

Democratic Platform Sweeps the Political Horizon in Its Party Treatment of Vital Issues

LABOR'S DEMANDS CONSIDERED FROM DIVERSE ANGLES

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"Labor is not a commodity; it is human. Those who labor have rights and the national security and safety depend upon a just recognition of those rights and the conservation of the strength of the workers and their families in the interest of sound-hearted and sound-headed men, women and children. Laws regulating hours of labor and conditions under which labor is performed, when passed in recognition of the conditions under which life must be lived to attain the highest development and happiness, are just association of the national interest in the welfare of the people.

"At the same time, the nation depends upon the products of labor; a cessation of production means loss and, if long continued, disaster. The whole people, therefore, have a right to insist that justice shall be done to those who work, and in turn that those who labor create the necessities upon which the life of the nation depends must recognize the reciprocal obligation between the worker and the state. They should participate in the formulation of the conditions under which labor is performed, recognize and obey the laws so formulated, and seek their amendment when necessary by processes ordinarily addressed to the laws and regulations affecting the relations of life.

"Labor, as well as capital, is entitled to adequate compensation. Each has the indefensible right of organization, of collective bargaining and of speaking through representatives of their own selection. Neither class, however, should at any time nor in any circumstances take action that will put in jeopardy the public welfare. Resort to strikes and lockouts which endanger the health or lives of the people is an unsatisfactory device for determining disputes, and the Democratic party pledges itself to contrive, if possible, and put into effective operation a fair and comprehensive method of composing differences of this nature.

"In private industrial disputes, we are opposed to compulsory arbitration, a method plausible in theory, but a failure in fact.

"With respect to government service, we hold distinctly that the rights of the people are paramount to the right to strike. However, we profess scrupulous regard for the conditions of public employment and pledge the Democratic party to instant inquiry into the pay of government employees and to equally speedy regulations designed to bring salaries to a just and proper level.

WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE

"We endorse the proposed nineteenth amendment of the constitution of the United States granting equal suffrage to women. We congratulate the legislatures of 35 states which have already ratified said amendment and we urge the Democratic government and legislatures of Tennessee, North Carolina and Florida and such states as have not yet ratified the federal suffrage amendment to unite in an effort to complete the process of ratification and secure the thirty-sixth state in time for all the women of the United States to participate in the fall election. We commend the effective advocacy of the measure by President Wilson.

WOMEN IN INDUSTRY

"We urge cooperation with the states for the protection of child life through infancy and maternity care; in the prohibition of child labor and by adequate appropriations for the children's bureau and the woman's bureau in the department of labor.

"Cooperative federal assistance to the states is immediately required for the removal of illiteracy, for the increase of teachers' salaries and instruction in citizenship for both native and foreign born; increased appropriation for vocational training in home economics; re-establishment of joint federal and state employment service with women's departments under the direction of technically qualified women. We advocate full representation of women on all commissions dealing with women's work or women's interests and a reclassification of the federal civil service free from discrimination on the ground of sex; a continuance of appropriations for education in sex hygiene; federal legislation which shall insure that American women resident in the United States but married to aliens retain their American citizenship and that the same process of naturalization shall be required for women as for men.

DISABLED SOLDIERS

"The federal government should treat with the utmost consideration every disabled soldier, sailor and marine of the world war, whether his disability be due to wounds received in line of action or to health impairment in service, and order the dependents of the brave men who died in line of duty the government's tenderest concern and richest bounty should be their heritage. The fine patriotism exhibited, the heroic conduct displayed by American soldiers, sailors and marines at home and abroad, Congress and the Republican senate in the worth of which can never be recompensed from the treasury and the glory of which must not be diminished by any such expedient.

"The Democratic administration wisely established a war risk insurance bureau, giving four and a half millions of enlisted men insurance at unprecedentedly low rates and through the medium of which compensation of men and women injured in service is readily adjusted, and hospital facilities for those whose health is impaired are abundantly afforded.

"The federal board for vocational education should be made a part of the war risk insurance bureau, so that the task may be treated as a whole, and this machinery of protection and assistance must receive every aid of law and appropriation necessary to full and effective operation.

