

THE MISSOURI DEMOCRAT, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1934.

FOR ROOSEVELT AND "THE NEW DEAL"

The Democratic State, Senatorial, Congressional and County Tickets

THE VOTERS OF JACKSON COUNTY WILL LOYALLY SUPPORT THE PRESIDENT AND HIS HEROIC
NON-PARTISAN

EFFORTS TO DEFEAT GENERAL DEPRESSION AND RESTORE PROSPERITY TO EVERY HOME.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT JUDGE HARRY S. TRUMAN. GOVERNOR GUY B. PARK OF MISSOURI.

Whose "New Deal" Has Been a Fair Deal and a Square Deal to the Nation for Relief of Dire
Distress in Every Home—He Has Been a Great Humanitarian in Time of Humanity's Greatest
Needs.

FOR JUDGE SUPREME COURT DIVISION NO. 1.

FOR JUDGE SUPREME COURT DIVISION NO. 2.

For United States Senator, Who Is Making His Campaign on the Democratic Slogan, "Support
President Roosevelt and Uphold His Hands for National Recovery and Prosperity."

FOR STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS-FOURTH DISTRICT.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS-FIFTH DISTRICT.

A. LEEDY. JR.

LLOYD W. KING

Whose Administration the Past Two Years Has Been Outstanding in Achievement and Notably
Progressive and Economical.

JOHN T. FITZSIMMONS.

C. JASPER BELL.

JOSEPH B. SHANNON.

Jackson County Democratic Candidates — Vote the Entire Ticket — Record of the Nominees
JUDGE HARRY S. TRUMAN.

Harry S. Truman is in every sense a self-made man. Unable, because of financial reasons, to
carry out his boyhood ambition to obtain a college education, he began by wrapping papers in a
newspaper office, and was successively timekeeper for a railroad construction outfit, a bank
clerk and a salesman. During the World war he served with distinction as an artillery officer,
being under fire in the Meuse-Argonne and at Verdun, rising to the rank of captain.

Since the war Judge Truman has come to be recognized as one of the leading experts in the
United States in county government and financial management. As presiding judge of the
Jackson county court, he has given the county one of the finest highway systems in America and
has taken a prominent part in regional planning and reform in city and county assessments, tax
collection, hospital management and other important governmental functions. He is known as a
progressive citizen, a level-headed executive, a quiet-spoken but energetic leader in public
enterprises, an incorruptible official, a builder rather than a talker—a man who gets results.

Judge Truman is a native of Lamar, Mo., but has resided most of his life in Jackson county.
He is a member of the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, a thirty-second degree
Mason and a Shriner, and belongs to the Baptist church. He is married and lives with his wife
and daughter in Independence. When elected, it is universally admitted, he
will be one of the most popular and useful Senators Missouri has ever sent to Washington.

JOSEPH B. SHANNON.

Joseph B. Shannon, Democratic nominee for re-election to the Seventy-fourth Congress, Fifth district, of Missouri, has fought the battles of Democracy in Kansas City and Missouri for more than 40 years and is a nationally known figure. He was born in St. Louis, March 17, 1867, and educated in the public schools of that city and Kansas City. Coming here as a boy he early displayed an interest in politics and ability as a leader. He later took up the study of law, was admitted to the bar and started practicing here in 1905.

In 1910 Mr. Shannon became chairman of the Democratic State Committee. Prior to that, in 1908, he was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention held in Denver. He also was a delegate at Baltimore in 1912, San Francisco in 1920, New York in 1924, Houston in 1928, and Chicago in 1932.

As a member of the Missouri Constitutional Convention in 1922 and 1923 he took an active part in the deliberations of that body.

In 1930 Mr. Shannon became a candidate for Congress, the first time he had ever sought office from the voters. He was elected and then reelected in 1932. As a representative in Congress he has taken the lead in trying to keep the government out of competition with private business enterprises and is chairman of the special Congressional committee named to investigate and report on such matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Shannon live at the Hyde Park Hotel, Thirty sixth street and Broadway. They have two children.

JUDGE C. JASPER BELL.

Judge C. Jasper Bell, Democratic nominee for Congress from the Fourth district of Missouri, is a Colorado product — born in Lake City, that state, January 16, 1885. However, before he reached school age the family moved to Jackson County, Missouri, and it was in the rural schools he received his early education. He then attended the high school at Lee's Summit, graduating in the class of 1904.

