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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

COUNTY.

Senator—W. E. YATES, of Corvallis
 Representative—VIRGIL CARTER, of Wells
 Sheriff—J. M. CAMERON, of Corvallis
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 Commissioner—L. H. HAWLEY, of Dusty
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 Assessor—GEO. COOPER, of Philomath
 Surveyor—T. L. READ, of Wren
 Coroner—S. N. WILKINS, of Corvallis

THE PLATFORM.

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. Adopted by the Benton County Republican convention, March 31, 1904.

COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

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SEEKING A SCAPEGOAT.

Of all the inane, purile twaddle that has been printed in the editorial columns of the Times during the present campaign, the worst appeared in the circus day edition of that paper.

The trio have certainly reached the limit of assurance, when they devote a half page of their organ to an attempt to fasten upon Mr. Jolly all the mistakes and shortcomings of the present Democratic managers of county affairs. Of course, it is apparent to every one that the trio hope to attract attention from themselves to Mr. Jolly. They try to disguise the fact that they are attacking that gentleman, by masking their batteries with boquets.

We indorse all the nice things they have to say about Mr. Jolly, but protest, most emphatically, against their effort to make him a scapegoat.

Reference to issues of the Times, published in the campaign of 1890 and 1892, when Mr. Jolly was Republican candidate for sheriff, will convince that gentleman's friends of the duplicity that is being practiced by the Wily Sachem and his lieutenants. Twelve or fourteen years ago the Times was unable to discover a good quality or an admirable trait in Mr. Jolly; now, it finds him an ideal citizen and competent official.

Commissioner Irwin's friends must smile, when they hear the Times whimpering because taxpayers exercise their right and privilege to criticize the official

acts of their servant, the county court.

Mr. Irwin was a member of the court when Mr. Woodward was judge, and the trio, through the columns of the Times, maintained a "persistent howl" against the county court.

So malignant and unjust was this "criticism" by the Times, that Judge Woodward refused to accept the office for another term, where he would be subject to the misrepresentation and abuse of the organ of the bosses. The trio was "paving the way" for the election of the present county judge, and it held Judge Woodward responsible for the entire management of county affairs, ignoring the commissioners and constantly referring to "Judge Woodward's court."

In its issue of July 5, 1902, the Times gave Mr. Woodward a parting kick in an article in which it spoke of "One of the last acts of Judge Woodward's county court" and proceeded to misrepresent him and Mr. Irwin, who was a commissioner at that time.

The present county judge assumed the duties of that office with an exaggerated opinion of the authority conferred upon him, and he has tried to put that opinion into practice.

His idea of the power vested in a county judge, and the responsibility assumed by that official, appeared in a two-column article printed in the Times, May 14, 1902, under the caption, "The Judgeship—A Comparison." In that article appeared this statement:

The entire financial operations, involving \$60,000 to \$70,000 per year are LARGE LY VESTED IN HIM (the county judge) either for PROPER OR IMPROPER MANAGEMENT. A mistake in the selection of a judge, might be fraught with serious consequences to every taxpayer. No unknown or inexperienced man should be allowed to sit as MASTER OF THE FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS OPERATIONS OF THE COUNTY.

That article boasted that Mr. Watters would "sit as MASTER of the financial and business operations of the county," and now the Times says that Mr. Jolly must bear the burden of mistakes made by the Judge who was to "sit as Master."

Referring particularly to Mr. Watters the Times said in its issue of May 14, 1902:

He is qualified to require, as it is his sworn duty to do, of an assessor, a PERFECT ASSESSMENT, such an assessment as the successful management of county finances require.

According to that article the county judge was to be the whole show in the management of the county's affairs. But the taxpayer who presumes to criticize one act of his administration is to be prosecuted for "Lese Majeste."

The Times said its county judge was "qualified to require a perfect assessment," and "it is his sworn duty to do so." The taxpayer who is satisfied with the last two assessments will please hold up his hand.

VOTE IT STRAIGHT.

Republicans, is it your desire ever to have your party win a victory in Benton county, or is it your will that the little ring of Democratic bosses shall be perpetuated indefinitely? You have supported and encouraged the Trio—who regard the election of every candidate on the Democratic ticket as a victory for themselves—until they feel that you are their property. They have grown so bold and arrogant, that to give one of them affront means an attack by their organ, the Times, or a personal assault. They jeer and laugh at you after every election, and taunt you because the Republican candidate you voted against was defeated, and, yet, when two years roll around again, they ask you to forgive and forget.

Do you propose to be "done" this election, or are you going to join hands with the honest, self-respecting Democrats who are resolved to break the strangle hold these bosses have on their party, by defeating the ticket the trio of Democratic bosses are giving their support?

Mr. Republican voter, you may be a candidate for office on the Republican ticket two or four years from now, or some particular friend of yours may be given the nomination. What hope can you or he have of being elected, if one or both of you help to demoralize your party organization by defeating Republican candidates in this campaign? Whoever your opponent may be, he is assured of courteous treatment by the Republican newspaper and campaign managers; but, if you encourage the present little coterie of bosses, who pose as owners of the Democratic party, by endorsing them in this campaign, you will be abused and detained just as many good men have been before you.

