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REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

PHILADELPHIA.—Following is the full text of the platform adopted by the Republican National convention:

The Republicans of the United States, through their chosen representatives, met in national convention, looking back upon an unsurpassed record of achievement, and looking forward into a great field of duty and opportunity and appealing to the judgment of their countrymen, make these declarations:

The expectation in which the American people, turning from the Democratic party, intrusted power four years ago to a Republican chief magistrate and a Republican congress, has been met and satisfied. When the people then assembled at the polls after a term of Democratic legislation and administration, business was dead, industry paralyzed and the national credit disastrously impaired. The country's capital was hidden away and its labor distressed and unemployed. The Democrats had no other plan with which to improve the ruinous conditions which they had themselves produced than to coin silver at the ratio of 16 to 1.

Prosperity Brought By Republicans.

The Republican party denounced this plan as sure to produce conditions even worse than those from which relief was sought, promised to restore prosperity by means of two legislative measures—a protective tariff and a law making gold the standard of value. The people by great majorities issued to the Republican party a commission to enact these laws. This commission has been executed and the Republican promise is redeemed. Prosperity more general and more abundant than we have ever known has followed these enactments. There is no longer any controversy as to the value of any government obligations. Every American dollar is a gold dollar or its assured equivalent, and American credit stands higher than that of any other nation. Capital is fully employed and everywhere labor is profitably occupied.

No single fact can more strikingly tell the story of what Republican government means to the country than this—that while during the whole period from 1801 to 1897 there was an excess of exports over imports of only $383,024,497, there has been in the short three years of the present Republican administration an excess of exports over imports in the enormous sum of $1,483,738,094, and while the American people, sustained by this Republican legislation, have been achieving these splendid triumphs in their business and commerce, they have conducted and in victory concluded a war for liberty and human rights.

War for Liberty Not Aggrandizement.

No thought of national aggrandizement tarnished the high purpose with which American standards were unfurled. It was a war unsought and patiently resisted, but when it came the American government was ready. Its fleets were cleared for action. Its armies were in the field, and the quick and signal triumph of its forces on land and sea bore equal tribute to the skill and foresight of Republican statesmanship. To 10,000,000 of the human race there was given "a new birth of freedom," and to the American people a new and noble responsibility.

Indorsement of President McKinley.

We indorse the administration of William McKinley. Its acts have been established in wisdom and in patriotism, and at home and abroad it has distinctly elevated and extended the influence of the American nation. Walking untried paths and facing unforeseen responsibilities, President McKinley has been in every situation the true American patriot and upright statesman, clear in vision, strong in judgment, firm in action, always inspiring and deserving the confidence of his countrymen.

In asking the American people to indorse this Republican record and to renew their commission to the Republican party, we remind them of the fact that the menace to their prosperity has always resided in Democratic principles and no less in the general incapacity of the Democratic party to conduct public affairs. The prime essential of business prosperity is public confidence in the good sense of the government and its ability to deal intelligently with all new problems of administration and legislation. That confidence the Democratic party has never earned. It is hopelessly inadequate, and the country's prosperity, when Democratic success at the polls is announced, halts and ceases in mere antisipation of Democratic blunders and failures.

Declaration for the Gold Standard.

We renew our allegiance to the principle of the gold standard, and declare our confidence in the wisdom of the legislation of the Fifty-sixth congress by which the parity of all our money and the stability of our currency on a gold basis has been secured. We recognize that interest rates are a potent factor in production and business activity and for the purpose of further equalizing and of further lowering the rates of interest we favor such monetary legislation as will enable the varying needs of the season and of all sections to be properly met in order that trade may be evenly sustained, labor steadily employed and commerce enlarged. The volume of money in circulation was never so great per capita as it is today.

