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FURNISH VS. GEER

EASTERN OREGON MAN HAS ABOUT EVEN CHANCE

All Others out of the Race for Governor, so it Looks to a Man up the Political Tree.

The political sharp of the Portland Oregonian has the following to say of the political outlook:

Now that the dates for the various conventions have been announced, the playing of the political game will increase in the intensity and activity of its excitement. A general impression apparently prevails that the two storm centers will be Multnomah and Marion counties. In the former, United States Senator Joseph Simon is fighting to maintain the supremacy of the machine he created and controlled. A mighty opposition to the domination of civic affairs by the machine politicians has arisen, and Simon is getting ready for the hardest struggle of his career from ward-worker to United States senator. In Marion county Governor T. T. Geer is fighting for continued political life. Disappointed office-seekers, and others who are not disappointed office-seekers, but whose interests are with the leaders of the opposition, are making a strong fight to defeat the governor in the primaries, and it is conceded that without his home county behind him the chances for his nomination are small. Other counties have their own particular fights, which will lend local interest to the campaign, but the main battle ground will be in the counties previously mentioned, and here will be fought the contests upon which depend the republican state ticket.

Geer Disowns Simon.

Declaration has been repeatedly made by Governor Geer's friends that he is in no way interested in Senator Simon's fight, and that there is no alliance between the two leaders. Circumstances may have conspired to bring about the conditions of political affairs existing at this time, and it may be held accountable for the obvious fact that supporters of Governor Geer have united with the friends of Senator Simon to battle against the allied forces who flaunt no particular leader but are determined to break the force and power of the Simon machine in Multnomah county and throughout the state. To the extent of what might, perhaps, be called at least a defensive alliance, the Geer and Simon men are working in harmony. As one illustration of the situation, it is cited by local politicians that Croisan of Marion, who is aiding materially in Governor Geer's campaign, is known to have been a Simon machine supporter and an enemy to the governor. In fact, his former antagonism was of an intensity that could be called bitterness. Yet he is in the fight for his renomination and is active and prominent as a worker to that end. Others who have been friendly to the machine, though opposed to the governor, are now working for him with considerable vigor and enthusiasm.

Democrats in Harmony.

Thus far the democrats seem to be working in harmony, and Chairman Sam White, of the state central committee, will open party headquarters in Portland as soon as his duties at Baker City will permit a continued absence. With the exception of the nomination of District Attorney Chamberlain for governor, candidates have not appeared to any great number, though here and there stalwarts of the party have blushing admitted that they are willing to labor for the party, and will therefore reluctantly consent to have their names go before the convention. The fusion movement is dead, declare the democratic leaders, and every effort will be made to eliminate the populist tendencies from the platform. Particularly will an endeavor be made to prevent the resurrection of the free silver bogie man, that is a thorn in the side of the party counselors, who believe they see a possible victory ahead of them. They point to the fact that the populist state central committee has been decently buried, and that the county organizations of this faith have, in most instances, been abandoned, and allowed to die by neglect or intention. Still, fusion will be necessary in many sections and the state central committee has left the question open to the extent of permitting the county committees to act as the situation requires. Thus a purity is maintained in the brand of democracy to be fed to the state at large, while in each district the mixture will be blended to the taste.

The Fight for Governor.

For head of the republican ticket but two are avowed and announced candidates—Gov. Geer and W. J. Furnish, the Pendleton banker. Governor Geer's chances would seemingly depend primarily upon results in the Marion county primaries. If a split or uninstructed delegation which the governor cannot control is sent to the state convention, then it is not likely that he will have a corporal's guard. It has been said that Geer would have two or three Eastern Oregon counties in event of his carrying Marion, but when asked for specifications the forecasters modestly profess not to know. Several months ago it was announced that Stephen A. Lowell, of

MAYOR LOW AND THE NEW YORK CITY HALL --SCENE AT THE ARRIVAL OF PRINCE HENRY



Pendleton, would also be a candidate for governor, and that he and Furnish would battle in the Umatilla county primaries for the delegation. It was predicted at the time that whoever won in the preliminary skirmish would have a solid Eastern Oregon delegation behind him in the state convention. While there has been no retraction of intention on the part of Judge Lowell, little has been heard of his candidacy of late, and from reports it would appear that Furnish stands an excellent chance to win out at the primaries.

But Mr. Furnish can hardly expect to have a solid phalanx of delegates from his section even if he succeeds in carrying his own county. The Geer men have been calling particular attention to the short time Furnish has been in the party, and there is an inclination among them to question the right of the Pendleton banker to ask to head the state ticket when his term of allegiance to the party does not span more than half a decade. Moreover, Mr. Furnish is not the only seeker for political honors in Eastern Oregon. One man at least is a receptive candidate for governor, and others want lesser places on the ticket.

John's Candidacy.
C. A. Johns, of Baker City, would not be averse to accepting the nomination for governor, and will probably announce his candidacy definitely before the campaign is more fully advanced. From reliable information received in Portland recently, there is reason to believe that Mr. Johns has experienced a change of faith and is no longer to be considered a wheel horse of the Simon machine. In fact he has been accredited with having been one of the senatorial advisers and political friends, but news comes that he has thrown in his political fortunes with the anti-Simon faction, and will make his conversion a basis for requesting recognition. Undoubtedly he can carry Baker county in his interest, and what other strength he can develop throughout the state is problematical at this time. H. E. Ankeny, the Jackson county mine owner and rancher, is another gubernatorial candidate, but outside of his own county it is not known that he has secured any particular following.

