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HEW TO THE LINE; LET THE CHIPS FALL WHERE THEY MAY

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## Everything Strongly Indicates that "Big Bill" Mayor William Hale Thompson Will Unhorse and Succeed the Hon. Roy O. West as the Illinois Member of the Republican National Committee.

**HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR WILL GIVE AN ELABORATE LOVE FEAST THIS EVENING AT THE HOTEL LA SALLE ALL OF THE DELEGATES FROM THIS STATE TO THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION HAVE BEEN INVITED TO BE ON HAND. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE HONS. CHARLES S. DENEEN AND ROY O. WEST WILL BE PRESENT AND STICK THEIR POLITICAL FEET UNDER THE BANQUET TABLE.**

**THE FIGHT FOR THE NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES ON THE REPUBLICAN END OF IT SEEMS TO BE NARROWING DOWN BETWEEN COL. THEODORE ROOSEVELT AND ASSOCIATE JUSTICE HUGHES OF THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.**

**HON. FRED W. UPHAM HAS RUSHED OUT IN THE OPEN IN FAVOR OF THE FORMER ROUGH RIDING PRESIDENT, THEREBY PARTICIPATING IN A FIGHT BETWEEN HIMSELF AND THE BOOSTERS OR SHOUTERS OF HON. LAWRENCE Y. SHERMAN.**

**FORMER GOV. WILLIAM SULZER OF NEW YORK CITY, IS MORE THAN LIKELY TO BECOME THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE OF ALL REFORM FORCES INCLUDING THE PROHIBITIONIST AND THE AMERICAN PARTY.**

The strong political tide seems to be running strongly in favor of "Big Bill" Mayor William Hale Thompson who is proving himself to be a political fighter from a way back, for he is still holding his own against the followers of the Hon. Charles S. Deneen and the supporters of Edward J. Brundage, and if all signs do not fail nor fade away, he will unhorse and succeed the Hon. Roy O. West as the Illinois member of the Republican National Committee. In this connection it must be said to the credit of Mayor Thompson that he understands just how to get up close to the wisest and the biggest of the politicians and it appears that at all times he totes his lucky white rabbit's foot around in the left hand corner of his vest pocket, for this evening he will give a grand love feast at the Hotel LaSalle, in honor of all the delegates from this state to the Republican National Convention, aside from the delegates many of the leading politicians from all over the state will be present and it is expected that the Hons. Charles S. Deneen and Roy O. West will be in evidence and stick their feet under the banquet table.

For everybody who amounts to anything will want to be on hand just to see what will be pulled off at the love feast or fish dinner which is supposed to cost fifty dollars per plate.

Col. Theodore Roosevelt and associate Justice Hughes of the United States Supreme Court are both playing their strongest cards for the nomi-

nation for President of the United States and at this distance from the scene of action the fight for that great honor seems to be narrowing down between those two eminent and distinguished sons of the Grand Old Party.

This week the followers and boosters of Hon. Lawrence Y. Sherman for the nomination for President of the United States, have been engaged in holding forth red hot coals of fire upon the Hon. Fred. W. Upham, for rushing out in the open in favor of the nomination of the former rough riding President, evidently Mr. Upham feels that Col. Roosevelt is the best and the strongest man to make a home run and beat President Wilson in beating it back to the White House, at Washington, D. C.

Our highly esteemed friend, ex-governor William Sulzer of New York City, who was a member of Congress for eighteen years from the 10th Congressional District, on the East Side of New York City, who is one of the best known and one of the most popular men in this country, with the masses of the people, for he has always labored and fought in their behalf, will become the presidential candidate of all the reform forces in this country, which means that he will become the standard bearer of the Prohibitionists and the American Party, and it is safe to say that at least several million of his fellow American citizens will at the proper time record their votes in favor of his election to the Presidency of the United States.

### THE SUMMER SCHOOL FOR TEACHERS.

The Tuskegee Summer School is to be conducted this year as in former years. Mr. E. C. Roberts, Director of the Academic Department, is to conduct the Summer School for the Institute. Arrangements are being made to accommodate a large number of teachers. The seventh annual session will be held, beginning June 12th and extending six weeks to July 21st, 1916.