A great grandfather of Judge Bell was Francis Cowherd who settle in Jackson county 100 years ago. Another great grandfather was Francis R. Palmer who helped build the first Christian Church in Kansas City at the corner of Twelfth and Main streets. Thus Judge Bell is a member of Missouri families whose for years played an active part in the development of this section of the state.

Following his graduation from high school the future jurist taught school at Tarsney and other places in he county. He then attended the University of Missouri, a student in the college of arts and science. After he left school he came to Kansas City ad entered the law office of his cousin, William Cowherd, the firm being Cowherd and Ingraham. He attended the Kansas City School of Law, graduated in 1913 and was admitted to the bar that year. He is a member of the Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity.

In 1926 Judge Bell was elected to the city council and was selected to represent Kansas City at the river conferences in Chicago and St. Louis. He was a member of the council's code committee which drafted the laws under which Kansas City now works. November 4, 1930, he was elected to the circuit bench for the six-year term. It was from this position he resigned May 16, last, to enter the congressional race.

Mrs. Bell was Miss Grace Smith of Chicago. They were married in 1915 and have five children. Their home is near Blue Springs. The Judge is a member of the Temple Lodge of Masons, Independence Boulevard Christian Church, the Bar Association, Chamber of Commerce

and Blue Valley Manufacturer's Association.

JUDGE EMORY H. WRIGHT.

Judge Emory H. Wright, Democratic nominee to succeed himself as Judge of the Circuit Court, Division No. 1, is a native of Audrain County but a resident of Kansas City for the last twenty-four years. He was born September 30, 1880, and obtained his early education in rural schools. He then attended Watson Seminary at Ashley, Missouri, and the University of Missouri.

Between the time he graduated from the seminary and entered the University he taught a country school and had the usual experiences that used to be the portion of many rural teachers in those days. However, his former pupils are now his staunch friends, so it is evident he was as capable as a teacher as he has been

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since in the practice of law and on the Bench.

Judge Wright was admitted to the Bar in 1908 and at once started to practice in Bowling, Green, Mo. He remained there nearly two years then came to Kansas City and engaged in his profession here continuously until September, 1933, when he was appointed to the Circuit Bench by Governor Guy B. Park to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Judge A. Stanford Lyon.

In 1925 Judge Wright was married to Martha Jane McCoy of Independence. They reside at 456 West Sixty-eighth street. He is a member of the Ivanhoe Masonic bodies and of Ararat Shrine Temple.

FOR JUDGE CIRCUIT COURT (Division No. 7.)

JUDGE RAY. G. COWAN.

Judge Ray G. Cowan, Democratic nominee to succeed himself as Judge of Division No. 7 of the Circuit Court, is a Kansas Citian by birth—born here February 22, 1896. He attended Washington grade school, Central High and the Kansas City School of
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Law. In 1921 he passed the Missouri Bar examination and immediately engaged in the practice of his profession. On November 14, 1933, he was appointed by Governor Guy B. Park to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge E. E. Porterfield who had gained national fame and esteem for his accomplishments in welfare work in the juvenile court. Judge Cowan ably took up the work of his late predecessor.

In the World War Judge Cowan served aboard a United States transport, the Orizaba, which was struck by a depth bomb in August, 1918. Four of the crew were killed and Ray Cowan and eighteen others injured. When discharged from military service his disability was listed as 50 per cent.

When the election of 1926 approached there was a "friendly-enemy" battle for justice of the peace in the fifth division between Cowan and the Republican incumbent, Alex D. Saper, another disabled war veteran. They were school mates and close friends. The final returns showed the Democratic nominee the winner by a close margin. However, at the close of his four-year term Justice Cowan led his opponent by 17,000 votes.

Judge Cowan is not married. He lives with his 85-year-old grandmother, Mrs. Anna E. Cowan, 3113 Michigan Avenue. He is a member of the Sanford Brown Post of the American

Legion, Ivanhoe Masonic Lodge, Kansas City Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Kansas City Commandery, Knights Templar; Scottish Rite bodies and Ararat Shrine Temple. In 1928 he served as state commander of the Disabled American Veterans.

FOR JUDGE CIRCUIT COURT (Independence Division.) JUDGE M. D. WALTNER.

Judge Marion D. Waltner, Democratic nominee to succeed himself as Judge of the Circuit Court, Independence Division, is a product of Kansas. He was born in Kiowa in that state, August 17, 1897, but the family moved to Kansas City when he was an infant and he has resided here continuously since that time.

The grade school and Westport High provided his earlier education. He then attended and was graduated at the Kansas City School of Law and for the last fourteen years has been a practicing attorney here. When this country entered the World war Judge Waltner became a soldier and is now a member of the Fitzsimmons Post.

