

### HOT POLITICAL SHOT.

**A Correspondent Warms Up on the Issues of the Campaign.**

From an item in the last week's issue of a paper published here, we are led to believe that some one asked some one else the following question: "What chances have Parker and Davis?" The answer given was, "Why good, very good indeed." This reply is our text and is found on the 3rd page, 3rd column and 3rd verse of this publication, also containing more reasons for the belief back of this answer, provided the party actually does believe what he says.

Next November 8th the ballots of Oregon will be cast, and pregnant for good or evil will be the result, but at this date no fears are entertained for the triumph of intelligence and common sense. The American voter has become a thinker more than ever before and has learned to judge between good and evil, to test by weight the worth of questions or policies presented, to measure by achievement rather than theory, to value at intrinsic worth as against fictitious promises, to gauge the future by the past, to analyze the fundamental principles of party policies, competent to go to the ballot box, free, intelligent, discriminating, and patriotic, in the exercise of his franchise.

A prominent eastern business man has formulated a few questions and statements that contain the very essence of true Republicanism in such terse form that we refer to them as they are full of sterling worth. As for honesty: "No living man can charge Roosevelt with deceitfulness, and nobody fails to know what he is driving at. Parker may not be deceitful, but he takes a longer time to show himself open and above board."

Against this proposition we place the words of the democratic idol, W. J. Bryan. "I have nothing to take back, I have nothing to withdraw that I have said against the methods pursued to advance his candidacy (Parker's). It was a plain and deliberate attempt to deceive the party. The nomination was secured by crooked and indefensible methods." If Judge Parker submitted himself to the nomination, secured "by crooked and indefensible methods," how safe do you think he is as to honesty?

It is said of Roosevelt that he will over-ride the Constitution. Parker claims he will stand by it. Quoting again, "Roosevelt and his party have always been constitutional. Parker and his party make 'constitutionalism' a mask for a lack of aggressiveness. But God be thanked we have a strong man who can properly uphold the high duties imposed by the Constitution."

As to our foreign policy—"Roosevelt and his party will be sure to continue the John Hay policy. Parker and his party are likely to plunge into the unknown, with paths that lead nowhere in particular." It is unnecessary to remind any one of the increased respect of foreign powers, our high standing among the nations, the dignified methods of diplomacy, the deference shown our opinions—all the result of our present policy as worked out through the wisdom of our Secretary of State.

Take the trust question. "We know that Roosevelt and his party will deal with the trusts seriously and vigorously, as in the past. But how Parker and his party will deal with the trusts, no one knows." Roosevelt has dealt with the trusts, promises to do so again and has not only the moral courage to

do so, but is under no obligation to any trust or combination of trusts to secure his election. In startling contrast is the arraignment of the democratic methods used as stated by Mr. Bryan July 13th. He says, "I shall not misrepresent the situation, or appeal for votes for the ticket upon false grounds. A democratic victory will mean very little, if any progress on economic questions so long as the party is under the control of the Wall street element. The labor plank as prepared by Judge Parker's friends was a straddling, meaningless plank. The nomination of Judge Parker virtually nullifies the anti-trust plank." The attacks of President Roosevelt on the trusts have virtually antagonized them against him and while they fear the uncertainties of a democratic administration they fear the enforcement of the law in Roosevelt's hands far more. Wall street worked for Parker's nomination, Wall street captured the convention, Bryan openly accused the delegates of selling themselves to Wall street, Wall street carried the convention and nominated Parker, a life long democrat, on a gold basis. Remember for just one moment that in 1896 and in 1900 when sound men were voting for sound money, Parker was voting 16 to 1. What has changed him and why is he working so earnestly with the powers of Wall street that he so lately opposed unless it be that he "is under the control of the Wall street element?"

The sound money question—"With Roosevelt and his party we are sure of sound money. With Parker and his party we can only hope for its permanence." If Parker was right in '96 and 1900 when voting for free silver, and he is right now voting for gold, he might be right or wrong again in 1905 and vote for free silver in response to the demands of millions of democrats who do not now, nor never will endorse his present creed.

We quote again—"Roosevelt and his party are of a single mind. Parker and his party are of many and contradictory minds." The Republican party has stood as a unit for its policies and will continue to do so as long as it deems it best for the good of the people, but ever since the Civil war when it was declared by the democratic party that the "war is a failure" has this same party been torn by factions, distressed by irresponsible leaders, disagreeing on issues, facing depressed markets and ruined industries resultant from their manipulations, until business was prostrated and utter despair pervaded the very air.

Every fair minded man must concede that at no time in our history have we had such general prosperity or made more material progress. The troubles that come to all governments, of which we have our own, are not proof of inherent weakness in policy or administration. The consummate skill with which these problems are met and solved is vindication of the strong, fearless minds that control our body politic, and inspire confidence in the leadership of such men as make up our National Executive. The history of each day of our national life under our republican leaders is nowhere sullied with fraud, cowardice, or incapacity, but is a record of advancement through the grandest achievements of any nation on the face of the globe. "LINLEVLT."

