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## DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM

BRYAN FIRST LAST AND ALL THE TIME

Republican Rule Denounced and Reforms Demanded.

Following is the platform adopted by the Democratic State Convention in session at Fort Worth, May 27th:

"Upon the eve of a great national campaign which shall determine the career of the general government for the ensuing four years, and in the issue of which is involved the fate of principles sacred in the history and fundamental in the structure of the republic, the democrats of Texas, assembled in state convention, renew their obligation to the ancient doctrines of democratic faith and dedicate their services to the patriotic mission of supplanting republican misrule of national affairs with the beneficence of democratic administration.

In full control of the great departments of the government for more than a decade, with a fair field and ample opportunity for the justification of its theories, the republican party has abused the trust of the people, prostituted its lease of power to unworthy ends and has forfeited its claim to further confidence and favor. In desecration of the great principles upon which the nation was founded it has engrafted upon our system the monarchial growth of colonial government, established a dual class of American citizenship and imbued the popular mind with false ideals of national greatness. In perversion of the taxing power by its policy of tariff exaction it has put a premium upon the cost of the necessities of life, nurtured the growth of privileged interests, fostered the idea of class distinction and is directly responsible for the existence of the trusts and combinations of wealth that today menace American freedom in their challenge of the authority of the government. It has openly countenanced executive usurpation of the functions of the congress, whereby the vigor of the legislative branch has been weakened, and has boldly promulgated the doctrine that the right of amendment of the fundamental law of the land may be exercised by the judicial authority, whereby the sovereignty of the people as the source of all power may be subverted. Its constant proclamation has been derision of the state governments, its constant effort has been to reduce the limits of their jurisdiction, and in its ambitious designs their sovereignty is imperiled. The effort of its administration has been the insidious transformation of a federative republic of delegated powers into a consolidated government, impatient of constitutional restraints and jealous of limitations upon its province, pretentious in its splendor and boastful of its strength. Its extravagance and waste in the exploitation of the national resources have been reflected in individual life and the moral of its career and influence is found in the overwhelming financial disaster from which the country has just emerged.

**BACK TO SIMPLE WAYS**

We desire, therefore, that for the preservation of the organic form of the republic and the constitution, and to the end that high thinking and plain living shall not depart from our people the times and conditions de-

mand a return to a simple and frugal government, administered in accordance with those fundamental principles that form the creed of democratic faith, in whose application and fulfillment our true mission will be accomplished and our best hopes attained, viz:

The support of the state governments in all their rights as the most competent administrations for our domestic concerns, and the surest bulwarks against centralistic tendencies.

The preservation of the general government in its whole constitutional vigor.

The supremacy of the civil over the military authority.

Economy in the public expense.

Sacred preservation of the public faith.

Absolute acquiescence in the decisions of the majority.

Equal and exact justice to all men and special privileges to none, and

The maintenance in all its strength of the representative system.

Believing that thru his nomination and election these great principles will again find full expression in our laws, we indorse William J. Bryan for president of the United States, and instruct the delegates from this state to the democratic national convention at Denver to use all honorable means to secure his nomination, and to that end to cast their votes for him first, last and all the time. The delegates from this convention are instructed to vote and act as a unit in all matters.

We commend the principles announced in the platform adopted by the recent state democratic convention of Nebraska, especially the following paragraphs, viz:

"We favor the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people and regard this reform as the gateway to all other national reforms.

**AS TO TRUSTS**

"A private monopoly is indefensible and intolerable.

"We therefore favor the vigorous enforcement of the criminal law against trusts and trust magnates and demand the enactment of such additional legislation as may be necessary, as to make it impossible for a private monopoly to exist in the United States.

"We favor an immediate revision of the tariff by the reduction of import duties. Articles entering into competition with articles controlled by trusts should be placed on the free lists; material reductions should be made in the tariff on necessities of life and reductions should be made in such other schedules as may be necessary to restore the tariff to a revenue basis.

"We condemn the experiments in imperialism as an inexcusable blunder, which has caused us an enormous expense, built up weakness instead of strength, and lays our nation open to the charge of abandoning the fundamental principle of self-government.

