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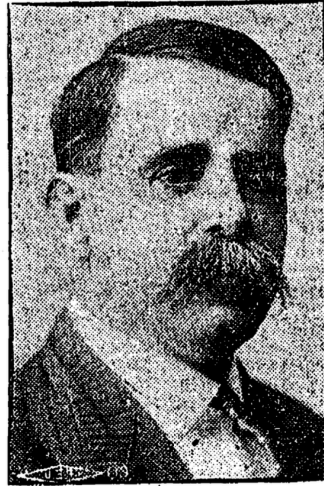
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## MCGILVRAY WINS

Governor Hall Recognizes Fifth Ward League Leader.

Peter J. Flanagan for Public Administrator, and M. D. Dimitry Will Be Attorney.

William Alth McGilvray, who was yesterday appointed commissioner of labor and industrial statistics by Governor Hall, comes from the Fifth Ward, where he was the backbone of the Good Government League organization, and when John Cruso and his lieutenants pulled out, McGilvray kept



WILLIAM A. MCGILVRAY.

the ranks together and carried forward the fight as though nothing had happened. In recognition of this service and because of his particular fitness for the position of commissioner of labor, he was given the honor by Governor Hall.

Mr. McGilvray is 45 years of age, was born and reared in this city and now resides at No. 2024 St. Ann Street. Educated in the public schools, he became an apprentice at the plumbing trade, and has been following it for the past twenty-five years. He first entered the employ of Mark H. Applegate as helper. Showing aptitude and ability he was advanced in the ranks until he became a journeyman plumber and for eighteen years worked with the New Orleans Railway and Mill Supply Company, under John Keely, superintendent of the plumbing department.

Later on he became manager of the McGilvray Plumbing Company, a branch of the Douglas interests, and directed that business for some four years. Since that time he has been in business for himself.

Mr. McGilvray has always been prominent in union labor ranks. He was an active member of Local No. 60, Journeymen Plumbers, Gas and Steamfitters, and represented this union in the Central Trades and Labor Council for five years. He was afterwards delegate to the Structural Building Trades Alliance, and was its president for two years.

During the administration of Mayor Candeville when the Plumbing Board was created, Mr. McGilvray received strong indorsement for the position of plumbing inspector of New Orleans. He was indorsed by the Plumbers' Union and by the Central Trades and Labor Council and by many of the most prominent business and professional men of the city.

Politically, Mr. McGilvray has always been independent in his Democracy and has been with the reform faction of the Fifth Ward since 1903, when he became an active worker in the Jastremski fight, then in the Home Rule movement, and again in the Wilkinson campaign. Still later he was a leader in the Good Government League, supporting Governor Hall. On down the line he was active and aggressive for Caffery for district attorney and for the League Commission ticket.

He is a member of the Progressive Benevolent Association, the Moose and

the Audubon Social Club, and it was reported from the Fifth Ward last night that the Audubons were planning a big jollification over McGilvray's appointment for next Friday night, Feb. 7.

One of the unique features in his appointment is that Mr. McGilvray was a member of the labor delegation in Baton Rouge in 1900 working for the passage of the labor commissioner bill which was finally enacted. Twelve years later he is now named commissioner under its provision. During the same session of the Legislature he represented the Plumbers' Union in behalf of the plumbing bill.

Labor commissioner carries a salary of \$1,500. There is a deputy who receives a salary of \$1,000. There are about a dozen candidates for second place. The commissioner has the appointment.

Mr. McGilvray entered the field of candidates for commissioner last May, visiting Governor Hall in Baton Rouge at the time. He has had some of the leading and most influential men of the state backing him and urging his selection. He carried on a clean campaign, on his merits and not on the demerits of opponents. Fred Stadler, of the Fourteenth; W. E. Bowen, of the First and G. M. Casserleigh, of the Third, were also active candidates for the position.

## FLANAGAN GETS PLUW.

Third Warder Will Succeed Cordill as Public Administrator.

Peter J. Flanagan, who will succeed James P. Cordill as public administrator, is a Third Warder, where he has been an active political figure for years. In the last two state campaigns he was a chief support to George W. Flynn and the reform organization in that ward. Early in the Hall administration, Senator Flynn began urging Flanagan for the position, and it was conceded several months ago that he would get the place, although the governor had made no announcement of his decision.

Mr. Flanagan holds a responsible post with the Whitney-Sloo Company, where he has been for thirty years, and is now manager of the sales department. He is 53 years of age and



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is a member of a number of organizations.

It is generally conceded that Mr. M. D. Dimitry, a well-known young attorney of the Third Ward, and law partner of Senator Flynn, will be the attorney for the public administrator.

## KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

A general meeting will be held at Crescent Lodge, Algiers, on Friday, Jan. 31. Supreme Vice Chancellor Brigham S. Young and Grand Chancellor Judson Harris will be present, in company with the Grand Lodge officers of this domain. Members of the order are extended an invitation to be present.