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## POLITICAL POT - PIE

Now that the Supreme court has settled the question of this state electing a governor this year and which takes the prospective gubernatorial fight out of politics for two years to come, the senatorial question at once jumps into all absorbing importance and despite the fact that three congressmen and a supreme judge are to be nominated, nevertheless the senatorial question is the principle topic in political circles at present. There perhaps would not be so much senatorial talk this year if the holdover senators would not have to vote for another United States senator two years from now and of course this makes the senatorial fight doubly interesting. Notwithstanding the fact that the fight is attracting much attention in political circles, nevertheless it is surprising how few candidates there are who have really announced their intention of making a fight for the place at the hands of the next legislature.

The announced candidates as have been previously published in these columns for United States senator, are: Ex-Senator John L. Wilson, Hon. Levi Ankeny, and State Senator Harold Preston. These are announced candidates owing to the fact that the counties from which each of them have endorsed their candidacies and shaped their political affairs to that end. Though there are other very large counties and other distinct sections of the state that have heretofore been interesting factors in the senatorial fight, yet this year they have drifted into a state of "innocuous desuetude," and though they may have favorite sons galore, yet those sons seem adverse to being put forward as field candidates. In the past we northwest always had a standing candidate for United States senator in the person of Mr. McMillan of San Juan Island, but he seems to have run his course and no longer desires to measure senatorial arms with Wilson and Ankeny.

"Who will be elected United States senator?" is a question that a good many politicians in this state just now would like to have authentically announced, for, if it was, they would know when and where to jump into the band wagon in order that they could get a federal job at the hands of the successful candidate. Thus far the honors seem pretty evenly divided between Ankeny, Preston and Wilson, and numerically speaking they seem to have pledged to them, providing all of the nominees pledge to each of them be elected, about the same number for the opening of the legislature. Perhaps Mr. Ankeny will lead Mr. Preston and then perhaps Mr. Preston will lead Mr. Ankeny on the first ballot as to the number of votes, but it will be of no significance whichever way it is. If Mr. Ankeny permits Mr. Preston to lead him he will do so to bring about a result for he will have a reserve in Mr. Preston's ranks which will come to his support at any time. If Mr. Preston leads Mr. Ankeny on the first ballot he will have reached his high water mark and will have gotten every vote that he possibly will ever get unless more comes by trade to prevent a deadlock, which is hardly probable. Mr. Wilson will doubtless go into the fight with about thirty-five votes and it can be safely said unless a Democratic landslide should upset the Republican calculations that the other two candidates will have pretty nearly as many votes as Mr. Wilson. Now if the followers of each of these aspirants go into the fight with the intention of either electing their candidate or deadlocking the legislature and not permitting any one to be elected the results will be similar to those of 1895 when John B. Allen was defeated for re-election by the stubbornness of the George Turner men, but this is not expected. There is no doubt but that the Preston forces will go to pieces before the forces of either of the other two candidates and either Wilson or Ankeny will be elected in that case in a very few minutes after the break up comes.

"Who is the strong man as to Wilson and Ankeny?" is the puzzling question just now. Should there ever come a break in the Preston forces the friends of both Wilson and Ankeny claim that each of the big senatorial aspirants will break even with the other in King and Pierce counties and then the rub will come in the smaller counties where both of the men are said to be very strong. It is not believed by sensible politicians that Harold Preston is the stalking horse of any senatorial aspirant and certainly not one for John L. Wilson. It will be remembered that Mr. Preston was so unalterably opposed to the election of Mr. Wilson in 1899, that he bolted a Republican caucus rather than to

see A. G. Foster nominated, because he was Wilson's choice in preference to Levi Ankeny. Subsequently Mr. Preston's political manipulations have all been antagonistic to Wilson, and if he has turned stalking horse for Wilson he believes his past political actions and is absolutely an object for ridicule and mistrust. There is no denying the fact, however, but that it is to the political interests of both Wilson and Ankeny to keep Mr. Preston in the field as long as possible in order to prevent the other fellow from being elected. If Harold Preston has thirty-five votes in the legislature at the opening of the session that thirty-five votes will be his only nominally, not that they have any intention whatever of betraying the political trusts imposed in them by their respective county conventions, in instructing them to vote for Harold Preston and to use all honorable means to secure his election, but the inevitable will stare them in the face and they will then attempt to make the best bargain they can for their county by joining issues with some man that will help them get a United States senator if possible two years from that time.

The politician who thinks that Mr. Ankeny will not be a powerful factor in the next legislative senatorial scrap reasons without his host. Mr. Ankeny will certainly go to the legislature having more first call votes than either of the other senatorial aspirants and he is backed by some of the shrewdest political manipulators in the state. And again, if it be true as has been charged, that he is the railroad candidate, he certainly will make a strong pull for the election by disrupting as soon as possible the Preston forces. Of course a great many politicians, who are in the politics for what there is in it, and who have supported Mr. Ankeny for United States senator in and out of season, are not so anxious after all to see him elected because the political cow that has been giving such large measures of milk, which has been distributed among the faithful

## SPOKANE POLITICS

Spokane, August 13.

