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UNDERWOOD FOR PRESIDENT.

The growth of sentiment in favor of the nomination of Underwood of Alabama for President is growing among Democrats.

It is becoming more and more apparent that Underwood is a big man, and that much of the credit that Mr. Clark gets for Democratic leadership in Congress really belongs to the Alabama man.

His friends say that his nomination would unite the whole party, and the very fact that he is from the South would win him votes from Republicans who will rejoice in showing their appreciation of this evidence of a thoroughly reunited country.

AN OPPRESSIVE ORDINANCE.

The City Council increased the price of living in every household in Chicago when it passed an ordinance forbidding the sale of vegetables by measure and ordering that they should be sold only by weight. Housewives all over the city complain that they do not get half the quantity now for twice the money.

TALKING ABOUT WATER.

Chicago has spent many millions of dollars in trying to secure a pure water supply, with the best water in the world right at its door.

When Chicago built a lake tunnel four and one-half miles long it thought it was astounding the world.

When it was discovered that the sewage was contaminating the water supply the sanitary district, with all of its expenses, was the result.

What a lesson there is in the fact that Los Angeles, Cal., brings its water supply 240 miles. Of this length, 47 miles is in tunnel and over nine miles in steel siphons ten feet in diameter.

PUBLIC BATHS FOR PUBLIC PEOPLE.

Many of the people who frequent public bathing beaches, as a matter of choice, prefer the lake front or the parks to sleep in. We do not think that it was a good thing for Lake View or Edgewater to secure that beach between Windsor and Montrose avenues.

It simply means a large addition to its present growing supply of undrinkables.

COMMODORE PUGH ON THE LAKE.

Commodore James A. Pugh has been quoted by the dailies on the subject of the water carnival and naval review to be held here in August.

"Some people say that Lake Michigan is treacherous and no good," said the commodore. "This carnival and review is going to demonstrate what an asset Chicago has in Lake Michigan. The lay of the land is such that from 500,000 to 600,000 persons can view the races from Grant Park."

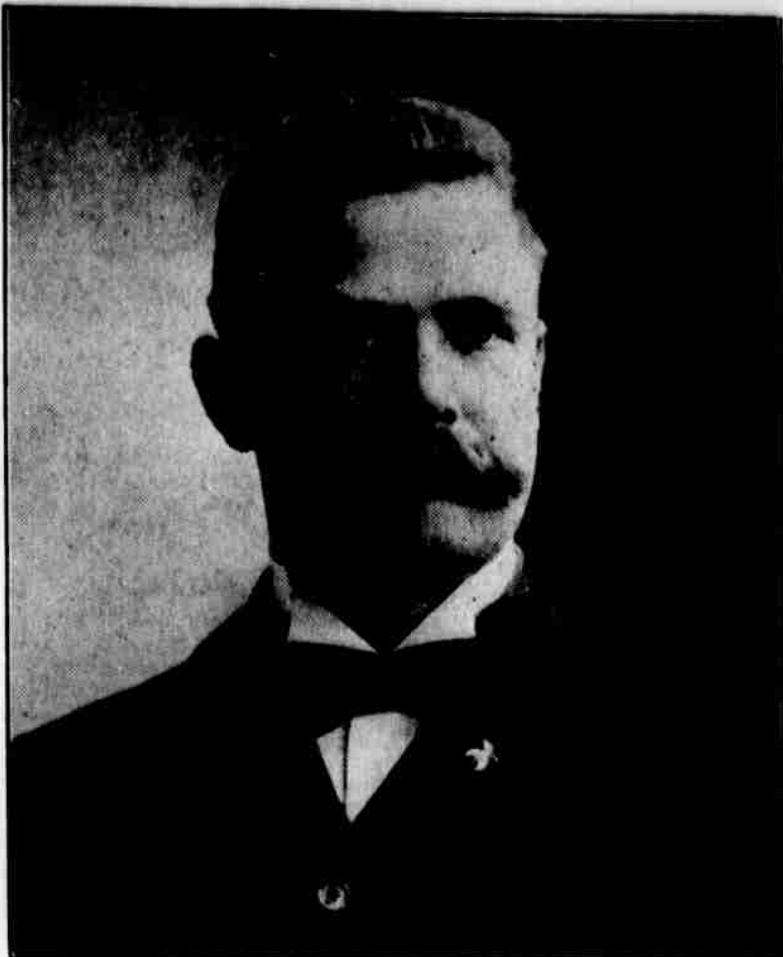
"We expect from 1,000 to 1,500 power boats here from various points. The biggest motor boat races ever held in the world will be held here. Germany, France, England and Italy are expected to be represented."

