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## LINCOLN COUNTY LEADER.

—W. L. DAVIS, EDITOR.—

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1898.

### That Reform Ticket.

EDITOR LEADER:—

A week after the notices were posted, calling a citizens' meeting to nominate a city ticket, Mr. J. F. Stewart wrote another set of notices and gave them to Mr. W. H. Alexander, who had them posted; the said notices stating that a mass meeting of the citizens of Toledo would be held a day later than the regular citizens' meeting, for the purpose of nominating a citizens' reform ticket; one pledged to economy and reform in affairs of the city. As a result of the meeting, W. H. Alexander and J. F. Stewart were nominated as standard bearers for reform and economy.

As to Mr. Alexander's reform and economy, I have nothing to say, for he has lived in Benton and Lincoln counties for the past thirty years and the people are the ones to judge of his economy and reform.

As to Mr. Stewart and reform, I desire to say a few words, for the reason that he is a new resident in this county and it has come to pass of late years, that a reformer from the Grasshopper state is some times looked upon with a little distrust.

Now, as Mr. Stewart has, and is now posing as a reformer and desires to be elected to the city council upon that issue, let us see what his record for economy and reform is in this county and city.

The moon has full only once since Mr. Stewart called upon Messrs. C. L. Gowell, L. M. Starr, C. B. Crosno and B. F. Jones, who are members of the city council of Toledo, separately, and asked them to bond the city of Toledo in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, said sum of money to be used in building a court house, to be donated to the county of Lincoln, upon certain conditions. These men suggested that possibly the people of Toledo would not consent to vote these bonds for the county, and one of the members even hinted that he, (Mr. Stewart) in the recent past, was opposed to voting a few hundred dollars bonds for the purpose of building a city bulkhead. Thereupon, Mr. Stewart said that we need not let the people have anything to say about that, that the legislature was in session and we or he could go down to Salem and get an enabling act passed allowing the city of Toledo to increase her indebtedness to \$5,000. Mr. Stewart was told in very plain English that if he wanted a court house, to go and do as he had pledged himself to do before the last election, for every citizen knows that Mr. Stewart pledged himself before election to the citizens of Toledo and the Indians on the Siletz that if they would vote for him that a court house would be under construction after the first regular meeting in August, and a glance at the old files of the LEADER will show his position on that question.

Now, if Mr. Stewart desires to be elected as a reform candidate in city affairs, it might be well enough to examine into the affairs of the county over which he presides with such dignity. Let us see what his administration has done in the way of economy and reform. First, if we are not mistaken, Mr. Stewart was elected upon a platform for economy and reform, and in one of the conventions that endorsed and nominated him, a resolution, in substance as follows was passed: "We pledge our candidates for economy and reform in county affairs; we pledge our candidates, if elected, that the County Judge shall receive as full pay for all

county services the sum of \$400 per annum, the present sum is \$600, and the county clerk the sum of \$800, since the election fixed at \$1200, the county assessor to receive the sum of \$2 per day, the one who drew the resolution now receiving \$3 per day. Mr. Stewart and Mr. Lutz were elected upon this platform and Mr. Parrish, the present assessor, appointed by Mr. Stewart since the election, and one of the brethren in a great speech at the court house on the eve of the election, held up his hand to high heaven and pledged him and them to these conditions, and great was the applause thereat. After a careful examination of the records at the court house, we find first, that Mr. Stewart, the county judge has drawn regularly each month the sum of \$50.

Second, We find that the clerk has drawn the sum of \$100 per month, and also a large sum as deputy hire.

Third, We find that Assessor Parrish has drawn \$3 per day, and for his deputies over \$2. So much for reform in salaries under the reform resolution.

Now we want to go on record as saying that the sum received by Mr. Lutz as clerk is not a sum sufficient to do the work of the clerk's office and pay his deputies and keep the office up and accommodate the the people. Neither can the assessor do the work of assessing the county correctly and according to law for the sum of \$3 per day. He should have \$4 after he pays his expenses in going over the county, if he DOES visit the people as required by law, he will not have much left, but the present assessor has copied the roll from old records and, therefore no assessment has been made this year.

