

PLATFORM IS FOR PROGRESS

Democratic Pronouncement One of Generally Advanced Ideas.

NOT SO RADICAL AS USUAL

Favors Regulation and Supervision of Railroads, Express Companies and Telegraph and Telephone Companies.

BALTIMORE, June 29.—Bristling with democratic progressivism, the platform on which the democratic party will stand was completed late today by the committee on resolutions and awaits only the approval of the presidential nominee to be presented to the convention.

The document is the result of forty-eight hours' work by a committee. It is almost entirely new, although the recommendations of New York were followed in many particulars.

From first to last the committee's deliberations were characterized by harmony. The unanimous demand was for pronounced declarations in favor of progressive policies along the line and the only differences arose over the best method of expressing this tendency. The result is a platform of generally advanced views, although many of them are less radical than the party declarations of other years.

The document covers every subject of importance which has been the subject of party discussion in four years. None of them is elaborately presented, but the large number of subjects renders the document voluminous. One member said that it "was as long as a clothesline," and another that "it extends from Maine to California."

Members of the committee express general satisfaction with the planks and William J. Bryan, who took an active part in framing them, predicted that it would arouse the disapproval of less than a dozen members of the convention.

Under a new rule the platform will not be presented to the convention until after the nomination of the candidates.

Summary of Platform. Reaffirms party's devotion to the principles of democratic government as formulated by Jefferson.

Declares for a tariff for revenue only; denounces the high republican tariff as the principal cause of the unequal distribution of wealth.

Favors immediate downward revision of present duties, especially upon necessities of life. Also favors gradual reduction, so as not to interfere with or destroy legitimate industries. Denounces President Taft for vetoing tariff bills of last congress.

Condemns republican party "for failure to redeem its promises of 1908 for downward revision."

Takes issue with the republican platform as to the high cost of living, contending it is largely due to high tariff laws.

Favors vigorous enforcement of the criminal features of the anti-trust law. Demands such additional legislation as may be necessary to crush private monopoly. Favors prohibition of holding companies, interlocking directors, stock watering, etc.

Condemns republican administration for "compromising with Standard Oil company and tobacco trust."

For State Rights. Denounces as "usurpation" the efforts of republicans to deprive states of their rights and to enlarge powers of the federal government.

"There is," says the platform, "no twilight zone between the nation and the state in which exploiting interest can take refuge from both."

Urges people to support proposed constitutional amendments pending in various state legislatures, providing for an income tax and election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

As justification of the demands of the party for publicity of campaign expenditures, attention is directed "to the enormous expenditures of money in behalf of the president and his predecessor in the recent presidential contest."

Declares for presidential preference primaries. Directs national committee to provide for selection at primaries of members of national committee.

Pledges party to enactment of law prohibiting campaign contributions by corporations and unreasonable campaign contributions by individuals.

Favors single presidential term and urging president ineligible to re-election. Facilitates democratic congress on its record, enumerating important achievements, and pledges an adequate navy.

Denounces republican administration on charges of extravagance and demands return to simplicity and economy befitting a democratic government.

Favors efficient supervision and rate regulation of railroads, express companies, telegraph and telephone lines, and a valuation of these companies by the Interstate Commerce commission, and also legislation against over-issuance of stocks of these corporations.

In connection with a demand for such revision of the banking laws as will give temporary relief in case of financial distress, there is a denunciation of the Aldrich bill prepared by the monetary commission. The present method of depositing government funds is condemned and the party is pledged to the enactment of a law for the deposit of such funds by competitive bidding in state or national banks without discrimination as to locality.

Recommends investigation of agricultural credit societies in Europe to ascertain whether a system of rural credits may be devised suitable to conditions in the United States.

Pledges party to enactment of legislation to prevent devastation of lower Mississippi valley by floods and the control of the Mississippi is declared to be a national, rather than a state problem. The maintenance of a navigable channel also is recommended.

Favors national aid regarding post roads.

Repeats party's declaration of the platform of 1908, as to rights of labor and pledges the party to an employees' compensation law.

Would Open Up Public Lands. Declares the unnecessary withdrawal of public land tends to retard development and bring reproach upon a policy of conservation; that reservations should be limited to purposes which they appear to serve; favors broadest liberality in administering land laws and says reserve act appointing homestead entries within the national forest should not be nullified by administrative regulations; declares for immediate action to make available Alaskan coal lands and safeguarding of lives of miners.

