

States an American policy. Under Democratic rule and policy our... **CONTINENTAL POLICY.** based upon more intimate commercial and political relations with the fifteen sister Republics of North, Central and South America, but entangling alliances with none. We believe in HONEST MONEY, the gold and silver coinage of the constitution, and a circulating medium convertible into such money without loss. Asserting the EQUALITY OF ALL MEN before the law, we hold that it is the duty of the Government in its dealings with the people, to meet on an exact and equal plane all citizens, of whatever nativity, race or color or persuasion, religious or political. We believe in a FREE BALLOT AND A FAIR COUNT, and we recall to the memory of the people the noble struggle of the Democrats in the forty-first and forty-sixth Congresses, by which a reluctant Republican opposition was compelled to assent to legislation making everywhere illegal the presence of troops at the polls, as the conclusive proof that a Democratic administration will preserve liberty with order. The selection of Federal officers for the Territories should be restricted to citizens previously resident therein. We oppose SUMPTUARY LAWS, which vex the citizen and interfere with individual liberty; we favor honest civil service reform, and the compensation of all United States officers by fixed salaries, the separation of Church and State, and the diffusion of free education by common schools, so that every child in the land may be taught the rights and duties of citizenship. RIGHTS OF PROPERTY AND LABOR. While we favor all legislation which will tend to the equitable distribution of property, to the prevention of monopoly and to the strict enforcement of individual rights against corporate abuses, we hold that the welfare of society depends upon a scrupulous regard for the rights of property as defined by law. We believe that labor is best rewarded where it is freest and most enlightened. It should therefore be fostered and cherished. We favor the repeal of all laws restricting the freedom of labor, and the enactment of laws by which labor organizations may be incorporated, and of all such legislation as will tend to enlighten the people as to the true relations of capital and labor. We believe that the public land ought as far as possible to be kept as homesteads for actual settlers; that all unearned lands heretofore inappropriately granted to railroad corporations by the action of the Republican party, should be restored to the public domain, and that no more grants of land shall be made to corporations or be allowed to fall into the ownership of the absentee. All laws proposed to all propositions which upon any pretext would convert the General Government into a machine for collecting taxes to be distributed among the States or the citizens thereof. In reaffirming the declaration of the Democratic platform of 1856, that the liberal principles embodied in the Declaration of Independence and sanctioned in the Constitution which make our land of liberty and the asylum of the oppressed of every nation, have ever been cardinal principles in the Democratic faith, we nevertheless do not sanction the importation of foreign labor or the admission of servile races unfitted by habits, training, religion or kindred, attributes into the great body of our people, or for the citizenship which our laws confer. American civilization demands that against the immigration or importation of Mongolians to these shores our gates be closed. RIGHTS OF AMERICAN CITIZENS. The Democratic party insists that it is the duty of this Government to protect with equal fidelity and vigilance the rights of its citizens, native and naturalized, at home and abroad, and to the end that this protection may be assured. United States papers of naturalization, issued by courts of competent jurisdiction, must be respected by the executive and legislative departments of our own Government and by all foreign Powers. It is an imperative duty of this Government to objectively protect all the rights of persons and property of every American citizen in foreign lands, and demand and enforce full reparation for any invasion thereof. An American citizen is only responsible to his own Government for any act done in his own country or under her flag, and can only be tried therefor on her own soil and according to her laws; no power exists in this Government to expatriate an American citizen to any foreign land for any such act. This country has never had a well defined and executed foreign policy under a Democratic administration. That policy has ever been in respect to foreign nations, so long as they do not act detrimental to the interests of the country or harmful to our citizens, to let them alone. As the result of this policy, we recall the acquisition of Louisiana, Florida, California, and of the adjacent Mexican territory by purchase alone, and contrast these grand acquisitions of Democratic statesmanship with the purchase of Alaska, the sole fruit of a Republican administration of nearly a quarter of a century. The Federal Government should care for and improve the Mississippi river and other great waterways of the Republic, so as to secure for the interior states easy and cheap transportation to tide water. Under a long period of Democratic rule and policy our merchant marine was fast overtaking and on the point of outstripping that of Great Britain; under twenty years of Republican rule and policy our commerce has been left to British bottoms and almost has the American flag been swept off the seas.

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