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Both Gatch and Davey are after Marion County's endorsement for the Congressional nomination.

When the Washington legislature adjourned the earth trembled—Olympia experienced a slight earthquake.

The LEADER's ads are never overlooked by our readers. They are the most attractive and interesting things in the paper.

The Anthracite Commission report was signed yesterday by all its members. It recommends an increase of ten per cent in pay; Markle is scored and the unions are told they were wrong in abusing non-union men.

The name of the Cottage Grove Leader has been changed to the Lane County Leader. The first issue under W. C. Conner's management was issued last Friday, and is a great improvement over the former paper. The Grove will support two good papers, and it has them—Eugene Register.

The Lane County LEADER and the great "American Farmer," published at Indianapolis, Ind., the best farm paper published in the United States, both one year for \$1.50 cash in advance for the next 30 days. Two good papers for the price of one. Subscribe now. Old subscribers who renew their subscription are entitled to the same liberal offer.

Judge J. W. Hamilton, of Roseburg, is mentioned as a possible candidate of the democrats for the Congressional nomination. Judge Hamilton is one of Southern Oregon's popular and brainy men and would prove a dangerous opponent to the republican candidate. He has a very close second in Hon. R. M. Veatch of Cottage Grove.

Secretary Root yesterday approved the plan of the board of engineers for the extension of Columbia river jetty. Instructions were sent to Captain Langgitt, United States engineer in charge of river and harbor improvements of the Pacific Northwest, who has all the preliminaries ready, and will advertise for stone for the jetty, the work itself to be done by the engineers.

Cottage Grove is greatly in need of a new, more commodious and more modern opera house or place for public gatherings. Here is a good investment for some local secret society or fraternity. The fine two story brick opera house and temple at Roseburg was built and is owned by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and it has proven a profitable investment. Eugene is building a fine new opera house, and why not Cottage Grove?

W. I. Vawter, of Medford, is a republican candidate for congress and has engaged quarters at the Smeede hotel at Eugene. It is said that Vawter represents the anti-Fulton element and will be opposed by the supporters of Senator E. V. Carter. Eugene being the place for holding the convention April 9, is naturally the storm center. The line-up is said to be the Fulton-Booth-Kuykendall people for Hon. Binger Hermann against the field.

A prominent mining journal in discussing the famous Bohemia mining district tributary to this place says: "Over twenty organized mining companies are now operating in this district, besides many individual owners. Nearly 2000 claims have been filed there in Douglas and Lane counties. This whole region seems to be an overflow of andesite, which has been cut into intrusive dikes, along which most of the mineral veins appear, with large croppings of iron, rusty quartz. These mines have an oxidized zone of free milling ore with a depth of 100 to 300 feet. The formation then passes into a sulphide ore of copper and galena, with a high percentage of gold and some silver. The ore lies in well defined veins, the ledges being from four to twenty feet in width. Several of the mines in this district have already produced over \$100,000 each, and no pumping has yet been found necessary. Several stamp mills are in steady operation, and large drilling plants, air compressors, etc., are being put in or are already in use. A smelter is in contemplation for the present year, with excellent promises for its early erection and operation."

THE LEADER IS BOOMING.

Many New Subscriptions Coming in.
Other Patronage Increasing.

The first week's business of the LEADER under the new management has been most satisfactory and gratifying, even beyond our most sanguine expectations. New subscribers have been coming in at a rapid rate, while numerous old subscribers are calling daily and renewing their subscriptions, all expressing themselves as deeply well pleased with the style of the paper and its new caption—"Lane County Leader."

Notwithstanding the fact that our power job press has a capacity of from 1800 to 2200 impressions an hour, our job printing department has been crowded to its fullest capacity all week and is still behind with orders. The reason of this is we have new and strictly up-to-date material and an up-to-date printer to handle it and the people readily recognize the fact that our printing is the kind that pays, especially when our prices are so reasonable. Its an old adage that "the proof of the pudding is in the eating." Here we give the proof of our statement, by presenting the following list of names which have been added to our list since our last issue.

Ed Reanier, Cloquet, Minn.
Mrs. Archie Rice, Ione, Ore.
N. P. Chrisman, Dorena, Ore.
C. C. Hazleton, Creswell, Ore.
J. F. Amis, Eugene, Ore.
Fred Reiff, Chinook, Wash.
Mrs. J. A. Merryman, Spokane, Wash.

COTTAGE GROVE.

