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DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION DOES ITS WORK QUICKLY AND WELL

Dr. C. J. Smith Chairman, A. C. Haley Secretary and Joe Scott Assistant Secretary.

Nominates Full County Ticket—Commends Democratic Administration of Umatilla County—Favors Lewis and Clark Fair—Resolution of Respect to Colonel E. D. Boyd—T. G. Haley's Services Commended.

Over 200 enthusiastic delegates were present this morning when Dr. C. Haley, secretary of the democratic county central committee called the county convention to order, at 10:30.

With commendable dispatch and practical experience, the convention got down to actual work immediately.

Dr. C. J. Smith was chosen temporary chairman, A. C. Haley secretary and Joe Scott assistant secretary. In a few well chosen remarks complimentary of the large attendance, the harmony and the enthusiasm which marked the opening of the convention, Dr. Smith declared the meeting in session.

As a mark of esteem and appreciative respect, the first business transacted was the appointment of a committee of three, consisting of T. J. Tweedy, Professor Roy Conklin and J. N. B. Gerking, to draft a resolution of respect to the late Colonel E. D. Boyd, whose life had been devoted to the cause of democracy, and whose activity and energy has contributed so much to the success of the party in this county.

Committees on platform, credentials, order of business and house, were then appointed and motions, nominations for state and congressional delegates were made, in order to expedite business at the afternoon session.

Twenty-six delegates were then placed in nomination for state and congressional conventions, the 13 having the highest number of votes to be the state delegation, and the remainder to be the congressional delegation.

The following delegates were nominated: A. D. Stillman, A. S. Pearson, Joe Scott, T. J. Tweedy, Will M. Peterson, Wm. Atchison, Cecil Wade, T. G. Haley, W. W. Matlock, H. M. Powers, Fred Laatz, L. B. Plants, W. D. Hansford, J. H. Raley, G. A. Hartman, sr., W. A. Pierce, R. N. Stanfield, Dr. W. Campbell, William Blakeley, Dr. Stone, M. A. Rader, J. D. Chamberlain, T. F. Howard, W. B. Saylor, O. G. Chamberlain and William McBride.

Chairman Smith, then announced his committees when the convention adjourned until 1:30.

Committee Credentials. H. J. Stillman, Robert Hager, Chas. Loeffler, Lark Osborn, Henry Lloyd, Robert Morrison, A. B. Stone, Louis Bolus, R. E. Thom.

Order of Business. H. J. Taylor, Dr. Campbell, James R. Means, S. A. Andy Peeler, James Laughlin, William McCormack, Tom Millarkey, Jr., Robert Endicott.

Platform. T. G. Haley, Will M. Peterson, Clark Wade, Cecil Wade, Victor Chastain, Robert Stanfield, H. C. Willis, J. T. Llewellyn and J. S. Cherry.

House Committee. Lee Teutsch, William McBride, Fred Laatz, Robert Stanfield and Jake Hodgins.

Afternoon Session. To the inspiring music of the Pendleton band, the democratic county convention assembled at 1:30.

The report on credentials was immediately presented and adopted, showing there to be 219 delegates entitled to seats in the convention.

The committee on order of business and permanent organization recommended that the temporary organization be made permanent.

The committee recommended the following order of business for the convention, which was unanimously adopted: First, the nomination of county judge, commissioner, sheriff, clerk recorder, treasurer, coroner, school superintendent, coroner, two representatives to the legislature and the election of 13 delegates to state and congressional conventions. All vacancies to be filled by appointment by the central committee.

Platform. We, the representatives of the democracy of Umatilla county, Oregon, in convention assembled, believing in the rule of the people, and the most economical administration of government consistent with the public welfare, heartily endorse the efficient management of county affairs by our present democratic county officials, and commend them as diligent, conscientious and fearless officers whose efforts have resulted in a careful and economical administration of county affairs, and a reduction of the county debt; and we pledge all nominees of this convention to the same course of conduct with the proper conduct of county business and the public welfare.

Next in importance to the proper management of county affairs, we regard the development of the resources of our county and state, and we pledge our party and its candidates to the cause of irrigation as the most vital step now possible for the material and social welfare of our people; and we urge the adoption of all laws necessary to hasten the speedy reclamation of our irrigable lands and the proper control of the waters of our state.

We heartily commend the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition of 1905 as a deserved celebration of one of the greatest events in our nation's history, and point with pride to the fact that Thomas Jefferson, the father of democracy and his democratic friends, Lewis and Clark, conceived and executed the plan which made the Oregon country

recorder, there being no other name before the convention.

S. G. Lightfoot of Vinson, was nominated for treasurer. Dr. Dell of Weston, was nominated but withdrew from the race.

For Superintendent. W. S. Mayberry was unanimously nominated for county school superintendent.