During the week Presidents Hill, Mellen and Mohler, of the railroad companies, have been jollying the farmers of the Big Bend and Palouse countries and have attempted to show that the roads are doing everything in their power to benefit the ranchers and are willing to make all manner of sacrifices even to a reduction in their own profits if it will assist the farmers to derive greater revenues from their crops. The railroad magnates emphasized their former statements that they wanted nothing to do with the politicians. They went further and confidentially assured their new friends that the politicians were rascals and legislators were a useless lot of politicians who didn't want to help the farmers and couldn't help them if they did want to and that no amount of legislation would reduce rates. Then to show them that they, the railroads, really were the only true friends the farmers had, they agreed to reduce the rate on wheat to the Coast over a cent a bushel; that this would be done in spite of the fact that the roads already were hauling the grain at a very low rate and that the reduction granted might seriously lessen the dividends. The ranchers cheered Mr. Hill and the other presidents and cheered still more vigorously when the reduction in rates was promised, but they took with some mental reservations the statements of the suddenly developed friendship which the roads have for them. The reduction granted is only about one-third what the farmers had asked and hoped for, yet it is a material reduction which will be appreciated. But the question of interest to every one in the state, and of still greater interest to Mr. Hill and his associates is, what will be the effect on the coming state convention of the Republican party and on the minds of the legislators who will be sent to Olympia next winter. The roads hope the reduction granted will satisfy the farmers so they will not demand action at the hands of the next legislature. They hope it will give them a weapon which will prevent the coming state convention from adopting a strong railroad commission plank. The representatives of the roads will say to the delegates from the ranch counties: "Do not insist on the adoption of a commission plank, or the passage of railway legislation. The legislature every session for years has attempted to do these things but you the farmers have received no benefits from all this toagitation and never will. The rail-

for so many years, would at once go dry. Mr. Ankeny once elected to the United States senate would never again contribute a five-cent piece to the political horde that hangs after him year in and year out. He would no longer have to give such men as Tom Fisk political salaries and send them to first this and that county, and for that reason many of the ardent advocates of Mr. Ankeny would prefer by far to see him defeated again that they could bleed him in 1904 as they have succeeded in doing in the past two senatorial scraps.

On the other hand, the political workers of Mr. Ankeny, who are superstitiously inclined, believe that his third experience will prove the charm; they believe that he is going to win next year because he has been twice defeated for the place. They reason that he already has more votes than any one else among the holdover senators and that he has a shade the best of it in the nominations that have been made by the various Republican county conventions. They believe that if Mr. Ankeny can break even with Mr. Wilson in King and Pierce counties and that if the Democrats will defeat half of Mr. Wilson's nominees in Spokane county Mr. Ankeny stands a splendid show of being elected. But the Wilson advocates on the other hand seldom ever get cold feet in politics and they believe that Wilson single handed and alone without money or means save and except his political sagaciousness can successfully measure arms with Mr. Ankeny, notwithstanding the fact that the latter has money by the bushels to put in the campaign while the former has nothing, as said above, but his sagaciousness to combat that vast amount of money.

Despite the fact that the supreme court has held that but one judge instead of three are to be nominated and elected next fall, Hon. John E. Humphreys says that he is still a candidate and will be until the convention says no. He believes that Judge Hadley can be and will be easily beaten. He seems to be of the opinion that both Wilson and Ankeny will see to it that no more appointments or nominations go to the northwest. That section has

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## Current Comment.

**Cramp's Shipyard.**  
One of the most extensive as well as valuable manufacturing plants in the United States is to be found in Cramp's shipyard in Philadelphia. The yard was begun by William Cramp in 1830 and he personally worked continuously in it for forty-nine years. The yard at present covers an area of forty-six acres, while the docks, which accommodate the output of the plant, cover six and one-half acres more, making the total area 52.4 acres. The output from the yard during its entire existence has been 321 vessels and 220 engines ranging in horse power from 500 to 32,000. Of the 321 vessels twenty-five have been United States men-of-war. The following are the various vessels that the Cramps have built for the United States navy: Baltimore, Yorktown, Vesuvius, Massachusetts, Philadelphia, Newark, New York, Columbia, Minneapolis, Indiana, Brooklyn, Iowa, Alabama, Maine, Colorado and Pennsylvania. During the civil war the Cramps built the New Ironsides, the Wyalusing, the Yazoo, and the Chattanooga, and four transports. William Cramp, the founder of the yard, died in 1897, but some years previous to his death he incorporated his firm changing the name from William Cramp & Sons to that of William Cramp Ship and Engine Building Company, which is its present name.

