RETURNING TO PLACERS

MODERN METHODS OF WASHING IN THE SUMPTER DISTRICT.

Companies Organize to Operate on Large Scale—Digging Lifeless Since Pioneer Days.

SUMPTER, Or., May 10.—This season in the Sumpter district will witness the greatest placer cleanups known here for years. In several places there have been a marked revival of interest in the placer diggings. Companies have been organized to operate diggings on a large scale, and scenes where there has been comparatively little life since the boom days of pioneer times will be teeming with workers.

There is no clear explanation of the revival of interest. Last year's cleanups were not unusually large. More men were then engaged in placer work than the year before, but the growth was so gradual that it did not attract attention. In line with the interest of investors from all parts of the country in Eastern Oregon mining properties placer diggings seem to have progressed.

Operations are not in new gulches, except that in two or three instances reservoirs are being constructed to work ground known for years to be rich, but never before made workable. In many instances the workers are on the very sites of washing in the early '60's. The rims will be worked over, and in some cases old beds will go through the sluices again, with the prospect of profit in the improved facilities for work, and the greater care that will be exercised when profits are known to be close.

On Deer Creek there is perhaps the greatest revival. Here at least 20 men will work this season where one worked last. A Chicago syndicate, through the agency of Dr. Sayers, is reclaiming four separate grounds. One of these, the Carnes diggings, is an old-timer, but the other three are newer. Pipe is being laid, reservoirs constructed, and ground sluicing done to get the properties into shape for fall work next season. One of them will be producing this year. The Deer Creek Placer Company is now operating one large group with good results. Several other concerns are on the stream besides the individuals, who find room for a little work, and take advantage of the early flood in the Spring.

Stice's Gulch, where work was done 30 years ago, has passed into the hands of a company composed largely of Eastern capitalists, and is being put into shape for thorough operations. The reservoirs will be constructed, a tail race of considerable length, made necessary by the deep gravel bed, and pipe lines to connect with the water supply. The head of the flume is in 30 feet of gravel, which will enable one to judge of the great work possible in the mile and a half of stretch down the canyon owned by the company.

Pine Creek and its tributaries, particularly Cow Creek, are rich grounds, but they are drifting propositions. There is not enough water there to do much at washing, so the diggings are drifted, and the gravel washed by the old "slush" box. While this is slow, several who have been engaged in the work have made big profits, especially when finding one of the big nuggets for which the basin is noted.

The Oregon Placer & Power Co. intends to operate six to eight giants on two of their properties this season, and will put two more in condition for work. A porton of this company's ground is high up, and cannot be worked till late, when snow melts, but the returns after work commences have proved large, as indicated by the constant enlargement of facilities.

On the second Pine Creek of this district work is under way by two companies. The Pine Creek Placer Company has one giant there now, and expects to install another soon. The same company has large placer properties on Olive Creek, which are just opening for work.

These are instances of the enlarged work. In the Sumpter district there are scores of little guiches that have been worked, prospected and mined for years, yet to which the informed miner returns every Spring to work again while water lasts.

Such permanent deposits has forced the conviction that some day dredgers and hydraulic lifts, by means of which deep beds and those sections now dry may be washed will be the vogue. The placer grounds of this district were the first attraction to the boomers in '61 and '62, and workers have been here ever since.

PUSHING WORK AT MINES.

Operations That Promise Profit in Southern Oregon.

GOLD HILL, Or., May 11.—The mill on the Lucky Bart group is running day and night on ore from the Doubtful claim. A 30-inch vein of high-grade free-milling ore assaying $45 per ton was recently struck on this claim, which will bring the Lucky Bart group to the front again, something over $150,000 having already been milled from the several ledges on the property.

The Gold Hill Milling, Power & Development Company is working day and night shifts with a drill in their Bowden mine, in Blackwell district. It is down 135 feet in three feet of high-grade ore carrying an ounce of gold per ton and perfectly free. It is the intention to sink the present shaft to a total depth of 750 feet. This mine produced a great deal of gold prior to its purchase by this company, which is composed of local business and professional men, and is being put in shape to rank among the foremost of Oregon's producing mines.

C. R. Ray, superintendent and general manager of the Gold Hill Quartz Mining Company, is in San Francisco purchasing drills and hoisting machinery for their Braden mine. He will also get a new mill, as the present 10 stamps are worn out and inadequate. They have an immense quantity of low-grade ore in sight, and are engaged in development work preparing for their new plant. This company is composed of wealthy Eastern business men, and they have been investing extensively both in the mineral and timber resources of Southern Oregon.

