CONTEST IN MARION

The Anti-McBride Forces Won Throughout.

BEST TICKET IN MANY YEARS

Judge Wolverton for Supreme Bench and Claud Gatch for Congress Were Unanimously Indorsed.

SALEM, Or., March 29.—The Marion County Republican Convention, in Salem today, was one of the most exciting ever held here. The contests that were avoided in the primaries were fought out in the convention, the main fight being on the legislative ticket and the offices of Sheriff and Clerk. The fight over the legislative ticket was between the McBride and anti-McBride factions, the latter coming off victorious, with the loss, perhaps, of one man. The Representatives nominated are: J. M. Poorman, of Woodburn; Henry Keene, of Stayton; J. N. Smith, of Salem; Lot L. Pearce, of Salem, and Charles Hardman, of Scott's Mills. All of these have expressed opposition to the re-election of McBride except Hardman, and he asserts that he has made no pledges and has no preference. He says he will vote upon the Senatorial question as nearly as possible as the people want him to. J. N. Smith is claimed by some to favor the re-election of McBride, but that gentleman stated on the day of the primaries that he is not in favor of McBride's return to the Senate. The only candidate for a place on the legislative ticket who is a pronounced friend of McBride was E. H. Flagg. He served in the last legislature, and was a very influential worker in the interests of Marion County. Although the delegates recognized the good work he had done for the county, the sentiment was so strong against Flagg on account of his McBride affiliations that he was literally snowed under.

The convention also unanimously indorsed aGtch for Congress and Wolverton for Supreme Judge.

A temporary organization of the convention was effected shortly after 10 o'clock this forenoon by the election of Hon. William Waldo, of Salem, as chairman. Frank Turner was elected secretary and Frank Davey, assistant secretary. On motion committees were appointed on credentials, on order of business, on apportionment of delegates to the State and Congressional convention and on resolutions. Following the appointment of these committees, the convention adjourned until 1 o'clock, at which hour the committee on credentials reported the list of delegates entitled to seats in the convention. The lists were as heretofore published, except that some of the delegates were represented by proxies. The report of the committee was adopted without opposition.

In accordance with the report of the committee on permanent organization, the temporary officers were made the permanent officers. On taking his seat as permanent chairman, Mr. Waldo said that he would perform the duties of the office as impartially as he could "under the circumstances." This last qualification excited a round of applause that lasted for some time and increased in intensity until it broke into vociferous cheering.

The first business was the selection of delegates to the Congressional and State conventions. The precincts were divided into districts, and the delegates upon being reported by the districts were elected by the convention at large. A motion was made and unanimously carried, instructing the Congressional delegates in favor of Claud Gatch. The passing of this motion was the signal for loud cheering and calls for Gatch. Mr. Gatch went to the platform amid continued cheering and delivered a short address. He declared himself in favor of the gold standard and protection of American labor; said that he is an expansionist, but not an imperialist. His address was followed by applause.

The delegates to the state convention are as follows:

Tilmon Ford, E. A. M. Cone, Willard Martin, F. A. Turner, J. L. Cook, E. M. LaFore, S. H. Russell, T. R. Hibbard, Claud Gatch, R. D. Donaldson, Walter Lowe, George W. Jones, F. G. Eby, F. W. Waters, W. J. Clarke, S. A. Hughes, A. L. Shreve, H. J. Workman, E. M. Croisan, J. A. Shaw, F. L. Pound, C. W. Stege.

The following were elected delegates to the Congressional convention:

W. S. Hurst, J. D. Simmons, J. J. Murphy, T. C. Smith, L. J. Adams, N. W. Silver, S. T. Jones, W. J. Irwin, George P. Hughes, Lot R. Pearce, J. H. McNary, J. N. Smith, John Knight, A. S. Auterson, J. E. Zeigler, H. H. Humphreys, T. B. Jones, William Anderson, A. Gesner, W. T. Whitlock, T. B. Patton, G. W. Youngren, J. T. Jones, William Armstrong.

Following the selection of delegates to the State and Congressional conventions, the following county ticket was chosen:

County Judge—John H. Scott, of Salem.
Sheriff—Charles A. Murphy, of Salem.
Clerk—W. W. Hall, of Woodburn.
Recorder—J. H. Rowland, of Jefferson.
Assessor—Charles Lembcke, of Silverton.
School Superintendent—F. T. Moores, of Woodburn.
Treasurer—A. L. Downing, of Sublimity.
Surveyor—B. B. Herrick, of Salem.
Coroner—C. F. Lane, of Salem.
Justice of the Peace for Salem—John W. Reynolds; constable, Douglas Minto.

The selection of Hall, Rowland, Downing and Herrick, was unanimous, there being no opposition.

Republicans say that this is the best ticket put up in this county in many years. Men who were prominent in the citizens' movement, which prevailed in the city election, say that the ticket is satisfactory to them, and that its selection really amounts to a citizens' reform inside of the Republican convention. The candidates are all from the ranks of those known as the "anti-push."

The campaign will be conducted by ex-Sheriff Frank T. Wrightman, who was elected chairman of the County Central Committee, to succeed R. J. Hendricks. Mr. Wrightman said tonight, in answer to a question, that he is positively opposed to the re-election of McBride to the Senate.

CONFIDENCE IN BROWNELL.

Clackamas Republicans Give Him an Exceptional Indorsement.

