

# Constitutions In Thirty-Four States, Including Ours, Show Early America Feared Perpetuating Political Rings

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By SAMUEL B. PETTENGILL

The other day an irate reader wrote me, with reference to the third term. "What do we care for a mossback tradition?" Apparently he does not care at all. His liberty came to him without effort, and as old Tom Paine said, "What men obtain too cheap, they esteem too little." His patriot fathers won his freedom for him. And now he who bore no arms in the conflict sneers that they learned nothing who fought.

## High Adventure With A Daffodil

It Was Gruelling Work But It Paid In Beauty

By SARA EVANS KENT

Many years ago when I first began the difficult task of transforming a wild rocky hillside, covered shoulder high with brambles and undergrowth, into a tame fertile garden and was making slow progress with the job I read a magazine article that described in enticing terms the ease with which bulbs could be naturalized in woods and open grass plots. Explicit information was given concerning the varieties to buy, and when and how they should be planted.

I was so enchanted by the prospect of a bountiful harvest of bloom with comparative easy culture that I straightway searched out the bulbs and undertook to turn my shaggy woods into what I imagined would be something quite similar to a beautiful English Park. Magazine articles and the accompanying illustration of garden subjects are apt to be misleading and I have learned by long experience to cross my fingers whenever I undertake to follow one explicitly.

Early in the autumn of my first year after months of monotonous digging and hauling, my garden spirit from which much of the original enthusiasm had departed welcomed the opportunity to have abundant bloom somewhere on the place without superabundant effort. I opened a catalog that advertised the bulbs I needed and found them highly recommended and equally highly priced. "Mixed Daffodils, Standard Varieties." It was suggested that a thousand bulbs would make a modest show and since a magnificent show was what I had in mind I gave up several other plans and ordered a thousand.

After they arrived I started out one beautiful October day to plant them with the help of a man who seemed equal to so simple a task. My plan at first was to use a trowel to dig the hole for each bulb but that tool was soon abandoned for an iron crowbar. To plant a thousand bulbs in soft friable soil is punishment enough for the hardest gardener, but to ram a crowbar six or eight inches into stone and hard clay a thousand times was something I had never looked forward to when I undertook the naturalization of daffodils.

Eventually the holes were dug and in the bottom of each one was put a double handful of a mixture of half sand and half bone-meal. The bulb was placed on top of this mixture and covered to the top of the hole with loam and leaf mold. I had selected a grass plot among some birches and pines, as soft and stoneless ground as I could find, but it required days of plunging that crowbar into the earth before the job was finished.

The following spring as soon as the frost was out of the ground daffodils appeared among the dried grass blades and as the days lengthened and warmed they grew apace. I went out each morning eager to

The anti-third term tradition is part of the armor of freedom. It is restraint against the abuse of power. It is a part of the general rule that limits tenure in important office. As such it finds many forms, written or unwritten. Free men have always sought means to prevent political machines perpetuating themselves in office.

In the brave days of old, the Roman Consul could hold office only two years. Julius Caesar violated this law; caused himself to be re-elected four times in succession; and then for life. After him came the Empire, and the fall of that Empire.

The Fundamental Orders of Connecticut, the first American Constitution adopted by her people 401 years ago, limited the term of the chief magistrate to one year. No generation of men were ever so informed on government as those who wrote and ratified the Constitution of 1787. Nearly every one of the first State Constitutions prohibited the chief executive to hold office longer than for a short named term—for example, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Delaware, Virginia and Massachusetts.

This principle, in one form or another, is expressly written into not less than 34 State Constitutions. Not less than 80 million Americans are today living in states where there are constitutional prohibitions against governors and other officers holding office indefinitely. It is more than a "mossback tradition."

### Recognized By States

For example, the Constitution of Pennsylvania provides that, "The governor shall not be eligible to the office for the next succeeding term." New Jersey provides, "The governor shall be incapable of holding that office for three years next after his term of service shall have expired."

Louisiana says, "Nor shall the governor be eligible as his own immediate successor." This prevented Huey Long from further ruining his State when nothing else would have prevented him.

Alabama, "The governor (and officers, are ineligible to succeed themselves." Delaware, "the governor shall not be elected a third time to said office." Florida, "The governor shall not be eligible for reelection to said office the next succeeding term."

see what blooms would come from this blind date I had made in October. They came in ever increasing numbers and lasted approximately three weeks from the first to the last bloom. They were equally strong and hearty whether the rains came or the sun shone. The woods had not been transformed into quite the park I had anticipated but for me it was as beautiful as any place could be in early spring.

No one needs a large piece of land to enjoy naturalized daffodils. Plant them along the stone walls and fences, under shrubbery or apple trees and in as large number as can be afforded. They are most prolific and soon multiply into large groups if well fed when first planted. Few flowers require less attention or pay larger dividends over the years.

