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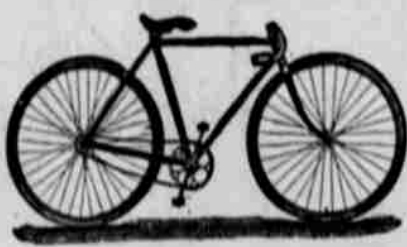
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A DEWEY BOOM

Wants to be President on the People's
Ticket.

BRITISH IN A BOER TRAP.

Senate Passed the Tariff Bill by a
Majority of 9.

New York, April 4.—A special to the
World from Washington says:

Admiral Dewey authorized the World
to announce to the American people
that, after mature reflection and in re-
sponse to earnest entreaties from all
parts of the country, his former decision
not, under any circumstances, to run for
the presidency is rescinded. A World
representative saw the Admiral at his
home at 6 o'clock last evening. Admiral
Dewey said:

"I realize that the time has arrived
when I must definitely define my posi-
tion. When I arrived in this country
last September, I said that nothing
would induce me to be a candidate for
the presidency. Since then however, I
have had the leisure and opportunity to
study the matter, and have reached a
definite conclusion, inasmuch as so
many assurances have come to me from
my countrymen that I would be accept-
able as a candidate for this great office.

"If the American people want me for
this high office I shall be only too willing
to serve them. It is the highest honor
in the gift of this Nation; what citizen
would refuse it?

"Since studying this subject, I am
convinced that the office of the presi-
dent is not such a difficult one to fill,
his duties being mainly to execute the
laws of congress.

"Should I be chosen for this exalted
position, I would execute the laws of
congress as faithfully as I have always
executed the orders of my superiors."

Admiral Dewey did not state which
party's nomination he would accept.
The reporter asked: "On what plat-
form will you stand?" and the Admiral
replied: "I think I have said enough at
this time, and possibly too much."

London, April 3, 4:50 a. m.—The
latest news from the front adds little to
the public knowledge of the convey
disaster. No credence is given to reports
that the Boers numbers between 8000
and 10,000 men. The general belief is
that there could not have been more
than half that number, but the mere
fact that even so many as half could
have been collected so near headquar-
ters without the knowledge of the British
commander provokes much uneasy
criticism.

The disaster is regarded as a direct re-
sult of the inability of General French to
cut off the commandoes of General
Oliver and the other commandoes when
escaping from the Orange River.

Lord Robert's own dispatch, dated
two hours later than the Daily Chroni-
cle's, says nothing about the guns being
recaptured. The story therefore, looks
doubtful.

Little news has arrived from other
points. Kennaert was formally recocu-
pied Saturday. The report that the
Boers are massing in the vicinity of
Taungs and Klipdam is confirmed.
Lord Methuen's difficulties are appar-
ently increasing. He has Boer laagers
or guerrilla bands on three sides of him,
and he will be obliged to watch carefully
his communication with Orange River.

THE BOER TRAP.

Dutch Force Commanded by a German-
American.

BUSHMAN'S KOP, Sunday, April 1.—
The Boers, who were hidden in the
spruit, when the British guns were cap-
tured, were commanded by Reichmann,
a German-American. The Boers re-
tired this morning, when they dis-
covered the British scouts, leaving two
Dutch military attachées, one of them
dangerously wounded, in the hands of
the British. All the wounded are doing
well. Everyone agrees that but for
Colonel Broadwood's splendid handling
of his troops, not a member of the force
would have escaped. The Boers are
still holding the water works, and the
line of hills behind them.

Following the scouts of General
French's cavalry division to the scene of
battle, this correspondent witnessed one
of the most terrible spectacles of the
war. Horses lay in the various attitudes
of sudden death and mingled among
them were ghastly human bodies with
the wrecks of wagons and food and
forage scattered wide. Everything told
of a terrible tale of a surprise and car-
nage.

