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THE UPLIFTERS.

Oh, many ten cent men go forth to boost the Peepul's cause; throughout the land, East, West, South, North, you hear their clashing jaws. And some are ordinary skates who've always sought the spoils; the cheap old chronic candidates who work the man who tolls. And there are hosts of also rans who hope some snags to win, and now are full of pious plans to turn the rascal in. And there are men whose soaring strains stir up the soul to thrills, who, when they're home between campaigns, don't pay their grocers' bills. Before you get a real reform you'll have to dump these gents who all their days have raised a storm—and never earned ten cents. The lily-fingered chaps who shriek about the toiler's woes, would perish if they worked a week in old blue denim clothes. They promise helpful laws and bills, and size you up for loons; they care no more about your ills than Caesar cares for prunes. The man who never shed his coat or knew the world's rough knocks, should never get a worker's vote, no odds how loud he talks. When windsmiths and aristocrats propose to raise your pay, just breathe some reference to rats, and vote the other way.

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JOHN M. HAINES' BUSINESS IDEALS.

John M. Haines is making his campaign for governor of this state upon an alleged record as a business man. The Capital News has given to the public a portion of that business record which is contained in the public and official records of the state.

It is with no pleasure that this paper feels called upon to do this, but it cannot shirk its duty to the public. Whether it shall feel called upon to give any more of that record, of which his life here and elsewhere is so filled, depends upon the apparent necessity for it. If the people know the record, then they can act as they see fit. If that record shows Haines to be their ideal for governor, we shall have no objection to interpose to their will. If, however, they believe as we do that the very record of which he so boasts, shows him to be an improper man to elevate to any such position, they are all the more entitled to have that record.

Some of his partisan press over the state have laid claims for him which will startle even his warmest and closest friends and associates by their unexpectedness from any thing they have ever known of him.

But his record as disclosed by official examination and official report by expert officers of three states shows his business ideals as nothing else could show them. If a man boasts of his business qualifications and ideals those qualifications and ideals should be set before the people, if he is a candidate for office, so that they may judge whether or not his ideals are their ideals and whether they want him to carry such ideals into the public business of the state.

How would such ideals, for instance, work out in the chairman of a land board having control and jurisdiction over millions of dollars of permanent and common school funds; over millions of dollars worth of eastern money invested in Carey act projects; over other millions of dollars worth of money invested by small settlers under such projects; of the sale of thousands and thousands of acres of timber lands to great timber syndicates annually; of the leasing of hundreds of thousands of acres of farming and grazing lands to rich and covetous sheep owners who are now backing him so closely to get him into the position where he will have charge of these matters?

There are business men and business men, just as there are business ideals and business ideals. When a man bases his claims for public office to his business qualifications and his business ideals, the people have a right to know how he construes these points himself—to know what standard he has set for himself.

As an illustration of the point: It is related of a certain mayor of a certain city, that the agent of a rich man desired to purchase a pest house site from the city to be included in a swell residential addition contemplated to the city. The agent sought to close a deal with the city for the purchase of the site which would make some four blocks in the new addition. Terms were agreed upon, so the story goes, and the deal was about to be closed, when the mayor remarked:

"Of course, it is understood that I am to have one of these blocks?"

"Why," said the agent, "I hadn't thought about it, but I suppose we would as soon sell you a block as any one else."

"I didn't say anything about buying a block," was the mayor's reply. "This is simply a business proposition. It cost me several thousand dollars to be elected mayor, and I've got to make it back somehow."

Now, this may be a fable, but it represents a point. It shows one idea of a "business" man. To our way of thinking, it represents a brand which the people of Idaho do not desire to have in office. That is why they want to know just what standard of "business" man Mr. Haines is.

During Mr. Haines' administration, it was charged, and never denied, so far as we recall, and if it was denied, it was falsely so denied, that a large sum of money, amounting, as we now recall, to something like \$1000 a month was paid monthly for a time in this city by prostitutes and gamblers, the money being placed in an envelope, addressed to the Mysterious "John Brown," who regularly and at appointed times, called for it.

