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FARMERS' AND WORKERS' PARTY.

The Party's P.E.P. Manifesto.

A Practical Economic Plan to Put an End to Poverty.

"All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."
(Matt. 7: 12.)

"The land shall not be sold for ever: for the land is mine." (Lev. 25: 23.)

"Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree. They shall build houses, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards and eat the fruit of them. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat." (Isaiah 55: 13; 65: 21, 22.)

"I will be a swift witness against . . . those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right and fear not me, saith the Lord of Hosts." (Malachi 3: 5.)

"Ignorance, neglect, and contempt of human rights are the sole cause of public misfortune and corruptions of Government." (French National Assembly, 1789.)

"All men have equal rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." (American Declaration of Independence.)

THE FARMERS' AND WORKERS' PARTY has been formed to take the necessary steps, through political action,

- (a) to put an end to poverty, unemployment, and low wages;
- (b) to stop exploitation of men and women;
- (c) to secure an equal right to live for every man, woman and child;
- (d) to provide unlimited scope for honest endeavour and ambition;
- (e) to guarantee to each person the full product of his work;
- (f) to allow every person freedom of speech and freedom to follow his own religion.

To achieve these aims and to carry out the programme set out below, it is necessary to restore to the whole of the people equal rights in the value of the land and its natural resources. Every member of the Party will, therefore, be pledged to the principle of "THE WHOLE OF THE LAND FOR THE WHOLE OF THE PEOPLE."

When the Party comes into power it will immediately restore equal rights in the land by requiring each holder of land, whether residential, business, mining, or farming to pay its rental value to the State. It will not take away anyone's land. The landholder will be guaranteed a secure and permanent title. It will no longer be profitable to hold land out of use. There will then be enough land for all. As all employment depends on the use of land, everybody will get an opportunity to work for himself or get a job at a good wage.

No one will have to pay a landowner for permission to work. Remember, all rent paid to a private landowner for the use of land gives him an income which he does not earn and for which he makes no return to anyone. He did not make the land or create its value. "God made the land for the people," that is, for you and for all the people, and it is your presence and work that give it its value.

THE REVENUE OBTAINED BY THE STATE THROUGH TAKING THAT VALUE, A VALUE WHICH REALLY BELONGS TO THE PEOPLE, WILL MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR THE PARTY AT ONCE TO GIVE EFFECT TO ALL THE P IN THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMME:—

(1) A minimum wage of 10s. a day for every worker, male and female, with no reduction existing higher wage rates.

(2) A housing scheme with lower house rents, cheaper foodstuffs and clothing, which will give everyone decent housing and make every £1 of a man's earnings worth at least as much as at 1936 prices.

(3) Seven-hour working day, with a six-hour maximum in dangerous occupations, with no reductions in pay.

(4) A job for every adult willing to work.

(5) Sick pay, a minimum of two weeks' holiday every year on full pay, and pay for all public holidays.

(6) A pension without any means test, of £10 per month for every man and woman over 65, and for the infirm and disabled. (Note: It will very soon be possible to lower that age limit.)

(7) Allowances for widows and deserted mothers who have children to keep.

(8) Prohibition of export of foodstuffs until everyone in the Union has enough for his needs.

(9) Maintenance, as long as the interests of the country require it, of every existing industry, including mining, at not less than its present level of production, with expansion of most of them and the establishment of many new industries.

(10) All factories and mines which the present owners may not wish to carry on or which are lying idle, will be taken over at a fair valuation of the plant and equipment and be worked by public boards in the public interest.

(11) In respect of factory-produced goods, which are not purchased for Government use, a bounty will be given, during a period of years, to protect any industry needing it.

(12) Abolition of all taxation; no more poll or general taxes; no more taxes on houses or wheels or amusements or anything.

(13) Provision, for all who wish to farm, of suitable land with an adequate water supply, and, for those that need it, temporary help by way of food and other necessities until they can reap their crops. Every bywoner will be able to have his own farm without having to give a landowner a third or a half or any portion of his crops. There will be no purchase price to pay and no taxation. Every landholder will be given a permanent title to his land. Payment will be by way of an annual rent which will be based, not on the size, but on the value of the land. THIS PAYMENT WILL TAKE THE PLACE OF, AND WILL USUALLY BE MUCH LESS THAN, THE PRESENT TAXATION, DIRECT AND INDIRECT, WHICH IS PAID BY THE FARMER. In poor areas, like much of the Karroo, parts of the O.F.S., and districts like the Waterberg, no rent at all, or only a quite nominal rent, will be payable.

(14) Allow every farmer to pay his rent in produce.

(15) Remit the rent in whole or in part during periods of drought or other calamity.

(16) For a period of five years, purchase at 10s. a bag all maize produced in the Union and at a fair price all other crops of every farmer.

(17) Cancel all farm bonds on land; bondholders will be compensated according to the actual value of their bonds at date of cancellation.

(18) Provide, on the easiest possible terms, in order to save labour—

(a) all fencing on a farm for paddocking.

