

The democrats of Morrow county have a good ticket but they will be a little short of votes next June.

Western Oregon was all right at the Congressional and State conventions, now let Eastern Oregon show her hand when it comes to voting next June.

The geographical apportionment of the Republican State ticket could not have been better. The entire state will be well represented. All are first class men. The Republican majority will be large.

The nomination of G. W. Phelps of Heppner for joint representative for District No. 22 (Umatilla and Morrow) is endorsed with satisfaction by the Gazette. Mr. Phelps is one of the rising young lawyers of Oregon and he will ably represent the district from which he was selected. Irrespective of party, Morrow county people are highly pleased with his nomination.

With the continuation of the Boer war, the patriotism and gallantry of the Boers will make an epoch in history. Recently a missionary made a canvass of Bloomfontein, the town ordinarily having a population of 2000 people. Among the entire population but three men could be found in the town, the balance having all taken up arms and were on the field of battle in the defense of their country. Such patriotism cannot help but excite admiration.

The initiative and referendum amendment now pending, which will come up at the next election, which is not a party issue in any sense, is worthy of a trial. No argument can stand against the fact that the whole people ought to have the right and privilege to make their own laws. Members of all parties are endorsing this movement. If the amendment is not carried, it will be more on account of negligence than anything else. While several attempts have been made, the constitution of Oregon never has been changed. The people are, and should be very careful in disturbing our foundation of government, but this amendment can only result in forming conditions that will be desirable for the people are competent to decide all questions. The movement should be agitated in order that it may be well understood.

Senator Mitchell's speech in defense of the Chinese exclusion bill in the Senate last Friday was a feature of the proceedings. His arguments were listened to with the closest attention by his colleagues in the Senate. He warned the republicans that the people of the Pacific coast were in earnest on this question that is of so much importance to them. Mr. Mitchell said in part: "The proposed legislation is but another grand step forward by this republic in the majestic and progressive march of true Americanism, which looks to protection of American labor and to the preservation, purity and perpetuity of American institutions. It is a grand step in the direction of freeing our people and our institutions from the corrupting and corroding influences of pauper labor and those venal and destructive influences so inseparably connected with the lower classes of deadly socialism, and whose poisonous virus, transmitted to permanent and healthy nations, inevitably will lead to lamentable high pitched disease and ultimate destruction. No higher duty rests upon the National Congress than to guard, with unswerving care and untiring vigilance, the doors which stand between us and foreign nations, to the end that no classes of people of any nation whatever be permitted to enter whose presence, in the judgment of the American Congress, would be a menace to the public growth and preservation of these institutions which go to make our republic what it is today, the most healthy and vigorous, morally, intellectually and otherwise, of any nation that has ever lived since the beginning of time."

THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

The platform adopted by the Republicans at the State convention is a very sound document, having the proper ring for good government. The questions presented are of vital importance to the people of Oregon, and the Republicans clearly indicate their desire and ability to grasp the situation at once.

A prominent feature of the State campaign for 1902, will be the Philippine question. The Republicans have declared plainly for the retention of the islands. That the sovereignty of the United States should be maintained in the Philippines, will be an important issue. There will be no backward movement in the march of progress, no pulling down of the American flag when once planted.

The position of President Roosevelt against the trusts, will be supported and endorsed by the Republicans of Oregon.

The platform will be supported by the laboring people. The question of the importance of the recognition of organized labor was not overlooked.

Exclusion of Chinese, needed and practical protection, to place State officers on salaries, government aid and control of irrigation, on open river, opposition to leasing the public lands, the initiative and referendum, and for a general primary law to apply to all precincts throughout the state, are all questions of great importance to people of the state of Oregon.

In these questions, the Republicans have taken the lead. The fact that the party is certain of victory at the June election, shows the earnestness of the declarations. The men to be elected know what will be expected of them, and mere promises are not characteristic with Republican principles.

Three questions in the platform, that of opening the Columbia river leasing of the public domain and irrigation of arid lands under the direction and control of the government, are of especial interest to the Inland Empire.

In a brief outline in the platform the position on the questions is made clear. Through the efforts of the representatives, the people must look for the quick and needed legislation on these questions. The Republicans have placed themselves on record on these questions.

It is a declaration of principles for the advancement and benefit of the interests of the whole people.

EASTERN OREGON.

Eastern Oregon to the front! Portland lifts its hat and respectfully salutes Eastern Oregon. Eastern Oregon has been clamoring for something for a long time: how is it satisfied? Governor, Congressman, State Treasurer and if it wants anything more next time all it has to do is ask for it. The only mistake made by the convention—or the only thing that Eastern Oregon can reason about—is that our friend Edward Everett Young was not nominated for State Printer. Just would perhaps have filled Eastern Oregon's cup of joy to overflowing.

