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JUNE 2, 1904.

This is the ticket which will win next Monday. Every man will be elected and some like George M. Brown and J. C. Young, two and three times over.

- State Republican Nominees.
- Supreme Judge—Frank A. Moore, of Columbia County.
- Dairy and Food Commissioner—J. W. Bailey, of Multnomah.
- First Congressional District—Hon. Binger Hermann.
- Second Judicial District—Douglas, Lane, Coos, Curry, Benton, and Lincoln Counties, E. O. Potter, Judge; Geo. M. Brown, District Attorney.
- Joint Senatorship—Sixth District: Douglas, Josephine and Lane Counties, R. A. Booth.
- Joint Representative—Jackson and Douglas Counties, W. I. Vawter.

- Douglas County Nominees.
- State Senator—A. C. Marsters.
- Representatives—H. G. Sonnemann of Glendale; J. S. Gray, of Gardiner.
- Sheriff—H. T. McClallen, of Roseburg.
- Clerk—C. E. Hasard, Drain.
- Treasurer—G. W. Dimmick, Roseburg.
- Assessor—G. W. Staley, Yoncalla.
- School Supt.—F. B. Hamlin, Roseburg.
- Commissioner—J. C. Young, Oakland.
- Surveyor—Chas. E. Roberts, Roseburg.
- Coroner—Dr. J. C. Twitchell, Roseburg.

That Geo. W. Staley is a friend of the people and that he made good to them every promise of two years ago has been proven by his work during his past incumbency. He raised the railroad and other corporations and the timber syndicates a million dollars last year and did not raise the individual, on an average, a dollar. He assured the people that the corporations should pay equally with the individual and the records of his office will show that they come pretty near doing so. He stands by the people and shows by his private and public acts that he is true to their interests and is honest in his service in their behalf.

The democrats have commenced to sing that good old campmeeting hymn "Old Grimes is dead, we never shall see him more" and so forth, to the tune of "Hark from the tomb." Dr. Twitchell will hold the inquest over the corpse next Monday night.

It is better far to vote for a Republican whom you do not know than a democrat whom you do know. Because as a Republican you know the party of freedom and liberty makes few mistakes while democracy is a bundle of errors.

If the Democrats believed in their taxation theory rot why did they not nominate a county commissioner and make a fight all along the line and thus show that they were sincere and believed the charges made?

The Republican party has always been the party of intelligence and good citizenship. Study the provisions of the bills you are expected to vote on as intelligent Republicans.

Well this is the last issue before election day and to all we say "Rah" loud and long for Republicanism, vote early, often and late and snow the democrats under ten to one.

Vote the straight Republican ticket even though you do not know the nominees personally. The County convention attended to that part of the program for your especial benefit.

Next Monday will demonstrate that "Uncle Sam is not a fool, the people do the voting and the children go to school" under Republican principles of intelligence and equality.

Do the utmost you can to help every Republican nominee to head the ticket by getting every Republican vote.

Before you give your ballot to the judge see that you have the X mark before the Republican.

The Republicans of Douglas county should elect every man on the county ticket.

Rally round voting booths and vote the Republican ticket straight.

Vote the straight Republican ticket.

# A VISCIOUS ATTACK ON SENATOR MARSTERS

Soon after the Republican Convention H. H. Brookes, editor of the PLAINDEALER, notified each and every Republican Candidate that they need expect no support at the hands of the above named paper unless a stipulated price—and a very high price—was forthcoming. This the nominees, after frequent solicitations upon the part of Mr. Brookes, refused, or at least failed to accede to, as the amount asked for rendered it financially impossible. From that time scheme after scheme has been devised by Mr. Brookes to force these gentlemen to come to his terms, and the more important the office the more persecution has been perpetrated upon the individual who, being under the disadvantage of a nominee, must necessarily accept the persecution without retaliation.

