

## POSITION OF JOHN W. TOWLE

### WRITER TELLS WHAT HE THINKS OF IT ALL

Compares Mr. Towle's Record and His Recent Campaign Talks

### CHARGES CRIMES TO INEFFICIENCY

Riots, Rape, Lynching and Court House Burning Charged to Poor Work of Dean Ringer's "Re-organized" Police Department—Towle is Asked to Square His Talk Up With His own Actions

(Contributed)  
To the Editor of the Mediator:  
Is this John W. Towle, from whom we have heard so much of late the man who went out to the homes of the state's witnesses in the Moore case? Is he the same man who gave money to the parents of the boys who were held in jail as witnesses against Moore?

If Mr. Towle had evidence that the riot was the result of a conspiracy to discredit the police department, why didn't he, as foreman of the grand jury, secure true bills of indictment against the gang whom he says were involved in the conspiracy. When he tells us now that he had sufficient evidence to convince him that gang was feeding bad whiskey to that infuriated mob and inciting it to riot he brands himself as an unworthy juror and a violator of his oath.

That riot was the result of popular indignation against a blundering police administration which had trampled upon the constitutional rights of our citizens by invading their homes without legal warrants and by exercising over them an unrelenting tyranny. While these outrages were being committed the burglar and rapist worked on with apparent immunity. About seventeen cases of rape or assault with intent to commit rape were reported to the police in sixty days just preceding the date of the riot, and an indignant and outraged public sentiment demanded that some drastic action be taken to put an end to that encouragement of guilt which was built upon immunity. The people were determined to make a terrible example of one and that miserable colored man felt their vengeance. I do not approve of the conduct of that lawless mob. A lynching is never justifiable and I am willing to admit that the riot has left a blot upon the fair name of this city which will grow blacker with time. But, Mr. Editor, is it fair to accuse the gang of planning the riot while we excuse the police

only necessary to show probable commissioner whose stupidity and inefficiency precipitated that riot?

The county attorney vigorously prosecuted every case upon which an indictment had been found. It was an offender and it was up to Mr. Towle and his associates on the grand jury to indict every conspirator. His failure to do so is the best possible proof that he had no evidence against any political leader or gangster upon which he could find a true bill of indictment based upon probable cause. He is either speaking falsely now or he was derelict in his duty as a grand juror. He can choose either horn of the dilemma for he must hang on one or the other.

When Mr. Towle examines the records and finds the number of rape cases reported prior to the riot and compares them with the number reported since the riot he will discover the real cause of the riot, an inefficient police department.

Mr. Towle, to whom the above communication refers, has been very active in support of Dean Ringer and other candidates on the "5,000" slate. In his own office he has been advised to change his tactics before the people of Omaha really discover him, and while his standing is good. He it was who, as foreman of the grand jury investigating the lynching of a negro and burning of the court house, managed to "whitewash" the Omaha police department. It was charged at that time that he bribed boys with cash donations who were later called as witnesses. It was presumed they would testify that they had been bribed to testify that they were hired by certain parties to carry inflammables with which the fire was started. Later they repudiated anything of the sort and the whole story went for naught.

"W" Leads in Surnames.  
More English surnames begin with "W" than with any other letter.

### MANY COMPLAINTS FROM POLICE OFFICERS WHOM RINGER DOUBLED

Seriousness of Conditions Very Apparent and Instances Cited of How Ringer Fails to Support City Ordinances Sponsored by Him

On the night of March 26, 1921, a call was received at the Central police station stating that Mr. Reubens, a groceryman, aged 69 years, was found dead in his grocery store at 17th and Webster streets, with his head nearly severed from his body.

Officers were dispatched from Central Station to the scene of the tragedy in response to the call, among them being one of Ringer's selected detectives. One of Mr. Ringer's ordinances prohibits the appointment of a man to the detective force until he has served two full years on the police department in uniform as a patrolman.

This detective received all evident available information in this case before 11:45 p. m., and, although officers were scouring the city, kept calling the station for any possible information this officer should have sent in to the desk sergeant or the captain in charge, not later than 11:50 p. m., this selected and noble detective withheld everything he learned of the affair until after 3 a. m., the next morning. Not even the captain who sent him on the call had heard from him.

