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—for—

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In negotiating improved conditions of employment I have found Mr. Ferguson to be exceedingly fair.

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Charge to Fred Lange, Jr., Campaign Manager, Washington Street.

A Statement by WILLIAM P. VERDON In Regard to HARRY L. SCHMULLING

I am a candidate for City Commissioner of Hoboken. It is the first time in my eighteen years of active participation in politics I have sought public office.

Four years ago among the candidates for Commissioner to whom I gave my support was Harry L. Schmulling. He was elected. His actions since he took office constitute one of the principal reasons that moved me to make the race myself this year.

It is through no mere desire to attack or discredit an opposing candidate that I am making this statement. I feel it is an obligation I owe to the people of Hoboken whose votes I am asking for myself and my colleagues on the Citizens' and Rentpayers' Ticket, and many of whom voted for Mr. Schmulling four years ago.

Mr. Schmulling, it will be recalled, was twice elected to the old Common Council from the Second Ward. On both occasions I managed his campaign. The issues he raised in those campaigns were formulated for him by myself and my advisers. The pledges he made to the people were pledges to do the things I believed the people wanted done.

When he first took his seat in the Council in January, 1913, he formed a lone minority of one, there being nine Griffin councilmen against him. He continued to look to me for guidance in every step he took. He hewed to the line along the paths I marked out for him, and so loudly and persistently did he voice the rights of the people that a year later we elected two other councilmen, giving us a strong fighting minority of three. Schmulling became minority leader. The ensuing year, still under my guidance, he continued to give battle to the Griffin machine and in November, 1914, he was re-elected, as were two additional members. These, with the three holdovers, appeared to give us six councilmen and to have ended the Griffin control.

It is needless to more than mention the Wallace Schoenebaum fiasco. That theft of the people's sovereignty is a shameful blot on the escutcheon of the men concerned in it, but no more so than the later defection from his professed principles of the man I am dealing with in this statement.

The voters took the only course open to them after the Wallace-Schoenebaum affair and adopted commission government. Mr. Schmulling, at my instance and with my whole-hearted support, became a candidate for Commissioner.

I distinctly remember a cartoon published in the campaign four years ago in which Mr. Schmulling's opponents pictured and labeled him as "Verdon's Straw Man." They called him my straw man because they knew, and there was no secret about it, that he had consistently followed my advice as to the things he should do in the old Common Council.

And the things he did in the Council were the things the people wanted him to do. He did nothing that was for my personal benefit and I never asked him to. The record he made in the Council, under my guidance, was the record that won him his election as City Commissioner.

Then Mr. Schmulling, with two years of splendid service behind him, fell for the temptations that were held out to him. He became part and parcel of the Griffin machine. He has voted in the Commission with the four other Griffin men for every piece of jobbery, including the nefarious sewer contracts, that has been perpetrated. He has been on with the men he formerly so loudly denounced and has joined them in doing the very things he was wont to denounce them for doing. It was not me whom Mr. Schmulling betrayed.

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When Mr. Schmulling was fighting the Griffin machine our opponents called him "Verdon's straw man." That was because, under my guidance, Mr. Schmulling was the spokesman of the people and was continually throwing the light of publicity on the evil things in the Griffinized City Hall. That is also the reason the Griffin Commissioners set out to induce Mr. Schmulling to desert the people. Griffin didn't need his vote in the Commission, but he wanted to silence him and shut off publicity.

There is the difference between Schmulling, "Verdon's straw man" of 1915—and Schmulling, Griffin's acquiescent tool of the last four years.

I do not know what inducement Mr. Schmulling received for turning his back on the people. There is always some inducement for treachery. Judas Iscariot, Benedict Arnold, Bolo Pasha attest that. But I do know that the other City Commissioners who offered inducements to Schmulling were none to offer inducement to public officials to forgo their pledges there would be fewer betrayers of the public.

Wallace and Schoenebaum, of unfragrant memory, had at least the decency to hang their heads after they carried out their deal with Griffin and have never since appeared before the public.

Mr. Schmulling is less sensitive. After carrying out his deal with Griffin for four years he is now a candidate for re-election on the Griffin ticket.

I repeat that that fact is largely responsible for my being a candidate for City Commissioner. I stand for the same principles I have always stood for, the same things Mr. Schmulling, under my guidance, stood for when he was minority leader in the Council.

In or out of office I will continue to stand for those principles. I will again turn on the light of publicity that was extinguished when Mr. Schmulling succumbed to the inducements of his tempters. I will not run away from the people who trust me to be their servant and their spokesman.

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Candidates for Commissioners:**
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JOHN F. GARDNER,
GEORGE H. STEIL, MAX MILLER**

**Select These Men! End Griffinism and Extravagance!
Bring Down Rents!**

ELECTION, TUESDAY, MAY 13th

(Paid for by William R. Lundy, 1207 Bloomfield St.)

Observer
May 6, 1919

CITIZENS NON-PARTISAN LEAGUE

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Headquarters: 626 Washington Street, Hoboken, N. J.

Citizens of Hoboken

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Rid the city of gangsters! Beat the political machine!

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Our Platform

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- IV. To see that all public improvements are constructed at the lowest cost and that none except those absolutely needed are begun.
- V. To bring all the City Departments to the highest state of efficiency and keep them there.
- VI. To drive out Graft from the Administration of the City Government.

