

## George E. Dickson of Illinois

George E. Dickson of Illinois is a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor of Illinois. The primaries are to be held April 9th. Louis F. Post calls him a "democratic democrat." Mr. Dickson has issued the following statement:

"In my candidacy for the nomination for the office of governor of Illinois on the democratic ticket, I respectfully solicit the support of all progressive democrats, and as I believe all are entitled to know exactly where I stand on each question upon which action may be expected during the term of the next governor, I here submit my platform:

"I believe in that great fundamental principle of democracy, viz: 'Equal rights to all; special privileges to none.'

"I indorse in full the last national democratic platform.

"I favor the initiative and the referendum, and, under proper safe-

guards, the recall of any elective official who is guilty of misconduct in office.

"I favor abolishing the minority system of representation in the state legislature, and, until this can be done, I favor the nomination of at least two democratic candidates as representatives from each district.

"I believe that justice demands that the question of equal suffrage should, at the first opportunity, be submitted to popular vote in the state.

"I favor such measures of tax reform as will equitably distribute the burdens of taxation on all the people so that each shall pay his just share and no more.

"I favor a constitutional amendment which will make it possible to submit amendments to two or more articles of the constitution at the same general election.

"I favor the enactment of a rigid

corrupt practices act, which shall prescribe a decent limit to the amount of money that may be spent in the interest of candidates for office, abolish paid workers and watchers at the polls, and, in general, make the improper use of money in elections impossible.

"I favor the election of United States senators by the people.

"I favor a shorter ballot and I also favor the placing of the names of candidates for judges in a separate column on the ballot without any party designation.

"I favor amendments to the primary law providing for the placing of the name of each candidate for a given office at the head of the list on a fixed proportion of the ballot, the same proportion applying to all candidates. Also providing for printing all tickets on one ballot so a voter need not announce his party affiliation to the election judges before receiving a ballot. Votes in more than one column should render the whole ballot void; thus improper voting would be impossible and a desirable element of secrecy preserved.

"I believe that railroad passes, telegraph, telephone and express franks and all special favors now so commonly granted to public officials and others by public service corporations, should be outlawed and that the violation of the law should be made a felony.

"I believe in the enactment of a fair employers' liability law as the only effective means of safeguarding the life and limb of the employes in the factories, mines and workshops of the state; and I favor the repeal of the workmen's compensation act or an increase of indemnities provided in the act to a point that will provide a decent existence outside of the county poor houses for those poor unfortunate employes who are totally and permanently disabled while in the discharge of duty.

"I believe the inmates of the state penitentiaries should be employed in road-making and such other employment as will render their work healthful and useful to the state without bringing their labor into competition with honest labor.

"I believe that speedy action should be taken to preserve for the people of Illinois the great water power which has been already created by digging the sanitary canal and that on no account should this vast source of future revenue to the state be allowed to pass into private hands.

"I believe that the chartering of a bank by the state should mean the absolute safety of money deposited therein, and that suitable legislation to guarantee such safety should be enacted.

"I am opposed to 'government by injunction' to injunctions against acts which are already unlawful, and I favor trial by jury in contempt cases, except where the act complained of occurred in the presence of the court.

"I am in hearty sympathy with all honest efforts of labor to improve working conditions and advance the standard of living. I believe that the proud position of the United States as the home of the best paid labor in the world, is due to the thorough organization and intelligent leadership among American workmen and no one can deny that organized labor, in advancing wages to the present standard, has done more to create and maintain a profitable home market for the products of the farm than all the high tariff laws ever enacted.

"If I am elected I shall use every honorable means in my power to have the foregoing principles enacted into law and to place the great state of Illinois in the front rank of the progressive states of the union.

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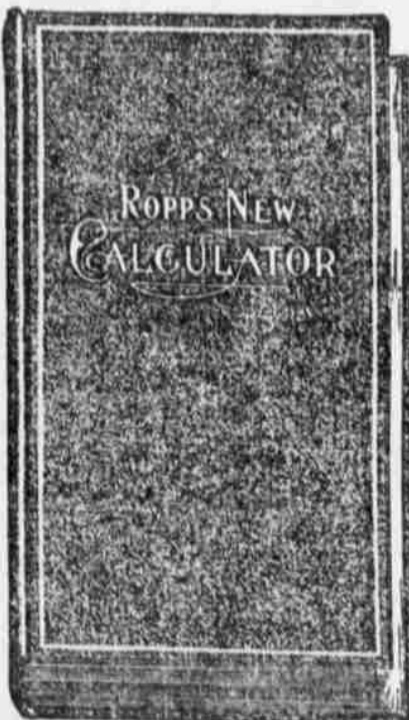
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