

MACHINE MANAGERS GIVEN A BLACK EYE

Country Delegates Voted Down the Proposed Plan to Make a Legislative Slate

Eloquent Appeals of Tom Kay and Walter Winslow to Stand By the Primary Law and Protest From Horeb Precinct Carry the Day

Bingham Plan For a Committee to Name State Delegates Was Sat Down Upon Hard

The Marion County Platform Does Not Condemn Statement No. 1 But Enacts a Double Meaning Substitute

The Republican convention held at Salem Saturday was a splendid body of men, and they showed their good sense in snowing under deep the proposition of the machine managers to undertake to dictate a legislative slate approved to Statement No. 1. Every time the delegates got a chance to vote, and they were not permitted very many opportunities, they downed the managers who planned the convention.

It was a convention of farmers and men from the body of the people, and in precincts where there were independent leaders free from the dictation of the machine they sent delegates for Statement No. 1, or delegates opposed to machine rule.

That the convention was progressed from start to finish was clearly seen by all present. The motions were all made by men picked for the purpose, and the dictation came from Geo. G. Bingham, the Southern Pacific attorney, whose aide partner Hon. Lou Adams was made permanent chairman. His ruling that no Statement No. 1 man be selected for a delegate to the state convention was a declaration of war against the people—the Republicans enacted this law, including Statement No. 1, and until the people repeal it, we have no right to violate any of its provisions.

Chairman Adams had a list of speakers and a few brief talks were made by C. B. Moores, and a gentleman brought up from Portland by the name of Williams, who seemed to have committed a schoolboy speech to memory, that was as nearly meaningless as anything that could be imagined. There was utter absence of any ferocity to any reform principle for which progressive Republicans stand. The only reference to the fearless fight President Roosevelt is putting up for the people against interests like Standard Oil, Harriman, et al., is to mention the names of the different Republican candidates, and "last but not least Roosevelt." The convention forgot to endorse the splendid work being done by the Oregon delegation in

Washington, and made no mention of a protective tariff, or the attacks made on Senator Fulton by Heney and others.

Many Were Disappointed. That the convention was a failure was conceded by some of the leaders of the movement after it adjourned. A. N. Gilbert plainly told the convention that it was a confession of cowardice if they refused to stand by their convictions and put out a ticket "unalterably opposed to Statement No. 1" as they had been called together to do. "You have already violated the spirit of the law. The county central committee called this meeting to select a legislative ticket, and every delegate knows this. That is what I came here for. We are fully competent to do so and I believe if there is any good warm Republican blood in your veins, you will do it yet."

Walter Winslow, a bright young law student of Willamette, sounded the only moral keynote of the convention in a speech which was roundly applauded in opposition to the convention taking out of the hands of the people the making of the legislative ticket. "Gentlemen: The people—the Republicans enacted this law, including Statement No. 1, and until the people repeal it, we have no right to violate any of its provisions."

Convention Proceedings. L. J. Adams of Silverton, local attorney for the Southern Pacific and the lawpartner of Geo. C. Bingham of Salem, was made permanent chairman and carried all the program with a high hand.

Report of Credentials Committee. The credentials committee reported the following entitled to seats in the convention:

- Sibbald. J. T. Beckwith, B. F. Simpson. Gates. G. W. Anderson, (E. Hofer, proxy). Aurora. B. F. Giesy, H. A. Snyder, A. H. Mill, (J. A. Hill, proxy). Hubbard. C. Platts, C. Lembeck, C. M. Crittendon, W. T. Grim, J. A. Dodge (C. Platts, proxy). Scott's Mills. W. T. Drager, E. E. Hickecocks, F. P. Whitlock, J. Ritchie, (S. D. Adkins, proxy). Jefferson. D. C. Thomas, Geo. Mason, D. H. Looney, S. A. Pease, J. L. Stelwer, Ray Reeves. Howell. G. Simmonds, A. T. Ask, Allan Stevens, J. N. Miller. North Silverton. P. W. Porter, L. J. Adams, L. J. Walford, H. D. Mount, T. W. Richey, M. J. Van Valkenburg, also as proxy for two. South Silverton. L. Q. Bower, M. L. Kalf, C. T. Hicks, Jas. Finley. Brooks. J. Huber, W. P. Massey, Geo. Finney, A. M. Aspinwall, F. LaFollette, H. Patterson. Gervais. L. K. Panjabe, S. H. Brown, J. Bingham, Ed. Dupuis, (W. J. Clarke, proxy). Monitor. J. D. Simmonds, J. T. Ross. Woodburn. R. M. Hicks, H. D. Brown, (H. Goulet, proxy), S. T. Johnson, (R. M. Hicks, proxy), C. L. Ogle, (R. M. Hicks, proxy), J. M. Poorman, (H. D. Bonhoff, proxy), Amos Beach, Q. A. Nendel, (H. Goulet, proxy), J. F. Hunt, C. F. Whitman, (R. M. Hicks, proxy), Henry Layman, F. W. Little-

