

PROMINENT SPEAKERS AT THE DEMOCRATIC HARMONY GATHERING

It Spoils the Harmony Among Democrats.

C. E. S. WOOD STRIKES IT

He Is Weary of Platforms Built of Platitudes.

WANTS SPECIFIC MEASURES

Three Hundred of the Faithful Do Honor to Jackson, and All Shout Harmony, but the One Dissident Voice.

"Harmony," said all the 300 Democrats at the Jackson celebration in Mulkey's Hall last night.

"Let us have harmony," said Alex Sweek, chairman of the county committee.

"We have harmony," said Governor Chamberlain a little later.

"There are no factions in the Democratic party," said Sam White, chairman of the state central committee, when his turn came to make a speech.

And then C. E. S. Wood arose and made a speech that was the feature of the evening because it was not harmonious at all.

"I came to Oregon 28 years ago last March," said Mr. Wood, "and I found the Democratic party then just where it is now, and where it has always been—in the minority."

Before and after this announcement Mr. Wood had told his audience of the faults of the Republicans. Glaring and glaring were these faults, but the orator laid them also as feet of the followers of Jefferson and Jackson.

Warning to the Faithful.

"Until you stop playing politics and begin working for the people," he thundered, with outstretched hands, "you will never amount to anything."

But to go back to the beginning: The Western Music Hall was crowded with the faithful long before Dave Beakey called the meeting to order. Among so many it seems invidious to name a name, but Colonel Robert Miller was there from Oregon City, and John Manning and Ogilvie Young, E. M. Brannick sat in the midst of things and Jimmie Gleason stood against the wall because there were not seats enough.

So did A. F. Fiegl and Ed Finzer and Dick Montague and W. T. Vaughn. Dr. Harry Lane was there and L. T. Peery and a host of other lights.

Mr. Beakey called the meeting to order and Alex Sweek took the chair. In a pleasantly brief speech Mr. Sweek asked for a union of the Democratic forces and hoped for "victory perhaps, but at least a respectable minority."

Fight Within the Party.

Governor Chamberlain was next. Harmony was the keynote that he sounded, and every chord naturally was based on the keynote.

"The Democrats are like cats," said the Governor. "The more they fight the more they love each other. And there was much applause. "But," admonished the speaker, "don't fight outside the party limits."

Again Mr. Chamberlain referred to the existing harmony, and foretold war for George C. Browne.

"Judging from the existing harmony among the Democrats of Oregon City," he said, "the Bryan Democrats, the Gold Democrats and the Populist Democrats should carry Clackamas County next June."

The Governor said that the Democrats should not fight the good things the Republicans had done, and he instanced the Panama and Philippine policies of the present Administration as good things which every Democrat should support. But he thought the General Land Office at Washington, the toleration of the tariff by the Republicans and the non-revision of the tariff would make good campaign material.

Sam White Outlines Policy.

Then Sam White was called upon by Mr. Sweek. Mr. White was bravely arrayed in a black prince's robe, with mustache and trimmings to match. He felt it his duty, he said, to say a word or two.

SAM WHITE
HADN'T ALL
DOWN IN
BLACK
AND
WHITE



party go down to defeat fighting for an outspoken principle than see it win by remaining silent.

"One victory's nothing. And how do we get our victories? Only in hard times."

LAST LINK IS FORGED.

Baker City Theater Added to Northwestern Circuit.

President Heilig, of the Northwestern Theatrical Association, announced last night that his association had secured control of the Baker Theater, Baker City, and that the high-class theatrical attractions that have formerly passed by that house will now visit it in conjunction with the Marquette and other theaters on the circuit. The Baker Theater up to yesterday was the only one along the Oregon Short Line that was not under the control of the Northwestern Theatrical Association, it was the missing link, but it has now become part of the chain of theaters under the direction of the association. The building is a most substantial one of stone and brick, and has been a brick building, two stories high, and will cost between \$40,000 and \$50,000. The Lyceum Theater company will manage the house, a 40-year lease having been secured. The investors are Calvin S. Heilig, of this city; John Cort, of Seattle; Harry Hayward, D. L. Weaver and Sid Rosenhaupt, of Spokane.

BURT WON'T TAKE THE PLACE

Dehies He is to become President of Chicago Northwestern.

OMAHA, Jan. 9.—Horace G. Burt, the retiring president of the Union Pacific Railroad, has sold his Omaha residence property, and will, it is said, remove to Chicago, where he will reside for the present. Shortly after leaving Omaha, however, he will begin an extensive trip, planned before his resignation.

