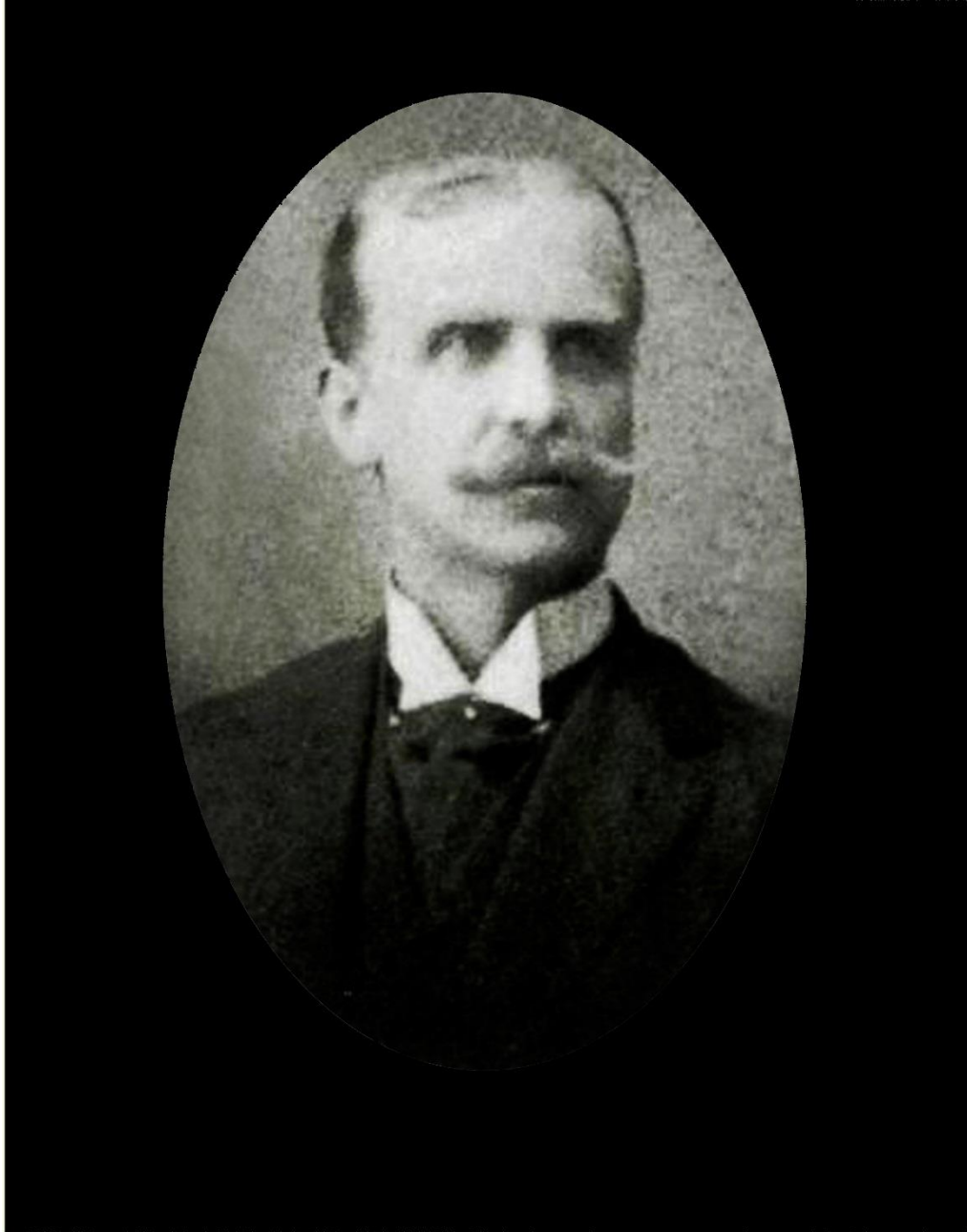


Fred W. Comstock



After Washington joined the statehood in 1889, Joseph Comstock, the enumerator (keeper of vital statistics), couldn't help but notice that his son was a chip off the old block. Comstock suggested to his 25-year old son, Fred,

that he should seek election as the state's first Kitsap County Clerk. The elder Comstock saw youth as an advantage for a position needing vigor and administrative structure for a newly formed office keeping records for the court. Fred Comstock turned out to be a natural leader and he was elected to the clerk position. His Dad's instincts on his son's political potential were astute as he later was elected to two terms to the State House of Representatives in Olympia.

