

POLITICAL HOPES

Candidate for Nomination for District Attorney by Republicans Reviews Career

Football Athlete at College and Never Before Seeker for an Elective Office

By GEORGE A. VAN SMITH

Charles Marron Fickert was unanimously chosen by the businessmen's executive committee of 25 as the republican candidate for district attorney, entitled to the endorsement and support of the businessmen's committee of 200.

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WAS FOOTBALL HERO

Fickert is an interesting personality. A few years ago "Giant" Fickert, captain of the Leland Stanford university football team and tall round athlete, was a hero of the campus and his name figured prominently in the amateur sporting news.

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TELLS PERSONAL HISTORY

"My second initial stands for Marron. I am French. I am 35 years old. I was born in a ranch in Kern county, which was near Bear valley, which was 17 miles from nowhere. I have been in San Francisco more than 10 years since 1898.

AS TO GRAFT PROSECUTION

"If you are elected, Mr. Fickert," I asked, "will the graft prosecutions go on?" "I have made no promises either way," he replied. "Any man who is guilty ought to be punished. I don't want to presume the guilt or innocence of an man."

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CANDIDATES FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY—NO. 1

Charles M. Fickert, Chosen by Businessmen's Committee, Expresses Views on Principal Issues of Campaign

Here are some facts about the life and personality of Charles M. Fickert, candidate of the businessmen's committee for the republican nomination for district attorney, and his views on some issues of the campaign. They were given by Mr. Fickert in answer to questions put by a representative of The Call:

Thirty-five years old; born on a ranch near Bear valley, Kern county, California; married; has two children.

Weights 220 pounds in ordinary clothing—207 pounds stripped; height, 6 feet and 2 inches; broad, square shoulders; fair complexion; brown hair.

Prominent college athlete; known as "Giant" among athletic enthusiasts; played guard on Leland Stanford Jr. university football team; captain of team of 1896, which defeated California; held college record for shotput; held college record for hammer throw; broke world's record with old fashioned handle hammer; record disallowed.

Graduated from Stanford in 1898; took degree in constitutional history; carried law as minor subject; was treasurer of student body 1898-9.

Came to San Francisco in 1898; entered law office of W. B. Kollmyer; admitted to practice of law following year; appointed assistant United States district attorney under Marshall Woodworth in 1903; left the federal service in 1905 after appointment of United States District Attorney Robert Devlin; in private practice since.

Has taken an active interest in politics; attended conventions of the republican party; never a candidate before and never campaigned for himself.

Became candidate for district attorney because of insistence of his friends; if elected will retain best of his private practice; thinks that duties of district attorney will not interfere with this practice, and that if he "makes good" he will be able to command double his present private practice upon retirement.

Graft Prosecution—"I have made no promises either way—that the prosecutions will go on or be discontinued. I don't want to presume the guilt or innocence of any man. The prosecution of the pending indictments will go on if the evidence is there to convict. I will go over them pretty carefully. I will not say that Heney will be or will not be a deputy if I am elected."

Hetch Hetchy Municipal Water Project—"I haven't been directly interested in that question. I think we need a better water supply. If we had had any water it would have been easy to prevent the town burning up. We need Hetch Hetchy more than some other things they are asking for. I favor it. We will have to commence now. The future of the city requires it—demands it."

Gas Rates—"The 90 cent gas rate is enough. The company was not put to any great expense for rehabilitation."

United Railroads' Attempt to Secure Monopoly of Lower Market Street—"That is a governmental rather than a legal question. Of course there is probably a legal question involved. I have not given the question much thought. I am not prepared to say what should be done. The transferring has resulted in a good deal of inconvenience. I think the company could switch its cars down on the inside tracks."

Resubmission of Geary Street Municipal Railroad Bond Project—"It should not be resubmitted at this time. Many people voted for it thinking they would get work fixing it up. The people have had too many little things put on them. I think we should leave it and postpone the question of municipal ownership for five years."

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STRIKERS WOUNDED IN TANNERY RIOTS

WISCONSIN STATE TROOPS READY TO TAKE CHARGE

KENOSHA, Wis., July 22.—Anticipation of a further outbreak following the rioting today at the plant of the N. A. Allen Sons company, tanners, when three strikers were shot, state troops were prepared tonight to proceed on a moment's notice to take charge of the situation.

General Otto H. Falk, in charge of the state troops, declared that at the first sign of further rioting he would order a troop of cavalry and two regiments of infantry to the scene.

The rioting today began when the guards attempted to disperse strikers who gathered in numbers about the entrance of the plant. Any man who is guilty ought to be punished. I don't want to presume the guilt or innocence of an man."

What was said to have been a move by the strikers to rescue their comrades from jail was thwarted by Sheriff Gunther.

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DOLAN WELCOMES GREENE ON BALLOT

Sheriff Will Not Contest Right of Democrat to Place on Ticket

Sends Letter to Registrar Zemansky Setting Forth His Attitude

No effort will be made to prevent Edward M. Greene's name from going on the ballot as a democratic candidate for sheriff. Although Frank H. Gould, backed by Gavin McNab and Tom Hickey, was inclined to question the action of the registrar in giving Greene the benefit of the doubt when it was found that his petition lacked one of the necessary number of names, he changed his mind when Sheriff "Larry" Dolan issued orders that Greene was not to be interfered with.

