

Democratic State Convention.

The Democratic State Convention is hereby called to meet at Portland, Oregon, on Thursday, April 12, 1900, at 10 o'clock A. M. for the purpose of electing delegates to the National Democratic Convention, and nominating candidates for Presidential Electors, Justices of the Supreme Court, Congressmen, Dairy and Food Commissioners, Circuit Judges and District Attorneys and various joint Senators and Representatives, and for such other business as may come before it.

The representation to which the various counties are entitled, being one delegate at large for each county and one delegate for every 150 votes or fraction of 75 over cast for Hon. W. M. Ramsey for Supreme Judge in 1898, is as follows:

COUNTY.	DELEGATES.
Baker	11
Benton	7
Clackamas	13
Clatsop	6
Columbia	5
Coos	8
Crook	4
Curry	3
Douglas	13
Gilliam	3
Grant	5
Harney	4
Josephine	7
Jackson	10
Klamath	3
Lake	3
Lane	14
Lincoln	4
Linn	14
Malheur	4
Marion	12
Morrow	4
Polk	8
Multnomah	32
Sherman	3
Tillamook	5
Umatilla	11
Union	12
Wallowa	4
Wasco	7
Washington	10
Wheeler	8
Yamhill	11
Total	267

The Democratic County Central Committee of each county is requested to fix the time for holding their primaries and county convention to suit their own convenience, and it is earnestly urged that all those selected as delegates to the State Convention attend in person.

By order of the Democratic State Central Committee.

W. J. D'ARCY, Secretary.
R. S. SHERIDAN, Chairman.

The New York World recently set out in picturesque and striking form what is called "The Fruits of Imperialism From One Day's News, or Benevolent Assimilation Up to Date." Here is the list:

1. A new and peculiarly fatal type of plague appeared in Manila.
2. A Manila dispatch reporting that the number of cases of insanity among American troops exceeds that in any previous war.
3. Gen. Otis' list of casualties for the day—five killed and seven wounded.
4. American flag hoisted on Sidat Island, and the probability that foreign complications may rise from it.
5. Five men about to be garroted in Ponos.
6. Seventeen insane soldiers shipped home from Manila.

This is a pretty high rate to pay for one day's imperialism, and to it might be added the day's interest on the \$350,000.

Senator Hale shows an inclination to break with the administration, if it persists in its pro-British policy and continues to refuse to receive representatives of the Transvaal. The South African republic is as independent a country as any in the world. Holland and most of the European countries have received agents from it, and the United States itself has accepted a consul. But the British object to our receiving a minister from there, and the junior member of the alliance must, of course, back up its senior member.

Mr. Norman E. Mack, the Buffalo Democratic editor, is credited with knowing New York politics thoroughly. He says that with the exception of a few corporations and trust lawyers, the party in that state is in line with Col. Bryan, and expresses the belief that the recent financial transactions of the Treasury Department, have materially aided the Democratic cause, and that the state will elect a Democratic governor and presidential electors, next November.

Representative Sibley has quite gone over to the Republicans, and now votes with them on nearly every proposition. The country would respect him more if he had stated his change of heart before he was elected as a representative free liver man. There is a suspicious flavor of leaves and fishes about his recent conversion.

Alger has gone, Gage may go, but Hanna sticks tighter than grim death.

Tramps are becoming somewhat troublesome through the valley.

Mayer Joins on Parties.

Mayor Sam Jones, of Toledo, who recently deserted the republican party because of its imperialism, justifies his independence in a characteristic article in the World, as follows:

The spirit of the party has always been a stumbling block in the path of progress. It is essentially anti-social and in its last analysis is simple individualism.

The founders of our government foresaw the danger to republican institutions from the growth of the party spirit. Washington called special attention to this danger in his Farewell Address. Jefferson shared this opinion and even so far as to say in a letter to a friend: "If I could only go to Heaven with a party I am quite ready to say that I would prefer not to go there at all."

When we reflect upon the real purpose of party organization we see that it is to capture the machinery of government—that is, the offices—in order that every function may be used primarily for the purpose of perpetuating the party machine. No fair-minded man will deny this proposition. It follows necessarily that no department of government is safe from the assaults of party managers. The first object of maintaining the streets, the water works, the parks, the libraries, the schools, and indeed the whole paraphernalia of government, is to provide place for those who can render service to the bosses and secure sufficient votes to perpetuate their authority. And this is not due to the existence of any special variety of venality in the bosses or office-holders. They, like the rest of us, are just people.

