

LONG TELLS REMAIN PLACE

Republican Candidate for Re-election as City Attorney Modestly States Views

Favors Sierra Water System, Low Gas Rate and City Owned Road to Ferry

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City Attorney Percy V. Long is a candidate for republican nomination and re-election. His candidacy has been endorsed by the conference of independent republican clubs. Long was not put in the race by the independent republicans. He was a full fledged and extremely active candidate before the independents' conference got around to the matter of endorsements.

Long has made the race for city attorney on three former occasions. Defeat was sandwiched in between two victories. He was beaten by Burke in 1905, when the whole fusion ticket went down before the Ruff-Schmitz "paint eaters" ticket. He likes his berth and the work of his office. He wants more of both and admits the truth of that old politician's maxim, "Few die, none resign."

Long's is an extremely interesting personality. Quite aside from his views, any man of 39 years, who has been in the public service for the major portion of 18 years, is interesting. Ordinarily the average man who has kept in the public service for a decade has no views save those touching the best way to hang on to a job and those furnished him by party platform makers. Ordinarily the boy who takes up the role of bread winner at 15 has a hard row to hoe in politics.

LONG'S PLEASING PERSONALITY
Long is a student of men as well as conditions—a politician. That is the first reason for his success which suggests itself to one who studies Long. A pleasing personality, a good voice and appearance, the modesty of the consummate politician. He has views. He talks about them easily and well. He has decided opinions on public questions and is clever enough to express them without undue use of the first personal pronoun.

Those views, interesting as they might be otherwise, have a public significance since he is a candidate for re-nomination and since he hopes to be re-elected. I asked Long the questions I have asked other candidates for partisan nomination. He answered them freely and positively, at the same time showing an aversion to taking personal credit for the success of his party and dividing what he undoubtedly esteems the honors of his administration with the members of his staff by substituting "the office" for "I." Here is what he told me in answer to those questions:

STUDIES LAW WHILE CLERK
"I am 39 years old; born in Tuolumne county; lived in San Francisco about 19 years. I am married and have two daughters. I attended the grammar schools at Hayward and the Oakland high schools. I left school when I was 15 years old and have hustled ever since.

"I was appointed a deputy clerk of the supreme court in 1891 and served until 1895. During that time I studied law and was admitted to practice in October, 1892. I have practiced law in San Francisco since 1895. I was elected a justice of the peace in 1900 and re-elected in 1902 for a four year term. I resigned in 1903 to run for city attorney and was elected. I was renominated on the fusion ticket in 1905 and beaten by Burke. I was nominated by the good government league and democrats in 1907 and elected."

"Why are you a candidate for re-election to the office of city attorney?" I asked.

WORK IS ATTRACTIVE
"Few die and none resign—the office of city attorney is attractive because the work is constructive, and especially so under present conditions. In general practice the average lawyer is so placed that he is forced to take part in the receiving and disbursement of money for the support of his family. In this office the city attorney has the advantage of advising the authorities against cases without merit. The office is particularly interesting to me because of the nature of a judicial position. The advice of the city attorney is frequently final. The office of city attorney is especially attractive to the student now when the trend of municipal thought is toward the acquisition and operation by the public of those services now supplied by public service corporations. To be the chief legal adviser of a big community means the resolving of big governmental questions. In this connection it is well to remember that when the charter was adopted in 1898 the people of this city adopted a provision for the acquisition of public utilities."

WOULD REAPPOINT STAFF
"In the event of your re-election will the present staff be retained?"
"If re-elected I will reappoint this staff. I am proud of the staff; to it is due the big success of the office. It is republican in character and it was selected solely on my knowledge of the respective abilities of the men who compose it."

"Are you in favor of the Hetch Hetchy municipal water project and the acquisition and development of the proposed municipal water supply?"
"I am in favor of the Hetch Hetchy project. I went to President Roosevelt in 1905 and secured the reopening of the case. Then there arose a difference of views. We went out of office—the fire and the matter laid dormant. When it was revived I argued before the congressional committee for the case."

WILL WORK FOR WATER RIGHTS
"What, in your opinion, should be done in the matter of the acquisition of the Ham Hall lands at Lake Eleanor, and if re-elected what will be the policy of your office in that matter?"
"An attempt was made to secure those lands at an agreed price. It failed. Condemnation was the only alternative. Condemnation proceedings have been begun and the office has employed expert witnesses as to valuations of water rights and is actively engaged in the work of preparing for trial. If I am re-elected those cases will go on. The city is committed to the acquisition of those properties. The voters have declared for it by a vote of 6 to 1. They have authorized \$600,000 worth of bonds and they are committed morally to raise more money as needed."

