

and providing for trial by jury in cases of indirect contempt.

Water Ways.

We favor liberal appropriations for the care and improvement of the water ways of the country. When any water way, like the Mississippi river, is of sufficient importance to demand special aid of the government, such aid should be extended, with a definite plan of continuous work until permanent improvement is secured.

We oppose the Republican policy of starving home development in order to feed the greed for conquest and the appetite for national "prestige" and display of strength.

Economy of Administration.

1—Large reductions can easily be made in the annual expenditures of the government without impairing the efficiency of any branch of the public service and we shall insist upon the strictest economy and frugality compatible with vigorous and efficient civil, military and naval administration as a right of the people too clear to be denied or withheld.

2—We favor the enforcement of honesty in the public service and to that end a thorough investigation of those executive departments of the government already known to teem with corruption, as well as other departments suspected of harboring corruption, and the punishment of ascertained corruptists without fear or favor or regard to persons. The persistent and deliberate refusal of both the senate and the house of representatives to permit such investigation to be made, demonstrates that only by a change in the executive and in the legislative departments can complete exposure, punishment and correction be obtained.

We condemn the action of the Republican party in congress in refusing to prohibit an executive department from entering into contracts with convicted trusts or unlawful combinations in restraint of interstate trade. We believe that one of the best methods of procuring economy and honesty in the public service is to have public officials, from the occupant of the white house down to the lowest of them, return, as nearly as may be, to Jeffersonian simplicity of living.

Executive Usurpation.

3—We favor the nomination and election of a president imbued with the principles of the constitution, who will set his face sternly against executive usurpation of legislative and judicial functions, whether that usurpation be veiled under the guise of executive construction of existing laws or whether it take refuge in the tyrant's plea of necessity or superior wisdom.

Imperialism.

We favor the preservation, so far as we can, of an open door for the world's commerce in the Orient without unnecessary entanglements in Oriental and European affairs, and without arbitrary, unlimited, irresponsible and absolute government anywhere within our jurisdiction.

We oppose as fervently as did George Washington himself an indefinite, irresponsible, discretionary and vague absolutism and a policy of colonial exploitation no matter where or by whom invoked or exercised; we believe with Thomas Jefferson and John Adams that no government has a right to make one set of laws for those "at home" and another and a different set of laws, absolute in their character, for those "in the colonies." All men under the American flag are entitled to the protection of the institutions whose emblem the flag is; if they are inherently unfit for those institutions, then they are inherently unfit to be members of the American body politic. Wherever there may exist a people incapable of being governed under American laws, in consonance with the American constitution, the territory of that people ought not to be part of the American domain.

We insist that we ought to do for the Philippines what we have done already for the Cubans, and it is our duty to make that promise now, and upon suitable guarantees of protection to citizens of our own and other countries resident there at the time of our withdrawal, set the Filipino people upon their feet, free and independent, to work out their own destiny.

The endeavor of the secretary of war, by pledging the government's endorsement for "promoters" in the Philippine islands, to make the United States a partner in speculative legislation for the archipelago, which was only temporarily held up by the opposition of Democratic senators in the last session, will, if successful, lead to entanglements from which it will be difficult to escape.

Tariff.

The Democratic party has been and will continue to be the consistent opponent of that class of tariff legislation by which certain interests have been permitted, through congressional favor, to draw a heavy tribute from the American people.

This monstrous perversion of those equal opportunities, which our political institutions were established to secure, has caused what may once have been infant industries to become the greatest combinations of capital that the world has ever known. These special favorites of the government have, through trust methods, been converted into monopolies, thus bringing to an end domestic competition, which was the only alleged check upon the extravagant profits made possible by the protective system. These industrial combinations, by the financial assistance they can give, now control the policy of the Republican party.

We denounce protection as a robbery of the many to enrich the few, and we favor a tariff limited to the needs of the government, economical-

ly administered and so levied as not to discriminate against any industry, class or section, to the end that the burden of taxation shall be distributed as equally as possible.

We favor a revision and a gradual reduction of the tariff by the friends of the masses and for the commonweal, and not by the friends of its abuses, its extortions and its discriminations, keeping in view the ultimate ends of "equality of burdens and equality of opportunities" and the constitutional purpose of raising a revenue by taxation, to wit: The support of the federal government in all its integrity and vitality, but in simplicity.

Trusts and Unlawful Combinations.

We recognize that the gigantic trusts and combinations designed to enable capital to secure more than its just share of the joint product of capital and labor, and which have been fostered and promoted under the Republican rule, are a menace to beneficial competition and an obstacle to permanent business prosperity.

A private monopoly is indefensible and intolerable.

Individual equality of opportunity and free competition are essential to a healthy and permanent commercial prosperity, and any trust, combination or monopoly tending to destroy these by controlling production, restricting competition or fixing prices, should be prohibited and punished by law. We especially denounce rebates and discrimination by transportation companies as the most potent agency in promoting and strengthening these unlawful conspiracies against trade.

We demand an enlargement of the powers of the interstate commerce commission, to the end that the traveling public and shippers of this country may have prompt and adequate relief for the abuses to which they are subjected in the matter of transportation.

We demand a strict enforcement of existing civil and criminal statutes against all such trusts, combinations and monopolies; and we demand the enactment of such further legislation as may be necessary to effectually suppress them.

Any trust or unlawful combination engaged in interstate commerce which is monopolizing any branch of business or production, should not be permitted to transact business outside of the state of its origin. Whenever it shall be established in any court of competent jurisdiction that such monopolization exists, such prohibition should be enforced through comprehensive laws to be enacted on the subject.

Reclamation of Arid Lands.

