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POLITICAL POT - PIE

Talk about your claps of thunder from a clear sky, but the bulletin from Olympia last Saturday evening to the effect that Governor McBride had appointed R. B. Albertson as the fifth judge for King county, the place recently created by the Eighth legislature, but none was never more startling than that one. James B. Murphy had been recommended by the bar association and it was very generally believed that the matter was settled, but the governor had a few old scores to even up with Seattle and therefore he ignored any recommendation that a majority of her citizens might make and appointed a man, who has been repeatedly turned down by the people for that and similar positions. The governor seems to be such a man as is ever ready to exterminate any one that will brook an opinion or an idea advocated by him and this fully explains why he appointed Albertson instead of Murphy.

The appointment of Albertson does not give general satisfaction as has been said by an evening Democratic paper and those attorneys quoted by it who claimed to be voicing the public sentiment declaring that Albertson was even more pleasing to the rank and file of the people of this county than Murphy, were for the most part Southern Democrats, who are always trying to get some man hailing from the South in public positions of trust and honor, and, if they cannot get a Democrat, then they will pull for a man who is a Republican for selfish ends, just so he is from the South. The majority of the people of this city and county know that Albertson should not have been appointed and the Republican knows it only too well, and it is now gathering a few facts, which it proposes to publish in full in the near future, showing why R. B. Albertson should not sit as one of the superior court judges of this county and state. The Pie-maker promises to not leave a stone unturned to present every phase in the case and in many instances the statements will be accompanied by affidavits.

At the next election King county will have to elect five superior court judges and with the prospects of the legislature increasing their salaries to \$6,000 per annum there will be no end to candidates seeking the positions. If there are not at least one hundred candidates before the next Republican county convention seeking one of these five places then the Pie-maker will greatly miss his guess. As to whether any of the present judges will be renominated is nothing short of pure speculation at this writing. While all of them have made good officials, yet with so many of them to nominate there necessarily will be a world of trading done and when the delegates to a county convention start to trading it is hard to predict who will turn up with the lucky number.

The moral wave that is sweeping over the country and which is very pronounced in this city and county, as well as other counties of this state, promises, if it becomes permanent, to cut quite a figure in political circles next year. If the gambling dens of this city are driven completely out of business and their proprietors sent to state prison, politicians who in the past have had an immortal cinch on getting a backing from the gambling house bosses for protection while in office will have to make some new alliances if they expect to still be political leaders and bosses. It will no longer be possible to make a deal with the Clancy boys and get the en-

tire First ward and likewise a part of the Second, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth. That will be a source of strength that will be controlled by others in the future if the moral wave becomes effective.

The mantle of Hon. John W. Pratt is about to fall upon Robert Booth, who for many years was an office disciple of his. It is generally conceded at this writing that the city council will appoint Mr. Booth as grade tax collector for Seattle, the position so ably filled by Mr. Pratt for the past eight years. Booth is a well known Third ward politician and a very studious and trustworthy young lawyer. He has been a consistent Republican and having gotten most valuable experience from Mr. Pratt in this line there is no doubt but that he can serve the council in this capacity more acceptably than any one else it could appoint.

Much has been said about the perfidy of the thirteen members of the legislature who signed the caucus petition at Olympia to settle the senatorial question, but one would hardly think any of them very much hated by the citizens of this city when they appear on the streets so cordial is the reception given them. The fact of the matter is, ninety-five per cent of the citizens of Seattle being bitterly opposed to the railroad commission bill, would rather have lost the senator than to have seen that odious measure become a law of this state. Seattle is opposed to the measure almost from stem to gudgeon and if the selection of a senator from this county meant the passage of that bill then no senator was wanted. In this connection it would be well to state that the citizens of Seattle have not lost sight of one governor, who is responsible for their awkward political predicament, and if they ever get an opportunity to hand him a political bunch of it all doubled up they will certainly do so.

The appointment of Senator Turner as one of the Alaska boundary commissioners has given a new lease of political life to that official parasite. It was given out a few weeks ago that he was to open up spacious offices in the Spokane as the resident counsel for the Canadian Pacific, but when a political office showed up all that talk went to the winds and he grabbed the office post haste.