TO ALL OF THIS WE PLEDGE OURSELVES

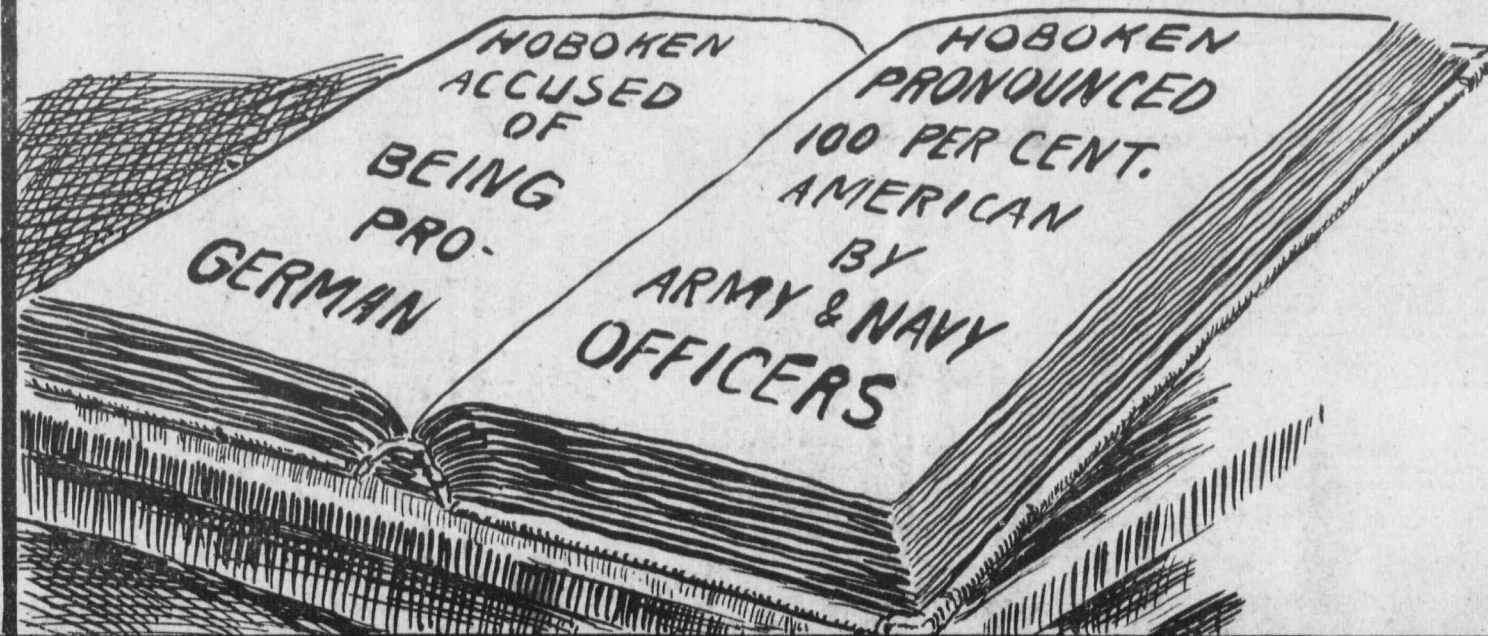
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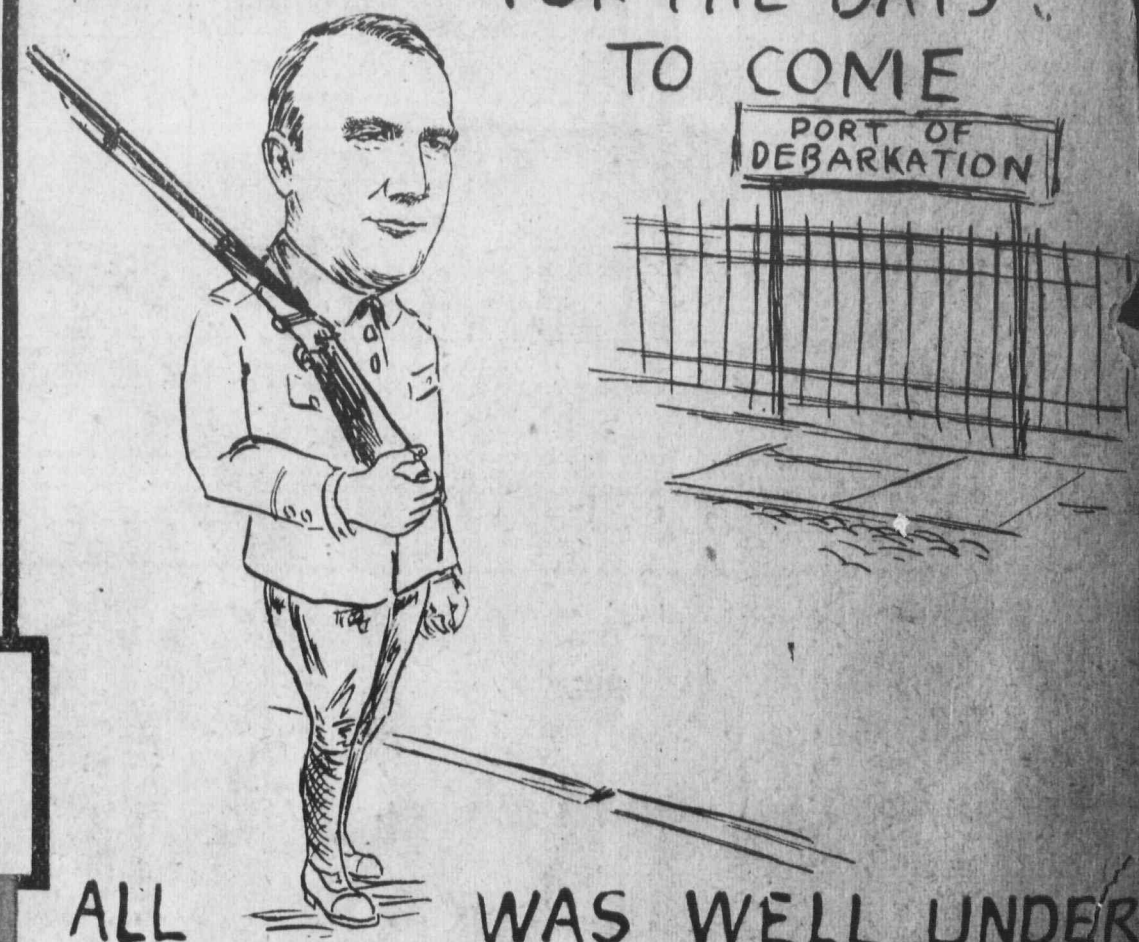
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JAMES H. LONDRIGAN
HARRY L. SCHMULLING



ONE GOOD TERM
DESERVES ANOTHER—

ABLE SENTRIES
WILL BE NEEDED
FOR THE DAYS
TO COME



ALL WAS WELL UNDER
BERNARD N. McFEELY
RETURN HIM AS PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

THEY'LL MAKE GOOD IN PEACE

*For City
Commissioners*

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PATRICK R. GRIFFIN
JAMES H. LONDRIGAN
BERNARD N. McFEELY
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DESIGNATION

Regular
Organization
Administration
Candidates

First
Choice

X
X
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Buy Victory Bonds

A MILLION BOYS ARE WAITING
TO COME HOME—*HELP THEM*



THE CITY QUICKEST
TO RECOVER



HOBOKEN AND ITS OFFICIALS
CO-OPERATED WITH
UNCLE SAM



JAMES H. LONDRIGAN KEPT
THE STREETS CLEAN
RETURN HIM AS DIRECTOR OF STREETS
AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS



HARRY L. SCHMULLING
LOOKED AFTER THOSE AT HOME
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PARKS & PUBLIC PROPERTY



DON'T CHANGE PILOTS
MAYOR GRIFFIN HAS BEEN A GOOD PILOT



THE CITY HARDEST HIT
BY THE WAR

This is the Fifth and Last Loan---See the Job Through!

Do Not Substitute Inexperienced Men For Officials of Proved Efficiency

Do Not Unseat a Competent Harmonious Board of Commissioners for Untried Candidates

WHEREAS, In the times past and at present the Democratic City Committee of the City of Hoboken has unselfishly sought and now continues to strive for the election to public office in Hoboken of persons preeminently qualified, to the end that our City should be intelligently, liberally and economically governed; and inasmuch as the people have witnessed the fulfillment of the pledges and platform principles uttered by the present Board of Commissioners, so be it



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Resolved, that we endorse for re-election Mayor Patrick R. Griffin, Director of Public Affairs, a resident of the First Ward.

The same ability and skillfulness with which he administered the workings of the Democratic organization of this city were applied by him to the administration of the city's affairs upon his induction to office. Throughout his term he has been in daily touch with his office and his work. Thoroughly familiar with all branches of the municipal government and the needs of the city, he has, within the bounds of law and the recent legislative enactments relating to municipal budgets, expenditures and audits, obtained the greatest possible measure of results and by simple business treatment throughout the stress of the war period, caused the development of Hoboken greatly to expand, yet conserving the city's taxes and resources. His experience and the co-operation that necessarily follow his energy and capacity for organization and exhaustive detail are assets which the voters will appreciate.

