

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1904

UTAH DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES

O. W. POWERS
For CONGRESS - SALT LAKE

LEVI N. HARMON
For SECRETARY OF STATE

J. F. GEIGER
For SHERIFF OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION - CENTERVILLE

JAMES H. MOYLE
For GOVERNOR - SALT LAKE

C. S. VARIAN
JUDGE OF SUPREME COURT - SALT LAKE

SAMUEL NEWHOUSE
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR - SALT LAKE

EDW. E. SNOW
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR - ST. GEORGE

FRED V. KIESEL
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR - OGDEN

W. B. WILSON
TREASURER - OGDEN

GRANT C. BAGLEY
For ATTORNEY GENERAL - PROVIDENCE

NATHAN T. PORTER
For AUDITOR - PARK CITY

DEMOCRATS throughout the state have not ceased to congratulate themselves on the ticket named at the state convention of Sept. 8, not only because the places were well distributed from a geographical standpoint, but because of the personnel of the candidates. The candidates, in each instance, are men who have rendered signal service to the party in one way or another and, without exception, they are unusually well equipped to fill the offices to which they aspire. On the theory that men who succeed in private life are well fitted to succeed in public capacities, the ticket could not be improved. The nominees are men who have achieved such great success in their various private callings that they are enabled to come before the voters of the state with the confidence that belongs only to those who succeed.

O. W. Powers.
Judge Orlando W. Powers, Democratic nominee for congress, is considered one of the best lawyers in this section of the country. As an orator, public speaker, or pleader at the bar, he has a wide reputation.

Mr. Powers was born at Putneyville, Wayne county, New York, in 1856. At the age of 18 years he entered the University of Michigan law school, having been determined since his earliest boyhood to become an attorney. He took his degree in 1871 and returned home for a few years. Later he moved to Michigan and engaged in the practice of law and in newspaper work. He was active in politics, taking the stump for the Democrats in 1874, and continuing in different capacities until 1888, when he received the appointment of associate justice of Utah. At this time the polygamy cases were before the court. He resigned the following year.

He has been active in Utah politics since his permanent location in the state in 1887. He was sent to the state legislature in 1882 and was chairman of the Democratic state central committee in 1885-6. He stamped Iowa, Illinois, Wyoming and Nebraska with Bryan in '06. Two years later he was a candidate for the United States senate, but the election resulted in no choice.

James H. Moyle.
James H. Moyle, who was nominated for governor at the Democratic state convention yesterday, is a native of Utah, born in Salt Lake City, Sept. 15, 1858. His father, James Moyle, came converted to Mormonism in England and moved to this country at the age of 17. He was a mason and superintended the stone work during the erection of the temple. The son was graduated from the Deseret university in 1878. He was sent on a two years mission to North Carolina. On his return in 1881 he resumed his studies and entered the University of Michigan, graduating from the law department with the class of 1885. On his return to Salt Lake he was chosen assistant city attorney and deputy county attorney. The following fall he was elected county attorney and assistant city attorney. Before his term expired in 1890, he was sent to the state legislature, where, as chairman of the committee on education, he aided in securing the establishment of a deaf and dumb school, reform school and agricultural college. He was sent by the governor to investigate eastern reformatories and was afterwards president and trustee of the Ogden reform school. For years he served as director of the Deseret Agricultural and Manufacturing society.

Mr. Moyle retired from active political life for a time in 1890, the year in which he assisted in the last campaign of the old People's party. He was chairman of the Democratic state committee during the successful campaign of 1898, and conducted the special election the following April when W. H. King was elected to succeed B. H. Roberts as congressman. Four years ago he was the Democratic candidate for governor. He is one of the

leading attorneys of the city and interested in a number of commercial enterprises.

Charles S. Varian.
Charles S. Varian, who has been nominated for the supreme bench, is a native of Dayton, O. He celebrated his sixty-eighth birthday the day after his nomination. He went to California in 1886, where he taught school and read law for a year, and then moved to Nevada. He was admitted to the bar here in 1872. He resided in Reno, Carson City and Virginia City. He held many public offices, among them county treasurer, county clerk, state senator from Humboldt county, United States district attorney, and was speaker of the house of representatives in 1882 and '83.

He opened a law office in Salt Lake in 1882 with W. H. Dickson, then United States attorney. During Harrison's first administration Mr. Varian was appointed United States district attorney. He was a member of the territorial legislature in 1884 and a delegate to the constitutional convention from the fifth precinct. In 1886 he was president of the Salt Lake police and fire commission, which position he resigned the same year in order to study law in Bryan. Mr. Varian sustains a splendid reputation as an attorney and is well known throughout the state. He has been president of the Salt Lake bar association for seven years.

Levi N. Harmon.
Levi N. Harmon, candidate for the position of secretary of state, is 46 years of age. He was born in Spanish Fork, Utah county, but soon after his birth his family removed to Washington county, where he lived until seven years ago. For nine years he was superintendent of the Washington county schools. On moving to Emery county he turned his attention to active business and established the Huntington "Co-Op." Later he extended his business to Carbon county, and established the Price "Co-Op." of which he is at the present time principal owner and manager. In addition he is the reservation freight contractor in that section for the government, also the forwarding

agent for the American Asphaltum & Rubber company. The Price Telephone company, which serves the counties of Price, Carbon and Emery, is partially owned by him. He was elected a member of the state legislature from Emery county in 1900.

Grant C. Bagley.
Grant C. Bagley was born in Big Cottonwood, Utah, in 1872. He was educated at the Latter-day Saints' college in this city. On graduation he entered the milling business, and later became a partner in the firm of Knudson & Bagley. Desiring to study law, he severed his connection with this firm and entered the law department of the University of Michigan, from which he graduated in 1897. He then located in Provo, taking up the practice of law, and has been identified with the politics of that section ever since. Two years ago he was nominated for the position of county attorney, but failed of election.

John W. Geiger.
John W. Geiger of Park City, candidate for state auditor, was born in Burlington, La., thirty-six years ago and has lived in Utah for seventeen years. He graduated from the grade schools and the High school of Burlington and after that completed a course in a business college. He entered the employ of the Pacific Express company when a boy and has steadily advanced from post to post in the service of that company. Fifteen years ago he was appointed agent for the company at Park City, a position he still holds. In addition to his agency for the express company, Mr. Geiger conducts a fire insurance agency and is rated one of

the finest accountants of the state. Mr. Geiger is married and has a son 6 years of age. He is one of the most popular young men of his section of the state and where he is best known he has the warmest friends.

W. B. Wilson.
W. B. Wilson, candidate for state treasurer, is 28 years of age. He was born on a farm in Weber county. He obtained a good public school education, and by dint of perseverance and hard work, managed to work his way to graduation from the High school. On graduation, he taught school fourteen years, and six years ago was elected county superintendent. He has been re-elected twice and holds the position at the present time. For the last two years he has resided in Ogden City.

Nathan T. Porter.
Nathan T. Porter, candidate for election as superintendent of public instruction, is 42 years of age. He was born in Centerville, Davis county, and has always been a resident of that place. He was educated in the public schools and the state university, of which he is a graduate. On graduation he took a post-graduate course at the University of Chicago, and for two years afterward taught school in Davis county. He was then elected county superintendent, a position he occupied until honored with the position of principal of the branch normal school, which he has filled for the last three years. He was recently selected to fill the chair of commerce at the University of Utah.