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That a Finer and Greater Birmingham Might Be!



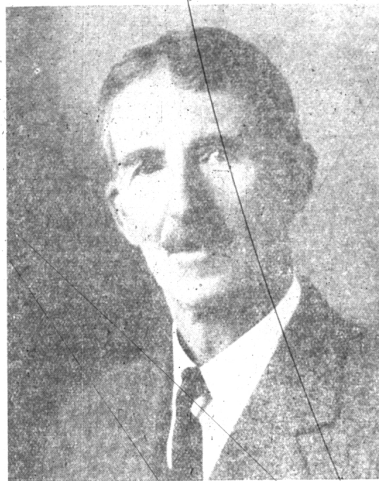
Proposition No. 4 should be Defeated

It is a well-known fact that when I took office as President of the Village that the affairs of the Village were in a precarious condition. Bills were overdue six or eight months. One of the first things we did after getting into office was to borrow money for paying the running expenses of the Village and after two terms of efficient and strenuous co-operation with everyone affiliated in the offices of the Village we retired with all bills paid up and a substantial balance to the credit of the Village in the bank.

Proposition No. 4 should be defeated because it depreciates land values in certain districts which are in the path of business progress and which will unquestionably have great potential business value in the future. It is an attempt to put over one of the unfair and improperly drafted sections of the recently defeated zoning ordinance. Be sure to vote "NO" on Proposition No. 4.

Respectfully,

J. H. McBRIDE



Efficiency can be largely promoted through Good Management

It has always seemed to me that the public is entitled to know definitely just where a candidate stands on public issues that vitally affect the interests of the people. It is for this reason that I am stating my position in this campaign.

One of the first things I would recommend if elected would be a careful scrutiny of the expenditure of the people's money and eliminate unnecessary extravagance in installing improvements that will soon become inadequate for the needs of the Village.

In putting in sewers, water systems and other public facilities, we should have in mind a Birmingham of 1927 with a population of 40,000. Any money spent below or above the ground without this in view is money worse than wasted, for there is not only the expense of installing new facilities adequate for the purpose, but the added expense of removing the old ones. This does not mean that we should install facilities beyond our present needs, but that those installed should be of a capacity that will permit of their extension.

Money wasted, in my estimation, deprives taxpayers of what rightfully belongs to them, and indirectly increases the tax burden. Every man is entitled to the rewards of his own industry and ought not to be deprived of what he earns, neither should he be deprived of his personal liberty. Not one dollar of public money should be spent except for necessary public purposes to keep Birmingham abreast of the progressive spirit of the times.

Changing conditions always bring about new opportunities and new complicated problems. If we wish to keep pace with other fast growing communities we must be liberal and broadminded and have high but practical ideals that can be followed in daily life. If our ideals are only visionary they will be valueless and impractical.

It is my belief that all public business should be transacted above the table and citizens encouraged to be present rather than discouraged and intimidated. Any matter of unusual importance to the present or future welfare of the Village should be submitted to the people for their approval. I do not believe that any three men should assume the authority to foist regulations on the Village that are inimical to the good of the community.

This is one of the reasons why I assisted in drafting and having submitted to the people the amendment increasing the number of the Village commission to seven.

Inasmuch as I did not seek the nomination and consented only when shown the names of fifty business men and other citizens who signed the petition circulated in my

neighborhood, I am sure that if elected I will continue to be the same public-spirited citizen that I have tried to be for the past ten years.

Much has been said about the dangers of over-conservatism that people cannot grow, that a community cannot develop without the expenditure of large sums of the people's money. If to have vision, not only of today, but of tomorrow, is over-conservatism; if to have the desire and the ambition to save, to reduce waste to a minimum is over-conservatism, then you, the public, may put that charge against me.

Yet when one considers this thing called "Financial Management" do we not find that in our Industries, and in our Businesses, and even in our own Homes, the basis of Success lies in Vision and in conservatism. How carefully the Treasurer of a great Organization weighs the pros and the cons of each little investment. How conscientiously the wife and mother plans every penny that the most might be secured for the least. Is this over-conservatism? And who, Mr. and Mrs. Voter, knows best the art of handling money. A man in his mature years who has nothing because he could never learn, or the man who, having aspired, planned and sacrificed, came down the long and not too smooth road of achievement?

Who is best fitted to direct the flowing of the waters of financial progress. The man who all his life has had a certain way, or the man who, in his youth, had the servile conviction of near-poverty to rend asunder?

At my birth, in 1867, a log cabin. In my boyhood, rails to split, ows to milk, trees to fell, pioneering. In my youth, the world to face alone, and unprepared, but I was determined to learn and to succeed. I studied, I went without sufficient clothes that I might have books and might pay my tuition.

Mr. and Mrs. Voter, one question for your fair and unbiased consideration: DOES NOT PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT EMBODY THE SELFSAME PROBLEMS, VISION, SACRIFICE AND ABILITY, WHICH WHEN ACHIEVED, SERVES TO THE BEST ADVANTAGE OF A CONGREGATED PEOPLE, A GROWING COMMUNITY?

