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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Frank M. Tyrrell.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of county attorney on the republican ticket, subject to the decision of the voters at the coming primaries. In so doing I request the support of all persons who approve my official acts.

FRANK M. TYRRELL.

Willis E. Reed.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the United States senate under the provisions of the "Oregon plan." I am for tariff for revenue only, against ship subsidy, for election of senators by the people and for general legislation that will advance the common good as against the further encroachments of "the interests."

WILLIS E. REED.
Madison Neb.

J. R. Bennett.

I hereby announce my candidacy for nomination as County Commissioner from the Second Commissioner District subject to the republican primaries on August 16. My platform is my official record for the past two years.

J. R. BENNETT.

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AN EXAMPLE OF UNIONISM.

When Ernest Sidel, socialist, was elected mayor of Milwaukee the capitalist class thought to make an example of that city. "We will," said the capitalists, "refuse" to invest in Milwaukee city bonds, and as Milwaukee is a borrower at the present time, we will make it so uncomfortable for that city that no other city will make the error of electing a socialist to the mayoralty."

So saying the capitalists sat back in their easy chairs and thought how beautifully they were going to put the screws to Milwaukee.

But they didn't reckon with the host. True that Milwaukee is a borrower of money. But when the capitalists sought to punish Milwaukee for having elected an enemy of the capitalist system they forgot that there were a lot of trades unionists who had some money. The Bakers and Confectioners' International Union has something like a quarter of a million dollars in its strongbox. "We'll loan Sidel's city our money," said the members of that big union. The Brewery Workers' Union has something like a half million dollars in its treasury. "We'll loan Sidel's city our money," said that big union. Other unions said the same thing, and the first thing the capitalists knew they were losing a chance to make profitable investments in Milwaukee bonds. Then they woke up.

The unions will not be called upon to sell their securities for the purpose of helping the socialists administration of Milwaukee out of a financial hole, for the capitalists are now not only willing, but eager, to loan money on Milwaukee bonds.

In an Ohio city recently the manager of a big corporation, who was also president of a big bank, became embroiled with his employees. They asked for recognition of their union and an increase in wage. The haughty employer would not listen to them, but on the contrary imported "scabs" and then sought the protection of the militia. The interests of the corporation and the bank were closely allied, so trades unionists quietly began withdrawing their money from the bank. As a result the manager of the corporation had to make terms in order to save his bank. Doubtless he has revised his estimate of the cohesive power of trades unionists.

These incidents are mentioned merely to show what organized labor can do when it lays aside its petty jealousies and prejudices and works as a unit in the interests of the whole body of labor. The trouble is that organized labor does this thing too seldom. The whole system is permeated with jealousy—jealousy of men who try to do

things; jealousy of individuals who dare have opinions of their own. Differences of opinion on matters wholly apart from trades unionism are made the basis of bitter attacks, backcapping and snarling criticism. And men who boast of being "square men" are the men who are quickest to try and injure brother unionists who happen to differ from them on some personal matters. It's sad, but it's too true.

A BIT PERSONAL.

The Wagworker begs pardon for obtruding a little personal matter right here, but it can not forbear expressing its pleasure at having accumulated a few enemies. It is really very proud of the enemies it has made—although not quite so proud of them as of the staunch friends it has made. But the mere fact that it has made enemies is a sign of progress, a sign that it is really amounting to something. It rejoices in the enmity of those narrow-souled members of unions who, having good jobs, don't care whether the other fellow has anything or not. It rejoices in the enmity of those frantic shouters for "personal liberty" who would deny every man but themselves the right to express an honest opinion if that opinion did not square with their own. It rejoices in the enmity of those to whom truth is unknown and who have no regard for fairness or squareness. It is being boycotted by men who prate loudly of free speech and free press, and who, while profiting from those very things would suppress a free press because they can not control its utterances or the opinions of the editors thereof.

As its list of loving enemies increases The Wagworker's list of loyal friends increases—and we rejoice in the free advertising those loving enemies are giving, for, coming from that source, every knock is a boost.

As in the beginning, so in closing. The Wagworker craves pardon for obtruding this personal note.

SPEAKING OF CANDIDATES.