As for the office of county judge, the county and probate courts meet only once in two months and therefore the county judge really performs only about three or four days work in two months, or, in other words, he receives about \$40 for each day employed by the county in court business. Now "in all candor," if Mr. Stewart has broken his promises so soon in county affairs, if elected for economy and reform in city affairs, he might also be guilty of broken promises in connection with city affairs. One piece of economy that the Judge has practiced over at the court house, we hardly think meets the approval of the people, is the discontinuance of the janitor. Mr. Kubler was receiving \$15 from the county and \$4 per month from the clerk and sheriff, making a total of \$19 per month for his services. But Mr. Kubler made an offer to Mr. Stewart that, if it was in the interest of economy, he would serve for \$10 per month. Since the Judge discontinued the janitor he has moved his office into the clerk's office, and the court also meets in the clerk's office, and Mr. Ross and Mr. Lutz, who are still paying the janitor, are really the ones who are paying for the economy of the county, if there is any economy. We assure anyone that, if they will visit the court house woodshed and privy, that all thoughts of economy will be knocked sky high, for a time at least. The conditions are such that, if the Judge does not soon attend to this matter, the city will have to declare it a nuisance.

When Messrs. Stewart and Lutz went to Salem just before the close of the special session to look after their salaries, we suppose it was in the interest of economy and reform.

While we are saying a few words on proposed economy, we desire to go on record as saying if the county court does not build a fire-proof vault at the court house to protect the records, every taxpayer in the county will have a just kick com-

ing. The vault is so open mice enter, and in some instances have eaten or nearly destroyed files. The vault is so damp the number of the assessmen rolls in the bindings rotted off. The court house has been afire upon four different occasions, once in the sheriff's office and three times in clerk's office. Any one, who would take the trouble to visit the court house, will see a mess of stove-pipes leading through the ceiling from the clerk's, sheriff's, treasurer's and assessor's offices, and the pipes are always falling down, and the only reason the court house has not been burned before, is that these fires occurred while officers were in their offices. Should they occur at the noon hour or at night there would not be a record left. The court house is within 20 feet of the hotel; a risk the greatest known to insurance men. It would cost Lincoln county for new records, case of fire, 10 or 15 thousand dollars for books and a transcript from Benton county up to 1893, and the records since that time could not be replaced at all and the loss to the citizens as well as to the county could not be estimated. With no vault and no insurance, and it does not pay to insure, for it would cost as much in three years as the cost of a new vault, we would suggest to Mr. Stewart that he, as judge and guardian of the affairs of the county, give these matters his attention before he undertakes to reform the affairs of Toledo.

Now, a few remarks as to the financial condition of Toledo. She owns her own city jail and the upon which it stands. Lincoln county sends her prisoners to Corvallis. Toledo owns a lot, graded and ready, for the building of city hall. Toledo owns a fine block of 12 lots for city park purposes. Toledo owns a fine city wharf and bulkhead. Toledo has graded, cut or filled her street crossings and laid sidewalks where necessary. Toledo has done more street work than any other town in Oregon of her population, and through hard times has kept many men at work and all this is paid for, and under the present administration, and Toledo has no bonded indebtedness. Her only indebtedness is \$670.00, which is in outstanding warrants. Toledo's highest tax levy has been only ten mills on the dollar. We have served as mayor of the city for years and will serve one year more and while we have not had a vote in the council, we have endorsed every act of that body, and we are proud of our young city, and we believe that with such men as John Ofstedahl and George Bauman, two of the largest taxpayers in the city, not influenced by rings or cliques and H. Owen, in place of C. B. Crosno, who are the regular citizens' nominees, are elected, and with the present holdovers, Toledo will still forge to the front in the future as in the past.

B. F. JONES.

### Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Lincoln County, at Toledo, Oregon, on December 24th, 1898, viz: JOHN T. HANLON; H. E. No. 10288, for the se 1/4 of ne 1/4, ne 1/4 of se 1/4, ne 1/4 of 1/4 of section 34, and sw 1/4 of nw 1/4 of section 12 south, range 11 West. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Thomas N. Coombs, of Oregon, Arthur Cox, of Ona, Oregon, Sam H. Ona, Oregon, and George B. Ryan, of Oregon.

CHAS. B. MOORES, Register.

### Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Oregon City, Or., Oct. 23, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Lincoln County at Toledo, Oregon, on Dec. 24, 1898, viz: John Folmabee. H. E. 11,381 for Lot 7 of sec 6, Twp 12 S., R. 11 W., and 12,291 for Lot 7 sec 6 Twp 12 S., R. 11 W. He names the following settlers to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: G. A. Hodges, and Jess Salado, Ore, and Harvey Parks and J. B. Salado of Elk City, Oregon.

CHAS. B. MOORES, Register.