KING COUNTY'S TWENTY-FIVE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES FOR THE STATE LEGISLATURE



DR. C. A. SHERRY,
 Forty-Second Representative District.
 Dr. C. A. Sherry, the Republican of the Forty-second representative district, believes that they have a candidate of unusual qualifications for a seat in the state legislature. He has sound judgment, practical sense, long experience in business affairs and is upright in purpose; he is disinterested in politics, fair, trained, available and alert. He was unanimously chosen as a candidate for the legislature by the Republicans of the district at the county convention, and is capable of getting an formidable race that no man ought not to expect.

Dr. Sherry is an example of that feature so characteristic of American self-made men. Born on an Iowa farm, he spent his boyhood and early manhood days tilling the soil in the summer and attending the country school in the winter. After working his way through the grammar and high school grades in this manner he secured in a nursery for the winter. He is a graduate of the Western Normal college, receiving the degree Bachelor of Science in 1888. He was valedictorian of his class.

After graduating from this college Dr. Sherry taught school for a year and then entered the Lenoirville medical college. At the end of the first year there he won by collective test a gold medal given to the best honor in the class in that year. On competitive examination he was awarded a gold medal for the best student in the class. In 1892 Dr. Sherry graduated from the Kentucky College of Medicine after two full courses of study, and was again valedictorian of his class. He has since won numerous gold medals for the highest scholarship in the class. He has been successful in his practice as a physician, and has been awarded a gold medal for the best essay in the class.

Since leaving active Dr. Sherry has been actively engaged in the practice of his profession. He has been in Portland nearly eight years, he has always taken an interest in the upbuilding of the city, and is known as a man of public spirit throughout the whole community. The winter of 1901 he spent in Europe, visiting most of the points of interest in England and on the continent.



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Mr. Comstock in whatever position he has held, has always been an ardent supporter of the interests of city, county and state. He has also proved himself a valuable aid to the legislature. The best of health, that prevented upon him to allow his name to be used a second time outside his elective career.

Mr. Comstock's recommendation is a fitting tribute to the honor of the state legislature, and this experience will be an invaluable aid to him during the coming session. It is always commendable an older man is able to accompany more than a new legislator through his short time spent in Rome has reached none in this city.



LEWIS LEVY,
 Forty-Third Representative District.
 A FIRM BELIEVER in the cause for thirty-four years meant to give a man of active mind a thorough comprehension of its needs, its resources and the people. Add to this the fact that a liberal education was obtained in Coast schools and it would seem that the product would be a man thoroughly in sympathy with the section in which he resided. This is the record of Lewis Levy, Republican nominee for state representative from the Forty-third district.

Not only has Mr. Levy been a resident of the Pacific coast for thirty-four years, but he has been engaged in business for a long time. A journalist by profession, he has had a varied career, successful in business when he applied himself, but sacrificing something when he attempted speculative ventures. This was fully borne upon Mr. Levy when he gave up a position in Seattle shortly after the earthquake which broke out. Paper found seemed superior to him then, and he returned to Seattle.

Mr. Levy is a native of England, having been born in that country in 1864, but his parents immigrated to this country in 1872, and he was educated in the public schools of California, and has had the advantage of a full course in Harvard college, his college, now known as Wellesley's college.

After his graduation Mr. Levy took up newspaper work and was remarkably successful. He was at one time managing editor of the San Antonio Daily, and many of whom have since become prominent in the newspaper world.

For many years Mr. Levy's newspaper associates of that time were Eugene McCarthy, now of the editorial staff of the Chicago Tribune, another was Fred Garrison, chief editor of the San Francisco Chronicle, and Mr. Levy himself. A third, Albert May, of the San Francisco Chronicle, was in 1902 to come to Seattle, where they were there to get out a directory at Tacoma, then in several mercantile lines and professions. Five years ago he came to Seattle, and with the exception of a short time spent in Rome has reached none in this city.



IRVING E. COLE,
 Forty-Fourth Representative District.
 A FIRM BELIEVER in the cause and a deep thinker, a man who has always cultivated himself deeply in social problems is Irving E. Cole, Republican nominee for state representative from the Forty-fourth district. The Republicans of that district, within which an unusually large number of laboring men reside, appreciate Mr. Cole's sympathies with the laboring man when they chose him as their candidate.

That this opinion of Mr. Cole was not based on mere speculation was shown when he was voted with the other members of the Republican legislative delegation to support in the event that are elected, the labor bills now being urged by the wage-earners. This is apparently a fact already assured, owing to Mr. Cole's personal popularity and the circumstance that the district has a large Republican majority.

