WORK OF A CAMPAIGN

Numerous Lieutenants Necessary to Direct the Army of Workers.

CHAIRMAN WEST A STRATEGIST

To His Effective Leadership Is Largely Due the Magnificent Victory in Illinois

The man behind the gun in a political campaign is not alone he who stands before the shouting thousands and in the publicity of the fine light pleasing with men to support his cause. The man who does the most effective execution is sometimes little seen by the public and few realize how largely the success of the contest depends upon his good judgment, tact, tremendous energy and eternal vigilance. The chairman of the Republican state central committee is one of the men whose good work in this campaign should not go unrecognized. As chairman, Mr. Roy O. West did great things to arrange the campaign systematically and to make the work go forward harmoniously and effectively.

Few persons realize the responsibility which the position of chairman imposes. All the lines of activity in the campaign center in his hand and brain. He must have an eye on the work in every county — which in this state means an eye on one hundred and two specific localities. Local troubles must be harmonized and all local politics activity put into efficient exercise. Of course, the details are seen to by local committees, but the state chairman must know that these committees are doing their duty and what they are accomplishing.

To keep in communication with all these committees and to keep in touch with the leading politicians in the different parts of the state would alone be task enough for any ordinary man. The chairman has been daily delegated with committees, delegations and visitors, who would take forty-eight hours of his time out of every twenty-four, did not a watchful secretary protect him from as much needless interruption as possible, and a strict business habit enable him to get rapidly at the point of every caller's errand. A day spent on floor 7 of the Great Northern hotel, Chicago, where the Republican state committee had its rooms, would show a constant throng of callers who "want to see Mr. West."

But the public at large knows little and sees little of all this. Like the chairman, too, are a dozen subcommittees — the press bureau, on finance, on literature, speakers, transportation, etc., with rooms adjoining his own, and with these he must be in constant consultation, for on the success of all lines of work the party will hold him personally responsible. To keep all these multifarious departments of work in proper order requires a business ability, a knowledge of men, a tact, a courtesy, a magnetic force, and a degree of vitality which very few men possess.

That Mr. West acquitted himself with marked success in his responsible position is the unanimous testimony of all who came in contact with him in the engrossing campaign just closed. For the services so efficiently and so acceptably rendered he should receive the credit which is his due.

Mr. West was ably seconded in his duties by Dr. J. A. Wheeler, of Springfield, the alert and energetic secretary of the state committee. Dr. Wheeler did much by his geniality and tact to remove possible asperities and to put and keep everybody in good working humor. By his assiduous attention to details he was able to relieve the chairman of the committee of much of the burdensome routine. Dr. Wheeler had personal charge of the matter of filing nomination papers and for his success in this direction he deserves especial commendation. This task requires the greatest of care and absolute accuracy, and was performed without an error, which is considered remarkable by those familiar with the work.

Perhaps the committee most intimately associated with Chairman West was what was known as the managing committee. This consisted of Charles F. Hitch, James McKinney, Charles G. Eckart and John H. Dunnett. This committee was indeed the chairman's "right hand man." It was a "managing committee" in fact and not in name only, and the way they "managed" the campaign to a successful issue is now evident to all.

To Mr. Bernard A. Eckart, of Chicago, the treasurer of the committee is due in large part the successful financiering of the campaign. Through his high standing as a merchant and banker he was easily able to get enough money subscribed to meet fully all the expenses of the contest. And of these expenses it might incidentally be stated that, through the economical management of Mr. West and his committee, they were very much less than those found necessary in the campaigns of the past.

The management of a political campaign, even a state campaign, requires larger force of workers than the public at large would naturally suppose. The following is a list of the subcommittees of the state central committee which were on duty during the recent contest:

Organization Committee — Roy O. West, Chairman; W. Wheeler, Secretary; James Pease, John Hamberg, Fred A. Busse, James McKinney, Charles F. Hitch, Charles G. Eckart, Homer J. Tice, John H. Dunnett, Scott Cowen, James Neville, O. F. Swem, Thomas J. Healy, William Gentz.

Managing Committee—Charles F. Hitch, James McKinney, Charles G. Eckart, John H. Dunnett.

Finance Committee—Samuel S. Harland, Chairman; Fred A. Busse, Hasbrouck, E. J. Magoroski, James McKinney.

Organization Committee — Arthur L. French, Chairman; Scott W. Fluthers, James Pease, Clarence E. Snively, Joseph E. Bidwill.

Speakers Committee—W. Scott Cowen, Chairman; Fred A. Busse, Randolph Smith, L. F. Burnap, P. W. Barnes.

Literature Committee—James R. Cowley, Chairman; Clarence Burk, G. De F. Kline, Charles Cofflin, Ralph S. McPartlin, Charles Cofflin, Clarence E. Snively, Chairman; Charles Hitch, G. De F. Kinney, Clarence Burk, James R. Cowley.

