TO THE REPUBLICANS OF ILLINOIS:

So many misrepresentations have been published concerning President Taft and his campaign for renomination that I beg to present to you some *obvious facts* regarding the *actual political* conditions throughout the country.

The renomination of President Taft is certain. He now has more than half the number of delegates required to nominate.

These delegates either instructed or pledged to the President, fully half of whom were elected under primary laws provided by the states, have been selected in New York, Iowa, Indiana, Michigan, Missouri, Colorado, New Mexico and the Southern States.

The President is sure to carry Pennsylvania, New Jersey, the New England States, Ohio, the Mountain States, and the Pacific Coast States.

He will have a majority of the delegates from Minnesota, South Dakota, Iowa, West Virginia, Kansas and Nebraska.

These states will give him many more than enough votes to nominate him on the first ballot in the national convention.

In view of this fact, continued opposition to the renomination of the President is only giving aid and comfort to the common enemy of all Republicans—the Democrats.

President Taft is the only Republican who can carry New York, New Jersey, New England and the so-called doubtful states in November.

Col. Roosevelt was defeated in the New York primaries this year by a popular vote of three to one, resulting in the selection of 83 delegates to the national convention for Taft to 7 for Roosevelt.

Col. Roosevelt lost New York in 1910, but the Republican party won back the state legislature without his leadership in 1911.

The injection of his personality into the campaign in Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, and Indiana in 1910 resulted in the loss of all these states, indicating that he cannot hope to carry them under any circumstances this year.

The American people are opposed to a third term for any President. This issue was raised against Grant in 1880, was the issue of the campaign of 1874 and the Republicans lost every state election that year from Massachusetts to the Mississippi River. It cost the Republicans 440,000 votes in the seven northern states alone.

One-half the Republican members of the electoral college will be chosen in New England, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania, all of which oppose a third term for any President.

The administration of President Taft is marked by practical progressive achievements and reforms.

The Republicans of the country in the National convention will endorse the record of the Taft administration.

To act otherwise is to repudiate the platform of 1908, which has been faithfully carried out by President Taft.

No party can apologize and win.

The Taft administration has been endorsed by every Republican convention since 1908 and by none was it indorsed more strongly than by the Republican convention of New York in 1910 at Saratoga, which was dominated completely by Theodore Roosevelt.

The achievements of President Taft's administration, as they affect the welfare of the whole people, far overshadow any act which may have met either with individual disapproval or the disapproval of some class or section.

This fact is strikingly proved by the recent results of primaries and caucuses in agricultural Iowa, where six congressional districts whose representatives in Congress voted against Canadian reciprocity have either selected delegates instructed for renomination of the President or pledged their support.

The farmers of these districts did not forget the splendid record of President Taft on the peace treaties, scientific revision of the tariff, conservation and other things wherein he conscientiously acted for the good of the greatest number of his countrymen.

As to Canadian reciprocity, President Taft and Colonel Roosevelt are in the same boat. Colonel Roosevelt endorsed it in four speeches.

Theodore Roosevelt, at the end of his first term as President, demanded an endorsement in the shape of a renomination.

President Taft is entitled to the same SQUARE DEAL.

REPUBLICANS of Illinois: The issue is not one of expediency or of personality.

But: shall the administration of President Taft, which is the record of the Republican party, be endorsed?

FRANK L. SMITH.

TWO YEARS GOOD SERVICE SHOULD MEAN TWO MORE

When Andrew Russel was state treasurer from 1908 to 1910 he devoted his time unreservedly to the duties of that office. He realized to the full the responsibility of his position and the result was evidenced by the great increase in the net profits to the state from his office.

He turned into the state treasury almost $100,000 as interest on state funds and over $2,000,000 inheritance tax.

Mr. Russel established civil service in his office and made efficiency the one standard. For 38 years he has been an Illinois banker and he is certainly qualified by experience and training for the post he is seeking. A loyal Republican he has been fighting the battles of his party for years and he is staunch in the faith.

ANDREW RUSSEL.
Republican Candidate for State Treasurer.

A VOTE FOR ANDREW RUSSEL FOR STATE TREASURER APRIL 9TH

Will Be a Ballot for a Man Who Richly Deserves Your Support.

ANDERSONVILLE.

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mansion at every corner of the old stockade, and throng with life the prison grounds, yet over all there is a silence, not of the present, but of the sorrows of the past, and we speak more softly and tread more lightly than is our wont.

"And, yet, it is beautiful to behold. On the earthworks where once the rebel guns were sighted toward the helpless prisoners are now groups of dark pines that rear their branches toward Heaven, as though supplicating for mercy and forgiveness from Him who reigns above. On the banks of the shallow wells are twined vines and blooming flowers, the seed of which were brought there by the birds. Watered by rain and fostered by a Southern sun, they have grown luxuriantly, until it seems as if a merciful Father had hidden from the world the sins and cruelty of His people.