"We believe that no higher or more valued privilege can be afforded to an American citizen than to become a freeholder in the soil of the United States and to that end we pledge our party to the enactment of soldier settlements and homestead aid legislation which shall afford to the men who fought for America the opportunity to become land and home owners under conditions affording genuine government assistance, unencumbered by needless difficulties of red tape or advance financial investment.

THE RAILROADS

"The railroads were subjected to federal control as a war measure without other idea than the swift transport of troops, munitions and supplies. When human life and national honors were at stake profits could not be considered and were not. Federal operation, however, was marked by an intelligence and efficiency that minimized loss and resulted in many and marked reforms. The equipment taken over was not only grossly inadequate but shamefully outworn. Unification practices overcame these initial handicaps and provided additions, betterments and improvements. Economies enabled operation without the state under private operation. Investments in railroad properties were not only saved by government operation, but government management returned these properties vastly improved in every physical and executive detail. A great task was greatly discharged.

"The president's recommendation to return to private ownership gave the Re-

SECRETARY CARTER GLASS



Chairman of the platform committee of the Democratic convention, who took prominent part in framing the platform which was reported to the convention Friday.

publican majority a full year in which to enact the necessary legislation. The house took six months to formulate its ideas, and another six months was consumed by the Republican senate in equally vague debate. As a consequence, the Esch-Cummins bill went to the president in the closing hours of Congress and he was forced to a choice between the chaos of a veto and acquiescence in the measure submitted, however grave may have been his objections to it. There should be a fair and complete test of the law until careful and mature action by Congress may cure its defects and insure a thoroughly effective transportation system under private ownership without government subsidy at the expense of the taxpayers of the country.

IMPROVED HIGHWAYS

"Improved roads are of vital importance not only to commerce and industry, but also to agriculture and rural life. The federal road act of 1916, enacted by a Democratic congress, represented the first systematic effort of the government to insure the building of an adequate system of roads in this country. The act, as amended, has resulted in placing 13,000 miles of roads under construction every state in the Union and in bringing under actual construction more than 13,000 miles of roads suited to the needs of the communities in which they are located.

"We favor a continuance of the present federal aid plan under existing federal and state agencies, amended so as to include as one of the elements in determining the ratio in which the several states shall be entitled to share in the fund, the area of any public lands therein.

"Inasmuch as the postal service has been extended by the Democratic party to the door of practically every producer and consumer in this country (rural free delivery alone having been provided for 6,000,000 additional patrons within the past eight years without material added cost), we declare that this instrumentality can and will be used to the maximum of its capacity to improve the efficiency of distribution and reduce the cost of living to consumers while increasing the profitable operations of producers.

"We strongly favor the increased use of the motor vehicle in the transportation of the mails and urge the removal of the restrictions imposed by the Republican congress on the use of motor devices in mail transportation in rural territories.

MERCHANT MARINE

"We desire to congratulate the American people upon rebirth of our merchant marine which once more maintains its former place in the world. It was under a Democratic administration that this accomplishment after 70 years of indifference and neglect, 11,000,000 tons having been constructed since the act was passed in 1916. We pledge the policy of our party to the continued growth of our merchant marine under proper legislation so that American products will be carried to all parts of the world by vessels built in American yards, flying the American flag.

PORT FACILITIES

"The urgent demands of the war for adequate transportation of war material as well as for domestic need revealed the fact that our port facilities and rate adjustment were such as to seriously affect the whole country in times of peace as well as war.

"We pledge our party to stand for equality of rates, both import and export, for the ports of the country, to the end that there may be adequate and fair facilities and rates for the mobilization of the products of the country offered for shipment.

INLAND WATERWAYS

"We call attention to the failure of the Republican national convention to recognize in any way the rapid development of barge transportation on our inland waterways which development is the result of the constructive policies of the Democratic administration. We pledge ourselves to the further development of adequate transportation facilities on our rivers and to the further improvement of our inland waterways and we recognize the importance of connecting the Great Lakes with the sea by way of the Mississippi river and its tributaries as well as the St. Lawrence river. We favor an enterprising foreign trade policy with all nations and in this connection we favor the full utilization of all Atlantic, Gulf and Pacific ports, and an equitable distribution of shipping facilities between the various ports.