Transportation Committee—Charles F. Hitch, Chairman; James Neville, Homer J. Tice, William Gentz, J. B. McPartlin.

Judiciary Committee—Judge Frank Platteck, Chairman; Judge P. W. Barnes, John J. Hanlon, Edward H. Wright, Arthur L. French.

Primary Elections Committee—Homer J. Tice, Chairman; H. T. Burnap, James Pease, James Neville, Charles G. Eckart.

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No summary of the forces which established the Republican party to achieve its victory in Illinois would be half complete which did not attribute large and potent influence to the country papers of the state. These papers are in closest touch with the people, more so than the big city dailies—they know how the people of their respective communities feel on all questions, and they know therefore, what arguments will have weight with them and what appeals will prove most effective. They fight at short range, so to speak, and their aim is unusually accurate.

Besides, these papers are very generally well edited. It is a source of satisfaction to note with what terseness, strength and literary finish many of the editorials in even the smaller papers of the state are written. These papers, too, are nicely printed now—a marked improvement over the country papers of even ten years ago. Illinois may well be proud of its country press. It is no doubt the fine school system of the state which makes its people demand good newspapers, and which gives these papers the needed support in even small places.

VICTORY FOR YOUNG MEN

First Voters Stand in Almost Solid Array with the Republican Party.

One clear gain for the Republican party as the result of this campaign is the large enlisting of young men under the Republican banner. In no previous campaign did so large a proportion of first voters ally themselves with the party. Many young men who have become Republicans can be easily explained. There was the glorious record of the Republican party for the last fifty years, in contrast with the miserable record the Democratic party had made; there was the contrasted character of the two presidential candidates the one frank and virile, the other evasive and timid; and there were the contrasted policies of the two parties for the future, the one progressive, looking forward, the other retrocective, looking back.

No wonder is it then that men with the buoyancy, enthusiasm and hopefulness of youth in their veins should prefer the party which has done things in the past and which faces the future with a determined purpose to add to the years to come to the glory of its achievements. The acquisition of so many first voters, with a lower strength to the Republican party in future contests, for now that they have taken their stand they will stand by the party so long as the party stands by the principles which have made it what it is.

Bet on National Election.

In the heat of a political argument in the village grocery at Chatham, N. Y., Eli Graham, Republican, and Peter Wrenski, Democrat, both farmers with luxuriant growths of whiskers, agreed that if Roosevelt is elected Wrenski is to shave off half his beard; and if Parker is the next president Graham shall shave half his facial adornment, says a special dispatch to the New York World. The loser is also to abstain from smoking for two months.

CHAIRMAN WEST AND HIS LIEUTENANTS.

ROOSEVELT'S HUNTING TRIP

Features of an Outing Arranged For the President.

John Goff, the noted guide, who has piloted President Roosevelt in many of his hunting tours, is at the Palo Alto ranch, in Meeteetse, Wyo., awaiting the coming of President Roosevelt, whom he expects immediately after the election, says the Cincinnati Enquirer. Goff says that Colonel Cody ("Buffalo Bill") is in New York awaiting the coming of noted Englishmen to hunt in Wyoming, but Goff does not know whether the president's party and the Briton's party will amalgamate or go separate routes.

One of the features of the president's outing will be a wild horse hunt. Goff has planned this in the nature of a surprise, but cowboys whom he hired to locate bands of wild horses have told of Goff's plans. In the Big Horn basin there are numerous bands of horses which were once domesticated, but are now running wild. Some of these horses have been born on the range and are wilder than deer. Bands of antelope live with them, because the horse can see farther and has [illegible] Goff has a number of hair rope [illegible] and says the president used to be quite expert in roping horses. The pursuit of the wild equines is expected to furnish exciting amusement.

President Roosevelt, according to Goff, will hunt bear, mountain lions and whatever other game can be found. President Roosevelt, while a hunter of prowess, has never killed a real Rocky mountain grizzly, although he has added several silver tips to his trophies. The president has felt his record as an American sportsman would never be quite complete until he exterminates a real grizzly.

Goff says he knows where the lairs of many grizzly bears are to be found and feels quite sure the president will accomplish his ambition on this trip.

President Roosevelt is said to have told Goff that he wanted no help in exterminating a grizzly. He wants to start on his track and follow him until the death and bear gives one also accompany him, so there can be no doubt of the identity of the bear's actual conqueror.

The poverty of the Russian peasant is instanced by recent figures showing that, notwithstanding the long nights, the average use of the cheapest kind of crude petroleum is only four or five quarts per head in a year. Much time for work is thus wasted. Many peasants remain in bed from 4 in the afternoon till 8 in the morning.

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