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WOMAN SUFFRAGE NEWS

Knowing the fact that a change of little more than 25,000 would have put New Jersey on the equal suffrage map New Jersey suffragists may well face the coming election with courage and hope. New Jersey did more than show the backing that woman suffrage has won for itself as a complete program of democracy, it put in the lime light the nature and source of the opposition and that is, after an answerable argument in its favor.

Senator Chauncey M. Depew, according to an article in the Weekly, hails with joy all the perils with which woman suffrage is fraught. The politician shivers as he contemplates the possibility of the woman vote. To Senator Depew this uncertainty will add delight to an otherwise dull world.

Senator Depew admits that taxes will increase, but as it will be due to work for the children and reforms essential to good citizenship stands ready to draw his check to the order of the government for the needed amount, and he adds:

"This is a realization of the spirit of democracy. So I ask, women be allowed to vote? Why not? And I add, What is the answer—no harm, only good."

And souls, who would like to vote yes on the suffrage amendment dare not, can find courage from an interview with Colonel, Progressive candidate for governor in Kansas, last week. He said at the Hotel Astor the other day:

"Women with their votes have done things in Kansas; they have changed the polls; they have put the discussion of politics on a higher and better plane. Kansas now has a dependable, independent force to fight the roughnecks who make their living out of us."

Judge Lindsey and George Creel are the signers of a petition to the effect that women in the Colorado Legislature have been true to the interests of the working class while their representatives elected by the votes of labor, have betrayed their fellow toilers.

"Do you mean on November 2?"

"Do you mean to vote," Sam answered promptly.

"What do you know about the constitution," asked May Irwin.

"You don't have to be a woman now, Miss May," said Sam "You don't have to be a woman to vote."

"When say women don't know enough to vote. New York had a magnificent parade Saturday. The lowest vote is 25,000 in line, and the highest 45,000. It made a profound impression on the people of the city. One strong man, with his eyes, said that he had never realized before how fundamental our demand was. The parade certainly proved, as nothing has ever done, that women "Do Want to Vote."

THE HELPLESS MOTHERS



This is a terrible picture. It may well strike fear to the heart of fathers and mothers. It shows the hand of Vice outstretched for youth. There is just one trouble with the picture. It is not terrible enough. Every year thousands of girls "disappear" in the clutch of this hand all over the land.

Every year fathers and mothers watch their sons and their daughters go out through the old home door into "the world." It is a world separate and apart from the old home influences. A fence has been deliberately put up between those influences and the world. "Thus far and no farther," comes the edict. "Concern yourselves only with home and family; don't worry your heads about what is happening out in the world. Train your children at home, you mothers. Teach them kindness and truth and gentleness, keep them innocent and sweet—then turn them over to me."

That, in effect, is what is back of the words every time the woman who asks for a vote is told that woman's place is in the home. "Out in the world" there are interests and powers that want no woman interfering in their nefarious practices with the children of women. At the proposal to give women a vote in government every organized iniquity in the land holds up its hands in horror, begins a sentimental drooling about woman keeping herself pure and unspotted from the world and secretly musters money, publicity and "pull" to fight the plan to the death.

Here is an answer. Ask yourself if it is not the right one.

Woman is mother, first, last and almost all the time. Her spirit of protection broods over the young. She wants them to be safe, not only in their own homes, but "out in the world" as well. As home mother she does what she can. As city mother she could do an added portion. She knows it. That is why she asks for the vote. Those who oppose her know it too. That is why they oppose her. Woman's mother heart can be withstood—broken if need be; woman's tears can be scoffed at; woman's indirect influence can be overwhelmed, but woman's vote is a direct, practical, powerful factor that corrupt forces in government do not know how to combat.

Should it be combated? Do not the men who have the interests of home and state honestly at heart want their forces strengthened in every possible way?

Can they honestly doubt that woman's voice at the polls would strengthen these forces? Shall not woman's direct influence be brought to bear in order to help men make the world a better place for the children of men to live in?

