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TRIPLE-HEADED CONVENTION.

Puts a County Ticket in the Field after an Unpleasant Wrangle in which Clerk Dukenfield was Sorely Defeated.

The three-ply convention met in the court house on Monday. It was called to order by H. C. Burns, chairman of the democratic committee. C. W. Talmage and C. C. Linden were nominated for chairman. The former proposed to save time by withdrawing in favor of his opponent, but withdrawal was not accepted, and a ballot was taken resulting in the choice of Linden by a vote of 83 to 74. Vine Pearce of North Yamhill was nominated for secretary. Mr. Linden gratefully acknowledged the honor conferred, as well as dilated upon the greatness of the convention and the great things it would do for the people. Harry Watkins suggested a good democrat for the secretaryship. Mr. Snuffer wanted Mr. Gist of North Yamhill, Mr. VanOrsdol wanted Mr. Pearce and Ward Lamson of Willamina was nominated. Cain of Sheridan objected to the suggestion of Watkins for a democrat, a populist or even a free silverite, as it wasn't that kind of a convention. Pearce and Gist declined, but Henry Gee came to the rescue by moving Lamson for secretary and Pearce for assistant, and they were chosen without ballot. On motion of Robbins a committee of five on credentials was appointed by the chair as follows: C. G. Robbins, A. M. Peery, Chet Babcock, R. L. Booth and E. B. Collard. Dr. Baker moved a committee of five on permanent organization and order of business. Thos. Rowland asked to amend that this committee have no candidate for office put upon it. The chair thought no amendment was necessary. Snuffer wanted this amendment voted down, as the idea would go over the county that they were all after the offices, and said: "I wish you would withdraw that, Tom." Tom withdrew. The motion then carried and the chair appointed Dr. Baker, H. L. McCann, T. VanOrsdol, Wm. Raleigh and Dr. Courtney, who declined in favor of Fred Wirfs. Derby of Lafayette moved a committee of five on resolutions. The appointment was Messrs. Derby, Heath, Watkins, Payne and Wheeler.

While the committees met to make report, the chair called on Mr. D'Arcy of Salem, nominee for circuit judge, for a speech. He came forward and said it was not his purpose to make a speech. He was here to get acquainted with the people of the county and to talk with the people privately as to the success of the cause in Marion county, where, he said, the best of feeling prevails. The same condition existed in Polk county, he said, and in the localities where he was known, he asked the people to watch the returns and see if there wasn't a big majority rolled up for him. He had an agreement with Judges Burnett and Hewitt not to make any political speeches, and hence could make none at this time, but he was very sure of carrying Marion county on the day of election.

Rev. F. A. Powell was then called for a speech, but asked to be excused at this time.

S. L. Hayden was called for, but speech-making didn't seem to be in his line.

The convention then adjourned till one o'clock, on motion of Snuffer.

After dinner the report of committee on credentials was read and approved, and it permitted regular delegates to cast proxy vote.

The report of committee on permanent organization and order of business recommended that temporary officers be made permanent, that order of nominations be as published in the call, and endorsed T. J. Lucy for joint representative and the various justices and constables nominated.

The committee on resolutions reported as follows:

Resolved:—That the nominees of this convention for senator and representatives hereby pledge to do all in their power, if elected, to reduce the expenses of the state government to the lowest amount consistent with good government, and to oppose the employment of more clerks in the legislature than shall be absolutely necessary to do the clerical work of the legislature.

That the salaries now allowed by law to the sheriff, the clerk and the county recorder are sufficient to pay for all the work required to be done by those officers and their deputies, and that the nominees of this convention for those offices are hereby pledged to pay their deputies out of the salaries now allowed by law to said officers and not to present to the county court any bills or claims or salaries or pay for deputies, and the nominees of this convention for county judge and commissioner are hereby pledged to do all in their power to carry out the spirit of this resolution and to reduce the expenses of the county to the lowest amount consistent with good government.

That we denounce recent republican legislatures for their corruption and extravagance and for their pledges of retrenchment and reform made to the people and for their employment of hordes of useless clerks to be paid with taxes

levied on the people. That we favor the enactment of a carefully drawn registry law to prevent repeating and illegal voting.

That we endorse the union platform, adopted by the conventions of the peoples democratic and the silver republican parties in Portland, in March last.

That all the candidates nominated by this convention be required to sign these resolutions as a personal and individual pledge that these resolutions will be faithfully carried out.

That these resolutions with signatures be published.

Courtney moved the adoption of the report as read. The motion carried, with one dissenting vote by a man from Lafayette.

Burns suggested that it was an excellent time to take up a collection before the nominations were made, and money was needed to pay expenses. The contribution amounted to \$26.30.

Watkins then nominated Mose Johnson for state senator as a man who could get 100 votes outside the party. He was nominated by acclamation.

For representative Rev. Powell nominated Dr. Courtney, whom he had learned to love and whom he thought a good man in every respect. Mr. Burns nominated C. C. Linden, and asked all democrats to support him. This Fred John Gill, who didn't wish to hear any further reference to democrats or party names. Burns explained his innocent intentions. Derby nominated L. W. Harger, whom he called an old wheel horse in Yamhill county.

A resolution was adopted providing that the county committee be the executive committee for the campaign, with power to fill any vacancy on the ticket from any cause.

