

CIVIC LEAGUE OFFICERS STILL DECLINE TO TALK

No Statement Made as to Why
The Organization Black-
listed Candidates of Both
Parties.

RATLIFF IS ALL O. K.
NOW SAYS BALLENGER.

All Other Acts Can Be Over-
looked Because He Voted
For County Option, Secre-
tary Claims.

"I do not feel that I have any author-
ity to offer an explanation why the
Wayne County Civic League did not
recommend to the voters of this county
the election of Messrs. Ladd, Beeson
and Farlow on the Republican county
ticket, and Messrs. Druley, Cook and
Stevens on the Democratic county
ticket; neither do I feel that I have
the authority to state why the league
failed to advance any arguments to the
voters, why they should not vote for
the candidates I have mentioned. There
are still ten days remaining of the
campaign, and there is time for the
league to make public explanation why
it does not think the six candidates in
question are qualified to hold office, and
it is quite probable that the league
will take such action."

The above statement was made yester-
day by George Ballenger, secretary
of the Wayne County Civic League. He
was interviewed on the suggestion of
the Rev. R. J. Wade, that he was the
proper officer of the league to explain
the action taken by that organization.

The Rev. Wade has stated to the
Palladium that in his opinion, the
league made a mistake in recommend-
ing to the voters that they not sup-
port the six "black-listed" candidates,
and giving the voters no reasons why
they should not support them.

The Rev. Wade stated that he
thought the league in the statement it
made to the public should have told
why the voters should support the can-
didates endorsed by the organization.

Difficult to Explain.

After making this statement, Mr.
Wade remarked that probably one of
the reasons why the league offered no
explanation for "black-listing" six
candidates, or for endorsing the others
was because Walter S. Ratliff was one
of the candidates approved by the or-
ganization. "It would probably be
rather difficult for the league to ad-
vance any reasons why the voters
should support Mr. Ratliff," dryly re-
marked Mr. Wade.

Mr. Ballenger spoke in defense of
Mr. Ratliff. He said it was true that
Mr. Ratliff's record in the legislature
had not been the best, but that during
the special session last month he had
voted "right" on the county local op-
tion bill, and that the "good citizens"
of Wayne county should support him
for re-election for that reason. Mr.
Ballenger stated that the support of
the Civic League was given as an en-
couragement to Mr. Ratliff in his re-
solve to "turn over a new leaf."

Ministers Should Keep Out.

The membership of the Wayne Coun-
ty Civic League is composed princi-
pally of local ministers. Zest to the
excitement raised by the league by his
sensational debate into local politics,
has been added by the statement made
by the Rev. Robert H. Dunaway, that
he thinks ministers should quite med-
dle so much in politics.

"Sunday my sermon will be on that
subject," stated Mr. Dunaway, who is
pastor of the Second Presbyterian
church, North Nineteenth street. Mr.
Dunaway stated that he thought min-
isters if they wanted to mix up with
politics should resign from the minis-
try. "Ministers who continually dabble
in politics and other matters that
do not concern them unfit themselves
for the ministry," asserts Mr. Dun-
away, who states that he declined to
serve on the board of directors of the
Wayne County Civic League.

PLEDGES HIMSELF NOT TO VOTE TO REPEAL OPTION LAW

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board of agriculture for a position in
connection with some cement work to
be done on the new auditorium. Swain
affirms Ratliff's statement. Both say
all that Ratliff wrote on the card
was the lower portion and this
was for Swain's use with the board.
Swain did not secure the position, be-
cause of his lack of knowledge of ce-
ment work. It is explained that the
card was discarded and evidently
found by someone who used it for a
malicious purpose.

TO RECEIVE FLEET.

Chinese Commissioners Sail for
Amoy.

Shanghai, Oct. 24.—Prince Yu Lang
and Liang Tun Yen, the Chinese com-
missioners for the reception of the
United States Atlantic fleet have left
on board the cruiser Hanchi for Amoy
where the fleet is due to arrive Octo-
ber 30.