NO END TO THE STRIKE.

After Long Conference Oregon City Strikers Reject Woolen Mill Offer.

OREGON CITY, May 11.—The general expectation that the strike of the employes of the Oregon City woolen mills would terminate last night was not realized. All of yesterday afternoon and part of the evening the Federated Trades arbitration committee and the United Textile Workers' conference committee were in conference with President Jacobs, at the company's office. Early in the afternoon G. Y. Harry, president of the State Federation of Labor; H. C. Gurr, president of the Portland Federated Trades Council; Ira Taylor, president of the Waiters' Alliance; A. W. Jones, chairman of the Federated Trades Assembly arbitration committee, and Charles Mickley, president of the International Tailors' Union, came up from Portland and were met by the conference committee of the local union. The conference did not produce the expected results. After it was ended a meeting of the employes forming the United Textile Workers' Union was called and the concessions of the company were rejected by a unanimous vote.

The arbitration committee succeeded in gaining the consent of the company to an additional increase in the scale paid of $3000 a year over the concessions heretofore made, but this increase, distributed among over 300 employes, in a year is very small, and the arbitration committee advised against its acceptance. The payroll of the Oregon City Manufacturing Company is $80,000 a year. The modified demands of the striking employes, if granted, would increase this amount to $100,000. The contention of the company is that their business will not justify the increased expenditure of $20,000 a year in wages. The principal stumbling block in the way of a settlement was the fact that the company totally ignored about 75 of the strikers. The demands of the employes include an increase all along the line. They will not be satisfied with a small raise here and there, and none at all for some. The pay of all of the employes must be increased or the strike will continue indefinitely, the employes say.

It is exactly three weeks since the commencement of the strike. Several times since then the company and the employes have been near the point of agreement, but the point has never been reached. One of the arbitration committee said today:

"If the hands had been receiving living wages, I would advise that they accept the compromise now offered by the company. But most of the help in the woolen mills is skilled labor and has been inadequately paid, and for this reason are entitled to every cent they demand."

DR. STRONG'S NEW JOB.

Good Prospects There and Good Words for Oregon School.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, May 11.—Dr. Strong spoke in assembly one morning last week about his call to the University of Kansas. After a few personal reminiscences, during which he referred to the fact that Kansas City was the place to which he first went to seek his fortune as a poor young attorney, he said that it was natural that he should desire to go back to the country and people with whom he first cast his lot.

There were many reasons, Dr. Strong said, why the position was attractive. Especially and fundamentally it was attractive because of the enthusiastic belief of Kansas in state higher education, and because the true idea of a state university, its scope, powers and functions, had grown up there. It was also true, he said, that into the hands of the president of the university was given absolutely the control of the educational policy of the university, and of the teachers who were to work with him. The president of the university is at the same time president of the Board of Regents and a Regent with full power. He is also a member of the State Board of Education, and has a hand in the general educational policy of the state. Besides, Dr. Strong said, the university is large, with a fine equipment and a great future before it.

Dr. Strong spoke about his affection for the University of Oregon, its students and those who had worked with him as teachers. He said that he had learned that the students could always be depended upon for progress; they wanted a real university. He took occasion to point out some things that ought to be done, and urged upon the students their careful consideration.

It seemed to him, he said, that it was fundamental that the question should be decided whether the state wanted a real state university in the Middle-West sense of the term, or a college—one of a number of small institutions. The students, as they grew older, he said, could help determine that question. To him it seemed that there were colleges enough, and that the only legitimate field for the University of Oregon was the university field. He also pointed out the fact that in Oregon strong influences were opposed to state higher education, and that this constituted a fundamental difficulty in the way of solving the university problem. The students also in this case could in years to come exert a powerful influence. He reminded the students that they might some time need the help of a man in Kansas; if so, if they would write to him they would find that he had not forgotten them.

ASK CITY FOR RIGHT OF WAY.

Pendleton-Dayton Electric Line Promoters at Weston.

WESTON, Or., May 11.—Messrs. H. Meliman and Frank B. Roms, of San Francisco, were here yesterday in the interests of the proposed electric line from Dayton, Wash., to Pendleton, and asked the City Council for right of way through the streets of Weston. They state that work will be begun within six months, and that the line will be in operation in less than two years. The towns on the route are Dayton, Huntsville, Waitsburg, Dixie, Valley Grove, Dry Creek, Walla Walla and College Place, in Washington; Freewater, Milton, Weston, Athena, Adams and Pendleton, in Oregon. Rights of way, they state, have been secured from Dayton, Wash., to the Oregon State line. It is the intention to run a passenger car each way, with freight car attached, every two hours, and to charge one-half the present railway rates. The promoters will apply for electric lighting franchises in the towns along their route that are unprovided with lights. Ample power, they say, can be generated on the Walla Walla River.

