## IN FIRST DISTRICT

Week of Successes for Favorite Sons of Counties.

TONGUE MAKING A HARD FIGHT

Opposing Candidates Have Not Gone Into Combination-Gatch Strongest Man Next to Tongue.

The past week has been one of successe for favorite sons of countles in the fight for the Republican Congressional nomina tion in the First District. E. V. Carter has won out in Jackson, H. H. Hewitt in Linn, Claud Gatch in Marion, and George C. Brownell in Clackamas. These candidates will go into the Congressional Convention with their counties solidly behind them. Senator Brownell's triumph in his home county was complete. He kept the promise which he made early in the year that he would visit every school district in the county and make his fight in person with the people, The result was that when the convention met at Oregon City last Wednesday it was for Brownell first, last and all the time. The delegates not only put Senator Brownell forward as Clackamas County's choice for the Congressional nomination, but gave him the privilege of naming the delegates to the convention. The resolutions recited that since the admission of Oregon, 41 years ago, Clackamas County has never had a place on Republican state or Congressional tickets. There is a mistake in the declaration that "Oregon has always stood solidly by the Republican party in the contests for Presents of the United States." Oregon's electoral vote was cast for Seymour in 1868, and against Grant, Hon. Claud Gatch will likely have more

votes in the District Convention than any of the other opponents to Mr. Tongue. He has always been a gold man, and enjoys the distinction of having introduced and made a fight for a gold declaration by the Republican State Convention four years ago this Spring, when the Mitchell element secured the reaffirmation of the double-meaning plank of 1892. Mr. Gatch is very strong with some of the fraternal societies, and during his career in Marion County has so borne himself as to command a loyal following. His friends think he will have support from Polk County as well as from Marion, and that he is sure to secure a number of delegates from other countles.

Judge H. H. Hewitt, of Linn, easily se cured the solid delegation of his county, and is regarded by many as a man upon whom the opposition to Tongue may concentrate. He was on the bench during the days of the bitter struggle in the Republican party on the money question, and escaped the enmittes that grew up between the silver and gold elements, though was generally understood to be a sound-money man. It is conceded that he was beaten for re-election as Judge of the Third Judicial iDstrict in 1898, through the method of printing the Australian ballot or the carelesaness of the electors. There was nothing in his character or career to warrant his defeat, and it is widely thought he is entitled to vindication by his party. The element of weak-ness in his candidacy is the fact that a number of his supporters are conceded to

favor Tongue for second choice. Ex-Speaker Carter had things pretty much his own way in Jackson, although a fight was made against him, his oppo-nents putting up a ticket in his home pre-cinct, the Third Ward of Ashland. Referring to the contest, the Ashland Tid-

"Hon. E. V. Carter will go before the on at McMinnville backed by hearty support of his home people. This was demonstrated by the primary conven-tions held in Ashland precincts. The Federal office-holders and all of their influin this part of the state, backed by the active support and co-operation of the Tongue forces at Portland headquarters, ok to deal Mr. Carter's candidacy a fatal blow by setting up the primaries against him in his home town. They were by some aspirants for office of a local character, and had 'assurances' that Carter could be 'killed off' at home without doubt. The fight was made on clean-cut lines, and, with a full and strong representation in the several precinets, Mr. Carter was indorsed by a vote of more than two to one. This is particuflattering to him, in view of the fact that there is no special hostility to Mr. Tongue in Jackson County."

Hon. John D. Daly's county, Benton,

is yet to be heard from, but it is thought will have its hearty support. He has always been a gold man, and is identified with some of the state's recent ben ficial legislation. His highly creditable public career makes him a man whom his county should delight to honor, and he would undoubtedly be a votegetter if nominated.

Hon. Robert G. Smith, of Grant's Pass, who has a large following in Southern Oregon, particularly in Josephine County, his home, is a stanch young Republican, and a speaker who has put many flatney stump orators to rout on more than one occasion. He was a faithful supporter of Senator Dolph in the Legislature of 1895, and was always to be found on the side of the gold standard.

Representative Tongue is making a strong fight for renomination, and his friends are confident of his suc will go into the convention with his home county, Washington, behind him, and a considerable following besides. Mr. Tongue won the nomination four years ngo by organizing all the opposing can-didates against Binger Hermann, with the understanding that each one of the opposition would take his chances ak-up of Hermann's forces. The several candidates in the field against Tongue this year seem neither able nor disposed to organize an attack on the lines that proved so successful to Mr. se in 1896. Each is a good individual fighter, and a strong man in his own county, but there is no general un-derstanding among them as an opposi-tion force. Mr. Tongue is the second choice of some of the delegates of of the counties, notably Linn, and if he can keep the opposing candidates out ination, it will take hard work to