To the Associated Press today President Burt said the report that he would succeed Marvin Haight as president of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway was absolutely without foundation. Beyond his projected pleasure trip, he has no plans for the immediate future.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Ira F. Powers has just left for the East on a six weeks' business trip.

W. F. Zwick, who owns an iron foundry in Seattle, is at the Imperial.

J. F. Woods, publisher of the News, of Springfield, Or., was in Portland yesterday.

C. W. James, Warden of the state penitentiary at Salem, is a guest of the Imperial.

William Hanley, the cattle king of Harney County, is registered at the Imperial Hotel.

Ex-City Marshal McMillan Sick.

H. F. McMillan, City Marshal of East Portland some years before consolidation, is in the North Pacific Sanitarium, where he is under treatment for diabetes and ulceration of his feet. It was necessary to amputate three toes of his right foot and the great toe of his left foot. Mr. McMillan is getting along as well as could be expected. He is 67 years old. For several years he lived in Centralia, Wash., where he was City Marshal.

Lodge Holds Voting Contest.

The diamond and watch contest being held by the Order of Washington stood as follows last evening: Miss Ivy Vorbeck, 119; Mrs. Edith Brickle, 118; Miss Martha Brummer, 109; Willie Heister, 110; Fritz Mathias, 99.

Pennsylvania Democratic Leader.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Jan. 8.—James W. Sweeley, editor and proprietor of the Sun, and a leader in Democratic politics in Pennsylvania, is dead of pneumonia.

WIRES EMIT FIRE

Electrical Displays in Several Parts of City.

DOG AN UNWILLING MARTYR

His Death Saves Lives of Two Women—Reports of Live Wires Crossed Keep Police and Firemen in Rapid Action.

The police were in suspense last night from 8 o'clock until long after midnight, and expected at any time to hear of a serious accident. The cause of their apprehension was the large number of reports of live wires that had burned out about the city. From Thirteenth and Washington out as far as Twenty-third and Vaughn live wires were reported and in every case they were in a dangerous position. As soon as Captain Moore of a new report he would detail an officer to see that no one passed the place until the General Electric Company could be called upon to fix the circuit turned off.

The attention of the police was first called to live wires early in the evening by a fire alarm from box 28. Two ladies had been passing along the street near Thirteenth and Burnside streets. A large yellow dog was in front of them. Suddenly the animal's body seemed illuminated. Sparks were flying from his ears, and the next instant he dropped dead. They did not stop to learn the cause, but thought of the first avenue of assistance. Rushing to the nearest fire alarm box, which was at Twelfth and Couch, they called the gallant fire ladders to their rescue.

"There! There!" they cried, as the engines came rushing to the scene, and pointed out the prostrate form of their canine possession. Into the very midst of the danger the police rushed. The wires came in contact with their apparatus and China New Year's presents a tame fireworks exhibition to what the boys found themselves in the midst of. Sparks were flying from the engine and from the truck wagon. Turn as they would, every move meant a new shower of sparks.

"If a wire had touched a fireman or a horse," said one of the members of chemical company No. 1 last night, "it would certainly have been him for the bone-yard." But fortune favored them and the apparatus was successfully extracted from the mass of live wires.

The ladies were almost prostrated with fear when they saw how nearly they had come to meeting the fate of their dog. The life of the faithful animal was sacrificed to save their own. The shock which he received would certainly have killed a human being, and the ladies would surely have come in contact with the wire had not the dog served as a warning.

"Live wires on Twenty-third and Vaughn," came the report to the police station about 9 o'clock. "One man has run against them and was knocked senseless. He will recover, however." The speaker refused to give his name, but asked to have the matter attended to. Captain Moore dispatched an officer at once to guard the wire, and called up the electric company to have that district cut out of the circuit.

At midnight a man came rushing into the station. "Telegraph post burning up at Fourth and Washington." Again the district had to be cut off and the matter attended to.

The presence of so many live wires in the city was explained last night by the fact that a telephone company is tearing down its old wires. These wires are supposed to have fallen across the electric light wires and formed a live contact.

Less Desertion From Ships.

Less desertions by 17 per cent than in the previous year is the record of the 11 months just ended. This statement is made by Harbormaster Ben Biglin in his annual report to Mayor Williams. During the year the Harbormaster shipped two

ships crew himself, thus saving the money otherwise gained by the sailor boardinghouse masters. As Harbormaster Biglin says that he makes nightly trips about the harbor to see that ships and harbor lights are burning, he has been taking on this request.

