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THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

A republican convention for the county of Clackamas, state of Oregon, is called to meet in Oregon City on Wednesday, the 23d day of March, 1892, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of choosing ten delegates to the state convention called for April 6, 1892, and for the purpose of nominating candidates for the office of state senator to fill vacancy, three representatives, county clerk, sheriff, recorder, treasurer, county commissioner, assessor, school superintendent, surveyor, coroner, and to nominate district officers in justice-of-the peace and constable districts, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the convention.

The convention will consist of 112 delegates appointed among the several precincts, as follows:

Abernethy	3 Marquam	4
Barlow	3 Milwaukie	6
Beaver Creek	2 Milk Creek	2
Borings	2 Needy	3
Canemah	3 New Era	3
Cascades	4 Oregon City, No. 1	8
Clackamas	4 Oregon City, No. 2	8
Canyon Creek	2 Oswego	6
Canby	4 Pleasant Hill	3
Cherryville	2 Springwater	2
Damascus	4 Soda Springs	3
Eagle Creek	3 Siever	2
Ely	3 Tualtin	3
Garfield	2 Upper Molalla	3
George	1 Union	2
Hardings	3 Viola	2
Highland	2 West Side	2
Lower Molalla	2	

The same being one delegate at large from each precinct and one delegate for every twenty-four votes and one for every fraction of one-half or over thereof cast for congressman at the June election in 1890.

Primaries for the purpose of choosing delegates to the county convention will be held in the several precincts on Saturday, March 19, at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m., except in Oregon City precinct No. 1, Oregon City precinct No 2, Oswego and Ely. The primary in Oswego district is called for Saturday, March 18, the polls to open at 7:30 p. m., and continue open until 8:30 p. m., voting to be by ballot, and the following named persons are hereby appointed judges for Oswego precinct: P. Jarisch, G. W. Prosser and Wm. Miller. The primary in Ely precinct is hereby called for 4 o'clock p. m. on Saturday, March 19.

The primaries in Oregon City precinct No. 1 and Oregon City precinct No. 2, will be held on March 19, 1892, in conformity with the new election law governing primary elections in cities, and in the absence of any existing organization E. M. Bands and H. E. Cross of this committee are hereby authorized to call the primaries in said precincts, and instructed to make all necessary provisions for the execution of the law governing primary elections in said city precincts.

All voters who favor the republican policy of internal improvements, protection of American productions and labor, and guarding sacredly the rights of every American citizen at home and abroad are cordially invited to unite with us.

E. M. BANDS,
Chairman Republican County Central Committee.

H. E. CROSS, Secretary.

FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 1892.

The Presidential Outlook.

Politics, national, state and local, are getting interesting. Oregon takes a livelier interest in the political kaleidoscope than most states this early in the season, because it is itself preparing for an election having a national aspect. It will elect two congressmen next June—five months earlier than any other state—and considerable significance attaches to the result here in view of the important issues before the country.

The withdrawal of Mr. Blaine left President Harrison by far the strongest man in the field for nomination by the Minneapolis convention. But with such possibilities as Gresham, Lincoln, Cullom, Alger, Rusk and Blair being talked of it is by no means certain that Harrison will hold his pre-eminence till the close of the convention. Nothing is surer, too, than that no candidate will succeed this year merely by running upon his party record. The present attitude of the party on important public questions as well as the record of the candidate will be considered by the voters. The tariff and the money question will be the leaders in this campaign, and they will both take something of the aspect that the "labor" organizations give them. It is right that the questions should be considered from such a standpoint, but they should also be temperately and intelligently treated.

The democratic camp will furnish a lot of entertainment this year. Hill, the proprietor of the New York democratic machine, is working his scheme with unparalleled audacity, but his vitality is hardly likely to survive the Chicago convention. Cleveland, as was indicated in the ENTERPRISE immediately after last fall's election, is practically out of the race. He is already a reminiscence. Boies isn't saying much, but he is steadily developing strength. Gorman must depend on circumstances over which he seems to have no control. Mills has been ungenerously side tracked by his party. Carlisle and Vilas are both "willin'." Pennoyer is—well, earthquakes in the Northwest are becoming unpleasantly frequent. It is entirely safe to say that the democratic ticket will represent a straddle on silver and the tariff and that it will be doomed from the moment of its nomination.