### GETTING READY FOR BRYAN. Committee Expects an Immense

Crowd Next Wednesday. The various committees for the re-Bryan, who will speak at the Exposition building, Wednesday, April 4, at 7:30 o'clock, have their work of preparation well on the way to completion. The advertising committee has prepared a large number of banners, which will be hung all the street-cars in the city from nday to Wednesday evening, and placards announcing the meeting will be posted on all the steamboats coming to

Colonel Bryan will arrive in Portland at 7 o'clock Wednesday morning, after having spoken at Tacoma and Olym pla, Tuesday, and at 8 o'clock will leav on a special train for McMinnville. Returning, the special train will leave Me-Minnville at 2 o'clock and will reach Portland at 4 o'clock. From 4 to 6 Portland at 4 o'clock. From 4 to 5 o'clock Colonel Bryan will hold a recep-

State Chairman Sheridan was in the city yesterday consulting with the local leaders of Democracy. He left last night for his home at Roseburg, and will re-turn to Portland next Tuesday night;

POPULISTS OF BENTON. Those Not Swallowed by Dem Will Be Free Lances.

Corvallis Times-Union. There was a joint meeting of the county central committee of the Democrats and Populists at the Courthouse last Saturday, and as a result the populists have been absorbed "without effort and without friction." The innocent, guileless lamb of Populism lies peacefully within the expectors atomach of the Democratic the capacious stomach of the Democratic lion, and the lion grins complacently with surcease of appetite. Now the campaign will be one of principle, or of one princi-ple—Democratic principle—and there will "free-for-all scramble for the be no offices," the contest will be limited entire

ly to the Democrats. At least this is the bargain that was made at the Courthouse last Saturday, for as the Demo-Populist organ states, "For any given office the candidate chosen will necessarily be the man who can secure the largest number of votes, and "the voting strength of the Dem crats in the county largely outnumbers the Populists." This is a gentle nudge to the "blatant partisan"-Populist, of course-that he "will have to offer someto the thing more than his partisanship reason for his selection to a place on the ticket."

Every Populist knows that if his political principles are identical with those of the Democrats there is no reason for the existence of their party aside from what advantage may accrue to those who pose as their leaders, and they had bet ter forfeit their charter. If they are not identical the assistance they render Democratic party every election saps their own strength and they receive nothing in return. Left thus without candidates of his own, the free-minded Populist voter is going to support those whom he considers the most worthy out of the candidates offered by all parties. Of course some will blindly do the bidding of the leaders, and it is for this vote that the Democrats are angling.

The absorption was effected through a conference committee composed of Rob-ert Johnson, John McGee and M. L. Frantz, on the part of the Democrats, and of Chester Skeeles, G. A. Robinson and J. W. Jones on behalf of the Populists. The primaries will be held April county convention on April 16, at II o'clock A. M.

#### DREAD OF THE CAMPAIGN. Surfeit of Politics Will Bring Dearth of Business.

Everett Independent, Everybody here is at work with mind intent upon business. There are but few people who cannot jingle one dollar against another as they go along, and there is a feeling of contentment and satisfaction now prevalent, which we should hate to see dispelled by the disturbances of professional "Government savers," who are, also, not averse to slipping into a fat office while going through the process of saving the Government. It is really un-fortunate that this is a campaign year. Things are progressing so favorably here, and there is such an era of good feeling, that it seems a pity to disturb it by the political excitement and jangle incident

to an election year.

At present the people of Everett are much more interested in the material de-velopment of this city than they are in abstruse questions of government, and any attempt to thus early stir up political strife set the people by the ears and dis-tract their minds from business, would be an act unfriendly to the best interests of this town, and the people who are at the head of such an attempt are self-seeking and do not have the actual good of this community at heart. The Lord knows there is strife and worry enough in the closing days of a campaign, at best; let us put off the evil day as long as possi-ble and pay more attention to business and less to politics.

#### POPULISTS AT WORK. Polling Voters Just Like the "Cor rupt Old Parties."

Populists are giving much attention to egistration and organization this year. The following extract from a letter by party official in Linn County to a p cinct committeeman indicates the care with which they are working:

Find enclosed blanks with which to cer-tify up to the county convention your dele-If delegates selected can not attend, have them make out written proxies to some other parties who can attend in person, so there will be no trouble in determining the right of delegates to seats in the convention.

