

THE DEMOCRACY.

The County Convention's Work Yesterday.

COUNTY OFFICERS NOMINATED.

Mathews Chairman, O'Melveny, Hut-ton, Kendrick Judges, Parcels Clerk, Rowan Sheriff.

Yesterday was big with the fate of the Democracy in this city and county. The County Convention assembled in Turner hall to nominate a county ticket. There were delegates from almost every precinct in the county. Far away Elizabeth Lake in the mountains, and one or two equally inaccessible points were the only ones which failed to be represented on the floor of the Convention. There were no less than 288 delegates present. They were a thoroughly representative body of men. There were few men in the body who do not stand for some interest in the precinct where they live. The county delegates were particularly encouraging. Farmers largely predominated; but there were merchants, lawyers and doctors from the rural districts. They are men whose names carry weight in their communities. They are respectable, self-respecting intelligent citizens.

Mr. Germain called the Convention to order in a very graceful manner, and during the preliminary deliberations of the Convention he presided with much tact, and his rulings were unanimously recognized as correct and fair. The county is well represented in the chairman of its County Committee.

The proceedings of the Convention, so far as it has gone, were characterized by a good deal of enthusiasm. It is a Democratic body and as such is decidedly in favor of free speech. There is nothing of the cut and dried order of business to be found in the hall. If a citizen has an opinion in his mind he is pretty sure to give it tongue and let his fellow-delegates know what he thinks. But there was little or no development of ill-feeling at any point in the deliberations had. The chairman is a most pleasant and suave person, fair in his views, and disposed to do ample justice to all interests and to every individual. He is evidently unaccustomed to the work in hand, and not au fait in parliamentary rulings. A little hesitancy now and then on his part caused some temporary confusion on the floor. If the Chairman hesitates the Convention is apt to lose itself. With the exception of some little contumaciousness of this nature, the deliberations were orderly and decent. The nominations so far as they have been made and as reported below, are excellent. The men proposed for office are all able, sober, industrious and honest. The National ticket is much stronger in this section for the names put on the local ticket and it will tell in the November contest.

Some delay was experienced in calling the meeting to order and it was twenty-five minutes to eleven ere Mr. Eugene Germain, chairman of the County Central Committee, rapped on the table with his stick and called the Convention to order. The proceedings were opened by the reading of the call by Secretary Waters, after which the following list of delegates according to the returns was read, the gentlemen called responding to their names. The commencement of the Cleveland and Thurman rally, as advertised in the HERALD columns, was then read.

Major Blennerhassett presented a petition contesting the delegation from the Second Precinct. Mr. Germain then announced that nominations for Temporary Chairman were in order, upon which J. Marion Brooks was nominated by Ben Edelman, Judge J. I. Redick by J. Brydon, Sr., Judge Dunnigan by Colonel Brooks of Pomona, and General J. R. Mathews by Z. B. West of Santa Ana, after which it was moved and seconded that the nominations be closed, and the question was put.

Mr. J. H. Brewer of Vernon, moved the vote be taken by the Chairman of the district and this was seconded by Mr. McFadden of Santa Ana.

Mr. J. Marion Brooks arose and said that he did not believe he had been here long enough to deserve the honor of the position for which he had been nominated and as the interest of the Democratic party was paramount to that of any single individual asked that his name be withdrawn.

Mr. J. H. Ryan of Anaheim, rose to second the nomination of General J. R. Mathews. "I have no friends to pay, or enemies to hurt," said the speaker, "I think that under the circumstances of the removal of General Mathews from the Brigadier-Generalship by Governor Waterman, it would be a good point for the Democratic party to place him in charge of the deliberations of this body as Temporary Chairman."

Mr. Wm. Vickery, of East Los Angeles, seconded the nomination of Judge Dunnigan, and N. S. E. A. DeCamp, of Cienega, and N. S. Embury, of East Los Angeles.

Mr. J. Marion Brooks said that there was one name that had not been seconded, and that was Judge Redick's. The time had come when such a man should be placed in the position. He would preside over the body with an eye single to the success of the Democratic party, and in addition to this he possesses a position in the community which entitled him to the honor.

Before the voting was commenced Secretary Waters called for two tally clerks, and this being moved, seconded and carried, Mr. Germain appointed Messrs. Bayard T. Smith and J. McCaffrey.

