

LOVE FEAST FOR THE REPUBLICANS

Chairman Frank C. Baker Issues Call to the Brethren.

PURPOSES OF GATHERING

It is to Bury the Hatchet and to Unite All Party Factions by Agreeing to Forget and Forgive.

FOR REPUBLICAN REUNION.

Letter sent to members of Republican State Central Committee by Chairman Frank C. Baker: "You are respectfully requested to meet the other members of the Republican State Committee in Portland, Thursday, the 12th of next month; and you will please invite a goodly number of representative Republicans of your county to come and take part in the reunion; and should there be in your county aspirants for state or district office, invite them also to be in attendance and participate."

Oregon Republicans will gather in Portland October 12 from the four corners of the commonwealth, summoned by Frank C. Baker, chairman of the State Central Committee, for a big lovefeast, at which rival warriors will kiss and mingle love and brotherly affection, forget the feuds of old and yell hurrah.

Such as is Mr. Baker's plan, the first step whereof is a "request" sent by him to each member of the central committee that the recipient "meet the other members" and invite "a goodly number of representative Republicans" also "aspirants for state or county office."

Central Committees, Too.

The central committees of the two Congressional districts are to be invited to the reunion, too. Walter L. Toose, of Woodburn, chairman of the First District, was in conference with Mr. Baker yesterday and as he emerged from the interview he commended heartily the kiss-and-make-up motive of the proposed lovefeast but said he would take further time to consider the matter. P. L. Willis, chairman of the Second District, was a bit sceptical, forthwith, at least, he did not make up his mind as to the expediency of the hurrah gathering. He desired to search the matter to see how near the reunion would come to a convention before he should declare himself.

Is Love Feast Convention?

And would the lovefeast be in fact a convention? That's the sticking point. Chairman Toose stumbled over it in his groping for the fact and had considerable of a debate with Chairman Baker until it was made clear to him that the gathering was to be of an informal, chatty sort, without programme or order of business.

Would the gathering discuss the calling of a convention? That was a hard question between Mr. Baker and Mr. Toose. The latter contended that that subject should be omitted from the reunion, while Mr. Baker assumed to the wisdom thereof, but insisted that that subject was as legitimate as any until it should be cast out by a majority of the assembled brass.

Primary Law Interjected.

"Anything that would alter or vitiate the direct primary law," quoth Mr. Toose, "I am opposed to."

"So am I," rejoined Mr. Baker sternly. "Such treatment of the direct primary law," quoth Mr. Toose, "would be to the people like a red rag to a bull."

"There should be no organization of any sort in this party," continued the other chairman, "until the time contemplated by the law—that is, until after primary law."

"Now, you've got it to a dot," quoth Mr. Baker, "and gentlemen shall bring up the subject," continued Mr. Baker. "It will not be discussed for I shall not tote it into the meeting."

"The purpose of the meeting is lofty," remarked Mr. Toose, "and if the gathering can be kept within bounds, it will turn out successfully."

"What bounds?" "Within those contained in the call. It makes no mention of a convention, does it?" and the district chairman searched the document. After being reassured by Mr. Baker to his heart's content, he went on: "The convention subject should be shut out of the discussion."

Here Baker Demurs.

To this Mr. Baker demurred, saying that, though he opposed a convention at this time, still he believed that a resolution in the reunion, calling for a convention on such and such a date, and appointing the delegates in such and such a manner, should be treated according to parliamentary usage, and there the matter rested.

"Many a politician in the state, probably nine-tenths, would like to take an ax and knock the direct primary law in the head, as it were, but neither Mr. Baker nor Mr. Toose showed himself of that sort. Each declared that the love feast should be held only for the purpose of teaching Republican brethren to love one another, and not to grind anybody's political ax, nor to cast any political aspirant into outer darkness."

Want Hatchet Buried.

"We want everybody to bury the hatchet," remarked Mr. Toose, "and Republicans formed the habit of refusing to vote for a man if he didn't belong to their own crowd," added Mr. Baker.

All Republicans Welcome.

