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FRIDAY, MAY 20, 1904.

THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For Congressman—
Binger Herman, of Douglas county.
For Supreme Judge—
Frank A. Moore, of Columbia county.
Dairy and Food Commissioner—
J. W. Bailey, of Multnomah county.
Circuit Judge, Fifth Judicial District—
T. A. McBride, of Columbia.
District Attorney—
Harrison Allen, of Clatsop.
Joint Representative, Multnomah & Clackamas Counties—
George W. Holcomb, Jr., of Multnomah.
For Representatives—
C. G. Huntley, Oregon City.
Frank Jagger, Carus.
J. N. Bramhall, Bull Run.
Commissioner—T. B. Killin, Killin.
Sheriff—J. R. Shaver, Molalla.
Clerk—F. A. Sleight, Canby.
Treasurer—Enos Cahill, New Era.
Recorder—Henry E. Stevens, Milwaukie.
Assessor—J. F. Nelson, Mulino.
Surveyor—John W. Meldrum, Oregon City.
School Superintendent—J. C. Zinser, Oregon City.
Coroner—R. L. Holman, Oregon City.
Justice of the Peace—Livy Stipp, Oregon City.
Constable—H. W. Trembath, Oregon City, No. 1.

THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

Declaration of Principles Adopted at Clackamas County Convention.

We, the Republican party of Clackamas county in convention assembled note with pride and pleasure the advancement, prosperity and progress of the nation under and by virtue of the policies of the Republican party.

We endorse the aggressive and broad statesmanship of Theodore Roosevelt, and hereby endorse his nomination for President of the United States.

We endorse and commend the action of President Roosevelt in creating a precedent for the settlement of labor disputes by arbitration.

Whereas, we have watched the course of Hon. John H. Mitchell and Hon. C. W. Fulton, in their efforts to develop material interest in the state viewed with pleasure their strong support of a canal across the Isthmus, which canal when built and constructed will be the greatest monument, next to the abolishment of human slavery, of the Republican party, and, whereas, we have viewed with satisfaction the able manner in which these two members of the Senate of the United States are representing the state of Oregon and the Northwest.

Therefore, be it resolved that we hereby endorse their course in the Senate and appreciate their public service in the state and nation at large.

Resolved, that we endorse the primary law which is to be voted upon at the June election, and hope that it may become a part of the statute law of the state of Oregon, sincerely believing that the greater participation of the voters in governmental affairs will benefit our benefit to good government and our delegates to the state convention are hereby instructed to introduce and advocate the adoption by the convention of a resolution recommending the primary nominations bill to the people of Oregon for their approval.

Resolved, that the development of Clackamas county requires the construction and maintenance of good wagon roads, to the end that the people may be enabled to deliver the products of their labor to market within a reasonable time and with safety.

We therefore demand a liberal and progressive policy with reference to good roads and safe bridges, and we pledge the nominees of this convention to the full and energetic support of such policy.

Resolved, that we are in favor of electing road supervisors instead of having them appointed, and hereby instruct our delegation in the Legislature to support a bill to that effect.

EMPLOYS NO DEPUTY.

County Treasurer Cahill has reduced to a minimum the cost of clerical help in his department, having employed a deputy only at such times as the work of the office required.

This record is in striking contrast with that of his Democratic predecessor, who regularly employed a deputy. Mr. Cahill will be re-elected, as he should be, in the interest of efficient and economical administration of county affairs.

Enterprise and confidence in the community that publication so well serves, was shown by the Eugene

Register recently when it published an illustrated paper of 64 pages, devoted to the various interests of Lane county and the educational advantages of the city of Eugene, covering 53 years of its progress and growth. The publication is a very valuable one for advertising that section of the Willamette valley.

CAMPAIGN OPENED.

Under flattering auspices the Republicans of Clackamas county opened the campaign at Milwaukie Tuesday night. The enthusiasm that prevailed among the immense audience of voters was certainly enough to discourage the most ardent Democrat. Applause greeted each speaker and the mention of Roosevelt, the standard bearer of the party, or any reference to the accomplishments of the Republican party, was followed by a thundering demonstration of approval. As each of the various county and legislative candidates was presented to the audience, there was significant applause, indicating not only a very general satisfaction with the present administration of affairs, but a willingness and a desire for a continuance of the same. Similar evidence of endorsement of the present county officers was had at the various other points in the county where the Republicans conducted meetings throughout the week. The outlook is very encouraging for the success of the entire Republican ticket.

