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GEORGE L. SHOUP

Idaho's Grand Old Man, George L. Shoup, lies peacefully at rest at his home in this city, and the people of the state mourn the loss of a tried and trusted counselor. Full of years and of honors, after a strenuous and eventful life, the divine summons came, and the earth that knew him shall know him no more forever. Yet indelibly upon the tablets of Idaho's history he wrote clearly his name and came to occupy a place in the hearts of the people of the state that will ever keep his memory dear.

In every avenue of life, he met and overcome difficulties with the same patient determination and exhaustless energy that made him a leader among men in trying days of pioneer life and the honors that came to him in the full ripeness of his manhood were worthily won and modestly worn. Idaho honors herself in honoring the memory of George L. Shoup.

The record of his life is in keeping with that of the pioneer builders of the far western states. As a scout and soldier, a merchant and miner, a governor and a senator, he exemplified the sturdy characteristics that

marked the leaders in those trying periods in all the then territories of the practically unknown west. There was something in the very period in which his life was cast that gave an additional charm to manhood. It was the closer tie of fellowship that existed between all the inhabitants of the sparsely settled regions. It gave a brotherly interest, an attribute of kindness that too often is clouded or suppressed by mere advanced and complex conditions. And this charm came in full measure to him and tinged all the acts of life full to repletion with endeavor and accomplishment. Thus to a character of rugged honesty, of keen insight into the motives of men there came that charitable judgment that while it sweetened his own life, linked to him in a common brotherhood all the people of the state.

Now that life's fitful fever is o'er, may he sleep well in the bosom of the state to whose service he gave so freely and in single-hearted devotion the best years of his life.—Capital News

NOW CATCH THE BIG FISH

Perhaps the federal grand jury in Portland may be able to clear the atmosphere in the matter of land frauds as effectually as was done in Missouri when Attorney Folk undertook to show up some of the rottenness that existed in that state.

It is reported that the defendants in the land fraud cases, some of whom have been convicted, have agreed to tell all they know about the criminal irregularities that have been practiced there in appropriating the public domain. They have been hard pressed and it has gone against them, but they do not see why they should suffer

in silence while the instigators of the conspiracy rest in peace and security.

This may result in far reaching disclosures that will help the government and benefit the people who wish the public domain reserved for bona fide settlers and not for land sharks. It will be an important achievement to show up the rascality of recent years. It is not enough to indict and convict a few sub-ordinates. If there are big fish, they ought to be caught. Let us see who the offenders are and if any of them happen to be of high station do not let that prevent justice being done.

The conservation of the public land so that homesteaders may get it cheap is of the highest importance to all the people of the northwest, and perhaps in no other way could they be more signally benefited than by a wholesale exposure of all those who have been grabbing or attempting to grab the land by questionable practices.—Spokane Review.

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