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**MAN WAS BORN TO MUSTLE.**  
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**Our Clubbing List.**

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BEFORE its adjournment the New York legislature passed the Greater New York bill. There is created by this bill a municipality embracing 288 square miles of territory and a population of over three millions of people.

A WAIL is going up in that section of California contiguous to Santa Monica, over the huge \$3,000,000 appropriation for a deep water harbor there, when San Pedro was the place designated by the people to be benefited.

THE hand of "Butcher" Weyler has been stayed by the president of the United States, until Americans, who are under sentence of death, can have a fairer examination. Weyler claims that the United States is severely interfering with his business.

E. E. PHIPPS, Populist candidate for superintendent of schools, desires us to state that he has been a resident of Oregon for eight years; that he holds a normal school diploma from the state of West Virginia; an Oregon state teachers' diploma and a classical diploma from the Portland university.

THE civil service rules have been extended to include nearly 30,000 additional government employees, and raising the number of classified government positions from 55,000 to 85,000—in fact, civil service rules have now been extended to cover nearly every appointive position under the national government excepting such as are subject to nomination by the president and confirmation by the senate and a few secretaries and confidential clerks.

THE Oregon state board of horticulture have conceived the idea of placing a line of horticultural instruction in the public schools, and have resolved, "That it is the judgment of this board that the State Board of Public Instructions should take measures to introduce into the public schools of this state a rudimentary line of instruction in horticulture, as the essential elements of our education to fit men and women for intelligent labor on the farm and in the orchard."

THE democratic central committee of Jackson county has purchased a column of space in THE MAIL for each week until the June election. The republican central committee has also purchased an equal amount of space and next week will occupy it with literature tending to the fostering of their party principles and their candidates. The populist central committee also has under consideration the purchase of like space—in which to defend their principles and individual candidates.

THE MAIL is in receipt of several communications bearing upon political matters and in some instances there has been sent us some nicely worded paragraphs commendatory to individual candidates. THE MAIL is not taking any part in the political struggle, because, as we before stated there are three almost entirely new tickets in the field—the candidates for offices which are of most vital importance to the taxpayers are all new men in politics. You know them as well as we do. Parties who have communications

to print had best consult the chairman of the central committees and should the communications meet with favor by either of these gentlemen they will undoubtedly appear in the space in this paper which has been purchased by them.

**SCHOOL NOTES.**  
Owing to sickness Miss Galloway was unable to present her paper at the institute last week. The sixth grade is beginning to realize that there are only six weeks in which to complete the year's work.

The first grade finds the busy work table a great attraction, especially upon rainy days when it is impossible for them to play out doors. Miss Julia White, while on her way to Jacksonville, visited the fifth grade. We are always glad to receive visitors who are interested in our work.

Teachers at the institute will remember that Prof. Gregory gave the name of a song book which he recommended for school use. He finds the address of the publisher is Lancaster, Pa., not Harrisburg.

Many words of praise for the new school building were heard during the institute from such men as Supt. Irwin, Pres. Chapman and Pres. Campbell. It was pronounced the best building of its size in the state.

**Union Memorial Services.**  
By invitation of the G. A. R. post of Medford, the churches will hold union services at the opera house in Medford, on Sunday, May 24th, at 11 o'clock a. m., in memory of fallen heroes of the late war.

**They Nominated Precinct Officers.**  
TRAIL CREEK, May 9, 1896. At a people's party meeting held here upon even date with the above, for the purpose of nominating precinct officers, the following officers were nominated: For justice of the peace, Harvey Richardson; for constable, J. A. Hunter. As these nominations did not reach the county seat in time to be printed on the ballots the voters desiring to vote for these parties will of necessity need write the names on the ballots.

**Populist Speaking.**  
The populists of Jackson county are figuring that next Monday will be a red letter day for their cause. They have secured Hon. J. R. Sovereign, grand master of the Knights of Labor of the United States, for a speech upon the above date. To accommodate all whom it is expected will be present the fair grounds at Central Point have been secured—and the speech will commence at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

**Anti-rust tinware at Kame & Gilkey's.**

**DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.**  
(Election June 1)  
For Supreme Judge, JOHN BURNETT, of Benton County  
For Congressman, 1st Cong. Dist., JEFFERSON MYERS, of Linn County.  
For District Attorney, S. S. PENTZ, of Jackson county.

**DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.**  
For Representatives, E. D. BRIGGS, of Ashland. J. J. HOUCK, of Gold Hill. J. W. Robinson, of Wimer.  
For County Judge, W. S. CROWELL, of Medford.  
For Commissioner, BEN. BEALL, of Central Point.  
For County Clerk, WM. W. HOLMES, of Central Point.  
For Recorder, W. J. COMPTON, of Brownsboro.  
For Sheriff, J. W. BYBEE, of Jacksonville.  
For Treasurer, LEE L. JACOBS, of Jacksonville.  
For Assessor, J. L. WOODRIDGE, of Applegate.  
For School Superintendent, J. M. HORTON, of Jacksonville.  
For Surveyor, FRED PAPE, of Jacksonville.  
For Coroner, DR. J. B. WAIT, of Medford.

**REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.**  
(Election June 1.)  
For Supreme Judge, RS BEAN, of Lane County.  
For Congressman, 1st Cong. Dist., THOS H TONGUE, of Washington Co.  
For District Attorney, GEO W COLVIG, of Josephine County.

**REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET.**  
For Representatives, N LANGELL, of Jacksonville, W COLTON, of Ashland, H D KUBLI, of Applegate.  
For County Judge, J W MERRITT, of Central Point.  
For Sheriff, A F HUNT, of Ashland.  
For County Clerk, M L ALFORD, of Medford.  
For Recorder, ORA KAHLER, of Willow Springs.  
For Treasurer, THRO CAMERON, of Jacksonville.  
For Commissioner, J G MARTIN, of Beagle.  
For Assessor, F M STEWART, of Phoenix.  
For School Superintendent, GUS NEWBURY, of Phoenix.  
For Surveyor, A ANDREWS, of Griffin Creek.  
For Coroner, DR ALEX PATTERSON, of Central Pt

**POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

**FOR COUNTY CLERK.**  
G. A. JACKSON, OF MEDFORD.  
Regular People's Party Nominee.

**FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR,**  
F. M. STEWART, OF PHOENIX.  
Regular Republican Nominee.

**FOR COUNTY SHERIFF**  
A. F. HUNT, OF ASHLAND.  
Regular Republican Nominee.

**FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS,**  
GUS NEWBURY, OF PHOENIX.  
Regular Republican Nominee.

I stated two years ago that I believed the schools of Jackson county were of such magnitude as to require the entire time of the County Superintendent to the exclusion of other lines of business. I was elected and have given the office my entire personal attention. That is what I promised to do then, and I now renew that promise.

**FOR COUNTY CLERK,**  
M. L. ALFORD, OF MEDFORD.  
Regular Republican Nominee.

**FOR COUNTY CLERK,**  
WM. M. HOLMES, OF CENTRAL POINT.  
Regular Democratic Nominee.

**FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR,**  
JOHN GRIEVE, OF CENTRAL POINT.  
Regular Populist Nominee.

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE,**  
J. J. HOWER, OF MEADOWS PRECINCT.  
Regular Populist Nominee.

**FOR COUNTY RECORDER,**  
W. E. ANDERSON, OF EDEN PRECINCT.  
Regular Populist Nominee.

Those taxpayers of Jackson county who know me personally know full well that if elected I will correctly keep the records of the county. Those who do not know me are referred to my acquaintances for information.

**FOR COUNTY SHERIFF,**  
J. W. BYBEE, OF JACKSONVILLE.  
Regular Democratic Nominee.

As it seems quite the proper thing to state one's intentions, if elected, I, of course will drop into line. I have always been a resident of Jackson county. For reference as to my integrity and ability I have only to say "see those people who know me best and learn of them." If elected I promise to conduct the office impartially and to the best interests of all concerned.

**FOR COUNTY TREASURER,**  
LEE L. JACOBS, OF JACKSONVILLE.  
Regular Democratic Nominee.

**To the Voters of Jackson County.**  
I hereby pledge myself to the people of Jackson county, if elected, to devote my entire time to work in the schools of the county, and to give to each school its due amount of my time. I claim that one hour during a term (the maximum time given to the majority of our schools during the past two years) is not sufficient to enable the Superintendent to competently pass upon the work of any school. I therefore pledge at least a half day's time to every school-room in the county.  
E. E. PHIPPS,  
for School Superintendent.

