

PERTINENT FACTS ABOUT MACHINE DELEGATES

Why McGahan, Blaisdell and Johnson Want the Delegates to Go to the Convention Unpledged—Vote for Anti-Machine Delegates, Honest Politics and Lower Taxes.

The Independent wishes to call the attention of the public and those interested in good government, to the tactics of the state machine advocates in Ward county on this point: In their desperation to induce men of character to stand for election as delegates to the state convention L. D. McGahan, Alfred Blaisdell, C. A. Johnson, A. W. Gray, et al, are telling the men whom they induce to run against the delegation headed by John Wallin, the good government-anti-machine delegation that they (McGahan et al) are also opposed to machine rule and that they (McGahan et al) wish the delegation to go "unpledged and not tied up etc." Now most people should know that this is an old game of the machine's, so far as the moral effect on the politics of this state goes, and don't forget this point reader, which is this; The delegation selected (and we use the word "selected" because we know) may just as well be branded "we are for the gang," for if through any misfortune the good government delegation should be defeated in Ward county the word would be sent throughout the length and breadth of this state, as quickly as electricity could convey it, that "the state machine won out in Imperial Ward Co" that "the reformers were defeated" and it would be hailed as "a great victory for Hansbrough, McKenzie and the state machine." Does anyone doubt this? Will McGahan, C. A. Johnson, or Alfred Blaisdell deny it?

It is due the people of this county and state to know where and how any man seeking to be elected to represent the people stands.

The people should and invariably do demand to know of the men, who are elected in a representative capacity, as to how they stand on questions of import to the body politic.

This is true whether a man seeks to go to a national convention, a state convention, or wishes to go to congress or the state legislature. In either, or any case, he subscribes to a declaration of principles. The people know when he is elected what he stands for, then if he betrays the people he is thereafter, as he should be, a "marked man."

There are no more intelligent people within the confines of this state than those inhabiting Ward county. They are progressive, up to date, honest and independent.

Those people are practically unanimous in their opposition to "Bossism" and "gangism" by whomsoever practiced. The Hansbrough-McKenzie style of politics is particularly obnoxious to them. We have no need to go any farther back than the last state convention to point out the pernicious underhanded and foul methods of the state machine—Hansbrough's machine.

The Ward county delegation were specifically instructed for Hon. B. F. Spalding for congress, yet the machine voted 24 of the 26 delegates against Spalding. You answer that the Ward county delegation showed themselves dishonest politically to go back on their instructions. Granted—But what of the dishonesty of the machine compelling this dishonesty?

The people of Ward county are as they should be, against McKenzieism and McKenzie who would foist upon them the infamous and damnable Louisiana State Lottery. They are against McKenzie who would loot an empire—the great territory of Alaska for greed. They are against Hansbrough who tried to help McKenzie do this.

They are against McKenzie who tried to rob the hard working pioneer Scandinavians who discovered the goldfields of Nome. They are against Hansbrough who made himself notorious in the U. S. Senate in his efforts to assist McKenzie do this.

The people are against McKenzie who endeavored during the last session of the legislature to loot the state capital lands, and who, thanks to the supreme court, has failed. They are against the peanut political methods of Hansbrough because Hansbrough is against the people and the people's interests. The people are against the state machine because this machine is owned, controlled and operated by Hansbrough and McKenzie for the benefit of them and their friends, and to the detriment of the whole people.

The people of this great county of Ward don't want to see an uninstruced delegation—an "unpledged" delegation go to the Jamestown convention for they know such a delegation would be cajoled, fooled, buncoed and declined.

Will the delegation selected by L. D. McGahan et al come out collectively and individually and pledge themselves against Hansbrough and McKenzie and all their works and pomps? Echo answers, "will they?"

We publish below the names of the anti-machine delegation and the platform upon which they stand. Here it is: To J. W. FABRICK, Auditor of Ward county, North Dakota:

The undersigned legal voters of said county who reside at the place set opposite their respective names, hereby petition you to place the names of

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| John Wallin.....Minot | Peter Connolle.....Mohall |
| J. M. Devine.....Minot | O. J. Clark.....Sherwood |
| L. J. Palda.....Minot | C. A. H. Swenson.....Tolley |
| M. S. Williams.....Minot | Lorents Hagenson.....Flaxton |
| Martin Jacobson.....Minot | George Spaun.....White Earth |
| C. H. Rudd.....Minot | James Smerud.....White Earth |
| W. J. Carroll.....Minot | Albert Larson.....Stanley |
| P. M. Cole.....Kenmare | Fred Hannah.....Chilcot |
| Iver Sorenson.....Kenmare | O. J. Mortenson.....Sawyer |
| George Von Neida.....Kenmare | Ben Combs.....Donnybrook |
| Staae Hendrickson.....Bowbells | Frank Chapman.....Carpio |
| Albert Miller.....Bowbells | Paul Baukol.....Palermo |
| Sam Lockerby.....Portal | Nels Dokken.....Palermo |
| Bert Makee.....Portal | L. A. Trudell.....Deering |
| Levi Haffie.....Portal | Murray Warner.....Ryder |
| M. O. Hall.....Mohall | Charles Faulhaber.....Berthold |
| George Ryerson.....Mohall | Dave Lloyd.....Des Lacs |

upon the primary election ballot for the ensuing primary election as candidates for said Ward county for delegates to the Republican State convention to be held at the city of Jamestown, North Dakota, on the 12th day of July, 1906. The post-office addresses of each of said candidates follow their respective names above, and they and each of them are to represent the republican party in said state convention.

