

CIVIC LEAGUE BLACKLISTS CANDIDATES

Three Republicans and Three Democrats Not Endorsed By the Organization in the Present Campaign.

CANDIDATES CLOSELY QUESTIONED BY LEAGUE.

Asked of Their Qualifications For the Office Which They Are Seeking and Judgment Is Rendered.

RATLIFF IS ENDORSED.

HIS ACTION IN VOTING FOR COUNTY LOCAL OPTION APPROVED BY LEAGUE AND PROMISE IS KEPT.

LADD MEETS OPPOSITION.

Candidate for Prosecutor One of Those Who Is Considered Unfit To Hold Office and Allen Is Favored.

Under the caption "To the Voters of Wayne County, Indiana," the Wayne County Civic League today, as a result of a meeting held by that organization last evening, issued a statement in which the organization advises the voters what candidates for county offices are the best qualified to be elected. Three republicans and three democrats are placed on the blacklist. The republicans are Charles Ladd, candidate for prosecutor; Homer Farlow, candidate for commissioner from the eastern district and Robert N. Beeson, candidate for commissioner from the western district. The democrats are Tholey Druley, candidate for joint representative; Walter D. Cook, candidate for representative and Mark Stevens, candidate for commissioner from the middle district.

Walter S. Ratliff, the republican candidate for representative is endorsed by the league notwithstanding the bitter fight waged against him for some time prior to the recent special session of the legislature. Mr. Ratliff, it will be remembered, was promised the support of the league and of the temperance element in this county if he voted for the county local option law.

The Civic League decided on who it would support on the county ticket by the replies received to a list of questions sent to each republican and democratic candidate. The candidates for representative and joint representative were asked, "How do you stand on the proposed county local option bill. Will you give it your moral support and your vote?" and "what action would you take regarding legislation that would curtail or repeal any of the present liquor laws, and what is your attitude on Sunday recreation or amusement?"

Many Questions Asked. Candidates for commissioner were asked what position they would take regarding the issuing of liquor licenses to men known to be law violators. They were also asked if they would oppose the issuance of a license to a man whose immoral character had been reasonably established.

Candidates for prosecutor were asked what their qualification for office was, what their preparation was, where they had studied law, how many years they had practiced law and whether they would stand for law enforcement. The question was also asked if it was the idea of the candidate that he should judge whether or not the law should be enforced. The candidates for prosecutor were also asked how they stood on the liquor question and Sabbath desecration. "Who will you appoint as your deputy?" was another question.

The following is the statement issued by the Civic League and its selections of candidates qualified to hold office:

To the Voters of Wayne County, Ind.:

The Civic League of Wayne county, an organization of voters in the county has for its purpose the promotion of the moral, social, educational, and material welfare of all our citizens by endeavoring to secure the nomination and election of competent, honest, and otherwise suitable persons for all elective offices, municipal, township, county, state and national, by loyally aiding in securing and in enforcing proper legislation, and by co-operating with any other organizations having kindred objects.

The league wishes at this time to submit to the voters of Wayne county the names of candidates for the various offices, who, in our judgment, will best secure the highest interests of all the people. The judgment of the league in each case was formed after

BANQUET TONIGHT

President Leeds to Entertain The Young Men's Business Club.

PROGRAM IS ARRANGED.

The Young Men's Business Club and all others, who assisted in the fall festival will be banqueted by the president of the club, Rudolph Leeds, at the Masonic Temple this evening. The hour is 7:30 o'clock. A program of toasts has been prepared for the occasion and it is expected it will prove one of the most enjoyable events of the kind ever held here. It is probable the incentive for the proposed electric carnival during the holidays will be given this evening. A smoker will be one of the features.

TAFT WILL MAKE SPEECH IN THIS CITY SATURDAY

Candidate's Throat Improves And Republicans of Richmond and Wayne County Are Happy.

GREATEST CROWD OF THE CAMPAIGN IS EXPECTED.

Delegation of Richmond Citizens Will Go to Greenfield Where Greetings Will Be Extended.

Judge William Howard Taft, republican candidate for president, will keep his engagement and deliver a twenty-minute address in this city next Saturday morning at 8:50 o'clock. Will Hays of the republican speakers' bureau of Indiana, has sent word that the candidate's throat has improved and he will be able to keep his schedule in Indiana and make the address for which he is booked. This will be welcome news to the republicans of Wayne county. Great preparations had been made for the visit of Judge Taft to Richmond and the announcement that his throat had failed and he would be unable to speak here, was greeted with disappointment.