When Judge C. Jasper Bell announced his candidacy for Congress and resigned from the Independence Bench, Judge Waltner was named by Gov. Guy B. Park as the successor. This was May 16, 1934.

The Waltner home is at 6931 Edge- vale Road. Judge and Mrs. Waltner have two children. He is a member of the Phi Delta Law Fraternity.

FOR PRESIDING JUDGE COUNTY COURT. JUDGE E. I. PURCELL.

Judge E. I. Purcell, Democratic nominee for Presiding Judge of the Jackson County Court, has been judge of the court for the Eastern district the last four years. He has a background of experience and ability that eminently fits him for the advanced post.

A true son of Jackson County, I

“Buck” Purcell was born in Independence March 3, 1882, and it has been his home ever since. His schooling, his early efforts at earning a living, his entrance into all politics, all have the same locale. His services to the county in the offices of the assessor, recorder, circuit clerk and surveyor, and as assistant purchasing agent have provided the judge with a wealth of information about county affairs that stand him in good stead in his work on the county Bench.

The tax-payers of the county appreciate the thousands of dollars Judge Purcell has saved them annually in the last four years in the matter of road overseers alone. He greatly reduced the number of overseers and at the same time put a system into operation that kept the roads in better condition than ever before. In addition to his effort on behalf of the nationally known highway system of the county and the numerous other affairs of the court, he has been an important factor in cooperation with Judge Harry S. Truman and Battle McCardle, the other county judges, in the erection of the magnificent court house in Kansas City and the remodeling of the court house in Independence.

Judge Purcell is a member of McDonald lodge of Masons of Independence, the Elks, Eagles and Woodmen of the World. He is married and has a circle of friends that total into the thousands.

FOR JUDGE COUNTY COURT (Western District.) JUDGE BATTLE McCARDLE.

Battle McCardle, Democratic nominee for re-election as Judge of the County Court, Eastern Division, comes from an old Southern family of Democrats. He was born in Vicksburg, Miss., the son of a Confederate veteran. His Christian name of Battle is a family name. His grandmother was Martha W. Battle of North Carolina.

The boyhood of Mr. McCardle was spent in the District of Columbia where he attended the

public schools. He later was a student at the University of Virginia, then attended Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., where he graduated in law. When 13 years old, young McCardle became a page boy in the national House of Representatives. At sixteen he had risen to the post of assistant journal clerk.

Missouri first knew Mr. McCardle in 1895, when he came to the state as a special examiner for the United States pension bureau. He liked the state and determined to make it his home. Since 1899 he has practiced law continuously in Kansas City and although an ardent worker in behalf of the Democratic party he had never been a candidate for office until 1932, when he was elected to the office he now occupies and for which he has been renominated.

The McCardle home is at 5 East Fifty-fourth street. He is a widower, a member and attendant of the Methodist church and a member of the Knights of Pythias.

FOR JUDGE COUNTY COURT (Eastern District.) JAMES W. HOSTETTER.

James W. Hostetter, Democratic nominee for Judge of the County Court, Eastern Division, was born in

the Six-mile community in Northeastern Jackson county, July 21, 1878, and has maintained a continuous residence in the county. His start in education was in the country school of his district—the school was called the “Academy” and included many grades. The finish of his school was in Hickman Mills, where he went to live with his grandfather at the death of his mother.

The first work Mr. Hostetter engaged in as a young man was with his father, George W. Hostetter, on the family farm at Six-mile. In 1901 he married and moved to Buckner where he engaged in the livery business. With the advent of motor cars he quickly sensed the passing of the horse rigs and was the owner of the third motor car to appear in his community. His garage became the center of motor car activities in the district around Buckner and he built up a fine business in sales and service.

Politics have always held a strong attraction for Mr. Hostetter and he became active in Democratic circles early in his young manhood. He became deputy recorder of deeds at the Independence Court House and worked in that capacity for eight years. He then became superintendent of the farm at the Jackson County Home at Little Blue for two years, and then for ten years was superintendent of the Home.

His many years of experience in county affairs fit him for the office to which he was nominated. He recently purchased the home of Roger T. Sermon, Mayor of Independence, where he and Mrs. Hostetter, with their daughter, Mrs. Lynn A. Dehoney and Mr. Dehoney, make their home. A son, W. E. Hostetter, is in business at Buckner. The latter's son, Billie Hostetter, is a namesake and the pride of his grandfather. A member of the Buckner Masonic Lodge and a Shriner Mr. Hostetter is widely and favorably known all over the county.

