

POPULIST CONVENTION.

Full Report of the Proceedings up to This Hour.

Daily Guard April 24. Baker Nominated for Senator. A S Patterson called the convention to order this morning at 10:30 o'clock, and stated that it was a very important meeting.

It was moved that the officers at the convention in February be made the regular officers of this convention; carried with a few negative votes. [This makes A S Patterson chairman, Geo O Knowles secretary and I H Veneteh, assistant secretary—Ed.]

On motion Elmer Yarnell was elected a second assistant secretary. The committee on credentials was the same as at the last convention, excepting S C Sparks, who was absent. N Martin was appointed to the vacancy, he being one of the silver delegates.

Mr Patterson thanked the convention for the honor of again being elected chairman. N Martin thought it was a regular mass convention and that all had the right to participate.

The call was then read by the secretary for the information of the convention. W H Spaulgh was in favor of unrepresented precincts being allowed representation in this union convention.

It was moved and carried that two members of the "free silver element" be appointed as follows: John Davis, N Martin. The populist members of the committee are: Jerry Atkinson, W H Spaulgh, Adam Richey. Committee on order of business and permanent organization: Jerry Atkinson, A M Whiteaker, Geo Knowles, John Sutherland, A M Sweeney. Adjourned until 1 o'clock.

The committee on credentials reported the following additional free silver delegates and they were given representation: Mohawk—J M Davis, J H Hagan, Josh McGee, John Yarnell, Ross Mathews. Camp Creek—James Allen, S E Worthington, Andy Stephen, Clarence Branton.

Thurston—James Tucker, B F Russell Jr, Orin Green Jr, R Snoble, Hans Matteson, Dr B F Russell. East Cottage Grove—N Martin. Gate Creek—Adam Richey, Chas Elliott, W J Yale. Junction City—R P Caldwell. Additional populist delegates: Irving—P J Ferguson, A W Bond, J T Harris, R Robertson.

The chairman of the committee on credentials created some amusement by stating the committee had had considerable trouble on account of numerous proxies as the old delegates had scattered as far as California. The committee on order of business and permanent organization made their report which was adopted. It provided that a full ticket be nominated; also for a central committee.

Baker Speaks. Hon C H Baker was called for and responded in substance: I want to disabuse all your minds if you think I am here looking for office from your hands. Some time since a prominent populist asked me if I would come out as an independent candidate for state senator if I was assured of an endorsement at the hands of the populists. I felt kindly to the proposition as I had just been "knocked out" by my own (the republican) party, but did not fully make up my mind at that time.

After considering the matter a short time I later called on the gentleman at his home, and told him I would accept a platform declaring for the referendum and free silver as an independent candidate. I did not come here last night as I was not hungry for office. The office must come freely to me. I am ready and willing to shoulder my musket and do my duty in this cause. Everybody must get off the fence on the financial question. I am against a straddle. Shut down on straddlers. The financial question never can be settled by the old parties. The old parties are profuse in promises in this matter, but will do nothing. I have been fooled for years. The democratic nominee for senator is a gold standard man; the republican candidate is a straddler and has no policy. Whether I am placed on the ticket or not, I propose to support the ticket nominated here today.

[Baker was a republican member of the last legislature, and wanted the republican nomination for state senator at the recent republican convention, but was defeated. On the first ballot in that convention he received 41 votes. At the present time he is a member of the republican county central committee from Camp Creek.] We our committee on resolutions of the peoples party of Lane county beg leave to reaffirm our position on the great county, state and national questions believing the important to hinge on the following.

PLATFORM. First—We demand direct legislation through the initiative and referendum with the imperative mandate in local, state and national government. Second—We demand the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1; a full legal tender for all debts both public and private.

the convention for the honor. The following resolution was offered and unanimously carried: Be it resolved, that we request all nominees that obtain a nomination before this convention, be requested to explain his position and commit himself squarely on the platform laid down in this convention.

REPRESENTATIVES. R P Caldwell was placed in nomination. He declined. Levi Geer, of Cottage Grove, was placed in nomination but declined. A M Sweeney also declined. Wm Neeley, of Mapleton, was nominated by acclamation, as he was not present. John Sutherland, of Cottage Grove, was nominated by acclamation. He thanked the convention for the nomination. W H Spaulgh and M M Myers also declined. W W Myers and N Martin, of Cottage Grove were placed in nomination. Martin said he had been kicked out of the republican convention on account of his free silver ideas, and therefore I have bolted that party.

