

A Statement To The Voters Of The Fifteenth Legis- lative District:

Having been nominated by the republican party for Representative from the Fifteenth Legislative District of Barnes county I desire at this time to make an outline of my aims and purposes if elected.

First — I stand for good business methods in running the affairs of state; for the enforcement of the laws and for the protection of the rights of all. I know of no legislation which will make it rain, increase the crops or raise the prices. If elected I shall try and see that the business of the public is done well and as far as possible relieve you of your tax burdens.

Any legislation that lessens the cost of elections will meet with my support and I believe that the primary law needs a lot of amendment.

There are many commissions and bureaus that now exist, furnishing a small army of men with jobs that are unnecessary. They help pile up the tax bill and I am in favor of repealing them.

The printing law needs amendment. We stated in this paper some time ago that it was an unjust law as it is now written and we shall vote to repeal that bill and pass one that is fair to the people and to the printers of the state.

If the farms of the state are to be saved to the owners who have worked all these years to obtain them, economy and reduction must be the basis of the next legislative session. If elected I pledge you my earnest support and vote to any measure that will bring down taxation. I cannot say that I can accomplish these things — being only one member in about a hundred and fourteen if elected — but if each man elected pledges himself to do this we should get a legislature that can pass remedial legislation. The Fifteenth District is necessary to obtain a majority in the house so that if you want these things accomplished and believe that the independent program is the best for all concerned, I ask your support and vote on November 7.

Respectfully submitted,

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Frazier is to be pitted to say the least. Handicapped as he is with a record in office that caused his recall by the people, the fact that he has Suffering Bill Lemke hanging around his neck like a millstone, is certainly a burden that few men can carry. Lemke will cost Frazier a good many thousand votes on November 7.

F. O. Hellstrom, one of the five decent democrats, who failed to get any place when he was running for office, is now out knocking his fellow democrat, J. F. T. O'Connor. There is one thing which must be exceptionally gratifying to Mr. O'Connor—every knock that bird gives him is the best boost he could get.

The Times-Record wants to say that States Attorney L. S. B. Ritchie has made a very competent official and given his time to the duties of the office efficiently and satisfactorily. He was nominated at the primaries by a large majority and will be reelected by a big majority on the 7th day of November. Mr. Ritchie is one of the best attorneys of the North Dakota bar with a fine standing with his colleagues. His election means a continuation of competent legal supervision over the county's affairs.

Senator Ladd has decided to cancel his other speaking engagements it is said. Maybe the senator has a hunch that trying to tell why he was in Europe instead of being in the senate when the bonus and tariff bills were up might be embarrassing and then if he should have to explain how he saved millions of dollars for the farmers by advising them to hold their wheat might also be a matter of deep concern to the senator.

The legislative fight in the fifteenth district is getting to be a state wide affair, people from all over the state becoming interested in the outcome of this fight. With the house so close that the loss of one seat to the independents would give control to the leaguers you can readily see the importance of backing the republican nominee at the polls on November 7th and thus make sure that the independents are in control. If we are to finish the means undone to attain that end. It is

job we must do this. If you want legislation exacted that will give you relief from this great tax burden you are carrying you will make this fight your fight if you are a good independent. Do not let personal matters enter into this fight — vote for the good of the whole state.

The only sure way to know that the state is to be well represented both in the national senate and in the state government is to vote the O'Connor-Nestos ticket. Mr. O'Connor is making a whirlwind campaign and is going to be elected, and the same can be said of Mr. Nestos and his fellows on the fusion ticket. Both are putting up a clean, straightforward campaign that must win out because the people know that they are telling the truth. The record of the past Frazier administration has been made and it cannot be changed. It left the state in bad shape and the taxpayers are today reaping the whirlwind. You will get no relief unless you elect a legislature that can work in harmony with the state administration and if the administration is independent and the legislature is nonpartisan, where can we get anywhere. Just think this matter over very carefully before you vote.