We declare our steadfast opposition to the free and unlimited coinage of silver. No measure to that end could be considered which was without the support of the leading commercial countries of the world. However firmly Republican legislation may seem to have secured the country against the peril of base and discredited currency the election of a Democratic president could not fail to impair the country's credit and to bring once more into question the intention of the American people to maintain upon the gold standard the parity of their money circulation. The Democratic party must be convinced that the American people will never tolerate the Chicago platform.

On the Question of Trusts.

We recognize the necessity and propriety of the honest co-operation of capital to meet new business conditions, and especially to extend our rapidly increasing foreign trade, but we condemn all conspiracies and combinations intended to restrict business, to create monopolies, to limit production or to control prices, and deem such legislation as will effectually restrain and prevent all such abuses, protect and promote competition and secure the rights of producers, laborers and all who are engaged in industry and commerce.

Declaration for Protection.

We renew our faith in the policy of protection to American labor. In that policy our industries have been established, diversified and maintained. By protecting the home market, the competition has been stimulated and production cheapened. Opportunity the inventive genius of our people has been secured and wages in every department of labor have been maintained at high rates, higher now than ever before, thus distinguishing our working people in their better conditions of life from those of any competing country. Enjoying the blessings of American common schools, secure in the right of self government and protected in the occupancy of their own markets their constantly increasing knowledge and skill have enabled them finally to enter the markets of the world. We favor the associated policy of reciprocity, so directed as to open our markets on favorable terms for what we do not ourselves produce in return for free foreign markets.

In the further interests of American workmen, we favor a more effective restriction of the immigration of cheap labor from foreign lands, the extension of opportunities of education for working children, the raising of the age limit for child labor, the protection of free labor as against convict labor and an effective system of labor insurance.

Our present dependence on foreign shipping for nine-tenths of our foreign carrying is a great loss to the industry of this country. It is also a serious danger to our trade for its sudden withdrawal in the event of a European war would seriously cripple our expanding foreign commerce. The national defense and naval efficiency of this country, moreover, supply a compelling reason for legislation which will enable us to recover our former place among the trade carrying fleets of the world.

Liberal Pension Laws Favored.

The nation owes a debt of profound gratitude to the soldiers and sailors who have fought its battles, and it is the government's duty to provide for the survivors and for the widows and orphans of those who have fallen in the country's wars. The pension laws founded in this just sentiment should be liberal and should be liberally administered, and preference should be given, wherever practicable, with respect to employment in the public service, to soldiers and sailors and to their widows and ophans.

Republicans and the Civil Service.

We commend the policy of the Republican party in maintaining the efficiency of the civil service. The administration has acted wisely in its effort to secure for public service in Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines only those whose fitness has been determined by training and experience. We believe that employment in the public service in these territories should be confined, as far as practicable, to their inhabitants.

It was the plain purpose of the Fifteenth amendment to the constitution to prevent discrimination on account of race or color in regulating the elective franchise. Devices of states governments, whether by statutory or constitutional enactment, to avoid the purpose of this amendment are revolutionary and should be condemned.

Public movements looking to a permanent improvement of the roads and highways of the country meet with our cordial approval, and we recommend this subject to the earnest consideration of the people and of the legislatures of the several states.

We favor the extension of the rural free delivery service wherever its extension may be justified.

Reclamation of Arid Lands.

In the further pursuance of the constant policy of the Republican party to provide free homes on the public domain, we recommend adequate national legislation to reclaim the arid lands of the United States, reserving control of the distribution of water for irrigation to the respective states and territories.

We favor home rule for and the early admission to statehood of the territories of New Mexico, Arizona and Oklahoma.

War Taxes and Nicaragua Canal.

The Dingley act, amended to provide sufficient revenue for the conduct of the war, has so well performed its work that it has been possible to reduce the war debt in the sum of $40,000,000. So ample are the government's revenues and so great is the public confidence in the integrity of its obligations, that its newly funded two per cent bonds sell at a premium. The country is now justified in expecting and it will be the policy of the Republican party to bring about a reduction of the war taxes.