Political partyism has for its basis the great underlying fallacy that the purpose of life is to get individual success. This false notion, which so many of our people have not yet outgrown, is the poison root from which grows every species of vice and misery, of lack and surplus that characterize our present day civilization. The political party is a phase of the evolutionary development of society. It is both a recent and a transient part of our political system. The day is not far distant when the American people will look back on party government in the same way that they now look back upon king and queen and emperor government as an absolute thing, for which they have no further use.

People say to me, "But we must have parties as long as we have politics." Their objection is quite as short-sighted as was that of those monarchists in pre-republican days who said: "But we must have kings as long as we have governments." It was asserted and believed for centuries that kings existed by "divine right," and it is not so long since many well-meaning in our own country believed that one of our political parties was "God's party." To-day there are not many who would care to seriously defend such a claim, and we are rapidly preparing for another step toward freedom which will entirely emancipate us from the party boss. The king and the party must make way for the people.

So long as government by party continues no department of our government is safe. Every branch of it, even the public schools, which should be citadels of liberty, will be used primarily to fasten upon the people of hierarchy of party, just as the king in ancient times used every function of government to perpetuate his reign.

The most encouraging sign in the political horizon is the growth of the non-partisan spirit. We are approaching the time when a majority of the voters will vote as patriots and not as partisans. This is even now finding expression in Ohio Legislature in a bill known as Municipal Code Commission bill, which orboards nomination for municipal offices by party conventions. Every nomination must be made by popular petition, without the intervention of political machinery of any kind. The names of all candidates to be voted for will then be placed upon one ballot, without any political designation whatsoever. The voter will be thus allowed to freely choose the most worthy of the candidates, without having his judgment warped by the partisan device of an eagle or a rooster at the top of his

When every citizen votes according to the dictates of an awakened social conscience and an enlightened intellect our public schools and all our beneficent institutions will be safe, and there is no other safety except that which is thus secured.

Nearly \$100,000 raised in one month for General Lawton's widow, through a single appeal from a single committee, is a pretty good record. It is somewhat different from the methods of the Dewey house committee and the Schley endless chain fiasco.

Mr. Bryan's welcome throughout the east, has been most cordial. The "enemy's country" seems to have disappeared.

Paris having put up her prices, visitors might as well get ready to put up their money.

M. A. Miller, state lecturer for the Modern Woodmen of America, lectured to a crowded house at Suver on Friday evening. His remarks are spoken of in the highest praise.—Times.

MISFITS.

This is another wonderful winter. Never anything like it.

Flipity flop
At Spionkop
Went Buller's men.

It will not be necessary to hunt for candidates for office this year.

The progressive Oregon agriculturalist will hereafter run a diversified farm in an intensified manner. That means success.

All England is astounded at Warren's defeat. Don't, he was fighting a Christian people and not some barbarians in the middle of Africa.

Salem is now talking creamery in earnest. It has done this several times before. It takes money and action to build creameries. The butter will never come until after some live churning.

One good thing about the Chinese new years is their practice of starting in the new year free from debt. Every Celestial pays up his old debts if possible. Unfortunately they don't take newspapers.

An exchange says the fifty-sixth congress is up to its ears in business. What business? Financial bill, subsidy bill, Philippine bill and it is to be hoped a successful Nicaragua bill.

The school meeting at the central building tonight is the most important one of the year. There should be a good attendance, for it is the time when we vote our money for a splendid cause.

The Salem Statesman continues to pick at Binger Hermann. Nevertheless if Binger had been in congress instead of a man mostly tongue Yaquina would not have gotten it in the neck.

A great fiasco has just begun in California. Under the false representation that "it was all fixed" the weak headed governor called a special session of the legislature to elect a senator. The meeting will be a fiasco and a disgrace to California politics.

Nothing conduces much more to happiness in the household than good butter. Several hundred Linn county farmers in the habit of bringing strong butter to market should attend the state dairymen's convention at this city on Feb. 12th and 13th and get some pointers.

The wagon road from Brownville into the Blue River mines is an enterprise the people of the county generally should encourage in a substantial manner. This is the natural inlet to the mines which give promise of a rich harvest. Push the good work along.

