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STATEHOOD RESOLUTIONS

Pursuant to circulated call, the citizens of Wagoner and vicinity met at the mayor's office Saturday night, October 20 at eight o'clock, for the purpose of considering the organization of a league looking to the union of Oklahoma and the Indian Territory under one State government.

On motion, Wellington H. Meigs was elected temporary chairman and Charles Comstock temporary secretary.

After the object of the meeting had been stated by the chairman, a motion was made that the chair appoint a committee on constitution and bylaws. The chair appointed as such committee C. E. Castle, R. D. Jarboe and J. H. Thigpen.

After a short recess, the committee on constitution and bylaws reported the following constitution:

CONSTITUTION OF THE LEAGUE OF SINGLE STATEHOOD PROMOTERS.

Section 1. This organization shall be known as the..... League of Single Statehood Promoters.

Sec. 2. The object hereof are: (a), to effect a union of the Territory of Oklahoma and Indian Territory under one government; (b), to educate the public mind upon the advantages and benefits to be derived from such union; (c), to hasten the admission into the Union of States the two Territories as one State; (d), to promote "home rule" and such other Federal legislation by Congress as, with just and righteous administration of our laws, will result in the greatest good to the greatest number of our people.

Sec. 3. The officers shall be: a president, a vice-president, a secretary, a treasurer and an executive committee of five members, of which the president shall be ex-officio chairman; all of whom shall hold office for one year and until their successors are elected and installed.

Sec. 4. Elections may be by ballot, viva voce or otherwise as a majority of the members present may decide immediately before taking the poll, and the parliamentary rule and regulations governing the deliberations of this League shall be those last enforced in the House of Representatives of the United States.

Sec. 5. The funds of this League shall be raised by voluntary donations, held in trust by the treasurer and by him paid out in such sums and for such purposes as may be voted by a majority of the members present at any meeting. The League shall hold regular meetings on the..... day of each.....

Sec. 6. All male persons over the age of 16 years shall be eligible to membership, and all such persons subscribing to this constitution shall thereby become members of this League.

Sec. 7. This constitution may, at any meeting, be amended, modified or suspended by a three-fourths majority vote of the members present.

MEMBERSHIP PLEDGE.

Sec. 8. We, the undersigned

citizens of..... I. T., and vicinity hereby pledge ourselves to abide by the above and foregoing constitution and by all honorable means to labor to advance the cause of the union of Oklahoma and the Indian Territory and their speedy admission into the Union as one State.

On motion, the constitution was unanimously adopted as read.

The chair declared nominations for president of the league to be in order, whereupon Hon. C. E. Castle was unanimously elected president, followed by the election of Hon. W. T. Hunt as vice-president, Wellington H. Meigs as secretary, and Fred Parkinson as treasurer.

After the election of officers, President Castle appointed the following executive committee—Capt. H. F. Jones, A. F. Parkinson, J. C. Casaver, R. D. Jarboe, J. C. B. Lindsey.

Following the organization, the following resolutions were presented by Meigs and unanimously adopted:

The Oklahoma—Indian Territory Single Statehood Resolutions adopted by the Wagoner League of Single Statehood Promoters, after the organization of said League, October 20th, 1900.

Whereas: Indian Territory and Oklahoma are contiguous territories having, climate, soil, products and resources of an allied and supplemental character, the surest, strongest foundations for the homogenous state government; and the early development of the boundless resources of the two if united under one government would be assured; and

Whereas: Oklahoma is a duly organized territory of the United States having enjoyed thereunder the blessings and benefits of unparalleled progress and prosperity, till she is now almost ready for admission into the sisterhood of states and

Whereas: Indian Territory presents conditions and ills unprecedented in the history of territorial government in the United States, having a population of 400,000 people, with no self government whatever, a population sufficient to entitle us to two Representatives in Congress but having none; a people without political status and denied all political rights, whose progress is retarded, whose business is demoralized and whose future, as long as the present conditions exist, is without promise; and

Whereas: We believe that Indian Territory with area of 30,000 square miles and Oklahoma with her 38,000 square mile with a combine population of 800,000 souls, united and admitted into the Union as one state would by the rapid development of its rich resources, its swift and surely great increase in population and material wealth, become a commonwealth of power and prestige in the Nation—the last and fairest of Columbia's daughters from the Louisiana Purchase; therefore, be it

Resolved: By the Wagoner League of Single Statehood Promoters, that we favor the union of Oklahoma and the Indian Territory, the timely admission of the two into the union as one state, and we hereby pledge ourselves to work to this end till such union is an accomplished fact, be it further

Resolved: That we call upon and urge all persons in the twin Territories, favorable to the cause of single statehood, to join us in the organization of these Leagues in the various cities and towns, under this or similar constitution,

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having the timely admission of Oklahoma and the Indian Territory into the Union as one State as its paramount object and aim.

There being no further business the League adjourned, subject to the call of the president.

WELLINGTON H. MEIGS, Secretary.

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