

# PORTLAND FACTIONS BATTLE OVER STATEMENT 1

ACCORDING TO BOTH PAPERS DOWN THERE THEY HAD A STORMY TIME AND FINALLY ENDORSED THE PRIMARY LAW AND DIRECT ELECTION OF SENATORS BUT OPPOSE STATEMENT NO. 1 INDIRECTLY.

On temporary organization Griffin defeated Freeman for chairman. (From Journal Report.)

Mr. Odleman started the firework in his nomination of Ben Selling. He placed the name of his candidate before the convention and in the good old way contended that he had learned that the people of the state and of the counties were the ones who should rule. He believed that the time had passed when any man or set of men could dictate who should represent the people or dictate to them. He did not intend to attempt to throttle the convention by trying to close the nominations and shut out others who desired to become candidates for the chairmanship.

**Selling Given Ovation.**  
At the mention of Mr. Selling's name the convention stampeded and Freeman, seeing that he was being swept off his feet, withdrew his name in favor of Mr. Selling's candidacy. Stapleton then moved that the secretary cast the unanimous ballot for Mr. Selling.

Chairman Selling went straight to business. He said he had come to the convention because he considered it his duty to do so, that he had left his business, and that he wanted to finish the afternoon's task as soon as possible. He thanked the convention for the honor shown him, and called for nominations for secretary. K. K. Kuhl was given the office without opposition, and the chair appointed F. S. Bennett and Charles E. Lockwood as assistant secretaries.

Mr. Idleman, chairman of the committee, read the platform and moved its adoption. S. C. Beach was on his feet in an instant, asking that the document be considered by section. This motion was lost by a vote of 83 to 98.

Mr. Beach came back gamely with an amendment to the platform as reported, and after he had been ruled out of order and the ruling of the chair had been reversed he read the following plank attacking Statement No. 1:

"Be it resolved, That we are opposed Statement No. 1, because it puts personality above principle. It demands that a right-thinking, right-acting representative citizen shall judge himself to do what he believes to be wrong and against the best interests of his state and of the people he is chosen to represent; that he will aid in putting into effect policies of government which he opposes utterly. It is cunningly plausible and deceptive. It flouts the principle of the rule of the majority, which it is not. It is the weapon of the minority to destroy the majority and to appropriate the broken and disintegrated parts."

**Hodson Attacks Platform.**  
C. W. Hodson criticized the platform reported by the committee, charging that it was "broad, wide and deep enough" for every Democrat, Socialist and Populist to stand on. He attacked Statement No. 1 vigorously and demanded that the convention go on record as opposing the Statement. While speaking, Hodson was asked by George M. Orton who he would support for United States senator should the Republican nominee be defeated in the June elections.

"I would vote for some good Republican," replied Hodson. "I would assume from the question of the gentleman that he suspects some corrupt deal is being undertaken to be forced through this convention. I have helped to elect two United States senators while a member of the legislature and I wish to ask him: if he considers there was anything corrupt about my action on either of those occasions?"

**Hodson and Orton Clash.**  
"I don't think so," replied Orton. "Yes, but you are evading my question. Answer me directly."  
"Yes."  
"What is there about my record that you consider corrupt?"  
"I don't have to tell you."

"No, of course you don't have to, and you can't."

After some further discussion, G. W. Stapleton offered a substitute for the Beach resolution, as follows:

Be it resolved, That we, as Republicans are firmly of the belief that our representatives in the senate and house of representatives of the state of Oregon should not take a pledge that would require them to support a Democrat, Socialist or Populist for the United States senate from this state.

Some one interrupted the speaker and asked him who was responsible for the primary law and for Statement No. 1. Mr. Beach hedged but at last said the Republican voters put the law on the books.

Another voice out of the audience broke in on the speaker.

"Are you in favor of the people ruling in the government of the state?" the questioner asked.

"I am in favor of the people ruling in the government of these states," the senator retorted.

"Yes, but are you in favor of the majority of the people ruling?" the interrogator persisted.

"I am," said Mr. Beach, "but I would be ashamed to come into a Republican convention and urge the election of a Democratic senator."

T. J. Cleeton followed Mr. Beach and made an effective plea against the amendment. He said that should the convention adopt the amendment it would put the best material possible into the hands of the opposition with which to whip the Republican party. He said Governor Chamberlain was the man who was scaring the convention into opposition of Statement No. 1. He said he believed that the Republican party of Oregon should put its armor on and defy the enemy, meet the leaders of the opposition and vanquish them.

