

committee on rules have too much power. The former should be reduced to the position of a presiding officer. He has been a dictator too long. The latter should not be permitted to tyrannize over the House. It is pitiable to see a legislative body so bullied and henpecked by its own servants as our National House of Representatives is.—Sunday Oregonian.

Yet this is the same gang of politicians that the Oregonian would have returned to congress. The Republican party is wholly responsible for the one man rule in the National House of Representatives, introduced by Speaker Reed several years ago. The Republican majority has never had patriotism enough to break away from "Czar" Reed's rulings—NEWS.

Democratic County Convention.

The Democratic County Central Committee has called a county convention, to meet in Albany on April 29, 1908, to elect delegates to attend the state convention, which meets in Portland on June 9, 1908, to elect delegates to attend the National convention, which meets in Denver, Colorado, on July 7, 1908.

Precincts in the Forks of the Santiam are entitled to delegates as follows, the same being 1 delegate for every 25 votes cast for Governor Chamberlain in 1906:

- North Scio..... 4
- South Scio..... 4
- Jordan..... 4
- Shelburn..... 4
- Rock Creek..... 3
- Santiam..... 3
- Lacomb..... 3
- Fox Valley..... 3
- Kingston..... 2

President and Secretary of precinct meeting must sign credentials of precinct delegates. Precinct meetings will be held on Saturday, April 25, 1908.

T. J. STITES, Chairman,
F. C. STELLMACHER, Secretary.

A Interesting Meeting.

Last Monday evening a most interesting citizens meeting was held at Firman's hall in this city. The purpose was the discussion of measures to be voted upon by the people at the coming June election.

T. L. Dugger was elected permanent chairman.

The subject for discussion at that time was the proposed "Single Tax" law. The affirmative side or those who spoke in favor of the adoption of the measure, were E. C. Peery and G. L. Sutherland. Most every other person present seemed to be opposed to its adoption.

The consensus of opinion of those present was that while our present law does not properly reach some classes of property for assessment purposes such as money, notes, accounts, etc. the proposed law would be just as defective in this particular and probably would increase the tax burden on land, etc.

It was thought that farmers could attend these meetings if held on Saturday evening, by motion the date of meeting was changed to Saturday night, the next meeting to be held on Saturday evening April 11.

Subject: Amendments changing the salary of legislators to \$10 per day and making it lawful to erect public buildings at points other than the state capitol.

WILL WIN IN SPIRE OF MACHINE.

Hon. H. M. Cake's Prospects of Nomination Growing better all the Time.

In spite of the desperate efforts of the old machine and representatives of certain big "trusts" to accomplish his defeat, the nomination of H. M. Cake, champion of Statement No. 1, for United States Senator on April 17, is generally conceded throughout the State. It is predicted in Portland that he will carry Multnomah county by between 5000 and 6000. With few exceptions, the newspapers of the state have rallied loyally to Mr. Cake's support. In urging his nomination, the *Polk County Observer* says:

"Hon. H. M. Cake is making a magnificent campaign and his nomination, never seriously in doubt, is now practically assured by a rousing majority. Enthusiastic crowds have flocked to hear him in his trip through Southern Oregon and his tour of Eastern Oregon, where he has always been strong with the voters, promises to be in the nature of a triumphal march. Mr. Cake is making a clean, dignified campaign free from personality or abuse and is earnestly advocating the principles he believes to be right. He is an able, effective speaker who makes no attempt at high-flown oratory but takes the people into his confidence and has a quiet heart-to-heart talk with them on the important issues now before the people of the state and nation, the most effective oratory by the way, that can be indulged in by any public speaker in this practical age. He dodges no issues, straddles no questions, but frankly discusses every subject in a manner that leaves no doubt in any mind as to his sincerity. In Mr. Cake the people feel they have a man whom they can trust; one who would represent them honorably and fearlessly in the Nation's law-making body."

Eastern Brook Trout.

J. F. Wesely, of this city, who is an enthusiastic angler is in receipt of a letter from the Department of Commerce and Labor, Bureau of Fisheries, informing him that 7,000 Eastern brook trout will be delivered to him within the next thirty days, at West Scio.

Mr. Wesely proposes to stock Thomas and Crabtree creeks with these trout. A year or two hence, brook trout will appear in the days catch in these streams, as well as the Mountain trout.

Mr. Wesely should be commended for his energy in obtaining a stock of these splendid food fishes for our streams.

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