FIGURE IN MORSE TRIAL



JOHN W. GALES



ISAAC GUGGENHEIM



G. M. SCHWAB



JOHN F. CARROLL



C. W. MORSE

GREAT OVERDRAFT

Further Light Shed on Finan-
cial Affairs of C. W.
Morse.

SCHWAB ON THE STAND.

New York, Oct. 24.—Overdrafts by
Charles W. Morse of \$210,681 in one
day, were shown today in the trial of
the former Ice Trust head and Alfred
H. Curtis in the federal court. Edward
C. Moxey, accountant department just-
ice was the witness exposing the new
developments in Morse's financial sys-
tem. During Moxey's testimony,
Charles M. Schwab, who had been di-
rector of the concern, and Morgan J.
O'Brien, Morse's counsel, waited their
turn on the witness stand. Mr. Schwab
when finally called, admitted during
the time he was on the board of the
bank, he only attended four or five
meetings. When asked if he ever knew,
prior to October 16, 1907, that Morse
had overdrawn his account, strenuous
objection was made by the attorneys
for the defense and after a long fight
was decided. Mr. Schwab must re-
appear on Monday.

BAILEY TO MEXICO

Junior Senator of Texas Side-
steps Hearing of Pierce
Oil Case.

DECLINES TO BE COUNSEL.

Galveston, Texas, Oct. 24.—Senator
Bailey of Texas, who served as attor-
ney for the Waters-Pierce Oil Company
when it was re-admitted to operate in
Texas, after having been ousted as a
member of the oil trust, will not rep-
resent Clay Pierce when he is brought
back to Texas to stand trial for false
swearing in connection with the re-
admission. It is reported that for good
and sufficient reasons the senator has
planned a hunting trip to Mexico in or-
der to be out of the state when the
head of the Waters-Pierce branch of
the Standard Oil Company is on trial.
Senator Bailey claims to have been
planning for this big game hunt for
two years and had completed his ar-
rangements before the supreme court
announced its decision, which forces
Pierce to come to Texas. It is under-
stood in state political circles that the
junior senator has other reasons for
declining to serve as counsel for
Pierce.

GREAT APPLAUSE WHEN WATSON'S NAME IS SPOKEN

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lieve the great body of democrats is
as anxious for the welfare of the
country as the republicans. But the
only way to judge the honesty, cour-
age and capacity of a party is by its
history. The republican party repre-
sents the awakened conscience of the
nation. Again it presents its plea to
the people of the country believing
it has met the issues and protected
all the rights of all the people.

"A choice must be made between
this party and a reckless critic sug-
gesting remedies more injurious than
the ills it is attempted to cure. The
Democratic party presents a new
Bryan, do you accept him? (cries of no
and never). The only man to whom he
is comparable is that great Biblical
character, but it will be remembered it
took a miracle to chance Saul, and the
change of nature was accompanied by a
change of name. Mr. Bryan does not
abandon his purposes or issues except
for the purpose of campaign argument.
He is silent about some things, but
says this silence as exhibited by the
Denver platform is a guarantee that if
elected he will be good and not attempt
to put his theories into practice.

Bryan Dangerous.

Has it ever occurred to you before
that it would be necessary to put a
president under bonds to keep the
peace? If now he is a new Bryan, he
can not be eligible to the presidency,
as he is only three months old. If he
is sincere, he is a most dangerous force
in politics, and if not sincere he must
be treated with charity. I believe Mr.
Bryan constitutes a real menace to the
presidency, when at this time the na-
tion stands at a place where something
must be done. We need a man pos-
sessing all the qualities that human
ingenuity may suggest. To the business
men and the working men—do you be-
lieve Mr. Bryan with all his views
about free silver would be a capable
man to entrust with the management
of the finances of this government?"

