

ANNOUNCE CUT IN WAGE RATE

Sheet and Tin Mill Owners and
Employees Agree on
Reduction.

DUE TO BUSINESS CONDITIONS

Under Agreement Binding on Both
Parties the Change is Amicably Re-
ceived—Others News of Gen-
eral Interest to Labor.

Wages of sheet and tin mill work-
ers took another backward turn at
the regular bi-monthly settlement in
Louisville, Ky., between representa-
tives of the Western Sheet and Tin-
plate Manufacturers' association and
the Amalgamated Association of Iron,
Steel and Tin Workers.

It was found the average price of
Nos. 26, 27 and 28 gauge black sheets
shipped during March and April was
\$4.50 per 100 pounds, a reduction of
40 cents from the average price in
January and February. This means a
cut of 10 per cent for sheet mill op-
eratives for the May-June period. When
the March settlement was made there
was a cut of 10 1/2 per cent for sheet
mill workers who had received an ad-
vance of 7 per cent at the January
settlement.

GENERAL LABOR NEWS

More than 175,000 people in Japan
abandoned agricultural pursuits to
work in new and enlarged factories
during the war.

In the 22 coal-producing counties of
Iowa, 9,049,806 tons of coal were pro-
duced from 256 mines, with an average
of 15,464 men employed in 1917.

No Argentine industry has been free
from the menace of strikes during the
last two years, but the railways have
suffered more than any other single
class.

The new German national assembly
has promised to introduce a bill limit-
ing the workday for miners to seven
hours, including the period consumed
in ascent and descent.

Leather workers employed on trav-
elers' goods have succeeded in short-
ening hours, increasing wages and im-
proving working conditions in a num-
ber of localities throughout the coun-
try.

Illinois is the only state which can
report a decrease in child labor for
the period of the war, according to
Miss Jennette Bates, assistant attor-
ney general, assigned to the depart-
ment of factory inspection.

The threatened strike in the paper
mills of Finch, Pruyin & Co., Glens
Falls, N. Y., was averted when work-
ers' demands were granted at a con-
ference between company officials and
representatives of the men. Under
agreement mechanics will be paid 60
cents an hour and other workers will
receive a flat increase of 5 cents an
hour.

Six hundred members of the Toledo
Ladies' Garment Workers' union have
received a 15 per cent increase
in wages and a decrease in working
hours from 50 to 46 a week, with the
provision that if workers in New York
obtain a 44-hour week that standard
will be adopted in Toledo. A guaran-
tee of 50 weeks' work a year also was
obtained.

When 800 striking ice men, em-
ployees of every ice company in De-
troit, returned to work, after the diffi-
culty was adjusted by the mayor of the
city, they returned with increases in
wages which make them, it is said, the
highest paid men in the United States
for this class of service. Increases in
wages made by the General Ice com-
pany give foremen \$36 a week and
those who peddle ice from the wag-
ons \$33.

A general strike of 50,000 garment
workers was ordered by Benjamin
Schlesinger, president of the Interna-
tional Ladies' Garment Workers' union.
The union demands a 44-hour week,
change from piece-work basis to a
weekly salary and a minimum wage
scale. The winning of the demands
would mean the revolutionizing of the
garment industry in New York, and is
aimed at the abolition of "sweat
shops." It is also hoped to extend the
"active season" from six to eight
months.

Approximately 600 ironmolders, 400
in Cincinnati and 200 in Covington,
Ky., did not return to their jobs fol-
lowing the failure of the employers and
officials of the International
Molders' union to agree after nego-
tiations pending since January 1.

Preparation of a report embodying
organized labor's stand on reconstruc-
tion and national and international is-
sues was begun at New York at a ses-
sion of the executive council of the
American Federation of Labor. The
report will be made public at the fed-
eration's national convention in At-
lantic City next month.

**VOTE FOR
N. B. KUHLMAN**

Candidate For
CITY COMMISSIONER

Primary Sept. 6, 1919

He Will Appreciate Your Support

FIRE TIES UP SOO TRAFFIC

Scores of Vessels Unable to Pass
Through the Locks at Sault Ste.
Marie—Business at Standstill.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Aug. 13.—
The worst tieup of business ever ex-
perienced at the Soo as the result of
forest fires now is on. The town has
been cut off by telegraph and tele-
phone for 24 hours. Not a boat passed
through the locks during the day,
and scores have anchored in the river
until the smoke pall lifts. Three big
freighters are aground. The flames
are sweeping eastward toward the
lake, endangering several villages.

