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REPUBLICAN TICKET STATE.

For Justice of the Supreme Court F. A. MOORE.
For State Food and Dairy Commissioner J. W. BAILEY.
For Presidential Electors, J. M. HART, JAS. A. FEE, GRANT B. DIMICK, A. C. HOUGH.

CONGRESSIONAL.

For Member of Congress—First District, BINGER HERMANN, Second District, J. N. WILLIAMSON.

JUDICIAL.

For Circuit Judges, Third Judicial District, GEORGE H. BURNETT, B. L. EDDY, For District Attorney, JOHN H. M'NARY.

MARION COUNTY TICKET.

County Judge—John H. Scott, Sheriff—W. J. Culver, Clerk—John W. Roland, Assessor—Fred J. Rice, Treasurer—W. Y. Richardson, Recorder—John C. Siegmund, School Supt.—E. T. Moores, Commissioner—I. C. Needham, Surveyor—B. H. Herrick, Coroner—A. M. Clough, Representatives—Jos. Calvert, Hubbard; J. G. Graham and T. B. Kay, Salem; John Ritchie, Scotts Mills; Josse H. Settlemeier, Woodburn, Salem District Ticket, For Justice of the Peace, H. H. TURNER, For Constable, ROBT. O. DONALDSON.

COMMITTEEMEN.

Chairman State Central Committee—Frank C. Baker, Portland. Chairman Congressional Central Committee—Walter L. Tooze, Woodburn. Member State Central Committee—Hal D. Patton, Salem. Chairman County Central Committee—Chas. A. Murphy; B. Frank Meredith, secretary, Salem.

Republican Joint Canvass.

Turner, May 26, 10 a. m.
Jefferson, May 26, 8 p. m.
Aumsville, May 27, 10 a. m.
Stayton, May 27, 8 p. m.
Gates, May 28, 11 a. m.
Mehama, May 28, 8 p. m.
Macleay, May 31, 2 p. m.
Silverton, May 31, 8 p. m.
Scotts Mills, June 1, 10 a. m.
Mt. Angel, June 1, 2 p. m.
Woodburn, June 1, 8 p. m.
Butteville, June 2, 10 a. m.
Hubbard, June 2, 2 p. m.
Aurora, June 2, 8 p. m.
Brooks, June 3, 2 p. m.
Gervais, June 3, 8 p. m.
Pratum, June 4, 2 p. m.
Salem, June 4, 8 p. m.

Dates of Events.

May 18-21—I. O. O. F. grand lodge, Astoria.
June 6—General election in Oregon.
June 15, 16, 17—Oregon encampment G. A. R., Hood River.
June 15, 16 and 17—Department of Oregon, G. A. R., in annual reunion at Hood River.
August 22-27—American Mining Congress, Portland.

THE PROPOSED PRIMARY LAW.

The direct primary law that is to be submitted to the voters of Oregon will probably carry at the polls.

The Journal has always contended for the principle of direct nomination, as it has for a registration law, but it is doubtful about both.

The registration law has proven a wretched failure. It puts the honest voter to expense and trouble, and lets in all the frauds.

That law was a ready-made affair, probably got up by one man, and he a faddist and theorist. It is a specimen of ill-digested nostrum quackery legislation, that burdens the taxpayer, works injustice and helps frauds.

The proposed direct primary law was the work of one man—W. S. U'Ren, of Oregon City. It was hastily endorsed by prominent politicians, who never gave the subject sufficient consideration.

The newspapers of the state and the politicians of the state all seem afraid to dig into the merits and demerits of this matter, and the chances are the law will be adopted.

That it will be a dead letter and inoperative no one can doubt. It practically abolishes all political conventions, and all parties but the Republicans and Democrats—if a law could do those things.

Of course, a law cannot abolish such political institutions, and hence it will be a defunct statute. We stand for the principle of direct nomination, but against the form of this law.

ASSIST THE ENUMERATORS.

Mayor Waters has asked all the citizens to help the enumerators take a complete and correct census of Salem.

This city has suffered the disgrace long enough of being counted on the map of the world as a city of 4258.

The census was taken by government enumerators, at a time of year when many were away from town.

