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COUNTY REPUBLICAN TICKET

Representatives,
DR. J. N. SMITH, of Salem,
H. L. BARKLEY, of Woodburn,
E. W. CHAPMAN, of Brooks,
M'KINLEY MITCHELL, of Gervais,
DAVID CRAIG, of Macleay.
County Judge,
GROVE P. TERRELL, of Mehama.
County Commissioner,
J. N. DAVIS, of Silverton.
County Clerk,
L. V. EHLEN, of Butteville.
Sheriff,
F. T. WRIGHTMAN, of Salem.
Recorder,
F. W. WATERS, of Salem.
Assessor,
J. W. HOBART, of Garfield.
Surveyor,
B. B. HERRICK, of Yew Park.
Treasurer,
JASPER MINTO, of Salem.
School Superintendent,
GEO. W. JONES, of Jefferson.
Coroner,
A. M. CLOUGH, of Salem.
For Justice of the Peace Salem Dist.,
H. A. JOHNSON Jr.
For Constable,
A. T. WALN.

A REMARKABLE SITUATION.

The gold standard politicians of Oregon have got the Republican party of Oregon into a remarkable situation. They favor bimetallism on the Sherman plan of maintaining a single standard parity by legislative restrictions, but repudiate the state platform, because it stands for what they favor.

Out upon such hypocricy!

They pretend to favor international bimetallism, yet spit upon a platform that distinctly pledges the Republican party to that policy.

What devotion to principle!

Any intelligent man could respect a candidate or party that stood up flat-footed for the single gold standard, while not believing in the theory. But goldites who want to get there by deceiving the people deserve only contempt.

THE PORTLAND SITUATION.

As the political situation stands in Portland today the Populists and Democrats stand the best show to elect their entire ticket. The Hume ticket is likely to run ahead of the Simon ticket, but this does not insure its election.

If the Hume ticket would make a canvass distinctively in the interest of the people, show up the iniquitous record in the state affairs of the Simon regime, attack its corrunt mismanagement of Portland city and county affairs, they might win.

The situation is chaotic. In the absence of definite, aggressive, moral leadership the people will turn down both Republican factions and put Pennoyer and his friends in power and may make Pennoyer not only Mayor, but (——).

L'E ANCIEN REGIME.

The ancient regime of Dolph-Scott-Simon, et al., is at an end in Oregon. It proved itself corrupt, extravagant, unprincipled, un-Republican.

There is not a law enacted by that machine to which it can point with credit. It has not a moral redeeming feature. There is, on the other hand, an enormous black list of jobbery and fraud against it.

The creatures of this machine have been saddled onto the state at enormous expense. This ancient regime is seeking to regain its foothold in Oregon by an alliance with the single gold standard, or "sound money" cause. The people should make common cause against it.

The one-term idea is gaining favor with the people, on account of the disposition of office-holders to manage primaries and conventions. And that is a move in the right direction, except in the office of representative.

SOME SOUND SENTIMENTS.

Clearly our conception of politics must have changed since the days of Daniel Webster. That great orator once said that "Politics is the broadest field of morals." Our social conditions have changed since the founding of our national government. The ideas of patriotism and of a republic have changed since the days of Washington, Jefferson, Franklin and Hamilton. Humaneness has ceased to interest politicians. and the rights of the individual are paramount to the rights of the body politic. While wealth holds the life of the nation in the hollow of its hand, the grasp of the fingers is throttling freedom and liberty as surely as our forefathers shed their life's blood to regain it. When you can put a man into public office to represent you, who cannot be bought, and who would scorn to fix a price on another's manhood, either directly or impliedly you defeat the dominant idea of the nation's founders if you neglect to choose him to represent you.—Klamath Falls Express.

EX-GOV. LARRABEE'S VISIT.

Hon. Wm. Larrabee, ex-governor of Iowa, a statesman, author, capitalist, and traveler, has just left Oregon after a brief visit with friends at Salem and Portland. Both he and his family were highly pleased with Western Oregon and especially the Willamette valley.

THE JOURNAL will shortly present a more comprehensive sketch of Gov. Larrabee to its readers. At present we wish to call attention to the value of visits from men of his class. The visits of such men will do us much good and cause a good class of emigration to come to Oregon, from the reports they will make when they return to their homes in the East.

Gov. Larrabee was met at Hotel Portland by Hon. D. P. Thompson, ex-minister to Turkey, and by some of the foremost citizens of the metropolis.