In the future if Seattle expects to get anything from the Republican conventions and legislatures the Pie-maker suggests that she select some one of her shrewdest and most sagacious politicians as a political boss, yea political dictator if you please. In years past Seattle had a political boss and was always on top, but when she discarded that political personage at the behest of a few pig-headed jealous political upstarts, ever since she has been the foot ball for every little two by four county in the state. Pierce county has a political boss today and Pierce county from that very fact is dictating the politics of the state. Pierce county with ten less votes in the legislature had more to say about distributing the patronage and the election of a United States senator than King county. Pierce county, with not as many delegates in the state convention by half, had more to say as to who would be nominated on the state ticket than King county, all because she has a political boss, who is looking out for Pierce county. Let the politicians and business men of Seattle and King county take a tumble to themselves and select a political boss, autocrat or any-

thing you are a mind to term him, and tell him to go out and kill and eat, but to never come back if he does not bring something with him for the good of King county.

"I am looking for a suitable candidate for mayor," came from a well known politician one day this week, who was seen wandering up and down the streets as though he had lost a five dollar note and really expected to find it again. This is repeated to call attention to the fact that the question as to whom the Republicans will nominate for mayor one year from now has already begun to disturb the quiet of the politicians. The name of H. A. Frederick, of Frederick & Nelson, has been mentioned in this connection and is meeting some favor. The name of F. W. Hurlbut, of the firm of Spelger & Hurlbut, is also receiving some consideration and much favorable comment by the people are being made by the people thereon. The name of Frank H. Paul is again being talked of. If he will permit the use of his name he will make a splendid fight for the nomination. Sam Rathbun is also being talked of in this connection. Sam is very popular and would have been mayor today if he had allowed his friends to boost him for the place. He, however, is averse to being mayor and it is barely possible that he will again refuse the proffered honor.

The Seattle Republican has ordered Gov. McBride to leave the Republican party and seek an alliance with the Democrats. It now remains to be seen whether the governor will obey the order or not.—Elma Chronicle.

He can either obey it or not, but that's his only show of continuing a political boss. As a Republican boss his days are numbered and like his Seattle protegee, he will soon be lost in the sea of Innocuous Desuetude, which seldom gives up its victims. The governor need not go if he is not thoroughly satisfied, but he will miss an opportunity if he does not and the Pie-maker having some admiration for his fighting qualities, merely offers the above as a friendly suggestion.

MIKE DOOGEN EXPLAINS

Dear fayther

Limerick Ireland

Seattle, City Haul
Jin 1903.

Whin oi rote yez before things was lively. We "sivin" was busy wid lots uv things there was Jim Hills tunnel an ole Burke thout the "sivin" uv us wud stan fur that on account uv our luv fur Uncle Abraham the awdashus cuss wantin somethin fur nothin, what cud he be thinkin we was there fur, oir helth or hissen. It makes ivery dhrop uv onest blud in me hole body bilin hot. Oi hev bin towld he wanted Abraham to turn us over to him but Abraham sez, sez he the Seattle Electric Kompany is the fayther uv onesty and thim "sivin" bys is its offsprings, if yez pay half the ixpinse yez kin have half the "profits" Howsumiver we got ixamined all the same an whin they found that we was sit forninst korrupt an graspin soulless korporations thin and not till thin we lit thim make the tunnel. Spakin uv ixpinse oi want to tell yez my salary is sivinty five dollars a month, my ixpinse is about wan hundred dollars a month an oim savin up about tin thousand dollars in two years Yez kin figger that yoursilf, uv course yez cant, Uncle Abraham showed yez luv in sun how to do that Fayther oi till yez hese a grate mon, an now on the top uv all his gratenes an goodness an honesty an virtue—spakin uv his virtue ef yez knowed the demands on his virtue yez wud die laffin—well on top uv all this Fayther Abraham has got the universal religion. Phen oi heard that, oi sed holy poker phat in hell is that now, an is it any thin to do wid the sivin uv us

Oi called a matin uv the "sivin" an sez bys Fayther Abram is got the universal religun, phat the devil that is and phat it will do to us oi dont know, the result uv the matin was this resolution,