**Worried by Trifles.**  
Henry Denlinger, Judge Haynes, Colonel H. Timms all made old-time speeches. C. M. Idleman spoke against the amendment. He said the platform committee had drafted the platform broad enough for all Republicans to stand on. There were good Republicans on both sides.

Mr. Idleman asked if the convention wanted to vote for a legislative candidate who came crawling to them, saying he was afraid George Chamberlain would be elected senator in a state 40,000 Republican. He was not afraid of it, the speaker said, and he contended that if the party would leave little bickerings aside there would be no Republican legislator humiliated by having to vote for a Democratic senator.

Senator Hodson took up the cudgels for the Beach amendment. He said there was a scheme on foot to give Senator Fulton the Republican nomination and then turn loose such a mass of vituperation on him that it would result in his defeat in June and the election of Governor Chamberlain.

**Hodson Favors Old Regime.**  
"Who would you vote for, if a member of the legislature, and Senator Fulton was defeated by Chamberlain?" A. W. Orton asked the speaker.

"I do not know who I would vote for other than that it would be for a good Republican," Hodson answered.

"Then you would open the question and take it into the legislature as it used to be?" Mr. Orton asked again. Hodson said he would.

"I know what you are driving at," he said. "You have been reading the Journal and its stories about a dark horse."

George W. Stapleton at this juncture introduced a substitute for Mr. Beach's amendment, which reads as follows:

"Be it resolved, That we, as Republicans, are firmly of the belief that our representatives in the senate and house of representatives of the state of Oregon should not take a pledge which would require them to support a Democrat, Socialist or Populist for the United States senate from this state, and that the members of the legislative assembly be instructed to vote for the Republican voters' choice for United States senator from this state."

This substitute was adopted and the convention adjourned after thanking the chair for its impartial rulings.

The platform as adopted endorsed the primary law and pledged it the support of the party in the county. It recommended that all candidates be requested to sign a pledge before entering a contest to the effect that they would support the Republican ticket in June. It favored the construction of a high bridge across the Willamette; a division of the county into representative districts; the exclusion of Asiatic labor; declared against the competition of convict with free labor and favored an amendment to the federal constitu-

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tion providing for the direct election of United States senators by the people.

(From Oregonian Report.)  
Idleman and P. E. Sullivan objected to the consideration of the Beach amendment, contending that since the convention had voted against considering the report of the committee piecemeal, then the amendatory resolution was out of order. Chairman Selling sustained the objection to the resolution but his ruling was not supported in the appeal that was taken on motion of Beach, the vote being 101 ayes and 113 nays.

**Idleman Is Hocked.**  
Idleman then sought to have the resolution sidetracked by moving its reference to the committee on resolutions, but Chairman Selling did not approve of that course and in order to bring the resolution immediately before the convention, ruled that it was an amendment to the report of the committee.

Mr. Beach was recognized and spoke in support of his resolution. He insisted that the Republican party believed in majority rule and wanted a discussion of the subject on its merits. He denied that the Republican party at any time had been a straddler. He maintained that Statement No. 1 was an issue before the people of the state and demanded that the Republicans of Multnomah county should meet the issue squarely and take a stand. Mr. Beach reviewed briefly the three-cornered senatorial situation as it will be presented to the Republican voters at the primary election in April and intimated that the Democratic nominee might be successful in the general election in June.

**Asks Pertinent Question.**  
"Do you want to direct me to vote for a Democrat for United States senator?" he inquired.  
For reply, there were several hundred shouts of "No, no."  
"Then you don't want Statement No. 1," concluded the senator.  
During his address, Mr. Beach was repeatedly interrupted by questions from delegates. One of them asked if the speaker did not consider that the people of the state had the right to elect a Democrat United States senator.

"But I would be ashamed to come before a Republican convention and advocate the election of a Democrat to the United States senate," thundered back Beach, and he was further interrupted from that quarter.

T. J. Cleeton, H. Denlinger, C. M. Idleman and Dr. L. M. Davis rallied to the defense of Statement No. 1. Cleeton insisted that the convention was not the place to consider Statement No. 1 and charged that the convention as it was constituted was not sufficiently representative of the Republicans of the county to warrant any action condemning the statement. Mr. Idleman charged that the convention was about equally divided on the question of Statement No. 1 and he feared that the adoption of the Beach resolution would tend to

create further dissensions rather than to harmonize the Republicans of Multnomah county.

D. J. Haynes, H. Timms, C. W. Hodson, T. J. Fording, Frank S. Bennett and G. W. Stapleton supported the Beach resolution.

