A Plain Statement

OF THE

Political Situation

The Republican Party Asks the Support of the Voters in the Coming Election

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And Tells Why It Expects to Receive this Support-Sound Money, Protection and the Carrying to a Successful Termination of the War with Cuba are its Cardinal Principles-A few Words about the Candidates.

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THE TICKET.

STATE.

For Governor, T. T. GEER, of Marion County.

For Secretary of State, F. L. DUNBAR, of Clatsop County,

For State Treasurer, CHARLES S. MOORE, of Klamath County.

For State Printer, W. H. LEEDS, of Jackson County.

For Attorney-General, D. R. N. BLACKBURN, of Linn County.

For Supreme Sudge, F. A. MOORE, of Columbia County.

For Superintendent Public Instruction, J. H. ACKERMAN, of Multnomah County.

DISTRICT.

For Congressman, Second District, MALCOLM A. MOODY, of Wasco County.

For Circuit Judge, Seventh District, H. S. WILSON, of Wasco County.

For Prosecuting Attorney, Seventh District, A. A. JAYNE,

of Wasco County. For Member State Board of Equalization

C. C. KUNEY, of Sherman County.

For Joint Representatives, Wasco and Sherman Counties,

of Wasco County.

COUNTY.

For Sheriff, ROBERT KELLY,

For Clerk, A. M. KELSAY.

For Treasurer,

C. L. PHILLIPS,

For School Superintendent,

C. L. GILBERT,

For Assessor, W. H. WHIPPLE.

For Surveyor, J. B. GOIT.

For Coroner, W. H. BUTTS.

For Commissioner, N. C. EVANS.

PRECINCT.

For Justice of the Peace, C. E. BAYARD.

> For Constable, W. C. CLARK.

THE PLATFORM.

to power.

ple in the maintenance of a wise finan- sound money aloft. section against section; we declare that political organization in the state. the interests of all classes and of all secsound stable financial system.

dication of the national honor and the all. What more need be said? performance of a work dictated by every For the remaining members of the the entire people.

ples of the federal constitution; we recognize that representative governstitution which will abrogate this time honored principle.

We are in favor of retrenchment and reform in state and county matters.

affairs, and the abolition of all needless offices and commissions.

The salmon fishing industry, so fruitful a source of revenue to the state, should be fostered, and to that end we A. S. ROBERTS and J. W. MORTON, favor state aid in the artifical propagation of salmon, and their distribution in from the Second District. He is one of the waters of this state.

clare that good government cannot come from such an alliance.

THE PRINCIPLES.

It is nothing more than proper that sufferages of the people. The privilege Moody is? We think not. We, the Republican voters of the state results. It is probably a just criticism this highly important position. Mr. do so would be a sad mistake. Mr. Gil- over each name and then decide if there of Oregon, in convention assembled, con- of the American people that they are Wilson's abilities are recognized wher- bert is a polished gentleman, a thorough is any reason why the Republican nomgratulate the people of the state as well accustomed to look upon the duty of ever his name is known. Fair minded, educator, a competent official. His re- inees should not be supported. The as of the whole nation on the unmistaka- voting with less seriousness than is de- a vigorous thinker and sound judge of election would be a fitting endorsement Republican party can be depended upble fact that the dark cloud of adversity, manded by the privileges and honors legal questions, absolutely independent of a creditable administration of this on, in the future, as in the past, to which has hung like a pall over our fair- conferred by American citizenship and and fearless his election to the judicial important position. land, has been dissipated. We recognize in the hope that such criticisms may bench would insure that justice would The nominees for assessor, W. H. wisest for the welfare of us all. In the that the return of prosperity is due to not be justified in the present campaign, be done throughout this district whereat Whipple, and county commissioner, N. words of Lincoln, the Republican party

tention to the principles enunciated by more reason why he should be heartily Mr, Whipple has conducted the duties the Republican party, and to the men supported by the voters of Wasco of his office with far greater satisfaction which represent those principles, and county, irrespective of politics. thing for the welfare of the state, which can party presents the name of A. A, tion. Mr. Evans is a prominent farmer we are proud to call our home.

all those who believe that a stable, un- now.

ing to the debasement of the currency practice, is invited to support the Re- nated.