Your attention is especially called to the new registration law, and I would suggest that you call the matter up at your primary meeting and urge every Populist voter in your precinct to register, for un less they attend to this matter they can not vote at the county election nor at the presidential election in November next. we should therefore use every effort to get our voters to register within the required time, which is on or before May 15th of

Please revise the poll list of your precinct, carefully marking the political faith of each voter in proper column, add names of all newcomers or young voters, striking off those that have removed from the precinct or died, and when so revised forward the same to me at your earliest con-

## A Southern Oregon Mayor.

Medford Enquirer. The following is a letter, which we print verbatim, from our Lord Mayor to the Mayor of Grant's Pass. It is in his usual original style;

Office of J. J. Howser, Mayor, Medford, Or., March 16, 1900. To The Honorable Mayor of Grant's Pass-Gentlemen:

Enclosed plea find a proclimation that I have issued to You & your people. I am compelled to act as per requested by the Citizens of Medford. Of whom I have the honor to represent.

J. J. HOWSER. Of course our Grant's Pass friends will think the Lord Mayor should "take a tumble" to himself, but we people here in Medford live in the glory of a grand comedy every day of the week and ex-

Democratic Dislike of Barrett. Oregon Democratic papers do not take kindly to recognition of John Barrett by the Administration. The Pendleton East

Oregonian makes these vigorous remarks: "Representative Moody is quoted as say-ing that John Barrett, at one time a know-it-all reporter on the Portland Teleram, and at that time a Democrat, a all times all kinds of a fool, is slated for membership of a commission to investigate the industrial conditions of China and Japan, and an effort is being made to get congress to authorize the commis This effort is nothing more or less that o provide 'soft snaps' for a number of favorites who have kissed the toe of the Republican popes in power at Washing-ton. There has been millions of the peo-ple's money wasted on useless and worth-less commissions in the last three years."

Hermann's Candidacy Announced.

Salem Journal In Coos County Binger Hermann was solemnly announced as a candidate for Senator by Colonel Rosa. Colonel Rosa was a Democrat until Hermann appointed him an inspector of timber lands in Minnesota. He but recently returned from the East and is supposed to speak with

tion at the Perkins Hotel. He will be accompanied to McMinnville by Dr. G. M. Wells, chairman of the County Central Committee, Judge Thomas O'Day and the nine members of the escort committee. He telegraphed the Abany Convention he would take a nomination for Convention any platform they might Congress on any platform they might frame. He goes in for the largest ap-proprintions and the most offices. That is what we all want to educate our sons and daughters to believe in—the old fing and a Government position. Hurrah for

Lents' and Sulzer's Demagogy.

Grant's Pass Courier.

Much stuff is being printed and reprintee in regard to martial law in Idaho, and the "horrors" of the bulipen prison. The latter have been exaggerated to a ridiculous degree, and will be until the end of the chapter, which will be the Presidential election part November. While sometial election part November. tial election next November. While some of these men may have been treated hardly, as a rule they have experienced

## **BRYAN SHOWS NO CHANGE**

THE SAME CLEVER ACTOR, WITH UNBROKEN WIND.

Populists Organizing and "Polling Voters-Variety of Political Notes and News.

Salem Statesman.
William J. Bryan is always the same William J. Bryan is always the same. He has nothing new. Even his jokes are merely twisted to fit conditions that have arisen since he used them before, or since they were borrowed from the ancients who existed prior to the flood. His speech delivered in Salem yesterday was, as a matter of course, the same old thing. Nothing whatever that he has a set and reposit. much better treatment than confirmed law-breakers deserve. Not one man would need to be there if he had kept within the known limits of right and justice. The Rico tariff question, and this only as a problem of the controversy of capital and

#### THE VOTES IN DETAIL.

In the Senate, March 6, 1900, on the question of agreeing to the conference report and passing the gold-standard bill (H. R. 1), it was decided in the affirmative as follows:

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Allen Bacon Bate Butler Chandler Chilton	Clay Cockrell Culberson Harris Heitfeld	Kenney McLauria Martin Morgan Pettignew	Sullivan Taliaferro Teller Tillman Turner

Chilton Clark, Mont. Jones, Ark Jones, Nev. Rawlins Twenty-one Democrats, 1 Republican, 2 Silverites, 2 Populists.