MASONS AT THE FEAST.

Harmony and Portland Lodges Entertained by Eastern Stars.

Homelike, fraternal, and any adjective that will express the feeling given by the presence of mothers, sisters and wives, was the banquet given to its members by Harmony Lodge, No. 11, and Portland Lodge No. 55, A. F. & A. M., which was agreed and served by Myrtle Lodge of the Order of the Eastern Star last night at the Masonic Temple. The feast began early, but under the influence of good cheer and a good digestion, aided by good cigars, the banqueters listened to many witty and thoughtful speeches, until they came near deserving the name of P. M. and A. M. Masons.

Worshipful Master Alexander Kunz was toastmaster, and his partizan air, his broad, stalwart form, his great Teutonic beard, aided by the heartiness of his voice, gave the banquet the spirit of fraternity to the speakers of the evening dilated upon.

The first speaker was Dr. George H. Chance.

"Chance, Chance, the only Chance," called the banqueters.

"No, not the only Chance," was responded. "The first Chance. There sits his son, the last Chance, by the door."

"Cries came for Dr. Chance to get on the table, but he refused to get on or under the table. And, indeed, no one could have had occasion to do the latter action, as Masons, when they give these banquets, do not serve inducements to 'sublimar' ments."

Dr. Chance, as all the rest, spoke on Masonry, its history, general, particular, past, present and future, and all expressed their appreciation of the presence and service of the members of the Order of the Eastern Star. Ed Werlein became eloquent over what Masons might do and are in the habit of doing for one another.

Judge J. C. Moreland harked back to the early days of Masonry in Oregon. Zachary Sweet spoke of the coming golden anniversary of Harmony Lodge, which was organized 48 years ago, and Dr. Williams, by dilating on Masonry in general.

But the feature of the programme came last, when Mrs. Margaret Lutke, the only woman seated at the banquet table, spoke for the contending women of the city to create a desire among the men present who were not members of that lodge to join at once.

To Name Vanderbilt for Congress.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Cornelius Vanderbilt will probably be chosen the Republican candidate for Congress from the Thirteenth District for next Fall's election. The district leaders have decided to offer him the nomination and all that now remains to make Mr. Vanderbilt the candidate is his acceptance when the nomination is tendered.

Kentucky Volcano Causes Alarm.

OWINGVILLE, Ky., Jan. 8.—A volcano on Sugarloaf Mountain in Rowan County, is assuming alarming proportions. There are five fissures on the side of the mountain, from which smoke pours in considerable volume, accompanied by a deep, rumbling noise.

Steel Mills Will Resume Work.

JOILET, Ill., Jan. 8.—Orders posted today announce the resumption of work Monday in all the important departments of the Joliet plant of the Illinois Steel Company. The mills have been closed for four weeks. Nearly 3000 men are recalled.

Oklahoma Bank Fails to Open.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The Controller of the Currency today received a telegram stating that the Alva National Bank of Alva, Okla., did not open for business this morning.

Courthouse for Clatsop County.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 8.—(Special.)—The County Court has definitely decided to commence work on the new Courthouse this Summer. The building will cost not less than \$25,000.

INSTITUTE AT MILWAUKIE

TEACHERS TALK ABOUT BEAUTIFYING SCHOOLS.

Clackamas County Children Learn From Pictures—How to Teach Reading in the Schools.

Under the auspices of the Clackamas County Teachers' Association a successful Institute was held yesterday in the Milwaukie schoolhouse, attended by teachers from Clackamas and Multnomah Counties. Professor J. C. Zinser, Superintendent of Clackamas County schools and president of the Teachers' Association, presided. H. L. McCann, Viola M. Godfrey and W. Gilbert Beattie were appointed to nominate officers.

Miss C. D. Bradford, of New Era, read the first paper, "How to Make the Schoolroom More Homelike." She said that the subject probably applied more directly to the country than the city. She set forth the advantages of making the schoolroom and surroundings attractive. There should be good order and cleanliness. Education, said Miss Bradford, was not wholly in books, and the home was not always the place of culture and refinement, and then the school should step in and do the work belonging largely to the home. Pictures were great educators and were cheap and easily obtained. By pictures the schoolroom might be made attractive and have a refining influence on the pupils. Miss Bradford exhibited some pictures that, she said, could be used to advantage in decorating the walls of the schoolroom, and would be educational and uplifting.

