

# "IT'S HOW DID YOU FIGHT AND WHY" THAT COUNTS

BY FRED L. BOALIT.

SEATTLE, Nov. 9.—When I opened the door I saw a big man sitting at a desk. He turned in the swivel chair, rose and laughed. "I'm glad to see you," he said, and shook hands. I lost, temporarily, the use of three perfectly good fingers. "I have no jobs to give out," he rumbled. "To tell ye the truth, I'm casting about for a job on my own account. My work here is almost done, and the job I wanted when this one was finished I didn't get. Lister got it."

"You're not looking as downcast as I expected."

"Don't be misled by my looks," said Bob Hodge. "I'm sure disappointed. I wanted to be governor of the great state of Washington. I worked hard for the office. And I was beaten. But it was not altogether for myself that I wanted it. Can ye believe that now? Ye cannot suspect me of talking for political effect."

"Tis a fine and honorable ambition—to be governor of a state like Washington. Was it presumptuous in me, an ex-coal miner, and before that a sailor before the mast, to aim so high? I think not. If it was, then our democracy is a sham, a hollow thing with-

out substance.

"Much as I wanted the office for myself, I wanted it more for the boys. They're fine boys, as fine as any, and it was in my mind that they might stand a better chance when they come to man's estate as the sons of Bob Hodge, the governor, than they would as the sons of Bob Hodge, the coal miner."

"But much as I wanted the office for myself and mine, I wanted it more for the cause to which I have given my heart. I can say that now without the danger of being misunderstood."

"But never mind," Hodge laughed again, comfortably, wholesomely. "The governorship is now in good hands. I'm human, but it is almost as good as winning myself to know that Lister has won. For I am told he is a good man, brave and honest. And, by splitting the vote, I helped him. For that I am glad. For the corrupt influences in the state that hate me, like Lister no better."

"You are not talking like a party man now," I said.

"Party!" Hodge spoke with scorn. "The grafter knows no party, fears no party. He mouths 'party loyalty' when it suits his purpose, but he has none in his heart. 'Tis the honest men in all

parties that he fears. 'Twas fear that drove them to slander me, knowing full well, the cowards, that, for a woman's sake, I would not answer. And I did not. Thank God, I did not!

I fought a clean fight, and when I go to bed at night I sleep! Read this. 'Twas sent me by mail. No; I'll read it."

It was a verse by Edmund Vance Cooke that Hodge read: "You're beaten to earth? Well, well, what's that? Come up with a smiling face. It's nothing against you to fall down flat, But to lie there—that's disgrace. The harder you're thrown, why, the higher you bounce; Be proud of your blackened eye! It isn't the fact that you're licked that counts. 'Tis how did you fight—and why!"

Hodge rolled out the brave words with fine gusto. "Bobbie Burns never did better," he said. "I don't know who sent me the verse, but I thank him. It was a comfort in the hour of defeat."

HE'S LOOKING FOR WORK

"And Now?"

"Now? Bob Hodge must find another job. The Almighty gave me a big body, with more bone and muscle than fat. There's not a mine I ever worked in that I can't go back to. There are a dozen good men that have written me wanting me to be their partner. I can be a miner again. Or I can furl top-s'ls off Cape Horn once more. If I must I can sweep the streets. I'll take the best thing that offers, for there are four fine boys at home who must be fed and clothed and educated and set in the right way of life, and it is necessary that they should have a better chance than their father had. You must come out to the house some time. I'd like you to know the boys."

It hasn't hurt Bob Hodge to be beaten. It will take more than one beating to crush the sheriff. Defeat has tempered him. It has robbed him, perhaps, of a little of his former boisterous buoyancy. He has gone through the fires of a purgatory on earth, and they have scorched his soul. But he has come through the ordeal a finer, gentler, better man.

"I am young yet," he said in parting, "and strong. I am not afraid."

COMMISSIONER MILLS has shown good judgment by putting the enforcement of the street railway ordinance up to the police department, where it really belongs after all.