J. W. Curren A. L. Wynn
W. M. George Dr. B. R. Job
L. P. McCoy L. F. Wooley
Prof. A. L. Briggs B. L. Pickard
Scott Chrisman Geo. Rains
Thos. Allen Fashion Stables
C. C. Roberts Mrs. S. E. Markley
John Stoneburg R. C. Bosserman

The Senate Tuesday ratified the Panama Canal treaty by a vote of 73 to 5. Not a single change was made in it, and it became effective, so far as the United States is concerned, just as it was signed. The only step remaining before action is possible under it is its ratification by the Colombian Congress. After that the President will be free to appoint the canal commission, buy the rights of the French company, and begin work. The Senate ratified the Cuban reciprocity treaty Wednesday and adjourned the special session in the evening.

It is pretty generally conceded that since it has been repeatedly announced that Lane county's favorite son, Hon. L. T. Harris, will not be a candidate for the Congressional nomination, that Hon. Binger Hermann will be a popular favorite in this county, in fact, he is decidedly popular and strong throughout this congressional district. His long and efficient service in this capacity some years ago and the high and important public position he has occupied at Washington since that time has given him a standing and influence at the national capitol which is possessed by very few, if any, far Western men. Mr. Hermann is therefore in a better position, and more thoroughly qualified to take up and speedily and successfully carry out the work of this district and the unfinished work of Congressman Tongue than any other man in the District.

It is announced that Hon. J. C. Fullerton, of Roseburg, has a congressional bee buzzing in his bonnet, and that he will probably come out for the Republican nomination to succeed Thos. H. Tongue, deceased. While Mr. Fullerton may be fully competent for the place, we do not consider him worthy of receiving this high honor at the hands of the republican party. Not from the fact that he has been substantially rewarded by his party time and again, nor that he would not ably and faithfully represent this congressional district, but simply from the fact that he has for some time past displayed a woful lack of party loyalty, has manifested an arbitrary and disgruntled disposition by heading a stubborn party faction at Roseburg and in refusing to abide by the action of his party in upholding in convention, the opposing forces. This condition was brought about last spring when Hon. A. M. Crawford and Judge Fullerton, both of Roseburg, entered into a contest to secure the Douglas county delegation to the state convention, Mr. Crawford being the republican candidate for the nomination of Attorney-General and Mr. Fullerton a candidate for the republican nomination for governor. Mr. Crawford succeeded in carrying the day and as a result Mr. Fullerton immediately fell into a state of political coma, and if not directly assisting the opposition, he did so indirectly by his indifference to the success of his party and his inactivity during the June campaign. Any man manifesting such a narrow, selfish and disloyal disposition is of too small caliber to occupy a seat in the Congress of these United States.

COLLISON AT WALKER.

Passenger Train Crashed into the Rear End of a Freight.

Walker, a small railroad station about five miles north of this city has just been brought into considerable prominence again by another railroad disaster, which occurred at that place early Saturday morning, when the Portland San Francisco overland passenger train, No. 15, southbound, crashed into the rear end of a freight train, which was standing partly on the siding at that place. It seems that the passenger train which was in charge of Conductor Sam Veatch and Engineer Charles Brandt, had the right of way. The freight was endeavoring to make the siding at Walker station in order to let the passenger by. The freight had pulled part way in on the siding but was compelled to stop owing to some cars standing in the way on the siding. This delayed the freight and in the meanwhile the flagman was sent to the rear to warn the approaching passenger. The flagman was at his post and gave the signal to No. 15 when it came in, but for some reason the engineer did not interpret the signal and failed to bring his train to a stop.

It has been unofficially explained that the fireman on the passenger engine was engaged in throwing wood down from the tender and at that particular moment the engineer's attention was drawn away from the track, he thus failing to see the flagman's signal. The great responsibility resting on a locomotive engineer and the necessity of his being constantly on the alert and lookout ahead is fully demonstrated in this unfortunate disaster. As a result of the failure of the flagman's signal, passenger No. 15 crashed into the rear of the standing freight. The engine of the passenger was reversed and brakes set but not in time to avoid the catastrophe. The caboose of the freight was telescoped by the engine of No. 15 and when the latter came to a stop was left resting almost on top of the caboose. Two lumber cars were smashed into kindling wood and lumber was scattered for many yards on either side of the track. The engine of No. 15 was badly wrecked.

WIRES DOWN.

Flying wreckage from the trains knocked down telegraph poles and wires in the vicinity and for some time there was no telegraphic service. The lines were soon repaired and an instrument placed at the scene of the wreck.

NO FATALITIES.

By some miracle which only the hand of Providence is able to explain, no one was seriously injured. The engineer and fireman of No. 15 remained at their posts and escaped unscathed. The passengers were badly shaken up by the force of the collision but none were hurt. The only casualty was that of a drunken tramp who was caught between two cars and had to have his coat and pants cut from his body before he could be released. His only injury was a mashed finger. None of the crew of the freight were in the caboose at the time of the collision.