Favors encouragement of agriculture and legislation to suppress gambling in all products.

Believes in fostering growth of a mer-

chant marine and urges speedy enactment of laws for greater security of life and property at sea.

Reaffirms previous declarations regarding pure food and public health.

Favors reorganization of the civil service and says laws should be honestly and rigidly enforced.

Recommends law reform legislation. Reaffirms position against "policy of imperialism and colonial exploitation" in Philippines.

Welcomes Arizona and New Mexico to sisterhood of states.

Demands for Alaska full enjoyment of rights and privileges of territorial form of government.

Refers to Russian treaty and renews pledges to preserve "sacred rights of American citizenship at home and abroad."

Favors parcels post and extension of rural delivery.

Favors such encouragement as can be properly given Panama canal exposition. Commends to the states adoption of law making it an offense to discriminate against the uniform of the United States.

Renews declaration of last platform regarding generous pension policy.

Refers to the rule of the people and says: "The democratic party offers itself to the country as an agency through which the complete overthrow and extirpation of corruption, fraud and machine rule in American politics can be effected."

The conclusion of the platform says: "Our platform is one of principles which we believe to be essential to our national welfare, and invites co-operation of all citizens who believe in maintaining unimpaired the traditions of our country."

DENVER AUTOISTS ARRIVE

Forty Members of Chamber of Commerce on Sociability Run.

ESCORTS TRAVEL TO HASTINGS

Complimentary Dinner by Commercial Club to Visitors—Mayor Armstrong of Lincoln Injured Taking Culvert.

Denver had a taste of Omaha hospitality Friday, when the members of the party participating in the Denver Chamber of Commerce sociability run from the Colorado capital to Chicago, were given a complimentary dinner by the Commercial club and the Omaha Auto Motor club at the Henshaw hotel.

The Denver people were escorted into the city from Hastings by automobiles from Omaha. The Omahans gathered as escorts at Lincoln, Ashland and Gretna, being added to the Denver party as the Colorado autoists neared this city.

They were met at Hastings early in the morning by a pilot car sent out from Omaha over the Golden Road on the line of the Union Pacific. In the pilot car were Lee Huff, W. R. McFarland, A. S. Kelley and W. H. Jones.

At Lincoln they were met by Randall Brown and his party, later at Ashland Gould Diets with a carload of Omahans joined in the line and on reaching Gretna the Denverites found several Omaha cars waiting to guide them into the city. In the squad at Gretna were Ralph Sunderland, Fred Metz, D. M. Carr, editor of The Motorist; Cadet Taylor. The Gretna band also was mustered out and gave the Colorado tourists a rousing welcome.

Mayor of Lincoln Hurt. Randall Brown started out from Lincoln to bring Mayor Armstrong with him. They had gone only a few miles when the machine struck a culvert and all in the car were bounded abruptly against the top. Mayor Armstrong sustained such a severe strain of the neck that he was forced to return to Lincoln.

The Denver people expressed themselves greatly pleased with the condition of the roads all the way to Omaha. They said the country all along the way was in the best of condition and a better time of the year could not have been chosen for the trip. They are en route to Chicago to spend July 4. On the return trip they will stop at Council Bluffs and make a swing down to Kansas City.

Members of Party. In their party are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smith, C. M. Kirtledge, J. R. Richard Jackson, R. R. Gillette, Mrs. F. W. Sherwood, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bohling, R. E. Spencer, N. A. Rowan, M. E. McCarty, Joe Lovan, John V. Brannon, Charles Woodward, Lord Ogilvy, E. J. Yetter, Eugene S. Gehring, D. P. Brannin, Ralph Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. North, Lea Rubenstein, F. E. Frost, William H. Tomblin, F. A. Craiss, L. J. Collins and R. C. Hartwell.

Mrs. F. W. Sherwood is 72 years old. She declared the trip one of the greatest of her life and said it had proved very rejuvenating.

Lord Ogilvy is a representative of the Denver Post, the only newspaper man in the party. E. J. Yetter is president of the Denver Chamber of Commerce.

R. C. Hartwell stopped in Omaha. He is going to his home in McClellan, Ia. Gehring, Gillette, Rubenstein and Brannin represent the Denver Real Estate exchange.

