

Nebraska Politics

—by words. Which ones are willing to join President Wilson and do something for the people.

The question is, is the Nebraska STATE government to be used to support President Wilson in protecting Nebraska people, or is it not?

Is your candidate under obligation to or supported by the special interests, or is he not?

Has the administration of Governor Neville tried to curb the profiteer? If not, why not?

Has Governor Neville any specific remedies to protect the people so as to keep up the morale of our soldiers at the front and to keep up the morale of the second line of defense—the people back home? Is so, what?

Patriotism is demonstrated by actions, not by mere words. Is your STATE government going to take patriotic action to support the efforts of President Wilson to win the war or is it not?

A hundred per cent American in war times is one who practices the patriotism which he preaches.

If nominated and elected governor of Nebraska, I will use the entire resources of the state in loyally supporting every plan and suggestion of the commander-in-chief of the army to win the war. I will enforce every law of this great commonwealth.

I believe Nebraska people are loyal to the core. I would promptly and adequately punish any disloyalty that might be found. I would faithfully carry out the earnest appeal of President Wilson under date of July 26, to all governors, to take the initiative in preventing mob rule.

I would enforce the state laws against monopoly in restraint of trade and urge the enactment of new legislation necessary to prevent profiteering.

I favor the conduct of the STATE government on a business basis by cutting down unnecessary appropriations, reduce taxes, abolish unnecessary boards and commissions, and establish a state budget.

A governor can not appoint profiteers to office and expect them to give the state anti-profiteering service.

As governor, I would not permit the "work or fight act" to be used by the profiteers to "work" the public, or by the special interests to "fight" the people who ask the STATE government for relief.

I believe with President Wilson that the chief executive should act as a leader in protecting the public and in promoting the general welfare of all the people of the state.

I refer the people of Nebraska to my record as mayor of Lincoln in destroying monopoly control and in reducing the cost of living as a guarantee that I will carry out my platform pledges if nominated and elected governor of Nebraska.

I challenge my opponents to publish any act, word or communication of mine in this campaign showing any misrepresentation, deception, dishonesty or lack of patriotism. I am not a member of any association, league or union. I made a personal filing for the nomination for governor. I have not been nominated or endorsed by any club, association, league or union. I have made no secret pledges, no secret tie-ups, no secret promises, and will make none.

I am a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor because the present governor is clearly out of harmony with President Wilson and with public opinion in Nebraska on the moral and economic legislation necessary to win the war.

People who believe alike should vote together.

I will appreciate the vote of every loyal Nebraskan who desires to help me help President Wilson protect the producers and consumers of the state from the unscrupulous profiteer, so as to reduce the cost of living, and who will help me help President Wilson unite the people of this state in a harmonious and concerted effort to win the war.

Every voter should vote primary day, August 20, or not complain thereafter of the kind of government or the kind of protection the state gives him.

CHARLES W. BRYAN.

EVERY PROGRESSIVE, "DRY," ANTI-PROFITEERING DEMOCRAT IN NEBRASKA SHOULD GO TO THE POLLS AND VOTE, PRIMARY DAY, AUGUST 20, AND TAKE HIS NEIGHBORS WITH HIM.

The Nebraska Legislature

One of the most important questions to be considered by the Nebraska legislature, the members of which will be nominated at the state primaries August 20, is the ratification of the national prohibition amendment. Every candidate for the state legislature should be pledged to vote for the ratification of the prohibition amendment or should be defeated on primary day. The slogan should be "Put none but ratificationists on guard."

The democratic party in Nebraska is to be congratulated upon the fact that a larger number of men who are in favor of prohibition have filed as candidates for the state senate and house than ever before. We have not had time since the filings closed to learn the attitude towards ratification of all those who are candidates for the legislature. We regret that we are not able at this time to publish a complete list of all democratic candidates who are in favor of ratification.

The importance of ratifying the prohibition constitutional amendment can not be overestimated, and every person who is interested in the success of this prohibition amendment should make it a point to see that every dry, progressive democrat goes to the polls on primary day and votes for candidates for the legislature who can be depended upon to vote for ratification.

We publish below a list of democratic candidates for the senate and house who have expressed themselves in favor of the ratification of the constitutional amendment:

SENATE

James P. Baker, Dunbar; A. E. Stuart, Cedar Bluffs; H. C. Parmenter, Yutan; C. C. Vandusen, Kennard; Chas. Graff, Bancroft; R. V. Sheets, Elgin; Ed. L. Houtz, Albion; M. M. Hanson, Clearwater; Chas. M. Skiles, David City; A. R. Noyes, Bradshaw; Theo. C. Krough, Dannebrog; John G. Boelts, St. Libory; Walter E. Hager, Hastings; A. D. Scott, Edgar; Geo. Jackson, Nelson; Chas. Chappell, Minden; Wm. D. Zimmerman, Ashton; Patrick Fitzgerald, Kearney; Geo. W. Greenwalt, Broken Bow; W. J. Taylor, Merna; D. H. Moulds, Lexington; A. R. Leavitt, North Platte; Fred Hoffmeister, Imperial; W. M. Sommerville, McCook; C. J. Osborn, Sidney; Wm. Coleman, Hay Springs.

