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## CAREY LOOMS UP

### Popular Democratic Leader Is Coming Rapidly to the Front in the Democratic Race for Mayor

### Mayor Thompson Will Probably Be a Candidate for Re-Election Next Spring in the Opinion of Many

Thomas Carey is rapidly coming up as a formidable contender for the Democratic candidate for mayor. His friends are busy in every ward and Tom is a great campaigner when he gets started.

Many people see in the mayor's fight on the traction ordinance an indication that he will be a candidate for re-election next spring. The mayor has issued a call for opponents of the measure which the council ordered submitted to the voters on November 5 to gather in the city council chamber and plan a systematic campaign for its defeat.

"I invite," read the mayor's appeal, "representatives from labor and civic organizations, and citizens who are opposed to the proposed ordinance to meet me in the council chamber in the city hall at 2 o'clock on Monday, October 7, 1918, to consider ways and means for informing our people of the vicious character of the ordinance in order that they may vote intelligently on it."

His formal statement continues: "At the approaching November election the people of Chicago will determine by their ballots whether they will turn the streets of Chicago for all time to come over to the traction interests and beyond their own control, or whether they will retain that control in the hands of the people, where it belongs."

"On August 14 the Chicago city council passed an ordinance the terms of which place absolute and perpetual control of our street car and elevated railroads in the hands of a board of nine trustees or bosses appointed by the traction interests. That ordinance I have deliberately characterized as the most reprehensible piece of municipal legislation ever enacted."

"At the meeting of the city council following the passage of the malodorous ordinance I took occasion to veto it and pledged myself as follows: 'I want to serve notice here and now upon the members of your honorable body, upon the traction interests and upon the newspapers concerned, that if this ordinance is adopted over my veto I shall go before the people in every ward in Chicago, discuss its provisions in detail, and tell the people the truth about this ordinance, what it seeks to accomplish, and the interests it serves.'"

"Fifty-one aldermen voted for the passage of the ordinance over the mayor's veto; and some of these did so, as they explained, because it was provided in the ordinance that it should not become effective until approved by the people in accordance with the law in such cases made and provided, and these aldermen assumed an attitude of indifference toward the ordinance because they said it was a matter for the people themselves to determine."

"The forces which favor this ordinance are powerful and well organized, behind this proposed steal. They include the traction barons and all the representatives of special privilege, including all the big dailies in Chicago, except the Chicago Daily Journal."

"With this formidable array in control of the usual avenues of information, it will be a big undertaking to arouse the people of Chicago to their peril, and to let them know that

a vote for the ordinance means a vote to authorize the trustees to increase the rate of fare on the surface and elevated lines of Chicago whenever needed to meet their own increased expenditures. "Under these circumstances, I deem it my duty to use every means at my disposal to inform the people as to the gravity of the situation confronting them."

### VOTE FOR GIBBONS

Harry R. Gibbons, the well known box manufacturer and director in several banks, deserves to be elected county treasurer. He is honest, able and progressive. A heavy taxpayer himself, he will look after the interests of the people. His only son is with the army in France, and three of his nephews are fighting for Uncle Sam. He is the most popular candidate in the field.

### POLITICIANS TO "REFORM" MOVIES

#### Funny Censor Board Appointed By Alderman Otto Kerner.

Alderman Otto Kerner has appointed his friend, Tony Cermak, of the United Societies, ex-alderman, legislator, hallif of the Municipal Court and Democratic candidate for sheriff on the new Council Board of Movie Censorship. The chairman of the Board is former Justice of the Peace T. D. Hurley, and among the other members are Aldermen Link, Schwartz, Maypole and McCormick and Judge Harry Fisher. A fine band of reformers.

### DEMOCRATS AND THE 4TH LOAN

Democrats of Cook County get away to a flying start in their organization for the sale of liberty bonds as a prelude to their campaign in behalf of Senator James Hamilton Lewis and the Democratic ticket with a meeting of the managing committee.

"Sell your liberty bonds first. With the quota attained, you can call upon the voters to give the kaiser the next best slap in the face—a triumph for President Wilson's party in the November general election," urged Dennis J. Egan, chairman on organization.