E. A. DeCamp said that as the Convention was here for business and not for pleasure, he asked that the voting should be done without speeches, and this was adopted.

Judge Morgan asked for a decision as to what would elect and moved that the majority of all votes cast do so, which was seconded by S. Prager and carried unanimously.

The roll-call was then proceeded with and resulted as follows: Mathews, 158; Dunnigan, 103; Redick, 8. Mr. Germain therefore announced that General Mathews was elected Temporary Chairman and it was moved and seconded that this be declared unanimous which was adopted. Mr. Mathews was then called to the platform and said:

"Gentlemen—I thank you very much for the compliment you have paid me in appointing me Temporary Chairman. It will be my aim to give each and all of you a fair recognition so that we may all assist in putting up a ticket that will help out the grand old ticket, Cleveland and Thurman. I will at once proceed to

business, and nominations for Temporary Secretary are now in order." Mr. C. L. Hargitt placed in nomination one who he said was well able to fulfill the duties of the position—Ben Edelman.

Mr. T. McCaffrey nominated A. Ramish, of the Fourth Precinct. The nominations were then closed and Judge D. M. Adams moved that both nominees be elected by acclamation, and this action was unanimously taken.

Mr. Ryan, of Anaheim, said that in order to facilitate business he moved that the chair appoint committees on credentials, permanent organization and order of business to be selected two from each Supervisorial district outside of the city, and four from the city.

Mr. Morgan rose to address the meeting, but Mr. Keeffe called for the appointment of a Sergeant-at-Arms, whereupon Mr. J. Marion Brooks moved a point of order, and called attention to the motion before the meeting.

A discussion then followed as to the number of the committee to be appointed and a motion by Mr. Brooks to the effect that a committee of twelve on permanent organization and order of business be appointed was carried unanimously.

Mr. C. Bell moved that a committee of ten on platform and resolutions be appointed, and this was amended to five by Dr. Kuhrt and carried unanimously.

Mr. C. L. Hargitt then moved the appointment of Sergeants-at-Arms and the following gentlemen were appointed by the Chair: John Malone, J. I. Filkins and L. T. Jacobs.

Judge Morgan moved that an adjournment of fifteen minutes be taken to give the Chair an opportunity to appoint the committee and this was unanimously adopted.

On reconvening, the Chair announced the following resolutions:

On Permanent Organization and Order of Business—J. Marion Brooks, chairman; J. Shawhan, W. H. Carlin, Z. B. West, J. C. Hanson, C. D. Reynolds, J. M. Voss, J. I. Redick, J. F. Patterson, H. C. Bailey, J. W. Swanwick and Wm. Vickery.

On Platform and Resolutions—C. A. Bell, chairman; Geo. C. Hagar, Dr. J. Kurtz, R. Dunnigan and J. B. Hollaway.

On Credentials—J. H. Ryan, of Anaheim, chairman; J. W. Fryer, J. C. Jones, M. M. Newmark, J. C. Travis, M. C. Marsh, Chris. Hargitt, Sam Prager, S. A. Waldron and J. Marion Brooks.

While arrangements were being made for the meeting-places of the different committees, Judge Redick ascended the platform and thanked those who had voted for him for their recognition. He said that perhaps he was not as well known to them as some of the other candidates but he trusted to know them better by-and-by.

Mr. Hill moved that adjournment be taken to half-past 1 and this was amended to 2 o'clock by Mr. J. Marion Brooks, and adopted.

The meeting then adjourned.

Afternoon Session. The Convention was called to order shortly after 2 o'clock by General J. R. Mathews and at that time the hall was crowded to overflowing. The galleries, lobby, hallway and even the ante-room were filled with people interested in the proceedings. It was noticed that the audience contained many of the candidates nominated at the Republican county convention who were anxious to know who the next officers of the county are to be. There were also in the crowd the majority of the present county officials and some of the city officers interested in learning who their successors will be. Numerous friends of the various candidates were also present and watched the proceedings with great interest. Chairman Mathews requested the delegates from the various precincts to sit together. He also asked all delegates when rising to make a motion, to give their names.

Mr. Chas. Bell said that the Committee on Platform and Resolutions was not ready to report, and he asked further time on its behalf.