"The meeting is to be one of leading Republicans from all counties of the state," said Mr. Baker, "and is intended to facilitate exchange of ideas on party policies. It is not planned to grind anybody's ax or to eliminate or boom any candidate for office. Every Republican will find the doors open to him. The meeting is to be primarily of the State

Central Committee, whose members are requested to invite Republicans of their respective counties. I shall invite only Republicans in Multnomah County, and everybody whom I shall invite I shall ask to bring along his friends."

State Committeemen Invited.

The state committeemen to whom the "requests" have been issued follow: Baker, J. H. Attkin; Benton, E. R. Bryson; Clackamas, T. F. Ryan; Clatsop, John Fox; Columbia, Harry West; Coos, W. J. Butler; Crook, William Wurzwiler; Curry, Delos Woodruff; Douglas, A. C. Marsters; Gilliam, C. A. Danne-man; Grant, P. J. Bannon; Harney, George W. Clevenger; Jackson, I. L. Hamilton; Josephine, J. C. Campbell; Klamath, H. Van Valkenberg; Lake, W. A. Masangili; Lane, L. T. Harris; Lincoln, O. G. Dalaba; Linn, Percy R. Kelly; Malheur, I. W. Hope; Marion, H. D. Patton; Morrow, Fred W. Burdock; Multnomah, Frank C. Baker; Polk, H. E. Williams; Sherman, J. B. Hestford; Tillamook, A. J. Stillwell; Umatilla, Lee Moorhouse; Union, J. F. Baker; Wasco, E. A. Hays; Wheeler, W. H. Johnston; Washington, W. N. Barrett; Wheeler, H. Halstead; Yamhill, J. M. Crawford.

May Add to List.

Should Mr. Toose and Mr. Willis take up with Mr. Baker's plan, they will invite to the reunion the following members of the two district central committees:

First District—Benton, C. V. Johnson, King's Valley; Clackamas, D. W. Kinaird; Oregon City, Coos, W. T. Dement, Myrtle; Polk, Curry, Walter; Sutton, Port Orford; Douglas, C. B. Cannon, Roseburg; Jackson, Henry D. Kullib, Jacksonville; Josephine, F. W. Chausse, Grant; Polk, Klamath, C. C. Whitlow, Klamath Falls; Lake, R. E. Lee Steiner, Lakeview; Lane, A. C. Woodcock, Eugene; Lincoln, Ed Sullivan, Newport; Linn, Gale S. Hill, Albany; Marion, Walter L. Toose, Woodburn; Polk, M. D. Ellis, Dallas; Tillamook, Fred C. Baker, Tillamook City; Washington, B. P. Cornelius, Cornelius; Yamhill, A. E. McKern, North Yamhill.

AD MEN ELECT OFFICERS

H. C. WHITTIER, PRESIDENT OF THE ORGANIZATION.

Idea of Adopting a Facetious Form of Initiation Seems to Meet Favor.

Every member of the Portland Ad Men's League received a singularly comical notice from the secretary of the association the other day, and in consequence it is estimated that the chest expansion of the body as a whole broke all records from a comparative standpoint. Those who did not get busy writing out long and patriotic reasons for declining the honor that had been apparently thrust upon them, devoted their spare moments in preparation of speeches of acceptance charged to such a high degree with eloquent expression that old Democrats would have felt like crawling back in the fall timber indefinitely rather than run opposition to such a sure-thing game.

It turned out to be a shrewd move on the part of the secretary to adopt this secret method of securing a full attendance, and it goes without saying that the idea was an eminent success, nearly all members being on hand promptly, and each saluting with unconscious dignity the rapturous applause that greeted his entrance. Even the cleverest of the members, when they are all to kind of cunning price of the trade, failed to catch on to the scheme until it was too late, so carefully had the motive been concealed.

The selection of officers for the ensuing six months resulted in the choice of H. C. Whittier, president; Emmett Brown, first vice-president; H. S. Harcourt, second vice-president; Scott Borzoth, secretary; W. Cooper Morris, treasurer; and Rinaldo M. Hall, W. J. Hoff and C. C. Chapman as members of the executive board. The position of president was offered to G. J. Owen, manager of the Evening Telegram, but his duties prohibited him from taking the place.

