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REJECTS CARTER

Little Whiskers, the Senator, is Acceptable, but Sullivan Will Only Make Peace with Harrison Left Out.

The Battle for Delegates, Committeeships and Other Big Plums Taking Up Attention of Local Statesmen.

Wet and Dry Question Will Cut a Big Figure in Next Year's Battle Throughout the State of Illinois.

Factions in Both the Big Parties Are Making a Hard Fight for the Control of the Managing Committees.

Little Whiskers, the urbane and Chesterfieldian senior United States Senator from Illinois, whose term expires year after next, is back in Chicago to spend the holidays.

With the rapidly coming senatorial fight in mind he is anxious to see the Democrats getting together.

While in Washington he had a conference with Roger C. Sullivan and George E. Brennan, who were in the capital for the purpose of securing the Democratic national convention for Chicago.

Little Whiskers urged upon these two gentlemen the necessity for peace, although as both of them strongly favored Wilson, the reason for a sudden powwow was not easily made plain.

Sullivan said that he had no objection to a joint ticket, providing Carter Harrison was left off the list of delegates at large.

He said that he would not stand for Harrison for anything.

He denounced Harrison as a traitor and declared that the action of the Harrison party in supporting Thompson for mayor last spring put him outside of the Democratic party.

Little Whiskers is not the kind of an Indian Chief who gives up easily. Good nature is a strong weapon of his when honors are in sight, so when you read the following interview given out by him in Chicago, you can draw your own conclusions:

"The prospects are bright for an agreement by which both elements of the party shall be represented among the delegates to the national convention," he said, "with one set of delegates running. The eight delegates-at-large easily could be divided, for instance, between such representative leaders as Carter H. Harrison and Roger C. Sullivan.

"The Illinois delegation will be solid for Mr. Wilson, and I believe matters can be arranged so that only one set will be nominated in each Congressional district. The proposal to give a united party support to those state and county officers who desire a renomination also probably will meet with favor all around."

Secretary of Vall's campaign committee. John B. Price, chief of Record Division, salary \$1,800.

Harry Harmon, salary \$1,800. J. Marks, naturalization department, salary \$1,800.

The bulletin asks what incentive young men have to vote the Democratic ticket when the best jobs in the court clerks' offices are held by Republicans.

County Commissioners Audit Treasurer's Accounts and Compliment Him On His Fine Showing.

County Treasurer Henry Stuckart has received the "O. K." of the committee of county commissioners named to audit the return to the county of \$271,355.79, a year's interest money. The amount is \$83,678.38 more than was ever returned in a single year. The auditing committee was composed of Commissioners Daniel Ryan, Owen O'Malley and Joseph Carolin.

"We found there was only one set of books, and a thorough audit was made," said Mr. O'Malley. "Had there been a secret set the manner in which we conducted the investigation readily would have disclosed this information."

"Assistant Treasurer Jacob Lindheimer throw everything open to us. Bank deposit slips and every record kept in the office were made accessible. In addition Mr. Lindheimer allowed us to take what records we wanted out of the office, including the bank deposit slips."

ARE ALL STARS NOW Municipal Court Judges Will Show Up in Uniforms Next If Tony Is Flush.

A five-pointed silver star was presented to each of the Municipal court judges by Anton J. Cermak, the chief bailiff.

"The judges have been subjected to abuses because of their inability to prove their identity," Mr. Cermak explained. "Many times they were unable to pass police lines. Several complained to me and the star was suggested as a remedy."

The star was designed by Mr. Cermak. In the center is the seal of the Municipal court and around it "The Municipal Court of Chicago," and below "Judge."

New officers of the Nineteen Sixteen Club have been elected and this organization will devote its energies to booming the presidential aspirations of Lawrence Y. Sherman. Walter J. Raymer succeeds Edward J. Brundage as president. Ralph C. Otis is vice president, Clyde L. Day secretary and Emil C. Wetten treasurer. Among the members of the executive committee are John F. Smulski, Frank I. Bennett, Frank Hamlin, Wil-

ORIGINAL WILSON MAN

Rivers McNeill Was the First Man in Illinois to Declare for Wilson for President.

Rivers McNeill was for Woodrow Wilson for president in 1911. He was the first man that mentioned Wilson's name for the exalted position to the editor of The Eagle, and that was in the year named.