Mr. Morris moved that the request be granted, and that the Committee be given half an hour.

Judge B. Dunnigan on behalf of the Committee asked more time than that. The Committee desired to make a proper report, and could not do it in that time. The motion to allow but half an hour was withdrawn, Mr. J. B. Hollaway, of Rosedale, insisting that the Committee should have all the time it wanted to get up its resolutions.

Mr. T. A. Saxton, of El Monte, moved that the Committee be given all the time it desired. Carried.

THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE. The Committee on Credentials reported as follows:

"We report in favor of seating T. A. Saxton, B. H. Padlock, T. C. Hanson, M. D. Mason, J. E. Rush, one vote each; J. Guess and A. C. Yeary, one-half vote each. In the contest of the second precinct of the First Ward, we report in favor of seating the regular caucus ticket."

Following is the list of delegates as passed upon by the committee:

Anaheim—J. S. Gardner, B. F. Porter, F. A. Korn, W. J. Smith, J. H. Ryan, D. W. Hudson, W. M. McFadden, F. Schanmberger.

Alhambra—V. Metcalf, Jos. Chapman.

Artesia—M. C. Hungerford, J. E. Courtney, W. A. Sackett.

Azusa—W. P. Barnes, Geo. Sells, W. H. Guinn, J. C. Jones, J. McNish, Jesse Loder.

Burbank—J. A. Bullis.

Calhoun—M. H. Sullivan, Henry Clausen.

Cerritos—J. M. Brady.

Cienega—E. A. DeCamp, N. A. Covarrubias, Mr. Spicer.

Compton—Geo. Carson, M. W. Newmark, Geo. Palmer, D. J. Moody, Omri Bullis.

Downey—J. W. Fox, L. M. Grider, J. N. Pemberton, J. M. Pitts, M. D. Crawford, Jr., A. S. Gray, Wm. Caruthers, Sr.

Duarte—J. C. Sheppard, J. T. German.

El Monte—T. A. Saxton, B. H. Padlock, J. C. Hanson, M. D. Mason.

Elizabeth Lake—J. R. Rush, J. Guess, A. C. Yeary.

Fair Oaks—C. T. Curtis, F. M. Randolph.

Florence—W. P. Ramsauer, W. A. Browning, A. S. Clark, H. B. Abila.

Fountain Valley—W. R. Candler, J. Chapman, S. N. Jasper.

Long Beach—L. A. Bailey, W. T. Newkirk.

Monrovia—Wm. Smith, J. D. Baker, J. F. Banning.

Monte Vista—A. F. Gilmore, Henry H. Denker, Wm. H. Carlin.

Newport—W. H. Tedford, Geo. E. Cotts.

Newhall—W. W. Jenkins, C. D. Reynolds, L. Kelly.

Norwalk—J. S. Elliott, J. Andrews, S. B. Stroud.

Old Mission—G. D. McCaige, W. W. Garnes.

Orange—H. T. Gardner, J. C. Travis, A. J. Wood, Geo. C. Hagar, M. B. Craig.

Pasadena—J. M. Shawhan, W. P. Hyatt, W. O. Bellaire, Geo. Herrmann.

Pomona—W. T. Gibbs, F. D. Joy, E. Hickin, T. W. Brooks, Geo. Mullaly, T. Hardy Smith, J. Mirande.

Reverend—G. W. Clingan.

Rivera—J. W. Boller, G. W. Tweedy, Jos. Stanley, T. M. Passons.

Rowland—T. J. Scully, L. Mawson.

Rosedale—J. B. Holloway, J. M. Voss.

San Fernando—J. Harps, P. Lopez, E. B. Flack.

San Pedro—J. H. Dodson, S. D. Knight, A. Carlin, F. Weeks.

Santa Ana—R. F. Chilton, Z. B. West, W. O. Clayton, E. F. Briggs, L. H. Tichenal, W. M. Ward, E. W. Felton, D. Goepfer, J. C. Hickey.

Spadra—A. P. Monroe, J. A. Martinez, J. M. Fryer.

San Juan Capistrano—M. Mendelson.

Santa Monica—J. C. Morgan, M. K. Barretto, H. A. Winslow, S. P. Hall.

