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Theodore Roosevelt is a chronic office seeker. He has held office almost his entire adult life. Theodore Roosevelt was the most extravagant president that America ever had. His term from 1905 to 1909 cost the people \$3,522,982,846 or more than double as much as the administrations of Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, John Quincy Adams, Van Buren, Harrison, Tyler, Polk, Taylor, Fillmore, Pierce and Buchanan all combined. His two administrations cost the country \$7,740,000,000 or more than double the cost of the entire civil war.

Theodore Roosevelt in his public capacity has shown absolutely no respect for the constitution and law. He publicly boasted that "I took the Panama canal zone and left congress to debate the issue." He asserted a fake Panama revolution and the taking of the isthmus in violation of a treaty with Colombia. When the senate was considering a bill to secure justice for the negro troops he had summarily dismissed at Brownsville, Texas, he threatened to veto the bill if passed and to ignore it if passed over his veto. He issued pension order No. 78, in an effort to curry favor with the Grand Army, creating a service pension without the authority of congress. In his life of Oliver Cromwell Roosevelt says: "In great crises it may be necessary to overturn constitutions and disregard statutes." He has evidently regarded himself a great crisis.

Theodore Roosevelt's administration was a harvest for the trusts. The Standard Oil company paid nearly \$300,000,000 in dividends while he was president, which was equal to the amount paid in its life of twenty-five years preceding. While he was president the number of combinations increased from one hundred and forty-nine with a three-billion-dollar capital to ten thousand with approximately thirty-one billion dollars capital.

Theodore Roosevelt, while pretending to be opposed to "predatory interests" did more to foster them and to prevent their prosecution than any man who ever lived. He permitted the steel corporation to absorb, in direct violation of law, its chief competitor, the Tennessee Coal and Iron company, thereby creating an absolute monopoly. He refused to prosecute the sugar trust, although sufficient evidence to secure a conviction was offered him. He prohibited the prosecution of the harvester trust because the man who is now backing him for the presidency was his chief organizer. He denounced rebating, but although Paul Morton had confessed to rebating he not only refused to prosecute Morton, but put him in his cabinet. He, according to Governor Deeney of Illinois asked that E. H. Harrison be not prosecuted for the Alton steel on the ground that it would distort business. He selected his secretary of commerce and labor who is superior over corporations, George B. Cortelyou, to collect his campaign funds in 1905.

Theodore Roosevelt used the public service in his own interest. While declaring for the regulations of railroads

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working class. It maintains that no other political party can be trusted to enact and enforce effective labor legislation or otherwise serve the interests of the workers of this state.

We maintain that the evils of the present system will be removed only when the working class wholly abolishes private ownership in the social means of production, collectively assumes the management of the industries and operate them for use and not for profit, for the benefit of all and not for the enrichment of a privileged class. In this the socialist party stands alone in the political field.

But the socialist party also believes that the evils of the modern system may be materially relieved and their final disappearance may be hastened by the introduction of social, political and economic measures which will have the effect of bettering the lives, strengthening the position of the workers and curbing the power and domination of the capitalists.

The socialist party therefore supports the struggles of the working class against the exploitation and oppression of the capitalist class, and is vitally concerned in the efficiency of the parliamentary and administrative means for the fighting of the class struggle.

Therefore we favor the following measures a immediate demands:

Political.
 We demand the public ownership of all public utilities.
 That any citizen of the United States shall have the right to vote in North Carolina after a residence in the state of three months and in the county 20 days; and that the registration books be kept open 10 days, beginning 15 days before election.

That each party having on the ticket a right to be voted for shall be entitled to representation at the polling precincts to see the ballots counted and prevent fraud.

That stringent laws are to be enacted for the punishment by fine or imprisonment in the state prison or both, of individuals or corporations convicted of fraud or violation in election or of connivance therein.

We demand the initiative, the referendum and the right of recall.

That the rights of women shall be co-equal with the rights of men.

That, since under the present system, poverty is the unavoidable condition of the many, therefore we demand the repeal of the law requiring the payment of poll tax before being allowed to vote—holding that poverty shall be no bar to participation in government.