The Annual School Meeting.

The annual school meeting in the various school districts of Oregon will take place next Monday. In Oregon City the meeting will be held in Pope's hall. Because entirely removed from partisan politics the school meetings are often neglected, but they ought to enlist the active interest of every property owner and patron of the schools. There is no agency more potent for good in any community than the public school.

In the far West where the civil government is conducted on the county plan instead of upon the more democratic plan of making towns (usually coincident with townships) the political units, the annual school meeting is about the only representative of the old-fashioned New England town meeting. Here the tax payers, men and women, meet in mass, hear reports of their officers, elect officers, decide what policy they wish observed in the conduct of public education and tax themselves for the maintenance of the schools. In city and country the plan is the same, the school districts stand by themselves not allied with the other branches of the government in any administrative functions.

Oregon City must have a new school house, additions must be made to the corps of teachers and many improvements demanded by the growth of the city must be made. Better salaries ought to be paid teachers here. To screw teachers' salaries down to the lowest point is extremely short-sighted. It is unprofitable in every respect. It is to be hoped that district No. 62 will take action next Monday night that will enable the schools fully to keep pace with the progress of the city. Liberality in this line is the truest economy.

The German Empire Breaking.

The German people lack a good deal of being as prosperous and contented under William II. as they were under the benign rule of his grandfather. One of the reasons for this condition of affairs is that they have not the confidence in the young man that they had in his more mature and less egotistical predecessors. His father for the few months of his reign enjoyed the love and respect accorded the first William, but this youth is too green in state craft and possesses such an exaggerated idea of his own importance in the affairs of the universe that he is ridiculed more than respected. He appears to be one of those small persons who are so afraid others will fail to be duly impressed with a sense of their magnitude that they must keep their personality in the foreground all the time.

The recent riots in Berlin where thousands of unemployed clamored and fought for bread is one of the manifestations of the growing instability of the German government. The substance of the people is being dissipated in the support of vast and useless armies, the industrial life of the empire is flagging and the people are losing faith in the wisdom of their ruler. Embarrassments and hardships that seemed trivial when national pride and confidence were strong now bear the people down because they are losing hope. So the working people are easily incited to riot, the newspapers are openly calling for a constitutional government while the young king tells the people what he and God will do for them if they will but be quiet and steadfast. But there is no master hand at the helm and the people will not be comforted. The empire that William of Prussia made so mighty is likely to go to pieces under the reign of his grandson.

THE consuming love of truth and fairness possessed by our esteemed local democratic contemporary is aptly illustrated by a recent circumstance. Several weeks ago it obtained from the assessment roll and published a statement showing who the large tax payers of the county were and upon what valuation they pay taxes. The ENTERPRISE also published a similar list showing the gross valuations made by the assessor and the assessable valuations—that is, after legal deductions had been made in each instance. It appeared from the official records that Captain Apperson owned property in this county of a gross value of $15,867 as fixed by the assessor, and that after subtracting the indebtedness legally deductible he still pays a tax on a valuation of $7567. In the face of these official figures that have been published, and contradicted by its own columns, the Courier tries to give circulation to the statement that Captain Apperson is worth $100,000 and escapes paying any taxes. If the paper were not in the habit of thus misrepresenting facts this instance might excite surprise.

IN SECTIONS 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10 and 11 lying north of Oswego between the starting point of the new road so much desired by certain Oswegoans and the Multnomah county line, there is property having a taxable valuation of a little more than $20,000 this year. The county pays taxes on nearly $4,000,000. The Oregon Iron & Steel company, which is so greatly interested in getting improvements for that section of the county, owns nearly half the land in the county on the west side of the Willamette and north of a line drawn west from the mouth of the Tualatin river. But it returned this year indebtedness exceeding its assessed valuation by $73,000, so it does not pay one dollar of tax. When that section pays its just proportion of the expense of running the county there will be more grace and justice in its demands for expensive improvements.