**Property Untaxed.**  
From a statistical report sent out from Greater New York it is learned that real estate of the appraised value of \$500,000,000 in New York county is exempt from taxation. The following accurately describes the various properties and their values, which are not taxed for neither state nor governmental purposes:  
The valuation of the land of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine is \$2,200,000; of St. Patrick's cathedral and its site, \$3,600,000; of Trinity church and its cemetery, \$6,000,000.

The most valuable exempt site in The Bronx outside of its parks is Woodlawn cemetery, valued at \$2,250,000. The Jerome Park reservoir is valued at \$2,000,000, the New York university at \$400,000, the Washington bridge at \$250,000, and the Third avenue bridge at the same figure.  
The present custom house is valued at \$2,800,000, Fulton market at \$500,000, the Criminal Courts building at \$1,500,000, the Henry Street school at \$350,000, St. Mark's church and cemetery on Second avenue at \$192,000, the Astor library at \$250,000, Cooper Union at \$600,000, the blind asylum at Thirty-fourth street and Ninth avenue at \$825,000, the Ninth Regiment armory at \$500,000, the state arsenal at Thirty-Fifth street and Seventh avenue at \$600,000, the Masonic temple at \$1,000,000, Bellevue hospital at \$1,600,000, Roosevelt hospital at \$825,000, Normal college at \$900,000, Presbyterian hospital at \$1,200,000, St. Luke's Hospital at \$1,500,000, and the General Theological seminary at \$1,250,000.

**Of the Same Name.**  
Some Washington correspondent, who had more time than money, has found out that the House of Representatives at Washington, D. C., at present has two Congressmen Allen, two Congressmen Ball, two Congressmen Butler, two Congressmen Cooper, two Congressmen Foster, two Congressmen Gaines, three Congressmen Henry, two Congressmen Jackson, two Congressmen Jones, two Congressmen Powers, two Congressmen Richardson, two Congressmen Robinson, six of the name of Smith, two of Stewart, two of Taylor, two of Tompkins, and two of Williams.

**Back Yard Mines.**  
Digging in back yards has proved a paying proposition in two recent instances. A few days ago while a woman in Sunnyside, Washington, was digging in her back yard she unearthed \$50.00 in gold and silver coins. She reported the fact and the real owner appeared and satisfactorily proved to her that he had previously lost the money, but he was not a bit hoggish and divided it up with her. Still more recently a man was put to digging in the back yard of a Wisconsin woman and after opening quite a hole she observed from a window that he was examining a bottle, which he had unearthed, and she too at once became interested in it and on examination found that it contained a sum of money. After convincing the man that the property belonged to her she continued the digging and at last reports she had unearthed bottles containing gold and greenbacks amounting to \$1,000. It is thought that there is still much more money buried thereabouts as a diagram in one of the bottles seemed to indicate as much. Years ago the place was owned by a Dr. Shuerman, who was a very eccentric person; he died without leaving any information as to his wealth, if he had any, and his wife, who took charge of the farm, sold it for \$10,000 and she subsequently remarried. It is believed that vast sums of money were buried about the

place by him and that the diagram will lead to the discovery of much of his hidden treasures.

**Consumption Curable.**  
And now comes Professor Hoff, an eminent specialist in Vienna and declares that consumption is curable. The New York Journal, being somewhat skeptical on that point has sent Fred Hamann a patient suffering with hasty consumption to Vienna to be treated by the professor. Periodically some one bobs up and declares that he can cure the worst stages and cases of consumption and for the time being gets a vast amount of cheap newspaper notoriety, and, perhaps, makes large sums of money out of his misrepresentation, but in a few years, like Brown Squard Elixir of life, it falls of its own weight and consumption goes right on killing everyone it lays its canny hands on. Scientists may sooner or later discover a cure for consumption, but it has not done so up to this writing and the probabilities are it will not do so for a good many years yet to come.

## BROTHER IN BLACK

**Policemen Have Objections.**  
If current reports be true the policemen of the city of Seattle do not take kindly to the prospects of an Afro-American being placed on the force as a regular patrolman. Not long since one Samuel A. Thorn, a well-known colored man of this city, took the examination to perform the duties of a police patrolman, and, be it said to his credit, he passed the best examination that has been acted upon by the civil service board for a good many months. Mr. Thorn's creditable examination and high standing was certified to by the secretary of the board and his name sent to the chief of police as satisfactory in every respect to fill any vacancy that might occur on the police force. This having come to the ears of those policemen who had already been put to work, grumblings of discontent, were heard among them which culminated in a double-headed article appearing in a morning paper of this city branding any attempt on the part of Afro-Americans to get on the police force as foolish and absurd, and which the policemen themselves would resent if ever done. That is to say, judging from the tone of the article which the policemen themselves must have made up a jack pot and paid for the publication thereof, if Mr. Thorn is ever put to work the balance of the police force will either strike then and there or make it so uncomfortable for him by intimidation and humiliation that he (Thorn) will resign in a few hours after he has been ordered out for duty.