Mr. Griffiths discussed the two tariff
programs, the one of revision and the
other of reduction to a free trade
level. He said that the Republican
party stood committed to a lowering
of the tariff, never forgetting to pre-
serve the principle of protection for
American business and American labor.
The sincerity of this utterance has
been questioned by some Democratic
speakers, but Mr. Griffiths said that the
best answer was simply the statement
that American consuls and diplomatic
agents in Europe and elsewhere were
already engaged in the work of finding
out prices of various commodities ex-
ported to America, so that in event of
the success of the Republican program
there need be no delay in the scientific
readjustment of the tariff so that
American business will continue to re-
ceive a reasonable profit against its
foreign competitors.

"Mr. Bryan affects to see a trick in
the Republican tariff plank's declara-
tion that the party stands 'unequivoc-
ally' for revision, said the speaker.
The same criticism may be found in
the Democratic party's gradually win-
ning process of tariff reduction. Why
delay the process, if we are to have
reduction? Slow torture is always
worse than immediate execution."

"The difference between Mr. Bryan
and Mr. Taft is that one presents a
prosperous and the other a record. It
is a difference between utterances and
practices. If Mr. Bryan withdrew his
sole legacy would be rejected policies
and repudiated issues. He now offers
a mule—the Democratic mule, as the
prize to the precinct showing the large-
est gain in Democratic votes and has
written a book that ought to be called
The Last Ditch and his paper has be-
come Countryman.

Country Needs Pilot.

"But something more is needed. We
require a pilot for the nation that is
far-sighted and clear brained. Have
we any cause to doubt Mr. Taft is that
kind of a pilot? He belongs to a race
of nation builders and nothing disturbs
his equanimity which rests upon his
broad faith and distinctive optimis-
m. Look at his record in the Philip-
pines. As a jurist he excelled and as
a governor his achievements have be-
come a matter of history. We point
with pride to what he has done for this
country in the Philippines, China,
Japan and Panama. He is a passionate
lover of his country and stands for the
ideals of its people. No matter what
their mistakes he embraces all their
tempers and all their creeds. We be-
lieve he would give us an administra-
tion that would command the respect
of all nations and unite a people by its
strongest bonds.

"I have reversed the usual order of
things tonight and talked about the
candidates first, as I believe after hear-
ing about the men you can not help but
make your choice for the right. Some
of the issues of the parties are as dif-
ferent as the lines of cleavage."

Labor Legislation.

Mr. Griffiths referred to the record
of the Republican party in regard to
labor legislation and set forth the
table of statistics as printed elsewhere.
He told just how many and what en-
actments had been made by the Re-
publican party to benefit the laboring
man. In regard to the campaign of
Samuel Gompers, of the American
Federation of Labor, Mr. Griffiths as-
ked: "Will the laboring men allow
himself to be delivered as chattels for
a sham. Mind you, Gompers doesn't
tell what the Democratic party has
done for the laboring man." The speaker
pronounced the labor record of Taft
as manly, open and frank, and said
he believes in the right to strike when
there is a proper cause, and in the
maintenance of a strike fund. He was
said to have rendered his decisions not
because he was a Republican but as a
judge acting upon the laws.

Party's Great Accomplishments.
The speaker's assertions, the Repub-

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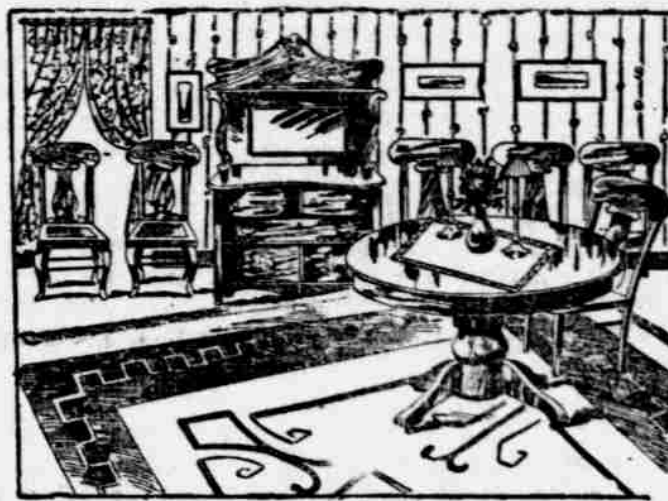
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ican party has done more in the way
of accomplishments within the last
four years than has been done in any
other four years of the country's his-
tory with the exception of the period of
the civil war. His remarks about the
allegiance of the party to the cause of
labor were cheered to the echo. "Mr.
Bryan says the people shall rule," said
the speaker. "Well don't they rule
every place except in those states
where he expects to win the largest
part of the electoral vote?" was asked.
Mr. Griffiths continued:

"Democracy comes forward this
year with what it conceives to be a
new proposal—the guarantee of bank
deposits. But it is not a new proposal
at all. New York state had the same
system of guarantees from 1826 to
1842. In that period, under the very
law that Mr. Bryan proposes now as
a final cure, so many banks failed that
the state had to advance \$1,000,000 to
make restitution and the solvent banks
of the state were engaged for twenty
years in paying back to the state the
money thus advanced. The Republican
party believes that initiative, honest,
business foresight and acumen and the
confidence of the public in individuals
is the best guarantee of a bank stabili-
ty. The banker is the man, after all,
and not the law behind him. The Dem-
ocratic law would put a premium upon
the fraudulent and reckless bankers
who engaged in business with the as-
surance that if their banks failed their
losses would be paid. When it comes
to a point where the whole United
States must take lesson from Oklahoma
in methods of government, isn't it time
that the country go out of the state-
making business? Already men in
Oklahoma who are discredited in other
states are starting banks with the as-
surance that if they fail or get away
with the proceeds their losses will be
made good by other banks in the state.
I am informed by a man who lives in
Oklahoma that within the last few
weeks a bank has been established
there by two former convicts with a
capital of \$5,000.

"The Republican party believes in
postal savings banks, and it believes
further that wherever possible, and
this will be possible in practically
every case, the funds from a given
neighborhood shall be deposited in that
neighborhood, thereby giving the peo-
ple who deposit the money the benefit
of its earning power and its presence."
"All anti-trust legislation is due to
the republicans," proclaimed Mr. Grif-
fiths. "Many trusts have been dis-
solved and many others forced to re-
organize under the limitations of
their power. The Democratic attorney
general declared the Sherman anti-
trust law unconstitutional. It was be-
lieved the constitution would have to
be amended before the trust problem
could be remedied. It was proposed
to submit the subject to the will of
the people and every republican voted
for the measure and every democrat
against it. Do the democratic reme-
dies satisfy the judgment of men? Are
they real, are they just and do they
mean a greater danger than what
they try to correct?"

Indiana Debt Reduced.

Mr. Griffiths turned to republican
administration in Indiana. The repub-
licans have reduced the debt of the

state from \$7,500,000 to \$805,000, and
would have paid the remainder if it
were not in the form of bonds that do
not mature until 1910. The republi-
cans have established the benevolent
institutions of the state on a non-parti-
san basis. They have enacted a 2-cent
rate law. They have created a rail-
road commission. They have created
a depository for fees. They have
strengthened the laws regulating pri-
vate banks.

Watson Wildly Cheered.

"Mr. Watson is the republican nomi-
nee"—and that is as far as Mr. Grif-
fiths could proceed for three or four
minutes. The most tumultuous cheer-
ing of the evening rang forth at the
mention of the candidate's name.
When the outburst subsided, Mr. Grif-
fiths continued: "He put the question
to Mr. Marshall asking if by his state-
ment to put the state institutions on
a partisan basis and his answer has
not been heard. This question of civil
service affects every one of us. But
the democratic candidate goes back to
the spoils system in his attempt to
create a following.

"For fifty years the democratic party
never has said a word in favor of
temperance. In 1886 the republican
party took its stand. I believe any in-
terest is dangerous to the state when
it attempts to determine what laws
shall be passed. Any interest so inso-
lent in its power should receive the
moral hostility of all decent people in
this great commonwealth of ours.
"I am reminded, too, that in the Old
Sixth there is a friend of mine run-
ning for congress. I want to say what
when elected he will prove faithful
and painstaking and be among the
best of the congressmen of the nation.
It is as necessary to elect a republi-
can congress as it is to elect a republi-
can president as we want to sustain his hands."
In concluding Mr. Griffiths appealed
to the business men of the commu-
nity, and to the young men to study the
histories of the parties and vote for
the one that has done the most for the
country.