Mr. Cole is a practicing attorney of Seattle. He came to this city twelve years ago, and two years later formed a law partnership with Everett Smith, under the firm name of Smith & Cole.

Mr. Cole was native of New York, born in Troy in November, 1865. He was a student in the public schools of his native state and his standing as a student is shown by the fact that he was valedictorian of the high school class which he graduated. After leaving high school Mr. Cole pursued his studies at Williams college, and subsequently attended the Albany law school, graduating with honors. He was admitted to the bar of New York in 1890. That he came to Seattle in the year he graduated is evidence of the fact that he calls in the Northwest was fairly recent.

Always a consistent Republican, Mr. Cole has preferred hitherto to remain a lawyer in the ranks, but he was prevailed upon for state representative. Mr. Cole would be a faithful and able representative of King county's interests. That this is the general impression among his neighbors is shown by the fact that no fight has been directed against him.



JAMES WEIR,
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 JAMES WEIR, Republican nominee for state representative from the Forty-fourth district, is a type of the pluck and energy which are so much needed from beyond, he has constantly striven for success, and by determined effort, careful saving and judicious investment he has accumulated a comfortable home and a liberal income.

Mr. Weir has succeeded through honest and generous dealing with his fellowmen. It is the coal mining camp of King county there are scores of men who would testify to the success which Mr. Weir has attained. He has accepted his advice, who are eager to work a word for him during the campaign, if they are anything they can do to aid his chosen for success.

Seattle was a village with but a single street when Mr. Weir came here. A stage line ran out Mill street, now Taylor street, to Lake Washington at that time, and Mr. Weir, then a coal miner, took this stage to reach the lake. He crossed the water in a small coal steamer and reached three miles to Newcastle in search of his first employment in this country.

Four years a coal miner at Newcastle and then following the same work at Hinton for two years, Mr. Weir came to Seattle in 1892. He took advantage of a business opportunity in the city, and in a short time he had secured a business in the city. He was successful in the city, and in a short time he had secured a business in the city. He was successful in the city, and in a short time he had secured a business in the city.



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 WHEN George W. Dilling, Republican nominee for state representative from the Forty-fifth district, was about to leave his home in Illinois for the Northwest, the chairman of his county committee, M. N. Hildes, hurried to the depot to place in his hands a letter certifying that he had been one of the most energetic, faithful and best workers the Republican party had in that part of the state. Mr. Hildes said Mr. Dilling the tribute of presenting the fidelity of directing his efforts as each one counted.

Now when he was called upon to vote as he was chosen by party workers, as an honest citizen would be acceptable, Mr. Dilling has been in party affairs. He was made a member of the home country's central committee when he attained the age of twenty-one, he removed by another county and was immediately given a place of prominence in the party organization.

When the Young Men's Republican Club was organized in Seattle three years ago Mr. Dilling, who had then been two years in this city, was chosen the first president of the organization. That his administration was regarded as highly successful is proved by the fact that he was compelled to resign to improve the city to a new position.

Mr. Dilling was born on a farm near Champagne, Ill., in 1861. His parents a short time later moved to Illinois, where the farm which he retained the name of his father. He was educated in the common schools of that county, and at the University of Illinois. He was a member of the Young Men's Republican Club in that state, and was also a member of the Young Men's Republican Club in this city. He was a member of the Young Men's Republican Club in this city, and was also a member of the Young Men's Republican Club in this city.



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Mr. Jeffries is a man of wide experience, both as a farmer, he is familiar with the details of the rural districts for legislative relief, having had experience as an agriculturist with large business houses, he is in touch with the mercantile world; he serves as a deputy assessor in Pierce county, and has held high office in his own county. He is a man of high ability, and his experience in business, and his acquaintance with the details of the rural districts, and his acquaintance with the mercantile world, he serves as a deputy assessor in Pierce county, and has held high office in his own county. He is a man of high ability, and his experience in business, and his acquaintance with the details of the rural districts, and his acquaintance with the mercantile world, he serves as a deputy assessor in Pierce county, and has held high office in his own county.

THE UNLUCKY PRINCE

By WALTER W. STORMS

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often she would stop far into the dark forest of Babilonia, and there all her sorrow in the wild as it raged among the branches of the tall trees. Sometimes she would lie down upon the soft mossy beds and look up through the leaves at the blue arch of the sky.

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