

Everett Knowles Writes From the Country "Where One Does As One Pleases"

Judge J. W. Knowles, of this city, received during the week another letter from his son, who on July 8th at Coro-Zola, Canal Zone, where he is stationed in the service. He writes as follows:

Dear Dad:—I am still in the land of no rain where the bananas and coconuts grow old and the sand flies and mosquitoes camp and play with you twenty five hours out of every day and you can back in the tropical sunshine and play in the coral pits all day long with out any body stopping you. A person can do as he pleases as long as he don't do anything they don't want him to do. Don't think that I am crazy for I am just trying to be cheerful. Well dad, what did you think of the fight the Fourth? I was glad to see Will Hard get licked but I didn't expect to see him get such a beating up as he did. I will see Dempsey just one year to hold the belt. It will take about six months for me to get in shape after I get to the states then I will be ready to meet the Utah Hobo. I think I could end him in one round. It takes one of the fruit boats of the Great White Fleet from five to six days to go from here to New Orleans. They are the fastest passenger boats that run but here. It is too bad you need rain and the crops are poor this year. If you would come down here you sure could get all the rain you want. We have a hard time to get our clothes dry when we put them out on the line. The Crab Fleet came in Saturday. There was six of them, all old tubs and am expected to be put on the beach after this trip. They had a lot of midshipmen on them taking them for a cruise. Elmer (son-in-law) was on the Maine and I had a short visit with him.

EVERETT KNOWLES

CLOCK AS WAR SOUVENIR

Armed Docket Sends Home Some Reminders of His Experience in the Service

The following letter explains some war relics which Armed Docket has sent home to his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Docket, of Prallville:

"Coblenz, Germany, 6-28-15. Dear Parents.—Will drop you a few lines today as I am starting a package on the boat. It contains a few souvenirs and one real souvenir. It is the clock that went through the war with us. It came from Vancouver, Washington, and it never failed to wake us up. It was in danger on the second battle of the Marne and was never stopped. We used to lay in the box in the rolling kitchen and what an awful shaking up it got. It hung on the trees by our kitchen up in the Argonne and then made that awful trip from France to Germany. It hung out in the rain and withstood all the hardships of war. So when you look upon it you can see a clock that was with the Fourth Engineers through the four big offensives. Alone-Marne offensive; Meuse sector; St. Mihiel offensive; Meuse-Argonne offensive. And it sure deserves the two gold chevrons it carries. The map I am sending home with the clock took me out on it in the trip the clock took over Europe. When you are through looking at it take it up town and ask the jeweler who sells Big Ben clocks if he wants a good advertisement and let him keep it in his window for a while. You might give him the list of the battles it went through and it never quits. But please don't let anyone swipe it for I would not take anything for it. You will see the three stars on the victory ribbon. They are for the three major operations, but the battle we didn't get a star for was the hardest of all.

"Well, how is the country around La Grande? We are having some pretty rough weather and it is trying to rain. I sent a regimental history and another little package will map and post cards in it.

"With love and best wishes, your son,

"A. L. DUCKETT"

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BRITISH TITLES COST MONEY

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LONDON, (Correspondence of the Associated Press)—The tender spot in British political life today is the dispensation of titles. These are awarded, of course, by the King, but on the nomination of the Prime Minister, and the criterion of reformers is that titles have been given for a long time and by royal decree only for purely party purposes and practically bought by contributions to party funds.

The House of Lords is a peculiar interest in this matter because the old noble families are jealous of having their caste lowered by the addition of the newly rich, and purely rich to the orders of nobility.

The question was threatened last year and there was a general understanding that hereafter when honors were announced the reasons for their alleged bestowal should be published. This has been done in form but it is alleged not in substance, because several much criticized honors in the last list were described as "for public services," which might mean almost anything.

The new National party, which has a few members in the House of Commons has taken up the question. The chairman, General Page Croft, has written to the newspapers a proposal to prove before any judicial committee that since 1910 one member of Parliament has rejected an offer of a title in return for a cash payment to party funds and that the father of a member of the House of Commons was offered a baronetcy for 25,000 pounds.

He charged also that a member of Parliament who created a Peer after the beginning of the war subscribed shortly afterward a very large sum of money to a newspaper that supports the Premier.

He mentioned also instances in which he says titles were granted to a politician of no notorious character as to be regarded as unfit to be a candidate for Parliament, to another politician regarded as scrupulous and to a third man "intensely involved in a notorious scandal."

