

DEMOCRATS RALLY FOR PARTY TICKET

Meet at Baker Theater and Pledge Support to Bryan and Kern.

GEARIN IS CHIEF SPEAKER

Governor Chamberlain Is Not Present, but Many Other Prominent Politicians Take Part During Course of Long Programme.

Democratic speakers expended hours of oratory and the local Democratic populace sounded many a shout and yell at the Baker Theater last night at the Bryan and Kern ratification rally under the auspices of the Democratic County Central Committee. It was the opening of the "whop-it-up-for-Bryan" campaign in Oregon.

The theater was well-filled and many of the old-time and oft-remembered local leaders were present. It was strictly a Democratic gathering, but conspicuous by his absence was Governor Chamberlain. A previous engagement prevented his appearance, explained a letter that was read from him.

Many on Programme.

Ex-Senator Gearin was the principal speaker of the evening, though there were so many others who occupied more than the allotted time in speaking that many of the audience departed before he began. Mayor Lane also spoke, as did Senator M. A. Miller, of Lebanon; R. A. Harris, editor of the Labor Press; Attorney John H. Stevenson, and others.

What wasn't said against Taft was omitted only because of a lack of time, and what wasn't said in favor of Bryan was omitted only for the same reason. The "Peerless One" must surely be smiling at his Lincoln home this morning, and the big War Secretary must surely have been touched by one of the stray breezes of "frigid" atmosphere that were blown in his direction.

Judge Thomas O'Day presided at the meeting. He was introduced by G. H. Thomas, chairman of the committee. Judge O'Day spoke at length, exceeding by several minutes the five-minute limit which had been placed upon the speakers. But the audience didn't object and apparently regretted it when he ceased.

Sure Bryan Will Win.

That Oregon will cast its electoral vote for Bryan was the current of the entire flood of oratory. Judge O'Day said it, Mayor Lane emphasized it; Senator Miller insisted upon it, and all the speakers agreed that it was as good as an accomplished fact already.

"It's a long time since I have essayed a political speech," said Judge O'Day, "for I've been busy granting divorces. And I want to try to cause one more divorce, which is to divorce the people of this state from the political bondage which has held them." He declared that Bryan is a man who needs no great platform behind

him. He is a platform all by himself, the speaker said. The Democratic candidate, he said, represents no great office or officer, but is as well known as even President Roosevelt himself.

PLAN CAMPAIGN FOR BRYAN

Members of Democratic State Central Committee Hold Council.

"You may say," announced Milton A. Miller, Democratic National committeeman for Oregon, and Samuel Garland, member of the executive committee of the Democratic state central committee, "that we have arranged matters today so that Bryan will surely carry Oregon."

Whereat the twin Democrats from Lebanon looked as confident of Bryan's election as of tomorrow's sunrise—if that were possible. They had just emerged from the political eye of Alex Sweek, chairman of the Democratic central committee, where with that gentleman and J. B. Ryan, secretary of the state central committee, and John Montag, treasurer of the Democratic hosts, they had been laying plans for the defeat of Taft.

They declined to tell the amount of campaign money on hand or owing or expected to flow into the party coffers. They announced, however, that the treasurer had enough to hire three rooms for party headquarters, for occupancy by the state central committee and by Milton A. Miller, who represents the National committee.

One of the campaign plans is to issue a large quantity of literature, urging voters to support Bryan.

Another matter of which the campaign managers will be very careful is the non-partisanship of George E. Chamberlain, whom a majority of the members of the Legislature are pledged by Statement No. 1 to elect United States Senator. The Democratic managers know that they must strive for Bryan as partisan Democrats and are anxious lest this may injure Chamberlain's non-partisan hold on Republican members of the Legislature. Therefore they will endeavor to keep the Presidential election apart and separate from the Senatorial. They are aware, however, that Republicans will do just the reverse and do their utmost to inject the partisanship of the Presidential election into the Senatorial election.

Chairman Sweek and National Committeeman M. A. Miller were authorized to rent suitable rooms for headquarters and to employ a force of stenographers, clerks and other employees sufficient to transact the great amount of business that is expected to devolve upon the managers of the campaign.

The chairman will name the members of the various committees during the early part of this week. Headquarters will also be opened this week and the real campaign begun.

"We expect to carry Oregon for Bryan by between 250 and 35,000," said Attorney John B. Ryan, who is a member of the committee. He spoke in apparent seriousness. "It's a cinch that we will carry it, but it is too early in the game to estimate the majority."

Little Rain During July.

The meteorological summary for the month of July, just issued by the local Weather Bureau, shows that during that period the precipitation was but .96 inches, which is the lightest rainfall for this month since the establishment of the bureau, with the exception of the years 1875 and 1887, when the precipitation was 2.92 and 2.83 inches, respectively. The highest temperature was on July 7, when the thermometer registered 92 degrees. The lowest temperature occurred on July 5, with 51 degrees.

Wagner Has Filed No Bond.

County officials are wondering whether or not Constable Lou Wagner is going to file a bond. He has not done so. The new constable law that gave Portland one Justice and Constable district is

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Johnson to Fight Schreck. CHICAGO, Aug. 1.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Cincinnati, O., says Mike Schreck, of this city, and Jack Johnson, the colored heavyweight, have been matched to box 20 rounds at the National Sporting Club in London on October 19. It says Schreck and Johnson will fight for the world's heavyweight championship, as Johnson now claims the title. Tommy Burns having refused to meet him under reasonable conditions. They will receive a purse of \$5000 and all expenses.



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