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### OVER 1,200 OFFICE HOLDERS MAY FEEL ERNEST LISTER'S AXE

#### SERVIA DEFIANT; AUSTRIANS MAY PLUNGE INTO WAR

(By United Press Leased Wire.) LONDON, Nov. 9.—Only the most delicate diplomacy can now avert a general European war, every diplomat in London admitting today that peace hangs only by a thread. Whether Great Britain, France and Russia will be found fighting Germany, Austria and Italy within a week is problematical, but the worst is feared, and it seems almost certain now that this situation will be realized.

Servia's defiant answer to Austria's note of warning that if Servian troops occupy that part of Albania which faces the Adriatic sea the Austrian army would cross the frontier into Servia, has thrown all Europe into the gravest apprehension in many years. Although official verification is lacking, it is reported here that Servia answered the note by rushing an army under General Yankovitch to seize Durazzo, a Turkish seaport on the Adriatic sea. If this proves true it is admitted here by all diplomats that Austria would be certain to carry out her threat and then the situation which all Europe has feared since the Balkan war started will be at hand.

#### GOVERNOR-ELECT ERNEST LISTER AND FAMILY WHO WILL RESIDE AT THE OFFICIAL MANSION IN 1913



Governor-elect Ernest Lister, Mrs. Lister, our new first lady, and their two children, Florence, aged 18, and John, aged 9. —Photos by Scott's Studio, Tacoma.

#### ARMY OF OFFICE HOLDERS ARE ON ANXIOUS SEAT

What's going to become of some 1200 office holders in this state, whose chief job for a dozen years or more has been to perpetuate themselves and the republican machine in office?

Gov.-elect Ernest Lister will have the opportunity to make a complete cleanup. He will undoubtedly wield the official axe in some of the more important places. He will probably abolish some of the offices altogether.

At any rate, some 1,200 office-holders are on the anxious seat right now. And as for the republican party—well, the loss of 1,200 active, finely paid workers in this state is one of those blows which the old gang can hardly hope, in its present decrepit condition, to overcome.

While some of the officials were appointed by Hay for longer terms than his own, this will not be binding on Lister and he may call for the resignation of any of these officers on the first day he takes office next January 15.

Some of the most important offices which the governor appoints are the following:

- Labor commissioner.
- Assistant labor commissioner.
- Adjutant general.
- Industrial commissioners (5).
- Board of control (3).
- Tax commissioners (3).
- University regents (7).
- Public printer.
- Bank examiner.
- Highway commissioner.
- Public service commission (3).
- Regents of state college and trustees of normal schools.
- Warden state penitentiary.
- Superintendent Chehalis training school.
- Superintendent Monroe reformatory.
- Superintendents insane asylums at Steilacoom and Medical Lake.
- Superintendent State Veterans' Home, Port Orchard.
- Superintendent State Soldiers' Home, Orting.
- Superintendent School for Deaf, Vancouver.
- Superintendent School for Blind, Vancouver.
- State librarian.
- State grain inspector.
- Dairy and food commissioner.
- Coal mine inspector.
- Hotel inspector.
- Oil inspector.
- Horticultural commissioner.

#### BIG LISTER DEMONSTRATION ON THE STREETS TONIGHT

It has been a long time since the democrats have had a chance to jolly over a president, and they never did have the pleasure of whooping it up over the election of a democrat as governor on the straight ticket without any taint of fusion until now, so they are unable to contain their enthusiasm and will have an explosion on the streets tonight.

James H. Dege will be grand marshal, and an auto parade with Ernest Lister and family at the head will be given on the streets, with red fire, brass band and other dramatic features.

The celebration will wind up at the totem pole with a speech.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

Funeral services for Mrs. Clara E. Brewster will be held Monday at 1:30 o'clock from the family residence, 820 North K street, by the Rev. C. Y. Grimes officiating. Interment will be at Tacoma cemetery. Remains are at Mellinger's.

TONIGHT'S DEMOCRATIC JOY-SCHEDULE

- 7 to 7:30 p. m.—Assembly of jubilant democrats on Pacific avenue between 12th and A streets.
- 7:30 to 8 p. m.—Disembarkation in 50 autos and jollification parade in downtown streets. Governor-elect Lister will be shanghaied from his home by his exuberant supporters and will lead the joyride followed by a brass band.
- 8 to 8:15 p. m.—Governor-elect Lister's speech at the Totem pole.
- 8 p. m. to midnight, January 1, 1913. Exultation by the victorious party.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Rain tonight and Sunday.

