

DANGEROUS TO WIN

His Nomination Today Seems a Certainty.

HARRIS STILL HANGS ON

Counts on Thirty Men Put in Opponent's List.

MAY BE MADE JOINT SENATOR

Booth Willing to Relinquish Representation From Lane, Douglas and Josephine if His Adherents Will Give Their Consent.

Salem, Or., April 12.—(Special).—The Congressional Convention in the First District will be organized here tomorrow, with Senator George C. Brownell, of Clackamas county, as chairman. Binger Hermann will be nominated for Congress on the first ballot, or by acclamation. While L. T. Harris has not given up the fight, many of his friends concede his defeat, and predict that his name will not go before the convention.

There is a bare possibility that Harris may yet win out in his effort to secure the necessary 80 votes, but that possibility seems very remote. According to the count made by conservative men tonight, Hermann has 117 votes in the convention. It is asserted that Harris can get 30 of these, provided he can make a show of votes enough to win. That is, there are 30 men, scattered among a number of delegations, who are ready to go to Harris if they think he can win.

Harris thinks he can convince them of his strength, and tonight he counts these 30 delegates for himself. It is not likely, however, that he will be convinced, and he will probably get none of them. The hand-wagon movement is strong, and, therefore, Hermann is enabled to hold a number of men who would leave him if he did not seem to be a winner. It also seems tonight to be quite probable that Harris will be nominated for Joint Senator from Lane, Douglas and Josephine, to succeed Senator Booth. Such an outcome as this has been rumored all day, but no confirmation of the plan can be had.

It is known that Booth does not want the Joint Senatorship, and made a fight for it only because he could not retreat under fire. Having won out, he is said to be desirous that the place shall be filled by another, if the delegations concerned are willing. Booth has several times indicated his intention to retire from politics and devote his entire time to his business.

Look for the Unexpected. Not all of the delegations are here yet, and it is possible some unexpected events may happen tomorrow. It is certain that there will be no contest over the organization of the convention.

Efforts to work out the Congressional problem for Harris have absorbed all attention this evening, since the delegates began to arrive, and nothing has been done that shows any changes in any of the other Joint Senator nominations. These contests will be waged in Portland tomorrow evening. In the Third Judicial District considerable work has been done today, the effort being to prevent any combinations and keep the convention of the five counties open for all aspirants.

INSTRUCTED FOR HERMANN.

Linn Delegation Will Also Vote for Wyatt and Moore.

ALBANY, Or., April 12.—(Special).—The Linn County Republican Convention, which was held in Albany this afternoon, was something of a jollification meeting for J. R. Wyatt and Binger Hermann. Although Mr. Wyatt was called to Eastern Oregon and could not attend the convention, his friends selected a delegation and were permitted to name it without objection, the convention ratifying the names selected.

The Congressional delegation was selected by districting the convention, a method not usually adopted in Linn County, but it is a solid Hermann delegation. At the close of the convention resolutions were adopted endorsing Roosevelt and instructing the Linn County delegates to use every honorable means to secure the nomination of J. R. Wyatt for Circuit Judge of the Third Judicial District. F. A. Moore for Superior Judge and Binger Hermann for Congress. The delegates to the State Convention are:

E. A. Dawson, P. R. Kelly, R. A. Ramsey, H. C. Carlton, Joseph Hume, Charles H. Burdick, Cliff King, George Wheeler, H. W. Fisher, A. L. Simpson, J. W. Turpin, F. H. Porter, C. E. Pugh, John Trask. In the Congressional Convention in Salem, Linn County will be represented by: W. E. Bryant, N. W. Winward, G. H. Hill, J. S. Van Winkle, A. C. Hausman, W. G. Soule, John Griggs, P. B. Marsball, J. R. Smith, W. M. Stewart, W. G. Thompson, J. H. Turpin, W. H. Hesseman, E. D. Umpcyer.