## SCIENCE MAKES SAUTERNE FROM MILK



Sauterne wine made from milk is sampled by F. C. Atwood of Boston, J. W. Tickner (center) of New York and Dr. H. E. Barnard (right) of Indianapolis, Ind., at the Mid-American Farm Chemurgic Council conference in Cleveland. The wine, produced by chemists of a large dairy corporation, contains 15 per cent alcohol by volume. It is made by adding yeast and sugar to cheese whey.

### LES WARHOLA APPOINTS TWO 'JIMS' ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEFS IN DALLAS

Chief Leslie Warhola of Laing Fire Company has named Jimmy Gansel first assistant chief and Jim Beseker as second assistant chief of Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company of Dallas.

Add Woolbert, Jr., will continue to serve as an assistant, too.

In making the appointment, Warhola urged that more members of the company turn out to alarms and to meetings, so they can be informed about regulations and keep in practice with equipment.

ceeding term," Oklahoma, South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia have similar provisions. Georgia, "The governor shall not be eligible to reelection, after the expiration of a second term, for four years."

Mississippi, "The governor is ineligible to succeed himself." Missouri, "The governor shall be ineligible to reelection as his own successor." New Mexico, "The governor (and other officials) are for two years ineligible to hold any state office after serving two consecutive terms."

North Carolina, "Nor shall the governor be eligible to the same of-

office more than four years in any term of eight years." Indiana and Kentucky have similar provisions. In Oregon the Constitution forbids a governor serving more than eight years in any period of twelve years. In Tennessee their fundamental law says, "The governor shall not be eligible for more than six years in any term of eight years."

From these and many other constitutional and statutory provisions a principle is plain. Whether the prohibition is one term or two terms and no more, four years in eight, six years in eight, eight years in twelve, the men and women who wrote and ratified these State Constitutions wanted to put brakes on political machines using office to hold office. They wanted to prevent the Tammanyizing of the State governments. They were willing to take the chance of losing the service of a man they approved from entering himself at the public trough for life.

It will be noted that the general rule, as stated in these State Constitutions, does not absolutely prevent a man from running for a second or third term. But only after he has been out of office for two or four years. Then, when he runs, he runs as an individual. He does not have the prestige, power, plunder and pap of an incumbent in office to reelect himself. He is prevented from using the public treasury as his campaign chest. It is this that some men call a "mossback tradition."

## Firemen Prepare For Week's Drive

Prevention Campaign To Be Started Monday

The observance of Fire Prevention Week in Dallas Borough, Dallas Township, Jackson Township and Lehman will be sponsored from October 7 to 12 by Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company, which serves the four communities.

At the regular meeting of the company last Friday night Harry Ohlman was named by President Ralph Eipper to select a committee which will arrange a program to mark the observance. The week will also see the opening of the firemen's annual drive for memberships.

The same plan as last year will be followed, except that it will be expanded to include Jackson and Lehman townships. Equipment will be tested, school children will be given inspection blanks to take home to their parents, business properties will be examined for fire hazards and school buildings will be visited for inspection.

For the first time in more than a year, the firemen almost had to call off their meeting last Friday night because of an absence of a quorum, but a few late-arriving members supplied the necessary number.

Howell E. Rees was named chairman of a committee to plan a defense corps for the younger members of the fire company.

### Tomorrow Last Day To Qualify As Voter

Tomorrow (Saturday) will be the last chance for unregistered voters to qualify to cast their ballots in the November 5 Presidential election. Persons who want to register, change their party affiliations or to correct their addresses can do so at the court house. After Saturday no new registrations will be taken until following the election.

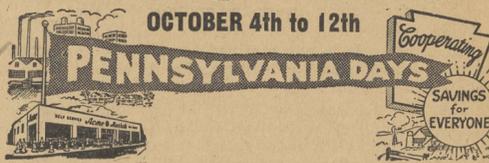
### Miss Mary Miles Dies

Miss Mary Miles died Saturday night at her home on Centermoreland Road and was laid to rest Wednesday afternoon with interment in Forty Fort cemetery after services at Centermoreland.

A resident of Kingston for most of her life, Mrs. Miles was a sister of the late Rhys E. Miles. She is survived by a sister, Miss Sarah Miles of Kingston and a nephew, Edward Safford of Brooklyn, N. Y.

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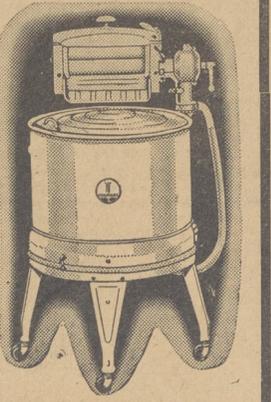
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