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Democratic Nominees.

Supreme Judge—Thomas O'Day. Congressman 2nd District—Robert M. Vestch. Dairy and Food Commissioner—S. M. Douglass. Presidential Electors—John A. Jeffrey, T. H. Crawford, W. B. Diller, J. H. Smith. For Joint Representative for Clackamas and Multnomah—J. E. Hedger. For Representatives—O. W. Evans, S. Hutchinson, John W. Loder. For Sheriff—Chas Ely. For Clerk—Millard Orissal. For Treasurer—N. F. Nelson. For Assessor—T. R. A. Sellwood. Recorder—H. W. Lang. For Supt. of Schools—H. G. Stark-weather. For Commissioner—J. H. Kitching. For Surveyor—A. M. Kirchem.

SENATOR BURTON, of Kansas, dep., is still on the anxious seat inquiring what he shall do to be saved.

Few gamblers know when to quit but a good example in quitting has been set by the Butte preacher who won several hundred dollars at roulette and then accepted a call to a pulpit in New Mexico.

It is passing strange how some people fall over themselves in their haste to deny they have committed a crime, even when no criminality has been charged. It grieves us deeply to think of the inference that will be drawn from such denials.

Why did the County Clerk omit from his report of March 31, 1904, a statement of the amount of warrants outstanding and unpaid? Such statement has heretofore been made and is required by law. (See Sec. 2639, B & C Code of Oregon.)

THIRTY-FIVE boxes of onions were received by a firm at Portland, Oregon, last week, from Sydney, N. S. W. This is the first time such a thing has happened, and it should not be repeated when it is a fact that Oregon land will produce the finest onions grown.—Pacific Homestead

SINCE 1870, England has added to her population 88,000,000 people, mostly barbarians, and added to her domains an area larger than the United States. Indirectly, the bitter result of this imperialism is that not one in ten of the people of England is capable of passing the examination for military service though the standard has been lowered.

CONGRESSMAN BAKER, of New York, offered to amend an appropriation bill as follows: "To reimburse the great railroads the cost of supplying the president of the United States with special trains, cigars, wines," whereupon ten Republicans jumped up and interrupted further reading with a point of order. "Point of order sustained," said the chair, and it was killed.

THERE is not a name on the Democratic ticket of which anyone need be ashamed. The county ticket is made up of farmers and business men who have never meddled in politics, and who represent the choice of the delegates from all parts of the county—not the choice of a ring. It is gratifying to know that the people for once have the privilege of voting for men who have been put up by the people.

In one of the eastern cities a pipe organ weighing 125 tons is being constructed and when done will be the largest in the world. The largest pipe will admit of a Shetland pony being led into it. The frame work looks like that of a house several stories high and the best part of it all is that the timber being used for the pipes and framework is Oregon Pine. This organ is not any too large to speak properly for the great state furnishing the material out of which it is constructed.

An agricultural fair will be held next Fall before the National Grange meets at Portland, Oregon. A county fair association is soon to be organized for the purpose of arranging for displays at this fair and at others which will follow. The movement to organize an association was begun by Rockwood Grange and has been approved of by all the other Granges in Multnomah county.

Committees are already at work to formulate plans for holding these county fairs. The site for the grounds will be near either Gresham or Fairview, Oregon.—Pacific Homestead.

MR. THOMAS W. LAWSON, of Chicago, proposes to start a fight against the Standard Oil Company. He is quoted as saying that he "knows the Standard Oil, root, trunk, branch, and blossom"—that he has "lived right on the inside with them," and that he has decided he can conduct his fight and win. He probably knows something about the methods of "high finance" wherein \$46,000,000 profits were recently made on a single deal without any writing and "without putting a single dollar in jeopardy." If high financiers are falling out there is a probability that the public will receive something near its just dues.—Seattle Times.

EVERY day adds to the esteem in which the Democratic nominees are held by the citizens of this county. At first it was attempted to make political capital out of the fact that these men did not desire nominations, but the attempt proved a boomerang and it was dropped so suddenly that a painful silence followed for several days. When candidates are so anxious to sacrifice themselves on the country's political altar that they begin back of the primaries to see that the right fellow goes to the convention, then it is time to call a halt. The Democratic nominees are all successful men of affairs whose only reason for going on the ticket is that such a move is in the interests of good citizenship as opposed to a ring rule.