The Clackamas County Republican Convention, which met the 28th at Oregon City, was remarkable for the exceptional indorsement it gave State Senator George C. Brownell for the Congressional nomination in the First District. He had made an open campaign, visiting nearly every schoolhouse in the county, and when the delegates, 145 in number, were assembled, he was not only put forward as a Congressional candidate, but was empowered to select his own delegates. The following was adopted by the convention:

"Whereas, Oregon has been a state since 1859, and the Republican party came into power with the election of Abraham Lincoln, in 1860, and during all these years Oregon has always stood solidly by the Republican party in the contests for the Presidents of the United States; and

"Whereas, Clackamas County stands loyal and always has stood loyal in a large measure to the Republican party during all this time, and it has never had a representative upon the state or Congressional ticket; that we rank third in representative and political power in the Republican conventions of the state—Multnomah leading, Marion second, and Clackamas third—and yet in all these years we have never been recognized by the nomination of a candidate from Clackamas County; and

"Whereas, We have faith in the ability and integrity of Hon. George C. Brownell, of Clackamas County, Oregon, twice elected State Senator from this county against great odds, as being a man fully able to meet any opposition in the State of Oregon upon the stump or in a political convention, and also have faith in his ability to represent this district in Congress with fidelity to the people and credit to the state.

"Resolved, That we therefore present him to this district as the choice of the Republican County Convention of this county as its candidate for Representative in Congress, and in order to aid him hereby authorize and empower him to select and name 15 delegates to attend the Congressional Convention at McMinnville, and to support him as long as he is before that convention; and the names which he selects are hereby declared the delegates from Clackamas County to said convention.

"It is further the wish of this convention that no delegate who, from any cause, is unable to attend said convention, shall give his proxy to any one without the consent of said delegation hereafter named."

The names of delegates so selected were published yesterday.

Washington County Prohibitionists.

HILLSBORO, Or., March 29.—Washington County Prohibitionists are again in the field for the first time in 10 years. At their convention held here yesterday, the following ticket was nominated:

Senator—J. M. Greear, of Hillsboro.
Representatives — Julian Hatch, of Dilley; S. W. Potter, of Beaverton; J. S. Thompson, of Forest Grove.
Commissioner — John Peters, of Hillsboro.
Clerk—J. E. Morback, of Sherwood.
Recorder—C. A. Jones, of Hillsboro.
Sheriff — W. F. Hartranpt, of Forest Grove.
Assessor—C. T. Hall, of Sherwood.
Treasurer—N. P. Oakerman, of Reedville.
School Superintendent—W. H. Bear, of Forest Grove.
Coroner—Dr. A. M. Standlee, of Cornelius.

J. S. Thompson and Rev. J. M. Hunter, of Forest Grove, and A. S. Sturdevant, of Cornelius, were chosen as a county executive committee.

Clackamas County Prohibitionists.

OREGON CITY, March 29.—The Clackamas County Prohibition convention this evening nominated the following legislative and county ticket:

Representatives—John W. Loder, of Oregon City; C. W. Herman, of Molalla, and W. H. H. Wade, of Currinsville.
County Commissioners—F. Birkemeier, of Milwaukie, and W. P. Herman, of Molalla.
Clerk—Otto F. Olson, of Oregon City.
Sheriff—J. W. Horigan, of Milwaukie.
Assessor—J. Tompkins, of Oregon City.
Recorder—O. E. A. Freytag, of Abernethy.
School Superintendent—G. W. Bon Durant, of Clackamas.
Treasurer—A. Martin, of Canby.
Justice of the Peace for Oregon City district—Isaac Prindle.

Situation Mixed in Union County.

LA GRANDE, Or., March 29.—The Republican primaries were held in Union County on Tuesday, but the result leaves the situation as doubtful as ever. All but six precincts with 10 votes have been heard from. Over the 90 delegates who are known to have been elected there is much dispute. The anti-Mitchell, or Church men claim 54, while the Swackhamer men say that the contest will be very close. Both parties will make a strong effort to control the convention of April 7. The chief fight will be over the state delegation. It will be for Church or against Church for Joint Senator, and the present indications are that he will have little to fear.

Sherman County Nominations.

MORO, March 29.—The Republican County Convention today named the following delegates to the State and Congressional Conventions: W. H. Moore, J. D. Wilcox, J. C. Morrison, R. Dunlap.

Nominations for county officers were as follows:

Sheriff, F. E. Brown.
Clerk, H. S. McDaniels.
Judge, C. C. Kinney.
Commissioner, J. A. Morrisy.
School Superintendent, W. A. Ragsdale.
Assessor, B. F. Pike.
Treasurer, W. Stanley.
Coroner, L. B. Idleman.

Coos County Democratic Nominations

COQUILLE CITY, Or., March 29.—Democrats of Coos County yesterday nominted the following:

Joint Senator—K. A. Leep.
Representative—James Most.
Sheriff—George Laingor.
Clerk—Lon Hazard.
Assessor—John Lawrence.
Superintendent of Schools—Marvin Hawkins.
Treasurer—T. J. Thrift.
Surveyor—Mark Condron.
Coroner—W. Horshall.

English Named for Representative.

BAKER CITY, Or., March 29.—The Republican County Convention met in this city today and nominated a full ticket. John T. English, manager of the Golconda mine, received the nomination for Representative. The following delegates were elected to the state convention:

Gus Chandler, Thomas McEwen, F. S. Baillie, W. G. Ayer, O. M. Dodson, A. B. Davis, Davis Wilcox, P. Basche. and H. Rust.

Delegates From Wahkiakum County.

SKAMOKAWA, Wash., March 29.—At the Republican County Convention held at Cathlamet yesterday the following delegates and alternates were elected to attend the Ellensburg State Convention:

Delegates—William M. Colwell, A. D. Birnie, J. G. Megler, L. J. Meserve and John West.

