

FRED ROBINSON - runs for Clerk

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Fred Robinson is the candidate for city clerk. Has been in that office for four years. Has any graft been traced to his actions in that time? Has anyone claimed he has not filled every duty expected of him? Is there a more agreeable and accomodating young man and one who has the city's interest more at heart than Mr. Robinson? Has anyone sought to impeach him for graft, crookedness or dishonesty while in office? Is there in this whole community a more capable man for this position? He was unanimously nominated for a second term in a public convention after four weeks' notice in every man in the city. If a better man was not put forth it must be the fault of the people of Crawfordsville or else Mr. Robinson was judged by his life in the city and his four years in office.

At end of article about 9 men running for office (Republicans)

Can any one name the boss in any party that will control the actions of the above men if elected, and if controlled will such control lead them against the best interests of the city? In their choice of men to run the various departments of the city has the past administration of the men now in office chosen anyone for the benefit he would do the party? Have they been chosen for the part's good of the city's and have these appointees made good? Not a single man in the above list has sought his nomination. They have not been "hand picked," by any committee guided by the subtle influences of wily politicians, they were selected by a large representation of a majority of the voters of Crawfordsville in an open, public convention. The service and sacrifice demanded of them in nearly all cases will not be paid for by the nominal salaries offered. This city is asking of these business men a favor. Would not any city be fortunate to have its affairs left in their hands?