TWO GIRLS DROWNED.

Boat Was Caught in Current and Swept Over Dam.

CARSON, Nev., May 11.—Ida and Lola Vonderhyde, aged, respectively, 15 and 18 years, daughters of George Vonderhyde, a citizen of this city, were drowned at Wardener's dam, about six miles from Carson. They were in a boat fishing with their brother and a young man named Cattleman. The boat was caught in the current and swept over the dam. The bodies of the drowned girls have not yet been recovered. Cattleman, after being beaten about among the rocks, got ashore badly bruised. Young Vonderhyde caught on a rock and was saved after being in the water several hours.

Still Taking Timber Land.

GREENLEAF, May 10.—The number of strangers now pouring into Oregon is being felt, even here in the backwoods. A year ago it was believed that all the public timber land worth taking had passed into private hands, and investors were buying freely from the original locators. Since then tracts on the high hills, less heavily timbered and more difficult of access than any that had been sought, are being bought. Two brothers who have for nearly a year devoted their time entirely to cruising on the mountains between Lake Creek and the Siuslaw, searching out the almost obliterated marks made by the surveyors 19 years ago, report that they alone have located 35 to 40 filers on timber lands there within that time, each taking 160 acres, and they are still taking into the woods every few days parties of two to half a dozen strangers.

Charles Madden, at Mt. Angel.

MT. ANGEL, Or., May 11.—Charles Madden, a student at Mt. Angel College, died this morning as the result of a surgical operation to check blood poisoning. He was 18 years old, a member of the June graduating class, and next Fall was to have entered Rush Medical College. He was the son of Frank Madden, a railroad man, of Pocatello, Idaho. He was popular, both among the students and faculty. His mother arrived this evening, having started with the expectation of making him a visit.

SHORT TRIP

Up the Columbia.

With a perfectly clear atmosphere, no smoke or haze to mar the view, this undoubtedly is the best time of year to see the magnificent scenery along the Columbia River. Take the O. R. & N. Co.'s train from Union depot any day at 8 A. M. for Cascade Locks or The Dalles; returning, leave Dalles at 1:30 P. M., arriving Portland at 4:30 P. M. Or, if preferred, return may be made from Cascade Locks by river steamer, reaching Portland about 4 P. M. Ticket office, Third and Washington streets.

For trunks, go to the Harris Trunk Co.

WILL WIN IN JUNE

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the Republicans have nominated J. L. Rand and George Chandler, two of their strongest men, for Senator and Representative, respectively. The Democrats have renominated Senator Smith Representative, and J. H. Robbins, of Sumpter, for Representative. Since the last election the "Panhandle" district has been cut from Union County and added to Baker County, increasing the vote of the county about 800. Democrats contend this gives them a slight advantage, and, figuring on former votes, this is not improbable. It is conceded that Butcher, for Congress, will run ahead of his ticket in this county, being a Baker City man. Chairman Lochner, of the Republican County committee, claims the county for the Republicans by a small majority. He bases his claim on the influx of new voters and a change of sentiment of a large number of voters who voted with the Democrats at the two last elections because of the silver issue.

BENTON COUNTY.

Republican State Candidates Will Have Majorities of 100 to 150.

CORVALLIS, May 11.—It is practically certain that Benton County will go Republican on the state and Congressional tickets by majorities ranging from 100 to 150. A careful canvass of the situation indicates that Mr. Furnish may fall a few votes short on account of the personal popularity of Mr. Chamberlain in this county, but his loss, in no event, will exceed 25.

Representative Tongue, who only carried Benton two years ago by a plurality of 31, due largely to opposition in his own party, will make a better showing this year. His plurality may reach 150.

It is pretty generally conceded that Senator Daly will be re-elected, and the chances of Marion Hayden, Republican nominee for Representative, are equally good. For Representative two years ago R. J. Nichols, Republican, carried the county by 128 plurality. A fact that augurs well for the success of the legislative ticket this year is that Republicans generally are more interested in it than two years ago.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY.

Republicans Confident of Electing Entire Ticket.

OREGON CITY, May 11.—The situation in Clackamas County at this time is such as to warrant the expectation of the election of the entire Republican state, Congressional, district and county ticket by 200 to 400. Two years ago Representative Tongue's plurality over Daly was 508, and there is no reason to suppose that his vote will decrease this year.