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE,**  
J. J. HOUCK, OF GOLD HILL.  
Regular Democratic Nominee.

**FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT,**  
G. W. COLVIG, OF JOSEPHINE COUNTY.  
Regular Republican Nominee.

**Penetration of Bullets in Snow.**  
Some curious tests have been made lately of the penetration of projectiles in snow. According to the report in Cosmos (Paris) the Lebel rifle was the weapon used, and some snow heaps, from one to two yards thick, were placed on the firing range, situated near Aurillac and fired at from a distance of fifty yards. It was found that the bullet had stopped at a depth of about five feet. It is believed that the great velocity of the projectile and its rotation (3,500 turns) attracts to it particles of frost and minute icicles, which end by forming a ball and practically annihilates its penetration.

**The U. S. Gov't Reports show Royal Baking Powder superior to all others.**

**DEMOCRATIC COLUMN.**  
(This column is bought and paid for by the Democratic Central Committee.—Eo.)

**Democratic's Plea Before the People.**  
To the voters of Jackson county:—In the present unsettled condition of politics on the American continent, evidenced by the repeated "tidal waves" of recent years, the great body of the people have in a measure been divorced from party, asking only of the different political organizations that they present good men, and fit men for the various offices national, state, county and municipal, to be filled at each succeeding election. While the professional politicians and those whose livelihood depends upon endless political agitation and intrigue are loath to acknowledge the fact, yet it is true that the independent element are today holding the balance of power, and we, as representing the one party in Jackson county which has this year shown an appreciation of its truth, and a desire to accede to the demand for the very best men available, appeal to you, the great public of Jackson county, men of all parties, through the medium of the independent press of the county, in behalf of competency and efficiency in the administration of public business in the county offices.

This position of the Democracy of this county, as the minority party in the last biennial election, was particularly favorable to a choice of candidates who could not fall to be acceptable to the people, and the delegates to their convention held on the 25th of April, being freed from the importunities of professional office-seekers, were enabled to dispassionately select the very best men available for each particular office. How well they succeeded the almost universal approval of men of all parties attests.

Without descending from the high plane of a dignified discussion of qualification and individual fitness for office, we contend that our opponents in the contest now coming on, the Republican and Populist parties, have not been so fortunate in their nominations. We contend, and believe that those who are not allied with "the machine" will agree with us, that most of the candidates of the Republican party in Jackson county this year obtained their nominations by the oft repeated methods of a decade ago, "fighting it out in the primary" and then by secret caucus and combinations in the interest of a few men, crushing the opposition in their convention, stifling discussion of the claims of those not slated by the bosses, and thus defeating the wishes of the primary electors. In proof of this, observe the exceedingly weak nominations made by them for all but the paying offices. These latter gentlemen will prove anything but willing sacrificial lambs, if by any mishap they are appraised of the fact that they are but regarded as good "trading material" by the shrewder bosses.

The Populist party, on the other hand, to the astonishment of its affiliates and friends in the old parties, after having been signally successful two years ago in nominating and electing a most competent and efficient corps of officers, with a few exceptions, the present year surrendered itself into the keeping of the professional agitators, remorselessly repudiated the most deserving men of its former choice, and go before the people as exponents of the principle of a single term, no matter how efficient the incumbent or how desirous the people may be of retaining him in office, a principle which in itself offers a premium on incapacity in office and unusually insures incompetency. In their frenzied anxiety to secure the fat places, their bosses also lost sight of the fact that the sole reason why the people endorsed their selections of two years ago, was on the score of efficiency and administrative ability. With perhaps one or two exceptions, where "locality" governed their convention in its choice, their ticket the present year is man for man incomparably inferior to that of two years ago in all that goes to make good officials, and if elected will mean chaos in the records, confusion in accounts, and utter incompetency on the bench.

The Democracy, realizing that no existing party has strength enough within itself to win in Jackson county without the assistance of the large independent element, which desires efficiency and competency in office above mere party preference, met in convention on the 25th ult., while yet the voice of disapproval was loud over the character of the nominations already made, and named the strongest ticket, in point of efficiency, fitness for office named and general character, which has been presented to the voters of this county in many years. Not a man on the list but has some special recommendation for the office to which we desire to elect him, and scarce an instance but that the office literally sought the man, few of those named having been before the convention of their own accord.