"Burton S. Olerkirk, member of the North Dakota Agricultural College's winning team at the National dairy show at St. Paul, is a federal vocational student who was transferred from Oregon Agricultural College to the North Dakota Agricultural college in order that he might be under the supervision of Dean J. H. Sheppard of the Animal Husbandry department," said T. D. Thordarson, U. S. Veterans Bureau Coordinator at the A. C., today in commenting on the methods of the bureau in assisting disabled soldiers and sailors to fit themselves for desirable occupations. "This is just one of the types of training that is being carried on by the Fargo sub-district office of the Veterans Bureau and is an indication of the work being conducted by the government in the rehabilitation of men disabled by the war."

The way the Courier-News and other league papers are dipping into the legislative fight from the fifteenth district of Barnes county, should convince all those who are wavering on the ragged edge of uncertainty that the league is going to make a desperate effort to gain control of the lower house and they know if they can get this district they will have it. They are trying to split the independent vote in this district and will leave no means undone to attain that end. It is

a question of doing the state a service by electing the regular nominee, P. R. Trubshaw to the legislature, and not a personal matter. The independents have a chance to finish the job of cleaning the old socialist regime out this fall and you can help do it by standing by the regular nominee. The fight is purely between Trubshaw and Rasmussen.

Speaking about having a LEGITIMATE circulation we have been told that the Peoples Opinion has the only legitimate circulation in Barnes county. Now what is legitimate? Well, Webster's dictionary says that legitimate means "lawfully begotten; born in wedlock; having or involving full filial rights and obligations by birth; real; genuine; not false; not counterfeit or spurious, and many other things too numerous to mention." As a candidate for the official paper we want to say that the Times-Record was not born in wedlock, but it was born and cast upon a waiting world by the founders of it many years ago in a LEGITIMATE manner and it has been living and growing in its own particular field ever since. It is very healthy, its Circulation is Good and LEGITIMATE and its list of readers is growing every day—because it can deliver the goods. Its promoters have never been ashamed of it and it has a habit of speaking out in meeting just like a full grown boy just budding into full manhood. It hurts occasionally, and pleases just as often, but it never straddles the fence, so that after all why not elect it official paper on November 7th?

A Mrs. Bailey, from Dunn Center, N. D., speaking for the nonpartisans with Suffering Bill Lemke at the High School Gym. last night, took occasion to make some derogatory remarks about Miss Minnie J. Nielson. Any woman or any man who has no better argument to use than making such remarks about Miss Nielson or anyone else, particularly in her home town, show mighty poor judgment. The whole fabric of the league campaign is based on falsehood and abuse and not a single thing of a constructive nature is offered by them to warrant the voters of this state for voting for the league ticket. They cannot defend their past experience and a recalled member of the industrial board must have a lot of nerve to go before the public and ask a re-election at their hands. Miss Nielson will only gain more friends by the way this woman and other league speakers are making uncomplimentary remarks from the league platform. Every knock they give her will mean a boost. Continue swinging that hammer of yours, Sister Bailey, and Miss Minnie J. Nielson's majority will be so large they won't get through counting it until ten days after election.

The Times-Record made somewhat of a big mistake when it said in commenting upon Suffering Bill Lemke's speech here that that gentleman offered to give his mansion to the editor of the Fargo Forum if somebody could be found who would marry that gentleman. The fact of the matter is that the Forum editor is married and in the second place we intended to say "that if Gov. Nestos could find anybody with brains enough to marry him he could have Bill's mansion." That was the way it should have been and our statement is tough on the Fargo editor who does not deserve that kind of treatment. You see our governor is a bachelor and Suffering Bill wanted to start out on his speech trying to say something that would raise a laugh, but all it raised was a feeble bit of applause from the band wagon element present and the ire of those who think a good deal of the governor of North Dakota as an executive. You see Bill's house has been a thorn in the flesh not only to Bill but to his fellow I. W. W. workers (see letter published today for confirmation on this statement) consequently he is trying to divert attention from this mansion by making funny and senseless remarks about the governor and the house. But he has the house and until he was recalled he owed the state nearly ten thousand dollars contrary to the home builders law. Bill might fool some of the people by his light talk but he will find one week from next Tuesday that a big majority of the people have not taken him seriously.