"Transportation remains an increasingly vital problem in the continued development and prosperity of the nation. Our present facilities for distribution by rail are inadequate and the promotion of transportation by water is imperative.

"We therefore favor a liberal and comprehensive policy for the development and utilization of our harbors and interior waterways.

FLOOD CONTROL

"We commend the Democratic congress for the redemption of the pledge contained in our last platform by the passage of the flood control act of March 1, 1917, and point to the successful completion of the Mississippi and other

projects of the Mississippi river and the Sacramento river, California, under the policy of that law, for its complete justification. We favor the extension of this policy to other flood control problems, wherever the federal interest involved justifies the expenditure required.

RECLAMATION OF ARID LANDS

"By wise legislation and progressive administration, we have transformed the government reclamation projects, representing an investment of \$100,000,000, from a condition of impending failure and loss of confidence in the ability of the government to carry through such large enterprises, to a condition of successful success, whereby formerly arid and wholly unproductive lands now sustain 40,000 prosperous families and have an annual crop production of over \$70,000,000, not including the crops grown on a million acres outside the projects supplied with storage water from government works.

"We favor ample appropriations for the continuation and extension of this great work of home building and internal improvement along the same general lines, to the end that all practical projects shall be built, and waters now running to waste shall be made to provide homes and add to the food supply, resources and taxable property, with the government ultimately reimbursed for the entire outlay.

THE TRADE COMMISSION

"The Democratic party heartily endorses the creation and work of the federal trade commission in establishing a fair field for competitive business, free from restraint of trade and monopoly and recommends amplification of the statutes governing its activities so as to grant it authority to prevent the unfair use of patents in restraint of trade.

LIVESTOCK MARKETS

"For the purpose of insuring just and fair treatment in the great interstate livestock markets and the instilling confidence in growers through which production will be stimulated and the price of meats to consumers be ultimately reduced, we favor the enactment of legislation for the supervision of such markets by the national government.

MEXICO

"The United States is the neighbor and friend of the nations of the Americas. In a very special sense our international relations in this hemisphere should be characterized by good will and free from any possible suspicion as to our national purpose.

"The administration, remembering always that Mexico is an independent nation and that permanent stability in her government and her institutions could come only from the consent of her own people to a government of their own making, has been unwilling either to profit by the misfortunes of the people of Mexico or to enfeeble their future by imposing from the outside a rule upon their temporarily distracted councils. As a consequence, order is gradually reappearing in Mexico; at no time in many years have American lives and interests been so safe as they are now; peace reigns along the border and industry is resuming.

"When the new government of Mexico shall have given ample proof of its ability permanently to maintain law and order, signified its willingness to meet its international obligations and written up its statute books just laws under which foreign investors shall have rights as well as duties, that government should receive our recognition and sympathetic assistance. Until these proper expectations have been met, Mexico must realize the propriety of a policy that asserts the right of the United States to demand full protection for its citizens.

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1918 Maxwell Delivery	550
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1918 Ford Touring	425
1917 Ford Delivery, a good one	525
1918 Overland '90, a remarkable buy	775
1918 Maxwell Touring, handy car	650
1917 Maxwell Touring	775
1917 Reo Roadster, good shape	500
1918 Reo Touring	500
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ALASKA

"We commend the Democratic administration for inaugurating a new policy as to Alaska, as evidenced by the construction of the Alaska railroad and the opening of the coal and oil fields.

"We declare for the modification of the existing coal land law, to promote development without disturbing the features intended to prevent monopoly.

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PETROLEUM

"The Democratic party recognizes the importance of the acquisition by Americans of additional sources of supply of petroleum and other minerals and declares that such acquisition both at home and abroad should be fostered and encouraged. We urge such action, legislative and executive, as may secure to American citizens the same rights in the acquisition of mining rights in foreign countries as are enjoyed by the citizens or subjects of any other nation.