In the House, March 13, 1900, the conference report was adopted, and the

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Alexander	Driggs	Lawrence	Rodenberg
Allen, Me	Driscoll	Levy	Ruppert
Babcock	Eddy	Linney	Russell
Bailey, Kan.	Esch	Littauer	Scudder
Baker	Faris	Littlefield	Shattue
Barbam	Fitzgerald, N. Y.	Long	Shelden
Barney	Fletcher	Lorimer	Sherman
Bartholdt	Foss	Loudenslager	Showalter
Bingham	Fowler	Lovering	Smith, H. C.
Bishop	Freer	Lybrand	Smith, S. W.
Boutell, Ill.	Gamble	McAleer	Smith, W. A.
Bowersock	Gardner, Mich.	McCleary	
Brick	Gardner, N. J.	McPherson	Spalding
Bromwell	Gill	Mahon	Sperry
			Sprague
Brosius	Gillet, N. Y.	Mann	Stevens, Minr
Brown	Gillett, Mass.	Marsh	Stewart, N. J.
Bull	Graff	Mercer	Stewart, N. Y
Burke, S. D.	Graham	Mesick	Stewart, Wis,
Burkett	Grout	Metcalf	Sulloway
Burleigh	Grow	Miller	Tawney
Burton	Hamilton	Minor	Thayer
Butler	Haughen	Mondell	Thropp
Calderhead -	Hawley	Moody, Mass.	Tompkins
Cannon	Heatwole	Moody, Or.	Tongue
Clarke, N. H.	Hedge	Morgan	Underhill
Clayton, N. Y.	Henry, Conn.	Mudd	Vreeland
Cochrane, N. Y.	Hepburn	Needham	Wadsworth
Connell,	Hill	O'Grady	Wanger
Corlies	Hoffecker	Otjen	Warner
Cousins	Howeli	Overstreet	Waters
Crump	Hull	Packer, Pa	Wateon
Crumpacker	Jack	Parker, N. J.	Weaver
Curtis	Jenkins	Payne	Weeks
Dahle, Wis,	Jones, Wash,	Pearce, Mo.	White
Dalzell	Joy	Pearre	Wilson, N. Y.
Davenport, S. A.	Kahn	Phillips	Wise
Davidson	Kerr	Powers	Young
Dayton	Ketcham	Prince	Loung
Denny	Knox	Pugh	
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Nine Democra	its, 157 Republicans.	25 m 7	

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Allen, Ky.	De Armond	Little	Ryan, Pa.
Allen, Miss,	De Graffenreid	Livingston	Salmon
Atwater	De Vries	Lloyd	Shafroth
Balley, Tex.	Dinsmore	McClellan	Sheppard
Ball	Dougherty	McCulloch	Sims
Bankhead	Elliott	McDowell	Slayden
Barber	Finley	McRae	Smith, Ky.
Bartlett	Fitzgerald, Mass.	Maddox	Snodgrass
Bell	Fleming	May	Sparkman
Bellamy	Foster	Meekison	Stark
Benton	Gaston	Meyer, La.	Stephens, Tex.
Berry	Glibert	Moon	Stokes .
Brenner	Glynn	Muller	Sulzer
Brewer	Green, Pa.	Naphen	Sutherland
Brundidge	Griggs	Neville	Swanson
Burleson	Hay	Noonan	Talbert
Burnett	Henry, Miss.	Norton, S. C.	Taylor, Ala.
Caldwell	Henry, Tex.	Otey	Terry
Campbell	Howard	Pierce, Tenn.	Thomas, N. C.
Catchings	Jett	Polk	Turner
Chanler	Johnston	Quarles	Underwood
Clark, Mo.	Kitchin	Ransdell	Vandiver
Clayton, Ala.	Kleberg	Rhea, Ky.	Wheeler, Ky.
Cochran, Mo.	Kluttz	Rhea, Va.	Williams, J. R.
Cooney	Lamb	Richardson	Williams, Miss.
Cowherd	Lanham	Rixey	Wilson, Idaho
Cox	Latimer	Robb	Wilson, S. C.
Crawford	Lentz	Robinson, Neb.	Zenor
	Lester	Rucker	Ziegler

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hand but either one that resorts to lawes for carrying its point is surely subject to punishment. But it is a campaign year, and therefore criminals may ose as demagogue's martyrs for a few conths and perhaps somebody may vote for somebody. This end is ample reason, ding to the creed of the demagogue, for attacking any of our institutions, even though they may be absolutely necessary for the welfare or safety of the Nation. Every party has a large supply of these s, and in campaign year they demagogues, and in campaign are abroad in all their glory.

The Drift Away From Forces.

Marshfield Sun. The Republican primaries were conspicuous by the attendance or a large number who had been identified with the Dem-ocratic and Populist parties in times past. Even the chairman of the Populist Contral Committee at the last campaign was spoken of as a delegate.

A gentleman of Populist persuasion from the Coquille, was doing a little missionary work in this section last week, and incidentily looking out for his own fences. He endeavored to induce one of our prominent business men who, in days past, was dentified with the Pops, to attend the all corts of inducements in the line of free transportation, accommodation, etc., but all in vain, the Marshfielder told him that he had guit the Populists and furthermore we were enjoying the good times of prosperity and that he would never fall praise the bridge that carried him

## Moody's Good Grip on Wasco.

The Dalles Chronicle.
The Republican County Convention was the most harmonious political gathering that ever assembled in The Dalles. There was not a motion made, a suggestion of fered, a resolution presented that was not accepted without a dissenting voice. The onvention seemed to know what it wanted to do and it went about and did it in short order. Congressman Moody's special work ers had it all their own way, so far as their main object was concerned—the elec-tion of a solid Moody delegation to the Congressional and State Conventions.