First Ballot—Martin 123, Myers 12, Neeley, Sutherland and Martin declared the nominees. COUNTY JUDGE. John McMahon of Thurston and R P Caldwell of Junction were placed in nomination. Caldwell withdrew. On motion McMahon was nominated by acclamation, provided he accepts; if not the executive committee will fill the vacancy.

COMMISSIONER. Nominations: A Hopkins of Willamette and R P Caldwell of Junction. First Ballot—Hopkins 14, Caldwell 123. Caldwell declared the nominee.

SHERIFF. I H Veneteh, of Cottage Grove, was nominated by acclamation. CLERK. Nominations: Elmer Yarnell of Mohawk, T J Gill, of Eugene; Thos Hunsaker of Lost Valley. First Ballot—Yarnell 91, Gill 44, Hunsaker 8. Yarnell declared the nominee.

TREASURER. A S Patterson of Eugene was nominated by acclamation. ASSESSOR. Nominations: D A Holland of Willamette; S K George of Springfield, Alex Gray of Thurston. First Ballot—Holland 89; George 59; Gray 9. Holland declared the nominee.

SURVEYOR. Harvey Taylor of Cottage Grove was nominated by acclamation. SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT. Nominations: George Milan of Thurston; El Barger of Eugene; Ross Mathews of Eugene. First Ballot—Milan 28; Barger 12; Mathews 96. Mathews declared the nominee.

CORONER. Nominations: Dr E D McKenney of Eugene and Dr M Canady of Spencer. First Ballot—McKenney 41; Canady 90; Tom Elliott 7. Canady declared the nominee. On motion the convention endorsed Senator Vanderburg of Coos county for congressman, J at Upton for prosecuting attorney and Frazier Ward for board of equalization.

Squirrel Whipped a Cat. There was a lively scrap at A H Trent's store yesterday, says the Spokane Chronicle, in which two men came near losing their fingers, while Patsy, the cat, was badly chewed up. Trent is the possessor of a fine gray squirrel, and thought it would be a grand scheme to turn the squirrel out of the cage and give him the freedom of the store. The store doors were closed and the squirrel liberated.

For a few minutes the squirrel had a lively time chasing about, but came too near the cat. There was a mad-dened scream and the air was full of fur and claws. An attempt was made to separate the combatants, in which Trent was bitten through the finger, and large chunks of outside were torn from his hands. His clerk came to his assistance and fared no better. The squirrel and cat continued to fight while the bleeding human referees stood and looked on. At last the cat got loose, escaped through the back window, and has not been seen since. The squirrel returned to his cage, proud of his victory, having cleaned up all in sight.

AN OPERA HOUSE.—A plan is now on foot to erect a new opera house in this city. The plans for a building are now being drawn and a meeting of those who have the matter in hand will be held next Monday evening, at which time it is expected a definite conclusion will be reached. The location as now proposed is on the L N Roney property, on Willamette street, adjoining Day & Henderson on the north. The building will have a 60-foot front. The depth is not yet decided upon. On either side of the front part of the building will be a store room 20 feet wide and of suitable depth. Between these two store rooms will be the entrance to the opera house, 20 feet wide and built with a gradual ascent so that it will be five or six feet higher at the rear end than at the front. The opera house will be in the rear of the building and will be about 50x60 feet in the auditorium and will have a stage about 30x60 feet. The auditorium will slant gradually from the rear to the stage, and will have a gallery extending clear around it. A number of prominent business men are interested in the project.

IN JUSTICE'S COURT.—The case of Geo M Miller vs Mrs Phinegar, suit to recover money on green fruit, is being heard before Justice Wheeler today. The suit to prove property of a span of horses, in possession of Lawrence Curtis, now held under attachment in this city, which was to have taken place today, has been postponed until next Thursday owing to the drowning a day or two ago of Mr Curtis' young brother at Brownsville.

DAILY GUARD, APRIL 25. \$750 RAISED.—The Fourth of July committee has so far raised \$750, for the celebration. Only \$150 more is wanted.