Alternates—William Anderson, S. G. Williams, Sol Smith, C. W. Flanders and James Wright.

Tongue Strong at Home.

HILLSBORO, Or., March 28.—The Woodburn Independent gives currency to a statement touching politics in this county that is false. The untrue paragraph is to the effect that Congressman Tongue cannot carry his own county. In 1898 his plurality was 648, Dunbar, for Secretary of State, had 209 less, and Geer, 150. Mr. Tongue has not lost in popularity since, but rather gained.

Yamhill County Primaries.

M'MINNVILLE, March 29.—The primaries of the various parties will be held in this county next Saturday. The Silver Republicans have no call this year. It is probable that the Republican Congressional delegates in the county will be favorable to Tongue, and the Democratic delegates for Captain H. L. Heath for Congress.

Lake County Favors Tongue.

LAKEVIEW, Or., March 25.—The delegates to the county convention here next Saturday so far seen are in favor of returning Congressman Tongue.

Tannahill Case Closing.

LEWISTON, Idaho, March 29.—The testimony in the ex-Auditor Tannahill forgery case was concluded today. An important witness was I. H. Truesdale, who testified that he saw Tannahill loan Joseph Brockman $5. Brockman, as a witness for the state, had testified that he had never received any money from the defendant for one of the alleged forged warrants. Truesdale said he had borrowed money the same time from Tannahill, pledging his jury warrant, as had Brockman. Ex-County Commissioner McCall was the last witness for the state. He corroborated in detail the testimony of the other Commissioners that the alleged forged warrant was issued by order of the board. The case will go to the jury tomorrow.

MEN BURIED UNDER ROCK

ONE DEAD, ONE WILL DIE, ONE BLIND, TWO WILL RECOVER.

Result of the Premature Explosion of Sixty Sticks of Dynamite at Spokane Yesterday.

SPOKANE, March 29.—By the premature explosion of 60 sticks of dynamite, five workmen were buried under a mass of broken rock today. One dead body was taken from the debris, and four wounded men were taken to the hospital. Salvatore Bruzzino is dead, Michael Herman will die, and Andrew Hadberg will be blind for life. Ferdinando Grego and Ole Oleson will recover.

About 20 men were working on the Great Northern right of way through this city. Hadberg was tamping in dynamite, and in some unknown way it exploded, blinding him and rolling a vast amount of rock upon the unsuspecting workmen below.

WIPED OFF THE EARTH.

Two Men Lost Lives in Explosion of 400 Pounds of Dynamite.

NELSON, B. C., March 29.—A disastrous explosion occurred about 3 o'clock this afternoon at Five Mile Point, where the dynamite factory of the Ontario Powder Works, is situated. William Way and Harry Gervan were in the packing-house engaged in packing dynamite cartridges when the terrific explosion occurred, killing the two men and completely wiping the packing-house off the face of the earth.

A portion of Way's body was found in the lake about 100 yards away, while Gervan's corpse, terribly mangled, was picked up about half that distance away. Four hundred pounds of dynamite exploded, but the other buildings of the company were not seriously damaged, and none of the other employes were hurt.

Way recently came from Tweed, Ontario, where he has a wife and two children. Gervan has been in Nelson for about two years, and was exceedingly well known and liked. He was a member of the Nelson Company of Rocky Mountain Rangers, and will probably be given a military funeral. He was a son of James H. Gervan, one of the proprietors of the Baldwin Iron Works, at Ottawa, Ontario.

PROSPERITY AT OLYMPIA.

Everybody Busy and Several New Industries Established.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 29.—This city and vicinity have shared to a great extent in the general revival of business. Not a man is idle who wants work. One year ago fully one-quarter of the homes in the suburbs were unoccupied. Now it is hard to find a vacant house anywhere in the city, and rents have been materially advanced. There is considerable building of new homes, and a vast amount of repairing of old ones. The desirable storerooms are occupied at a large advance in rental.

In the past year another large shingle mill has been added to Olympia's industries. The Simpson logging camp, operating a few miles west of the city, has begun delivering sawlogs by rail in the bay in front of the city at the rate of 150,000 feet per day, this amount to be doubled this Spring.

The Chehalis Logshippers' Association has made trackage and booming facilities for discharging its entire output here, and intends commencing such delivery next month.

In the year 1899 24 sailing vessels carried cargoes of lumber coastwise, and foreign from Olympia, against 15 for the preceding year; in 1899 the export of lumber by water alone, in round numbers, including 10,000,000 feet of manufactured lumber, 2,368,250 laths, 65,500 pickets and 298,250 shingles, in addition to a large amount of all kinds of mill-products, shipped by rail. The oyster and fishing business for this section aggregated $200,000. The Olympia Brewing Company during the past year has been enlarged from a capitalization of $75,000 to $150,000. The flouring mill at Tumwater has been reopened during the year, and is doing a large and prosperous business.

The Olympia State Bank has been opened, and although it is not a year since incorporation, the capital stock has been doubled and shares are selling above par.

An industry which promises great benefits for the county is the incorporation of the Olympian Hygian Spring Company, formed to bottle and place upon market the water of a spring in the vicinity of Tumwater, which is pronounced to have the same mineral contents as the famous Waukesha waters, of Wisconsin. The company incorporated with $50,000, and a $10,000 plant is in course of erection.

FIVE MEN BEATEN.

Were Nonunion Stevedores—Three Policemen Looked On.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 29.—The strike of the Longshoremen's Union against the Pacific Coast Steamship Company culminated today in an attack upon five men who had been loading freight on the steamer Walla Walla. All five were severely beaten, one, John Sunderland, being kicked in the face and his cheek cut open. Three special wharf policemen, who were present, were forbidden by the crowd to interfere, under threats of being thrown over the deck. Four arrests were made.