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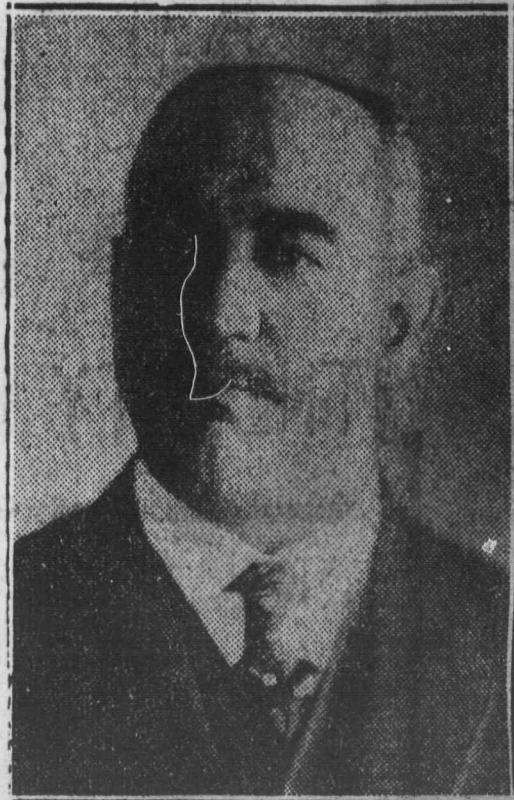
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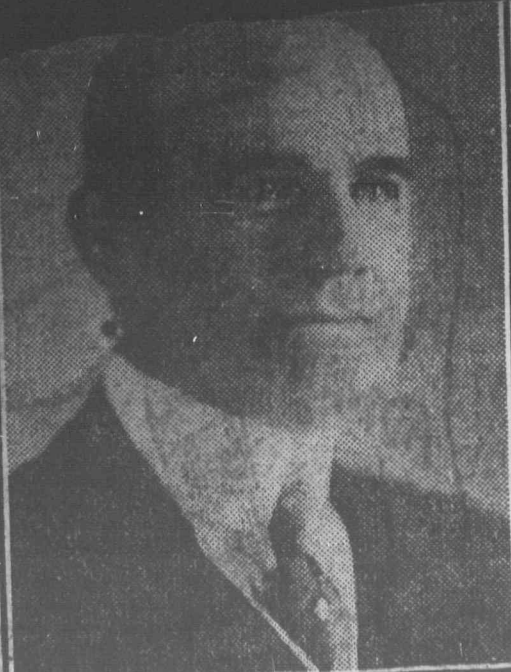
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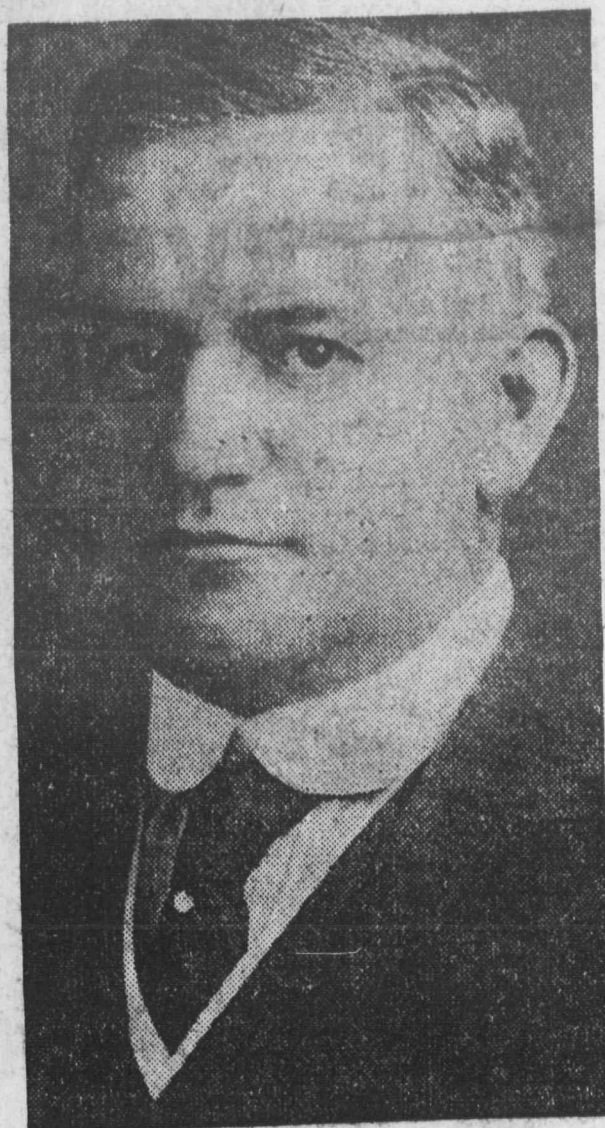
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We, therefore, pledge him our undivided support and earnestly solicit his re-election.

And be it further resolved, that in the foregoing candidates the city and each of the five wards will find representation in men experienced in office, of known ability and unquestioned integrity; and that all voters are urged to vote in the first choice column for Messrs. Patrick R. Griffin, Gustav Bach, James H. Londrigan, Bernard N. McFeely and Harry L. Schmulling, as they appear in the bracket, by marking an X with a black lead pencil in the square opposite their respective names.

FOR COMMISSIONERS:

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JAMES H. LONDRIGAN

BERNARD N. McFEELY

HARRY L. SCHMULLING

| DESIGNATION | FIRST CHOICE |
|----------------|--------------|
| | X |
| Regular | X |
| Organization | X |
| Administration | X |
| Candidates | X |

Observer
May, 6, 1919

CITY OF HOBOKEN ELECTION NOTICE

The following named, having been nominated by petitions filed with the City Clerk of the City of Hoboken, their names will appear on ballots for the General Municipal Election to be held Tuesday, May 13, 1919, as follows:

GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

CITY OF HOBOKEN, N. J.
FIRST WARD

May 13, 1919.
1st ELECTION DISTRICT

D. A. Haggerty

CITY CLERK.

DIRECTION TO THE VOTER

To vote for any person mark a cross (X) in the square in the appropriate column according to your choice, at the right of the name voted for.
Second, third or fourth choice is not compulsory.
Vote only as many first choices, or second choices, or third choices, as there are officers to elect.
Vote as many fourth or other choices as you wish.
Vote your first choice or choices in the first column.
Vote your second choice or choices in the second column.
Vote your third choice or choices in the third column.
Vote in the fourth column for all the other candidates whom you wish to support.
Do not vote more than one choice for one person, as only one choice will count for any one candidate by this ballot.
If you wrongly mark, tear, or deface this ballot, return it, and obtain another.

| FOR COMMISSIONERS: | DESIGNATION. | First Choice | Second Choice | Third Choice | Other Choice |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| GUSTAV BACH | Regular Organization Administration Candidates | | | | |
| PATRICK R. GRIFFIN | | | | | |
| JAMES H. LONDRIGAN | | | | | |
| BERNARD N. McFEELY | | | | | |
| HARRY L. SCHMULLING | | | | | |
| ANTHONY CAPELLI | Citizens' Non-Partisan League, People's Administration | | | | |
| JOHN FERGUSON | | | | | |
| GEORGE GONZALES | | | | | |
| HERMAN A. HENKE | | | | | |
| HARRY W. LANGE | | | | | |
| JOHN F. GARDNER | Citizens' and Rentpayers' League Candidates | | | | |
| MAX MILLER | | | | | |
| WILLIAM O'NEILL | | | | | |
| GEORGE H. STEIL | | | | | |
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Done pursuant to Chapter 221, Sessions Laws of 1911, and the several supplements and amendments thereto as well as according to General Election Act (Revision of 1898).