NEW NATIONS

"The Democratic party expresses its active sympathy with the people of China, Czechoslovakia, Finland, Poland, Persia and others who have recently established themselves as free and independent nations and who are striving to develop the institutions of true democracy.

IRELAND

"The great principle of national self-determination has received constant reiteration as one of the chief objectives for which this country entered the war, and victory established this principle.

"Within the limitations of international comity and usage, this convention repeats the several previous expressions of the sympathy of the Democratic party of the United States for the aspirations of Ireland for self government.

ARMENIA

"We express our deep and earnest sympathy for the unfortunate people of Armenia and we believe that our government, consistent with its contacts and principles, should render every possible and proper aid to them in their efforts to establish and maintain a government of their own.

THE PHILIPPINES

"We favor the granting of independence without unnecessary delay to the 10,500,000 inhabitants of the Philippine islands.

HAWAII

"We favor a liberal policy of home-steading public lands in Hawaii to pro-

vide a larger middle class citizen population, with equal rights to all citizens.

"The importance of Hawaii as an outpost on the western frontier of the United States demands adequate appropriations by congress for the development of its harbors and highways there.

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"For relieving the territory from the evils of long distance government by arbitrary and interlocking bureaucratic regulation, and to that end we urge the speedy passage of a law containing the essential features of the Lane-Curry bill now pending coordinating and consolidating all federal control of natural resources under one department to be administered by a non-partisan board permanently resident in the territory.

"For the fullest measure of territorial self-government with the view to ultimate statehood, with jurisdiction over all matters not of purely federal concern, including fisheries and game and for an intelligent administration of federal control we believe that all officials appointed should be qualified by previous bona fide residence in the territory.

"For a comprehensive system of road construction with increased appropriations and the full extension of the federal road act to Alaska.

ASIATIC IMMIGRANTS

"The policy of the United States with reference to the non-admission of Asiatic immigrants is a true expression of the judgment of our people, and to the several states whose geographical situation or internal conditions make this policy and the enforcement of the laws enacted pursuant thereto, of particular concern, we pledge our support.

THE POSTAL SERVICE

"The efficiency of the postoffice department has been vindicated against a malicious and designing assault by the efficiency of its operation. Its record refutes its assailants. Their voices are silenced and their charges have collapsed.

"We commend the work of the joint commission on the reclassification of salaries of postal employees, recently conducted, which commission was created by a Democratic administration. The Democratic party has always favored and will continue to favor the fair and just treatment of all government employees.

FREE SPEECH AND PRESS

"We renege the unfounded reproaches directed against the Democratic admin-

istration for alleged interference with the freedom of the press and freedom of speech.

"No utterance from any quarter has been assailed, and no publication has been repressed, which has not been animated by treacherable purpose and directed against the nation's peace, order and security in time of war.

"We reaffirm our respect for the great principles of free speech and a free press but assert as an indisputable proposition that they afford no toleration of enemy propaganda or the advocacy of the overthrow of the government of the state or nation by force or violence.

REPUBLICAN CORRUPTION

"The shocking disclosure of the lavish use of money by aspirants for the Republican nomination for the highest office in the gift of the people, has created a painful impression throughout the country. Viewed in connection with the recent conviction of a Republican senator from the state of Michigan for the criminal transgression of the law limiting expenditures on behalf of a candidate for the United States senate, it indicates the reentry, under Republican auspices, of money as an influential factor in elections, thus nullifying the letter and flaunting the spirit of numerous laws, enacted by the people, to protect the ballot from the contamination of corrupt practices. We deplore those delinquencies and invoke their stern, if not rebuke, pledging our earnest efforts

SYMPATHY VOICED FOR IRISH; WILSON POLICIES PRAISED

to a strengthening of the present statutes against corrupt practices and their rigorous enforcement.

"We remind the people that it was only by the return of a Republican senator in Michigan, who is now under conviction and sentence for the criminal misuse of money in his election, that the present organization of the senate with a Republican majority was made possible.

CONCLUSION

"Believing that we kept the Democratic faith and resting our claims to the confidence of the people not upon grassy promises, but upon the solid performances of our party, we submit our record to the nation's consideration and ask that the pledges of this platform be appraised in the light of that record."

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