

TAFT WRITES OF COLORADO

Asks Beet Growers to Vote for Own Salvation.

ONE WAY TO BEAT FREE SUGAR

President Points Out that Life of Industry in West is Dependent on Duties Laid by Republican Party.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—At the White House today a letter from President Taft to Crawford Hill of Denver, dealing with issues of the campaign, was made public. It follows in part:

"Encouraging reports have come to me in regard to the political situation in Colorado. I am sure that every man whose judgment is not controlled by his prejudice now realizes that this is a campaign between the republican and democratic parties. It is apparent that the third party movement has not gained headway as a national force and that again the alternative is presented to the American people either to support the protective policy of the party in power or to turn over the government to those who are committed to repeat the experiment which resulted in such a commercial exultation when last it was tried.

Free Sugar Real Danger.

"Those who live in a rarified atmosphere have a wider range of vision than those whose homes are in the lowlands. But the people of Colorado do not need their vantage of altitude to see that democratic victory means the striking down of a great industry which has been built up in their state. It does not require a profound knowledge of the principles of political economy, but only common sense to understand that the placing of sugar on the free list would spell ruin for those of our fellow citizens who are engaged in the cultivation of the sugar beet.

"The democratic party is committed to free sugar and if it is successful at the polls we may expect as one of its first legislative acts the passage of a bill to admit sugar duty free at our ports of entry.

"Our present crop of beet sugar constitutes 15 per cent of the entire annual consumption of the United States. We have seven fine beet sugar factories in sixteen states, Colorado and Michigan leading with seventeen factories each. Thousands of American farmers are engaged in the cultivation of the sugar beet and the factories which buy their product employ about 25,000 men. The republican party stands for adequate protection for the beet sugar industry in this country.

"Free sugar cannot be defended from any angle. It is in conflict with the theory of a tariff for revenue only and its effect would be to make almost certain the monopolistic control of a great industry. It would diminish the revenue of the government \$54,000,000 annually and by reducing the world's production by nearly 1,000,000 tons a year raise the price of sugar to the consumer. Permanently lower prices for sugar in the United States and freedom from European speculative markets can only be secured by producing our sugar under the American flag.

"The American production of sugar, both cane and beet, has been made possible by the tariff policy of the republican party. Cane sugar production dates back long before the war, but the beet sugar industry is of recent growth. In 1871, when the Dingley tariff law was enacted, there were only six beet sugar factories in the United States. Now there are seventy-one.

"If the United States should abolish the duty on sugar it would stand alone among civilized nations as the only sugar producing country with sugar on the free list. The production of beet sugar had a tendency to keep down the price of sugar to the consumer. Free sugar would force the suspension of our beet sugar factories, for they would not only be forced to compete with cheap foreign factories but they would be under the further handicap imposed by a bounty of 12 cents per 100 pounds of sugar shipped to the United States from Russia, the second largest beet sugar country in the world. I cannot believe that the intelligent voters of your state are willing to put the growers of Colorado into competition with the peasants of Russia on these terms.

"Permit me to say a word also with regard to another subject in which Colorado and other neighboring states are interested. Your great western country needs development. It must have men and capital and it must be able to offer inducement to attract both. The republican party does not believe in a conservation policy which would tie up our national resources and deny their use to the legitimate homesteader, miner and capitalist.

"We are holding the part of the domain that has coal, phosphate and oil until congress shall make provision for its disposition by lease on profitable terms to private capital with the retention of sufficient title in the government to control and prevent monopoly in ownership and consequent exorbitant charges to the public for these commodities."

More Threats Come to District Attorney

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—District Attorney Whitman was warned again today of an alleged plot against his life and was told that with the conclusion of the Becker trial the "lid" was being lifted gradually in the Tenderloin district and that gamblers were resuming business.

The prosecutor declined to discuss the warning, except to admit he had received a letter and a telegram saying four Chicago "thugs" were due here by train tomorrow to "get" him. He said it was nothing new for him to receive threats and he would not care about them if it were not for his family, but it is known that unusual precautions are being taken to guard him.