Had this man known "Police Duty," which under former administrations he would have to know, or get off the job, the murderer or murderers would probably be in jail instead of being hunted for now.

Mr. Ringer should realize the contents of his own ordinance prohibits such men on the detective department. He introduced this ordinance in the city council, and brother councilmen voted with him on this same ordinance, believing at the time, that Ringer would uphold his end of the same, and yet he permits its violation by appointing men detectives who never did police duty before. He has many such men in plain clothes today.

All officers appointed by him are sent immediately to a big department store to invest approximately \$100.00 or more in uniforms. Does Lloyd Toland, Bill Toland or Clyde Lake own uniforms? No. Were they ever seen in a uniform No. Before the good citizens of Omaha fall for his talk he should let them know why these men are better than the other 220 or more officers in the department. What has the patrolman with years of experience and service, who has jeopardized his life numerous times in his hazardous duties, to look forward to, when he appoints such men as the above, to positions of detectives?

In God we Trust, but for Ringer we can't use you after the 3rd of May, and we recommend that you move what few law books you have to your home.

**UNITED SEVEN**  
The United Seven is ready for business. It is believed everyone of them will be elected to the city commission. They are as follows:  
James C. Bahlman,  
Henry W. Dunn,  
Joseph B. Hummel,  
Dan B. Butler,  
Harry B. Zimmin,  
Joseph Koutsky,  
John H. Hopkins.  
Voters will do well to take this list with them to the polling places May 3. It means a Greater Omaha if they are elected.



It would take more than Noah Webster gave us in his big dictionary to properly eulogize Joe Hummel, who is candidate for city commissioner, on the slate of the United Seven. Joe has been able to stand alone for so long that words will hardly tell of all the good things that ought to be said of him. Hummel, too, is one of the big-hearted, common people, who can appreciate what is desirable or necessary to make Omaha the metropolitan city it should be. He is practically father of the present boulevard and park system which has been permitted to deteriorate disgracefully the last three years. He promises to put things in ship-shape when he gets back, and his promises have always been kept. He is no dodger of his duty and he knows what his duty is. Hummel's connection with city affairs. Three years ago, while our boys were at the front, Joe was temporarily side-tracked by the crowd that has

well near brought ruin to our fair city.



Commissioner Dan B. Butler, one of the only two city commissioners who will be returned to office May 3, will doubtless come into his own following the election. When the present seven commissioners came into office the majority put Bill Ure on Butler's job and relegated Dan to the street department.

Wise ones believe Dan will again be returned to the department of accounts, where he was an admitted success. Butler has been one of the biggest vote getters on the ticket for many years and he may be expected to return with a vote right up among the top notchers this election. He was there with the goods at the primary, and will not lag week from Tuesday.

### PRINTERS EXPECTED BACK ON JOB VERY SOON AGAIN

For two weeks job printers have been fighting for a new scale, which they claim is due them, under previous contracts. Many of them quit work two weeks ago and have not returned. Boss printers, members of the National Typothetae, declare that, in the face of present conditions, there is no justification for the demands made. It is expected the matter will be adjusted in the near future and that all printers will be back on the job in a short while.

**Cleaning Jet.**  
Brush it well. Put one drop of sweet oil on the palm of the hand, rub the brush over the hand and then again brush the jet. Rub lightly with the thumb.

### Doings In Omaha Fifty Years Ago

Roy Wade declared untrue the report that he was looking for another job on the police force.

John Anderson deplored the drought. He said it was not like it used to be.

Charlie McCune, "collector of the port of Omaha," declared false the report that he was thinking of again returning to newspaper work, but nobody believed him.

Frank Hoag was still living a life of ease, but expected to go to work again soon.

Chisam Miller & Trimble Co was still in business at the old stand. They said they had an eye on the knockers.

Detective Trapp denied the report that he expected to be walking a beat in the near future. But, he said, you never can tell.

A lot of Omaha bootleggers were wondering where they would get off when they lost Dean Ringer, one of their best friends.

Why not leave dead ones alone, declared Hazel McVey, after reading some newspaper publicity put out for campaign purposes.

Walt Slangerup, formerly of Elmwood park, and later a resident of the North End, declared business was good, reports to the contrary notwithstanding. He refused to say who ate the two geese.