THERE is much being said about the fact that the county officers reports are, under a Republican administration, submitted promptly on April 1, the time required by law. Let us have facts, gentlemen. The Sheriff's report is dated April 1, that of the Treasurer and Clerk, April 5. In the report of the Democratic Fusion officers, two years ago, the sheriff certified to his report April 26, the Treasurer and Clerk certifying to theirs on May 5. A year ago, the present officers certified to their reports as follows: Sheriff, May 6; Treasurer, March 31; Clerk, May 13. It is probably true that the present reports come out more nearly on time than former ones, but the county pays dearly for it in extra deputy hire. The great thing is not the exact time of the report, however, but the accuracy of it when made.

No better indication of the fact that Clackamas county is forging ahead can be found than the one that there are about forty sawmills in this county which are in actual operation. It is true that some of them are small and it is also true that some of their product is shipped to outside points, but by far the greater portion is used within our own borders. Unless one travels over the county at intervals he is not aware of the vast improvement being made in farm buildings, in fences, etc. Nor is this all. More acreage in cultivation, better methods, bigger profits, backed up by greater knowledge, have necessarily preceded the construction of better buildings. The momentum which Clackamas county has gained in the past five years will carry her on to still greater successes.

PEOPLE of the Eastern states do not understand the Chinese immigration question any more, not so well in fact, as the Northern people understand the negro questions of the South. This lack of understanding is shown by lack of interest in enforcing existing exclusion laws and in the re-enactment of those about to expire. A number of labor leaders recently called on President Roosevelt and asked that unadmitted Chinese be not employed on American ships going in and out of American ports. Court decisions have established that an American ship on the high seas is a part of our territory and therefore Chinese who have no right in this country have no right on our ships. From a universal brotherhood standpoint this seems a little severe, but from a practical standpoint the rigid enforcement of all the exclusion laws is imperative.

THE conduct of Turkey has for many years been offensive to the more respectable European powers, and were it not for the prize, Constantinople, which none is willing another should have, Turkey would have been wiped off the map long ago. The conduct of Binger Hermann has for many years been offensive to the more respectable citizens of Oregon, and were it not for the prize, a seat in Congress, which none is willing another should have, Binger Hermann's postoffice address would have been Oblivion long ago. Here is a part of what the Oregonian said about Mr. Hermann only fifteen months since:

"Mr. Hermann's release and early appearance in Oregon may serve to remind the faithful that he is a man who always requires to be taken care of. If there is nothing left but the senate, doubtless it is the senate he will have to have. He is not the highest type of statesman. He is not the type of man Oregon should be proud to send to the senate. If he ever had any pronounced views on public questions, like money and tariff, they were wrong. He would not take rank with the Spooners and Calhouns of Congress, but would add to the number of sleek and oily politicians

there, by whom Oregon, it appears, loves best to be represented. Yet he is a very adroit sort of fellow, in unctious unapproached and in palaver unapproached."

If the report of the finances of a bank should show discrepancies of thousands of dollars, it would avail but little for the officers to declare or even be able to prove, that the discrepancies existed because certain funds had not been reported. So it should be with the reports of county officials. It is not sufficient that an administration be honest. The reports must be in such condition that the people may know just where the money is, and for what purpose it is being used. There has, as yet, been no information given as to the whereabouts of the \$14,524.53 which both the Sheriff and the Treasurer deny having in their possession; or of the whereabouts of the \$81,840.46 which was unaccounted for between March 31, 1903, and May 6 of the same year. On the other hand, this year's discrepancy is fully admitted, but is justified on the plea that "Preceding officers have not reported these funds and nothing was ever thought of it." Would any business man accept of any such plea on the part of individuals entrusted with his business? We state again, as we stated last week, that no criminal charge is intended in these articles, and that the reports may be in compliance with the law. But we do assert that no one can figure out from the published reports, the financial condition of the county. Let us have accurate statements.

