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A FAKE ON ITS FACE.

The so-called citizens' movement up to date consists of three interested parties, the Tribune, William Happ and Fred W. Keller, three candidates for mayor, of which Keller is one; candidates for the minor offices, and a few men noted for their capacity for doing a great deal of talking without accomplishing anything.

Behind this front are a number of well meaning but misguided people who if they understood the real purpose of the movement would wash their hands of it.

Ostensibly the issue on which this movement is asking the support of the voters of the city is a great moral and economic reform. The interests behind the movement, which represent the Tribune's desire to gain prestige through becoming the administration organ and profit through securing the city printing, Mr. Keller's ambition to be elected mayor of the city and, as the Tribune would say, "for other reasons", and Mr. Happ's desire to install an administration that may be useful to him in divers ways.

This is the makeup and the object of the so-called citizens' movement. At no time has it merited consideration because of its spontaneity. It was simply worked up by the interests named to serve their selfish purposes, made out of whole cloth, as it were, and given the mask of a popular movement.

By degrees the mask has been removed. First came the apparent hostility of the Tribune to Mr. Swygart and Mr. Place as candidates for mayor. Next Mr. Keller, one of the triumvirate, appears as a candidate for mayor, as had been anticipated. Then, in an indiscreet moment, the Tribune gave warning that it would bolt any ticket not satisfactory to it. In other words, but with the same meaning, the Tribune, as the mouth piece of the three-cornered combination which is engineering the movement, asserted its right to dictate the nominations at the primary on Saturday.

Then to prove that this so-called citizens' movement is not a genuine movement we have these demonstrated facts:

Entire absence of anything like a spontaneous uprising of the people.

The known reputation of the Tribune for insisting that every cause it espouses shall serve its selfish interests.

The circumstance that William Happ and Fred W. Keller are associated with the Tribune in promoting this movement and that Mr. Keller is a candidate for mayor.

The declaration of the Tribune that it will not support any candidate who does not pass its censorship.

The uncoincidental antagonism of the Tribune to the candidates of Mr. Place and Mr. Swygart.

And last, but not least, the testimony of approximately 6,000 voters given at the democratic and republican primaries against the need of an independent movement.

WOMEN AND LIFE INSURANCE.

Woman's relation to life insurance is being discussed by the delegates to the meeting of the medical section of the American Life Insurance association now being held in St. Paul, and some statements have been made that are interesting if not startling to the lay reader.

For instance, it is declared on general principles that woman is a poor insurance risk for a number of reasons. One is that she is apt to have an intuition of death and take out insurance on the strength of the warning. Another is that medical examination is more difficult and less rigid than with men. A third is that married women, insured by husbands who themselves have no insurance, are the worst kind of risks.

One speaker made an exception of old maids. He said they are much better risks than married women. The further information was given that until recently the women insured were those who sought insurance and not those solicited by agents. This statement is doubtless subject to the exception of the business conducted by companies which go into a home and write policies on every member of the family.

We scarcely have the temerity to dispute the scientific men who calculate the probabilities of longevity and recommend the risk for insurance companies, but their talk about the power of women to anticipate death through intuition sounds like superstition. Difficulties of medical examinations may justify insurance companies in avoiding feminine risks, but such difficulties, we imagine, are more fancied than real and should be removed. Life insurance should be as accessible to women as to men and should be as commonly carried.

There is, however, this peculiar factor to deal with in the relations of life insurance to women. Many women have a strong prejudice against it, sentimental and superstitious. Women have repeatedly expressed the fear that if they took out life insurance

they would die. There is also against it the sentiment among men that it would be unmanly or something to their discredit to insure the lives of their wives.

WARNING TO VOTERS.

Voters should clearly understand that if they voted at the primaries of Aug. 6 they cannot legally vote at the primary Aug. 23.

The law is explicit on this point. The voter must make his choice and abide by it. He may change his mind after he has voted at one primary, but he cannot recall his vote. His choice of candidates has been made and cannot be changed.

Voters should take no one's word to the contrary. They subject themselves to severe punishment if they do and the persons who induce them to repeat are liable to prosecution for conspiracy against the purity of the ballot.

It is important that all voters should understand the primary law. Without such understanding they are likely to get into trouble through the misrepresentations of designing persons.