THE Blaine divorce case develops a sorry piece of business all the way through. The denunciation of the elder Mrs. Blaine by the judge who granted the divorce brought out a statement from the secretary of state giving a brief history of the unfortunate affair from the beginning. It appears that Miss Nevins, who was then past twenty-one years of age and an actress, inveigled young James G., who was a boy not yet eighteen, into the matrimonial alliance and afterward would not make possible a tolerable outcome by making her home in Augusta where the young people would have been well supported. The couple soon after marriage drifted apart in spite of the efforts of the elder Blaines to make the best of a bad matter. Mr. Blaine's statement has the effect of turning from the young woman much of the public sympathy that has been bestowed upon her. Of course she makes a reply to the letter of the secretary of state. It is too good a chance for notoriety to be lost. The whole affair is a deplorable one and it is to be hoped that it will not long continue to be paraded before the public.

THE logic of the Oswego Iron Worker is something quite appalling to one who understands only the English language. It is plain that our county court erred in not appointing that paper to view the route for the desired new road and to make a survey and an estimate of the cost of the new bridge. We commend to the prayerful consideration of the Iron Worker some of the advertisements in its own patent outsides. It is sadly in need of a good liver regulator.

THE ENTERPRISE has recently received some valuable government publications from Senator Dolph and Congressman Herman, and from Major Handbury an interesting report on the Willamette river with maps of the project for improving the channel at Ross island and Clackamas rapids.

THE people who have entertained fears that there would be no candidates for the county offices this year will have their fears allayed by perusing another column of this paper. There are more to follow.

"A LITTLE BIT AWAY."

Around the lattice roses twined;
The air was sweet with new-mown hay;
And through the half-shut window-blind
I watched my darling at his play.

Beyond him lay the meadow green;
He gazed awhile with longing eyes,
Then ventured, as he thought unseen,
Within forbidden boundaries.

Back through the open gateway wide,
Under the porch's clinging vine,
He came until he reached my side
And slipped his tiny hand in mine.

Then said, while shame the bright eyes shot,
As one not wont to disobey,
"I didn't mean to do it, but—
I runned a little bit away."

We who have older, wiser grown,
Which do we merit, blame or praise?
The gate is always open thrown
That leads into forbidden ways.

And every life holds some regret,
The memory of an erring day;
We "didn't mean to do it," yet
We "runned a little bit away."

—LILLIAN PLUNKETT.

THE LINCOLN BOOM.

Kansas City Journal: Robert T. Lincoln may be a candidate for the presidency—some year, but not this year.

New York Advertiser: After Mr. Blaine the man to whom the party can confidently turn is Robert T. Lincoln. He has the prestige of a great name, and, what is better, he has shown himself to be possessed of qualities of statesmanship which place him among the foremost men of the day.

St. Louis Post Dispatch: The little virtue there is in a name may become painfully apparent should the republicans set up Robert Lincoln as Blaine's successor. A man must have something more than a father and a name if he is to win a political victory in this country so soon after the country's experience with the elder President Harrison's grandson.

THE WILLAMETTE IMPROVEMENT.

The Full Text of Congressman Herman's Appropriation Bill.

The following is the text of the bill introduced by Congressman Herman for an appropriation to improve the channel of the Willamette. It has been read twice and referred to the committee on rivers and harbors and ordered printed:

A BILL

Providing an appropriation for continuing the improvements on the Willamette river above Portland, in Oregon.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the sum of sixty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended in continuing the improvements on the Willamette river, above Portland, in Oregon, in accordance with the report of the chief of engineers, and the moneys to be expended under the direction of the secretary of war in removing snags, scraping bars, and deepening the channel way to head of navigation, and in protecting banks and avoiding breaks at Independence, Salem, Albany, Corvallis, Harrisburg and other special points on said river, and the further sum of fifty-five thousand nine hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for improving navigation at Ross Island; and the sum of seventy-eight thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for improving navigation at Clackamas rapids; and the further sum of five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for improving navigation on the first bend above Corvallis, and in clearing the chute thereat, and which several improvements are provided for, and projects approved in the report of the chief of engineers.

Letter List.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the postoffice at Aurora Mills, Oregon, March 1, 1892: Mr. Pease, mail agent, J. B. Owen, J. M. McKay, John N. King, Peter Becker, Ella Glen.

F. GIESY, P. M.

Blank note, receipt and order books at the ENTERPRISE office.

