

### C. W. Bryan Would Abolish Office of State Sheriff

Lincoln, Nov. 4.—That Charles W. Bryan will abolish the law enforcement office known as the state sheriff, is admitted in a letter sent by Elmer E. Thomas to the members of Nebraska. In this advisory worded communication, Mr. Thomas insists that Bryan can control the liquor traffic by removing any sheriff or county attorney who refuses to enforce the law.

the position of Arthur Mullen, and that is county option for bootlegging," said Mr. Perry.

**Efforts Fail.**

Efforts to discredit the authenticity of a letter denouncing Bryan's weak position on prohibition enforcement have been met by the public statement of S. K. Warwick, president of the Anti-Saloon league, and W. T. Thompson, former chairman of the Nebraska Dry federation. These men say that there is no ground for the democratic charge; that their signatures were forged and that they assume full responsibility for the letter, which follows:

"To All Temperance People in Nebraska: It has been brought to the attention of the undersigned that C. W. Bryan, one of the candidates for governor, is advocating that the office of state sheriff should be abolished and that if he is elected governor he will use his influence to secure such a result. We have before us a sworn statement that Mr. Bryan in his address at Sutton on October 23, said:

"Personally I want to see all these bureaus and divisions wiped out, including the state law enforcement department. If I am elected governor, I will do my best to see that the state sheriff's office is wiped out. It is a wholly unnecessary expense. I want to put this back into the hands of the people, making the county authorities responsible."

"Substantially the same statement was made by Mr. Bryan at Ravenna, Saturday night, October 21. We enter our protest against any such action and urge all temperance people to oppose the effort. To abolish the state prohibition enforcement department at this time when the wets are making such determined efforts to nullify the law into disrepute, would be disastrous. It would mean that we would have no enforcement in a number of counties of the state. To abolish the office would be equivalent to local option. Do we want to go back to county option after we have been under state-wide prohibition for six years? We appeal to the friends of prohibition throughout the state to see to it that we take no backward step."

S. K. Warwick, president Anti-Saloon league of Nebraska.

W. T. Thompson, former chairman of the Nebraska dry federation.

**Pastor's Affidavit.**

Following is the affidavit of Rev. F. E. Sala of the Methodist church of Elmwood, relative to the Bryan promise to do away with the law enforcement department:

"F. E. Sala, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: In an address made at Sutton, October 23, at the opera house, Charles W. Bryan, speaking of the various state boards, said: 'Personally I want to see all of these bureaus and divisions wiped out, including the state enforcement department. If I am elected governor I will do my best to see that the state sheriff's office is wiped out. It is a wholly unnecessary expense. I want to put this back into the hands of the people, making the county authorities responsible. After the nominations were in, I called a meeting in Omaha of all the candidates of the democratic party for national and state offices, including the legislature, in which we went over the whole matter of the things that we wanted to stand for. We spent a whole day in serious consideration of these matters and each one signed his name to a personal pledge that he would stand for this program.'"

"F. E. SALA."

### Perry Tells Why Randall Is Best Man for Governor

There is one big issue in the state campaign, according to Judge E. B. Perry, state chairman of the republican committee, and that issue is to select for governor of Nebraska the biggest and best man that is available for the position.

"The biggest business in the state of Nebraska is our state government," he asserts.

"On next Tuesday we have an opportunity to select the chief officer for this big corporation in which we are stockholders. The man who by his fair, honest and straight-forward appeal to the voters has shown himself big enough and good enough for this position is Senator Charles H. Randall. He has not only grown in popularity and in his vote-getting power every since this campaign commenced, but the voters who have seen and heard him realize that he is a man of his word and big enough intellectually, honest enough morally and experienced enough in business to make Nebraska just what it needs at this time—an efficient, hard-working executive."

**Promises Impossible.**

"At the commencement of this campaign, I thought that I understood the meaning of the word 'issue.' In my profession, the issues in the case are the allegations or charges that are made by the plaintiff and denied by the defendant. When the pleadings are once made up in a lawsuit, the proof must conform to the pleadings or charges, and if it fails to do so, the party upon whom is the burden of proof loses."

