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I see not but that my road to heaven lies through this very valley—Bunyan.

THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

NATURALLY, the first resolution pointed with pardonable pride to the record of the Republican party during the past 50 years. There is much in that record to be proud of, and some things not to be approved.

The administration of President Roosevelt is commended, and the party is "pledged to a continuance of the great work inaugurated and carried forward by him."

Congress has become largely a formality. It can no longer accomplish much. It is fettered by diverse influences, bound down by old traditions.

ROOSEVELT INDORSED.

THE administration has been indorsed. Oregon has sent Mr. Roosevelt greetings, and emphatic approval. A souvenir state convention in ringing resolutions has officially notified Mr. Roosevelt and the country that the great Republican party of the state stands by and approves the administration and its policies.

AN OPEN WILLAMETTE.

ALL things come to those who wait, provided they work for it. For 30 years, a toll taker has been standing at the door of every home in the Willamette region, exacting tribute.

BEGINNING OF A GREAT MOVEMENT.

IT IS proposed by the convention of governors at Washington to have state commissions whose business it shall be to consider the best means of the conservation of the state's resources.

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SENATOR OR SOUVENIR?

IS THERE a scarcity of reasons for electing Mr. Calkins senator? Else why do his friends advance only that bewhiskered and questionable one, to-wit: That he would be an indorsement of the administration?

Do they mean to confess that his powers as a statesman are confined to the fact that as a special sales window card he would be a howling success? If this is all that is wanted in a senator, why not label a tobacco sign, "Calkins," and elect it to the senate?

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gag of "indorsing the administration" has done overtime? Do they not remember that it was worked in behalf of Blinger Herman? Do not many of them who were entrapped by the snare to vote for Mr. Hermann, remember the nausea that came to them afterward?

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tell you that judging by the many good things he has done for them, that no governor ever did before, they expect he will do some good things for them as senator.

Newspapers are receiving a sketch of the life of Speaker Cannon, "to be held for obituary use." While perhaps few editors are anxious to use the stuff soon, it would be a good thing for the country if Uncle Joe's political obituary could be published right away.

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A TOURIST'S PARADISE

Honolulu, T. H., May 2.—Great literary lights, from Mark Twain and Robert Louis Stevenson to Jack London and the Honolulu promotion committee, have made much of the beauties of Hawaii. In truth, the land of never-ending spring is a paradise for tourists.

Here, then, is the charm of tropical seas, the wealth of tropical flowers, the delight of tropical flowers; in short, the land that has never known and never will know the sere and yellow leaf. Here, too, is that mysterious rugged mountain peak which tells that Hawaii, most favored of lands, is also the youngest of the islands of the sea.

An Inspiring Sight.

One is whisked in a rapid automobile over a perfect road of asphalt and macadam to the magnificent precipitous and craggy place of the winds and the grandstand before which Hawaii proudly displays one of the best and varied views in the world.

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Small Change

Murrah for—the blessed rain. Surer every day—Tart and Bryan. Machine remnants were much in evidence.

Being broke, La Rose is probably not insane. See 'em rush now for the Tart band-aid.

Senator Bourne is somewhat of a standpater. What is also needed is some decent baseball weather.

California is still in the grip of Hiram and Herrin. The convention neglected to "denounce" Chamberlain.

Mrs. Guinness seems to have been a real Merry Widow. The Oregon Republican politicians are evidently for Tart.

Statement No. 1 is not to be tossed aside and tramped on, yet. There's also that glorious record of Ellis to point to with pride.

The opposition to Bryan among Democrats has about petered out. Now, Mr. Weatherman, some warm weather for the roses, please.

As a private cemetery filler, Mrs. Guinness was certainly a success. Will the various Republican state conventions indorse this congress?

Think how the crops would be ruined if it were not for the Dingley tariff. The convention didn't have the nerve to point with pride to this congress.