Sepeveda—John Cook, George Englehart, Robert Devine, S. W. White.

Sierra Madre—C. N. Minor, L. E. Steinberger.

Silverado—J. E. Pleasants.

South Pasadena—W. S. Knott.

Tustin—W. B. Wall, M. S. Jones, W. G. Perry.

Trabuco—G. W. Lyon, J. C. Joplin.

Vernon—J. H. Brewer, M. B. McQuaid, A. J. Moore.

Westminster—S. J. Finlay, J. F. Patterson.

Wilmington—Silas A. Kennedy, J. J. Garrison, H. C. Bailey, Harry Hilderbrandt.

Whittier—Eli King.

Yorba—D. J. Yorba, Vicente Yorba.

Los Angeles City, First Precinct—C. R. Patterson, C. Hayden, Wm. Vickery, N. S. Embury, J. E. Frick, R. Dunnigan, James Hanley, T. S. Meredith, W. C. Hughes.

Second Precinct—Walter Deveraux, C. W. Schroeder, Chris. Hixon, Joe Romero, J. F. Gerkins, T. McCaffrey, Hugh Sweeney, Louis Stone, C. Massey, J. Davidson, C. L. Hargitt, R. L. Garrett, J. H. Cavanaugh, Joe P. Rowan, P. Keenan, M. C. Fordham.

Third Precinct—V. Sentous, J. K. Ahear, J. McManus, Phil Stoll, Joe Maier, J. Moriarty, G. Stephenson, Geo. D. Roberts, A. Aranga, E. J. Conroy, C. A. Stephens, H. King, P. Ballade, M. T. Collins, R. Dominguez, J. Fenton, E. J. Parry, H. Seebeck, P. H. Matthews, D. E. McCarthy, C. Radigan, H. B. Stephens.

Fourth Precinct—Tom. Keefe, Dr. Jos. Kurtz, A. Davis, P. H. Gaffey, Frank Leadon, H. W. Peterson, Chas. P. Kearney, Jno. D. Shieck, E. S. Livermore, John F. Schummaker, M. C. Marsh, Otto Silverberg, M. P. Snyder, Frank Conlter.

Fifth Precinct—Chas. H. White, J. N. Cochran, J. L. O'Bryan, L. F. Fisher, G. S. Blake, W. H. Shaw, J. J. Mahoney, N. Lindenfeld, C. Stoby, Henry Glass, J. Duppy, P. M. Scott, Theo. Frohlinger, J. J. Naughton, Mat. Carr.

Sixth Precinct—Conrad Jacoby, Sam Prager, W. A. Cole, M. Morris, R. C. Carlton, J. R. Mathews, B. W. Edelman, W. A. Wilson, A. Ramish, C. Behrendt, Chas. Lassen, O. H. Violet, J. W. Seagrave, W. F. Heathman, L. R. Hill, J. H. Melville.

Seventh Precinct—J. M. Brooks, A. F. Mackay, E. F. Boyle, W. A. Ryan, R. S. Ramsaur.

Eighth Precinct—W. H. Roper, Chas. Forman, Dan'l Einstein, John Bryson, Sr., J. I. Redick, John Maskel, Eugene Germain.

Ninth Precinct—B. Dozier, G. W. Craig, Chas. A. Bell.

Tenth Precinct—Thomas Kelley, E. Bernas, C. M. Miles.

Mr. S. A. Waldron, of La Ballona, said that he had a minority report to make verbally. He desired to say in relation to the contest over the seating of the second precinct delegation that the committee had examined a dozen or so witnesses and that the testimony showed there was much irregularity at that precinct on the day of the primaries. He had proposed on this account, first that the whole representation be thrown out, but this was rejected. That he had proposed that one-half of each of the contesting delegations be seated, but this was rejected, and he desired to say that the Oro Fino method of conducting the primaries should not be tolerated.

Captain A. F. Mackay asked for information if the Committee's report was full as regards all of the delegations. He had heard reference only made to the delegations when there was a contest.

Mr. J. H. Ryan, of Anaheim, said that the committee had examined all the documents that had been placed in its hands. If there had been any oversight it was unintentional and would be rectified.

Judge Morgan moved that the report be referred back for completion.

Mr. Hill, of Santa Monica, moved that the report of the Committee be accepted. Lost.

