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OHIO REPUBLICANS.

State Convention is Solid For McKinley.

DEFINE THEIR PRINCIPLES.

Porto Rican Policy Accredited to Lincoln—The Proceedings.

COLUMBUS, O., April 25.—The Republican State Convention reassembled at 1 p. m., today. Reports of the committees were adopted, including one making the temporary organizing permanent.

The committee on credentials found the only contest in Washington county, and reported in favor of seating both delegations with each having one-half the vote. Ex-Representative Taylor, who led the opposition, insisted that this report would be like Congress allowing Roberts of Utah one-fourth vote and his three wives each one-fourth vote. Taylor's motion to seat the delegates selected under the call of the state committee and to unseat the contestants carried. Yeas, 455; nays, 438.

THE BUCKEYE PLATFORM.

General C. H. Grosvenor from the committee on resolutions then reported the platform, which was adopted. The platform reaffirms the declaration of the principles adopted by the St. Louis convention in 1896, and continues:

"We cordially indorse the wise and patriotic administration of President McKinley, whose signal achievements in war and peace, in statesmanship and diplomacy mark an epoch in the history of nations, and whose brilliant success justifies and demands, in the high interests of the country, uninterrupted continuance through another term of his great but uncompleted work, confronting unprecedented requirements at home and unexampled responsibility abroad. He has met them with courage, fidelity and strength, which have given him an enduring place in the confidence and affection of his countrymen.

"Every pledge of his administration has been faithfully redeemed. It has dispelled long business depression, restored protection of American labor and industry, reawakened universal confidence, re-established prosperity unparalleled, assured to labor steadfast employment and highest pay, opened new fields of enterprise and new markets for trade. It has brought to agricultural classes a better condition than for many years, fixed the gold standard upon firm foundations of law and made our National currency larger in volume, sure in value and lifted our National credit to the highest plane any nation has ever reached.

"In the broader field of world duty and influence, it has met an unavoidable war for humanity with unequalled vigor and success; has crowned the matchless triumph of our arms on sea and land with the courageous accomplishments of its solemn and high obligations; has faithfully studied and sought equally the true honor of the Nation and the greatest good of the people who have come under our flag and has, through the wise use of expanded opportunity led our country on the pathways of greatness and renown.

ON PORTO RICAN QUESTION.

"We reaffirm the principle in which the republican party had its birth and on which Abraham Lincoln was elected President, that the representatives of the people have full power over territory belonging to the United States in harmony with a subject to the fundamental safeguards of our free institutions for liberty, justice and personal rights. We sustain the President and Congress in exercising this power with due regard for the safety and welfare of the Union and with most just, generous, humane and fraternal consideration for those over whom the authority of the Nation is extended.

"We advocate for them free schools, full security for life, liberty and prosperity, most liberal measures for the development of their industries and agricul-

ture and the largest degree of local self-rule for which they are fitted. We have faith in American patriotism, character and capacity, and we know that American government will extend the inestimable blessings of freedom, law and civilization to the people who are brought under our protection."

The provisions of the treaty of Paris are approved in every particular. On this subject the platform continues:

"That sovereignty (in the Philippines) must not be repudiated and the high motive of its origin must result in the establishment of peace and order and the blessing of individual liberty among the people of the Philippine Islands."

ON SHIPPING BILL AND TRUSTS.

The platform favors such legislation by Congress as will encourage and promote a United States merchant marine.

The plank on trusts is as follows:

"The republican party of Ohio stands committed to legislative and executive opposition to threatening combinations of capital that seek to restrict competitions and stifle independent investments that add materially to the development of the state and the largest employment of labor, but we insist that injurious combinations shall be forbidden and the so-called trusts be so regulated from time to time and be so restricted as to guarantee immunity from harmful monopoly as to insure fair treatment and protection to all competing industries."

The platform strongly indorses the administration of Governor Nash, and declares for a uniform system of municipal government.