Each year has marked a steady growth in attendance and in the scope of the courses offered. Last year 437 teachers were enrolled, representing fifteen States. This list included Jeanes Supervisors, Principals, city and rural teachers, embracing many of the most progressive teachers of the Southland.

Courses are offered in the review of literary subjects, in advance studies in general and special methods in education in business practice in sewing in domestic science in canning in manual training and in agriculture and school gardening.

The instructors will be chosen from the regular school faculty and will also include Mr. A. H. Parker, Principal Industrial High School, Birmingham, Alabama, and Mr. George L. Hayes, Supervising Principal City Schools, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Each day at 11 o'clock Round Tables will be conducted, or special addresses will be given by men of reputation in the educational world.

The list of speakers include: Dr. George E. Haynes, Fish University.

Mrs. Booker T. Washington, Director, Industries for Girls.

Major R. R. Moton, Principal-Elect, Tuskegee Institute

Prof. Zebulon Judd, Head of Department of Education, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Alabama.

Dr. J. H. Phillips, Superintendent City Schools, Birmingham, Alabama.

Mr. William F. Feagin, Superintendent of Education for Alabama, Montgomery, Alabama.

Mr. W. T. Sheehan, Editor, Montgomery Advertiser, Montgomery, Alabama

Mr. James L. Sibley, Rural School Agent of Alabama.

Mr. Jackson Davis, General Field Agent, General Education Board.

Dr. James H. Dillard, President, Jeanes Foundation.

The Sunday services will have special features. Means of recreation and entertainment will be provided for all.

### NATIONAL NEWS NOTES.

Brief Bits of News and Comments On Men and Women.

#### MUST FIX BOY'S FATE AS A

##### WHITE OR NEGRO.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Is a boy, to every appearance white, to have his life shaped in the less opportune channels of the Negro race; or,

Shall his lot be cast with the white race, with the risk that fatherhood may disclose in him Negro blood?

To scientists, humanitarians, legal experts and the public at large, Judge MacNeille, of juvenile court, propounds these questions. Central figure in the problem confronting the court is a 13-year-old boy, whose history was traced by probation officers, after he had been reported for truancy.

He was found living with Negro foster-parents, who adopted him in infancy.

Assistant District Attorney Fox offered the suggestion that the boy be allowed to remain with his foster-parents. A high-class Negro, he said, is preferable to a low-grade white man. If the boy has the right personal qualities, he said, his future is just as sure

if cast with the Negro race as with the white race.

The foster-father, Judge MacNeille explained, is willing to give up the boy, provided it can be proved there is no Negro blood in him. The foster-mother, protesting her love for the child she has cared for since infancy, wants to keep him.

All this has been kept from the boy himself, who knows only that he is being watched because he is somewhat inclined to "play hokey" from school.

The lad has perfectly white skin, a finely shaped head and physique, and good features. Dr. Walter S. Cornell, an authority, made a blood test of the boy at the request of Judge MacNeille, but found nothing to indicate what his ancestry is.

#### WHY A SPELLBINDER QUIT.

Chicago, Ill.—That the "statistics" relied upon by orators are sometimes superficial and treacherous is contained in a letter recently published in the Chicago Daily News by Professor G. B. Foster, a former minister who occupies the Chair of Philosophy of Religion at the University of Chicago. Here is what he is quoted as saying: "When I was a callow youth I stumped my native state for the prohibition party. I was your boy orator, filling the earth with homeopathic grains of thought in an Atlantic of utterance, as boy orators still do. My mind underwent a deep change, however. For one thing, I saw that high-minded and substantial citizens were not convinced by my arguments, but that they were grieved by my fiery folly. Then I began to look into the statistics upon which we temperance orators relied. I found how superficial and treacherous they were. I saw that it was not possible for their compilers to know that they were true. On the

basis of these statistics I had thundered that drink caused our poverty; I now saw that it was probably more true that poverty caused drink. I had pictured how drink caused domestic unhappiness; I now saw that often domestic unhappiness caused drink. 'Pastor,' said a laborer to me a year later, 'when the 6 o'clock bell rings I quit work and go home, but would rather go the other way.' I knew why. Later I took to drinking. I knew why. In a word, I had been saying on the basis of lying statistics that the evils of frail and faulty humanity were due to drink; I came to see that drink was due to these evils—evils that can be cured, not by the "strength" of prohibition, with its parades and its policemen and its politics, but a "strength" that comes from elsewhere and in another way."