Registrar Zemansky pointed out that the law required him to disregard any name appearing on a nomination paper which was not on the great register and asked: "What about republicans and union labor men who are on the great register and have signed for a democrat?"

Gavin McNab, in discussing the matter, asked a few questions, too, among them this one: "If 500 republicans who had signed Byron Mauzy's petition were induced to change their registration to democratic, would Mauzy lose his place on the ticket?"

But "Larry" Dolan is not interested in academic questions. He likes a good fight and writes a worthy opponent. So he wrote the following letter to the registrar, which puts a quietus on the dispute:

San Francisco, July 22, 1909. Mr. Harry Zemansky, Registrar, San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir: I have been informed through the press and by friends of the petition of Edward Greene for a place on the democratic ballot for the office of sheriff, in opposition to myself, contains but 637 properly registered names, falling short of the number required by law to entitle it to a position on the democratic ballot; but that, owing to some doubt in your mind as to the validity of some other petitions, you intend presenting his name to the election commission for a place on the democratic primary ballot as a candidate for sheriff.

In this connection I desire to inform you that no person, at my suggestion or with my consent, will oppose your contemplated action.

The purpose of the primary law is to give the greatest freedom of the expression of opinion and, if any considerable number of democrats whether the requisite legal number or not, desire that Greene's name shall appear on the ballot that they may have an opportunity to vote for him, I certainly will not be a party to defeating that wish.

Very truly yours, L. J. DOLAN.

SAN FRANCISCO KILLED IN STOCKTON ASYLUM

Frank Dondoro Beaten to Death by Fellow Patients

STOCKTON, July 22.—Frank Dondoro, who was committed to the local asylum for the insane from San Francisco on July 8, 1909, died tonight from the effects of a beating given him by patients in his ward on Monday night.

He was considered dangerous for a time, but later appeared all right and was placed in a ward with others. Though the attendant passed through the section often he failed to notice any disturbance. The deceased has relatives in San Francisco.

CURRY SAYS HE IS IN FIGHT TO STAY

Declares That He Will Begin Campaign for Governorship at Once

Sudden Announcement Comes as Gillett Is Preparing For a Vacation

The announcement made yesterday for action Governor Gillett and his friends are taking a careful look over the political sea. Curry's announcement caught Gillett by surprise. The state executive was preparing for a rest and outing and was not in a mood to enter into a fresh political controversy. He reached San Francisco yesterday to complete preparations for an automobile trip to his home in Eureka, where he will spend his vacation.

"There need be no surprise at my action," said Curry. "I have given Governor Gillett the opportunity to make known his intentions, but he has chosen to remain silent. I have understood that he would not run again and so have come out into the open. I am a candidate. It is now up to the people. I will be busy from now until election."

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Curry has held the office of secretary of state for three consecutive terms. He has a large following in southern California as well as in San Francisco, where he received his political training. Curry was born in Illinois, in 1858, and spent the early years of his life in Wisconsin and Washington territory. He came to San Francisco in 1875, and in 1885 was elected to the assembly from the thirty-fifth district. Later he acted as superintendent of station B of the local postoffice, resigning in 1894, when he was elected county clerk. Four years later he was elected secretary of state and has held the position ever since.

It was a trip through the southern part of the state that gave the crown-impulse to Curry's ambitions. He has many friends there who urged him to make the race.

"I want to be governor," said Curry bluntly. "My friends in the southern part of the state have urged me to get into the fight. I have thought the matter over carefully and have taken their advice. I believe I have friends in every county of the state. I desire that the people may know of my candidacy well in advance. I am in the race to stay."

Dalton a Receptive Candidate

OAKLAND, July 22.—County Assessor Henry P. Dalton coyly sidestepped requests which were made today for a statement from him touching political gossip that he might be considered a receptive candidate for governor to succeed Governor Gillett. The reticent official declined to put himself on record, announcing that he would let matters rest as they were for the present, neither affirming nor denying the street talk among county and city politicians.

WHALING PURCHASED BY DETROIT

HELENA, Mont., July 22.—Catcher Whaling of the Bozeman intermountain baseball team, it is reported here, has been purchased by the Detroit American league team.

ITCHING PALM

No Cure for It. Other Forms of Itching Preferable

There is no cure for an itching palm—the money kind. Even psalm, the new skin discovery, can not help it. But when it comes to eczema, the most annoying of itching skin troubles, psalm will stop the itching at once and cure the worst cases in a few days.

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ASSETS

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Net value of real estate owned, Amount of loans secured by mortgage, etc.

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INCOME

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Cash received for premiums on new policies during year, Cash received for interest, etc.

EXPENDITURES

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PREMIUM NOTE ACCOUNT

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Premium notes and other premium obligations at beginning of year, Premiums received during year, etc.

DEDUCTIONS DURING THE YEAR

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Amount of notes and other premium obligations in payment of loss and claims, Amount of notes and other premium obligations in payment of maturity, etc.

Balance note assets at end of year: \$5,208,046.01

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