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THE STATE'S OLDEST NEWSPAPER (Established 1873)

THE MINOT CONVENTION AND PLATFORM

North Dakota's Redemption Platform published in full in another column is worthy of the earnest study of every voter opposed to a continuance of the state socialist and soviet rule.

We welcome the contest with Townleyism upon the straight issue of Americanism against socialism; order against anarchy; representative and constitutional government against a vile communism.

The Minot convention has drawn the indictment, set forth in unmistakable language the bill of complaint. It is now up to the voters to bring in a verdict on June 30 that will redeem this state and banish forever the foes of orderly government and the apostles of discontent and bunk.

No fair minded man, none but he whose greedy lips are glued to the public teat can longer condone the socialistic drift of the state administration. It is impossible for any government to endure that permits a state to engage in a business or to create a monopoly that injures private enterprises and lessens personal incentive and ambition.

The platform of the Anti-Townley Republican convention has arraigned the administration for its entry into matters foreign to the true functions of government. It points out in this warning the ultimate object of the red looters at the helm:

".....but we warn the people that the laws heretofore enacted, are but the beginning of the execution of an autocratic and confiscatory program advocated in part by visionaries, but more by political adventurers in an effort to establish and maintain an autocracy and to deprive the people of the security which the constitution affords to their lives, their liberty, and their right to acquire and enjoy the fruits of their own labor and thrift."

"And this in the arraignment of the tax laws: "We call attention to the fact that no excuse or explanation can be found for such taxes except that they are a step toward confiscating farm lands with the purpose of practically abolishing private ownership in conformity with socialist principles."

The warning is sounded and should arouse the people of this state to fight the menace with their ballots before it is too late.

Read and re-read the platform, then read it again. Its importance at this stage of the state's history cannot be overestimated. There is a spirit of no compromise about it that should appeal to every red blooded citizen.

A world court to preserve peace? Huh. What is a court without cops?

MAKING LOVE

"Making love" is a problem to hundreds of thousands of sterling young men and women. There are a great many young women who have no homes to which they can invite their men friends.

All have not good homes. Many, many young women, especially in the cities, have little more than a room in which to live. Being self-respecting, they can hardly invite their men friends there, no matter how upright and worthy both might be.

But courting is going to go on, somehow. Young people are going to meet. At times perhaps, less desirable, matches will be made, lacking proper environment. But they will be made. That brings one to "spooning in the parks."

If society will not solve the courting problem for a great army of young folks, young folks will try to solve it for themselves—and let one hope, happily.

Much of the support that flows to Mexican rebels is prompted by hatred of Carranza, and much more, perhaps, by fear of the rebels.

Isn't there some way of determining the alcoholic content of these Congressmen who advocate repeal of the Volstead law?

CONTEMPT OF COURT

There's a judge Collins by name, at Indianapolis, Ind., who ought to be recalled. It is probable that the citizens of Indianapolis would recall him if the state had a recall-of-judges law.

Judge Collins sought to stifle honest criticism of court officials by clamping the "contempt rule" gag on the managing editor of the Indiana Daily Times. He sentenced the editor to jail because his paper dared criticize the scandalous jail conditions in his city.

Because the Indiana Daily Times told the people the truth about the jail conditions and happenings in the grand jury room the managing editor has been sentenced to serve two terms in jail!

And this judge clings to the bench! He continues administering justice as he sees justice. He can defy public opinion until the last minute of his elective term. And then, in the heat of a political campaign, he may be re-elected—two years after this un-American attempt to deny the right of free speech, free press, and honest criticism.

Judges don't thus defy public opinion in states where they recall judges for such flagrant misuse of constructive contempt weapons.

Obviously the right answer to such judicial usurpation of powers is: Recall of judges!

An Atlantic City woman stole a pint of milk and learned that she was heir to \$5000. Now she can but a whole gallon.

The kaiser's new home is said to be one of the show places in Holland. Such punishment must be hard to bear.

The price of Bermuda onions fell off 50 cents a bushel. The crop is not yet in the hands of the big fellows.

Why worry about the shortage of houses. Boy, ask Mr. Knox to provide some by resolution.

In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to the shortage of dwelling houses.

What is the real business of the Department of Justice besides ignoring profiteers?

The epidemic of wife killing seems to indicate that this is the woman suffrage.

If America doesn't protect the dye industry it will soon be a dead industry.

Government doesn't get excited about a radical who is listed in Bradstreet's.

EDITORIAL REVIEW

Comments reproduced in this column may or may not express the opinions of The Tribune. They are presented here in order that our readers may have both sides of important issues which are being discussed in the press of the day.

