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BRYAN AND KERN.

AS WAS EXPECTED, William J. Bryan was nominated as a candidate for the presidency at Denver, last week, on the first ballot. The enthusiasm of a vast majority of the delegates and spectators seemed to be unbounded. From whence comes this almost unanimous demand for the nomination of Mr. Bryan? Not from the capitalistic classes; for they view him as an enemy and dangerous to their interests. Not from the trusts and tariff beneficiaries; for they know, with Mr. Bryan in the White House, the special privileges they have enjoyed for years, would be of short duration if he could, bring about the abolishment thereof. Not the politicians; for they have used every possible means within their power to prevent the action of the Denver convention which selected the Nebraskan for the Democratic standard bearer, for the third time. There is left but one source, then, from whence the overwhelming demand for Mr. Bryan could come—the people. From the North; from the South; from the Middle West, and from the Pacific states this demand for the nomination of Mr. Bryan developed in such magnitude that all chances for the nomination of any other candidate than Mr. Bryan very quickly faded into insignificance.

Governor Johnson, of Minnesota and Judge Gray, of Delaware, are both men of faultless reputation and of first-class presidential timber. But both them could muster but 105 votes in the convention to over 850 for Mr. Bryan.

Mr. Bryan possesses the entire confidence of the people. They believe, if he shall be elected, that he will endeavor to carry out the reforms of which he has been preaching; that he will be an enemy of greedy trusts; that he will endeavor to have our tariff laws revised; that he will be a block in the way of the encroachments of predatory capital and that he will so far as he is able rescue the government from Wall street influences and restore it to the people. The fact that the trusts, Wall streets and predatory wealth in general, oppose Mr. Bryan, endears him to the people. They love him for the enemies he has made. Nor is it an impossibility that this love will be carried to the polls next November in such numbers that the subject of their love and confidence will win the election.

Mr. Bryan is much stronger in the East, in the Middle West and on the Pacific slope, than he was in either of his previous campaigns. The South went solidly for him in 1896 and 1900 and will probably repeat itself in 1908. Mr. Taft is a very much weaker candidate than was Mr. McKinley. In both McKinley campaigns, the Republican party was harmonious. Now that party is in factions as never before in its history. Therefore there is great reason for the revival of hope in the Democratic breast.

Mr. J. W. Kern, who was named as Mr. Bryan's running mate, does not possess a political reputation out side of his own state, Indiana. At home he is very popular. He possesses the confidence of his home people, who vouch for his character and ability.

The ticket "Bryan and Kern may not prove to be the winner; though it is conceded that Democratic chances are very much better now than for the past dozen years. The country is ripe for a change. The people have, to a great extent, lost confidence in Republican promises. They have been deceived too often. With dissensions in Republican ranks and reasonable harmony in its own party, the Democracy is due to win this time. Should Mr. Bryan again go down to defeat, seeing that conditions are now so favorable, any future attempt to win out under the party banner as now constituted, would be folly.

"If you don't at first succeed, try, try again" and "The third time is the charm, are old time proverbs. Mr. Bryan may gather a small grain of confidence from these old time sayings.

SHOULD ALLOW FULL AMOUNT

THE COUNTY COURT OF Linn county at its last session appropriated the munificent sum of \$300 in aid of the Linn county fair at this city. Only \$300 was asked for, backed up by petitions of tax payers from all portions of the county. Perhaps the court's action was governed by motives of economy. Perhaps, as a majority of the court is but newly elected, neither of whom, the NEWS believes, attended last year's fair, they did not realize the importance and scope of the undertaking. The circumstances of this non attendance, was unfortunate for the fair, the court and the county.

Only a short time ago, the sum of \$600 was appropriated to advertise the county. This appropriation, no doubt, will result in benefit to the county. We hope the people will receive ample returns from the investment. But would not that amount, if it had been added to the fair funds, have produced greater returns to the farmers and stockmen of the county?

Any enterprise, which results in better stock and better products, is undoubtedly of very great benefit to the county. Also from an advertising or exploiting viewpoint, the NEWS believes \$600 added to the premium list of the fair, would be productive of greater returns, than the mere distribution of printed matter.

The Scio Stock and Agricultural Fair Association is organized on a somewhat different plan to what other like associations are organized. It is organized upon a strictly cash basis. It is planned to have the entire cash receipts, including gate money, concession licenses and entrance fees, left over with which to give the succeeding exhibition. Owing to the heavy expense of our fair last year, which was our first, we were unable to do this. We were compelled to expend about \$400 of last year's receipts, before our bills were paid. But, still we had the snug sum of \$300 left to apply on this year's fair.

To this fund has been added about \$600 from the sale of membership certificates. We desired to add to this the \$300 asked from the county.

To make the absolutely needed improvements and pay premiums, the association deemed \$2500 necessary, \$1000 of which was required for improvement. Now when it is known that the officers of the association are required by our charter to serve without pay and that the people of Scio and vicinity have raised about \$1800 of the fair fund, including last year and this, the NEWS thinks the sum of \$300 asked from the county to aid a strictly Linn county enterprise, whose sole object is to benefit Linn county interests that the entire sum asked for, should have been allowed.

Last year two S. P. officials were among our visitors. After looking over our exhibits thoroughly, they voluntarily stated "We have attended all of the county fairs and your Linn county fair surpasses any of them." So it can be seen that the fair is not simply a small Forks of the Santiam affair; but that its scope is broad enough to take in the entire county, as well as those of the immediately adjoining districts.

