

THOMPSON DEFENDS POLICIES— STERN MAKES CHARGES

Mayor Thompson: Settled the street car strike in most satisfactory fashion; made appointments to the school board that were perfect; fostered the movement to reduce the price of gas; is solving the subway problem in a manner beneficial to all Chicago.

The above are some of the nice things Mayor Thompson today said about Mayor Thompson. The occasion for the self-praise was an attempt of the mayor to refute the charge of Ald. Stern that his administration had not offered one piece of constructive administration. To show how wrong Stern was, the mayor mentioned his accomplishments, as above related.

But! A political student had this to say of the mayor's story of his own wonderful accomplishments:

State's Att'y Hoyne is the one who effected a rapid settlement of the street car problem by threatening to force the company to open its books that the public might see its enormous profits.

Among the mayor's appointments to the school board was Selig, the moving picture king. Selig proposed, according to the mayor, to put moving picture machines in every school. At how much profit to Selig?

Ald. Merriam is the moving spirit behind all of the gas price reduction propositions.

Ald. Nathan Stern, 3d ward, replied to Mayor Thompson's speech of a week ago opposing his re-election last night at a big meeting at the 3d ward Republican headquarters.

He charged he was offered \$2,500 to go along with the mayor, that he would land on easy street if he voted right and that his re-election would be opposed if he didn't obey the administration.

Stern said he was with the mayor when he was right, but that Thompson had never offered one piece of

constructive legislation to the council since he had been in office.

Sanitary District Trustee Wallace Clark said Thompson was trying to Lorimerize the City Hall.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. C. Saestrand will speak for International Radical Library, Sat., 8 p. m., at library's clubrooms, 712 S. Loomis. Subject: "Artistic and Esthetic Life."

Wallace Athletic ass'n will hold leap year dance at Unity clubhouse, 3140 Indiana av., Sat. night.

Question of creating fund for death benefit will be considered at meeting of Painters' Local 191 tomorrow.

I. W. W. Local 85, branch 2, will give smoker at Russian hall, 644 W. 12th, Sat. evening.

City Club luncheon tomorrow. Benj. C. Marsh, New York, will talk on question of increasing income tax.

The Boys' Brotherhood Republic will hold a regular council meeting Sat., Jan. 29, at their city hall, 1727 W. 12th st.

Lecture, Young People's Literary Educational club, 3317 W. 12th, Sat., by J. Leewack, "The Development of Humanity."

Clarence Darrow is to lecture next Sunday morning before Chicago Society of Rationalism on "Jean Jacques Rousseau." Meeting to be held at the Kenmore theater, Wilson av., one block east of the "L" station, at 11 a. m.

Mrs. Raymond Robins, national president of Women's Trade Union league, will lecture for the Institute Educational league, Sunday, Jan. 30, 8 p. m., at the Workers' institute, 920 Ashland blvd., on "Trade Unionism and Co-operative Movement Here and Abroad."

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Helena, Mont.—Seven person are known to have perished in Montana in recent cold spell, worst ever experienced in state, temperatures ranging down to 63 degrees below zero reported.