Charles F. Bruch, general manager
of the Postal Telegraph system, an-
nounced that effective June 1, the
eight-hour day and time and a half
for overtime had been adopted for
all the system's employes in fifty-one
large and small cities in the United
States.

The Cumberland (Ky.) Telephone
& Telegraph company has given an
advance ranging from 10 to 20 per
cent in the wages of wire employes
and \$1 a week in wages of its opera-
tors. Its wire men were receiving \$60
to \$95 per month and its operators
\$12 to \$22 a week.

TO CLARK JACKSON

Euzella Jackson vs. Clark Jackson
State of Tennessee In Chancery
Court of Knox county No. 1686
In this cause, it appearing from the
bill filed, which is sworn to that the
residence of the defendant Clark Jack-
son is unknown, and cannot be as-
certained upon diligent inquiry, so
that the ordinary process cannot be
served upon him, it is ordered that
aid defendant appear before the
Chancery Court, at Knoxville, Tennes-
see, on or before the first Monday
of Oct. next, and make defense to
aid bill, or the same will be taken
for confessed and the cause set for
hearing ex parte as to him.

This notice will be published in the
Knoxville Independent for four suc-
cessive weeks.

This 12th day of August, 1919
J. C. Ford, Clerk & Master
S. E. N. Moore, Sol.
Aug. 16 23 30 Sept 6 1919

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE.

TO MARY ELLEN FISHER

Park V. Fisher vs. Mary Ellen Fisher
State of Tennessee, in the Circuit
Court of Knox County, No. 8782

In this cause it appearing from
the bill filed, which is sworn to, that
the defendant, Mary Ellen Fisher is
a non-resident of the State of Ten-
nessee, so that the ordinary process
cannot be served upon her, it is or-
dered that said defendant appear
before the Circuit Court, at Knox-
ville, Tennessee, on or before the first
Monday of September next, and make
defense to said bill, or the same will
be taken for confessed and the cause
set for hearing ex parte as to her.

This notice will be published in the
Knoxville Independent for four suc-
cessive weeks.

This 9th day of August, 1919
Fred E. Carter, Clerk Circuit Court
G. H. Mynatt, Sol.
Aug. 9 16 23 30 1919

TO CHRIS M. GANAS

Josie Ganas vs. Chris M. Ganas
State of Tennessee In Chancery
Court of Knox county No. 16779

In this cause it appearing from
the bill filed, which is sworn to, that
the defendant, Chris M. Ganas is
a non-resident of Tennessee, so that
the ordinary process cannot be
served upon him, it is ordered that
said defendant appear before the
Chancery Court, at Knoxville, Tennes-
see, on or before the first Monday
of Oct. next, and make defense to
said bill, or the same will be taken
for confessed and the cause set for
hearing ex parte as to him. This
notice will be published in the
KNOXVILLE INDEPENDENT for
four successive weeks.

This 15th day of Aug. 1919
J. C. FORD, C. & M.
Bowen & Anderson, Sol's.
Aug. 16 23 30, Sept. 6 1919

TO MARY FRANCIS FLANAGAN

Rose F. Hackworth Guardian, et al
vs. Mary Francis Flanagan
State of Tennessee, in Chancery
Court of Knox County, No. 1715

In this cause, it appearing from the
bill filed, which is sworn to that the
defendant, Mary Francis Flanagan is
non-resident of the State of Tennes-
see, so that the ordinary process
cannot be served upon her, it is or-
dered that said defendant appear
before the Chancery Court, at Knox-
ville, Tennessee, on or before the
first Monday of Oct. next, and make
defense to said bill, or the same
will be taken for confessed and the
cause set for hearing ex parte as to
her. This notice will be published
in the KNOXVILLE INDEPENDENT
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This 16th day of June 19 19
J. C. FORD, C. & M.
Greep & Webb, Sol's.
Aug. 9 16 23 30 1919

**VOTE FOR
E. W. NEAL**
Candidate For
MAYOR

Primary Sept. 6th.