A vote of thanks was given the retiring officers, and immediately after the election all adjourned to an impromptu banquet in honor of the occasion.

Upon the invitation of S. H. Friedlander, manager of the Oaks, the league will next Thursday night be the guests of the restaurant at the production of "Pompeii," and all his members are expected to be on hand at 7:30 o'clock on the night in question, at the waiting-room of the Oregon Water Power Company, First and Alder streets, with a view of acceptance of the office.

The committee on entertainment, membership and programme will be appointed by President Whittier, and announced at the next meeting. The matter of the proposed initiation and ritual ceremonies was referred to the new executive committee. The idea of adopting a facetious form of initiation met with popular favor, and it is believed the committee will report something at the next meeting that will be a drawing-card in the way of entertainment for everybody except the candidate.

It was also suggested to secure permanent quarters for the league instead of depending upon the hospitality of the Commercial Club in future, and this will be discussed at the next meeting. Tom Richardson organized the association exactly six months ago in a unique way, and the members feel under deep obligations to him. At the time specified he set out 30 invitations, presumably of an individual character, and there was much surprise when their collective nature became known. After gathering them around the festive board, he explained the object of the assemblage, and ever since he has been regarded as the foster-father of the concern. Consequently there was some opposition to leaving the Commercial Club, which makes no charge for the use of the tower room as a meeting place, even though it was proclaimed that independent quarters for the league could be made attractive by various donations from the local business houses, as well as artistic decoration by some of the clever members of the organization.

There are at present about 60 members of the league, and it is daily gaining in popularity as well as prosperity. Several new members were elected last night.

Meier & Frank's Tuesday Bargain News

100 Women's New Raincoats Extraordinary Value at \$10.00 Each

The best Raincoat value ever offered for the money—A special arrangement with a well-known manufacturer enables us to offer 100 new Fall Raincoats of extra quality material—Herringbone weave, trimmed with silk braid and buttons—These Coats have two box pleats and inverted pleat down the back—Stole collar and belt—Tan and Oxfords—All sizes—it will pay you to anticipate your Winter needs now—Your choice for \$10.00

See the New Fall Suits

Our Fall Suit display is reaching immense proportions—Every new fashion, material and shade is represented—Suits of exceptional style, and assortment so large that every individual fancy can be quickly pleased—Portland's Leading Cloak and Suit Store asks the pleasure of showing you the season's latest modes—Prices from \$12.50 to \$100

Ribbon Specials Single Madras Curtains Below Cost

5000 yards extra quality of all-silk satin taffeta and taffeta Ribbons; 4 and 5 in. wide; all the newest shades; 35c and 40c values, yard. Special lot of print warp and pompadour all-silk Ribbons in a big variety of colors; regular 75c value for yard. The greatest display of Souvenirs in the city; every new, novel idea in silver, metal, wood, leather, etc. View Books and Postal Cards in many styles.

Toilet Articles at Special Prices All Toilet Articles Sold Here at the Lowest Prices

Listerated Tooth Powder, best tooth preservative, bottle, 19c Dr. Graves' famous Talcum Powder, sale price, 7c Satin Skin Face Cream and Skin Food, sale price, 19c Cameo Pure Olive Oil, Castile Soap, great value, 4c Whisk Brooms, double sewed, best quality, 25c value, 18c Knickerbocker Toilet Paper, largest 10c roll for 7c 35c mounted and plain back Combs, shell and amber, each, 26c Beauty Pins in immense variety, gold filled; great special value at the very low price of 19c Sterling Silver Waist Sets; great values, 38c New, pretty metal Coin Purse, best value ever offered at this wonderfully low price, 19c

Infants \$1.50 Dresses at \$1.19 Each

Infants' Outfits our specialty. Everything that's required. Infants' cambric Skirts, trimmed in fine laces and embroideries, insertions and tucks; best \$1.50 vals. for \$1.19 Infants' Quilted Bibs, lace trimmed; regular 15c values; on sale at the very low price of 9c