Investigation has failed to verify rumors of pronounced activity in gambling circles, but a number of houses were said to have reopened quietly.

DOANE OUTCLASSES HASTINGS WINNING BY GREAT SCORE

CRETE, Neb., Nov. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Doane entirely outclassed Hastings in today's game, making fourteen touchdowns in taking eleven goals, winning 36 to 0. Doane failed to make downs only once, when they were penalized severely. Hastings never made downs and never made a gain of over five yards. Hastings did not use the forward pass at all, while Doane used it eleven times. Five of these were successful, three netting touchdowns. Doane made two forty-yard runs for touchdowns after catching forward passes.

THE STATE AUDITOR OF NEBRASKA.

The opponents of Mr. W. B. Howard, republican and progressive candidate for state auditor, have taken it upon themselves to send circulars broadcast over the state, which read as follows:

A SERIOUS QUESTION.

Best's Directory, the recognized insurance authority, on page 28, seventh annual edition, 1912, reviewing the Omaha Life Insurance company, of which W. B. Howard, republican candidate for state auditor, is vice president, says:

"The company refuses to furnish us information regarding it, because of the alleged unfairness in our previous reports. We believe the true reason is disinclination to have any competent and unprejudiced critic review its affairs."

Is this the reason why Mr. Howard wants to be the state auditor and have control of the state insurance department?

In view of the fact that this circular attacks the standing of the German-American Life Insurance company, I deem it my duty to give the public a few cold facts, so that every voter may familiarize himself with existing conditions and cast his ballot intelligently.

December 29, 1908, the Alfred M. Best company requested a full report from the German-American Life Insurance company, with reference to its method of doing business, for use in its publications. January 7, 1909, a complete answer to every question was forwarded, and on January 20, 1909, when the "Best Life Insurance News" was published, a report on the German-American Life Insurance company, based upon the information we had sent, was given on pages 40 and 41. In said statements the Alfred M. Best company made use of a deliberate falsehood. Thereafter we discontinued our subscription to their annual report. Last year the following correspondence between myself and the president of the Alfred M. Best company and one of its representatives, was published in the Spectator, Thursday, May 11, 1911.

April 11, 1911.—Mr. H. O. Leach, care of Alfred M. Best Co., 101 William street, New York: Dear Sir—Your communication of April 8 has been received. I remember quite well the pleasant interview had with you some time ago. Will be pleased to meet you whenever you are out this way again.

We, however, will not furnish any statistical matter relative to our business to the Alfred M. Best Company. Having been deceived once, we consider it quite sufficient.

With kindest regards to you personally, I remain, yours truly, G. L. E. KLINGBELL, President.

April 19, 1911.—Mr. G. L. E. Klingbell, President German-American Life Insurance Company: Dear Sir—Our Mr. Leach has just referred to me your letter of April 11, in which you use the following language:

"We, however, will not furnish any statistical matter relative to our business to the Alfred M. Best Company. Having been deceived once, we consider it quite sufficient."

Your statement that we have ever deceived you is a deliberate falsehood, as you, of course, well know. We have heard numerous criticisms of you personally, as well as of your company. It is interesting to have direct from you over your signature a confirmation of the reports that your statements are untrustworthy. Yours very truly, A. M. BEST, President.

April 19, 1911.—Mr. Alfred M. Best, President Alfred M. Best Company, New York: Dear Sir—We are in receipt of your communication relating in part to our reply to your Mr. Leach's request for a report.

Upon reconsidering our letter, then again reading the December 29, 1908, request made by your company for information relating to our business, it is apparent that no statement is contained in said request that would guarantee impartiality and fairness in making report on the German-American Life Insurance company, based upon information we would furnish. You will please pardon us for having erroneously assumed that we would receive fair treatment.

The uncalculated and intemperate use of language in your letter makes me feel reminiscent, and recalls to my mind the days of turkey shooting matches. If a turkey was hit it wriggled.