The caravan is composed of several autoists outside of Denver, Longmont, Idaho Springs and Sterling being represented.

The dinner at the Henshaw last night was marked with much enthusiasm for good roads, a lively welcome spirit on the part of Omahans and an at home feeling for the Denverites.

"The Ain't Got no Style" was sung most everybody. Following the dinner speeches were made by J. A. Sunderland, Harry Lawrie, George Haverstick, W. A. DeBord, E. J. Yetter and others.

From Iowa there were the following to meet the Denver motorists and pilot them over the River-to-River road to the Mississippi: E. H. Spaulding, president River-to-River route, Grinnell, (Spaulding is manufacturer of the Spaulding automobile); O. H. Carpenter, first vice president, Iowa City, (architect); Bert N. Mills, secretary, (Des Moines editorial staff); Edwin Delahoyd, treasurer, Exira, Ia., (banker); John W. Foster, banker, Guthrie Center; E. W. Clark, Grinnell.

They reached Omaha at 11 p. m. Friday—too late for the banquet. The River-to-River road within the last two weeks has been dragged from end to end.

JOHN E. BUCKINGHAM VISITING IN OMAHA

John E. Buckingham, for many years assistant general passenger agent of the Burlington here, but now general baggage agent of the entire system, with headquarters in Chicago, is in town looking after business and calling on his many old friends.

Recently Mr. Buckingham has been loaded up with an additional lot of work, and in addition to looking after baggage matters, the movement of cream, milk and mail handled by the Burlington system has been placed under his jurisdiction.

IOWA HAS HONOR GRADUATE

William Dean of Tipton Gets Highest Class Honor.

NAME WILL GO UPON CUP

Republican Electors Certified by State Council—Governor Hadley Speaks to Lawyers at Cedar Rapids.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, June 29.—(Special.)—Iowa has the honor graduate at the national military academy this year. Adjutant General Logan received word today that Cadet William Dean of Tipton, Ia., is the graduate receiving the highest honors of the class and his name will be inscribed on the cup as a record of his achievement. This is first time in many years the honor has come to a cadet of this state.

Republican Electors Certified. The state executive council, as a state canvassing board, has certified to the names of the persons who will be on the republican state ticket this year as candidates for presidential electors. They are Marsh W. Baily, Frank P. Clarkson, Alex McLennan, C. S. Newcomer, C. D. Ellis, Ward Woodbridge, Ellsworth Rominger, Fred L. Barnett, James H. Jamison, William Cochran, C. J. Martin and Simon Fisher.

Governor Hadley Speaks to Iowans. Members of the State Bar association who attended the bar banquet last night at Cedar Rapids report that the greatest delight of the occasion was the address of Governor Hadley of Missouri, who came unexpectedly to the banquet. He had been at a chautauque at West Liberty. He spoke on the recall of judges and gave a pleasing address, on the lawyer's report. Justice Riddell of the high court of Ontario also spoke at the banquet.

Location of Allison Monument. The Allison monument commission is having trouble deciding on the exact location of the proposed memorial to the late senator, which is to be located on the state house grounds or an extension thereof. The most favored location is one diagonally across from the state house grounds to the southeast, as there is opposition to placing monuments on the state house grounds directly. The location will have to be decided upon before artists will compete as to the designs.

Rebuilding a Railroad. An expenditure of \$300,000 for one stretch of eight miles between Madrid and Woodward, where the road is to be shortened only one mile and a bad curve and grade cut out, is being made by the Milwaukee for its double track through Iowa. This road is spending a tremendous amount of money in Iowa in its effort to improve traffic conditions.

Bootlegger, Mistaken For Skunk, is Shot By Hampton Farmer

HAMPTON, Ia., June 29.—(Special.)—To be sought on a charge of bootlegging, to attempt to escape from the officers and in the attempt to be mistaken for a skunk and peppered with shot while hiding in an oats field, and finally to be captured and heavily fined, is the swift sequence of events that overtook Harry Barr of Faulkner, this county, yesterday. While an officer was waiting for Barr to change his clothes so as to be taken to jail Barr escaped from the house. After searching for him for several hours the officer gave up and returned to Hampton.