"Here are the monuments dedicated by different Departments in honor of their heroes. There is Providence Spring. Across the tiny stream and up the hillside is Star Fort, where the unfortunate soldiers were first taken and robbed of anything that might give them comfort. And now we stand at the North Gate, through which were carried, day by day, those who could not endure the hardships and who, dying, longed for one last glimpse of the blessed 'Stars and Stripes.'

"To finish the picture, we turn to where, in front of the rose garden 'Old Glory' waves every day in the year, flinging to the winds its red, white and blue, bearing the message of Peace, Liberty and Union."

ISABEL WORRELL BALL.

Louis F. Strawn Announces His Candidacy for State's Attorney on the Republican Ticket.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the Republican nomination for State's Attorney of this county and ask the support of each and every Republican voter at the Primary on April 9th.

I have practiced in the courts of this county since I was admitted to the bar in 1894 and believe I am capable of administering the duties that devolve upon a State's Attorney in such a manner as will meet with the approval of the people.

When I ask the active support of the Republican voters of this county for my candidacy I do so with the feeling that it will be my steadfast aim, if nominated and elected, to conduct the affairs of the office during the next four years in a manner that will bring to me the unqualified approval of the public.

I would like to personally meet every Republican voter in the county, but the difficulty of traveling from place to place, especially in the country, and business affairs constantly demanding my attention, will prevent me from doing so.

To all those Republican voters whom I will not have an opportunity to see personally I ask your fair consideration of my candidacy.

I have lived in the county over forty years. I have practiced law both here and in adjoining counties for eighteen years. I am a Republican both at the primaries and at elections. I am for the nominee of the Republican Party and hope that nominee will be myself. If it is, and I am elected I will give every one a square deal without fear or favor.

Very truly yours,
10-5w LOUIS F. STRAWN.

Election.

Polls at primary, April 9, are open from 6 a. m. to 5 p. m.

You must state your name, residence and party affiliation. The law requires it.

If challenged, you must file the statutory affidavits before you can vote.

See that a judge's initials are on the ballot given you.

Put a cross in the square opposite the name of each candidate (except precinct committeeman) for whom you desire to vote.

Put the cross in the square; thus [X]

Under the words, "For Precinct Committeeman" (at bottom of ballot), you may write or paste the name of the person for whom you desire to vote for precinct committeeman. Neither a square nor a cross need be placed opposite the name.

If you mark three names for representative in the general assembly, your ballot will be counted as 1 vote for each of three candidates; if two names, as 1½ votes for each of two candidates; and if one name, as 3 votes for one candidate.

Do not vote for more candidates, under any office, than you are directed, on the ballot, to vote for.

There is some thought of continuing rural free delivery only in those sections where there are hard roads or where more than half of each carrier's route is over hard roads. Mr. Farmer, what would you think if you were deprived of your daily mail? It is a part of your daily bread.

Renew your subscription for this paper.

TAFT INSISTS ON AID TO FARMERS

Says Work of Department of Agriculture Must Go On.

LABORS FOR CONSERVATION

Far Reaching Legislation Administered by Scientists of Rank Brings Good Results to Tillers of Soil—Food and Drugs Act Upheld to the Letter.

In the first inaugural address of his administration President Taft called attention to the deficit then existing in the revenues and the consequent necessity for rigid economy in expenditures. However, the president singled out the department of agriculture as an exception. He said, to quote his exact words: "In the department of Agriculture the use of scientific experiments on a large scale, and the spread of information derived from them for the improvement of general agriculture must go on." This view the president has steadily maintained, and in various messages to congress he has urged appropriations for the work of the department.

In his comprehensive message on conservation President Taft said: "The feature that transcends all others, including woods, waters, minerals, is the soil of the country," and that all means at the government's disposal should be used to conserve the soils, adding, "a work of the utmost importance to inform and instruct the public on this chief branch of the conservation of our resources is being carried on successfully in the department of agriculture."

Reports made recently to Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture by the heads of his bureaus justify this solicitude on the part of the president for the department. In calling for these reports the secretary asked that they be brief, and that they mention notable achievements of the last five years only, inasmuch as that period is really the period of fruition in the department, the period during which, owing to the broad foundations previously laid by the training and grouping of many corps of scientific men, by securing far-reaching legislation, by gathering together masses of statistics and other information, by providing scientific and other equipment, it has been possible to produce most marvelous results for the common good of the people of the United States.

Taft for Conservation.