Resolved

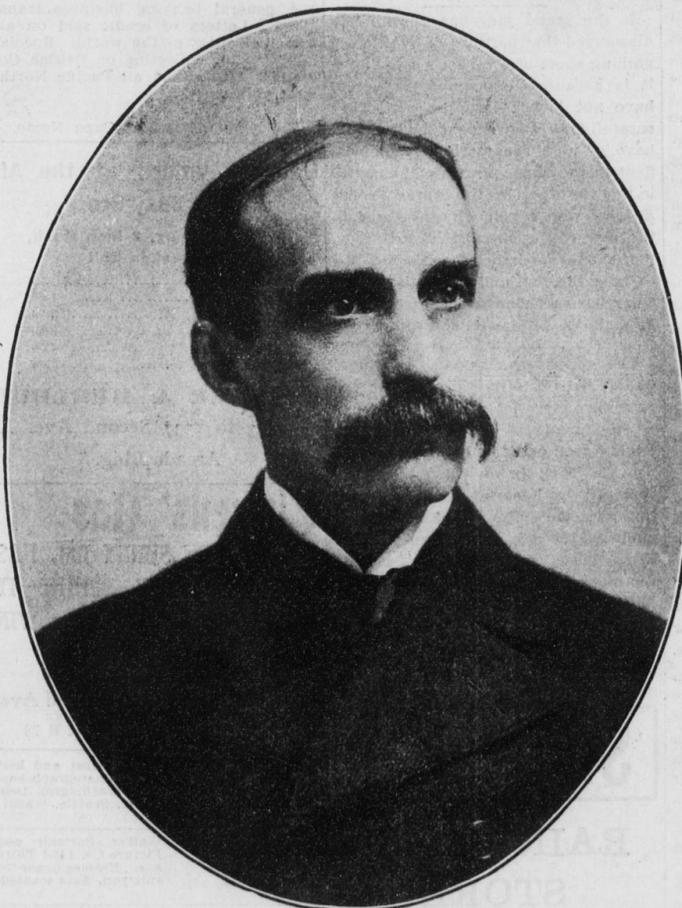
That we is forninst korrupt an soulless thavin korporations an in favor of universal religun an that Bro. Moike Doogen shall see Bro. Abraham an find out phat kind uv religun that is. Thin oi went to his place an thinkin to plaze him oi sez sez oi Deere Bro—none if that Moike Doogen sez he, out wid it how much do yez want this time, its infurmaton oi want not money, oi want to know have yez got universal religun, yez sez he, how much sez oi, all oi need sez he, be gad sez oi, now thin sez oi will yez answer some more questions, yez sez he, all roight sez oi, phat kind uv religun is it makes a man take fifty thousand dollars city funds an loan it to his son-in-law, universal religun sez he, good sez oi, phat kind uv religun is it makes a mon collect tin thousand dollars intrust on skool bonds that have not been sold Universal religun sez he, good sez oi, phat kind uv religun is it that makes a man settle a poineers estate and furgit to divide wid the family and stale mostly all uv it, universal religun sez he, good sez oi, phat kind uv religun is it makes a man take a poor friendless woman an kape her in good stile an fine clothes and big breast pins and sale skin coat an galluns of perfumery and long heels on her shoes an shampain suppers an good atein all the toime, universal religun sez he, good sez oi. Thin sez oi phat kind uv religun is it that makes a mon kape the Snoqualmie lights out uv this town an buy the power fur 19 cints an kompil the payble to pay 100 cints for the same quantity coming from the same source, an he sez universal religun; good sez oi, then oi sez sez oi, hev yez got a korner on it. He sez, sez he, oive got it all, Oim "it." Thin he throwed his arms around me an' fell on me buzum an' hurried my diamond shirt stud in the ind uv his romun nose an' oi saw his hind droppin' on a book marked—

"Universal Religun" and David Argyle on the other side.

Oi picked it up wiped the blud off an found a poker deck—of konfiscated that and now they will be some Universal Religun in the Doogen family

Your luv in sun

MOIKE DOOGEN, City Haul, Seattle.



JOHN L. WILSON.

connected in the city of Seattle has been growing so rapidly that it has required the attention of all those interested in the same. So I am here to look after my business, and if there is any way that I can contribute to the growth, development and prosperity of Seattle, Puget Sound or the State of Washington, I will be glad to aid."

A reporter of our paper called upon Ex-Senator Wilson in his office in the P-I building this week, and propounded the following interrogative to him:

"Senator, do you expect to take up your residence in Seattle?"

"I have taken up my residence in Seattle. My interests have become so large that it became necessary that I should do my share in looking after the same. In making this change I cannot but say that I moved from Spokane with the greatest feelings of regret. I have resided in that city for twenty years. I have seen it grow from a small village to a beautiful city, and have tried to contribute something, with the other citizens, to its advancement, growth and prosperity. Whatever political honors I have received in this state, the people of Spokane and Spokane county have stood by me and assisted me, and I feel now, and always shall feel, a deep sense of gratitude for the same, and I parted with my old friends and acquaintances in Spokane with the very greatest regret. However, at my time of life, it was necessary that I look after the material side of affairs and try to get something together for my old age, and, as I said before, the property with which I am