The ticket nominated by the recent Republican convention may not be composed of just the men you would have named if your personal preference had been consulted, but, in nearly every instance, the office sought the man, and as a whole the ticket is the choice of a large majority of the delegates to the recent Republican convention. Be a Republican this year in fact, as well as profession, and show the trio that you are not to be "done." Condemn their vile and abusive assaults upon honorable members of the party with which you affiliate, by voting a straight Republican ticket in June.

Like a rat in a trap, the Business Democrat squeals at each thrust that is given him, and sticks his nose into a new crevice, hoping to find one that will prove a loop-hole of escape. His abnormal appetite for political crumbs has led him into the trap, and he himself has closed the door behind him. He is walled in by old copies of the Times, and every crevice is stuffed with scurrilous editorials from that sheet. For years, he has had his nest in the political house of the Republican party, and he has waxed fat on the crumbs that have fallen from the tables of its members. He has grown bolder and bolder, and has become more and more exacting, until he insists on having his choice of the viands before the members of the Republican family are served. He has bitten every hand that has fed him, and now that he is trapped, his squeals of distress arouse no sympathy. In fact, many members of the party upon which he has saddled himself, rejoice at his present discomfiture.

Nearly every precinct in Benton county now has an enthusiastic Roosevelt club, and all will be organized in time for the Fall campaign. Fairmount precinct has a strong club, headed by the following officers: T. B. Williamson, president; T. J. Risley, vice-president; Paul Johnson, secretary. Alsea Roosevelt club was organized last week, and elected the following prominent Republicans to fill its offices: J. E. Banton, president; D. D. Longbottom, secretary.

If "squandered" isn't the proper term to describe the use that has been made of the money paid in by taxpayers to be applied on roadwork, what particular word will answer that purpose, MR. EDITOR? The money is gone; so are the roads.

"The Times is edited by its owner and owned by its editor," boasts the Business Democrat. He omits, however, to state that both are pretty heavily mortgaged.

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

STATE

Supreme Judge—FRANK A. MOORE, of Columbia
 Dairy and Food Commissioner—J. W. BAILEY, of Multnomah
 Presidential Electors—J. N. HART, of Polk
 JAS. A. FEE, of Umatilla
 GRANT B. DIMMICK, of Clackamas
 A. C. HOUGH, of Josephine

CONGRESSIONAL

Representative First District—BINGER HERMANN, of Douglas

JUDICIAL

Circuit Judge—E. O. POTTER, of Lane
 District Attorney—GEORGE M. BROWN, of Douglas

The proper sense of proportion will lead every man who calls himself a Republican or approves Republican policies or trusts Republican control more than Democratic control to answer all Democratic or "independent" appeals with the statement that he hopes and works for the success of the Republican ticket and that he welcomes an assault on one part of it no more than on the other. What sort of a Republican will he be who suffers the Democrats to pick out what places on the Republican ticket they will choose to defeat and then joins in with them to break down the Republican vote?—Oregonian.

It is announced from Washington that Senator Platt, ranking member on the committee on inter oceanic canals, has finally determined not to accept the chairmanship of that committee, made vacant by the death of Senator Hanna, and that Senator Mitchell next ranking member, will assume the chairmanship. This is one of the most important committees in Congress.

The Times made "roads" a campaign issue two years ago, but it holds up its hands now and says "don't mention roads or the county court will stop spending money on them." How about taxes? Will the court refuse to make a levy next year, because taxpayers are complaining of the amounts they have been compelled to pay over the sheriff's counter this year?

The editor of the Times (the one who became a Democrat for business reasons) manifests supreme assurance when he accuses anyone of being a "jobber" or a "grafter." If an association were formed of past masters in the art of jobbing and grafting the Business Democrat would be entitled to the highest office, because of exceptional ability. His equal doesn't reside in the state of Oregon.

Judge McFadden's amanuensis says this is the wildest, wierdest campaign he ever saw. You are dazed Benjamin Franklin; that's all. You were jealous of the attention your political mentor was receiving, and got in the way. But you will be all right when your head clears.

The Business Democrat says the gentlemen who compose the Republican County Central Committee are liars. But, then, a man who will stand up and apply that epithet to his own father is rather loose in his use of the term.

The Trio of bosses claim to be confident that the Democratic party will endorse them in this campaign. They must have a poor opinion of the Democratic party.

Come now, Benjamin Franklin; on your word as a renegade Republican.

Spring Announcement

WASH GOODS

New Percales and Calicos
 New Gingham and Chambrays
 New Challies and Cotton Suitings
 New White Waistings

New Dress Skirts and Shirt Waists

WOOL DRESS GOODS

New Mixed Suitings
 New Scotch Weaves
 New Etamine and Voiles
 New Mohairs, Plain and Figured
 New Black Dress Goods

NOVELTIES

New Buttons
 New Waist Sets
 New Trimmings
 New Ornaments
 New Stock Collars
 New Laces
 New Ribbons

New Hosiery and Underwear

DOMESTICS

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 New Muslins and Sheetings
 New Towels and Towling
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