

THEY FEAR PROGRAM

Candidates for District Nominations Asking About Plans.

HOT FIGHT IN PROSPECT

Sanderson Reed Making an Active Campaign for District Attorney... Judge Webster Suggested But He Is Not a Candidate.

ready received many assurances of support. Among his advocates are some of the most prominent business men and property owners on the delegation.

is a common gossip that Senator Mitchell would like to have the nomination go to J. C. Moreland. Mitchell promised long ago that Moreland should succeed John Hall as United States district attorney.

C. F. Lord is making an active campaign for the nomination, and his friends say that if it is to be an open fight he has a fair chance of success. They admit, however, that if the convention is to be programmed he will not be the machine's choice.

John Logan is another candidate whose chances will be greatly enhanced if the nomination is to be made without interference by the machine.

There is a considerable element in the dominant Republican faction which has grown restive under the rule of the machine, and this has been manifest ever since the county convention.

Such expressions as these are frequently heard and within the last few days it has been seriously suggested that a strong man for the nomination for district attorney would be County Judge L. R. Webster.

But the suggestion that he should become a candidate for district attorney has been instituted by Judge Webster. When the idea was first broached to him some time ago he replied that he was not a candidate for the nomination.

"I am not seeking the nomination for district attorney," said Judge Webster. "If any of my friends have been suggesting such a thing it is not to be regarded seriously. I have my hands full where I am. No one need look upon me as a candidate for I am not."

Out for District Attorney. For the nomination for district attorney the fight promises to be much more keen. Half a dozen candidates are actively in the field, and there are others in the background who may come to the front later.

Republican politicians are asking with some anxiety whether the nominations for district attorney and circuit judges are to be slayed by the machine. The promise of the Mitchell managers that the county convention should be "open" proved an utter farce and the war is general through the state and district conventions, which will meet next month, are to be handled in the same manner.

Nominations are to be made for a few attorneys and to spring chiefly from personal animosities. In the first flush of victory after the county convention some of the Republican machine politicians declared that both Cleland and Frazer must be turned down and their places given to adherents of the Mitchell faction.

The machine leaders have been obliged to abandon their scheme of nominating Mayor Williams to succeed Judge Frazer for the mayor's office.

Mayor Williams proved altogether too intractable in the recent campaign to suit the Republican bosses, and on several occasions he displayed an independence which aroused their displeasure.

But the scheme miscarried, because Mayor Williams rejected the proposition in toto, and declared his intention of serving out his term as mayor. Since then there has been much less talk of opposition to the renomination of Cleland and Frazer.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

The Haines Case.

Portland, March 28.—To the Editor of The Journal—I am sure that The Journal would not knowingly do an injustice to any one and that its criticism of E. W. Haines on Sunday originated from information obtained from previously published reports concerning the action taken by the superintendent of the Boys' and Girls' Aid society to secure the custody of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Haines.

Mr. Haines is a cripple, having lost all of one hand and the forefinger and thumb. While engaged in building something more than a year ago, a falling timber broke his right leg at the ankle.

The Haines boys is adopted by a well-to-do family of Marion county. He is in a religious home there and receiving training that will likely remain with him through all his life.

Mrs. Haines is a woman considered by acquaintances as somewhat weak-minded, an affliction for which she is, of course, not accountable. She is not fitted for anything but the most menial service, and therefore is not capable of helping her husband to keep the family together.

An Appreciation of The Journal. New York, March 28.—To the Editor of The Journal—Kindly grant me space in your valuable paper to insert a few lines, giving my views and appreciation of the same.

exponent of truth and justice and exposurer of evildoers it has no peer; that assists the workmen out of the traps and nets woven by the trusts and monopolists; that exposed the tax grabbers and bootleggers; that represents Oregon in all its phases and in its true light before the world.

I say to wage-workers, whether by brain or brawn, to uphold The Journal and make it the monarch paper of the northwest for your own and co-workers' good, because as an eye opener and educator it has no equal on the Pacific slope, and no peer in American journalism—giving the news as it finds it and never making editorial mince-omelet of it.

We are on the eve of a great election, and of course, we will get an introduction to all the most trusty servants—known as candidates. They will tell you what you want and what they want, and will make great promises and will during their term of office, at the government to prosecute the trusts and monopolistic representative suckers, or shall we cast it in the political trough to be devoured by the political hogs?

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The source of information seemed to be authentic, and the statement was accepted and used in good faith by writers on Mrs. Eddy's generalogy.

no positive proof that the Right Hon. Sir John McNeill was her ancestor, she requests that all others writing upon her biography shall in future observe this correction.

"Gen. John McNeill, who is known as the hero of Lady's Lane, was a relative on Mrs. Eddy's father's side of the Baker family, and he was the brother of President Pierce's mother. This is probably the line of McNeill to which Mrs. Eddy belongs. Mrs. Eddy herself has no special interest in these subjects.

As there are not less than seven distinct ways of spelling the family name of McNeill, it is not altogether surprising that some misunderstanding of an ancient connection and ancestry has arisen in the case in point.

From Wall Street Journal. The government's victory is a cause of satisfaction to us, not because it may temporarily interfere with the plans of Mr. Hill for the development of the northwest, not because we have been anxious to see an individual company destroyed, but because we have felt from the first that the time had come to put a stop to further attempts to evade the law as it stood on the statute books.

