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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS.

J. C. Fullerton.....Of Douglas
O. E. Paxton.....Of Multnomah
J. D. Daily.....Of Benton
W. J. Furnish.....Of Umatilla
T. B. Ford.....Of Marion

FOR SUPREME JUDGE.

C. E. Wolverton.....Of Linn
FOR FOOD COMMISSIONER.

J. W. Bailey.....Of Multnomah
CONGRESSMAN—FIRST DISTRICT.

Thos. H. Tongue.....Of Washington
FOR PROBATION ATTORNEY.

Geo. M. Brown.....Of Douglas
FOR SENATOR.

R. A. Booth.....Of Josephine
FOR JOINT REPRESENTATIVE.

E. D. Briggs.....Of Jackson

COUNTY REPUBLICAN TICKET.

FOR SENATOR.

A. C. Mainster.....Of Roseburg
FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

A. R. Mattoon.....Of Looking Glass
C. Ross King.....Of Yoncalla

FOR SHERIFF.

E. L. Parton.....Of Roseburg
FOR CLERK.

D. R. Shambrook.....Of Umpqua Ferry
FOR TREASURER.

G. W. Dimmick.....Of Elkhorn
FOR ASSESSOR.

J. A. Sterling.....Of Drain
FOR SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.

F. B. Hamlin.....Of Roseburg
FOR COMMISSIONERS.

M. D. Thompson.....Of Scottsburg
A. E. Nichols.....Of Riddle

FOR SURVEYOR.

William Briggs.....Of Canyonville
FOR CORONER.

Mr. J. C. Twitchell.....Of Roseburg

Roseburg Precinct Officers.

W. J. Robinson.....Justice of the Peace
Clay Slocum.....Constable

The fusionists have a great ambition to save the country—from the republican party and prosperity.

Increased scales of wages throughout the manufacturing states have a tendency to remove the scales from the eyes of workingmen on the free silver and anti-administration doctrine.

Let the citizens of Roseburg look well to their best interests before they cast their ballot for precinct officers. Prof. H. J. Robinson for justice of the peace and Clay Slocum for constable, means a capable and satisfactory administration of these offices.

J. F. Amis has sold his rich, raw and racy fusion sheet, the Eugene Citizen, to E. H. Miller, who will conduct it along independent lines. Mr. Amis, it is reported, will again go back on the farm. It requires about six months out of each year for Amis to learn that he is a failure as a newspaper man.

It is gratifying to hear the many expression of entire satisfaction with the republican ticket, from many of our people too, who formerly affiliated with one or other of the parties now composing the fusion party. The fusion plan crop is going to be nipped by a frost June 4th.

It is noticed that County Clerk Gazley is out with a card, claiming the authorship of the bill passed in the last legislature, reducing the salaries of Douglas county officers. We think the people of Douglas county are well aware of the fact that above all others, the late Senator A. W. Reed is to be credited with the authorship and passage of this bill. Mr. Gazley's card reminds one of the old story of how "we killed the bear."

Oregon democrats are to be congratulated on getting a real good dose of fusion medicine. Those who cannot retain it on their stomachs are to be congratulated on having republicans for whom to ass: their doctors. These can turn from the mess and have the supreme satisfaction of voting with a party that has the courage and manhood to make an open, square fight for its own principles.

There is an abundance of truth and common sense in the remark A. N. S. made to the Democratic delegation when he sagely told the convention they would need undertakers to bury the fusion election day.—Ashland Tidings.

ATTEMPTED TREACHERY.

The Plaindealer's attacks upon Sheriff Stephens in asserting that he and his close personal friends will not support the union nominees is contemptible. It is in line with the course of that paper for two years past in its treatment of Mr. Stephens, a sample being its recent threat to print the ridiculous story of four imprisoned hobos that they had been almost starved and generally mistreated in the county jail by the sheriff.—Roseburg Review.

It now transpires that the hobo incident above referred to was the rankes and vilest attempt at treachery that has ever been apprehended in the political history of this county. True, such a communication as the one to which the Review makes reference was presented to the Plaindealer, with the supposition that since it reflected very unfavorably upon a political opponent, it would be published without any investigation, at least after the truthfulness and reliability of the charges contained therein was vouched for by a prominent member of the union party, and by the way, at present a candidate on the fusion ticket. However the Plaindealer was not so easily "taken in," and declined to do the dirty work which was intended to defeat Sheriff Stephens for re-nomination. Thorough investigation has proved conclusively that this hobo letter was a very cleverly planned scheme to shoulder the responsibility of Mr. Stephens' long planned defeat in the fusion convention upon the Plaindealer—a scheme that was planned by Roseburg democrats, and as we stated before including even a candidate on the present fusion ticket. Who would but condemn such treacherous treachery? Who, no matter what his reputation for honesty and integrity, is safe among such a combination of conspirators and political brigands? Is there a law abiding, conservative citizen of the county who will approve of such under-handed methods? "Reform party," indeed! Let the citizens of Douglas county turn out to the polls in June and reform the reformers.

Fusion and Sharp Practice.

The democrats and populists in this state do not seem to be very happy in their fusion into the same bed, if their own newspapers are to be believed. Some claim that in the nominations there was considerable sharp practice, the result of which would be that if any of their candidates were elected at all, those who were elected would carry the brand of straight democracy on their persons and that the populists would be left to hold the bag.