"We have heard numerous criticisms of you personally," you say. Well, we will confess that we cannot make everyone love us. We also have heard numerous reports relating to you personally, and all of them are flattering. Taking into consideration your recent letter and the report on the German-American Life Insurance company, in "Best's Life Insurance News," January 30, 1909, on page 41, which contains statements that are not true, we are mystified how you manage to get

such nice reports circulated about yourself.

We also acknowledge for the first time receipt of the ten invitations that we have received from your company during the last two years, imploring us to renew our subscription to "Best's Life Insurance News." Please bear in mind that the German-American Life Insurance company never has had one cent of money to lay out for tribute. Yours truly, G. L. E. KLINGBELL, President.

But in spite of this correspondence, on April 19, 1911, the Alfred M. Best company again implored us to subscribe for their report as follows:

Aug. 23, 1911.—German-American Life Insurance Company, Omaha, Neb.: Gentlemen—You are not subscribers for our reports upon the financial condition and reputation of all life insurance concerns operating in this country and Canada.

Please note the remarkable endorsements in the enclosed pamphlet. We are sure that you would find our annual volume, monthly paper, special reports and bulletins valuable for reference. Our service is as essential in the insurance field as Dun's or Bradstreet's in the Commercial world.

We trust that we may be favored with your subscription upon whichever of the enclosed forms best meets your needs for information. Yours very truly, ALFRED M. BEST CO. (Incorporated).

By H. L. ROBERTS, (Signed.)

To further expose the inconsistent and treacherous methods adopted by the Alfred M. Best company against the German-American Life Insurance company, also the opponents of Mr. W. B. Howard, I sent the following telegram to Hon. Ike S. Lewis, commissioner of insurance, Topeka, Kan., it being the only other state in which the company transacts business:

Nov. 1st, 1912.—Mr. Ike S. Lewis, Insurance Commissioner, Topeka, Kansas: W. B. Howard, vice president German-American Life Insurance company, being a candidate state auditor, republican and progressive ticket, is being attacked with charges that he wants to be elected to protect the German-American Life Insurance company from thorough examination. When your examiner, Mr. J. E. Jones, investigated the affairs of this company did any officer refuse him information or attempt to prevent a thorough examination? Has said company ever caused your department any trouble? So far as you know, has the company ever refused to treat its Kansas policy holders fairly? GERMAN-AMERICAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

By G. L. E. KLINGBELL, President. And received the following reply—Received at 212 South Thirteenth street, Omaha, Neb. Always open. 108 Bee Bldg.

3 OM VS 64 COLLECT BLUE 3 EX TOPEKA, Kan., Nov. 1.—G. L. E. Klingbell, President German-American Life Ins. Co., Omaha: Answering wire this a. m. First, special examiner of this department treated courteously by all officers of your company. No information refused or any attempt upon part of officers to prevent a thorough examination. Second, your company's relations with this department has been entirely satisfactory. Third, as far as I am advised Kansas policy holders have been treated fairly by your company.

IKE S. LEWIS, Supt. of Insurance. I also addressed the following letter to the examiner who examined the German-American Life Insurance company during the last two years for the Nebraska insurance department:

October 31, 1912.—Mr. H. I. Chestnut, Omaha, Neb.: Dear Sir—In the years 1910 and 1911, when you were sent to the office of the German-American Life Insurance company by John M. Gilchrist, acting examiner for the Nebraska state insurance department, did any of the officers of the company refuse to give you any information concerning the company's affairs or try to prevent you in any possible way from making a full and complete investigation? Yours truly, (Signed) "G. L. E. KLINGBELL, President."

And have received the following reply: "OMAHA, Nov. 1, 1912.—Mr. G. L. E. Klingbell, President German-American Life Insurance Company, City: Dear Sir—Answering your communication of recent date, will state that all information I desired in making examination of your company was given me by the officers of the company. No information was refused me, or any attempt made by any officers of the company to prevent a thorough examination. Yours truly, (Signed) "H. I. CHESTNUT."

