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## HOLMAN CHARGED WITH DISHONESTY

**Business Associates Declares Holman Did Not Keep Agreement And Questions His Veracity. Poor County Official.**

Tuesday's Telegram prints a report from Earl Smith, who has written the county commissioners.

"Charging that Rufus C. Holman, county commissioner, has refused to redeem a moral obligation to the late Milton G. Smith, incurred through the failure of the Beeman-Spalding-Woodward company in 1910. Holman was accountant and treasurer of the company.

"The company issued two notes," Mr. Smith wrote, "one for \$2500 and the other for \$3000. Holman, Lewis, Woodward, Smith and others signed the notes. Through the mismanagement of the financial affairs which were placed in the hands of Mr. Holman, who kept advancing the company's available cash to the factory for merchandise, which could have been paid for in due course, the company could not meet these notes, and they were placed in the hands of creditors.

"The only stockholder who had security outside the company's interest that could be attached was Milton G. Smith, now deceased, while Mr. Holman, through his selfishness, placed his interest beyond attachment. Smith was compelled and did pay \$1250 on one note and \$1500 on the other, with interest and attorneys' fees amounting to \$1500.

"Smith says his brother accompanied Holman to the offices of Beckman & Watson, attorneys for the company. Here it developed Watson was a relative of Holman. During the proceedings Holman, according to Earl Smith, told Milton Smith he was sorry to see him obligated for the money, and that he would "certainly do the right thing by him as a business associate."

"At this time," Smith wrote, "Holman was doing all in his power to work hatred and malice among the other members of the firm. Mr. Woodward has since paid the share that was expected of him and states that he was glad to meet a just obligation. I have personally written Mr. Holman regarding a settlement, but he has at all times refused to make one. I did not receive an answer to my letter.

"In closing I wish to state that judging from the manner in which Mr. Holman handled the business affairs of the Beeman-Woodward company and the treachery displayed in hiding the financial affairs of the company that he is by no means the man that the people of the county should have to take care of their interests."

### Important Federation Meeting

The Executive Committee of the Young Peoples' Federation of Lents met in the Friends Church last night and transacted some important business. There was a good representation from the Young Peoples' Societies and much interest was manifested.

The question was raised as to whether there was a real need for the Federation, owing to the main workers in each Society being so heavily burdened with their work. After very full discussion a unanimous vote was recorded favoring continuance.

There being vacancies in several of the offices, upon motion it was decided to hold a regular election of all the officers. The following were chosen after some spirited balloting: President, Ralph Spearrow; Vice-president, Miss Grace Davis; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Elna Bleything; Publicity Manager, J. Sanger Fox; Committeemen, Miss Frankie Nichols, Mrs. Eva Anderson, Miss May Kadolph, Roy Kerr; Ex-Officio Members, all pastors and local presidents.

A Union Sunrise Prayer Meeting was arranged to be held at the Methodist Church on Easter Sunday morning at 6:00 o. m.

The meeting united in extending an invitation to E. H. Whitney to address the meeting of the Federation and delegates were appointed to interview the local societies to ascertain a suitable date.

### Older Than His Grandmother.

Tiemen Schepel of Holland, Mich., has the distinction of being one year older than his grandmother. Schepel's grandfather, Thomas Vandenberg, took out a license to wed Miss Gertrude Nyboer, and the ceremony was solemnized in Grand Haven. Vandenberg is seventy-two years of age and his bride is only ninety.

## LENTS MAN HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Oscar Freeberg of Lents stepped from the ferry at Vancouver Monday morning at 8:30, started up the incline, and almost instantly found himself under the wheels of an automobile. Nils Nelson of 35 North 19th Street was driving the machine, a new Ford. It appears that Mr. Nelson was a new man with a machine and when he started off the ferry a string of motorcycles got in the way, one was knocked over and Nelson turned to see what had happened. He attempted to stop his machine, threw the clutch over into low gear, ran into another man's bicycle, and then bumped against Freeberg. When Nelson looked around Freeberg was grabbing at the machine to keep from being run over. He missed his hold and was dragged about fifteen feet. He was bruised and torn from head to foot and he was taken to the hospital in a critical condition. Being a strong man it is probable that he will recover but it will be several days before his bruises will subside sufficiently to find out whether he is suffering from broken bones.

Mr. Nelson is a poor man but he is doing all he can to relieve Mr. Freeberg. It is evident that the whole thing happened because he became excited. It is likely that had the Vancouver slip been arranged like the one on this side there would not have been an accident as the people would have had a separate walk. It is not likely the town can be held for damages.

### Commends Whitney

Dear Friends and Fellow Citizens: The time has come when nearly every one is thinking for himself—wondering, questioning, debating—as to the right course in political affairs. And with the people at large, politics, as such, have ceased to carry the weight they did formerly. Today we hear, "Who is the man for the place?" For at least ONE place there is a man who is a MAN.