We favor the construction, ownership, control and protection of an isthmian canal by the government of the United States. New markets are necessary for the increasing surplus of our farm products. Every effort should be made to open and obtain new markets, especially in the Orient, and the administration is warmly to be commended for its successful effort to commit all trading and colonizing nations to the policy of the open door in China.

Department of Commerce Favored.

In the interest of our expanding commerce we recommend that congress create a department of commerce and industries in the charge of a secretary, with a seat in the cabinet. The United States consular system should be reorganized under the supervision of this new department upon such a basis of appointment and tenure as will render it still more serviceable to the nation's increasing trade.

The American government must protect the person and property of every citizen wherever they are wrongfully violated or placed in peril.

We congratulate the women of America upon their splendid record of public service in the volunteer aid association, and as nurses in camp and hospital during the recent campaigns of our armies in the Eastern and Western Indies, and we appreciate their faithful co operation in all works of education and industry.

The President's Foreign Policy Commended.

President McKinley has conducted the foreign affairs of the United States with distinguished credit to the American people. In releasing us from the vexatious European alliance for the government of Samoa, his course is especially to be commended. By securing to our undivided control the most important island of the Samoan group, and the best harbor in the southern Pacific, every American interest has been safeguarded.

We approve the annexation of the Hawaiian islands to the United States. We commend the part taken by our government in the peace conference at The Hague. We assert our steadfast adherence to the policy announced in the Monroe doctrine.

On the South African War.

The provisions of The Hague convention were wisely regarded when President McKinley tendered his friendly offices in the interest of peace between Great Britain and the South African republics. While the American government must continue the policy prescribed by Washington, affirmed by every succeeding president, and imposed upon us by The Hague treaty, of non-intervention in European controversies, the American people earnestly hope that a way may soon be found, honorable alike to both contending parties, to terminate the strife between them.

Treatment of the Philippines.

In accepting by the treaty of Paris the just responsibility of our victories in the Spanish war, the president and the senate won the undoubted approval of the American people. No other course was possible than to destroy Spain's sovereignty throughout the West Indies and in the Philippines. That course created our responsibility before the world and with the unorganized population whom our intervention had freed from Spain, to provide for maintenance of law and order, and for the establishment of good government and for the performance of international obligations. Our authority could not be less than our responsibility, and wherever sovereign rights were extended, it became the high duty of the government to maintain its authority, to put down armed insurrection and to confer the blessings of liberty and civilization upon all the rescued peoples. The largest measure of self-government consistant with their welfare and our duties shall be secured to them by law. To Cuba, independence and self-government were issued in the same voice by which war was declared and to the letter this pledge shall be performed.

The Republican party, upon its history and upon this declaration of its principles and policies, confidently invokes the considerate and approvir judgment of the American people.

ALL ABOUT CALIFORNIA.

California is the natural paradise of the holy maker. Its resources are inexhaustable, its invitation universal, and its resorts and attractions among the most noted of the world.

"Resorts and Attractions along the Coast Line" is handsomely illustrated folder, giving a description of the health and pleasure resorts on the coast between San Francisco and Los Angeles.

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"Pacific Grove" is the Chautauqua of the west, and this folder not only describes the pretty place itself, but gives a program of the religious and educational meetings, conventions, schools, etc., to be held there this summer.

One Thing and Another.

It is expected that 75 per cent of the prune growers of Oregon, Washington and Idaho will combine to handle the crop in the Pacific northwest.

There probably is no variety of sweet corn superior to Stowell's Evergreen for table use. It is not as early as some varieties, and something else should be planted for use till it comes, but from that time until frost repeated plantings of the Evergreen give as desirable table corn as could be wanted, says A. Agee in National Stockman.

A German investigator is of opinion that the benefit which on theoretical grounds would be expected from the application of soluble salts to the soil is not as a rule realized in practice because, for one reason, in dry weather, when the moisture of the soil is of most importance, the soil solutions are liable to become so concentrated by evaporation as to partially or completely prevent the taking up of water by the roots of plants.