In January, 1912, at a luncheon, at which John McMillen, the editor of The Eagle, and others were present, Roger C. Sullivan said:

"Gentlemen, I feel very friendly to Champ Clark of Missouri. He will get our delegation because of neighborly feeling and his good record as a Democrat. But I cannot help feeling that Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey is the strongest man who could be nominated. If I had the naming of the candidate I would pick Wilson. He is a winner."

These are the facts, and are only printed out of a desire to get the real truth into print, with reference to the original Wilson man. Many of the fellows who are now claiming to have been the first to be for Wilson in this section of the country, did not know that Wilson was alive, so far as their utterances were concerned, when McNeill and Sullivan were sounding his praises. You can bet on this.

HOYNE'S FAME NATIONAL

The Courageous State's Attorney Would Make an Ideal Candidate for Vice President.

Maclay Hoyne is the one Democrat in the West who has attracted the attention of the country on account of his fearless administration of his great office.

The New York state's attorney has frequently attracted nation-wide attention by his attacks on grafters.

Chicago, the central metropolis of the country, holds the attention of the American people to a greater extent than any other city.

That is why Maclay Hoyne is today a National Character.

His fearless prosecution of crooked policemen, who believed themselves to be all powerful, has won for him a place in American politics that will grow with time.

This was only one of a hundred victories won by him for the cause of right and justice.

Illinois could have no stronger candidate for National honors to offer to the Democratic party at St. Louis next summer.

There is no Illinoisan named in any party for high national preferment now, whose record can at all compare with that of Hoyne.

He has done things. And what he has done has been for the public good.

Wilson and Hoyne would be an invincible combination.

THOMPSON—HARRISON

Long Plundered Taxpayers Wonder Why Thompson Stopped Work of Exposing City Hall Graft.

After dismissing a number of high officials. Charging the existence of rotten City Hall rings and Alleging the stealing of millions of the public money, The Thompson administration has suddenly let up.

The people want to know why? If Graft is to be condoned people want to know why.

If Graft is to be used as a political salve people want to know why.

The Thompson administration raised the lid on the alleged Graft of the Harrison regime.

Why was it clamped down again so suddenly?

LEAVING IN DROVES

Hundreds of Strong Harrison Leaders Are Deserting Their Former Chief for Sullivan Camp.

Harrison is losing many supporters among his former strong lieutenants.

Among the latest reported are: Tom Carey, long Harrison's chief lieutenant in the stock yards district. Thomas A. Fitzgerald, the wealthy coal man, who was a Gibraltar in local politics for Harrison.

John Powers, whose ward was always for Harrison for many years, and who never wavered before in his support of the former mayor.

DENEEN MEN LEAD

Former Governor and His Friends Have Republican State Situation Well In Hand and Will Control.

Gossip About the Work of Public Officials and Others in Various Departments of Public Life.

Public Men and Public Conditions as They Are Seen by the People in the Light of Their Performances.

General Information of a Public and Political Nature From All Parts of the State and All Parties In It.

Roy O. West will succeed himself as Republican National Committeeman.

Edward J. Brundage and his followers have joined hands with the Deneen forces and there is no longer any friction between them.

Former Governor Deneen will head the Illinois delegates at large to the National Convention.

His friends are confident of their ability to name the entire state ticket.

FRANK L. SMITH AHEAD

Popular Dwight Banker Now Far in the Lead for Republican Nomination for Governor.

Colonel Frank L. Smith of Dwight will be the next Republican candidate for governor in all probability if Charles S. Deneen does not want the nomination. Colonel Smith is well liked and has friends in every county.

CITY KILLS HUNDREDS

Unparalleled Death Lists Due to Permitting Open Cars to Run in Freezing Weather.

The City Hall Fresh Air Fiends are directly responsible for the wave of pneumonia which has swept over the city.

Unwilling to lose any opportunity to achieve newspaper notoriety they publicly applauded the traction and L. companies for running open cars in freezing weather.

The result is the largest number of newspaper death notices ever published, showing that newspaper readers followed City Hall advice and perished.

WRIGLEY WILL WIN

The Popular Manufacturer Will Be Sent to the National Republican Convention in Ninth District.

William Wrigley Jr. is the popular choice for delegate to the Republican National Convention from the Ninth district.

William Wrigley, Jr., financier and manufacturer, one of the financial mainstays of the Roosevelt campaign in 1912, has deserted the bull moose and will be a candidate for delegate to the Republican national convention of 1916 from the Ninth congressional district.