WILLAMETTE PRESBYTERY Of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

CROSSWELL, April 23. Willamette Presbytery met Thursday morning with the following additional members not reported last night: Rev S F Longbottom, of Alsea, and Elders J B England, of Row River, and S B Morse, of Crosswell. Rev L R Bond, of Coburg, was elected moderator. At 11 o'clock Rev C A Woolley of Fairmount preached.

In afternoon session report of committee and systematic beneficence was further considered, and after further discussion was adopted and Rev S F Longbottom appointed to preach the sermon on that subject next meeting. Rev W M Houston of Junction and Elder J W Gowdy of Cottage Grove arrived. Committee on publication submitted report which was well discussed and adopted.

Delegates to General Assembly: Rev S R Bond alternate, Rev W M Houston, Elder S B Morse, alternate, H C Veech. Alsea chosen as the next place of meeting. Rev I A Gaither preached the sermon in the evening to a large congregation from Acts 1-8. Adjourned to meet at 8:30 Friday morning. The sessions are very interesting and profitable.

ZEPH. DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE

J. G. Gray Endorsed for County Treasurer. Daily Guard, April 24.

The Lane county democratic central committee met in the city hall today and after transacting minor details and authorizing the chairman to confer with the chairmen of the populist and republican central committees in regard to the campaign, passed the following resolution: WHEREAS, B F Dorris, the regular nominee of the democratic convention held in Eugene, Lane county, Oregon, on the 7th day of April 1896, for county treasurer, has fled with the Democratic County Central Committee his declination. Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the vacancy on the Democratic ticket created by the withdrawal of said B F Dorris be not supplied and that Mr J G Gray who has declared himself as independent candidate for the office of Treasurer of Lane county, Oregon, be and he is hereby recommended to the favorable consideration of the Democratic voters of said Lane county as a suitable candidate to be voted for to fill said office of county treasurer.

JUDGE JOHN T. GILFREY. A Well Known Lane County Pioneer Passes Away at Crosswell. Daily Guard, April 25.

Judge John T Gilfrey, a well known Lane county pioneer, died at his home in Crosswell at 10:15 a m today, at the age of 79 years. The cause of death was old age. He was born in Baltimore, Maryland, and afterwards moved to the state of Illinois where he married Miss Della Bristow; in 1852 he crossed the plains and settled in Oregon, and has resided here ever since. He was one of the prominent men of Lane county, and in 1854 was elected as the first judge of the county. He held court in James Huddleston's store, which was located at or near where the Eugene bridge across the river now stands. For several years he was engaged in the general merchandise business at Crosswell. He was a consistent member of the Christian church, and all that knew him were proud of his many noble qualities. He leaves four grown children, Mrs J H Whiteaker of Crosswell, H L Gilfrey of Washington, D C, Geo L Gilfrey of Silver Lake and W R Gilfrey of Clatskanie. The funeral will take place Monday from his late residence in Crosswell to the Pleasant Hill cemetery.

MRS RYAN'S LETTER.—Anna Gladys Southard Ryan Davenport Etceera, the former much married woman of Albany, has written to her last husband, John R Green, of Battle, and says: "Oh, Mr Green, I did not think you would be so mean as to bring disgrace upon me by publishing my story and saying that I took your money." Then she accuses Green of being cross to her. She tells of her home in Portland and says she is sure God is directing her movements. She intends to lead a good life, and is dwelling with a "lovely family." The same old game. Mrs Green is undoubtedly very non compos mentis.

DIED.—At her home in Nashville, Tenn., April 23, 1896, at noon, Mrs Susan Ruth, aged 72 years. She was the elder sister of Hona George B and B F Dorris, of this city. Next Sunday left her two weeks ago next Friday for that place in response to a telegram announcing the serious illness of Mrs Ruth, and was with her at the time of her demise. Deceased leaves to mourn her departure, one sister and five brothers, Mrs Martha Cornelius, of Nashville, Tenn., Rev William G Dorris, Nashville, Tenn., Dr I F Dorris, of Georgia, Daniel Dorris, of Texas, and Hon George B Dorris and City Recorder B F Dorris, both of this city.