The prospects for winter wheat are reported as good except for Michigan, Indiana and Ohio, where fly or insufficient winter protection have brought injury.

JOLLY OLD UNCLE JOSH

His Generosity Towards his Newly Married Niece.

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"Miss Summers—Polly—I—I—er dare I—" But the speaker took a header over bashfulness, only to hear a sweet

"Yes, Charley."

"Can I aspire to—er—that is"

Again a lapse into silence, followed by an encouraging

"Yes, Charley."

"Oh, if I might only hope to er—to—

Another failure in language. It was seemingly a hopeless case, and might have been, only for a demure

"Charley, I have said 'yes' twice, and if you mean it, I mean it too, and—"

And to this day that young man will insist that he popped the question.

All this happened away "up state" and it wasn't long before there was a wedding. Not much longer before there came a letter from Polly's Uncle Joshua Turner, the Hon. Joshua Turner, rich, generous and level headed, who wrote effusively of his delight at her exhibition of what he called "grit," and he proposed that if the young people would locate at Hillsboro he would start them up in life as a wedding gift, having explained that there was no better port in the world where they might launch their little matrimonial canoe. Of course they accepted and were soon bidding their friends adieu.

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A few weeks subsequent to the above conversation, a travel-stained party arrived in Hillsboro. Our friend, Uncle Josh, was in charge, and he led the party straightway to the Tualatin Hotel. "We'll go to the the Tualatin," said he, "Cause its been the popular place for years, and is strictly first-class Dorr Waggener, the present proprietor, is endowed with that delightful intuition that makes a guest feel at home, comfortable, and in mighty good luck. The house is one of convenience; the apartments are cosily furnished, and the cuisine all that a superior cook and unlimited orders on the market can make it. I have engaged rooms at the Tualatin until your own house is in readiness, and if you don't agree that I've selected a mighty fine place, then I'm no prophet."

"After breakfast," continued the old man, "I am ready to buy your outfit. To expedite matters I have ordered a carriage from Redmond & Sappington, our enterprising livery men." When the handsome carriage, with elaborate trappings and prancing horses, drew up in front of the hotel, Polly declared it the "finest turnout she had ever seen." "Yes, Siree," replied Uncle Josh, "that's a purty neat rig," the three S's, Speed, Safety and Style' is Redmond & Sappington's coat of arms. So, young folks, when you want to take a drive, either for business or pleasure, go to them for a rig every time. Their wedding, party and funeral equipments are unsurpassed" It was in this stylish turnout that the rounds of the village were made.

"No grass shall grow under our feet," resumed Uncle Josh, "so what's first on the program?" "Oh, goodness knows there's lots and lots to buy," remarked Polly. "Then suppose we buy 'lots' first, quoth Charley, without turning a hair. "Oh, you've got a great head for business," laughed Uncle Josh, "we'll go right over to F. M. Heidel's real estate office. I can always depend upon Heidel for bargains in real estate, as he never holds out false lights to induce people to buy. What he tells you about property may be set down as a solid fact. He controls a large list of desirable residences as well as farm properties, and his judgment on the 'good things' is par excellence. The trio, together with Heidel, entered the carriage. Heidel showed them several desirable properties, and the party was not long in making a trade with him for a cozy cottage on Fifth street.

"Having already provided a cage for the bird," said Uncle Josh, "now the first thing we'll look after will be the furnishings for it." Hereupon Polly energetically declared that she had heard so much about P. O. Brown, the furniture and carpet man, that she had decided to go there. The result was that they were ushered into such a bewildering display that the girl was at first at a loss how to select. But she soon yielded to the seductiveness of a magnificent parlor suite, a bedroom set in oak, golden finish, that would do credit to old Mr. Klondyke himself. To this she added an easy rocker for Uncle Josh, and didn't forget a most convenient and ornamental writing desk for "Hubby" Charles, having come to the conclusion that P. O. Brown's figures were below the very whisper of competition.