Recently when the DEMOCRAT received a live hit in the Oregonian our worthy contemporary gave us a random shot. New we can return the compliment. See Saturday's Oregonian, south east corner of the editorial page. Like the other read the article twice.

Now for the annual dairy association meeting on the 12th and 13th of February. Albany people made the poultry show a marked success. Let them do their duty in the dairy industry one of the most important of the state. There will not be so much to see but there will be a great deal to learn.

The liar who wrote the Oregonian that the Boers were cowards should digest the following in today's account of the Spionkop battle:

The prisoners speak highly of the bravery of the burghers, who, despite cover, stood against the skyline edges of the summit to shoot the Dublin fusiliers, sheltered in the trenches.

The Oregonian very aptly refers to Oregon's senator, who is soon to retire from office as "Little George McBride." The title is very appropriate from a general standpoint. He has probably been the weakest senator Oregon ever had, viewed from a fair standpoint without any politics in the judgment. About the only thing he has done of moment was to secure those reindeer for the relief of the people on the Klondike, who needed relief about as much as Mr. Rockefeller.

The paper manufacturers are hitting the newspaper men some very fast blows. The price has increased over fifty per cent, and a paper man in the city says it will go up considerably higher, making it nearly double what it was at one time. In the east newspapers generally are increasing their price. The DEMOCRAT will remain the same. Subscribers though might well be prompt and never criticize the low price prevailing here.

When the South African war was begun it was thought that the very name of Buller, the butcher, would strike terror into the hearts of the Boers, but the Boers had evidently never heard of Buller for they set their trap for him just the same as if he were a common every day kind of a man, and he went into it. These Christian Boers can teach the English some pretty good lessons in warfare after all, particularly when aided by bright German officers and Irish brigades.

Mr. E. B. Case has sold his barber shop to Mr. William Lutz, an experienced barber, recently of Lebanon, who has taken charge of the business and will hereafter run the shop.

TELEGRAPHIC

Goebel's Murder.

FRANKFORT, Jan. 30.—While walking through the capitol grounds, on his way to the capitol building, at 11:10 o'clock this morning, William Goebel the democratic contestant for governor of Kentucky, was shot down and very dangerously wounded.

Harland Whittaker, a farmer of Harlan county, the home of Governor Taylor is now in jail in Louisville charged with the crime.

The bullet which struck Mr. Goebel was fired from a window in the center of the third story of the office building just east of the capitol. The window was raised about eight inches from the sill to permit unobstructed passage for the bullet.

Whittaker was arrested as he came down the steps on the east side of the state office building, directly below the window from which the shots had been fired.

Ambushed.

MANILA, Jan. 30.—A scouting party of the Twenty-fifth infantry, while operating near Subig, was ambushed by insurgents and a lieutenant and three privates were killed and two or three privates wounded.

A company some distance in the rear, on hearing the firing, hurried to the scene and recovered the bodies.

Have To.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—A special to the Herald from Washington, says: Republican leaders in both houses of congress are devoting considerable attention to the subject of "trust" legislation and there is every reason to believe that a measure of some kind will be brought forward after the report of the industrial commission has been made.

Big Boer Victory.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—General Buller says General Warren's troops have retreated south of the Tugela river. The Boers say the British lost 1500 killed Wednesday. It is believed here this includes the wounded. The Boers also claim that 150 of the English troops surrendered at Spionkop.

LADYSMITH, Jan. 25, 7 P. M.—The British dead left on the battlefield yesterday numbered 1500.

The Kentucky War.

FRANKFORT, Jan. 28.—Politicians took a rest today. Last night the leaders of both parties were in caucus, that of the republicans being prolonged until a late hour. No action of any kind was taken however. There were persistent rumors all day that another detachment of men from the mountains would arrive in Frankfort during the first half of the week.

A High Fall.

MEDFORD, Or., Jan. 28.—Earl Kline of Talent, Or., while trying to board the blind baggage on the Southern Pacific train leaving Ashland at 5:10 this evening, fell as the train was crossing a high trestle over Ashland creek, receiving serious injuries. His recovery doubtful.

Rev. Copeland's Resignation.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 28.—Dr. W. E. Copeland, for seven years pastor of the Unitarian church, tendered his resignation this morning at a meeting of the members, which was presided over by George W. Stone of Kansas City, a representative of the American Unitarian Association. The resignation will take effect July 1.

Cracksmen Killed.