### THE CIRCULAR.

His latest scheme is a villainous attack upon Senator Marsters through the medium of a venomous circular printed in some outside job office which is intended to defeat the Senator by being issued just on the eve of election, with the supposition that it will take effect after the last issue of the PLAINDEALER before June 6th, in order that Senator Marsters may have no recourse, but fortunately the scheme was detected and the publication of the paper delayed. Regarding the circular it is unnecessary to state that it is malicious and untrue from beginning to end, issued with the express purpose of injuring Senator Marsters, politically, as a matter of retaliation upon the failure of the Senator to purchase the balance of the PLAINDEALER stock at the price stipulated.

### THE PURCHASE OF THE STOCK.

Regarding the purchase of a majority of the stock of the PLAINDEALER by the present management we desire to state that Mr. Brookes insisted from the first that these parties buy a part of the stock at an exorbitant price, much more than it was worth, and, by standing out against them by refusing to support them politically, or to allow anything of a political nature to enter the columns of the paper, simply forced these people to purchase the said stock in order to have the paper support the administration and to prevent its attack upon the present Republican nominees. After this was accomplished, Mr. Brookes then attempted to force the sale of the balance of stock by intimidation, first attacking the Booth people and failing, and then directing his threats against Senator Marsters, threatening that gentleman time after time with the issuance of the circular above mentioned, and upon the Senator's refusal to purchase said stock the circular was issued and mailed.

That H. H. Brookes is a professional blackmailer is conclusively proven by the affidavits of reliable citizens appearing in this issue of this paper, and every statement in regard to Mr. Brookes appearing in this paper can be verified by affidavit.

### AFFIDAVIT OF J. H. BOOTH.

State of Oregon, }  
County of Douglas } ss  
I, J. H. Booth, being first duly sworn, depose and say, That I have read the Circular printed by H. H. Brookes, June 1, 1904, in which he states that D. R. Shambrook refused to allow an article published in the PLAINDEALER, which article is alleged in said Circular to have been a flattering notice of R. A. Booth. Several weeks ago Mr. F. H. Rogers, manager of the PLAINDEALER PUBLISHING COMPANY, in the absence of R. A. Booth, in California, submitted to me the advisability of publishing a certain article in favor of R. A. Booth's candidacy. After carefully considering the matter and being unable to consult with R. A. Booth, I concluded it was advisable that the article be not published at that time, and so informed Mr. Rogers nor did I desire it published as a Circular or in any manner.

The effect of this Circular of June 1, 1904, is to injure both Senators Marsters and Booth, and is greatly to be deplored, and I most earnestly ask the citizens of Douglas county, and especially all good Republicans, not to be influenced in any degree by the allegations of said Circular.

J. H. BOOTH.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of June, 1904.

F. W. BENSON,  
Notary Public for Oregon.

# THE BROOKES CIRCULAR

The Former Partner of Brookes has something to Say of his Circular Screed.

The attention of the writer has just been called to a circular issued by H. H. Brookes in which he assays to explain to the public the circumstances leading up to his coming to Roseburg and identifying himself with the PLAINDEALER, and the incidents relating to his connections with the paper up to the present time, he in conclusion, like the brigand who turns "states evidence" attempting to throw all the odium of his foul, obscene and notoriously inconsistent editorial management of that paper, during his connections therewith, upon disinterested and innocent parties.

The writer would have in nowise taken any notice of this screed, had not his name been set forth conspicuously throughout this circular and made a party to many of the transactions and circumstances related by Brookes, owing to which fact I have

my environments and did not desire to sell. He then stated in substance: "Mr. Conner, I have come to Roseburg to engage in newspaper work and publish a Republican paper, and you can set a price on your paper, plant and business, or an interest therein, at a very early moment, or I will at once put in an opposition plant and paper, a \$6000 plant now awaiting my order by wire in Chicago." I was naturally a little agitated at his blunt assertion and requested time to consider the proposal, but Brookes insisted on a prompt reply saying he desired to leave town the next day to close up his business in Texas and come to Roseburg. He was informed that the writer having been financially unable to buy the PLAINDEALER outright had personally solicited the assistance of a Roseburg friend in securing the paper and had thus been favored, which party must be consulted in regard to a sale, and who was then out of town. He (Brookes) then persistently insisted on my signing an option over to him on the plant, subject to the approval of my benefactor, to which I reluctantly consented.