"A pretty good start," said the old man, "and we'll go to A. C. Archbold's big hardware and stove store where Polly's housewifely instincts will have full play in marvels of kitchen apparatus. There is not an establishment in the country that carries a more comprehensive stock of household furnishings," remarked Uncle Josh. "Every possible piece of kitchen furniture from a tin dipper to a cooking range is here in all styles and variety." If Polly fails to accomplish wonders in the culinary art, it will not be for want of superior cooking utensils, for she purchased a range with all equipments needed in a well regulated kitchen, while Charley bought an elegant parlor heater and a blue flame oil stove, all of which Uncle Josh paid for with delight cause he knew A. C. Archbold had treated him right, just as he does all his customers.

"Oh, say, Uncle," exclaimed Polly, "where can I go for dry goods? This dress is hardly suitable, I must admit." "Well, my girl, if you want to select from one of the most popular establishments in the city, I will direct you to H. Wehrung & Sons', who carry a stock of dress goods that for variety and real value is seldom seen outside the largest metropolitan cities. They carry all the latest weaves in fashionable dress goods and you are sure to be guided right in your selections. You will find H. Wehrung & Sons' pleasant to deal with and their employes polite and expert, while the prices cannot be duplicated." It did not take Polly long to tell a bargain when she saw one. She got a handsome dress, with all necessary trimmings, and several other articles of "fantastic disarray" so dear to the heart of every woman.

"Oh, me! oh my!" ejaculated Polly, as she noticed the big display of shoes, "what a perfectly lovely slipper. "Yes," said Uncle Josh, "that stock can't be equalled in style and extent in this section. Look it over and pick out what you want, I'll foot the bill." It might have been policy not to have extended that invitation, had not Uncle Josh known what wise economy it is to trade at H. Wehrung & Sons', for Polly found goods and prices so seductive that she purchased an outfit from a pretty slipper to a handsome walking boot. Charley invested in gent's fine shoes, while Uncle Josh indulged in a stout boot, with rubbers for the crowd. No one needing footwear can resist the styles and prices offered by H. Wehrung & Sons'.

"By the way, Uncle," said Charley, while Polly was engaged in the shoe store, "you know I'm somewhat of a nimrod, and I've heard so much about the China pheasant, that I have a very ardent desire to go out shooting once in a while. Is there a good sporting goods' house in town?" "Well, now, I do reckon," sententiously replied the old man. "We'll go right into E. L. McCormick's. He handles absolutely everything in the way of sportsmen's artillery, and you are sure to be treated right when when you buy of him. E. L. McCormick is exclusive agent for the Long Range smokeless shells, and that's the only kind I'd advise you to use." Calling at the reliable gun store, Charley invested in a fine hammerless shotgun, and enough Long Range smokeless shells to kill all the game in the state.

"Halt!" commanded Uncle Josh, as the party came in front of the handsome Delta Drug Store, "Walk right in." "Why, Uncle, we're not sick, and—" "Guess I know that, but I suspect it wont be long before this young man begins to take an interest in matters of paregoric and —" "U-n-c-l-e!" "We'll go in anyway, Polly may find some toilet articles she wants." Sure enough, before leaving she was loaded down with combs, brushes, face powders and ounces upon ounces of fine imported perfumes. "Don't forget," added Uncle Josh, "to come here with your prescriptions, as they are competent pharmacists and use pure and reliable drugs."

"By the way," remarked Uncle Josh, as he noticed his bank book, "Tomorrow I must go over to E. W. Haines' bank, at Forest Grove, and get another check book, and of course you will go with me and get acquainted with F. T. Kane, the cashier, and the staff, for of course you will do business with them and it is always more pleasant to be personally acquainted with the people you do business with. The bank is the best in the county and is as solid as the universe, and has a stout working capital and a surplus of several thousand. You will find them ever ready to extend any accommodations compatible with business principles."