Dean Noyes was among the also rans but he didn't care. Dean said that name of his must have been a bad thing for him. He was off of Ringer for life.

Charlie Jacobson was taking life easy, following a strenuous campaign. Charles was a great campaigner on the North Side.

### That "Sunrise Court"

At this time, when the leaders of the "Sutton Slate" are searching for campaign material, Dean Ringer has come out with an "expose" of what he calls a "sunrise court." He charges that Henry Dunn, seeking the office of city commissioner, tolerated a "secret list" of offenders arrested, who were never called upon to answer in police court the following morning. This list, Ringer declares was used to protect certain political elements and to avoid possible complications.

Ringer says this was a "secret list." Yet he admits that all the records were available to him when he came into office. Can you beat that. Of course the list was made part of the official record. If there had been anything offensive about the list it doubtless would have been destroyed, if Henry Dunn, then chief of police, had wished to cover up anything. Their existence at this time is sufficient to show that Dunn's action was not in violation of any precedent or that it was used to cover up anything.

**BUT HERE IS THE WHOLE THING IN A NUT SHELL:** Omaha is a metropolitan city and the reason it is not more metropolitan is because the Ringer combination has consistently refused to assist in making it so. Like all other great cities, Omaha has numerous petty offenders against the law, who are technically law violators. These persons are not, as a general proposition, disreputable persons; most of them are either working men or business men. Nearly every day in police court may be found working men, who should be on their jobs instead of waiting for action of a police court. There are also many business men, large and small, there aching to get away to their business. Practically all of them have been arrested for very minor and questionable violations of law, such as automobile speeding and other small infractions.

In most of our great cities may be found night sessions of the police court, where such cases may have a speedy hearing. There is no such thing in Omaha. For that reason small offenders doubtless were cared for, when we had a sane administration, by what Ringer terms a "sunrise court" list. If that is Dunn's greatest crime, the Ringer-Thomas-Wead gang is making a lot of votes for him while trying to do just the opposite.

### CAMPAIGN SCRAP IS SHOWING THE TRUTH

Sutton-Ure Combine With Elmer E. Thomas at Helm Very Busy

### FILTHY TACTICS USED FOR RINGER

Daily News Desperate Over Way Things Are Going And Sees Sure Defeat Coming—Something About United Seven Candidates—Hanley on the Job



The people of Omaha have seen some big things going on in political circles this week, with every indication of desperation within the ranks of those few persons who have had the timidity to identify themselves with what they call the "5000 slate." The Omaha Daily News, heretofore and ever since it came into existence, a swashbuckling imitation of a newspaper, has used its most filthy tactics to offer reasons why Dean Ringer, Roy Towl, Mr. Falconer, A. L. Sutton and Bill Ure, together with two "accidents" they are backing, should be elected to office.

Perhaps the most interesting of all the abuses used by the Daily News is its talk about the "old Third Ward gang." Once upon a time the Third Ward had more or less influence in politics in Omaha, and that fact is the only thing left for the Daily News to dwell upon. If there was ever such a combination in existence it gave up the ghost long ago. It is a shock and insult to intelligent voters to speak of this matter, but it is the last straw left for the Daily News, which is using it in the same old manner.

One of the most interesting details dwell upon is that story being put out about Tom Dennison and those heretofore associated with him. Jim Hanley, managing the campaign for the United Seven, put it strong, when he told newspapers of Omaha where his people stood on the Dennison matter. He said, "I hold no brief for Dennison, but I want to say that from what I know of him he makes a much more desirable citizen than any of those men who are now assailing him. He has fought every candidate with whom I have been associated, and especially in the congressional races, but if he is for the United Seven, we

welcome him as a booster. I hope, however, that the Omaha Daily News does not get as far into this affair as they got into another one that could be mentioned, following which they sent Tom Dennison their check for something like \$15,000 to square up some of the lies they put out about political aspirants."

Similar expressions have been heard on every hand. They all indicate that the people of Omaha are very thoroughly disgusted with affairs, as they have been run by men who called themselves reformers. All indications now are that not a single man will be lost to the United Seven.

Analysis of the seven men who are leading this slate is not hard. Not a single one of them can be mentioned who does not have a clean record, not alone in politics but in business and in the welfare of the Omaha people.