DAILY GUARD, APRIL 24. A NEW BUILDING.—Work will commence in a few days on a new brick building to be erected on the south side of Eighth street, just west of J D Matlock & Co's buildings. It will be erected by L N Roney and A G Hovey, and will be 40x90 feet in size and one story high. It will be used as an agricultural implement house and has already been leased by M Svarverud and some other gentlemen.

TO MOVE A SAWMILL.—Salem Statesman: There is a rumor to the effect that J C Goodale, of Coburg, may, ere long, move his sawmill from that place to Albany to secure the advantage of superior shipping facilities. As there is a good site for a sawmill at Albany, it would certainly be a desirable place to have an enterprise of that kind there, this industry not being represented in that city.

Drift.

Everybody on the Pacific slope has doubtless heard of Charlotte Perkins Stetson, until recently one of the progressive women of San Francisco and Oakland, and now a resident of Chicago. But it may not be generally known there that she is at present engaged in active settlement work in one of the worst districts in this, according to Mr Steel, unparitarily wicked city. Not yet thirty years of age she has already achieved a name and a place in the world of literature. As an author and a lecturer she is known from sea to sea and admired wherever known. The book of verse entitled "In This Our World," has just been republished in London. Perhaps it is as well to add that the English edition appeared without her knowledge and approval.

In this very remarkable and brilliant little book Mrs Stetson is as generous to the world her gospel of the broader life. Every stanza of every poem is a sledge-hammer stroke for the lives and liberty of her sex, for the advancement of the human race.

"The race is higher than the sex, Though sex be fair and good; A human creature is your state, And to be human is more great Than even womanhood!" She declares, and from the text preaches a sermon that we would do well to heed. Of the coming woman she says she is—

"A woman—in so far as she beholdeth Her one beloved's face; A mother—with a great heart that unfolds Thy children of the race; A body, free and strong, with that high beauty That comes of perfect use thereof; A mind where reason ruleth over duty, And justice reigns with love; A self-poised royal soul, brave, wise and tender No longer blind and dumb; A human being of an unknown splendor, Is she who is to come!"

By which you will perceive that this very gifted and brilliant woman has much faith in the future of her sex. One's first impression of her is that she is all fire and flashing sunlight, so vivid is her personality. Then she is beautiful—as beautiful in body as in mind. There is nothing disappointing about her. She is delightfully harmonious and her manner charms as much as her face.

Associated with that noble woman, Helen Campbell, Mrs Stetson has taken up the settlement work and lives in the Elm street house with four or five other devoted people and gives much of her time and strength to practically helping the more wretched portion of humanity to an understanding and an active enjoyment of better things. This Elm street settlement, though of recent establishment, seems to be, with the exception perhaps of Hull House, the most perfectly complete, in the conception and grasp of the social problems with which it has to deal, of any that it has been my good fortune to visit.

Everything is taught there from banking and military tactic to cooking. There are art classes, literary clubs, dancing, music and above all the divine command concerning one's neighbor is tested and found practicable. They do not go about, in the Elm street settlement, asking "who is our neighbor?" They most wisely spare themselves that trouble by accepting all humanity in that relationship.

"We have no creeds here," Mrs Stetson laughingly remarked one evening, "happiness and goodness come before religious doctrines. We have no time to preach when there is so much to practice." Before I leave this radiant herald of glorious freedom I want once more to call your attention to one or two poems of her's which are not only strikingly clever; but deliciously being amusing as well. "Similar Cases," is so exquisite in its wit, so delicate in its sarcasm that I particularly call your attention to it. Every man should read it and every woman too. It is impossible to quote it for it is all so delightful that I find it hard to make a selection. Another equally interesting is "The Amoeboid Belle," in which the specialized cell replies.

"I'd rather be part Of a thing with a heart Than the whole of a creature like you! A memberless morsel like you!" Then there is "A Conservative," and "Mr Rockefeller's Prayer"—but you should read them yourself for there is not a dull line between the two covers of "In This, Our World," and the poem called "Seeking" in matches in the music of its metre and and the beauty of its thought.