LITTLE WONDER SALOONISTS ARE FOR MARSHALL

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going to tell we have turned back and
now are for Watson."

And the trio departed upon their
self appointed mission.

This is the same sort of sentiment
that has been expressed by hundreds
of republicans within the last week.
They couldn't stay democrats any
longer.

Appended are a few expressions of
men in the various walks of life, who
heard Judge Taft make his address in
this city yesterday:

Stenographer in wholesale hardware
store—"You can tell by the expres-
sion of his face he is a sincere man."

Policeman—"He talks as if he

meant what he said and he said what
he meant."

Railroad official—"His talk was
plain and sensible. It reflected the
man."

Attorney at law—"His voice was in
poor condition but the fact that that
big crowd kept so still showed the peo-
ple were anxious to hear what he said.
And they will believe him, too."

Wholesale merchant—"Bryan talked
on that same corner and was greeted
by a howling mob. There was all
kinds of cheering and shouting. But
the most of the people in the crowd
were republicans, the noise was made
by boys and about one in three of the
democrats voted for the man after they
heard him."

Cigar dealer—"Everything I heard
said about Taft was complimentary
and I believe this would be a good
time to push the Judge Taft cigar for-
ward, have one?"

Shoe dealer—"Wasn't that a great
speech? It was not very long but he
said something while he was talking."

One of the democratic city officials
took exceptions because the police on
duty at the Taft speaking wore Taft
buttons on their coats. Supt. Bailey
said the men were given buttons to
wear as a matter of courtesy and none
objected no matter what his politics
are. "We believed it would make the
men appear less conspicuous than if
they were flashing their badges," re-
marked Superintendent Bailey on the
subject.

CONSUL SUICIDES

S. C. McFarland Shoots Him-
self While on Train in
Germany.

BODY AT LUDWIGSLUST.

Berlin, Oct. 24.—Silas C. McFar-
land, of Iowa, consul-general at large
for the European district, shot himself
on a railroad train today coming from
Hamburg to Berlin. He died almost
immediately. His body was taken off
the train at Ludwigslust.

Mr. McFarland's widow, who is at
present in Berlin, has not yet been
told of her husband's death.

Mr. McFarland left the continent for
Washington six weeks ago. He was
returning to Berlin to rejoin his wife
when he took his life. The body is at
present in the chapel of the Bethle-
hem Hospital at Ludwigslust. There
seems to be no question that he com-
mitted suicide.

Consul-General Thackeray has begun
an investigation. He has sent Depu-
ty Consul-General Von Versen to Lud-
wigslust to take charge of the body.

FLEET WEDDING.

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Tokyo, Oct. 24.—Lieutenant Com-

mander Levi C. Bertolette of the flag-

ship Vermont and Miss Lucile Meigs

of San Francisco, were married at the

American consulate at Yokohama.

SMALL BOY HERO

Detects Fire in Tenement
Building and Warns All
Occupants.

THIEVES RAID THE HOUSE.

Chicago, Oct. 24.—Thirty-six fam-
ilies, occupants of many flats in a
four story apartment building, Chica-
go avenue, corner of Rush street, were
thrown into a panic today by gas ex-
plosions that shattered the windows
and threw the tenants out of bed. Dur-
ing the excitement thieves raided a
half dozen flats. Explosions were
preceded by fire, during which a year
old Herbert Ransow proved a hero. He
detected the odor of smoke and awoke
his parents. Then, dressed only in
pajamas, he made his way from the
top of the building down, knocking on
every door and warning the occu-
pants. In the crush on the stairways
three young women fainted, but were
rescued by firemen. Some tenants
finding escape by stairway cut off by
smoke leaped out of first and second
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