Not a single apology is necessary for any of them. In this connection, a comparison between the members of this slate and of the so-called "5000 slate" shows a vast difference. Not a thing worthy the name of good government can be accredited to those who have been in power.

Mayor Dahlman's record stands out as against that of any man who has ever been mayor of Omaha, and when he again occupies the executive office everybody can trust him, just as they have always trusted him. That is enough to say of any man.

Joe Hummel will soon be back as park commissioner. Hummel was a victim of conditions three years ago that have been eliminated. His true worth as a park commissioner will again be revealed when he succeeds Commissioner Falconer three weeks hence.

Judge Henry W. Dunn, slated for the next police commissioner, is doing his first "stunt" in city politics, and everybody who has had an eye on events admits his defeat is impossible. He is a man who has already served a long term and been an unadulterated success as head of the Omaha police.

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### DECIDED FEELING AGAINST PULPIT POLITICAL ORATORY IS MANIFEST

Mayor Smith's Own Church Is Among Those Where Politics Causes Dissension—Some Members Openly Express Themselves On Matter—Ringer Criticized

Many good church people of Omaha are taking issue with those political renegades who have taken advantage of several church parishes in this city to use them for spreading political propaganda. A. L. Sutton, Dean Ringer and Mayor Ed. P. Smith have been among those who have been leaders in the movement to secure churches as speaking places for their candidates and now there is a big roar going up from many good church people because their edifices are being used for political purposes.

"They are leaving or attempting to leave the feeling that all Omaha churches and all Omaha church people are for the Ringer combine," said one well known church leader, "while nothing of that sort is true."

Not all of the Omaha churches, but a great many of them have been used for political speeches, during the last two weeks, and many more meetings are scheduled before election. Perhaps the strongest objection comes from some of the members of First Central Congregation church, at Thirty-sixth and Harney streets. At one time it was proposed to hold some political meetings in that edifice, but none has thus far been held. This church has among its members Mayor Smith and Nels Updike. A large number of Omaha business and professional men are also among the membership.

Speaking of the matter directly, Fred Paffenrath, district manager for Nicolli the Tailor, and also a member of First Central, declared his opposition to the practice of using churches for political propaganda. He spoke in no uncertain manner concerning the practice, but indicated his satisfaction that the First Central was among those churches which have kept out of politics.

It appears that in nearly every church in town sentiment is divided over candidates in the present campaign and that in many of them there is an overwhelming sentiment for the Dahlman slate, although candidates on that slate have not been invited nor have they asked for invitations to speak in houses of God on political matters.

Some very pertinent remarks have been heard about the practice of combining religion and politics. There is a pretty general opposition to such action and some of the remarks made by leading Omaha church men opposing this mixture gives evidence of pretty general dissension. "Mr. Ringer is doing the church no good using it for political purposes," said one of these church leaders, who refused permission to use his name. "Our church people are intelligent enough to vote properly without needing the assistance of pulpit orators."



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## RINGER'S SO-CALLED "MERIT SYSTEM"

The mediator has received from an Omahan, apparently interested in the so-called Ringer merit system, copy of a communication he has put out for Superintendent of Police Ringer's benefit and which appears to be quite to the point at this time, when Ringer's friends are making such an extraordinary effort in his behalf. He signs himself "A Taxpayer," and writes as follows:

"Mr. Ringer, personally I think you are alright, but as a Commissioner of Police of Omaha, you are an absolute failure.

"Now Dean, if Omaha was the size of Wahoo or Calhoun (with apologies to Wahoo and Calhoun) you might try to get away with some of the 'stuff' you have been trying to put over on the 'good citizens' of our once prosperous city.

"Mr. Ringer, how do you really work your so-called 'merit system?' Will you or can you explain that to the public, as I, like hundreds of others fell for your line three years ago, would like to know, for the reason that you have not even kept your word or promises to your own men.

"I will attempt to call your attention to one mighty raw deal that two members of your Police Department received from you a year ago last March, and while your so-called 'merit system' was in effect.