Dated City Clerk's Office,
Hoboken, N. J., May 5, 1919.

D. A. HAGGERTY, City Clerk.

PATRICK R. GRIFFIN, Mayor and Director of Public Affairs

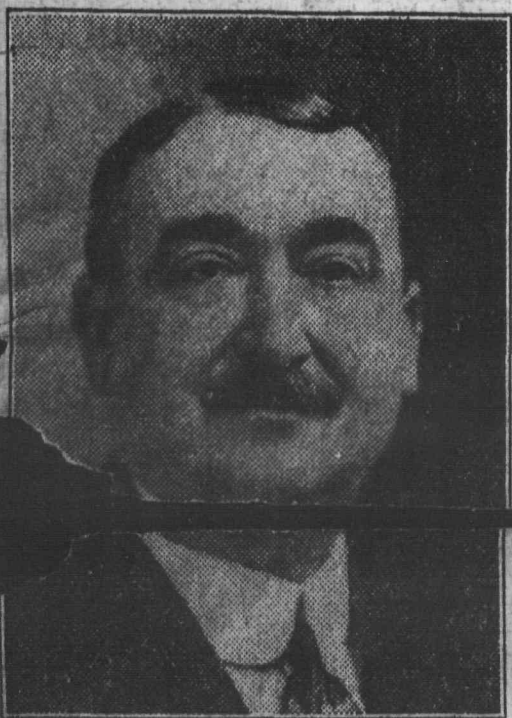
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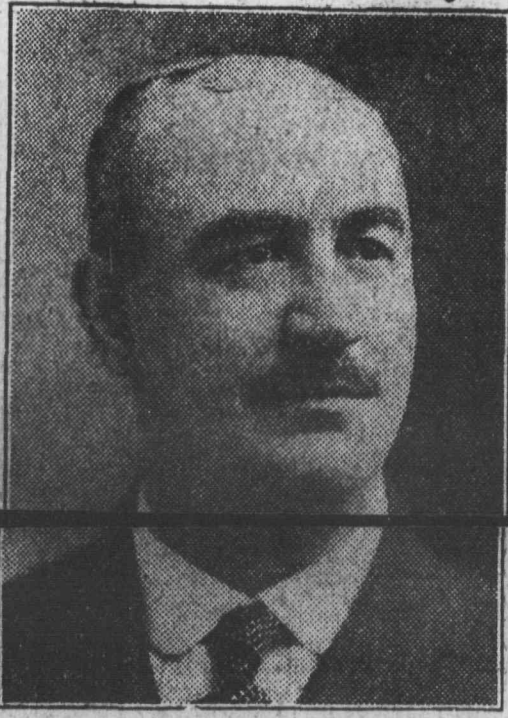
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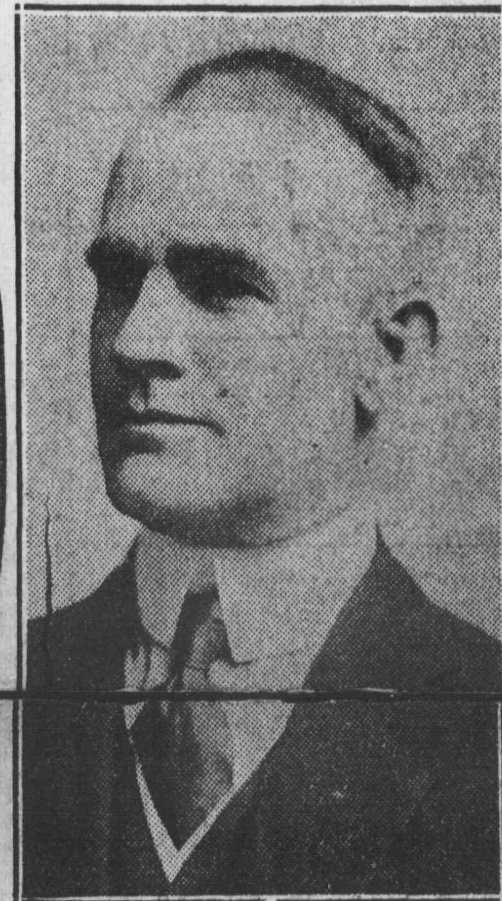
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BECAUSE—They are highly trained men, possessing ability and knowledge in municipal affairs.

BECAUSE—Their integrity is unquestioned after many years of test, trial and daily observation in our Mile-Square City, where everybody knows his neighbor and all that occurs or is done.

If You Desire to Keep Up the Good Work VOTE FOR THE ENTIRE FIVE

FOR COMMISSIONERS:

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BECAUSE—Patrick R. Griffin, as Mayor, has given a splendid administration, free from graft and all pernicious influences. He and his fellow Commissioners, Messrs. Gustav Bach, James H. Londrigan, Bernard N. McFeely and Harry L. Schmulling, have acted in harmony and voted together for those measures which have been to the best interest of the city and its inhabitants. Throughout the period of the war they backed up the United States Government to the fullest extent and rendered it every assistance possible.

BECAUSE—Each Commissioner is from a different ward, thereby giving the fullest representation to each and every ward of the city.

BONDS

Observer
May, 6, 1919

A Happy Possession is a VICTORY BOND

DON'T DIVIDE YOUR PRINCIPLES
MAY 13th—ELECTION DAY

VOTE FOR THE

Democratic Administration Candidates

One Good Term Deserves Another.
Stand By Those Who Have Made Good.

| FOR COMMISSIONERS | First Choice | Second Choice | Third Choice | Other Choice |
|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| GUSTAV BACH | X | | | |
| PATRICK R. GRIFFIN | X | | | |
| JAMES H. LONDRIGAN | X | | | |
| BERNARD N. McFEELY | X | | | |
| HARRY L. SCHMULLING | X | | | |

**YOU MUST VOTE FOR FIVE IN THE FIRST CHOICE COLUMN.
MARK YOUR BALLOT AS INDICATED.**

GET A FIFTH SERVICE STRIPE BY SUBSCRIBING TO THE VICTORY LOAN

Charge to John F. Lewis, 1121 Park Avenue, Hoboken, N. J., Campaign Manager.

Observer
May, 6, 1919

**COMMISSIONERS
ARE INDORSED BY
CITY COMMITTEE**

**Hoboken Democratic Organi-
zation Unanimous for
Their Re-election.**

The Hoboken Democratic City Committee, at a fully attended meeting held last night at headquarters, passed unanimously endorsements of the present five City Commissioners—Mayor P. R. Griffin, B. N. McFeely, James H. Londrigan, Harry L. Schmulling and Gustav Bach.

Secretary to the Board of Education John F. Lewis, who is campaign manager, read the resolutions which dealt separately with each of the five Commissioners. In the preamble, it is stated that the Democratic City Committee has at all times striven to elect to office men befitting to carry on the government of the city intelligently, liberally and economically and that the present five Commissioners have, during their term of office, earnestly striven to carry out the spirit of Commission Government.

Mayor Griffin, it is pointed out, has at all times been in daily touch with his office and at all times occupied with the administration of the affairs of the city. The endorsement continues:

"Thoroughly familiar with all branches of the municipal govern-

ment and the needs of the city, he has, within the bounds of law and the recent legislative enactments relating to municipal budgets, expenditures and audits, obtained the greatest possible measure of results and by simple business treatment throughout the stress of the war period caused the development of Hoboken greatly to expand, yet conserving the city's taxes an dresources. His experience and co-operation that necessarily follow his energy and capacity for organization and exhaustive detail are assets which the voters will appreciate."