"Aside from power boat races, there will be a marathon swimming race, exhibitions of the life-saving crews, and fireworks every night. There will also be a Venetian night, when there will be 1,000 cruisers brilliantly lighted off Grant Park."

TALKING ABOUT COFFEE.

More than one-third of the 2 1/2 billion pounds of coffee annually entering the international commerce of the world is consumed in the United States. Its imports of that article being twice as much as those of Germany, three times those of Netherlands, four times those of France, nearly ten times those of Great Britain, and half as much as those of all Europe, next to the United States the great coffee-consuming section of the world.

The world's leading importers of coffee, according to the latest official reports of the various countries thus far received by the Bureau of Statistics, Department of Commerce and Labor, are: The United States, 875 million pounds; Germany, 464 million;



FRED L. WILK. Vice President of the Union Trust Company.

Netherlands, 265 million; France, 245 million; Austria-Hungary, 127 million; Belgium, 95 million; the United Kingdom, 88 million, and Sweden, 65 million. Italy, Norway, Switzerland and Denmark also consume considerable quantities, ranging from 45 to 25 million pounds each. Of the countries on the western hemisphere, Argentina and Cuba each import about 20 million pounds per annum; Canada, about 8 million; Chile, 7 million, and Uruguay about 3 million, while Australia, the island continent, consumes between 1 1/2 and 2 million pounds per annum. Certain of the African countries are comparatively large importers of coffee, and the imports into Egypt averaging about 15 million pounds a year; the Cape of Good Hope, 20 million, and Algeria, about 15 million pounds.

EAGLETS.

Hugh J. Kearns has made a splendid record as an attorney and he would serve the people well as Municipal Judge.

One of the best judges on the Municipal Court bench is Edward A. Dicker. He is entitled to a reelection.

Judge Thomas F. Scully is daily adding to his big army of friends by his fine record on the Municipal Court bench.

The Democratic voters made a good choice when they nominated Spencer Ward for Chief Justice of the Municipal Court. He is qualified in every way for the position and deserves to be elected.

D. R. O'Brien, the well-known insurance man, would make a fine City Treasurer.

Judge Richard E. Burke is making a record on that bench that all his friends are proud of.

Alderman Jacob A. Hey said on Tuesday afternoon that he would introduce an order in the Council Monday asking that lights be placed at alley entrances. He said: "Conditions could be bettered in the residence districts. Instead of placing lights up among the trees we should have smaller lights nearer the ground. I intend to introduce orders covering these points Monday."

More men like Joseph C. Blaha are needed in the Legislature. His clean, able and energetic record reflects credit upon the voters of the Nineteenth District.

Judge John E. Owen's popularity in Chicago reaches every part of the city.

The Republicans couldn't name a better man for City Treasurer next spring than William Kolacek.

The nomination of former United States Senator Albert J. Hopkins for Vice President is being talked of by many prominent Republicans.

Walter E. Schmidt has made a fine record as County Assessor and is deserving of a reelection.

Ross C. Hall is a Democratic leader who enjoys at all times the confidence and highest esteem of the rank and file of the party.

William H. Lyman, the popular former State Senator and Alderman, is talked of by many for City Treasurer.

Henry Claussen, Chicago manager for the big imported beer firm of A. H. Meyer & Co., is daily making friends for the well-known concern he represents.

William D. Munhall stands foremost among Chicago's leading lawyers.

Judge Charles S. Cutting, in an address Monday night at a dinner of the New Future association at the Hamilton club, urged the necessity of affording a chance to men and women discharged from the house of correction. He contended after the law is vindicated the man or woman who has paid the penalty is entitled to be helped to live honestly.

"These men and women," Judge Cutting said, "who pay the penalty demanded by the law are still citizens

and still entitled to live honestly. It is our duty to see that they have the chance to do the same thing we are trying to do, whether we are doing it or not. The door of hope should be opened to all."

