

79 CANDIDATES FOR COUNTY NOMINATIONS ENTERING FINAL LAP OF PRIMARY CAMPAIGN

Interest Centers on Democratic Race for Circuit Court Judge; Chamberlin, Twelve Years on Bench, Seen G. O. P. Choice.

WILSON UNOPPOSED FOR PROSECUTOR

Democratic Opposition to Renomination of Sheriff Buck Sumner Is Split Up With Nine in Field; Republican Contest Hot.

BY BEN STERN

Seventy-nine candidates seeking nomination for county office in the Tuesday primary on tickets of both major parties, exclusive of the congressional and legislative aspirants.

Of this number it is but natural that two or three will be the leading primary contenders for each post.

Some by virtue of their records and organization strength will be easy winners, regardless of their qualifications.

The major county office which becomes vacant this year is that of circuit judge. Five Democrats and two Republicans are seeking this position.

Chamberlin G. O. P. Favorite

There is little doubt that by virtue of his twelve years record on the bench the incumbent, Judge Harry O. Chamberlin, will be nominated by the Republicans. So certain does this appear that he has been slated by the George V. Coffin organization.

Judge Chamberlin was solicited to become a candidate for re-election by ten Republican members of the Marion county bar. His opponent is A. Jack Tilson, a young attorney.

The Democratic contest has developed a great deal of bitterness because of the large number of candidates, all of whom are highly recommended for their legal ability.

The three front runners are James E. Deery, city attorney and former judge of the city court; Earl R. Cox and Chalmers Schlosser, twice Democratic nominee for congress and once nominee for the circuit court. The other candidates are Carl E. Wood, who has practiced here for twenty-five years, and Ezra Stewart.

Organization Backs Deery

Deery's strength comes from his past record on the bench, and the fact that he is supported by the Democratic organization.

Cox is supported actively by Judge Frank Baker of the criminal court. Type of some of Cox's support has tended to weaken his candidacy. The long years of legal and party service by Schlosser and Wood is recommended for their legal ability.

Record of the incumbent prosecutor, Herbert E. Wilson, leaves him without opposition for the Democratic nomination; while four are seeking the Republican prosecutor nomination.

The contest is between Judson L. Stark, who was defeated for re-election by Wilson in 1930 after one term, and John O. Lewis, a young lawyer, who before admission to the bar in 1930 had been a deputy county clerk. The other candidates are George A. Hoffman and Frank C. Riley.

Stark Stands on Record

Stark is running on his previous record and is supported by the anti-Coffin group, while Lewis, brought out by the Young Republicans, became the Coffin candidate on a trade and is being slated for the nomination.

Three candidates are seeking the treasurer nominations on both tickets. The real fight is in the Democratic ranks between Timothy P. Sexton, incumbent, and William E. Clark, supported by the organization.

Sexton for twenty-three years was director and officer of the Fidelity Trust Company and has been prominent in the business activities of the community.

Clauer was secretary of the Indianapolis baseball club for thirteen years and was a member of the city council from 1922 to 1925. In 1924 he was the nominee for county treasurer and led the county ticket in the election. In 1925 he was city chairman.

The third candidate, John E. Flaherty, comparatively unknown here, is a native of Peru and a former salesman.

Insurgents For Cones

All the Republican treasurer candidates are in the running. Frank Cones, real estate dealer, was the anti-Coffin choice two years ago and is receiving the insurgent support this year.

Arthur F. Eickhoff, a former deputy treasurer, is also a real estate dealer and builder and is opposed by the Coffin organization, which, it is said, will slate L. Lynn Logsdon, president of the People's Coal and Cement company and head of the Berkley realty company.

The sheriff's race in both parties is a complicated affair, with nine Democratic and ten Republican candidates. The large number of Democratic aspirants divides the opposition vote to the incumbent, Charles L. Sumner, who is the organization's choice.

His opponents are: Leonard Hohlt, Perry township assessor; Frank M. Swindler, owner of the A. B. C. Coal company; Andrew Jackson Bluer, milkman; Claude E. Shover, yardmaster; Louis E. Wolverton, bricklayer; Patrick McCleary, Carl J. Parham, private detective; Oscar H. Wilson, and Jacob Miller, farmer.