The endorsement then continues to include each of the other five Commissioners, and concludes:

"And be it further resolved, that in the foregoing candidates the city and each of the five wards will find representation in men experienced in office, of known ability and unquestioned integrity, and that all voters are urged to vote in the first column for Messrs. Patrick R. Griffin, Gustav Bach, James H. Londrigan, Bernard N. McFeely and Harry L. Schmulling."

OBSERVER,

MAY 7, 1919

**INDORSE GRIFFIN AND
THE COMMISSIONERS**

The B. N. McFeely Association of Hoboken met last night. About two hundred members were present. The present five Commissioners were unanimously indorsed for re-election. Addresses were made by several of the members. After adjournment there was a social session.

A full membership meeting of the John J. Sheridan Association was held on Monday evening of this week at headquarters, 500 Ferry street, and after receiving a visit of the five City Commissioners, the club went on record indorsing them for re-election. A social session followed.

**Citizens' and Rentpayers' League
Candidates for City Commissioners:**

William P. Verdon **William O'Neill**
John F. Gardner
George H. Steil **Max Miller**

Elect These Men! End Griffinism and Extravagance! Bring Rents Down!

The Sewer Griffin Built

Do You Know—

That although the Hoboken Construction Co. contracted to build the Seventh, Eleventh and Fifteenth street sewers for \$970,222.11, Commissioners Griffin, Bach, Londrigan, McFeely and Schmulling have already voted payments to the company of \$1,300,000, and the job is not yet two-thirds completed?

That the contracts entered into between the company and the Commissioners, supposedly representing the city, contain no time limit for the completion of the work?

That the company has sold its equipment and not done a lick of work on the uncompleted sewers in two months?

That, insofar as it is finished, the job is botch work, superintended by men who knew nothing about sewer building, and that much of it will have to be done over again at an immense added expense before the sewers will be of any practical use?

That the flush tanks costing \$150,000, which were supposed to flush the sewage to the river, are nothing more than so many cesspools, full of stagnant water, and a menace to public health?

That this last is true because the builders of the sewers were evidently unaware of the elementary axiom of mechanics that water will not run up hill without some driving force?

That the only way to overcome this difficulty will be to install a pumping station at an additional cost of from \$150,000 to \$200,000?

That the storm water catch basins scattered over the vicinity of Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets are from two to three feet **ABOVE** street level, so that the only way storm water could drain into the basins would be for it to jump into them?

That these basins will remain useless unless all these five streets are regraded at another additional outlay of from \$250,000 to \$300,000?

That William T. S. Crichfield, head of the Hoboken Construction Co., is in the street paving business (you will recall his paving of Washington St. at a profit of \$45,000 in excess of a fair figure) and that there may possibly have been method in the madness of setting the catch basins above the present street level?

Do You Know These Things, Mr. Hoboken Voter?

They are all true, everyone of them. With other vital facts regarding the sewers, which will be revealed in succeeding articles, they were uncovered during a recent inspection by Albert T. Stillman, a graduate mechanical engineer, accompanied by a practical expert in sewer building.

Are you going to sanction the continuance of this way of squandering your money, **of lining the pockets of pet contractors, WHILE RENTS AND TAXES SOAR?**

Or are you going to say next Tuesday to Patrick R. Griffin, who bosses every act of the present City Commission; to James H. Londrigan, who, as Director of Streets and Public Improvements, is directly responsible for the manner in which the work has been performed, and to Gustav Bach, Bernard N. McFeely and Harry L. Schmulling, not one of whom has ever raised a voice in protest against the jobbery—

"GET OUT! We've Had Enough of You!"

Don't you think Schmulling, in the campaign four years ago, **WHEN HE WAS AGAINST GRIFFIN**, hit the nail on the head when he said:

"Is there an honest man in Hoboken who wants Griffin and McFeely to build the Million Dollar Sewers?"

The remedy, Mr. Voter, is in your hands. There is one way, and only one, to beat the Griffin ticket. Do not throw your votes away on candidates that have no chance to win. If you are against the Griffin ticket, vote for the candidate of the

Citizens' and Rentpayers' League:

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**Election: Tuesday, May 13. Mass Meeting, Friday Night
at St. Mary's Hall**

Newsboys

For O'NEILL



William O'Neill

All the newsboys in Hoboken are rooting for William O'Neill, candidate for City Commissioner. I am going to tell you why.

"Billy" O'Neill was once a Hoboken "newsie" himself. He knows what it is to stand at the ferry in the biting cold of winter, or in midsummer's scorching sun in order to earn from the pennies of passersby the wherewithal to keep body and soul together. He knows what it is sometimes when enough papers have not been sold to have to go hungry to bed.

Many a man whose beginnings were as humble as this have risen far in life, but not all of them have tried to remember their early career. Hearts frequently harden as prosperity increases.

Not so with "Billy" O'Neill. He has not changed. In spirit he is still the little lad who used to stand at the ferry in rain and shine, morning and night, selling his papers. He has not forgotten.

A few years ago I had an accident. I was thrown under a trolley car and lost my arm, also suffering other serious injuries. For nearly a year I was unable to attend to my news-stand. I had no money, but I did have a wife and children.

William O'Neill paid my hospital and doctor bills and, during all the time I was incapacitated to attend to my business, he saw to it that my family received enough money to live comfortably. That is one instance. There are scores more like it illustrating this man's great heart.

Not a Christmas passes that every newsboy in the City does not receive a Christmas dinner or go home with a generously filled Christmas basket, the gift of William O'Neill.

They go to him with their troubles. He is always there to lend them money when they are "broke," to advise them and to protect them. He has not forgotten he was once one of them. He is still one of them.

That's why all the newsboys are rooters for O'Neill for Commissioner, and they think that the characteristics he has displayed toward them would make him a mighty good Commissioner for the people of Hoboken.

(signed) ROBERT BLANCHFIELD,

President of Hoboken Newsboys' Union.

(Paid for by Robt. Blanchfield.)

CITY OF HOBOKEN ELECTION NOTICE

The following named, having been nominated by petitions filed with the City Clerk of the City of Hoboken, their names will appear on ballots for the General Municipal Election to be held Tuesday May 13, 1919, as follows:

GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

CITY OF HOBOKEN, N. J.
FIRST WARD

May 13, 1919.
1st ELECTION DISTRICT

D. A. Haggerty

CITY CLERK.

DIRECTION TO THE VOTER

To vote for any person mark a cross (X) in the square in the appropriate column according to your choice, at the right of the name voted for.
Second, third or fourth choice is not compulsory.
Vote only as many first choices, or second choices, or third choices, as there are officers to elect.
Vote as many fourth or other choices as you wish.
Vote your first choice or choices in the first column.
Vote your second choice or choices in the second column.
Vote your third choice or choices in the third column.
Vote in the fourth column for all the other candidates whom you wish to support.
Do not vote more than one choice for one person, as only one choice will count for any one candidate by this ballot.
If you wrongly mark, tear, or deface this ballot, return it, and obtain another.

| FOR COMMISSIONERS: | DESIGNATION, | First Choice | Second Choice | Third Choice | Other Choice |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
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| PATRICK R. GRIFFIN | | | | | |
| JAMES H. LONDRIGAN | | | | | |
| BERNARD N. McFEELY | | | | | |
| HARRY L. SCHMULLING | | | | | |
| ANTHONY CAPELLI | Citizens' Non-Partisan League, People's Administration | | | | |
| JOHN FERGUSON | | | | | |
| GEORGE GONZALES | | | | | |
| HERMAN A. HENKE | | | | | |
| HARRY W. LANGE | | | | | |
| JOHN F. GARDNER | Citizens' and Rentpayers' League Candidates | | | | |
| MAX MILLER | | | | | |
| WILLIAM O'NEILL | | | | | |
| GEORGE H. STEIL | | | | | |
| WILLIAM P. VERDON | | | | | |
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Done pursuant to Chapter 221, Sessions Laws of 1911, and the several supplements and amendments thereto as well as according to General Election Act (Revision of 1898).