In his conservation message, President Taft emphasized the importance of the maintenance of the forests, and urged their scientific treatment, "so that they shall be made to yield a large return in timber without really reducing the supply," and in other messages he pointed out the necessity of reforestation. In accordance with these views, much available work has been done in protecting the national forests and by researches in the laboratory of the department at Madison, Wis.; and in the past five years the work of reforesting burned-over areas has proceeded at the rate of 15,000 to 30,000 acres a year. The department takes justifiable pride in its forest work, considering the administration of 100,000,000 acres of land protected and managed for the public benefit a great achievement.

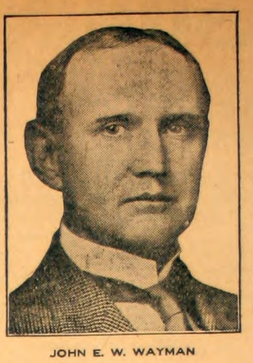
Since January 1, 1907, when the food and drugs act went into effect, more has been done to provide a good, clean food supply than in all the preceding life of the nation. A wonderful change has also been effected in the character of the drugs on sale. The department has a trained force of inspectors and chemists doing excellent work in all parts of the country in behalf of pure foods and pure drugs. This salutary law, however, needs amendment, as the Supreme court held in May, 1911, that its provisions, to quote President Taft's words in his vigorous message to congress a month later: "Do not cover the knowingly false labelling of nostrums as to curative effect." The president added: "An evil which menaces the general health of the people strikes at the life of the nation. In my opinion the sale of dangerously adulterated drugs . . . constitutes such an evil and warrants me in calling the matter to the attention of the congress."

Work of Soil Mapping.

Of importance to the farmer has been the work carried on in the past five years of soil mapping and classification, so that now the area included is 407,009 square miles, or nearly 41,000,000 acres. The value of this work is incalculable, as it aids settlers in the west as well as the farmers.

Disseminating the valuable information acquired by the department has proven a wonderful work. Practically 200,000,000 publications have been distributed since Secretary Wilson assumed control of the department, and more than half (103,598,100) of that number have been distributed within the past five years.

Other work accomplished by the department includes a comprehensive system of weather warnings and forecasts, the meat inspection service in which 2,500 experts are employed, protection of live stock, the checking of rodent pests, the destruction of noxious insects, the conservation of water supplies so that every dollar expended in the prosecution of this work in its numerous phases has brought back a hundred fold to the people.



JOHN E. W. WAYMAN

Why We Ask You to Vote for JOHN WAYMAN FOR GOVERNOR

We ask you to vote for JOHN WAYMAN because he stands for common

decency and common honesty in politics as well as in everything else.

We ask you to work and vote for him because he is

not allied, and never has been, with any political machine on earth. He depends entirely on his clean fighting record in the service of Cook County to win your approval and support. He knows no boss but justice, recognizes no political code but the square deal and the best interest of all the people.

We ask you to work and vote for JOHN WAYMAN because he is a clean, straight man's man, through and through, a man who does things, a fighter who goes clear through to the end in spite of all obstacles and no matter what powerful influences may be brought to bear to induce him to stop. The rich and the poor all look alike to JOHN WAYMAN.

We ask you to work and vote for him because he has

fought tooth and nail against crime, official graft, jury fixing and legislative bribing every hour since the day he swore faithfully and loyally to serve the people of Cook County.

We ask you to work and vote for him because of his

extraordinary record as State's Attorney—a record that has never been equaled in Cook County—a record that shows more convictions of criminals, fewer appealed cases sent back by the Supreme Court for retrial and fewer indictments quashed, than any of his predecessors in that office.

We ask you to work and vote for JOHN WAYMAN because of the splendid fight he waged against the brutal sluggers hired to kill union workmen, because of his bold and brilliant prosecution of graft in the Chicago Police Department, and because of his relentless fight to convict the men responsible for the shameless bribery and corruption in the State Legislature.

And we also ask you as Republicans to vote for JOHN

WAYMAN because he will, if nominated, add strength to the Republican ticket in every County in the State. He is the one candidate for Governor who can materially assist in rolling up a big Republican majority at the polls next November. When he was elected State's Attorney he carried Cook County by a plurality of over 55,000; and he is today immensely stronger than he was then because the people have found out in the last three years that he "delivers the goods" even better than he promised.

JOHN WAYMAN was the first State's Attorney ever

nominated in Cook County by a direct primary. He was the direct choice OF THE PEOPLE and he won without a particle of help from any machine, or any faction, or any political boss.

Illinois needs a change and needs it bad. Every de-

cent citizen in the States is sick and tired of the brand of politics that has been forced upon us in recent years, and every decent citizen wants to see less politics and more statesmanship in the conduct of the business of this State.

In the name of common decency and common hon-

esty, in the name of clean politics and good government, we ask you to vote at the primaries on April 9th for JOHN WAYMAN FOR GOVERNOR.

Wayman Campaign Committee
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