Since the welcome word has come from Hays, the local committee will renew its efforts to boost the visit of the candidate. Advertising matter has been distributed throughout the county and it is expected that the greatest crowd of the campaign will be at the Pennsylvania depot when the Taft special arrives. The candidate will speak from a stand to be erected at Tenth and North E streets. It had been proposed to bring the candidate up town or to the South Tenth Street park, but the managers of the tour did not deem this expeditious as time would be lost in the transportation to and from the place of speaking.

The time will be unusually early for a campaign speech, but this is not expected to hinder in the least. An effort will be made to have the North E street merchants and manufacturers decorate their properties in a fitting manner. It is expected they will respond gladly. Nothing in the way of a celebration will be attempted, as John L. Griffiths speaks Saturday evening and a parade will be held then.

A committee composed of the following representative citizens will meet the Taft train at Greenfield and welcome the candidate to Richmond: William D. Foulke, John L. Rupe, John McCarthy, E. M. Haas, Lewis Bowman, Henry Mason and Dr. T. H. Davis.

The Taft train will make a short stop at Cambridge City but the candidate will make no speech.

Careful personal inquiry of the candidates themselves:

For joint legislative representative—Alonso M. Gardner, Richmond. Legislative representative—Walter S. Ratliff, Richmond.

Circuit Judge—(Vote for one) Henry C. Fox, Richmond; John C. Dodson, Jackson township.

Prosecuting attorney—Joshua H. Allen, Hagerstown.

Treasurer—(Vote for one) Albert Albertson; William J. Chapman, Wayne township.

Sheriff—(Vote for one) Linus P. (Continued on Page Two.)

THE WEATHER PROPHET.

INDIANA—Showers and cooler Thursday night; Friday fair, fresh east to northeast winds.

OHIO—Rain and cooler Thursday night and Friday; fresh east winds.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR VICTORY IN STATE OF INDIANA

Reports Received at Indianapolis From All Counties Are Encouraging to the Republicans.

HUNDREDS OF FARMERS TURNING TOWARD TAFT

Where Republicans Will Lose Votes Through Breweries, Greater Gains Will Be Made Elsewhere.

Special to Palladium.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 22.—As a result of the vigorous campaign of organization which the Republican State committee has been carrying on for weeks, nearly all of the counties of the state in which there was republican discontent when the campaign opened have been lined up so that the republican prospects for success at the election are brighter today than they have been at any former time. Reports that are received at headquarters from men who come in from the various counties are of the most encouraging character. Word comes in every day of the straightening out of the kinks in some county.

George W. Cromer, of Muncie, former congressman from the Eighth district is in charge of the work of organization in the counties, and his ability as an organizer in a campaign is as high as that of any other man in the state. Early in the campaign Cromer was asked by the state committee to assume charge of that part of the work, and he consented to undertake it. How well he has succeeded is shown by the results that he has obtained. Cromer found several counties in which there was a disposition on the part of some of the workers to be lukewarm. He adopted a plan of sending special organizers into such counties with instructions to work out a remedy for the condition. Three organizers have been leading party workers from this city and other parts of the state, many of the state officials taking a hand in the work. It was found in every case that whatever trouble there was was due to some local condition that was easily straightened out.

Lawrence county was one of the counties in which trouble was found, but Cromer's special organizers have succeeded in getting the workers together to such an extent that it was said today at the state headquarters that that county will show no republican loss when he votes is counted.

A similar condition existed in Wabash county, one of the strongest republican counties of the state. But a meeting was held there a few days ago at which the opposing factions were present, and representatives of the state committee got them together in fine shape. One of the leaders who was holding back and doing nothing announced at the close of the meeting that he was ready to jump into the campaign, and asked the county committee to bill him for speeches all over the county from that time until election day. He made his first speech last Saturday night and has been at it ever since.

Breweries Busy. The republicans expect to lose some votes in the cities, where the brewery control of the democratic party will enable it to line up a certain element for its ticket. The breweries are busy. If anyone thinks they are not he should change his mind at once. They are working as they never worked before, their hope being to elect a democratic governor and a democratic legislature that will repeal the county local option law. In this effort they have lined up the saloons and the bartenders as well as the rest of the liquor element as only the breweries could line them up. If the democrats win it will be through this means and none other.