Yes, this time, do your duty; stick together, put your shoulder to the wheel and your every wish is bound to roll. Also put The Journal ahead, as it is a true disciple of Piny, where he says of greatness of character. "To do what is fit to be written, and to write what is fit to be read."

A SONG OF PRIDE.

Put off, put off your mail, ye Kings, and beat your brands to dust; A surer grasp your hands must know, your hearts a better trust. Nay, bend back the lance's point, and break the helmet bar; A noise is in the morning winds, but not the note of war!

Among the grassy mountain paths, the glittering troops increase; They come, they come, how fair their feet—they come that publish peace; Yes, Victory, fair Victory, our enemies are ours.

GRAND OPERA TO COME WESTWARD

MRS. RAYMOND BROWN CELEBRATES COMRIED AND GRAU AND PREDICTS THAT "PARISIFAL" WILL BE BROUGHT TO THE PACIFIC COAST—MANAGERS ARE FAIR.

"Parisifal" will be given in Chicago next season," said Mrs. Raymond Brown, the Wagnerian lecturer, this morning. "Doubtless that will go a long way toward its being given in San Francisco in the near future. "I had a talk with Mr. Conried of the Metropolitan just before I left on my western tour and he said that he could make arrangements to give the production on a smaller scale in other cities outside of New York, if some one else would attend to the financial part; that he would not go into it as an investor, but at the close of the season would be altered somewhat and some of the more stupendous features remodeled.

"I had been definitely settled that "Parisifal" will be given at the Auditorium in Chicago next season, either in the fall or at the close of the New York season," said Mrs. Brown. "What do you think of Conried in comparison to the former Metropolitan manager, Grau?" was asked. "While Grau is a good man, he is anything but a conscientious artist. Mr. Conried is a wonderful man and has accomplished wonders for grand opera in America. Formerly, when it was conceded that the Metropolitan artists were above reproach and the best that the world could produce, the ensemble has always been disappointing. In the scenery and mechanical effects as well as the support, there was much lacking. Mr. Conried's first efforts were to change this—to make a complete and harmonious whole.

"He made the statement that no artists were too good to attend rehearsals and would engage none unless they would consent to appear at rehearsals. Of course perfection cannot be expected this year nor the next, but every effort is tending toward more perfect artistic realizations." "Do you think it is true that Mr. Conried favors the foreign singers rather than Americans, as has been intimated?"

IRRIGATION BY ARTESIAN WATER.

An artesian well that promises to be a success has just been sunk in Ellettsville county, across the river from Castle Rock. It is a seven-inch well with a diameter pipe 16 feet long was attached to the casing, and the water readily flowed from the top of it, the pressure seeming to be as strong as it was at the surface of the well. I have never seen of the matter, one of the interested parties said.

The well is considered a wonderful success. People are filing on land adjacent and even across the Columbia river, where citizens of The Dalles claim equally good indications of artesian water have been found. The plan to irrigate the table lands along the Columbia now seems to be well under way. Water has been secured apparently in abundance.

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"I do not know positively, but I think he has done much for young American singers. He has given parts to Marcia Van Dresser, Josephine Jacoby and others, and indeed, Edith Walker (who, by the way is one of the finest singers who has ever been at the Metropolitan) and Olive Fremstedt to come back from Europe to take part in 'Parisifal.' I do not consider it true that he pays the foreign stars more than the American stars, except where they are truly the greatest artists."

"What do you think of Terina?" "The first time I saw Terina was Kundry, I sat in the sixth row from the stage and thought she was positively ugly. The second time I sat part way back and she was a dream. In her costume as an enchantress she wore a jeweled arrangement on her head, a coronet of sparkling and jewels and drcp-cries below of silk shading from pale pink to crimson about the bottom. Besides this she wore two transparent cloaks, one of scarlet and one of pale blue—and when she moved she seemed like an embodiment of flame—a living breathing opal. I have never seen anything like it—and her singing was incomparable. She is a woman of wonderful magnetism."

"The first wells were sunk with the intention of opening oil fields. The gods became lodged and the work was to be abandoned. Later an effort to secure artesian water was made, and for weeks people have been watching the development with much interest. There seems to be but little doubt that the new field will develop as rapidly as have the Irrigation section and that along the Columbia about Kasmwick."

DON'T TOY WITH THE CAR FENDERS

People who since the adoption of fenders have been in the habit of holding down the center of the track until the last moment, confident that should the car hit them they would be gently received on the fender and tascorily laid to one side in a dry spot, had better change their policy. The fenders on Portland cars are not going to make new records for safety if they can help it. Motormen on the Portland heights line supposed that the fenders were perfect. A theoretic demonstration once proved that they would always work, but the Portland heights motormen thinks differently now. "It happened once on a dog. With the fenders motormen believes that the only danger to the canine population would be that the animal might be thrown through the front platform window on the rebound, and they foisted every time the fender was released. While whirling down a heights hill a car recently had a head-on collision with a dog weighing about 100 pounds. It was a good test for the fender, for the dog was almost as heavy as a man and heavier than most children. The fender was released before the dog was reached and the motorman got ready to stand from under, but though the fender swung along the track, touching the rails, it failed to pick up the dog. The animal was half caught by the fender, slipped under the wheels, and by the time the car was stopped the beast had been crippled that it was shut to and its misery.

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