Dated City Clerk's Office,
Hoboken, N. J., May 5, 1919.

D. A. HAGGERTY, City Clerk,

INVEST NOW. BUY VICTORY BONDS

Mr. Taxpayer:

The *efficiency* and *economy* of your present city administration is unmistakably evidenced by the annual tax rates for "*city purposes*" since the advent of the Commission form of government. *The rate for city purposes is the barometer which tells the tale.* The rate for County purposes, State Schools and State Road—are not within the control of the city authorities; they are *mandatory* and are charged in our local tax rate by the County Board of Taxation:

| Year. | City Purposes. | County Purposes. | State School. | State Road. | Total. |
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| 1918 | 15.58 | 2.78 | 2.65 | 1.00 | 22.01 |
| 1919 | 13.35 | 6.08 | 2.68 | 1.00 | 23.11 |

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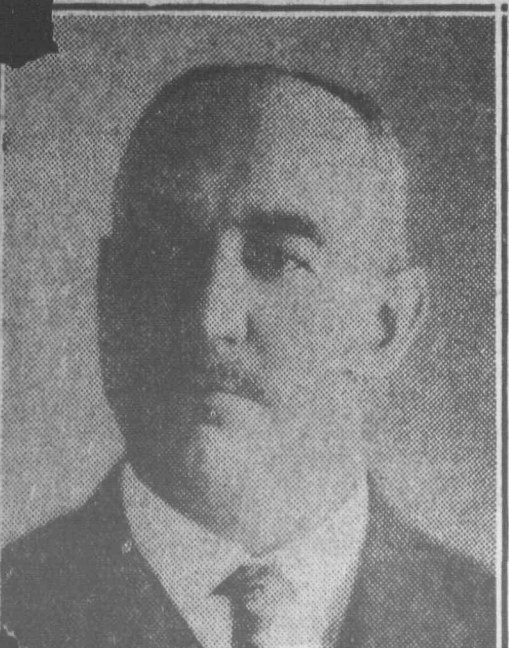
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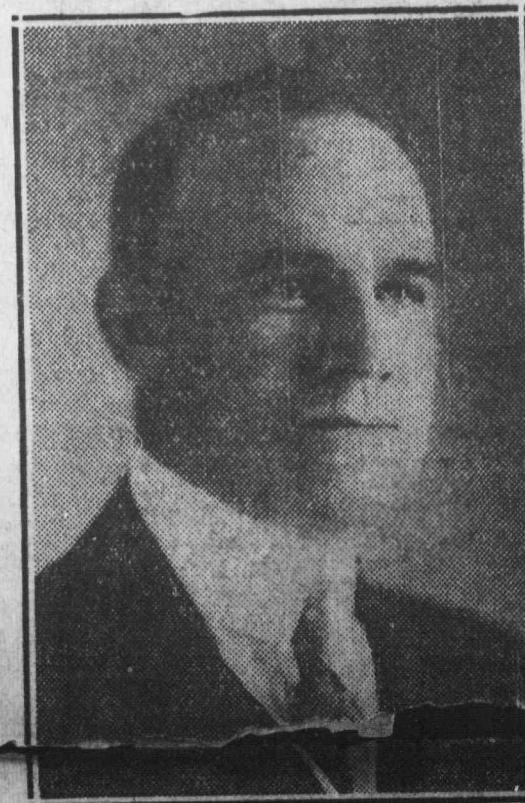
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DESIGNATION

Regular
Organization
Administration
Candidates

FIRST
CHOICE

X

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CITIZENS NON-PARTISAN LEAGUE

"A PEOPLE'S ADMINISTRATION"

Headquarters: 626 Washington Street, Hoboken, N. J.

Citizens of Hoboken

We pledge ourselves to stop the present evil and cruel political system that forces a public employe to contribute a part of his salary to perpetuate a political machine in power.

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Vote for Our Candidates:
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John Ferguson
George Gonzales
Herman A. Henke
Harry W. Lange

WE STAND FOR CIVIC HONESTY AND ECONOMY

Our Platform

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- IV. To see that all public improvements are constructed at the lowest cost and that none except those absolutely needed are begun.
- V. To bring all the City Departments to the highest state of efficiency and keep them there.
- VI. To drive out Graft from the Administration of the City Government.

TO ALL OF THIS WE PLEDGE OURSELVES

Observer
May 7, 1919

To Revise List of Eligible Voters

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HUDSON OBSERVER

MAY 8, 1919.

Mass Meeting

Under the Auspices of

The Citizens' and Rentpayers' League Candidates

at St. Mary's Hall

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Friday, May 9, 8 p. m.

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Do not throw away your votes on candidates who have no chance to win. If you want to beat the Griffin ticket you must vote for the Candidates of the Citizens' and Rentpayers' League.

ELECT THESE MEN!

END GRIFFINISM AND EXTRAVAGANCE!

BRING DOWN RENTS!

A Soldier Asks Griffin For a Job—

HE DOESN'T GET IT!

The following statement is from a Hoboken young man, recently home from France and honorably discharged from the United States Army.

This returned soldier has voluntarily given his signed statement to the Citizens and Rentpayers' League. He has requested that his name be not given publicly unless that course is necessary for certification. We will respect his wish.

IF MAYOR GRIFFIN DENIES ANY OF THE SOLDIER'S ASSERTIONS HE IS WILLING TO BACK THEM UP TO THE LIMIT.

The statement follows:

To Whom It May Concern:

Upon meeting Mayor Patrick R. Griffin in front of the City Hall one day recently, I asked him how chances stood of my being appointed a patrolman on the Hoboken police force, stating that I had just been honorably discharged from the American Army, having served eight months in France. He told me there was no chance, because the Commissioners had just appointed about thirty men to the department. I then told Griffin that I thought it was a shame that they didn't wait a little longer to give the boys in the service an opportunity, as he knew as well as I that eight out of every ten men returning would be in need of a job and, as the boys I was speaking about to him were all members of K. and M. Companies of the old Fourth Regiment, most of them having been born and raised in Hoboken, I thought they should have first preference.

Griffin then told me the boys were not back in Hoboken when the appointments were made, so I asked him why they didn't wait a few months longer till they were HERE. He then said everyone of the men appointed, at some time or other, helped him out in politics, and said he didn't see any reason why they shouldn't be given some return by him, WHILE HE HAD THE CHANCE TO DO IT.

Mayor Griffin says he and his fellow Commissioners, Messrs. Bach, Londrigan, McFeely and Schmulling, are deeply interested in securing jobs for returned soldiers.

DON'T YOU THINK THEY HAVE A PECULIAR WAY OF SHOWING IT?

