

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

For county officers, vote for the best men, regardless of their politics.

If the voters of Wallowa county, democratic or republican, look to their own interests they will vote for L. B. Rinehart.

If an officer has proven himself faithful, capable and honest it certainly shows wisdom on the part of the people to retain him in office a reasonable length of time.

The democratic convention, of Baker county, reassembled last Saturday and almost unanimously selected Haines as their nominee for representative.

The Milton Eagle propounds the following query: "How much of the republican campaign fund is being devoted to the payment of ministers to lecture against prohibition?"

The traveling public will feel safer when they learn that the O. & C. R. R. company recently issued orders that employees of the company must be total abstainers from intoxicants.

The election will take place next Monday. After that the papers will contain more news items and less politics, which will no doubt be an acceptable change to the reading public.

On account of a rush of matter, we leave the two tickets which we have been publishing, out of this issue. It is a matter of no consequence, however, as all are now acquainted with the nominees on each.

It may be true that taxation in excess of national expenses, to the tune of \$140,000,000 yearly, is a fruitful source of national prosperity. The farmer who has to sell a cow to pay his part of it can't see it in that light.

It is now but a few days till the election, and voters should pay no attention to any calumnious reports that may be put in circulation at this time, when it is too late to refute them. From the actions of the Gazette, we imagine it will contain a nauseating mess this week, and will stop at nothing, however low, to compass the defeat of the democratic legislative ticket.

Vote for John M. Gearin for congressman. By doing so you will show the world that you are a friend of the laboring class of this country. Gearin will vote to reduce the war taxes, thus bringing relief to the people who pay them, of whom the people of Oregon are a part. Oregon pays much more for protection than she receives, even if she does get from the wool tariff all the republicans say she does. We ought to have a representative in congress who will help us reform the tariff. Oregon's voice on the question this election will be potent. Let it be on the right side.

But few men, however well educated they may be, have the natural judgment and qualifications that a legislator should possess, but in the person of W. H. Huffman we believe the voters of Union county will find a man that will meet the requirements, and one whom they need have no hesitancy in supporting. He is well and thoroughly posted on every issue of the day, is a good, logical speaker, able at all times to hold his own with the best of them in debate, and last but not least, he is a farmer. We have always contended that our lawmakers should be of this class. Mr. Huffman, if elected, will have the farming interests at heart, and his fellow farmers can trust him. His opponent is a merchant whose interest in the farmers is just to the extent of what he can get out of them. Farmers, which will you vote for?

THE GAZETTE'S DISCOVERY

During the present campaign, THE SCOUT has endeavored to act in a fair, impartial and independent manner, freely according to all a voice in its columns, but editorially advocating the measures it believed for the best interests of the country, and giving its support to the men who would be most likely to see these measures carried into effect. Its attitude no man could mistake, and its utterances have been without fear or favor. That its course has met the approval of the people at large we are constrained to believe, by words of kindness from many men of various political proclivities, throughout the county, from numerous letters of commendation constantly being received, and by the unprecedented growth of its patronage. The La Grande Gazette, however, took issue with us from the first, and during the campaign has worried considerably more over the action of THE SCOUT than anything else, and wasted a vast amount of energy and space in vilifying us, which might have been more profitably applied in advocating its principles (if it has any) and in behalf of its pet candidates. In its last issue it claims to have made, what

it considers a most horrible discovery, in effect that THE SCOUT has been bribed to support the democratic legislative ticket, which causes its proprietors to boil over with virtuous indignation. We quote its own words:

The Gazette has taken exception at various times during the present campaign to refer to the stand the Scout has taken, and in connection therewith has expressed the belief that the Scout has been seduced to support the Democratic candidates for the legislature for the simple reason that the heady editor, A. K. Jones, is a Democrat. It now turns out that partisan zeal is a secondary matter, and that the Scout is supporting the Democratic candidate, - Lou Rinehart, J. H. Raley, Turner Oliver and Bill Huffman, in consideration of the payment of TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS!

This information comes from a source that is perfectly reliable and cannot be gainsaid nor denied. One of the candidates himself gave it away, and it is the impression that the Scout's support was a great thing to have and the fact that its support had been cancelled for the above reason, in behalf of himself and colleagues was too good for him to keep.

We have heretofore paid but little attention to the Gazette, deeming it of small consequence what it might say or do, and at this time, in reference to the above, would not notice the utter falsity of the charge, but accord it the silent contempt it deserves, were it not for the fact that the names of other parties are mentioned, and that Mr. J. W. Shelton has addressed us a letter on the subject, which we subjoin:

Union, Or. May 30, 1888.

