

# Primary Pledge Plan

As this copy of The Commoner may be read by some one not familiar with the details of the primary pledge plan, it is necessary to say that according to the terms of this plan every democrat is asked to pledge himself to attend all the primaries of his party to be held between now and the next democratic national convention, unless unavoidably prevented, and to secure a clear, honest and straightforward declaration of the party's position on every question upon which the voters of the party desire to speak. Those desiring to be enrolled can either write to The Commoner approving the object of the organization and asking to have their names entered on the roll, or they can fill out and mail the blank pledge, which is printed on this page.

E. S. Bishop, Van, Va.—I believe I have read every issue of your valuable paper from the first number published to the last issue, and I approve every principle it advocates, and am interested in increasing its circulation, for I sincerely believe that upon the success of the principles of the democratic party depends the success and the perpetuity of this government, for every day we see new evidences of the corruption of the republican party. So it behooves the people for our self-preservation, without regard to party lines, to rally to the cause advocated by The Commoner, and do all we can to aid in the battle waged by our great leader, W. J. Bryan.

John Headrick, Alexandria, Nebr.—Find enclosed primary pledge signed by 38 names. I went out on Commoner Day and secured 24 of them.

J. P. Cooley, Brownsville, Oregon—Find pledge signed by sixteen staunch democrats who will stay through thick and thin.

Levi R. Chaney, Stella, Nebr.—It gives me much pleasure to do anything that will tend to advance true democracy. I have had the primary pledge properly signed by thirty-five good democrats.

T. B. Clark, Otterville, Mo.—Enclosed I send primary pledge with thirty-five names. I am too feeble to get out much. I went to a public sale and got the list filled in short order. I have always worked for the democratic party and have never lived in a voting precinct that was not safely democratic.

Jacob Welch, Kansas City, Mo.—Enclosed find forty-one signatures to the primary pledge. I am pleased to be able to help in the primary pledge matter as I am a democrat first, last and all the time. I cast my first presidential vote for James Buchanan in 1856.

E. H. Bond, Cooper, Texas—I send ninety-five signatures to the primary pledge, all from my own voting precinct.

J. O. Wright, Sterrett, Okla.—I herewith enclose a list of seventy-seven democrats who have signed the primary pledge in our town. I got this list up in a short time.

Dave White, Peck, W. Va.—Enclosed find primary pledge and five signatures. May the good work go on.

James Owens, Manila, W. Va.—I shall fill a primary pledge and mail to you in a few days. Please send me some more blanks.

G. W. Dillon, Fostoria, Ohio—Enclosed please find primary pledge signed by thirty-five Andrew Jackson democrats.

F. J. Flannery, Missouri City, Mo.—Please find enclosed two primary pledges.

C. L. French, Perryville, Mo.—In reply to your request for names of

parties to circulate the pledge, I have arranged with the editor of the Sun, who heads the enclosed list, to publish the pledge in his paper and urge democrats to fill out and return same to his office. Later I will take copy of signatures and forward same to you. We believe in this way we can get the most pledges. Hope this plan will meet with your approval, and that our next platform will be democratic and merit success, for I can not and will not support a straddle.

E. H. Mills, Colorado Springs, Colo.—I am heartily in favor of the primary pledge mode of organization—it is a winner. With the enormous circulation of The Commoner, and starting out at this early date, will leave scarcely any territory unorganized in the United States long before our next campaign opens.

J. M. Haverfield, La Monte, Mo.—I enclose twenty-one pledges secured in a few minutes. I wish to congratulate you on the work you are doing in bringing the democratic party together, which in my opinion, is the hope of the country.

P. H. Tallon, Park City, Utah—Enclosed find primary pledge signed by sixty good democrats, all the way from twenty-one to sixty-five years of age, and all reside in the same ward. I am going to work for the next two weeks all my spare time to get new subscribers for The Commoner on a sixty-cents per year basis, and I think the time well spent.

D. S. Maynard, Gaston, Ind.—I will enclose twenty-two names to the primary pledge. I approve of the primary pledge plan, and think that this is the greatest time for democratic awakening there has been for eight years. What democrat could get discouraged when we see every day more and more of democratic principles endorsed by Roosevelt and the republicans? For myself, I am more encouraged today than ever.

H. W. Frazier, Kimballton, Va.—Enclosed please find five subscription cards. I think there is no better plan for organizing the democratic party than to circulate The Commoner, for it does not require a pledge from a reader of The Commoner to get him to attend all primaries of the party and cast his vote for true democratic principles. I hope every subscriber to The Commoner will sacrifice a small portion of his time at least and send in a few names, and by so doing help the party on to victory. I will endeavor to do all I can in that way for the cause.

A. J. Slavey, Henderson, Ky.—Enclosed you will find the primary pledge with forty signatures. Send me another blank and also some Commoners, and I will do all I can for the success of the primary pledge organization plan.

W. B. C. Kendall, Mannington, W. Va.—Enclosed find primary pledge. I think this primary pledge business is a good thing and all democrats should whoop it up.

W. B. Chapman, Washta, Ia.—Enclose my primary pledge, a pledge which I shall keep sacred. I am delighted with Mr. Bryan's letters. They are models in simplicity, style and modesty. In The Commoner for January 26, D. M. Hall, Washington, D. C.,

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