Georgie Taken at His Word.

Portland Dispatch. Senator McBride, on a certain occasi emarked that he had retired from politics The Republicane evidently heard of this determination on his part and concluded to take him at his word—at least, one is forced to that belief from the returns thus far received from the Republican conven-tions. It is thus early evident that George is not in it, and unless McKinley provides a place for him, he will be a private "tillicum" after the 4th of next March

abor is not to be solved or decided off- the last few times before this, he charged the Republican party with some Inconsistency. Now e taunts their le with inconsistency of proposing to charge the Puerto Rican products a small tariff, because President McKinley, in a message a few months ago, expressed the opinion that trade between that country and this should be without any custom-house rates. As a matter of course, Mr. Bryan did not explain that the money proposed to be collected from the minimum rates is for the purpose of paying the expenses of govern substitute for direct local or internal revenue taxes. Mr. Bryan attempted a discussion of the

money question, but his language was weaker than ever, or, at least, it appeared so. Perhaps this is on account of the fact that all of his predictions have been discredited by actual events.

Mr. Bryan is simply an actor. He has a pleasing address. He has a pleasing appearance, but it was noted that he is losing something of the latter. His face and figure have deteriorated since his last appearance here. But his voice is still sound and his wind unimpaired.

It is inconceivable that such a man as this can ever be President of the United States. It is impossible. For what he is, let us give him credit. He is a great speaker, a pleasing actor, a born orator. But this is his caliber. This is his depth. He creates nothing. He merely imitates and contorts. He selzes deftly a fact, mixes it with a fancy and turns it into a pleasing rhetorical period. This is Bryan; all there is to the man; all there ever was. He is the same boy orator of the Platte, a thousand miles long and only six inches deep." Semper idem.

#### LET OFFICES SEEK THE MEN. Theory That Is Oftener Ignored Than Observed. Corvallis Times.

The candidate, to be successful, must have something more than his party label to recommend him. He cannot trot down the home stretch to success simply be cause he wears the Democratic, Populist or Republican earmarks. In buying a beef for his block, the butcher ignores brands and buys the carcass that will make julcy steaks. Many a voter nowadays is selecting his candidate on a similar hypothesis, at least in county matters. Voters sometimes stick to their own ticket straight, but often they do not. The condition cannot be controlled; it can only be mitigated. Men are free to please themselves. They were born so, and they will continue to vote as they please as long as time and elections last.

The man who wins in ordinary campaigns is only the man who draws votes cause he wears the Democratic, Populist

paigns is only the man who draws votes enough from the opposition to make up the loss among his own partisans. The a place for him, he will be a private the loss among his own partisans. The A Baker City paper says that "the Re"tillicum" after the 4th of next March. I man who thinks he can carry every vote publican party in Baker County has never

of his own party is an egotist. If, in seeking office, his success depends on capturing all the votes of his own party, he is
as sure of defeat at the polls as that the
sun will set on election day.

Summed up, these facts lead to one and
but one inevitable conclusion: The man
who wants office, in order to insure success, should not seek the office, but let
the office seek him. If the office wants
him, it will find him at the convention.
If he falls of nomination there, he will
lose nothing; for, if the office, would not
seek him at the convention, it would not
have sought him at the polls. Of all
truths, there is none more true than this:
That the man who forces his nomination
to office digs a grave for his own ambition. Geebel did it in Kentucky, and Goebels can do it again at any time and anybels can do it again at any time and any where, even in Benton County.

#### WHO WERE THEY!

Complaint That Federal Officeholder Meddled in Jackson County.

The Ashland Tidings makes vigorou complaint about "interference with Jack-son County's Republican primaries," which were held the 24th inst., but says

which were held the 24th inst., but says the result was overwhelming indorsement of Speaker E. V. Carter for Representative in Congress. Part of the paper's remarks follow:

"For weeks past aspirants for county convention honors and additional favors in the way of renomination for First Judicial district office, have been arranging to "set up" these primaries in the interest. ticina district office, have been arranging to 'set up' these primaries in the interest of themselves, and in this they had the advice and encouragement of Federal offi-cials, who imagined their tenure of place depended upon this or that person. From Portland emissaries came with comfort, advice and plans to 'fix things up' for the Republicans of Ashland to carry But, alas, for the well-laid plans of mice and men, they failed of being consum-mated; and the local Republicans took it into their own heads to name delegates to the county convention, which they did with no uncertain vote."

Southern Oregon Support Predicted

Ashland Record. Hon. E. B. Watson, of Portland, and formerly of Jackson County, will have the solid support of the delegation from Jackson County for Supreme Judge, as well as Josephine and adjoining counties. Henry D. Kubli is looking after Judge Watson's interest and there will be no opposition in the county convention.