The enumeration of 4258 was also of the people in the four old wards of the city, with half the city outside of those city limits.

By the new charter there have been three wards added to the city, having from 1900 to 2000 in population.

To have the real population of the city correctly enumerated and officially declared will show that Salem has 10,000.

We say 10,000 because we believe that it will not be shown to have less than that. Possibly Salem will be shown to have much more.

It is the duty of every citizen to help make this census complete, and report all the members of his own household who properly belong to this city.

EMPEROR HAS REFORMED.

Colonel Von Der Esaki, who accompanied Emperor William on his Mediterranean trip, is quoted as saying that the emperor during the entire journey did not touch alcoholic stimulants except a little wine when dining with King Alfonso at Vigo, Spain, and at the luncheon with the king on board the Spanish royal yacht on his departure from Vigo.

When entertaining his guests on the imperial yacht Hohenzollern at Naples the emperor drank orange juice and mineral water.

The emperor has set a good example to the crowned and uncrowned heads of the world, by taking less stimulants.

The cold fact remains that the man who punishes a great deal of liquor punishes himself, and after awhile

his family and the whole community.

Those who take a drink as a matter of pure sociability are not committing the offense of the hard drinker, unless they carry it too far and are continuously sociable.

The margins of success in the world of competition are not large and the man who goes about with all he can carry in his hide, and with the fumes of strong liquor in his head carries too heavy a handicap.

A TEXAS POEM.

The boys at the S. P. depot at Albany received a long letter from Mort Poulsen, freight clerk, now in Denmark on a visit after an absence of fifteen years. His descriptions are graphic of different sections visited in America and Europe and were read with great interest by his friends around the depot. He thought he might leave Copenhagen for Albany about the 7th of May, but was not certain. If so he would get home the first of June.

Perhaps no part of Mort's trip impressed him more than the ride through Texas which he has described in the following poem, dedicated to the Albany Democrat man:

The Devil in hell we're told was chained, And a thousand years he there remained.

He neither complained or did he groan But determined to start a hell of his own.

Where he could torment the souls of men Without being chained in a prison pen,

So he asked the Lord if he had on hand Anything left when he made his land.

The Lord said, "Yes," I had plenty on hand, But I left it down on the Rio Grande.

The fact is "old boy," the stuff is so poor I don't think you can use it in hell any more."

But the Devil went down to look at the truck, For after examining it carefully and well,

He concluded the place was too dry for a hell, So in order to get it off His hand

The Lord promised the Devil to water the land, For he had some water or rather some dregs,

A regular cathartic that smelled like bad eggs, Hence the trade was closed, the deed was given,

And the Lord went back to his home in Heaven; The Devil said to himself, "I have all that is needed

To make a good hell," and here he succeeded, He began by putting thorns all over the trees,

And mixed up the sand with millions of fleas; He scattered tarantulas along the roads,

Put thorns on the cactus, and horns on the toads, He lengthened the horns on the Texas steers,

And put an addition to the rabbit's ears; He put a little devil in the broncho steed,

And poisoned the feet of the centipede, The rattlesnake bites you, the scorpion stings,

The mosquito delights you with his buzzin' wings; The san-burrs prevail, and so do the ants,

And those who sit down need half-soles on their pants, The heat in summer is one hundred and ten,

Too hot for the devil and too hot for men; The wild bear roams through the black chapparal

'Tis a hell of a place that he has for a hell.

HITCHCOCK AND THE WEST. Hitchcock must be getting ready to die. He has decided one land matter in favor of the people of Oregon.

He was one inheritance from the McKinley administration that Roosevelt will do well to dispense with as soon as he is re-elected.

Hitchcock may be honest but he does not understand the people of the west and does not desire to get next to them.

The President has had a terrible load to carry with Hitchcock in the cabinet and yet to remain popular in the west.

The re-election of Blinger Hermann ought to open the eyes of the President to this fact, that Hitchcock is not wanted in the west.

Roosevelt has remained intensely popular in spite of the Hitchcock rulings and the general policy of restriction on land operations.

In activity and foresight the quiet king of England is a surprise, when we recall him as the jovial and roys-tering Prince of Wales.