The most hotly contested place on the county ticket was County Judge, N. M. Newport and J. N. Duncan ran neck and neck for three ballots, Newport finally winning out. The county ticket is as follows: Judge—N. M. Newport. Clerk—J. W. Miller. Sheriff—R. L. White. Recorder—W. W. Francis. Assessor—D. B. McKnight, renominated. Treasurer—James Elkins, renominated. School Superintendent—E. J. Morganson. Commissioner—T. J. Butler. Representatives—F. H. Porter, P. D. Cornett, A. G. Prill. Surveyor—H. Fisher. A motion to instruct the Legislators to work for the passage of laws requiring the use of wide-tire wagons and to change the time of holding county elections so as to have them on the same date as the general elections was laid on the table after heated discussion.

PLATFORM INDORSES THE FAIR

Umattila Democrats Condemn Parimony of a Republican Congress.

PENDLETON, Or., April 12.—(Special).—Umattila County Democrats met in convention today with 23 delegates present. They immediately passed resolutions of respect for the late Colonel Ed Boyd, for many years a leader of the Democratic party in this county. Resolutions were also passed commending District Attorney

T. G. Halley for his stand against gambling. Among the features of the platform adopted was the hearty endorsement of the Lewis and Clark Exposition. The parsimony of the Republican Congress for appropriating so small an amount for such an important event is condemned. County Judge G. A. Hartman was nominated for re-election by acclamation, and W. D. Chamberlain and William Blakely were unanimously chosen as candidates for the Legislature. The county ticket nominated by the Democrats is as follows: County Judge, G. A. Hartman, Sr., present incumbent. County Commissioner, William Lloyd, Milton. Sheriff, T. D. Taylor, present incumbent. Clerk, E. Chitty, Adams. Recorder, Harry Fowler. Treasurer, S. G. Lightfoot, Vinson. School Superintendent, W. S. Mayberry, Milton. Surveyor, C. C. Berkeley. Coroner, Dr. T. M. Henderson.

FIGHT MORMON CHURCH.

SI Donnelly Believes That is the Duty of Idaho Democrats.

BOISE, Idaho, April 12.—(Special).—Hon. Simon P. Donnelly, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, came in last night from Spokane. He is looking well, and predicts a harmonious session of the committee tomorrow. "My views on the Mormon question are so well known that I need say very little on the subject," said Mr. Donnelly. "I have no objections to the Mormons on general principles. They have as good a right to their religious opinions as any other class of men. What I do object to is the efforts on the part of the church to dominate the politics of this and other states."

"I am in favor of getting in and putting the Mormon Church out of the political business. I say this, not for the Democratic party, not as chairman of the Democratic State Committee, but as Si Donnelly. These are my individual views, and I am ready to back them up by positive and decided action."

"It is folly for the Mormon leaders and their sympathizers to say that that church is not in politics. Everybody has objections to the Mormon Church. I had an evidence of it last Fall in Idaho. The confession of Joseph Smith, the president of the Mormon Church, is quite clear and positive that the church does not dictate the politics and the policy of Idaho, but in other states where they have any large following. This is all wrong."

Issues Before Idaho Democrats. BOISE, Idaho, April 12.—The Democratic State Committee will meet tomorrow for the purpose of calling the two state conventions for the year. A number of members are already on the ground, including Chairman S. P. Donnelly. There will be a lively contest for the two conventions.

Opinion tonight seems to be that the early convention will be held in Lewiston and the nominating convention in Boise. Members of the committee seem to be agreed that no resolutions shall be adopted at this meeting on the question of the Presidential nomination. There are some indications for a fight, and some for a wholly noncommittal. There will probably be a discussion of the Mormon issue.

Not Over Congressmen. ONTARIO, Or., April 12.—(To the Editor).—I desire as few words as possible to correct the report of the proceedings of our County Convention as published in The Oregonian of the 8th instant.

Concerning the following clause of that report, to-wit: "The election of delegates was very stormy, but the Williamson men won. I wish to say that the strife between the two factions here was not on Congressional matters, but wholly local matters. As a matter of fact the defeated candidates were Williamson men, and so declared themselves in the convention, and then declared that their opponents should also make known whom they would support for Congress."

C. E. BELDING, Chairman Republican Central Committee, Malheur County.

COOS DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

Put in Nomination at Coquille City Yesterday.

