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Thursday of last week Congressman George received a letter from Rev. G. H. Atkinson and others, asking him to support the Blair educational bill, now before the house. The letter states that his vote to pass the bill will be sanctioned by the people of this State, which it certainly will.

REPUBLICAN STATE NOMINEES.

The State Republican Convention which met at Portland, Oregon, April 30th, had a very quiet and harmonious session, although the interests of different candidates before the convention were looked after sharply by the respective friends of each. The convention adopted an excellent platform, besides doing a good work in other respects.

Binger Hermann, of Douglas county, was nominated on the sixth ballot for Congressman. He is a long resident and an early pioneer of Douglas county and well acquainted with the wants and necessities of the people of Oregon. Mr. Hermann is a lawyer of ability and a man of learning who together with his friends assures the people when he is elected to Congress he will work hard and earnestly for the benefit of all sections of the State with equal justice to all and without partiality or prejudice to any other locality. It is needless to predict that Mr. Hermann will be elected next June by a large majority because it is apparent to everyone that this will be the inevitable result. The election of Mr. Hermann as our next Congressman has still another quite important significance, because it will be the first election of the year preceding the election of our next president. Mr. Hermann is a man who naturally inspires the people with confidence and we hope when elected will be able to please the people, although when a man is elected to Congress and takes his seat there and enters upon his duties he finds it impossible to accomplish everything his people desire of him and hence they become dissatisfied with him. A man going to Congress finds several hundred other Congressmen who also desire to accomplish certain ends, and one Congressman from a small State like Oregon at last finds that he is compelled to accomplish only what others will permit him to do and not always what he would like.

Judge L. Flinn of Albany was nominated for Supreme Judge, who is a lawyer of about fifteen years' practice of fair ability. He was elected four years ago county judge of Linn County where the majority was largely democratic. His official career as judge of Linn county has given good satisfaction and if elected to the Supreme bench will doubtless discharge the duties thereof with energy, integrity and satisfaction to the people.

The presidential electors nominated are D. P. Thompson, of Portland, Warren Truitt of Dallas and J. C. Leisure of Umatilla. These gentlemen are good speakers and in due time will canvass different parts of the State for the Presidential Republican nominee.

Mr. D. L. Watson of Coos county was nominated for district attorney of this judicial district. He is a practicing attorney of about 15 years standing of good ability and a brother of E. B. Watson, the present Supreme judge, and also a brother of J. F. Watson formerly judge of this district. Although we never saw him prosecute a case in court yet he is said to be an active, vigorous and able prosecutor and when elected prosecuting attorney will no doubt make the commission of crime odious.

After the delegates to the National Republican Convention were elected a resolution instructing them to use their best efforts to nominate James G. Blaine, of Maine, as the next Republican candidate for President. A few of the government appointees did not favor any instruction, but desired the matter left open until the usual appointments which are expiring shall be reappointed. In the evening after the convention adjourned on Thursday a ratification was held at Portland where able speeches were made by candidates and other gentlemen of culture and ability to a large and attentive assembly of people. Everything is encouraging for a large republican victory.

GOOD NOMINATIONS.

We are pleased to note the fact that Benton county has honored two of Marion county's former citizens in the Republican County Convention, viz: W. P. Keady and Prof. E. Grimm. Mr. Keady was re-nominated for Representative in the Oregon Legislature, which position he filled with great acceptance and ability. We have not the least doubt but that he will be again returned to the State capital as an active and influential member of the House from Old Benton. Prof. E. Grimm of the State Agricultural College was nominated for County School Superintendent. He is a son of Hon. J. W. Grimm, of Aurora precinct, one of the most reliable and substantial citizens of our county, and Edgar is a "chip of the old block," a proficient scholar, and an able and energetic teacher, as well as an intelligent and cultured gentleman. We can assure the citizens of Benton county that they will make a wise choice in selecting Prof. Grimm as the standard bearer of their educational interests.—*Salem Statesman.*

The senate last week pressed Senator Slater's bill providing for allotment of land in severalty to Indians residing on the Umatilla reservation, and granting patents therefor the bill provides that the Cayuse, the Walla Walla and the Umatilla Indians, residing upon reservations, who have expressed a willingness, shall be settled upon lands in severalty, and that the residue of the reservation shall be sold for their benefit. Each head of a family is entitled to 160 acres, each Indian over 18,80 acres, each orphan child under 18,80 acres, and each child not otherwise provided for 80 acres. The Indians are allowed to select their own lands, provided they are upon the reservation, and the act provides that there shall be selected and set apart for an industrial farm and school 640 acres of agricultural lands. A commission is created to go upon the reservation and ascertain the number of Indians residing thereon, the amount of land required to make allotments and to set apart lands for the use of the Indians. The president is to cause patents to issue to the Indians, which shall be inalienable for twenty-five years, at the end of which time the land shall be deeded in fee simple and discharged of all incumbrances whatsoever.

The funds received from the sale of reservation lands, after allotments have been made, are to be deposited in the treasury of the United States to the credit of the Indians, and to draw 4 per cent. per annum interest, 20 per cent. to be used under the directions of the president in assisting the Indians to establish themselves upon their several allotments, and \$2000 is to be devoted to the establishment and support of an industrial farm and school for the training and education of the children of said Indians.

The act appropriates \$40,000 for carrying out its provisions, \$10,000 to be expended toward the establishment of the before mentioned industrial farm. A proviso is added to the bill that the state of Oregon shall be entitled to select from the public lands of the United States lands in lieu of the sixteenth and thirty-sixth sections contained in the Umatilla reservation, as now set apart and established.

There was no debates upon the bill, and a short amendment reported by the committee on Indian affairs, which does not affect its material provisions, was adopted.