X-RADIUMS

Baker City has installed the second beautiful public fountain in the court house square. It is a figure of a boot-black holding up an old boot, with the water streaming out of holes in the toes and all around.

There are Democrats in Oregon who talk of defeating Sam White in his race for district attorney. There would be no democratic party in Oregon but for Sam White.

What will there be left to the Republican party with Henry McGinn out of it? What is there to any party when its brains and respectability walk out of it?

There are still people who forget that irony and sarcasm have a place in the world, and are at times to be found in these columns.

Having lost control of Harvey Scott Henry McGinn didn't wish to be a Republican senator any longer.

Dan Malarkey will make an orator out of himself if he don't look out.

The purchasing power of all farm products was double what it ever was before—except for spring millinery.

Who ever heard of a farmer complaining that prices were too high—for farm products.

Salem and Marion county have a real contagion this time. It is the good roads fever and not even the state board of health can put a kibosh on it.

The Russians wear yellow and swear a blue streak.

The Japs may be part monkey but they are not to be monkeyed with.

Clara Louise Burnham's two Christian Science novels continue in steady demand. In fact, "The Right Princess" has just been sent to press for the fifteenth time, and "Jewel" for the ninth time.

A new Salem saloon is to spend \$7000 on fixtures this summer when the remodeling is complete. There will have to be a good deal of water mixed with the whisky to make that money back.

Remarkable irony of fate that the Czar talked peace all his life only to become involved in a war with one of the smallest nations. Marol: talk peace but be prepared for war.

What shall the census be? Let all get in and help the enumerators and it will be a great deal more than if you stand back and do your kicking afterwards.

The Marion county program of reducing tax levies should be carried into the state government.

No one supposed that Bryan would ever get to riding on a Hearst into of fice.

Even Missouri shows signs of going part Republican this year.

Jimmie Culver seems to be about elected sheriff already without any campaign.

The beautiful eyes of the Empress of China do not yet rest lovingly on the Russians nor on the Japs.

The largest family found so far by the census enumerators has 13 members.

Postmaster Baneroft, of Portland, took the wood splitting job away from the hired girl and his wife, with a badly cut foot as the result.—Eugene Guard.

A warning to all men.

The Republicans do not mean that one of their candidates for circuit judge shall be left in the Eddy this year.

The Japs are apparently a rapid-fire people.

Port Arthur is not exactly an open port.

The Journal this coming Saturday will have the first of a series of political cartoons by its own cartoonist. They will be cartoons that the people can understand.

If they would trap those Japs, the Russians will have to get up earlier than they have been doing. They Jaly too long with the vodka.

It is a downright surprise that a man who was a sport and a patron of the races and a drinking man should steady down into about the wisest

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There's nothing very rushin' about those Russian generals. and best king in the world today—Edward of England.

"God's Church" is a new organization in Portland, and one of its ministers claims it contains the only true Christians. Is this a new name for the Holy Rollers?—Albany Herald.

German Orientalists—explorers and grave diggers—have exhumed some old Babylonian ruins, and found a statue of old King Sardanapalus. Old Dan is well preserved, the report says, but quite inactive, like the Oregon Democracy. They have also got a pretty good rock-hewn image of Salmansheezar, another old Hebrew, who probably kicked on being taken into the corporation in his day, but quit kicking about 700 years ago. Old Sheezar was a great admirer of Grover Cleveland, and if he were alive would favor another bond issue.

French bankers hustle to take all the Russian loans that are offered. They know that while Russia may be wiped off the map of Asia, there will always be several millions of the

bear's subjects left in Europe, they will form a mighty handy guard for the ancient enemies of French Republic across the Rhine.

Old Jerry, the ex-Fire Department equine, who now holds a responsible position on one of the city carts, had his first experience with a moblie. He was on duty on Winter street, and when the machine made its appearance as a signal for a half holiday, departed for the city hall. Jerry been a voter for several years, he didn't stop to inquire whether auto was electric, steam or gas, simply distanced everything in and showed up at the city hall for lunch. His cart was slightly figured, and the auto came puffing dear life about five minutes after the faithful old city horse was comfortably installed at his hay. Those new-fangled machines cope with a fire horse.

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