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Mr. Chamberlain said he would not abuse anybody, yet he told how he found the state's money being handled, until he had painted the picture of the State Treasurer as the two biggest grafters on earth, at the same time failing to state that the conditions were identical with those under his Democratic predecessor, Pennington and Grover. He stated that there was no dividing line between Democrats and Republicans; that Democrats helped pass the railroad rate bill; that in the case of the direct primary law, the initiative and referendum.

The only reference to Dr. Withycombe was that the latter had said he would abolish the state land office, while he (Chamberlain) would retain it. He failed to say that the doctor would vastly improve upon the present method of handling the school lands and school funds. In fact his speech was a flat failure as a campaign argument. Chamberlain does not expect to carry this county, and practically admits Oregon's defeat in the state. "He is a jolly good fellow, but will never be Governor again," is the consensus of opinion on our streets.

MILL CITY REPUBLICAN RALLY

Linn Legislative Candidates Begin Tour of County.

ALBANY, Or., May 21.—(Special.)—Tomorrow at Mill City, up the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad's eastern line, the Republicans will hold a rally. For two or three weeks candidates for county offices have been making a thorough canvass of the county on the "still hunt" plan, visiting the voters personally in every part of the county. Now the candidates for legislative positions will make a tour of the county in a body, presenting to the voters their ideas of needed legislation and the position taken by Republicans on legislative questions. The legislative part of the ticket also will make a tour of the county this year.

MUTE LOVER IS THROWN OUT

Oregon City Father Objects to Attention Paid His Daughter.

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