While the constable was searching Barr hid in an oats field and eventually crept through the grain to near the farmer's house. The farmer, having been troubled by skunks digging in his oats field, saw the dark object bobbing up and down in the waving grain. Thinking it another skunk, he blazed away, dropped his gun and dropped to his knees with fright when he saw the dark object rise into the proportions of a man and then topple over. Barr was found with several shot wounds in his breast. He was fined \$5 and costs in the justice court for bootlegging and escaping from an officer. He paid the fine.

BULK OF MILLIONAIRE'S ESTATE GOES TO SISTER

WEBSTER CITY, Ia., June 29.—The will of the late George Herr Reinicker, Hamilton county's only millionaire, has been filed for probate in the district court here. In it he remembered a few personal friends in some ranging from \$1,000 to \$10,000, but the great bulk of his property goes to his sister, Elizabeth R. Herr. While not a member of any religious organization, nevertheless he left the Methodist society of this city the sum of \$5,000. Prior to his death he had also given \$500 as a contribution to the new church building now in the course of erection.

DES MOINES POLICE CHARACTER ENDS LIFE

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, Ia., June 29.—(Special Telegram.)—The suicide of Walter Scott, after the murder of a woman whom he desired to marry, removed today from Des Moines one who had caused a great deal of trouble for thirty years. There is no doubt that Scott killed Mrs. May Phillips, divorced wife of a cab driver, because she would not marry him. Scott killed Jack Shea, a saloon man, eight years ago and went free. He has been accused of many offenses.

RAIN NEAR CHAMBERLAIN BREAKS LONG HOT WAVE

MITCHELL, S. D., June 29.—(Special Telegram.)—After being without rain for several weeks a heavy rain is falling tonight between Fresno and Chamberlain, S. D. The rain began falling in the early part of the evening and continued for three hours. It has come in time to save a large portion of the crops, after four days of intense heat in this section. The crop situation is still discouraging and the grain is heading out in good shape.

BUSINESS HOUSES AT FRASER, IOWA, BURNED

BOONE, Ia., June 29.—(Special.)—Fraser, a small town in Boone county, came near being totally destroyed by fire Thursday afternoon when W. H. Watson discovered a blaze in the ice-house belonging to McGehee & Coine, who own a barber shop and restaurant. The alarm was spread and scores of willing men fought for all they were worth, but at that several buildings were burned down and the whole business district scorched. The fire spread from the

big icehouse, which was not in use, to the main store building, then to the icehouse of the Fraser Mercantile company then to the sheds, stables, etc., and burned all to the ground. The fixtures in the restaurant were saved and workmen had the contents of several nearby stores removed, but these buildings were saved by strenuous work. John Sinclair, one of the volunteer firemen, was overcome with the heat and is in a serious condition. The physicians state that he will recover, however. It is believed that a cigar or match dropped in the empty icehouse started the fire.

Iowa News Notes. IDA GROVE—Mrs. Caroline Peterson, a pioneer of Silver Creek township, Ida county died of dropsy. She came to this county over thirty years ago.

IDA GROVE—Dr. George A. Hartley of Battle Creek and Miss Eliza Beuhler of Odebolt were married at Odebolt. The groom has a new home ready at Battle Creek.

IDA GROVE—Lizzie Volkert, the 15-year-old daughter of Mrs. A. Volkert of Cushing, is suffering from a severe case of blood poisoning as the result of being pecked on the arm by a chicken.

EMERSON—The safe of the Greenwood Lumber company here was blown open Wednesday night with powder and a steel box containing \$100 worth of notes carried away. The safe was badly wrecked.

SENECA—Mrs. S. G. Allured has been added to the police force and the appointment ratified by the city council. Her special duty will be that of police matron and looking after wayward girls of the city.

IDA GROVE—Charles Toulson and Miss Emma Crum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Crum, were married at the home of the bride and left last evening for a wedding trip of two months throughout the east.

IDA GROVE—Ida Grove advertises that its celebration of the Fourth will have no fireworks whatever. The money usually spent in this direction will be spent in securing sixteen free vaudeville acts to be given on the streets.

IDA GROVE—Lightning struck a barn owned by Oscar Redberg, a prominent farmer in Hayes township. Just as an attempt was being made to drag out an automobile the machine blew up and was a total loss with the barn and all contents. The loss was \$1,500 and no insurance.