FOR JUDGE PROBATE COURT. MITCHEL J. HENDERSON.

Mitchel J. Henderson, Democratic nominee for Probate Judge of Jackson county, has never before been a candidate for an elective office. However, he has been a worker in behalf of the Democratic party for the last 25 years. He was born in Ray county, April 24, 1888, and there he received his early education. He later graduated from the Normal School at Chillicothe and from Woodson Institute, a Methodist College, at Richmond, Mo. While still in his teens he taught a country school and was well qualified physically and mentally to curb any wild tendencies on the part of the husky farm boys who attended.

Determined to become a lawyer, Mr. Henderson studied in the law office of M. G. Roberts, now general attorney for the Frisco railroad. Twenty-two years ago he came to Kansas City and started the practice of law in the office of the late Milton J. Oldham. Four years later, in 1916, he formed a partnership with Floyd E. Jacobs which still prevails. At present he is attorney for Sheriff Thomas B. Bash. This is an appointive office. He also is a colonel on the staff of Governor Guy B. Park.

Mr. Henderson is married and has three children. The Kansas City home is at 621 West Fifty-eighth street. However, the family spends as much time as possible on their farm near Blue Springs, where fine stock and an interest in diversified crops take up as much spare time as he can take from his work. The family belongs to the Country Club Christian Church and Mr. Henderson is a member of the Kansas City Club.

WALLER W. GRAVES.

Waller W. Graves, Democratic nominee for Prosecuting Attorney, was born in Bates County, Missouri, January 25, 1898. He is the son of the late Judge W. W. Graves, who was a member of the Supreme Court of Missouri for 22 years. Young Graves was educated in the public schools of Bates and Cole counties and in 1917 graduated from William Jewell College at Liberty, Mo., and is a member of the Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

In the World War, Mr. Graves was a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps. Shortly after being mustered out of the service he came to Kansas City to live. This was in 1919. He entered the Kansas City School of Law from which he graduated in 1922. The year prior to his graduation he was admitted to the practice of law and became associated with the firm of Scarritt, Jones, Seddon and North. He remained with this connection until 1925, when he became a member of the law firm of Grover, Tipton and Graves. This membership was terminated in 1929 and at present he is a member of the law firm of Sparrow, Patterson, Chastain and Graves.

From 1925 to 1928 Mr. Graves served as a Democratic member of the FOR COUNTY PROSECUTOR.

election commissioners and from January, 1933, to December of the same year he was chairman of that body. On December 31, 1933, he was appointed prosecuting attorney of Jackson County to succeed the late T. A. J. Mastin and is a candidate to continue in that office. His home is at 4127 Kenwood, he is not married, is a Mason and a member of the Presbyterian church.

FOR COUNTY COLLECTOR. GEORGE HARRINGTON.

George Harrington, Democratic nominee for County Collector, is a true native son. He was born in Kansas City, August 24, 1874; and has never resided anywhere else. He attended the grade schools and in the class of 1893 was graduated at the old Central high school. He volunteered for service in the Spanish-American war, entering the army April 27, 1898, and serving until the close of hostilities. He was one of the charter members and first quartermaster of the Col. William R. Nelson Post No. 23, Spanish-American War Veterans.

In 1900, when 26 years old, Mr. Harrington started in the poultry and egg business—wholesale jobbing and carlots—and has been engaged in that enterprise ever since. His firm is George Harrington and Company, 307 Delaware street. In 1928 he was president of the Kansas City Mercantile Exchange and in 1929-1930 was state president of the Missouri Carlot Egg

Shippers Association.

In the city election of 1914 Mr. Harrington was elected to the upper house of the city council and re-elected in 1918. During his eight years in the council he served as chairman of the finance committee. This is the only political office he has ever held, although he has been active in Democratic politics since becoming of age.

At the present time this Democratic nominee is president of the Jackson Democratic Club, Inc., county committeeman from the Fifteenth ward and Chairman of the Executive Board of the Fifteenth Ward Democratic Club, Inc. He is married and lives at 5727 The Paseo. There are five Harrington children, three sons and two daughters. The special pride are two grandchildren, James Horner Harrington and Phillip William Cotton.

In the primary August 7 George Harrington received the largest vote given a candidate.
FOR LICENSE COLLECTOR. JAMES A. TAYLOR.

James A. Taylor, Democratic nominee to succeed himself as City License Collector, is a native Missourian. He was born in Saline county. The early schooling of Mr. Taylor was received in Brookfield, after which he attended the University of Missouri, graduating in the class of 1907. A short time later he came to Kansas City and opened a law office, practicing until this country entered the World war. He then enlisted in the motor transport corps and was sent to Fort Joseph E. Johnstone in Florida. He attained the rank of first lieutenant.

