1902 County Officers

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Several surrenders of office were made this morning at the county temple. W.H. Webster stepped down and out as recorder turning the affairs of the office over to John Warbritton. Mr. Webster's long service as deputy stood him well in hand and he made one of the best officials the county has ever had. His successor is a clever and capable gentleman and should fill the office acceptably. He has installed as his deputy James I. Inlow, of Walnut Township. Mr. Warbritton received New Years greetings at his office today, proferring smiles and cigars in return.

Rankin C. Walkup donned the county treasurer's toga this morning as laid down by Basil T. Merrill. The latter has been a careful and painstaking custodian of public monies during his two years of service and his record is a matter of party as personal pride. Mr. Walkup had chosen Howard O'Neal as his deputy but other business made it impossible for him to accept the position. Mr. Walkup will make no other choice for the present and until tax paying time will be able to conduct the affairs of the office unassisted. Perry Kenworthy, the Lebanon expert accountant is over assisting in the checking up of the books.

Sheriff McCullough, who has been acting by appointment since the retirement of Ex-Sheriff Canine, entered upon his regular term this morning. No changes will be made in his assisting force. - transcribed by kbz