The Democratic State Platform.

Following is the platform adopted at the state convention at Columbus:

We, the democrats of Nebraska, in convention assembed, reaffirm our faith in the principles of the party as enunciated in the last national platform, adopted at Kansas City.

We denounce the national republican administration for its failure to carry out its promises heretofore made and its subservience to special interests at the expense of and to the detriment of the interests of the public at large

We are unalterably opposed to any form of asset currency legislation and to any legislation of the character of the Aldrich bill.

We demand that the attorney genenal of our state shall make application to the supreme court of the United States for permission to put the Nebraska maximum freight law into immediate effect, in accord with the suggestion of the court. In the campaign one year ago the democracy of Nebraska charged that the election of a republican legislature would be a victory for the railroads and other corporate interests which presume to dictate in state affairs

We call attention to the faithful manner in which republican officials have championed the corporations, enacting and applying statutes to the injury of the home owners, farming and business interests to the profit of the railroads and othe public corporations. We charge that the late republican legislature deliberately substituted the Ramsey bill intending thereby to deny to the farmers of this state all relief from the grain trust, the most burdensome and exacting combine now operating within this state.

We arraign the republican party of Nebraska for the failure of the last legislature to keep its ante-election promises; to provide a just and equitaple revenue law, and charge that it surreodered to corporate influence and dictation, discriminated in favor of the railroads in the taxation thereof

We arraign the republican state administration for its extravagant expenditures and for burdening the state with an immense floating indebtedness as a direct result of such action and we demand a more economic handling of the public funds The shameful interference by Governor Mickey in the efforts of his deputies to properly and honestly enforce the provisions of the oil inspection law should meet the severe condemnation of every lover of law. His notorious and successful attempt to permit the Standard Oil company to sell in this state a grade of oil condemed by his deputies as dangerous to the life and property of consumers must be construed as evidence of woeful ignorance or criminal collusion.

We believe the judiciary to be the corner stone of American government, both state and national. Upon its ability, independence and integrity rests the future of American institutions. We therefore demand that the judiciary of this state be kept free from partisan bias and the undue influence of special and corporate interests.

We commend to the voters of Nebraska the record of John J Sullivan as embodying our ideas of the high character the judiciary ought to entertain

We invite all citizens, without reference to their political affiliations, who agree with us in the foregoing principles and who believe in an independent judiciary to support the nominees of this convention

Another Lie Nailed.

The article published in the Lynch Journal last week charging W. H. Westover, our district judge, with being drunk and referring you to Butte people for proof was as untruthful as the parties are dishonest who had anything to do with getting it up. It was evidently a Fisher scheme.

W. T. Wills was closeted with McFarland several hours the day previous to publication day and Wills and Fisher assisted at the O'Neill Frontier office in getting out an extra edition of a thousand copies of that paper with the article copied from the Journal. After that Wills went to Rushville—Mr. Westover's home, where he called at both newspaper offices and declared the statement to be a lie.

The publication of the article referred to has made many republican votes for Mr. Westover especially in Butte where you were referred to for proof. All honest and fair minded men are thoroughly disgusted with such methods and it is well they should be. Some one will have to answer for this in the near future without doubt.

Below will be found affidavits from various prominent men—mostly republicans:

Butte, Nebr., Oct. 22, 1903. To whom it may concern: I do hereby certify that owing to a request made of me by one of the Presiding Elders of Northwest Nebraska Conference, M. E. church, I made a careful investigation of the rumor that had been set afloat concerning the character of Judge Westover and especially concerning the report that he went on a drunk the last day of his term of court in Butte I am glad to report after consulting with republicans and those who would naturally be opposed to Judge Westover politically, I could find no foundation for the report, but on the other hand all agree in denouncing it a political lie. This investigation carried on, not for political purposes, but decause of Judge Westover's standing in the M E church and especially as he is a delegate to the General Conference of our church Truly yours,

G. F. MEAD, Pastor M E. chutch, Butte, Nebr

State of Nebraska, } ss
Boyd County, }

Peder Anderson being duly sworn deposes and says that he has been sheriff of Boyd county for nearly 2 years last past. That he is well acquainted with Judge Westover and saw him every day during the last term of court That the statement published in the newspapers that the Judge was drunk on the last day of said term is false. PEDER ANDERSON

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 22nd day of October 1903. F. A. PUTNAM, Clerk District Court.

State of Nebraska, } ss
Boyd County, }

G. S. Wright being first duly sworn deposes and says that for nearly two years he has been deputy sheriff of Boyd county, and as such has attended the various terms of court. That he is well acquainted with Judge Westover and saw him many times each day and evening during last session of court, and that no time during said term or after court was adjourned until he left Butte, was said Westover drunk or under the influence of liquor. I believe the report that such was the case, to be wholly untrue and to have been made for political purposes, G. S WRIGHT.

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 22nd day of October 1903 F. A. PUTNAM, Clerk District Court.