That the state senate is an obstructive and unnecessary legislative body, and we favor its abolishment.

Education.

That nowhere in the state shall the school year be less than six months.

That sufficient school houses be erected to accommodate all children of school age, and every child under 16 years of age be compelled to attend school one term every year. Widows dependent for support upon their children of school age shall be provided for by the state.

That the teeth, eyes, throat and lungs of all public school children be examined on entering public school by a competent physician, and where treatment is found necessary, the same to be given at public expense.

Whenever a child is found attending public school, suffering from a lack of proper food and clothing, the same shall be reported to the superintendent, who shall provide same at public expense, if investigation proves the report true.

Women teachers shall be paid the same as men when holding the same grade certificate. All teachers shall pass examination on hygiene in addition to their regular examination as teachers.

General.
 A graduated income and inheritance tax.

We demand the immediate repeal of the delinquent tax law, known as the "land-grabbers' law"; and that in its place a law be instituted designed to perpetually revert to the state all lands which are not being used. That said lands shall not be taxed free private individuals or corporations that five years be allowed the dispossessed owner to pay his tax and reclaim his land.

A strict employers' liability law.

That the state provide a suitable pension for public school teachers who, after 25 years of service may wish to retire, able to support all dependents over 60 years of age who may apply for same.

That the state furnish to the farmers pure seed and fertilizers at cost; that the same, as far as possible, be produced in and by the state.

That the state give employment to all its unemployed workers, through no fault of their own, are out of work; and that, until this is done, all vagrancy laws be repealed.

That on all government and public corporation work the employer shall be paid their wages weekly at a legal union rate. Eight hours shall be a legal work day.

That the state provide for a right of factory and mine inspection.

That the state establish:
 (a) A state printers, to be conducted under union rules, and that the state furnish public school pupils with books free of cost.

(b) A free state employment bureau.

(c) Life, fire, accident and industrial insurance at cost.

We oppose the leasing out of convicts in competition with non-convict labor; all prison-made goods shall be so designated; and that all county convicts, whether of county, city or state, when at work be paid the wages and cost of labor for such work, less the cost of their maintenance; that the remainder be paid their families or dependents, but if without dependents or families if he paid them upon the expiration of their term of imprisonment, or be expended for their comfort during confinement, as they may elect.

Cute Mr. Plute.
 by Henry M. Tichenor, The Rip-Saw Post.

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 To fill up your noodles with more humo stuff.
 With three strings to his bow Mr. Plute has a craft—
 He can sting you with Teddy, or Wilson, or Taft.

MANY EXHIBITS GO TO STATE FAIR

(Continued from page 1)
 Mrs. Sarabel, Mrs. Phillips and Misses Lala Moore and Mollie Eason. Some surprise was expressed that the Biltmore estate did not have an agricultural exhibit. This is said to be because of the crowded condition of the building.