"On the night of March 27, 1920, two negroes held up and killed one Mr. Rosenthal, an aged grocer in his store at eighteenth and Chicago streets. A call was received at Central Station at 8:40 p. m., and officers were dispatched to the scene of the shooting immediately by Captain Peter Dillon. In less than forty minutes after this call was received at the station, these same officers had the two guilty negroes in jail, and had written confessions of guilt from both, and they are now serving life sentences in the Nebraska State Penitentiary at Lincoln.

"Now Dean, the public, like myself, being very highly elated over such splendid work by these officers, and, especially the record time they made while hot on the trail of these two desperadoes, would like to know why you demoted them, and put them back in uniform four days later. It is no wonder that you have disorganized your police department, with such actions. The people of Omaha remember that awful tragedy of March 27, 1920, and these officers who were out doing their just duty for the public, who accomplished their purpose by bringing the murderers to justice, were lowered in rank by you, by being put back in uniform to walk a beat. These officers did one of the very best jobs that was ever done, since you have been commissioner, and yet you have demoted them. WHY?

"Now let all the fair-minded people remember, that you really think more of an officer who arrests a working man, who happens to possess a half-pint of liquor, or one who may have the smell of liquor on his breath, than the men who actually do police duty and bring the murderer and criminal to justice. Such tactics have helped you disorganize the police department, and WHY do you insist on being a burden at the coming election, by requesting and begging the people to elect you for an additional three years. Haven't you done enough damage already?

"Under former administrations, an officer working in plain clothes and who was making good, as these same two officers did on March 27, 1920,

were at least commended by the Chief of Police and told to keep on working, but with you Dean, you are—so different. WHY?

"The people of Omaha will not have to take my word for this, but they can visit the Central station, and look over the public record, and see for themselves.

"You are known to have sent letters of commendation to officers who would arrest a few working men who unfortunately had liquor in their possession, you praise your men for an arrest of this kind, and yet you demote men who are looking after the interests of the people as an officer, who protects them from robbers or murderers, by risking their own lives to bring such criminals to justice, and yet you demote them. WHY?

"Mr. Ringer, you are evidently satisfied now that you have put one over on your 'own' men, by taking seniority and civil service away from them, and substituting your so-called 'merit system,' which in reality is like yourself as a police commissioner, an absolute failure.

"The writer invites the public to inspect the records at Central station for the night of March 27, 1920, and see for yourself."

A TAXPAYER.



Harry B. Zimman, candidate for re-election to the city commission, is one of members of the United Seven slate. It has not been necessary to look up his record to learn what he has stood for and what he has accomplished. Handicapped by five other members of the commission for three years, Zimman has managed to accomplish a great deal for Omaha people, and he has been consistently opposed. He was a consistent champion of municipal ownership of the waterworks, the only big public service corporation the people have ever really cared to own.

Speaking of his record one newspaper says:

"He fought for reduction of rates in electric light, telephone, street car fares, universal transfers, and school children's tickets; that he opposed the five-year gas contract; that he was an early advocate of woman suffrage; that he led the fight for dollar gas; that he was author of the occupation tax on public service corporations, so far netting \$2,000,000 for the city; that he has acted as mediator in labor controversies; that he was active in the fight for municipal taxation of railway terminals; that he supported the initiative and referendum; that he opposed the twenty-five year extension of the gas franchise; that he opposed the taking over of the gas plant because he believed the valuation was excessive and would result in increased rates; and that he worked for the present 'honest' election law. That's some record."

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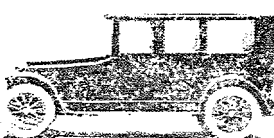
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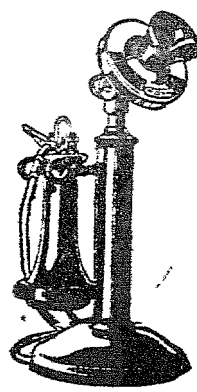
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"Town Scandals" burlesque's greatest furore, with Ethel (Snappy) Shutta, the charming little dancing comedienne, as the featured star, comes to the popular Gayety for one week, the final week of the season, starting Saturday Matinee, April 23.

