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WILLIAMS WILL LEAD

In selecting John R. Williams to head the Democratic campaign committee, Oklahoma Democrats made no error. Mr. Williams is a Democrat of the royal blue line, who believes in progress and prosperity and is an apostle of progress. The party feeling is good, there is evidence those who are certain the faith is good for all men want to get into the harness and Mr. Williams will find the war horses all ready to start the work for the further development and progress of the state; attainable only through application of those known, stated and acceptable policies of a militant state Democracy. Instead of being in danger of defeat, the party was never stronger, nor the people more determined we succeed at the polls. Mr. Williams will never allow the spirit to grow weak, nor will he permit slacking of the taut Democratic tugs. In making Oklahoma Democratic we are but adding to the hope of winning in the next National campaign. Out of the states west of the Missouri river, it is to come a Democracy that new splinters nor splatters over no thing immaterial. Our forces see that Republicanism is sectional and therefore baneful. To overcome the errors of the past and establish a government wherein all are granted the constitutional right of citizenship and no more is the task of militant, progressive Democracy. It must first assimilate all of the forces which strive for equality before the law, but that is being rapidly accomplished and the dawn of a better day seems at hand for the Nation—largely fashioned by the militant spirit of right and progress which obtains in Oklahoma today.

Having charged Oklahoma with going backward and retarding the growth or construction of public utilities, the state Republican organization is under great strain, the census department having announced we progressed more in three years of statehood than any other state in five, that we have accomplished financial and numerical growth under difficulties from abroad and that our development is the marvel of the age. Of course, all this was done under Democratic rule and we are still going so fast the negationists are kept busy getting out of the way of our progress trains. It is hard to be a pessimist in Oklahoma and the optimistic Democrats hardly take time to bury the pessimistic opponents to the state's rapid development.

INCONSISTENCY INCONSISTENCY Inconsistency is one of the principal assets of state Republicanism. That party never tries two campaigns in the same manner, save because expense of organization is always borne by special privilege and therefore must never be either assailed or left without defense. Had there been allowed the semblance of leadership, state Republicanism might have gotten along and not been compelled to allow all charges go unchallenged, but as it is, the opposing party to Democracy is allowed but one appellation, that because of inconsistency, is in a class to, by and for itself.

Joseph McNeal was destined for state slaughter by Oklahoma Republicans. Not because he was a leader of his fellows or because he had ever done anything worth while, but because, as a banker, he has money and can produce. The best friends McNeal has in the state wish him to get through the campaign without expenditure of too much money. But as he announces he has made plenty of money and has some to spare, perhaps 'tis as well the larrupins who urged him forward get theirs, and allow McNeal to return to private life as soon as possible.

GUTHRIE A FACTORY CITY

No matter what the political aspect nor what it costs to become the great factory city of the state, Guthrie has the start, the facilities and the opportunities to improve to make it the factory city of the new state. To lose sight of this spells municipal disaster and delay. We have opportunity and we have all necessary facilities. Let us make the best of them in establishing a great factory city that must eventually make a commercial metropolis.

Abe Martin says: Little boys now roll cigarettes instead o' hoops. Speaking of personal liberty, nobody's ever kicked 'em th' dey goods stores haint

INDIAN AFFAIRS TO DATE

Dodging the Indian question will avail Republicanism naught in this state. Half of the state population is now in that section once designated as Indian Territory, to say nothing of the Osage country and those various Oklahoma sections where the Indian question has been one of extraordinary moment. The Indians have been despoiled by land grabbers, say the people who read little and think less, and for once there is much of truth in the statement—but the great shame and wrong done, has been through delays of departments, the red man being compelled to drax all of the details of treaties and acts of congress through the interior department, represented by Hitchcock and Garfield, the most monumental asses ever assembled in an executive department of government of enlightened countries. When McMurray boldly stated that he could go forth and get Indian contracts for more than ten per cent, he stated the absolute truth. Those Indians who deal with McMurray would at this moment sign a contract for fifteen per cent, if they had the least assurance of an early settlement of all their relations with the executive department of the Federal government. And they would have profited much, five or six years ago, had they been able to have settled with Uncle Sam and given twenty-five per cent to some man who could have driven their deal through at that moment.

In 1906 McAlester was the largest city in Indian Territory, was best located and ought today to be a city of 50,000 people. It is evidence of what has happened by delay. There is no use moralizing; delays brought about present conditions; the government should have acted and failed to do so. Republicanism must bear the brunt.

