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THE REPUBLICAN STATE PLATFORM

Declaration of Principles for the State Campaign of 1902

Following is the Republican platform in full as adopted by the state convention last week:

"The Republican party of Oregon in State Convention assembled, proud of its record and past history, its devotion to the principles of human liberty and human rights, its great and imperishable names which lend luster and glory to the American Nation at home and among the nations of the earth, and as an assurance of its continued fidelity to the great principles for which it has contended in the past in state and National affairs, does hereby make and affirm the following declaration of its principles:

"The events of the late war with Spain carried us into the Philippine Islands. We hold it to be consistent with the principles of liberty and of our National life and the sovereignty of the United States should be maintained in the islands, under such local self government as the people may be, or may become, fitted to participate in. We therefore declare against all proposals looking to the retirement of the United States from the Philippines Islands.

"That in the way which President Roosevelt has inaugurated against the gigantic combinations of incorporated capital he has the united and enthusiastic support of the Republican party of Oregon.

"We demand and insist upon the passage of the bill now pending in Congress for the exclusion of Chinese, known as the Mitchell-Kahn exclusion bill.

"We reaffirm our allegiance to the principles of protection in necessary cases of industries still in their infancy or unable to compete with foreign productions.

"We recognize the right of labor to organize and combine for mutual protection under the law, and we recommend that the legislature enact necessary legislation to protect labor in all its rights and privileges. In the interest of American labor and the up-building of the workingman as the corner-stone of the prosperity of our country, we recommend that Congress create a Department of Labor in charge of a Secretary, with a seat in the Cabinet.

"We demand that a law be passed by the next Legislature placing all public officers of this state upon reasonable salaries which shall not be increased during the incumbent's term of office, and beyond such salary they shall receive no compensation as fees or otherwise.

"In order to promote the development of the mineral resources of the state, we are in favor of the creation and maintenance of a mining bureau by the state.

"We declare our approval and support of the suggestions of President Roosevelt for the irrigation of the arid lands of the country. This work should undertaken by the United States as soon as possible, and carried forward on a consistent plan under direction of the General Government.

"We urge our Representatives in Congress and Senators to use every effort to secure the speedy opening of the Columbia river between the Dalles and Celilo, and for clearing the river of all obstructions to navigation from its mouth to the head of navigation. We urge also renewed and continued effort for improvement of our coast harbors and

streams within the state, and the speedy construction of an Isthmian canal.

"That the public lands are the heritage of the common people and should be held in trust for the use and benefit of all the people under the homestead laws. We are therefore unalterably opposed to all plans, schemes or propositions for leasing public domains, either to individuals or to corporations.

"We favor a policy by the state and the United States which shall further foster and support our fisheries, and we request the Legislature to enact such further measures as may be found by experience necessary to obtain this result.

"We demand and insist upon the immediate passage by Congress of the United States of the oleomargarine bill, known as the new Grout bill, now pending in the Senate.

"That we favor the proposed amendment to the state constitution providing for the initiative and referendum, and recommend its adoption by the people of the state.

"We declare our approval of the principles of the primary law enacted by the Legislature at the session of 1901, and we ask the Legislature to extend this law so that in its main features it may apply to primary elections in all election precincts throughout the state. And we further recommend the election of United States Senators by popular vote.

Watterson and Bryan, who are against "imperialism" and advocate the policy of "scuttle," do not have the support of such able democratic papers as the Atlanta Constitution, the Nashville American and the Memphis Commercial-Appeal. The democratic party, on this, as on nearly every other question of importance before the people, is divided.

When we think of the flag furling advocated by the democrats, and the arguments against the retention of territory acquired in the interests of humanity and consecrated with American blood, we are consoled with the assurance that the republican party holds the winning side on all great questions that will be before the country this year.

We wonder if those who have been trying to decide whether a college education pays took into consideration the "Varsity baseball players, who graduate into \$3,000 positions in the butcher's box of the National League.

A flatterer has recently styled Henry Watterson "the Chauncey Depew of the democratic party."