Gentlemen, you who by your suffrages will select whom you will to serve you in public office during the next two years, on the coming first day of June, this ticket was selected by the Democracy on the 25th day of April in the confident assurance that we are offering you the very best material we have to offer, the various county offices, and we believe that, taken in connection with the high character of men named for the higher state and district offices, we present you with a ticket that is well worthy of your support. Locally we do not believe a man has been nominated on our ticket but who realizes fully that if elected he will act for the term of his office in the capacity of a public servant, rendering to the people his best services, and we feel warranted in predicting that not a man of the entire lot will degenerate into a political boss or place-hunter. These men are business men, capable men, and men who can be relied upon to apply business methods in the transaction of public affairs. They are deserving of your confidence and your vote. Take the ticket as published elsewhere in this issue of THE MAIL, and scrutinize each name carefully. Consider his claims to preferment from the standpoint of general character, fitness and efficiency, as compared with his competitors in the race, and we are assured you can but decide favorably to the Democratic nominees.

**Driven to Extreme Measures.**  
A nefarious Political Plot Discovered.  
Having made the discovery that the sentiment of Jackson county voters is

daily becoming stronger in favor of the election of Col. Crowell to the office of county judge, and that he will be elected unless something can be done to offset this growth in popular favor, the enemies of that gentleman, (whose numbers are few), encouraged by certain parties of whom more honorable things might have been expected, have undertaken to blast his fair name and accomplish his defeat.

A citizen of this county, an eminently reliable gentleman be it said, has sent a communication to interested parties, in which he states that he has positive information to the fact that certain parties who were foiled by Col. Crowell in an attempt to grab certain homestead claims in Klamath county, and whose grievance is caused solely by their failure to illegally grab the land of honest settlers, have devised a plan for revenge. Almost on the eve of election, and when not time enough is left to meet the election, they propose to connect Col. Crowell with perjury in connection with this matter, and propose the most extreme measures contemplated by the law. While these fellows are not only morally but financially bankrupt, they have already begun to see their nefarious work, and expect to be supplied with the money necessary to proceed with their contemptible scheme from those who are to be benefited by it. These men are well known, their names will be published at the proper time, and they will be held strictly accountable. Their charges have no truth in them, and are simply devised in a spirit of hatred and revenge. Col. Crowell's life record is open to all, and we court the fullest investigation of his long, upright, and honorable career, both in military and civil positions. Only men possessed of prevarice and evil motives have ever had occasion to question him in the least.

**DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE.**  
For the Kidneys.  
"I am 65 years old; have had kidney disease and constipation for 25 years. Am now well—used your S. B. Headache and Liver cure one year. Used 6 bottles at 50 cents each. J. H. Knight, Rutledge, Ore." For sale by Chas. Strang.

Legal blanks at THE MAIL office.

**A BRAVE GIRL.**  
Heroism of a Waitress in a Burning Hotel.

It does not require either mature years or an exalted position in life to develop the qualities that make a hero or heroine. One of the bravest and most resolute deeds that we have ever read of was performed only recently by a girl of sixteen who was serving as a dining-room girl in a hotel at Harper, Kan., says Youth's Companion.

At four o'clock on the morning of the 16th of November a fire broke out at this hotel. In its rooms slept thirty-seven guests. A strong wind was blowing, and the fire spread rapidly.

In one of the rooms two dining-room girls were asleep. One of them, whose name is Maud Scherhorn, woke half suffocated by smoke. Her companion was insensible; and Maud, though herself half-suffocated, helped the other out of the window, and herself leaped out, cutting her flesh badly on the glass as she did so. She dragged her companion to a place where she would be safe.

Then she saw that the flames were enveloping the house, and that the guests had not been alarmed. The task of doing this she took upon herself. Breaking through a fastened lower window, and again cutting herself severely, she crept back into the hotel, the halls of which were thick with choking smoke. She could not walk upright against the smoke; but getting down on her hands and knees, her face to the floor, she crept through the corridors, from room to room, alarming all in the house.

Everywhere she left a trail of blood behind her from her bleeding flesh. When the last guest had opened the door of his room in response to her call, he found her lying helpless in a pool of her own blood.

Though he himself was half-smothered, this guest picked up the girl, and, groping his way, reached the street with her in safety. No life was lost in the fire; but it is said that several people would undoubtedly have perished but for this heroic girl's efforts.

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