Since the inauguration of the strike, two months ago, the company has brought from Seattle on every steamer a gang of 25 or 30 stevedores, who have worked with the crew in handling the freight. When the Walla Walla came into port on the present trip, five nonunion longshoremen, recent arrivals in Vancouver, were put to work, and when they left the steamer for lunch today a crowd of 50 striking stevedores formed a ring around the unfortunate quintet and committed the assault.

ALASKA CHIEF WANTS A JUNKET.

Professes to Believe a Baranoff Reservation Is to Be Created.

SEATTLE, March 29.—Chief Johnson, of the Alaskan Takus, contemplates a trip to the National capital for the purpose of interviewing President McKinley on behalf of the Indians of Southeastern Alaska. The old chief professes to believe that the Government seeks to hem in the Alaskan Indians on Baranoff Island and make Governor Brady and the Rev. Sheldon Jackson the herders. The plan, according to Chief Johnson, involves the creation of a new Indian reservation on the island, and to thwart this he has asked his people to contribute $1000 with which to defray his expenses to Washington.

If he can raise the funds, Chief Johnson will have a member of each tribe of Southeastern Alaska accompany him, so as to make his protest more emphatic against the reservation movement. The whites of Southeastern Alaska, notably the inhabitants of Juneau, say there is no such project as a Baranoff reservation on foot, and characterize the whole affair as a scheme of Chief Johnson to have his people defray the expense of a pleasure trip to the capital of the Nation.

AT A BRYAN MEETING.

Gold Coin Taken From a Populist by Pickpocket.

Salem Statesman.

D. E. Swank, of Aumsville, the leading Populist politician of Marion County, was among the thousands who came to Salem to hear the great advocate of free coinage. Mr. Swank secured a good position in front of the rostrum in Marion Square and listened attentively to every word uttered by the Nebraska orator, cheering when any one else cheered, and appearing much pleased with the doctrines as laid down by the speaker. At the close of the meeting Mr. Swank found his pocket turned inside out, and his purse, containing $40—in gold coin, not silver—had disappeared, some light-fingered gentleman having made away with the coin in the crowd. No trace of the thief could be found, but Mr. Swank is comforted by the thought that possibly the coin was taken by some admirer of Colonel Bryan, and will be utilized as a nucleus for a campaign fund for the visitor. James Fisher, of Prospect Precinct, was also relieved of $12 in silver in the crowd in Marion Square yesterday afternoon. Rogues of the kind that plied their vocation here yesterday by picking pockets are always to be found where large crowds gather.

Bryan to Go to Hillsboro.

HILLSBORO, March 19. — A telegram was received here from Pendleton to the effect that Colonel W. J. Bryan will make an address in this city April 4. It is intended that the party will reach this city about noon. He will come here at the invitation of the Union party.

Addressed 3500 at Pendleton.

PENDLETON, Or., March 29.—W. J. Bryan spoke here this morning to an audience of 3500 people in a large double warehouse on the O. R. & N. tracks. He was received by local Democrats and breakfasted at the Golden Rule Hotel, proceeding at 10 o'clock to the place where the meeting was held. Immedaitely upon the close of the speech he was taken on a special train to Walla Walla for a tour through Washington. In his address here he discussed the three issues upon which he has been speaking at other places—trusts, finance and imperialism.

Had Stormy Weather at Dayton.

DAYTON, Wash., March 29.—W. J. Bryan and party arrived in Dayton at 6 o'clock. He was immediately taken to the Dayton Club, where he was entertained by the fusionists. An audience of 1500 people gathered on the Courthouse Square, where he delivered the same address that has been delivered from New York to California, and there was no enthusiasm. The weather was stormy, preventing many coming from the country.

Chehalis Wanted Bryan.

CHEHALIS, Wash., March 29.—A good many people feel disappointed that the Democratic or Populist committee did not make arrangements so that Bryan could speak at Chehalis. Republicans would have been willing to chip in their mite to secure a special train to bring Bryan from Olympia, but the Democratic committee seemed to take no interest in the matter and the opportunity was allowed to slip by.

Indoor Meetings at Walla Walla.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., March 29.—Heavy rains prevented Bryan from speaking in the open air today, and he spoke in the Opera House to a large crowd. He later spoke in the Courthouse, after which he left by special train for Dayton, where he speaks tonight. There were not over 2000 visitors in the city to hear the silver advocate.

Will Also Speak at McMinnville.

M'MINNVILLE, March 29.—Editor F. S. Harding, of the Telephone Register, today received a telegram from W. J. Bryan at Pendleton, stating that he would accept the invitation to speak here on April 4. A special train, furnished by citizens of Yamhill County, will convey him to this city. It is expected he will speak at about 9 o'clock in the morning.

Date Changed at Olympia.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 29.—The local fusion committee has received word that Bryan will be in Olympia Tuesday, April 3, instead of the following day, as at first announced.

DIDN'T HEAR THE TRAIN.

Old Deaf Man Walking on the Track Was Killed.

ASHLAND, Or., March 29.—E. B. Sears, aged 70 years, was instantly killed today at 12:25 by the engine of the north-bound Oregon express, while walking on the track near Edgewood, across the Siskiyous. He was walking on the roadbed to his home, and, being deaf, did not hear the train, which was rounding a sharp curve. The remains were taken on the train to Edgewood, where an inquest will be held tomorrow morning.

Astorians Visited Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 29.—The delegation of 60 Astoria citizens which made the round trip between Astoria and The Dalles this week on the steamer Undine, in the interest of an open river, paid this city a brief visit last evening.

