

DEMOCRATS NOMINATE GOOD TICKET

Work of Convention Finished Quickly.

Edmunson, Barnes and Jenks and Peery Representatives.

Fred Fisk Was Unanimous Choice for Sheriff—Other Nominees Good Men.

The Democratic county convention was called to order at 10:15 o'clock this morning by J. D. Matlock, chairman of the county central committee. After reading the call for the convention, Mr. Matlock announced that nominations were in order for temporary chairman of the convention. Mr. Matlock was nominated, but as he was not a delegate to the convention, his name was withdrawn. E. P. Coleman of Coburg, R. M. Veatch of Cottage Grove and M. S. Wallis, of Eugene were nominated.

COLEMAN CHAIRMAN.

Messrs. Veatch and Wallis declined nomination and Mr. Coleman was chosen chairman.

After taking the chair Mr. Coleman spoke a few words of encouragement to the convention and expressed the belief that the Democrats ought to at least divide honors with the Republicans at the election in June. He stated that harmony does not exist in the Republican ranks, which all the more enhances the prospects for a Democratic victory. The speech was vigorously applauded.

WALLIS SECRETARY.

M. S. Wallis of Eugene, was chosen temporary secretary and Henry Stewart, of Springfield, temporary assistant secretary of the convention.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The chair appointed committees as follows:

Credentials—G. N. Castle, E. P. Williams, Geo. Giffry, A. J. Pickard, J. R. Hill.
Resolutions—R. M. Veatch, J. J. Walton, C. P. Houston, Ben Lea, Wm. Taylor.
Permanent organization and order of business—W. L. Houston, L. M. Travis, J. W. Baker, M. M. Peery, J. M. Kitcher.

After the appointment of committees there was a spirited discussion as to the manner of choosing delegates to the state and congressional conventions. Some believing that to have the names printed on slips of paper would appear that the delegation had been chosen before hand and would appear like a "job," objected to such procedure, while others contended that this method would expedite business. The motion to have the names printed was carried. The convention then adjourned until one o'clock.

Afternoon Session.

At 1:30 sharp the convention was called to order. The big court room was crowded with enthusiastic delegates, and a number of spectators graced the aisles along three sides of the room.

Chairman G. N. Castle, of the credential committee, was called upon to make his report. The report showed that the following precincts were not represented: Jasper, Blanton, Middle Fork, Wendling, Glentens, Lake Creek, Hegets, Hermann, Gate Creek, Cheshire, Blue River, Bohemia, Mahel, Fire River. The committee's report was adopted.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The committee on permanent organization and order of business reported as follows:

- "1. Elect permanent chairman."
- "2. Recommend rest off temporary organization to be permanent."
- "3. Elect 13 delegates to state convention."
- "4. Elect state central committee."
- "5. Elect county central committee."
- "6. Nominate three representatives."

- "7. Nominate county judge."
- "8. Nominate county clerk."
- "9. Nominate sheriff."
- "10. Nominate county treasurer."
- "11. Nominate one county commissioner."
- "12. Nominate one county assessor."
- "13. Nominate one county school superintendent."
- "14. Nominate one county surveyor."
- "15. Nominate one county coroner."

"W. L. HOUSTON,
"L. M. TRAVIS,
"J. W. BAKER,
"M. M. PEERY,
"J. M. KITCHEN,
"Committee."

The report was unanimously adopted.

PERMANENT CHAIRMAN.

Temporary Chairman Coleman having expressed a desire not to act as permanent chairman, Hon. R. M. Veatch, of Cottage Grove, was unanimously chosen to fill the chair.

Mr. Veatch took the chair amid enthusiastic applause. He delivered a short speech in which he stated that the Democrats had met with no "slate" prepared, that no corporation had named their ticket beforehand. He hoped to see harmony in the convention, and harmony throughout the county. He hoped to see every Democrat stand shoulder to shoulder, and hoped that when the work of the convention was done the honest Republicans could say that the nominees are better than the other fellows, and was confident that many Republicans would vote the ticket put up today.