#### WHITE ILLITERACY IN GEORGIA.

Atlanta, Ga.—There is admittedly a too high rate of illiteracy among the whites and the Negroes in Georgia. It has been discovered in a recent inquiry that there are thousands of adults of both races in the state who have never known how to read or write. Georgia is ashamed of this, but, wisely, is rather exposing than concealing the deplorable fact. Recently there have been conferences of state and local educationists in which plans have been formulated with the view of wiping out the disgrace at the earliest possible moment. Wherever the local authorities show a disposition to support the movement against illiteracy, the state board of education will cooperate. Certain other of the southern states in recent years have been called upon to meet and solve a similar problem. In the mountain and remoter agricultural districts in the South illiteracy among whites has always been prevalent. Only in recent years have the southern

states possessed the means of dealing adequately with the question. White illiteracy does not seem to decrease and the present effort is to bring this within bounds.

#### NOTES ON WOMEN'S WORK.

Among the many interesting women's conventions which are in preparation to be held this year, one very close at hand is that of the Northwestern Federation of Colored Women's Clubs which will convene at Wichita, Kans., June 7-9.

A knowledge of the problem indicates that they will be a very busy set of women and we are hoping for splendid results, looking to the benefit and advancement of the cause for which they are organized.

Among the northwestern states interested are, Arizona, California, Colorado, Iowa, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, Wisconsin, Wyoming and Illinois.

Meeting at the same time as the National conventions at Chicago, this meeting takes on peculiar importance. Mrs. J. Snowden-Porter of Illinois is President and Mrs. J. B. Rush of Iowa, Secretary.

Delegates will send their name and address to Miss Stella Turner, 518 N. Water St., Wichita, Kas., chairman of placing committee and she will send assignment. Delegates will be entertained free and the women of Wichita are sparing no pains to sustain their reputation for hospitality. When the convention is over each one will be glad to have had a part in it.—"C."

Thomas Cole, head of the Cole and Catlin Hotel, 3439 South State street, is visiting his old home, Louisville, Ky., where he will be in evidence at the derby.



HON. SAMUEL A. EITELSON.

The able and eloquent Corporation Counsel of Chicago, who is readily conceded to be the Prime Minister of the Thompson administration, who is loyally supporting Hon. Lawrence Y. Sherman for President of the United States.

### SKIRTS UP; STOCKINGS DOWN STYLES FIT THE MARKET.

Manufacturers Pleased, Although a Bit Surprised, Because Woman Wants Both Garments Shorter.

Philadelphia, Pa.—That skirts are going up and stockings are going down does not check underwear manufacturers; in fact, they are pleased about it, because materials are getting scarce.

Shorter skirts and shorter stockings for women this summer is to be the rule.

This fact was revealed at the opening meeting of the convention of the National Association of Hosiery and Underwear Manufacturers, when manufacturers expressed surprise that women with their skirts about half way to their knees should at the same time demand stockings almost as short as men's half hose.

In these piping times of war and the highest cost of living it is really enough to make the oldest hardened summers blush with shame, ten thousand times each day to behold the dear ladies in their extraordinary effort to undress themselves in every way, while promouncing up and down the most prominent streets of Chicago.—Editor.

### HON. HOSEA W. WELLS REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT.

At the April election, Judge Hosea W. Wells, Republican candidate for the Superior Court full term, to be voted for at the Judicial election Monday, June 5th, was elected as one of the Judges of the Municipal Court and it is not surprising to his numerous friends to state that he has more than made good in that position and the voters throughout Cook county will be honoring themselves in no small degree, by placing him on the Superior Court bench.

### THE REV. HON. ARCHIBALD JAMES CAREY, PH. D. D. D. DEFEATED IN HIS RACE FOR BISHOP.

The latest grapevine lightning message from Philadelphia, Pa., is that the Rev. Hon. Archibald James Carey, Ph. D. D. D. was not elected as one of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Church, he only receiving 35 votes.

### NEGRO FILES FOR LEGISLATURE.

Special to The Broad Ax—Atty. W. T. Francis has filed as a candidate for the Legislature from the 38th Dist. comprising parts of the 8th and 12th Wards of St. Paul, Minn.