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## WILL HE FOOL 'EM, EH?

George A. Holmes, the independent candidate for the legislature, publishes in the Elgin Recorder an announcement that he is not in favor of county division. When did he conclude to "right about face"? No sensible voter however, should credit the statement for a moment, since it is contrary to reason and experience. Every one will remember the strenuous efforts made by the Union people at the last session of the legislature for a new county and that Mr. Holmes was the loudest and most persistent "fan" of the bunch of lobbyists. After defeat the Union proclaimed with smothered curses and vindictive language that it was by a temporary error;—that her people were more determined on division, and would renew the fight then and there and make the scheme the paramount issue of the next election. Then, to fire the "Union heart" they heaped anathemas long and loud at McLeod, Pierce and Dobbins, declaring that re-election would be impossible for either. And they have made good so far as within their power this malicious threat and every nerve is strained for its accomplishment. Union's decks have been cleared of local candidates, the single policy of rule or ruin so long prevalent therein in vogue and guerrilla warfare resorted to. For over twenty years Union has spent her energy and cunning in a factional and strictly locality struggle jealously and spite her watchwords; and is it reasonable now to suppose that if there is any truth about this eleventh hour "conversion" of Mr. Holmes, Union would tolerate him for a moment? No doubt is to be entertained but what she has obtained from him way down deep a binding obligation, before her leading and astute citizens would desert their party politics and candidates to secure his candidacy without the folds. Nearly one hundred voters of the Union precincts who pledged at the primary election and registration, their adherence to the principles of parties now petition Mr. Holmes to campaign as an independent, and among them such life long republicans as Honorable W. T. Wright and General Goodbrod, while Holmes is such a dyed-in-the-wool democrat. If there is no county division in his petition, why are there no signers on his petition from other precincts than Cove and Union? But it is a well known fact that at the signing of his petition, he avowed his partizan feeling and fealty to county division, openly and above board, and thus the reason was assigned for the movement. Why then this pretended change? Does Union propose to induct this man in the office by sheer deceit and recognized fraud upon the tax-payer and voters? While that bailiwick gave Mr. Haworth a large vote at the primaries, it has now developed that it was simply a scheme to defeat McLeod, and it succeeded. Mr. Haworth did nothing up to the time of the Holmes petition to merit his betrayal by those Union republicans. It is further disclosed that they never intended his election because they knew they could not use him for legislative purposes. The same with Mr. Rothschild.

Therefore, if Mr. Holmes is not in sympathy with Union's pet hobby, he need not expect any votes there, since either Haworth or Rothschild could do as much for them as he in the legislature outside of their pet measure. But secession has its tainted and debased attributes whether National or local—deceit, effrontery and cunning with the unblushing claim that "the end justifies the means" however nefarious the object. No reason will be assigned the voter thus imposed upon, save the old saw "that all is fair in war and politics" and a new subterfuge is improvised each successive election to accomplish the same ends. So "they can fool some people all the time" over there that has been their record for years. The courts permit even sworn statements to be impeached by the witnesses contrary admissions made on other occasions, and as Mr. Holmes' former statements and conduct are so at variance with his present "published" attitude, they impeach him in the eyes of every thinking man, as well as to remind one of the verity of the question:—Can a leopard change his spots or the Ethiopian his skin? Well, hardly. Finally, it may be readily seen that Union's great hope is that in the struggle between the candidates of the people's choice at the primary election, there may be in defiance to the spirit of fair election, and in the folds of chicanery and craft, a chance for Holmes to slip in, and thus her "friend at court" is secured within the legislature capable of representing her hearts sole desire—that of a new county seat, where hat dilapidated and spiteful old town may once more enjoy the "glory" of former years may shine as its county seat with her cherished dinky railroad, rotten old hotel accommodations and backwoods court facilities so distasteful to the new and better generation and progressive citizenship of a greater Union county. Be not deceived, voters be not little children. The animal may don a lion's skin, but the same old characteristics of the jack are still there to proclaim the brute's true nature.

## WHALEN STANDS BY PACKERS

Chicago, Ill., June 1—Health Commissioner Whalen's statement yesterday in which he said he advised the sale of meat that had been affected with Todeculosis, has raised a storm here. His office is besieged with physicians and health inspectors who differ with him. The majority agreed that it is exceedingly dangerous to permit meat from diseased cattle to be sold. All agreed that it was hard to tell if the infection is local or general. Whalen said "It would be folly to destroy three million dollars worth of meat annually just to suit long haired cranks. The meat can be eaten, and much money can be saved without harming anybody. Under my administration the packers have been able to sell cheaper and I am not going to change my methods to please the senseless agitators."

Chas. P. Murphy, an attorney of Baker City was one of the first passengers to be held over here. He finally grew impatient and returned to Baker this morning.

