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## COUNTY REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For Senator,  
**A. C. MARSTERS**, of Roseburg.  
 For Representatives,  
**A. R. MATTOON**, of Looking Glass,  
**C. ROSS KING**, of Yoncalla.  
 For Sheriff,  
**E. L. PARROTT**, of Roseburg.  
 For Clerk,  
**D. R. SHAMBOOK**, of Umpqua Ferry.  
 For Assessor,  
**J. A. STERLING**, of Drain.  
 For Treasurer,  
**G. W. DIMMICK**, of Elkton.  
 For School Superintendent,  
**F. B. HAMLIN**, of Roseburg.  
 Commissioners,  
**M. D. THOMPSON**, of Scottsburg,  
**A. E. NICHOLS**, of Riddle.  
 For Surveyor,  
**WILLIAM BRIGGS**, of Canyonville.  
 For Coroner,  
**DR. J. C. TWITCHELL**, of Roseburg.  
**Roseburg Precinct Officers.**  
 For Justice of the Peace,  
**H. J. ROBINETTE**.  
 For Constable,  
**CLAY SLOCUM**.

Any old thing! H. R. Kincaid, late secretary of state, has been nominated by the populists for County Judge, of Lane county. Salary \$600. How the mighty are fallen.

In the nomination of Hon. J. C. Folberton for presidential elector at the republican state convention, substantial recognition was given an able, tried and true Douglas county representative of the grand old party.

Politics is the all absorbing topic at this time as all parties have put forth their county ticket and the state tickets are known. The Republican party has a fixed principle, steady and never swerving, quite in contrast to that of the other parties that have no abiding principle—except a desiring for office.

Republicans generally, in this district, rejoice in the renomination of Hon. Geo. M. Brown, for prosecuting attorney. Mr. Brown is an attorney learned and eloquent in his profession and during his incumbency has made a reputation and record that will bear the closest inspection. He stands the acknowledged peer of any candidate for this important office, and his re-election is generally conceded.

The so-called union, or fusion, conventions held throughout the different counties of the state, would be better called "absorption" conventions, as in most instances the democrats have attempted, and with some degree of success, to absorb the populists. The populists can't stand a democrat any better than they can a republican, hence they cannot enthrone the democratic tickets that have been placed in the field, and which are now pleading for their support.—Criterion.

In the nomination of Hon. R. A. Booth for joint senator of Josephine, Douglas and Lane counties a most wise selection was made by the republicans in state convention. Mr. Booth is one of the most enterprising and public spirited citizens of the state and withal a gentleman of sterling integrity and worth. He is eminently well qualified to fill the office for which he was nominated and owing to his well deserved popularity throughout these counties, he will no doubt be elected by a very large majority.

We understand the proneness to find fault with public officials and candidates for office. In the coming campaign, we shall confine ourselves only to a simple truth, and truth which can be verified. As a public newspaper, however, we must inform our readers upon the matters in which they are interested, concerning the qualifications of candidates and let them leave the voters to judge for themselves. We have no desire to see a man who is unqualified or whose record is bad, elected, but those responsible for the choice of the majority of the electors, take the consequences, and we shall not be found to find fault.

## SOME SOLID FACTS

### Tersely Expressed by Commissioner Thompson—Fisher a Reformer for Revenue Only.

EDITOR PLAINDEALER: I see in the issue of April 9th of the "great and only," the Roseburg Review, that Charles has devoted nearly a column to what I said, and did not say before the republican convention. Now, Charles has garbled my words worse than he did the republican platform. He (Chas.) has been claiming that the reduction of the county debt was wholly due to the fusion officers, and also the appreciation of county warrants to the same cause.

Now, what I did say upon that occasion, was, that the republican party should have some credit for the reduction of the debt. It has been steadily reduced for the last four years under a 22-mill levy in '96 and '97 against a 22-mill levy in '98 and '99 under "reform" administration. I did not attack any officer and Fisher knows it very well. I did say Judge Lyons was honest in trying to get our county out of debt, and I also commended R. L. Stephens as an officer that was economical, and stated that was the reason that he was turned down, because he would not fill his office with deputies at the expense of the taxpayers. In 1898 Mr. Britt made the assessment, which was something over \$600,000 more than the assessment of 1899. Upon that assessment a levy of 22 mills was made—2 mills more than was made for the two previous years, which resulted in raising enough money so that we could pay off considerable of our debt.

Fisher says that I lament the fact that the tax payers will be called upon to pay \$20,000 less taxes this year. I called attention to that fact to show the people that it will be impossible to pay off any of our debt this year, and that Charles was using republican powder to shoot his fusion cannon. Mr. Fisher states that I am imbued with the idea of high taxes. Does Mr. Fisher know that I stood between the taxpayers and a levy of 45 or 50 mills advocated by members of his party for the purpose of paying the county debt in one year. I can bring proof that I have always favored the lowest possible levy. He speaks of Mr. Sterling as "poor old Jimmy," and says that the railroad paid less than one-third taxes under his assessment than they do now. \$3520 per mile is less than one-third of \$4000 per mile? Oh what a mathematician! But he can not be blamed, the cares of bossing three conventions in one day is enough to rattle the brain of a man of his calibre. Of course, Chas. will try to hoodwink the people of Douglas county and try to preach reform, but if they will read over the list of claims allowed by the county court they will see that he is a reformer for revenue only.

