment, Fred J. Sison, Democratic candidate for Member of Congress, charging Frederick M. Davenport with being "dry" and having the support of prohibition organizations. Russell G. Dunmore, Republican candidate for the State Legislature is one of the few office-seekers who refuses to state his stand on the prohibition question in answer to queries propounded by the women's repeal organization.

HAMILTON HOLDS FOE TO SCORELESS TIE

After pounding each other's lines relentlessly, and gambling desperately on forward passes, the Hamilton and St. Lawrence eleven's tramped off Week's Field at Canton Saturday afternoon with nothing to show for their efforts but a scoreless tie. Although out-rushed from scrimmage, the Buff and Blue team showed great improvement over its performance against Hobart as its fighting forward wall turned back persistent Larrie offensives four times from within the 10-yard stripe.

In a dramatic goal-line stand early in the second period, the Hill team held St. Lawrence without gain for four downs, after the Larries had completed a forward pass to the Hamilton one-foot line. After stopping the attack of the Cantonites, the Buff and Blue unleashed a powerful aerial offensive with Ollikainen completing seven out of the eleven passes which he attempted.