THE Washington County News (Rep.) states that "Among the proceedings at the Republican Convention (at Portland) a joint senator was nominated for the counties of Columbia, Washington and Multnomah. * * * At a secret meeting, as far as Washington County is concerned, of the Multnomah delegates in the third story of some school-house in Portland. The News then proceeded to ask some questions, among which is this: "Does Multnomah expect to see us peacefully submit to such indignities without a protest?" The answer is "yes." There may be some protest, but, as for submission that is a foregone conclusion. When a party will submit as does the Republican party in this Congressional District, at the dictation of party bosses and wealthy corporations, who yell themselves hoarse in their manufactured enthusiasm for such a man as Binger Hermann, they will not kick over the traces for a little thing like the incident related by the News. The Republicans of Washington County will be found in line supporting the party in the case of J. W. Hodson, whose nomination was foisted upon the people of Washington and Columbia by the delegates from Multnomah. And yet the voters of those counties will fondly imagine they are voting for the man of their choice.

The same conditions exist in this and Multnomah counties in regard to joint representative. Are the voters of Clackamas County going to submit?

It was the Willamette Valley that first made the fame for Oregon apples but in recent years that fame has been mostly transferred to Hood River valley and we cannot make any just protest against the transfer. If a New York apple dealer is asked where the best apples come from he will say from Oregon. If questioned as to what part of Oregon he will say Hood River. Now, why is this? Is not the climate the same in the Willamette valley it was years ago? Is not the soil the same? Are not conditions generally the same? The only difference between old and new conditions is that we have now a number of pests that were not in evidence when Willamette apples were considered the finest in the world. These pests are found at Hood River in just as great numbers as here; but the apple growers of that section have met the new conditions largely with the spray pump while for the most part the growers here have given themselves up to lamentations. There is no need for this. The State and National authorities have devised many ways and means for defense and there is no question about their success. There is many an old orchard in this county with moss hanging in long festoons from its venerable branches, that is only waiting the magic touch of the pruning hook and spray pump, to burst into profitable production. Next week the Courier will publish formula and directions for fighting the codlin moth which is the main enemy to contend with during the summer and early fall.

HIS MULTITUDINOUS ENEMIES.

The Dallas Chronicle. If a newspaper man knew how many knocks are received behind his back he would adopt another calling, remarked a citizen the other day. The citizen is mistaken. The newspaper man who has the elements that make success in him expects to be maligned by every law-breaker, swindler, hypocrite, carping critic who loves notoriety, and is ignored, and in fact by all who do not agree with him on public and private matters. The newspaper men who expect to go through life without being misrepresented and unjustly censured should make arrangements to die young.

Important Announcement

IT has been apparent for some time that Clackamas County was not receiving its just share of immigration flowing into the State. This has come about largely from the fact that other localities have made special effort, through local organizations and in the distribution of literature, to induce and invite new comers into their respective Counties. Clackamas County has to pay a large sum as its part of the appropriation for the Lewis and Clark Fair, and it ought in all conscience to receive its proportion of the rewards in the way of new settlers to buy up our surplus lands and aid in the building up of new industries.

For the purpose of helping myself, and directly and indirectly this great County, I have opened a real estate office in Portland, at 233 Washington Street, Labbe building, first floor, and will be open for business on and after April 1st. Capt. James P. Shaw, late of Hood River, who was associated with the real estate department of my office some years ago, will have charge of the Portland office, and will be a full partner in the real estate department of the business, both in Portland and Oregon City. Having lived many years in Portland, Capt. Shaw has an intimate acquaintance with the metropolis and its people. From now on we will have special opportunities for selling real estate left with us. We shall make a specialty of the following properties:

- Clackamas County Lands. Oregon City Investments. Gladstone Property. Hood River Fruit and Berry Lands.

And shall at all times try and attract Capitalists to take advantage of the untold resources of this great County.

We wish to increase our list of farms for sale and can promise faithful and efficient service. Would be pleased to have visitors to Portland call and get acquainted with our plan of selling lands. The firm name will be

::: Cross & Shaw :::

Main St., Oregon City, Or. 233 Washington St., Portland, Or



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Plow Shares Ground and Saws Gummed.