We congratulate our western citizens upon the passage of the measure known as the Newlands irrigation act for the irrigation and reclamation of the arid lands of the west, a measure framed by a Democrat, passed in the senate by a nonpartisan vote and passed in the house against the opposition of almost all the Republican leaders by a vote, the majority of which was Democratic.

We call attention to this great Democratic measure, broad and comprehensive as it is, working automatically throughout all time without any further action of congress until the reclamation of all the lands in the arid west capable of reclamation is accomplished, reserving the lands reclaimed for homesteaders in small tracts and rigidly guarding against land monopoly, as an evidence of the policy of domestic development contemplated by the Democratic party, should it be placed in power.

Isthmian Canal.

The Democracy, when entrusted with power, will construct the Panama canal speedily, honestly and economically, thereby giving to our people what Democrats have always contended for—a great interoceanic canal, furnishing shorter and cheaper lines of transportation and broader and less trammelled trade relations with the other peoples of the world.

American Citizenship.

We pledge ourselves to insist upon the just and lawful protection of our citizens at home and abroad, and to use all proper measures to secure for them, whether native born or naturalized, and without distinction of race or creed, the actual protection of laws and the enjoyment of all rights and privileges open to them under the covenants of our treaties of friendship and commerce and if under existing treaties the right of travel and sojourn is denied to American citizens or recognition is withheld from American passports by any countries on the ground of race or creed, we favor the beginning of negotiations with the governments of such countries to secure by new treaties the removal of these unjust discriminations.

We demand that all over the world a duly authenticated passport issued by the government of the United States to an American citizen shall be proof of the fact that he is an American citizen and shall entitle him to the treatment due him as such.

We favor the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

Statehood for Territories.

We favor the admission of the territories of Oklahoma, and the Indian territory. We also favor the immediate admission of Arizona and New Mexico as separate states, and a territorial government for Alaska and Porto Rico.

We hold that the officials appointed to administer the government of any territory, as well as the district of Alaska, should be bona fide residents at the time of their appointment of the territory or district in which their duties are to be performed.

Condemnation of Polygamy.

We demand the extermination of polygamy within the jurisdiction of the United States and the complete

separation of church and state in political affairs.

Merchant Marine.

We denounce the ship subsidy bill recently passed by the United States senate as an iniquitous appropriation of public funds for private purposes, and a wasteful, illegal and useless attempt to overcome by special legislation the obstructions raised by Republican legislation to the growth and development of American commerce and sea. We favor the rebuilding of a merchant marine without need of additional burdens upon the people and without bounties from the public treasury.

Reciprocity.

We favor liberal trade agreements with Canada and with peoples of other countries where they can be entered into with benefit to American agriculture, manufactures, mining or commerce.

We favor the maintenance of the Monroe doctrine in its full integrity. We favor the reduction of the army and of army expenditure to the point historically demonstrated to be safe and sufficient.

Pensions.

The Democracy would secure to the surviving soldiers and sailors and their dependents generous pensions, not by an arbitrary executive order, but by legislation which a grateful people stand ready to enact.

Our soldiers and sailors, who defend with their lives the constitution and the laws, have a sacred interest in their just administration. They must therefore share with us the humiliation with which we have witnessed the exaltation of court favorites, without distinguished service, over the scarred heroes of many battles, or aggrandized by executive appropriations out of the treasuries of a prostrate people in violation of the act of congress which fixes the compensation and allowances of the military officers.

Civil Service.

The Democratic party stands committed to the principles of civil service reform and we demand its honest, just and impartial enforcement.

We denounce the Republican party for its continuous and sinister encroachments upon the spirit and operation of civil service rules whereby it has arbitrarily dispensed with examinations for offices in the interest of favorites and employed all manner of devices to overreach and set aside the principles upon which the civil service was established.

Race Question.

The race question has brought countless woes to this country. The calm wisdom of the American people should see to it that it brings no more.

To revive the dead and hateful race and sectional animosities in any part of our common country means confusion, distraction of business and the reopening of wounds now happily healed. North, south, east and west have but recently stood together in line of battle from the walls of Peking to the walls of Santiago, and as sharers of the common glory and common destiny we should share fraternally the common burdens.

We, therefore, deprecate and condemn the Bourbon-like selfish and narrow spirit of the recent Republican convention at Chicago, which sought to kindle anew the embers of racial and sectional strife, and we appeal from it to the sober common sense and patriotic spirit of the American people.

The Republican Administration.

The existing Republican administration has been spasmodic, erratic, sensational, spectacular and arbitrary. It has made itself a satire upon the congress, the courts and upon the settled practices and usages of national and international law.

It summoned the congress into hasty and futile extra session and virtually adjourned it, leaving behind its flight from Washington uncalculated calendars and unaccomplished tasks.

It made war, which is the sole power of congress, without its authority, thereby usurping one of its fundamental prerogatives. It violated a plain statute of the United States, as well as plain treaty obligations, international usages and constitutional law, and has done so under pretense of executing a great public policy, which could have been more easily effected lawfully, constitutionally and with honor.

It forced strained and unnatural constructions upon statutes, usurping judicial interpretation and substituting congressional enactment decree. It withdrew from congress their customary duties of investigation, which have heretofore made the representatives of the people and the states the terror of evildoers.

It conducted a secretive investigation of its own and boasted of a few sample convicts, while it threw a broad coverlet over the bureau which had been their chosen field of operative abuses, and kept in power the superior officers under whose administration the crimes had been committed.

It ordered assault upon some monopolies, but paralyzed by its first victory, it flung out the flag of truce and cried out that it would not "run amuck," leaving its future purposes beclouded by its vacillations.

Appeal to the Country.

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