But Eastern Oregon is tolerably happy anyway. It has carried off the lion's share and it deserved to do so. They are admirably wise awake people up there. They do things. If we had ten thousand or even two thousand of the business men of Eastern Oregon towns in Portland we would have a city of 20,000 people here—and everything else in proportion—by January 1, 1900.

The Telegram admires Eastern Oregon and its people. It is glad of their success, politically and every other way. They are veritably about "the best people on earth."—Reading Telegram.

A GOOD NOMINATION.

G. W. Phelps of Heppner, who was nominated by the Republican point representative from Umatilla and Morrow counties, was born in whose presence, in the judgment of the American Congress, would be a menace to the public growth and preservation of these institutions which go to make our republic what it is today, the most healthy and vigorous, morally, intellectually and otherwise, of any nation that has ever lived since the beginning of time. He commenced the study of law in 1861, and graduated from the

University of Michigan in '64 August 31, 1867, he came to Heppner and became associated with Congressman W. R. Ellis in the law business in this city. Mr. Phelps has built up a large law business and has been very successful in the practice of his profession.

The fact that he was unanimously chosen chairman of the recent Republican Congressional convention for the second district, which was held in Portland, is enough to show his high standing in this district. He can feel justly proud of this honor.

The Chronicle, the leading paper of The Dalles, has the following to say about Mr. Phelps being chosen chairman of the Republican Congressional convention:

It was a source of much satisfaction to Bert (or we suppose under the circumstances G. W. would sound better) Phelps' friends in The Dalles that he was chosen chairman of the convention. That out of the large number of experienced politicians now so young in years should be chosen is exceedingly complimentary. Those of us who have watched his career from childhood and his advancement within the past few years, feel that he has made the most of his opportunities, and his choice is proof of his standing among the politicians of our state.

SAVAGERY IN THE BOER WAR.

The British War Secretary has informed the House of Commons that all Boers captured wearing British uniforms are liable to be shot. In fact, it is admitted that in some instances Lord Kitchener has carried out this policy. This drastic procedure is justified by the War Secretary on the ground that all civilized nations punish such action with death. But the rules of civilized warfare justify a great many barbarous things against which humanity openly revolts. The war in South Africa has reached that stage where only the most irreconcilable and desperate of the burghers remain in the field. The enforcement of drastic measures, such as the one suggested, will only make them the more desperate and, possibly, tempt them to ignore all the rules of civilized warfare and introduce a policy of retaliation based upon the most savage instincts of the human race. That would mean the shooting by them of every defenseless British soldier taken captive to avenge the death of their own brethren executed by order of court-martial. This would, of course, be the rankest kind of savagery. And yet the fighting Boers, although evidently on the verge of desperation, are by no means savages. General Delarey has just given the British nation an example of the highest chivalry and magnanimity by returning Lord Methuen to the British lines. If the British expect to reconcile what may be left of the burghers when peace is restored, the fewer memories of drastic measures enforced they leave to efface the easier will be their task of pacification.—Ex.

TWO VERY IMPORTANT INDUSTRIES.

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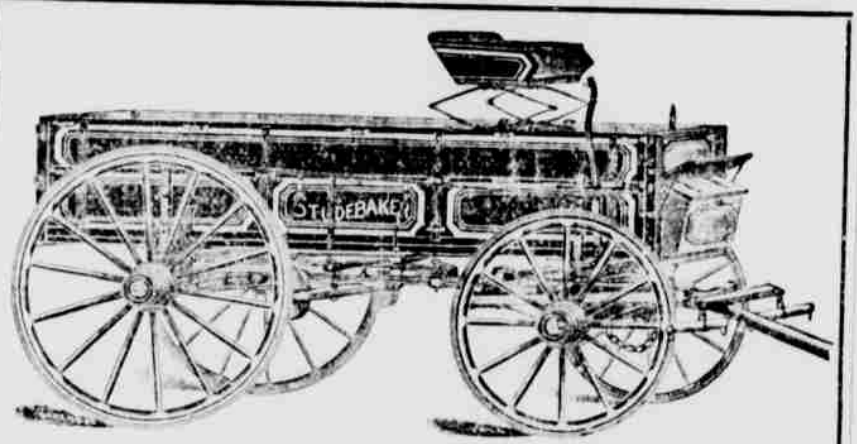
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