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## REPUBLICAN TICKET.

### COUNTY.

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## THE TICKET.

Voters of Benton county are to be congratulated upon the excellent ticket given them to support by the late Republican convention. Each name it bears is that of a capable, representative citizen, worthy of the confidence and esteem of his wide circle of acquaintances. In making the selection no section of the county was slighted or neglected. It would be difficult to find in Benton county a set of men whose names, placed upon a party ticket, would give more general satisfaction than those nominated by last week's Republican convention.

Never in the history of the party in this county has there been presented a better opportunity to elect the entire Republican ticket, than is presented in the present campaign. Man for man the nominees are at least equally as capable and acceptable as their opponents on the Democratic ticket. They represent no clique or faction, but are the choice of a majority of delegates in open convention. Behind them stands a united party, strengthened by the most efficient organization it has had in years.

## WHAT THEY STAND FOR.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Benton County Republican Convention, which met in Corvallis, March 31, 1904:

Resolved, That we favor the permanent betterment of every highway in Benton county, without regard to the political complexion of the section to which it leads or through which it passes.

Resolved, That we favor the liberal but intelligent expenditure of public money for road improvement, under competent supervision, and limited to the employment of such methods as will provide good roads without imposing unnecessary burden on the taxpayers.

Resolved, That we favor an administration of county affairs which will render unnecessary a gradual increase of the taxpayers' burden from year to year at a time when the county is free from debt, and there is no demand for heavy expenditure of county funds.

Resolved, That we favor an equal and uniform system of taxation as prescribed by the constitution and laws of this

state, and condemn in most severe terms a policy which discriminates in favor of one individual and against another.

Resolved, That we favor the strict attention of every county officer to his duties prescribed for him by law, and the faithful observance of the obligations imposed by his oath of office.

## ALL REPUBLICANS IN LINE.

Never in the history of the party in Benton county has there been greater harmony among Republicans than exists today. All members of the excellent ticket nominated by last Thursday's convention are in accord on every question touching the welfare of the county and the party. There are no jealousies or antipathies among the champions of the several candidates to interfere with the aggressive and enthusiastic campaign which will be waged until the day of election, and the Republican host will be found marching onward with every man keeping step and waving the banner of harmony and united effort.

In the past the opposition has never depended for success upon the strength of the ticket it has placed in the field, for its managers have boasted, long before either convention had been held, that they would capture a majority of the offices. They relied upon factional Republican strife to elect their candidates for them. This condition of affairs has not been confined to Benton county, but has extended throughout the state. Discussing this matter the Oregonian of a few days ago said: "Is this sort of thing to continue indefinitely? and if it is not so to continue, where shall we have a more auspicious time for it to end than now? If Republicans cause it to be given out that they prefer a Democratic victory that is not of their own obtaining, then is it not clear that such Republicanism has in it very little beyond the grossest possible form of self-seeking?"

The campaign opens in this county with, splendid prospects for success in June. A clean sweep for the Republican ticket in that election is possible if every Republican does his duty.

It is urged by Democrats who oppose his nomination for the presidency, that little Willie Hearst is no speaker. On the theory that money talks Willie promises to be more voluble even in urging his election than was Mr. Bryan.

"Not the last stroke, but every stroke brings victory." Let this be the Republican battle cry.

## THE WORM TURNED.

The Democratic Convention Held a Stormy Session—Mr. Bryan Belabored the Bosses.

That Judge McFadden regarded the delegates who sat in the Democratic convention in this city last Saturday, as mere puppets assembled in a mass meeting to ratify a program already prepared by himself and the little coterie over which he presides, was evident from the moment Chairman Davis tapped with his gavel to call the meeting to order. McFadden moved that Robt Johnson act as temporary chairman, McFadden made the motion calling for a committee on resolutions, McFadden suggested that a committee be appointed on organization, McFadden asked B. F. Irvine to favor the convention with some remarks, McFadden delivered a speech instructing the convention what its duty was in the work of the afternoon session, and McFadden assisted in the selection of the various committees.

But there were delegates in that convention who represent the element that is determined to purge the party of McFaddenism, and their spokesman was

Delegate William Bryan, of Wren precinct. Mr. Bryan made two speeches that afternoon that drove terror to the hearts of the little ring that has had a strangle hold on Democracy in this county for years, and sounded the death-knell of the administration which that ring has inaugurated. He made McFaddenism an issue in this campaign.

## THE MORNING SESSION.

Chairman Davis called the meeting to order at 11:30 and Judge McFadden immediately moved "that Robt. Johnson act as temporary chairman." Opportunity was given for no other nomination and Mr. Johnson was called to the chair.

Johnny Buchanan was made temporary secretary in the same manner.

B. F. Irvine moved that a committee of three be appointed on order of business.

On motion of J. D. Howell a committee of three was appointed on credentials.