Sheriff Shaver has recently employed a good Democrat to investigate the records of the county and ascertain to a cent the actual cost of collecting taxes under his administration and the administration of the preceding Democratic sheriff. The results of the investigation are highly flattering to Sheriff Shaver, who has made a record for the expeditious gathering in of taxes at a minimum cost to the taxpayers. The report which is now in the possession of Sheriff Shaver, shows that for the year ending July 1, 1902—the last year of the preceding Democratic sheriff—the sheriff's office cost the taxpayers \$4601.52. The total cost of this office under Sheriff Shaver for the following year was \$4214.24, or a difference in favor of Sheriff Shaver of \$387.29 for a single year. Sheriff Shaver reports that the expenses of his office for the year ending July 1 next, will be at least one-third less than for the initial year of his term. In the matter of hiring deputies, sheriff Shaver has accomplished a considerable saving to the county on this item. Where his predecessor in office—and he was a Democrat, too—kept four deputies, two of whom received \$60 per month each, from February 13 to July 1, Sheriff Shaver since April 1 has had in his office only one regular deputy, while one clerk has been employed only part of the time.

Mr. Hermann is an efficient representative, and worthy of the support of every Republican voter in his district—and of every Democratic voter, too; for Democrats, if they could elect the representative, could not elect one so efficient. As to politics—of course, "that's different." Men in large numbers will act in politics simply from the party point of view, without regard to actual facts or conditions, or rational considerations. This is the reason why the vote in Oregon for Bryan in 1896 was much larger than any vote likely to be cast for a Democratic candidate during the next ten years. Since the passing of the silver craze the Democratic party in Oregon has been phenomenally weak. It is able to allege no reason why it should exist—doesn't attempt to give any. Even its negative propositions are wholly uncertain, changing from day to day. As to Mr. Hermann, again: The Oregonian has often criticized him, because he has not been in all things as direct and "strenuous" as it has desired. Yet it knows that he has been doing excellent work in congress, during the past session, and is more efficient than any new and unknown man possibly could be. Besides, he is a Republican and a supporter of Republican policies, and on Republican policies the prosperity of the country is established. It is ten years since there was a Democratic house of representatives, and they who remember the conditions that prevailed in 1893-4 may well hope another ten years will elapse before there is danger, even, of another—Oregonian.

When the votes are counted on the night of June 6, next, it will be found that a very large majority of the taxpayers of Clackamas county do not approve of the importation of a candidate from Multnomah county and his election to the office of recorder

of conveyances. Henry Stevens will be retained in that office for another term. And it is right that he should be. With an increased amount of business in that department, Mr. Stevens has performed the work without extra expense to the taxpayers, and what is more, the work of recording instruments has been well and ably done.

The Republican legislative candidates deserve the vote of every voter in Clackamas county. They will ably represent the county in the legislature. Clyde G. Huntley, of Oregon City, is popularly known throughout the entire county as a member of the drug firm of Huntley Bros. Company. He was a member of the last legislature and served with credit to himself and to the satisfaction of his constituents. Frank Jagger is a successful farmer, residing at Carus, and can be depended on to do just about what is right. The same may be said of J. N. Bramhall, who is engaged in the sawmill business at Aims. These three men, associated with Senator Brownell will be able to accomplish something in the way of legislation and at all times serve the true interests of the people of Clackamas county. Make the majority of the three Republican legislative candidates as large as possible.

It was proper that the Democrats should open their campaign at Molalla, the only point in the county that boasts of a Hearst club. The men now dominating what is left of the Democratic party organization of Clackamas county, are ardent admirers and supporters of the editor-congressman and the pill that the anti-Hearst people have to take is anything but palatable.

Encouraging reports are being received from every section of the state indicating that the Direct Primary Nominations measure will receive an immense vote at the general election in June. Opposition to this proposed law, which seems to be desired by all classes of people, is only nominal and cannot defeat the bill. The people of Clackamas county are practically a unit for the measure and will cast a big vote for this form of legislation as a means of correcting some alleged evils in connection with the existing political system.

Chairman Randa announces that the candidates on the Republican county and legislative tickets will make a vigorous canvass of the county until the date of election. Meetings will be held at different points in the county almost nightly, the times and places being announced by posters. It is important that taxpayers should attend these meetings and hear county affairs reliably and intelligently discussed. The Republican candidates are desirous of making a clear and comprehensive exposition of the situation with reference to county affairs. Their records are above criticism and they certainly have occasion to be proud of what they have accomplished.