Chicago in spite of its shamefully filthy streets and soot-laden atmosphere is beginning to be—dear me, I wonder if in time one might grow to love the place. There is a life and vigor, a large ambition about it which seems to lay hold upon one unawares. If it is true that "cleanliness is next to godliness," how far, how hopelessly far from the latter attribute must poor grimy Chicago be. The newspapers rage an unceasing war against the garbage contractors and in this conflict they are aided by the progressive women of the city. One does not know how much worse it might be, but as yet there is little, or no attempt made to improve the street cleaning service, on the part of those whose first duty it is to attend to this matter.

LISCHEN MAUD MILLER. DAILY GUARD, APRIL 25. TWO LINKERS.—The three-linkers have had possession of the town today but they did not interfere with the plans of the Robert C McEwan of linkers, Mr Robert C McEwan of Douglas county and Miss M Catharine Blew of Lane county, who were granted a marriage permit by County Clerk Jennings.

Also to Milton A Uttinger and Miss E Ann Driskill. LOTS OF FUN.—Salem Statesman: J H Penton, the bill poster, is authority for the information that Salem may be visited by three big circus organizations during the coming season. He says they are fighting for railroad privileges and there is fun ahead for the small boy.

BORN.—April 24, to Mr and Mrs Hugh Edwards, about two miles south of town, a son.

BAKER OF LANE.

Under the above head the Salem Journal, Rep, whose editor was one of the "thirty," says:

"Hon. C. H. Baker, of Lane county, has been nominated for the senate by the populists, and will probably be the only candidate in the field, by the time election day rolls around, against Dr. Driver the eminent divine.

"Dr. Driver was nominated by the republicans on a wave of A. P. A. enthusiasm, and has spent most of his time since his nomination denouncing the Catholics and Liberals. He is an able man, but has a heavy load to carry, in the natural aversion of the American people to pick up a man who carries a theological chip on his shoulder all the time. Driver has also to carry Moorhead, who two years ago was elected on a reform and silver platform, and then sold out his constituents for a mess of pottage, handed him by the Simon ring at the last moment.

"The republican party should not have thrown men like Baker and Hillegas overboard. They are as clean and able and conscientious Americans as ever sat in the Oregon legislature. They are fearless, courageous, independent and intelligent. It is suicidal for a party, at the bidding of such men as Mr. Dolph's nephew and Prof. McElroy to punish such men. When the republicans of Lane county, allowed their primaries to be packed by the corrupt elements to sit down on Baker and Hillegas, both farmers, committed a blunder, no matter whether their ticket is elected or not. The taxpayer looks behind the actions of a convention to see the dominating motives of the party managers. What reforms need the people expect at the hands of men who bow down to corruption in order to get places and emoluments? None whatever. The people of Lane county will return Mr. Baker to the state legislature and return men with him who will represent the people instead of the ring. It is to be regretted they will not return as republicans."

The above is so full of misstatements that a correction is due the people of Lane county. In the the first paragraph it is stated that Baker will probably be the only candidate against Driver by the time election rolls around. Hon E R Skipworth will be in the field to the last moment of June 1st—election day—and will be elected. Baker is reported to be an A. P. A. as well as Driver, Mr. Journal. Skipworth is not a member of the organization. We will have to inform the editor of the Journal that Prof. McElroy, although a consistent republican, has not interfered with politics in Lane county, as every citizen in this city will testify. Prof. McElroy is giving his entire time to his duties at the U of O, and the statement concerning him is false as false can be. As to Mr. Dolph's nephew, he was a firm and loyal supporter of Mr. Friendly for the position, who ought to have been nominated by the convention, as he could have done more good for Lane county than anyone else. When it says Baker will be elected we also think Hoefer is not familiar with affairs here. At this writing it looks as if the democratic legislative ticket would succeed.

REV. DRIVER AND LIBERALS. Salem Journal, Rep: "Rev. I. D. Driver, who is running for state senator in Lane county, has been lecturing on Ingersoll, at Roseburg. The Roseburg Plaindealer reports one of his lectures as follows: 'Dr. Driver said no infidel's progeny descends to the fifth generation. God Almighty had determined they should not extend the curse so far. Four noted infidels, who came to this coast in an early day, viz, Sam Culver, Jesse Applegate, Pengra and Senator Nesmith all died insane, and after 63 years of age.'