"We favor an immediate declaration of the nation's pur-

pose to recognize the independence of the Philippine islands as soon as a stable government can be established, such independence to be guarded by us as we guard the independence of Cuba, until the neutralization of the islands can be secured by treaty with other powers. In recognizing the independence of the Philippine islands, our government should retain coaling stations and naval bases.

"We assert the right of congress to exercise complete control over inter-state commerce, and we assert the right of each state to exercise just control over commerce within its borders.

"We demand such an enlargement of powers of national and state railway commissions as may be necessary to give full protection to persons and places from discrimination and extortion.

"We demand further that favoritism in the deposit of treasury funds shall be abolished and that surplus revenues shall be deposited at competitive rates upon sufficient security and fairly distributed throughout the country.

"We believe the Panama canal will prove of great value to our country and favor its speedy completion.

"We urge liberal appropriations for the improvement and development of the interior waterways, believing that such expenditures will return a large dividend in lessening cost of transportation."

We affirm as an essential part of democratic doctrine that the issuance of currency is a function that only the government perform and should be forever kept under its absolute control.

We favor eight hours as a day's labor for employes of the national government and upon all work when required by the public health or safety.

We indorse the bill introduced by Congressman Beall of Texas limiting the power of injunction of federal courts.

Absolute obedience to instruction of the people by those holding their office is indispensable to the integrity of representative government. We regard it as a wholesome "text for civil instruction, and as a touchstone by which to test the service of those we trust." And we declare that those who accept the people's office and refuse to obey their instructions are embezzlers of power.

**INDORSE SENATOR BAILEY.**

The platform concludes with a ringing endorsement of Senator Bailey for his eminent services, true democracy and high character.

It also endorses the administration of Gov. Campbell for his adherence to the platform demands on which he was elected.

It also attests appreciation of the services of Col. R. M. Johnson to democracy and endorses him for re-election as national committeeman from Texas.



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**W. O. W. UNVEILING.**

The unveiling of the monument at the grave of the late Dr. J. E. Lindsey will take place tomorrow, (Sunday) at the cemetery in this place. The ceremonies will be conducted by the Rule Camp of Woodmen of the World, of which Dr. Lindsey was a member at the time of his death, assisted by the Haskell Camp.

The Camp will meet here and attend the morning services at the M. E. church and at 10 o'clock will form in procession at the W. O. W. hall and march to the cemetery, where the unveiling will take place in accordance with the ritual of the order. The several camps in the county and the Stamford Camp are expected to be in the procession and assist in the ceremonies. The public is invited to attend.

Last Wednesday evening a young lady who is very prominent in social circles left to visit her old home in South Texas, and a prominent young merchant accompanied her as far as Abilene. A party of their miscellaneous friends secretly provided a sack of rice and as the young man assisted the young lady on the train they showered them with rice. Both the young people took the very suggestive joke gracefully and everybody enjoyed it immensely, even the passengers on the train caught the idea and joined in the joke. Both the young people took the very suggestive joke gracefully and everybody enjoyed it immensely, even the passengers on the train caught the idea and joined in the joke.

**SUNBEAM ENTERTAINMENT**

The following is the program for Missionary Entertainment to be given by the Sunbeam Children at the Baptist church, June 6th, 1908:

Song by Congregation. "Joy to the world."

Scripture lesson and prayer by J. T. Nicholson.

Song by Congregation. "Jesus Saves."

Opening address by Edna Roberts.

Address of Welcome by Johnnie Davis.

Recitation - Grandpa's Children's Day - Mary Hughes.

Secretary report of the work the past years.

Bible drill by 12 little girls.

Recitation - Smiles. - Homer Thompkins.

Recitation - The Men who do not Lift - Versie Coslett.

Essay on Missions - Mr. Davis.

Recitation - The Biggest Piece of Pie - Norma Pichford.

Recitation - I'm My Mamma's Darling - Blanch Archie.

Recitation - Grandma Pays the Bill - Mable Parnell.

Song - Jesus Bids us Shine - By 12 Little Girls.

Recitation - The Guide Book - Vera Archie.

Recitation - Song of Service - Gussie Pichford.

Recitation - Trouble in the Amen Corner - Edna Parnell.

Buett - Must I go, and Empty Handed - Mr. and Mrs. Falkner.

Select reading - Aunt Amiah's Mission Work - Mrs. Pelphrey.

Recitation - We have always been provided for - Bert Davis.

