The Oregon Republican.

COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER.

DALLAS, SATURDAY, MARCH 19

UNION REPUBLICAN CONVENTION OF OREGON.

The Union Republican voters of the State of Oregon will meet at the city of Portland, at 10 o'clock, a. m., on Thursday, the 7th day of April, 1870, in Delegate Convention, for the purpose of placing in nomination a State Ticket to be supported at the approaching election in June, and the transaction of such other business as shall properly come before said Convention.

Counties will be entitled to delegates as follows:

Baker	7	Lane	12
Benton	10	Linn	18
Clackamas	12	Marion	24
Clatsop	3	Multnomah	20
Coos	4	Polk	11
Curry	2	Tillamook	2
Columbia	2	Umatilla	5
Douglas	12	Union	6
Grant	7	Wasington	9
Jackson	10	Wasco	8
Josepaine	4	Yamhill	11

The Committee recommend that the County Convention for the election of Delegates be held on Saturday, the 26th of March, 1870.

By order of the State Central Committee.

M. P. BERRY, Chairman,

T. B. ODENEAL, Secretary.

Portland, Jan. 19, 1870.

Polk County Union Republican Convention.

By order of the Union Republican Central Committee of Polk county, the *primary* meetings will be held at the place of voting in each Precinct, at 1 o'clock p. m., Saturday, March 19, 1870, to elect Delegates to the County Convention, to be held at Dallas, at 12 o'clock m., Saturday, March 26th, 1870, for the purpose of electing Delegates to the State Convention to be held at Portland, April 7th, 1870. The several Precincts are entitled to send Delegates as follows:

Bethel	8	La Creole	2
Buena Vista	7	Luckiamute	4
Bridgeport	5	Monmouth	7
Dallas	10	Salt Lake	3
Dongias	4		
Eola	4	Total	59
Jackson	4		

J. L. COLLINS, Chairman.

Dallas, Jan. 29th, 1870.

Grant's Administration.

One political crisis in the history of this Government passed when U. S. Grant was elected President. Before that all was uncertainty. Loyal men feared that the success of any party, but the Republican, would undo what had been gained by the result of the war, and that, instead of having one peaceful and prosperous whole, the nation would be cursed with sectional bickerings and strife. But when Mr. Grant took his seat the sensible portion of our people recognized the fact that the danger was passed. This sense of security existed not alone with Republicans, but also with Democrats, however much they may mutter. Our opponents knew they would receive naught but what was just and right

The Republican plan of reconstruction has been faithfully executed, and experience proves it to be good. The Southern States are having a season of prosperity unknown to the times when one continual snap of the slave whip and cry of anguish was heard over the breadth of fourteen States. Manufactures of all kinds, fostered by the forced high protective tariff incident to the war, have become so well established that they can begin to compete with those of foreign countries. Internal improvements have been made that insure us a rank in commercial importance second to none, and by the wise financial policy of Grant's Administration our monied interests have been so improved that time alone is required to make the two columns on our ledger account balance.

Since the war closed, Congress, by its acts of economy, has been able to materially reduced the taxes, and we can, with confidence, predict that by another year the Democratic cry of "burdensome taxes" will be among the things of the past. Long before the expiration of Grant's term of office the revenue of the Government will be raised entirely from the duties on imports, as was the case before the war.

The people know this and hence they coolly go about their business until the day of election, and then quietly go to the polls and return Republican officers, that this state of security may be contined.

We are very happy to inform our readers that the REPUBLICAN is a success, and should it continue to receive, in the future, that support which it now has, it will continue to be a fixed fact

Voters of Polk!

When the control of the county affairs was in the hands of the Republican party, the continual cry of the Copperhead party was that the taxes were too high, and that when they got into power the taxes should be lowered. They elected about one-half their ticket in '66, and their entire ticket in '68, and yet the amount of revenue raised for county purposes has been steadily increasing, and to-day the county is bankrupt.

Republicans were often charged with malfeasance in office, and yet, with a Clerk and Sheriff of their own party for four years, and all the county officers—except Judge—in sympathy with them for two years, not a single charge of official corruption has been proved.

How can honest Democrats(?) have any confidence in leaders who thus maliciously charge their opponents with malfeasance in office, but, as soon as an election has passed over, cease longer to make their charges, for the very reason that they know they were false when made.

We call upon all honest men in the opposition ranks to calmly consider the situation, and then say if the affairs of their county have been any more honestly or judiciously managed under the Democratic than they were under Republican administration.

Not a Candidate.

Senator Nesmith desires that we should correct the statement made last week, that he is a candidate for Governor. Nes. "protests against being a candidate for any office."

We certainly do not desire to "thrust upon" the Hon. Ex-Senator "an undeserved as well as an undesired honor," as he terms it. As to its being an "undesired honor," we only have the Senator's word, but certainly all parties will concur that it would be an "undeserved honor." We will refrain from intimating that the Ex Senator is a candidate for re-election, but we do believe that it would be as "undeserved" an honor as the nomination for Governor. We presume, however, that in case that the Ex Senator should be tendered either of the above offices at Albany, he "would be willing to serve the dear people." His kind of chronic politicians always take just such a dodge.