(b) assistance in making dams and sinking boreholes, and, where desired, in the ploughing of lands and in the reaping and marketing of crops.

(19) Insure farmers against loss from hail, drought, locusts and other pests.

(20) Assume complete control of the issue of bank notes and of the creation and issue of credit by banks.

(21) Liberal provision of—

(a) land for the extension of Native Reserves, and

(b) expert assistance for their inhabitants to enable them to make full use of the land and to establish any industries they may desire to undertake.

(22) Provide, outside the Reserves, in order to make for the smooth and harmonious working of that social separation which is the wish of both Europeans and Natives, suitable and adequate residential areas for Natives, where expert assistance will be given in connection with housing, education, recreation, and the establishment of industries.

(23) Annuities for those who have been living out of land rents and who, for any reason, are unable to adapt themselves to the new conditions.

(24) A great research scheme on which engineers, research workers, and other scientists will be employed to make use of existing, and to invent new, methods of production and distribution of goods, so as to save labour, reduce working hours, increase the productivity of the soil, and raise the general standard of living of the people.

This programme, which represents only a first instalment of what will become possible, will mean an assured future, free from anxiety, for everyone.

Therefore, in your own and your children's interest support the FARMERS' AND WORKERS' PARTY. The Party cannot be run without funds. If you want its programme carried out you must help to make it known everywhere and, above all, give all you can to its funds.

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THE FARMERS' AND
WORKERS' PARTY

DIE BOERE-EN
WERKERSPARTY



ROSETTENVILLE

BY-ELECTION

TUSSENVERKIESING

6th MAY, 1936.

6 MEI, 1936



THE CANDIDATE

DIE KANDIDAAT

ADVOCATE

ADVOKAAT

F. A. W. LUCAS, K.C.

To the Electors of Rosettenville

The Farmers' and Workers' Party has been formed to put an end to poverty and unemployment and low wages. It stands for the true interests of all workers, whether in offices or in factories, in the mines or on the farms. There is no conflict between those interests. When the town workers are prosperous the farmers will benefit, and when the farmers are prosperous the town workers will also benefit.

There should be no poverty or unemployment in South Africa. We can end them. The Farmers' and Workers' Party invites you to help to do that. You will have a chance to do that at the by-election where you can vote for the Party's candidate,

ADVOCATE F. A. W. LUCAS, K.C.,

who was, until recently, the Chairman of the Wage Board.

Tell the people of the Union at this by-election, by electing Mr. Lucas, that you are tired of poverty and low wages in this rich country, and of starvation while we export foodstuffs such as sugar, meat, maize, butter, and eggs.

There is room enough and wealth enough in South Africa to provide good homes and good jobs and good wages for all our people, whatever their race or religion or colour.

The Farmers' and Workers' Party will guarantee to everyone of you

- (a) a safe future for your children;
- (b) a full-time job at good wages, with a minimum for every worker of 10s. a day; a seven-hour working day (six hours for miners) without any reduction in pay;
- (c) a good pension for the old, the infirm, and the disabled.

To-day we let our rich landowners in the towns, on the mines, and in the rural areas, go on growing richer while our workers are getting poorer.

The Farmers' and Workers' Party will compel the owners of mining land to work it or hand it over to those who will. Then there will be more jobs than there are miners, and the miners' wages will rise. Then, too, the miners will be able to insist on shorter working hours. They will be powerful enough to demand that every possible precaution be taken to prevent accidents and miners' phthisis; and when these do, unfortunately, occur, to demand much better compensation for themselves and their dependants than is paid to-day. But no effort should

Aan die Kiesers van Rosettenville

Die Boere- en Werkersparty is gestig om armoede, werkloosheid en lae lone te beëindig. Die Party staan vir die ware belange van alle werkers, hetsy in kantore, of in fabriekke, in die myne of op die plase. Tussen hierdie belange is daar geen stryd nie. As die stadswerkers voorspoedig is, sal die boere daar voordeel uit trek, en as die boere voorspoedig is, sal die stadswerkers daar ook voordeel uit trek.

In Suid-Afrika behoort daar geen armoede of werkloosheid te wees nie. Ons kan dit beëindig. Die Boere- en Werkersparty nooi u uit om te help om dit te doen. U sal geleentheid hê om dit by die tussenverkiesing te doen, waar u kan stem vir die Party se kandidaat,

ADVOKAAT F. A. W. LUCAS, K.C.,

tot onlangs Voorsitter van die Loonraad.

Maak dit aan die bevolking van die Unie by hierdie tussenverkiesing duidelik, deur Mnr. Lucas in te stem, dat u moeg is van armoede en lae lone in hierdie ryk land, en van hongerly terwyl kosware, soos suiker, vleis, mielies, botter, en eiers uitgevoer word.

In Suid-Afrika is daar plek genoeg en rykdom genoeg om goeie wonings en goeie betrekkings en goeie lone vir al die mense te verskaf, afgesien van hulle ras, geloof, of kleur.

