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REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET.

- List of names for the Republican County Ticket: For Representatives, L. L. PORTER, GEORGE W. PROSSER, CHARLES HOLMAN; For Clerk, HENRY MELDRUM; For Sheriff, E. C. MADDOCK; For Recorder, WELDON M. SHANK; For Treasurer, M. L. MOORE; For Assessor, J. N. HARRINGTON; For School Superintendent, H. S. STRANGE; For Surveyor, D. W. KINNAIRD; For Coroner, C. M. RAMSBY; For Commissioner, J. E. MORTON.

POPULISTS AS REFORMERS.

The Jacksonville Times, democratic, gives this picture of a county ruled by populists: "The political situation grows more critical in Klamath county as the time draws near for holding conventions. The management of county affairs by the populist officials is very unsatisfactory, even to the populists themselves. The populist assessor made mistakes in the assessment roll last year to the amount of \$61,000, and then charged the county \$104 more for his work than is usually charged. Sheriff Fitch has done little but draw his salary, and though C. N. Gordon has tramped on the trail of the Topsy grade stage robbers, and is landing them one by one behind prison bars, yet Newt will be allowed to camp out in the cold while the present incumbent will be re-nominated. Still the cry last year was 'cut down the salaries' all around."

BIMETALLISM IN OHIO.

This is the finance plank of the McKinley platform adopted in Ohio Wednesday of last week: "A currency of gold, silver and paper, with which to measure our exchange, that shall be as sound as the government and as untarnished as its honor, and to that end we favor bimetalism and demand the use of both gold and silver as a standard money, either in accordance with a ratio to be fixed by international agreement, if that can be obtained, or under such restrictions and such provisions, to be determined by legislation, as will secure the maintenance of the parity of values of the two metals, so the purchasing debt-paying power of a dollar, whether silver, gold or paper, shall be at all times equal."

This is more outspoken than the republican national platform of 1892 for silver, and as it is the expression of one of the most radical gold states, and as it was undoubtedly drawn up with the knowledge and approval of Mr. McKinley, it voices his ideas on the financial question, and as it now looks as though he will have a big majority of the delegates to the national convention, it will mean that the Ohio plank will be adopted by the republicans as their expression on the money question. All of the state conventions so far held, except a few in the extreme East, have declared for bimetalism. In number the five silver states will probably equal the gold standard states, so their influence in the St. Louis convention will be neutralized, and the bimetalists will state the financial plank of the republican platform.

JAPAN is preparing with a determination that will allow of no defeat to put into effect a Monroe policy of her own for the Asiatic coast, and the time is not far distant when she will be able to prohibit the further conquest of territory in the eastern part of Asia by European powers. Her navy now is beginning to rank with that of the great sea powers of the world, and with the addition that is being rapidly made to it, Japan will soon be one of the great naval powers of the earth. One of her latest battle ships, just launched, is 412 feet long and 73 1/2 feet broad, with a displacement of 12,330 tons. She will carry four 12-inch guns, each with 120 degrees arc of fire; ten 6-inch quick-firing guns, twenty-four 3-pounders, and four torpedo tubes. The armor is 18 inches thick, Harveyized. The horse-power and speed will be 10,000 and 16 1/2 knots with natural draft, and 13,500 and 18 1/2 knots with forced draft. There will be room in the bunkers for 1,200 tons of coal. The hull is divided into no less than 131 water-tight compartments. In addition to the armament mentioned, each of the two military masts will have two fighting tops with two 2 1/2-pounder quick-firing guns; and there will be two 56-foot torpedo-boats, each with a 2 1/2-pounder quick-firing gun; a 42-foot steam launch, a 30-foot steam pinnace, and six other boats. The ship's company will number 600 men. This is only a sample of the fleet which this amazing nation is having built as rapidly as the best shipyards in the world can do the work. When a dozen such fighters, and a score of cruisers to match them, are on duty in eastern waters there will be less bullying and plundering of Japan by European pirates.

LINCOLN'S memory will not be allowed to wane at the republican national convention. Every time the chairman raps for order he will bring down on the table a gavel made from a log hewn by the immortal statesman-president. When Lincoln lived at New Salem, Illinois, in 1832, he built a log cabin for a home. He was clerk in a village store at the time, but worked out of hours to raise the house. It is from the logs in this house the gavel is being made. W. H. Bartels, of Carthage, Illinois, whose fame as a maker of gavels has been augmented by his workmanship on the little mallet which rapped the world's fair open, is now employed at the important task of making this Lincoln gavel. One end of it will be mounted with silver and engraved as follows: "Made by W. H. Bartels, Carthage, Ill., from a log of the cabin built by Abraham Lincoln, 1832, at New Salem, Ill." The inscription on the gold-mounted end of the mallet will read: "National republican convention held at St. Louis, June 16, 1896, nominating for president, Senator O. F. Berry, of Carthage, and present the gavel to the convention."

THAT Hermann will be renominated at the Albany convention is conceded by all who are posted on the political affairs in this district. Mr. Hermann has been doing some effective work of late, and will go into the convention with a larger backing than was at first supposed; and to add to his personal strength he has the jealousies and rivalries of the other candidates, who each fear the other's success; for should Mr. Tongue or any of the other aspirants secure the nomination there would be a possibility of the fight over the office being ended for the next four years or perhaps longer, while with Hermann renominated it leaves the field clear for another contest two years hence. It some times stands an officeholder well in hand to have a number of active workers anxious to hold down his job. For if he is shrewd he can turn their rivalries to good advantage and profit by their dissensions.