It is amazing to see with what avidity Democrats lay hold of error and continue to place the matter before their readers, calling it truth even when its falsity has repeatedly been demonstrated. A case in point is the economical speech of Daws, of Massachusetts. That gentleman had no sooner told of his discovery of exorbitant appropriation estimates, before a dozen members laid bare the falacies of his arguments and proved that those estimates were even less than Mr. Daws claimed they should be. Yet, notwithstanding this vindication of the economy of executive officers, the opposition press continues to quote the wild figuring of the Massachusetts Representative, but never a word from the reply of Butler. Mr. Daws himself was convinced of his error, and has not seen proper to reply to his colleague, Butler.

HOT BOUND FOR SALT RIVER—Many of the most influential and honest men of the Democratic party, in Polk, have already expressed their convictions that the county will go Republican, and, as a consequence, none but the "small fry" aspire to receive a party nomination. The nominees start up Salt River to-day. Those having friends aboard would do well to see them at an early hour, as the grief-stricken creatures will need all the consolation their friends can bestow.

From all parts of the State we receive the cheering intelligence that the Republicans are wide awake, and sanguine of success at the coming election Let every man in the party throw aside personal prejudices and preferences, and victory is just as certain to perch upon our banners on the evening of the first Monday in June, as that day comes.

A color difficult to see—Blind man's buff.

Political Notes.

The New York *Sun* proposes to run General George H. Thomas for the Presidency. The people propose to run Gen. Grant.

The *Evening Call* justly thinks that the Republican party has a continued mission. It must uphold our system of public schools, based upon non-sectarianism, which are now menaced; and besides, by the triumph of the Democratic party "our policy of internal improvements would be ignored and the Pacific States retarded for a century to come."

Senator Morton made a speech at the recent Republican State Convention of Indiana, in which he showed that the financial administration of the Republican party, both State and National, was producing the happiest results. Under Republican management the debt of Indiana has been reduced from $13,000,000 to $2,100,000 while in the national finances better results have been obtained than the most sanguine had hoped for.

During the first seven months of Grant's administration expenses were $55,139,981 40 less than in the preceding eleven months under Johnson, which, (with increased receipts, which resulted from the change,) showed a difference in Grant's favor of $84,844,808 45. Because of this large increase in receipts and reduction of expenses, Congress would be able to largely reduce taxes.

We have it from the La Grand *Sentinel* that "the Goverment of the United States is one which draws all its life and vitality from the States." This is what all the nullifiers down to Jefferson Davis have taught; but it is not the doctrin of the constitution. The Goverment of the United States is a Goverment of the people, and the States have nothing whatever to do with the Goverment save only in the one matter of electing Senators.

STATE ITEMS.

From the *Statesman:* It is with decided pleasure we learn that the noble Republicans of Benton county have purchased the Corvallis *Gazette*, which will, in its next issue, espouse Republican principles and fight for the Union cause. There is another especial cause for congratulation in connection with the above good news, which is: that the talented young Oregonian S. L. Simpson, Esq., is to be the editor of the *Gazette* during the campaign. Mr. Simpson, having calmly surveyed the condition of parties, has concluded that democracy really exists in the Republican ranks, and has hastened to ally himself to the party which leads the van of freedom. We give him a cordial welcome, and bid him God speed.

The Circuit Court for Marion county convened at Salem on Tuesday last, His Honor, Judge Boise presiding. The docket is not heavy, and unless the grand jury should stir up some business, it is not likely that the term will be a long one.

From the *Oregonian:* Capt. Wm. Dierdorff, U. S. Inspector of Hulls, and Capt. John Gates, U. S. Inspector of Boilers, arrived at Oakland on the 13th inst., en route for Empire City for the purpose of inspecting the new steamer Swan, lately built by Capt. Haun, for the navigation of the Umpqua river.

Whooping cough is prevailing at that place to an alarming extent. Politics are raging at fever heat. Douglas county delegates to the State Convention are unpledged. Weather clear and cold.

The Grand Ronde *Sentinel* says there is talk that a Chicago Co. will buy the Burnt river Ditch and complete it to Burnt river. The same paper says: "A company has been formed in La Grand for the purpose of constructing a large irrigating ditch, begining at Oro Dell and designed to water the entire farming lands east of town."

The late George Peabody, though he gave away millions, was exceedingly close in all matters of personal expenditure. When in Portland, Me., he invariably hired an old rattletrap hack, and the driver charged fifteen cents insted of twenty-five. The story goes that when he was last in Portland, and was invited to a dinner party, he took the fifteen cent carriage. As the driver neared the place dinner was given, and in front of which a large number of fine hacks and splended family carriages were drawn up, he rose in his seat and bawled out at the top of his voice: "Get out of the way there and make room; I've got the biggest tode in the puddle."