The undersigned has known Mr. E. H. Whitney for seven years. In all matters in his profession and otherwise, I have known him to be a man of principle. He realizes, as we all should, that the school children of today should have the best. For the citizens of tomorrow are the school children of today. Our standards cannot be too high.

I consider Mr. Whitney exceptionally qualified for the office of county superintendent of schools. Consider his record and satisfy yourself as to his fitness for this position. I have reasons to believe that his is not a campaign of politics but of principles; not for wealth but service; not for honor but to gain the opportunity to promote high ideals. In view of this I request the support of the citizens of Multnomah County for Mr. Whitney, May 19th.

Very Sincerely,  
Harvey R. Scheuerman,  
6101 E. 89th St. S. E., Portland.

### TO THE WAR IN A TRUNK.

**German Officer Tried Thus to Evade the British Patrol Boats.**

The story of how a German engineer crossed the Atlantic in his wife's trunk, only to be captured by the British at Kirkwall, comes from Copenhagen.

According to the dispatch, Captain Roewer, a German engineer, who escaped from Kiauchau when the Japanese captured that stronghold, made his way to New York with his wife. Desirous of reaching Germany, he fitted himself into his wife's trunk after fixing a ventilator in the trunk, and she took passage on a liner for Copenhagen.

His wife had her meals sent to her cabin, where the trunk was installed, and the engineer was thus provided with food. He left the trunk only at night.

At Kirkwall when the British authorities came aboard to examine all baggage he hid in the packing room, but was discovered and detained. His wife was permitted to proceed and landed at Copenhagen, the dispatch says.

### INCOME TAX \$100,000,000.

**McAdoo's Estimates Show Increase of \$15,000,000 Over Last Year.**

Income tax receipts of the United States for the year will approximate \$100,000,000, or \$15,000,000 more than the estimate, according to schedules compiled in Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo's office on telegraphic reports received from throughout the country.

If the collections come up to expectations the tax will yield the largest returns in the history of the income tax. Last year receipts approximated \$85,000,000. The \$100,000,000 estimate includes some \$19,480,000 already collected. This includes taxes from corporations as well as individuals.

### THE WAR BABY.



—Cesaire in New York Sun.

## MR. AND MRS. BRASURE CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Brasure of 7703-59th avenue, entertained in honor of their 25th wedding anniversary on Friday evening, April 7th.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Spriggs, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Whitman, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Alvord, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hessinger, Mr. and Mrs. Chambliss, Mr. and Mrs. Belmore, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hennika, Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Payne, Mr. and Mrs. Dusan, Mr. and Mrs. Woodham, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Stearns and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mission.

Ice cream and cake were served as refreshments. The house was beautifully decorated in silver ornaments, white carnations and ferns. Mrs. Geo. Howard sang a couple of solos, and Mr. C. A. Alvord also sang. A beautiful present consisting of a Sheffield silver tray was presented them as an offering from all present.

### CHORUS GIRL SOLDIER'S HEIR.

**Legacy of \$75,000 Left to Fiancee by Officer Killed at Front.**

Through the death in action at Neuve Chapelle of Lieutenant Edward Ross Muloch of the Gordon highlanders, Miss Pat Peel, a chorus girl of London who has been earning \$6 a week, has inherited a fortune of \$75,000.

The romance has just come to light through Miss Peel tendering her resignation from her show. She explains that she met Lieutenant Muloch before the war and that he fell in love with her. Subject to a life interest, he made her sole residuary legatee under his will. All the legal formalities have been complied with and probate has been granted.

"I received my first intimation of Lieutenant Muloch's death," she said, "from reading it in the official casualty lists. Then I remembered the will. He had shown it to me when he was over in England on leave. This is how it ran: 'In the event of my death I give all my possessions and effects to Mary Patricia Steer—that, you know, is my real name.'

"The witness who attested the will was also killed at the front. So the validity of the document had to be established in the courts."

### WAR CROSS ON KNIFE GRINDER

**Paris Dressmakers Crowd to Patronize Disabled Soldier.**

Disabled French soldiers are already finding their way into minor occupations—the "petits metiers." The Figaro notes the presence in the streets of one armed knife grinder, one of whom, it says, was seen wearing the war cross. He did a thriving business in the Rue de la Paix, where it seemed as if all the dressmakers had suddenly decided to have their scissors sharpened.

For centuries it has been French custom for an itinerant grinder to give some souvenir to his customers. This modern "remouleur" gave a copy of the "Marseillaise."

## PARENT-TEACHERS MEET WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The next regular meeting of the Lents Parent Teacher's Association will be held at the school auditorium on Wednesday afternoon, owing to Friday's being a mid-term holiday. A big attendance is desirable as there will be matters of especial importance taken up. Mrs. Alva Lee Stevens, president of the Parent Teacher's Council will be present and address the members and Prof. Whitney will also be present. There will be several entertaining features and a very valuable meeting is expected.

