

NEBRASKA DEMOCRATS
DECLARE FOR BRYAN

Laudatory Resolutions Passed Favoring the Peerless One—Platform So by Bryan Necessarily Incomplete So as to Have New Planks Framed.

OMAHA, March 7.—The democratic state convention, which adjourned yesterday, adopted the following resolutions:

"The democratic party of Nebraska declares confidence in and admiration for William J. Bryan. In him we behold the ideal American citizen, the ideal democrat. We rejoice that the principles which he has advocated have been gladly received and are now generally accepted by the American people."

Resolved, That the delegates by this convention chosen be and are hereby instructed to vote as a unit for the nomination of Bryan for the presidency."

Platform Built by Bryan.

The platform as a whole was largely Mr. Bryan's own work. That it reflected the leader's views as to what should form the issues upon which the party should go before the country next summer was not denied. Mr. Bryan, however, said that the declarations of the platform were necessarily incomplete; that some subjects which would undoubtedly be included in the national platform were omitted, while others were treated in the Nebraska document in a purposely brief manner so as to allow amplification at Denver.

The platform advanced little that was new. The Fowler and Aldrich currency bills were condemned. Emergency currency, it was declared, should be issued and controlled by the federal government. Immediate revision of the tariff was emphasized as a necessity, the "standpat" policy being ridiculed in terms that made the delegates titter with laughter. A straight declaration in opposition to Asiatic immigration and a clause favoring the eight-hour working day were decidedly popular. So, too, were the paragraphs favoring extension of irrigation and reclamation projects.

No Mention of Ownership.

An endorsement of the Drago doctrine, insofar as that doctrine applies to the United States navy, and a declaration that jury trials should be granted defendants in contempt cases where the alleged offense was committed outside the presence of the court, caused some notice. One of the well-applauded clauses was that dealing with anarchy.

There was no reference to government ownership in the platform; neither was there a "personal liberty" clause therein. Bryan received a tumultuous ovation at the hands of an immense audience when he delivered his speech.

MINING NEWS AND NOTES.

(Ashland Tidings.)

The Ashland Coal Mining company has begun active development work on its property, situated four miles east of Ashland. The lower incline tunnel, in which a five-foot layer of lignite coal was being opened up, was abandoned last fall on account of an excess of water. This incline has recently been drained and the coal measures will be blocked out ready for extraction.

The mines' manager of the Chetko Copper company returned from the property last week. He reports that the tunnel, being run into the steep mountain side on the trend of the vein, is being steadily pushed forward. The tunnel is in all-ore that averages 11 per cent copper and \$5.50 gold. At the inner end of the tunnel February 29 a cross cut was started in order to ascertain the exact width of the ore body, which on the surface shows to be fully 100 feet wide. Judging from the many reliable reports regarding the richness and extent of the ore bodies, the Chetko copper is destined to become one of the great copper and gold producers of the west. It being adjacent to a good section on the Pacific ocean and having an immense water-power of its own, are two points that will enable the company to produce copper cheaply.

The Star Gold Mining company, which owns 21 lode claims adjacent to the "old Ashland mine" to the south west, is about to begin further extensive development of its properties.

W. Evans of the Ashland mining office reports a decided activity in mining matters in and about Ashland. Mining operators are taking hold of and developing good showing prospects, and the demand for shares and securities in the better grade of gold and copper mining companies in Southern Oregon is quite brisk and active. The salt mining office has an extensive high grade tungsten property which it is putting in proper shape to transfer to an eastern syndicate.

Joseph Griffin, a mining man of Ashland, will start for the Rawhide (Nev.) district this coming week, with a view of operating in that locality.

W. A. Blanton, formerly mining in Nevada, is developing a fine gold quartz property in the Fishhook range south of Ashland.

A. A. Rhodemann, a mining engineer, who has operated in Nevada for many years, arrived with his family from Goldfield last week to make headquarters in Ashland. He will undertake the exploitation of a large low-grade quartz property in Jackson county, for a syndicate of Goldfield mining capitalists.

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SLAMATH COUNTY PRISONER
HAS BEEN ACQUITTED
Peterstien, the accused man for the murder of James M. Johnson, who died from the effect of a wound to his right eye, received in a saloon row at Klamath Falls, on Christmas eve, was acquitted in the circuit court for Klamath county.