Burnt Leather Goods Reduced

Burnt Leather Coin Purses, gilt frame, each, 12c Burnt Leather Pen-Wipers and Blotters, Lewis and Clark burnt on one side; great value at the low price of, each, 17c Burnt Leather Hand Bags, with strap handles, 17c Burnt Leather Hand Bags, with coin purse and gilt frame; best \$1.00 values for the very low price of 79c New white embroidered Wash Belts, 50c values, 35c Japanese hand drawn work Handkerchiefs, pure linen, best 50c val. 35c Women's hemstitched initial Handkerchiefs, of fine Swiss lawn; all initials; great value at this low price, 27c 35c and 40c hemstitched and embroidered Handkerchiefs for 23c

Art Department Bedspreads

Linen colored Cushion Covers, front and back tinted violet designs; great special value at, each, 19c Special assortment of Dresser Scarfs, in 12 distinct patterns; fine Swiss appliqued effects, 50c values for 23c Stamped Pillow Shams, hemmed, borders stamped for embroidery outlining, assorted patterns, 35c values, 23c on sale for, each, 23c

Stationery

Rose City linen Writing Paper, every sheet and envelope imprinted with a beautiful rose; special, 49c Souvenir Post Card Albums, 30 styles; 10c up to \$4.00 ea. Carter's Photo Paste, can. 4c Fancy Crepe Papers, roll, 7c Souvenir Post Cards, great variety on sale at this store. Complete stock of Waterman's Fountain Pens. All grades at lowest prices.

Free-Thinkers Praise Roosevelt.

PARIS, Sept. 4.—The Congress of Free Thinkers opened here today. Delegations from all the countries of Europe and from the United States and South America were present. The president's address set forth that the pacification of the Far East has proved to the world the influence and moral grandeur of the great American Republic.

Killed by His Own Bullets.

CHICAGO, Sept. 4.—George C. Miller, the former Board of Trade operator, who

\$3.50 Wash Skirts 98c Ea.

Better Plan to Come Early If You Want One On sale today, 300 Women's Colored Wash Skirts in ducks, crashes and Galates cloths; this season's very best styles; values up to \$3.50 each; your choice at 98c Children's and Misses' Wash Suits and Dresses are being cleaned up at prices less than the cost of the materials alone. 2d Floor. Remaining stock of this Summer's fine cotton Waists on sale at greatly reduced prices. Best bargains of the season.

\$5.00 to \$7.00 Corsets \$2.98 Pair

Great Bargain Special lot of 100 high-grade corsets to be sold today at a very low price—Bias cut, straight-front corsets of desirable model, and all sizes—Women who want a fine corset for little money don't want to miss this opportunity—\$5 and \$7.50 values—Choice at \$2.98 pr.

Cut Glass and Silverware Bargains

\$2.00 Cut Glass Oil Bottles, on sale for, each, \$1.59 Cut Glass Jelly Dishes, \$3.50 values for, each, \$2.89 Cut Glass Olive Dishes, regular \$4.25 values for, each, \$3.69 Rogers "1847" Pie Servers, fancy patterns, each, \$1.49 Rogers "1847" Berry Spoons, regular \$1.15 value for, 89c Rogers "1847" Cream Ladles, assorted patterns, each, 79c The "Sternau" nickel-plated Coffee Machine, 3-pint size; regular \$10.00 value on sale for, \$7.98 The "Sternau" nickel-plated Coffee Machine, 2 1/2-pint size; regular \$7.50 value on sale for, \$5.96 Nickel-plated Chafing Dishes, plain cover and stand; regular \$6.50 value on sale for this low price, \$4.69 Nickel-plated 5 o'Clock Teas on wrought iron stand; best \$3.50 value on sale at this very low price, \$2.89

New Fall Coats at \$18.50

This morning at 8 o'clock we place on sale a great special lot of Women's New Fall Coats at an unusually low price, style and value considered—75 of them—Very attractive three-fourths length English Coat in fancy tweed mixtures—Fly Front and Double Breasted styles—Full Back or Belt Effect A high-grade garment—Well made and perfect fitting—An exceptionally serviceable coat—To start the fall buying early we have marked them about four dollars ea. below value—Your choice Tuesday \$18.50