W. S. McFadden moved that a committee of three be appointed on resolutions.

W. S. McFadden suggested that a committee of three be appointed on permanent organization.

McFadden moved that B. F. Irvine favor the convention with a few remarks while committees were being selected. It was apparent from Mr. Irvine's remarks that he divined the storm that was to break in the afternoon. He was anxious and apprehensive and pleaded with the candidates who were going to be defeated for nomination in the afternoon, to "be good" and support those who were slated to win.

Mr. Irvine endeavored to console them by saying that the Democratic nominees would have to overcome a Republican majority of 200 in this county, and that those who failed of nomination might after all be the ones to be congratulated. "How are you to be elected," said he, "if you don't draw 100 votes from the opposition and hold all your own?"

Judge McFadden then took the floor and consumed what remained of the morning hour in ridiculing and abusing the gentlemen who were nominated by the Republican convention. "Start in with that ticket at the head," said he, "and end with the corpse at the foot and there's no strength in it." Then each individual Republican nominee was coated with mud, with the exception of Richard Scott, who the Judge admitted was a "credible nomination." He also admitted that the Democrats "were handicapped in the matter of school superintendent."

Addressing himself to the reporter, who sat at a respectful distance taking notes on the engagement, the speaker uttered a prophecy and asked that it be recorded. But the prophet is without honor and his predictions are regarded of small consequence by the community.

## THE STORM BROKE.

The clouds which were sighted in the morning, were hovering low when the convention was called to order in the afternoon. The committee on credentials disclosed the fact that a number of delegates, who had been elected at last week's primaries had totally ignored the time-worn dodge to place them under the domination of the ring by concurring upon them the empty honor of a seat in the convention, and had remained away without providing even for a proxy.

The committee on organization recommended that the temporary organization be made permanent, and that Guy Frink be made assistant secretary. The report was adopted.

Judge McFadden had made sure of a place on the committee on resolutions by making the motion for the appointment of that committee. When the report of

the committee was called for Mr. McFadden took the floor and read his resolutions, smilingly confident that no delegate would have the assurance to take issue with the Great Tye of local Tammany. But he reckoned without his host. Staunch old William Bryan, of Wren, was sitting in that convention and he had the courage of his convictions. He waited respectfully for Mr. McFadden to finish reading his resolutions, but when the question of their adoption was before the convention, Mr. Bryan had something to say: "Judge McFadden, you advocate good roads in your resolutions," said he. "You people are spending enormous sums of our money in improving roads and we have no roads. I want to know if that resolution is sincere. We want different roads. We want roads that delegates to our conventions can get over on horseback. Your men pay the bills for road work out of the people's money and never look to see whether the work has been done or not. I want a change." Mr. Bryan is a forcible speaker and he handled his subject without gloves. His remarks were loudly applauded by his fellow delegates. In reply, Judge McFadden thought Mr. Bryan had misunderstood the wording of the resolution. "I would not know a good road if I saw one," concluded Mr. McFadden.

## QUESTIONS HIS DEMOCRACY.

Nominations for senator was the first order of business, and Judge McFadden placed the name of Punderson Avery, of Corvallis, before the convention. He said that factionalism in the Republican party elected Chamberlain governor of Oregon, and Republican factionalism would elect Mr. Avery senator.

Mr. Bryan was on his feet in a moment and the cold chill that ran down the backs of the McFaddenites sent the mercury in the court room thermometer scurrying down several degrees. "Judge McFadden is trying to tell the convention what it ought to do," Mr. Bryan began "He has told us all about Mr. Avery's good qualities, but has said nothing about his politics. Is he a Democrat? Has he been true to the party? If he hasn't, I don't want him. I would like to see this convention nominate a man that can be elected, but any man who has not been true to his party is not fit to represent it at Salem. I object to the nomination." The warmth of the applause elicited by those remarks brought the mercury up again.

The chair called for nominations for representative with fear and trembling, but the McFaddenites hadn't the temerity to face Mr. Bryan with another gold democrat, and McFadden sparred for time by moving that this nomination be made the last order of business.

Mr. Price placed the nomination of Victor Moses before the convention for the office of clerk, and he was chosen by acclamation.

There was another long silence when nominations for sheriff were called for. Finally it was broken by the nominating of M. P. Burnett for this office. B. F. Irvine felt that the silence was ominous and undertook in a short speech to relieve the occasion of its oppressiveness. Mr. Burnett was nominated by acclamation. Horace Locke and Guy Frink were placed in nomination for recorder, but Mr. Frink declined and Locke was chosen by acclamation.

Peter Rickard was nominated for commissioner by acclamation.

The chair called in vain for nominations for school superintendent. Finally Irvine nominated Burt Peterson, and that gentleman was named without opposition.

## Spring Announcement

### WASH GOODS

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