Woman's Work.
 Oil painting from nature, Miss Annie Wheeler, Biltmore, 1st; oil painting copy, Mrs. Jas. Murphy, Asheville, 1st; Mrs. Clyde Reed, Biltmore, 2nd; water color painting from nature, water color painting copy and tapestry, Mrs. Wood, Mars Hill, 1st; Mrs. Clyde Reed; charcoal drawing and pen and ink drawing, Mrs. Y. Remington, Swannanoa; collection china painting, Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols, Asheville, 1st; Miss Elsie Alexander, Asheville, 2nd; Mrs. J. E. McEniry, Asheville, 3rd; collection pyrography, Mrs. W. B. McEwen, Asheville, 1st; pencil drawing, Troy Parham, Asheville, 1st; specimen wood carving, Miss Blanche G. O'Hair, Asheville, 1st; fancy cut and pressed leather, Miss M. M. Atkins, 2nd; specimen of tanning, Mrs. J. E. McEniry, 1st; Mrs. E. Dilworth, Asheville, 2nd; silk quilt, Mrs. Henrietta Foster, Asheville, 1st; stillature drawing, Mrs. M. C. Lee, Asheville, 2nd and 3rd; knit counterpane, Mrs. H. H. Chedister, Asheville, 1st; Mrs. Harriett Worley, Asheville, 1st; woven counterpane, T. O. Glenn, Asheville, 1st; Mrs. Clyde Reed, 2nd; Miss E. Alexander, 3rd; crocheted counterpane, Mrs. C. C. Ward, Asheville, 1st; Mrs. S. H. Chedister, 2nd; Mrs. J. H. Holcomb, Candler, 3rd; wool cover, Mrs. M. H. Reed, 1st; more, 1st; Mrs. Reelitz, Kent's farm, 2nd; Miss L. C. Burnette, Skyland, 2nd; specimen plain sewing, Mrs. Richard Gibson, Asheville, 1st; embroidered table cover, Mrs. Walter Howard, Candler, 1st; Miss Blanche O'Hair, 2nd; carriage robe, crocheted or silk, Miss Sophia Edney, Hendersonville, 1st; pillow, crocheted, Mrs. J. C. Henninger, Asheville, 1st; Mrs. W. L. Phillips, Grace, 2nd; Miss May Arthur, Biltmore, 3rd; slipper, crocheted or silk, Mrs. E. R. Randall, Asheville, 1st; workbag, Miss Blanche O'Hair, 1st; Miss Elizabeth Nichols, 2nd; Miss Edith Creeger, 3rd; knit or crocheted shawl, Mrs. W. N. Hacking, Asheville, 1st; Mrs. B. H. Brantman, 2nd; embroidered initial towels, Miss Annie G. McDowell, Asheville, 1st; Miss Elizabeth Nichols, 2nd; Mrs. H. G. Sully, Asheville, 3rd; lace handkerchief, Miss Joanne Brown, 1st; F. J. Neversell, 2nd; embroidered centerpiece, Miss Minnie Webb, Asheville, 2nd; Mrs. Clyde Reed, 3rd; crocheted dollies, Miss Mollie Reeves, Biltmore, 1st; Mrs. G. L. Dabson, 2nd; Mrs. R. Brantman, 3rd; best display of goods hand-woven by one woman, work of the exhibitor, Mrs. Emma Duckett, Asheville, 1st; embroidered collar, Miss Genevieve Brown, Asheville, 1st; lace collar, Mrs. J. E. McEniry, 1st; Miss Jennie Brown, 2nd; H. N. Alexander, 3rd; crocheted or knit sacque, Mrs. P. N. Trout, Asheville, 1st; Mrs. George Jones, Asheville, 2nd; Miss Essie Clayton, Asheville, 3rd; pin cushion, Mrs. D. L. Smith, Sweetwater, Tenn., 1st; Mrs. G. L. Dalton, 2nd; drawn work centerpiece or table cover, Mrs. S. J. Curry, Asheville, 1st; Mrs. W. W. Hannah, Asheville, 2nd; Mrs. Ellen Atwell, Swannanoa, 3rd; crocheted pillow, Mrs. M. H. Chedister, Hendersonville, 1st; Battenburg lace, Miss Elsie Alexander, 1st; Mrs. S. E. Dilworth, 2nd; Miss Blanche O'Hair, 3rd; embroidered parasol, Miss Minnie Webb, 1st; knit wool socks, C. F. Abernathy, Biltmore, 1st; Mrs. Mary Sharp, Asalea, 2nd; Miss L. C. Burnette, 3rd; knit wool mittens, Mrs. W. Y. Mowbray, Canton, 1st; baron scarf, Miss Blanche O'Hair, 1st; Mrs. R. Brantman, 2nd; Mrs. H. J. Sallee, 3rd; baby's dress, Mrs. Suzanne Allport, Asheville, 1st; Miss M. C. McDowell, 2nd; Miss Emily Luttrick, Asheville, 2nd; most varied collection of arts and crafts by one artist, Miss Jennie Lee, Asheville, 1st; Mrs. J. E. Edinger, Asheville, 2nd; general display, All-stand industries, not competing for prizes, lavender sticks, Mrs. A. F. Williams, 1st; embroidered dress, Mrs. A. H. McCormick, Asheville, 1st; baby pillow and lady's dress, Mrs. F. Hendricks, 1st; crocheted table cover, Miss Vera Cook, 1st; crocheted hair holder, Mrs. E. R. Randall, 1st; best pair harness horses, Patton & Birkleather, Asheville, 1st; Mrs. J. Currey, 1st; crocheted hat, Mrs. Jeff Anderson, 1st; embroidered night gown, Mrs. P. N. Trout, 1st; eight stands of rose beads, Mrs. A. F. Williams, 1st; million annular covers, Mrs. R. Ollix, 1st.