Under the call issued in the name of James M. Dailey and William P. Feeney, chairman and secretary of the county committee, all Democratic precinct workers were ordered to report Saturday, September 28, to the ward liberty loan chairman for the period of the campaign.

### CITY EMPLOYEES LOSE PENSIONS

More than 1,000 city employees who have entered the military service face the loss of their rights in the city pension fund, according to an interpretation of the law recently given the trustees of the fund by Corporation Counsel Samuel A. Eitelson.

Employees absent on military leave must, according to the advice given the trustees, keep up their payments of \$2.50 per month or lose their rights in the fund. The pension law provides that they must be contributors in good standing and in the service of the city for twenty successive years before they are eligible to retirement on a pension. Those absent on leave, whether with or without pay, must keep up their payments during the interval.

The trustees have been advised that no exception can be made in the case of those absent on military

leave. City employees in France and in the training camps have written the trustees that they are unable to keep up the payments on their soldier's pay. In some cases the soldier's families have been able to take up the burden, but unless some means of providing a moratorium on fronting them."

### BANKERS' CONVENTION

With 4,000 delegates in attendance the section meetings of the American Bankers' Association annual convention began at the Congress hotel Tuesday. Meetings were held day and night until Saturday, and papers on banking problems were read by authorities of national reputation.

Sections meetings were held by the clearing house section in the Florentine room; the savings banks section in the Elizabethan room; the trust company section in the gold room; the state bank section in the green room. A joint meeting of the national bank, savings bank, state bank and trust company sections was scheduled for the gold room, at which various phases of the federal reserve system were discussed by E. D. Hulbert of Chicago, John Staley of Detroit, M. J. Dowling of Olivia, Minn., and Robert D. Kent of Pasadena, N. J.

W. P. G. Harding, governor of the federal reserve board, Washington, D. C., spoke before the national bank section Wednesday afternoon.

### GOVERNOR LOWDEN STARTS STATE DRIVE

With Governor and Mrs. Lowden as guests of honor, and George Sherwood Eddy, fresh from the battle

## PETERS POPULAR

### Republican Candidate for Sheriff Will Be Elected in November Beyond Any Doubt---People Are With Him

### Thousands of Democrats and Independents Will Mark Their Ballots for him to Swell His Majority

Charles W. Peters will be the next sheriff of Cook County.

If fitness for office is the guide for voters to follow then he will be the choice of the great majority.

For over twenty-five years Mr. Peters has been the assistant sher-

stocks and bonds owned by the Illinois Central Railroad company is the amount at stake in the contest between the railroads and taxing officials called for hearing before the board of review of Cook county. The matter has been a subject of controversy for several years, and the board is attempting to effect an early settlement, although it is expected that this will not be realized without a test in the courts.

The railroad company was incorporated in 1858. Its charter specifying that it should not be subject to tax, aside from a stipulated amount, payable to the state each year on a percentage basis and not classed as tax. The right of way outlined in the charter extends from the southern terminus of the Illinois and Michigan canal to Cairo, with a branch in Chicago and another branch to a point on the Mississippi river opposite Dubuque. The total number of miles of this right of way was 705.5. Since then the railroad has acquired additional rights of way, which make its total mileage \$4,377. It has acquired also vast amounts of stocks and bonds in nearly fifty subsidiary railroad and other corporations.

Attorney General Brundage a few months ago filed a petition with the board of review asking that an assessment be declared against the personal property acquired since 1859. He called attention to the fact that the Supreme court has decided that the company is not exempt from taxation on any property aside from that specified in the charter.

### RE-ELECT JUDGE SCULLY

Judge Thomas F. Scully has made good as judge of the County Court. His administration has been free from scandal and has been forceful and useful to the people. The elections have been conducted under his administration in a manner satisfactory to men of all parties, and the manifold duties of this responsible position have been faithfully performed by Judge Scully so well and so perfectly that voters generally believe that he is entitled to a re-election.

### RE-ELECT BARASA

Judge Bernard P. Barasa has made a splendid record on the municipal court bench. He deserves the votes of all citizens, regardless of party. He is just, able and fearless, and at the recent primary received more votes than any other Republican candidate.