RESOLUTIONS.

The committee on resolutions reported the following, and they were adopted:

"The Democrats of Lane county, in convention assembled, make the following declaration:

"1st. We hereby declare that we are in favor of just and equal taxation of all property.
"2nd. That we favor an economical administration of municipal, state and national affairs.
"3rd. That we are in favor of flat salaries of state and county officers.
"4th. That we are in favor of the enactment by the next legislature of a maximum freight rate law that will be just and equitable to both shippers and carriers, and that we instruct our nominees for the legislature when elected to use all honorable and just means to pass such an act at the coming session of the legislature.
"5th. That we are in favor of good roads and heartily endorse the good roads organization, and the efforts now being made by it to secure the improvements and betterment of the public highways of Lane county.
"6th. We heartily endorse the wise, economical and statesmanlike administration of Gov. Geo. E. Chamberlain.
"7th. We heartily endorse the wise, able, economical administration of J. W. Hamilton, the present judge of the second judicial district, and hereby instruct the delegates to the state and district conventions to use all honorable means to secure his nomination.
"8. M. VEATCH,
"J. J. WALTON,
"C. P. HOUSTON,
"W. M. NAYLOR,
"BEN LEA,
"Committee."

TELLERS APPOINTED.

The chairman appointed tellers as follows: C. P. Houston, H. Tillman, S. E. Wallace, L. Bilyeu.

At this point Dr. W. W. Oglesby took occasion to inform the convention as to how he stands on the question of the nomination for president. He declared that he was once and for all opposed to the Cleveland party.

STATE COMMITTEEMAN.

J. J. Walton nominated L. Bilyeu for state central committeeman, and he was unanimously elected.

CHAIRMAN COUNTY COMMITTEE.

J. D. Matlock was unanimously chosen as chairman of the county central committee.

FOR REPRESENTATIVES.

J. W. Baker nominated for representative Edd Jenks, of Cottage Grove; L. Bilyeu named J. E. Barnes, of Mapleton; L. M. Travis named Leon A. Edmunson, of Eugene. Jenks, Barnes and Edmunson were unanimously declared the nominees.

CHESHIRE FOR COUNTY JUDGE.

W. P. Cheshire, of Springfield, was named for county judge. J. J. Walton nominated H. R. Kincaid, of Eugene, present incumbent; John McMahon,

of Eugene, was nominated, but his name was withdrawn. First ballot: Cheshire, 141; Kincaid, 34. Mr. Cheshire declared the nominee.

It may be stated that Judge Kincaid was not a candidate and the handsome vote given him was in the nature of a compliment from his friends in the convention.

PARKER FOR COUNTY CLERK.

J. C. Parker, of Pleasant Hill, was nominated by M. S. Wallis. There were no other nominations, and Mr. Parker was declared the unanimous nominee.

FISK FOR SHERIFF.

Fred Fisk, of Eugene, present incumbent, was nominated by G. N. Castle. Mr. Fisk was declared the unanimous choice of the convention for sheriff.

STEVENS FOR TREASURER.

L. E. Stevens, of Eugene, was nominated by Chas. W. Evans for treasurer. J. M. Kitcher, of Irving, was nominated. First ballot: Stevens, 132; Kitcher, 38. Mr. Stevens was declared the nominee.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

J. R. Hill, of Junction, present incumbent, was nominated for county commissioner. Mr. Hill was unanimously nominated.

BRADY FOR ASSESSOR.

R. O. Brady, of Creswell, was named for assessor by F. W. Osburn. Mr. Brady was unanimously chosen as the nominee.

PARKER FOR SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.

E. R. Parker, of Creswell, was named by the present superintendent, W. M. Miller, for school superintendent, and he was nominated by acclamation.

HUNT FOR SURVEYOR.

Ralph Hunt, of Eugene, was named by J. J. Walton for county surveyor. His nomination was unanimous.

DAY FOR CORONER.

R. M. Day, of Eugene, was named for coroner by L. Bilyeu. His nomination was unanimous.

RESOLUTION TABLED.