On Brookes' return to Roseburg some two months later, it was finally agreed, upon his representation of being a newspaper man with years of practical experience and "money to throw at the birds," (evidence which seemed to confirm the allegation being submitted) that he be allowed to purchase a one-half interest in the paper and business. All went well for a short time, until he (Brookes) explained his grafting newspaper methods and attempted to put them into execution, when I informed him that I would not consent to be a party to such a nefarious policy. The paper was to know no friends, disregard party principles, dictate political issues, regardless of local conditions, and select candidates for office, in fact become a newspaper despot, with but one consideration—MONEY, as Mr. Brookes states in his circular of June 1, 1904, "The PLAINDEALER is a newspaper to make money, and there is nothing in the charter saying that it has any political faith."

Partnership relations soon became strained, owing to the above stated facts and the disposition of Brookes to heap great and needless indebtedness upon the company by the purchase of machinery too extravagant for the needs and requirements of the office, and under the pretense of being temporarily "out of funds" endeavored to entangle and evidently conspired to bankrupt myself, by negotiating loans from his daughter, Mary K. Brookes, one loan by the partnership with Miss Brookes only, having been consented to by myself, for \$300 for which a joint or partnership note was given, which being unpaid at the time of the dissolution of the firm of Brookes & Conner, was assumed by said Brookes and agreed upon by all parties concerned as part of the consideration of the sale of my interests in the paper to the Brookes family, and which now Brookes and daughter seeks to recover from me by an action in the Douglas county circuit court in a joint conspiracy on the part of the Brookes family, entitled "Mary K. Brookes vs. H. H. Brookes and W. C. Conner, action to recover money." A plain conspiracy to defraud me, the said Brookes having prior to this time taken advantage of myself and prominent Roseburg parties, through the bankruptcy law, just prior to the time notes held against him by these parties fell due, the writer being forced to accept 45 cents on the dollar in the final payment of Brookes for my interest in the PLAINDEALER.

The writer had maintained his credit and good standing with all wholesale paper and printing supply houses, but upon forming a partnership with Brookes we were curtly informed by these houses that "hereafter cash or security must accompany all orders for material from the Plaindealer." Regarding the attack upon Senator Marsters and other prominent citizens of this city in the Brookes circular, we will only say they are too ridiculous and absurd to be even humorous, and coming from a man with such an unenviable record and standing, and reputation for grafting and even blackmail, certainly will receive no consideration whatsoever on the part of any reasonable or fairminded citizen, and as a fitting rebuke for such infamy, obscenity, slander and vilification, as manifested on the part of one Brookes, all true, loyal, fair and liberty loving citizens and voters, should register an emphatic and deserved rebuke against such columny, by rallying solidly to the support of Senator Marsters, a loyal, patriotic, honorable and worthy champion of Roseburg and Douglas county interests, by re-electing him to the Oregon senate from this county, and upholding the hands of home men tried and true, to the utter exclusion of a grafter and renegade.

Yours respectfully,

W. C. CONNER.

State of Oregon, }  
County of Douglas } ss

Personally appeared before me the undersigned authority, W. C. Conner,

who deposes and says that the above and foregoing is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

W. C. CONNER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of June, 1904.

J. A. BUCHANAN,  
Notary Public for Oregon.

SEAL

Hon. A. C. Marsters.