But where the republicans lose in the cities they will gain in the country. The state committee finds that hundreds of farmers are changing from Bryan to Taft and that they will also vote the state ticket because of the county option matter. The farmers, they say, are not under the domination of the breweries as are the people in many of the cities, and they are therefore more free in their expression of their honest opinions on the temperance question. They are standing by the republican ticket in a way that is gratifying to the state organization.

Another thing that is expected to bring a good result is the three-day tour of Indiana by Taft this week. The state committee anticipates that his visit will add new enthusiasm. Even if he cannot speak at all the places, his very presence will be enough to awaken the party spirit that is always so necessary in every political battle. The committee is sending with Taft the very ablest speakers in the state and several from other states. These men will speak either before or after Taft's arrival and they

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GETS ROSEBUD FARM

Charles R. Unthank, of North Twentieth Street Gets Land.

ENTERED THROUGH AGENT.

Charles R. Unthank, North Twentieth street, is named among the winners in the drawing in the Rosebud, S. Dak., farm deal of yesterday. Mr. Unthank is a veteran of the civil war, and the government permitted him to enter his claim through an agent. Clem Carr, of Kansas, formerly a resident of this city, entered Mr. Unthank's claim. Mr. Unthank has received no official notice of his success, but his name appears among the list of those published. A. E. Donegan, of Rushville, was the only other resident of the Sixth district who proved lucky yesterday.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO HOSPITAL LARGER

Tag Day Netted \$821.47 Which Will Be Used for the Care of Pauper Inmates.

EXCESS OVER LAST YEAR.

SHOWING MADE IN RICHMOND LITTLE SHORT OF MARVELOUS WHEN COMPARED TO DONATIONS OF OTHER CITIES.

The thirty-five hundred hospital day tags which were worn by thirty-five hundred men and women yesterday, and discarded this morning, cost the wearers, all told, just \$821.47.

Pretty high price for thirty-five hundred pieces of pasteboard, eh? No, not in the least—cheap at twice the price, you will be answered if foolish enough to ask such a question. All of this money, except \$2.30 which was the incidental expense, will be devoted to caring for the unfortunate sick and injured cared for at the Reid Memorial hospital who have not enough money to pay their hospital expenses.

The hospital authorities will extend just as good care and treatment to a pauper as they will to a millionaire, but in caring for the former, the expense falls not upon him but upon the institution and it must have money to meet the expense. That is the reason tag day was originated last year and made an annual event.

The amount raised this year through the sale of tags was \$250 more than was raised last year. There were approximately as many tags sold last year as this, but the average donation was larger. There was no set price for a tag. The person who gave a cent was given a tag just as cheerfully as the one given the man who contributed \$10.

When it is considered that on tag day in Indianapolis last week only \$1,200 was realized, the showing made by this city, which has about one-tenth the population of Indianapolis, is a little short of marvelous. The members of the Women's Aid society of the Reid Memorial hospital are delighted with the generosity shown by the people of this city and this morning the Palladium was asked to convey the thanks of the society to every contributor.

The tags used yesterday were printed by the Nicholson Printing company and were presented to the aid society without charge.

SHOOTS IN DEFENSE

Indianapolis Man Murders Man Seeking Both Wife And Revenge.

WOMAN CAUSES TRAGEDY.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 22.—Edward Miers, of Peru, a machinist, aged 35 years, was shot and instantly killed by William Pugh, at 8 o'clock this morning on the porch of a rooming house, 249 East South street, where Pugh roomed. Pugh claims self defense. Mrs. Miers, the wife of the victim, witnessed the tragedy. The woman left her husband in Peru several weeks ago with her four small children and came to live at the same house where Pugh lived. Miers had accused Pugh of being the cause of his wife's separation from him and, Pugh believing Miers' appearance at the house this morning was to seek revenge, drew a pistol and shot Miers before a word had passed between them. Pugh surrendered. The latter was a collector for an installment furnishing house, and had known Mrs. Miers before her marriage. Miers evidently was waiting on the porch for Pugh to leave the house on his way to work.

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BREWERY POSTERS IN RICHMOND ARE ALL COVERED UP

Glaring Posters Showing "Horrors" of Prohibition Do Not Long Remain Visible to the Public.

NO EXCITEMENT CAUSED BY ADVENT OF POSTERS

Had No Effect Other Than to Influence Voters Against Democrats and Brewers Supporting That Party.

By Harper.