- meier, C. O. Boynton, (H. D. Bonhoff, proxy). Sublimity. J. T. Hunt, T. J. Hill, A. Smith, J. M. King. Stayton. A. L. Mack, W. O. Cooper, L. S. Lambert, D. W. Gentry, W. A. Wright, C. L. Loose. Turner. E. L. Martin, J. W. McKinney, S. W. Reed, E. M. Lindsay, J. M. Watson, J. H. Grimes. Macleay. W. J. Taylor, C. J. Ramsden. Aumsville. G. J. Fryer, H. C. Porter, J. A. Smith, C. E. VanNuys, J. H. Porter. Mehama. H. A. Selgman, (J. C. Selgman, proxy). Marion. U. S. Dotson. Liberty. S. H. Hatch, (Cap. E. T. Smith, proxy), B. Cunningham, J. D. Mann, L. M. Gilbert, G. Hemaley, Ray Omart, H. S. Poial. Chemawa. D. W. Matthews, L. T. Reynolds, Jas. Winstanley, Jas. Looney, C. W. Chatfield, E. A. Kurtz, G. W. Weeks, Ed. Hall. Mount. Angel. Harvey Smith, Neal Cooley. East Salem. E. E. Matfen, J. A. Siddall, A. J. Hager, W. H. Humphreys. Salem No. 1. F. B. Southwick, H. A. Johnson, A. T. Moffitt, R. Downing, F. A. Welch, E. A. Thatcher. Salem No. 2. C. A. Murphy, G. W. Skeels by A. N. Gilbert, A. N. Moores, I. H. Van Winkle by J. N. Smith, E. T. Barnes, A. L. Hedrick, Chauncey Bishop, John Brophy, J. A. Richardson by F. Wrightman, H. W. Thielson, T. C. Smith Jr., R. P. Boise, F. A. Baker, Jay Cox, T. B. Kay, T. B. Jones. Salem No. 3. H. H. Smith, Alonzo Gesner, F. Meredith, L. R. Stinson, Dr. J. Reynolds, Lloyd Hauser, W. H. Eldridge, C. Moores. Salem No. 4. T. T. Bingham, E. W. Hazard, Earl Race, W. C. Hubbard, W. M. Robinson, J. Dacan, W. C. Winslow, Wm. Yantlin by J. W. Gamble, Asis Eoff, William M. Carnington, F. A. Erickson. Salem No. 5. J. N. Smith, F. A. Mizeamier, R. O. Donaldson, H. M. Buell, J. W. Young, E. M. Palmer. Salem No. 6. John Knight, A. W. Drager, C. F. Royal, A. A. Burton, R. C. Hawley, J. B. Putman, Frank Smith, E. B. Millard by A. M. LaFollette. Salem No. 7. C. T. McIntyre, J. Roberts, C. E. Mason, L. W. Acheson, J. Massey. Silverton. H. D. Mount, L. J. Adams, M. Van Valkenburg, J. Potter, T. Richies, L. Walford.

The platform has only a brief reference to national or state politics and copies the Portland platform on election of senators. It does not as was claimed, endorse the "direct primary law."