The state ticket was nominated by acclamation.

Bryan and Schley.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The friends of Rear-Admiral Schley in Washington, say that he has no desire whatever to enter politics, and that all the talk about the democratic leaders attempting to secure his consent to accept the vice-presidential nomination at Kansas City will fail. It is doubtful if the effort will be made. It is not at all likely that a messenger will be sent to the admiral to ask him whether or not he would accept the nomination. This has been discussed before by the democratic leaders. In the event that they desired to make their ticket Bryan and Schley, this year, they would do so at Kansas City, without any consultation whatever with Admiral Schley.

Obituary.

Ellen F. Asken, (nee Harrias) was born in Bennington, Genesee county N. Y., August 18, 1826. She moved with her parents, in 1839, to Barry, Pike county, Ill., where in 1843 she was married to T. A. Asken, and there they lived until 1883 when they moved to Missouri, and there lived one year coming the next year to Oregon. In 1843 she was converted and joined the M. E. church in which she lived an humble Christian dying in the faith at Edenbower April 24, 1900. Her husband and three children preceded her to the better world. Her funeral was preached by Rev. J. T. Cotton in the presence of a large number of friends after which she was laid away in the Masonic Cemetery at Roseburg, Oregon.

We've laid dear mother down to rest,
For all her tasks are o'er,
She's bid farewell to pain and death,
And this world's rocky shore.

God took her gently by the hand,
And soon she reached the shore,
To sing with angels round the throne
Of Jesus evermore.

Oh may we strive to do God's will,
Obey the plan he's given,
And when our task on earth is o'er
Meet dear mother up in heaven.

K. P.

Died.

HOWARD—At the family residence on Jackson St., April 26 1900, Job Howard. The deceased was born in Potter county, Pennsylvania, September 18, 1875. The funeral will be held at the family residence at 11 o'clock Saturday morning. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

Elmer Wimberly of the Racket Store has a very neat linen display in his show window in the shape of a miniature light house made entirely of linen goods.

TOO LATE TO FILE

No Democrats or Populist for the Supreme Court.

MAY BE BRYAN AND SCHLEY.

The Admiral Does Not Seek the Honor and Does Not Care for it, But it May be Forced Upon Him.

SALEM, Or., April 24.—John C. Young, regular People's Party nominee for congress from the First District, today presented his certificate of nomination at the secretary of state's office for filing. It was returned to him without filing, on the ground that it was too late, the time for filing having expired April 19. H. E. Courtney and W. M. Ramsey, nominees for Supreme Judge on regular People's and democratic party tickets, respectively, have not filed their acceptances. None of the gentlemen, therefore, are entitled to have their names appear upon the official ballot. There is yet time, however, to make legal nomination by petition, which it is probable will be done in these cases.

The leaders of the regular People's Party in Oregon have already arranged dates for speakers in the interest of their state and congressional tickets. The campaign will begin at Baker City, May 21, at 7:30 p. m., and will close at Astland, June 2, at 2 p. m. The speakers are: Hon. W. M. Howard, of Alabama, and Hon. J. B. Osborn, of Georgia, and their dates are as follows: May 21, Baker City; May 22, North Powder and Cove; May 23, Richland and Pine; May 24, The Dalles; May 25, Portland; May 26, Oregon City and McMinnville; May 28, Dallas and Salem; May 29, Corvallis and Albany; May 30, Eugene, May 31, Roseburg and Grant's Pass; June 1, Eagle Point, Gold Hill and Jacksonville; June 2, Medford and Astland.

"The News From Nome."

In the course of a long editorial aiming to boom Cape Nome, the Seattle Post-Intelligencer admits the following:

"It is evident that the country immediately about Nome has been staked and that hundreds will be at work on the beaches near by before the first gold seekers arrive from the outside. No doubt there will be opportunity to work beach claims, but if tundra or gulch claims are to be acquired near Nome, it will probably have to be through purchase. Some people may be disappointed, therefore, in finding that the Nome district is practically closed to them for location purposes; but there are miles of beach to the north and to the south, with innumerable streams not yet prospected, and to the man who is willing to look the country over and does not expect to be met by a fortune the moment he steps ashore, there is more than an even chance for at least a small return."