Song - To Papa Land - Annetta Scott and Ella Jones.

Recitation - Uncle Hiram on Higher Criticism - Marl Parnell.

Recitation - The House Maid - Maudie Lambert.

Dialogue - Fashionable Follies. - Minnie Lambert and Fadrell Parnell.

Recitation - The Galveston Flood - Johnnie Nicholson.

Song - Saviour Lead Them - By 4 Parnell Children.

Recitation - The Song that Mother Sung - Lizzie Jones.

Recitation - The Ladies Aid - Louise Davis.

Recitation - The Puzzled Douchman - Hilbert Parnell.

Song - The Little Rag Doll - Marl and Fadrell Parnell.

Song - I'll be a Sunbeam - By the Children.

Benediction.

The above program will be rendered at the Baptist church Saturday evening at eight o'clock June 6th. Everybody is cordially invited to be present and encourage the children in their work. Admission - FREE. But there will be a collection taken at the close of the exercise, which will be used for Missions and to help the orphans. But remember you are always welcome whether you feel like giving or not, we want your presence any way.

**Citizens' Club Shop.**

Our tailoring shop has become the popular place where most of our citizens get their cleaning and pressing done. How about yours?  
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### Locals and Personals.

Get roast beef at Elmer Wall's. To RENT—two residences in Haskell, see Sanders & Wilson.

Juicy hot roast beef at Wall's market.

Baggage transferred to all parts of the city, ring No. 114 or Rupe & Pearsey.

Miss Louise Goodlett left Wednesday for Brenham where she will spend the summer with her family and then return to Haskell in time for the opening of the fall term of school.

Choicest cold drinks at French Bros.

FOR TRADE—Good mesquite wood for a good milch cow, or heifer yearlings or pigs. G. B. Powell.

Messrs. R. M. Reed of Aspermont and D. J. Brookreson of Benjamin, candidate for the legislature from this district, spent a day or two in Haskell this week.

Misses Annie Lida and Mary Hughes spent several days the early part of the week with their grand-parents, Capt. and Mrs. W. M. Wood, near Weinert.

Mr. J. F. Armstrong, one of the old settlers in the Sagerton community, was in the city a day or two this week. He gives a good report of crop prospects and says wheat and oats will make a good yield.

Mr. J. A. Price, manager of the Ferris farms in the north-eastern part of the county was in the city several days this week, being summoned on the jury. Mr. Price says there are now in cultivation in the farms one thousand acres of land and that during the last two years. Mr. Ferris has spent about \$20,000 in buildings and other improvements on the property.

Mr. L. C. Eastham of Huntsville attended our district court this week.

Mrs. D. Love, who has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. R. French of this place, left Monday for Stamford.

The best line of buggy whips, lap robes and horse blankets at Ever's shop, Haskell.

Mr. Jno. F. Cox and wife were in the city Tuesday doing some trading and Mr. Cox subscribed for the FREE PRESS for himself and for a brother at Belton.

That hot roast beef at Elmer Wall's is delicious and it saves cooking.

Among the visiting attorneys having business in our district court this week we met Mr. A. H. Kirby of Abilene, Judge J. H. Glasgow of Seymour, Mr. H. Tom King of Abilene and Mr. R. B. Pool of Stamford.

June corn and cotton see for sale at my farm one mile east of town. F. D. C. Middleton.

The Weaver school will have a big picnic at the mouth of Spring branch on Mule creek, about four miles from town, on June 6th. The town people and all the surrounding country are invited to attend. There will be cold drink and other stands on the grounds and the funds secured will be used in furnishing the school house.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson.

Mr. R. D. C. Stephens of this place has a letter from his father, J. C. Stephens, who resides near Afton in Dickens county, in which he tells of a water spout which broke on his farm one day last week. Mr. Stephens writes that he had about sixty acres planted in various crops and that the force of the water destroyed every growing thing on the farm. He says that while his farm is comparatively level it is not in a valley or near a creek but that the downpour and rush of water was so great that it flooded his house and floated out articles that were on the floor.

Mr. H. L. Terrell of Temple was here this week. He owns fine farms a few miles from town and was looking into crop prospects, etc.

W. A. Bolling who has been with the Times for many months left this week for Haskell where he has a position with the FREE PRESS. It is with regret that we give Mr. Bolling up as he is thoroughly acquainted with the affairs of a print shop and is a deserving young man.—Munday Times.