A resolution was read by G. N. Castle, of Saginaw, endorsing the Kansas City platform. A motion was made to lay the resolution on the table, and it was carried by a vote of 61 to 35.

PRECINCT COMMITTEEMEN.

The chairmen of the various precincts were chosen as follows:
Bailey, J. M. Martin
East Cottage Grove, A. B. Atkins
West Cottage Grove, R. M. Veatch
Creswell, J. E. Noland
Camp Creek, J. W. Fountain
Coyote, John Jenkins
Elmira, Ross Huston
Fairmount, Simon Klodahl
Florence, John F. Tanner
Goshen, E. Bradley
Hazel Dell, A. C. McLean
Irving, John Inwall
North Junction, D. E. Ruff
South Junction, James Calvert
Long Tom, F. W. Williams
Lost Valley, E. P. Williams
Mapleton, J. E. Barnes
Mound, W. J. Holland
Mohawk, M. L. Hammitt
Pleasant Hill, P. N. Shelley
Richardson, J. F. Kirk
Saginaw, G. N. Castle
Springfield, Henry W. Stewart
Spencer, Guard Huston
Siuslaw, Ben Lea
Thurston, John Waring
Walton, E. M. Kirk
Wallace, E. M. Gardner
Willamette, E. P. Coleman
Zumwalt, Henry Komp

North Eugene No. 1, J. J. Walton
North Eugene No. 2, L. M. Travis
South Eugene No. 1, J. S. Higgins
South Eugene No. 2, J. D. Matlock
Several precincts were not represented and no committeemen were chosen for these.

Died.

At the home of her daughter, Mrs. Shreets, in Gowdyville, Friday evening, April 8, 1904, Mrs. J. R. Elliot, aged 62 years, 6 months and 25 days, of cancer of the liver.

Pauline Carter was married at Columbus, Indiana to J. R. Elliot, in 1852, she being a native of that state. They came to the coast a number of years ago and have resided in this community for several years. About 37 years ago she united with the M. E. church and has since lived a conscientious and devoted Christian. She was a good neighbor, a faithful wife and loving mother, a sorrowing husband, and two daughters survive her. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Geo. H. Fees last Saturday, interment in the Masonic cemetery where the remains were laid to their final repose.—Cottage Grove Leader.

Now is the time to take a spring tonic to purify the blood, cleanse the liver and kidneys of all impurities. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do the business. 35 cents. Tea for sale. Ask your druggist.

EUGENE WANTS THE FAIR

Meeting of Agricultural Society Last Evening.

Efforts Will Be Made to Secure the Fall Meeting Here Again This Year—Officers Elected.

The board of directors of the Second Southern Oregon District Agricultural Society met last night in the private rooms of the First National Bank. A considerable amount of important business was transacted. Officers as follows for the ensuing year were elected:

F. M. Wilkins, president; T. G. Hendricks, vice president; J. M. Williams, secretary; W. G. Gilstrap, assistant secretary; P. E. Snodgrass, treasurer. Directors: E. Bangs, H. L. Traver, T. A. Shafer, Geo. G. Gross, T. D. Condon, C. M. Young, Amos Wilkins.

The sentiment of the meeting was strongly in favor of having this year's district fair held here at Eugene. H. L. Traver was elected a member of the district fair board. E. Bangs was appointed a committee of one to obtain for Eugene, if possible, the next meeting of the fair, the eleventh annual exhibition.

Last year's fair was a decided success. The first year of preparation for any big event of this kind involves a much larger expense than the succeeding years. Everything has to be prepared from the start. Last year a very heavy expense was involved and it is only just to Eugene and Lane county that the fair be held here again this year. The money necessary to the success of the enterprise can be easily raised, only a small part of which will be necessary for the repair of the buildings and grounds, leaving a large amount available for exhibits.

Marshfield is out for the fair this year, and will use all her efforts to secure it. Roseburg would also like to have it there, and is in the race for it. The counties which comprise the Second Southern Agricultural District are Lane, Douglas and Coos.