It is observed that Hon. A. C. Marsters of Roseburg, is a candidate for re-election as state senator from our sister county, of Douglas. A fitting recognition of the ability, endorsement of his record and evidence of his popularity is found in the fact that he was the unanimous choice of his party in county convention assembled for re-nomination and re-election. He has indeed made a record in the upper branch of the Oregon legislature of which any man might well feel proud and of which his constituency, regardless of party affiliations can conscientiously commend and point to with pride. No sooner had he taken his seat in the Oregon Senate than his splendid ability was recognized and his influence demonstrated, while he was admired for the firm, straightforward, economical and business like position he assumed on all important legislation coming up for the consideration of the senate. Many times he demonstrated conclusively that he was on the side of the common people and under no obligations whatever to any corporation, ring or combine. He stood firmly for judicious and economical legislation, vigorously advocated the election of United States Senators by direct vote, the fellow servant bill, the regulations of railroad freight rates and many other commendable measures. He was a tireless worker and always at his desk ready and willing to go upon records on any measure up for the consideration of the upper branch of the legislature and that he always voted right is a matter of public record. Senator Marsters is a safe man, one in whom the strictest confidence may be safely reposed by his constituency. Such a faithful, consistent and worthy public servant should be retained in his official capacity as long as his influence and usefulness is demonstrated and Douglas county should roll up such a majority for Senator Marsters on June 6th as was never before accorded a legislature candidate in that county. He is one of Oregon's big brainy men.

The above article comes from a Lane County paper, and is a splendid outside endorsement of Senator Marsters' worth and ability.

Hon. Binger Hermann is not like most Congressmen, who, as soon as Congress adjourns, immediately hurry home to look after their own private interests, or to lay plans for re-election. Instead of doing this Mr. Hermann remained in Washington to look after the interests of his constituents. He is not like other Congressmen in that no man, generally speaking, ever addressed him at Washington that Mr. Hermann did not sit right down, and after thoroughly looking up the matter of which the man wrote, and write his constituent a nice courteous letter. All along the Oregon coast people bless him for his active and very effectual work in the past regarding their rivers and harbors. In fact Mr. Hermann is the only Congressman who has ever accomplished anything, in that respect and the Coast people do not forget his splendid work of the past. He has always been in closer touch with his constituents than any Congressman ever sent to Washington from our state. This is the kind of a man the people want, and one they are sure to elect for another term by a greatly increased majority.

Senator Fulton's prophecy of 20,000 majority for Roosevelt in Oregon may not be so far out of the way as it seemed at first sight. Senator Fulton is a conservative, calculating political student, and has been picking up reports as to the situation since his return. If he is willing to believe the vote possible it is because he has noticed the straws which indicate the direction of the wind.

In speaking to one of our business men some time ago Mr. Brookes asked for anything in the way of news. The party addressed suggested that he, Mr. Brookes, might speak a good word about the good work which the Oregon delegation was at that time doing in behalf of the Lewis and Clarke Fair appropriation. Mr. Brookes replied that he was not running a paper for sentiment.

One constitutional amendment is to be voted on at the coming election, that providing that the legislature shall fix the salary of the state printer. It is unquestionably to the interest of all to vote for the amendment. Oregon is paying its state printer entirely too much under the fee system. The legislature should have power to regulate his salary.

None of the candidates are better known and few are surer of election than is Hon. R. A. Booth, republican candidate for joint senator from Josephine, Douglas and Lane. He combines knowledge of his district with legislative ability in a manner that makes him by far the most valuable man for the office that could be found.

In speaking of the direct primary law to one of our business men, Mr. Brookes remarked that it was a splendid graft for the newspapers and if the measure carried that he, Brookes, could make \$5,000 out of this year. We ask, does this savor of blackmail?

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The Republicans will do business at the old stand next Monday.

Binger, our Binger will lead in the First Congressional District with 7500 majority.

Regarding the local option and direct primary amendments we desire to say in refutation of Mr. Brookes' circular that this paper, as well as nearly all the papers of the state, has endeavored not to express its sentiments on either side of the question, leaving the matter entirely with the voters to decide.

