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L. B. HANNA

Candidate for the Republican Nomination as United States Senator. To the men of North Dakota:

In submitting for your consideration my candidacy for the Republican nomination as United States Senator, I respectfully call your attention, first to some phases of my administration as Governor of our state, and, second, to my position on the paramount issues of our national government:

Record as Governor

Checking State Departments: I assumed office as Governor about January 1, 1913, and in my first message to the legislature I recommended that the various state offices, including the Land Department, should be checked up by expert accountants. This was done and the books in every department were audited and brought down to date.

Rural Credits:—I recommend that an appropriation should be made for the purpose of studying the rural credit problem. This recommendation was not acted upon, but I believe North Dakota has the best solution of this problem of any state in the Union. The original law permitting the school funds to be loaned upon farm lands was passed in 1897, and the first bill upon that subject ever submitted to the state legislature was introduced by me when a member of the House in 1895, the law having gone into effect in 1897. When I became Governor in 1913, the law had been in effect 16 years, the number of farm loans was 999 and the amount loaned was \$1,654,957.00. Today there are 2609 loans and the amount loaned is \$4,188,740. In brief, during the three years I have been Governor, 1610 loans were made against 999 for 16 years previous—an increase of 161 per cent; the amount of the loans was increased 153 per cent. These loans are well scattered over the state, every county has received its proportionate part of the money and the farmers have derived the benefit of this low rate of interest.

Absent Voters Law:—I recommended the Absent Voters Law in 1913, and it passed at that session.

Game Conservation:—I recommended that the killing of deer be prohibited for a number of years and that spring shooting should be stopped,

both of which game conservation recommendations became laws.

Blue Sky Law: I recommended the passage of a Blue Sky Law with stringent regulations for selling stock in corporations. This law has saved the people of the state large sums of money.

Coal Products: The greatest natural resource we have is our lignite coal. I recommended to our legislature that this industry should be given help, looking toward the briquetting of coal and the making of gasoline and other oil by-products from it.

Reducing the State's Debt: I called the attention of the 1915 legislature to the fact that when I became Governor the state owed, as a floating debt, about three hundred thousand dollars. All of this has been paid during the years I have been Governor. The bonded debt of the state was \$937,300.00 and this has been reduced about one half in three years—a total reduction of \$750,000.00 in the state's indebtedness.

Lowest Tax Levy: If North Dakotans will look over their tax receipts they will find that for the past three years the tax levy has been the lowest for state purposes in our history.

Budget System: I recommended a Budget System for our state appropriations. This was largely followed by the 1915 legislature and provision made for it for the future. The Budget System means economy in the administration of our affairs.

Reducing Interest Rate: I was the first Governor ever to recommend that the contract rate of interest be reduced from 12 to 10 per cent, and this was enacted into law.

Board of Regents: I recommended that a State Board of Regents be established which should have the care and control of our state educational institutions. This also became a law, and is one of the best measures passed by the legislature of 1915.

Other Reforms: I also recommended the passage of the law creating the trained Nurses Examining Board; the law to encourage Immigration; the law to permit the state to take advantage of the so called Lever Bill in the interests of the better farming movement; the law providing for the fumigation of cars carrying livestock; the law providing for the payment of the dourine claims. All these are now law. I urged that the House and Senate membership should be reduced in number and that four year terms of office should be made for state and county officers. Neither of these have become law, but I believe will in the near future.

Economy and Efficiency: During my administration, I have conducted the business of the state with economy and efficiency and an investigation of the records will substantiate this statement.

Co-operation: I have always believed in the co-operation and organization of the farmers and have given every encouragement to these movements and to every movement looking toward the advancement of our people

along the lines of temperance and education.

National Issues

Experience: As a member of Congress for four years from our state I had valuable experience in national affairs, which would be highly advantageous should I become United States Senator from North Dakota.

Water Power: We have right here in North Dakota one of the greatest water powers in the world—the Missouri River. North Dakota furnished more money than any other state in the Union for National Irrigation projects. I hold that this state is entitled to the use of some of these funds for the purpose of damming the Missouri river. The water of the river, if dammed, and it can be, could be used for irrigation over a large area, and, in addition power and light could be generated to supply farms and towns over a vast territory.

Reciprocity Act: The Reciprocity Act between the United States and Canada should be repealed. I voted against this act when a member of Congress and should I be elected to the Senate will use every effort to secure the repeal of this Law.

Tariff and Philippines: I am a Republican and believe in a reasonable protective tariff. I believe we should maintain our control of the Philippines until such time as we shall have fulfilled our pledges and the inhabitants of the island shall be fully capable of self government.

Preparedness: I am in favor of preparedness. No one believes more strongly in peace than I do, consistent with virile Americanism. I would welcome the day when the whole world should agree to arbitration of international questions. I believe it is a matter of necessity for the United States, with present island possessions, with the Panama Canal, and with the great place we are taking among the nations of the world, to be in a position to protect our citizens, their lives and property, at home and abroad. I strongly favor the Swiss method of military training and am therefore, in favor of such preparedness as shall put our army upon a sound basis and give us a navy that shall command the respect of all nations of the earth.

Our Foreign Policy: I am in favor of a strong foreign policy; one that will keep the United States out of war if possible, but which shall, at the same time, keep to us the respect to which we are entitled from other nations.

I believe we should introduce economy, thrift and efficiency into all departments, both state and federal and will work to that end.

Upon these propositions I submit my cause to the people of North Dakota. I have given them a clean, economical administration, have worked faithfully for the state as a private citizen, as a member of Congress and as Governor, and upon the record made, I ask for support for the nomination for the United States Senatorship at the primaries, June 28, 1916.