cial policy; we particularly condemn as The state ticket, as nominated by the sheep raising, while his name is synunpatriotic, the efforts of the free silver Astoria convention, has never been ex- onymous with honesty. Mr. J. W. agitators to array class against class and celled in quality by the nominees of any Morton of Hood River, like Mr. Roberts,

governor, who heads the list, represents great favor with his neighbors and all which our country is involved makes it While we deplore the imminence of statesmanship in politics. His character who know him. Both Mr. Roberts and necessary that politics be lain aside, war, we recognize that the country is on is beyond assault; his ability and learning Mr. Morton are worthy the support of and, as American citizens we rally to the the eve of a war, undertaken for the vin- unquestioned; his fairness conceded by the voters in Sherman and Wasco coun- support of the administration. Upon

instinct of humanity, we declare that state ticket sufficient is it to state that Leaving the congressional, judicial in this trying crisis. He is not the the administration is entitled in this they are tried men, standing high in and legislative nominees, and coming president of the Republicans any more conflict to the confidence and support of public estimation and deeply in sym- to those on the county ticket, the first than he is of the Democrats. He be-We are firmly attached to the princi- sent the reasons why the Republican Kelly, the Republican nominee for and it is their duty to see that they are party exists.

ment is one of these principles, and we county is interested in the election of sheriff's office have never been kept of politics. are opposed to any change in law or con- men for the state offices who are worthy with the neatness and accuracy as dur- Oregon is the first state to hold a genand capable, yet at this time the county ing the last four years, when Mr. Kelly eral election since the war with Spain central committee desires to call atten- has had them in charge. He has saved has opened. The nation has its eyes tion to the men who are nominated for the county hundreds of dollars by his upon us, and the decision of the voters the congressional, judicial, legislative watchfulness, and Wasco County may in this state will be either a comfort or We demand strict economy in public and county offices. For these are no be congratulated if it shall keep him in source of regret to the administration. less important to us than the ones which the sheriff's office still longer. appear upon the state ticket.

THE DISTRICT NOMINEES.

With especial pride do the people of Eastern Oregon, look upon the nomination of Malcom A. Moody for congress us. From early boyhood he has lived We reaffirm our allegience to the prin- in this community. He has learned the ciples of the Republican party of the needs of Eastern Oregon and our aims United states, as enunciated by the Re- and desires are his. The old saying publican convention in St. Louis in 1896. "that intimacy lessens respect," is We denounce the fusion party of Ore- broken in this instance for those who gon as an aggregation of spoilsmen, who are most earnestly supporting Mr. are ready to subordinate principles to Moody's candidacy are the ones who offices. Each of the parties to this com- have known him best and there is no If there is a more whole-souled, genial pact is willing to stultify itself and form safer standard by which a man can be man in Wasco County, or one who is alliances with elements which it has judged than the criterion of close asso- more competent to perform the duties of heretofore denounced as dangerous and ciation. Mr. Moody posses untiring county treasurer than Charles L. Philunfit to be intrusted with power; we de- energy. He is clear headed and vigor- lips, the Woman's Edition does not ons and should it be decided that he know him. Charlie Phillips numbers congress the needs of the state could not does he deserve their respect and likbe in more competent hands. Wasco ing. Mr. Phillips has made a model judge to coroner. There is not a man county has been honored by Mr. Moody's treasurer for the last two years, and nomination. Let us show next June there can be no valid reason assigned every endeavor should be made to ac- that we appreciate the compliment. The why he should not be reelected. The quaint the voters of Wasco county and question of river appropriations, of the duties of the office have been honestly. the counties composing this legislative Forestry Reserve and manyother matters punctually and pleasantly performed, and judicial district with the principles of pressing importance will come before and it is no more than right that he be ple and not any particular few. The reand men which are represented by the congress and could Oregon be better rep- reelected for another term. He has long publicans of Wasco County appeal to various political tickets now asking the resented than by such a man as Mr. been a resident of Wasco county, and is

of casting a ballot is little less than H. S. Wilson is the Republican candi- Although politics are sometimes unsacred, and no act of citizenship is ac- date for judge of this district and it is certain, surely there can be no question companied with weightier responsibility universally conceded that he combines but that C. L. Gilbert will be reelected nor is fraught with more far-reaching all the elements and qualifications for county school superintendent. Not to the restoration of the Republican party the Republicans of Wasco county, it lay in his power. Mr. Wilson is not C. Evans, are worthy the confidence is a government of the people, for the through the Woman's Edition, call at- a politician and in this is found all the and support of the voters next June. people and by the people.

state platform. Each reader can read all who have watched his career. Like management of the county's business. for himself the words published above, the judgeship, the office of prosecuting J. B. Gott and W. H. Butts, the nomand it only remains to ask if anything attornev is not a political one and the inees for surveyor and coroner respectbe stated therein which is not calculated man who is the best qualified should be ively, are well known throughout Wasco to be for the best interests of the nation supported. Mr. Jayne is recognized as county, and the Woman's Edition preat large, for our own beloved Oregon an able lawyer, decisive in action and and for each particular community in independent in the conduct of his office. said against their conduct in office and which any of us may live. The Re- Every reason which prompted his elec- the same good report may be expected publican party welcomes to its shelter tion heretofore exists all the stronger of them in the future as in the past.