For Surveyor. C. C. Berkeley, of Pendleton, was made the unanimous choice of the convention for county surveyor.

For Coroner. Dr. Campbell, of Helix, was nominated for coroner, but declined, and Dr. T. M. Henderson was made the unanimous choice of the convention.

For Representatives. W. D. Chamberlain and William Blakeley were chosen as candidates for the legislature without opposition.

For Assessor. C. P. Strain was unanimously chosen as assessor for county assessor. T. G. Haley in nominating Mr. Strain, said the people of Umatilla county believe that Mr. Strain has done his whole duty and that they will unanimously endorse the policy at the polls.

Mad Mullah Changes Address. London, April 14.—An Adon dispatch states that the Mad Mullah, against whom the British have been conducting a campaign, has reached Calcutta territory.

CONFLICTING AUTHORITIES

MARTIAL LAW AND CIVIL PROCESS IN CONFLICT.

Military Refuse to Produce President Meyer, of the Federation of Miners, in Answer to a Writ of Habeas Corpus—Actual Civil War is Probable in Colorado.

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OTHER COSTLY DAMAGE TO RUSSIA'S EASTERN FLEET

Torpedo Boat Sent to the Bottom by the Japanese, and the Battleship Probieda Badly Damaged.

Admiral Alexeff Will Have Supreme Command of Russia's Eastern Squadron—The Petropavlovsk Was Sunk by the Japanese, in Battle—Port Arthur Acknowledged to Be in Imminent Danger—St. Petersburg Is Wrapped in Snow and Gloom.

St. Petersburg, April 14.—Official dispatches state that the Russian battleship Probieda was also struck and a large hole torn in her side.

The Japanese also surrounded and sunk the Russian torpedo boat Vestrasni, but 50 of this boat's crew were saved.

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RUSSIA LOSES FIRST-CLASS BATTLESHIP PETROPAVLOVSK

Went Down With Seven Hundred Men and Admiral Makaroff—St. Petersburg Stunned by the News.

Two Other Russian Warships Were Damaged at the Same Time—Japanese Cross the Yalu and Spread Out Over the Adjacent Country, But Have a Scouting Force of Fifty Anihilated—It is Believed in Semi-Official Sources at St. Petersburg That War With England Over the Tibet Imbrogio is Probable.

St. Petersburg, April 13.—The official account of the sinking of the battleship Petropavlovsk, which was sunk by the Japanese, was received today.

It states that a lieutenant and five marines were sent in a Korean fishing boat to reconnoiter about the mouth of the river. They sighted seven Russian cavalrymen and five Chinese junk and attacked them.

The Russians were reinforced, but were finally driven back, losing one killed and two wounded. The Japs suffered no losses.

The report apparently concerns the same fight noted by Kouroupakki's statement, with the difference that the latter straddled the Jap boats sunk and all aboard were lost.

Japs Scouts Anihilated. St. Petersburg, April 13.—An official dispatch confirms Kouroupakki's report of the Samsalin anihilation of 50 Jap scouts, and adds details of the Japanese movement. The Japs had been entering Manchuria opposite Changhai, disguised as Koreans, and spreading along the river as far as Fomoshan.

In the second dispatch Kaastinskii reports that the night of the 11th a suspicious looking boat approached the mouth of the river. Lashoev. After several shots were fired it put out its lights and retired. At the beginning of the cannonade seven junks put out from the right bank of the river, but when fired at retired.

More Russian Losses. Tokio, April 13.—A Wiju dispatch states that a company of Russian troops attempted to cross the Yalu west of town this morning. A company of Japs drove them back. Twenty Russians are known to have been killed. They belonged to the 12th regiment of sharpshooters. Several other Russian parties have been reported in attempts to cross the river.

Russians Confound. London, April 13.—Laborers in the newspaper press today quote a Russian friend as stating that the war with Japan will be ended the coming summer. This friend is further quoted as saying a fight with England over Tibet is not considered an impossibility.

Fleeing From Conscript. Berlin, April 13.—Five hundred Poles, fleeing from Russian conscript, have arrived at Posen.

Battle in Progress. St. Petersburg, April 13.—The latest official dispatches state that a battle still continues off Port Arthur.

After an All Day Battle. St. Petersburg, April 13.—An official dispatch this evening states that the Japanese fleet after a battle with Russian forts and ships all day, has retired and is now stationed at Liatshichan, to the south of Port Arthur.

Makaroff's Loss an Awful Blow. London, April 13.—The loss of Makaroff is a blow that can hardly be estimated. He was the very heart of the Russian aggression at Port Arthur. Up to the time of his assuming direction, the Russian warships crouched and shivering under the guns of Port Arthur waiting for a renewal of the Japanese intermittent attacks and when they came, scattered back in a blind way. In place of this, Makaroff actually asmed them off.