QUINCY, Ill., Jan. 28.—Quincy police officers last night killed two expert cracksmen, supposed to be from Chicago, and wounded another badly. The tragedy included a running fight through a hotel, in which the armed burglars were pursued by the officers. The men are believed to be those who recently operated in Illinois cities, making a specialty of cracking safes in building and loan offices.

French Election.

PARIS, Jan. 28.—The election of 96 senators resulted in a practical rout for the nationalists yesterday, only three out of their 20 candidates being elected. The nationalists made a great show of military men, including General Mercier, Lambert, Prex, Rebillot, Prothier, Cleroee, and Laveyrie, and Colonels Ravant and Montell. Admiral Gallibert was also a nationalist candidate.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LINN COUNTY.

B. M. Payne, plaintiff vs. Susan Bolea, S. L. Durando and George C. Thompson, defendants.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF Oregon, You and each of you are hereby required to appear in the above entitled court to answer the complaint of plaintiff if filed in this cause against you, on or before the last day of the time prescribed in the order for publication of this summons, which period of time is six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, said first date of publication is January 18th, 1900, and the last day of publication is March 2nd, 1900.

And you are notified that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in his said complaint, to-wit:

That said defendants, and each of them be compelled to answer and set up and disclose the estate or interest claimed by them and each of them in the real property described in said complaint to-wit:

The South East quarter of Section 35 Township 9 South Range 4 East of the Willamette Meridian, Oregon. That the claim of said defendants and each of them be declared invalid and of no effect and that plaintiffs title to said premises be forever quieted and it be decreed that plaintiff is the owner in fee simple of said premises and the whole thereof free from the claim of said defendants and each and all of them and that defendants and each and all of them be perpetually enjoined from hereafter asserting any claim or interest in said premises or any part thereof and for such other further and general relief as to equity may seem meet.

This summons is published by order of the Honorable Geo. D. Barton, county judge of Linn county, Oregon, made at Albany, Oregon this January 15th, 1900
H. O. WATSON & L. L. SWANN
Attorneys for plaintiff.

GOBEL ASSASSINATED.

FRANKFORT, Ky.—Gov. Goebel was assassinated in this city today. Extreme excitement prevails.

Will Fight It Out.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The usual airy attempts to minimize the seriousness of the situation in South Africa were entirely lacking this afternoon, and it was frankly acknowledged that the most serious effort of the present war has most diametrically failed. There is no sign or wish of the leaders of public opinion to disguise the ugly facts, but, on the contrary, there is every disposition to face the full difficulty and discover the best way out. In short, the policy voiced everywhere is the gathering up of forces for more effective blows.

Will Abandon Ladysmith.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—A special cablegram from London to the Evening World says: It is learned from a reliable source that Lord Roberts has advised the abandonment of Ladysmith. At the war office, the dispatch adds, no confirmation could be obtained of the advice, said to have been given by Lord Roberts.

California's Fiasco.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 29.—The senate and assembly of California today perfected its organization to meet in extraordinary session. Much difference of opinion prevailed among the members as to the necessity of reorganizing. The republican majority of the senate caucused on the subject, and it was conceded that it was necessary to reorganize.

Edward Failing Dead.

PORTLAND, Jan. 29.—Edward Failing, a pioneer merchant and one of the best known citizens of Portland, died of heart disease at his residence shortly after 10 o'clock last night. Although his death was sudden, it was not unexpected, as he had been subject to attacks of the malady for the last 10 months, and it was known that sooner or later it would result fatally.

Kentucky.

FRANKFORT, Jan. 29.—It is not likely that U. S. Senator-elect Blackburn will receive any commission from Governor Taylor until the present gubernatorial contest has been finally settled.

The house did not meet until 11:30 to day. So many members were absent and so many paired that no attempt was made to transact business, and the house adjourned.

Knocked Out.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The river and harbor committee reached a formal determination today not to present a river and harbor bill at the present session of congress. A great deal of disappointment is expressed in the senate and house by both the Oregon and Washington delegations regarding the decision.

A Portland Embezzler.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 30.—James F. Mose under arrest here on a charge of embezzling \$620 from a Title Guarantee & Trust Company of Portland admits his guilt and says he is anxious to be taken back to Portland to begin serving the prison sentence which he expects to receive.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Geo. Patterson was in Eugene yesterday.

Rev. E. A. Ross has gone to Santa Ana, Calif., where he will preach for six months.

