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Don't forget the grand republican rally on Saturday evening. Hon. T. J. Cleeton and Hon. George W. Stapleton will be present. Everybody is invited.

The first congressional district has now an able and experienced man to represent it in the halls of congress. We should keep him there. This is no time to try experiments. The Hon. Thos. H. Tongue should be returned by an overwhelming majority.

We must have a good strong man to represent this section of Polk county, as a commissioner. Independence offers such a man in the person of O. D. Rider. Give him your vote on June 2nd.

The entire republican ticket is composed of good men. Vote it straight from one end to the other.

In marking your ballots on June 2nd, do not overlook B. F. Jones, the republican candidate for joint representative.

For state executive vote for W. J. Furnish. We need a business administration and he is just the man to give it to us.

Republicans should present a solid front on June 2. Let there be no knifing or scratching. Campaign rumors are afloat, but they are not worthy of credence.

In making out your ticket do not overlook the name of J. H. Moran, the republican candidate for constable in precinct No. 5. He has served eight years and is a faithful officer.

Another faithful and efficient official is J. D. Irvine, who asks your suffrage for the office of justice of the peace. He has served efficiently in this capacity for several years and will be retained on June 2.

Hon. George L. Hawkins should be returned to the legislature. His presence is needed there and his services entitle him to the honor of a re-election. A United States senator will be elected later and he must be a republican.

The republic of Cuba is now a swaddling infant. If congress continues to withhold the nursing bottle in the shape of sugar legislation, we wonder how long it will live? Will Uncle Sam prove a god-father or a step-father?

U. S. Loughary, the republican candidate for the office of county clerk, has proved himself a most efficient officer. The county books and records under his charge are models of neatness and accuracy. He is a good man for the office and the voters of Polk county will see that he keeps it.

No republican can offer a valid excuse for not voting for T. J. Graves for sheriff, and this is no disparagement to his democratic opponent. Both are good men and equally well known in Polk county, where the best part of their lives have been spent, but this is a republican year and the full strength of the party should make itself manifest.

The county treasurer of Polk county publishes a call for warrants in this issue. In a postscript he says: "This is the largest call that has been made in this county. Another year, or possibly two, will put the county out of debt and money in the treasury." This is good news and is certainly a most creditable showing. A little further along in his letter Mr. Dalton says: "I hope to be elected to have the pleasure of being among the county officers when this debt is raised." Well, Bro. Dalton, we pass you up to the tax-payers.

The Initiative and Referendum has been the system of town government in New England since the first settlement of that part of our country. Every town of New England governs itself in all local matters just as school districts govern themselves in Oregon. At the annual town meeting, usually held in the public hall, officers for the ensuing year are elected, the printed reports of the officers of the previous year are read, and the printed proposals of legislation are read for the coming year—some times forty or fifty in number—are disposed of one by one by votes on the spot. Besides the

power of the select men to prepare measures, any ten citizens have the right to prepare any measure; this is the Initiative, the voters accept or reject by majority any measure proposed either by the ten citizens or by the select-men; this is the referendum. The practice of these two-rights at their town meeting has long been called by the New Englanders "Direct Legislation" to distinguish it from indirect legislation and city councils.

Death of Frank J. Stanton.

The subject of this sketch was born in Hutchinson, McCleod county, Minnesota, November 10, 1869. When eighteen years old he moved with his parents to Salem, Oregon, and afterward entered the State Normal at Monmouth, from whence he graduated with high honor as a member of the class of 1893. He afterward went to Malheur county where he became a successful teacher, winning the confidence and esteem of the people to such an extent that they elected him county school superintendent.

During and after holding this office he continued teaching with marked success, and so well was his worth appreciated that the republican party had nominated him as their candidate for county clerk at the coming election and there was every assurance that he would be elected.

On July 28th 1897 he married Miss Susie Howell, of Monmouth, who was one of his classmates in the Normal. Death came suddenly to their home and the husband passed away on Friday May 23 at about 1 a. m.

Mr. Stanton was a faithful and enthusiastic member of both the Woodmen of the World and the I. O. O. F fraternities. At his death they showed every attention possible to the sorrowing relatives. The interment was under the auspices of Valley Lodge No. 42 I. O. O. F. A short and beautiful service was conducted by Rev. Wigmore in the Christian church and the ritualistic ceremony of the Odd Fellows was preformed at the grave.

Constitutional Amendment.

Section 1 of Article IV of the constitution of the State of Oregon shall be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

Section 1. The legislative authority of the state shall be vested in a legislative assembly, consisting of a senate and house of representatives, but the people reserve to themselves power to propose laws and amendments to the Constitution, and to enact or reject the same at the polls, independent of the legislative assembly, and also reserve power at their own option to approve or reject at the polls any act of the legislative assembly. The first power reserved by the people is the initiative, and not more than eight per cent of the legal voters shall be required to propose any measure by such petition, and every such petition shall include the full text of the measure so proposed. Initiative petitions shall be filed with the secretary of state not less than four months before the election at which they are to be voted upon. The second power is the referendum, and it may be ordered (except as to laws necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety,) either by petition, signed by five per cent of the legal voters, or by the legislative assembly, as other bills are enacted. Referendum petitions shall be filed with the secretary of state not more than ninety days after the final adjournment of the session of the legislative assembly which passed the bill on which the referendum is demanded. The veto power of the governor shall not ex-

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tend to measures referred to the people. All elections on measures referred to the people of the state shall be had at the biennial regular general elections, except when the legislative assembly shall order a special election. Any measure referred to the people shall take effect and become the law when it is approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon, and not otherwise. The style of all bills shall be: "Be it enacted by the people of the State of Oregon." This section shall not be construed to deprive any member of the legislative assembly of the right to introduce any measure. The whole number of votes cast for justice of the supreme court at the regular election last preceding the filing of any petition for the initiative or for the referendum shall be the basis on which the number of legal voters necessary to sign such petition shall be counted. Petitions and orders for the initiative and for the referendum shall be filed with the secretary of state, and in submitting the same to the people he and all other officers shall be guided by the general laws and the act submitting this amendment until legislation shall be especially provided therefor.

Adopted by the house January 27, 1899.
E. V. CARTER, Speaker of the House.
Concurred in by the senate Feb. 2, 1899.
T. C. TAYLOR, Pres. of the Senate.
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T. T. Geer, Governor.