**Why is This?**  
After one has carefully scanned over the personnel of the police force of this city, talked to some, learned from their examination papers their educational qualifications and hunted up their social status in the city they certainly must conclude that the respectable Afro-American opposed by such a conglomerated mess of poisoned purps would feel much like the tramp that was run over by a sloop cart, in

## SEATTLE SPIRIT

**Peanut Vender.**  
One would hardly expect to find a man who had won the enviable title of "professional farmer," in Seattle running a lemonade stand, where, to say the least, not more than a couple of dollars a day come his way, and yet that old gentleman, who is known throughout the entire Northwest as Farmer Todd, can be seen sitting in front of a little lemonade store every day down in South Seattle waiting for overheated persons to wander his way to spend a nickel for a glass of ice cold lemonade. At one time Farmer Todd was said to be a prosperous farmer of Mason county, but he turned political and for years galvanized about over the state looking for an office and incidentally advocating political reform and as a result he is now neither a farmer nor a politician, but a peanut vender. Ninety-nine times out of a hundred such fell all men, who forsake their chosen professions to enter the political arena.

**Presto Changed.**  
J. H. Ryan, who was in Spokane prior to and after the holding of the late Republican primaries in that county, is thoroughly convinced that it is not always the man who says most that does most. Prior to the holding of the primaries, Mr. Ryan says, it seemed utterly impossible to find a Wilson man throughout Spokane county, and yet Wilson carried the county by an overwhelming majority two days later. Wilson and his men allowed the other fellows to do all the filibustering and then they set their little machine to work a couple of days prior to the holding of the primaries and when the other fellows woke up the next morning they found that the machine had gone off and there was nothing to it so far as they were politically concerned. Then it was that Mr. Ryan was more astonished than before to hear men, who, the day before the primaries, were bitter enemies to Wilson apparently, but who the day after were warm Wilson supporters and flocked around the little man wherever he appeared on the streets so overjoyed were they in his success. Someone has written: "It is not all gold that glitters," and it could be as equally and aptly said, all is not truth that is spoken.

**Hot Air Scraps.**  
Tacoma and Seattle papers are continuing to drub the editorial life out of each other over the bank clear-

## REPUBLICAN AT IT

Recently at a meeting of the state Republican executive committee of Alabama it was decided to admit no delegates to the state convention, which is to be held in Birmingham September 16th to nominate a full state ticket, except legal voters, that is to say, legal voters from an Alabama standpoint. In case this resolution is carried out to the letter it will mean that even the Republican party has gone in to the disfranchisement of the Negroes of that state and have adopted the ideas advanced by Henry C. Paine, the organizing of a white Republican party in the South. Whether or not the elimination of the Negro from the Republican party in the South will bring about a better state of feeling and divide up the southerners on political matters, remains to be seen, but though it does so it looks as though the Republican party has tired of trying to make citizens of the Negro and will join issues with the Negro's worst political enemy and completely crush him out. In those states where the Negro is given the same elective franchise rights as other men he seems to do just about as well from a voting standpoint as any other nationality, and it is barely possible that not only the Republicans of Alabama, but the Democrats likewise are making a sad mistake in trying to prevent any orderly well behaved people from becoming citizens and exercising all the rights and privileges that are given to other men whether they be white or black.

**New York Negroes.**  
An Associated Press correspondent from New York notes the fact that the colored men of that city are becoming much more conspicuous in performing outdoor labor than has ever before been noticed in that city. In much of the work that is going on therein large numbers of colored men are being daily employed and the striking feature of the employment of colored labor, is that in many instances large gangs of foreign white men are under colored bosses. The Associated Press correspondent asserts that there

## ARE YOU WITHOUT SIN?

Superintendent Youngs of the lighting and water departments of this city has been criticizing the Sunset Telephone Company. Perhaps no one can unduly criticize the Telephone Company for it apparently deserves all the censure that can be heaped upon it, but for Superintendent Youngs to criticize either the Telephone company or any other company whether right or wrong seems so utterly out of place that it is qualified to make even a mule laugh. Perhaps no man having similar duties devolved upon him in any city in the United States is deserving of more public criticism or censure than Superintendent Youngs, and, if he were not a willing tool of Mayor Humos and a few of the councilmen, such as James and Parry, he would have been bounced out of the office years ago, and if he had the city would not be many thousands of dollars better off. Mr. Youngs at present is allowing the city to be dupped out of thousands of dollars by Mr. Parry's

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