

The Kent News

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 1931

The world must be getting better. A candidate for the Senate in one of our Western states said in the fall campaign: "I want the office the other fellow holds and that's all there is to it." And in Kentucky another fellow put an ad in the paper saying: "I am 50 years old and have worked hard all my life. I want an easy time for awhile, so I am running for the office of jailer. Please vote for me." And there you have pretty good evidence that the world is getting better—when candidates begin to admit that it's the job they are thinking of instead of "saving the dear old public." Slowly but surely the old time bunk passed out by politicians becomes more and more a matter of business. That's largely because the people have gotten wise to the game and they are more apt to favor with their vote the fellow who is honest enough to come out flat-footed and admit that all he wants is the job.

COURT COSTS IN ADVANCE

Because of the large loss of revenue to the State in uncollected court costs, the Supreme Bench has passed on to Governor Ritchie and other State officials the question of requiring deposit plaintiffs in civil suits to resident security for costs in advance of trial.

The view is held in some quarters that legislation of this kind will be considered during the coming session of the General Assembly regardless of whether the administration decides to act.

In addition to the city's loss, records in the counties for the same period indicated that between forty and fifty per cent of trial cost was never collected. Supporters of the security plan for resident plaintiffs point out that sums have to be posted in advance of trial in the U. S. District Court of Baltimore, and that non-resident plaintiffs in State courts can be required to post security for costs.

Persons who were unable financially to post security would not be affected by the proposed legislation backers of the plan hold. The measure could contain a provision that such persons would be exempt, provide they satisfy the court of their inability and their council certify meritorious cause.

A greater portion of an address by Walter L. Clark, retiring president, was devoted to the question. In the inquiry conducted by the bench it was suggested that the security required be \$10, which figure was used as a basis in the discussions. Dissenting members expressed the opinion that the requirement of a security was not within the rule-making power of the bench.

The view also was expressed that such an order, or legislation on the subject, would be in violation of the Maryland Bill of Rights. In answer to this view, however, it was pointed out that such a security plan is used in Kentucky, although the constitution of that state contains provisions similar to the Maryland Bill of Rights.

A POLITICAL SHIBBOLETH

It is interesting to note that in all the proposed bills for putting government into the electric business or to extend federal regulation over private electric companies, the office holders would get the benefit while the public would pay the bills.

Muscle Shoals, which will be up again in the present congress as a perennial issue, is a magnificent example of political extravagance. It represents the spending of millions of dollars of public money with little or no return. Should the government finally use it as a means of entering the power business any deficits which it incurs will be tacked on to the tax bills.

The latest "power" proposal is a bill which would create a federal commission to regulate current crossing state lines. Less than 1 per cent of all electricity now used does that, and almost all of this is regulated in the states where it is sold. Yet the people are asked to pay for an expensive commission so that the federal government may invade State's rights and partially control one of the most progressive of American industries.

Power has become a political shibboleth, magnified out of all proportion to its true importance. The electric bill is an infinitesimal part of the average family budget. Food, clothing, rent and above all, taxes are of far greater moment. The fact that power is now one of the two or three leading political issues of the day is a splendid illustration of the political practice of attempting to turn the shaft of rhetoric into the wheat of votes.

An air race calls for new heroism that will soon leave the demigods of the ball field and the prize ring looking like back numbers.

It makes a lot of difference whether your supply of bone is in the back or the head.

IN MEMORIAM

In sad but loving memory of my dear husband, W. H. Garrett, who passed away one year ago January 27, 1930.

One long year has come and gone Since we were forced to part, But time and space cannot efface The memory from my heart.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Where as, the Divine Father has called to her reward, our dear friend and co-worker, Mrs. Emma Shafer who for many years was the President of the Kent County Women's Christian Temperance Union, and in view of the great loss the county has sustained and of the greater loss to those who were nearest and dearest to her, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is but a just tribute to the memory of the departed to say, that in regretting her removal from our midst, we mourn for one who was most worthy of our respect and love.

