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Republican National Ticket

For President. THEODORE ROOSEVELT, of New York. For Vice-President, CHAS. W. FAIRBANKS, of Indiana. For Presidential Electors: G. B. Dimick, of Clackamas. A. C. Hough, of Josephine. J. H. Hart, of Polk. E. A. Fee, of Malheur.

RAILROADS WILL COME.

It is a dull day these times when the newspapers cannot report the organization of an electric railroad with a capital stock of a million dollars. Oregon has had more paper railroad building this summer than ever in its history, and we must await the actual completion of these projects, or at least a portion of them.

Grant deeds are not accomplished in a minute and there is a certain amount of superfluity about all great enterprises. It takes time and a vast amount of money and labor to bring about such undertakings. Time and time alone will demonstrate their genuineness.

In the meantime it is unwise to condemn them as schemes and "hot air" roads. Have patience with the projectors and let them work out their plans as long as they are not figuring on getting their hands into the public or private purses. If they want to spend their money in running around over the country exploiting wind railroads, let them do it. They are certainly doing no harm and might do some good, even admitting that there is more or less buncombe in their statements.

There is the practical side to the question, however, that should be considered, the one that today is attracting capital to the state of Oregon from all portions of the East. The state is in its infancy from every standpoint, and more especially in this true regard to transportation. The richest valley in the world, when all things are taken into consideration, and yet only one way of ingress or egress. One railroad handles practically all the freight and passenger traffic. It has a monopoly on every pound of merchandise or produce brought into or shipped out of this garden spot. This condition of affairs cannot exist longer and the day is not far distant when other companies will enter the field and demand their share.

As to the casual observer of events and things we believe that day is at hand and that the roads now being incorporated will be pushed to a final completion. When men are put to work digging ditches and building flumes in this advanced age of wealth and financing it usually means business. There might have been a time when mere promoters could have expended a few hundred dollars and reaped a harvest from a few ditches and dirt grades, but the system of railroad building is entirely different now.

Capital demands to see a certain income before any money is invested and with the experience of hundreds before him, they usually get the desired information. Men who are able now to finance a paper railroad are equally as competent in the employ of legitimate companies and are not slow to find places that are waiting for them.

In the Eastern states suburban electric lines are building great towns and cities where only a few years ago vast swamps and forests claimed the soil as their own. With the advent of the means of quick communication the wage earner bought his little home far out in the country and still worked in the city. Property increased in value and the lines developed into paying propositions. The same thing will be true of this country. The railroads welcome the electric line, for they have found out that it is the great home builder. It creates traffic and they

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get their share. Some people think that an electric road between here and Portland would kill the Southern Pacific, but it is safe to say that the railroad company would encourage it. Traveling is a habit and the more means at hand the more people will move about.

THE HELPLESS PUBLIC.

The meat strike illustrates the fact that the processes of concentration and combination have not in the least interfered with the public's right to "be damned" conferred upon it by the late Vanderbilt.

Packers are picking up a good profit at advanced prices on meats they have in storage.

Provision dealers are exhibiting a foresight equal to their regard for profit, and are disposing of their meats in stock at prices that place them beyond want.

Retailers appreciate the situation and are cheerfully safeguarding their own interests.

The strikers, though losing wages now, expect to get as good a thing out of it in the end as the packers, dealers and retailers are now getting.

Even the politicians are wide awake to the advantages of the situation and are busily making hay while the sun shines. Democrats hope to make much of the prostration of business, while the administration is preparing to obtain a decision in the beef trust cases before the November election. There is just one element that is getting the worst of it from every viewpoint, and that is the innocent, disinterested public.

The public pays the freight. Every dollar in the increased price of meats added to the profits of packer, retailer and dealer comes out of the public.

For the prostration of a great industry the public suffers in a thousand untold ways.

In every aspect of this and every other great strike the public is the innocent and injured victim.

The strikers hope to gain by the strike; the employers hope to gain by resisting; and so the upper and nether millstones grind and grind and grind, and the grist they grind is the public.

And is there no remedy? Yes, the remedy is compulsory arbitration.