The steamer reached here about 6:30 and was met by the Mayor, Mr. Wyatt, and a few other citizens and escorted about town. A portion of the party made headquarters at Mr. Wyatt's store, others at the Hotel Columbia, while still others put in the brief time in town calling on friends, visiting the barracks, etc.

As a result of the preliminary trial of young J. T. McLean before a Justice of the peace at La Camas yesterday upon the charge of assault with a deadly weapon upon Frank Casto, he was held to answer to the Superior Court.

Shanklin Has 80 Gallons of Wine.

FOREST GROVE, Or., March 29.—There is much interest in the case of J. W. Shanklin, alias Coleman, Fresno's ex-City Clerk. Just now the matter of most concern is as to the disposal of 80 gallons of wine, which he had just received, and any number of applicants are willing to act as custodian of the property without compensation.

Local merchants are scrutinizing carefully all silver dollars now, as a number of counterfeits have been passed here lately. They bear date of 1885, have a good ring, but show an undue softness when tested with a knife.

Lands Inherited by Indians.

OREGON CITY, March 29.—The Register and Receiver of the Oregon City Land Office today received a letter from Congressman Tongue in reference to an inquiry about the right of heirs of deceased Indians holding allotted lands to dispose of the same. He says:

"I have introduced a bill, now before the Indian committee, and will be favorably reported in a very short time, providing for the sale of the lands inherited by the Indians on the Siletz reservation from deceased allottees. I think this bill will certainly be passed, and everything looks favorable."

Clackamas County Teachers.

OREGON CITY, March 28.—The Clackamas County Teachers' Association will hold its monthly meeting in the Barkley schoolhouse in this city tomorrow, for which an interesting programme has been prepared.

Oregon Notes.

Lawton expects to have a railroad within a year.

At Corvallis, a woman has been fined $2 for riding her bicycle on the sidewalk.

Patent to the Lawton townsite is said by the Standard to have been issued last Tuesday, and to be on the way west in the mail.

Woodburn's city election will occur next Monday. As usual, there is a hot fight over liquor licenses. The town now has four saloons.

An analysis of the Oregon prune and that of Germany, made at the experiment station at Corvallis, shows that the home product has 16 per cent of sugar in the juice, as against 6.15 per cent sugar in the imported article.

The Standard is the name of the paper just started at Lawton, by Frank G. Hull. It is a six-column folio, neatly printed, and offered at $2 a year. It believes it is the only paper ever printed in a town before the advent of a postoffice. The postal authorities are expected soon to establish an office there, however.

CRITICAL FOR HOP MEN

STATE ASSOCIATION AND THE POOLED PRODUCT.

New Plan for Distributing Proceeds of the Sales Is a Serious Matter for Hopgrowers.

SALEM, Or., March 29.—While nothing definite can be said of the immediate result of the change in the plans of the Oregon Hopgrowers' Association, reported yesterday from Gervais, it is evident that both growers and buyers look upon the change as a conclusive evidence of the impracticability of a hop combine. One of the strong arguments employed to induce growers to put their hops into the pool was that the grower whose hops should not be sold would share in the proceeds of the hops that were sold. Hop-buyers told the growers that if they allowed their hops to be tied up in a pool the officers of the combine would show favor by selling one man's hops and holding others until the market had been supplied and no more sales could be made. This assertion carried weight, and made growers hesitate to give up control of their hops. To meet this argument advanced by the dealers, the promoters of the association gave assurance that the man whose hops were sold first would be required to share the proceeds of his hops with every other man who put in hops of the same grade. For instance, if two men put in 100 bales each of second-class hops and one man's hops should be sold at 5 cents, and the other man's at 6, the proceeds of the whole class would be divided pro rata, regardless of the price received for any one lot. It was under this agreement that the growers went into the pool and gave up control of their hops. Some of the hops have been sold, while a large part of the association's holdings is still on hand. The association has in its treasury the proceeds of the sales made, and it is now proposed to pay each man the net proceeds of his hops.

If this new plan shall prevail, those whose hops have been sold will receive their money, while the rest must await the sale of their hops. This may not work a hardship upon any, though it is evident that the man whose hops have molded while being held by the association will feel that he would have profited by selling his hops himself at the time they were ready for market.

It is generally felt that the Oregon Hopgrowers' Association has reached a critical period in its existence, a time when it is to be determined whether the combine can be a success. If the growers consent to the new plan, the association will be able to dispose of the hops now on hand, and to settle with the growers amicably. If they do not consent, the association will be forced to the other alternative of holding all members of the association to their agreements. This would mean that the man who had clear hops classified as first-class must share the proceeds of his hops with the man who had moldy hops put into the same class. When the hops were classified there was no indication of mold. To reclassify the hops would not be in accordance with the original plan.

The letters sent out to the growers contained a blank for them to sign, consenting to the new plan, and also a blank to be filled in by the grower, stating the price at which his hops might be sold. As the growers are not in touch with the market and do not know the present condition of their hops, they are not in a position to set a price at which they should be sold. The outcome is awaited with interest by those interested in the hop industry.

President Jones reports that this action of the association is being taken at the suggestion of the growers themselves, and that the proposition is being almost unanimously accepted by them. He says this involves no change in the contract of growers with the association, except as to the division of the proceeds of the sales.

State Treasurer Moore today received $2250 from Klamath County to apply on 1899 taxes.

Fish Commissioner Reed today turned into the State Treasury $332, collected by him as fees during February.

DEATH OF MRS. B. JENNINGS.

Was an Oregon Pioneer of 1849—Experience in Reaching Oregon City.