Yes; there is the beach, extending clear up and down the Pacific ocean; and there is the sea water which contains a percentage of gold; and there are both ends of the rainbow, showering down buckets full of gold, if it can only be reached!

Native Sons of Oregon.

Thomas Croxton cabin No. 29, Native Sons of Oregon, was instituted in Grants Pass on Tuesday evening by Grand President Sol Blumauer of Portland, with 22 members present. The following officers were installed: Pres., E. E. Dunbar; P. P., R. K. Montgomery; 1st V. P., R. G. Smith; 2nd V. P., J. A. Blew; 3rd V. P., Clarence Pardon; R. S., E. W. Kuykendall; F. S., E. H. Lister; Treas., J. A. Jennings; trustees, C. Pardon, A. Umphelt, L. L. Jennings; M., C. C. Presley; I. G., Walter Harmon; O. G., Clyde Hockett.

WOOL SHOULD BRING 20 CENTS.

So Says Polk County Man, Who Urges Growers to Demand It.

SALEM, Or., April 24.—H. H. Vandevort, of Polk County, one of the most extensive sheep owners in this vicinity, says that he will hold his wool this year for 20 cents per pound, and he advises all wool growers to do the same. He believes the supply and demand warrant that price, and is satisfied that if growers hold out for it they will get it. As shearing has not begun there is no market price, but it is generally believed that much less than 20 cents will be offered. Mr. Vandevort thinks that if the present weather continues, shearing will begin about May 10. Fleeces are of very good quality this spring, owing to the mild winter.

Married.

At the residence of the bride's mother on Mosher and Stephens Sts., April 25, 1900, Mr. E. H. Billings, the popular S. P. conductor and Miss Katie Sharkey daughter of Mrs. H. Sharkey of this city.

The ceremony was performed by Father Bentgen at 8:15 p. m.; Miss Nellie Sharkey, sister of the bride, waited on the bride and Mr. Dow acted as best man.

The groom wore the usual costume and the bride was attired in a beautiful gray tailor made traveling dress. The happy couple left on the overland this morning for a bridal tour in California. Mr. and Mrs. Billings were presented with many useful and pretty presents, a partial list is here given.

Mr. and Mrs. James Byrnes, 1/2 dozen silver teaspoons; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Devaney, two silver napkin rings; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hildeburn, 1/2 dozen silver teaspoons; Mrs. Geo. Simon, silver berry spoon; Mrs. N. Boyd, fancy china vase; Mrs. L. Minard, 1/2 dozen silver teaspoons; Mrs. Roy McCullen, silver nutter knife and sugar spoon; Mrs. Ella Clarke, 1/2 dozen fancy napkins; Isador Abraham, fancy comb and brush; John Givans, china soap tureen; Mr. and Mrs. M. Fickle, a number of handsome handkerchiefs; Mrs. H. Sharkey, Turkish rug; Miss Nellie Sharkey, parlor lamp.

This office received an abundant supply of choice cake.

New Cabin Dedicated.

In the midst of considerable pomp and splendor Joe Lane's Cabin No. 16, Native Sons and Julia Abraham's Cabin No. 5, Native Daughters of Oregon, was formally dedicated last Monday evening. Grand President Sol Blumauer, of Portland, and Grand President Mrs. R. A. Miller, of Oregon City, honored the respective orders by their presence, and were given seats of honor during the dedication ceremonies. At the conclusion of the ceremonies, a beautiful gold pen was presented, in a neat speech, to the grand president by Hon. Geo. M. Brown. President Celia McCullen, on behalf of the Native Daughters, presented their grand president with a handsome book, both recipients responding in neat speeches. A handsomely framed picture of Mrs. Julia Abraham was presented to the Native Daughters by Hon. J. W. Hamilton, on behalf of Hon. Sol Abraham.