### EIGHT HOUR STRIKES

(Scripps News Association)  
Paris, June 1.—In response to a general appeal of the General Labor Federation of France, asking all workmen to strike today for an eight-hour day, thousands of workmen in all parts of the country went on a strike today. There were some demonstrations here, and similar demonstrations are reported from Marseilles, Lyons, Toulon and other cities, but the police authorities did not experience much difficulty in preserving peace and order.

### WILL SEND REPORT TO SENATE

(Scripps News Association)  
Washington June 1.—It has been officially announced that the president will send Congress the Neil-Reynolds report on Packing houses either tomorrow or Monday.

## FANATICS SEEKING ENA'S LIFE

(Scripps News Association)  
Madrid, Spain June 1.—The man who threw the bomb at the king's procession yesterday, is a high police official. He was arrested during the afternoon and has now confessed. Alfonso was so close to death that a ribbon on his coat was torn away.

### NO INTEREST IN SERVICES

Queen Victor is indisposed today as a result of the bomb throwing. Crowds are participating in the festivities in a half hearted manner.

### FOURTEEN ARE DEAD

The government officials maintain that fourteen dead as a result of the bomb explosion. General Weyler is seriously injured.

### KING WILL ATTEND FUNERALS

King Alfonso has expressed himself as desirous of attending the funerals of the bomb victims.

### FIRST ATTEMPT FAILED

London June 1.—Local anarchists state that two attempts were made to assassinate the Queen but one bomb failed to explode. This one was thrown near the church.

### MURDER'S HANGED

Los Angeles, Cal. June 1.—Morris Buck, who shot and killed Mrs. Canfield the wife of the oil millionaire, was executed by hanging today.

Newport News's Va., June 1.—Andrew L. Davenport, the negro convicted of the murder of Willie Thompson, an other negro was publicly hanged today in the county jail.

### ADVERTISED LETTERS

List of letters remaining uncalled for in this office for the week ending May 24, 1906

Ellis Miss Grace	Bronson Mr. D. D.
Lilly Mrs. Dolan	Cantrell Mr. W. J.
Shepard Kata	Conley G. G.
Glossen Mr. Herman	Wilson Nellie
Harrison Miss Agnes	Glasgow Mr. Frank
Norman Miss Nettie	Hibbs Mr. Robert
Hollie B.	Hough Mr. William
Kolbener—nton	Lemon Claud
Lilly John	Mathews T. D.
McLeran William	Wilson Mr. Archibald
Hess Elmer	Riddle Fred

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office June 7 19 6 if not delivered. In calling for the above, please say "Advertised," giving date of list.

G. M. RICEY P. M.

### ISLAND CITY ITEMS

Mrs. Mary Childers and daughter, Florence returned Saturday from a visit to Portland.

Miss Louis Wade of Enterprise is visiting Mrs. Merton Kiddle.

Mr. Will Bishop of Walla Walla was here Friday.

The home of Wm. Smith was gladdened by the arrival of a baby boy, Sunday May 27.

The ladies of Island City and vicinity extend a cordial invitation to all to attend the Election Dinner given next Monday in the Russell Hall. There will be rest room provided with Mrs. J. W. Dickey as hostess and a social time, afterwards. The proceeds go to pay for the new seats in the Union Church.

Mrs. J. W. Dickey who has been visiting in Baker City for the past two weeks, returned last night. Mr. Dickey will follow in a few days.

## CONGRESSMAN ROBERT ADAMS SENDS A BULLET THROUGH HIS BRAIN

### PENNSYLVANIA SOLON DIES BY HIS OWN HAND

(Scripps News Association)  
Washington June 1.—Congressman Robert Adams, author of the whipping post bill, a man of long service in the House, shot himself with suicidal intent this morning. The bullet was discharged in his mouth and passed through the brain. He was taken to the hospital immediately where his death was expected momentarily.

Robert Adams Republican, congressman from the second district of Pennsylvania, was born in Philadelphia, Pa. February 26, 1849; graduated at the University of Pennsylvania in 1869; studied and practiced law for five years; was member of the United States Geological Survey from 1871 to 1875, engaged in explorations of the Yellowstone Park; member of the State senate of Pennsylvania from 1883 to 1887; graduated in 1887; graduated in 1884 from the Wharton School of Economy and Finance of the University of Pennsylvania was appointed United States minister to Brazil April 1, 1889, and resigned June 1, 1890; was elected to the Fifty-third, Fifty-fourth, Fifty-fifth, Fifty-sixth, Fifty-seventh, and Fifty-eighth Congresses and re-elected to the Fifty-ninth Congress receiving 41,724 votes, to 7,010 for John Cadwalader, Jr., Democrat; 206 for G. G. Stinger, Prohibitionist, and 177 for G. G. Mercer, Independent. In the Fifty-fifth Congress, as acting chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Mr. Adams reported, conducted through the House, and had charge of, in conference with the Senate, the Cuban resolutions, and drafted introduced, reported, and passed through the House of Representatives, in one hour the declaration of war against Spain.