BOHEMIA ELECTRIC PLANT

First Time in Camp's History Mountains Illuminated by Electricity.

The great power plant of the Oregon Securities Company was put in operation in the Champion Basin mining district Tuesday night, and for the first time in the history of this now famous mining camp, the darkness of this rugged mountain fastness was dispelled by the brilliant illumination of the electric light.

With this great plant once in successful operation the wheels of mining industry will begin to whirl through this company's large and valuable group of mines; the thirty-stamp mill will begin pulverizing the rich ore, the Layner drills will go down on the well-defined ledges, the electric car and aerial trams will convey ore from the tunnels to the mill and old Bohemia will begin to yield up her fabulous wealth, so long sought, in abundance.

This activity on the part of the Oregon Securities Company will inspire the scores of other companies to hasten the installation of power plants and the operation of their rich mine holdings and Bohemia will soon become the great mining center of the Pacific northwest. The Crystal Consolidated Mining Co. is already preparing to start up its new stamp mill, and several other companies are preparing to put in new mills this season.—Cottage Grove Leader.

Two Accidents.

The little daughter of John Kenfro, of Fall Creek, was at play Saturday when she fell and broke both bones of her left arm just below the elbow. Dr. Jayne set the disabled member.

While falling a tree on E. Terpening's place a few miles north of here on Tuesday, a Mr. Lynch was struck on the back and seriously injured.—Springfield News.

Stole Ice Cream.

Last evening Otto Kaufmann sent a bucket of ice cream to the Hoffman House, to have it put on the early morning stage for Springfield. The night clerk set the ice cream out in the back hall, where it is cool, and while he was down to meet the train the ice cream was stolen by a young man who put a paper over the top and started down Park street, when he met Policeman Croner. Croner recognized the young fellow, but thought he had a bucket of beer, and handed it over to his girl in the park, which is a common occurrence. The fellow knew he was in danger of being caught and getting into serious trouble, so took the ice cream and set it down in the doorway of Prior's grocery store, where he knew Croner would find it. As was expected, Croner found the ice cream and returned it to the Hoffman House. The young fellow must have been in a feverish condition and wanted something cooling.

Saloon Man Missing.

J. N. Smith, who has kept a saloon in Cottage Grove for some time, is missing. It was noticed at the council meeting Monday night that his bond was not filed with others. Tuesday morning the key was found in the door, but no Mr. Smith appeared. He was seen in the vicinity of the south bound train Tuesday morning and it is supposed he took passage for the south. He left enough material to satisfy all claims so far as known.—Nugget.

TO REMODEL M. E. CHURCH

Springfield Structure Will Be Greatly Improved at Once.

Work is to be begun on the remodeling of the M. E. church of Springfield next Monday. For several months past Rev. J. C. Gregory, the pastor, has been laboring faithfully in the interest of this new edifice that is to be an ornament to Springfield, and which is another testimonial of the thrift and progress that is predominating here. The building will be modern throughout; all the conveniences that will tend to make a most comfortable house of worship will be embraced in the work that will begin next week. The plans as we understand them are about as follows: The present building will be moved eighteen feet north and raised six feet from the ground. An alcove eight by fourteen feet will be erected on the north, while a room twenty-four by twenty-eight feet will be built on the south. It will have a vestibule entrance and steeple. The object of raising the building six feet from the ground is for the purpose of making a basement. A furnace will be put under the south room, and the rest of the basement will, at some future time, be fitted for classrooms, etc.—Springfield News.

THE STATE CONVENTION

The Republican state convention at Portland yesterday nominated Hon. E. O. Potter, of Eugene, for circuit judge of this district; Geo. M. Brown, of Roseburg, for district attorney; R. A. Booth for joint senator; W. I. Vawter, of Medford, for joint representative from Jackson and Douglas; Frank A. Moore for justice of the supreme court; J. W. Bailey for state food and dairy commissioner; H. W. Scott, S. L. Kline, I. S. Smith and W. B. Ayer, delegates to the National convention. J. M. Hart, James A. Fee, Grant B. Dimick and A. C. Hough, presidential electors.