"Town Scandals" is said to be one of the very best burlesque attractions ever placed on the road and a festival of fun, beauty and scenic splendor is promised. This organization is entirely new and heaps of the girliest girls are in the company. It is a typical example of 1920-1921 model burlesque shows and there isn't a trace of the old style burlesque in the production. It is as clean as if it had been censored by the late Anthony Comstock, and no more austere censorship than this could be imagined. There is plenty of life in the production, however, although it was once thought that life and vulgarity went hand in hand.

This excellent company headed by Ethel (Snappy) Shutta, the clever dancing comedienne, is said to be a fifty thousand dollar production and everything is on a costly and magnificent scale. Many of the costumes and gowns worn by the chorus beauties are from the charm shops of Paris and all the gowns worn in the Chinese number were especially designed and imported from China for this attraction. The supporting cast includes Charles Fagin, Norman Hanley and Joe Van, comedians; Act Vaugn, juvenile; Henry Engleman, the "Beau Brummel" of the American stage; and Alfredo and Silver, kings of Jazzland.

In the female contingent are found Bess Marshall, the dancing sunbeam; Corinne Yilson, a beautiful prima donna from the Pacific Coast, with a voice of high range and sweetness; Olga Hudson, a charming young ingenue very clever in her parts and technically more finished than most actresses on the burlesque stage; Babe Hudson, a pretty soubrette; agile, alert and attractive and a large and well trained chorus of shapely young Broadway beauties who will appear in new dances and intricate numbers revealing their exquisite art most bewitchingly.

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The principal scenes of the story are laid at the private sanatorium of one Dr. Hugh Sainsbury where, among other patients are Mrs. Lydiard, a deaf wheel-chair invalid; Joseph Crampton, an aged, blind man and Adele Warren, a society girl.

Dr. Sainsbury makes love to Adele, and wins her promise to wed him. Her sister, Blanche, in a nearby city, engaged to Harlan Day, hears of her sister's affair with consternation, for some years previous Dr. Sainsbury had attempted to take advantage of her, and she barely escaped disgrace. She decides to go to the sanatorium and attempt to break the match.

The following day the papers tell of the murder of Dr. Sainsbury. Suspicion points first at one, then at the others of four persons who might have had a motive for the crime. It is through the testimony of the aged Mrs. Lydiard, who could see but could not hear, and the invalid Crampton, who could hear but could not see, that the innocent are finally relieved of suspicion. Amelia, a nurse, common-law wife of the physician, confesses she shot him when she discovered he did not intend to marry her.

The surprise element of the play is carefully followed out, so that the audience until the very final scenes, does not know the identity of the murderer.

The usual big vaudeville bill will also be staged, with complete change of bill the middle of the week.

## JOHNSON'S THEATRE TO CLOSE SEASON SATURDAY

The Gayety theatre will close its season next Friday for the season. Manager Johnson says this has been one of the best seasons in the history of his theater. The Gayety, always a popular place, has furnished clean, up-to-date burlesque for Omaha theatre goers for many years. Johnson says the Gayety will open up on

schedule time after the hot months. He expects to spend the summer fishing in Michigan, which is his greatest diversion. #

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## Suicide Among Musicians Rare.

It has been found that suicide is very uncommon among musicians. Schumann attempted it, and it is also recorded of Tschaiikowsky, but cases of musicians who have killed themselves are very rare. It is said that these facts are so, because of the mental composure and balance fostered by music.

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lice department. He has the united support of all classes and will be one of the leading vote getters of the whole seven.

Only a word about Butler and Zimmin is necessary. They are the only two members of the present commission who have a ghost of a chance of being returned. Neither one of them can be defeated. Butler has shown conclusively his usefulness in two different departments of the city hall. Zimmin has been a success from the start. He is well supported and may be depended upon to be returned May 3. Both Butler and Zimmin have been antagonized but have been absolute successes despite this antagonism.

Hopkins and Koutsky, two other members of the United Seven, are about as strong candidates as can be found on any ticket. They have simply been "right." Not a breath of jingoism or scandal of any sort has ever been heard against them and both of them are admittedly men fully fitted in every respect for the places to which they are about to be elected.

For the first time in many years, labor is practically united on a set of candidates and the United Seven has been selected as labor's choice. This is not surprising, because these men have a record of being fair to labor at all times and to have stood squarely for the best interests of every workingman when asked to pass judgment.

