

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF DEER

IN DISTRICT COURT
Fourteenth
JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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The State of Minnesota, upon the relation
of Twenty-five voters of the state, - - - Plaintiff,

-vs-

O. G. Selvig, - - - - - Defendant.

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TO THE HON. MIKE HOLM, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA AND
THE HON. MEMBERS OF THE CANVASSING BOARD OF SAID STATE:

YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

That the undersigned Knud Tefald protests the election and the issuance of a certificate of election for member of the House of Representatives of the United States in and for the Ninth Congressional District of the State of Minnesota upon the following grounds and reasons: That said O. G. Selvig did duly disqualify himself by willfully, knowingly and maliciously, contrary to the provisions of the corrupt practices act of the State of Minnesota, issue, publish and circulate, a certain false, misleading and untrue circular of and concerning the undersigned in words and figures as follows, to-wit:

NEW IMMIGRATION LAW UNFAIR TO SCANDINAVIANS

The new immigration law, passed by Congress, which goes into effect July 1, 1927, reduces the number of Scandinavians that can be admitted to the United States in any one year from 37,886 under the present law, to only 7,551. The changes for each country is as follows: Denmark from 5,618 to 1,191; Norway from 12,205 to 2,533; Sweden from 20,042 to 3,807.

At the same time this new law increased the number that can be admitted from Great Britain from 77,242 under the present law to 91,210.

I want you to know that I disapprove of this change, and that I will fight for a readjustment of quotas that will give the Scandinavians about the same proportion as under the present law, instead of almost excluding them from the country.

While I am one of the younger generation, born here in Minnesota, I can not help but feel resentment at the action of Congress in practically branding us as an inferior race, and almost excluding immigration to this country from Denmark, Sweden and Norway, while at the same time increasing the British quota. I would feel disloyal to my parents, who came from Stavanger when they were young, if I did not feel pride in the

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old Viking blood, so much of which has gone into the upbuilding of this state and nation. You can depend on that, if elected, I shall do the best I can to have this injustice corrected.

Most sincerely,
C. G. Selvig.

HOW YOUR CONGRESSMAN VOTED

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF POLK--SS

This is to certify that I have this day examined The Congressional Record and checked over the proceedings leading up to the passage of H. R. 7995, the so-called "Immigration Bill" the passage of which resulted in the new immigration law which goes into effect on July 1, 1927. I find in checking over the roll call on this bill that Knud Wefald, representing the Ninth District of Minnesota, voted "Aye--in favor of the passage of the bill."

Dated this 18th day of October, 1926.

ALEXANDER FOSMARK
UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA.

(Seal)

The proceedings referred to can be found on Pages 6225 to 6258, for April 12, 1924. The roll call is on Page 6258.

That by reason of the foregoing ^{the} undersigned respectfully shows that C. G. Selvig is disqualified and thereby protests the issuance of any certificate of election to him for the reasons above set forth.

Knud Wefald
Contestant.

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W. H. Johnson
Secretary of State

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