### STREETS BELONG TO THE CITY

#### But Public Can Clean the Snow Off of Them to Aid City Tenants.

Alderman Nance was the alderman who introduced the ordinance in the City Council which would compel tenants and owners to clean snow off of sidewalks which the city owns and rents for newsstands and other purposes. Now Ald. Nance has another idea. If some City Hall grafter does not take advantage of it it will be funny:

"In riding through the streets I notice that on the telegraph and electric light poles, as well as on trees and fences and every other possible place where a politician could stick a card or paper sign, the sticking has been done. I have seen muslin signs two feet by four tacked up in the willow trees. Our streets are the most disgraceful streets of any city in the country during a political campaign. "Of course, one trouble is that candidates don't tear down their cam-

paign advertising after the election," explained Ald. Nance. "Another fault is that some candidates are not content with nailing one poster on a wall, but have to put up eight or ten side by side."

"I have an idea that much of the annoyance that is giving rise to complaints just now in residential sections could be obviated by the establishment of municipal bulletin boards in various parts of the city. Street advertising could be confined to these municipal bulletin boards and a small tax of a few cents a day charged by the city for the use of space on them. They could be utilized also for posting 'lost and found' notices, while neighborhood storekeepers probably would be glad to avail themselves of boards in their immediate localities."

### DEMOCRATS GET BUSY

Democratic leaders, facing the task of re-electing Senator Lewis with the state generally recognized as Republican by 100,000, have plunged into the work of registering the voters for the November tilt.

Under the law there will be a general registration on two days, October 5 and 13, which means that every man and woman, registered at present or not, must appear at his or her polling place on one of those days to qualify for participation in the election.

"It means we must register the 750,000 voters on the present lists and possibly a large number of new ones who will be aroused by the senatorial contest," said Dennis J. Egan, chief clerk of the election board.

Chairman James M. Dailey of the Democratic managing committee called a meeting to start the registration campaign. Friday the new state committee, headed by Ernest Hoover of Taylorville, will be convened in the Hotel Sherman.

By that time William L. O'Connell, campaign manager for Senator Lewis will be ready to outline his plans for state-wide activities. The exact date when Mr. Lewis will make his appearance in Illinois is still undetermined.

One feature of the campaign has been definitely decided. The peppery platform adopted in convention at Springfield, tearing into the Republican party for its leaders of "exploited disloyalty," will go broadcast over the state.

### ALDERMEN, STOP THIS

#### Help Your Constituents By Abating a Nuisance.

The Chicago City Council owes it to the million of people who attend moving picture theaters in Chicago to put a curb on the people who disturb others in the audience by carrying on conversations while the play is on the screen.

These know-it-alls and leather-junged idiots are to be found in every theater in Chicago, to the annoyance of everybody else.

The Chicago City Council 20 years ago, on the initiative of Alderman N. M. Plotke, passed an ordinance prohibiting women from wearing hats in theaters and thus obstructing the view of other people.

The smart Alecks laughed at this ordinance at first—especially the smart Aleck daily press—but the city enforced it and today it is the rule in every theater in America.

A good healthy fine for talkers during acts in movie theaters would conserve much wind that is used now to annoy respectable theater patrons.



FRANK O. LOWDEN, Popular War Governor of Illinois.

fronts of Europe, as principal orator, 500 delegates from Illinois assembled at the Hotel La Salle Tuesday to map the state's drive in the United War Work campaign for \$170,500,000 from Nov. 11 to 18.

Illinois' quota is \$12,740,000, of which \$3,500,000 is assigned to Chicago and Cook County.

Governor Lowden in a patriotic address declared he knew Illinois well enough to promise the state will give its quota.

### ALL FOR THESE

On the three state questions that will go on the November election ballot both parties will agree in their endorsement. They are: For a constitutional convention. For a \$60,000,000 bond issue for good roads. For state control of private banks.

ill or chief deputy of the sheriff's office. Familiar with every detail, trustworthy and honest, he has virtually run this great office under all administrations, whether the incumbent was Democratic or Republican.

Mr. Peters has never before been a candidate for an elective office.

This time he was chosen at the greatest primary in party history by the Republican voters to lead the ticket at this election.

He deserves to be elected and he will be elected.

He will receive thousands of Democratic votes and thousands of independent votes in addition to the united strength of the Republican party.

### BRUNDAGE AFTER I. C.

Nearly \$500,000 of back tax on \$20,000,000 worth of corporation

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