The conditions this year have been complicated somewhat by the appearance of a Socialist ticket in the arena. There is no doubt but that some of the Socialist candidates will poll over 400 votes. As the Socialist vote comes almost entirely from the Populists, who supported the citizens' ticket two years ago, the prospects of the Republicans are enhanced according to the size of the Socialist vote.

CLATSOP COUNTY.

Republican Success by About 600 Assured by a Canvass.

ASTORIA, May 11.—A careful canvass of every voting precinct in Clatsop County indicates that all the candidates on the Republican State, Congressional and Legislative tickets, and nearly every candidate on the county ticket will receive large majorities on election day. The normal Republican majority is 600. It is true that two years ago the candidates for representatives on the Citizens' ticket were elected, one of them receiving 1117 votes, while the highest number received by either of the Republican candidates was 915. At the same time Moody received 1207 votes for Congressman, against 511 for Smith. The defeat of the Legislative ticket was due to a fight over local issues and a division of the party into several factions. Those difficulties have now been removed. There are no local questions of importance at issue to cause a disruption, and all the party differences have been healed, assuring an almost straight party vote in support of the ticket.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Furnish and Other Republicans Will Have 300 Majority.

ST. HELENS, Or., May 10.—J. B. Johnson, chairman of the Republican county committee is sanguine of the success of the Republican state and county ticket, and is of opinion that Furnish will have the usual Republican majority of about 300. He admits a few Republicans will vote for Chamberlain, yet he says a majority of the Populists who voted with the Democrats two years ago will vote the Republican ticket this year.

The registration is almost up to that of two years ago, but it is much less than it should be, as it is a well-known fact that nearly, if not quite, 400 new voters have come in in the past two years.

T. C. Watts, a Republican leader, of Goble, says every Republican on the county ticket will be elected, and the state ticket will have its usual majority.

The chairman of the Democratic County Central Committee concedes that the Republicans will have a majority on the state ticket, but thinks it will be considerably less than in 1900. He says Chamberlain will get 250 Republican votes in the county, and that the Democrats will elect Representative, Sheriff and County Clerk.

CROOK COUNTY.

Williamson's Home County Will Elect All Republicans.

PRINEVILLE, Or., May 10.—The Republican ticket of Crook County is especially strong and is expected to win throughout. This is Williamson's home county, and he will have a big majority. The county is, however, very close. Furnish, for Governor, will get his party vote, together with the rest of the state ticket. The Republican candidate for the Legislature will carry the county by a small majority.

CURRY COUNTY.

Republicans Will Sweep Everything by 150 Majority.

GOLD BEACH, May 11.—Curry County (Rep.) will undoubtedly be elected by a good majority. Reports from Curry County indicate that R. D. Hume, Republican candidate for Joint Representative from Coos and Avery, who is up for his second term, will come to Coos with 125 to 150 majority. He carried this county two years ago by a small majority. Republicans are hopeful of electing their county ticket in its entirety.

DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Crawford's Nomination Enthuses Republicans—Majority of 200 to 300.

ROSEBURG, Or., May 11. — Douglas County can be depended on to roll up 200 to 300 majority for the Republican State ticket. It proposes to show its appreciation of the honor paid it by the nomination of A. M. Crawford for Attorney-General. The legislative ticket may have a larger majority than the State candidates, as it is a very strong one. In the county, the Democrats may get one or two offices.

GILLIAM COUNTY.

Furnish and Williamson Will Receive Largest Majorities.

CONDON, Or., May 11.—Gilliam County will probably give the Republican state and Congressional candidates majorities of 50 to 100. On the local ticket the vote will be split up. There has been an influx of 200 voters since the last election, and it is impossible to form an idea as to how they will vote, as the majority take very little interest in politics. Williamson will run ahead of his ticket in this county, and Furnish will have one of the largest majorities given a state candidate.

GRANT COUNTY.

Furnish and Williamson Will Cause Increase in Republican Majority.

CANYON CITY, May 11.—Grant County gave the Republican ticket 200 majority at the last Presidential election, and the fact that Furnish and Williamson, Eastern Oregon men, are on the ticket is expected to increase the lead to 350 this year. The county for legislative candidate (joint) will go Republican. In the county the Democrats may get a few offices, though at this time this hardly seems probable.

HARNEY COUNTY.

Close Election, But Influx of Voters Helps Republicans.