Mr. M. C. Fordham moved that the names on the roll, as read by the Secretary of the County Central, be added to the report of the committee.

Mr. T. McCaffrey called for a roll call on the question.

Judge Adams, of Garvanza, asked for information in relation to charges that had been made as to the conduct of the primary at the second precinct.

Mr. J. Marion Brooks explained that the only question before the house was whether the delegates from the second precinct were entitled to seats.

Captain Mackay called for the reading of the report, which was done by the Secretary, and after a short discussion as to the advisability of sending the report back to the Committee, it was adopted as amended.

Mr. Blennerhassett, one of the contesting delegates, demanded to be heard, but the Chairman ruled that he could not be recognized unless so desired by the Convention. The Convention decided that Mr. Blennerhassett should not be heard.

The following is a full list of the proxies: Abbot Kinney to C. D. Curtis; T. Dupuy to A. Lindenfeld; T. M. Coulter to M. P. Snyder; J. B. Cullen to W. H. Guinn; W. H. Tedford to Geo. E. Cotts; G. W. Craig to B. Dozier; A. Carter to J. H. Dodson; D. W. Lyon to J. C. Joplin; P. Ballade to J. K. Ahear; A. Sentous to John Moriarty; D. J. Yorba to V. Yorba.

ORDERS ADOPTED. Mr. Eugene Germain moved that all

who were not delegates be kept behind the rope which had been stretched across the room. Carried.

Mr. E. A. De Camp moved that no delegate be allowed to speak more than one and that no speech be more than of three minutes duration.

Mr. Morris moved that "without the consent of the Convention" be added to the motion. Accepted and the motion was carried.

Mr. T. McCaffrey moved that the Secretary call the roll and that the delegates deposit \$1 each with the Secretary. This was deferred until after the order of business had been adopted.

ORDER OF BUSINESS. The Committee on Order of Business reported as follows through its Chairman, Mr. J. Marion Brooks:

The Committee on Order of Business recommends that the temporary officers of the Convention be made permanent, and that the nominations be made in the following order:

One Superior Judge for the long term.

County Clerk.

County Auditor.

County Recorder.

County Tax Collector.

District Attorney.

Sheriff.

County Treasurer.

Public Administrator.

Coroner.

County Surveyor.

State Senator from the 39th Senatorial District.

Assemblymen from the 76th, 77th and 78th Districts.

District, Township and County officers.

Further recommended that after the nomination for Surveyor the Convention divide into District Conventions for nominating the other officers; and that all ballots be by roll call and that the chairman of each delegation announce the vote of his precinct. That each delegate pay \$1.00 toward the expenses of the Convention.

A motion that No. 8 in the list of nominations for Sheriff be changed to No. 3, was accepted by the mover of the motion to adopt the report.

Mr. T. McCaffrey moved that the candidates for nomination be assessed \$5.00 each.

Mr. J. M. Voss, of Rosedale, said as a member of the Committee he desired to state that in his opinion the contest over the nomination for Sheriff was the leading contest before the Convention and the Committee considered that in order to hold the interest of the delegates it was best to place that nomination toward the last of the list. He could see no reason why the nomination of Sheriff should be placed at the head.

Mr. J. A. Brewer said that he conceded the fact that the nomination for this office was one of the most important but he wanted no jobbery, and if it was placed No. 3 in the list, it gave a chance for jobbery. He was in favor of placing it as No. 3.

Mr. J. M. Shawhan of Pasadena, said that in the Committee he had proposed that the nomination for Sheriff be placed last on the list. A compromise had been effected so as to place it where it was in the original mover of the motion to amend, but the Chair ordered the nomination called in the order presented by the Committee.

The Secretary then called the roll, and the delegates responded with \$1 each.

Judge Adams, of Garvanza, moved that the Chairman appoint two Vice-Presidents. Carried.

General Mathews appointed as Vice-Presidents Judge R. Dunnigan and Judge J. I. Redick.

The Convention decided that a proxy could not be held by a person not a delegate and a resolution as follows was adopted:

Resolved, That delegates leaving the Convention may give a proxy to a member of his delegation and that in case no proxy is given the delegation may vote for him.

SUPERIOR JUDGES. General Mathews then declared that nominations for Superior Judges for the long term were in order.