OREGON CITY, March 29.—Mrs. Martha Jennings, aged 77, died this morning at her home near this city, after a lingering illness. The deceased was the widow of the late Colonel Berryman Jennings, and a prominent Clackamas County pioneer of 1849. She crossed the plains in 1847, her first husband, Joseph Pope, dying on the road, leaving her with a small child. Their objective point was Sacramento. In the following year Mrs. Pope, having been sent for by her brother-in-law, Governor Abernethy, sailed on the pilot-ship, Mary Taylor, for Oregon, but upon reaching the mouth of the Columbia, the craft was blown north, taking refuge in the Straits of Fuca. There they fought Indians with boiling water and axes, chopping off the hands of the savages, who attacked them. Finally Astoria was reached, and from there to Oregon City the trip was made in an open boat, Mrs. Pope landing here on January 1, 1849. Later she was married to Colonel Jennings, who was afterward register of the local land office. Mr. and Mrs. Jennings settled on the donation land claim near the mouth of the Clackamas in 1850, which has been the home of the family for the past 50 years. The deceased left the following children:

Mrs. Robert Caufield, Oregon City; Charles H. Jennings and Mrs. F. E. Hodgkin, Portland; Mrs. Ella A. Spooner, Winlock, Wash.; William B. Jennings and Lillie J. Miller, Oregon City; Mrs. May Abernethy, Seattle; John F. Jennings, Nampa, Idaho.

The funeral will take place Saturday, and the interment will be in the Masonic Cemetery in Portland.

E. C. B. Taylor, of Toledo, Wash.

TOLEDO, Wash., March 28.—E. C. B. Taylor, of this place, died here yesterday. Mr. Taylor was born July 25, 1844, on the Isle of Tristan de Akuna, one of the Sandwich Islands. With his parents he moved to Manchester, N. H., where they resided until 1860, when they removed to Manhatan, Kan. There he enlisted, at the age of 18, in the Ninth Kansas Volunteers, Company K, and served three years. He was married during the service to Miss Sarah A. Shultz, in Marysville, Kan. After his return from the Army he resided in Kansas till 1877, when he came to Washington, and has been a resident of Lewis County since that time, carving out of the dense forest an excellent farm, and rearing a family of three sons and two daughters, who, with the mother, survive. Deceased also left two brothers and a sister in the East, and a sister, Mrs. Divini, of this city.

JUTE SEIZED AT SPOKANE.

Federal Authorities Take State Property for Non-Payment of Duty.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 29. — Ninety tons of jute, the property of the State of Washington, was seized in this city by Federal authorities, today, for alleged non-payment of duties. The jute was being shipped to the state penitentiary at Walla Walla, where it was to have been worked up by the prisoners into grain sacks. The jute was imported to the United States from Calcutta, and was brought to this city over the Great Northern. Here it was to be transferred to the O. R. & N. Co., to be carried to Walla Walla. Yesterday Deputy United States Marshal Felix Pugh received instructions from the customs officials at Port Townsend, the headquarters of this customs district, to stop the shipment here and hold until further orders. What the reason for the seizure is can only be surmised. Deputy Pugh served notice on the railroad company that the jute must remain in warehouse here, where it had been unloaded from the Great Northern cars. United States Attorney Gay telegraphed Mr. Pugh from Seattle instructions as to procedure, and asked to be immediately advised if the state officials made any effort in the state courts to recover possession of the shipment.

MINING STOCK EXCHANGE.

Thirty-six Shares Subscribed by Prominent Citizens.

At the meeting of the Board of Trade yesterday a report made showed that the following persons had subscribed shares in the Mining Stock Exchange: Dr. A. S. Nichols, P. L. Willis, W. E. Hurd, W. E. Robertson, C. R. Winslow, H. C. Wortman, Guy G. Willis, Francis I. McKenna, A. L. Mohler, Golconda Mining Company, Free Coinage Mining Company, Edward Ehrman, S. M. Mears, R. Livingstone, L. B. Cox, J. Frank Watson, Henry Hahn, Seneca Smith, J. F. Batchelder, J. C. Flanders, C. F. Adams, Charles E. Ladd, J. C. Ainsworth, Fred G. Buffum, E. T. Williams, William Mackintosh, J. C. Barton, Tyler Woodward, L. A. Lewis, Rufus Mallory, A. L. Mills, W. J. Van Schuyver, E. Quackenbush, J. A. Jamieson, Samuel Connell, W. M. Killingsworth.

Quotations of Mining Stocks.

SPOKANE, March 29.—The closing bids for mining stocks today were:

Blacktail	$0 09¼	Morrison	$0 03
Crystal	5¼	Princess Maud	5¼
Deer Trail Con.	9	Quilp	25¼
Evening Star	7	Rambler Cariboo	26
Gold Ledge	5¼	Republic	1 02
Golden Harvest	1¾	Reservation	9
Jim Blaine	11	Rossland Giant	2¾
Lone Pine Surp.	15¾	Sullivan	9
Mountain Lion	91	Tom Thumb	15¾
Morning Glory	4	Sonora	3½

SAN FRANCISCO, March 29.—Official closing quotations for mining stocks:

Alta	$0 06	Justice	$0 08
Alpha Con	3	Mexican	26
Andes	12	Occidental Con	12
Belcher	32	Ophir	83
Best & Belcher	35	Overman	18
Bullion	3	Potosi	18
Caledonia	84	Savage	14
Challenge Con	20	Sierra Nevada	54
Chollar	17	Silver Hill	9
Confidence	80	Standard	3 05
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 60	Union Con	18
Crown Point	19	Utah Con	9
Gould & Curry	21	Yellow Jacket	15
Hale & Norcross	24		