Once more we wish to most emphatically deny that the editor of this paper has in any manner agreed to finance the Nome Tribune in its canvass for official paper of Barnes county and those making the assertion know very well that they are telling an untruth when they make it. The editor of the Times-Record has never met the editor of the Nome Tribune, does not even know him by sight, has had no communication with him at any time regarding the official paper, and has not and never did have any intention of paying out good money to have the Nome Tribune come out. The Times-Record as the oldest and leading paper of Barnes county, has a per-

fect right to ask to be elected official paper of this county just as much as any other paper has a right to go out after votes and we fail to see why this should disturb others so much. If the electors see fit to favor some other paper we are not going out and howl about it. But we do want to say this, that any person who can bring in any proof that the publisher of the Times-Record has offered or attempted to finance the Nome Tribune in its campaign for official paper we have FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS of good American money to hand to that person. Now these are hard times and to the person who has made this statement and the publishers of the Peoples Opinion who have circulated this report in the columns of that paper we give this chance to make a little pile of good money and it will be PAID IN CASH as we never did believe in issuing post dated checks.

In Bill Lemke's speech the other night at the high school gymnasium the recalled candidate for governor started out by trying to be funny about his house. He said that if he could find some girl who would marry the editor of the Fargo Forum he would give her his wonderful mansion. To those who went there for the purpose of hearing him tell funny stories they were well entertained for he is a buffoon of the finest type when it comes down to stuff of that kind, but there were a lot of people present whose tax receipts had been swelled twice the size they used to be because for five years he and his fellow socialists Lynn Frazier and Hagan had control of the state government. These were disappointed because Bill did not tell them why all that happened under his administration. He went on to tell what a lot of good he and his fellow sufferers—recalled a year ago—would have done for the people had they only been left in power. He was right. The trio would "have done" the people good and plenty. Bill also went on to say that if they would return them to power even for the space of two months the sunlight of the new day would illuminate the dark clouds of uncertainty and bring the people and state back to prosperity and great happiness. To those who are not accustomed to these flights of oratory and were not deeply concerned as to the welfare of themselves and the state, this all sounded like a fairy tale, but to those thoughtful, thinking, tax ridden farmers who have been fed up on the "new day" for the past five years, it did not make a hit. They are still wondering what Bill and his associates have done with the half million dollars extracted from the farmers of the state and the business men and placed in to the Scandinavian Bank at Fargo. This is all a dead loss—and the farmer and the business man and every person who pays taxes large or small have got to pay. Bill's memory was a blank about this matter. He did not tell about two hundred thousand dollars sunk in consumers, stores and a like amount sunk in newspapers of league persuasion, nor did he mention that sisal land in Florida that Mr. Townley and a few of his choice friends have—paid for by the hard work of the taxpayers of the state, and gone forever, while we choose to continue our residence here we have got to pay the bill. This was another matter that had lapsed from the brilliant mind of Friend Suffering Bill. He facetiously alluded to the fact that hundreds of

farmers were leaving the state because they are bankrupt, but he did not tell his hearers that the five years of the new day with its enormous burden was the cause of it, coupled with low prices and short crops. No, indeed. His memory was a blank. He said if they would let him and his associates back prosperity would return and there would be no exodus from the state. Bunk, every word of it. For five years they had the state government and a big sign leading up to the state capitol read "The Dawn of a New Day." But the new day has proven to be "good day" with most of our people, and now those who have taken up the reins of government are confronted with enormous debts for the loss of millions of dollars in reckless waste and extravagance, all under the reign and supervision of Bill and his two recalled pals. Do you think for one minute that a majority of the people of this state are going to give that outfit another chance to do them again. Not on your life. But Bill stands up before several hundred people and asks to be given another chance. His talk was one of ridicule and nonsense and not founded on sense or reason. The record of that five years is made and it will stand. "By their works ye shall know them, and by their works they shall be judged." We have faith that the people of North Dakota will judge correctly November 7th by giving the independent ticket a big majority.

The farmers and business men of North Dakota must realize—and they will have to realize—that the shape the finances of this state are in at this time have been left by the nonpartisan regime, that it will take many years to wipe out the damage done and the money recklessly squandered by the Townley regime. We are seven million dollars to the bad and if we pay for all this in twenty years we will be doing fine. This debt has been heaped upon the tax payers by a socialist bunch who have been experimenting in the New Day of Socialism and you can see for yourself more unjardonable. He was told by one of his own supporters that the bank was insolvent. J. W. Brinton, who was then one of the staunch supporters of the league, told Governor Frazier in strict confidence the true condition of the bank. He warned him as a friend and as a political supporter. His reward was to have his confidential letter turned over to Mr. Lemke to be published and Mr. Brinton was then denounced as a crook and a traitor to the league.