STRUGGLE FOR CONTROL

Republicanism is in the dying grasp of those who have lost faith in party, yet still seek to control. Expediency has fought its last aggressive battle. The people no longer hunger for what Republicanism may or may not wish to do. The story is as of yore. The people do not always appease the man of greed or avarice. Today Democracy is strong, not so much because of what it has done, but rather because the advocates of her doctrines have stood steadfast to the faith and the disciples refused to be led astray by the false teachings of those who whispered in the ears of the god of expediency. Democracy stands foremost as in older days. The people realize that Republican ideas have made the country tremble because of the doctrine that, to succeed, we must give away more than we may secure in return. That doctrine of immediate success has been exploited to the sorrow and cost of the commonalty; we are as ever in opposition. The time-tried, time-honored principles of Democracy have not changed; they never will, because they can not.

Throughout the entire United States go those who are allied to Republican faiths, and they go for the purpose of changing public sentiment and in the hope of changing the principles of free government. With us, 'tis but the question of standing fast and true and being true to ourselves and the whole people. What matters those days when we were driven away from the seat of authority? We were then as now correct. The people err, but seldom err long at a time; the people are with us. We need the name of no man living or dead to arouse the commonality. We are Democrats. The people are Democratic in taste and desire. They are with and for us. Because of this we need take no line quarreling with political opponents. It is a case wherein we may have the opportunity to do and see the right and have it enforced for the whole people.

THE STATE PRESS.

(Shawnee Herald.) "Seven cities claimed blind Homer dead. Through which the living Homer begged his bread."

The lines are quoted because they are not applicable to the present situation in Oklahoma as regards Governor Haskell. With Oklahoma City and Muskogee fighting over the possession of the first governor as soon as his term of office is ended, it is evident that he at least will not have to wait until after death for his apothecary.

Don't think that piles can't be cured. Thousands of obstinate cases have been cured by Doan's Ointment. 59

SIX STATE SCHOOLS OPEN

Larger Attendance Expected This Year at Secondary Institutions

Six secondary schools of agriculture were opened today. This is the second year and it is expected that large gains will be made in each instance. The attendance last year averaged 100 per school.

The building at Goodwell, Panhandle district, was accepted on the 25th. There are no state dormitories at the schools. Dean R. H. Pittuck reports, however, that citizens of Broken Arrow, Helena and Warner will provide dormitories.

At Tishomingo there are many Choctaw and Chickasaw Indian students, whose expenses are paid by the interior department.

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People are moving to the schools which are fast becoming centers. Dean Pittuck finds that several farmers have moved to towns in which schools are located or to farms near by, in order to put children in the schools.

It was reported from Stillwater today that the attendance at the state agricultural and mechanical college, Stillwater, will be very large this year. Three days will be required for registering new students. There were 600 in the regular courses last year and 1,600 students in the all regular and special branches and normal school, not counting the farmers' short course.

Contrast is everything. It is the root of humor and much else that lights our grayish world.

The personal point of view is a necessary adjunct to all really entertaining conversation, but it takes a real artist to know when to stop and how far to go.

You can't drown trouble in alcohol. The more you try the worse you get and the more you drink.

He makes a false wife that suspects a true.

All men are alike under the skin, but the skin may be clear or dirty and that is what makes the difference.

At twenty years of age the will reigns; at thirty the wit; and at forty the judgment.

It is not enough that you do not hurt or injure your neighbor, unless you be ready to take all proper opportunities of doing him good.

Your lazy man, in a world of workers usually finds in the end that he has to work harder than anyone else.

Labor rid us of three great evils—stupidness, vice and poverty. All the while there are fools there will be knaves.

Before you boast of your ancestors hide the family photograph album.

A man seldom insists that he is a gentleman unless he isn't.

A girl really doesn't enjoy reading a poem to a man unless he is holding her hand.

What doth it profit a man to pray for the heathen if he isn't on speaking terms with his neighbors.

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Some pluck is just bold enough not to show when it is scared.

It's wiser to be pleased by a fancy thing to be annoyed by a fact.

When indifference shows it is not real indifference.

The great drawback to a long life is that it necessitates old age.

Luck doesn't amount to much unless it is mixed with a little brains.

The early bird gets the worm, but on the other hand the early worm gets eaten.

Teacher—"Why are the days longer in summer than in winter?" Bobby Bright—"Because heat expands."

The prospects of a Prohibition candidate is generally so poor it's a wonder they don't drive him to drink.

SEARED WITH A HOT IRON. Or scalded by overturned kettle—cut with a knife—bruised by slammed door—injured by gun or in any other way—the thing needed at once is Bucklen's Arnica Salve or subdue inflammation and kill the pain. It's earth's supreme healer, infallible for Boils, Ulcers, Fever Sores, Bzema and Piles. 25c at all Druggists.

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Don't waste your money buying plasters when you can get a bottle of Chamberlain's Liniment for twenty-five cents. A piece of flannel dampened with this liniment is superior to any plaster for lame back, pains in the side and chest, and much cheap

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