For instance, as to nominations for congressmen, in the first district a democrat was nominated and in the second district a populist. This seems all fair at first glance, but come to look the field over, it will be seen that in the first district the republican majority four years ago was about fifty. Hence, there might be a chance to overcome the fifty republican majority. Hence, says democracy, "we'll provide the candidate."

In the second district the republican majority is overwhelming, being in fact several thousand, and the opposition candidate could have no hope. Hence, says democracy, "Mr. Populist can have that. His chance of election is about 1 in 1,000."

But all this could give no just cause for complaint, if the same methods were not apparent throughout all the fusion nominations. If there were a reasonable show for election, a democrat was nominated. If there were no show at all, a populist was given the nomination.

Perhaps this discrimination in making nominations, this unvarying practice of nominating democrats where there was a chance to win, and putting in populists where there was not the remotest hope of election, was not intentional and was merely a coincidence. But if a coincidence, it was a very fortunate one for the democrats, because while the populists will furnish their votes, the democrats will swipe the plunder. But who can blame them for looking out for their own?

But it all reminds one of the old story of the hunting expedition. Here is the story:

Two hunters went out hunting one day agreeing to share equally the game they killed. When night came they had in the game bag a fat turkey and a lean goose.

"Now," says one hunter, "to be fair and let you decide on the division of the spoil, will you have the goose and I take the turkey, or shall I keep the turkey and you take the goose."

"Ah," says the other, "you talk turkey twice for yourself, but don't talk turkey to me at all."—Klamath Falls Republican.

That E. L. Parton will be our next sheriff is already generally conceded, even by members of the opposing forces.

BOOTH VS. VEATCH.

In the candidates of the republican and union parties for joint senator of Douglas, Jackson and Lane counties, we find the extremes in many respects. In the former, Hon. R. A. Booth we find a man who has spent his lifetime, energy and capital in developing the resources, and advancing the interests of this section and its people, in fact a real public benefactor. In the latter, Hon. R. M. Veatch we find a genial, intelligent, obliging gentleman, but an obstructionist in every sense of the word, the very principles he espouses being antagonistic to progress and prosperity and his whole career, both in a public and private capacity, blend in harmony with these principles. We have known Mr. Veatch personally for twenty years and have always respected him as a neighbor but opposed his non-progressive policy and principles. True he made somewhat of an alleged record for economy in the Oregon legislature as a representative from Lane county several years ago, but how did he make it? Simply by voting in the negative on every measure that came up. We have known Mr. Veatch as a farmer, country school teacher, miller and politician, and it is only in the latter capacity that we can accord him with more than very ordinary success. However, he will soon be going about the country dispensing wisdom to the masses and telling them how to vote. While on the other hand, as we said before, in Mr. Booth we find a real public benefactor who instead of howling calamity and doing everything in his power to retard progress, has put his shoulder to the wheel and has not only prospered exceedingly himself but has brought prosperity to our country and to its people through his energy, enterprise and liberality. For which man will you cast your ballot on June 4?

A TRICK THAT FAILED.

There are many signs that the people, the plain people, as Lincoln so quaintly designated them, all over the country now realize how narrowly some of them escaped from being fooled in the Puerto Rican tariff business. In all the history of attempted democratic skulduggery there has never been a more characteristic episode than the scheme to drag the semi-civilized inhabitants of this island of the sea into the American Union and give them a full-fledged share in the government of this continent. The first move in the plot was to get this country committed, if possible, to the extension of the United States tariff system as a matter of course to Puerto Rico. To that end it was deemed desirable to convey the impression—indeed, categorically to declare—that there had been free trade between that island and Spain, whence it could be argued with some effect that this country should be at least as generous as Spain had been to Puerto Rico.

Of course that statement was a deliberate falsehood. But what's a little thing like a lie to the astute democratic politician? And if that point could have been gained, what next? Well, the people who want Puerto Ricans to make laws for the government of the United States would have won their trick.

For if Puerto Rico was by right under the United States tariff, it must be under the whole constitution, and be eligible for statehood about year after next. Having accomplished this, the next plan in the scheme would have been brought into play. Obviously the island would be without adequate revenue, and there would be a cry that we were starving it to death more cruelly than Spain ever did. A revenue must be provided. How? By direct taxes? That was the prime grievance against Spain. By issuing bonds? That would mean ultimate—and not very remote—bankruptcy. By making appropriations from the United States treasury? What a howl that would raise of "paternalism" and "pauperism" and "annexing expenditures!" And in that the anti-expansionists would win their trick. As for the free traders, they are amply repaid for all their labors whenever they get the least bit of free trade establishment just for free trade's sake, no matter how unprofitable or injurious it may be to all concerned.

Truly, as we have said, it was a smart trick and came very near catching a few people before they had a chance to reason over it very closely, but like many an other little game that the democrats have attempted it wouldn't work with the sensible republicans in congress.

It is the business of the newspaper to advise everybody to trade at home, to support home industries. The merchants like this. Some of them don't know how to reciprocate, and according to an exchange sent away for their printing, newspapers, etc.—Ex.

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