A New Store.

Mrs. Pearl Van Hook and brother, Glenn Glasford, are in Eugene from Duluth, Minnesota, for the purpose of locating here and establishing a confectionery store in the McClung building in the room now occupied by Otto Kaufmann. Workmen will begin fixing up the place just as soon as Otto moves out, and the new place will be opened to the public about May 1st. Both Mrs. Van Hook and Mr. Glasford are experienced people in the business and professional candy makers. They will manufacture all their candies, which will be all of a high grade, and carry on an up-to-date retail trade.

BOB VEATCH'S RATTLESNAKES

He Enjoys His Annual Spring Hunt—Caught One Alive.

R. W. Veatch enjoyed his annual spring hunt for rattlesnakes last week. Bob's annual raids on the dens of these once numerous reptiles in this vicinity has made them very scarce and he is now compelled to visit far away and unfrequented rocky regions to engage in his favorite sport, says the Cottage Grove Leader. His hunt last week was extended to Bake Steward's farm on Kow river, where he succeeded in killing five of the poisonous reptiles and capturing one very large one alive, which sported eight rattles, the last rattle being large, indicating that the smaller ones had been worn off. The reptile must have been ten or fifteen years old. Mr. Veatch's method of capturing the rattler is very unique. He cuts a forked stick some six or eight feet in length, sharpens the two short points of the fork and places them in the ground on either side of the reptile's neck, which holds its head securely to the ground, while its body is placed in a large paper bag, the kind used in the hardware stores. After the body of the reptile is sucked, the forked stick is released and the snake immediately draws its head back into the sack, when the opening is immediately closed and tied with a cord. Mr. Veatch then places his captive into his hunting coat pocket and carries it about as though it was dead. His latest captive was taken to Eugene and presented to a friend last Saturday, who has caged it and placed the repulsive monster on exhibition. A peculiarity of this reptile is that it will live for more than a year in captivity without either food or water.

Springfield Band.

The band which we have mentioned before is so far advanced that we are able to give the personnel and their respective positions, with the exception of snare drummer, who is yet to be found: Cornets, John Parker, Herbert Walker, J. W. Smith, Townsend; altos, D. W. Roof, H. Freeman, Donald Roberts; tenors, Robert Blair, "Ted" Martin; baritone, M. M. Peery; bass, Roy Groger; bass drum, Herbert Smith; slide trombone, Milton Kintzley.—Springfield News.

J. M. Howe has just placed a fine granite W. O. W. monument over the grave of Archie Smith at Coburg.

The Portland Italian Band arrived from the north this afternoon. The members are stopping at the Gross Hotel.

Such an item as this from the Salem Journal is a good advertisement for this city: "Eugene has decreased her city debt \$11,000, has built a high school, and has voted to establish a public library."

Springfield Personal.

T. O. Maxwell, who has been confined to the house for several weeks on account of sickness, is again able to be about town.

T. S. Dean, who spent the winter at Monmouth, arrived here Tuesday. He is preparing to go to the Blue River mining district the first of May.

E. B. Deane and J. A. Roberts were, on last Saturday night, elected as delegates to the Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., which will be held in Astoria May 18.

Mrs. Kate Putnam, of Anoka, Minn., and her daughter, Mrs. K. G. Staples, of Portland, arrived in Glenwood Park, and are visiting Judge and Mrs. J. M. Woods.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stewart and son Harry will move to Eugene Saturday. They have rented a house that they will occupy until their new residence is completed.

Emmett Guy, of Cedar, Minnesota, arrived in Springfield Monday, and is visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Smith. Mr. Guy has not decided to locate here permanently.

Rev. L. W. Riley, of McMinnville, corresponding secretary of the Baptist state convention, will preach at the Baptist church Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.—News.

Cement Walks in City Park.

Bids for the work of building cement walks crisscross in the West Park were opened by the county court this morning and the contract let to E. J. DeLaney, whose bid was \$360. The walks will be six feet wide and 430 feet long.