

TAFT DECISIONS SIGNED READILY

Circulators Are Besieged by Republicans Zealous to Aid the Cause.

MORE COMMITTEES FORM

Lincoln, Yamhill, Benton and Clatsop Join Campaigners—Hood River and Malheur Organizations Complete.

Surpassing even the most sanguine expectations of President Taft's supporters is the readiness with which Republican voters of Multnomah County are signing petitions for placing Taft's name on the official ballot...

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ONE COUNTY SUFFERS

The counties and the men to whom the petitions were mailed are: Washington, E. W. Haines, Forest Grove; Union, J. H. Peare, La Grande; Umatilla, Major Lee Moorhouse, Pendleton; Marion, Fred R. Waters, Salem; Baker, R. E. Corey, Baker; Morrow, W. W. Smead, Hesperia; Clatsop, C. T. Oiler, Klamath Falls; Wasco, J. H. Worsley, The Dalles; Douglas, A. C. Marsler, Roseburg.

COMMITTEES FORMING FAST

In addition to the 15 counties in which Taft committees have been formed, word reached Taft headquarters yesterday that splendid progress was being made in the same direction among the Republicans in other counties...

THREE IN CORONER RACE

Dr. B. Earl Smith Is Latest Candidate for Nomination.

Interest in the contest among Republicans for the nomination of Coroner to succeed Dr. Ben L. Norden, who will not be a candidate...

CAMERON WOULD RETAIN PLACE

District Attorney Cameron announced yesterday that he would be a candidate to succeed the late public prosecutor, Dr. J. M. Compton, who died last week.

SALEM RENDEZVOUS TODAY

Over 900 Christian Endeavor Union Delegates Expected in Capital.

SALEM, OR., Feb. 9.—(Special.)

The annual convention of the Oregon Christian Endeavor Union opened here today, nearly 900 delegates appearing for the opening session of the convention, which will continue until Sunday.

the newly constructed tabernacle, when all of the churches will join. A program has been prepared by the executive committee, and many features of importance to the work will be taken up and considered...

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BUSINESS MAN NOT NAMED TO HELP WILLAMETTE.

Encouraged by Promise of Portland Friend—Dr. Hancher III.

Word reached those managing the Willamette University endowment campaign yesterday that a certain business man had declared his intention of giving toward the endowment fund.

"I'll help, most assuredly," he is reported as saying, "but I haven't been approached yet."

The fact that the business man referred to is not a member of the Methodist Church makes the incident all the more encouraging to the friends of Willamette.

"I cannot say anything more definite regarding the identity of the man," said President Homan last evening, "but I may say that I know that when the contribution in made it will be no small sum—sufficiently enough to give the cause a decided boost."

"The fact that our work is having this effect on one who has not been directly asked to contribute is evidence that Willamette has a firm hold on the public regard. It is encouraging, indeed, to find such a tendency of broad liberality and public spirit as is indicated by these facts."

Dr. Nicholson is entering into the work in conjunction with Dr. Homan with great enthusiasm. He appears to be much interested in the success of the campaign as President Homan himself, and Dr. Homan, Dr. Todd and Dr. Nicholson are busy 12 to 15 hours a day writing letters, sending out circulars and making personal visits along the lines of the campaign laid out by Dr. Hancher. Dr. Hancher has been indisposed for a day or two, and under the circumstances it is a severe cold is yielding to treatment, and he expects to get into the campaign with personal work next week.

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