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HEROISM OF PEACEFUL SERVICE

The recent death of eight postal clerks out of nine in the Wellington disaster calls attention to a type of heroism very generally overlooked.

The heroism of peaceful service, it might well be termed. There is no sounding of drums or flying of flags; no stir of a standup fight, no shouts from the gallery to inspire spectacular efforts. It is the simple performance of an important duty in the face of great danger.

In the last five years one out of every 21 postal clerks in the government service has either been killed or injured. During the Spanish war this would have been considered a terrifying casualty record. And yet the postal clerk goes on with his work, makes it possible for many millions of people to get their letters or papers at the earliest possible moment and neither asks or receives and recognition or reward.

A fine type of heroism this; and indicative of a new and improved type of courage. Those who think heroism has passed and the rugged fighting spirit of our ancestors departed mistake the symbol for the substance. Such qualities have not disappeared, they have only changed.

In the death of these eight boys one sees the martial spirit devoted to the service of mankind rather than to the destruction; and in the tribute to their devotion there is a constructive element rather than the reverse.

The dream of universal peace may never be realized; but it is not unlikely that the time will come when heroism in peaceful service will be as highly regarded and recognized as heroism in war.

Judging by the records in the office of County Assessor Strain, the forest service and Pinchotism are not serving to prevent the public domain in Umatilla county from passing into the hands of actual settlers says the Pendleton E. O.

According to these records the aforesaid domain is rapidly disappearing and is being added to the taxable property of the county and state.

During the year a total of 231 final proofs were made, the 231 claims represented thereby including both timber claims and homesteads. A total of 46,000 acres or exactly two townships are included in these claims thus indicating the rapidity with which the government land is passing into the hands of individuals.

Another significant feature of the records in this connection is the showing that a total of 2040 acres of allotted Indian lands have come into the possession of white farmers. This land is of the average value of \$40 per acre and is also to be added to the taxable property of the county.

A solid week of April temperature in that usually tempestuous month of March is a little more than the average East Oregonian can account for. However, there is no serious objection to the style of weather and if the gods that control the wind belows and rain cocks prefer to give Union county this extremely delightful weather in March, why, well and good; there is no objection to it. Even the orchardist cannot complain for the frosty nights prevent premature budding of trees.

Fairbanks to Re-enter Politics.

London March 12.—Farmtr Vice-president Fairbanks who sailed for America today declared before leaving that he may enter politics at no distant date. He declined to state what particular field he was considering.

Accept Calhoun Stone

Washington, March 12.—John Caldwell Calhoun, congressman, senator, cabinet member and vice president, father of nullification and state's rights, and one of the South's greatest statesmen, who died in Washington 60 years ago this month, has returned to his former haunts in the national capitol in the form of an imposing marble statue. The memorial, the gift of South Carolina to the Hall of Fame in the capitol, was today formally accepted by congress, with dedicatory ceremonies of an imposing nature.

He was elected to congress when barely 30 years of age, and from that time forth he was seldom absent from Washington. It was Calhoun, who as a member of the committee on foreign relations, reported the bill which declared for declaring war against England which passed in June, 1812. He was vice-president of the United States under John Q. Adams and Gen. Jackson, but became a pronounced enemy of the latter, against whom he hurled his famous "nullification doctrine."

Goodman New Agent at Lostine

Raleigh C. Goodman has received his appointment as agent for the O. R. & N. at the Lostine depot and will assume his duties this week. Mr. Hooper, who is resigning the position, will leave soon for Elgin where he intends running a meat market—News-Record.

Christian Church

There will be Bible School at the Central Church of Christ tomorrow morning at 9:45. The church service and the Bible School will be combined. This is a new feature of the morning worship that is becoming general in the eastern churches. It is the church studying the Bible. A few minutes are devoted to the lesson and then all the classes take a certain place in the church auditorium while the communion is observed.

A special business session of the church is called for Monday evening at 7:45. This meeting has to do with the coming year of the church work.

Cottonseed Good Flour.

Washington, March 12.—Those of Taft's cabinet who ate cookies and pastry made from cottonseed flour yesterday, are unanimous in asserting that the confection were "Just as Good" as anything they had tasted

where wheat flour was used. The feast was provided by Secretary Dickinson and was a unique banquet given with the view of showing that cottonseed flour could be used in the place of wheat flour.

Activities in Track Work.

Pendleton, March 10.—Now that spring weather has opened, the athletic bee is buzzing in the ear of the students and many preparations are being made by the young men in both the high school and academy for baseball and track teams. The Pendleton Academy boys have organized a baseball team and they claim to have the best of prospects for a winning team this year. A schedule has been made for the remainder of the year and some lively games are to take place. The team will play the Pilot Rock aggregation, a week from Thursday at Pilot Rock. Games are also scheduled with Cove, Elgin and Union to take place some time in the near future.

The personnel of the team has been practically decided upon and Manager Groenwald states that they are doing splendidly together. "Biggles" Oliver, who is attending the institute, will hold down the box for the academyites. Oliver has been on the diamond as a pitcher for several years, having played successfully in the La Grande vicinity. With him, Haun and Ray Oliver will work in conjunction, the latter to be used to fall back on in the case of need.