Marion County Platform. The committee on resolutions submitted the following report, which was adopted: Whereas, We, the Republicans of Marion county in convention assembled, believing that the welfare of the county and that the best interests of our commonwealth depend upon the success and the upholding of the principles of the Republican party, as advocated and sustained by such eminent men as Abraham Lincoln, James A. Garfield, James G. Blaine, William McKinley, and last but not least, Theodore Roosevelt; and

Whereas, The present prosperity and progress of the United States at home and abroad is due to the administration of the principles advocated and endorsed by the Republican party; and

Whereas, We believe that it is to the best interest and the welfare of the state that such principles should be upheld, and that in order to sustain these principles, it is necessary and incumbent upon us to elect a Republican to the United States senate; therefore be it

Resolved, That all candidates for the legislature on the Republican ticket subscribe to a statement that they will support for United States senator that candidate elected by the votes of the Republican party.

For Free Locks and Canal. This convention approves the action of the last legislature in passing the Jones bill to secure free locks and canal at Oregon City by the co-operation of the state and national governments. We urge our delegation in congress to make this a foremost issue to the end that the farmers and shippers of Willamette valley may be relieved of the tax of 50 cents per ton now levied on all the commerce of western Oregon by

a private corporation to the great financial injury of the industries and manufacturing enterprises that demand competition in freight rates, which is impossible without a free and open waterway. The delegation from Marion county to the state convention are hereby instructed to endeavor to secure such a plank in the state platform.

Resolved, That the Republican party of Marion county in convention assembled declares itself in favor of a liberal support of our state educational institutions.

On motion the platform was adopted as read.

Another test by which the Salem machine was snowed under was Bingham's motion to make up a slate of delegates to the state convention.

Geo. G. Bingham moved to appoint a committee of five to nominate 20 delegates to the state convention, but this plan was amended by Hon. F. J. Wrightman, to make it the duty of the committee to divide the county into 20 districts, the county delegates from each district to select a delegate to the state convention.

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Delegates to State Convention. George W. Anderson—Mehama, Silver Falls, Horeb, Breitenbush, Elkhorn. Fred Drager—Monitor, Scott's Mills, Mt. Angel. Chas. Platts—Hubbard, Champeog, St. Paul. M. A. Snyder—Aurora, Butteville. Lloyd Reynolds—Brooks, Chemawa. J. M. Poorman—Woodburn. Wm. J. Clarke—Gervais, Fairfield.

C. F. Hicks, F. J. Van Valkenburg—Silverton, South Silverton, North Silverton. W. A. Taylor—Macleay, East Salem, Howell. D. H. Looney—Jefferson, Sidney. J. W. McKinney—Stayton, Sublimity.

W. H. Hobson, J. F. Hunt—Stayton, Sublimity, Aumsville. F. B. Southwick—Salem No. 1. J. N. Smith—Salem No. 2. W. H. Eldridge—Salem No. 3. W. C. Winslow—Salem No. 4. John Knight—Salem No. 5, Salem No. 6. Jesse Mason—Salem No. 7, Liberty.

John W. McKinney made a speech advocating the nomination of five candidates for representative who were opposed to Statement No. 1. He was opposed to allowing the people to select candidates for the legislature at random.

Robt. Halley made a good second to this demand and put up quite an argument based on the parallel that Presidential electors could not take Statement No. 1. If the Presidential candidate secured the popular vote.

E. Hofer presented a protest from the Republicans of Gates precinct, against this convention putting out a legislative ticket, taking out of the hands of the people the election of an United States senator. The names of the 20 odd Republicans was read by the secretary and the protest placed on file.

Rev. Wm. Robinson thought it was no slap at the primary law to be nominated by such a body as this. He moved as an amendment that a committee of eight name the legislative ticket. He got no second to his amendment.

Walter Winslow made an eloquent plea for the direct primary. It had been explained different to him from what was being done here on the floor of this convention. Live up to what the people have told us to do in this matter he said. "Nothing will send us down to defeat as quick as to select a slate in defiance of the people."

Wm. Taylor made an eloquent plea for men who would down Statement No. 1.

Senator Kay now took the floor and opposed recommending or nominating a ticket. He said the direct primary law was enacted by Republicans and they should not be the first to violate the law. It was inconsistent to endorse the direct primary law and at the same convention violate its provisions. It would be a mistake to put up such a ticket. It would cause friction and divide the supporters of the principle they stood for. The committee named by this convention could make up a ticket. The committee could select proper men, and a properly distrib-

uted ticket. It was not backing down to not nominate a ticket.