He Will Appreciate Your Support

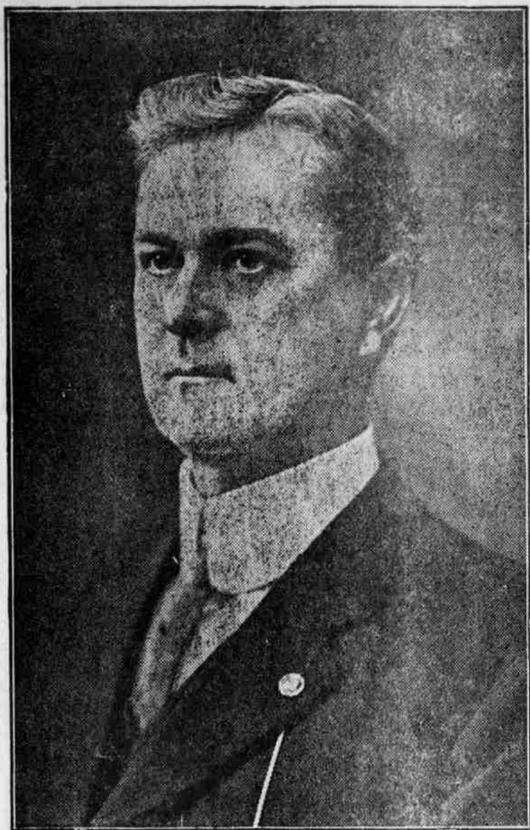
E. W. NEAL

CANDIDATE FOR

MAYOR

Lays Bare Some Campaign Stories
and Flays the Present Mayor for
Building Gay Street Viaduct with

SCAB LABOR



To The Voters of Greater Knoxville:

Greater Knoxville now contains nearly twenty-
seven square miles and a population of between
ninety and one hundred thousand people. It is im-
possible in the limited time before the primary of
Saturday, September 6th, for me to personally see
anything like all the voters, so I take this means
of getting before the readers of The Plain Dealer
my position as to some of the more important du-
ties to be discharged by an efficient mayor of this
great city and invite your careful attention to same.

Has Not Made Any Promises To Chief Connors Or Any One Else

Some weeks ago a letter, signed by my oppo-
nent, was mailed to a number of voters which
charged that some of my friends are working for
his (McMillan's) defeat, with the hope and under-
standing that I will when elected restore former
Chief of Police, Ed D. Connors, to office. As a re-
sult, many good men and women voters no doubt
have been led to believe that when I am elected
mayor I will restore or reappoint Ed D. Connors as
Chief of Police, or to some other position in the
city government; and some of the supporters of
my opponent have gone so far as to circulate that
I am a Catholic. The only object in circulating
these reports is an effort to prejudice the voters
against my candidacy. I have been plain and frank
with the people in stating my position on all pro-
positions. I am not a politician and therefore not
given to making promises as some politicians do,
but I feel that it is due to myself as a candidate
and to the voters of Knoxville that since these
charges and rumors have been circulated upon me
that the general public know whether they are
true or not. In the first place, I will say that it
is absolutely untrue that I have promised, directly
or indirectly, Ed D. Connors, or anyone else, that
when I am elected mayor that I will restore or ap-
point him as Chief of Police, or appoint him to any
other office in the city government, and desire to
emphatically state that I have not been approached
by Ed. D. Connors or anyone else asking for his
restoration or appointment as Chief of Police, or
to any other position in the city government. I
have great confidence in the fair-mindedness of
the great masses of the working people and feel
that when they find out that charges of this kind
made against me are utterly false, as they are,
that they will resent any attempt to fool or mis-
lead them on this subject or on any other sub-
ject.

States His Church Affiliation

I deprecate the fact that church matters have
been dragged into this race for mayor. Church
relations are too sacred to be the subject of polit-
ical or other controversy. I consider it very unfor-
tunate that any candidate for public office must
refer to his church connections or affiliations, be-
lieving as I do that there are many good men and
women in all the churches and also many good
men and women who are not members of any par-
ticular church, but inasmuch as it has been
charged and circulated that I am a Catholic, in
justice to myself and the public, I desire to say
that I am not a Catholic, but I became a member
of the Methodist Church in my young manhood
and have been affiliated with that church ever
since. However, I accord every man the right
and privilege to select his own church connections.
I appeal to the fair minded voters, especially
among the great working masses of the people,
as to whether or not it is just and fair for a can-
didate or his friends to make such flagrant and
false charges as this against a candidate simply for
the purpose of prejudicing the minds of the vot-
ers against him, who don't know his church faith,
and I appeal to the voters of Knoxville to resent
such method of campaigning.