Wrightman Opposed to Geer.
Frank Wrightman, of Salem, who is making the fight against Geer, is known to be a candidate for attorney general. In fact, it is on account of this desire on Wrightman's part that he is so strenuously opposing the governor, because of the anticipated unwillingness of the convention to allow two of the best places on the ticket to go to one county. He is well known in his home county but has not figured to any great extent in state affairs previous to the present campaign. His supporters not only say that he will make a strong fight but that he is sure to effect at least a split in the Marion county delegation, if he does not control a majority. The selection of the delegates to the state convention from Marion county lies with the precinct delegates to the county convention, and it is considered improbable that Geer will capture all the precincts in the county. Assuredly, those districts in which Wrightman will have a majority in the primaries will name anti-Geer delegates, and unless the governor has a sufficient majority in the county convention to send the entire delegation instructed to support him the situation will begin to resemble a political Waterloo.

The State Treasuryship.
While no avowed candidates have appeared for the nomination of state treasurer, it is understood that the

Willamette Valley will furnish several aspirants for the honor, announcement of which will be made later. For supreme court there is apparently no opposition to the renomination of Judge R. S. Bean. For the other places on the ticket no names have been mentioned other than being merely rumored.

PORTLAND TELEGRAM'S GOVERNORSHIP VIEWS

Speaks of the Candidacy of W. J. Furnish of Pendleton.

An interesting contest is being waged over the nomination for the office of governor of Oregon, says the Portland Evening Telegram. It is taken for granted, considering the politics of the state as shown by recent elections, that a republican nomination is "equivalent to an election." Assuming that this be the case, the position is worth fighting for, not for the money there is in it legitimately—and no man who is a candidate would use the office to gain a dollar by any dishonest or doubtful indirection—but for the honor, the prestige it gives a man in his state, it is a "pride position" and is becoming more and more so.

Besides, a man who has been a successful and popular candidate for governor is generally a senatorial possibility, not to say probability—and whatever may be said about the senate most of our local statesmen would like to be "distinguished" by being elected a member of that body.

Lane, the first territorial governor of Oregon, was elected one of the state's first senators. La Fayette Grover, still an honored citizen of Portland, stepped from the gubernatorial to the senatorial seat. Perhaps there have been few out of the governors of this and other states that have not had that ambition. But sometimes circumstances so develop that the ambition could not be gratified, or had to be held in obedience for awhile.

Politics is a curious thing, as many men have found out, and as many men, and not all of them yet young will learn.

Governor Geer, so far as known, has no senatorial ambition. Presumably, and with an entirely laudable ambition, he at present desires to succeed himself. His record is before the people. He has been before the people of Oregon for a quarter of a century, as a farmer, a legislator, a writer, a governor. Of course he depends on his record.

But other luminaries are rising into view, and must be noticed by Oregon's able and amiable governor and his friends. Chief among these is a young business man from Umatilla county, Mr. Furnish. Up till 1896 he was a democrat, and as such he has served in several capacities—as deputy United States marshal and as sheriff of this county for two terms. He is a clean, quiet business man; and when the democratic party in 1896 put itself on record in favor of the free-silver fallacy, or heresy, or idiosyncrasy, or whatever it might be called, Mr. Furnish, as a business man and a politician went over to the other side. He made no halfway work about it. He said, in effect: "Gentlemen, I am in politics, as well as in business; but I have sense in both; since I can't be a democrat any longer, with the profession of political heresy, I will be a republican. There are only two parties in the country, in my day; I must align myself with one or the other; I refuse to be a nobody or a nondescript; I am going to make myself, my influence, my individuality, my work count, on the side that I think nearest right, on the

most important things; I am going to be a man, not a mouse."

Turning over, as, however, other stout, forceful, brainy men did, from one party to another, being a young man and one in whose integrity of purpose everybody who knew him had the utmost confidence, Mr. Furnish became a somewhat conspicuous figure in state politics. He was nominated in 1900 as one of the presidential electors on the republican ticket. He is now a formidable aspirant for the nomination of governor. If he should be nominated and elected—and it is presumed that his nomination would be equivalent to his election—why should he not be United States senator within ten years—before he is 50 years old?

The Telegram only mentions this incident to local politics, as it does many other things, by way of example and illustration. Behold the mutations of American politics. Here is a man who seven years ago was a democrat official, and who is likely to be the nominee for governor on the republican ticket!

The Telegram confessed—or rather affirmed—that it likes the man who breaks away—if he breaks in the right direction—and the people will find that out.

Clerk's Wise Suggestion.

"I have lately been much troubled with dyspepsia, belching and sour stomach," writes M. S. Mead, leading pharmacist of Attleboro, Mass. "I could eat hardly anything without suffering several hours. My clerk suggested I try Kodol Dyspepsia Cure, which I did with most happy results. I have had no trouble, and when one can go to eating mince pie, cheese, candy and nuts after such a time, their digestion must be pretty good. I endorse Kodol Dyspepsia Cure heartily." You don't have to diet. Eat all the good food you want but don't overload the stomach. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests your food. Tallman & Co. and Brock & McComas Co.

A PATENT SPIKE.

J. D. Betts Receives a Letter from Washington.

J. D. Betts, who has spent many years railroading, but who is at present doing painting about town, has an invention which he thinks will be a boon to the traveling public and save many railroad wrecks. It is called Betts' Improved safety railroad spike and is designed to do away with all rail braces and side plates now in use for holding the ends of the rails together. Mr. Betts also claims that his invention will do away with the breaking of rails, as sometimes occurs in cold weather, and is the cause of an occasional wreck. The spike is to be driven into the cross tie and has a brace which runs on the tie which braces it and makes it impossible for the spike to pull out.

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