John McKinney replied to Kay by saying it was far more fair to name a ticket by this convention, than to do it by a committee appointed by this convention. It was just as wrong.

Homer Smith moved to settle it by ballot. Mr. Gesner opposed this. Smith was voted down.

On call of precincts on question of putting up a legislative ticket, the advocates of a ticket were found to be in a minority—yes 36, no 122, or more than three to one went back on the very purpose for which the convention was called.

Vote by Precincts on the Machine Program to Name a Ticket. On motion of J. W. McKinney that convention nominate a legislative ticket, roll call by precincts showed the following result:

Precinct	Yes	No
Aumsville	4	1
Aurora	4	1
Breitenbush	4	1
Brooks	5	1
Butteville	4	1
Champeog	4	1
Chemawa	8	1
Elkhorn	4	1
Fairfield	4	1
Gervais	4	1
Hornet	1	1
Hamel	4	1
Hubbard	5	1
Jefferson	6	1
Liberty	8	1
Macleay	2	1
Marvin	1	1
Mehama	1	1
Monitor	2	1
Mt. Angel	2	1
Salem No. 1	1	5
Salem No. 2	3	11
Salem No. 3	2	2
Salem No. 4	10	10
Salem No. 5	1	5
Salem No. 6	6	2
Salem No. 7	3	2
Salem, East	3	1
Scott's Mills	4	1
Sidney	2	2
Silver Falls	4	1
South Silverton	4	1
North Silverton	6	1
Silverton	6	1
St. Paul	6	1
Stayton	6	1
Sublimity	6	1
Turner	5	1
Woodburn	12	1

Total 36 122. On motion of T. B. Kay the precinct committee members were authorized to act as a campaign committee in selecting proper persons as a legislative ticket.

Precinct Committeemen. County Chairman Chas. A. Murphy asked the delegations from the different precincts to select precinct committeemen, which was done, and they were ratified by the convention. The following were named:

- Aumsville—J. A. Smith. Aurora—B. F. Giesy. Breitenbush—F. W. Stahlmann. Brooks—F. J. Bolder. Butteville—Champeog—James Winstanley. Elkhorn—Robert Moorhouse. Fairfield—M. W. Mahoney. Gervais—J. R. Slegmund. Horeb—Wm. Bertram. Howell—J. N. Miller. Hubbard—Chas. Platts. Jefferson—J. L. Jones. Liberty—Macleay—W. A. Taylor. Marion—Mehama—E. G. Selgman. Monitor—Mt. Angel—S. L. Lambert. Salem No. 1—R. E. Downing. Salem No. 2—C. A. Murphy. Salem No. 3—G. Stolz. Salem No. 4—G. H. Deacon. Salem No. 5—E. M. Palmer. Salem No. 6—R. C. Halley. Salem No. 7—L. W. Acheson. Salem, East—J. B. Ashby. Scott's Mills—E. S. Hiekk. Sidney—James Duca. Silver Falls—Silverton, South—S. N. Bowers. Silverton, North—Silverton—M. J. Van Valkenburg. St. Paul—Stayton—W. S. Gentry. Sublimity—D. C. Downing. Turner—Woodburn—H. D. Brown. Gates—Geo. W. Anderson. Roseville—Thos. Noot. Monitor—J. L. Ross.

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A Rebate Legalized. The railroad commission has granted the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company permission to rebate to Pacific Hardware & Steel Company \$271.14, representing the difference in charges made on the basis of per hundred weight and the rate in effect before January 1, 1908, after February 10. This rebate has to be secured before rebates can be made and it is provided to permit of the railroad companies that the same rebate be made to companies similarly affected by change in rates.

Rheumatic Pains Relieved. B. F. Crocker, Esq., now 84 years of age, and for 20 years just the peace at Martinsburg, says: "I am terribly afflicted with sciatic rheumatism in my left and right hip. I have had 4 bottles of Chamberlain's Pain-Exer and it did me lots of good." Sold at Dr. Stone's drug store.

Judge Cleland, a Republican at Portland, sustains the constitutionality of the initiative and referendum.

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