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Personally appeared before me the undersigned authority, W. C. Conner,

H. H. Brooks, who has been posing as a great reformer and moralist, recently took part in a business transaction which some of our citizens have good cause to remember. It is a matter of record that some months ago when his creditors were pressing him and insolvency proceedings against him were pending in the U. S. Circuit Court of Oregon, he compromised and settled with his unfortunate creditors by paying them forty-five cents on the dollar. This fact can be readily verified by T. R. Sheridan, of the First National Bank, or by F. W. Benson, of the Douglas County Bank, as well as other citizens of Roseburg. He is now in good circumstances, apparently, but as far as we have been able to ascertain, has made no effort to pay the balance due his creditors which he should be in honor, if not in law, bound to do.

It will be remembered that at the late Republican convention held at Roseburg, Oregon, Mr. Brooks seconded the nomination of Senator Marsters, using the strongest language at his command, commending his great ability and integrity, but since Senator Marsters will not dance to his grafting and blackmailing music he is a fiend incarnate. How inconsistent all this aggregation of falsehoods of Mr. Brooks' circular sounds to intelligent people, who have known Senator Marsters for over 20 years, that he should be blackmailed by a man who professes to have made large sums of money from reputable citizens of other states before coming to Oregon. This is his stock in trade; these methods are his financial success.

When Roosevelt's rough riders scaled the San Juan hill there was a green Irishman who had been a New Mexican cowboy. The only military sound he knew was the rattle of the spoon on the bread pan at church time learned while he was tending cattle. While his company lagged uphill and fell back, but still kept on and reaching into the trench he seized a Spaniard by the hair of the head, dragged him out and took him a prisoner down the hill. He rebuked his comrades by saying: Boys why didn't ye come along each fellow might have got one. Next Monday yank up the democrats and make them vote the straight Republican ticket. No questions will be asked how you converted them so that they vote right.

Mr. H. H. Brooks borrowed \$100 of George Reed and repaid him 45 cents on the dollar. Mr. Reed works at the roundhouse in Roseburg and is an honest and hard working man, dependent upon his daily wages for the support of himself and family. This statement can be verified by affidavits. Why does not Mr. H. H. Brooks, the self-confessed moralist and reformer, right this flagrant wrong which is little less than downright robbery.

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# H. O. Lewis

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W. E. DEWEY, Prop.

The Republican candidates for justice and constable have their places in the party organization. Either one in office can help the party, and yet administer honestly and with full justice the law instructed to their care. Hon. J. A. Buchanan, our present Justice is a man who is a successful lawyer and fully qualified to hold the office to which he aspires. His past incumbency has met the approval of the people of this district and a splendid majority is expected at this election. Constable Bloum should also be retained in the office which at present he is filling with entire satisfaction to all. Remember a vote for them is a vote for Republican principles.

Soon after Mr. Brooks bought an interest in the PLAINDEALER with Mr. Conner he wanted to viciously attack the methods of Judge Hamilton through the columns of the PLAINDEALER. Mr. Conner told him that Judge Hamilton was a man of high standing in the community and such a course would not do at all. Mr. Brooks replied: "The higher up in life a man is the more money you can get out of him." Does this savor of blackmail?

Mr. H. H. Brooks stated recently to one of the prominent citizens of Roseburg that while residing in Texas, engaged in the newspaper business a certain prominent man who was at that time running for circuit judge had written a compromising letter to a young lady. To use Mr. Brooks' own language he said: "I got hold of that letter and before the gentleman got through with the matter I made \$2500 out of it." We ask: Does this look like blackmail?

The republican candidates are receiving great encouragement in their canvass, which is what they have a right to expect. It hardly needs saying that every republican should remember the interest of the ticket, bearing in mind that just now, especially, loyalty to his party nominees means also a stand for the best interests of Douglas county.

The Republicans of Douglas county have a most popular candidate for County School Superintendent in the person of Captain Frank B. Hamlin, who has friends in every nook and cranny of the county, including school patrons and teachers, who all unite in wishing him unqualified success in the coming election.