Mr. Bolling comes to us recommended as an expert manipulator of type and is now in charge of our typographic department.

Good fresh Jersey cows shipped from Lewis' farm at Tyler. Get you a milch cow. W. T. Hudson.

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Mr. L. F. Burris, Constable at Sagerton, was in attendance on district court this week.

I am closing up work of assessing taxes for this year, and I take this means of notifying all persons who have not made their renditions to come in and do so at once. Such action will avoid confusion in the future. S. E. CAROTHERS, Tax Assessor, Haskell county.

The working team and some other members of Haskell Camp of W. O. W. attended a meeting of the Rule Camp Monday night and assisted in some initiations and drill work.

STRAYED—From Rule, one sorrell horse with blaze face, white spot in left eye; is about twelve years old. Will pay liberal reward for his return or information as to his whereabouts. F. T. SANDERS.

I have plenty of fine cotton seed, cane seed, grain, hay and other feed stuff. Come and see me and be convinced as to quality and prices. G. J. Miller.

I have put in a rubber tire machine and can repair your rubber tires at my shop. J. B. Lamkin.

Mr. T. A. Ferris of Waxahachie was in Haskell this week. He owns some finely improved and extensive farms in the north-eastern portion of the county, to which he paid a visit.

The coldest and best thing in town—those cold drinks at French Bros.

## A SPECIAL SALE OF LUMBER FOR 30 DAYS

I want to build 140 feet more shed room and have 100,000 feet of 2x8, 2x10, 2x12, one whole car of 1x6 heart fencing and a big lot of Boxing and Ship-Lap on the ground where I want to build, and to move it off and put it back in shed would be a considerable expense, so I have decided to move it by cutting prices.

Come and get prices and see the lumber. Don't take "Old Hear Say's" word about it as he rarely ever tells the truth about anything. If you want to build or buy a house see us as we have three cottages and two business houses for sale, will give you liberal terms. Money paid out on rents never come back so buy you a home and put your money into it.

### S. G. DEAN, Mgr.

### FOUND DEAD IN POND.

Aged Woman Drowned Three Miles East of Haskell.

On Tuesday morning of this week Mrs. Nannie E. Foreman, who resided with her sons, Messrs. Frank Foreman and Ben Foreman and wife, on the Cogdill place three miles east of Haskell, was found dead in a pond of water.

We are informed that she was old and feeble and that a few days ago she made inquiry as to the location of the tank or pond and tried to walk out to it with the family but became tired and returned to the house. And again on Friday of last week when the family got up in the morning they found her out on the prairie walking about and when she was asked what she was doing replied that she had heard a school teacher say that it was healthy to take a walk early in the morning.

When her body was found in the tank, tracks were seen which indicated that she had slipped and probably fallen into the

water. The tracks, it is said, seemed to indicate that she had turned to the right and started to walk away from the water, but that on coming to an elevated or inclined bank her feet slipped and she fell into the water. When found she was lying with her face in very shallow water.

Justice Lamkin went out and held an inquest on the body and returned a verdict in accordance with the above statement of facts.

The remains of the deceased were entered in the Haskell cemetery Thursday afternoon.

When you want something cool and refreshing try an arctic beverage at French Bros.

Davidson Hill Stock Co. will present a beautiful Melo-Drama in four acts, entitled "The White Slave," Friday night, June 5th.

Davidson Hill Stock Co. will present a beautiful drama in four acts, entitled "A Woman's Honor," Saturday night, June 6, 1908.

### For Commissioner Pre. No. 4.

The name of Mr. J. M. Gross is presented in our announcement column this week as a candidate for county commissioner from precinct No. 4.

Mr. Gross has resided in the county for three years and is a substantial farmer. His neighbors say of him that he is a man of excellent moral character and just and fair in his views and dealings. His announcement is made subject to the democratic primary in July.

Cold drinks, choicest flavors, nicest service at French Bros.

Davidson Hill Stock Co. will present two of the strongest plays of the season, "The White Slave" and "A Woman's Honor," Friday and Saturday nights, June 5 and 6th, 1908.

Judge Jas. P. Hinnard was called by telegram Thursday to Palestine on account of the death of a brother-in-law.