Eighteen conventions will be held in Chicago in June, according to an announcement made by the convention bureau of the Association of Commerce. The most important will be the national Republican convention June 18 to June 22. The first one will be that of the Nurses' Associated Alumnae of the United States, which will open June 5 and close June 7, and the last will be the Schweitzer Saengerfest, opening June 29 and closing July 1. The National, Illinois and Cook County Press associations will be in convention simultaneously June 24 to June 26 at the Hotel Sherman.

An abler or more conscientious public official never served the people than Thomas A. Smyth, president of the Sanitary District.

Did you ever keep tab on the total of "wrong numbers" you get on the telephone every day?

Just keep tab on the alderman who are working overtime for the telephone company.

Re-elect County Assessor Walter E. Schmidt. He is a good public official.

Judge Rinker says that if he is elected States Attorney: "There will be no 'railroading' of defendants to make a record, nor will undue leniency be shown. "I am 43 years old, free from any ailments either physical or mental. "I have demonstrated my ability to shoulder responsibilities. "I am not broken to harness, sad die, bridle or halter. "I do not wear blinders or hobbles, and have never been 'delivered' to any one on any proposition. "I have so lived and conducted myself, both in public and private life, that I can look any man squarely in the eye."

Harry L. Shaver will receive a big vote for re-election to the legislature in the Thirty-first district. He made good and the people know it.

Charles Krutckoff has made a splendid record as Chief Clerk of the County Board of Assessors and he would make a good member of the board.

Joseph C. Blaha, member of the Legislature from the Nineteenth district, is an able, energetic and conscientious public official.

Hugh J. Kearns is well qualified for a seat on the Municipal court bench.

Benjamin M. Mitchell will be re-elected to the Legislature in the Twenty-first district by a larger vote than he ever received before.

Some people would willingly pay a nickel in advance for telephone service, if they had an assurance of the right number the first drop in the box.

Drop a nickel in the slot and get a "wrong number."

As clerk of the superior court Charles W. Vail has served the people in an honest, able and courteous manner.

No official in Cook county has a bigger army of friends and admirers than Judge John E. Owen. And he deserves every one of them.

William Ritchie stands foremost among Chicago's ablest and most successful lawyers.

Walter E. Schmidt should be re-elected county assessor.

Judge John R. Caverly continues to serve the people in an able and painstaking manner on the Municipal court bench.

Even if the aldermen yield to the telephone company and its city paid "experts" and raise 'phone rates, the fight will go on. There will have to



A. R. MARRIOTT. Vice President of the Chicago Title and Trust Company.

be another adjustment in five years and the cry for relief from exorbitant charges will be universal by that time.

Watch what your alderman does on the telephone question.

Oscar F. Mayer is the choice of thousands of Democrats for City Treasurer next spring.

The people demand lower telephone rates.

Congressman Lynden Evans will be re-elected with ease in the Ninth district.

Why are the elevated platforms allowed to be jammed up with gum and weighing machines?

John J. McLaughlin will have his usual walkaway for re-election to the legislature in the Nineteenth district. Everybody is with him.

George K. Schmidt, the well-known and well-liked former alderman and county commissioner, is being talked of by many for city treasurer next spring.

Vote against every grafter on either ticket.

Much of the Democratic county ticket will be cut to ribbons next fall, judging from the talk.

Illinois never had a better official represent her in Washington than former United States Senator Albert J. Hopkins.

With over 1,500 active members doing committee work in the Central organization, the county democracy is pretty busy getting the campaign of 1912 in working order.

One cent a call is a fair telephone fee.

Judge J. J. Rooney is making a splendid record on the Municipal court bench.

Great graft, crooked contractors and the board of local improvements must be abolished.

Since the city council forbade grocers or peddlers to sell by measure and forced them to sell by weight the price of vegetables has quadrupled.

Dangerous fads should be kept from the children in the public schools.

William E. Mason is the right man to elect congressman at large.

M. J. Faherty, the well known real estate man, is talked of by many for city treasurer next spring.

Anton Vanek, the popular Thirty-fourth ward Republican and real estate man, would make a splendid city clerk.

The re-election of Joseph C. Blaha to the Legislature in the Nineteenth District is the duty of every good citizen in the district. Mr. Blaha has proven by his record down at Springfield that he is an honest and energetic representative of the people.

Albert G. Wheeler stands foremost among Chicago's financiers and business men.

Francis S. Wilson is making a splendid record as county attorney.