COVE TRIMS LA GRANDE

BY 9 TO 5 SCORE

It may not be possible to brag on the score, it may not be proper to brag too much for the record of some of the players in yesterday's game between Cove and La Grande, but the fact remains that it was a fine game of good old fashioned baseball, where there was a plenty of hitting, where the umpire made the right call, where the crowds wanted to kill the umpire, and lady rooters took part in the fun.

And after all, there was more fun in Cove yesterday afternoon than can be found in a national league game, for this was a contest among home folks. Claude Strington's striped shirt waved busily in the breeze as he issued orders to his Ad. Club team, and Lloyd Carter milled his hat down over his eyes and turned his tobacco to his own cheek when it was necessary to hit out the Cove players.

And the game was called at 3:20 o'clock as a tropical sun pounded down upon the diamond and made every player sparkle like a gem in the sun.

Brashness inspired for Cove and Everett knew the trick for La Grande. Judd Gear appeared late on the diamond but that was a signal to play ball, and off they went.

The visiting team took the bat and La Grande got Crippen up as first base. He touched up pitcher Alexander's effort and went to first, but the second batter up was not so fortunate and he was put out at first. Hickey followed and was out at first, retiring the side.

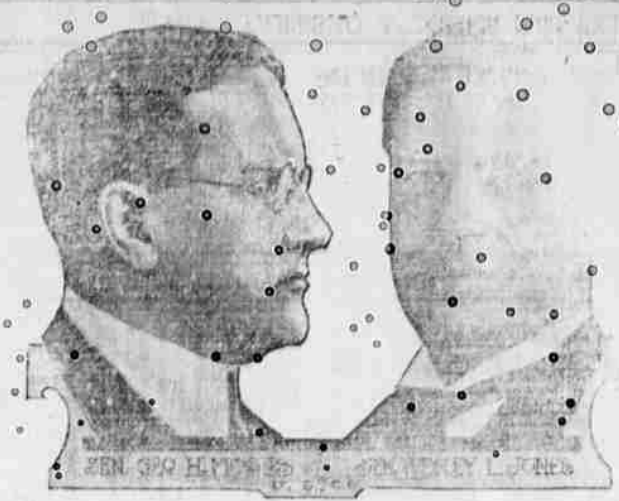
Cove showed out Tuck Conley as pitcher better who took first base on Wood's error. M. Alexander followed Tuck and another error of Wood's made Tuck safe at second but Alexander went out at first. Drake sent a fly ball over left field but only got one base. Ray Alexander sent a long fly into Clark's error field, who caught it in usual manner. Red Alexander struck out and the side was retired.

Clark of La Grande went to the plate with a lead smile on his face and when the ball came over the plate he hit it for a home run which put a thrill through La Grande's Ad. Clubmen and they played ball with a vengeance for a while. John flew out to left field, Garry made a safe hit and landed at first. Cliffiders could not find the ball and went out and Pidecock flew out to second base, which was done to contain on that inning.

Murchison of Cove made first on a Wood's error. Murchison sent a fly into field and made first. Jereb struck out. Tuck Conley sent a ball to Wood, who put out Alexander on the base and got Crippen off at first, retiring the side.

McGinnis out at first in the third for La Grande and went to first. Clark followed with a safe hit. Mack moved up to second, Woods sent a big fly over left field and the home were full. Hickey sent a liner through the left field and made first. Mack was out at home plate and Crippen scored.

There was a 2-2 tie at this time and the Ad. Clubmen were in a tight spot. Cove was given a 2-1 lead by Alexander. John made first base. Hickey scored. Garry struck out and Cliffiders sent a good one to left field and Hickey and Clark scored.



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Pidecock struck out and three men died on bases.

Cove's third inning started with M. Alexander who couldn't get in connection with McGinnis's curves and he fouled. Carter also struck out. Brazil smacked one to Woods who crossed and made Binal safe at first. Ray Alexander flew out to McGinnis.

La Grande in the fourth saw McGinnis strike out. Crippen made first base. Woods tipped one off and made first advancing Clifton to third. Hickey and one more man struck out and two men died on bases.

Cove's fourth was a short chapter. Ray Alexander was out at first. Murchison flew out to center. Maudford Alexander struck out.

In the fifth La Grande's career was also short. Clark was out at first. John knocked a little one to third but was out at first and Covey struck out.

Cove went to bat but Jereb struck out. Tuck Conley struck out. M. Alexander got to first on Wood's error. Carter sent one to Woods who caught Alexander off at second retiring the side.

In the sixth Clifton's for La Grande took a base on Alexander's error. Pidecock flew out to third. McGinnis struck out. Crippen struck out and Clifton died on second.