Now, that likewise might be considered by some as good "business" foresight or judgment, but we do not

believe it is the kind the people of Idaho like. Mr. Haines' record in this and other regards was such that the people of this city, Republican by many hundreds, defeated him for re-election upon his record and elected for the first and only time in the city's history, a Democrat, running upon a straight Democratic ticket at the same time that Mr. Haines ran on a straight Republican ticket.

Mr. Haines cannot carry this city this fall because the people here do not approve of him as a "business" man, if that is what he prefers to designate himself. If the rest of the people of the state knew him as well, he would not carry a single county in Idaho, and we do not believe he will do so, outside of the special interest and corporation controlled counties of the southeast.

THE EVIDENCE THAT IS CONVINCING.

Senator Borah furnishes all the answer that is required to the questions and suggestions made by Secretary Davis of the Republican state central committee relative to reading the evidence of the theft of Taft's nomination. Senator Borah gave the answer in his first speech at Meridian, and challenged and goaded by the standpat and reactionary Coeur d'Alene Press, he gave it again in that city last Saturday night.

Now, the so-called and alleged "evidence" that Mr. Davis asks the people to read, is no more nor less than a synopsis of one side of the real evidence, a synopsis made by an attorney, just as he would do in an effort to present the very best side of his case to a jury, regardless of the real and actual evidence which the jury must consider in reaching a verdict. As every citizen knows, it would have to be a mighty poor lawyer, representing a mighty poor case, if he could not take the most favorable view possible of the evidence as presented by his side, and make a very fair and plausible argument out of it. It is such "evidence" that Captain Davis asks the people of Idaho to consider as against the deliberate judgment of Senator Borah who sat and heard all the evidence as a judge and juror and not as paid attorney for either side. Senator Borah sat there in judgment for and on behalf of the people of Idaho and of the people of the nation. He heard it all on both sides and he heard the arguments of the paid and volunteer attorneys for both sides. When he returns to the state a candidate for re-election knowing that upon the justice of his findings of fact and conclusions as so reported depends his success or defeat at the polls—when he does that, the people of Idaho are going to be satisfied, and no amount of pettyfogging on the part of Secretary Davis and no quantity of printed matter containing the pleadings of co-conspirators in the theft, is going to outweigh his deliberate judgment.

Fortunately, however, the people of Idaho do not need to depend upon the correctness of the conclusions, or the infallibility of the judgment of Senator Borah alone. Senator Clency St. Clair, himself a lawyer of great ability, also sat as a judge and juror in this case. He also heard all the evidence and he heard the arguments of the counsel. Senator St. Clair has stated not only that the nomination was stolen, but that a conspiracy was entered into by representatives of the privileged wealth of the nation, deliberately to perpetrate the theft. This is so well known and was so evident in and about Taft headquarters at the Chicago convention that members of the conspiracy freely admitted that they proposed to steal all the votes necessary—the only occasion they had for worry was to know just how many to steal so that they would neither steal too many, nor too few.

At one time it was believed that the theft of the entire California delegation, instead of the two actually stolen, would be necessary, and arrangements were made to put the case of California at the foot of the list so as to be certain when it was reached whether the entire delegation needed to be stolen or just the two which were taken. National Committeeman Knight of that state was a part of the conspiracy to steal the convention, but he did not dare to participate in the theft of his own state as a whole, and it was because of shrewd manipulation on his part that the scheme was defeated.

So we have the deliberate judgment of Senator Borah and Senator St. Clair, both of whom heard all the evidence, and both of whom are Republicans still clinging to the forlorn hope that the party may be reformed from within. Certainly their reports brought home and delivered to their people are more worthy of credence than the carefully prepared and biased presentation by those themselves engaged in the perpetration of such a theft. Would one guilty of an attempted theft of a presidency of the United States be above lying or falsification of the record? We can hardly believe that even Captain Davis can expect the members of his party to be so simple, yet it is exactly what he asks them to believe.

In the minds of all honest Republicans—and most of them are honest—the question is settled beyond dispute, and it is settled in accordance with the known facts which are as stated by every Idaho resident who attended the Chicago convention.

The Evening Chit-Chat

By Ruth Cameron.