JOHN McCOURT CHOSEN
AS FEDERAL ATTORNEY

Pendleton Lawyer Agreed Upon by Oregon Delegation as Bristol's Successor—Went to School to Hawley and Practiced Under Ellis.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—John McCourt of Pendleton, who was a student at Willamette university under Representative Hawley, who practiced law before Representative Ellis, as a judge, who is a warm personal friend of Senator Fulton, but who is also well known to Senator Bourne, was unanimously recommended by the Oregon delegation for nomination as district attorney. His nomination is expected next Monday and, if it materializes, he will be promptly confirmed.

AMUSEMENTS.

"The Black Crook."

The announcement for the Medford Opera House for Thursday, March 12, is "The Black Crook" production by Messrs. Miller and Plohn, a spectacular melodrama which was first produced in the year 1866 at Niblo's garden, New York, under the management of Jarrett & Palmer, and which had at that time a phenomenal run of 475 consecutive performances. It was after wards revived a number of times, the most notable revival being that of Eugene Tompkins, when "The Black Crook" had another phenomenal run in New York at the Academy of Music, where it was given for 316 times in succession. It was also played at one time by the Kiralfy Brothers, who were very successful with it, but it is a new version that is now being used by Messrs. Miller and Plohn. In this, the play is divided into three acts, and opportunity given for a greater quantity of scenic display and an entirely new production is promised.

Fait the Magician.

A crowded house greeted Fait the Great at the Opera House last night, and the audience got the worth of its money, for they witnessed many clever feats in legwork and mind-reading. Both Professor Fait and his wife are skilled entertainers and rank at the top notch of their profession. How they do the things that they do puzzles not only the audience but the committee of investigation as well. Nothing quite so clever has been seen in Medford before.

Tonight there will be a special program of feats in hypnotism and the best program of the course will be given, entirely different from that of previous evenings, and well worth witnessing.

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS
OF STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS

The semi-annual reports of the Oregon State Normal schools show the following facts:

Average attendance—Monmouth 117, Ashland 124, Drain 72, Weston 158.

Receipts from tuition—Monmouth \$1528, Ashland \$793.60, Drain \$432, Weston \$1970.

Donations from private individuals—Monmouth \$6000, Drain \$2950.

Total expenditures for five months—Monmouth \$4851.69, Ashland \$13,494.58, Drain \$1914.20, Weston \$14,009.05.

Total receipts from all institutions, including appropriations, donations, tuitions and other fees, \$75,093.96. Total expenditures for all institutions, \$34,286.62.

SOUTHERN OREGON PIONEER
GETS A BAD FALL

J. D. Gray, one of Fort Klamath's oldest citizens, fell from the top of a load of hay a few days since, striking on his head and shoulders, which came very near putting him out of business. While he is still confined to his bed, he is improving and will be out before long. John was for many years a resident of Jackson county.

Christian Science.

Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the Commercial club room. Subject of the lesson, sermon for March 8, "Man." All are welcome.

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Mr. Fulton endeavored to get the delegation together to call on the president and discuss the district attorneyship. Mr. Bourne declined to go and Mr. Hawley was unable to go. So Mr. Fulton and Mr. Ellis went alone. The president was very anxious that the delegation act promptly in submitting its recommendation, so the meeting was held in Mr. Fulton's room. Mr. McCourt's selection was the result.

Mr. Bourne did not have any candidate, but, as anticipated, undertook further to postpone action. In this he was unsuccessful, for his colleagues were as anxious as the president to have the matter cleared up, and they very quickly agreed upon Mr. McCourt as a man thoroughly competent to fill the office and one who, it is believed, meets all requirements imposed by the president. Mr. Bourne's acquiescence was purely formal, for, as stated, he does not know Mr. McCourt. If he had other preferences, he did not make them known.

The recommendation of Mr. McCourt not only prevents Chris Schuebel's appointment as successor to W. C. Bristol, but also makes it impossible for him to become assistant district attorney. Had T. J. Cloeton been appointed, Mr. Schuebel would have been his assistant. Now he gets nothing.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ORDERS NEW ORGAN

The Presbyterian church of Medford has placed a contract with the Sherman-Clay company, through their representative, H. C. Pyrris, for an eight-stop, three-manual Elzey pipe organ, to be installed about July 1. The organ is to be built especially for the church, has tubular pneumatic action

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NEW FRATERNAL SOCIETY
IN SOUTHERN OREGON

Grand Secretary Moorhead, assisted by Mr. Lovelace, who has been working up the matter, organized a branch of "The Stoppers of the World" at Grants Pass a few nights ago. There are 53 charter members, comprising residents of Jackson and Josephine counties, and the new order starts out under promising auspices. It is not an order for mining men alone, but all persons who are directly or indirectly interested in the mining industry are to have a part in its work. Among other laudable aims, it will propose to do away with all "wildecatting" and such harmful practices.

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