G. O. P. Sheriff Race Hot

Outstanding contenders in the Republican sheriff race as far as primary vote-getting ability goes are Orel Chitwood, former police captain, who is the Coffin choice; George L. Stone, retired captain of police and detective agency head and Omer Hawkins, one-time streets.

Farm Board Finds Supporters Among Leaders in Agriculture

THE FARM BOARD'S WHEAT

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WASHINGTON, April 30.—

There's a wide spread of opinion between the federal farm board's idea that its operations have been definitely beneficial to the farmer, quite worth their cost and the contention of its enemies that the entire farm board program has worked only harm.

The senate agriculture committee, which will investigate the board, will try to give light on that point.

Some definite claims of important achievement are made, not only by the board, but also by such large farmer organizations as the American Farm Bureau Federation and the National Grange.

Those two organizations, however, demand that the board be empowered to invoke the equalization fee and the export debenture plan to raise domestic farm prices.

Chiefly, the arguments in favor of the board are that:

1—During its stabilization activities the farmers received from 20 to 25 cents a bushel above the world price level for wheat and that cotton growers were saved from \$80,000,000 to \$100,000,000 by loans and by stabilization operations.

2—The board has laid the foundations in what is necessarily a slow process for the building of a sound, stable system of co-operative marketing which eventually may "place agriculture on an equal basis with industry."

3—That, in view of the plight of 30,000,000 persons on farms with very low purchasing power, the money spent has not been a bad investment.

The board's enemies counter that the effect of holding great boards of wheat and cotton and the necessary liquidation of those stores causes more than enough damage to offset any past benefits and that by improper methods the board has hurt rather than helped the co-operative cause.

But even the men of the grain exchanges admit that the farmer who still had his 1930 crop late in 1930 received at least 20 cents a bushel more for it than if the board had not tried to peg the price.

It is alleged that much or most of the crop was by that time in the hands of the speculators, but some of the farmers still had wheat.

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The seven Democratic candidates for Second district commissioner nominations are: Walter C. Boettcher, president of the county council and secretary-treasurer of the Meridian Service Company, the organization choice; Ernest Marker, druggist; Willie B. Sullivan, garment manufacturer; James A. Kregel, plumbing contractor, who was formerly a candidate; Patrick J. Delaney, salesman; John Stevenson, poultry dealer, and William E. Fisher, occupation unknown.

17 in Commissioner Races

With seventeen seeking the county commissioner nomination in the Second district and five in the third the task of selection becomes more difficult.

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The National Grange has decided that the board, "handicapped by a measure inadequate to meet the needs of a difficult situation, nevertheless has contributed greatly toward developing and strengthening the co-operative movement, and, so long as it is continuing to serve these ends with fidelity and efficiency, deserves the support of American agriculture and the entire public."

Nevertheless, asserting that the co-operative marketing machinery must be extended further and strengthened, it says pointedly that "more attention to be given from the bottom up to farmer control are essential for this development."

"The act has been very, very helpful to the co-operatives," says President E. A. O'Neal, president of the Farm Bureau Federation.

"It has helped to build up the morale of farmers who have been in co-operatives. We have about 12,000 of them."

"They have been discouraged by the way the surplus was handled, but I think the stabilization activities in wheat and cotton were honest endeavors to do a job for the farmers. If money was lost, it was lost in a very good cause."

Three Democrats and two Republicans are seeking the nomination for county commissioner from the Third district. The former are Dow Vochies, incumbent; Chris Hoffman, retired dry goods superintendent; and William J. Ross, salesman.

The Republicans are Charles W. Main, county highway superintendent who is fighting to retain the position he won through Coffin support; and Frank McCain, farmer.

10 Republicans in Field

The ten Republican are: Albert M. Anderson, state manager of the A. J. Deere company, and anti-Coffin candidate for the same post two years ago; Charles W. Schwenzer, druggist; Benjamin M. Morgan, Coffin superintendent of the Marion county hospital for the insane; R. Walter Jarvis, former park board secretary; Albert J. Middleton, Coffin courthouse custodian; George Bailey; Adam S. Larson; Alonso Jeffers, building contractor; Fred M. Campbell, bricklayer; and Edward W. Doser, secretary-treasurer, Doser-Jewell Paint company.

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'Perfect' Lines

By United Press

WASHINGTON, April 30.—The nation's leading architects believe the Lincoln Memorial in Washington is the most architecturally perfect building in the United States.