MARSHFIELD, Or., April 12.—(Special).—The following nominations were made at the Democratic Convention at Coquille City yesterday: A. J. Sherwood, of Coquille City, Joint Representative of Coos and Curry Counties; R. C. Lee, of Marshfield, Representative; Z. T. Siglin, Coos City, Sheriff; J. S. Lawrence, Coquille City, Clerk; T. J. Thier, Coquille City, Assessor; J. H. Fenton, Treasurer; Professor Mulkey, Coquille City, School Superintendent; Edward Faby, Bullards, and John Bear, Marshfield, Commissioners. Delegates to State Convention, Dr. E. E. Straw, Marshfield; J. J. Lamb, Coquille City; Chris Rasmussen, Bandon; B. Fenton, Myrtle Point; Sol Culver, Bandon.

Sherman Prohibition Ticket.

ARLINGTON, Or., April 12.—(Special).—The Prohibitionists of Gilliam County, at their recent convention, nominated a county ticket, as follows: Sheriff, J. P. Thomas; F. C. E. Flowers, Assessor; G. W. Lawrence, Treasurer; W. S. Barker, School Superintendent; V. V. Willis, Commissioner; D. B. Thomas; Surveyor, L. W. Darling; Coroner, F. M. Rhinehart. Arlington Precinct—Justice of the Peace, C. A. Shurt; Constable, G. M. Beatty. County Executive Committee—C. A. Shurt, P. M. Hittner, G. M. Beatty. The executive committee was empowered to fill all vacancies now existing or that may occur on the ticket.

To Extend Northern Pacific Branch.

HOQUIAM, Wash., April 12.—(Special).—E. B. Pierce, chief engineer of the Northern Pacific Railway Company, arrived in the city at 11 A. M. in his private car. He was accompanied by L. H. Crosswell, division engineer, having charge of track and bridge work in the section of the company west of the Cascade Mountains. The object of the present trip is to arrange for the completion of the pen-

Baker Man Badly Injured.

BAKER CITY, Or., April 12.—W. A. Gossett, of Pleasant Valley, was badly injured here this afternoon while attempting to board an outgoing freight train on the O. R. & N. He caught the caboose, but as he swung on his foot slipped and he was thrown to the ground, striking on his head. The scalp was torn from the right side of his head, the frontal bone over the right eye fractured, his nose broken, his neck partly dislocated and a gash cut under the right eye three inches long, down to the bone. The doctor thinks he will recover.

Pottery Established at Nampa.

NAMPA, Idaho, April 12.—(Special).—The new pottery at this place was formally put in motion this morning under the most favorable conditions. This is the only factory of the nature in the State of Idaho. The first kiln will contain novelties and ornamental ware, after which a general line of crockery will be put on the market.

Flood Under Control at Baker.

BAKER CITY, Or., April 12.—(Special).—The flood conditions are considerably improved tonight. The bridge on the O. R. & N. near Elsie has been repaired and trains are moving. A large force of men is at work along the track in the flooded district, and the water is under control. The Sumpter Valley road expects to have trains running tomorrow.

MR. PILES INSISTS

King County Delegation Must Be Undivided.

WILSON PLAN TURNED DOWN

Banker Furth Promises the ex-United States Senator His Support if He Will Go Into the Fight on His Own Behalf.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 12.—(Special).—S. H. Piles will not agree to any proposition looking toward the division of the King County legislative delegation nor the delegation that will be sent from this county to the Republican State Convention. A definite statement to this effect has been made by Mr. Piles and his manager to Senator Wilson.

The refusal of the Piles management to agree upon a divided delegation or to give absolute assurances of friendship to Wilson has resulted in overtures to Wilson and Jacob Furth, looking toward a combination of interests in King County to defeat Piles.

An afternoon paper today printed a story to the effect that Furth would be sprung tomorrow in Senator Wilson's paper, the Post-Intelligencer, as a Senatorial candidate and would be given Wilson's support. The story is unfounded. Wilson has not said to support Furth and he will not agree to get out of the Senatorial race in the interests of any one. Future developments might alter his determination, but Wilson is insistent that he will not make his own fight.