The above conclusively proves that there are some people who care little how low they stoop in trying to deceive the public, just so they gain an advantage thereby. G. L. E. KLINGBELL, President of the German-American Life Insurance company.

Bride of Few Days Learns Husband is Escaped Prisoner

CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—Elmer Lewis, an escaped federal prisoner, who crawled five blocks through a fifteen-inch iron sewer pipe to get free and be married, was started back to Fort Leavenworth penitentiary in care of detectives tonight after having been taken from his bride early this morning.

Lewis, according to the police, was serving an eight-year sentence for blowing the safe in a Washington, D. C., postal substitution. He is a former prize fighter, having fought as a middle-weight under the name of "Kid Meyers."

The police assert that he killed a policeman in Baltimore several years ago. Lewis got out of the prison by hiding in a catch basin while cleaning up an outhouse. He made his way into the sewer pipe and for several days his mode of escape was not discovered. He was married in Chicago under the name of Daughan. His bride fainted when she learned that he was a convict. Lewis is 23 years old. He has served four years of his sentence.

STEAMER PHOKA WRECKED WITH POLAR EXPEDITION

ARCHANGEL, Russia, Nov. 2.—A steamer which has arrived here from Norway reports that the steamer Phoka, with Captain Sjodoff's polar expedition, has been wrecked. The steamer brought details concerning the loss of the Phoka.

Key to the Situation—See Advertising.

CUMING COUNTY SHOWS STRONG FAVOR FOR TAFT

WEST POINT, Neb., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—Politics in Cuming county during the entire fall have been exceedingly quiet. None of the old-time noise and excitement appears to exist. From all indications the republicans of Cuming county will go strongly for Taft. The Roosevelt adherents are few in number and influence will cut very little figure at the polls. The county organization is straight republican, the bull moose party having no official standing. The local campaigns for county and township offices are being conducted very quietly. It is expected that a fair-sized vote only will be polled.

