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It is said that Senator Fulton has run up the flag of truce, and Chairman Cake is to still be recognized as the chairman of the State Republican Committee. Well, that is rather kind on the part of the senator, who was turned down by his party in the primaries.

While there is an attempt being made to have the Statement republicans bolt their pledge to vote for the people's choice for U. S. Senator, it might be well to inquire whether the anti-statement members are being induced to vote for some other candidate than H. M. Cake, the republicans' choice. As Washington county's delegation is bound to the republicans' choice there are four votes he will get anyway. If there should be a break in the statement camp Cake should surely be the winner and not Fulton, Wilcox or any other dark horse. The legislature had better look a little out how it votes this time, as other elections are bound to come.

Hillsboro has voted to add the tenth grade to its public school, it is said for the reason that the county high school proposition was voted down in the June election. It would seem that Hillsboro ought to be glad that the proposition was voted down, unless Hillsboro expected to be the location for the county high school, should it have carried. At any rate, both Hillsboro and the Grove will have, in time, a high school in their own districts, which should be the case and which should have been so long ago. Both towns are large enough to maintain high schools and as both places are working to that end, why have a county school at all.

Where Will Bryan Get His Votes?

With the Free-Silver Republicans back in the ranks of the old party, and with most of the Populists again lined up under the Republican banner, it is difficult to understand where Mr. Bryan is going to get the votes necessary to elect him to the Presidency. In 1896, and again in 1900, he was the nominee of the Democrats, and was endorsed by the Free-Silver Republicans and the Populists. Everybody knows that the Free-Silver Republicans were men who left their party in 1896, and anyone who takes the trouble to look up a list of his neighbors who went wrong on the silver question at that time will find that they are all, or nearly all, back in the harness again. Some of the Populists had formerly been Democrats, but most of them came out of the Republican party and returned again when Populism declined. The Middle-of-the-Road Populists still cling

to their faith, and will not vote for Bryan.

If Mr. Bryan had been the Democratic nominee in 1904, it is quite likely that many of the voters who had been in these two parties would have gone to his support and would have been permanently enrolled as Democrats. But they would not support Parker. It was easy for them to go back to Republicanism with Roosevelt as a leader, and they went. They have seen the mistake they made in leaving the party in the first place, and they are not likely to repeat the experience, especially when their own party has a candidate quite satisfactory to them. Undoubtedly Mr. Bryan will get the votes of a few of the former Free-Silver Republicans, but the number of them will not be much larger than the number of Democrats he will lose to Hearst. Certainly he will not get enough of them to overcome the majority now registered against the Democracy.

Another circumstance worth considering is that the large number of Democrats who went over to the Republican party on the sound-money issue have never gone back, and will not go with Bryan as a candidate. A few dyed-in-the-wool Democrats may have gone back, but most of them are still allied with the Republicans.

The battle ground of this campaign is in the Middle West, and in New York. It is possible that disappointment over the defeat of favorite sons, combined with some loss of the labor vote and the loss of part of the negro vote, may give the Democratic candidate a chance to win some of the Northern states. Local factional controversies, more than anything else, will threaten Republican success. But the surface indications at the present time are that there will be general harmony in support of the ticket. The fact that the issues between the two parties are not as sharply drawn as in previous campaigns will make predictions as to the outcome difficult, but from a statistical standpoint the situation looks very good to the Republicans.—Oregonian.

County May Offer Reward.

More mysteries of the man found buried in a hole in the woods near Buxton some weeks ago, are still coming up. The latest is the following from the Oregonian's correspondent from Hillsboro:

"It is peculiar that if Elmer Perdue, supposed to have been murdered near Buxton, is still alive, that he has no made his whereabouts known. Late in June Elmer Perdue filed on a piece of timber land at the United States Land Office in the Worcester block, Portland. He covered 40 acres, being the south half of the northeast quarter of section 32, township 3, north range 5 west. On the registry blotter, after his filing, is written by a land office clerk or official, 'Erroneously allowed. Dropped.'"

When Mr. Dresser was asked about the filing, he stated that the entry was dropped because there was already a filing under consideration, but in just what manner he did not recall. Perdue gave his postoffice address as Portland, Or., General Delivery. His witnesses were William Brown, Dick Buckley, H. L. Parks and Walter Johnson, all of Portland.

County Judge Goodin is in favor of offering a reward."

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GOOD RACING AT HILLSBORO

Warming-Up Tryouts Prove Successful Event.

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"Guidless Pacer" College Maid, Wins Hearts of Horsemen by Her Fine Exhibitions.

The "warming-up" races held at the Hillsboro race track last Friday and Saturday were largely attended and some good races were pulled off.

FRIDAY'S RACES

There were but two entries in the 2:15 trot, Johnnie K., a Montana horse, owned by L. Chapman, of Eugene, and Elma O., owned by Chappell, of Hillsboro. This was the prettiest race of the day, Johnnie K. winning by a nose. Time, 2:25.

The 2:17 pace had three entries, Alta Norte, owned by J. M. Busby, Laramie, Wyo.; Nellie Bishop, J. L. Smith, Laramie, Wyo.; and Bushnell King, L. Chapman, Eugene. Bushnell King won this in the first and third heats. Time, 2:19 1/4.

The gentleman's road race had four entries, Bald Indian, C. C. Ferguson, Newberg; James Riley, J. Bunce, Vancouver, B. C.; Toy Lace, J. A. Abbott, Forest Grove, and Lady Vinmolt, R. H. Greer. The race was won by Abbott's Toy Lace, a green mare hitched to a heavy road cart, as against horses in bike-wheeled carts. Time, 2:46.

The feature of the day was the perfect performance of College Maid, the guideless pacer, time 2:09 1/2, going the entire course without assistance, driver or whipper.

SATURDAY'S RACES

One of the features of Saturday's races was the run by College Maid, "the guideless pacer" when he clipped off a quarter second from the Friday exhibition.

Johnnie K. won the 2:15 trot over Elma O.; time, 2:23, the first race being a dead heat. Dr. Uhlman, I. D. Chappell driver; Bramford Boy, Tom Garvin driver, were contenders in the 2:27 trot, and Dr. Uhlman, a 2-year-old, won; time, 2:27 1/2. Dr. Uhlman's consistent work was one of the features of the day's races. In the free-for-all trot or pace Iowa Boy, I. D. Chappell, Hillsboro, and Estebell, Smith, Wyoming, were entered. Iowa Boy won in two straight heats; time, 2:17 1/2.

In the half-mile dash there were but two starters, Mike Wisdom, owned by Ward Downs, and Richard Hobson, owned by Johnson Sherwood. Mike Wisdom won in 0:52.

The judges were E. H. Green and Charles Lehmer, of Portland, and E. B. Tongue, of Hillsboro. Harry Osman was starter.

Brevities

THE HALL OF FAME.

Perhaps the two best friends in Sutton, N. H., are David Hart and G. S. Morgan. The former is ninety-one years old and the latter ninety-three.

The pioneer of Berks county (Pa.) squires is William Y. Shearer, who has conducted the office of justice of the peace ever since 1864, holding the office for forty-four years, and his ninth commission will expire next year.

Although his famous silver mine has yielded him \$18,000,000, Pedro Alvarado, the "Mexican Croesus," has been so extravagant that he has run into debt and has been constrained to lease his property for fifteen years to an American syndicate.

To his collection of more than 800 relics Captain John Ryan of West Newton, Mass., a veteran of several wars, has added a cane the materials of which represent three wars in which he participated—the Mexican, civil and Spanish-American wars.

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