Cove's sixth inning was her happy hour of the game. Brazil hit to Hickey who crossed making Brazil safe at first. Ray Alexander made a safe hit sending it over in right field. Roy Alexander sent a bounding ball over Woods' head making himself safe at first, and springing Brazil. Murchison hit safe and filled the bases. Maudford Alexander went out of the game and Bloom took his place. Bloom made a superb try and the two Alexander boys covered the home plate during the score being made.

La Grande and Cove. Jereb lifted the ball for three bases and Bloom and Murchison tallied. Tuck Conley was to M. Woods who nailed an error making Tuck safe at first. Alexander went out at first. Carter did likewise. Brazil flew out to the catcher and the side was retired.

Cove had found McGinnis and the runner was busy. In the seventh inning Woods flew out to center. Hickey was out at first. Clark hit a little one but through Brazil's error was safe. John struck out letting Clark die on third.

In Cove's seventh Ray Alexander flew out to Clark who made a wonderful catch. Roy Alexander sent one to Clark who nailed it. Murchison bunted and was safe. Bloom sent a good one in the left field and took two bases. Jereb was out at first and Bloom died on third.

In the eighth Garry for La Grande struck out. Clifton was out at first and Pidecock flew out to center making quick work of the inning.

Cove for Cove took two bags on a Children's error. M. Alexander struck out and Carter flew out to second. Brazil flew to right field and Conley died on third.

In the ninth McGinnis for La Grande got a good safe hit. Crippen struck out. Woods hit the screen and Hickey flew out to center, closing the game with a score of 9 to 5 in Cove's favor.

Prober Kean, who has been doing good work for the Ad. Clubmen, got after Cove on Sunday at 1:25 p.m. and before the game Sunday had been forced to leave for that city. McGinnis was turned into the box, although he is an old hand in the home ball would be his but he had done much pitching of late. He held up well until the sixth inning when they got a few on base. But the game was lost through errors, as we will show.

Cove has a good solid team. They not only play good ball as individuals but their team work is good and Lloyd Carter, the manager, has the team squarely in the palm of his hand. Red Alexander, the Cove pitcher, was better in the same proceeds for in the last three innings he was throwing much swifter balls than at the beginning of the game. He is a ball player to be reckoned with in the future.

It was a good game Sunday and the social feeling between La Grande and Cove was preserved. All sides admitted error and joined the praise of excellent plays made on either side which made them.

The next game will be played by La Grande and Manager Scranston expects to fill the Ad. Clubmen so that Cove will have a harder time getting off with the barrels. If they succeed in winning their at all.

WILL COME WEST National Editorial Association Members Will Visit Northwest Coming North.

SEATTLE, July 28.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—American editors and publishers, members of the National Editorial Association, are coming to the Pacific Northwest next month for their 1919 convention. The newspaper men will not only attend all their meetings in one city but will journey from Portland to Tacoma and Seattle and across the Canadian line to Vancouver and Victoria, stopping at each point.

PEOPLE ARE NOT PUTTING IN COAL

SHORTAGE IS IMPENDING AGAIN THIS YEAR

Prices Due for 40c Advance August First and Congress is Felt For Situation

An investigation in the coal situation locally made recently by the coal dealers recently by F. J. Holmes, former federal fuel administrator for the state, reveals the fact that while there was a very poor supply of the supply required by the public in their hands June 1st, next year, there was this year, even less than that date, less than thirty per cent of the consumption made by the miners. Mr. Holmes extended these investigations over the whole state and finds that practically the same condition of affairs exists everywhere.

Mr. Holmes feels convinced that the situation next winter, when prices will be higher and the supply shorter, the supply of coal will not be controlled by the government this year and the people will be able to get all the coal upon the dealer, whereas the dealer will be in no way to blame. To use a paragon, he says, "we are just at the people some of the time, and we can feel some of the people all of the time, but we can't feel all of the people all of the time." Therefore, the people should make their own arrangements for the winter, and make full arrangements for full coal this winter before more darkness.

85 TO 86 A Ton Higher

Consumers will probably not be able to avoid paying the higher price that goes into effect on August 1st. Coal was increased 25 cents a ton at the Wyoming mine July 1st. Dish values have announced an increase of 10 cents a ton August 1st. The Wyoming mine operators, as a result, will come up to the level of the Utah price, says Mr. Holmes. They will however be unable to avoid paying an increase of at least 25 cents and 25.00 a ton which will mean a total of 50.00 and 50.00 a ton, which a recent news dispatch from Washington declared was not without the realm of possibility. Coal men are fearing that the situation may get away from them and that prices may rise to that extent.