The highest right is that of the public. It has been ruthlessly "damned" long enough. This country has become sufficiently civilized to demand some precautions for the conservation of public rights.

The course of the President in forcing the great anthracite strike to arbitration met with the enthusiastic approval of the whole country. He established a precedent that should become recognized as law in every great strike.

Arbitration is the sovereign remedy. If it is a fair settlement of their dispute that is wanted by employers and strikes, arbitration will give it to them.

If trust and strikers do not want fair settlement, the public has a right to demand it in its own interest and for its own protection.

A little arbitration goes much further than a whole army of militia. And if law can supply the one, it ought to be able to supply the other.

SILENCE NOT A PLEDGE.

In his role of advisor emeritus of the Democratic party, Mr. Grover Cleveland has been discussing the action of the St. Louis convention. Referring to the money question he says that he does not "overlook the fact that two clear and unimpeached verdicts of the people stand recorded in favor of the gold standard, and that its perpetuity has been secured by federal enactments." Taken, the distinguished ex-president goes on to argue that the telegram of Judge Parker to the convention supplies a "blank in a disabled platform," and pledges the Democratic party to the maintenance of the gold standard.

With all deference to the opinion of Mr. Cleveland, who is offering a mitigating circumstance in behalf of a client who has already pleaded guilty, the Parker telegram does nothing of the kind. The money question was ignored in the St. Louis platform because the delegates in favor of the Republican system of sound money did not dare force their demands. The Bryan followers, wedded to free silver and fiat money, were too strong to be turned down and the convention compromised its differences on the question by a cowardly dodge. So far as the Democratic party is concerned, and it must be judged by its platform utterances, the money planks of 1896 and 1900 stand, and they must stand, as tenets of the Democratic creed until changed by a vote of the Democratic party in convention assembled.

The tariff question is also a "federal enactment," as Mr. Cleveland would say. It would be just as logical as Mr. Cleveland's argument to insist that the omission of the tariff plank from the Republican platform would remove the issue from the field of

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politic' The money question is just as much an issue as the tariff and must continue to be so long as the stability of our currency is opposed by probably a majority of the Democratic party.

GOOD ROADS PAY.

A farmer who owns a 160-acre farm near Turner says the construction of the state road from Salem to the reform school has advanced the value of his farm \$1000.

His land is several miles from the road, and the road is not yet finished, but he feels the increase in value that comes from good roads all over himself.

That road is only five miles long. It is only a dirt and gravel road. But it is well built. It is as well constructed as the bed of a double track railroad.

It was built by means of a small appropriation of the legislature to hire guards and employ convicts from the penitentiary, with the co-operation of the county authorities.

It is a good thing for the convicts to have the employment in the open air. It results in better roads. It increases the value of all the property and brings the farmer nearer to market.

Good roads will pay the state and the citizen, and the system of constructing roads with convict labor should be extended.

POLITICAL PARAGRAPHS.

The Republican candidates are running on a gold platform; the Democratic on a gold telegram.

Col. Bryan is still the skipper in the Parker cheese.

"Tammany extends her hands to the Democratic candidate," says Bourke Cochran. Tammany always extends their hands palms up.

The Igorrotes at St. Louis were ordered to wear pants, but aer not wearing them. Judge Parker ordered a gold plank inserted in the Democratic platform, but it is not there.

The Democrats are looking for a new party emblem, the only requirements being that it be made large enough to conceal a knife.

The dinner pail is never rusty except during a Democratic administration.

The Democrats have one motto which always fits. It is: "We are bound nowhere under full sail."

The Democratic party professes to be ardently in favor of education, but it wants an expurgated edition of its party history.

The Democratic donkey will feel a little awkward wearing a blanket embroidered with \$ marks.

Mr. Bryan says that Parker's nomination "nullified the party's anti-trust declarations." If there is any doubt about that make inquiry as to the name of the treasurer of the Democratic national committee.

Tom Taggart insists that he sees a Democratic victory ahead in Indiana. Taggart should be treated for political strabismus.

Every vote for Parker and Davis is an attempt to change the hands on the dial and block the wheels that move forward.