HOUSE

W. F. Reischick, Falls City; A. E. Henry, Pawnee City; Philip F. Nestor, Tecumseh; Andy Christensen, Nebraska City; John Murty, Alvo; L. G. Todd, Union; W. R. Beum, Tekamah; J. J. McAllister, Dakota City; F. L. Bolen, Crofton; James Auten, Albion; Andrew Dahlsten, Newman Grove; C. F. B. Niewedde, Lindsay; Geo. S. Cushman, York; H. W. Lang, Litchfield; N. H. Jones, Hastings; D. B. Martl, Hastings; Thos. M. Osterman, Central City; A. M. Templin, Central City; John C. Harris, Greeley; Christ Anderson, Bristow; A. O. Smith, Bassett; Chas. Walker, Gibbon; L. W. Olson, Orleans; James Harris, McCook; E. S. Burke, Arapahoe; John E. Jacobson, Lexington; S. M. Ewing, Parks; W. J. Watkins, Venango; Lloyd C. Thomas, Alliance; Paul A. Mendenhall, Peters; Chas. Naylor, Chadron; Guy Roberts, Oshkosh; Jonathan Higgins, North Platte; J. L. Beebe, Red Cloud; Chas. E. Taylor, Wood River; H. A. Swanson, Clay Center; A. M. Walling, David City; J. F. Rohn, Fremont; D. Livingston, Lawrence; Dr. J. A. Pace, Guide Rock; W. S. Wells, Merna; M. E. Hyde, Gothenburg; E. E. Purcell, Broken Bow; D. H. Thompson, Mead; H. W. Tomlinson, O'Neill; C. F. Davis, Colon; E. C. Lahrson, Stromsburg; E. H. Hoare, Monroe; H. D. Rixen, Pender; A. F. Luhe, Seward; H. A. McCormick, Mynot; John A. Finch, Herman; Judson G. Douglas, Tecumseh; Henry Vauck, Sutton.

We will endeavor to advise the public of any additional democratic candidates for the legislature who let it be known that they will vote, if elected, for the national prohibition amendment.

Campaign Lie No. 1 Nailed

The reactionary, special interest element in the democratic party in Nebraska, realizing that the political tide is turning against them, and that the indications point to the defeat of their candidate for re-nomination, are resorting to desperate and despicable misrepresentations to deceive the people.

The Lincoln Daily Star, which is owned and published by the head of the flouring mill combine of Lincoln, published on the front page of its issue of August 8, under the heading, "Hyphenates Out to Defeat Neville for Re-nomination." "The German Publishers Issue Secret Appeal for Support of C. W. Bryan," "Published a Part of a Letter Sent Out by the Associated Foreign Language Press, of which Mr. Rosicky, a Bohemian, is President," and then credited the letter to a German publisher of Omaha.

The Bohemian letter was an appeal to the Bohemian people to support C. W. Bryan at the primaries August 20 for the democratic nomination for governor, because he was in harmony with the national administration. The object in crediting the letter to a German publisher was intended to mislead the readers of the Star and make them believe that a German publisher in place of a Bohemian publisher was supporting C. W. Bryan. The intent of this is apparent.

On August 9, the Star published another article under the heading "The German Papers Asked to Print Ad for C. W. Bryan. Val J. Peters, Foreign Press League gets Busy." In this article the Star publishes an editorial suggestion which was sent out by Mr. Rosicky, president of the Associated Foreign Language Press, to their foreign language publishers, in which he advocated the nomination of Charles W. Bryan for governor. This editorial suggestion of Mr. Rosicky's was sent out with and attached to a letter, a part of which was published the day before in the Star. This editorial suggestion was credited to Val J. Peters, president of the German-American Alliance, and after falsely crediting him with the letter, attempted to prove that the German-American Alliance had endorsed Mr. Bryan's candidacy.

A cause that has to be bolstered up by such misrepresentations and falsehoods as the Lincoln Star was guilty of, must be tottering for a fall. The Bohemian editor and the Bohemian people have a right to complain against such misrepresentation and such a reflection upon their loyalty as the Star was guilty of. We print below a letter from Mr. Rosicky which he compelled the Star to publish, that will convince any fair-minded person that there is no limit to which the Star does not seem willing to go to bolster up the reactionary and special interest element of the democratic party, of which the Star is one of the chief spokesmen. The owner and publisher of the Star is an appointee of the present democratic governor, Mr. Neville.

It is fortunate that the Star attempted this misrepresentation far enough in advance of the primaries so that it could be refuted and the Star put in its proper class before the public. The letter of Mr. Rosicky, the Bohemian editor, to the Star putting the latter publication in the Ananias club is as follows:

"Aug. 10, 1918.

"The Lincoln Daily Star,
"Lincoln, Nebraska.

"Gentlemen:

"In your August 8th issue you print on your first page an article under the heading "Hyphenates Out to Defeat Neville for Re-nomination," which refers to the letter that we recently sent the foreign language publishers of the state. Your article contains so many misrepresentations and errors that your readers should know the truth regarding this matter, and we will appreciate your publishing this communication, giving it the same prominence that you gave the original article.

"That we sent out a letter (a portion of which you quote in your article), urging the foreign language publishers to support Chas. W. Bryan for the democratic nomination for governor, and certain other candidates for certain other offices, we cheerfully admit. That Val J. Peter, or the