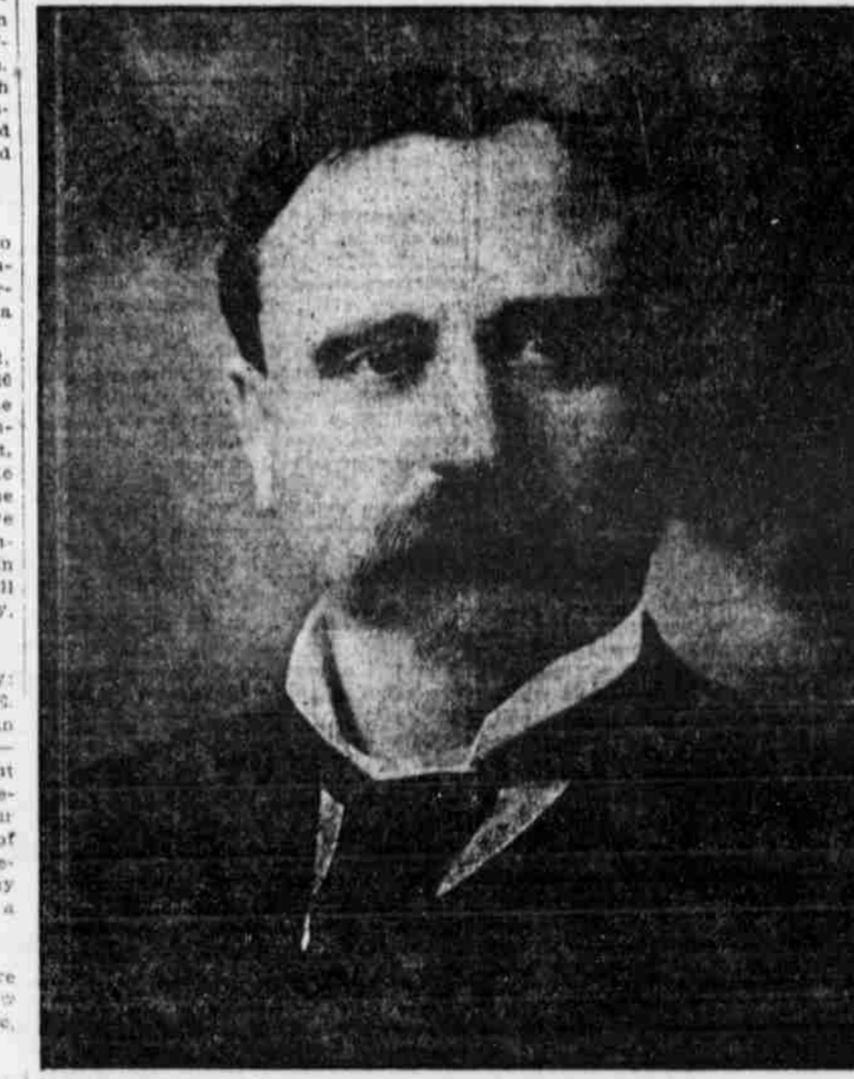
Attention Voters

We, the undersigned, heartily endorse Dr. S. K. Spalding, candidate by petition from the Eight ward, for the unexpired term for member of the Board of Education. We believe our public schools will be best served by electing him next Tuesday. Give him your vote.

Geo. F. Gilmore, Robert Cowell, Chas. C. Belden, W. T. Graham, Byron F. Hastings.



The people of Custer county have a long-remembered friend and neighbor, W. A. George, for state treasurer. Walt George located in this county in pioneer days. As a ranchman and farmer, he not only made good from a business standpoint, but his ability and popularity was soon recognized and he was made a member of the county board. As a supervisor he demonstrated executive ability that at once brought him recognition. In the old days of the county convention Walt's popularity made him a candidate many times when it was known that his party couldn't win, but he was offered as the sacrifice because he was the strongest man. In due time he was elected county treasurer, and he made good. After his second term of office closed he was made mayor of Broken Bow, not only once, but three successive times. During Walt George's residence of more than a quarter of a century in Custer county, much of his time has been given to the public. We say given, for he has been identified with all the movements for the public good that are and can only be brought about by the self-sacrificing enterprises of those who give their time and their talents. The same energy he showed in his private business, in his official work and in his gratis work for the public good in Custer county has been displayed by him as state treasurer. Wait George is a tireless worker and a man of marked executive ability, and no occupant of the state house has tried harder to serve the people in a conscientious manner than he. The many reforms he has inaugurated in the state treasurer's office and the good things he has accomplished for the state have brought him into prominence all over Nebraska. He is recognized as probably the strongest candidate on the republican state ticket. Surely the people of Custer county, regardless of politics, have reason to support Walt George for re-election as state treasurer.



Congressman Chas. H. Sloan Candidate for Re-election on Republican and Progressive Tickets

VOTE FOR Harry G. Counsman



Vote For John H. Morehead Democratic and People's Independent Nominee FOR GOVERNOR Salt City, Nebraska. ELECTION NOVEMBER 27th.