Ladies you will find a fresh and dainty line of millinery at Mrs. I. A. Horton's where you will always find best goods at best prices. Be sure and call.

### Mexican War Veteran Visits Newberg.

Newberg had a venerable visitor this week—a veteran of the war with Mexico, a fighter under old "Rough and Ready" Taylor. His name is John Bantom and he was here visiting his sister, Mrs. Mary Hardwick, whom he had not seen for nearly thirty years, during which time he has lived at Alsea, Benton county. He was never at Newberg before—that he knows of. That is, he was through this country in an early day, long before Newberg was even sprouted, and remembers the name of but one hamlet in this section—that of "Stringtown," now more commonly known as Middleton.

The Graphic man called on Mr. Bantom, expecting to find an old man, decrepit and bowed down with many years and much service. On the other hand he was introduced to an erect, soldierly appearing personage, over six feet tall, sinewy—seemingly retaining all the powers of mature manhood except that of eyesight which has failed considerably. Though eighty years of age, his white hair and beard do not make him look over sixty, and as he talked with animation of the experiences of early days, he fulfilled the writer's ideal, formed in early boyhood, of the pioneer hero and soldier.

Mr. Bantom's mother has been dead but a very few years, having lived to be ninety-nine years of age, while his father measured out one hundred and five years before death overtook him. The writer suggested that in proportion to this liberal allotment of years, there should reasonably be a quarter of a century yet in

store for him. "I think I'll get it," was his quick rejoinder.

He took part in the Rio Grande campaign in our trouble with Mexico and served throughout the war, when the soldiers were mustered out and advised by "Rough and Ready" to "go home to your wives, those that have 'em and those that haven't, go get some." The only surviving Mexican war veteran with whom Mr. Bantom is acquainted is Geo. Boone of Toledo, Lincoln county, a great grandson of Daniel Boone.

Scenting the coming civil strife, John Bantom came to Oregon in the early fifties, returned to Missouri in a few years and in 1860 "trekked" it across the plains and mountains with his family back to the Pacific Coast taking up the activities of pioneer life as Indian fighter and home builder. He came in touch with characters prominent in the history of the state—knew old Dr. John McLaughlin, Jo Meeks, and was connected with Senator Nesmith by marriage.

Having so faithfully fulfilled his part in the building of the republic, unable to read of the progress of the present, this grizzled veteran finds his satisfaction in living over again the strenuous events of the past. Their active work accomplished, a few such silent, faithful sentinels yet stand, a continual inspiration to the youth of to-day, who would otherwise know nothing except from books, of the labors and dangers undergone by pioneer heroes in making possible and leaving the heritage of the present.

Buggy robes and horse blankets—a fine assortment. H. C. Lawer, the harness maker.

## CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC PACIFIC COLLEGE.

Thorough Courses in Piano, Organ, Theory and Voice.  
Special Kindergarten Department for Children.  
Careful Attention Given to Arranging Compositions for publication.

C. W. KANTNER, M. B., Director.  
MRS. N. L. KANTNER, Assistant.



## The Empire Cream Separator

"Good as the Best and Better than Most," together with a full line of Vehicles, Farming Implements, Feed and Seeds.

FOR SALE BY  
**ANDREW PICKETT,**  
CITY FEED STORE.

## HARNESS.

10 Per Cent Cash Discount  
on all harness until  
November 1st.

A. R. MOOMAW & SONS.

## THE ...PEOPLE'S STORE...

**\$1.85**

BUYS A LINED AIR-TIGHT HEATER

A full size, 6-hole, guaranteed range for \$37.00.  
We have a full line of heaters and cooks.  
All kinds of stove furniture, all of which we sell at OUR PRICES, NOT OTHERS.  
DON'T BUY. SEE US. All stoves delivered and set up. See our tin and granite.

HOW ABOUT THE BABY'S GOCART?

Give us your orders. We fill them direct from the factory at astonishingly low prices.  
Nice line of Tin and Graniteware now on road from large jobber.

LOOK OUT FOR OUR SPECIALS.

**JAS. W. DUNCAN  
FURNITURE CO.**

## DON'T

THAT SUIT

LOOK COMFORTABLE?



That's the way with all the

Banner Brand Suits

Because they're made for wear. And a suit that does not fit will not wear very long. Therefore, BANNER BRAND SUITS are cut to fit.

We have such an elegant assortment of Boys' Suits that we feel sure we can please every boy in or around Newberg.

New Lot of

Hats and Caps This Week.

**PARKER  
MERCANTILE CO.**

Newberg Sash and Door Factory.

PLANT COMPLETE AND UP TO DATE.

We do all kinds of work in our line in latest styles and patterns.

**HEACOCK & SONS**

The Newberg Steam Laundry

GOOD WORK.  
REASONABLE PRICES.

**A. N. PRESSNALL, Manager.**