**Features of Platform.**  
Plank 12 favors the election of United States senator by direct vote of the people, and it is recommended that the representatives to congress be urged to advocate an amendment to the constitution of the United States. One plank calls for more stringent banking laws and another for improvement of rivers and harbors.

While Senator Beach did not get a chance to introduce the platform that he had prepared, he did make use of one of its planks—that opposing Statement No. 1. Had Freeman been elected and had the Hodson-Bailey followers controlled the convention, the delegates would have slipped a knife into all of U'Ren's pet measures, for, besides dealing the statement a knockout blow, the platform opposed proportional representation, because it is contrary to the very principles of government determined by majority.

U'Ren's recall measure also got a jolt and the wording of the platform in rejecting the call said:

**Jolt for the Recall.**  
"An officer chosen by the people in a representative form of government must be permitted to conduct the office in accordance with his oath. If his conduct as an official is wrong, or if he is guilty of malfeasance in office, he may be removed by due process of law as now provided."

Statement No. 1 was twice objected to in the platform, both because the framers of the platform were opposed to the obligatory subscribing to the statement. In the closing paragraph it says: "We believe it is unconstitutional, and it is certainly unwise and destructive of all policy or principle of government in the election of senators."

The platform favored the improvement of the water-ways, an amendment to the state bank law to prevent wildcat speculation by bankers and the administration of the National Republican administration was highly commended.

**At Union League Club.**  
H. G. Griffin said he believed in government by party and urged all to maintain that principle. He referred to the Hughes resolution and said that he would support Roosevelt; if not Roosevelt, then Taft, with Hughes as third choice.

W. M. Cake deplored disorganization in the Republican party of Portland and Multnomah county. He said:

"Last year, with 25,000 voters registered, of whom over 19,000 were Republicans, we failed to elect our mayor by 600 votes. It is time to get out, as we should have gotten out last summer. We will have the old fight on for sheriff and we won before in this fight by only 25 votes. Gentlemen, I ask you to support every nominee who is chosen by the nominating committee. We have three votes to their one; why not cast them for our nominee?"

C. W. Hodson severely criticized W. S. U'Ren and his candidacy. He referred to U'Ren's advocacy of proportional representation, which is calculated, said the speaker, to wipe out party lines.

"I do not believe the man is sincere in his campaign," said Mr. Hodson. "He may want to be bought off," suggested some one in the audience. "Or he may have been bought off," answered Mr. Hodson.

"I do not want to see the Oregon delegation pledged for any candidate for the Presidency," said the speaker. "For interests may force President Roosevelt to run again and if he does run, I want the Oregon delegation to be free to vote for him, or for anyone else."

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I hereby announce myself as a candidate for nomination at the Republican primaries for county superintendent of schools.  
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I hereby announce myself as a candidate for nomination at the Republican primaries for commissioner.  
B. E. ROBERTSON,  
Turner, Oregon.

I desire to place my name before the Republican primaries for a re-nomination for County recorder.  
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I wish to announce to my friends that I am a candidate for county treasurer, subject to the Republican primaries.  
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I hereby announce myself a candidate for county commissioner on the Republican ticket.  
G. B. HOYT,  
Jefferson, Ore.

I am a candidate for office of county judge, subject to the Republican primaries, on the platform of a square deal to all.  
W. W. HALL.

At the request of many Republicans I have decided to become a candidate for the nomination for county judge, subject to the Republican primary election.  
WILLIAM BUSHEY.

**For Assessor.**  
I hereby announce my candidacy in the Republican primaries for assessor of Marion county; pledging just and equal taxation.  
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**Retail Market.**  
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Wheat—\$1.00.  
Rolled barley—\$30.  
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Butter—Country, 30 @ 35c; creamery, 40c.  
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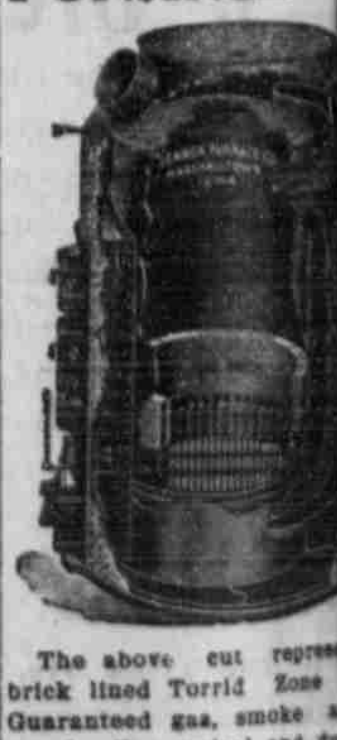
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