CRESTON—The annual district convention of the Epworth league opened here in the Methodist church yesterday with thirty-nine churches represented. It is expected the full number of 50 delegates will be in attendance before the session closes. Bishop Sheppard of Kansas City gave the closing address tonight.

SALEM—Thrown to the ground when the team behind which she was riding became frightened at the Salem railroad crossing, Mrs. William Holmes, aged 85, sustained injuries so serious that her death ensued Wednesday night. Her son, with whom she was riding, was also painfully injured. Funeral services were held Thursday.

INDIANOLA—B. S. Mickey of Indianola has made \$45 off a half acre strawberry patch this season. He says he has sold thirty-eight crates of berries at an average of 12 1/2 cents per quart, besides giving away large quantities of them and using them regularly for his own family table. The expense for harvesting the crop he estimates at \$5 for pickers, crates and boxes. His prize berry is said to have measured six and seven-eighths inches in circumference.

Old-Time Engineer is Dead at Blair

BLAIR, Neb., June 29.—(Special Telegram.)—Thomas F. Kelly, an old-time engineer on the Northwestern railroad, and for the last twenty-one years engineer of the Blair City water station, died here this morning.

Mr. Kelly was born May 25, 1852, in Syracuse, N. Y. He moved to Wisconsin in 1868, and to Missouri Valley, Ia., in 1869. In 1874 he was married to Miss Elsie Byrd Stockton at Blair. Mrs. Kelly died six years ago. He leaves three sons, Donald, in the United States navy; John of Nickerson; Tom of Blair and one daughter, Mrs. Reinhard Blomquist of this city. The funeral will be held at the Catholic church in Blair at 10 a. m. Sunday.

Mr. Kelly was a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. He was prominent in democratic politics.

Smoke Evil Will Be Abated by Council

Manufacturers, business men and downtown residents that produce excessive volumes of smoke must install condensers or be punished.

So many complaints have been made recently against the smoke nuisance that an ordinance was drafted and submitted to the council looking toward the elimination of the evil.

Commissioner Butler attempted to alleviate the situation by passing a resolution through the council directing manufacturers and other to be more careful.

This resolution has had no perceptible effect, therefore an ordinance providing fine and imprisonment will be drafted. Mr. Butler will ask the council to pass the ordinance.

PRAIRIE PARKERS PLAN AN ALL-DAY CELEBRATION

Beginning at 6 o'clock in the morning and continuing until 10 o'clock in the evening, except for intermission for meals, there will be a continuous celebration on the Fourth in the Prairie Park district. The Prairie Park military band will furnish music in the afternoon and evening during the fireworks.

The grotesque and historical parade will take place sharply at 6 o'clock, the line of march being as follows: The parade will form at the club house, Twenty-sixth and Ames avenue, east on Ames avenue to Twenty-fourth street, countermarch on Twenty-fourth street to Twenty-fifth avenue, north on Twenty-fifth avenue to Fowler avenue, south on Twenty-seventh street to Meredith avenue, east on Meredith avenue to Twenty-fifth avenue, countermarch on Meredith avenue from Twenty-fifth avenue to Twenty-seventh street, south on Twenty-seventh street to Ames avenue, east on Ames avenue to club house and disperse.

A cordial invitation is extended to all the citizens of Omaha to witness the historical and grotesque parade and attend the fireworks in the evening.

REDUCTION IN INTEREST RATE ON LOANS IS MADE

Directors of the Omaha Loan and Building association have declared the usual 6 per cent dividend to stockholders for the last six months, amounting to \$130,971.97. The report of the secretary shows a substantial growth since January 1. The increase in assets amount to \$21,280.92, making a total asset of \$5,196,191.11, with reserve and undivided profits of about \$140,000.

The directors also announce a reduction of the interest rate on all real estate loans from 80 cents to 75 cents per month on each \$100 borrowed, or from 7.5 per cent per annum to 6.6 per cent, to become effective October 1. It is not expected there will be any reduction in the present dividend rate of 6 per cent before July 1, 1912.



Advertisement for Arthur Storz Auto Supply Co. featuring the headline 'Everything for the Autoist' and 'Tire Vulcanizing ANY PUNCTURE VULCANIZED 25c'. The ad lists various car accessories like tires, oil, and windshield wipers, and provides the company's address: 2020-22 Farnam Street.

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