Gone are the brewery posters on the bill boards. The "evils of county local option" from the brewers' standpoint do not stare the voters in the face any more. Obliterated are they from view. It may have been the irony of fate or it may have been some other cause that led the bill posters to plaster over the "prohibition bills," the large posters advertising the coming of William H. Taft to this city. The advertising matter sent out in the interest of the Democrats by the brewers to influence the voters against the republicans and the county local option law remained on the boards only two or three days.

The advent of the posters in this city had practically no effect other than to influence people against the brewers who are backing the Democratic party. The public had been warned in advance that the posters were distributed by the brewery interests and this took from them any effect they might have secured on their superficial appearance. In this city the posters were placed about on the principal boards, but they created almost no comment from the voters.

And now they are gone. A trip about the city yesterday failed to reveal a single one that had escaped being covered over. The man who posted them said all had been covered up. Where the evils of the county local option bill were set forth as encroaching on the personal liberty of man, now appears the larger posters advertising the fact the Republican presidential candidate will be in Richmond Saturday morning.

In many cities where the brewery posters were displayed they created a sentiment directly in opposition to that which was intended. It was a bold statement and hundreds of voters were led to see for the first time that the brewers really are a large factor in the campaign and in their own interests, are boosting the Democratic party.

Announcement has been made at Newcastle that work on the Toledo, Indianapolis Traction line will be resumed following the election of William H. Taft. Charles Hernien, promoter of the road, who makes the announcement says at present the money market is tight and unless Taft is elected it will not loosen up. He claims there is little probability the road will be built if Bryan be elected.

The good citizen who, whatever his politics, would sign a remonstrance or vote "dry" under county local option, should not hesitate one moment to vote for Watson. The brewers are rounding up every vote possible for Marshall for the avowed purpose of repealing the county local option law. No man who favors temperance reform can conscientiously vote as the brewers want him to.—Newcastle Courier.

Rensselaer is one of the Indiana towns from which all the saloons have been driven. Now the people of that place speak with pride of their town and its great prosperity. It is said that every store room vacated by a saloon was filled by another business within three months, that merchants reported a 30 per cent increase in their business and that men who had for years borne the reputation of dead beats were now paying for everything and had the best of credit. Such a statement as this proves the fallacy of the arguments that the brewers are spreading broadcast by the seven-sheet poster method.—Rushville Republican.

Daniel J. Keefe, of Detroit, a member of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor, and president of the International Longshoremen, Marine and Transport Workers' association says: "I shall support and vote for Mr. Taft, who was admitted to membership in the International Brotherhood of Steam Shovel and Dredge Men on account of his strong advocacy of the enforcement of the eight hour law on all government work coming under the jurisdiction of the war department, and if the eight hour day did not become an established fact in connection with the dredge work, it was the fault of the workmen and not the fault of the secretary of war."

"I might add further that Mr. Taft, as secretary of war, has done more to enforce the laws in favor of organized labor than all his predecessors."

The Winchester Herald says the rea-

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TYPHOID IS CHECKED

No Cases of Disease at Wernle Orphans' Home at Present.

NO CONTAGION IN COUNTY.

Dr. J. E. King, county health officer, states that the typhoid contagion at the Wernle Orphans' Home has been practically stamped out and conditions at the institution will soon again be normal. Twenty-nine of the sixty-five little inmates of the institution were victims of the dread disease, but so well have the children been cared for that only one death has resulted. Dr. King states that during the past month not a case of contagious disease was reported in the county, outside of Richmond except at the Wernle home.

GRAND JURY RETURNS 13 INDICTMENTS

Meeting With Intention of Early Adjournment, Body Finds More Business Than Was Anticipated.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE COUNTY FARM.

Closer Record of Receipts Recommended—Hope Expressed That a New Jail Will Be Built.

Thirteen indictments were returned by the grand jury, which adjourned yesterday after a prolonged session. When the jury began its work, the prosecutor announced he did not expect it would continue for more than a few days. Circumstances brought about the necessity for investigation of crimes and alleged crimes that prevented the early adjournment expected. The details of the cases in which indictments were returned, have been made public. Among those persons indicted are either under bond, in jail or fugitives. The list includes: Dr. J. M. Bulla, charged with abortion; George Gay, charged with violating liquor laws; Ernest Bell, larceny; William Walter, Fred Kroma and Charles Kroma, jointly, assault and battery with intent to kill; Sherman Keller, murder; Clarence Whiteman, assault and battery with intent to kill; Walter Williams, forgery; James Via, incest and Grace Bell, larceny.