NEW YORK, March 29.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:

Chollar	$0 15	Ontario	$8 25
Crown Point	16	Ophir	75
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 45	Plymouth	10
Deadwood	60	Quicksilver	1 75
Gould & Curry	17	do pref	8 00
Hale & Norcross	21	Sierra Nevada	50
Homestake	50 00	Standard	3 10
Iron Silver	65	Union Con	15
Mexican	21	Yellow Jacket	10

BOSTON, March 29.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$0 04½	Franklin	$0 18
Allouez Mining	2½	Osceola	70¼
Amal. Copper	96¾	Parrott	46¾
Atlantic	28½	Quincy	1 39½
Boston & Mont.	3 18	Santa Fe Copper	6¾
Butte & Boston	72	Tamarack	1 94
Cal. & Hecla	7 48	Utah Mining	34¼
Centennial	22	Wolverines	40

A Ten-Foot Coal Measure.

CHEHALIS, Wash., March 29.—Daniel Shaner, of Mossyrock, was in town this morning with samples of coal from a new find on the Cowlitz River, 26 miles above Mossyrock. The coal is a semi-anthracite, and the vein is 10 feet in thickness. It is claimed it is a continuation of the coal fields in the vicinity of Davis Lake.

UMATILLA REPUBLICANS.

Nominate County Ticket and Adopt Significant Resolutions.

PENDLETON, Or., March 29.—Umatilla County Republicans held a convention here today at which the following were chosen:

Delegates to the State and Congressional District Convention—H. C. Adams, R. Alexander, E. C. Allen, William Baker, E. L. Barnett, J. S. Gurdane, T. P. Gilliland, Matt Mosgrove, C. E. Roosevelt, L. E. Roy, Thomas Thompson, A. B. Thompson, Horace Walker.

Representatives in the Legislature—T. J. Kirk, of Athena; L. B. Reeder, of Pendleton.
County Judge—John E. Bean of Pendleton.
Treasurer—S. K. Yates, of Milton.
County Commissioner—Horace Walker, of Helix.
Sheriff—George Peringer, of Pendleton.
Clerk—Lot Livermore, of Pendleton.
Recorder—William Ingram, of Pendleton.
Assessor—George Buzan, of Pendleton.
School Superintendent—J. F. Nowlin, of Pendleton.
Surveyor—Charles E. Macomber, of Ukiah.
Coroner—Dr. W. G. Cole, of Pendleton.

Two resolutions adopted by the Republican County Convention here today were:

"Be it resolved, by the Republican delegates of Umatilla County, in convention assembled, that the nominees for the Legislature by this convention are hereby instructed to qualify and meet in caucus with the majority of the Republicans when such caucus is called, for the purpose of electing a United States Senator. The purpose of this resolution is to expedite the business for which the Legislature is called, and to prevent, so far as possible, another hold-up of the Legislature.

"Resolved, That the candidates nominated by this convention, if elected to the State Legislature, are hereby instructed to use their best efforts to secure the election of United States Senators by popular vote."

The state delegation is conceded solid for the renomination of Congressman Moody.

FISHERMEN OPPOSED TO LICENSES.

Say They Are a Tax on Labor, and Therefore Unconstitutional.

ASTORIA, March 29.—Very few gill net licenses are being taken out, and there is an apparent organized movement among the fishermen not to take out individual licenses, as they claim that it is a tax on labor and therefore unconstitutional. Fish Commissioner Reed has secured legal advice on this question, and several lawyers state that the law is all right, except possibly in the case of men working at a stated price per month on seining grounds, who have no interest in the catch.

Judge McBride will convene an adjourned term of the Circuit Court in this city next Wednesday. At that session a damage case against the Clatsop Mill Company and one against the city will be tried before juries.

BIG MAN BEAT SMALL ONE.

At the End of the Fight the Sheriff Arrested Both of Them.

SEATTLE, March 29.—Fred Russell was given the decision at Georgetown, a suburb of Seattle, tonight, over Ike Hayes, colored, at the end of the sixth round. Although Hayes was on his feet he was helpless. It was a terrific fight, and Hayes came near knocking Russell out in the first round with a left uppercut on the jaw. Russell is six inches taller than Hayes and heavier by 25 pounds. At the close of the contest the Sheriff arrested the contestants. They were released on bonds.

JESSIE MAKES BIG CATCH.

Her Return From the Northern Halibut Banks.

ASTORIA, Or., March 29.—The fishing schooner Jessie was reported off the mouth of the river early this evening, just in from the northern halibut banks. It is understood that she has a big catch on board. The Jessie is owned by Astoria business men, who recently entered the halibut trade. It is believed other boats may soon be put on.

Chehalis Notes.

CHEHALIS, Wash., March 29.—County Superintendent George A. Spencer says he expects to hold the Lewis County Teachers' Institute the last week in June. It was postponed on account of the smallpox scare.

The Chehalis flouring mill has been shut down until the new wheat crop comes into market. There is very little wheat left in this county.

CHANCES FOR THE PACIFIC

POSSIBILITIES OF TRADE DEVELOPMENT UNDER NEW CONDITIONS.

The Immediate Future of Pacific Coast Seaport Towns Appears Particularly Bright.

In an article entitled, "Possibilities of the Pacific," Bonds and Mortgages, published in Chicago, spoke as follows:

There is no section of the prosperous West which is attracting the eyes of the financial world more at present than the cities of the Pacific Coast. The vast and rapidly growing trade of the Orient and the Tropics, the gold discoveries in Alaska, the growth of Australia and New Zealand, the opening up of the vast steppes of Russia, and of the great Chinese Empire, all bespeak commercial and financial opportunities unparalleled in the history of the country. The scene of the future human drama has been shifted to the Pacific Coast. Two-thirds of the world's population awaits us at our Western gates, separated from us only by a great ocean highway, free from the possibilities of toll or monopoly, and affording every accommodation necessary for the transaction of an enormous volume of new business.