The night of March 10 he sent six torpedo boats to sea to look for Japanese warships. These met the enemy and maintained a hot fight, each side losing a torpedo boat. Observing his torpedo boat foundering, Makaroff went out with two cruisers to face the entire Japanese fleet, but was too late to be of assistance. Such action was a perfect index of his work of infusing new life into the dry bones of the port.

Probable Capture of Makaroff. London, April 13.—In naval circles it is pointed out there is considerable cause for belief in the reported capture of Admiral Makaroff at Port Arthur. Recent reports stated that Makaroff has been making sorties from the port in small boats, doing scout duty. It is a possibility that the Japs allowed the admiral to grow over-confident and have intercepted him. Makaroff being the hero of the port.

Secret Cabal Headed by August Belmont. New York, April 12.—The Evening Mail will print tonight an expose of a secret visit by August Belmont to Alton B. Parker to carry the latter "Comfort from Wall Street." The Mail says: Belmont, banker and railroad man, who has been in attempts to conceal his destination, made a pilgrimage Saturday to the house of Chief Justice Alton B. Parker at Esopus. The schedules of West Shore railroad were upset to prevent Mr. Belmont's departure for Esopus becoming known in this city and the financier put himself to no little inconvenience, so that the Tammany opponents of the judge should not get wind of the conference.

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TWO CONGRESSIONAL STATE SCHOOL FUND IS BEING DEPLETED.

Applications for Loans at 5 Per Cent Very Numerous—Board Declines to Refuse Applications Henceforth. Until Fund is Somewhat Increased—34 Applications Now on Hand.

Salem, April 14.—There is considerable more of a demand for the loan of school money and the irreducible school fund is becoming rapidly depleted. The applications on hand are so numerous that, if granted, would leave no surplus, and accordingly the state land board has decided that no more money will be loaned out at the minimum rate of interest under the law, 5 per cent, and accordingly made an order yesterday afternoon that the rate of interest in the future until further notice, would be raised to 6 per cent, not to injure the school districts of the state.

The school districts of the state however, desiring to borrow money and issue bonds or warrants therefor will not be required, until further order of the board, to first make tender thereof to the board before selling, as otherwise provided by law. The order of the board follows: "Whereas, with the applications now on hand for loans and amount necessary to be refunded to purchase the bonds of the International Association of the State, which has failed, will so reduce the irreducible school fund that there will be no surplus nor tenders of bonds or warrants of school districts will be considered bearing a less rate than 6 per cent.

Neither Moody's Nor Harris' Name Was Presented—James A. Fee, of Pendleton, Chairman of Second Congressional District Convention—Outward Harmony Prevails—Cattlemen Are Opposed to Leasing of Public Domain.

Portland, April 14.—The republican congressional convention of the second district yesterday nominated J. N. Williamson for congress without opposition.

A full representation from the district was present. Judge James A. Fee, of Pendleton, was unanimously elected chairman of the convention.

The name of Malcolm A. Moody was not presented to the convention and outwardly the business was conducted with perfect harmony.

Resolutions were adopted commending the actions of President Roosevelt and the Oregon delegation in congress. A resolution presented by the cattlemen's organization, opposed to leasing of the public domain, was discussed at length, but the convention adjourned before action was taken upon the resolution.

The cattlemen will present the same resolution to the democratic congressional convention.

Hermann is Nominated. Salem, April 14.—Binger Hermann was renominated for congress by acclamation, in the congressional convention of the first district yesterday afternoon.

While Harris, of Eugene, was hopeful for the nomination, until the hour of opening the convention, it developed that he did not have sufficient votes to nominate and he declined to permit his name to be presented.

Water Mains Burst. Great Damage Done by Water in Salt Lake City. Salt Lake, April 14.—The junction of nine water mains at the head of Main street, burst this morning, lifting the street car tracks and pavements and flooding the business district, and undermining such historic landmarks as the monument to Brigham Young and the Pioneer's monument. The damage in eight amounts to several thousand dollars.

St. Patrick's Day Won. Newmarket, April 14.—Croker's St. Patrick's Day won the biennial stakes of 500 sovereigns.

Persecuted in His Name. Berlin, April 13.—Fifty Jewish families, numbering 400 persons, who fled from Romania, Bulgaria, as a result of the anti-Semitic outbreak, have sought refuge at Wldin. Driven out, they wandered to Kalafat, Rumania. There they were again ordered away, and are now bivouacking on the Roumanian bank of the Danube, in a pitiable state, bordering on famine. All these misfortunes regard America as the only land where religious liberty and civil rights are possible for them.

For Recorder. Harry Fowler was nominated unanimously for the office of county