"In the event of your re-election what will be your attitude toward the municipal water district and what action will you advise the supervisors to take?"
"I will recommend that they proceed immediately to call an election at which the people may decide if they wish to join with the people of the other cities around the bay in a mu-

Candidates for City Attorney--No. 2

Percy V. Long, Indorsed by League of Independent Republican Clubs, Expresses His Views on Campaign Issues

Here are some facts about the life and personality of City Attorney Percy V. Long, candidate of the independent republican clubs for renomination and election, and his views on some issues of the campaign. They were given by Mr. Long in answer to questions put by a representative of The Call:

Thirty-nine years old; born in Tuolumne county; lived in San Francisco for 19 years; married. Attended grammar schools at Hayward and Oakland high schools until he was 15 years old; has "hustled since."

Studied law while a deputy clerk of the supreme court; admitted to practice in October, 1892. Practiced law in San Francisco since 1895.

Always interested in politics; elected justice of the peace in 1900; re-elected in 1902, resigned after serving one year to run for city attorney; elected city attorney in 1903; nominated on fusion ticket and defeated in 1905; nominated by independent republicans, good government league and democrats and elected in 1907.

Seeks re-election to the office of city attorney because the constructive work of that office is especially attractive under present conditions, when trend of public thought is toward the acquisition and operation of public utilities.

Hetch Hetchy Municipal Water Project—"I am in favor of the Hetch Hetchy project. I went to President Roosevelt in 1905 and secured the reopening of the case. I appeared before the congressional committee and argued for the grant."

Gas Rates—"The 85 cent gas rate is reasonable and sufficient. My investigations have convinced me that the gas company is seeking to make the small consumer pay a higher rate in order that it may charge a much lower rate to the big consumers in competitive districts."

United Railroads' Attempt to Secure Monopoly of Lower Market Street—"That is a question of common business judgment—shall the city part with a valuable privilege without compensation? The voters of San Francisco have declared three times for a municipal line on Geary street. Logically it follows that they must have an outlet to the ferry; that outlet is lower Market street."

Acquisition of Ham Hall Lands at Lake Eleanor—"Condemnation proceedings have been begun and the city attorney's office has employed expert witnesses as to valuations and is engaged in the work of preparing for trial. The city is committed to the acquisition of these lands by a vote of 6 to 1."

Barta Case, Involving City's Title to Great Highway—"In the event that the supreme court sustains the decisions the city has obtained giving it title to lands worth more than \$500,000 we will immediately proceed to oust the adverse claimants."

SEES SONS FOR SUPPORT—Thomas Daniel, 83, began suit yesterday against two sons—William and John A. Daniel—to compel them to contribute to his support. Daniel says he is "so old and sick that he is unable to support himself." He is living with another son, Thomas H. Daniel.

FAVORS LOW GAS RATE
"In the event of your re-election, Mr. Long, what will be the policy of your office as to the suits brought by the gas company to prevent the enforcement of the 85 cent gas rate ordinance?"
"I shall oppose these cases vigorously. The office succeeded a year ago in getting an order from the United States circuit court, impounding the excess. That excess amounted to \$242,000 up to July 1. In the suit filed this year we have secured the same order. If we are successful that excess will be returned to the consumers. My investigations have convinced me that the gas company is seeking to make the small consumers pay a higher rate than that fixed by the supervisors in order that it may charge a much lower rate to those big consumers in the districts where the gas company has competition."

AGED VISITOR TAKES POISON BY MISTAKE
Fresno Real Estate Man Nearly Dies From Drug
OAKLAND, Aug. 7.—A. Egerly, a well known real estate man of Fresno, took sugar of lead by mistake this evening at 965 Jefferson street, and for several minutes was in extreme danger. He rushed from his dwelling place to a drug store at Tenth and Washington streets, where he asked for treatment, saying he had accidentally been poisoned.

OUTLET TO FERRY NEEDED
"What, in your opinion, Mr. Long, should be done by the city in the matter of the United Railroads' attempt to maintain its monopoly of lower Market street?"
"There are not many legal points in that question. It is a question of common business judgment—shall the city part with a valuable privilege without compensation? The board of supervisors has decided that no compensation would be adequate except that of granting to the city the right to run municipally owned and operated cars to the ferry over the tracks controlled by the United Railroads. After careful investigation and consideration of all the facts the voters of this city have on three occasions and by large majorities declared for a municipal line on Geary street. It logically follows that they must have an outlet to the ferry. That outlet is lower Market street. It is not an open question. The people have simply exercised a right that is theirs."

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- \$7.75 pair for White Wool Blankets; worth \$10.00.
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- \$1.50 and \$1.75 Nottinghams, white, ecru or Arabian color; 3 yards long; heavy net; plain or fancy centers.
- 92c each for \$1.25 Spreads
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- \$1.50 each for large Honeycomb Spreads; worth \$2.00
- \$1.50 each for Satin Marseilles Spreads; worth \$2.00
- 10c each for 15c Towels
- Good, heavy, large, hemmed Huck Towels, with neat red borders, only, each.....10c
- \$1.95 dozen for Linen Huck Towels; worth \$2.50.
- \$2.95 doz. for Hemstitched Huck Towels; worth \$4.
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