



INDEPENDENT COUNTY TICKET

- For State Senator, P. C. BUFORD. For Representatives, THOMAS ROE, ULYSSES JACKSON, J. M. PARTLOW. For County Judge, A. C. ARCHIBOLD. For County Clerk, ALFRED CLERK. For Assessor, JAS. A. FLIPPEN. For County Commissioners, WM. LANDERS, C. W. PURDIN. For Treasurer, WM. SIMMONS. For School Superintendent, D. M. C. GAULT. Surveyor, JOHN WITTHICOMB. Coroner, C. M. RAYMOND. Our Candidates.

We place at the head of our columns the candidates nominated by the Independent party last Saturday for the offices for Washington county. They are all so far as we know, men of good character and good business qualifications. They are our fellow citizens, having lived among us for a number of years, and their interests and their sympathies are with the people of this county. They were the free and fair choice of the Convention and deserve the united support of the Independent party.

It is unnecessary for us to describe their virtues or tell their history now, as their character and history will be discussed fully in the coming campaign. We hope they will see you yourselves and tell you what are their principles and their purposes. That they will give a good record of themselves and come out of the conflict that is pending with good names and increased influence we do not hesitate to believe.

Each part of the county is well represented in the ticket chosen. A more harmonious Convention never assembled. And we predict that Washington county will roll up five hundred majority for the Independent ticket next June. Now let preparations be made for thorough and masterly canvass of this county. The Independent party is a new organization and its purposes and principles must be presented and explained to the people.

We are a division of that grand little army that gave the Democratic and Republican parties in California a Waterloo defeat last year. All over this great Union our brethren are rousing to the work, and in '76 we propose to celebrate our centennial birthday with the Independent banner streaming over the Capitol at Washington.

What is the question? We are anxious to know if the Progressives will endorse the Independent ticket in this county. Davis staidled the Republican like the Colossus of Rhodes a few weeks ago, having "indorsed" the Independent call and having not indorsed it, and now we would like to know if he is going to smother the county ticket in the same manner. Come, Mr. Davis, if you will indorse we will shake hands with you across the bloody chasm and let bygones be bygones. Do you indorse or do you not? That is the question.

Come, Davis, were you a soldier in the Confederate army or were you not? Out with it and no dodging. If not give us references, and if you can clear yourself of Bingham's charges we will not be slow to do you justice in our columns. Come up to the building post, and tell us all about it.

Having learned that the Progressives, Col. Cornelius and Dr. Davis belong to Ben Holladay's several subscribers are going to quit that paper.

IN MEMORIAM.

The winds swept and in pines so tender, Though 'twas springtime and the birds flew by; Burst the sweet buds of times that shone, But he had and was the nobody. Sad was the youth that came of the age, Mourned the notes that the wind harp blew; Singing of love, singing of sorrow, Singing the dirge of another so true. Soul of the beautiful one, art gone? Gone where no laughter comes back to our ears. Gone where the wild notes of Heaven's Song Echo far back on the eath of the Year!

Woman Suffrage.

The following from the Oregonian is a very clear statement of the strongest plea yet advanced for woman suffrage.

The final settlement of the liquor traffic question is to be at the ballot box. If the men, after experimenting for a generation and a half to find out how to deal with it, have had to throw up the sponge and let the women take the case in hand, why do they not put off the weapons into the hands of those who are to do the fighting? In other words, why not give woman the ballot, so she can make secure by legal enactment the victory she is expected to gain by moral and religious influence? If any logical reason can be assured why this should not be done, a clear and definite statement of it would be in order at this time.

We do not suppose that what we shall say will satisfy the advocates of the doctrine, notwithstanding we beg leave to file our objections.

The gist of the above argument lies in the question, "why not give woman the ballot, so she can make secure by legal enactment the victory she is expected to gain by moral and religious influence?"

In the first place, in a republic every legal enactment must be the effect of moral, religious and educational influences on the masses, and when the people are able to sustain a needed law that law will be forthcoming. We have had prohibitory liquor laws in some of the States and they could not be enforced, because the moral and religious elements are not sufficiently strong to support them. The abolition of evil and crimes by law has been a favorite plan with theorists and enthusiasts from Draco down, but their theories failed; failed in many instances, not because of any evil in the laws themselves but for the reason that the people for whom they were made could not sustain them. The best and surest way to abolish intemperance, as actual experiment has demonstrated, is by education and moral and religious training. Parents who rear their children in idleness; to sweet, licentious, unwholesome language, disrespectful to their superiors and the laws that govern society, in short to be "hoodlums," are responsible for the drams shops, and as long as a majority of our youth are so reared prohibitory liquor laws will be a failure. Hence the ballot in woman's hands could effect nothing if it is desired to put down intemperance. Let her devote her time to the proper education of her children and if she does this well we will soon have a prohibitory law on our statute books that will not need policemen or the posse comitatus to enforce it; rather will stand as a sign of public opinion, not as a sword against crime.

Disproved. The Hippie and Democratic press have united in denouncing the Independent movement as the scheme of "hoodlums" and disappointed office-seekers to get office. This charge has been disproved by many of the Independents who have refused to accept nominations on the Hippie ticket, as for instance the case of Mr. Minto of Marion Co. and many others in different parts of the State.

But the charge is more completely disproved by the action of prominent men before the Independent convention in this county. For official position, A. B. Watt, one of the "hoodlum" men who drove out the "Coff" in this county, and who was accused of hoodlumism after an office, and the honesty of his motives called in question when he took a prominent part in the Independent movement, after having been nominated by the convention for Representative declined the nomination. And thus Mr. Watt was sustained by the people of Washington county in his attack on Hippie last year and for the party had taken in the "Coff" this year. Also Judge Humphreys, who was accused of hoodlumism the previous year in his own interest, and whose official conduct had been denounced and made the subject of much animadversion, after having been nominated by the convention and thus vindicated by the endorsement of the people, withdrew his name. So Mr. Roe, Mr. Tucker and others repeatedly declined nomination, though the former gentleman was compelled to accept. And this would show in the face of the fact that a nomination on the Independent ticket in this county is equivalent to election. So much for the voracity and fairness of the opposition press.

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