

SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 5, 1909.

Good Government Candidates for Council All Men of Exceptional Qualifications



NEVER before in the history of Los Angeles were nine men better qualified for public duty than the nine candidates endorsed and supported by the Good Government organization for city council.

Men who have made good in their private affairs and are willing to sacrifice time and money in order to give decent, honest and efficient government to men who owe their all to the Southern Pacific machine, and who will do the bidding of Boss Walter Parker, to the detriment of Los Angeles.

which the council would have lost for it. He has fought his own way in the people's behalf and has made no mistakes. If Smith expects to be mayor he should take a few lessons from Alexander.

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to a circular which I personally sent out among the voters of the Forty-ninth precinct. To say the least, the Times article is unjust and untrue.

"Without the knowledge of the Good Government organization or any of its officers, some of the residents in my precinct decided to undertake a private campaign in behalf of decency and good government. We circulated the following letter:

"The election of Dec. 1 will have a vital effect on the future of Los Angeles. The result will either be a leap backward, as in San Francisco, or another step forward in good government.

"In civic pride and progressive principles, Los Angeles is the foremost city in the United States, and just now the eyes of the world are upon us to see if this city will return to the notorious corruption of the last administration, or decide for a continuation of honest and efficient public administration.

"The primary election of November 10 was a splendid victory for good government. It was a great triumph for those candidates who will maintain a government of the people, for the people and by the people, and a government of politicians, for the interests and by the machine.

"As voters, we earnestly invite you to work and vote with us for the candidates named on the enclosed card, whose good and honest characters give assurance of honest, intelligent and able administration of our municipal affairs.

"In the Times article I am accused of having tried to make it appear that one of the signers of the letter, Percy K. Ross, is the same man as Percy W. Ross, a machine candidate for council. We never think of using as an asset the name of a candidate who is reported as saying in a public speech that he did not wish to serve the city council with such men as Judge Works and W. J. Washburn, but preferred such men as Healy, Lyon and Yonkin, who are notorious for their machine affiliations.

"I feel that an apology is due to Percy K. Ross, the citizen, for having thus exposed him to the danger of being mistaken for Percy W. Ross, the candidate.

"Percy K. Ross is an excellent citizen who has been affiliated with good government work long before the writer ever heard of Percy W. Ross, the candidate.

"The attack on Mr. Lissner is wholly uncalculated, since the first he saw of this circular was when it was in print and ready for mailing. He knew nothing regarding who would sign the letter, nor did either he or I think for a moment that it would make the sparks fly so."

"The Twenty-first Precinct Good Government club will hold a meeting at 4 o'clock this afternoon at 462 South Figueroa street.

"The negro vote will be cast for Mayor Alexander," said L. C. Luke yesterday. Mr. Luke is one of the prominent men in negro circles and is closely in touch with his fellow citizens.

"If there is any race that should stand for law and order, it is the negro," said Mr. Luke. "I am certain that Mayor Alexander will give all the people a good administration. The machine will not do that. It will be for private interests and not for the public good. It will take me long to conclude that a vote for Alexander is a vote for law and order and good government. Therefore, for the good of the negro, I counsel him to vote the Good Government ticket straight. I know that the best members of my race will vote that way, and I know we will glory in continuing to call 'Uncle George' mayor once more."

The executive committee of the Voters League, an organization representative of all classes in the community, after careful and impartial consideration, makes the following recommendations:

"We respectfully recommend voters who desire that Los Angeles should be governed by honest, anti-machine men to vote for all of the candidates for city officers endorsed by the Good Government organization. Do not support any of the councilman candidates who you will help to elect two or three of the opposition. Such danger ought to be avoided, since the charter makes the council the greatest power in our government and requires six votes for every appropriation of money. Hence it is essential to have at least six or seven staunch and faithful councilmen to prevent deals or log-rolling for monopolies or selfish interests.

"We respectfully recommend the electors to vote on all of the important referendum questions on the ballot. The franchise for the extension of the San Pedro street railway should be voted against, because it is a scheme to deprive the people of 2 per cent of the gross profits due them under the state law, as the bookkeeping would be complicated if this separate franchise should be granted, the northern portion of this line now being operated in defiance of the city attorney's written

opinion given the council, that the railway franchise on San Pedro street has been forfeited because the company failed to comply with the conditions specified in said franchise. So vote against this first proposition, in order that the new city council may arrange for a lease to the railway company on terms more favorable to the city and may require adequate compensation for this valuable privilege.

"Vote against the ordinance fixing telephone rates, which are not equitable.