Already American commerce with the islands and countries of the Pacific shows a greater gain in the year 1899 than that with any other part of the world. Our total exports increased $30,000,000, and our exports to Asia and Oceania alone increased over $19,000,000; our total imports increased $164,000,000, and $48,000,000 of this increase was from Asia and Oceania. Exports to Asia and Oceania increased 27 per cent, while imports from that part of the world increased 40 per cent.

Of this increase of $20,000,000 in exports to Asia and Oceania, over $6,000,000 went to British Australasia, $4,600,000 to the Hawaiian Islands, $4,000,000 to China and the remainder distributed to the various countries and islands of that part of the Western Pacific, while of the imports from Asia and Oceania, $12,000,000 were from the Dutch East Indies, $11,000,000 from Japan, $9,000,000 from the British East Indies, $7,000,000 from China and $5,000,000 from Hawaii.

Of the increase in exports, the large proportion was in cotton, cotton goods, machinery and other manufactures of iron and steel. The increase in our exports to China was largely in manufactures of cotton, and that to the Hawaiian Islands and Australia, manufactures of all kinds, the large proportion, however, being machinery and general manufactures of iron and steel. Of the increase of $46,000,000 in imports, from the countries of the Pacific, raw silk, tin, fibers and sugar were the most important items.

From Japan, the importations of raw silk increased $8,000,000, and there was also a considerable increase in matting; from the great tin mines of the Straits Settlements was an increase of $5,000,000 worth of pig tin for use in manufacturing tin plates, and from British Indies there was an increase in jute and jute bagging and other productions of this character; from China, there was an increase of over $5,000,000 in raw silk for use in manufacturing; from the Philippines, an increase in hemp and other articles, and from the Hawaiian Islands a small increase in sugar; while the most important and suggestive increase from the Pacific countries is that of sugar from the East Indies, which amounted in the year just ended to 1,485,460,650 pounds, against $30,657,794 pounds in 1898, and 536,227,703 pounds in 1897; the value of the sugar imported from the East Indies in 1899 being $30,636,469, against $16,039,642 in 1898, and $9,993,194 in 1897.

With these interesting and instructive figures before us, the immediate future of the Pacific Coast seaport towns appears particularly bright. The greatest activity prevails in the younger and more progressive cities of the Northwest, with Seattle, Portland and Tacoma eagerly vying with each other for commercial supremacy. The heavy investments made during the past year by Eastern capitalists in this section reflect the fullest realization of existing conditions by the far-sighted investing classes. The Pacific Northwest is just emerging out of the hour of dawn to bathe in the most brilliant rays of prosperity which ever shone upon any country!

BE SURE OF YOUR GAME.

Warning to Hunters, Who May Bag Timber-Cruisers.

W. W. Cheadle, a timber-cruiser, sends the following statement to the South Bend Journal:

"Last Tuesday afternoon I took the trail to find a quarter post on the south side of a timber claim, and when I arrived at the place where the section line crosses it, I went out on the west side about 50 feet in the brush, and had just stopped to look for a blaze on a big cedar when I heard the crack of a rifle on the trail, and a bullet went whizzing by my gray head. "Hold on there, you rascal, or you will kill somebody yet," I ejaculated just as I heard the click, click of the repeater, making ready for another shot. Then I crawled back through the brush to the trail, and there I found a young stranger, paralyzed with astonishment. He had "missed the bear'" but saved my life.

Clark County Anti-Wilson.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 29.—Previous to the holding of the Republican primaries last Saturday very little interest appeared to be taken either in the result of the primary elections or the county convention, which will be held in this city next Saturday. As the day of the convention approaches, however, political interest increases, and the indications now are that there will be a lively contest next Saturday. Practically the only issue upon which there is any division is whether a Wilson or an anti-Wilson delegation shall be sent to the state convention at Ellensburg, April 5. The Wilson forces are active, and say they will at least secure half of the delegation. The antis are also lined up to select a solid anti-Wilson delegation. The returns from the primaries are coming in slowly, many of the outlying precincts being yet to hear from. Of 15 precincts, having a total of 72 delegates, the anti-Wilsonites claim 50. This leaves seven precincts yet to be heard from, with an additional 20 votes. Of these, the antis say they will get at least one-half. Clark County has long been considered as being strongly anti-Wilson. It sent a solid delegation against Wilson to the Tacoma State Convention in 1898, and the present Representatives in the Legislature from this county were nominated and elected upon a platform which practically pledged them to vote against John L. Wilson for United States Senator.

Boy Speculates in Sheep.

H. H. Vandervort started into the sheep business about six years ago, says the Pacific Homestead. He was then a mere boy, working for wages in the stores. He bought a few sheep and put them out on shares. The next year he bought a few more, and saved what he had already bought. So he kept on until he now has 700 sheep, all out on shares in Polk, Marion and Clackamas Counties. He has made at least 40 per cent on all the money he has put into sheep, and from his earnings he has bought two lots and built houses on them, and owns them now.

Rogue River Prunegrowers Organize

MEDFORD, March 29.—A meeting of the prunegrowers of the Rogue River Valley was held here today, at which 90 per cent of the growers was represented. An organization was effected, which will work in conjunction with the Northwestern Deciduous Fruitgrowers' Association. C. E. Stewart was elected president, and will immediately push the interests of the association.