"It is exceedingly fortunate that God's laws and God's curses are not in the hands of some men to execute. 'Very few persons believe that Ingersoll or the so-called Liberals can establish their agnostic doctrines, because their proof of the non-existence of God, or the Divine mind, rests on materialism. Materialism will never sway the masses of mankind because there is an in-born conviction among all races that a spiritual life is back of humanity and behind creation itself. 'But while we do not believe that the doctrine of Ingersoll and of the materialists generally can be maintained, no intelligent man can endorse the illiberal utterances of Dr. Driver about the Liberal and their progeny. That may do to talk to schoolboys or terrify the ignorant. If Dr. Driver made such statements he should modify them.'

"I leave the stage," said Mrs. Modjeska to an interviewer, "not because I have tired of my art, but owing to the dreadful monotony of constant travel, which is invariably a part of a theatrical career. I am weary of it all, and long for the rest and quiet of home."

The Salem Journal publishes a letter of T. H. Tongue of Nov. 3, 1894, in favor of free silver. Since then he has flopped, and while the letter is a good silver argument it is a very poor argument just now, for Mr. Tongue is now an Oregonian gold standard man.

Spaugh was defeated for a member of the populist executive committee yesterday evening after a hard fight. He was white with rage. The mills of God grind slowly but exceedingly fine. We suppose he will be a bolter ere many days roll around. Official figures show that Paris consumes daily for food an average of sixty-three horses and one donkey, and one mule every ten days. There is a growing demand for horse meat in Europe, and that a considerable quantity is secretly marketed in the United States is a fact pretty well established. The republicans are condemning C H Baker roundly for his bolting the ticket, upon which he sought a nomination, and joining the populist party. They say if he had received 90 votes instead of 44 he would now be denouncing the populists as he was two years ago. Politics make strange bedfellows. Mrs Alexander Campbell, whose husband founded the church variously known as the Disciples, the Campbellites and the Christians, is living at the age of 94, in Bethany, W. Va. She has several children, but the one best known is Mrs. W. R. Thompson, who was Long postmistress of Louisville, and is now a resident of Washington. A Portland dispatch yesterday says: W. S. Mason has declined to stand as candidate for mayor on the anti-Simon ticket. His declination is based on private business relations. This leaves a clear field for Penoyer for mayor against D. Solis Cohen, the Simon candidate, and will give Penoyer almost the solid support of all the opposition. In turn the anti-Simon legislative ticket will no doubt secure a heavy vote from the friends of the citizens' movement. Register: "To hear some of Lane's good democrats tell about the relationship existing between the republican party and the A P A one would naturally think that there were a few democrats in the order, and that as usual they could not keep from given caucus secrets away." Is this so, and can you blame them when your candidate for senator immediately after accepting the nomination stated that the tariff and financial issues were pigmies in comparison with the only issue, "The Religious War." The Salem Journal, which is one of the most radical republican papers in the state, passes the following comment upon the political situation: "The Jo Simon ringsters, the Wall street ringsters, the office seeking ringsters, who have combined to run state and national politics and force Dolph upon the people of Oregon again, should be turned down in Portland, and every county in the state. Let the professional office-holding class quit dictating to the people, and become the servants of the people instead of their masters." Women cyclists are heard from almost the world over; in England and her colonies the interest grows. The Princess of Wales rides a tricycle, but her daughters use the bicycle. Miss Cochrane, a maid of honor to the queen, rides well, and the Cyclists Towing Club has this year added to its membership the names of several titled ladies. In Sydney and Melbourne ladies are following the fashion set by the mother country, the daughters of Lord Hampton, the newly appointed governor of New South Wales, having given fresh impetus to the fashion in Sidney, where it is said the demand for ladies' wheels is greater than the supply. J S Haynes, editor of the Portlander, the A P A organ for Oregon, and one of the leading officers of that organization in the state talks to the Oregonian thusly: "As far as McKinley is concerned it is more than likely that the A P A will work against him. He has been silent when interrogated on the immigration and sectarian school questions, while the other candidates have given more or less favorable replies. My personal opinion is that the choice of the order will be either Harrison or Allison. The A P A is preparing for an active campaign in state politics. There are now 178 lodges in the state, where there were 28 two years ago—every county being represented—and the work of organization is being pushed in all directions."