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WHO SHOULD BE MAYOR OF HIGHLAND PARK?

It is well known that the NEWS LETTER is not a partisan paper but it is very decidedly a citizen's paper with emphasis on the citizen.

The question at the head of this article is therefore put from that standpoint. There are two candidates for the mayoralty of the city. In the interests of the whole community, which can best serve.

If we were seeking to do honor to a citizen, we might choose according to our preference for one or the other of the two men before us and we certainly could have nothing to say against either. But when the question is one of fitness and opportunity for public service, it is settled for us by the superior qualifications of the one over the other.

Mr. Everett is free of all business obligations. He is master of his own time. He is an old successful business man and is devoted to the moral and material progress of the city in an eminent degree.

The NEWS-LETTER therefore votes "Everett for Mayor."

WHY ELECT JOHN FINNEY?

The principle of election in public office is both right and wrong, both expedient and inexpedient, according to circumstances.

By the unwritten law, the law of public sentiment, no U. S. president can hold office more than eight years—two terms. But the same sentiment does not prevail concerning senators. Some of the senators in Congress, like our own Senator Cullom, are returned again and again, and not unfrequently serve the country from middle life to old age, and perhaps die in the harness. The same principle applies to some extent in state and municipal affairs.

A governor has to prove himself exceptional good like Governor Hughes of New York, for instance to get a second term, while legislative members are often returned again and again.

But we are safe in saying that there is no position where it is so important that a good incumbent should be returned as long as he is capable of performing the duties in case of a secretary or clerk.

The town clerk in the writers

native place held the office for over forty years. The election was annual. After the first three or four terms, no one presumed to run against him. No political party nominated an opponent.

He was the one candidate accepted by all parties. If the "select men" or any private citizen wished to know anything about the past records of the town, it was only necessary to call on William Rolf and the information sought would be forthcoming. James A. Rose, our present secretary of State, has for the same reason filled the office for many years.

Others may be naturally just as capable but it would take years to acquire the familiarity with the affairs of State matters which Mr. Rose now has, and a change would cost the general public no little inconvenience.

The city clerk of Highland Park has long filled his office with unusual acceptability. Some citizens, years ago thought a change desirable and so voted. Twelve months had not rolled around before the mistake was discovered and we hastened to undo it. When ever any citizen wants information about matters pertaining to city affairs, he has but to go to the city office, or even use the telephone and our accommodating and affable city official is generally found able to give the desired information promptly. We do not mean to reflect on any other candidate who may be in the field; it is simply a question of the relative value of a public servant to the public, demanding quick efficient service.

THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER

It is a common experience that men condemn in others what they will promptly practice when occasion offers.

During the Lenten season thousands of men have poured contempt and condemnation on the name of Judas for his act of betrayal. Yet these men will go right into the world of business and politics and commit the same offense.

Public trusts are regarded as fair game for public plunder by many men who would not dishonor themselves in their personal or private affairs. This seems to be a fitting time to remind each other that a political trust is more sacred than a personal asset. Just because it is "a trust" it should be guarded better than one's purse.

"O! that that estates, degrees and offices,

Were not deriv'd corruptly". Citizen's are reminded that a public office and a vote are the same in kind. He who does not honor his vote is not fit for office.

Both are trusts. To sell them is betrayal whether the price be "a pull" a purse or only a vaporous cigar. It is the act of Judas applied to a common trust. The true man "holds honor, far more precious dear than life."

Don't forget to vote the Reliable L ticket, Tuesday, and every day you want good service.

HIGHWOOD TICKET

The News Letter does not presume to name the choice of individual candidates for Highwood citizens.

But there is a very clear and definite issue in that city which ought to be regarded by all the voters. The real question is the moral future of the city. All its material and commercial growth depends upon its moral character. Let the voters of Highwood carefully scrutinize the tickets which are published in this issue of the News Letter and vote for the men whose record and whose associations promises most for maintaining the law.

Highwood has taken a decided step upward in recent actions and the public are beginning to look forward to a complete deliverance from the lawlessness of the past.

Let us have a new Highwood and let all voters help to bring it out.

Our Outlook

THE NATION FOR PEACE

It may not be generally known that among the many societies, associations and leagues in this country, few, if any, are more important or far-reaching than the Association for International Conciliation. Its Executive Committee consists of Nicholas Murray Butler; Richard Bartholdt; Lyman Abbott; James Speyer; Richard Watson Gilder; Stephen Henry Olin; Seth Low and Robert A. Franks.

For the purpose of arousing of the American people in the progress of the movement for promoting international peace and relations of comity and good-fellowship between nations, the Executive Committee of the Association have already and are circulating sixteen different documents giving information as to the progress of these movements, in order that individual citizens, the newspaper press, and organizations of various kinds may have already available and accurate information on these subjects.

A list of these documents and copies of them up to the point of the edition printed may be had by addressing the Secretary of the American Association of International Conciliation, Postoffice Station 84, New York, N. Y.

A GRAVE CHARGE.

Press reports of the trial of the Sugar Trust, ended yesterday by a jury verdict of guilty, hardly have brought out the shocking nature of the charge, and of the evidence to support it. It was a case of plain stealing of the most contemptible kind. False weights were systematically used in order to defraud the Government, so the jury found, and their verdict of guilty also included the finding that this habitual cheating could not have been carried on without the knowledge of the officers of the corporation. This makes up about the most damning case against a rich company that we have had. Here was no mere question of rebating, or secret trade agreements, but just pilfering, day after day. The fat hand of the Sugar Trust was filching daily from the Treasury till. For depravity and sneaking meanness, this would be hard to beat.

CONSCIENCE AND POLITICS

It has been said that John Quincy Adams sold his stocks and bonds of every kind that might be affected by legislation before he entered Congress.