Shall not the "home influence" be allowed to reach into the dark and terrible places of the world and make them decent abiding places for the sons and daughters who go forth from home into the teeming cities by the tens of thousands yearly?

Make a cross mark in the square opposite the word "Yes" on the woman suffrage amendment.

HOW MUCH TAX DO THEY PAY?

In reading over the list of names, in last week's News, of those signing the petition to vote on the license question, the writer was impressed by the number of non taxpayers among them.

The list is composed of 67 names which as the law requires is more than 10 per cent of the voters of the township.

We then went to the last assessment roll of the town and looking up those who pay State and County taxes we find the names of 17 out of the 67 pay taxes and 50 do not.

From the Supervisors report we find that the total State and County tax last year for our town was \$12,897.00. Of this amount the signers of the petition paid \$195.44 which is .015 per cent of the tax raised.

Does it seem exactly fair that this number of men so many of whom are non taxpayers should tell us we must have license for the next two years to increase our taxes and make more expenses when they do not have to come forward and pay their share of this expense?

A TAXPAYER

THE SERVANT IN THE HOUSE

Auditorium, Tuesday, Nov. 2.

"The Servant in the House" contains a story that goes to fundamentals and so touches the common heart. It depicts the love of a father for his child, carrying that love through his poverty, degradation and bitterness. The child, when to young to realize her father's condition, has been placed in comfortable circumstances, but her heart still cries for her father as her father's cries for her. How that love like a magnet draws them together, is beautifully told in the play. Like a song of praise through the play, moves the figure of Manson. The embodiment of the ideal, the vision of love and truth towards which the world, in spite of wars, sorrow and poverty, is slowly moving.

William Owen, who heads the company of artists, who are to present "The Servant in the House" was for twelve years at the head of his own company. He has selected the players for this cast from among actors of experience whom he has known for years.

In October, 1903, James O'Donnell Bennett, the noted dramatic critic of Chicago, wrote of him in the Record-Herald:

"His ideals are high, his nature unselfish and his equipment solid. He is a tower of strength to any organization because he has the craftsmanship of his calling at his fingers' ends. He can propel a scene and hold it up. His method is simple and vigorous and he has authority both in speech and demeanor."

Seats will be on sale at the Sugar Bowl, Monday, at 9 a.m. Prices: 25, 35, 50 and 75c.

Read the classified ads.

THE BUSY BOOSTER BUNCH

A New Fraternal Organization in Andover, Without Secrets

About twenty members of Andover's "Busy Booster's Bunch" chartered automobiles and drove over to Alfred Monday evening to listen to Rev. H. B. Williams' community lecture. They were chaperoned by Supt. J. H. Faisant of the Andover Silk Company.

The "Busy Booster's Bunch" is a new fraternal organization in Andover, without secrets. Its members have been doing good work in the "get together" movement for Andover. "The Get Together Town," without hardly knowing it themselves. Its membership varies according to the occasion, and every person in the town is eligible to membership provided they are ready and anxious to take an obligation to quit knocking and go to BOOSTING. A knocker would be liable to receive hard usage during the initiatory ceremonies.

Over forty prominent gentlemen in this town have already, at some time, affiliated with "the Bunch."

Of course the "Busy Booster's Bunch" had to go over to Alfred to give one of their members the glad hand and a good cheer as he was making a maiden effort in pulling off his community lecture. A fine time and a splendid lecture was the result.

A LETTER FROM AL BROWN

Parkersburg, W. Va., Oct. 25, 1915.

To my friends in Andover— After eight years of GO AHEAD I would regret very much to see Andover go on a downward trail, where liquor license will put any town.

You have Andover in the list of best of towns.—Keep it there and go UP not DOWN.

I did my part to get the curse out of Andover and helped to get West Virginia dry, and feel proud of it.

Andover's friend, AL BROWN.

NOTICE

All persons having claims against the Town of Andover will kindly present the same at Village Hall in Andover, Thursday, Nov. 4, 1915.

JOHN COMMON, Supervisor.