Daughters of time, the hypocritical Days, Muffled and dumb like barefoot der-vishes, And marching single in an endless file, Bring diadems and fagots in their hands. To each they offer gifts after his will, Bread, kingdoms, stars, and sky that holds them all. I, in my pleached garden, watched the pomp. Forget my morning wishes, hastily, Took a few herbs and apples, and the Day Turned and departed silent. I, too late Under her solemn file saw the scorn. —Emerson.

"A few herbs and apples." One does not, of course, obtain the thing one most wants without sacrificing many lesser desires. You must be sure to decide rightly what you really do most want in life for all other things will have to be subordinated to that one. If you are a woman and choose artistic success you cannot also hope to have love and children. If you are a man and choose money you cannot also hope to have leisure and education. But if you set your heart on any one thing and are ready to sacrifice everything—everything—else for it, whatever your desire may be—a beautiful home, the love of some man, babies to fill your arms, laurel wreaths for your grave—I believe you can surely obtain it. For the days to each offer gifts "after his will" and they are truly sorry when we take "a few herbs and apples."

Birthday Calendar



If This Is Your Birthday. Many doubts and anxieties will assail you, but you will be helped to success by appreciative friends. Some proposition will be made to you which you should seriously consider. Those born today will possess strong minds and good judgment, and in spite of erratic conduct will gain many good and influential friends, who will help them find their proper environment.

PRESS COMMENT

Shall the Bosses Rule?

The following editorial from the Kansas City Times, applies with wonderful fidelity to Idaho just now, the only change being the substitution of the word Idaho for Missouri wherever reference to that state is made:

It was to be expected that the Missouri standpatters would go into court in an effort to keep the Progressive ticket off the ballot. That was natural. They believe that the people should not rule. According to their theory the voters should do as the bosses tell them. This idea of letting the people vote as they please is contrary to the whole scheme of machine politics—as was proved in the Republican national convention.

The bosses are against everything the Progressives stand for in Missouri. The interests they represent fear the square deal they would get from a Progressive state administration. So they will fight to the end to deprive the people of a chance to vote for such a square deal state ticket. But in addition their purpose reveals the extent of their fright. Everywhere the Taft managers have fought by every possible means to keep the Progressives from having a chance to express their preference at the polls. They are frightened over the pitiful showing they fear for their own state ticket, and they wish to cause as much confusion as possible in an effort to cut down Roosevelt's vote.

The bosses know that the old party is a mere shell. They understand perfectly that their presidential candidate in most states is a contender for last place. So they are making a desperate effort to mask their weakness by preventing an expression by the people in November.

It is a vain effort. Of course, the courts will not tolerate any such attack on Democratic government. It is the essence of Democracy that there be a free and untrammelled expression of the people's will in elections. If that expression is interfered with, the Democracy degenerates into an oligarchy.

There will, of course, be no judicial legislation in Missouri to sanction the effort being made by the Taft managers to stifle a free vote in this state.

MAKES TEN BLADES GROW WHERE I GREW



Professor Thomas Shaw. It has always been considered a highly commendable thing to make 3 blades of grass grow where but 1 grew before. Professor Thomas Shaw, formerly of the University of Minnesota and now agricultural expert of the Great Northern Railway, has done much better than that. Through his efforts largely, stimulating the farmers, giving them expert advice what to grow on different soils, etc., North Dakota came to be the bread basket of the country. And now Montana is coming to the front as a grain producing state, largely through his work.

The Evening Story

A Woman's Vigilance

By CARROLL H. PIERCE

The rapid advance of civilization in America has placed far in the background the stirring events of Indian warfare that lasted from the first occupancy of the continent to the annihilation of General Custer and his ill fated command. Yet this last great event of the long struggle with the aborigines of the country occurred but a generation ago.

There still lives a woman more than ninety years of age who passed through one of these Indian events. At twenty she was married to a lieutenant in the army on duty in the east, but who had been ordered to a small fort in what was then the far west. Immediately after the wedding the couple started for the officers' station, pursuing their way by canal, stagecoach and, lastly, an army supply wagon.