BURNS, Or., May 11.—Harney County was very close at the late Presidential election, but this year Republicans hope to carry it by 50 to 100 votes. On the State Congressional ticket the influx of voters is a point in their favor. The candidacy of Williamson adds the greatest strength, as he is an Eastern Oregon man, and against the leasing of public ranges, which is the issue of the hour here. Williamson will have a good majority. As to the county the result is indoubt. For legislative candidates (joint) the Republicans will get a majority.

JACKSON COUNTY.

Republican Majority Will Be Increased to 150 to 200.

JACKSONVILLE, May 11.—Jackson County, at the Presidential election, went Republican by about 75. It will give the Republican State and Congressional ticket 150 to 200. This increase is accounted for by an influx of 300 voters in the last two years, the majority of whom are Republicans. The success of the Republican Legislative ticket is practically assured. In the county the offices will probably be divided to a considerable extent.

JOSEPHINE COUNTY.

Republicans Will Have 200 to 300 Votes to Spare.

GRANT'S PASS, May 11.—It is safe to say that the candidates on the Republican State and Congressional ticket will carry Josephine County by 200 to 300 votes. Furnish buttons are getting very thick, and you never hear of a Republican here who is going to support the Democratic nominee for Governor. On Representative there seems to be no doubt as to the election of Judge Hale, the Republican nominee. Two years ago the Republican candidate only won out by 46 votes, but there was an independent Republican candidate who received 339 votes, and mostly Republican. On the county ticket the only apparent fight is the scrap the Democrats are making for County Judge. They concede a good part of the remainder of the ticket to the Republicans.

LAKE COUNTY.

Republicans Will Win and Tongue's Majority Will be Increased.

LAKEVIEW, Or., May 11.—Taking the vote for Justices of the Supreme Court at the election of 1900 as a normal point on which to base a Republican majority in Lake County, one can probably come to some conclusion as to what ought to be a conservative estimate of the strength of the Republicans in the June election of 1902. In 1900 Wolverton had a majority of 131. Tongue will receive a big majority for Congress this time, owing to his well-known stand against land leasing. Republican nominees for Representatives and Furnish will carry the county by a good majority. A warm local fight is on for County Judge between B. Daly, Mr. Tongue's opponent for Congress two years ago, and Judge Tonningsen, the present incumbent. Everything looks favorable for the re-election of Tonningsen.

LINCOLN COUNTY.

Republicans Will Be Victorious and Increase Their Majority.

TOLEDO, Or., May 11.—So far there has been but little excitement in politics in Lincoln County, but this county can be relied upon to roll up a good majority for the whole Republican ticket. W. J. Furnish will receive his full party vote, Representative Tongue's majority in this county two years ago was 161, and the vote on June 2 will show that he still has the confidence of the people of this county. The Legislative ticket in this county was elected two years ago by a majority of 146. The indications are that there will be an increase of the vote of about 200, and from a careful canvass it is thought that 60 per cent of this vote will be for the Republican ticket.

LINN COUNTY.

Republicans Stand Fighting Chance in Democratic Stronghold.

ALBANY, Or., May 1.—The voters of Linn County appear to be growing weary of the tales told them by the Democratic orators, finding the bulk of their arguments easily punctured fallacies. Linn used to be the banner Democratic county of Oregon, but many voters have become convinced of former blindness, and there is a good fighting chance for Republican success in June.

The Democratic platform is rejected by the majority of the party, and most of those who vote that ticket will do so from a prejudice against their opponents, rather than a sincere belief in the principles enunciated by the party.

The appearance of W. J. Furnish, Republican nominee for Governor, in this county, has augmented the Republican enthusiasm and made him many votes. While not an orator, he impressed himself upon the people as a bright man, who will give the people of this state such an administration as they deserve, and Linn will do her part next month.

Owing to the fact of the former residence here of the Democratic candidate for Governor, some votes may be expected to be cast for him on entirely personal grounds, but the serious voter will be slow to do so when he considers that such a vote means a vote for the "scuttle" policy in the Philippines. Many former adherents of the Populist party are coming back into the Republican ranks.

From the head of the ticket down, the Republicans offer a good strong list of candidates to be voted for, and present indications point to a full party vote for the ticket.

Another Estimate.

ALBANY, Or., May 11.—The indications are that George E. Chamberlain, a former resident of this county, will have a plurality of 600 to 700 for Governor. Some claim considerably more; that J. K. Weatherford, Democratic nominee, will have 300 or 400 plurality, and that the Democratic Representative ticket will be elected by about 200. The average plurality of the Democratic Representative ticket, two years ago, was approximately 400. The Socialist vote will be about 200, and the Prohibition vote over that figure. It is believed that among the newcomers the balance is in favor of the Republicans. Two years ago there was a middle-of-the-road ticket in this county, which polled less than 100. Most of these are reported to have joined the Socialist party. Most of the Populists are affiliating with the Democrats, with few exceptions.