Vote next Tuesday for candidates for Commissioners who will adopt an intelligent, comprehensive and workable program to solve the after-the-war problems of reconstruction and unemployment.

Citizens and Rentpayers' League

CANDIDATES FOR COMMISSIONERS

WILLIAM P. VERDON

WILLIAM O'NEILL

JONH F. GARDNER

GEORGE H. STEIL

MAX MILLER

Elect These Men. End Griffinism and Extravagance. Bring Down Rents. Election, Tuesday, May 13th

Mass Meeting, To-Morrow Night, St. Mary's Hall

(Paid for by William R. Lundy, 1207 Bloomfield Street).

*Observer
May 8, 1919*

Endorse Mayor Griffin and His Administration

Democratic Progressive Club of the City of Hoboken, Inc.

Hon. Patrick R. Griffin, Gustav Bach, Bernard
N. McFeely, James H. Londrigan and
Harry F. Schmulling, City Hall, Hoboken.

May 6, 1919

Gentlemen—It is fitting at this time, as our administration draws to a close, to inform you and thank you for the efficient and economical way you have conducted your regime. In our opinion Hoboken has had the most business-like and most beneficial administration of public affairs in its history; a very evident appreciation of your excellent work would be your reelection at the polls on Tuesday, May 13th, 1919.

Therefore, we are very glad to inform you that we, the Democratic Progressive Club, of Hoboken, heartily indorse your candidacy for reelection and shall do our utmost as citizens of this city to effect a continuation of the good government we have been blessed with.

Very sincerely yours,

DEMOCRATIC PROGRESSIVE CLUB,

George M. Eichler,
Secretary.

Observed
May 8, 1919

FOR CITY COMMISSIONER



WILLIAM O'NEILL

The People's Candidate

To the Voters of Hoboken:

If I am elected I pledge my word that—
I will be my own boss.

I will be no man's man, but the servant of the people.

I will fight tooth and nail at all times for economy in the city government and will stand for no expenditure of public money that is not wise and judicious.

I will advocate holding City Commission meetings at night so the public can attend.

I will be for pitiless publicity in every public transaction.

I will never fail to raise my voice against that which I consider wrong.

Having made a success of my own business, I believe I am qualified to handle that of the city successfully.

Honesty and integrity are the foundation stones of my private business, and the same principles will guide me as City Commissioner.

If you agree that this is a good program for a City Commissioner of Hoboken put it into effect by marking an X after my name on the ballot, thus:

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A Victory Loan Button Is a Medal of Honor



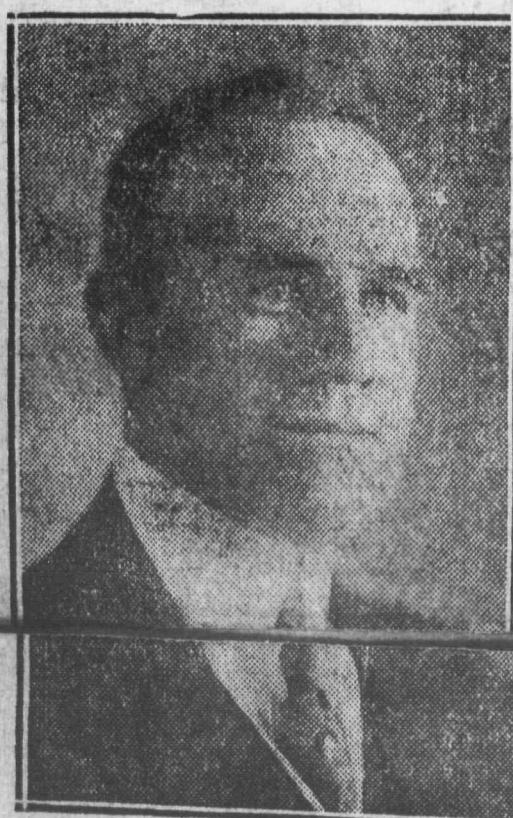
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Bernard N. McFeely



Methods Adopted By the Board of Commissioners for the Conduct of City Business

The five Commissioners have been in daily attendance at their offices in the City Hall and in constant touch with their respective departments and assistants and accessible to the public. All business is transacted in open meetings on Tuesday of each week.

Budget

Expenditures and disbursements of city moneys are limited, confined and controlled by an annual budget. This budget is made up in the following manner: The Commissioners submit their estimates of the amounts required for their respective departments, and from these estimates and the items that are mandatory and over which the Commissioners have no control or discretion, the budget of expenditures for the ensuing year is made up. Before the appropriations are determined upon the items thereof are thoroughly discussed, and the necessity therefor weighed and considered. The budget is then duly advertised in the local newspaper and a day fixed for a public hearing thereon, so that all citizens or taxpayers may appear and criticize or protest against any item thereof. As soon as the budget is introduced a true copy of the same is forwarded to the State Commissioner of Municipal Accounts, so that he may be informed thereof and have full opportunity to examine and criticize or protest against any item thereof which he may deem improper. At the time fixed for the hearing if no objection has been made thereto the budget is then adopted and again advertised. **Thereafter throughout the ensuing year the Board of Commissioners are confined to the budget appropriations and keep within same.**

All Bills Paid Semi-Monthly

Bills against the city are presented to the City Clerk, who endorses and indexes same in a book provided therefor. Such bills are then submitted by the City Clerk to the Commissioner of the department to which they relate, who audits and approves thereof if found correct. Payments are made promptly at the first and third meetings of each month. The payrolls are passed at the second and fourth meetings of each month.

How Ordinances Are Adopted

Proposed ordinances are read in open meeting and laid on the table two weeks before further action is taken thereon. In the meantime such ordinances are advertised in the local newspaper and announcement is made therein of the time and place when a hearing will be had thereon, thereby fully apprising the public thereof and affording them an opportunity to be heard. At the meeting so advertised the ordinance is taken up for its final passage. If no objection is made thereto the ordinance—if considered by the board meritorious—is passed and again advertised in the local newspaper. Such ordinance does not take effect until ten days after its final passage and advertisement.

How Contracts Are Awarded

No moneys in excess of \$500.00 is expended without first advertising for competitive bids, which are required to be sealed and presented in public meeting at the hour stated in the public advertisement which, in all instances, is at least ten days prior to said meeting. The bids are opened in public meeting and announcement made thereof by the City Clerk. Such bids are then considered by the Commissioners and award of contract made to the lowest responsible bidder. This preliminary award of contract is then laid on the table for two weeks for public inspection so that all persons in interest may examine same and object thereto if they so desire. At the end of said period, if no objection is made thereto, the contract is then finally awarded. **No contract is awarded unless a specific appropriation has been previously made therefor, thus limiting the cost of the public improvement and informing the public thereof.**

Such has been the course of procedure followed by the Commissioners in the conduct of city affairs during the past four years. Is not such course commendable? What opinion is to be formed of the consistency of those who now, **ON THE EVE OF ELECTION**, suggest in furtherance of their candidacy for election to the office of Commissioners, that the present administration has been in anywise derelict in the conduct of city affairs? Having made no objection to such course of procedure and the work done throughout said period, is it not reasonable to presume that they had no just cause for complaint? If they considered they had just cause for complaint, **but remained silent when it was their duty to speak, thereby tacitly acquiescing in such proceedings**, are they such persons to whom the citizens of Hoboken would entrust their confidence? Are not their present utterances thoroughly discredited by their former inaction and failure to inform the public of anything which they may have considered was improper, so that the public might heretofore have judged thereof?