"Vote for the ordinance creating a department of public utilities, which is greatly needed.

"While we favor a new site for the city hall as near the county court house as practicable, we believe that the council that refused to trust the people to vote on the Temple block site can not be trusted to dispose of the present city hall property. Therefore, we most emphatically urge the electors to vote AGAINST the sale of the city hall and thus to increase the probability that the Temple block may be exchanged for a better site. The council that showed such bad judgment as to pay too great a price (\$375,000) for a site admittedly too small and entirely too noisy for a city hall, probably would sell the present site for less than it is worth. This question could be submitted at the bond election next month.

"For similar reasons we advise against permitting the present council to sell the city jail and police station property."

The Executive Committee of the Voters League, J. H. LAPHAM, Acting President.

U. S. C. JUNIORS TO GIVE FARCE "FATE AND FRESHMAN" TO BE PRESENTED DEC. 16-17

PLAY IS WRITTEN BY U. OF W. STUDENT

Plot Shows Trials and Tribulations of New Man in College Who Gets In and Out of "Scrapes" Easily

Following the custom of previous years the class of 1911 of the University of Southern California will produce what is known as the "Juniors' annual show" the evenings of December 16 and 17 in the chapel of the college of liberal arts. They have selected the three-act farce, "Fate and the Freshman," as the piece to be presented, and for two weeks have been diligently at work rehearsing it under the coaching of Miss Edna June Terry of the college of oratory, whose long experience in things theatrical makes her especially proficient in this line of work.

The juniors are also indebted to Miss Terry for the play itself, she having secured it for them from the University of Wisconsin, where it was produced two years ago.

"Fate and the Freshman" is by Horatio Winslow, a former student of Wisconsin university who has since taken up playwriting as a profession. It is a story of the trials and tribulations of a new man in college, who by the intervention of fate in the persons of his fellow students escapes time after time from "scrapes" he gets himself into through his ignorance.

The character of the freshman will be taken by Sam Dick, well known among the collegians as the yell leader of the "Modios" school. Those who have seen the rehearsals speak highly of his efforts, and it is freely predicted he will make a hit as the freshman. Miss Genevieve Buchanan, as the country girl, also has a good part and is doing well with it. The cast is:

James G. Wagstaff, the freshman... Sam Dick... William Wagstaff, U. S. C. '01, his father... Edward Pelton, a sophomore, just out of... Grant Richardson... Hal Paulen... Albert Hennings, collector for a clothing store... John Corbin... John Rogers... John Tatt... Ensign Hanson of the Salvation Army... Mrs. Wagstaff, the freshman's mother... Eastie Mae Studerford, from the east... Miss Bien

SYNOPSIS: Act 1—Sitting room at the Theta Ro house, evening preceding commencement—"Fate and Frolic." Act 2—Same. "Fate and the Tailor's Bill." Act 3—The end of the Theta Ro's pier, "Fate."

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CHURCHMAN'S SON FORCED TO CRIME COUNCIL ST. OWNERS FILE HOT PROTEST

Ossian M. Congdon, son of a once prominent member of the Rock River Methodist conference of Illinois, appeared yesterday for sentence on a charge of passing a fictitious check, and later, in the county jail, told his story of a fight against circumstances, declaring he was compelled to commit crime in order that he might obtain money to send to his sick wife and to buy food for himself.

Property owners living on Council street have asked the city council to review the proceedings for the paving of Lake Shore boulevard from First to Temple streets and to relieve them from paying heavy assessments for the improvement.

Grieving Mother Works "She was forced to borrow the money for her journey," said Congdon, "and since her arrival in Los Angeles she has been working for \$4 a week. Her grief is harder for me to bear than the thoughts of my own position."

The protesters believe they will receive no actual benefit from any improvement on Lake Shore. While, on the map, Council street appears to run into Lake Shore boulevard, it does not do so actually, as there is a steep bluff dividing the two streets.

Sends Money to Wife A portion of the money, he said, was sent to his wife at El Paso, the rest was spent for food. Congdon said he dreaded to appeal to charity for assistance, and although a member of the Masonic order, felt that he could not apply for relief in that direction because he was behind in his dues.

Orders Claims Paid SEATTLE, Dec. 4.—The federal court today ordered claims against the George Edward Adams fund paid on proof made to the clerk of the court. Adams was for more than eight years cashier of the United States assay office here and used to levy toll on all bags of gold dust turned into the office by miners. He was convicted of embezzlement, sentenced to ten years in the federal prison, and all his property was taken. Adams is estimated to have stolen \$175,000.

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