A wrecking train was ordered to the scene from Roseburg and the wreck cleared up. Traffic was delayed about twelve hours.

The local photographer and a good many of our citizens including a LEADER representative, went to view the wreck Saturday and Sunday and on Monday three cars heavily loaded with wreckage—broken trucks, wheels and splintered frame work of the caboose and other cars, were sidetracked at Cottage Grove and attracted considerable attention. The northbound overland was held at this place about 12 hours, giving the passengers a good opportunity to look over our pleasant little city.

SAGINAW PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Spring Term Opened Monday After two weeks Vacation.

After a two weeks vacation the Saginaw public school re-opened Monday with Prof. Will McQueen, of Lorane, as principal, and Miss Mamie Scott, of Creswell, as assistant. This is Prof. McQueen's second term in this district, Miss Faith Johnson of near Creswell being his assistant during the former term. By Prof. McQueen we are informed that the Saginaw school has an average attendance of about 96 with an enrollment of nearly 100 pupils. It will thus be seen that this is becoming one of the largest and best country schools in this part of the county, which under the direction of such able teachers as those now employed the very best result are sure to be obtained by the school patrons. Prof. McQueen was engaged in educational work in Douglas county for some time and was very successful, and his work gave entire satisfaction.

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CONVENTION CALLED

To Be Held at Eugene Thursday, April 9th

TO NOMINATE A CANDIDATE

For Congress to Represent 1st District. Several Prominent Aspirants. Hermann Seemingly in the Lead.

The republican district convention to nominate a candidate for Congress will be held at Eugene, Thursday, April 9, at 2:30 o'clock. Selection of delegates will be in the regular way by primaries and county conventions.

Primaries may be held at any time thought best by county committees, but the county convention must be held not later than Saturday, April 4.

Apportionment of delegates is one for every 150 votes cast, as shown by the late Congressional vote, and one for every fraction of 150 over half, with a delegate at large in every county. This makes the total number of delegates 173, as compared to 171 in the Roseburg convention. Linn county, which cast a complimentary vote for J. D. Weatherford, loses slightly in this apportionment.

Hon. Binger Hermann and Hon. Geo. C. Brownell were represented at the Portland meeting, but contrary to what was expected Eugene had no candidate. Dr. Harris, who, as the father of his son, L. T. Harris, late speaker of the House, can be considered in a position to speak for him, stated at the meeting, when advancing the claims of his home city, that Eugene has no candidate for the nomination and may be considered a neutral city.

Many consider the work of the committee in adopting plans for the election proceedings and selection of a place for holding the convention a decided victory for Hon. Binger Hermann.

DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION. PORTLAND, March 18.—The Democratic Congressional convention for the first district, to nominate a candidate to succeed the late Congressman Thomas H. Tongue, will be held at Albany April 11 next.

Delegates to the convention may be elected by primaries or appointed by the various county committees, at the option of those committees.

These matters were decided after considerable discussion, at a meeting of the Democratic State Central Committee, this afternoon. The meeting then adjourned. E. R. Skypworth is the Lane county committeeman and this county is entitled to 12 delegates to the convention.

Invoking Referendum.

ALBANY, Or., March, 17.—A league was formed here this morning to manage the circulation of petitions to subject the Lewis and Clark Fair appropriation bill to the vote of the people under the provisions of the referendum law.

It requires that five per cent of the previous vote for supreme judge shall petition for the referendum in order that any law passed by the legislature shall be submitted to the people for ratification or rejection.

Alice Hits the Upright.

When Alice hits the upright, I put my books away.
And get a looking-glass and watch my raven locks turn gray:
Like plummet in the ocean my buoyant spirits fall,
When Alice hits the upright, in the flat across the hall,
When Alice hits the upright, the golden sunlight dies,
And clouds of gray, swift-rolling, blot out the azure skies;
Mute nature stands and shivers as though in awful fear.
Of some great cataclysm that is swiftly drawing near
When Alice hits the upright, the birds no longer sing,
But tuck their little noses underneath their wing
They can bear the crash of thunder they are not afraid of that
But they can't stand the discords that come swelling from that flat
When Alice hits the upright, the dogs begin to howl,
With curving spinal column the cats in horror yowl;
And the baby in the cradle sets up a lusty squall,
When Alice hits the upright in the flat across the hall,
When Alice hits the upright, I don't my overcoat,
And out upon the blackness of a wintry night I float;
Then I wander round the city, like an old-time prodigal
When Alice hits the upright in the flat across the hall,
When Alice hits the upright, I feel my senses fall;
My breath grows hard and gasping, my cheeks turn ashy pale;
And I pray that Death will take me to that fair eternal home,
Where Alice and her upright can never, never come.

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