#### Abuse of Genuine Populists.

Forest Grove Times. Because some Populists (and they are the men who made the Populist party what it was in its glory) refuse to be dragooned into the Democratic camp they are receiving all sorts of abuse from the fusion press. Scratch a fusion reformer and you lay bare a spollsman

#### Inverse Ratio.

Huntington Herald. The public debt is decreasing at a rapid rate, i notwithstanding extraordinary expenses for the Philippine trouble. During the last Democratic administration the public debt increased, in time of peace, in just about the same ratio that it now de-

#### These Be Solid Times. Albany Democrat.

Linn County Republican delegates are solid for Judge Hewitt for Congress, Jackson is solid for Speaker Carter, Marion for Claud Gatch, Clackamas for George Brownell, Benton for John D. Daly, and Washington for Tongue.

Another Warning for Mark Hanna

Princylle Review.

Senator Simon seems to be taking the most advanced grounds of any Republican Senator on the Puerto Rico bill. If Boss Hanna don't look out, Little Joe will have him dethroned and seat himself upon the topmost ladder.

## Need of the Blue Pencil.

Fairhaven Herald. If Bryan expects to derive any advan-tage from his Pacific Coast tour his speeches will need careful editing and re-vising. The anti-expansion planks of his Lincoln platform will be a useless encumbrance here.

## POLITICAL NOTES.

A Variety of Items of More or Less Interest.

L. M. Curl of Albany has guit the ranks of Populism and joined the Republican

party. The Albany Democrat observes that "McBride is undoubtedly the weakes. United States Senator Oregon ever had." Hon. James A. Fee will probably be cominated by Republicans for Prosecut

ing Attorney of the Sixth Judicial Dis The Albany Democrat says that "If Joe Simon keeps on, he will be a first-class Democrat." Then the Bryan papers will sing praises to his name.

Republicans of the Seventh Congress al District of West Virginia have elected delegates to the National Convention They are instructed for McKinley. An interesting contest is that in Linn County between Judge J. N. Dun can and A. M. Cannon for support for

District Attorney of the Third District. Ex-Representative W. R. Ellis is said by the Pendleton East Oregonian to be slated by Republicans for nomination as Circuit Judge of the Sixth Judicial district. The McMinnville Transcript thinks that

in spite of the candidates against him Hon. T. H. Tongue will be renominated It thinks Gatch is the strongest man The Lebanon-Express-Advance wants M

A. Miller nominated by the Democrats for representative in Congress. It is likely the Republicans would also be pleased to have him nominated. "Buck" Hinrichsen says Illinois will

surely be carried this year by Bryan. But he said that the State would be for Bryan in 1896. The returns showed a najority for McKinley. The Republican primaries at La Grande

brought out a very large vote, and there was a close contest. J. M. Church and J. W. Scriber were both elected delegates from the Second precinct. At La Grande complaint is made abou

the city's dumping shell rock on the streets, "as it will now be a matter of impossibility for the Populists to keep in the middle of the road." President Campbell, of the Monmouth Normal School, is mentioned by two or three papers as a desirable man for the

the First Congressional district.

The Wallowa News hopes to see Senato McBride defeated for re-election, because "he has not the necessary ability for the high office he now holds." It has even a worse opinion of Senator Simon. Hon. J. K. Weatherford, of Linn, is regarded by the Roseberg Review as one of the strongest and most available men who

could be nominated in the First Congres ional District by the Demo-Populists. The wise man soweth his oats and planteth his potatoes, says the Lostine Leader, but the prospective candidate talks expansion, and late in the Fall will ask his wife to half-sole his pants. In the great fight of the Tanner-Cullon forces in Illinois, Len Small, Tanner's chief lieutenant, was nominated for State Senator on the 199th ballot, but not until

he pledged himself to support Cullom for

Governor Geer's declination to ride in a carriage to Colonel Bryan's meeting at Salem, on the ground that, as one of the brought much sharp comment from Bry-

anite papers.

THE POLITICAL ARENA een so thoroughly organized as now, and s they will stand squarely for sound noney, protection and expansion, their

nents will be routed."

County will probably increase its jority against him, just the same.

will take the same stand." It also wants voters to remember that Tongue and Moody voted against the bill in the house.

Hon. B. L. Eddy is said by the Tilla-mook Headlight to be the only man who

is talked of for Representative in the Leg-islature from Tillamook County. He has been Mayor and School Director of his

Returned members of the Second Ore-

gon are quickly recognized by Republican nominating conventions this year. The

Democrats may meet this movement by nominating Captain Heath, of McMinn-

Congressional District.

ne that will never be told.

rille, for Representative from the First

A Lebanon paper, which proposed M.