How many of the modern congressmen are as careful and conscientious to avoid even the appearance of evil? Where there is one such legislator today in legislative halls, we fear there are many who take just the opposite course.

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HARBORS FOR CHICAGO

No more practical questions looking towards great material advantage of the Chicago region has ever been discussed before a Highland Park audience than the harbor prospects.

Mr. John M. Ewen, one of the Harbor Commissioners accepted the invitation of the President of the Fellowship Club and on Thursday evening gave a most interesting address on the subject.

We regret that the crowded state of our columns this week prevents an extended report but the News Letter will have occasion to refer to the subject in future issues and have this to say here viz:—that the subject is one of tremendous outlook and Mr. Ewen establishes beyond all question the great value of a thoroughly extensive harbor system for Chicago which shall be adequate for its magnificent water ways and shall meet the enormously increasing claims of its Commercial and Industrial interests.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MOVES FORWARD

The tide of general interest seemed to reach high water mark on Easter Sunday at the Highland Park Presbyterian church.

The church was well filled for the morning service and the program of Easter song and praise was well sustained by resident singers. The organ gave a fine rendering of the Hallelujah Chorus of Handel's Messiah.

The Pastor's sermon was a note of joy on the "Significance of the Resurrection" and the whole of the large congregation made melody of the worship in hymn singing.

The most decidedly interesting feature of the service was the reception of 23 new members, 17 of whom were on "Confession of faith," and several infants were welcomed in baptism.

It is worthy of note also that two of the charter members of the church were present; viz: Mrs. Lucy Allen who is a bright and shining light at 90 years of age and Miss Sarah Patchen.

The Sunday school had a most interesting program in which a large number took part an inspiring session was held from 12 to 1 p. m.

A vesper service also was held in the afternoon when a fine program of Easter music was rendered by members of the congregation as a choir and a short address was given by Rev. C. P. Goodson on the "deity of Jesus."

ANNUAL MEETING

On Monday evening the annual meeting of the church was held. A dinner was served by the Dorcas society after which Trustee J. H. Shields presided over the business session. In spite of the drizzling rain there was a good attendance. Reports of all departments showed decided progress and increasing interest.

The finances of the church were shown to be in a very prosperous condition and the benevolent contributions towards missions, hospitals and other interests were remarkably good.

The Sunday school paid out over \$200 in benevolent contributions and has nearly \$100 in hand for further disposal.

The election of retiring members of the session and Board of Trustees resulted in the choice of each of them to succeed themselves.

It is announced that a vesper service will be held on the first Sunday in every month and the public generally are cordially invited to attend them.

The movement looking toward a new church building is progressing and a fine structure is contemplated.

MOON-STANTON WEDDING

Miss Maud M. Moon of Highland Park, and Mr. William F. Stanton of Montevideo, Minnesota, were married at the home of the bride, April 14, 1909, at 3 p. m. in the presence of the nearest relatives. Rev. R. J. Lobb of Norwich, Ontario, Canada, a great uncle of the bride, and Rev. B. R. Schultze officiated. The rooms of the house were decorated with white carnations and simlax, and Easter lilies. The bride and groom were unattended, and the bride carried a shower bouquet of exquisite white roses and lilies of the valley.

Mrs. Stanton is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Moon of 11 Green Bay Road. She is a very popular young lady, well beloved by a host of friends. She is an active and devoted member of the First United Evangelical church in this city and will be greatly missed by that society.

The groom is a young man of the highest character and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Stanton of Myrtle, Ontario, Canada. The bride and groom will reside at Montevideo, Minnesota. Mr. Stanton is engaged extensively in stock raising. Their many friends wish them God speed and every joy in life.

A beautiful incident was connected with the wedding ceremony. The Rev. Mr. Lobb, who pronounced the young people man and wife, performed the rites at the wedding of the brides parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Moon, some 28 years ago, and at the same time and place had the unusual privilege of officiating in the ceremonies connected with the golden wedding of his own father and mother.

BAPTIST CHURCH: Dr. B. A. Green of Evanston will preach in the Highland Park Baptist church on Sunday morning in respect to the Baptist situation with special reference to the need in Chicago. The pastor, Rev. LeRoy Dakin will be present to assist the visiting clergyman. On that day, April 18, all pastors are expected to exchange pulpits. A committee has been appointed designating each pastor to some other pulpit than his own. The suggested thoughts for discussion are: The condition of our Baptist work in Chicago and surrounding towns; The uniting of the Baptist forces in Chicago; The utilizing of latent material both in preachers and laymen. Members and friends of the church and congregation are urgently requested so be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Howe has been very ill with the Grippe, but we are glad to report they are improving.

There is a desire in Highland Park to organize a brass band. Those interested are invited to correspond with A. S. Loomis 343 McDaniel avenue.

John Conrad and Culver Shields left for Champaign, Illinois University last Tuesday night after spending a few pleasant days with their friends in town.

Mr. R. J. Street has returned from the South where he has been spending the winter. Mrs. Street will return later.

Mr. and Mrs. West of East Central avenue, who have been visiting in New York for the past week, are expected home to-day.

At the annual business meeting of the Woman's club, the following officers were elected:—President, Mrs. Geo. Campbell; 1st Vice President, Mrs. Dr. Roberts; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Holabird; Recording Secretary, Miss Howell; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Oleson; Treasurer, Mrs. F. Schumacher.

Messrs Paul Van Duyne, Culver Shields and Robert Lutz, students of "Illinois," spent Easter here, in the Park.

Mr. John DeMuth has been suffering with a sprained ankle

Mrs. C. N. Kimball and children are at home again after several weeks stay in California.