There are two ways in which attempts to violate the primary may be used to the advantage of political parties. Voters may be induced to repeat in the interest of some particular candidate, or they may be persuaded to go to the polls in order that they may be challenged for the purpose of creating the impression that the opposition attempted to control the result of the primary.

Democrats are warned that the interests behind this so-called citizens' movement would be very glad to create such an impression. They are urged to listen to no representations to the effect that they can legally vote at more than one primary.

The remarkable manifestation of citizenship at the democratic primary, when approximately 6,000 voters were polled will cause the managers of the so-called citizens' movement to resort to every possible expedient to get out a big vote on Saturday.

They cannot make any such showing as that made by the democrats without inducing men to violate the primary law. Don't let them use you for a cats paw. You will get burned if you do.

LET THAW GO?

Perhaps if it were put to a vote, a majority of men would vote to let Harry Thaw go, as long as he behaves himself.

Acting Gov. Glynn of New York and the various sheriffs and prosecutors and kings counsel and immigration officials are unwilling to turn him loose of course, lest they be subjected to the suspicion that they got some of that Thaw fortune as an inducement. But perhaps privately even some of them wouldn't worry if he escaped despite their efforts.

Thaw has subjected to the state of New York to a lot of trouble and expense. But if the best interests of the state would be served by keeping him confined no one would object to the expenditure. But a good many people are inclined to believe that he has been sufficiently punished.

If half the story Evelyn Nesbit Thaw told on the witness stand is true Stanford White, despite his distinction as artist and designer richly deserved killing. Of course Thaw, with his own chequered career, was not the man to deal out justice, but still he has been in prison for a long time now and his various legal fights for freedom have been resisted with a vindictiveness and bitterness that should have no place in the courts of justice.

One eminent South Bend lawyer in discussing the case recently, brought up an interesting point. If Thaw is not insane, he said, the state has no right to hold him, for it has acquitted him of crime. If he is insane, then it can not hold him for bribery, conspiracy to escape, or any other such offense, as an insane man is not responsible for his acts in the eyes of the law.

CO-OPERATIVE BETTER ROADS.

That was, and is, a most valuable object lesson, that Gov. Major and those 250,000 odd Missourians gave the country in what could be done by concerted effort in road building. More than a million dollars worth of improvements are estimated to be accomplished.

Of course any one who has ever traveled through the back country of the "Show Me" state, will agree that the roads needed it. But so do the roads of Indiana and every state in the union. A million dollars worth of work on the roads of every state in the union, would make a world of difference.

The biggest factor in the cost of the products of American farms is the transportation factor, the cost of getting goods to market by road, train and boat. Many farmers have grown discouraged because of the fact that there seems so little direct return for their labor, and do not begin to sup-

ply the immediate needs of great markets right at their doors. Foodstuffs have to be hauled hundreds and thousands of miles to those markets at great expense, and consequent boosting of the already high cost of living. Good roads means cheaper products to every consumer and better prices to every producer. You can't get around it.

So when Gov. Major issues his invitation next year to the other governors over the country to make a nationwide proclamation of a two days' roadmaking campaign, we'll be with Sam Ralston when he sends back the word "Indiana is ready to do her part," and we believe the people of the state will back up their governor in a record setting two days' work.

Democrats who voted at the primary of Aug. 6 cannot legally vote at the primary Aug. 23. Those who did not vote Aug. 6 may vote Aug. 23, if they care to identify themselves with a movement designed to deprive their party of control of the city government and to defeat it in subsequent elections.

Without exaggeration or misrepresentation The News-Times has exposed the hollowness of the so-called citizens' movement. Our indictment of its selfish motives stands unchallenged.

The ticket nominated at the primary on Saturday will represent the combined interests opposed to the democratic party in city, county, state and national affairs.

A means of spending some of the Carnegie peace fund has been provided by the Balkan war, the causes and effects of which will be studied.

The country is worrying less over the time it takes to construct a tariff bill than over the fear that none will be constructed.

The Tribune is almost due to experience another greatest disappointment of its life.

If Place or Swygart is nominated the Tribune will not support him. Will the Tribune deny that?

Even Henry Lane Wilson praises John Lind. Thereby admitting he didn't think it could be done.

Our faith in Harry Thaw's insanity is shaken by current events. They indicate absolute imbecility.

The siren song of the Tribune begins to sound like the wail of a fish horn.