Harger was nominated on the fifth ballot, though Linden led the vote from the start. Harger was asked to stand up before the convention previous to his nomination. He complied, and said he was there for their votes, but if he didn't get them he would heartily support the nominee. Dr. Courtney was also called and stated that after repeated urging he had allowed the use of his name. After Harger was chosen came the first warm time. Watkins is under contract with the national populist committee to deliver the state to that party for the next U. S. senator, hence securing a populist legislature is important. He had personally requested both Courtney and Linden to run, and he emphasized the fact that the populists had conceded the democrats the judgeship. Snuffer, for the democrats, said that as nominations were in order, he felt called upon to place in nomination for representative a man who would be able to carry the election in June, a fine man in every respect and who had not asked to be a candidate. This man was Dr. Matthews of Amity. This placed Watkins very much on needles, requiring a couple of democrats to quiet him, the chair twice declaring him out of order. He asked any honest democrat in the house if his position wasn't fair. (Cries of "sit down.") Then question arose as to Harger's former affiliations. He stated that up to two years ago he had voted with the republicans for twenty years. He voted for W. J. Bryan and was especially pleased with the initiative and referendum, and he guessed the people knew where he stood. Kirkwood asked if he wasn't a delegate to a populist convention in Salem two years ago. He said he was there by proxy. Cain wanted to know if he was a bi-met. Johnson came to the defense with the statement that Harger's record would be good, no matter what the party. Watkins still wanted concessions, and after a conference with Snuffer, the latter withdrew his democratic nominee, Matthews. Cain spoke for harmony, and said if they didn't have it, they'd get licked. The balloting proceeded, and Linden was chosen on the seventh ballot.

For county judge, Rev. Powell nominated Arthur McPhillips, Watkins nominated H. S. Maloney, with the statement that he could carry 700 votes above his ticket, that he was an old soldier, and while he didn't know whether he had captured his brother, who was in the confederate service and in Jeff Davis' cabinet, he felt that it was the occasion of his life to nominate him, and that the convention would do it by acclamation. But they didn't. Jarrett Todd nominated Chas. Burch of Amity. The vote stood Maloney 167, McPhillips 23, Burch 37. Prior to the vote Linden introduced Maloney as "the man who came near capturing Harry Watkins' brother." Maloney said he was in the service, but this wasn't the time to say whether he had done his duty or not, and he was too full to express his feelings on this occasion. Mr. McPhillips was introduced and said he had no illustrious relatives. His nomination was unsolicited, and he did not come before them to ask them for their votes, and whoever it was he would get in the ring and vote her through.

For sheriff M. B. Hendrick nominated P. H. Messner; E. B. Collard nominated

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Chas. Saling, B. F. Sparks nominated O. D. Scott, and A. P. Magness, Henry Fletcher, Wm. Gunning, J. D. Carter and Allie Houck were also named. Gunning withdrew on the third ballot, up to which time Saling led the vote and Messner was nominated on the next ballot by a vote of 112 to 104.

Rev. Powell nominated "the popular and peerless" W. T. Macy for recorder. On motion of Baird the rules were suspended and the nomination made loudly unanimous.

Rev. Powell stated he was not a candidate, but a little speechmaker, which accounted for his frequent appearance on the floor. He is evidently not discouraged in his work of reforming politics by his failure to secure the nomination of Harry Watkins for congress. He read an affidavit which set forth that C. E. Dukenfield had never had any relation to a certain suit now pending against the county for deputy's salary, that Sheriff Henry had never consulted or asked any favor from Dukenfield in regard to the matter. He said it was all misrepresentation designed to injure Mr. Dukenfield, and that it was a noble cause to stand up in defense of a man who has been misrepresented. C. G. Scott nominated Frank Wright, McCrean nominated I. E. Holt, Talmage nominated W. V. Spencer and L. L. Hewitt and Henry Bertram were also named. Dr. Matthews spoke in the interest of Wright. Here ensued another "scene." Snuffer recalled his statement made two years ago pledging the recorder and clerk against claiming deputy hire before they were nominated. He called on the incumbents to confirm this, which they did. This was intended as a defense of Dukenfield. Then Jarrett Todd wanted to ask Mr. Dukenfield a question regarding a former conversation on the street with Wm. Gilson as to whether Dukenfield would jointly claim with Henry the deputy salary, and that Dukenfield had answered that he hadn't fully decided, and that if he didn't it would cut his salary down to \$75 per month, and he didn't know whether he could afford that. Mr. Dukenfield recalled the conversation as well as he could, and it was to the effect that Gilson had told him he could resign if it cut his salary down, and he had replied that he wouldn't do that. Dukenfield called on Lohan and Burns to corroborate him, which they did. Derby thought it was time to come to order and stop quarreling. Chair thought Derby's remarks were highly pertinent. Mr. Reid nominated M. Richardson. Dukenfield led on the first two ballots, but the declarations of Wright and Hewitt threw against him, and Holt won on the third by 126 to 97. Vote was made unanimous on motion of Watkins.

Caldwell for treasurer, Wood for assessor and Prentiss for superintendent were nominated by acclamation. Snuffer thought the republicans would nominate Prentiss if they didn't.

For commissioner Burns nominated R. L. Booth of Willamina, Collard nominated W. A. Morris of Newberg and B. F. Sparks was also named. The vote stood, Booth 108, Morris 27, Sparks 42, Olds 3.

Kaykendall moved to leave the office of surveyor vacant to be filled by executive committee if necessary. Carried.

Dr. Courtney nominated Fenton for coroner and Dr. Matthews named H. C. Burns. The vote resulted Burns 91, Fenton 41.

The motion on surveyor was reconsidered, and Talmage named Jno. C. Snuffer for the place, and he was given it.

Since the convention harmony seems to have gone to the mountains to join the democrats' old man Prosperity.

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