

NEW PLATFORM OF DEMOCRATS

Contains Half a Hundred Planks Mostly Committing Party to a Definite Policy in Event of Victory.

The platform adopted with a few changes by the Democratic convention is briefly outlined as follows:

Freedom of religion, freedom of speech, freedom of the press. No mention of the Ku Klux Klan by name.

Further tax reduction and revision of the tariff.

Enactment of legislation designed "to restore the farmer again to economic equality with other industrialists."

Readjustment of freight rates and revision of the transportation act with a view to eliminating the rate-making section, abolishing the railroad labor board and restoring to states control over intra-state rates.

Operation of Muscle Shoals for maximum production of fertilizers.

Strict public control and conservation of the nation's resources, recovery of oil reserves "fraudulently" leased, and vigorous prosecution of any guilty of wrongdoing in leasing transactions.

Governmental control of the anthracite industry and "all other corporations controlling the necessities of life where public welfare has been subordinated to private interests."

Operation of a government-owned merchant marine "so long as it may be necessary without obstructing the development of a privately owned American flag shipping."

Faithful compliance with the spirit of civil service and its extension to internal revenue officers.

"Adequate" salaries for postal employees.

Adoption of the so-called "lame duck" constitutional amendment which would prevent members of Congress from participation in a session after their defeat for reelection.

Revision of the corrupt practices act to prevent excessive campaign contributions and expenditures.

Enforcement of the constitution and all laws, with an assertion that "the Republican administration has failed to enforce the prohibition laws."

Maintenance of Asiatic immigration exclusion by legislation.

Immediate independence for the Philippines.

Establishment of a full territorial form of government for Alaska.

Protection of American rights in Turkey and the fulfillment of President Wilson's arbitral award respecting Armenia.

Drafting of all resources in time of war.

Sweeping reduction of sea and land armaments.

Promotion of deep waterways from the Great Lakes to the Gulf and the Atlantic ocean and improvement of inland waterways generally.

Enactment of legislation dealing with fraudulent stock sales.

Vigorous enforcement of the laws against monopolies and illegal combinations and enactment of additional measures if necessary.

The platform denounces the Mellon tax plan, declares that under the Republican administration the economic condition of the American farmers "has changed from comfort to bankruptcy," charges that "never before in our history has the government been so tainted by corruption," and pledges the Democratic party to drive all wrongdoers from public office and mete out proper punishment.

At the outset there is a tribute to Woodrow Wilson whose ideals, it is declared, "will serve as an example and inspiration for this and future generations."

SCROLL NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelse Ledford, of Clay County, are visiting Mrs. Ledford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Jones.

Mrs. Lydia Houston is to take charge of the post office in place of Mrs. Willie McCoy.

Mrs. Fanny Keener has just received a letter from her son, Harlie, who is in the army. He has safely reached the Hawaiian Islands after an interesting journey from New York via Panama and California. He says the climate of the islands is very much like home, but pineapples and rice are grown everywhere.

Mr. F. E. Mashburn made a business trip to Higdonville Thursday.

Miss Marie Moses was visiting her brother, A. S. Moses, on Ellijay, last Thursday.

Plenty of Good rain has come, so the crops are very much helped. Some farmers are trying their luck at getting up their hay between showers.

Mrs. D. J. Moses and daughter, Miss Mayme Moses, of Ellijay, spent Sunday with Mrs. F. E. Mashburn.

F. M.

How Does the House Fly Pass the Winter Months?

Where does the annual crop of flies come from, is a question frequently asked of the Bureau of Entomology, United States Department of Agriculture. The prevailing opinion that the house fly lives through the winter as an adult, hiding in cracks and crevices of buildings, appears to be erroneous. Under outdoor conditions house flies are killed during the first really cold nights—that is, when the temperature falls to about 15 or 10 degrees F. In rooms and similar places protected from winds and partially heated during the winter flies have been kept alive in cages for long periods; but they never lived through the entire winter. There is no reliable evidence whatever that adult house flies emerging during October and November pass the winter and are able to deposit their eggs the following spring, although they may continue active in heated buildings until nearly the end of January. On the other hand, there is evidence that house flies pass the winter as larvae and pupae, and that they sometimes breed continuously throughout the winter. In experiments at both Dallas, Tex., and Bethesda, Md., house flies have been found emerging during April from heavily infested manure heaps which had been set out and covered with cages during the preceding autumn. In the Southern States, during warm periods in midwinter, house flies may emerge and become somewhat troublesome; they frequently lay eggs on warm days.

