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HIBBARD OUT FOR MAYOR

Judge Hibbard of Highland Park, authorizes the Waukegan "Sun" of Wednesday, Jan 30, to say that he will be a candidate for the office of mayor of that city at the forthcoming municipal election, to be held in April next. In his communication he says:

"While fully believing that a man's known character and record for ability, honesty, efficiency and devotion to the public welfare constitute the best platform on which he can stand, there are a few things I would like to emphasize at this time.

"First, I hold that the teamsters and citizens of Highland Park generally should be allowed to get all the sand and gravel they want down on the beach, without infringing on the rights of private property, free of cost, and without the annoying restrictions of which there are now so many complaints. Haul out a score of loads of sand today, and before the week is gone the lake will fill the hole again. The lake will furnish all the sand we want, if we will only provide a place to dump it. At all events, it will be time enough to put restrictions when evidence appear that the supply is giving out. Hence, the first plank in my platform is, 'Free sand for the boys.'

"Second. I would have, if possible, all the public city work, such as putting in sewers, water mains, macadamizing streets, etc., done by our own people. Highland Park has contractors enough, teams enough and workmen enough to do all this work, and they should do it; at least have the first chance. I would give it to them, even if it cost a little more at the outset, for I believe it would be cheaper and better in the end. My experience in the construction of the new public library building satisfied me of the wisdom of employing home contractors and workmen. They are right here to make good any defects or oversights, if such should appear, and they are our fellow citizens, interested the same as the rest of us, in having these public enterprises conducted honestly and economically. It is a base slander to say these home workmen want to cheat and rob the public; they are not the thieves and robbers. Hence the second plank in my platform is, 'Home work by the men.'

"Third. I would sell water to a west sider just as cheap as to an east sider; to a poor man as cheap as to a rich man. I am not setting the poor against the rich, nor am I talking about selling water to the city of Highwood at wholesale prices, nothing of the kind. What I mean is selling it to wealthy residents cheaper than to a poor man. We now have a sliding scale of prices, whereby the poor man pays the highest and the rich man the lowest price for his water just because he uses a thousand gallons more than his poor neighbor. This is not fair; it is not honest. What I demand is a square deal, one flat, uniform price for every-

body, rich or poor, black or white, irrespective of birth or nationality. Make a ten or twenty per cent discount if paid promptly, the same as the electric light company does. It is vastly easier for the rich man to pay his big bill than it is for the poor man to pay his little bill. The rich man and the poor man pay the same price for their groceries and their coal and their electric lights—sell them all their water at the same price, the lowest that can be wisely and safely afforded. Hence, my platform has this for its third plank. 'Water for all, rich and poor at the same price.'

Fourth. I believe the mayor of Highland Park should live in Highland Park, and not a man who comes out here after dark at night, sleeps here, is up, and after a hasty breakfast, off again to Chicago before or just after daylight. This city is large enough and important enough and has men enough to have a resident mayor. Ask our Mayor Evans what his experience in that office during the last twelve years have taught him in this respect. I also believe that henceforth the mayor should have regular and fixed hours, at least five days each week, when he would be in his office in the city building, where people who wish to see him can find him. The mayor's duties are so numerous and varied that they can not be properly attended to by little snatches of time in the evening or before breakfast in the morning. The city needs his personal attention some portion or portions of every day in the year. Hence the fourth plank of my platform is this, a resident mayor for the residence city."

"Other things will demand attention later on; these will do for a starter." I offer myself as a candidate for this high office, not for the sake of the honor or the salary or the duties, care and anxieties of office, I have had of such things all I want. I do it because the city of Highland Park is entitled to good honest, efficient and faithful service, the very best that can be had. I shall remain in the field till, in my judgment, as good or a better candidate appears, and when he comes to the front I will be ready to retire gracefully and cheerfully.

LEWIS B. HIBBARD.

Highland Park, Ill., Jan. 31, 1907.

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She Stoops to Conquer

On Saturday evening next, at Ravinia Park Theatre, the Alumni Association of the High School presents its company in Oliver Goldsmith's famous comedy, "She Stoops to Conquer." The preparation for this entertainment has been in the charge of Miss Sutton and the production promises to exceed the artistic success of "Twelfth Night" which was given last June. Many who have been prominent heretofore in Highland Park theatricals are included in the cast. The parts have been happily assigned and the adaptability of the players to Goldsmith's drama of Eighteenth century manners promises a most delightful evening's entertainment. The cast is as follows:

Sir Charles Marlow.....	Mr. Oliver Schaefer
Mr. Hardcastle.....	Mr. Lyman Prior
Chas. Marlow.....	Mr. Ben Fessenden
George Hastings.....	Mr. Frank Conrad
Tony Lumpkin.....	Mr. Arthur A. Williams
Stingo (Landlord).....	Mr. Winchester Carver
Tom Twist.....	Mr. Roger Fritsch
Aminadab.....	Mr. Kenneth King
Muggins.....	Mr. Lyle Bittering
Slang.....	Mr. Paul Gilroy
Diggory.....	Mr. Winchester Carver
Roger.....	Mr. Kenneth King
Jeremy.....	Mr. Arthur Steel
Mrs. Hardcastle.....	Mrs. Frank B. Green
Miss Har'castle.....	Miss Vida Sutton
Miss Nelville.....	Miss Katherine Anderson
Maid.....	Miss Olive Berry

New Sect Starts Unique in Scheme

John Augustus Wall, of Valley Stream, L. I., launched a brand new religion Monday afternoon. It is known as the national church, and its object is the establishment on earth of what is to be known as "the comrade kingdom" says the New York Times.

In every assembly district the promoter of the new religion hopes to establish a branch of the church. Eventually, if his plans do not miscarry, every one of these district organizations will own its own department store, its own hotel, its own private theater, its own bank, its own bowling alley, its own insurance company and its own skating rink.

John Augustus Wall is very anxious that his enterprise shall not be confounded in any way with that started, but not retained by John Alexander Dowie of Zion City. Dowie, he says, pretended to be supernatural and tried to establish a kingdom in heaven.

Mr. Wall is 29 years old, and is a tall, athletic looking man. He wears a little black mustache. Yesterday afternoon he was dressed in a black frock coat and white waistcoat, and had the aspect of a natty clergyman. His past business experience has been that obtained largely as an advertising man for a big Broadway dry goods store.

While his wealthy father, a white haired man, stood by, he took occasion to ward off the dreaded Dowie smile at the outset.