

Prairie Manifesto Project

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- AA = Alberta Alliance
- CON = Conservative Party
- LP = Liberal-Progressive Party
- PC = Progressive Conservative Party
- SKP = Saskatchewan Party
- UFM = United Farmers of Manitoba
- CCF = Cooperative Commonwealth Federation
- LIB = Liberal Party
- NDP = New Democratic Party
- SC = Social Credit
- UFA = United Farmers of Alberta
- WCC = Western Canadian Concept

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CCF Provincial Platform

As Adopted by the 14th Annual Convention, July 1949

A Brighter Future For Manitoba Farmers

Agricultural Policy Adopted at Manitoba CCF Provincial Convention

Due to the demands of World War 2, and to the subsequent needs of devastated Europe, demands and needs which could be partly satisfied by Canadian goods, a measure of prosperity has come to the rural areas of Manitoba.

Will that prosperity last? Judged by the past history of Manitoba the answer is NO.

That history shows that periods of prosperity have been few and far between, while periods of adversity have been long and frequent.

Continued prosperity can be maintained only by adopting policies similar to the proposals of the CCF.

(1) Legislation to guarantee security of the farm and home.

(a) Crop insurance.

(b) Crop failure clause in mortgages and agreements of sale.

(c) Mediation Board for adjustment of farm debt.

(d) Provincial power of moratorium.

(e) Protection of farmer's equity in farm and home.

(2) A Provincial Marketing Board on which producers would be adequately represented, and which would work closely with existing co-operative marketing organizations.

(3) Rural electrification to be pushed energetically until every farming area is enjoying the benefits of electric light and power.

(4) Improved veterinary service.

(13) Equal pay for equal work, regardless of sex.

(14) Development of joint Labor-Management techniques, to the end that Labor will become an equal partner with management in industry.

(15) Improvement of the facilities for Worker Education, for tobacco.

vocational guidance, technical training and instruction for apprentices.

(h) Increased grants to municipalities for education from the Provincial Government and grants in aid of education from the Dominion to the Provinces.

Social Security

Relieve the financial burden upon Manitoba's municipalities by assuming the major share of responsibility for social assistance, relief and child welfare costs.

Increased old age pensions, elimination of liens against the property of old age pensioners, and pressure on the Dominion Government to remove the means test.

Improve Mothers' Allowances by:

(a) Instituting semi-annual revision of family budgets based on the cost-of-living index; (b) Raising the eligible age of children to sixteen years, and in cases where they attend school to eighteen years of age; (c) Including the mother and children in cases where the father has deserted the family for a period of one year, or where the father is in jail for one year or longer.

Give encouragement and aid to private agencies caring for mentally retarded or crippled children, particularly with respect to education, training and rehabilitation of such children.

Division of the Department of Health and Public Welfare into two departments; all provincial penal institutions to be brought under the jurisdiction of a Department of Social Welfare. Establishment of a Borstal-type school for the treatment of young offenders between the ages of 16 and 23.

Demand immediate action by the Dominion Government to establish, in co-operation with the provinces, a comprehensive nationwide system of social security which will provide for the aged, the sick, the disabled and all those who, through no fault of their own, are unable to provide for themselves. Such social security plan to be financed in part by a social security contribution levied upon income, and in part from the national consolidated revenue.

Women's Council

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A body they belong to the Alpha Credit Union and deposit regularly, the majority belong to the local Consumers' Co-operative and recently one of our members was elected to that board.

We go forward into another year of activity, believing that we can aid a people's movement by helping our fellow-men through our work in the CCF.

A Co-operator's Retort

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You all that we co-ops pay every tax, municipal, provincial and federal that a corporation pays, including taxes upon reserves set up for expansion." At this point the hall reached such proportions that the chairman was completely discouraged from continuing his anti-co-op tactics, to the thorough satisfaction of all co-operators present. Several of our American friends went out of their way during the course of the next few days of the convention to congratulate the Vancouverite upon his timely rebuttal.—(CPA).

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(d) Co-operative production, processing and marketing of furs.

(e) Increased provincial revenue from large-scale operators based on a sliding scale of royalties in relation to profits.

(f) Increased research into the discovery of new uses for our natural products.

(g) Expanded road building, particularly in the north and north-east parts of the province, to provide access to new resources.

(h) Encouragement of tourist business by improvement of roads, camping grounds, and fishing and hunting facilities.

(i) Work in co-operation with neighboring provinces toward large scale land, forest and water conservation.

(j) Re-organization of the Department of Mines and Natural Resources to the end that the functions of the various branches shall be properly integrated.

(k) Extension and improvement of regional health units for the prevention of disease.

(l) A comprehensive program of health and nutritional education and of physical fitness and recreation.

(m) Constantly press for the establishment of a nation-wide health service which will provide full medical, dental, optical and hospital care for every citizen, regardless of financial position; this scheme to be financed mainly by the Dominion Government and to be administered by the provinces.

(n) Establishment of rehabilitation centres for patients discharged from mental institutions.

(o) Immediate increase of salary for qualified teachers to \$1,500.00 per year, and the implementation of an adequate salary schedule.

(p) Development of more efficient school units to give to farm children educational opportunities equal to those found in urban communities. The construction of modern schools to this end.

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Raise the Status of Workers

Improvement of Wages, Working Conditions, and Security Standards for Manitoba Workers is Aim of Manitoba CCF Election Platform

A CCF Government in Manitoba will co-operate closely with Labor in formulating and implementing legislation designed to assure the security and welfare of working men and women. A CCF provincial government in Manitoba—

(1) Will appoint as Minister of Labor, one who has had practical experience in the Labor movement, who has an intimate knowledge of Labor problems, and a sympathetic understanding of the needs of Manitoba workers.

(2) Press for an improved national Labor Code, and in the meantime amend the Manitoba Labor Relations Act to:

(a) Assure the right of Labor to organize and bargain collectively.

(b) Outlaw "Company Unions".

(c) Assure the right of "Check-off" and "Union Security".

(d) Give protection against abuse of "Injunctive procedure".

(e) Protect seniority rights.

(f) Prohibit racial and religious discrimination.

(g) Cover all industrial disabilities.

(h) Compensate for injury as well as loss of earning power.

(i) Bring pensions to all widows to the level of contemporary pensions.

(j) Raise the compensation limit to \$3,000.00.

(k) Base compensation on 100% of normal earnings.

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