THE APPROVED TOWNLEY METHOD

It has been urged upon the people in various sections of the state that there must be throughout North Dakota a string of farmers' newspapers, owned by the farmers and committed to their interest, in order that the "farmer" movement may receive the support to which it is entitled.

The uninstructed person might suppose that if such a need exists, the method by which it should be met would be quite simple, and in general conformity with the plans which are usually pursued in the creation of business organizations. In other words, an effort would be made to convince a sufficient number of residents in a given community of the need, to cause a corporation to be organized among those residents who are in sympathy with the movement to be supported, and then let these persons, having contribute the necessary funds, organize themselves by the election of officers and directors from among their own number, and employ such persons as they desire to conduct the technical work of the business, either in the operation of a purchased newspaper or the conduct of a new one.

That is not the Townley method of procedure, nor the method followed by the Townley satellites among whom mention may be made of one Job Brinton. Job has interested himself in a string of "farmer" newspapers, but the control which the farmers have in these sheets is not perceptible to the naked eye. Job has a different plan, and the manner in which it was recently employed at Mott is quite typical of the course of procedure wherever Brinton and his associates are active.

One H. B. Dunbar seems to have been the chief organizer of the concern which recently took over the Mott Pioneer Press for the purpose of making a real farmers' paper of it. Without going into all the criss-cross manipulations by which farmers were persuaded that they were getting something for their money, it is sufficient to say that when the thing is simmered down, the plain farmer pays \$20 for a share of stock which entitled him to one vote in the affairs of the corporation, while the Publishers' Service Bureau the Townley organization which Mr. Brinton and Mr. Townley represent pay one dollar for a share of stock which entitles the bureau through its agent, to one vote. In this particular case it appears that the bureau by an expenditure of \$300, controls 300 votes in the corporation, and this money, by the way, arises mostly from funds subscribed or notes given in exchange.—Grand Forks Herald.

The extravagance of the state government under this socialistic regime is conceded by all. A riot of profligacy exists in nearly all departments of the state. Unnecessary offices, bureaus and commissions have been created with excessive salaries, to furnish place for loud mouthed and persistent enemies of Americanism. The door has been opened to an invasion of our state by the shiftless, the thiffling and the criminal. Lawlessness and treason have been encouraged, excused and defended. The governor of this fair state insulted every mother, every exserviceman, and all loyal citizens by attempting to interfere in the due administration of justice in the case of at least one notorious criminal, an enemy to all our institutions. The administration and its organs have preached democracy, but have lost no opportunity to apologize for or defend the grossest forms of autocracy and despotism and maintain under the guise of friendship for the farmer and the working man an autocracy, which condemns public officials who obey their oaths of office, and has arbitrarily suspended, removed or eliminated such faithful officials.

THE HUMAN ROULETTE WHEEL



NORTH DAKOTA'S REDEMPTION PLATFORM ADOPTED

The republican party of the state of North Dakota assembled in representative convention, re-affirms its allegiance, to the constitution of the United States, and its determination to maintain the guaranties of civil, political and religious liberties therein outlined, with the republican form of government which it provides and guarantees to each of the states.

Among the guaranties of the constitution is the right to individual property and the liberty to engage in any lawful avocation and to pursue it in a legitimate manner; and all individuals and minorities irrespective of race, creed or occupation, are entitled to the rights so assured them.

Opposes State Socialism One of the basic American principles of the government is to protect the individual. This means not only that the state shall protect the individual. This means not only that the state shall protect him against monopoly and from unlawful competition by other individuals, but equally means that the state shall not further engage in that form of state socialism under which it enters into business or creates a monopoly injuring or destroying the business of the private person, or unduly lessening the incentive and the ambition, which are the birthright of every normal person, to earn his own living from the profits of any industry or profession which his talents, opportunities, tastes and aspiration lead him to engage in and lawfully conduct.

Resists War Acts During the recent war it became necessary for the federal and state governments to pursue methods and enact measures for the defense and preservation of our institutions, which are unwise and wholly unwarranted in times of peace. We demand the early repeal of such measures and the abandonment of all such methods, whether in nation or state.

League Policies Un-American We assert that the policies and principles of the socialistic leaders of the Nonpartisan league as evidenced by recent amendments of the constitution, enacted to put into effect its socialistic program, and the new constitution it attempted unlawfully to impose upon the state, and many laws not enacted as the voluntary act of either the people or the legislature, but at the dictation of a group of agitators and agitators, confiding but misguided citizens, are not only un-republican, but un-American. They violate many of the inherent rights of humanity recognized by the declaration of independence and our constitution. They are an attempt to set up a rule by classes; to take from some and give to others; and cast an unjust share of the burdens on some, and relieve others of their due proportion.