My attention has been called to a scurrilous article in the La Grande Gazette of May 25, wherein that paper charges, that I, with Wm. H. Huffman as security, gave to THE SCOUT a note for \$200.00 to secure the influence of that paper in support of the nominees on the Democratic ticket in the present campaign. Please allow me space to say in reply, that I never gave or offered to give my own or any other person's note or other evidence of debt or any money or other thing to THE SCOUT or any person connected therewith, directly or indirectly, for any consideration, for the support of that paper of the Democratic ticket or any nominee thereon, and further, I have not asked any person connected with THE SCOUT, directly or indirectly, to support the Democratic ticket or any of its nominees, and any statement of that paper or other person to the contrary, is false.

As to the Gazette's insinuation that a note with my signature, without Mr. Huffman's, would not be good for the sum of \$200.00 or any other sum, I would say, this is a matter entirely personal to myself and those with whom I deal; while it is my business to know and I do know the financial condition of every person connected with the Gazette, or engaged in any other business in the county, for that matter, yet it is a matter that no man has a right to publish to the world, and a man who would attempt to make public property of such matters is fully capable of taking his own household and fleeing the country to escape the vengeance of an outraged law. I have hoped that the nominal and unimportant position occupied by me in Union county politics at this time would have exempted me from republican calumny, but in this I have been doomed to disappointment.

In conclusion I would suggest to the Gazette that people who live in glass houses should never throw stones, since it is a fact well known to many voters in this county that one of the nominees on the Republican ticket has made himself a subject of the most ridicule and contumelious abuse of the honest voters of Union county, by sending a disreputable person over the county peddling bootie to buy votes with, as he will learn at the close of the count on the 4th day of June, and his bootie peddling is many years later on than the law against such practices. J. W. SHELTON.

To what depth of infamy the Gazette will descend in the hopes of benefiting the Republican party, we will leave others to judge. We will say for its information, however, that if it will interview some of the prominent members of its party here, it will find that we are not so easily bribed after all, for they have "tried it on" to their satisfaction.

In conclusion we will say to the immaculate Eckley and Snodgrass, of the Gazette: Admitting for the sake of argument, that your charge is true, and that the central committee, any private individual, the candidates individually or collectively, should donate us \$250 or any other sum, to show their appreciation of our labor in their behalf, what would it all amount to anyway? Would there be anything dishonorable in giving or accepting it? If so, then we admit that we are just "dishonorable" enough to gobble on to it with avidity. And yet we do believe, that if the time ever comes when you can teach us lessons in morality, or guide us in the path where honor treads, we shall have fallen low, and a blush of shame will, indeed, have cause to crimson our cheek.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENCY.

In making up your ballots see that you have the proper man on for school superintendent. The duties of the office of county superintendent of schools are peculiar. For the discharge of these duties and for the welfare of the county a candidate should be chosen for that office who is competent. A man who can teach a successful school, one who understands the principles upon which the educational system of our state is founded, is a safe man to entrust with the office of county superintendent. Moreover he must have broad and liberal views; must be up with the times in educational matters; must be willing to work zealously for the cause of education. Such a man is to be found in the person of J. L. Carter. Vote for him.

OUR JOINT SENATOR.

It seems that the Wallowa Chieftain is not above putting in circulation false reports for the purpose of injuring Hon. L. B. Rinehart's chances with the voters of Wallowa county. It says:

It is generally understood in La Grande that Mr. Rinehart will contest Mr. Snodgrass' election, if his majority comes from Wallowa county. The question arises, if Mr. Rinehart does not intend to allow Wallowa county a voice in this matter, why was he here soliciting votes? Voters of Wallowa county, Mr. Rinehart has had ample opportunity to do something for you. He neglected the opportunity. Vote for Rival.

As will be seen by a communication from the chairman of the Democratic County Central Committee, which appears elsewhere in this issue, that matter was settled by the adoption of the joint report of the two State Central Committees, and Mr. Rinehart accepted his nomination, fully acquiescing therein, and will abide the decision of the voters of the two counties. The report was put in circulation by enemies of Mr. Rinehart, of which he has a few unscrupulous enough to do anything.

If the voters of Union and Wallowa counties will weigh Mr. Rinehart in the balance, fairly and without prejudice, they will find that he is not wanting. They will find that he has been a faithful, conscientious servant of the people during the time he has been in office. They will find that these false reports have been set afloat by his political enemies, or envious nondescripts of his own party, who, smarting under the knowledge that he has the confidence of the people which they can never hope to attain, sneak around and with significant shrugs, deal out their speechless calumny.