"It is a good thing that this rule does not govern political parties. If this rule had governed the democratic party would have been consulted early in this campaign. At the outset of the campaign, the opposition said: Look at your tax receipts. Elect me governor and I will save you 20 per cent of your taxes."

The voters looked at their tax receipts and discovered that as only 19 cents of the average tax dollar went to the state it would be impossible for the democratic candidate for governor to do what he said he would.

**Change in Issues.**

"Then the opposition explained that it had been misunderstood; that what it intended to do was to reduce state taxes 20 per cent. Then when the attention of the opposition was called to the fact that the present state administration had already reduced state taxes 33.3 per cent, we were told that taxation was not to be the issue; that the issue was to be repeal of the code."

"About this time a bipartisan committee, representing one of the strongest farmer organizations in the state, thoroughly investigated the administration of the state affairs under the present law and found that the budget system and responsible form of government as provided by our present law, tended toward efficiency and recommended that it be retained."

"Then the opposition informed the public that the idea of the code might be right, but that the duties now performed by the code secretaries should be placed with the state officers. An investigation of the records shows that the total salaries of the six secretaries amount only to \$30,000 or 3.3000 of 1 per cent of the state taxes instead of 20 per cent, as the opposition contended. The records also show that instead of being a burden upon the taxpayers these departments collect more than \$300,000 in excess of the expense of maintaining the same."

**Appeal to Race Prejudice.**

"Then the opposition caused circulars to be sent out, printed in a foreign language, from its headquarters in Omaha, and denounced Senator Randall, republican candidate for governor, because he had voted for the Siman school law and the Reed-Norval language law, and made an appeal to religion and race prejudice. Attention was called to the fact that the Siman law puts all schools, public and private, parochial and otherwise, of every denomination, under control of the state, and requires that the course of study be equivalent to that prescribed for the public schools, and be approved by the state superintendent."

"The Reed-Norval law forbids the teaching of a foreign language in any school below the eighth grade and does nothing more."

"The fact of the matter is that the Siman law does nothing more than to provide for the efficiency in parochial schools equal to that of the public schools, and the language law does not forbid the use of a foreign language in the family nor the teaching of a foreign language in any school after the pupil has met his grade school requirements. This law was enacted at the unanimous request of the American Legion."

"After the opposition had injected these matters into the campaign as an issue Senator Randall unhesitatingly stated his position. The opposition candidate was then called upon to state his position. His only answer is in the following words: 'The language question and the parochial school question are not issues in this campaign.'"

"The voters of Nebraska should admire the skill of the opposition in attempting to shift the issue."

### Beal Endorsed by Club Women of South Omaha

More than 500 women, members of prominent lodges, clubs and leading church workers of South Omaha, gathered yesterday afternoon in the lower auditorium of Butcher Workmen Labor temple, Twenty-fifth and M streets, and unanimously endorsed Henry Beal, republican candidate for county attorney. The women were of various political faiths, but expressed their intention of going down the line for Mr. Beal regardless of politics.

Mrs. William Berry, wife of Dr. William Berry, who presided, made a short address in which she told of the activities of South Omaha in backing Mr. Beal's candidacy.

Mrs. Joseph F. Murphy, a leading democratic worker among the women of South Omaha, said she was anxious for the election of Mr. Beal because she knew him to be an honest, upright young man who would enforce the laws and that with his hand at the helm, mothers could rest assured that their girls would be protected and that it would be safe for a woman to walk the streets of South Omaha without fear of being attacked.

**Faith in Beal.**

Mrs. George Wilson told of how she had known Mr. Beal for many years and of the faith the women of South Omaha had in him to carry out the policy of the county attorney's office in an efficient and capable manner.

Miss Nellie Walsh, in a ringing address, told of the widespread sentiment in South Omaha among men and women for Mr. Beal. She said she had attended meetings of many clubs and societies and almost unanimous sentiment had been expressed for Mr. Beal, regardless of politics.