The same conditions existed in the matter of the state mill at Drake and the various other departments of the government. Mr. Frazier, as governor, repeatedly had his attention called to the reckless, extravagant and inefficient manner in which all of these industries were being conducted. He had full power to correct the abuses—greater power than the other two members of the industrial commission combined. Yet he did nothing. He permitted this gross mismanagement to continue, and he cannot escape full responsibility for it today.

Possibly Mr. Frazier has not sought to make personal profit from the league movement as Mr. Lemke and Mr. Townley have done. He has not capitalized the farmers' movement for his own personal advantage as they did, but his responsibility for the complete failure of the program is greater than theirs, and he is no more desirable as a public official than Mr. Lemke is.—Forum.

without security, lands appraised too high and loans made on them that never can be paid back, money loaned from the Bank of North Dakota on notes unsecured, the home builders fund lost about three or four hundred thousand dollars, and so on all along the line, a record of wilful and malicious waste. Can you expect Gov. Nestos or any other man to go in and help you very much in a short time? It cannot be done. The money has been squandered and the tax payers will have to pay the bill. Vote to keep those parasites out of the state house on November 7. Put the Nestos-O'Connor ticket over "and let us finish the job."

WHERE THE BLAME LIES

Even among the bitter opponents of the Nonpartisan league is encountered occasionally, a disposition to make excuses for Lynn J. Frazier and place the blame for the maladministration of the state affairs during his regime, chiefly on Messrs. Townley and Lemke.

Yet Mr. Frazier is the man who must shoulder the lion's share of the blame. He alone had the veto power under the law creating the industrial commission in the management of the state's industries and at any time he had full power to force the other two members to accept any condition he laid down. His powers were absolute to the extent of preventing action at least.

When he was informed that the affairs of the homebuilders department were being improperly conducted he had the power to correct the abuses. And certainly he was informed. If nobody else informed him, The Forum certainly did. It warned him repeatedly that the department was being grossly mismanaged. Mr. Frazier must have known that such charges could not be made without some basis in fact. It was his business to investigate and stop the leakages.

And in the case of the Scandinavian American bank his offense was even more unjardonable. He was told by one of his own supporters that the bank was insolvent. J. W. Brinton, who was then one of the staunch supporters of the league, told Governor Frazier in strict confidence the true condition of the bank. He warned him as a friend and as a political supporter. His reward was to have his confidential letter turned over to Mr. Lemke to be published and Mr. Brinton was then denounced as a crook and a traitor to the league.

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Support The Nestos Administration

TO THE VOTERS OF THE FIFTEENTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT:

A large majority of you have expressed confidence in the Nestos administration and gave it your approval again at the polls in June. This indicates that you are in favor of the governmental policy which is advocated and pursued by Governor Nestos and his associates in the state offices. It is fitting and proper, therefore, that special attention should be called to the fact that Governor Nestos and his associates can not carry out the policies they believe in unless a majority of those who are elected to the Legislature are in harmony with those policies.

It is not possible to make a majority of the next legislature favorable to the policies of the Nestos administration unless an Anti-Townley candidate for the Legislature in the Fifteenth Legislative District is elected. Therefore all supporters of the O'Connor-Nestos ticket in the county should vote for P. R. Trubshaw for member of the legislature.

If the Nestos administration should not be supported by a majority of the legislature, North Dakota would get a serious setback again because the business world with which our state must deal in a thousand ways has lost all confidence in the Frazier-Lemke style of government. If any vote is recorded on any proposition in this state on November 7th, which would in any way indicate that even a small majority of the voters of the state approve of such misconduct of public affairs and misuse of public funds, as Frazier and Lemke indulged in before they were recalled from office, the people of North Dakota can not rightfully expect to be either respected or trusted by the people of other states.

Vote for P. R. Trubshaw for the legislature and thus help to keep taxes going down, credit improving, and interest rates lowering.

(Political Adv.)

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