But as "Beggars should not be choosers," we shall be content with what the court has seen proper to give, trusting the court will be among our visitors, this year, that it may see what the real merits of our Linn county fair are.

Our charter requires that a Farmers Institute shall be held in conjunction with the fair. This feature was under the care of Dr. Withycombe last year and he will again have charge this year. Governor Chamberlain has, also, consented to deliver an address on September 2, the first day. So it can be seen the fair is to be a source of profit as well as pleasure to the farmers, dairymen, fruit-growers and stockmen of the county. Will \$600 invested in advertising matter produce as much benefit?

So we are to have but five state colleges instead of six as formerly. Just why Drain proved the loser, is not stated. Certainly Drain has just as much claim upon the state as either of the others. If economy is the object of Drain's downfall, then the paring down is a failure; for Drain was the least expensive of any of the state colleges. But Weston and Monmouth and Ashland need not feel too sure that they will continue wards of the state.

If the expense of Eugene and Corvallis continue to increase as rapidly as they now promise to do, these other less expensive schools will have to be lopped off in order that the state treasury can stand the college graft. The NEWS believes that the schools at Corvallis and Eugene will require and demand at least a half million for maintenance, within the next five years.

Railroad Commissioner West does not believe in perfunctory examination of railroad bridges and culverts. So, armed with his little hatchet, he a-foot and alone is examining the C. & E. line. He will be able to make a report to the Board that is much more than a mere whitewash.

If Mr. Bryan gets the labor vote, the Colored vote, the Philippine veteran vote and the discontented Republican vote, he will have about as large a majority of the popular vote as was cast for President Roosevelt four years ago.

The injunction plank of the Denver platform is pronounced by Mr. Gompers to be satisfactory to organized labor and his influence will be used to influence the organization to support the ticket of Bryan and Kern.

Railroad Commission at Crabtree.

On Tuesday as per appointment, the Railway Commission, consisting of President Campbell and Commissioners West and Aitchison held a session of the board at Crabtree station.

The session was called to consider the complaint filed by the citizens of Crabtree asking that the S. P. company be required to rebuild the bridge at the crossing of the South Santiam.

Quite a good audience was present, which included a committee from the Scio Commercial club, consisting of R. M. Cain, O. B. Cyrus, E. C. Peery and T. L. Dugger, J. H. Irvine, E. Koehler, Mr. Burkhardt and several other witnesses were called on the part of the complainants and Mr. Rose and Mr. Matousek on the part of the S. P. company. The proceeding was conducted after the manner of a court. Witnesses were sworn and questioned by the Commission, and then were turned over to the R. R. attorney for cross examination. It was developed that 30 car loads of freight originated at the stations of Burkhardt and Spicer during the past year, but that this number might be slightly increased, if the road between Crabtree and Tallman should be operated as formerly.

The witnesses for the railroad showed the following facts which were not controverted. The bridge, owing to its age, would have to be entirely reconstructed. Including the additional amount of bridge required because of the increased width of the stream at this point, the entire length of the structure would be 1700 feet and the cost, even if constructed of second hand material would be approximately \$170,000; and the necessary riprap on the East bank some \$30,000 to \$40,000 more. Mr. Matousek stated that the entire revenue originating from the freight from Tallman to and including Crabtree had not been ten eighty more than \$200 during the past year.

It was also brought out in the examination that West Scio furnished more freight than any point between the South Santiam river and Silverton and that the major portion of the cream shipped from Crabtree was drawn from territory contiguous to Scio and could be shipped about as conveniently from West Scio as from Crabtree.

The Commission came to no conclusion about the matter and adjourned the hearing to meet at Lebanon at the call of the board, after which meeting a conclusion would be reached.

The NEWS man noted that the Commission manifested a disposition to be thorough in its work and showed a desire to get at all the facts bearing on the question to this end, when all the called witnesses had been examined, an invitation was extended for any and all volunteer witnesses to come forward and testify. The citizens of Crabtree, Burkhardt and Spicer are deeply interested in the final termination of the matter and while they realize that a large expenditure of money will be required to replace the bridge, they believe the charter of the R. R. company requires that the line shall be kept open and operated.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR THE COUNTY OF LINN.
Frank Kiernan, Plaintiff,

vs.
James B. Stearns, Defendant.

By virtue of an Execution and Order of Sale to me directed, issued out of the Circuit Court, of the State of Oregon, for the County of Linn, in the case of Frank Kiernan, plaintiff vs. James B. Stearns, defendant, I will on Saturday, the 22nd day of July, 1908, at the hour of 1 o'clock P. M., at the front door of the Court House in Albany, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, the real property described in said Execution and Order of Sale, as follows, to-wit:

The South west Quarter of Section 25 in Township 10 South and Range 6 East of the Willamette Meridian, in Linn County, Oregon.

Said sale will be made to satisfy a judgment in said case, to-wit: A judgment for Plaintiff for the sum of \$528.00 with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum from the 4th day of August, 1896, amounting in all to the sum of \$1452.00—and the further sum of \$100.00 attorney's fees and accruing costs, the said real property being subject to redemption according to law. Dated this 15th day of June, A. D. 1908.

D. S. Smith,
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3.00	"	2.75	25c " 25c

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Notice of Appointment of Administrator.

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of June, A. D. 1908, the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, duly appointed the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Wilda Goodfellow, deceased, and having qualified as required by law, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them, with proper vouchers attached as by law required, to the undersigned at his residence near Scio, Linn county, Oregon, R. F. D. No. 1, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit, June 20th, 1908.

Fred Goodfellow,
Administrator
Frank A. Turner,
Attorney.

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