Labor Situation Involved

Mr. Holmes explains the present coal situation somewhat as follows: Last year all the faces of the coal men on which the warnings issued to the people were based were not paid; consequently the price of coal seems to be loathe in taking the warnings of the fuel dealers seriously and have endeavored to make arrangements for their winter supply. Local fuel dealers are not in sufficient stocks of coal to meet the needs of their customers all winter long. They have no other capacity to do this, but if they do not get their coal now they will have great difficulty during the winter. The price here is the same as right now and all the arrangements on the railways have will be required to transport it. Practically the whole will be more profitable to the coal men than hauling coal, and the competition between the coal for this business will mean that you the local coal will sell last year's coal and west will sell this year's coal. The short haul of coal from Wyoming and Utah mines.

WILL BUILD AUTOS

LONDON, July 1.—A large British engineering company has announced its entry into the field of motor car production with a model which is generally regarded as an attempt to meet American requirements of mass production. The company hopes to put 2,000 cars on the market in the first year. This car, says the American Chamber of Commerce in London, will be at 10 to 20 horse power, in easy five passenger and sell at approximately \$1400. Thus far only one car has been built and the whole factory is in progress.

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and last year than in any year before in their history, despite the fact that this war took many men from this work. The reason for the bonus system which the government put to work, paying the men in proportion to the increased amount of coal they got out each week. Production of anthracite from January last this year up to this month has been 19,600,000 tons, less than last year, and bituminous 74,700,000 tons, or 60 to 70 per cent of demand. The only reason, apparently, is for the remaining public to lay in supplies now.

DES MOINES STREET CAR MEN GET RAISE

DES MOINES, Ia., July 29.—The strike of employees of the street car company, which has been called for next Friday, was averted Monday, when the men's wages were increased from 47 to 60 cents an hour. They had demanded an increase to 65 cents.

BACHELORS TURN THE TRICK

PERRY, Ore., July 25.—(Special)—Another twilight ball game at Perry was played last evening and the people turned out in masses to witness the married men again put it over the boys. But this game from the standpoint of baseball was very much of a farce. The marriage men had created the impression that they knew at least the rudiments of the game, but the bachelors have demonstrated beyond a doubt the satisfaction of Perry ball fans that their star player in the first game was freshish instead of being baseball science. The final score was 18 to 14 in favor of the boys. Now for the slaughter, and the angles which the spectators were compelled to endure. Here is how the eyes while stars failed to deliver according to previous reputation: Alward Hanson who was counted as some twister in the former game, had lost his "twist" and was relegated to the outfield near the ladies' grandstand, and as an outfielder he was a complete fool. An argument took place back of the backstop as to whether he was wearing shin splinters or puttees. George Dixon and Fred Robertson had the argument and it was finally found out that he had on a pair of lumber jack's heavy woolen socks. The proximity of the ladies and the fact that he had no scoop net made his fielding a failure. To Coby valentine failed to live up to his former star record, but his excess was in the form of a disappointed and dejected crowd. Ashbeck's new hat had been left at home owing to the stiff breeze but the fans had their full quota of sideline sport in listening to the wind whistle across Jo La Beau's bare dome and seeing Gladys Jung sound like a chicken with its head off. The third and final bout is scheduled for next Tuesday evening and from present indications we suppose that hillside seats will be at a premium.

Thomas Chester Miller

Thomas Chester Miller was born near Buckley, W. Va., March 29, 1854 and died at the Good Samaritan Hospital at Portland, Oregon, June 27, 1918.

He was married to Miss Candace Coates March 16, 1876. To this union were born seven children, five sons and two daughters, one of whom died in infancy.

He united with the Church of Christ at the age of 23, and was a faithful servant to the end. He was a good father and a loving husband. He leaves to mourn his departure his wife; five sons; Walter Miller of Halfway, Oregon; Thomas Miller of Coquille, Oregon; Arthur and Gordon Miller of Wallawa, Oregon; Fred Miller of Innah, Oregon and his daughter Mrs. Bessie Henderson of La Grande, Oregon; three grandchildren, five nephews all of whom reside in the west except B. F. Miller of Enterprise, Oregon. Three sisters; Mrs. W. C. Coombs of La Grande, Oregon; Mrs. B. P. Hawley of Wallawa, Oregon and Mrs. Bub Cook, who resides in the east. Also a host of other relatives and friends.

Thomas Chester Miller was a successful public school teacher in West Virginia for many years. Upon his leaving his home state in the east, he came directly to Oregon, locating in Prallville in Wallawa County, and soon afterward became Postmaster, holding the office for nearly thirteen years with credit to himself and acceptably to the general public. Mr. Miller, as has been said, was not only a faithful and consistent member of the church during his life.

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