Resolved, That while we bow in humble submission to the will of our Creator we express our deep sorrow at the loss of our esteemed friend.

Resolved, That as president of the Kent County Woman's Christian Union Temperance she was always faithful in promoting the cause of temperance.

Resolved, That we extend to her bereaved family, our most sincere sympathy in this time of their great affliction.

Resolved, That these resolutions be placed upon the minutes, that they be published in the county papers and in the White Ribbon Herald, and a copy be sent to the family of the deceased.

MRS. J. LEONARD PRICE, MRS. WILLIAM G. SMYTH, MRS. FREDERICK G. USILTON.

A regret for the mistakes of yesterday must not blind us to the tasks of today.

Authority can be conferred upon you, but not wisdom. It has to be earned.

IN MEMORIAM

In sad but loving remembrance of our dear son and brother, Clarence Blackiston, who was killed in the N. S. N. two years ago today, January 27, 1929.

This very day brings back to me, A sad memory, that breaks my heart, When Noble son, and and mother dear Had to forever part.

We tried our best to keep him, But our efforts proved in vain; We suffered a loss we could not help, While heaven reaped the gain.

God in his wisdom said "come home" Brave heart thy task is over, Tune in your harp with the angel band And walk the golden shore.

No man can tell what the future may bring forth, and small opportunities are often the beginning of great enterprises.

IN MEMORIAM

In sad but loving memory of my dear father, John W. Robinson, who was called home four years ago, Feb. 2nd, 1927.

Gone to the light that shines so fair, Gone from the earth of sorrow and care— Resting those hands that did their best;