The candidate for the legislature, be he republican, democrat, socialist or prohibitionist, who will not agree to vote for the senatorial candidate receiving the highest number of votes at the November election, is not fit to be trusted. The man who will not trust the people should not be trusted by the people. J. R. C. Miller is one of these. He knows better than the people what the people want and should have. Miller is a republican. P. F. Zimmer, Allen McWilliams, Jerome Shamp and W. J. Blystone, all republican candidates for legislative nomination, have refused to abide by the choice of the people on the matter of the senatorship. H. J. Lenhoff and C. E. Groves, democrats, have refused to give assurance that they will vote for the people's choice for senator.

Not one of these men is entitled to the support or the vote of any trades unionist who believe in the initiative and referendum, or who believes in the popular election of United States senators.

The "Oregon plan" of electing senators is fair and right. The legislative aspirant who is not willing to sign Statement No. 1 is not entitled to the votes of men who believe in self-government. Mark the above named candidates and slaughter them at the primaries. If they escape slaughter then, try to get their political scalps on election day.

John E. Miller, democrat, who was a member of the senate during the 1909 session, is now a candidate for the house. Mr. Miller stood for the right two years ago. He voted for the two or three bills that organized labor stood for. He opposed several measures that were calculated to injure the cause of labor. He has signed "Statement No. 1," and he is deserving of the support of the union men who make partisanship a secondary consideration to their unionism.

The editor of The Wagworker has been made a member of the "Capitol Removal Club." When the etats house is moved this editor's bones will long since have moldered in the dust, though his soul may be marching on.

A few days ago The Wagworker and its publishers were being loudly condemned by a card man who rolled a cigaroot from "Bull Durham" while making the denunciation.

The printing offices in Lincoln that could put the label on Campaign literature two years ago are not able to do so this year. Candidates should be warned in time.

"Everybody knows where I stand," says Mayor Dahlman. Sure—until 8 p. m. Then he has to seek a "club."

Lincoln wage earners will celebrate Labor Day. The "knocker" might as well crawl back into his hole.

The candidate may have the label on his card without having the love of unionism in his heart.

Ned Brown, republican candidate for nomination for state senator from Lan-

caster county, is a good man to tie to. Mr. Brown's record in the senate during the 1909 session will stand investigation. He was for every bill that organized labor asked for—which was not very much, by the way. But he showed where his heart is. He has signed "Statement No. 1," and he will support any reasonable bill that organized labor asks support for.

Will Green of Creighton, democratic candidate for nomination for lieutenant governor, is one of the squarest men that ever lived. Every trust and corporation in the state is fighting him because they can not dictate to him. He is the man that put the harvester trust on the bum in this state. The farmers ought to be for him to a man.

The spectacle of tradesmen in one branch of a trade standing up and defending a man who is notoriously unfair to tradesmen in another branch of the trade is not calculated to impress the Business Men's League with the idea that organized labor is standing shoulder to shoulder.

The billboards of Lincoln are being plastered with four-sheet posters booming James C. Dahlman for governor. The label of the allied printing trades is conspicuous by its absence.

If the republicans nominate Prof. J. W. Crabtree for state superintendent of public instruction he will be elected by the biggest majority ever given a candidate for state office.

One reason why the Wagworker is for Metcalfe for senator is because it is Metcalfe.

A whole lot of "square man" talk comes from a crooked tongue.

Once more—this newspaper is not

now, never has been, nor never will be while under its present management, the "official organ" of any union, organization or party. It is not an "organ." It is edited by its editor, and it has no opinions for sale. Advertising rates made known on application.

A federal judge in Kansas has actually prevented a city under the commission system from doing business that way. If God should happen to want to take a vacation, He could find a lot of Federal judges quite sure they are capable of handling God's job.

Democrats who believe that one man knows more than all men should vote for Dahlman at the primaries. Dahlman says he don't give a damn what the people want, he'll veto it if it does not suit him.

The man who made the Omaha World Herald famous is now a candidate for senator against the man who profited by Metcalfe's work in making the World-Herald famous.

It seems that J. R. C. Miller really knows more than all the rest of the people put together. It would be dangerous to elect such a knowledgeable man to the legislature.

The Wagworker's Labor Day edition will be a hammer with horns and a seven times winner.

August 16 is primary day. Vote for your friends regardless of political affiliation.

The Japanese laborers on the California fruit farms are organizing. They have a union of 2,000 in one county alone, and fixed a minimum wage scale of \$2 a day of nine hours.

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