

# LAST MEETING OF CAMPAIGN

### CANDIDATES COMPLETE THEIR ITINERARY OF POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS.

CONTEST HAS BEEN EARNEST.

### The County Had Been Creeping Steadily Out From Under Heavy Debt.

### Records Are Freely Attacked—Some Good Stories Told—The Harris and Davey Bills Called Up—Mr. Kay Names the Bills He Supported.

The opera house was comfortably filled last night to hear the candidates discuss the issues pending in the county campaign.

Hon. J. H. Settlemier was the first speaker and mentioned his long residence in this county and said he had a good idea of the necessities of this county and state. He promised to scrutinize carefully all bills that came up before the Legislature. Spoke of favoring amending the registration law, and favored modifying the ballot system. Many persons find the present system very hard to understand. Pleaded for a full vote of Republicans on Monday. Spoke especially for Hon. B. S. Eddy, candidate for Judge.

### Imperialists Called Up.

Hon. J. S. Richie followed Mr. Settlemier, and followed the usual custom of saying he was glad to meet the Senators here. He said for our present political and commercial prosperity we could thank the Republican party. He pointed with pride at the record of the Republican party. Said he first heard a Democrat point with pride at the Louisiana Purchase a few days ago, as that party had been used of late years to condemn and view with alarm the question of "imperialism." (Applause.)

Hon. J. L. Calvert spoke briefly and was followed by Hon. Thos. B. Kay, who was welcomed with a good round of applause. He then referred to the Republican nominees, and his mention of Hon. J. H. McNary showed how warmly that young gentleman is held by the voters of Salem.

### Mr. Kay Explains.

Mr. Kay then referred briefly to his legislative record, and covered very much the same ground as heretofore during the campaign. Mr. Kay had the best of attention from all present, and said "I am able to explain satisfactorily to you, and to defend every act of mine in the Legislature."

### Justice of Bonded Warehouse.

Hon. J. G. Graham said that if he did not see the same ground as heretofore would say he had forgotten a part of his speech. Would not attempt a political speech, but felt sure his nomination had given great satisfaction to the young Republicans of this county. Spoke briefly regarding his belief in the justice of the bonded warehouse, and if elected to the Legislature it would be his aim to work for the interest of the farmers, workingmen, etc. and with a view to economical expenditure of public money, and to keep state taxes as low as possible. Insisted on his appeal for a straight party vote. He spoke for various of the county candidates, and paid a neat compliment to State Committeeman H. D. Patton.

### Tribute to Mr. Corby.

Hon. Jno. H. Scott began by paying a tribute to his opponent, Mr. Corby, saying he certainly would not make an underhand campaign, but that some of his opponents had been spreading statements that had no foundation in fact, among others that he would levy a 10 mill tax for road improvement. He referred then especially to the county's financial condition, and showed how the county had gone ahead, getting out from under the weight of a heavy debt, and in addition placing enough money in the county treasury to run the county for a year ahead. He touched carefully on the county road question which has been very much mooted, and again touching on the financial condition told of the state levy, explaining what it covered and why it was high. Explained, carefully how the county levy had been reduced; how a few years ago it was 147 per cent higher than now, while the assessment in the same length of time had been increased only 32 per cent.

### That Journey to the East.

Judge Scott said in reference to his trip East, it was no hardship to any one; the county affairs were not neglected, that while Mr. Corby claimed he had made one trip to Salem for the purpose of bringing a matter before that court, Mr. Corby showed he was illy posted on county affairs, for the local papers had frequently mentioned his absence, and the objects of his trip. Judge Scott's remarks were heartily applauded.

### Charges Misrepresentation.

Mr. Grant Corby's appearance developed some applause, and he proceeded to mention a number of Democratic office seekers, running on the Democratic ticket.

### He said that the local papers had misrepresented Mr. Huckestein and himself, which is not true. This paper has not credited Mr. Corby or Mr. Huckestein with a single statement they have not made.

Mr. Corby then proceeded to attack Judge Scott along the same lines as heretofore, trying to explain the position he has taken on the roads. He again said the county judge should only attend to the probate business of the county court, and leave the road matter entirely to the county road master.

### He assumed the work of county road master," said Mr. Corby. He then said that Judge Scott's trip East was a great inconvenience to Mr. Corby. He brought out some more applause by again saying that Judge Scott had gone East to take a post graduate course in road building.

Said Mr. Corby, the claim that the county had been gotten out of debt was not true because he said the county expenses were increasing. He said that in 1900 the county expenses were \$52,000; in 1901, \$50,000; 1902, \$56,000; 1903, \$59,000, and in 1904, \$66,000. (These figures are misleading, for they are totals and include road construction, bridge building and other general improvements.)

### Wanted Act As Judge Only.

Mr. Corby closed by saying he, if elected, would simply be county judge, and not county road master as well.

### Mr. Huckestein was the next speaker and said that he had said that he had never had a political buzz in his bonnet before, but that now he had a whole hive there. He then proceeded to explain that he had attacked Mr. T. B. Kay's record simply because he had a record to attack. Mr. Huckestein then raised a laugh by a dig at Mr. Kay, saying that the bills Mr. Kay introduced had probably been given to him by some one. He then worked around to his "heaven" story, and while he did little else, he kept the audience laughing for a while. He brought up the recommendations of the Secretary of State again and proceeded to rehash for the fifteenth time his same old corporation law attack.

### Increased Assessment.

Mr. Huckestein in quoting the amount of increased assessment under the franchise law in New York and Ohio, said he had the figures in his pocket, but as he had had it out several times in this campaign it was shot to pieces. Mr. Huckestein said that while Mr. Kay had supported a great many good measures, there was no doubt of that; but Mr. Kay should put in his time in answering the charge that he had failed to vote for the Harris and Davey bills. He especially insisted that Mr. Kay should be held as a great political criminal because he did not carry out alone the recommendations of the Secretary of State. Mr. Huckestein then told again his "corpse" story, after which he again spoke for his running mate, Hon. F. X. Matthieu. He denied that Mr. Matthieu was too old, and said he might not be eloquent, but he said if there was any one who felt he could only support one candidate, that he cast his vote for F. X. Matthieu. (Applause.)

### Closing Address.

Hon. T. B. Kay then arose to close, while a lot of Democrats left the house. Mr. Kay said Mr. Huckestein's heaven story reminded him of another. He had a dream in which he went to heaven and St. Peter asked what he had to commend him for entrance there, and the reply was that he had a certificate of membership in the Republican party. "That is enough," said St. Peter, "walk right in." Mr. Kay then replied to Mr. Huckestein's complaint regarding the position he took on the Harris and Davey bills.

Mr. Kay denied a statement that Hon. Jos. Teal was a member of the firm of Cotton & Teal, or that he was a corporation lawyer as Mr. Huckestein had charged.

### The Child Labor Bill.

Mr. Kay says he did not vote against a single bill in favor of labor, and he defied any one to present any proof that he had. He supported the child labor bill. He supported the bill for the appropriation for the relief of the widows of the guards killed at the penitentiary. All these things had been charged against him as deeds of omission.

### County Chairman Murphy, who presided, then thanked the audience for their attention and the joint canvass of 1904 was at an end. What work is done today will be sub rosa, and tomorrow winds up the fight.

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The warehouse, containing in the neighborhood of 30,000 barrels of whiskey, instantly became a seething cauldron, and no one inside the big structure could live a moment. Large streams ran toward the river and in a short time there was one foot of whiskey in the cattle