

A Democratic View.

In the year of grace 1898, Joe Simon, Malcolm Moody, Ralph Moody and other republican small fry concocted a scheme to revise the congressional districts of the state throwing Multnomah, Clatsop and Columbia with Eastern Oregon into the second district. The first and immediate result of this was to put in the ascendancy in Oregon politics the Sol Hirsch-Joe Simon combination and the next result was the election to congress, ostensibly from Wasco county of Malcolm A. Moody. Had it not been for this gerrymander, Malcolm A. Moody would have never seen the inside of the United States capitol. There are those who believe Mr. Moody is an Eastern Oregon man only nominally. At any rate it is true that congressionally speaking Eastern Oregon is only a tail to the Multnomah kite. Without regard to party lines, the people of this section are tired of this. Portland not only controls the nominations but the elections as well.

The habits, the pursuits and occupations of the people of Multnomah, Clatsop and Columbia are wholly foreign to those of Eastern Oregon. Multnomah should go to the first district where it belongs and to balance up the population, Lake and Klamath, which are Eastern Oregon counties should come to the second district if it be necessary for the second district to extend to the sea, why not embrace some of the Southern Oregon counties—Josephine and Jackson for instance which are mining counties and whose interests are identical with the country east of the mountains.

It is evident that the people have borne this about as long as they intend to. Mr. Moody is not the only candidate for congress. J. N. Williamson, a brainier man, and a man who does not really belong to Eastern Oregon is an avowed aspirant. If Mr. Williamson will cut loose entirely from the Simon combination and use his influence to have the state redistricted, he will secure enough democratic votes to make up for the few Simon votes he might lose and he will go to congress. Democrats and republicans will stand in together on this proposition. As it is, Eastern Oregon has not the ghost of a show for anything in the way of favors from congress. No appropriations can come this way. Portland is standing like a professional mendicant, with her big mit extended and after she gets half what she asks for, the state of Oregon can expect nothing more.—Baker City Democrat.

Petition for Pardon.

Governor Geer has received a petition for the pardon of L. L. Cooke, who was convicted of manslaughter in Gilliam county in September, 1900. It is alleged in Cooke's behalf that he killed J. S. Collins in an altercation over a piece of land, under great aggravation, that he was an old man of good character, peaceful and law-abiding, that he is now in feeble health and has not long to live, and that although he was not entirely blameless in the matter, still he has received sufficient punishment.

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Political Potpourri.

Senator Simon has succeeded in securing an election board in Multnomah county favorable to him and this is the sum total of his achievements as senator.—East Oregonian.

The Salem Journal has discovered that the smallest newspaper in the state, The Sentinel, is after the tallest governor, and the biggest newspaper in the state is after the shortest senator. Will they be drowned.—Albany Democrat.

Albany Democrat: It is an observable non-partisan fact that senator Mitchell has more influence at Washington than all the other representatives from Oregon combined. What Mitchell steers generally gets through the difficult straits of the senate.

C. A. Johns, of Baker City, has announced, after a few days' consideration, that he will not be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor. This declination will leave the Eastern Oregon field to Furnish and Lowell, both of Pendleton, with the odds apparently largely in favor of Furnish.—Salem Sentinel.

The following is from an editorial in the Oregonian and is being construed as Mr. Scott's denial that he is a candidate for United States senator.

"A very cheap little parasitical paper printed in Portland says: 'Mr. Scott, as a candidate for Mr. Simon's seat in the United States senate, is not an impartial judge of Mr. Simon's acts.' In the first place it is not Mr. Simon's seat but a seat belonging to the state of Oregon, which the people of Oregon will have an opportunity to fill soon, as they may think fit. In the next place, Mr. Scott is not a candidate, actual or possible, for it."

Startling News.

Every man in Lake county, or for that matter in the state of Oregon, should lose no time in taking up a timber claim. The Examiner is in receipt of a private communication from a reliable authority at Washington to the effect that the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," is about to be repealed. There are hundreds of thousands of acres of good timber in this state and California—including many thousands of acres in the Lakeview land district—that can be taken if filed on soon. A delay in this matter will deprive many men forever of the right to acquire valuable timber claims. "He who hesitates is lost." The man who takes advantage of the opportunity presented before the act

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