The candidate closed the meeting with an address in which he said he represents no clique, gang or faction, but that he would represent the people of Douglas county as a whole and that he would try to enforce the laws with justice to all and malice toward no one.

**Women to Work.**

Announcement was made at the meeting that scores of women had volunteered their services on election day in the interests of Mr. Beal and two women workers will be assigned in every precinct of South Omaha to work in the interests of their candidate.

After the meeting an informal reception was held with Mrs. William Beal, wife of the candidate; Mrs. William Berry, Mrs. Henry van de Puite, Mrs. L. L. Strawhecker, Mrs. Henry Jetter, Mrs. George Wilson and Mrs. Joseph F. Murphy in the receiving line.

Tomorrow night at 7:30 there will be a grand rally under auspices of the Beal for County Attorney club at the Butcher Workmen Labor temple, when a number of interesting speakers will deliver the final shots of the campaign.

### Germany Submits Plan for Stabilizing Mark

Berlin, Nov. 4.—(By A. P.)—At the fourth meeting of the members of the reparations commission the German delegates submitted to the commission Germany's proposals for the stabilization of the mark and the floating debt of Germany. The remaining documents covering the entire German case, including proposals for balancing the budget, will be presented to the commission Sunday morning.

Surprise was expressed at the continued fall in the value of the mark, despite the present negotiations. The Allgemeine Zeitung, organ of Hugo Stinnes, already is talking of what it calls the obvious failure of the negotiations. It attributes the decline in the mark to the "impossible project" of the reparations commission.

It is announced that new currency, issued in Berlin during the last week in September, totaled 25,200,000,000 paper marks.

Dr. Jennie M. Calfas for the Board of Education. She will insist that school taxes come down.—Adv.

### Man With Girls Held on Kidnaping Charge

Council Bluffs authorities are holding Ruth Sargent, 18, and William Spicer of Falls City and Bell Frater, 15, of Rulo, Neb., until the arrival of the sheriff from Falls City to take them back home—the man on a kidnaping charge and the girls on runaway charges.

The trio ran away from Falls City Thursday and was apprehended in the Rock Island yards at Council Bluffs Friday night by railroad special agents, who escorted the three to the city passenger station. While waiting for the police, Spicer escaped and boarded an east-bound freight. He was caught a few hours later at Avoca.

The girls say they were enroute to Anita, Ia., where Spicer has relatives. The said Spicer was the Frater girl's uncle.

### Secret Document Throws Light on Plans of Soviets

Washington, Nov. 4.—The text of a "secret document" from the soviet minister of foreign affairs at Moscow to the soviet ambassador at Berlin, which reached here today, throws an interesting light upon the part soviet Russia expected to play in the near east crisis. This document indicates that the Moscow authorities expected to play the part of mediator between the Turkish nationalists and Greece, and by virtue of that mediation to win greater popularity with the Moslems and possibly recognition from the western powers.

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The dead: C. W. Willet, New York City. The seriously injured: W. L. Dobbins of Los Angeles, Cal. The express hit an open switch, it was stated, and crashed into the rear sleeper of the other train, telescoping it.

Kubat for county commissioner.—Adv.

### Man Without a Country

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 4.—Judge Jeremiah Neterer, in federal court here, has released Eric Skog, "the man without a country," under \$200 bond and ruled that if the secretary of labor does not issue a deportation warrant in 20 days Skog will be set free altogether.

Skog, a seaman born in Sweden, who came to this country from China, has been detained more than two months by immigration authorities. He contends that he cannot be deported to China, and that the law of Sweden prevents his re-entry to that country.

**Breaks Swim Record.**

Chicago, Nov. 4.—Ralph Breyer, a sophomore at Northwestern university, unofficially yesterday broken the national intercollegiate and conference 100-yard freestyle swimming records at the university tank during a competition between sophomores and freshmen, according to university officials. His time was 55 seconds, 4.5 of a second faster than the intercollegiate record and 1.25 seconds faster than the record for the conference.

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