Professor S. T. Adams said he heartily endorsed the use of pictures in the schoolroom, as he considered them educational and helpful to the pupils from long years of experience in the schoolroom as a successful teacher.

Professor Zinser strongly approved the sentiment, "All knowledge does not come from books." There was a personal equation in the child as well that must be considered. Mr. Zinser pointed out how the school grounds can be beautified, but directed his remarks mainly to the schoolroom. He said he recently attended a school where the floor was covered with papers and the room was generally untidy. There were no pictures on the walls and they were dirty and dirty.

"Before I left the school I organized a society to improve the building. The teacher was doing poor work in such surroundings. I recently visited another school where the conditions were better. The floor was clean. There was not a scrap of waste paper. The desks, while not expensive, were neatly kept, and on the walls were some pictures, and these were surrounded with evergreen. There was every evidence of refinement in that school. The teacher was a country girl. Her work was most excellent. I don't know where she got the pictures, but may have bought them out of her salary, but it paid her to make attractive surroundings. She had close attention of the pupils and her work went along smoothly. It pays to get in touch with the better life of the child."

Other teachers also commended the sentiment of the paper in behalf of beautifying the schoolroom and grounds.

Miss Irene Smith, principal of Clackamas, delivered a fine address on the topic, "Reading in the Advanced Division." She spoke of the silent and oral reading, and emphasized the need of bringing out the meaning of the context. There was too much reading in which the sentiment and thought of what was read was overlooked entirely. There should be preparation. The teacher, if a poor reader, must improve. Miss Smith said that Charles Dickens was once asked to read a selection from his works, but declined, saying that it would take him six months to prepare himself to read his writings so as to bring out the meaning. She said that the real beauty in poetry is often destroyed in the reading, and the value of literature is missed by failing to read the selection properly. In teaching a class, said Miss Smith, if she saw that the reading was monotonous and meaningless, she stopped the recitation there. Superintendent Zinser incidentally said that spelling correction was called somewhat to reading. He would always insist that spelling should be correct in all branches, and that the terms used in

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mathematics and other studies should be made important.

President Zinser asked the teachers what effect attendance certificates had on the attendance. Those who responded said that they had resulted in securing better attendance, and it was unanimously decided that the system should be retained.

The Superintendent also announced that 1000 bronze medals had been received to be used to pupils in all grades as rewards for scholarship.

The nomination committee reported the following for officers of the association: Vice-president, L. A. Read; secretary, H. L. McCann; treasurer, H. L. McCann; and Librarian, H. L. McCann.

The association at noon enjoyed a fine spread prepared in the Grange Hall by the parents of Milwaukie school.

In the afternoon Major C. C. Bell, formerly principal of the Oregon City School, but now a resident of Portland, delivered an address in which he spoke with much feeling of his connection with the schools of Clackamas County, and strongly commended the movement for making the school and surroundings beautiful. Following this address came a short program by the pupils of Milwaukie School, when H. W. Baker read a paper on "Hygiene of Position." Professor W. Gilbert Beattie spoke on "Character Building" and Miss Frances Myers, of Oregon City, gave an illustration of her method of teaching phonetics. These papers were discussed. Superintendent Zinser then spoke on the "Educational Exhibit for St. Louis." Commissioner H. S. Lyman had been announced to present this topic, but could not attend. Mr.

Zinser explained that what was wanted from the schools was a display of the actual work. It would mean a great deal for the State of Oregon to send such a display back to St. Louis.

"The people in the East have some curious impressions of Oregon," said the Superintendent, "as can be seen by some of the letters and applications I received for positions in the schools. They seem to think that our schools are primitive and a teacher of inferior attainments can teach here. The showing we propose to make will tell what we can do along this line. We want the actual work of the pupils. I am anxious that Clackamas County, and strongly commended the showing of work of the schools, maps and descriptions of the country are wanted. Every child should prepare something. Pictures of the interior of the schools, the classes at work, and the buildings are acceptable. Pictures of the County School Superintendents with the State Superintendent will be sent, with pictures of the schools, also local pioneer stories. This exhibit must be in by February 1. The botanical display will be placed over till Spring. It is proposed to have the educational display in cases, so arranged that it can be changed and one line of work give place for another, thereby producing variety. Each teacher will be expected to fill out a blank statement of work."

Professor L. A. Read and teachers of Milwaukie School, and Directors J. W. Granlee and F. Berkenmeier contributed to the success of the institute, and the women of Milwaukie were accorded a vote of thanks.

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