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Amend Compensation Law They have enacted a workmen's compensation law and rules for its administration which take from employers of the state hundreds of thousands of dollars in excess of all legitimate requirements, and which do not bear equally upon employers in accordance with the risks. We favor amendment to remedy such defect.

Take Private Property They have attempted by unconstitutional and arbitrary measures to take private property for purely private purposes, a thing unheard of in the annals of American legislation, and contrary to all principles of justice and equity.

Americanism vs. Socialism

The real issue in the campaign in this state is between Americanism and socialism. The Nonpartisan league leaders, masquerading as republicans, have made their record on this issue not only in their public utterances during the war, but by the measures they advocate, and by means of secret caucus of legislation antagonistic to and in direct conflict with the spirit of our institutions.

Insult American Flag Theodore Roosevelt said, "There is room for but one flag in our country." Yet two sessions of our legislature under the domination of un-American leadership have refused to enact same measures prohibiting the display of the red flag, the symbol of anarchy and hostility to all things American, and have also refused to enact laws making syndicalism and sabotage crimes.

Schools Endangered Laws have been enacted, which seriously imperil the future of our public school system, by placing it under political influences and harboring teachers and professors who are public enemies, as well as by removing the safeguards from funds donated by congress in trust for the education of our children for all time. The talented and efficient head of our school system, who was elected over the league candidate by a large majority, has been deprived of the power to perform the functions belonging to the office for no reason except that she had too high a regard for her oath of office and her duty to the public to bow obsequiously to the state's self appointed dictators.

Ignore Constitution In their schemes to carry out their policies the Nonpartisan league leaders attempted to override the constitution by the blanket act, attaching the emergency clause to certain laws which failed to receive the requisite two-thirds majority.

Free Love Rampant They sought to corrupt our people by providing for the circulation of literature intended to inculcate doctrines of free love and to destroy the sacredness of the marriage relation, and home and then offered the flimsy excuse that because such literature is found in purely reference libraries it should be distributed even among the school children. The only new literature brought by the present administration through its imported agents like Strangeland and other, is literature teaching the doctrines of socialism, bolshevism, communism and free love.

Bank of North Dakota They enacted a law providing for a state bank wherein all public funds are required to be deposited, thus withdrawing from each locality its own funds and placing them where they can be misapplied to maintain and conduct monopolies and enterprises competing with legitimate private industries; and have deposited large sums of money outside the state, thus depriving our farmers of money necessary to carry on their farming operations.

Subsidized Press They have created a subsidized press in every county by compelling taxpayers and litigants to contribute to the maintenance of newspapers, having no excuse for existence except to incite envy and hatred and to publish their un-American propaganda.

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Tax Laws Unjust

They have passed tax laws imposing far greater burdens on some classes of individuals and property than upon others. The proportion of taxation borne by the farms in comparison with that borne by other classes of property has been largely increased, and money and credits to the amount of millions of dollars have been exempted from bearing their share of the burden.

To Confiscate Farms We call attention to the fact that no excuse or explanation can be found for such tax laws except that they are a step toward confiscating farm lands with the purpose of practically abolishing private ownership, in conformity with socialistic principles.

Dictate Women's Votes They have attempted by an absent voters' law to give the organizers and paid henchmen of the league the opportunity to dictate the votes of women in violation of the provisions of the constitution requiring a secret ballot.

Builders Law Impracticable They have enacted a so-called homebuilders law which is impracticable and can be operated only at enormous expense to the state and with little or no advantage to the home-builder. This has been done to catch votes and to make fat jobs for their henchmen.

Agitators on Payroll They have enacted an immigration law and appropriated two hundred thousand dollars, for its administration, with no purpose but to furnish employment for paid agitators and advocates of the socialistic program both within and without this state.

Sabotage Permitted They have passed an anti-injunction law which leaves the farmer the greatest employer of labor in the state, practically at the mercy of the I. W. W. and other elements who seek to practice sabotage and to interfere with the operation of the farm.

Beginning Autocratic Program It is impossible to enumerate in any proper space the socialistic and un-American laws which have been forced upon the people by means of misrepresentation and the exercise of dictatorial powers on the part of the socialist leaders of the league, but we warn the people that the laws heretofore enacted, are but the beginning of the execution of an autocratic and confiscatory program advocated in part by visionaries, but more by political adventurers in an effort to establish and maintain an autocracy and to deprive the people of the security which the constitution affords to their lives, their liberty, and their right to acquire and enjoy the fruits of their own labor and thrift.

Program Un-Republican We charge that such a program is un-republican and that its proponents and advocates are not republicans, and are not entitled to participate in the deliberations of the republican party.

Condemn Governor We condemn the governor for refusing to allow the people of the state to exercise their right to initiate measures as provided by the constitution, and we favor the enactment of such laws as shall restore the functions now exercised by the chief executive of this state to the officials to whom they rightfully belong.