MALHEUR COUNTY.

Safely Republican This Election, Although Close Heretofore.

VALE, Or., May 11.—The political situation in Malheur County has experienced a great change in two years. The vote heretofore has been a close one, but the vote of June 2 will demonstrate the fact that the county is largely Republican. The reasons for this change are so clear that "he who runs may read." In the first place, a large majority of the newcomers are Republicans. And, again, it is a sure thing that the Populists, almost as a whole, will vote the Republican ticket. The young Republicans are lining up and working like old war horses.

MARION COUNTY.

Usual Republican Majority Certain—Democrats Indifferent.

SALEM, May 11.—The election of the entire Republican state, Legislative and county ticket in Marion County on June 2 has never been questioned. The opposition is making a strong fight on Governor and State Printer. Mr. Chamberlain's personal popularity may slightly reduce the usual Republican majority of 600 in this county, but Mr. Furnish will carry the county by a good margin. The fight on State Printer is a warm one, and the fact that labor organizations generally are for Mr. Godfrey will tend to reduce the majority Mr. Whitney will doubtless receive in Marion. There is no fight on the remainder of the Republican state ticket.

Representative Tongue will receive an increased majority in this county. His efficient services to the district have done much to destroy political lines, and he will receive the votes of many Democrats and Populists.

The Republican Legislative ticket will be elected by increased majorities that will range from 400 to 600. The ticket, as constituted, is generally conceded to be the strongest the party has named for many years. In 1900, the Republican Legislative candidates were elected by pluralities ranging from 414 to 709.

There is reason to expect an increased vote this year. The influx of immigration has been favorable for the Republicans. An inspection of the registration books reveals a falling off in registering of nearly 1000 electors, which is also favorable to the Republicans since the spirit of indifference to registration is found to exist principally with the opposition. The Legislative ticket will also receive the support of some Democrats and many Populists who voted the Fusion ticket in 1900, because of the silver issue alone.

There is greater activity in the organization of Republican clubs throughout the county than ever. Following the Furnish rally at Salem May 16, a schoolhouse canvass of the county will be made in which prominent local speakers will do effective campaigning. The Republicans are all getting into line as they always do, and are working faithfully for the success of the entire ticket. Any disaffection that may have existed within the party is being forgotten as the campaign progresses, and "Old Marion" may be depended upon for her usual majority for the entire Republican ticket.

MORROW COUNTY.

Williamson's Vote Will Be Phenomenal—Republican Success Sure.

HEPPNER, Or., May 11.—Morrow County is safely Republican and will give Williamson the largest majority ever given a Congressional candidate. Williamson opened his capaign here, which had the effect of making the Democrats very friendly toward him. Furnish, for Governor, will carry Morrow County by a good majority, as will the entire state ticket. The county Republican ticket is sure of election.

Te Legislative and county nominees will start their canvass May 12, and will cover the entire county. J. W. Scriber, candidate for Joint County Senator, from Union, Umatilla and Morrow counties, will be the principal speaker.

SHERMAN COUNTY.

Stronghold for Williamson and Furnish and Republicans in General.

MORO, Or., May 11.—Sherman County has gone strongly Republican for the past six years, and there is no reason to expect that she will deviate from that course at the coming election. Geer had a majority of 85 for Governor. Moody two years ago had a large majority. Republicans are just as determined to stand in line and vote the ticket and nothing but the ticket in 1902. Relations are most harmonious, and no dissatisfaction appears as to any part of the ticket. Furnish for Governor and Williamson for Congress will be the watchword, and Sherman County will again stand as Republican, supporting the party of progression and prosperity.

TILLAMOOK COUNTY.

Republican Ticket Will Have 300 to 350, Eddy More.

TILLAMOOK, Or., May 11.—Tillamook County will give the Republican ticket 300 to 350 majority. B. L. Eddy, for joint Representative from Yamhill and Tillamook Counties, will have 400 to 500 majority. The county Republican ticket stands an excellent chance of being elected in its entirety.

UMATILLA COUNTY.

Furnish Will Get Double Usual Republican Majority.