The W. R. C. gave the retiring president Mrs. J. H. Howard a very pleasant reception at the residence of Mrs. S. S. Train.

Bishop Morris will preach at the St. Peters Episcopal church in this city on Feb. 11 instead of on Feb. 4, as reported and as intended.

Mr. Henry F. Merrill went to Portland this afternoon to attend the funeral of his uncle, Mr. Edward Failing, which will take place probably tomorrow.

Laban Case, who has made his home in Albany during several years past, has been spending a few days in Corvallis, the guest of his son, T. O. Case.—Times.

While William Goebel lay at the point of death in his room as a result of an assassin's bullet, the contesting board, which for two weeks had been listening to the evidence in his contest for the governor's chair declared him entitled to the seat.

Hood's Pills

Are prepared from Nature's mild laxatives, and while gentle are reliable and efficient. They

Rouse the Liver

Cure Sick Headache, Biliousness, Sour Stomach, and Constipation. Sold everywhere, 25c. per box. Prepared by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

SHE BROKE HER CROSS.

Here is a case of a very charming young woman of central Ohio, who had grace, beauty and wit to command her. Just as she was budding into womanhood a cloud came to darken her life. Her troubles weighed so heavily upon her that for a long time she would not leave her home. She used to receive her friends stretched on a couch or leaning back in an invalid chair. And her friends were many. She was quoted as an example of Christian



courage. She referred to her condition as "her cross," and everyone thought her brave and good who was to bear her burden with such fortitude. One by one her girl friends were joined to the men of their choice. She sent them all presents and received from each a piece of wedding cake which she cried over a little, and didn't put under her pillow because it wasn't any good for her to dream. No man could marry her. A life of solitary suffering was hers. Yet her sad smile only got brighter as her cross got heavier. The day a young man found his way into that home looking upon this girl, he loved her. And so he came often and she grew to look for him, and learned to lean on him, and dreamed the pretty dreams that come to pure women whose hearts God has fashioned for happy love. But over all the prospect was the shadow of her cross.

"It could never be, never be!" She said it over and over again to herself many a night as the tears slipped down her face. Then she got to saying, "If it only could be! If it only could be!" And she said this many times day and night. One day she lay on the sofa and began to say, "It shall be!"

"IT SHALL BE!" "I'll break this cross to pieces or I'll die trying." And then she looked around for help. And by chance or providence there came into her hands a book—the book whose title and contents are referred to below. It appealed to her. Common sense was what she needed. She realized now that she had eyes, hands, organs, dimensions like her girl friends, who were matrons and mothers. She realized that it was not common sense that she should be born to be crushed by her cross.

Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness were her inalienable rights and she wanted the full rights of her womanhood. It was common sense she needed. She had done all the uncommon, extraordinary and extravagant forms of treatment, now she wanted less medicine and more common sense. It was thus she began the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. The rest of the story sounds like a fairy story. But it is only like a fairy story in that it ends amid the merry clang of marriage bells and with "they lived happy ever afterward."

It seemed a miracle to her friends to see this martyr, this patient cross bearer, get up from her sofa and begin to live. It was more strange when she took to golf, and the wheel, and tennis, with all the ardor of one so long excluded from such enjoyment. And stranger of all that she became the mother of healthy, happy children. This is not a fairy story. It is the story of thousands of women. It is a composite picture in which one can trace face behind face, lined with suffering, channeled by tears. It is a story as true as the parable of the Prodigal Son, which was not the story of one young man but the story of the type which repeats itself generation after generation and as common to Europe as to Asia, to Africa as to America.

IS IT YOUR STORY?

Your story either in whole or in part? There's hope for you. There's help for you. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has cured so many cases where life was a daily burden under which the weak and weary body staggered on to the grave, that it can be recommended with the utmost assurance in every case of female disorders.

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FINAL ACCOUNT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administratrix of the estate of Daniel Houck, deceased, has filed her final account with the county clerk of Linn County, Oregon, and the county court of said county has fixed, Monday, the 5th day of March, 1900 at the hour of One o'clock P. M., as the time, and the county court room of said county, as the place, for the hearing of objections to such final account, and the settlement thereof.

Dated at Albany, Linn county, Oregon January 31, 1900.

LEAH J. HOUCK, Administratrix.

Geo. W. Wright, Attorney for Administratrix.

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