State of Nebraska, } ss
Boyd County, }

C. F. Brown being first duly sworn deposes and says, that for nearly four years last past he has been county treasurer of Boyd county, that he is acquainted with Allen G. Fisher, republican candidate for district judge of this district. That early in October of this year he met Fisher in an office in Butte and had a conversation with him. That during said conversation said Fisher made the statement that Judge Westover was drunk in Butte on the last day of the last term of court in this county after court adjourned. I then and there told him that the statement was false. Affiant further says that during all of said term of court he boarded at the Hotel Oxford in Butte, and that Judge Westover boarded at the same hotel That he saw the Judge every day at meal times and was in his company nearly every evening and especially on the evening that court adjourned. I was with the Judge on the sidewalk in front of the hotel in company of several others until the carriage was driven up in which he and others drove to Bonesteel. I know positively that Judge Westover was not drunk or under the influence of liquor on said day or evening or at any other time during our acquaintance. I believe that the statement made by said Fisher and afterwards published in the Lynch Journal and O'neill Frontier to have been maliciously manufactured for political purposes and know that there was no foundation in fact, for a report of that kind. C. F BROWN.

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 22nd day of October, 1903 F. A. PUTNAM, Clerk District Court

State of Nebraska, } ss
Boyd County, }

Ed Adkins being first duly sworn deposes and says that he is the proprietor of the Hotel Oxford at Butte, Nebraska, that during the recent term of the district corut in said Co., Judge Westover boarded at said hotel and affiant saw him many times during each day and evening of the adjournment of court and at no time have I seen him under the influence of liquor, and know personally that at the time he is charged in the news papers that he was drunk, he was duly sober. I further state that I never heard anyone charge that the Judge was drunk, until Allen G. Fisher came to town in Oct of this year and circulated the report. I believe the report to be wholly untrue and without any foundation in fact, and that it was made solely for political purposes. ED ADKINS,

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 22nd day of October, 1903. F. A. PUTNAM, Clerk District Court

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Rushville Standard: The felonons attacks the republican papers of the east end of this district are making on Judges Westover and Harrington are uncalled for and will rebound on the dogs of the pen with telling force.

Rushville Standard: There is a one horse paper, called the Journal, in a one horse town, called Lynch, edited by a one horse man in Boyd county. Now it happens that one Allen G. Fisher, whose moral conduct is considered considerably below par, was down at Lynch not long since, and the next week the Journal came out in an article openly accusing Judge Westover of being drunk at Butte the evening after court adjourned. Of course everybody who knows Judge Westover knew that the accusation was a bad bold lie, manufactured for political purposes, and little attention was paid to it until last week the article appeared in half a dozen republican papers, among them being the noted scandalous sheet publised at O'Neill known as the Frontier which is edited by one Cronin, who is also postmaster at the above named town. This corrupt rag issued several hundred extra copies and circulated them promiscously over the district in hopes of injuring Judge Westover, but we are inclined to think the Frontier's rot will explode and the stench, like the boomerang, will return to the nostrils of the slinger. Being somewhat curious about the matter the Standard interviewed W. T. Wills, the republican candidate for district judge, who happened to be in Rushville last Monday, and who is a resident of Butte. Mr. Wills said that he was in Butte the day court adjourned and had cases before the court; that he was in town until six o'clock that evening, that he saw Judge Westover up to that hour and he felt perfectly safe in saying that there are no grounds for such assertions as appeared in print in those papers. Shortly after six o'clock Judge Westover drove across the country from Butte to Bonesteel and took the train for home. People who know Capt.(?) Fisher and are acquainted with his method of campaigning, and it being known that he was nosing around Lynch about that time, can guess pretty close as to where these libelous reports orignated. To the voters of this district the Standard wishes to say that you can expect to hear many such scandalous reports emulating from such sources on the eve of election. It is one of the political tricks of the shysters who are mere hirelings of corporations and political grafters and are ready to fall in line with anything they may dictate in order to elect men who are in sompathy with the railroads and other robber corporations. Use your own judgement, judge these men by their past and present behavior and do not heed the dirty slings of such corportion sheets.

The Valentine Bottling Works puts up eleven different kinds of drinks. 17

Rushville Standard: Judges Westover and Harrington, candidates for judges of the district court, have been tried and both have proven competent and worthy of re-election.

Deputy State Superintendent J. H. McBrien will deliver an address on Optimism vs Pessimism at the M. M. church, Saturday evening, Oct. 31, at 7:30 o'clock. Mr. McBrien is an interesting speaker and it is hoped that all interested in education, especially parents, will be present.

There will be a union Sunday school convention held in the M. E. church, Wednesday, Nov. 4th, commencing at 9 a. m. All Sunday schools in Cherry county are urged to send at least one delegate and a report. We will have two state workers with us at that time and a rare treat is in store for all who attend.

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Order of Hearing and Notice of Probate of Foreign Will.

In the County Court of Cherry County, Nebraska.

STATE OF NEBRASKA }
COUNTY OF CHERRY. }

To the heirs and to all persons interested in the estate of Cephas W. Carpenter deceased:

On reading the petition of Mathew B. Carpenter praying that the instrument filed in this Court on the 28th day of October 1903, and purporting to be a duly authenticated copy of the last will and testament of Cephas W. Carpenter deceased, that said instrument be admitted to probate, and the administration of said estate be granted to Henry P Upham and others as executor for the State of Nebraska. It is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter, may, and do appear at the county court to be held in and for said county on the 14th day of November A. D. 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m., to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Valentine Democrat a weekly newspaper printed in said county, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 28th day of October. A D 1903,

SEAL W. K. TOWNE, County Judge.

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