The return of Mr. Wrigley to the republican fold is one of the hardest blows received by the progressives in the west. Three years ago he was at the forefront of the bull moose offensive and carried with him the banner not only of a large personal following in Chicago, but also hundreds of business men in all parts of the United States who banked on his political as well as his business judgment. He contributed to the bull moose national campaign the sum of

\$25,000, the largest amount subscribed by a Chicagoan.

"I am with Teddy for anything he wants from dog catcher to czar," said Mr. Wrigley, as he handed his check to Ralph Otis, treasurer of the bull moose campaign.

But now he believes that the field of activity for progressive republicans is back in the G. O. P. In order to fight for his convictions in the party councils he has decided to ask the republicans of the Ninth district to send him as a delegate to the national convention. When he announces his candidacy formally he will declare himself for United States Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman, favorite son of Illinois, for the nomination for president.

ECLIPSE FIRST IN CITY HALL

Colored Voters Don't Want to Observe Any Partial One Over There, Either.

The colored voters in the 2nd ward are reported to be in a city hall political revolt. Edward Morris, colored lawyer, is said to be a candidate for ward committeeman in the 2nd ward as a rival for leadership among the colored voters to Aid. De Priest. The Morris movement is anti-Thompson, it is asserted. Martin B. Madden, congressman, is the ward committeeman now. There is considerable rivalry among the colored voters.

SEAT ALL OR NO FARE

William L. O'Connell, Chairman of the Public Utilities Commission, Promulgates Order on Traction Company.

Chairman William L. O'Connell promulgated the order of the Board of Public Utilities on the Chicago traction lines compelling them to provide seats for all passengers and to install trailers whenever necessary to carry this order out.

The traction company refused to obey this order and appear to be aided and abetted in their apparent determination to discommode the public, by certain members of the city administration.

The following extract from the official proceedings of the Public Utilities Commission and the City Council Committee may enlighten the public to some extent as to the attitude of the traction companies.

Before the State Public Utilities Commission: Commissioner Walter A. Shaw—You believe, Mr. Busby, as a practical railroad man, that in view of the development and improvement effected in cars, it would be a practical proposition to operate trailers?"

President Leonard A. Busby, of the Chicago Surface Lines—Yes, and I think it would be a help.

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proposition to operate trailers?" President Busby—"Yes, and I think it would be a help."

From indications it would seem as though the letter sent to the city council by President Leonard A. Busby of the Surface Lines asking the city to define its position toward the state's ruling was a step in a carefully worked out plan of legal strategy by which the aldermen will be used to pull the traction magnates' chestnuts from the fire.

THE SANITARY DISTRICT

List of Standing Committees for the Year 1916 of This Important Body.

Following are the standing committees of the Board of Trustees of the Sanitary District of Chicago for the year 1916:

Judiciary—Chairman, Mr. Paullin; Messrs. Carr, Clark, Sullivan and Breit.

Finance—Chairman, Mr. Dalley; Messrs. Carr, Sullivan, Kane and Paullin.

Engineering—Chairman, Mr. Paullin; Messrs. Kane, Clark, Carr and Breit.

Electrical Development—Chairman, Mr. Clark; Messrs. Sullivan, Kane, Breit and Carr.

Federal Relations—Chairman, Mr. Breit; Messrs. Sullivan, Kane, Reading and Paullin.

North Shore Channel—Chairman, Mr. Paullin; Messrs. Breit, Carr, Clark and Reading.

Real Estate Development—Chairman, Mr. Carr; Messrs. Sullivan, Clark, Kane and Breit.

Rules—Chairman, Mr. Reading; Messrs. Kane, Breit, Dalley and Clark. State and Municipal Relations—Chairman, Mr. Sullivan; Messrs. Paullin, Kane, Breit and Clark.

Labor—Chairman, Mr. Breit; Messrs. Reading, Paullin, Sullivan and Kane.

Stone and Spill Banks—Chairman, Mr. Breit; Messrs. Paullin, Reading, Kane and Sullivan.

Health and Public Order—Chairman, Mr. Clark; Messrs. Breit, Paullin, Reading and Kane.

Illinois Valley—Chairman, Mr. Kane; Messrs. Dalley, Breit, Reading and Sullivan.

Calumet-Sag Channel—Chairman, Mr. Reading; Messrs. Carr, Paullin, Kane and Breit.

Employment—Chairman, Mr. Dalley; Messrs. Carr, Breit, Paullin and Kane.

The Daily Press is receiving its well deserved reward for settling the street car strike and taking such good care of the Traction Company. The Traction Company is spending \$500,000 in advertising its many good qualities in the dailies. It is not advertising any of its bad qualities.

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