Experts vs. Politicians We advocate the placing of the management and control of the state elevators and mills already established by a vote of the people in the hands of nonpolitical experts of this state who have knowledge of the grain and milling business, and understand a system of auditing and accounting as shall enable the people to know at all times the exact status of the business; and as long as such business remains in the experimental stage we favor limiting the use of state funds for construction purposes to approximately two million dollars.

Bank is Menace The Bank of North Dakota as or-

ganized and managed is a menace to the welfare of the state. Past experience has proven that banks organized upon such principles have invariably been failures. We therefore favor the amendment of the law so that the bank may become a farm loan bank and furnish first mortgage farm loans at a minimum interest rate to the farmers and that the same be placed under the strict regulation and examination by at least two elective departments of the state and that school districts, townships, villages, cities, and municipalities and counties shall be restored to the right of handling their own funds.

Should Audit Boards The governor, industrial commission, a majority of the supreme court, and the leadership of the Nonpartisan league having repeatedly refused to the taxpayers of the state any public audit and report by elective officers or boards, of the Bank of North Dakota, the workmen's compensation bureau, and the state mill and elevator at Drake; and whereas the state board of auditors whose duties are comprehensive enough, and its members qualified to demand as an inherent right that such audits be at once permitted by and through the board of auditors, and that sworn itemized reports of such audits be forthwith published, to the end that there may be no question or doubt as to the use of public funds.

Amend Hail Law We favor the amendment of the present hail insurance law, so as to provide a larger indemnity and in such a manner that the crops of no farmer shall be insured unless he applies for insurance and so no land not insured shall be taxed to maintain insurance on other lands.

Opposed to New Laws We favor the enactment of new laws relating to taxation which shall conform to the spirit of our institutions. We oppose all measures tending to destroy the equal protection of the laws, equality of opportunity, and the right to engage in any legitimate avocation.

Protect Farmers' Interests We recognize that agriculture is the paramount industry in our state and we favor the enactment of such just measures as may be necessary to afford it the most adequate opportunity and protection, and possibly through marketing farm products and otherwise.

Favor Equal Protection In recognition of the principle that the worker is worthy of his hire we believe the equal protection of all classes by government and that an honest day wage should be paid for an honest day's labor, and that organization guided by the principles of justice, unselfishness and equality contribute to the solution of the problems of the general welfare of the people.

Abolish Extravagant Offices We demand the abolition of the many unnecessary and expensive offices established under the regime of the socialists the elimination of the unnecessary employees, and repeal of the laws providing for the incurring of enormous indebtedness to the issuance of additional millions of dollars of bonds for purposes foreign to the exercise of the proper functions of government.

Enlarge Bonus Benefits We express our appreciation of the services and sacrifices of those of our citizens who fought to maintain the union during the civil war, to preserve our honor during the Spanish war, and those who fought in the recent world war to protect us and to make safe our ideals, and we demand the legislative assembly that the soldier's bonus law be so amended as to apply to all honorably discharged North Dakota service men and women and those still in the service and to extend the full benefit without restriction as to use, and that the funds be managed by the legislature by the next legislative assembly.

Rigid Economy Demanded We insist on the most rigid economy consistent with an efficient administration of the state affairs by all departments of the government, state, county and municipal, and we urge all our citizens to exercise thrift and economy in their private affairs. And we pledge all of our candidates to such economy.

The foregoing and many other matters not mentioned are so vitally important in this state that we have omitted all reference to national affairs.

Americanism or Sovietism We call upon all loyal and patriotic citizens to carefully consider the principles underlying American institutions; knowing that when they do so, they will discover that they have not already done so, that the socialist program, while it may be in harmony with the doctrines and practices of soviet Russia, the Spartacides of Germany, and the propaganda of radical agitators the world over, is totally out of harmony with American ideals and all that our institution represent.

BABY SUFFERED WITH RASH

On Forehead. Itched and Burned, Formed Crust. Was Sore. Cuticura Heals.

"Baby suffered with a rash on her forehead, and it went into her hair. It started with little pimples and formed a crust. Itched and burned and was sore. She would scratch and it stopped her baby from growing. Cuticura Soap and Ointment brought more, and in three weeks was healed, after using one box of Cuticura Soap and two boxes of Ointment." (Signed) Mrs. W. Ingersoll, Chappell, Nebraska, July 25, 1919.

Keep Your Skin Clear Scalp Clean, Hands Soft Cuticura Soap to cleanse, purify and beautify. Cuticura Ointment to soften, soothe and heal. Have been most successful in preserving clear skin, clean scalps, and good hands, as well as in preventing itching eruptions becoming great ones.