The man who confesses that he has just recovered from an attack of insanity would not be placed in charge of the affairs of a big business con-

cern. Yet, that is the confession the Democrats make while applying for the management of the largest business concern in the world.

The banks of Kansas now have \$110,000,000 on deposit and there is not a debased Democratic dollar in the amount. The Democratic platform, adopted at St. Louis stands for a Bryan dollar and it can not be changed by a telegram.

X-RADIUMS

It wouldn't have been Kansas Populism if a faction of the party had not booted and put up a separate ticket.

There are no factions in Marion county, and any Republican is good enough to belong to the Roosevelt league.

There couldn't be a better place selected on a bright summer day to start people for the seashore than Albany.

There are not as many Populists as there were, but there are still enough left to fuse with the Democrats in Kansas and get half the places on the ticket.

When The Journal scoops the big Portland dailies for two whole weeks on a Portland item like the Mt. Hood Electric Co. plans, it is entitled to blow just a little bit about it.

Hawthorne a Modern Hamlet.

Certain characteristics of Hawthorne are of course indisputable, and it is not fantastic to add that some of these qualities bear a curious resemblance to those of that very Prince of Denmark who seems more real to us than do most living men. Hawthorne was a gentleman; in body the mould of form, and graced with a noble mind. Like Hamlet, he loved to discourse with unlettered people, with wandering artists, with local humorists, although without ever losing his own dignity and invariable reserve. He had irony for the pretentious, kindness for the simple-hearted, merciless wit for the fools. He liked to speculate about men and women, about temptation and sin and punishment; but he remained, like Hamlet, clear-sighted enough to distinguish between the thing in itself and the thing as it appeared to him in his solitude and melancholy. His closest friends, like Horatio Bridge and William D. Ticknor, were men of marked justice and sanity of mind,—of the true Horatio type. Hawthorne was capable, if need be, of passionate and swift action, for all his gentleness and expulsive courtesy of demeanor. Toward the last he had, like Hamlet, his forebodings,—"such a kind of gain-giving as would perhaps trouble a woman;" and he died, like Hamlet, in silence, conscious of an unfinished task.—Bliss Perry, in the August Atlantic.

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CLYDE FULTON PRAYS

Astoria will hold its annual regatta commencing on August 24 and continuing for three days. G. Clyde Fulton, well known in Salem, has been appointed lieutenant-general of the festivities and has named his staff. The Astorian relates the following story:

"Lieutenant-General George Clyde Fulton, A. R. R., yesterday issued his commissions to the galaxy of talent appointed on his staff a few days ago. The commissions make each of the staff officers a brigadier-general, with authority to buy a drink at any time for anybody who needs it. 'I am now trying to get Bill Madison coached up so that he will be able to attend to his duties as chaplain,' said the lieutenant-general. 'Madison must commit to memory the Lord's prayer. He must learn it in English, Italian, Finnish and Missourian. The last-named language is peculiar to such fellows as Jack Mayo, Tom Liville and Doc Henderson. Madison has thus far learned the first line of the prayer in English, and we expect to post him on another line today. He doesn't take kindly to his lesson, but is required to make the effort, as I have threatened to revoke his commission if he fails to learn the prayer. If I am successful in teaching it to him, I think I shall have fulfilled my duty here on earth and prepare myself for peaceful death. Just think! won't it be soul-inspiring to see Madison delivering the prayer before the 15,000 people who will gather at A. F. C. park on the afternoon of August 26! Just watch my smoke, and I'll demonstrate to you that I knew what I was doing when I appointed my staff.'"

The only strange thing with the above story is the fact that Clyde was never known to pray, and where he could have formed the "habit" is a deep mystery to his valley friends. He may have imbibed the precepts of worship while at Salem during the last regular session.

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Sealed bids for the construction of a school house in district No. 124, Marion county, Oregon, will be received by the undersigned until August 11, 1904. Plans and specifications will be on file at my residence 2 1/2 miles southeast of Turner, on the Matineer road. The bids will be opened at 2 o'clock p. m. on the above date, at which time the contract will be let to the lowest responsible bidder. The board reserves the right to reject all and all bids.

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