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BASE LAND AND LIEU LAND

Correct Information About a Matter That Causes Much Controversy.

What is base land? What is lieu land? Those terms have been used a great deal in the political discussion of late, and many persons are in the dark as to the meaning of these terms that have been the making and unmaking of more public men than any other question before the people.

In the first place a law of the United States gives to the several states each sixteenth and thirty-sixth section of land in a township as soon as it is surveyed by the government as school land.

These two sections become the property of the state, and are only to be used for the purpose of creating a fund for the support of the common schools. They are in a sense sacredly dedicated to the cause of public education. Another fact must be borne in mind, in order to understand this matter fully; most good lands are settled upon and claimed by some settler before they are surveyed. Now, if one of these sixteenth or thirty-sixth sections has been taken as a homestead prior to government survey, or if it is lost to the state for any other reason, and there may be several, a basis is created by law for selection of some other land in lieu thereof as school land.

Original school sections may be lost to the state in whole or in part by being located in a lake or on the ocean beach, or the township may be fractional, and the sections may be missing entirely.

If school sections are in a reserve that has been set off by the government for any purpose, the state can select an equal amount from any land in the state subject to entry.

Base that is located in any government reserve is made known to the state land department by the government land department, and then the state makes selection of school land in lieu thereof. When taken as a homestead prior to government survey, the surveyors discover the fact and report it to the land department, or someone else reports it, and the settler has ninety days to make good his proof. Base is created by a fractional township fronting on a navigable river or on a state boundary. Fractional townships are created by section lines failing to connect where long lines from opposite directions come together. The general law exempts all mineral land from settlement, and the school sections, if known to contain mineral, form base for selection of lieu lands. No mineral land can go to the state. The person who finds any of the above described land that is lost to the state from any reason under the laws or rulings of the land department can use his information for his own benefit.

He brings it to the knowledge of the general land office, and, if mineral, must bring proof by two good witnesses of its mineral character. This proof must be made before the register and receiver of the local land office, which then notifies the state that it is entitled to so much lieu land in place of it. The state then selects as much indemnity land in place of the sections that were not available for school land and it can select it from any land subject to entry within the state. If the state had knowledge of all existing base in time to send out men and locate it and select other land in place of it, it could get title

and hold and sell land for the school fund at its pleasure. But the citizen heads off the state, finds the base, locates the indemnity land and gets the advantage of the state. The state has no appropriation to send out men to hunt base or lieu land. The custom was established under Land Agent Davenport of allowing the citizen to hunt up base land, apply for the same, and apply for selection thereof by the state as lieu land. After the citizen has made the state do his business in the selection of indemnity land he buys it at the regular price of \$2.50 an acre for all school land. That is all the state finally gets.—Salem Journal.

The republican party has redeemed its grandest pledge in the final arrangements for a Cuban nation, freed from despotic tyranny.

Mr. Dillon's remarks to Mr. Chamberlain in the British House of Commons indicate that Tillmanism has even "invaded" England.

New York has just appropriated half a million dollars for public baths. Their principle value is to the poor during the extreme heat of summer.

San Francisco is a cosmopolitan city, containing larger colonies of a greater variety of foreign nations than any other in America. The best stores display signs in several languages indicating that each one is spoken inside.

The proposed action of the gang to bullyrag the candidates into line at the County Convention for their delegates to the state convention, was the chief reason for the action of the committee in forestalling their scheme.

The greatest victory that the American army has ever gained is that accomplished against the forces of disease in our insular possessions. In the case of Havana, once the hotbed of tropical epidemics, small-pox has been entirely stamped out and yellow fever practically so.

In the English courses at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, a spelling test proved that 66 2-3 per cent of the classes failed, in spite of two months' drilling in orthography. The greatest number failed on the words, "heterogeneous," "judgment" and "thorough." The professors at Northwestern say that the same conditions hold in all the other colleges of the country.

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Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition, beauty, vigor and cheerfulness, and soon disappears when the kidneys are out of order or diseased.

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