The civil service reform system suggested and operated upon during president Hays' administration is being discarded and in several states custom house officers and other appointees have organized conventions and have so manipulated matters as to get Arthur delegates to the National Convention. In some places their manipulations caused dissatisfaction and led to difficulty. The practice of permitting the president to renominate himself by his horde of hungry appointees should be rebuked.

THE CHINESE BILL.

The house on the 3rd inst., passed the amendatory Chinese exclusion bill by a vote of 184 to 12. In support of the bill M. C. George said, when the original act was before the house he had declared his views on the subject, and only wished now to reiterate his declarations in all their force and import. The people of the Pacific coast came before the Forty-eighth congress and pointed out some defects which time and experience had shown to exist in the original act. They asked for remedial legislation. He believed the provisions of the pending bill were absolutely necessary for the enforcement of the original act. That act did not provide for punishment in the case of its violation. If congress had the right to say certain persons should not enter this country, it had the right, and it was absolutely necessary that it should be exercised, to provide punishment for them if they did come. This pending bill did, and if that were the only provision in it would merit the careful attention and favorable consideration of this house. He appealed to the side of the house to stand by the national interests of the Pacific coast. It was not a party measure with the people of that region. The people there were united. They looked on this measure as a matter of the very greatest importance to their advancement, prosperity and happiness in the future.

Cassidy of Nevada said the present bill was intended to carry out the intentions of congress in passing the exclusion act. Both political parties are committed to the doctrine that the further coming of Chinese to this country shall be restricted. Both national conventions in 1876 included in their platform resolutions to that effect. Similar resolutions were included in both platforms in 1880. He was sorry the question of race had been raised in this debate. Members from the Pacific coast were not against Chinamen because of the color of his skin, but because of the degradation brought in this country; because he does not come to this country to enjoy the blessings of freedom. Not one of them comes for that reason. They do not come as Europeans come; they do not come as honest, good citizens; they come to better themselves from a financial point of view. There is a stipulation given in their contracts that if they die their bones shall be taken back to China.

The committee on appropriations it is said will soon report to the house a bill in which is contained the following items recommended for points in Oregon and Washington Territory. For continuing the improvement at Yaquina bay \$40,000. For work on the canal at the Cascades \$100,000. The upper Willamette river, above Portland \$5000, and the Columbia below Portland \$100,000. For the upper Chlumbia and Snake rivers \$5000. The committee must be fearful that the U. S. treasury may become short of funds, hence such meager appropriations. It is certainly difficult to carry on the river and harbor improvements as they should be improved in a new country like Oregon where appropriations are dealt out in such a niggardly manner. Yaquina bay in order to push the improvement as it should be done ought to have not less than \$200,000, and other places in proportion.

According to the estimates of some of Blaine's friends it is stated by them that he is likely to get the nomination for president on the first ballot. This view of his chances is perhaps too overconfident.

If James G. Blaine is nominated as the Republican candidate for the next president, it will be the means of creating an enthusiasm among the people unequalled before in the United States.

It is the opinion of those intelligent in railroad matters in San Francisco that the Central Pacific will secure control of the Oregon and California road, and complete it during the present season.

PLATFORM.

The Republican party of Benton county in convention assembled, do make and affirm the following declaration of our principles:

First. That all land grants to railroads, unearned according to the contract, should be forfeited and restored to the public domain for the use of actual settlers.

Second. That we recognize the essential justice of the principles of the law of the last session of the Legislature known as the "Mortgage Tax Law," and that the assessment laws should be so amended as to more fully equalize taxation and prevent the making of temporary and fictitious indebtedness to offset assessed value.

Third. That we are in favor of the enactment of a registry law that will guard the ballot-box and prevent illegal voting.

Fourth. That the general government should purchase the canal and locks at Oregon City, to the end that the Willamette river may be made a free highway to the sea; also, that the present rates of toll at said locks should be reduced to a reasonable compensation for the service performed.

Fifth. That we are in favor of making it a misdemeanor for any public officer or member of the Legislature to accept or use a free pass from any corporation or common carrier.

Sixth. That monopolies, by which a privileged class exercise a controlling power over the property and labor of a multitude of citizens, are opposed to the genius and spirit of our government; and we favor such legislation, both State and National, as will prevent co-operative bodies from encroaching upon and oppressing the people.

Seventh. That in order to more securely protect the interests of mechanics and laborers, we are in favor of more efficient and well considered lien laws.

Eighth. That the continuance and earnest prosecution of the improvement to the entrance of Yaquina harbor is an object of the deepest interest to Benton county and the entire State, with special reference to the certain results of such improvement in reducing the cost to producers and consumers of both inland and ocean transportation of the products of Central and Eastern Oregon, and we pledge our nominees for the Legislature to vote for no man for the office of United States Senator who will not unequivocally admit the paramount importance of this great object, and energetically and earnestly strive to secure liberal appropriations from the general government for its speedy completion.

Ninth. That we favor a Legislative enactment submitting to the voters of Oregon, subject to their decision, a constitutional amendment that shall prohibit the manufacture, sale or use of intoxicating liquors within the State, except for mechanical and medicinal purposes.

Tenth. That the road laws should be so amended as to require the payment of road tax in the district where the property is situated.

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. KEADY,
A. G. MULKKEY,
R. A. BENSELL.

Senator Dolph, from the committee on commerce, recently made a favorable report to the senate on the bill authorizing the construction of a canal from Lakes Union and Washington, in Washington Territory, to Puget Sound, a distance of about 5000 feet. The bill provides that the company to whom it grants the right to construct the canal shall receive all lands reclaimed by their work along the line. The measure has been reported favorably to the house.

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