L. B. Hanna.

TWO BOUND TO DISTRICT COURT

Tuesday John Weatherspoon, charged with a statutory offense, was bound to the district court after a hearing before Justice Field. He was released on furnishing the required bond. The women were also held under bonds to appear in court.

Wm. Hallengren was haled into Justice Field's court Wednesday on a charge of importing liquor for other than personal uses. He had in his possession some 21 pints of whisky and this was deemed sufficient evidence on which to hold Mr. Hallengren to district court.

NOTICE FOR BIDS

State of Montana

County of Sheridan

Notice is hereby given that the trustees of School District No. 7, Sheridan County, Montana, will on the 26th day of June A. D. 1916, at the hour of 2 o'clock P. M. on said day at the First State Bank in the town of Medicine Lake, Sheridan County, Montana, receive sealed bids for the erection of an addition to the School House of said School District in Medicine Lake, Montana.

They will also at the hour, date, and place above written accept sealed bids for the equipping and furnishing of said building. Plans and specifications may be had by applying to the school clerk.

A certified check in the sum of \$100.00 payable to the order of the Clerk of said Board of Trustees, school district No. 7, Sheridan County, Montana, will be required to accompany each bid as a guarantee of good faith. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of the Board of Trustees, School District No. 7, Sheridan County, Montana.

Emil C. Umgreit, Chairman.
Edw. S. Powers, Clerk.

CHRIS BOLSTAD CAUGHT

Chris Bolstad convicted here last fall of the theft of wheat has been arrested in Canada and States Attorney Owens and Sheriff Erickson will go to Estevan the latter part of the week the former to prepare extradition papers in order to have Bolstad returned to this state. At the time the prisoner escaped he had but a short time more to serve and was considered a "trusty" but evidently decided to absent himself from Williston in an alleged Normandy style known as "French leave." Chris is quite an active correspondent and in discussing some matters with Sheriff Erickson accidentally let his whereabouts become known with the result that he is now in the hands of the Canadian authorities, and will undoubtedly pay a little interest on his original sentence.

ELKS OFF FOR CONVENTION

About fifty or more members of the local Elk lodge departed for Dickinson by auto Thursday to attend the annual state convention to be held there Friday and Saturday.

Remember that Gov. L. B. Hanna is the choice of the people for U. S. Senator and that a vote for him is a vote that will not be wasted. Senator McCumber has been in the senate so long and has accomplished so little that the people are desirous of making a change this election and so L. B. Hanna with his great record as governor of North Dakota is asking you for your support in this contest. —Fairview Tribune.

WILL INSTITUTE L. O. O. F. LODGE AT ALEXANDER

On Friday evening June 30th an Odd Fellow lodge will be instituted at Alexander, the work to be put on by the Williston lodge. There will be about fifty charter members in the new organization and the Williston lodge will attend in a body the brethren going over by auto. Grand Master A. J. Field of this city will have charge of the ceremonies.



E. B. GOSS

Associate Justice Supreme Court.

Judge Goss was your District Judge for six years. When he was elected a member of the Supreme Court six years ago he received almost the solid vote of the north-western part of the state, and particularly of Williams County.

There is no good reason why he should not be re-elected. He is just finishing his first term on the Supreme Bench. The Court is up to date with its work for the first time in twenty years. All its members are in their prime and able to work, and are schooled in that work.

The three members now seeking re-election, Goss, Fisk and Burke have all been District Court Judges, and are the only candidates for these positions who have had prior district bench experience.

Under the law the Judiciary is out of politics, as much so as your Schools. Keep it so. Vote for Goss, your old District Judge. Pol. Adv.

At Armory Auditorium

FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 1916

COMPANY E. OF WILLISTON WILL STAGE THE GREAT MILITARY PLAY

"AT TAMPA BAY"
OR WITH THE
BOYS OF '98"

50 PEOPLE 50

Special Scenery. Electric Effects

Real guns and soldiers in real battle. Scenes of camp life, camp songs and stories. This is one of the greatest productions ever produced in this city.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Tickets on Sale at Williston Drug Company Monday, June 19

Prices 25, 35, 50 and 75c. 50 and 75c Seats Reserved

TOWNSITE SALES

Six New Towns Opened in Northern Williams County, North Dakota

Along the New Extension of "The Great Northern Railway Company" from Wildrose West to Grenora, the Terminus

The opening sale of lots will be held on the respective townsites as follows:

GRENORA—(the end town) TUESDAY, JUNE 20th, 1916, at 3:00 P. M. Location: Section 12, Twp. 159, Range 103.

MESA—(2 Miles NE Howard P. O.) WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21st, 1916, at 1 P. M. Location: Sec. 13, Twp. 159, Range 102.

ZAHL—WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21st, 1916, at 4 P. M. Location: Sec. 26, Twp. 159, Range 101.

ALAMO—(formerly Cottonwood Lake) THURSDAY, JUNE 22nd, 1916, at 3:00 P. M. Location: Sec. 22, Twp. 159, Range 99.

APPAM—FRIDAY, JUNE 23rd, 1916, at 1:00 P. M. Location: Sec. 27, Twp. 159, Range 100.

CORINTH—FRIDAY, JUNE 23rd, 1916, at 4:00 P. M. Location: Sec. 10, Twp. 159, Range 98.

Splendid openings for all lines of business, in a territory already noted for its productiveness.

Each town has an enormous territory, North and South, which means big business and large profits.

Business men and investors should attend these sales and purchase lots while the choicest locations are available.

Lots sold on usual terms:—Three equal annual payments, one-third cash at time of purchase.

For further information write to "The Northern Town and Land Company" (D. N. Tallman, President), Willmar, Minn., Townsite Owners, or to

Willard F. Hanks, Sales Agent
Powers Lake, N. D.