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MR. RYAN SAYS NO

IS OPPOSED TO HOLDING PRIMARIES AND CONVENTION.

Republican Congressional Committee Should Name the Man Who Will Probably Succeed the Late Congressman Thos. H. Tongue.

Congressional Committeeman T. F. Ryan is opposed to the holding of primaries and a convention to nominate a successor to the late Congressman Tongue and favors the committee making the nomination. He takes this position on the ground that it will be great saving of trouble and money. Judge Ryan says that five other committeemen are with him and if three others are found to hold the same views there will be no primaries or convention. The first district congressional committee is made up of one member from each of the 16 counties in the district and with Chairman Harris not voting eight committeemen would comprise a majority. He has received the following letter from Dr. Harris:

The governor will issue a call for the special congressional election to elect a successor to Mr. Tongue within a very few days and it is my desire to meet the committee as soon thereafter as possible to fix the place and date for the convention. I would like your advice as to the place to have the committee meeting, and as to the time, it will be governed by the call of the governor. The meeting last year was at Portland and that place would suit me this time as well as any that we may agree upon. The only place that would suit me better would be Eugene, my own town. I shall, however, leave it to the majority of the committee.

Judge Ryan is very much opposed to having the committee meet in Portland or any other place outside of the

limits of the first district. He sees no more reason why the committee should meet in Portland than for the second district committee to meet in a city situated in the first district. He advises the place of meeting to be in Oregon City and gives his reason in the following letter, which he forwarded to Dr. Harris:

Your favor relative to calling the congressional committee together to take action regarding the nomination of a candidate to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of our lamented friend received, and I agree with you that it is advisable to hold a meeting as soon as possible after the call of the governor is made.

As there seems to be quite a difference of opinion, even among the few members of the committee whom I have met the last few weeks as to whether it is advisable or necessary to go to the expense and trouble of holding precinct primaries and county and district conventions to make this nomination, I believe the sooner we meet and decide upon our course of procedure, the better it will be for all concerned. As to the place to have the committee meeting, in view of the rumors of deals made and foolish things disseminated regarding compact and agreements entered into in connection with this nomination with divers persons living outside the district, I feel that our meeting should be held within the congressional districts, and no more appropriate or convenient place could be selected than Oregon City. Street cars between here and Portland run every half hour, and while we will still be within the district we are the same as in Portland.

Secretary Leavens Resigns.

General Secretary Seth Leavens, of the Young Men's Christian Association, has resigned his position and will take an agency for the Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Co., working in the local fields. He will be succeeded by Physical Director William E. Beach, and the duties of general secretary and physical director will be combined.

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RACE FOR CONGRESS

TWO CLACKAMAS COUNTY MEN WOULD TAKE THE NOMINATION.

State Senator Brownell and Colonel Robert A. Miller Would Not Be Averse to Going to Congress, Though the Latter Is Not Active.

Two Oregon City men are candidates for congressional nominations, George C. Brownell, Republican and Robert A. Miller, Democrat. Senator Brownell has been a candidate for the nomination before, in the McMinnville convention of 1901, which re-nominated Congressman Tongue. Colonel Miller made the race of congress in 1890 against Binger Hermann, in the last election that was held prior to the division of the state of Oregon into two congressional districts. He was beaten, because of the large Republican majority in the state and did not really expect to be elected. He is not what may be termed an active candidate for the Democratic nomination now but if conditions arise, which do not now exist, he would not decline the nomination. The colonel thinks that a Democratic victory is possible and if George Chamberlain overturned a Republican majority in the state of over 10,000, why should a Democrat not do the same thing in the first congressional district. The colonel says:

"I am not a candidate for congress, but believe the chances are more than favorable for the election of a Democrat to congress from this district to be one of the representatives in congress from Oregon during the next two years to one born upon Oregon soil in the early 50's is more than a laudable ambition. It is more like a call to duty in the highest and best sense. I shall shrink no duty that looks to the upbuilding of Oregon, politically or otherwise."

Senator Brownell attributes his defeat in the McMinnville convention to the activity of the federal brigade in Congressman Tongue's behalf, but since that time conditions have changed. The federal brigade is headed by Senators Mitchell and Fulton and Congressman Williamson, all of whom are warm friends of Mr. Brownell and he could probably land the nomination were it not for the candidacy of Binger Hermann.

Just what kind of a combination has been made between Fulton and Hermann is not known but it is certain that a combination was made at Salem. Mr. Hermann would have liked to be United States senator but he did not stand in Fulton's way and all of his support went to the gentleman from Astoria. Naturally Mr. Hermann did not do this without an understanding that Fulton would do something for him in the congressional line. Clackamas County deserves something. It has no state officer. It is a solid Republican county and gave Furnish a larger plurality for governor than any other county in the state. It gave Congressman Tongue an enormous plurality last June.

Grange Hall Incorporation.

The Garfield Grange Hall Co. was incorporated Tuesday and articles were filed in the office of the county clerk with F. M. Gill, E. F. Surfus, William W. Davis, T. Yocum and J. H. Palmateer as incorporators. The duration of the company is unlimited and it is formed for the purpose of building, owning and operating a hall at Garfield. The capital stock is \$600 divided into 600 shares.

Born—Friday, Feb. 27, to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Beatie, a son.

Reaper, mower, rake, disc harrow and many other farm tools for sale cheap. J. Sagarman, Oregon City.

STEREOPTICON LECTURE.

Howard Osborn Talks To a Large Audience Saturday on the A. O. U. W.

Willamette Hall was well filled Saturday night with people to hear the address of Howard Osborn, who is touring the coast in the interest of the United Workmen. The lecture was held under the auspices of Falls City Lodge and was very interesting, being illustrated by stereopticon views. Mr. Osborn's talk was interspersed with music. Past Grand Master Feeney, Capt. Deviney were also present and made speeches. Falls City Lodge is progressing rapidly and its membership is increasing fast, as is the mem-

bership of its auxiliary, Myrtle Lodge, Degree of Honor.

Lectured On Chile.

Judge J. F. Caples' lecture on Chile Friday evening, at Parkplace school, was well attended, and netted \$30 for the benefit of the school. Judge Caples was United States Consul to Valparaiso for four years, and kept his eyes and ears open while there. He became well versed in the customs and traditions of that South-American country, and being a ready and cheerful speaker, keeps his hearers' attention from start to finish. The lecture was given under the auspices of the Mothers' Club, of Gladstone and Parkplace.

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