Mr. Mr. Fordham rose and placed in nomination Judges H. K. S. O'Melveny and A. W. Hutton.

Judge Redick placed Judge W. P. Gardner in nomination with a few complimentary remarks. Judge Adams seconded the nomination of Judge Gardner.

Captain Mackay approved of the nomination of Judge O'Melveny and thought that his name would add strength to the ticket. Mr. W. F. Heathman seconded the nomination of Judge A. W. Hutton, who he said was bound to be elected if nominated.

Dr. J. D. Baker also seconded the nomination of Judge Hutton.

Mr. J. M. Brooks seconded the nomination of Judge Gardner, who he said was a tower of strength.

Mr. E. A. DeCamp moved that the nominations be closed. Carried.

While the Secretaries were getting ready to call the roll, some one placed the pictures of Cleveland and Thurman on the platform, and for five minutes cheer after cheer rolled up.

The roll call resulted as follows:

H. K. S. O'Melveny 220

A. W. Hutton 183

W. P. Gardner 104

General Mathews announced that as Judge O'Melveny and Hutton had received the highest vote, they were the nominees of the Convention.

A motion to make their nomination unanimous was carried.

A question was raised here that there had been no choice, but Mr. J. W. Swanwick, on behalf of Judge Gardner, said that he was satisfied, and the nominations were declared unanimous a second time.

Mr. Hill moved that the Convention nominate Judge Gardner for Superior Judge for the short term.

Mr. Swanwick said that Judge Gardner desired him to thank the Convention, but to state that he could not accept the nomination.

Mr. J. Marion Brooks then placed Hon. J. D. Bethune in nomination.

Mr. G. D. McCaige placed W. T. Kendrick's name before the Convention.

Judge Adams seconded the nomination

of Mr. Kendrick, and Messrs. Z. P. West, of Santa Ana, and J. C. Morgan, of Santa Monica, seconded that of Mr. Bethune.

The ballot stood as follows:

W. T. Kendrick 175

J. D. Bethune 109

The nomination of Mr. Kendrick was then made unanimous.

THE PLATFORM. Mr. C. A. Bell then read the following platform, which was unanimously adopted, and was signed by the whole committee.

Your Committee on Platform and Resolutions respectfully report as follows:

The Democratic party of Los Angeles county in convention assembled hereby re-affirms its devotion to Democratic principles as enunciated in the State and National Platforms adopted at the Democratic State Convention of May 18, 1888, and at the National Convention of June 7, 1888.

We cordially endorse the administration of President Cleveland, and we especially commend the doctrine laid down in his message of December 6, 1887, in which he points out the necessity of a revision of the tariff in the interest of labor, and clearly demonstrates that this revision is essential to prevent the accumulation in the Treasury of large sums of money now needed for circulation among the people.

We denounce the cry of the present Republican managers of the State Democracy in favor of free trade as insincere and unfounded. The measure proposed by the Democratic majority in Congress reduces the present tariff schedule less than seven per cent., and this reduction is all in favor of labor and at the expense of greedy and unscrupulous monopolies.

We believe in reducing the cost of the necessities of life. We do not agree with the Republican party that expensive looking and cheap whisky will result in the nation's happiness. All the monopolies and the Trust combinations of the United States, against whom labor has been forced to combine, are opposed to the policy of our party. The Democracy has espoused the cause of labor, and is prepared to defend its interests against those who are seeking to enslave it.

For years the Democracy alone contended for the exclusion of the Chinese. Republican managers of the State have met an unbroken opposition from the Republican party; but in their public management, anxious to deceive the people, now pretends to favor the Democratic doctrine upon this subject; but it has nominated for the Presidency a man who voted to naturalize Chinamen, and who opposed every effort to restrict Chinese immigration. It has nominated as a candidate for Vice-President an English broker, who, until after his nomination, was a director of and still remains a stockholder in a British railway corporation which looks to Coolie importation for its principal profit.

We denounce the Republican Assessor of this county for his willful violation of the duties of his office. He has, in obedience to the dictates of large and wealthy land owners, estimated the property values in such a manner as to throw the burden of taxation upon those in moderate circumstances and to relieve the wealthy from the payment of their rightful obligations. In compliance with the