By the way, Mr. Editor, what has become of the person who was clamoring for an assessment of \$10,000 per mile on the railroad bed when we had a republican assessor? Is he too busy riding on a pass? Now in conclusion Mr. Editor I am willing to put my record for fairness and economy against any county official that Mr. Fisher may select.

M. D. THOMPSON,  
 Scottsburg, Or.

A paper at The Dalles learns that "tons of campaign literature are stacked up in the democratic headquarters at Portland. The literature consists of extracts from the congressional record and treats upon imperialism usually. It is mailed under the frank of Senator Jones. Copies of the registration books are on file at the headquarters, and every man who has registered is sent a few samples of 'anti' documents. Another campaign of education, is on."

What has Bryan gained by his recent tour of Oregon? He was at Hillsboro; the Hillsboro Independent says he was disappointing. He was at Eugene; the Eugene Register says he was disappointing. And it was the same at Roseburg and throughout the state wherever he stopped and spoke—he was disappointing. It would have been better for Bryan and Bryanism if he had remained away, for in his case distance certainly lends enchantment.

While some of our exchanges are ranting about 49 cent wheat, they might interest some of the readers by saying something about \$85 and \$100 work horses, \$35 two-year-old steers and 4-cent-a-pound hogs in 1889 and 1890, as against \$25@35 work horses, \$10 two-year-old steers and 2-cent-a-pound hogs in 1896.

One Washington correspondent asserts positively that Dewey is a democrat. If this is true one more variety of democrat must be added to the already innumerable list.

## More Converts.

Engineer D. McCarthy, who has for years been such an anti-republican that his friends good naturedly dubbed him "the anarchist" seems to have recently fallen by the wayside. He was a delegate from Grants Pass to the Josephine county republican convention held last week. He and E. D. Briggs seem to be the star converts of the season.—Valley Record, Ashland.

## High-Handed Bossism.

It is Wm. Jennings Bryan's wish that every supporter of his in Douglas county vote the union ticket.—Roseburg Review (dem.)

What a howl would go up from every "union" paper in the state if McKinley or any prominent republican from the east should express such a wish as to republicans supporting their ticket. The "boss" and the "collar" would be vociferously shouted and the voice of the Review would be heard above the din. In the democratic camp Bryan's word is law, right or wrong.—Forest Grove Times.

## THE ENEMIES' COUNTRY.

In Iowa city elections Tuesday, the democrats elected mayors in Des Moines and Burlington and the republicans elected mayors in Clinton and Sioux City. The results show large republican losses in all instances.—Roseburg Review.

Even if true, the last statement would contain cheap comfort, as everybody knows Iowa can go nothing else but republican. But hasn't the Review "accidentally" omitted some interesting political news? How about Nebraska, Bryan's own state, for instance? And Lincoln, Bryan's own city? It looks much as if the boy orator would soon have to refer to his own home as "the enemies' country."—Graphic.

## THERE ARE OTHERS!

We note that W. C. Conner is again editor of the Roseburg Plaindealer. W. C. is a good fellow and naturally we should expect him to be anything else than the mouth piece of a Hannatte organ. But then some people do have peculiar tastes in this line.—Medford Enquirer.

Yes, indeed! for there is Brother Mann, of the Enquirer, for instance, who is a "genial fellow, well met," but strange enough has become an apostle of Bryanism, which reminds us that an authority on lunacy once asserted that everybody, without exception, has some cranky notion, which, abnormally developed, would make him insane. Fortunately the majority of us live and die without our malady coming to perfection. And the funny part of it is, Bro. Mann, that while we can pick out the faddy eccentricities of our brother, our own are not discernable to us. Which is merely a fresh application of the old Quaker's: "All the world is queer except thee and me; and even thee seems to be very queer sometimes."

Rev. J. L. Stratford, who has been employed on the Roseburg Plaindealer since he left Jacksonville, will soon commence the publication of a newspaper at Oakland, Douglas county in company with T. G. Ruth, formerly of Central Point. It will be independent in politics.—Jacksonville Times.

The above from the Times is about like some of the Review's garbled statements and about as near the truth. Try again, Charley. J. L. STRATFORD.

George M. Brown of Roseburg received the nomination for prosecuting attorney for the second district. This is the third time Mr. Brown has been placed in the field by the republicans and he will be elected as he has proved himself to be one of the brightest young attorneys in the state.—Baker City Republican.

If the democratic party could let go of 16 to 1 without letting go of Bryan it would do so in a hurry.

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## Married.

MOYER-PETTIT.—At the home of the bride's parents in Camas Valley, on Monday, April 9, 1900, B. J. Moyer and Elizabeth J. Pettit, Rev. John Standley, officiating.

# CARPETS

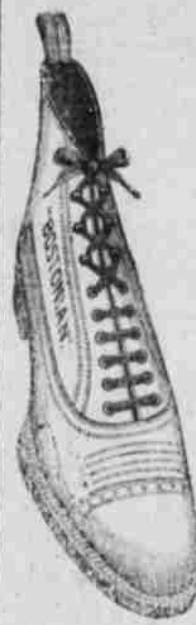
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