The necessary qualifications to a marked degree are possessed by J. C. Zinser, superintendent of the schools of Clackamas county. During his first term, Mr. Zinser has done much towards advancing the standard and increasing the efficiency of the schools of the county. He has personally visited the various schools at frequent intervals, and by taking a sincere interest in the progress of the work in each district has done much to place the educational system of the county where it should be. The expenses of this department during Mr. Zinser's administration have been reduced to a minimum, while the efficiency of the educational work has by no means declined. Voters having at heart the true interests of the schools of the county, should vote for Mr. Zinser. The present incumbent has proved his fitness for the place and is deserving of the vote of every man in the county.

Hon. T. A. McBride, our respected judge of the Fifth Judicial district, has been one of the most popular judges who has ever been on the bench in the Willamette valley, a man of broad learning, unerring judgment, quick of discernment, kind and forgiving of temperament, and in all things true to himself and his ideals, he makes a judge in whom both the people and the bar have confidence, as is shown in his single candidacy.

Harrison Allen, who has served one successful term as district attorney of the Fifth Judicial district, is a candidate for re-election, and his faithful and energetic work during the past two years insures his re-election. On all sides universal satisfaction is expressed at the way in which he has handled the business of the district, and the future holds in store many public honors for Mr. Allen. The public service wants just

such men and the coming election will show its approval of his past services in a decisive manner.—Washington County News.

SPEAKING OF IRREGULARITIES.

The Courier has turned its attention to mathematics, and is quite an adept at figures and bookkeeping. On the 26th of April, 1902, Sheriff Cooke made his semi-annual report, or attempted to make one—but as he did not sign it, nor did his chief deputy, it is a mooted question as to its real author. In this report, if it be one, he claims to have collected \$128,191.12, and during this period he turned over to County Treasurer Lucelling \$80,121.25. What did he do with the balance of \$48,069.87? This report does not show that he had any balance on hand. All ye skeptical call and see for yourselves at the clerk's office, where this important document is on file. Varily there were bookkeepers in those days.

Nor is this all. In the county treasurer's report covering this same period we find that he reports as having received from all sources \$62,937.59. What became of the \$80,121.25 above mentioned that the sheriff reported as having turned over?

Now please understand that we don't insinuate that anything criminal has been done, but we do claim and maintain that the records under Republican rule are in a better condition than they were under Democratic, as the records will show by comparison.

It is natural that the Courier should charge the Republicans with getting away with the funds. It is necessary for that paper to make such charges in order to "make good" with a great many Democrats who contend that all Republicans are rascals.

Congressman Hermann will receive a good vote in Clackamas county, as he should. The value of Mr. Hermann's services to the First district are not easily over-stated. He is in a position to do the district even greater service during the term to which he will be elected in June. He is deserving of the vote of every Republican in the district, and the people of Clackamas county, desirous of securing a public building and accomplishing the improvement of rivers, will advance their claim to these ends by rolling up a handsome vote for Mr. Hermann.

This is the first year in a decade that the political parties of Clackamas county will be lined up against each other along strict party lines. In view of the situation, every Republican should make it a point to get to the polls on Monday, June 6, and vote his ticket straight, that every candidate on the ticket may receive the full vote of the party, which means a good majority. The same duty should be discharged by every Republican again at the November election, that the party's nominees may receive a record-breaking majority. While there is no doubt that the entire Republican ticket—state, congressional, legislative and county—will receive the indorsement of the voters of this county, every Republican should cast his vote that the victory may be the more decisive.

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Just why the Democrats should wage their principal contest against Sheriff J. R. Shaver is a mystery. He has made an efficient sheriff. His administration has been satisfactory and economical, and in striking contrast with that of his predecessor, who is known to be the prime mover in the fight against Mr. Shaver at this time. The only question that has been raised as to Mr. Shaver's competency has emanated from a disgruntled Democratic source.

Mr. Shaver was in the sheriff's office but one year when he discovered where a great saving to the taxpayers could be made in the matter of collecting taxes and at the same time facilitate that important work. He prepared and adopted for use a tax-statement receipt, the use of which has materially curtailed the amount of clerical work in the office. A statement of taxes due is required by law to be sent to individual taxpayers and by the plan adopted by Sheriff Shaver, the statement is returned by the taxpayer when the tax payment is made, and it is then converted into a receipt by merely stamping the proper number thereon and affixing the signature of the sheriff thereto, thereby saving the writing out of a receipt, which must necessarily be equally as long as the original statement.

Collecting from three books, Sheriff Shaver made a record this year of writing an average of 122 receipts per day, while his predecessor made an average of only 80 per day and had to collect from only one book.

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