Always an active worker in the Democratic ranks, Taylor was nominated and elected City License Collector in November, 1922. He has been re-elected for each succeeding term since that time and he has so coordinated the various functions of his department that it has been highly commended by business men and others as an efficient organization.

Mr. Taylor is a member of the Missouri University Alumni Board and last year was president of the Alumni. He belongs to the Sanford Brown Post of the American Legion, the Kansas City Club, is a Mason, Shriner and a member of the Jesters. He served as director in two Kansas City banks before he became license collector, is a member of the Board of Directors of the Kansas City Club and a director in several local corporations. Mr. Taylor has consistently cooperated with Kansas City merchants in opposing non-resident itinerant merchants and peddlers.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor and their children are regular attendants and members of the Methodist church. Their home is at 459 West Fifty-seventh Street terrace.

FOR CLERK CIRCUIT COURT. JOHN D. BURNS.

John D. Burns, Democratic nominee for Clerk of the Circuit Court, is a native of Iowa — born in that state 48 years ago last April. He was educated in the public schools of his home community and when 21 years of age came to Kansas City. He has resided here ever since.

From the start of his residence in Kansas City, Mr. Burns has identified himself actively with the Democratic party and has been a consistent worker in its behalf. His first political appointment was as deputy county collector. He filled this post for several years and then became deputy circuit clerk. He has served in this last named capacity for the last fourteen years with his work centered in the Juvenile division under the late Judge E. E. Porterfield and at present under Judge Ray G. Cowan, successor to Judge Porterfield.

Mr. Burns' many years of service as a deputy have provided him with the experience to competently handle the office to which he was nominated at the primary. He is married and lives at 3344 Michigan avenue.

WILLIAM HICKS.

Judge William Hicks, Democratic nominee for Clerk of the County Court, has been a resident of Jackson county all of his life. He was born in Lees Summit in 1871 and was educated in the public schools of that community. In 1888 he moved to Kansas City where he has resided ever since. His home is at 2814 Prospect avenue.

Interested in politics from the time of his youth, Judge Hicks has been nominated for elective offices fourteen times and scored fourteen victories. His first office was justice of the peace. Following that he was elected to the 45th General Assembly of Missouri and has served continu-

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ously ever since. He is dean of the House of Representatives and the oldest member in point of service.

One of the most important measures ever introduced by Judge Hicks was the one to pension widows and orphans. At first it was applicable only to Jackson County, but it proved to be such a good law that it subsequently was adopted by the state. At the present time every state in the union has adopted the "Hicks Law" except South Carolina. One of the other important bills introduced by the judge was the one to establish the industrial home for colored girls at Tipton, Mo.

Judge Hicks is not married. He is the secretary-treasurer of the Missouri Rock Asphalt company. His lodges are the Elks and Modern Woodmen. He is a member of the Christian church and belongs to the Kansas City Athletic Club.

FOR RECORDER OF DEEDS. JOSEPH S. CRISP.

Joseph S. Crisp, Democratic nominee for Recorder of Deeds, is another native Missourian on the ticket. He was born in Higginsville, July 8, 1889, but was brought to Kansas City at an early age and received his public school education here. He graduated from Manual high and then entered the Medical College of Washington University, St. Louis. However, his ability as a ball player brought him so many attractive offers that he felt it necessary to forego his ambitions in the medical field and earned a good salary on the diamond.

As a catcher Joe played with Winnipeg, Canada, the Kansas City Blues, Newark, N. J., St. Louis Americans and other teams and was famous for his ability as a frequent and long distance hitter. He quit baseball to enter the government service. For more than nine years he was with the treasury department, specializing in income tax matters.

Following his work with the government, Mr. Crisp was with the Kansas City Gas Company several years, then became associated with the building department of the city where he remained five years. He then became a deputy in the recorder of deeds office where he is now occupied.

It was only natural for Joe Crisp to become interested in politics as soon as he reached voting age. He was a nephew of the late Col. John T. Crisp, a Democratic member of Congress from Missouri and his father was a first cousin of the late Francis M. Cockrell, Senator from Missouri. Joe's maternal grandfather was the late John W. Tate who was the first public administrator for Jackson county.

Mr. and Mrs. Crisp live at 2807 Benton boulevard. They have two daughters, Dorothy Jane, a student at Junior college, and Betty Lou, a freshman at Central high.