A. Miller for Congress, says he does not want the office and would not accept the

nomination. Milt can't be bothered with a little place like that. As to the Vice-

The Independence Enterprise wants po-litical parties in Polk County this year

to "put in the field representative tickets that will represent Polk County in our state politics in a metropolitan way-men

that can attract attention by both their delivery of speech and sound judgment."

The Salem Statesman says that "the

majority of the people of Marion Coun-

ty do not wish Mr. Corbett any bad luck; but they do not want him to represent them in the United States Senate; and

they are not likely to cast their votes for any man to whom the finger of suspicion

Bryan's running mate next Fall if Milt

Miller decides to stand for Congress in

Salem Journal meets the question in this way: "Why not send him to the United States Senate and be done with

it? There ought to be one brainy, mod-est man in that body."

The Salem Statesman and the Salem

Journal are agreed upon one point-the

unfitness of Commissioner Hermann for

official place. The former has often scorched him, and now the latter paper

says: "He is absolutely unscrupulous as to qualifications for office, or how many

new offices he creates. Those are quali-

The Observer of La Grande reports that

the Populists have a live club at Halfway which has adopted resolutions as follows:

"Ist-We oppose fusion of any kind in

be after the conventions of the old parties,

"The fact is, Umatilla is the richest ounty in the state in proportion to pop-

ulation," says a Bryanite paper at Pen-

dleton, and "there is more production per capita in Umatilia than in any other

while the country is staggering under the accursed gold standard are enough to pro-

voke reprimand by the meandering Col-

This is the way the Democratic paper at

ulist for revenue only, has got his aggre-gation fairly in the middle of the road al-

ready. The Jackson County statesman is also ready for sealed proposals from g.

o.p. contractors, a certified check to be enclosed as a guarantee of good faith."

These plain words from the state plat-form of the Arkansas Republicans: "We

denounce the Goebel act and the Nesbit

govern. Every honest voter should fight them to death." It is the duty of Repub-

this spiteful paragraph at him: "For a good many years W. J. Furnish accepted

all kinds of favors at the hands of Uma-

tilla County Democracy. They picked him

up out of poverty and gave him an office

until he became a rich man. Then he flopped and now he is the whole push in

the Republican party of Umatilla. He has

rounded up the primaries and about the next thing we hear of Furnish will be that

he is a candidate for Congress or United

States Senator. He is capable of furnish-

ing wind and gall enough for almost any-

Senators Davis and Nelson of Minnes

ta, McCumber of North Dakota, Welling

ton of Maryland Beverldge of Indiana

are listed as the representatives in the up

per house who are opposed to the Puerto Rican bill. Washington correspondents

of various papers think a majority of

these Senators will be whipped into line, and that "only Davis, Wellington and Nelson will hold out to the end." It is

plain that, small as Senator Simon i physically, the correspondents haven

sized him up yet. Tenacity of purpose is

Many newspapers of the First District

favor the renomination of Representative

Tongue. The following from the Marsh-field Sun, is one of numerous similar no-

will be, renominated for Congress. Never was there a time in the history of Oregon

that we were so much in need of a man

of his worth and ability. His knowledge of routine work in the House has been

acquired by years of hard and diligent

labor, and to give his seat to a new man would be a sacrifice of the state's best

interests. We do not desire to cast as-

persions on the ability of any of the es-pirants for Mr. Tongue's honored posi-

lear for his renomination."

"Thomas H. Tongue should, and

of Illinois, and Simon

thing in the line of politics."

one of his characteristics.

Boasts of wealth and riches,

giving ample time for delegates to reach

ties that tell in a race for office."

the state convention."

onel from Nebraska.

county."

The sarcastic

The Albany Herald asks who

points as a Corbett man."

the First Oregon District?

ency-well, that's another story and

and is now Deputy District Attor-

Eastern Oregon and Washington papers of the Bryan persuasion are gleefully publishing the fact that the Colonel had an immense crowd at Salem. But Marion A FILIPINO'S REBUKE TO ANTI- IM-PERIALISTS.

Curtis Makes Threats in Clatsop-May The Lostine Leader approves Senator Simon's vote on the Puerto Rican bill and "hopes the other Oregon Senator Start a "Political Laundry" to

Harass His Foes.

