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 - mentixumeTHE WORK of the Republican State Assembly will have been not our purpose to commend or disparage the party for the action it has tak
commend the harmony and apparent fairness which seemed to preexception w exception we believe the nominees are all well qualiffed and worthy
of the offices to which they have been nominated. It is almost regrettable that there are not more good places to fill, for when
comes to turning down some of the men that were named for go comes to turning down some of the men that were named for gov-
ernor it seemed almost unjust. However, they will all have to run the gauntlet of the state prim
dates may yet get the places.
Hon. Jay Bowerman, acting governor at this time, has been
named for governor. F. W. Benson secured the nomination secretary of state without opposition. Ralph W. Hoyt was selected as the 785 delegates for the state superintendency acainst 197 for E. D. Ressler and 158 for R. F. Robinson. Wm. J. Clarke of Gervais was named for state printer.
The real surprise to the Herald is that R. F. Robinson of this He has been lining up for the place for several years, and that he got only a third, practically, of the votes in his own county shows
a declining popularity. However, it is coming to be understood throughout the county and the state that the quality of his work and proficiency is anything but satisfactory. In the count of votes
it was shown that he secured the largest number of votes of the three candidates in only one county, and in no county did he get a lot. Anyway, just why Mr. Robinson should have such an itch for the state superintendency is not apparent, except that the salary qualifications and fitness for the place do not warrant it. Perhaps he thinks the "school interests of the state demand it. He is with favor on Mr. Alderman's candidacy.
Mr. Robinson has been an instructor, county superintendent of Polk county, a principal in the Portland city schools, and term. He has not done an original thing while in office. He has been a close follower of Superintendent Ackerman in plans and
theories. He has, we venture to say, more opponents among the teachers of the county, outside of the Portland schools where he has little influence, than any other man that ever held the job.
$H e$ is respected neither for his honor or ability, but for his official position. He is superintendent of one of the smallest counties of about half of his superintendency has been absorbed by the city of Portland, and yet his salary has not been effected. True, he has
the largest number of teachers in his county of any in the state, but outside of the 40 or 50 country schools, his work of superintendency is practically limited to certification and he has the asDuring the time he has held the office he has been dabbling in about everything that passed. He was educational director of the Lewis \& Clark Fair, a work that took him out of his office from
June to October. During the Seattle Fair he spent in charge of the Oregon educational exhibit. He was a lobbyist ous special appropriation for the Oregon exhibit for the notorYukon Fair, and it has been supposed that his efficient service here secured the appointment as educational director of the Oregon exhibit at Seattle. His work on outside matters takes him away from official duties a big part of his time. As school supervisor
his attention has been limited to a few weeks in the late spring when he usually makes his visits to the country school. He has school altogether. Instead of assisting and sometimes misses a term, or at frequent intervals during the year, when a new teacher so much needs supervision and advice, Mr. Robinson is rarely known to visit his teachers before the last month of the term,
frequently the last day of the last week and sometimes In a recent number of The Oregon Teachers Monthly the at all.
In reports the result of a canvas of the teachers of the the editor result of which was anything but favorable to Mr. Robinson. Mr. Alderman stood at the head of the list for favors. We quote from
the article in question:
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land this week is y yot.
 made not only by opponents of the assembly but by persons who actually participated as delegates.
At least they admit that there At least they admit that there
was an attempt to put a certain crowd on the list of eligibles to
office. This will not be surpris-
ing news to the general public. The very nature of a convention men compose the county com-
mitteemen. These committemen have a controlling voice in the
selection of local delegates and these delegates usually know be-
fore they reach the convention fore they reach the convention
hall just whom they are supposed to support. The masses of the people of the party have nothing view does have something to say and the result is he is interested in the selection of delegates.
Now the primary plan does away with all that sort of thing. It
makes it possible for every one makes it possible for every one
to have something to say about the choice of candidates and
makes it difficult for any set of hand with assurance of success. HE SEASON for forest fires
is at hand and from appearonces it seems that there is still
a great deal to be learned about the preventation of destructive
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Prof. H. M. Parks, head of the department of Geology and Min-
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