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THE RESULT

Whether you like or dislike Will Humphrey we believe his defeat for the senate a political as well as commercial mistake so far as Seattle is concerned and we would not be surprised to see George Turner elected instead of Poindexter. So far as the Colored voters are concerned they would fare a thousand times better at the hands of Turner than Poindexter.

Never in the history of the state of Washington did a man aspire for office that had the people's interest so much at heart as did John E. Ballaine, who sought a seat in the house of representatives of Congress, but who was defeated by the same selfish interest (the Guginheims) that has from time to time retarded the progress of Alaska. The local Guginheim interest (the P. I.) openly boasts of having put Dan Landon in the race for the express purpose of beating Ballaine and it did so, it is believed, at the behest of the Guginheim interest. John F. Miller was nominated and he will be elected, but he will be a negligible quantity in Congress and spend the most of his time strutting about the National Capital like a peacock in spring time.

The fight for the governorship at the general election will be between Governor Lister, Democrat, and Henry McBride, Republican. In defeating Roland H. Hartley, a constructive as well as aggressive man was turned down for a man, who wears a grouchy day in and day out. Viewing the two candidates from the stand point of a colored citizen, McBride is preferable to Lister because he is a part of the great Republican family, but he was governor of the state for four years and did nothing for the colored voters and Lister has been governor for four years and he has done no more, so on that score its hoss and hoss. It's true that McBride, when governor smashed the railroad ring, but in doing so he built up a ring of his own, perhaps just as bad. There was little or no contest on the balance of the state ticket save on Mrs. Preston and she won out, which should be exceedingly gratifying to every mother and father in the state.

Some of the results of the county contests were something of a surprise and from our view point very, very regrettable. Even those who voted for Stringer for sheriff did not believe he will enforce the law. They believe he is a speak-easy pussy-footer and in case of serious trouble he will always be found wanting in protecting the public. Jack at best is a poor sample of Republicanism and there can be no great political difference in voting for Ed Cudihoe, the Democratic nominee for the same office.

The nomination of Percy F. Thomas means the perpetuation of a court house ring of parasites, who have not the manhood to get out and make a fight for a living like real men. But being the party nominee, Cayton's Weekly is going to support Thomas the same as the other candidates.

The defeat of Dr. Ghent and Dr. Corson by

Dr. Tiffin shows that the people hit the bull's eye some of the time. He is a splendid man and will be overwhelmingly elected.

Lundin won out and he deserved to do so. He allowed his official record to make his campaign and it successfully did it.

Nothing affords us so much pleasure as the signal victory of Claude C. Ramsay. As said in the campaign, it's the first instance in the history of King county, where a prominent business man, who pays more taxes than the salary of the office, has ever consented to run for a county office and he deserved the big vote he got.

Summing it all up, Cayton's Weekly is not at all disgruntled at the general outcome and it will cheerfully support the ticket from top to bottom with two exceptions.

MAKING GOOD

An enemy's criticism may be more helpful to you than a friend's praise. Whatever stirs up your enthusiasm or strengthens your determination to "make good" is helpful. So many people give up just when they are in sight of the goal. In this world of ours the quitter has little consideration. All work is hard, but it can be made pleasant or distasteful as we elect. The people who were born with the proverbial spoon in their mouths are few and far between. Most people rise by their own individual effort. Things don't come to those who wait; the best things are picked off by the hustlers who go after them.

We are proud of the progress we have made in the past fifty years, and yet there is so much more we could have done had we not been "soft-shelled." That is, "if we had relied more on self and less on our friends of a different hue. As long as we lean on a crutch we are going to walk lame. Thousands of hopeless failures would have been successes if one-half the energy devoted to complaining had been devoted to REAL WORK. In all justice it may be said there was some excuse for us in the past, the door of opportunity was closed; today we have tried it open a good bit, tomorrow and all forthcoming tomorrows it will open wider and wider because we are pushing.

An able-bodied, healthy man or woman who is out of work today and is willing to work has no excuse whatever for being idle. In every section of the country the demand for labor far exceeds the supply, and the wage in consequence is higher than ever before. Even common laborers are receiving as high as two and a half per day, while the skilled mechanic has no limit to his demands, and the probabilities are that this condition will obtain indefinitely. If the European war, which is the direct cause of our prosperity, should come to an end in six months or a year, the countries now engaged in battle would need for years to come every available person to help bring order out of chaos.

With immigration cut off and with an ever increasing demand for American products our mills and factories will be taxed to capacity and every field of endeavor will boom. Fortunately capital is calling our labor through a megaphone; we could have heard had they whispered, and we are rallying to the call with the full consciousness that it is our golden opportunity, the opportunity that we have been waiting to avail ourselves of for years. What the future holds for us depends largely on our own actions. We are on trial, we have a prejudice to fight in the North as strong as the one in the South, though of a slightly different nature. The South has been telling the North that it wasn't in us to make good. The North, never having had any ex-

perience, partially believed the accusation. There are many reasons why we MUST make good; the time for making excuses has past. We have demanded to be placed on the same footing as those of other races; we must paddle our own canoe. Some are going to fall by the wayside; it was ever so, but the great mass have the vision and having the vision will make good. —Chicago Defender.

POLITICAL AFTERMATH

Maine fired the gun that was heard very distinctly at the White House.

Humphrey has had a long run for his money, but the end is in sight.

Dallam might have made a better run for Lee had not his "breeches" been too short.

Between two Democrats, the one that's on the square and in the open should be the more preferable.

Cayton's Weekly got some pretty heavy jolts in the late primary contest, but it's up at 'em again.

Roland Hartley is the liveliest corps that was ever taken to the political bone yard and some day you will believe these words.

The Bone of the late primary contest was the editor of the Post Intelligencer, in the capacity of a political boss, which got badly smashed in the collision with the voters.

Johnny Murphy, Franky Dallam and Georgy Lee marched up the hill and then marched down again with the same order and decorum as did that other army of historic fame.

A political fate similar to that which overtook Jimmy Ghent last Tuesday is in store for Billy Wray and Eddy Palmer. You just wait and see. It's a long road that has no turn.

Thirty-four thousand persons signed initiative No. 24 and yet Lincoln Davis only got 3685 votes. It does not seem to mean much with the wets for one to announce, "I am against prohibition."

A Republican boss is bad enough, but a Democratic boss and hailing from the Knights of the Golden Circle was entirely too strong for Republicans and so they repudiated Boss Bone with a dull sickening thud.

Eastern Washington will have two senators in spite of hell and high water, using the vulgar vernacular of the street, and it matters not whether Poindexter or Turner is elected, there will be one Republican and one Democrat in the senate.

Dan Landon, so goes the story, was thrown into the fight by the P. I. boss in order to defeat Ballaine, but he not only defeated Ballaine, but Whitney as well and permitted Miller, the P. I.'s arch enemy to be nominated. He that diggett a ditch for his neighbor will himself fall therein.

The nomination of Percy Thomas practically assures the court house parasites another four year tenure of office, thereby giving to them twenty years in the court house. The men seem to have fought with a desperation that meant, "unless we win our paracritical fight we will become paupers."