At that time there were white men in that region who were worse than the Indians in that they often incited the latter to pillage and bloodshed. They were not the settlers, but a class of desperadoes that are always found lounging about the skirmish line of the advancing army of civilization.

Mrs. Lieutenant—we shall call her Whittlesey—found herself in a one company post, and, the company's captain being absent and her husband being the ranking officer, he was commander. Indeed, there was but one other officer there, and Mrs. Whittlesey was the only woman among some sixty men. Indians now and again would come into the fort, and their appearance was quite enough to scare a woman out of her senses, for of all the names most appropriate to these people—Indians, redskins, savages—the last is the most appropriate. They looked savage and acted savage, were fierce in their natures and made themselves hideous to correspond with what they were.

One day a dirty white man clad in skins came into the fort and, claiming to be a settler, told a pitiful story of a wife and children at some distance from the garrison who were having a hard time. His little girl had been shot by an Indian with a barbed arrow and the father wished to cut it out. Would the surgeon let him have some chloroform?

The surgeon gave him the chloroform, telling him how to use it and the precautions he must take. Then the man went away. Though the redskins were at peace with the whites, Mrs. Whittlesey would not trust them. She did not consider the post free from danger of attack at any time. It was nothing more than a blockhouse or stockade with a raised platform for the sentries to pace upon and little towers with loopholes from which they might fire upon an enemy if attacked.

One night Mrs. Whittlesey stole out of bed, leaving her husband asleep, and, putting on some clothing, she went out to inspect the guard. She found one sentry nodding and another fast asleep. She took the sleeper's musket and awakened him to see himself covered by a woman with his own gun.

Mrs. Whittlesey told her husband in the morning that she had gone out and found the guard unwatchful. Though knowing that sleeping on post is death to a sentry, she made no definite charges. The commandant endeavored to arouse his guards to greater efficiency, but his efforts were short lived, and discipline soon relaxed again. Mrs. Whittlesey, being a woman, was discredited in the matter, and her husband told her to make no more visits to the guards lest she put him, as commandant, in a ridiculous position.

One night the lady, not having a man's confidence in the peacefulness of the Indians, got stealthily out of bed and went to assure herself that the guards were awake. She found three of the four nodding, while the fourth had sunk down unconscious, his musket lying beside him. But what especially attracted her attention was a strong odor of chloroform.

It was this odor that led her to suspect an especial danger and to make an observation. Rising on tiptoe, she saw a dark body moving toward the fort. Seizing the unconscious sentry's gun, she ran to the nearest tower and through the narrow slit left for firing sent a bullet into the coming warriors.

Her shot was a twofold advantage. It showed the Indians that their coming had been detected and roused the garrison. The former hesitated a few minutes, then continued their advance, sending arrows and bullets against the stronghold.

Men came pouring up from below in their night clothes, among them the commandant. He saw fire flash from one of the towers, and the next moment his wife came out, blood dripping from her right arm. She swooned in his arms.

The stratagem of the savages, which had been conceived by the white man, who had begged the chloroform, had been averted by the watchfulness of the only woman of the garrison. Not a man but hung his head in shame, while their commander's assurance was only kept up by his pride in his wife's feat.

Mrs. Whittlesey's wound was not dangerous, and she soon recovered. The account of how she had saved the fort having been reported to Washington, she was awarded a gold medal by congress.

IDAHO PROGRESSIVE TICKET.

- For President—Theodore Roosevelt of New York. For Vice President—Hiram W. Johnson of California. For Presidential Electors—H. C. Olney of Bonner county, E. M. Harris of Fremont county, H. Harland of Canyon county, L. M. Earl of Bonneville county. For United States Senator—William E. Borah of Ada county. For Congressmen—Burton L. French of Latah county, P. Monroe Smock of Canyon county. For Governor—G. H. Martin of Bonner county. For Lieutenant Governor—T. O. Boyd of Twin Falls county. For Secretary of State—O. V. Badley of Canyon county. For State Auditor—C. C. Miles of Nez Perce county. For State Treasurer—John E. Yates of Ada county. For Attorney General—Adam Barclay of Lincoln county. For State Mine Inspector—F. H. Skeels of Shoshone county.

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