Another week of activity will show the frailness of the cause advocated by Elmer Thomas, Fred Wead and Jennie Calfas. The action of Omaha should be decisive and not a single member of the United Seven should fail to receive the same support given to James C. Dahlman.

## LAST CAR LEAVES

(Corrected November 26)

Farnam Street Line	
16th and Farnam for Dundee	1:22
13th and Farnam for 46th and Cuming	12:48
Depot for Dundee	1:13
15th and Farnam for Depot	2:04
Harney Street Line	
33d and Parker to 6th St.	12:50
33d and Parker to Depots	1:40
6th and Center for 33d and Parker	1:15
Park and North 24th Streets	
16th and Farnam, East Side	1:03
16th and Farnam, West Side	1:23
16th and Farnam for Florence	12:41
16th and Farnam for 30th and Fort	1:13
16th and Farnam for Kansas Ave.	1:33
16th and Farnam for 24th and Ames	2:03
South Omaha and 42d and Grand	
14th and Farnam for West Q.	1:21
14th and Farnam for 42d and Grand	1:25
Dodge Street Line	
13th and Dodge (West)	1:27
13th and Dodge (East)	2:00
26th and Spaulding for Depots	1:45
Leavenworth and Deaf Institute	
15th and Farnam (North)	12:22
15th and Farnam (South)	12:34
Benson and Albright	
13th and Farnam for Benson	1:20
13th and Farnam for Albright	12:45
15th and Farnam for 24th and N.	1:25
Fort Crook Line	
24th and N Sts. South Omaha	12:00
Fort Crook	12:30
14th and Howard for Pearl & B'way	2:00
Owl Cars	
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	1:50
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	3:30
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	4:20
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	2:20
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	3:30
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16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	4:40
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	4:50
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	4:55
24th and Farnam to 30th and Underwood	12:52
44th and L to 24th and Vinton	1:15
Council Bluffs for Omaha	1:30
Pearl and Broadway for Omaha	1:30
14th and Howard for R. I. Depot	1:30

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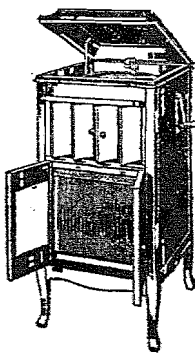
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# WICKED ATTEMPT TO POISON SCHOOL MIND

## Ambitious Political Followers of Ringer and Sutton Put Out Scandalous Circulars in Public Schools

What is probably one of the most heinous political crimes ever committed has come to light within the last week. The Wead-Thomas combination is presumed to be authors of activity which has been indulged in in an attempt to poison the minds of honest Omaha people by distributing circulars of a scandalous, lying nature through the public schools. These circulars, attempting to attack Henry W. Dunn and others associated with him in the commissioner race, were handed out to school children when they were dismissed from public schools by persons employed by the "5000 slate" and quite in violation of every precedent ever heard of in political battles. The whole thing has proved a hoodoo to the promoters, but it gives indication of the desperation of this perishing bunch of flotsam.

The so-called "sunrise court" was made the text for this business and Judge Dunn has told of the reasons for this institution, which he did not originate himself but followed for a long time. It was not only a credit to him, but was one of the best things that was ever carried on in the metropolitan city of Omaha.

It is a safe bet that no more attempts will be made to use Omaha's public schools for political purposes as has been done by the Rinker-Sutton crowd the last week.

## MARC PERKINS PASSES TO HIS LAST REWARD

Marc G. Perkins, well known Nebraska newspaper man, is dead. He passed away Wednesday at his home in Fremont. Perkins was well known in Omaha, having for many years been head of the American Press association, which furnished plate matter for hundreds of Nebraska weekly papers. He was a very likable fellow in every respect. After leaving this city he was identified with different Nebraska papers, being editor of the Fremont Herald at the time of his death. He was one of the organizers of the Omaha Commercial club, and was a member of that institution up to the time he left the city.

## DUDLEY DENIES IS SUPPORTING RINGER

Police Traffic Officer J. J. Dudley, who flags the corner at Sixteenth and Farnam streets, denies reports that he is for Ringer for re-election. "They made a traffic officer of me and sent me to Sixteenth and Farnam streets, hoping I would resign," says Dudley. "I made good and they dared not fire me. I am still there. But I am opposed to Ringer for re-election."

