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A big demonstration and ratification was held in this city last Friday night to celebrate McKinley's election to the presidency. The night was cold and rain fell before the parade was ended, but that only served to add zeal to the ratifiers, who were loudly cheered as they passed through the streets. The procession, under the direction of Jas. U. Campbell, chief marshal, with Chas. Albright and Clark Greenman, aids, was headed by the band, followed by a carriage containing Major Thomas Charman, Hon. W. C. Johnson and Rev. Gilman Parker, drawn by four spirited horses driven by Chas. Noblitt. This was followed in turn by the Union Veterans league, the McKinley and Hobart league and a mounted brigade from Logan. A steam engine improvised into a calliope was a feature of the parade. The line of march was ablaze with roman candles and red fire, while skyrockets filled the air. The business houses and residences along the line of march were prettily generally decorated.

After the parade as many as could get inside the building repaired to Weinhard's hall to listen to the speakers of the evening. The stage had been handsomely decorated by the ladies with flags and bunting, with a large picture of McKinley in the center. On the rostrum were seated A. S. Dresser, president of the McKinley and Hobart league, Capt. J. T. Apperson, Hon. W. C. Johnson, Major Thos. Charman, Rev. Gilman Parker, District Attorney T. J. Cleeton and Hon. H. L. Kelley.

After a few choice selections by the Oregon City band, President Dresser advanced to the front and said, "Ladies and Gentlemen: You are all feeling well this evening. I am glad we have a man to take charge of this nation who has more than one idea. We are here tonight to celebrate, not to hear long speeches. We want short speeches and a chance to yell, and any man who talks longer than five minutes will be knocked down with a club."

At this point one of the McKinley Union Veterans arose and said the most appropriate thing at that moment was "Marching Through Georgia" by the band. It was played spiritedly, some of the old veterans singing an accompaniment. This received hearty and merited applause. President Dresser then introduced Hon. H. L. Kelley, a life long democrat. He was enthusiastically received.

Mr. Kelley said: "For the first time in my life I have witnessed sound money democrats, republicans and populists rejoicing together over an election. We have achieved the victory by united effort. We have vindicated law and order and have buried anarchy so deep it will never be resurrected. Democrats have stood shoulder to shoulder with you republicans to accomplish this." In closing Mr. Kelley said, "I want to say to you republicans, that on the tariff and some other issues we will fight you every day in the week, fight you until the crack of doom, but when the country is in danger we will stand with you shoulder to shoulder to the end."

Major Charman was now called out on behalf of the old-time republicans, because the Major was a republican when it cost something to stand up for republicanism. He said: "It was very far from my idea to talk to you to-night, but I come before you with good news. We carried Clackamas county; but that is not all, we have carried Oregon; and that is not all, we have carried the United States. We have great cause for rejoicing in that we have succeeded in placing that man (pointing to the picture of McKinley) at the head of this government." Mr. Charman went on to tell how business enterprises would be encouraged and started again because the United States had declared in no uncertain way for sound money and protection. He was frequently interrupted with applause, showing that his remarks had the right ring and were duly appreciated by the audience.

Captain Apperson was called out on behalf of the McKinley Union Veterans league, and when the applause had subsided, said: "I want to say to you that we return our heartfelt thanks to the ladies for their decorations to-night and their assistance in this campaign and hope the time will soon come when they can assist us at the ballot box. The outcome of this election is an object lesson for the young men of this land. We can only prosper as we uphold the principles of Americanism as enunciated by Wm. McKinley."

Rey. Gilman Parker responded to an

enthusiastic call from the audience and said: "An old lady came to town very early on the morning after the election. She had not heard how it had gone and in order to find out she accosted a small boy. 'Sonny, who's elected?' 'I don't know,' said the boy, 'but I think the Americans are ahead.' My first vote was cast for that eminent statesman and patriot, Abraham Lincoln. My last vote was cast for another patriot and old comrade in the war, Wm. McKinley. I consider the questions involved in the recent election as important and vital as those of 1861." Mr. Parker then went on to predict an era of good times, peace and plenty.

District Attorney Cleeton responded gracefully to the continued calls from the audience. He said: "This is about the happiest looking crowd I ever had the pleasure of addressing. You look so happy it makes me smile to look into your faces. You are happy because the result of this election is going to benefit you all. You are entitled to the good it will bring you. You have won the victory by loyal, manly effort. I say fellow citizens, all of you, I am proud that I am an American. It has been demonstrated, by the result of this election, that the American people are capable of self government. Americanism is above party politics. The people of these United States have spoken and spoken loud enough to be heard around the world; but that is not all. Oregon has spoken and spoken loud enough to be heard throughout the United States; and that is not all, old Clackamas county has spoken and spoken loud enough to be heard throughout the state. The United States are in line with sound money and McKinley; Oregon is in line with the nation, sound money and McKinley; and Clackamas county is in line with Oregon, the nation, sound money and McKinley. Even the populist, though sad and long visaged at first, can smile now because the mask of anarchy and hypocrisy has been torn from the face of the wearer. This is no partisan victory, but a victory of the people."