John A. Mahoney should be elected Municipal judge. His splendid record well fits him for the position.

Great is graft and the office holder aristocracy fattens on it.

As a great payroll graft the board of local improvements is a success.

The county democracy is perfecting its organization in every ward in Chicago.

The average reformer loses a great deal of sleep in studying up some new

scheme for graft. The field has been so thoroughly worked by the corporation employes now reforming things that it requires men of extraordinary talent to break into the game. The Municipal Voters' League, Legislative Voters' League and similar friends of the trusts have drawn so heavily upon the real stock of local nerve gifted talent, that much outside help will be needed for uplifts which will explore new fields.

It is certainly an edifying spectacle to see people working hard and denying themselves luxuries, to get money to pay taxes; to raise the salaries of our office-holding aristocracy.

An aristocracy of office holders is what we are fast coming to.

Municipal judges, or any other judges for that matter, should not be chosen at a general election.

Aldermen who expect the votes of the people again cannot harass the public and toady to the telephone crowd with impunity.

The telephone trust must go.

The automatic telephone at two and one-half cents a call gives perfect service and is growing in public favor. It has the "Bell" beaten in every way.

Life terms of office, high taxes, high prices and discontent go together the world over.

Betting is ten to one that the city telephone experts will report in favor of an increase in telephone rates. The fact that the phone company is paying 8 per cent a year dividend on twenty-seven million dollars cuts no figure. Rates must be raised to cover the expense of 25 cents a month incurred by the poor telephone company in collecting nickels from its slot phones and because of the great cost of getting up "its elaborate inventory and appraisal" which will convince any alderman in a proper frame of mind that the people are lucky that phone rates are not ten times greater than they are.

There is much talk of an independent Democratic candidate for State's Attorney.

Chicago is the only city in the country where great corporation interests seek to control aldermanic and legislative elections through so-called reform organization.

Did you ever keep tab on the number of wrong-number 'phone calls you get in a day?

Judge Edward A. Dicker has made a grand record during his term on the Municipal Court bench and he is one of the men on that bench that is entitled to a re-election.

David Sullivan has a fine record to his credit as a lawyer and his candidacy for Municipal Judge deserves success.

Capt. James H. Farrell's big host of friends predict he will be an easy winner for the Legislature in the Twenty-ninth District.

Judge Edward Osgood Brown has earned by his fine record on the bench the admiration and confidence of the people of Chicago.

Both as a lawyer and a citizen, Albert H. Putney is admired and respected by all who know him.

Spencer Ward's candidacy for chief justice of the Municipal court is daily growing stronger.

Walter E. Schmidt has made a fine record as county assessor and he is entitled to a re-election.

Walter E. Schmidt has made a good, clean record as County Assessor and he deserves to be re-elected.

Joseph C. Blaha in his first term in the legislature from the Nineteenth district proved himself to be an able,



WILLIAM E. MASON. Republican Nominee for Congressman-at-Large.

hardworking and honest public official. He deserves, and will get, a re-election.

Judge Kichham Scanlan is a painstaking, honest and fairminded judge.

E. C. Herren is making a fine record as assistant City Attorney. His many friends would like to see him on the bench.

When in the United States Senate William E. Mason made friends in every part of Illinois by his honest

where the work of education and organization will be carried on throughout the summer months, under the direction of County Treasurer William L. O'Connell.

Albert G. Wheeler's long and honorable record as a financier and a business man entitles him to the high place he holds in the estimation of all Chicagoans.

Congressman Lynden Evans should have little trouble in being reelected. The people of the Ninth District are



JOSEPH C. BLAHA. Candidate for Re-election to the Legislature, Nineteenth District.

and fearless record and everyone of these friends are working hard for his election as Congressman at Large next November.

The reelection of Charles W. Vail as clerk of the Superior Court is predicted on all sides. His clean and able record has made him friends on all sides.

Political headquarters of Edward F. Dunne, Democratic nominee for governor, have been opened in suite 1,803, City Hall Square building,

well acquainted with his able and clean record at Washington.

Zina R. Carter is the choice of thousands of Republicans for City Treasurer next spring.

Both tickets are weighted down with several dead ones.

Thomas A. Smyth is not losing any friends among the people by the fearless performance of his duties as President of the Sanitary District.



HENRY CLAUSSEN. Chicago Manager for A. H. Meyer & Co.