CLARENCE E. HARMAN

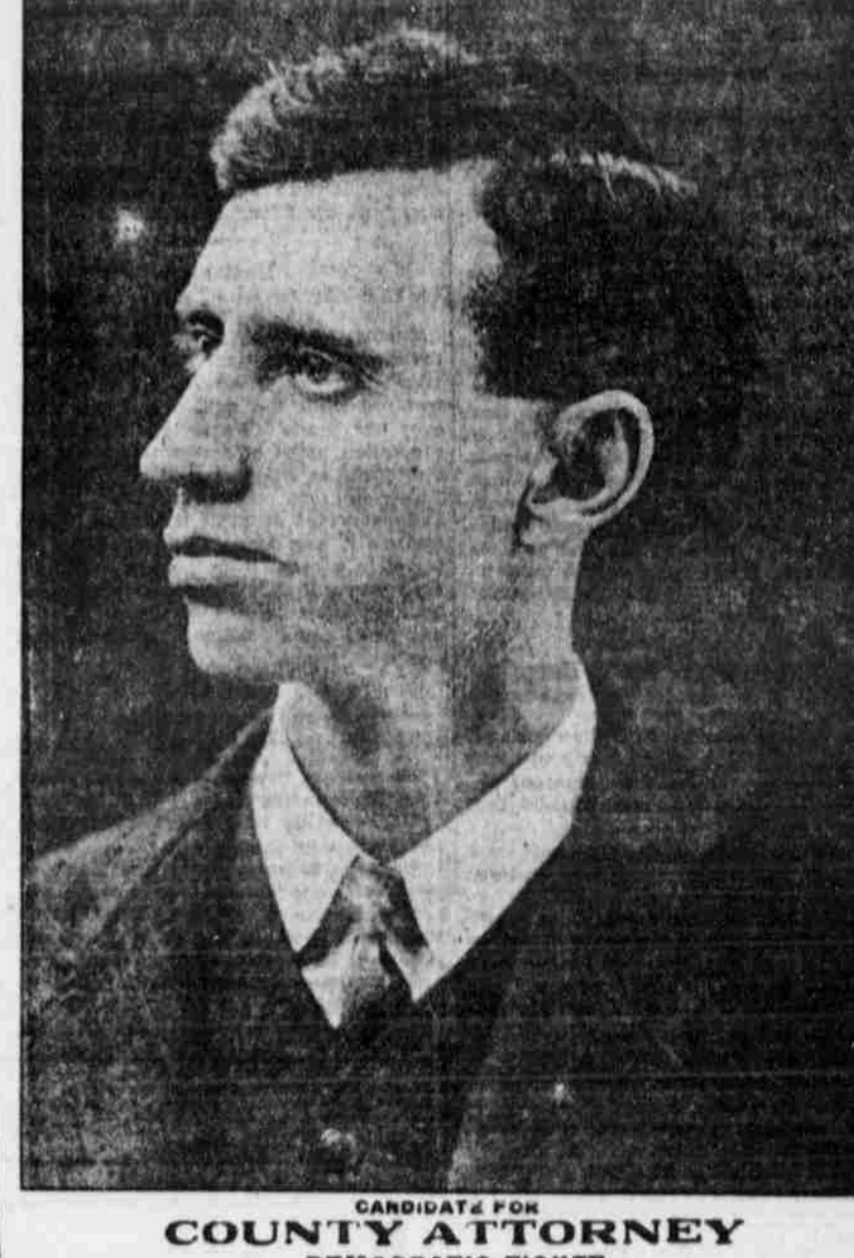


MR. VOTER: I want to interest every man in this state in my candidacy for Railway Commissioner, for the reason that the office is of such importance to you that you should be acquainted in a good measure with the man you vote for. Having been a successful traveling salesman for fifteen years, I feel that if any man would know the situation in the different sections of the state, it would be a traveler. I know you will agree with me in that. I know the problems of the small shipper, the large shipper, the farmer, the business man and the traveler. What affects one affects all and I am confident that I can be of service to every Nebraskan. A greater portion of the problems handled by the Railway Commission come from the average man. You should have a man who feels just as you do to represent you on this Commission. I would appreciate your support on election day. Yours sincerely, CLARENCE E. HARMAN. A LIFELONG NEBRASKAN

For Railway Commissioner

DEMOCRATIC AND PEOPLE'S INDEPENDENT NOMINEE STANDS FOR THE THINGS YOU WANT DONE A VIGOROUS DEFENSE OF THE TWO-CENT PASSENGER RATE LAW AN ADMINISTRATION OF LESS RED TAPE INDORSED BY MEN OF ALL PARTIES IN ALL SECTIONS OF THE STATE VOTE FOR HIM HE WILL TREAT YOU RIGHT

GEO. A. MAGNEY



CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY DEMOCRATIC TICKET

Is Your House Filled with Winter Tenants? If not, an announcement in the OMAHA BEE stating the attractions of your place will put you in touch with many people who are looking for desirable rooms and houses in which to live this winter.

A little Bee want ad does the business. Everybody reads Bee want ads