evasive and honest financial system is C. C. Kuney, the Republican nomibest for the material interests of the na- nee for member of the state board of hands rests a vast amount of discretion tion. Issues change as time progresses equalization, is from Sherman county. and conditions vary, but there never can Mr. Kuney has held the office of assessbe any surrender on this most vital or in that county and performed all the duties with unusual merit. His assess-The Republican party is for sound ment had the honor of being the only ard, who is in every way qualified for We are in favor of the maintenance of money, and every voter, no matter what one which was allowed to remain unthe present gold standard; we are un- his previous political views may have corrected by the state board. Mr. qualifiedly opposed to the free coinage been, but who now believes that free sil- Kuney would make a desirable man in of silver and to all other schemes look- ver is wrong in theory and disastrous in the position for which he has been nomi-

and the repudiation of debt. We believe publican ticket. There has been no The election of members to the legisthat the best money in the world is withdrawal from the advocacy of a pro- lative assembly is an important matter none too good to be assured by the gov- tective system, which the Republican this year, for the legislature to be electernment to the laborer as the fruit of party has always championed, and the ed will choose a United States senator. his toil and to the farmer as the price of correctness of this belief has been dem- The Republican party has been eshis crop. We condemn the continued onstrated by present conditions. But pecially fortunate in its nominees for agitation for free silver as calculated to the platform stands for itself. Let us these offices. Mr. A. S. Roberts, of jeopardize the prosperity of the country take a look at the men who at this par- Deschutes, is one of the best and favorand to shake the confidence of the peo- ticular time are carrying the banners of ably known men in Wasco county. He is extensively interested in farming and is interested in the upbuilding of Eastern Oregon. He is engaged in raising fruit tions of our country alike demand a T. T. Geer, the Republican nominee for in Hood River valley, and stands in plain. The momentous struggle in

TPE COUNTY TICKET.

pathy with the principles which repre- which appears is the name of Robert longs to the American people collectivley, But, though every voter in Wasco contradiction that the books of the ernment by any narrow considerations

nee for county clerk, has filled that lying plains and among the timbered office for four years to the eminent sat- hills of Oregon are patriotic to the isfaction of the taxpayers. He is court- heart's core, and take this opportunity eous, obliging and competent, and his of testifying to their confidence and apreelection would be a declaration that proval of the efforts of the administra-Wasco county desires good officers, and tion to maintain American honor and none better has she ever had than Mr. remove from the fair page of Western Kelsay. If it were left to those who history the blot which Spain has put have had business to do in the clerk's upon Cuba. office the last four years to decide this How best can this be done? The ansmatter, Mr. Kelsay would receive all wer is easy. Let us elect the Republithe votes, as it is he should get them can candidates for congress who will be

shall represent Oregon in the national the multitude as his friends, and well identified with its interests.

than had been previously done, and his whose election is deemed a desirable For prosecuting attorney the Republi- work is his best endorsement for reelec-Jayne. Mr. Jayne has held this office at Hood River who has been careful and It is not necessary here to reiterate the for two terms and has made a record prudent in his own affairs and this is a statements made in the Republican which has been a source of pleasure to guarantee that he would be so in the

dicts their election. Not a word can be-

The office of justice of the peace is an exceedingly important one. In his and unless it be wisely exercised the interests of the county will suffer. The Republican ticket is fortunate in having upon it for this position Mr. C. E. Baythis duty. Mr. Bayard is a taxpayer, a fair minded, able man, and as justice of the peace would serve the people well.

Mr. W. C. Clark, the nominee for constable, is known as a sober, industrious young man, well qualified for the office to which he has been nominated.

These are the men whom the Republican party asks you to support. Can you do better by not voting for them? Think carefully over this question before you scratch a Republican nominee. They are worthy your support and twoyears from now you will rejoice that you chose them for your ballots.

~~~ A CONCLUDING WORD.

The duty of the voters next June is President McKinley rests the responsibility of guarding the nation's interests sheriff. It can be said without fear of not lead away from a support of the gov-

Let it be said that the people who dwell A. M. Kelsay, the Republican nomi- in the fertile valleys, and on the broad

ever ready to aid the administration in carrying out its plans; let us elect the republican nominee for governor and his associates upon the state ticket, which will say to the nation that Oregon did not fail in the duty of the hour. And when we have made such a good beginning let us continue the work and elect the republican ticket throughout from among them who is not worthy your support. The ticket is clean, representative and capable. The candidates are all worthy men, free from prejudices and if elected will serve the whole peothe voters to carefully consider before voting against the party which has no other aim in view than providing best for the interests of the nation.

Read the ticket over carefully; think enact legislation which will be the