Among the trophies of the Native Sons was included pictures of General Joe Lane and wife and fac simile of his commission issued by President Jas. K. Polk, the frame being a window sash taken from the Indiana home of General Lane built in 1839. Another article of interest in the new hall is an old rifle presented to the Cabin by W. R. Wells of Olalla, which has a romantic history, being manufactured in Burlington in 1848, and another presented by I. F. Rice.

The program was interspersed with excellent vocal and instrumental music and the ceremonies concluded with a luxurious lunch in the banquet hall.

The new hall is elegantly furnished and is complete in every detail and affords a home of which the N. S. O. and N. D. O. may well feel proud.

B. F. Wells of Olalla, made the PLAIN DEALER a pleasant call while in Roseburg today. He has just received his commission from the postmaster general and orders to sail to Manila on the transport Sherman which sails from San Francisco, May 15. Mr. Wells goes to Manila to accept a position in the U. S. Asiatic Department for the Philippines.

FIGHTING FIERCELY.

The Boers Are Driven Out of Wepener.

BRITISH OCCUPY DEWETSDORP.

Lord Roberts Attempts a Bold and Daring Feat—Would Encircle 40,000 Boers.

HERSCHEL, Cape Colony, April 25.—It is reported that the British have occupied Wepener after heavy fighting. It is also said the Boers are unable to escape to the north and great developments are expected.

Driving the Boers Back.

LONDON, April 25.—The war office has received the following from Roberts, at Bloemfontein: "Pole-Carew's division reached Roodekop without any casualties. The advance was covered by cavalry and horse artillery, which drove back the enemy with heavy losses. Mounted troops this morning were crossing Modder river at Valsbank. French's arrival near Modder evidently alarmed the Boers, who evacuated a strong position near Dewetsdorp during the night, and it was occupied by Chermiside's division this morning.

General Roberts' Great Feat.

LONDON, April 25.—It is now evident that Lord Roberts wishes not only to defeat the Boers, but to pen them in. To this end, 40,000 troops are concentrating in the southeastern portion of the Free State. The success of this important movement almost entirely depends upon General French. If he can swoop down with the rapidity which he displayed at Kimberley and Paardeberg, he will effect the same sudden transformation which followed the cavalry evolution two months ago.

Every day the Boers remain at Wepener, improves French's chances of success. To put a girdle around 25,000 Boers in the southeastern part of the Free State Roberts has evidently taken large chances.

TO AID INDIAN WAR VETERANS.

Governor is Trying to Prevail Upon Congress to Act in Their Behalf.

Governor T. T. Geer has written to President Wm. McKinley and to Speaker Henderson, of the lower house of congress, urging them to exert their efforts in behalf of the Indian War Veterans' pension bill. The governor, in his letters, said that the old veterans, 1200 strong, were justly entitled to the pensions for which they had waited so long, and that if the bill granting them should pass at this time, it would be but a tardy act of justice. He recites how these men in the early days of Oregon, when the national government was unable to give adequate protection to the settlers, risked their lives in the interest of the state and that, at that time, no other resource was available; that all of them are now old and, unless they are speedily given the relief asked for, none will be left to enjoy it.

It is hoped that this appeal of Governor Geer to the president and Speaker Henderson will result in speedy action by congress to the end that the old war-worn and time tried heroes of the Indian wars of the early days in the Northwest, will soon receive that pittance which the government should have allowed them a quarter of a century ago.

Roberts' Successor in Congress.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—W. H. King, Representative from Utah, was sworn in today.

Judge William H. King, of Salt Lake City, who was elected on the democratic ticket, has already served a term in Congress, in 1896, being elected by a majority of 20,000. He is a Mormon, but not a polygamist, and is 37 years old. His majority over the republican candidate, James T. Hammond, was about 2000.