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# "Free" Bridge Facts

The Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway Company, operating the present toll bridge across the Missouri River between Omaha and Council Bluffs, addresses, through this medium, a few statements of fact to the voters of Omaha on the proposition of voting bonds for a so-called "free" bridge between the two cities.

## Talk No. 4--St. Louis "Free" Bridge.

There is much valuable food for sober thought in the experience of the city of St. Louis in the promotion and construction of the "free" bridge across the Mississippi River at St. Louis.

The agitation for this bridge was commenced about fifteen years ago in a manner quite similar to the agitation which is now on for a "free" bridge between Omaha and Council Bluffs.

The principal promoter of the "free" bridge at St. Louis was a man, engaged in the real estate business, by the name of Gerhart. The same arguments were advanced there as are now being circulated here in favor of the "free" bridge proposition. Resolutions of real estate exchanges were procured, and commercial organizations were solicited and in some cases passed resolutions in favor of the "free" bridge idea. An estimate of \$3,500,000 as the cost of the St. Louis bridge was made by an engineer, and after a more or less spirited campaign on the part of the promoters, bonds for \$3,500,000 were voted at a special election held on June 12, 1906.

Opposition to the voting of these bonds was strongly urged by some of the officials of the City of St. Louis and by some of the leading newspapers. The St. Louis Republic on April 5, 1906, stated editorially as follows: "The blunder the City of St. Louis would commit in spending millions to build a so-called free bridge is more apparent today than it was when the agitation for that chimerical project first began. Mr. Wells (the mayor) cogently and forcibly explained in his message the absurdity of the scheme to remove the expense of river transfer by saddling the burden on the municipality."

But the bonds were voted and all of the money expended, only to find that the bridge was far from being completed. Only the main spans had been constructed with the amount estimated for a completed bridge, and the additional sum of \$2,750,000 was asked to complete the structure. AT THREE SUCCESSIVE ELECTIONS THE VOTERS OF ST. LOUIS IN DISGUST VOTED DOWN THE PROPOSITION TO ISSUE THE ADDITIONAL BONDS NEC-

CESSARY, AND FOR FIVE OR SIX YEARS THE HALF COMPLETED STRUCTURE STOOD IDLE, A MONUMENT TO THE FOLLY OF FOLLOWING THE ADVICE AND ESTIMATES OF IRRESPONSIBLE PROMOTERS. In November, 1914, more than eight years after the original bonds were voted, the additional bond issue of \$2,750,000 was authorized to complete this structure, and this vast sum did not suffice to complete it.

Mr. Player, who was Comptroller of the City of St. Louis at the time the agitation for a free bridge was started, has publicly stated that "the municipal bridge was a stupendous blunder from the beginning." In his report made in September, 1915, after commenting on the so-called "free" bridge, he states as follows: "A big debt does not make a big city; the expenditure of public money for the advancement of private interests does not make a great city; the erection of municipal bridges, markets, etc., that cannot meet the cost of operation and maintenance, does not make a great city. Good men in public office and in civic organizations do make a great city."

When the question of voting bonds for the erection of the St. Louis bridge was under discussion, many of the level-headed business men of that city expressed their opposition to the project, but their opposition was drowned by the voices of those who were clamoring for the "free" bridge. Mr. Andrew J. Riley, President of the St. Louis Board of Public Improvements, warned the voters that the bridge would cost double the amount of the estimate. His warning was unheeded, but his prediction has proven to be correct.

If the St. Louis bridge cost over \$7,000,000 when the preliminary estimate was \$3,500,000, how much would the Omaha bridge cost when the preliminary estimate is \$1,400,000?

Mr. Voter take your pencil and figure it out for yourself. The proposed Million Dollar bond issue to be voted on May 3rd is only a starter, unless you are prepared to vote one or two additional bond issues to complete the bridge, then you and all your friends and neighbors should vote "no" on this proposition.

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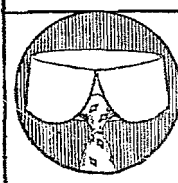
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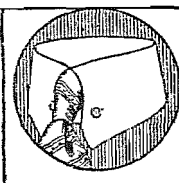
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