IS NOT A COMMON MAN WHO HAS LEARNED AND ATTAINED BEST EQUIPPED TO HANDLE THE FINANCES OF A COMMON PEOPLE?

Respectfully,

W. W. HENRY.



Let's have our own Motion Picture Theater

"The motion picture theater is one of the greatest educational mediums in community life. It is important, therefore, that a community of the high caliber of Birmingham should have a motion picture theater in keeping with its standards, both as to structure and management. It is necessary that we have a motion picture theater owned and managed by an organization that has already demonstrated its high character and responsiveness to the demands of the communities which its theaters serve. The organization represented by Mr. Kunsky owns and operates the most beautiful and highest class theaters of their kind in the world. In order for a theater of this character to be constructed and operated profitably in Birmingham it is necessary that it be permitted to be open seven days, because the revenues from six days in the week, all of which are working days, will not be sufficient to pay the costs of maintaining such a theater and give the people of Birmingham the higher class motion picture play which the village will demand."

"The issue to be decided by the people is not one of Sunday operation of a theater, but the proper censorship of the pictures which are presented on that day as well as on the other six days of the week. It is far better for us to keep our young people in Birmingham for this kind of entertainment than to force them to go to other places."

"Let's have our own motion picture theater. Let's have one operated by good management that will be responsive to our wishes and subject to our regulations."

Respectfully,

LAWRENCE HULBERT

Following is a Partial List of Additional Endorsers:

We, the undersigned members of the "Henry for President" Club, endorse Mr. W. W. Henry for President. We believe Mr. Henry the most able man available for the position; that he has the necessary business qualifications for the work, and that he can and would give sufficiently of his time to insure a proper conduct of Village affairs:

Holmes Hedding, 209 Greenwood Ave.
Mrs. Wm. Thornton, 125 S. Woodward Ave.
Wm. G. Blumberg, 722 Pierce St.
Margaret L. Westerby, 907 Frank St.
Lawrence A. Westerby, 907 Frank St.
Mrs. Neil Black, 201 Ridgedale Ave.
Carl B. Westerby, 529 Wallace St.
Mrs. Carl Westerby, 520 Wallace St.
Geo. Westerby, 517 Wallace St.
Mrs. Geo. Westerby, 517 Wallace St.
Floyd E. Oliver, 621 Wallace St.
Mrs. Nellie C. Westerby, 712 Floyd St.
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J. C. Young, 921 Frank St.
Edith Purdy, 924 Frank St.
Lucy Purdy, 924 Frank St.
Hans O. Olsen, 208 Frank St.
Ed. Holloway, 608 Brown St.
Mrs. Abelt, Lincoln Ave.
Oliver M. Lowe, 815 Frank St.
Pearl B. Lowe, 815 Frank St.
Geo. S. Scott, 800 Frank St.
Bertha Scott, 800 Frank St.
I. W. Gibbons, 801 Frank St.
A. H. Gibbons, 801 Frank St.

G. Ward, 905 Frank St.
T. J. Ward, 905 Frank St.
J. A. Heist, 103 Harmon St.
John McKee, 208 Dancy St.
J. Gibbons, 801 Frank St.
Edith Gibbons, 801 Frank St.
Mrs. J. Gibbons, 801 Frank St.
John McClelland, 203 Frank St.
Harry Stark, Brown St.
Eloise Stark, Brown St.
Mrs. Cole, Vinewood Ave.
Mrs. Cole, Vinewood Ave.

Ida R. Corns, 222 Lincoln Ave.
Ray Hedding, 209 Greenwood Ave.
Mrs. Anna McClelland, 803 Frank St.
Alax Rochelau, 912 Frank St.
Mrs. A. Rochelau, 912 Frank St.
Fred W. Haack, Pierce St.
Mrs. Herriet Todd, 715 Pierce St.
James Campbell, 318 Purdy St.
E. S. Pettypiece, 911 Brown St.
Frank Van Fleteraa, North Woodward Ave.
Thomas L. Thurber, 214 Oak St.
Thomas D. Thurber, 214 Oak St.

Mitchell E. Kelly, 912 Lincoln Ave.
Gertrude Young, 921 Frank St.
Chas. Kamin, 122 Vinewood Ave.
John Groves, 220 Greenwood Ave.
D. D. Halpin, 421 Broadside Drive
F. E. Goldsmith, 310 Greenwood Ave.
J. L. White, 126 Vinewood Ave.
Blanche White, 126 Vinewood Ave.
Mrs. R. Huxford, 14 Bloomfield Court
Mr. R. Huxford, 14 Bloomfield Court
Thomas Reaney, 1118 Lincoln Ave.
Doris Reaney, 1118 Lincoln Ave.
Dr. G. W. Corns, 222 Lincoln Ave.

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