Hon. Geo. C. Brownell finally yielded to the impetuosity of the crowd and said: "I don't know whether I can make a speech or not. This has been a wonderful, a magnificent victory. We are all citizens and patriots here to-night. I thank God that republicans and democrats have joined hands and achieved the victory. When Lincoln was lying dead and the mob in the street swayed to and fro, frenzied with passion, James A. Garfield stood with uplifted hands before heaven, in the presence of the throng, and said: 'The government at Washington still lives and God still reigns.' To-night I can look at the picture of McKinley and exclaim, the government at Washington still lives and God still reigns. This victory means better citizenship. We must teach our children patriotism, integrity and honesty. We must never forget the loyal, patriotic democrats, who have stood by us so nobly in this contest. When they fired upon Fort Sumpter, Stephen A. Douglas said to President Lincoln: 'A moment ago I was a democrat, now I am a patriot.' I want to say just one word more—amen!" Senator Brownell's remarks were fairly punctuated with applause.

Hon. W. C. Johnson, one of the old-time republican standard bearers, said: "One phase of this question we have not considered. When the band was playing 'Marching Through Georgia,' some of us looked back into the past, but I took it for an omen of good for the future. We have been electing congressmen south of Mason and Dixon's line. We are a united people, old-time prejudice and bitterness are dying out." Mr. Johnson said that poor health had compelled him to refrain from public speaking for some years past but that to-night he could not resist the call, as it came to him just as he was retiring for the night. He was accorded a hearty reception.

J. U. Campbell said it was not so much a republican victory as it was a victory for the people at large. He admonished republicans to prove true to their trust if they would perpetuate the victory.

C. F. Clark, one of the best known farmers of Clackamas, said: "Barnum said the American people like to be humbugged. He should have qualified it by saying, when they pay for it. But when we have a baby elephant going all over this land appealing to the American people from the rear platform of a Pullman car for their votes, they refuse to be humbugged and they have not been humbugged." Mr. Clark closed his speech with a glowing tribute to the honest, integrity and patriotism of Wm. McKinley, and took his seat amid a perfect storm of applause.

Chas. Holman, state central committeeman for this county, said he felt some misgivings at first, was afraid the American people would prove incapable of self government, but the result of this election had reassured him. Richard Scott, of Milwaukie, ex-commissioner, expressed his satisfac-

tion and gratification over the election of McKinley.

Dr. C. B. Smith, of Eagle creek, said he had been called the Mark Hanna, of Eagle creek. He asked the audience in closing, to give three cheers for Wm. McKinley and Mark Hanna, of Ohio. They were given with a will that almost raised the roof.

Jack W. Moffit, one of the Willamette paper mill boys, said democrats and populists had learned they were mistaken on the money question. Now that the victory was over he advised the young men to rustle around and find something to do. No one ever accomplished anything or achieved success in any line without determined, persistent effort.

At this juncture in the proceedings an old battle-scarred hero, whose name we did not learn, elbowed his way through the crowd to the rostrum and feelingly expressed his gratitude for the election of McKinley.

After singing "America" and giving three cheers and a tiger for the next president, the meeting closed.

NOTES.
The McKinley Union Veterans' league occupied reserved seats in the center of the house.

The ENTERPRISE office was handsomely decorated with flags, bunting and Japanese lanterns.

Main street was lined with people from one end to the other, enthusiastically cheering the marching columns.

After witnessing the demonstration last Friday night the populists, who have been wondering "where they are at," can see where the majority for McKinley come from in this county.

J. Roake, of the Oregon City Iron works, transformed the steam engine into a calliope and was assisted in its operation by Henry Harris and John Duffy. The cannon that roared from the hillside was also made by Mr. Roake. He says they can make whistles and guns at the iron works any way.

The employees of the woolen mills, one hundred strong, showed their appreciation of the result of the election by parading up and down Main street as soon as the result was known. Messrs. Jacobs knew nothing of the contemplated parade and came into the mill only ten minutes before the hands started but of course they appreciated the patriotism of their employees. In the evening the floor of the finishing room was cleared and a grand ball indulged in, the whole affair ending with refreshments.

River Notes.

The heavy rains of the past week have brought the river up to a good boating stage, and steamboat men are correspondingly happy. At the O. R. & N. Co.'s wharf in this city last Wednesday noon, the upper river registered 9.6 feet above low water mark and the lower river 16.2 feet and it was practically at a standstill. River traffic is on the increase. The O. R. & N. Co. are running the Gypsy, Modoc and Elmore, while the Ruth, which has been undergoing repairs, will be put on Saturday. The O. C. T. Co. are running the Altona and Ramona as far up the river as Independence, giving a boat each way every day. The fare has been slightly advanced and is now \$1 from Oregon City to Salem, and is the same on both lines.

The Mathloma is the name of a new government snag boat recently built by Capt. W. L. Fiske, United States engineer, for use on the rivers in this region. The name "Mathloma" is said to be the name given to the Willamette river, or a portion of it, by a tribe of Indians which once lived in the upper part of the valley. Of her the Oregonian says: "The trial trip was very satisfactory, she having run from the steel bridge to the dock at St. John's, a distance of six miles, in 31 minutes, or at a rate of a little over 11 1/2 miles per hour. She is 135 feet in length, is 33 feet in width amidships and four feet depth of hold. She is strongly built and has five longitudinal bulk heads, a frame thirty-five feet high, steam capstans and hoisting engines, 10x12 double cylinder, and, when she takes hold of a snag, it has to come or the bottom will be pulled out of the river."

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