NEWS FROM BARLOW

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

Board of Trade Organization—Political Primaries Called—Notes of the Town.

THE TEACHERS' MEETING.—The monthly meeting of the Teachers' association of Clackamas county held at Barlow on Saturday February 27th will long be remembered by the citizens of this community. Nothwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, the people gathered in mass from all parts of the Molalla to give the teachers a hearty welcome. The following was the program: Welcome, by Miss M. S. Barlow; music, by the Aurora Brass Band; response on behalf of association by Prof. Strange; operatic selection, Aurora Band; opening of the meeting by Supt. Thomson. Remarks, essays and songs made up the program of the meeting. The band rendered concert selections at intervals. At 1:30 p. m. dinner was announced in the spacious dining hall of the Kohler House. Here was shown the most excellent management of the ladies refreshment committee, Mrs. William Barlow, Miss Carrie Wills, Mrs Geo. Sheppard, Mrs. J. W. Scoggins, Mrs. Lydia Bower, Mrs. J. W. Jesse and Mrs T. C. Andrews. The table was arranged in ye olden style. The menu was quite elaborate. About ninty guests were seated at the dinner table.

IMPROMPTU PARTY.—The impromptu party given in Zeek's hall, Friday, February 27, by Tull's orchestra was the most enjoyable affair of the winter season and it may be favorably compared with any that has taken place in this vicinity. It was announced in the afternoon by a few of the boys to give a dance in recognition and appreciation of the Aurora band. There were more than fifty couples present. It was nine o'clock before the festivities commenced. At twelve o'clock a light luncheon was served under the able management of Wm. Irvin, in the dining rooms of The Kohler.

THE BOARD OF TRADE.—The final and complete organization of the board of trade of this place was perfected on the seventeenth instant with seventeen active members. The following is a list of officers:—president, John Cole; vice-presidents, W. W. Jesse S. O. Gribble and W. W. Irvin; recording secretary, W. B. Marye; corresponding secretary, C. U. Barlow; treasurer, T. C. Andruse. There is considerable work ahead for the board to undertake and from the interest manifested at the last meeting the good work will shortly commence. The next regular meeting takes places Saturday, March 5, at 7 o'clock p. m. at Zeek's hall.

DEBATING SOCIETY.—Our debating society will meet at the regular place, Friday night. After the debate the program for entertainment will open with a song from the glee club followed by comic songs and recitations. An invitation is extended to all.

CUCUMBERS FOR THE CANNERY.—Mr. Geo. Schmittiler has arranged with the Portland canneries to take all the cucumbers he can furnish and so has concluded to plant his eight acre tract in cucumbers.

REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES.—The republican primary will meet at Barlow over the office of Barlow & Co., Saturday, March 19, promptly at one o'clock for the purpose of sending three delegates to the county convention to be held in Oregon City on the 24th of March.

DEMOCRATIC CALL—Posters are out for a democratic meeting on Friday March 4th at 4 p. m. at Zeek's hall for the purpose of exchanging views as to what delegates they will send to the democratic county convention and such other business as may come up in a political way.

PEOPLES PARTY—A call is made for the peoples' party to meet in Zeek's hall on Friday March 4th at 2 p. m. to arrange for a ticket for the coming election and transact other business in a politicial way.

A NEW BLACKSMITH—Mr. A. Milligan, an Iowa man, has rented Zeek's blacksmith shop and has taken up his abode here. He has worked in the largest shops in Chicago and is an excellent blacksmith. He brings with him a case of highly polished horseshoes of all descriptions, nicely arranged in a glass case and he has recommendations from truckmen and turfmen, speaking in the highest terms of his ability as a horseshoer.

PERSONAL.

Miss S. Hammond of Portland was the guest of Mrs. Barlow, the past week.

Mr. Geo. A. Sheppard came over from Tacoma Saturday and spent Sunday with his family.

Mr. A. G. White of Seattle son of ex-Judge White of Oregon City was visiting friends here this week.

Mr. Polk Gribble and daughter of Gribble prairie was in town last week visiting friends and was the guest of Wm. Irvin.

Dr. Hope and Mr. Clemens of St. Louis, Mo., was in our town last Friday on business and were registered at The Koehler.

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