You can see that that there is no hesitancy, no equivocation, no evasion, no double dealing, and no deceit in the foregoing declaration of principles. This platform represents your best and most sacred interests and you know these men, every man of whom, has subscribed his name to these principles, will live up to them.

As Thomas Jefferson said in writing the Declaration of Independence; "a proper regard" for the rights of the people dictated the wisdom of taking the people into their confidence and telling them and mankind generally, what they proposed doing and what they proposed standing for.

This platform is a political "Declaration of Independence." independent of the iniquitous, wicked and domineering state machine.

Don't you approve of it? Is it not right and just? Are not the rights of the people safeguarded?

Don't you think it tends to decent, economical, competent government in county and state? Are not your taxes too high now? Don't you think that if the machine is licked your taxes will be lowered? We know it.

The names of the foregoing list of delegates will be on the official ballot. There will also be stickers at your polling place on June 19th having these names on. 95 percent of the ballots voted will have on stickers. Keep this list and get a sticker and put it on the ballot. This done and you have done your duty toward your country, your state and our splendid county. The machine must go; honesty and decency must prevail.

THEY ALL WILL VOTE FOR JIM JOHNSON

The Stanley Sun voices the sentiments of nine out of every ten of the voters of Ward county in its remarks regarding the candidacy of James Johnson for the nomination for county judge.

Mr. Johnson's nomination is already conceded by even the opposition. The Sun says:

Hon. James Johnson—the pioneer attorney of Ward county—is in the field a candidate for the office of Judge of the county court. Good. The editor of the Sun has known "Jim" Johnson for nigh unto twenty years, and we want to state right here, that a squarer man than "Jim" Johnson doesn't live within the confines of imperial Ward county. Gainsay it if you can. This assertion is the truth. It may truthfully state that practically, he is one of the founders of Ward county—having been here at its birthing. In the development of Ward county he has stood in the front rank. His name is a household word in nearly every home in this county. He has held responsible offices—and every voter in this county knows him to be a capable, honest, faithful and a thoroughly reliable gentleman. Perhaps he does not need the office of county judge, but the office of county judge needs just such a man. Will he fill the position with credit to himself and honor to the county? You can bet your everlasting hopes on it. He will.

"DAD" SHAW IS NO MORE

Veteran G. N. Engineer Passes to His Rest Sunday Morning—Mourned by Hundreds.

After a short illness of acute Brights disease, F. F. Shaw, the veteran engineer, died at his home in this city shortly after 6 o'clock Sunday morning. The news of his death cast a shade of gloom over the entire city for "Dad" Shaw was one of the most popular men in the city. The funeral services were held from the opera house Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Powell conducting them.

The F. O. E. and the B. of L. E., of which orders he was a member, attended in a body. The Eagle band played a number of beautiful dirges in honor of the departed Brother.

"Dad" Shaw was born at Greenwood, Maine, April 8, 1857, and for twenty years was an engineer. When a young man he

became an engineer on the New York and New England railroad and then went to Portland, Ore., where he was engineer on the U. P. road.

Hundreds of people in this city will miss "Dad" Shaw.

Notice is hereby given to the old settlers of Ward county who have been residing in the county prior to Dec. 31st, 1886, that the date of the Old Settlers meeting at Burlington, N. D., is changed to June 15th, 16th and 17th, 1906.

Do not forget to be there. PETER FUGELSO, Sec.

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BLAISDELL SAYS IT TAKES WORK

In a general confidential confidential letter sent out May 27th, by Alfred Blaisdell, secretary of the state machine campaign committee for Ward county, he uses these words:

"It is going to take considerable hard work for us to prevail on the average voter that it is to the best interest of the republican party to vote for a majority of or for this entire list of delegates (referring to the list of machine delegates). Besides having these thirty-four names on the official ballot, we will probably arrange to have stickers containing the entire thirty-four names thereon, which can be used on the 19th.

However, the ways and means of persuading your own constituents to vote not only for yourself as delegate, but for all the rest of the set, is left entirely with your discretion."

Editor's Note—We also agree with Mr. Blaisdell in that it will take a good deal of hard work and more or less hoodwinking to prevail upon the "average republican voter" to vote for a majority of the list of delegates selected by the machine, for obvious reasons. It will no doubt take "ways and means" to make the intelligent republican voter of Ward county, vote against his own interests and for the interests of a corrupt gang.

Wright's Father Dead.

Lemuel Wright will return soon from Chebanse, Ill., where he was called on account of the death of his father. His sister, Mrs. Reighart was also called to Illinois to attend the funeral. The decedent visited in this city two years ago, and many remember him. He was a very highly respected citizen.

DELEGATE ORDERS NAME OFF "MACHINE TICKET."

Berthold, 5-29-'06. To the Voters of Ward County:

I have decided to withdraw my name as a candidate as a delegate on the "MACHINE TICKET" to the state convention. At the time I consented to be a candidate I understood there would be no fight on. I have decided to withdraw my name as a candidate.

Very Truly,
O. C. Bailey.

Would Make Greenleaf a Martyr.

Mayor Dank C. Greenleaf is mentioned prominently as a possible Democratic candidate for governor. While Mr. Greenleaf realizes that he would be simply "lead to the slaughter," he considers that he might just as well be the martyr as anybody else. It would be an honor however which no man could afford to pass up.

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