The greatest comment made in the report of the jury is in regard to the conditions and management of the county farm. The jury recommends a change in the lighting system and also a closer record of the receipts from the farm, which is far from self-sustaining. The jury hesitates to make further recommendation concerning the county jail as the last grand jury entered into that subject extensively. The hope is expressed the county will build a new jail.

The following is the complete report of the jury as regards county institutions: Your grand jury for the October term, 1908, of Wayne circuit court, respectively submits herewith its report at its final adjournment on this date. This jury met on the 5th day of Oct. 1908, continuing in session for five days, then adjourned to October 12th, continuing in session to and including the 14th, then adjourned to October 19th, continuing in session to and including October 21st, in all, eleven days. During its sittings this jury has examined into some twenty-three cases reported to it or called to its attention and has returned indictments in thirteen of said cases, and has examined some eighty-five witnesses in all; visited the county farm, the county jail and the women's prison. In the matter of the such indictments as are returned, the court is fully advised by said indictments; and in the matter of those in which bills are not returned, public policy suggests that no comment be made herein.

In regard to the matter of the county farm, the grand jury respectfully recommends that the present obsolete method of the use of kerosene lamps by the aged and infirm inmates of this institution be immediately abolished; that some suitable lighting system, preferably electricity, be installed, this to be accomplished probably most satisfactorily by the installation of a plant for this purpose alone rather than the partial use as is now done, of power from the Richmond Street and Inturban plant, which power not only is entirely unsuited for such and like purposes but adds to the danger and liability to fire at the institution where suitable fire protection is not to be had, besides adding materially to the insurance rates on the county's

White House, Oct. 21, 1908.

My Dear Senator Knox—In your admirable speech of yesterday you speak of the action of Mr. Bryan and certain gentlemen claiming to be the special representatives of organized labor, foremost among them Mr. Gompers, to secure the support of laboring men for Mr. Bryan on consideration of his agreement to perform certain acts nominally in the interest of organized labor, which would be really either wholly ineffective or else of widespread injury, not only to organized labor, but to all decent citizens throughout this country.

You have a peculiar right to speak on labor questions, for it was you who, as attorney general, first actively invoked the great power of the federal government on behalf of the rights of labor when, for the first time in the history of the government, you, speaking for the department of justice, intervened in a private law suit which had gone against a locomotive fireman who had lost his arm in coupling cars, and by your intervention secured from the supreme court a construction of the safety appliance act, which made it a vital remedial statute, and therefore has secured to hundreds of crippled employees compensation which they would not otherwise have obtained.

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APPROVES MANNER IN WHICH TAFT SPEAKS OF LABOR

President Roosevelt Lays Before the Country His Own Views on the Gompers-Bryan Attack Upon Courts.

BAD RESULTS WOULD FOLLOW GOMPERS' IDEA

President Has Done All He Could for Labor and Considers He Has a Right to Speak Views.

DEMOCRATS A MENACE.

POSITION IS FALSE ONE AND RIGHTS OF LABORING MEN ARE IN DANGER IF MINORITY SUCCEEDS TO POWER.

TAFT IS WELL FITTED.

Because of His Qualifications He Is Better Able to Secure Wage Earners Their Just Rights, President Says.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 22.—President Roosevelt last night made public a letter he has written, congratulating Senator Knox upon his speech delivered in Philadelphia last night. The publication of this letter enables the president to lay before the country, at some length, his own views on the Bryan-Gompers attack on the courts, and to give his personal approval of the position Judge Taft has taken in discussing the labor issues and the anti-injunction plank of the party opposing him.

The letter emphasizes what the president believes would be the disastrous consequences of the success of the Gompers idea, and seeks to wring from the Democratic candidate a categorical answer to the question whether or not he stands for that which Gompers declares.

Mr. Roosevelt says he feels he has the right to speak frankly, because throughout his term it has been his constant object to do everything in his power, by administrative action and by endeavoring to obtain legislative action, to advance the cause of labor, protect it from unjust aggression and secure to it its legitimate rights. He declares that he will continue to do everything in his power for the wage workers of the country except to do what is wrong, and what Bryan and Gompers propose he says is wrong. After further emphasizing the dangers of the Democratic position and endorsing that of Judge Taft, Mr. Roosevelt says: "I have taken special and particular interest in Mr. Taft's candidacy because I believe that of all men in the country he is the man best qualified for continuing the work of securing for the wage workers of the country their full rights." The letter follows:

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