THAT THE ENTERPRISE is a newspaper in every sense of the word is conceded by all who are familiar with its columns, and that it will compare favorably with papers published in the more pretentious towns of the country is quite apparent. In proof of this, without being guilty of egotism, we cite the remark of a recent arrival in Oregon City, who regularly buys the ENTERPRISE at Huntley's book store, that he found it contained more live news matter than the leading paper of his old home town in the East, a place of some 13,000 population. With the coming of a revival of business, and a greater growth to Oregon City, the ENTERPRISE will be ready to keep pace with the town, and be a paper that will continue to be a credit and fitting representative for one of the best towns on the Pacific coast.

THE republican party goes into this campaign stronger than it was at the beginning of the campaign two years ago. A few votes have been lost to the populists, but where one republican has dropped out his loss has been more than made good by the accession to the party ranks of men who have seen the vagaries of populism and the empty theories of democracy. Encouraging words come from all parts of the county, and between now and June 1st the party will make big gains and the entire ticket will be elected by majorities so large that the opposition will be completely overwhelmed.

THE warning given by Dr. Ferrin in his communication in another column, is to the point. If people would have health they must see that their food supplies are untainted with disease germs. There is entirely too much carelessness in the handling of meats, fruits, and other food products for the safety of the consumers.

URAN, with the adoption of her state constitution, incorporated the Australian ballot system as a part of her laws. With some modification this system is now in use in nearly all the states of the Union. Under this system of voting the first serious check was given to bosses and ward heelers in the great cities, and made it possible to secure a free expression of the will of the voters at the polls. It is scarce ten years since the system was introduced into this country, yet despite all the opposition to its adoption it has come to stay, and with some changes that experience will suggest it will remain the bal of law of the states for years to come, or until some better system is devised.

WITH the courage born of repeated defeats our democratic friends will launch a county ticket on the sea of Clackamas county politics next Saturday. The party is supposed to yet number some 100 voters in this county, and though their voyage is a hopeless one, and Salt River will be their inevitable part, they propose to keep up a semblance of a party organization; for with that gone the democracy of Clackamas county would soon disappear and be a thing of the past, and our democratic federal office-holders, whom we have with us, would be left in a solitude too painful to contemplate.

THE Tongue boom seems to be growing. The Washington county man will go into the convention with considerable of a following. The fact that the Willamette valley has been somewhat neglected by our present congressman has given rise to a feeling that it is time a man from the valley be sent to congress, that more active work be had for the improvement of the rivers of this section of the state. Mr. Tongue is one of the bravest of all the Willamette valley candidates, and would make a creditable representative for the First district.

IN several counties of this state the populists have been given a trial in conducting the affairs of the people, and in no instance does their press or speakers point with pride to the work of their officials. The defalcations, jobberies and incompetencies have been too many and too painfully apparent to allow of any great degree of party enthusiasm on this subject being worked up. To tell what they are going to do is much easier and doesn't cause the painful depression to come over them that telling what they have done does.

THERE is not a man on the republican county ticket that a valid reason can be given for not receiving the vote of every republican in Clackamas county as well as every other taxpayer who believes in having the affairs of the county in the hands of men who are known to be able to handle their own business successfully, and who have the training that will enable them to attend to the county's business in an equally satisfactory manner.

A DANGEROUS PRACTICE.

TO THE EDITOR: As the dry, dusty season is approaching I want to protest against an abominable practice which prevails among our retail dealers in food supplies. The sidewalks on Main street are habitually used to display choice viands and table delicacies of all kinds in all kinds of weather. When the stores are opened in the early morning, meats, vegetables, and all kinds of fruits are hung up on the awnings and spread out on the walks, to remain there till night, soon to be covered with dried horse manure, all kinds of disease germs, from scabies to tuberculosis, that are aloft in the air and other filth which is constantly being stirred up by passing teams and spread by the wind. These filth covered articles lay there and sweater throughout the long, hot, dusty day, and then our enterprising business men expect the fair ladies of our noble little city to take such stuff into their dainty systems and consider them delicacies. Yet methinks physicians can endure this and its results if their patients can. H. E. FERRIN, M. D. Oregon City, March 31.

TO THE EDITOR: In your issue of March 29th we find a long article from Rev. L. Grey under the heading "Startling Truth," in which he several times mentions our names. Since we are not responsible for the publication of the warning against Rev. L. Grey in the ENTERPRISE, and do not consider a secular paper the proper place to discuss ecclesiastical controversies, the undersigned have no intention to enter into a discussion of said article, but are willing to prove before an impartial committee of Lutherans, who officially wish to investigate, that the final judgment of our district's president, as far as we are concerned, is correct. Respectfully, C. BURCHLER, A. KRAUSE.

Letter List. The following is the list of letters remaining in the post office at Oregon City, Oregon, on April 1, 1896: MEN'S LIST. Davidson, G. C. Jones, John Fairclough, Alfie Lundergan, D. E. Horning, J. S. Smith, Geo. I. WOMEN'S LIST. Bixby, Myra Moon, Miss Bella Hutton, Agnes Ternus, Eliza King Annie. If called for state when advertised. S. R. GREEN, P. M.

Stockholders Meeting. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Gladstone Real Estate Association will occur at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m. on Monday the 6th day of April, 1896 at H. E. Cross' office in Oregon City, Oregon. A board of directors will be elected and such other business transacted as will probably come before the meeting. H. E. CROSS, OLIVER S. OHLSON, President. Secretary. Insurance. If you want to know anything about Fire or Life Insurance or Building and Loan Association, call on H. T. Sladen. He has it at his finger ends.

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