Toothless Age Coming

Battle Creek, Mich. March 11.—The next generation of Americans is to be minus molars and will have to "gum" their food is the startling statement made in a local health and hygiene magazine. Already the "toothless" age is approaching, according to this authority, who attributes the dental decay to improper diet, impaired mastication digestion. The "Quick Lunch" habit is largely responsible says the editor. He continues:

"The American people are loosing their teeth. The same process of dental decay is going on among all civilized nations. The investigator of the future who my happen to compare the skulls in the burial places of ancient day cemeteries with a sample of those exhumed from the modern burial places will be greatly impressed by the contrast. The mound-builder's skull has massive and symmetrical jaws, for the reason that each jaw contains 16 teeth, well-developed and well-worn by a great deal of usage, but intact, free from decay and held in places by a set of strong roots. The present-day skull, rarely if ever, contains 32, or if it does it is but a short time that

Roosevelt Entertains

Rabak, Soundan, March 12.—Colonel Roosevelt last night gave a banquet aboard the steamer Dal in honor of five newspaper men who came up the Nile to meet him. The dinner lasted far into the night. Roosevelt spent most of the time in questioning the guests faster than they could reply. He announced that he was through with hunting.

He said he had accomplished all he set out to do and had a good time. Now he was willing to consent to lay down his gun. The steamer is due at Khartoum tomorrow.

Hogs \$11 in Chicago.

Chicago, March 11.—The price of hogs continued to advance today. A new record of \$11 a hundred was set up.

Open Monday

Mrs. Carlock's kindergarten will be open again Monday. 3-11-12.

Still go up in Portland

Portland, March 12.—Hogs sold in the local market to \$11.10 per hundred pounds; the highest on record.

DAVIS ON THE STAND

Washington, March 12.—Chief Engineer A. P. Davis of the reclamation service, continued his testimony today before the Ballinger investigation committee. He related interviews he had with Ballinger wherein he defended the reclamation service from the criticisms of the secretary. The attendance at today's hearing was small and little interest shown. E. B. Perkins, a special agent and lecturer, engaged in publicity work for the reclamation service, received \$500 a month from the Harriman roads in addition to his salary from the government, according to Davis. Director Newell demanded Perkins' resignation when he learned of the matter. Davis said that in his presence Ballinger reprimanded Newell for interfering in the matter. He knew he (Ballinger) was handling him personally.

Attorney Pepper, representing Pinchot, presented certain correspondence which included a complaint from J. J. Hill who objected to Perkins' methods in "boosting" only those projects along the Harriman lines. "After all these things coming to light, does Ballinger still retain him at Chicago?" was asked.

"Yes," replied Davis. Davis said that Perkins had always insisted he was under Ballinger's jurisdiction, and not under authority of the reclamation service.

Salem Lady Visiting Here

Mrs. C. Cummings of Salem, Oregon, is a guest to Mrs. Hollister, on Washington, avenue.

Number Seven Annulled.

Track troubles in the East have delayed Numbes Seven, due here this morning and the train has been annulled. Ten o'clock tonight is the first train scheduled West.

Record Crowd Here

The roads are fairly well dried up in the country, and it is possible for farmers to come to the city today and a record breaking crowd has thronged the shopping places this afternoon.

Administrator's Notice

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Nick Armoas, deceased, by the County Court of Union County, Oregon, and all having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same to me as administrator at my store on Adams Avenue, La Grande, Oregon, together with proper vouchers, within six months from the date of the first publication hereof. Dated this 2d day of February, 1912

JAMES G. SNOODGRASS,
Administrator of the estate of Nick Armoas, deceased.
Cochran & Cochran, Attorneys for Administrator. 2-11-4-11.

A Land Swap

A 164 acre farm, 1 1-4 miles from town and 1 1-2 miles from railroad. Running stream of water through place. 55 acres under ditch and that is tillable. The rest can be farmed as soon as the timber is taken off. Best situation in the county for fruit. 160 trees on the place. House of 8 rooms, two story; barn 36x46. Price \$6150. Inquire

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Marriage License Granted

County Clerk Ed Wright today issued a marriage license to E. W. Johnson and Martha J. Lee, both of this county.

Bargains in Real Estate.

NO. 1.—157 acres Sandridge land, near Imbler; a good five room house, barns and other out buildings. 10 acres good orchard of which 8 is in good bearing; 30 acres in fall wheat, 10 acres in hay, balance all good grain or potato land, all under good fence, one mile from the town of Imbler, 1-2 mile from school. About \$1000.00 worth of nearly new household goods and farm implements goes with the place. \$16,956. Easy terms.

NO. 2.—A modern 5-room house and lot 60x120, in a good location and on cash terms for \$2300.00.
NO. 7.—Two lots on Fourth street, 4-room house, small barn, city water and good well. Can be sold on the installment plan for \$700.00.
NO. 8.—For 1775.00, one of the best houses in Old Town; 7-room house, stone foundation. Two lots, a snap if taken at once.
NO. 9.—Three room house and one lot on Jefferson st. House furnished, good well; wood shed on the alley, all for the very low price of \$550.
NO. 10.—A five room brick modern house, barn, wood shed, two lots, 124x124, small orchard, shade trees, all fenced for \$3000.00.
NO. 11.—A four room cottage on "O" st., close in, two lots, city water, and wood shed. On easy terms at the remarkably low price of \$1400. I will be pleased to show you any of the above bargains at any time, whether you buy or not.

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good barn and other outbuildings. Two good living springs, and a stream of water for irrigation; all under good cultivation. R. F. D. by the door. Telephone line. Price \$6,000.00.

NO. 5.—152 1-2 acres near the Connelly ware houses, all in fall wheat and alfalfa hay; good improvements. If sold at once can be purchased for \$14,500.00.

NO. 6.—A modern 5-room house and lot 60x120, in a good location and on cash terms for \$2300.00.

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