Die Boere- en Werkersparty sal aan elkeen van u waarborg

- (a) 'n veilige toekoms vir u kinders;
- (b) 'n voltydse betrekking teen goeie lone, met 'n minimum van 10s. per dag vir elke werker, 'n werkdag van sewe uur (ses uur vir mynwerkers) sonder loonvermindering;
- (c) 'n goeie pensioen vir oumense, swakkes en gebreklikes.

Vandag laat ons toe dat die ryk grondeienaars in die stede, op die myne, en in die plattelandse streke steeds ryker word, terwyl ons werkers armer word.

Die Boere- en Werkersparty sal die eienaars van myngrond verplig om die grond te bewerk of om dit te oorhandig aan diegene wat dit wil bewerk. Dan sal daar meer betrekkings wees as wat mynwerkers is, en mynwerkerslone sal styg. Dan sal die mynwerkers ook in staat wees om op korter werkure aan te dring. Hulle sal sterk genoeg wees om te eis dat alle moontlike voorsorgmaatreëls geneem word om ongelukke af te wend en myntering te verhoed; en wanneer dit ongelukkig tóg voorkom, om baie beter vergoeding vir hulself en hul afhanklikes te vorder as wat vandag betaal word. Geen poging om uit te vind hoe om te verhoed dat myn-

be spared to discover how to prevent miners' phthisis occurring, for no man's life can be measured in money.

The Farmers' and Workers' Party will also compel speculative landowners in the towns or in the rural areas either to use their land or else hand it over to those who will use it. Thousands of our relief workers and our poorly-paid workers were farmers, and still want to be farmers, but the prices or rents or share of their crops which they had to pay the landowners have driven them to the towns. There they compete with you to bring down your wages.

The Party puts before you the policy set out in its Manifesto. That policy will help to raise all wages, to provide good homes and good jobs for all, and at the same time to lower the cost of living. That policy will make the town workers prosperous, and so able to buy the farmers' produce, and it will make the farmers prosperous, and so able to buy the goods the townspeople make.

Only in the way proposed by the Farmers' and Workers' Party can these results be attained. We must break the power of the land speculators to keep land out of use. Idle land means idle people. It gives no employment to miners or farmers, to builders or carpenters, to butchers or bakers, or any other class of workers.

The Farmers' and Workers' Party's policy will make more jobs than there are workers, and so will raise wages for everyone and give security and freedom from anxiety for all.

If you elect Mr. Lucas he will strive with all his power to rouse Parliament and the whole Union to take the necessary steps to give effect to that policy.

By electing him you can tell our people that you are determined to end this monstrous absurdity of poverty in the midst of plenty, and that you have made up your minds to see that our land is a land of confident hope and of plenty for all our people.

tering voorkom moet egter gespaar word want geen menselewe kan in terme van geld gemeet word nie.

Die Boere- en Werkersparty sal spekulerende grondeienaars in die stede en plattelandse streke verplig om hulle grond te gebruik, of anders om dit te oorhandig aan diegene wat dit wil gebruik. Duisende van ons onderstandswerkers en ons swak-betaalde werkers was boere, en wil nog boere wees, maar die pryse of huurgelde of deel van die oeste wat hulle aan die grondeienaars moet betaal, het hulle stede-toe gedryf. Dáar konkurreer hulle met u om u lone omlaag te druk.

Die Party lê voor u die beleid in sy Manifes uiteengesit. Daardie beleid sal help om alle lone te verhoog; om goeie wonings en goeie betrekkings vir almal te verskaf, en om terselfdertyd die lewenskoste te verminder. Daardie beleid sal die stadswerkers voorspoedig maak, en aldus in staat om die boere se produkte te koop, en dit sal die boere voorspoedig maak, en aldus in staat om die goedere, wat die stadsbewoners maak, te koop.

Hierdie gevolge kan behaal word, enkel op die wyse deur die Boere- en Werkersparty voorgestel. Die mag van grondspekulateurs, om grond gebruikloos te hou, moet gebreek word. . . Ongebruikte grond beteken werklose mense. Dit verskaf aan mynwerkers of boere geen werk nie nóg aan bouers of skrynwerkers, slagters of bakkers, of enige ander klas werker.

Die beleid van die Boere- en Werkersparty sal meer betrekkings verskaf as wat daar werkers is, en op hierdie wyse sal die Party lone laat styg, en sekerheid en vryheid van bekommernis vir almal besorg.

As u Mnr. Lucas instem sal hy met al sy mag daarna strew om die Parlement en die hele Unie op te wek om die nodige stappe te neem om daardie beleid ten uitvoer te bring.

Deur hom in te stem kan u aan ons mense duidelik maak dat u vasberade is om hierdie monsteragtige dwaasheid van armoede temidde van oorvloed te beëindig, en dat u vasbeslote is om te verseker dat ons land 'n land van stellige hoop en oorvloed vir ons volk is.

The Land for the People Put an End to Poverty

Die Land vir die Volk Beëindig Armoede

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