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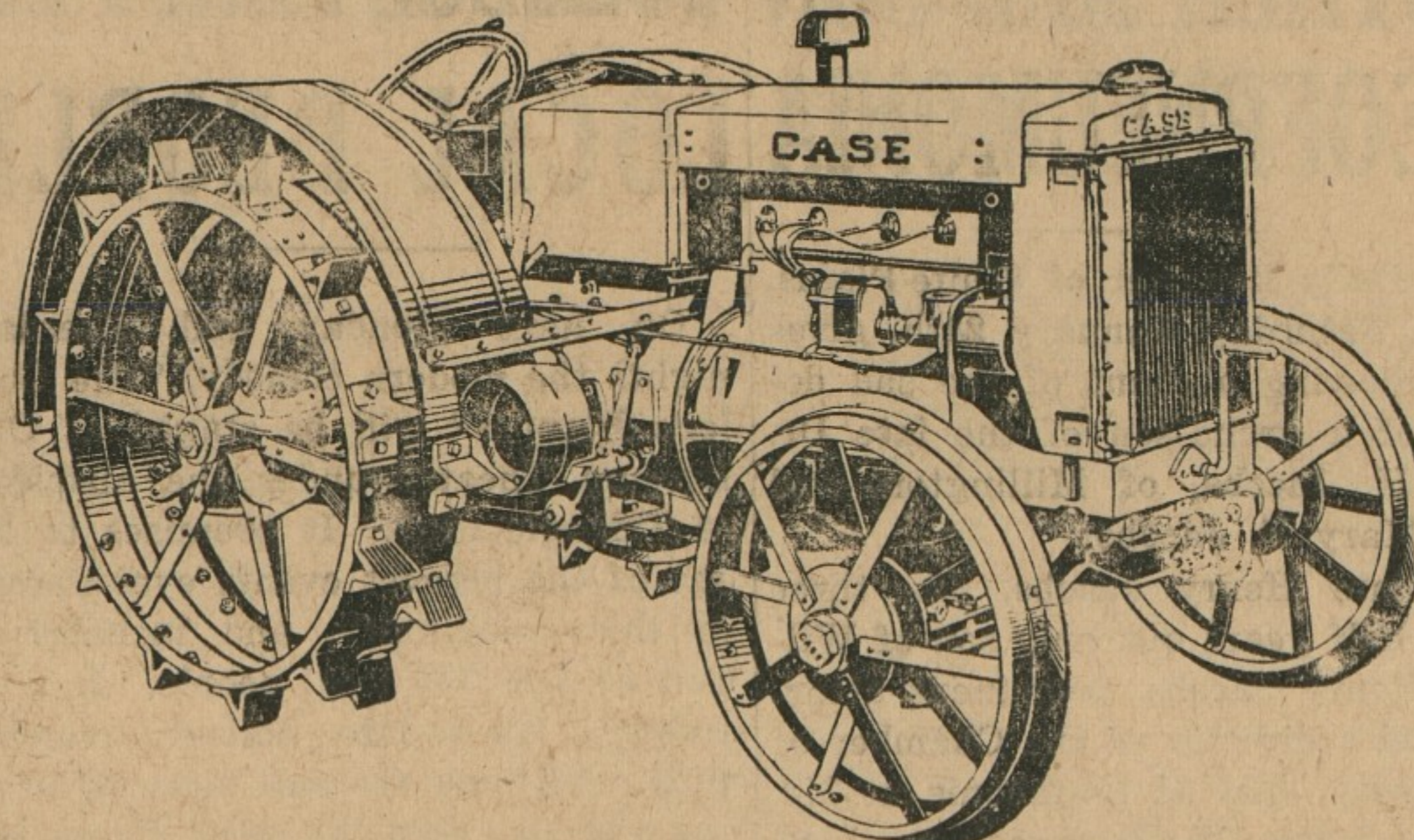
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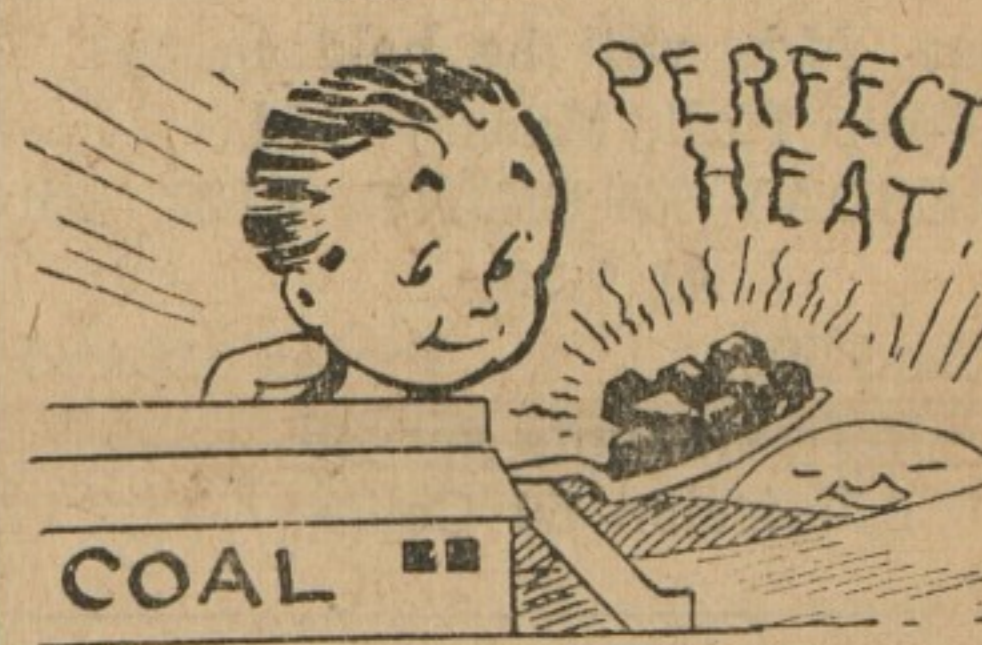