Favors Organized Labor

Having been born and reared of poor parentage,
and being a self-made man, working my way to
the present business attainment which I now
hold as a business man, I have necessarily had
practically every experience that any laboring
man has in working my way to my present suc-
cess. Necessarily my heart beats with sympathy
with every laboring man who is toiling to make
an honest living and better his condition and that
of his family. As a result, I believe in and have

always favored the laborer receiving just com-
pensation for his services, and have always favor-
ed the organization of labor in the various trades
for the purpose of legitimately protecting itself
in securing fair and just compensation, and have
recognized all along that the various lines of bus-
iness are likewise organized for mutual benefit,
so that I believe that labor has an equal right to
effect and maintain its trade organizations. My
opponent, the present mayor, claims to be a great
friend of the laboring man or organized labor.
I wish to call attention to organized labor the fact
that the present mayor and associates let the con-
tract for the construction of the Gay Street via-
duct, which work is now going on, to a contractor
for considerably more than \$200,000.00, who ab-
solutely refuses to recognize or work organized
labor in its construction, and is constructing this
viaduct—the largest piece of public works that
has been done during the mayor's administration—
is being done by nothing but "scab labor;" and I
also call the attention of the voters and tax pay-
ers to the fact that the present mayor, in letting
this big contract of construction work, gave it to
the present contractor at a price of more than
\$16,000.00 more than another responsible bidder
offered to construct it for, being the same man
who recently constructed the Farragut Hotel in
this city and who worked on this hotel and would
have worked on the construction of the viaduct
nothing but organized labor. The present mayor,
since he has been in office, has seen fit to give
all, or practically all, of the construction work of
street improvement to the Murray Construction
Company—and whoever heard of the Murray Con-
struction Company recognizing or working organ-
ized labor? Does this show that the present
mayor is the great friend of organized labor he
says he is? If I had been your mayor and two
men offered to construct the Gay Street viaduct,
one refusing to recognize or work organized lab-
or, and the other offering to use only organized
labor in its construction, and more especially
when the latter offered to do it for \$16,000.00
cheaper, I would have favored letting the con-
tract to the man who would have worked and
used organized labor in its construction.

The present mayor charges that he voted to
build the Gay Street viaduct to Vine Avenue and
that I voted to stop it at Jackson Avenue. I favor-
ed the construction of the Gay Street viaduct
to Vine Avenue more than three years ago when
the cost of construction was at least seventy-five
per cent less than what it now is, but for some
reason or other satisfactory to the present mayor
he saw fit to hold off the matter until just be-
fore his candidacy for re-election came on and, as
a consequence, it is costing the tax payers of
the City of Knoxville, and that is you, and you,
and every other man who lives in the City of
Knoxville, by this delay more than \$100,000.00
extra. I believe in a progressive administration
of the affairs of this great city and shall stand
for such, but when elected I shall unalterably op-
pose the expenditure of more money for actual
running expenses of the city than the tax levy pro-
vides for. In other words, I shall keep the living
expenses of the city within its income, just as
every other individual should do in his own living
expenses. I shall have some other matters to
bring to your attention at a later date.

If the voters of this city, both men and wom-
en, believe in an honest, fair, fearless, clean bus-
iness administration of the affairs of the City by
a man who will give his entire time to the duties
of the office of Mayor, and who will carry into ef-
fect and discharge all these duties with the same
business ability that has made his own business
a success, I appeal to you to go out and register
without fail and give to me your vote and influ-
ence in my election in the primary. Registration
is now on in every ward of the City and will con-
tinue until Wednesday, August 21st, when it
closes. This is the regular biennial registration
and every voter has to register again regardless
of when he heretofore registered, in order to par-
ticipate in the coming municipal primary. I appeal
to both men and women voters of Knoxville
along this line. This is your city, the municipal
government will be your government, and it is up
to you to decide who your mayor shall be.

Very cordially yours,

E. W. NEAL.