PENDLETON, May 11.—Umatilla County will roll up more than the usual Republican majority of 400 in June, and for Furnish for Governor—its own "Bill"—it will give a majority of 800 to 900. Democrats all over the county are working for Furnish, and are making no secret of it. Republicans were never so enthusiastic, and are working hard to make a clean sweep. The Legislative ticket is sure to be Republican. The vote two years ago at the June election was 2800, though the registration was 4600. This year the registration will be about 4000 and the vote will be about 3200. The increase of the Republican vote over the Democratic is about 300. Williamson, for Congress, will have about 600 plurality; the candidates of the Republican party for the Legislature will be elected by pluralities ranging from 300 to 600. On the county ticket it will be closer, but the chances are that no Democrat will receive a plurality of votes.

UNION COUNTY.

Democratic in 1900, but Will Be Republican by 200 This Year.

UNION, Or., May 11.—The chances for a Republican victory in Union County are growing brighter each day. Prior to and immediately after the county convention there were indications of a decided split in the party here, some of the Simon adherents intimating that they would not support the ticket, but these people are rapidly falling into line. Two years ago there were 3400 votes cast in the county, at which time the general returns showed a Democratic majority of about 100; but since the election the panhandle part of the county has been cut off, with its 840 votes. The panhandle vote shows a Democratic majority of about 100, so that, were there no other factors to be considered, the remaining vote of 2560 should be equally divided between the parties, but there have been added since the last election about 300 votes from immigration, and at least 100 native "first voters." Of the former, it is estimated fully two-thirds or 200, are Republicans, and the remainder Democrats, and the first voters are about equally divided, making the county at this time Republican by about 200 majority. Williamson's majority will probably be 300. The Republican Legislative ticket will be successful. In the county the Democrats may get a few offices, as they are putting up a strong fight for several of their candidates.

WALLOWA COUNTY.

Williamson Will Get More than the Usual 100 Republican Majority.

ENTERPRISE, May 11.—The Republican candidates for Presidential Electors in 1900 had majorities of 100 in this county, and there is every reason to believe the State and Congressional tickets this year will have as good if not a better lead. Furnish will get his full party vote, and Williamson probably a little more. The Democrats are putting up a hot fight, and may get some of the county offices. The county's vote on the Legislative ticket is confidently expected to be Republican.

WASCO COUNTY.

Republican State and Congressional Ticket Will Have 400 Majority.

THE DALLES, Or., May 10.—Reports from all precincts of Wasco County point toward the success of the Republican ticket in June. All forces are actively at work, a canvass of the situation evidencing the fact that the Republican lead is 400 to 500 votes. Any doubt that may be expressed concerning the election of county officers cannot apply to the state and legislative tickets. Notwithstanding the influx of new voters to the county, it is believed that the registration will fall short of 1900. The majority of newcomers are Republicans, however, and will be able to vote in June. It is the opinion of party leaders throughout the county that both Mr. Furnish and Mr. Williamson will receive the usual substantial majorities of 350 to 450. The Legislative ticket will, without doubt, poll the full vote.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Republican Prospects Bright—Vote Will Be Light.

HILLSBORO, May 11.—The political situation in Washington County is complex. Two years ago the union ticket was largely successful, a victory due chiefly to defection in the Republican party. This year the Republican convention was dominated by the losing faction of two years ago, and the legislative and county ticket is in sympathy with the Republican state ticket. The union people hold that their ticket stands a fighting chance of election. Normally the Republican majority in Washington County is between 400 and 500, although it has at times been larger. The situation as between the gubernatorial candidates is not easy of analysis. A few Republicans have stated that they were personal friends of Mr. Chamberlain, and that they will vote for him. The Republican "wheel horses" in charge of the campaign state that Furnish will have no trouble in carrying the county, although the deficiency in the registration may throw his majority behind that of Republican candidates in the past. The campaign is very quiet and party spirit is not running as high as usual.

Benton Bowman, chairman of the Republican county central committee, says: "I think that the prospects for the election of the entire Republican ticket are exceedingly bright, but the vote will be lighter this year than in the past, and this may somewhat reduce the normal majority in the county, which is about 500. I hear of no material defection, and if there be any it will be so slight that it will probably have no bearing on the general results."

James H. Sewell, chairman of the union committee, says he feels encouraged over the outlook, and that the independent vote will materially aid the Democratic state ticket, as well as the legislative and county tickets. He thinks that Mr. Chamberlain will prove an exceptionally strong candidate for the reason that he is well known in this county. He will give no figures as to prospective results.

WHEELER COUNTY.

Williamson Will Have 200 Majority, Other Republicans 150.