How far would Maury Diggs resort to the Adamic theory go with a jury with daughters of their own?

Judging from Tammany's efforts to pry it off Gov. Sulzer's grip on New York must be viselike.

The senate has finally decided to take free sugar in its.

Swatting flies strengthens the cause of good health.

Apparently Mr. Huerta was not as mad as he looked.

Even Thaw may come back.

"Let Liz Do It"

The Tribune is going to have a tag day. To defray the expenses of the citizens' campaign the ladies are to be turned out on the street to solicit. To add numbers to a falling cause the embryo suffragists are to be enlisted. How romantic! But money in political campaigns is a stern reality. Someone must pay for the halls for Mr. Guilfoyle to talk in. If the button day plan is not sufficient Grandma Trib may ask the Ladies' Aid society to help. A quilting bee has been suggested or an ice cream social on one of Mr. Happ's creations.

The plan to "let Liz do it" in campaign money raising has occasioned a little surprise and amusement. At first glance the idea merely suggests the dire straits of the Holy three in crying out like a sick girl for help.

Upon closer scrutiny may be seen, however, a very clever plan to dodge the corrupt practices act governing elections. The purpose of this law is to require every candidate to announce the sources of his campaign funds; to let the people "in on him" as it were, to advise what selfish interests finance the campaign. It would seem that men boasting a monopoly on virtue and presumably standing for a higher citizenship would seek to comply fully with the law rather than to evade it. Why does the citizens' party wish to conceal the sources of its revenue? Why is it so adroitly dodging the act against corruption in elections. Are its leaders afraid to let the people know who is furnishing the sinews of war? It looks very much that way.

If the list of contributors for which the law provides can be wiped out by the general entry "button day receipts" it is evident that the people can only learn through sad experience what interests are foisting a secretive movement upon the public. Come out in the open, gentlemen! If the Tribune with an eye on \$16,000 worth of city printing wants to risk a thousand or two dollars on the "citizens' nominee, why can it not do so openly and straightforwardly? Why try to hide such contributions in a general collection? Why try to hide behind the skirts of "Liz" and "Madge" and other lady accomplices. The skirts of today are too transparent to hide behind. They afford no protection. And as the evening sun casts its resplendent rays against a glance through the skirts of Liz the collector will disclose the Holy ones evading the laws made to better political conditions. And this in the name of higher citizenship!—don't laugh, boys the poor devils are desperate.

AIRSHIP TUGS AIRSHIP

LONDON.—The British air dirigible Eta holds the world's record as the first aerial "tug", having towed a disabled airship 14 miles through the air.

THE MELTING POT

THE MODERN INQUISITION. He is such a little man. To be shut up in jail; You see his face against the pane. And hear his plaintive wail— Such a precious little fellow. With eyes of blue and golden hair. And he hasn't done a thing that should condemn him to despair. But the "system" must be followed. Every impulse of the heart Must be smothered lest the mother From the training rules depart.

THE recurrence of the Adamic theory in the Diggs white slave case gives our conception of what men are capable of another push downward. Maury Diggs dragged Marsha Warrington into the pit and now—shall we say, manlike—would use her for a lift to help himself out. It is unfortunate for the race that he cannot get away from such hereditary influences.

Well, There's the Situation. Ed. M. P.: An inmate of a certain asylum for the insane escapes. Almost simultaneously with the evening of the prolonged absence. Admitting that this has a somewhat suspicious look, would it not be rather far-fetched to say that these two facts are in anyway connected?

We think so, too. FAIR PLAY. HURTELL has Huerta's widely advertised scorn of the U. S. gone?

The Baseball We Used to Know. (From the St. Joseph Herald.) A very reputable Niles gentleman told another very reputable St. Joseph gentleman here Sunday that there were five semi-pro Chicago or semi-pro players hit by Niles at a cost of \$200 and that he chipped in his share.

There were but five names in the Niles lineup that compared with that of Aug. 10. One of these is Stein. We understand that it was not Stein, in fact or the Stein that played in the first game, but another individual sailing under his name. The others were Zitz, Husey, Shuler and Molyneux, most of whom, if not all are known by the members of the St. Joseph champs.

It would be a bitter disappointment for the ginks and the lingoes if Huerta should fall for Pres. Wilson's peace proposition.

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