

HOPE THOMPSON SCORES CROWE

Candidate for State's Attorney Brands Incumbent "Worst Prosecutor"

"BROKEN CONTRACTS"

Wilmette Man Launches Independent Campaign

Cook county political circles were aroused Monday of this week when Hope Thompson, 1219 Ashland avenue, Wilmette, independent candidate for state's attorney at the instance of the Better Government association, delivered an impassioned attack upon Robert E. Crowe, who is candidate for reelection, by branding the present state's attorney as "the worst failure as a public prosecutor in the history of Chicago."

Mr. Thompson's opening gun in the current campaign was fired at a luncheon tendered him by friends in the cameo room of the Morrison hotel.

Charges Broken Promises

In his address Attorney Thompson said in part:

"When State's Attorney Crowe was a candidate four years ago he made this promise to induce people to elect him:

"Crime can and will be stopped when I am state's attorney."

"The people accepted his promise, elected him and Crowe thereby entered into a solemn contract with the people, as binding as a business man's promissory note.

"He has broken his contract. Instead of stopping crime he has permitted it to more than double. Court records show criminal cases filed in 1920, 37,501; in 1921, 53,381 cases; in 1922, 66,765 cases; in 1923, 72,297 cases; in 1924 (at rate for nine months), 81,792 cases. And during that time the number of defendants in the Criminal court fell from 6,723 in 1921 to 4,244 in 1922 and to 2,774 in 1923. Not one felony in ten has been punished!

Infers "Protection"

"Such a record brands Crowe as the worst failure as a state's attorney in the history of Cook county. I demand that he tell the people why he broke his contract with them. Was it indifference? Or incompetence? Or was he protecting his friends?"

"Another part of Crowe's contract with the people was this promise:

"I shall put every force at my command to wipe out breeding places of crime."

"He broke this part of his contract by preventing the first grand jury he had charge of from indicting the public officials of Chicago Heights after conclusive evidence of graft had been presented. He broke it again by preventing the indictment of vice lords, after the Juvenile Protective association had presented evidence showing Chicago 'the worst vice-laden city in America.' He broke it again by refusing to prosecute 2,300 bootleg joints which were finally shut up by Mayor Dever.

"I demand that Mr. Crowe tell the people why he broke this part of his contract. Is he in partnership with the vice lords? If not, why does he permit them to manufacture criminals by wholesale out of the boys and girls of Cook county?"

"In the business world a man who does not keep his contracts is a failure. Mr. Crowe is a contract breaker, and, judged by his record, he is an utter failure as state's attorney."

N. U. GRIDDERS FORMIDABLE LOT

Bruce and White Return to Bolster Squad

Word that "Fritz" Bruce, of Chicago, and Harold White, of Boise, Idaho, are eligible brought joy into the Purple grid camp this week. Coach Thistlethwaite, usually taciturn, plainly expressed satisfaction as he gave out word that these two sophomores would be eligible to compete for the Purple this fall.

Bruce especially was causing the Purple mentor considerable anxiety as the hefty lad was counted upon to fill a tackle position this fall. With Bruce back in the fold Thistlethwaite has two tackles upon whom he can depend for some valuable service. Chuck Parsons, of Carroll, Iowa, is the other linesman who is showing considerable adeptness at the tackle post.

White may prove a valuable addition to the backfield, the coach thinks. He hits the line hard and is an accurate passer. Captain Bob Weinecke and Fred DeStefano probably will handle the full back assignment between them. Other backs of promise are Ralph Baker, of Rockford, Ade Schumacker and Bo Graham, of Evanston, and "Benny" Froelich, of Chicago.

Barney Mathews, "Tiny" Townsend and Al Kelly form a trio of guards who should do a good job of plugging up the Purple forward wall this fall if present signs mean much. Each of them tip the scales around the 200 mark. At the present time Wally Seidel is the only regular end out for practice. Roy Bouscher and Red Herman, ends, who won their letters last year, are expected out any day.

Light scrimmage drill will be on the Purple program next week, according to Coach Thistlethwaite. With the first week of practice drawing to a close the Purple guide has obtained a fair estimate on available material and will start seasoning his squad for the opening game of the season with South Dakota on October 4. This gives the Purple just eleven working days in which to whip a team into shape and will necessitate some intensive drill.

Luncheon and Three Club Event Wind Up Golf Year

Next Monday ends the Women's golf season at Skokie. A large field will undoubtedly be in attendance for the final day's play which will commence at 9 o'clock in the morning with a 3 club match played on 18 holes with prizes given for the low gross and low net scores. The final luncheon, served at 1 o'clock, will be followed by elections and awards.

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A series of free public lectures on travel and natural history, illustrated by still and moving pictures, will be given in the James Simpson theatre of Field Museum on Saturday afternoons at 3 o'clock during the months of October and November.

The management of the museum has taken great pains to procure the best lecturers available and will bring men from as far as Boston, New York and San Francisco, who are noted for their experiences and information. Dr. William Beebe, noted author and zoologist, Ernest Thompson Seton, Prof. Ira M. Price of the University of Chicago and Dr. William Elliott Griffis are among the well known lecturers selected.

In addition to these afternoon lectures, a series of free entertainments for children have been prepared and will be held in the same theater on the Saturday mornings of October and November. These free programs will consist of motion pictures which will run continuously from 9:30 to 12:30 o'clock. Capt. Kleinschmidt's Polar Adventures, "Why Elephants Leave Home" and "Nanook of the North" are examples of the films to be shown.

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