The second way in which the house fly may pass the winter is by continuous breeding. House flies congregate in heated rooms with the approach of the winter season. If no food or breeding materials are present they eventually die. However, where they have access to both food and suitable substances for egg laying they will continue breeding just as they do outdoors during the summer. Even in very cold climates there are undoubtedly many places, especially in cities, where house flies would have opportunity to pass the winter in this manner.

New Director of Extension Assumes Charge of Division

Raleigh, N. C., July 7.—On July first, I. O. Schaub, newly elected director of agricultural extension for the State College of Agriculture, assumed his duties with headquarters in Ricks Hall on the campus of the School of Agriculture. Mr. Schaub is a native Tarheel born and reared in Stokes County and a graduate of the State College. Since his graduation he has had years of experience in working with and for farmers. For a period he was assistant professor in soils at some of the western colleges. He was also placed in charge of boys and girls club work when that activity was first begun in North Carolina. Leaving North Carolina, he was placed in charge of the agricultural development work of a large western railway where he was successfully engaged until the Government called him to Washington during the early days of the Great War.

Since that time he has been in the extension work of the Federal Department of Agriculture with his principal activities being in the cotton states of the South. Recently he was placed in charge of all the Government's extension activities in the cotton states leaving that position on July first to return to North Carolina.

Mr. Schaub has been a frequent visitor to North Carolina during his connection with the Federal Department of Agriculture. He has kept pace with the agricultural development of this state and is thoroughly in sympathy with the farming program being developed here by the experiment station and extension service workers. His appointment is in line with the policy of the college to make the activities of the School of Agriculture of growing importance to the State. Under Dean E. W. Kilgore, of this school, there has now been appointed a director of teaching, a director of extension, and the experimental work is still being looked after by the Dean. He is assisted however by an assistant director in charge of the branch station farms.

Cashiers News.

We are glad to say that we have been having a very good meeting at Cashiers the past week.

There was a large congregation at church Sunday.

Mr. Tom Dillard has returned home from the hospital, where he went after a car wreck he was in three weeks ago.

Rev. Fred Fowler took dinner with Mr. Thad Cloer Friday.

There was quite a large crowd of people from Fairfield in this section Saturday night.

Mr. Thad Cloer and family went to Fairfield Sunday. BLUE BELL.

Conserve Your Energy in Summer

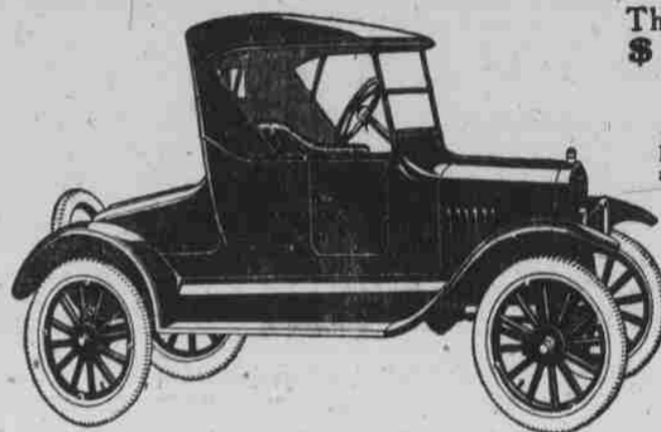
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North Skeenah News.

We had a nice rain in this section, and it came in time, for we needed it. Mr. John Farmer went to Georgia and got a wife the past week. He married a Mrs. Taylor.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. John Stanfield last Sunday morning.

Mrs. Frank Southards, of Allison Creek, was in this section Sunday.

Mr. Freeman Hasting purchased a Ford last week.

Mr. Alex Hasting and Miss Nellie Dills were married last week.

The farmers have about finished harvesting wheat in this section, and are now busy laying by corn.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. Dehart is sick. We wish her a speedy recovery. BILLY.

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