

### Norris to Echo Vote If House Given Election

Declares in Bridgeport Ad-  
dress That State Choice  
Will Be  
His.

Bridgeport, Neb., Oct. 11.—In an address to the voters of Bridgeport and vicinity tonight, United States Senator George W. Norris made answer to a question recently put to him through the public press as to how he would vote in case the election of the president and vice president were thrown into congress. Senator Norris welcomed the opportunity to make his position entirely clear to the voters and at the same time, challenged the attention of the voters of the entire state to the fact that it is not a question addressable to him alone but that it is a fair one with reference to every member of the house of representatives running for re-election in the state, with the exception only that, in case of the representatives, they will have a choice of three, while the senator must respect the decree of the voters as to the choice of the two.

Senator Norris said: "I have been asked through letters printed in the public press how I would vote in case the election of president and vice president is thrown into congress. I believe the question is a fair one; and I welcome the opportunity of answering it through the same public medium in which the question is asked."

"Regardless of what the motive might be that prompts the inquiry, I desire to be fair with the voters of the state. I want no man's vote through any misunderstanding or under any false pretense. When the people of Nebraska express their choice in the coming election for president and vice president, I believe it to be the duty of every citizen and of every public official to do everything in his power to carry out that decision and to give it full legal effect. I, therefore, pledge myself in case of the election of vice president is thrown into the senate that, unless prevented by the limitations of the constitution of the United States, which limits the vote in the senate to the two candidates having the highest number of electoral votes, I will vote for the one who has carried the state of Nebraska. This promise is good whether I am elected or defeated, and it should be remembered in this connection that it is the present congress, and not the new one elected in November, that elects a president and vice president in case the election is thrown into congress."

**Six House Members.**  
"May I not ask, however, why this question appears to be asked of me alone? Why should I be singled out and the question propounded to no other candidate? Indeed, the question is of much greater importance when applied to a member of the house than to a senator. The senate elects a vice president—an insignificant office as compared with the president. The president is elected by the house. There are six members of the house from Nebraska—three republicans and three democrats—and every one of them is a candidate for re-election. Why not ask them how they will vote in case the election of president is thrown into the house? Will these six candidates follow the verdict just rendered at the ballot box, or will they heed the commands of partisan bosses and completely nullify the decision rendered at the polls and thus violate emphatically the principle of a government of, for, and by the people?"

"Since the question has been raised as to me, I respectfully ask that it be applied to all members of the present congress who are running for re-election. I respectfully call upon all patriotic citizens of the state, regardless of party, to demand that every such candidate shall state, before election, whether if the election of a president is thrown into the house, he will heed and obey the voice of the people of Nebraska, just as expressed at the ballot box, or whether he will disregard the judgment rendered at the polls and blindly follow the commands of party bosses. It is very similar to the conditions existing in this state when we provided for a method by which candidates for the state legislature could promise on the ballot to vote for the candidate of the United States senate who had just carried the state in the general election. I myself was once elected to the senate by such a legislature, although a majority of the members belonged to a different political party. The question resolves itself into a simple proposition. Do we want to give legal effect to the judgment of the people rendered at the polls? If we do, then the position I have taken cannot be successfully assailed. The alternative is to disregard the solemn mandate of an election in our state and to substitute the command of party leaders. In other words, to put party above country."

**Only Three Candidates.**  
"It is well to note that members of the house, in voting for president, are not confined to two candidates as are members of the senate in voting for vice president. They can vote for any of three candidates and everybody knows now that there will be but three men who will receive votes in the electoral college. Therefore, they will not be hindered in any way from carrying out the will of the people as expressed at the election. They should regard themselves as only an instrumentality for carrying into effect the vote solemnly recorded at the polls. They, in fact, take the place of the electoral college and are bound by the same moral obligation to carry into effect the will of the people as expressed at the polls."

But this is not all. Under our constitution when the election of a president is thrown into congress it is the house of representatives, elected two years before, which elects a president. It may often mean that a repudiated house of representatives will elect a president who has like wise been repudiated at the same election as themselves and that the president elected would hold office for four years after the people have

repudiated both himself and the house which elected him. Such an unreasoning and illogical system exists in no country on earth, excepting our own. Twice I have succeeded in passing through the senate a constitutional amendment which provides that, in such cases, the new house, fresh from the people, shall elect the president, and not the old one elected perhaps on an entirely different issue. This amendment abolishes the short, or "lame duck" congress and provides that the congress elected in November, shall be sworn in and begin business in the following January instead of waiting until a year from the following December—13 months—as must be done under the present constitutional limitation. My amendment passed the senate the second time during the last session of congress, and is now on the calendar of the house of representatives. I call on every candidate in Nebraska who is running for the house to state whether he will help to pass such an amendment and if he is a member of the present house whether he will do his best to have the house dispose of it at the coming short session. This is the second time this amendment has reached its present status. A large majority of the house is in favor of it, but the party leaders are opposed to it. They killed it once by preventing action and are doing the same thing again, and will succeed unless the people demand of their representatives that they tear off the party collar and show their independence."

### QUERISTS HEAR BRYAN CHARGES

Lincoln, Oct. 11.—The investigating committee of the state senate will meet at Omaha Tuesday to pass on the final draft of the report made by Chairman Wilkins dealing with the status of the road construction fund and the question of a deficit alleged by Governor Bryan to exist in the fund. The draft has not been made public.

The members of the committee are Chairman Wilkins, Fremont; John W. Robbins, Omaha, and W. B. Banning, Union. All are state senators.

### PARTY DINNER ON ANNIVERSARY

The 25th wedding anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. T. Conant was celebrated Saturday evening with a dinner party given them at their residence, 1824 Binney street, by their five daughters.

Following the dinner there was a surprise party by nine old friends who joined the pair and their daughters at the house.

### MRS. W. C. PRICE SERVICE MONDAY

Anna Martin Price, 56, wife of Walter C. Price, died Friday at her home, 2563 Ames avenue. She is survived by her husband; her mother, Mrs. Nelson Martin, and five adopted children: Mrs. Helen McClure of Kansas City; Henry, Richard, Paul and Elizabeth of Omaha.

### Eleven Will Celebrate Their Birthdays With Rev. Savidge Oct. 24

Rev. C. W. Savidge reports progress in promoting his birthday anniversary party for October 24, on which date he will be "more than 70 years old." He wishes to hear from all whose birthday anniversary occurs on this date and the invitation is not limited to Omahans.

The plan is to celebrate in the People's church, 515 North Eighteenth street. Mark Savidge and his wife state that the Savidge family will furnish the cats and also something to drink.

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