In a poll conducted by the magazine, the Federal Architects, seventeen architects ranked it first.

The Empire State Building, New York, placed second with fourteen votes. The Nebraska state capitol at Lincoln was third with thirteen.

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GREETINGS TO EMPEROR

Hoover Congratulates Nippon Ruler on His Birthday.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, April 30.—President Hoover Friday sent birthday greetings to Emperor Hirohito of Japan.

"I extend to your imperial majesty cordial birthday greetings and best wishes for your continued happiness and well-being," Mr. Hoover cabled.

THE CALLS HOOVER 'LINCOLN'

Secretary of War Says President Has Only Depression Remedy.

By United Press

NEW YORK, April 30.—President Hoover was described as a new Lincoln, "the only man in the world who has inaugurated any constructive program to overcome the depression," by Secretary of War Patrick J. Hurley, speaking Thursday night before the American Newspaper Publishers' Association annual dinner.

THE TAXPAYERS expect and are entitled to an efficient and honest administration of the important office of Marion County Treasurer.

Timothy P. Sexton, since taking office last January, has already won the unqualified endorsement and support of bankers, business men and taxpayers generally through the business-like way in which he has performed the duties of his office.

Now is no time to change . . . no time to experiment. Keep Sexton and his highly trained staff on the job. Keep this office from being the proverbial football of politics by going to the polls next Tuesday and voting for the renomination of Timothy P. Sexton.

A FEW OF THE MANY PROMINENT CITIZENS WHO INDORSE SEXTON

JAMES G. FLAHERTY President Fletcher Trust Co.

ROSS WALLACE President Astina Trust Co.

ARTHUR CRAVEN Treasurer Indiana Trust Co.

EVANS WOOLLEN President Fletcher Trust Co.

CLARENCE SWEENEY State Life Insurance Co.

JOSEPH P. ZIMMERMAN John R. Welch Celtic Savings & Loan Assn.

ORR OUT FOR GOVERNOR AS AVOWED WET

State Accounts Board Head Takes Definite Stand on All Issues.

First avowed "wet" candidate to seek the Republican nomination for Governor is in the field today.

The candidate is Lawrence F. Orr, chief examiner of the state board of accounts. In announcing his platform and entry into the race at his home town of Columbus Friday night, Orr urged immediate repeal of the Wright "bone dry" law and modification of the Volstead act to permit sale of light wines and beer.

Orr differs from certain so-called "dry" candidates in that, personally, he does not drink.

He is the sixth announced candidate for the G. O. P. nomination.

Each Issue Defined

In declaring his intention to run, Orr announced a specific platform on which he stands, each issue being set forth in a definite manner, such as his stand on prohibition repeal.

Here is how he stands:

—Taxation—Relieve real estate, tax underlings, equalize assessments, pay fees to the public treasury instead of officials, aid local government by payment of automobile licenses to county treasury, tax busses and trucks for highway use, put more gasoline tax to local use, assess street improvements by districts, combine district courts to cut costs and cancel duplication of governmental functions by reduction of number of townships and combining boards of trustees.

—Free Textbooks—Education—Free textbooks, state payment of minimum teacher wages, reduce administrative costs of education.

—Utilities—Reduce rates, stop holding company "milking," and make municipal ownership easy.

—Banking—Strengthen laws and aid in a federal-state program to guarantee deposits during a crisis.

Other proposals in the Orr platform include changing poor fund laws to prevent graft, and aid the needy only, contract for poor fund subsidies, centralized purchase of all state supplies, expand mandatory salary and tax levy law, reparation for land reclamation and a state amusement and luxury tax.

—Robbery Suspect Arrested

Robbery of three filling stations recently was believed solved today with arrest Thursday of Meredith Park, 23, address unknown. Detectives said the suspect admitted robbing stations at Fall Creek boulevard and Northwestern avenue; Geisenhoffer and Washington streets and Tenth street and Senate avenue.

—The Farmers' Union

New York, placed second with fourteen votes. The Nebraska state capitol at Lincoln was third with thirteen.

—City Selling Out Its Zoo

WACO, Tex., April 30.—Animal lovers can buy pets from the city of Waco cheap. Feed bills at the zoo were too high, and the animals can be had for almost nothing.

Owns Circus