It would be impossible to conceive
anything more ingenious than the Boer
trap, and the only wonder is that a single
man escaped. On crossing the spruit,
where the ground rises immediately to-
ward a grassy knoll, with stony slopes,
facing the drift one came upon an en-
closure, from which it was possible to
fire over the drift. At this point the
spruit makes a circular bend, while the
south embankment, which is protected

by the partially constructed railway
embankment, enabled the enemy to
pour in a galling fire on three sides as
well as a double tier of fire in front.

When the convoy was first attacked, a
scene of frightful confusion followed.
The mules stampeded, and the wagons
were overturned, while the concealed
enemy poured in a deadly fire. When
the first battery appeared, the Boers
seemed undesirous of continuing the
slaughter, and called upon the British
to surrender. At that moment, however,
B Battery, which was escaping from the
rear of the convoy under heavy fire,
wheeled into action and began shelling
the Boers with the three remaining guns.
The Boers confess that this battery ac-
counted for five killed and nine wounded
of their losses. Early in the afternoon,
the Boers collected about the convoy,
began removing the guns and wagons,
and permitted the collection of the
British dead and wounded. Our casu-
alties were less than had been expected.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—This was a
notable day in the senate. It brought to
a close the sharpest and most prolonged
debate upon any measure since those
discussed during the memorial "war con-
gress two years ago. At 4 o'clock this
afternoon the votes were begun upon the
Puerto Rican tariff and civil government
bill and pending amendments, and less
than an hour later the measure, about
which there has been so much conten-
tion in and out of congress, was passed
by a majority of nine, the final vote
being 40 to 31. Only committee amend-
ments were adopted. It has been evi-
dent for some time that the bill would
command a majority in the senate, but,
notwithstanding the fact, the interest in
the measure, both of senators and the
public has not flagged an instant.

BLOEMFONTEIN, April 4.—There are
numerous indications that in pursuance
of their boast that they will recapture
Bloemfontein, the Boers are trying to
surround the town and cut off our line
of communication to the south. Large
forces are reported east and south,
which are said to be making for the
railway. They still hold Thabanchu
and the waterworks. Lord Roberts is
completing the concentration. Four 4.7
guns and four naval 12-pounders have
been mounted on kopjes commanding the
plain. The cavalry camp has been
removed to a better position northeast
of the city. Special precautions are
being taken to protect the railway south-
ward. Several arrests have been made
in the town of persons suspected of giv-
ing information to the Boers. The rail-
way to the north is in possession of the
British as far as Karee Siding.

OUR CANDIDATES.

A Winning Ticket Placed in the
Field.

When the republican party met in
convention assembled last Wednesday,
it knew its plain duty. It was not un-
mindful of every principal enunciated by
the republican party and in choosing its
candidates, it selected men who hold
those principles to be as sacred as the
cause of humanity.

Men have been placed upon the ticket
who are ardent advocates of all the
measures which have given the republi-
can party its peerless position in the
nation. These gentlemen have no room
for pessimistic doubts in their hearts.
They chant no funeral dirge over the
fanciful remains of a departed and
lamented government of the people.
They see neither the substance nor the
shadow of militarism in the number of
movements of our little standing army.
They can find no monarchists on the
farms, in the workshops, in the counting
houses, or in the marts of trade in our
whole broad land. They see no "crown
of thorns," no cross of gold." They see
no crown on the head of William, the
president, but an American silk hat, and
no scepter in his hand, but an Ameri-
can walking stick.

The legislative ticket is composed of
exceptionally strong men:

J. L. KRUSE.

Hon. J. L. Kruse was paid a glowing
compliment by the delegation, receiving
on the first ballot, 122 votes out of 143.
This is a splendid endorsement of his
past record in the legislature. Mr.
Kruse needs no other argument, he
wants no better plea, than to point with
pride to every vote he cast and every
word he uttered in Oregon's last legis-
lature. He has spent nearly his entire
life in this county, is in the very prime
of life, everybody knows him and every-
body will vote for him.

JOHN TALBERT.

John Talbert, of Clackamas, is one of
the best known men in the county, and
to know him, is to repose the highest
confidence in his strict integrity. He is
a safe, able and reliable man to look
after the affairs of this county at Salem
next winter. He is a man that will
expose every sham or anything that
savors of a "job" and will work indefatig-
ably for good and wholesome laws.
His motto is, "the greatest good for the
greatest number."