Horse Department.
 Best three-quarter saddle horse for men, Wayne R. Ray, Asheville, 1st; Wiley B. Brown, Asheville, 2nd; Patton & Birkleather, Asheville, 3rd; best lady harness horse, 1st, Miss Grace Prady, Asheville, 1st; Miss Grace Prady, Asheville, 2nd; best gaited saddle horse or mare, Wayne R. Ray, 1st; J. Otis Brown, Asheville, 2nd; Van Buren Boote, Asheville, 3rd; best roadster, J. Otis Brown, 1st; Latt Brown, Asheville, 2nd; C. Brown, Weaverville, 3rd; best pair harness horses, Patton & Birkleather, 1st; Chambers & Weaver, Asheville, 2nd; W. B. Brown, 3rd; best walk, trot and canter horse, shown by lady, Miss Grace Prady, 1st; Miss Grace Brown, 2nd; best pony shown under the saddle, W. B. Brown, 1st; H. C. Allen, 2nd; Mrs. W. B. Williams, 3rd; best pair harness horses, W. A. Webb & Son, Asheville, 1st; W. B. Brown, 2nd; W. R. Ray, 3rd; best pair of farm horses or geldings, C. E. Walk, Leicester, 1st; R. A. Webb, Asheville, 2nd; best pair farm mules,

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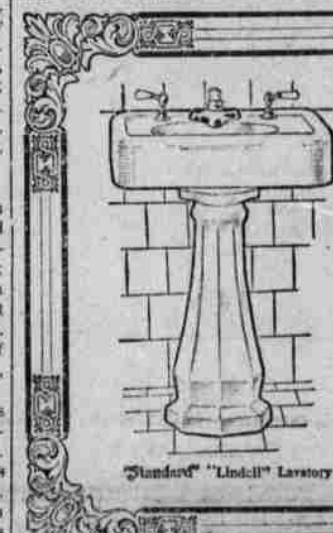
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NORTH CAROLINA GIRL GETS LAW LICENSE

Miss Mary Farmer One of Four Women Admitted to Bar at Washington.

Washington, Oct. 11.—Four young women, Misses Alice M. Birdsall of California, Mary C. Farmer of North Carolina, Rebecca Laurens Love of Virginia and Katharine R. Pike of New York, have been admitted to practice law before the Supreme court of the District of Columbia.

Miss Birdsall came here from Los Angeles to take her law course. She had served as court stenographer and was connected with a law firm there. She will open an office and practice law at Phoenix, Ariz.

Misses Farmer and Love, southern women, are suffragettes. Neither will practice law at present.

"I did not take law to practice it, but I may hang out a shingle some day," said Miss Farmer. "I hope that my knowledge of law can be used in the cause of woman suffrage. That is my desire now."

Miss Farmer is a stenographer. Miss Love is in the law department of the library of congress.

Miss Pike is in the customs service of the United States and has the distinction of being the first woman to assist in the inspection of an incoming ocean liner. From a revenue cutter Miss Pike boarded the Kaiserlin Victoria, Auguste last week in New York. Miss Pike has just refused an offer to go in New York to practice law. She prefers to remain in the government service.

STEPHEN B. TRUESDILL.

Death Occurred in Oregon, of Pneumonia Contracted in British Columbia Forests.

With his engagement to an Asheville young lady to be announced within a few days, Stephen B. Truesdill, who had a number of friends in the city, died near Klamath, Ore., on October 9, the news of his death having just reached here. Truesdill was caused by pneumonia, which was contracted while he was making a trip through the forests of British Columbia, gathering data for the Canadian government.

He lived only a few days after he was stricken. Mr. Truesdill was very popular, and the news of his death is a great shock to his friends, the more so on account of the happy future which was promised him.

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