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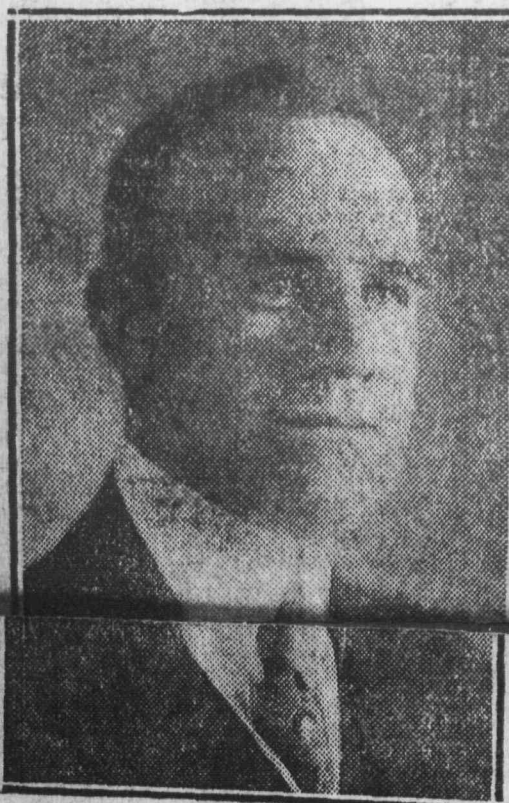
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DESIGNATION

Regular
Organization
Administration
Candidates

FIRST
CHOICE

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Patriots Will Wear Victory Buttons

Lewis Campaign Manager, Address, 1121 Park Avenue

GREAT CROWDS CHEER THE CITY COMMISSIONERS

Their Walk on Street Is in
Nature of Triumphant
Procession.

The progress of Mayor Griffin and his four fellow City Commissioners, of Hoboken, from the City Hall to Eighth street and Willow avenue, where the meeting of the Victor Podesta Association was held last night, was in the nature of a triumphal procession.

The five Commissioners walked from the hall to the meeting place and all the way along they were greeted by the crowds of people in the streets. On two different occasions cheers were raised and taken up and repeated again and again. It was a splendid tribute to the popularity of the five men.

A big reception awaited the Commissioners at Eighth and Willow. A large crowd was packed into the hall and the cheering for the Commissioners lasted quite some time. So enthusiastic was the crowd that the chairman decided to call on Mayor Griffin right away.

"I do not think it is necessary," said the Mayor, when the cheering which greeted his appearance had subsided, "to talk at any length. Our so-called opponents have not been able to bring up any issue so far. We stand before you to-night as we did four years ago. We know that we have done everything possible to carry out the pledges we then gave you. We told you that if you returned us we would give you a clean, honest, economical administration. The records of our administration are for all of you to see. They speak for themselves and they speak for us."

"We feel that we have every reason to be confident in coming before you again and asking that you return us to office. You know what we have done during the past four years, and we promise you that we have done in the past so will we do in the future."

Another outburst of cheering greeted the Mayor when he sat down. The chairman then called on Commissioner Bach, who said he could defy anyone to show that the affairs of Hoboken had not been administered during the past four years in a thoroughly economical manner.

"The best proof that we have made good," said Commissioner Londrigan, who followed, "is the obvious fact that our opponents have found it impossible to raise an issue. If we had not made good they would be going around the city shouting it from the housetops."

"They started an agitation against the increase in the police and fire departments, because we wanted to give adequate protection to the people of the city. Then they dropped that. Next they started to attack the sewer, apparently unaware of the fact that there has been a war and that it has been almost impossible to get men and materials, in spite of which the sewer is almost completed."

A big ovation awaited Director McFeely. He said he had honestly striven to give the people of Hoboken a thoroughly efficient Police and Fire Department.

"We have to-day," he said, "one of the finest bodies of policemen and one of the finest Fire Departments in the State of New Jersey. Hoboken, a closely populated and cosmopolitan city, has a splendid record of freedom from fires and crime."

"I believe that I have made good. I believe that my record is proof of that. I only ask that you judge us on what we have done."

Harry L. Schmulling, Director of Parks and Public Property, also received a magnificent reception. He pointed out that he also had worked

hard and done his best to comply with the wishes of the people.

"I want to state that in everything that I have suggested for the betterment of the people and of the city in my department I have had at all times the cordial and earnest assistance of the other Commissioners. What I have done they have helped me to do, and what they have done I have helped them to do."

The Commissioners afterward attended other meetings throughout the city and were everywhere given an enthusiastic welcome.

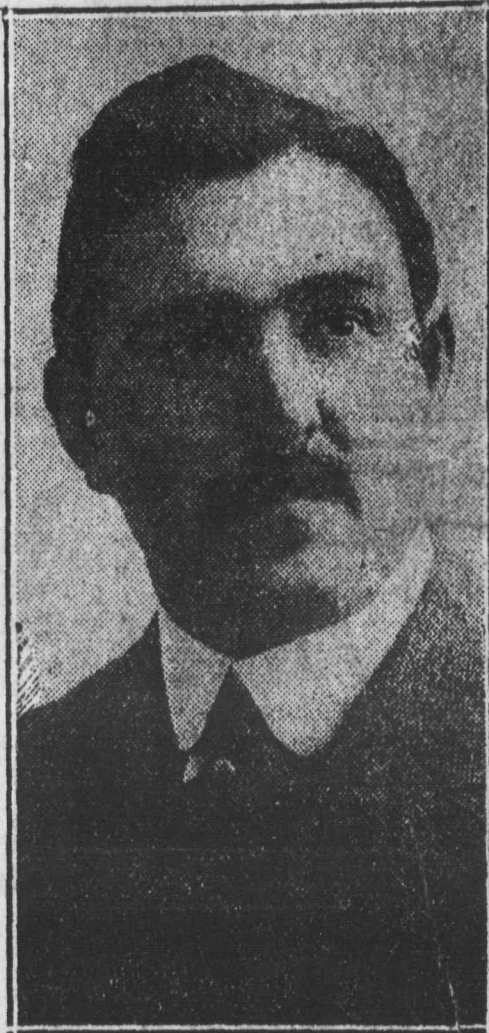
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FERGUSON INVITED A VOTE FROM MAYOR

Independent Candidate Tells
Griffin He Cannot Consistently
Vote For Schmulling

John Fergusson, the famous Liberty Loan promoter in Hoboken, has per-



JOHN FERGUSSON
Independent Candidate for City Commissioner.

sonally asked Mayor Griffin to vote for him for City Commissioner.

The Mayor did NOT accept the invitation.

When Mr. Fergusson asked the Mayor to vote for him Mayor Griffin replied interrogatively:

"Why should I vote for you?"

"Well, you are an organization man, aren't you?" began Fergusson.

"Yes—are you?" snapped back the Mayor.

"No, but you cannot consistently vote for Commissioner Schmulling," replied Fergusson, "and as I presume you will want to vote for five men, I am inviting you to vote for me."

The Mayor did not continue the talk beyond that point. He did not even invite Fergusson to vote for him.

FERGUSON AND STEIL ADDRESS MEN'S CLUB

John Fergusson and former Mayor George H. Steil last night addressed members of the Men's Club, of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Hoboken, meeting in special session at the parish hall, at 816 Hudson street. The two candidates for the City Commission delivered short and informal talks and were well received. They spoke very interestingly on local issues and made a decided hit.