CHARLES TOOLE.

Charles Toole, of Canemah, the other
candidate for the legislature, is a man
whom the people have called from the
work shop and whom the people will
sustain at the polls. He is at present,
and has been for a number of years, an
employee in the Oregon City Woolen
Mills. He is the laboring man's friend.
Mr. Toole is a young man with a clean
record, and if his very soul were turned
inside out, not a spot would be found
upon his character. His utter abhorrence
for underhanded combinations, bribery
or trickery, will serve as a trespass
notice for all rings and wire-pullers to
keep their distance from Representative
Toole. He will be elected with a hand-
some majority.

W. H. SMITH.

Capt. W. H. Smith, of Abernethy,
candidate for sheriff, is a man who
has shouldered a musket and won a
sword, and it is almost safe to predict
that he will be elected in the same man-
ner that he was nominated—by acclama-
tion. The affairs of the sheriff's office
are right in Mr. Smith's line, as he is
familiar with every foot of ground in
Clackamas county and his splendid army
discipline makes him fully acquainted
with the management of prisoners. He
has the respect of every citizen in the
county and will be elected next June.

ERNEST HANDS.

Clackamas county will have a compe-
tent surveyor in the person of Ernest
Hands, of this city. He is a practical
surveyor and civil engineer, and Clack-
amas county needs just such a man for
this office. With his many years of
experience there will be no mistakes.

JOHN LEWELLEN.

For the county board of commis-
sioners, two better men could not have
been found in Clackamas county than
Thomas Killen, of Needy, and John Lewellen,
of Springwater. Mr. Lewellen is a man
whom this county has twice tried in
office and whom has each time proven
true. He has served as commissioner
and also as assessor with a record that
will ever be an honor and a credit to
himself and the county. He has lived
in this county for nearly 30 years, and
therefore has the interests of the entire
community at heart, being one of its
heaviest taxpayers. He is thoroughly
competent, careful and capable, and no
shady work will ever go through the
county board with John Lewellen's
signature attached to it.

THOMAS KILLEN.

Thomas Killen is a man of great
wisdom and firmness of character, and
has a mind broad enough to reach all
over the county. He is a shining suc-
cess in his own private transactions and
thoroughly understands grappling with
county affairs. He plays no favorites,
but is broad, liberal and unprejudiced.
He is a practical bridge and road builder
and his election is assured.

TOM P. RANDALL.

Tom P. Randall for recorder, needs no
introduction to the people of Clackamas
county. He has not an enemy in the
county, and the longer you know him,
the better you like him. His books are
accurate, neat and clean, and he will
succeed himself as surely as day suc-
ceeds night. He is kind, courteous and
obliging, and no man in the county can
beat him for recorder.

ELI WILLIAMS.

Eli Williams, of Currinsville, is an
equal tax man, and his assessments are
equity personified. He is a Grand Army
man, and every soldier in the county
will support him. He is the present in-
cumbent for the office he again seeks, as-
sessor, and his past administration of
the affairs of this office are a positive
guarantee that two terms are not too
much for such a capable man.

HARRY MOODY.

Harry Moody will be the next con-
stable of the 4th Justice district. He is
young, strong, active and intelligent,
and just exactly fills the bill for this
office. His many friends will put a big
X on the ticket opposite Harry's name
on election day.

ELI WHITE.

In the hands of Eli White, of Damas-
cus, is a safe place for the keys to the
county treasury. His strict integrity,
honest dealings and uncompromising
fidelity in republican principles have
brought him before the people for this
particular office. He is an accurate ac-
countant, a good financier and just the
man for this position of trust.

J. C. ZINER.

J. C. Ziner, for school superintendent
is the man of the hour. He has had ex-
perience in every branch of school work,
and his pupils serve as the best evidence
of his ability as a teacher. He has been
principal of the Barclay high school of
this city and is at present employed at
Carns district. Prof. Ziner ranks
among the prominent educators of the
state and always stands for higher edu-
cation. He is not unmindful of the re-
sponsibility of the office and will serve
the people well.

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