For a sight of Harmony in violent action, visit the politicians' convention. But there never will be a hat that will entirely conceal the girl's face.

The rain, if general throughout the inland empire, will be worth millions. In Oregon, contrary to California, farmers do not hope in vain for needed rain.

It is a little early for a convention to praise the Dingley tariff for good crops. Why shouldn't Oregon's Grand Old Man be made chairman of the national Republican convention?

The machine politicians could not turn Bourne out of the senate, though they wished they could. Take a run down to Astoria or Newport and go out and see the fleet. It will be an enjoyable trip.

A magazine writer says six hours a day is long enough to work. Six hours too long for some people. Fairbanks must be getting desperate; it is said that he drank several glasses of buttermilk in one evening.

The gaggle thug's name, La Rose, proves again that there is nothing to indicate character in a name. A San Francisco barber charged a sailor \$4 for hair cut. The jacks are likely to give him a close shave.

The man, if one did who rented rooms to Hesty Green for \$30 a day may be expected to become a billionaire. Now will the farmers be good and vote for straight? See how the Republican convention brought needed rain.

A news item says Mrs. Longworth will accompany Nick on a stumping tour, but won't talk. O, she won't, eh? Geer's argument that Statement No. 1 is dead is about as fallacious as his defense of his school land administration.

It is said that a woman was responsible for getting the fleet to stop off Newport. That is proper; aren't ships all feminine? On June 1 a lot of people will make nuisances of themselves swearing in their votes. They should be given no more privileges than the law allows.

A cat that was the least owner of \$40,000 was killed "to end its pain." More likely to end the pain of those who wanted the money—and they were not kittens. Oregon Sidelights

Bronawille has a new vehicle factory. Dallas may also, soon have some paved streets.

An Albany man will set out a walnut orchard of 230 acres in Lincoln county. It is reported that the famous Perkins fruit farm, near Medford, has been sold for \$78,000.

The Albany Democrat alludes to Mrs. Abigail Scott Duniway as "a former Albany milliner." More ducks and geese are hatching in the Klamath marshes this year than for several years.

Seventy blocks of streets have been graded in Corvallis the last few weeks and are now being graded.

The Dalles, from June 30 to July 2, will hold its grand public park and show the finest cherries in the world.

It has been estimated that the total value of the trees and small fruit plants purchased for setting out new orchards in the vicinity of Dalles since last fall amounts to fully \$7,000.

An Eugene Plymouth hen hatched last summer has just commenced to lay and the eggs are record breakers. She has laid 27 eggs in the same number of days last year and each of them measured six inches in circumference one way and seven and a half the other.

The Dufur Commercial club is preparing to purchase 30 acres near the town for planting a public park and amusement grounds. Besides providing a baseball ground and making provision for a public park and playground, it is the intention of the Commercial club to grade a half mile circular race course for convenience in holding celebrations and picnics.

Difficult for Them to Learn. From the Woodburn Independent. Wonder if some of our old Republican friends in Marion county will not now recognize that there was some advice worthy of consideration in an editorial in these columns two months ago in which we warned them and others to drop back in the ranks of the people. That would be a great leadership nature of some Salem.

House of Lithographic Stone. From the Kansas City Star. A plain, plastered stone house about 50 yards from the ancient city hall of Nuremberg, Germany, has nothing to distinguish it from the other old houses of the neighborhood, except that it is built of lithographic stone, worth from \$4 to \$15 cents a pound. So lithographers who go to Nuremberg wander from the worn tourist trails to see the wonder.

The house was built about a century and a half ago by Alois Benfelder, the discoverer of lithography, was born, Andreas Lichtenstein, who built it, took the stone asstent to get and secured it for the trouble of carrying away. Now the material in the building is worth \$1,000.

The present Andreas Lichtenstein, a descendant of the man who built the house, has said, "Neph about one month for the last 30 years to specialists who want to buy his home and tear it down for the stone. It is his home and we that of his forefathers and he refuses to part with it.