All White Skirts One-Half Price

Choose from our entire remaining stock of White Linen Pique and Indian Head Wash Skirts at one-half regular prices—Not a skirt in the lot is over three weeks old—The latest and best Styles—Values ranging from \$2.00 to \$12.50 on sale at One-Half Price

VEILING SPECIALS SPECIAL SALE OF SILK GLOVES Towel Bargains

Fine quality of Chiffon Circular Veils, with dotted and scalloped borders; blues and browns; matchless value at 63c Complete line of new Automobile Veils, 4-yard lengths, in all the new and leading shades, \$2.50 3-yard lengths, same styles, as above, at, each, \$1.25 New importation of Lace Drapes with dotted borders; new colors and combinations; handsomest showing in the city; 25c up to \$5.00 each Women's elbow-length, double-tipped Silk Gloves, in mode, pongee, champagne, reseda, blue, white and red; best \$1.00 values for 83c Complete line of Women's two-clasp Silk Gloves, in red, green, tan, navy and black; best 50c values in all sizes, pair 42c Odd lot Women's Kid Gloves, P. K. and overseas; gray, mode, white, black; great value, pair 73c 300 dozen union linen huck Towels, 18x38 inches, best value in town at, each, 12c Hemstitched linen huck Towels, best 25c values; buy all you want at 19c Hemstitched linen huck Towels, best 40c grade on sale for a few days at 26c "Ruddy" Bath Towels, only towel worth a name, 3 sizes, each, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

The Muslin Underwear Sale Continues

We've planned another week of unusual Bargains in Muslin Underwear—Corset Covers, Gowns, Skirts and Drawers in the best styles and grades at the lowest prices you ever bought Undermuslin of equal grade for—Every woman is interested in these great special offerings—Look to your underwear needs 5000 Corset Covers—nainsooks, cambric, muslin, lace, embroidery, beading and ribbon trimmed. All styles and sizes. You want a few at—85c-\$1.00 vals, 59c; \$1.25-\$1.50 vals, 89c; \$2.50-\$4.00 vals, \$1.98 Thousands of long white Petticoats, lace and embroidery trimmed styles, wide flounces, dust ruffles; no skimping of material or trimming; grand special values at these wonderfully low prices—\$1.25, \$1.50 White Skirts, 98c; \$2.50 White Skirts, each, \$1.79 \$3.00 to \$4.00 White Skirts, \$2.18; \$5.00 to \$7.50 White Skirts, \$3.18 \$8.50 to \$12.00 fine White Petticoats for the low price of \$6.98 Nainsook and Cambric Gowns—lace, embroidery, ribbon, tucks and beading trimmed; immense variety; values never before known included—75c, 85c Gowns for 59c \$1.00, \$1.25 Gowns for 76c \$1.50, \$1.75 Gowns for 98c \$2.00, \$2.50 Gowns for \$1.39 \$3, \$3.50, \$3.75 Gowns for \$1.98 \$5.00 to \$7.50 Gowns for \$3.52 Cambric, nainsook and muslin Drawers, lace and embroidery trimmed; very pretty styles; great values at these very low prices—\$1.50 to \$2.00 values, pair, \$1.18 \$2.50 to \$3.50 values, pair, \$1.89

Texas Oil Output Declines.

HOUSTON, Tex., Sept. 4.—Reports on oil production in the Texas district during August show a decrease as compared with July of more than a million barrels. The figures for July were 4,286,590 and for August 3,593,590. Every field in the district has shared in the slump.

Prince Louis at St. Johns.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Sept. 4.—Prince Louis of Battenberg is expected to arrive here tomorrow for a week's stay.

George Ade's Dramatic Success.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—George Ade secured another success tonight at the Columbia Theater with his new four-

act comedy, "The Bad Samaritan," and a crowded house, including many prominent persons in official circles, cordially greeted the humorous situations. Henry W. Savage has given the production an elaborate adornment, which received general applause. The play depicts several American character types, giving all members in the cast an opportunity to contribute to the enjoyment of the audience.

WHEN SLEEP FAILS Take Horeford's Acid Phosphate Half a teaspoon in half a glass of water just before retiring brings refreshing sleep.