Furth Not a Candidate.

The closest friends Furth has declare he is not a candidate for Senator, and he himself says that he is for Wilson. Unless Furth could show beyond any doubt that he could win he would not go into the fight, and there is no possibility of such a showing at present.

Furth and Wilson, according to a well-founded story, were in conference last night when the plan was made to bring the two jobs in an effort to defeat an endorsement of Piles in the King County Convention. It was proposed to Wilson that if he would use the influence of his paper and make it energetic, he would have the assistance of Furth and his friends. Furth doing anything possible to make Wilson's fight successful.

The scheme outlined to Wilson was that a fight should be made in the coming Republican Convention to prevent a specific endorsement of Piles. It was told him that he could secure an instruction from the convention to the legislative delegation in favor of supporting a King County candidate, and it was pledged in the event Wilson would agree to the plan that Furth and his friends should begin work immediately to carry it out.

Wilson Is for a King Senator.

Wilson did not agree at that time to take up an active anti-Piles fight, and today he did not meet some of the men close to Furth who were seeking a favorable reply to the scheme. At all times Wilson has taken the position that the King County Convention should instruct for a King County Senatorial candidate, not trying to King County legislative delegation to one man. Exciter in the fight Piles said to be favorable to the scheme, but as late as today he and his managers were planning for a specific endorsement of Piles in the platform of the King County Convention.

Piles and his managers have been considering the Wilson overtures for several days, but they have finally decided that they will demand of the King County Convention a fight with Piles, and in the event Wilson, together with the opinion of the Piles management that if Piles could not win no one could be successful. It was this fact that led to the offer of Furth's assistance to make Wilson a winner in the coming county convention.

The most insistent men in the movement to link Furth and Wilson in a fight before the King County convention are the hold-over Senators from King County who have been friendly to Wilson. They have declared their opposition to the Piles program and urge that Piles be defeated in the light which is to some extent their own fight.

QUEST OF RICH FUR CACHE.

Russian Government Employs a Schooner From Puget Sound.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., April 12.—(Special).—The object of the departure from Seattle of the schooner, the schooner Barbara, about which there was so much discussion at the time, is declared by persons here who profess to know to have been for the purpose of securing a cache of skins of seal, skins and ivory belonging to the Northwestern Siberian Company, of St. Petersburg, Russia, and which are cached in Siberia at a point most likely to be occupied by the Japanese early in the present conflict with Russia.

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School Bond Issue Voted.

PENDLETON, Or., April 12.—(Special).—In the school election held today the \$6000 bond issue for the building of three new schoolhouses passed by a large majority. The voting was light, but showed that the sentiment of the citizens was four to one in favor of the issue.

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CHINESE LEGATION.

Washington, D. C. To Whom It May Concern—The undersigned, Imperial Chinese Majesty's Minister Plenipotentiary and Envoy Extraordinary to the United States of America, do hereby certify that Dr. J. Man Foo is a bona fide physician of China and fully qualified as such.

Best of Certificates in Office—DR. J. MAN FOO, Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir: Unsolicited I make this statement for the benefit of others. Having been afflicted for the past several years with a most distressing and incurable disease, my friends advised me to try DR. J. MAN FOO'S HERB TREATMENT. After treating four months I am now well and strong.

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It was also ordered that hereafter school districts desiring to borrow money need not first make a tender of their bonds to the State Land Board. Two years ago there was a surplus of about \$650,000 lying idle in the school fund. About \$250,000 has been lent on school district bonds and as much more on real estate mortgages. The problem of how to dispose of the idle money has been solved. The Land Board recently visited the Hood River irrigation district and upon investigation decided to make a number of loans to farmers there who are interested in the co-operative canal project.

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NORTHWEST DEAD.

Hugh Pattison. TACOMA, Wash., April 12.—Hugh Pattison, a pioneer of prominence in Pierce County, died at his home yesterday in the 85th year of his life. He crossed the Pacific in 1842, settling in Oregon, and a few years later came to Washington, where he had since resided.

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