Congressman Adams died soon after the shooting. The House ceremonies were very brief. Adams' desk was draped and banked with flowers, and the Chaplain referred to the tragedy in his prayer. After the announcement of the death, Speaker Cannon read a letter written by Adams to him which said: "The fact that my personal obligations exceed my resources is the only excuse for abandoning the responsible position I occupy in the House. I am willing to be buried at the House's expense."

His tones brought tears to Morrell's eyes the suicide's colleague, as he moved for a resolution of sorrow, authorizing the Sergeant at Arms to take charge of the funeral, omitting according to Adam's request, the provisions for a committee on memorial services. The resolutions were adopted, and the House adjourned.

## MURDER TRIAL IS POSTPONED

(Scripps News Association)  
Boise June 1.—Defendants in the Steunenberg murder case this morning reconsidered their intention of applying to the Supreme court for a writ of habeas corpus or application for bail. They will take no further action in the case at present. The trial will likely not occur until February or March.

### ODD FELLOWS ELECT

At the annual election of officers for the local lodge of Odd Fellows last Saturday evening the following officers were elected: Noble Grand, J. A. Arbuckle Vice Grand, E. B. Mc Kiddy. Secretary, D. E. Cox.

### SUMMER SCHOOL

There will commence June 11th a summer school to be taught during the forenoons at the High School building for the benefit of B. class pupils desiring to make up work which will enable them to enter next higher grade in September. For further particulars inquire of Miss Rohan.

### TOURISTS LIKE LA GRANDE

That La Grande is an attractive city, even if seen at a disadvantage, is attested by the passing comments made by stranded tourist and passengers. After the first feelings of wrath have faded away, they begin to look around and finally fall to admiring the many features of the city. Misses Orabella and Iva Cole, stranded tourists from Keokuk, Iowa and bound for Tacoma, accompanied by V. F. Fallier of New York, visited the various industries of the city this morning, and after their tour of inspection said: "We are very much impressed with the situation of your little city. We cannot help but admire the snow-capped mountains, the fir-covered hills that surround La Grande. We were especially well repaid for our trip to Orydel where we saw the dam across the river at the foot of the precipitous mountain. It is the prettiest spot we have seen during our extended travels. Your industries seem to be rushed with work. Were it not for the fact that we must reach our destination as soon as possible, we would like to remain in La Grande for some time, and enjoy the hospitality that is being extended to us."

## WOMEN'S CLUB HOLDS CONVENTION

(Scripps News Association)  
St. Paul, Minn., June 1.—The eighth biennial convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs opened here today with unusually large attendance and an enthusiasm on the part of the delegates which bids fair to make this convention the most successful and memorial in the history of the organization. Thirty-nine rooms in the old Capitol building have been given over for the convention for headquarters of the various states and for the holding of committee sessions. The general meetings are held in the Assembly Chamber. The meeting this morning was of a preliminary character.

### GOING TO FRISCO

A. R. Bodmer, who for seven years has been associated with various houses in Baker City has done much faithful and satisfactory work recently with the Basche Sage Hardware company, will leave next Sunday for San Francisco, where he will enter into business with Charles M. Sage now located in that city.

## UMATILLA COUNTY HAS HEAVY LOSS

(Scripps News Association)  
Pendleton Ore., June 1.—It is estimated now that the full loss in Umatilla county in property and stock and in the mountains will reach nearly two million dollars. Every hour brings reports of great damage to cattle and sheep that have been killed by the storm. The stock loss in Pendleton alone is over \$50,000.

### THROUGH SUNDAY

From advices from the scene of the washout. The officials have announced that a train for Portland will leave here Sunday night via Walla Walla. The O. R. & N. track is as badly damaged a few miles the other side of Pendleton as it is between Meacham and Pendleton. The bridge across the Umatilla river at Umatilla was damaged but it has been repaired.

Quite a number of passengers have returned via Pocatella as a result there are only about one hundred passengers now remaining in the city awaiting a through train to Portland.

### CARPENTERS LAY DOWN TOOLS

(Scripps News Association)  
Boise, Idaho, June 1.—Carpenters here struck this morning owing to the demands of master builder's association for open shops. The carpenters were asked to sign an agreement not to work for members of the association. One hundred and fifty men are affected and the strike may extend to the building and trades alliance.

### O. KIRKPATRICK DEAD

About midnight Mr. Kirkpatrick of Island City, who has been seriously ill for some time passed away. The funeral will take place at the family home Sunday at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The deceased was one of the well known pioneer of Union county and the family have the deepest sympathy of a large circle of friends.

### NOT EXCLUDED BUT EXPELLED

(Scripps News Association)  
Washington June 1.—The Committee on the Smoot case voted this morning whether the committee should exclude or expell Senator Smoot. The exclusion was voted down and the motions expelling him were evenly divided.

## FISHERMAN'S LUCK

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