Even if all the lies they are telling about Mr. Hermann were true; even then it would be better to send him back to Congress, instead of Mr. Veatch. Mr. Hermann's digestion is good and his handshake is hearty.—EX.

### A Word with the Voters of Oregon.

Republican State Central Committee Portland, Or., June 1.—If the electors of this state will but appreciate the importance of the first gun to be fired off this Presidential year, and will avail themselves of an opportunity to show their appreciation of President Roosevelt and his policies, and their appreciation of the doctrine of the Republican party of this state as enunciated in the platform adopted by the recent state convention, they will see to it that a full vote is polled on the 6th day of next month; in that event, at least 100,000 votes will be cast, and the majority for Judge Moore, our nominee for Supreme Judge, will be at least 20 per cent thereof; and the combined majorities of our Congressional nominees will equal 20,000. All that is necessary for the voters of the First District to manifest their appreciation of Hon. Binger Hermann's services in Congress is for them to go to the polls and vote; and the same thing may be said of Hon. J. N. Williamson, our nominee in the Second District. After the November election nobody East will inquire how Oregon went; but should an unprecedentedly large Republican majority be cast at the coming election, Republicans all over the United States, particularly in doubtful states, will emphasize the question, "Have you heard from Oregon?" In 1888

Mr. Hermann received a majority of 7407, the largest majority ever received up to that time, there being but one Congressman then. Let the voters of his district see to it that he is elected next June by a larger majority than he carried the state that memorable election.

FRANK C. BAKER, Chairman.



The following telegram was received yesterday which is self-explanatory: Eugene, Ore., May 29, 04. Dr. K. L. Miller.

Roseburg, Ore. Careful estimate places E. O. Potter's majority in Lane at 600. C. A. WETTERBERGER, Chairman Republican County Committee.

Marines Ordered to Make Ready. WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.—The situation as regards Morocco is regarded here today as being somewhat more grave. It is announced that the United States will act independently of all other powers, if it becomes necessary, and will either liberate Ion Perdicaris, the kidnapped American, or take the lives of the brigands who seized him.

Word has been sent the Moroccan government by the state department that the United States will insist that the Moroccan government capture and execute the brigand Raisuli, should he carry out his threat of killing Perdicaris.

This instruction was sent on the order of President Roosevelt, who favors making this a salutary lesson, and refers to the fact that in one other instance where brigands captured a missionary no punitive action was ever taken.

It has therefore been practically decided that if Morocco fails the United States will assume all responsibility of pursuing the brigand into the mountains of Morocco, should he execute his captive, and that no expense will be spared in taking him and his followers and summarily hanging them.

Orders have been issued that at the first intimation of harm to the captives marines are to be landed in force from the American vessels now at and assembling at Tangier. These will be outfitted for forced marches to the lair of the brigands. The marines have made all preparations, so there will be no delay whatever in equipping them.

### County Treasurer's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that all parties holding county warrants endorsed prior to and including May 10, 1902, are requested to present the same at the County Treasurer's office for payment as interest will cease thereon after the date of this notice.

Dated Roseburg, Douglas County Oregon, May 23, 1904.

GEO. W. DIMMICK,  
County Treasurer.

### Excursion Rates.

Commencing March 1, 1904 and continuing daily to and including April 30, 1904 colonists tickets will be on sale from the East to points on Oregon lines via Portland, rates from some of the principal points as follows: \$33 from Chicago, Ill.; \$31 from Florida, Ill.; \$30 from St. Louis, Mo.; \$25 from Missouri River Points, Omaha and Council Bluffs to Kansas City inclusive; \$25.50 to Sioux City, stop over not to exceed 10 days at one point will be allowed between Portland and destination of ticket on Oregon lines. 19 1/2

### Election Day Dinner.

The Ladies of the Baptist Church will give a dinner on Election Day in the room formerly occupied by the Board of Trade. A good square meal for 25c. Eat with the ladies.