BINDESON-PERRY

Mr. George Perry of Alfred, was married to Mrs. Elizabeth Bindeson of Andover, on Monday the 25th at the Baptist parsonage, by W. H. Randall.

F. & A. M. NOTICE

Regular communication of Andover Lodge No. 558 F. & A. M. Monday evening, Nov. 1st, at 7:30 o'clock. The second degree will be conferred. R. W.: R. A. Mills; D. D. G. M. will be present at this meeting.

Let every member be present. Business of importance.

B. S. BRUNDAGE, Worshipful Master.

ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL

Under Supervision of Miss Sterner, Faculty and Pupils.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

HOLD MEETING

The annual meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society for the Olean District of the M. E. church is being held in Seio yesterday and to-day (Thursday and Friday). Among the speakers the program announces Mrs. H. C. Babel, of Buffalo; Mrs. D. D. Dickson, of Angola; Mrs. Geo. C. Rosa, of Wellsville, and others. Mrs. Flora C. Deming, of Andover, Secretary of Literature, also has a place on the program. Mrs. C. E. Victory, of Minora, N. Y., gave a very pleasing impersonation in costume, Thursday evening.

WOMEN SURE OF VICTORY

From the New York Sun

New York, Oct. 24.—Suffrage for women may win at the polls on November 2nd, as most women think it will, or it may lose, as some men predict, but whether it wins or loses the time is not far off, in the opinion of the women who organized and successfully carried through the great suffrage parade in Fifth avenue on Saturday, when haughty man will have to divide his ballot rights with aspiring woman. The leaders of the suffrage movement saw in Saturday's demonstration a certain indication that victory for the cause is close at hand. They were so encouraged by the vast array of marching women and by the extraordinary interest displayed by the street crowds that even the possibility of defeat one week from Tuesday does not alarm them. Actually, however, they do not recognize that the possibility exists.

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt said she was spending one of the happiest days of her life. "The parade yesterday ought to settle for all time the questions as to whether or not women want to vote," said Mrs. Catt. "Big as it was, the parade would have been bigger if thousands of women and men, too, could have found a place in the line. But they could not get a place. Thousands waited for nearly five hours in a bitterly cold wind and finally gave up and went home. We are as proud and as happy as we can be and we are sure we are going to win on November 2nd."

Mrs. Norman De E. Whitehouse who spent this afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Oden Miller, Reid at their country place in Westchester, said that she was tremendously impressed by the devotion shown by so many women.

"I have not yet received the figures of the official count of the parade, said Mrs. Whitehouse, "but I believe that more than 25,000 were in the parade and I know that probably 10,000 women were obliged to go home without the chance of marching. Who can say now that women do not really want to vote? In the parade were women from every class of society; women representing every profession and occupation; rich and poor, leaders of society and girls from the work-shops; women of the office and women from the homes; all moved by one single spirit of devotion to the cause. I tell you our cause is marching ahead fast. I believe we will win handily on November 2nd."

Mrs. Harriott Stanton Blatch, president of the Women's Political Union, said that the parade was the greatest success possible.

"The mere sight of it ought to have converted every voter in New York," said Mrs. Blatch. "The parade proved that women have organizing ability, devotion, self-control. There never was such a demonstration by a disfranchised class. I certainly feel that we are going to win a week from next Tuesday."

These and other suffrage leaders refuse to believe that the Republican and Democratic organizations have quietly passed the word through the ranks that the amendment must be killed. Mrs. Catt said that she had heard the story many times and had taken the trouble to run down every rumor, but that the story proved to be nothing more than a wild rumour. She said that the suffragists had the promise of the organization leaders of each party that there would be no trickery, that no instructions would be issued, and that organization voters were free to vote as they pleased.

Our "B. B. B." column always does the business.

"I have absolute confidence in the principles of Democracy. I am a profound believer in the capacity of the people for self-government." ELIHU ROOT, April 14, 1915.

ARE WOMEN PEOPLE?

Vote "YES" on Woman Suffrage Amendment

Nov. 2nd