They will find, by taking the names of the senators and averaging up the "number of times they answered roll call" that Rinehart answered as often as any of them. They will find when they come to put their finger on a dishonorable spot in his record, that they can't find it. They will find that he has accomplished more than any senator Union county ever had. The people of Wallowa will find that he has done more for them than any other man, and is capable of doing, and will do more for them in the next legislature than any two men they could send there. They will find that after all they haven't got anything against Rinehart, and will wonder how the impression got lodged in their brain that they did have.

Mr. Rinehart got his nomination fairly and honorably, will abide by the decision of the voters of Union and Wallowa counties, will make a good senator if elected, and should receive the vote of every true Democrat and independent Republican in his district.

RALEY AND MATTOON

The Pendleton Oregonian of Wednesday, says:

Information was received here this morning that Snodgrass and Mattoon were spreading the report all through Union county that Raley refused to meet Mattoon in that county. Mr. Raley accordingly telegraphed this morning that he would be in Union tomorrow (Thursday) evening, in Summerville at one P. M., and in La Grande Friday evening, and challenged Mattoon again to meet him in joint discussion. Whether he will accept, or if so whether he will keep his appointment after he has made it, remains to be seen.

Mr. Raley arrived here yesterday for the purpose of speaking in the evening, but it is safe to say that Mattoon will not show up. He had not done so when we went to press.

THE NEW CHINESE TREATY.

The senate in executive session ratified the Chinese treaty without division. Senators Teller and Mitchell made speeches, in which they set forth the grounds of their opposition to the treaty, but did not demand a vote.

Article I. of the treaty is as follows: The high contracting parties agree that for a period of twenty years, beginning with the date of exchange of ratification of this convention, the coming, except under the conditions hereinafter specified, of Chinese laborers to the United States shall be absolutely prohibited; and this prohibition shall extend to the return of Chinese laborers who are now in the United States, whether holding return certificates under the existing laws or not.

Article II. except any Chinese laborer who has a lawful wife, child or parent in the United States, or property therein of the value of \$1,000, or debts of a like amount due him and pending settlement, providing certain conditions are complied with.

Article III. except officials, students, teachers, travelers for curiosity or pleasure.

Article IV. provides that Chinese of every other class, either permanently or temporarily residing, in the United States, shall have for the protection of their persons and property, all the rights that are given by the laws of the United States to citizens of the most favored nation, excepting the right to become naturalized citizens.

Article V. provides for the payment by the United States of the sum of \$276,619.75 indemnity for outrages on the Chinese in the United States.

OUR TARIFF LAW.

It is an evident fact that the present tariff laws now in force in this country are really injurious to the business of Oregon. It is certain if the farmer or producer of this state could purchase clothing and other necessities at a cheap rate, he would have more money, and could easier pay his debts. A reduction of tariff would not effect the price of wheat for that is fixed at Liverpool. Many farmers in Oregon are mortgaged, this is on account of the high tariff, taxes and enormous rates of interest. Wool is about the only article we produce that is not regulated by tariff enactments. What we want is a tariff sufficient only for purposes of necessary revenue only. We need tariff reform to benefit the farmer and laborer so that they can buy their goods cheaper. Will the farmers and laboring men continue under the delusion that they are benefitted by the tariff, or will they come to their senses and wipe it out? We shall soon see.

The Centerville, Umatilla county Home Press, alluding to a statement made by the La Grande Gazette, to the effect that Raley, in order to secure votes, had made rash promises to the people in the east end of Umatilla county, which he never expects to fulfill, says:

The above is a little more of Snoddy-Gazette, published at La Grande, Cal. Raley has not to our, or to the knowledge of any person, made rash promises to the east end of Umatilla county that he will not perform. He has made no promises whatever. Such literature as the above only inspires the contempt of all gentlemen, and disgust at Snoddy and his paper, the Gazette. Snoddy knows the contempt he is held in in Umatilla county, and the votes will show that neither Snoddy's pet nor Staver & Walker's peddler are wanted to run the politics of this or Union county. Vote for Raley.

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AS OTHERS SEE HIM.

A correspondent writing from Summerville, Turner Oliver's home, gives him the following complimentary notice. Who will say that it is not deserved?

Turner Oliver is a young man of 28 years, 24 of which were spent in our county and state. He is bold and courageous, generous and accommodating at all times. He is enterprising and public spirited; a thorough scholar and well informed on all the topics of the day. He is acquainted with everybody and no one knows better the needs of our county. He is a logical and eloquent speaker, far the superior of either Lou or Norval, whom we have seen him worst in discussion many times.

There is no doubt that Turner Oliver will make a representative that will be creditable to us. Young, vigorous, aggressive, liberal minded, with unbounded faith in our form of government, and the ability of the people to govern themselves, he is the kind of material that statesmen are made of. Let our people unitedly support him as he enters upon his political career.

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