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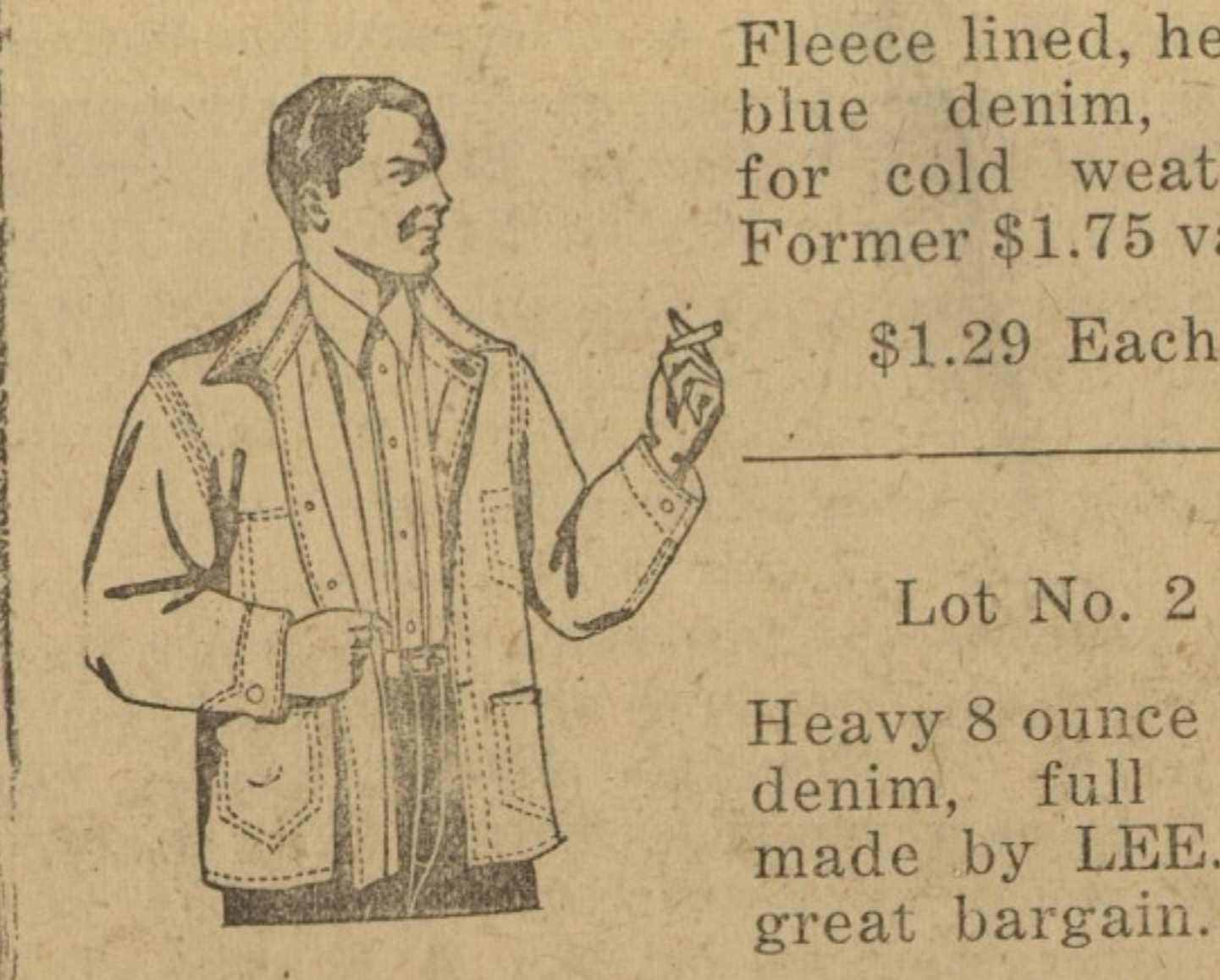
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