FOSSIL, Or., May 11.—Wheeler County will give Furnish and the Republican state ticket 150 majority. Williamson will run ahead of his ticket, as many of Wheeler's citizens have long known him personally, and to know "Newt" is to esteem him for his ability and honest worth. A good many Democratic sheepmen are going to vote for him, as he is a sheepman himself and his interests are theirs along legislative lines. The Moody men, as loyal Republicans, are especially anxious for Williamson's election. He will probably have a majority of 200 votes at least in this county, which has altogether only about 750 votes. The Republican Legislative nominees for this district, Ginn, Danneman and Johnson, are all good men, and will receive their party vote in this county. Danneman, of Gilliam, being especially well known to Wheeler County people, will probably receive quite a few Democratic votes. A majority of 150 or better for the Republican state and district ticket is confidently expected.

YAMHILL COUNTY.

Republican State and Legislative Ticket Have Good Majority.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., May 11.—There is every indication that Yamhill County will give the usual Republican majorities for the state and county tickets at the coming election. As to the former, there is no question whatever. The average Republican majority for the state ticket will be at least 150, and some hold it will be 250. Four years ago Yamhill County gave Geer a majority of 200, and that is a conservative estimate of the majority Mr. Furnish will receive. The free-silver Republicans, who were quite numerous in Yamhill County when silver was a live issue, have all returned to their first love, and will vote the straight Republican ticket. There seems to be a general realization of the National importance of the coming state election in Oregon, and a corresponding adherence to the Republican party with its positive policy regarding the Philippine Islands.

The question of joint representation of Yamhill and Tillamook Counties is not debated by any one. There is a large Republican majority in Tillamook County, and two years ago B. L. Eddy secured 163 majority in Yamhill. This year that majority will be increased. Senator Howe's re-election is generally conceded by all parties. The Representatives will be Republicans. Representative Tongue's majority of 161 in 1900 will be increased by at least one-half this year. The county offices will probably be pretty evenly divided.

ALL FOR WILLIAMSON.

He Takes Well With Stockmen of Harney.

BURNS, Or., May 11.—J. N. Williamson, Republican nominee for Congress from the Second District, and L. R. Webster, of Portland, addressed a large crowd of citizens here last evening upon the issues of this political campaign. The people received Mr. Williamson with great enthusiasm. A delegation of 75 men and women, led by the Burns Band, met Senator Williamson and Judge Webster as they approached the town and escorted them to the place of meeting. Cheer after cheer was given for the popular sheepherder, and during his address he was frequently interrupted with applause. When Williamson stated his opposition to a lease law or any disposition of the public land that throws it into the hands of large corporations, the enthusiasm was at its height.

Judge Webster made a comprehensive and eloquent address, discussing the features of Republican policy, which have contributed to the present prosperous condition of affairs, and contended without reservation for the retention of the Philippines.

Both speakers referred in words of praise to the administration of McKinley and Roosevelt, and especially commended the fight the President is now making against the trusts. It is evident that Williamson will receive much more than his party vote in Harney County, and that the Republican state ticket is in no danger here.

Canning Fruit and Vegetables.

SALEM, Or., May 11.—The plant of the Allen Packing Company, in this city, is now ready to begin active operations. The first fruit to be handled will be the strawberry crop, which will be canned this season on an extensive scale. In fact, all strawberries grown in this section of the valley will find a market at the cannery. The early varieties of this fruit will hardly be ready for canning before June 1.

The Salem Cannery people, who have of recent years made a specialty of canned peas, will not receive and handle that vegetable at all this year. Last season 10,000 cases of peas were the product of their plant. The management, which has for several seasons grown a large acreage of peas under its own supervision, reports that the crop cannot be profitably raised for commercial purposes. Another objection to the extensive growing of this crop is that the market easily becomes overstocked. With this exception, practically all fruits and vegetables grown in the valley will be handled by the Salem Cannery this year.

Ballot Again Going to Trial.

BAKER CITY, Or., May 11. — Letson Ballot, and a number of witnesses who will testify in his behalf, arrived in this city yesterday from San Francisco on their way to Des Moines, Iowa. The case of the United States against Ballot on the charge of using the United States mails for unlawful purposes will come up for trial before the United States District Court at Des Moines on May 19. Several witnesses from this city have been summoned on the part of the Government. This is the third time this case has been up for trial. A jury had been secured and the case was under way last Fall, when one of the jurors died from the effects of escaping gas in his room at night and the case had to be postponed again.

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Charles Sternberg.

VALEDICTORIAN OF SENIOR CLASS AT ALBANY COLLEGE.

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