"Guess I'll open up an account with E. W. Haines' bank," replied Charles, and the next day he did.

"Let's see—I promised you a gold watch and a diamond ring, too, didn't I," queried Uncle Josh of Polly, "and at Hoyt's, the jeweler, is the place to get good values—especially in diamonds, as he told me the other day that he had a large supply on hand bought before the raise, which he sells at the old prices." Entering the popular jewelry store the old man gallantly acquitted himself of the promise and then directed Polly's attention to the superior stock of silverware carried by the house. "There is no such a house in town," said the old man, "and I will guarantee the quality to be the very best. Pick out your family clock while here," he added. "Hoyt carries a magnificent line. Don't forget another fact," he continued, "if ever you unfortunately need optical goods, this is the place to come. He will test your eyes without extra charge, and say, my boy, remember that he is also an expert doctor on sick watches."

Woman like, Polly was discussing the matter of how she would arrange her new house and was interrupted by Uncle Josh. "And these house fixins remind me," said he, "that you havn't got your dishes yet. The most famous stock in extent, quality and completeness is at the Hillsboro Bazaar. But the average reader need not be told what an array of table ware Polly had to select from. There isn't positively a thing in the line of china, crockery, glass or porcelain needed for use or ornament in any part of the house that can not be found at Mrs. Wells' in indefinite variety and at wonderfully low prices.

After this visit, Uncle Josh suggested a resort to some place of refreshment.

At the table the old man waxed philosophical. "Never neglect your larder," said he. "That important adjunct to housekeeping controls masculine temper. To that end you must patronize a grocer on whom you can depend for honest goods. Through a long term of years I have found R. H. Greer perfectly reliable. You will find him a careful dealer, always fully stocked with every possible thing in the line of staple and fancy groceries fresh and first-class, no shelf-worn goods there, while the prices are down to brass tacks. To keep peace in this family get all your groceries of R. H. Greer."

While Uncle Josh was pondering where to go next, Polly suddenly asked: "Uncle, where can I find the leading millinery establishment?" "Just up the street," remarked Uncle Josh, "and we'll visit Mrs. Vrooman, who, by the way, has on hand one of the completest stocks of millinery to be found in the city. You can get what you want there, the latest styles being her motto. Mrs. Vrooman experience guarantees that when you have purchased of her you have the thing according to fashion and a satisfaction that your work has been done by a competent artist. In a few minutes there never was a happier girl than Polly for she purchased a perfect dream of a hat with all the style and at half the price generally found in a city store.

And another place I wish to take you, children, is to Climax Mill," remarked the old man. "Your introduction to Hillsboro would not be half complete without. Talk about flour, why bless you there ain't no flour that can come up to Moss Rose. It's made from choice selected wheat, and bread from it does not become dry and stale, but retains moisture and the natural flavor of the wheat for several days. All good housewives use it. Then as to feed, this firm is the headquarters for that. They handle everything from oats down to corn cobs, serve customers with promptness and dispatch. I've been dealing with Greear & Bridges for a long time and I tell you they are good men to tie to."

"Law sakes!" suddenly exclaimed Uncle Josh, "all this trading and shopping round town has caused me to forget one of the greatest essentials to future existence. I have heard it said that newly married folks could live on love and scenery, but an old man of experience knows better—your table would look slim without bread; it's the 'staff of life,' you know. Polly you must meet Mr. Burlingame, the baker. His bread, pies and cakes and nicknacks are conceded by all to be the finest on earth. Remember, Charley, there is no use of your 'ootsy tootsy' bothering herself about baking, so long as there is a good baker in town like Mr. Burlingame. He made that elegant cake I brought to your wedding." "Yes, and everybody said it was just lovely,' eagerly responded Polly.

"Yes, and while we are on this important topic of gastronomics, we must not forget meat. It goes hand in hand with bread. Now to locate a meat market where you can get fresh wholesome meats and poultry at all times. C. H. Koch is the man to supply you with that. This is the

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