WIDOW FOR TENTH TIME.

(By United Press Leased Wire.) PRETORIA, Nov. 9.—It is believed here that the world's legitimate matrimonial record is held by Mrs. Theilla M. De Boer, aged 78, residing in Pretoria. First married at the age of 18, she recently became a widow for the tenth time. She is the mother and stepmother of 49 children and the grandmother of 270.

#### JOHNSON HAS A YELLOW STREAK

CHICAGO, Nov. 9.—Held as a federal prisoner on charges of having violated the white slave law in his dealings with white women, the "streak of yellow" which has always been attributed to Jack Johnson, negro prize-fighter, came out today a yard wide.

Johnson kicked hard when he was given as a cellmate John Brown, negro, who is charged with murder.

"This is pretty tough on an innocent man who is sick," Johnson whined. Dr. Hogan at once examined him and declared he was perfectly well.

NO DAMAGE TOO TIGHT DIES

(By United Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—Replying to an inquiry as to whether he thought the prosperity of the country would be affected by the result of the election, Andrew Carnegie today said: "No. Our republic bears a charmed life."

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 9.—Tightlacing caused the death of Joseph H. Pennella, an actor, at the City hospital three hours after he collapsed on the stage of a vaudeville theater.

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**News Items From the Hicktown Bee**

The Bee office is just barely recovered from the election and we are pleased to relate that Hen Tozier, that standpatter, has had to give up his star and the key to the town lockup. Hen says he will not go to work for a while.

More tobaccoer juice was scattered all over the floor of Rufe Simpson's grocery store this year than on any previous location.

I'll bet there is lots of people today, says Lefe Watertower, who wouldn't vote for Mr. Taft to be president of their chicken coop.

When Ernest Lister takes the oath of office in January the state of Washington will have a governor who has ideals and who sticks to them even in a political campaign. And yet as a campaigner he has just broken all records in the nation.

Ernest Lister began life at the bottom of the ladder as a youth and for nine years was an iron molder in Tacoma. He was a union man and was sent as a delegate to the international convention. But he did not parade the fact to catch votes. He belongs to a lot of lodges and organizations, but no one ever heard of it in the campaign.

A big newspaper went to him and offered him \$1,500 worth of space free, but he refused it to be free of any alliances.

"I don't believe in that kind of campaign," he told the politicians. But his was not a mollycoddle campaign by any means nevertheless. He discussed the issues—state issues—which are what the

governor has to do with. He dissected the present administration and told what he proposed to change and his message was shouted from the stump at every cross roads in the state in that memorable three weeks.

Lister came to Tacoma from England when a boy of 13. He is 42 now.

His father and uncle, Dave Lister, had preceded the family some time and had settled here. David Lister was the first mayor of Tacoma.

When Ernest got through school he went into the molding shop, then into real estate and insurance and in 1897 John R. Rogers took him to Olympia to be chairman of the state board of control.

When the Rogers administration was ended Lister came back to Tacoma and engaged in contracting. Two years ago he established a manufacturing plant for interior work here which is flourishing.

#### RUPP CONCEDES HAY'S DEFEAT

(By United Press Leased Wire.) SEATTLE, Nov. 9.—State Chairman Rupp of the republican central committee concedes the election of Ernest Lister, democrat, today over Governor M. E. Hay, republican, by 1,500 plurality. Hay was ready to concede his defeat yesterday, when his managers advised him to wait till the official canvass of the returns before making a public statement.

The returns, practically complete, show that Washington went for Roosevelt overwhelmingly, elected a democratic governor, republican state officers generally, two progressive congressmen—Blagie and three republican district congressmen.

KILL CHRISTIANS

CONSTANZA, Roumania, Nov. 9.—Reports here from Constantinoople say the Turks there have begun the slaughter of Christians.

**Lost! and Found**

A bunch of keys—valuable to the man who lost them, on C street Friday, practically of no use to the man who found them.

Loser told of his loss in the "Lost" column of The Times on Friday.

Finder read the ad—returned the keys—pocketed the reward.

Loser's office, desk and safe open for business as usual today.

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