A New York dispatch to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat says that Ramon Reyes Lala, the Filipina who believes that his countrymen will prosper only under American rule, has returned from his lecture tour in New England, and gave an amusing account of the overtures made to him in Boston by the Anti-Im-perialist League of Edward Atkinson an other kindred spirits. The result of the advances was a flat-tooted declarati from Lala that he had no use for the league, which surprised Edward Atki league, which surprised Edward Atki son, William Lloyd Garrison and othe

very much. It appears from Mr. Lala's description of his interview at the league's head-quarters that these gentlemen were la-boring under the impression that their visitor was of the Agoncillo type of Fili-pino envoy. Mr. Atkinson and his friends, Mr. Lala said today, greeted him upon his arrival at their headquarters with open arms, and started in to weep with him over the shooting of his countrymen

by this Government.
"In my talk with them," said Mr. Lola, "I saw very clearly how poorly they were informed about everything to do with the Philippines. When I tried to explain the conditions there they interrupted me with assertions about the corruption at Washington, and refused to listen to any argument I could make from the point of view of a Filipino who grew up in the Philippines and who knows their real condition today. 'Gentlemen,' I said final-ly, 'I hold you responsible for the thousands of deaths in the Philippines. You have done wrong. You have made my people think that a large number of people in this country are in sympathy with this insurrection. You are not well informed enough to know that from Aguinaldo's rule the Filipinos can expect absolutely nothing. He showed his insin-

cerity by selling himself to Spain.
"Instead of being an Aguinaldo or an Agoncillo, I am an expansionist, for I be-lieve the Americans, with their capital and brains, will make my people happier than they have ever been. In my mind, Admiral Dewey is the savior of that country, and the people are already appreclating the benefits of his victory. don't believe all the stories about corruption of this Government, for the reason that I've lived here off and on for 12 years, and have learned to know the rue worth of the American people." In spite of this declaration, how the anti-imperialists refused to change their views, either regarding the Philip-pines or Mr. Lala.

county or state. 2nd—We are in favor of putting up a full state and county ticket. 3rd—That the county convention "As I left." said the latter, "Mr. Winsstill greeted me as a countryman of Agulnaido, leading me to believe from this that he could not greet a Filipino in any other way. My visit showed me that these professed friends of my country do not understand the people there at all. Furthermore, I believe they have not the intelligence necessary to alter a na-tion's judgment, for wherever I have been I have found the American people vor of expansion."

CURTIS MAKES COVERT

Roseberg speaks of Populists who refuse to barter their principles or support an office-seeking fusion; "Sam Holt, the Pop-Is Inclined to Start a Polithouse in Clatso C. J. Curtis, of Astoria, he ing freely, since the report, lation that he was not to on the Clatsop Legislativ are some of his remarks: "I have always been a am today a more consist than some of my alleged fries. oin I have assisted in their political campaigns, knowing that they were a detriact, and all similar laws in Arkansas and elsewhere concocted to cheat the honest voter and to enable a corrupt minority to ment to the best interests of the party. "As to my being a candidate in the Re-publican convention, I will say nothing." I am in the hands of my friends.' I do licans throughout the United States to not expect to receive the . mination for the Legislature from the Republican conwatch the new conspiracy agains the bal-lot. Unless stamped out it will soon be vention. Experience has taught me that up to Congress and the electoral college. Hon. W. J. Furnish, of Pendleton, for- by to party lines in C op County, and merly a Gold Democrat, is a thorn in the side of certain citizens who haven't perno man has ever used me as a tool. Per-haps this is the cause of the recent unception enough to grapple the money question successfully. The Times-Moun-

pleasantness. "There seems to be a general dispositaineer, of The Dalles, for example, huris tion on the part of unscrupulous ring men to wash some of the dirty linen of poli-tics in Clatsop County. If necessary I can start a steam laundry and do more washing than any man in Clatsop County. If this is done, it will require a vast amount of fumigating matter to clear the political atmosphere. The bubonic plague not be a circumstance to the epidemic that will attack the ring in Clatsop Couning with the gang puts me in a position to publish facts and figures that will cause a large-sized disturbance

Astoria Evening Budget. As nearly as we can learn from the latest hellograms, Commandant Curtis has reconnoitered in force and occupied the Clatsop County kopje as a preliminary to a general movement, horse, foot and baggage, against the enemy, which he will soon lead in person. In the meantime, Commandant Fulton is pursuing his customary policy, throwing up intrenchments, lying in vast stores of ammunition and encouraging his troops to daily devotions. The signs of a fearful and sanguinary conflict between the erstwhile Damon and Pythias of Clatsop Republicanism cause the moon to appear crimson hued whenever it shows itself.

## Curtis' Capacious Pocket.

Astoria Evening News.

Mr. Curtis indignantly denies that he stole the "nickel-in-the-slot" bill. It is recalled, however, that Mr. Curtis was counsel for defendant in a case against a local merchant, charged with gambling by means of one of these alluring little devises. In arguing the case, Mr. Curtis played a trump by showing that the "nick-el-in-the-slot" law was unconstitutional, law was unconstitutional, for the reason that the bill passed by the tion, but we do say that every argument House was a printed copy and not the is in favor of his return, and the road is original, which was in his (counsel's) ocket.

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