CUTTING BOTH WAYS.

The Oregonian's attacks on Congressman Ellis in Eastern Oregon and on the Republican candidates for the legislature who are silver men are cutting into the party both ways.

Of course, the Oregonian's plan is to rule or ruin the Republican party in Oregon. Its editor is as unprincipled politically as he is mercenary financially. He himself (Scott) reported the money plank of 1892 to the Republican state convention of 1894, as a ruse to elect a legislature that would make Dolph senator. This year Dolph and Scott repudiate the same platform they then sought power with.

Is this honorable? Is this honest? We say to voters vote for Republicans who are not the tools of that combination.

CARRY THREE LOADS.

Special Officer W. W. Beach, who was dethroned a few days ago by the police commissioners, has been appointed a deputy under Sheriff Seors, and will continue to patrol his old beat just the same.—The Spigot.

Portland is seven-eighths of Multnomah county, yet the taxpayer is compelled to support two separate governments over the same people and property. Besides, there is the school system, another official system. It is a triple system, and all on the spoils system. No wonder the people who have to pay are swearing.

LANE COUNTY POLITICS.

Following communication appeared in the Eugene papers:

"DEAR SIR:—I notice the Register under the head of communion reference made to insinuations made by the Oregonian that the members in the last legislature were dishonest, especially those who opposed the charter for Portland. I am one of those and wish to say that I never heard of there being any boodle offered to any man directly or indirectly in order to get him to oppose the Simon charter as the second article of the Oregonian referred to, as to there being money sent from Portland for use in the legislature, no doubt is true, and no man has a better right to know than the editor of the Oregonian. There was but one proposition made to me during the legislative session which was indirectly to the effect that I could get boodle if I would help to elect Dolph. I remarked that my principles were not for sale if I were a poor man. There were none of the members of the legislature from Lane county who opposed the election of Mr. Dolph and opposed the Simon charter. that were able after we came home, to make a trip east, or travel around the world, or build additions to our houses, or paint our barns, we simply stood by our pledges made by the people, and fought the ring boodle to the bitter end. I went a poor man, came out still poorer, but honest and with a clear conscience.

ONE WHO OPPOSED THE SIMON CHARTER.

[The above is God's truth. The Republicans renominated the only man who in the last legislature bowed his head to the Simon gang. In the senatorial caucus to make sure of his vote he sat between Simon and McGinn until the votes were gathered. He got onto the committee to revise the house journals at $10 a day and no one knows what other rewards he did not get. Out upon such creatures in the name of Republicanism! A Republican should wear no man's collar or he is not a Republican to start with.—EDITOR JOURNAL.]

AN UP-TO-DATE WORK.

John B. Alden, of New York, who has made a great name as a publisher of valuable works at revolutionary prices, is issueing a cyclopedia of "Living Topics." It is an attempt to arrange by alphabetical index reliable information on current events and the progress of knowledge within three years.

A glance at the first volume (Abbas to Boyesen) shows considerable valuable matter crowded into the 25-cent installment of this publication. For instance, we find the history of the Armenians brought down to the end of 1895, ballot reform up to 1896, the new German ship canal, American Baptists up to date, Barney Barnato, the South African mining king, etc., etc.

Alfred Austin is introduced as poet laureate of England. Up-to-date politics is shown in the fact that the American bimetallic party is mentioned which was organized February 22, 1896. The Living Topics cyclopedia is a timely work of great value.

The action of the Republican state convention on the matter of the contesting Multnomah delegations, was a severe condemnation of the Oregonian and its political methods. A majority of the country delegates went to Portland determined to seat the Simon delegates, believing that the reports of the Oregonian, the r only source of information, were correct. But when the matter was up for consideration, and it was shown that the decent voters of the Simon crowd that the Oregonian bragged about, were hired thugs, toughs and criminals, and the testimony of such a man as Geo. H. Williams, denouncing the Simon primary and convention methods, proved the Oregonian to be but the miserable hired sheet of Portland ward heelers. The Oregonian had better learn honest political methods before it attempts to teach people about an honest dollar.—Corvallis Gazette.

THE CAPITAL JOURNAL in the main, advocates a kind of Republicanism that is satisfactory to the people. We do not lack much of being that kind of a Republican ourself. What we object to is the kind of Republicanism with a deep golden hue, with monopolies and combines and unscrupulous politicians for a background.—Yamhill County Independent.

REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

Following is the report in full of the committee on platform, in the Republican state convention of Oregon, which was adopted and is the party platform:

The representatives of the Republicans of the state of Oregon in convention assembled, call attention to the condition of industry throughout the country, as a proof of the necessity of returning to the policy of the Republican party under which there was general prosperity during thirty years.

We reaffirm the principles of the Republican national platform of 1892, and assert that the results that have followed the change decreed by the election of that year have justified our protest against the national policy adopted by the Democratic party.

We believe that the government should have an ample revenue, with a sufficient surplus over ordinary expenditures to provide for coast defences, for the steady building up of the navy, and for the constant reduction of the public debt. We believe that the present tariff, with its lowered rates and its destructive and dishonest system of undervaluations and discriminations as to localities, should be replaced by one framed on protective principles similar to that of the McKinley bill and arranged to give ample protection to American wages and American industry, and to restore the reciprocity policy of James G. Blaine.

We have always given protection to our shipbuilders. In late years we have neglected to protect our shipowners. We believe the time has come to restore to the policy of Washington and Hamilton, which, by discriminating duties in favor of American bottoms, secured 90 per cent of our carrying trade to American ships, and which, if now restored, would again revive our shipping and cause American freights to be paid to Americans.

The American people, from tradition and interest, favor bimetalism, and the Republican party demands the use of both gold and silver as standard money with such restrictions and under such provisions to be determined by legislation, as will secure the maintenance of the parity of values of the two metals, so that the purchasing and debt-paying power of the dollar, whether of silver, gold or paper, shall be at all times equal.

The interest of the producers of the country—its farmers and its workingmen—demand that every dollar, paper or coin, issued by the government shall be as good as any other dollar.

Resolved, That we earnestly endorse the proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States, providing for the election of United States senators by popular vote, recently reported from the committee on privileges and elections by Senator Mitchell and now pending consideration in the United State senates.

Resolved, That the application of the Oregon delegation in congress to the president of the United States and now pending before him, praying a modification of his proclamation creating the Cascade forest reserve, is hereby earnestly approved, and we appeal to the president to grant the prayer of our delegation in congress.

We realize the importance and magnitude of the fishing industry on the Columbia river and would recommend that some provisions be made for a state hatchery for artificial propagation, and that the laws regulating the closed season be rigidly enforced.

That we endorse the efforts of our representatives in congress to secure repayment to the settlers of Oregon of the excess of $1.25 per acre wrongfully collected by the government on lands located in the limits of the unearned Northern Pacific railroad land grant now forfeited.

The construction of the Nicaragua canal is of the highest importance to the American people, both as a measure of national defense and to build up and maintain American commerce. It is moreover of special importance to our Pacific states and we demand its completion as speedily as possible by the government of the United States.

We hereby endorse the action of our senators and representatives in congress in their endeavor to secure grants of pensions to Indian war veterans.

We pledge the Republican party to a rigid economy in the expenditure of public money; to the reduction of excessive salaries; and the abolishment of the fee system whenever possible, and of all useless commissions; and believe that no appropriation should be made to any school or charitable institution not under the control of the state; and oppose the incorporation into the general appropriation bill of items for the expenditure of public money not authorized by law.

We demand the enactment of rigid restrictions on foreign immigration, both for protection of our country against illiterate and vicious classes from foreign lands and for protection of our labor and preservation to our own people of the remainder of our national domain.

We commend the policy of the Republican party in relation to internal improvements, and in particular in opening our waterways to commerce, and we denounce the illiberality of Democratic party in these important matters.

Respectfully submitted.

T. E. FELL, Secretary. SOL. HIRSCH, Chairman.

MINORITY REPORT.

Following is the minority report, which was defeated by a vote of 108 to 129:

We, a minority of your committee on platform save and except the section on finance, for which we submit the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That we favor the use of both gold and silver to the extent which they can be maintained in circulation at parity in purchasing and debt paying power; but we are earnestly opposed to the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 for the reason that it would destroy such parity, enormously contract the volume of currency by forcing gold out of circulation and immediately place the country on a silver basis.

Believing that the effect of international demonetization of silver can be overcome only by international remonetization of that metal, the Republican party of Oregon most earnestly favor such measures as will accomplish that purpose.

Claud Gatch, Charles S. Moore, John Combs, N. H. Moore, W. W. Steiwer, Darwin Bristow, W. H. Conyers, W. P. Connaway

PRIMARY POLITICS.—The new book on the reformation of the American primary system, is now on sale at Dearborn's book store. a 17 t f