### Woodmere

The Woodmere Parent Teachers' Association met Tuesday afternoon in the assembly hall of the school house. Over two hundred persons were present to enjoy the program which was prepared by the anti cigarette committee, of which Mrs. Sommerfeldt is chairman. The musical numbers which were enthusiastically received were rendered by Mrs. Harvey Blakeslee. The first selection, "Spring" by Grant was graciously followed by "The Years" at the Spring. Prof. George Morris spoke on the effect of tobacco from a physician's standpoint, telling many interesting experiences with persons addicted to the use of cigarettes and tobacco. Mrs. Davenport spoke on the subject from the business stand point, and concisely told the attitude of employers toward cigarette smokers. The next meeting will be May 2, at which time officers will be elected for the coming year. Members wishing to vote should pay their dues before that time to Mrs. Nelson, secretary.

Child Welfare exhibits will be held at the main library from April 20 to April 25, to which all parents and teachers are cordially invited.

A meeting will be held at the library from 10 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. on the 22d of April at which measures to be voted upon at the coming election will be discussed.

Where formerly trainmen had to go on top of cars and set the hand brake and between cars and couple with links and pins the brakes are now operated from the cab of the engine by air and every car is equipped with an automatic coupler. The old time railroad man who worked with the hand brake and link coupler speaks of the average railroad man of today as a "joy rider."

A new railroad is proposed between Baker and Pine and Eagle Valley.

Orders have already been placed by France and Italy for 400,000 cases of Pacific Coast salmon.

A Myrtle-Creek man has invented an engine run by air instead of gasoline.

## CEMENT CONTRACTORS CHARGE ABUSE

Some of the cement contractors were viewing the Linnton road the latter part of March and they took some interesting pictures. These pictures are on display at the Herald office. They show the county road force at work packing the shoulders on the concrete roadway and the results obtained by such treatment.

The rollers were run along the edges so that the center of the roller rested on the edge of the concrete and causing it to crack off at the corners. C. N. Reitzke, cement inspector, is inclined to think the work was done at the instigation of the road master, rather than as a piece of improvement. The concrete road section of the Linnton road is the only part that stood up first-class the past winter and it is the supposition that the breaking down of the corners is a premeditated act on the part of those who opposed the laying of concrete and alleged that it would not stand up. Now that it does stand up the only way to prove its inefficiency is to run a twelve ton roller over its edge and then claim it would not stand up under the traffic.

The cement men guaranteed the maintenance in the concrete but it would seem they would be justified in refusing to replace damaged parts when it is shown those damages were the result of wilful destruction, or ignorance on the part of the road-master's office force. It is probable that the damage is due mostly to ignorance on the part of Mr. Yeon and Mr. Nunn, as they ought to have known what the result would be.

## EX-COMMISSIONER STEELE SEEKS LIGHTNER'S POSITION

Ex County Commissioner, W. B. Steele, is a candidate against W. L. Lightner in the Republican Primary election to be held May 19th, 1916.

In the interest of the taxpayers W. B. Steele stands for no favoritism in county business affairs, as having had years of experience in construction work he proposes, if elected, to work for and favor the awarding of all contracts to the lowest responsible bidder and to exact strict compliance with the specifications, economy being his motto at all times.

Mr. Steele supervised the building of the bicycle paths, which in their day were enjoyed by all who rode bicycles upon them and also superintended the building of the first macadam road built in Multnomah County, Oregon, and is a pioneer good road man.

All who had business with the County Commissioners during Mr. Steele's incumbency know that the public got a square deal and by reason thereof, and the further fact that he is thoroughly competent to fulfill the requirements of the office of commissioner, numerous residents of the city of Portland and Multnomah County, Oregon, are concentrating on him.

Mr. Steele asks the public to not scatter their votes as it is and will be necessary to unite if they desire to beat a ring candidate.

When Mr. Steele was elected County Commissioner he ran 1500 votes above the normal Republican majority.

### Lents School Notes

This week has been Mother's Week at the Lents School. An invitation was extended to the mothers of Lents by the Hot Lunch Committee to come and take dinner with the children and see for themselves what their children have been eating this year at the School Hot Lunch. A goodly number of mothers attended and they are all highly pleased with the menus as served and are very much in favor of having the lunches continued. As the weather changes to warmer, the soups will be dispensed with and salads, sandwiches, cold milk, lemonade, and ice cream will be substituted. The Hot Lunch will serve dinners the rest of the school year.

The Indoor Base Ball girls of the Lents School played Lewellyn girls on Wednesday of this week and the resulting score was 34 to 24 in favor of Lents. Lents girls will return the game and play Lewellyn next Tuesday on the Lewellyn grounds. Can't beat Lents after all.

Halsey ships a ton of eggs in a day to outside markets.

The Lebanon paper mill is running full time with full force, the first time in months.

New depots will be built at Marshfield and North Bend by the S. P. Co.

## HOLLY LODGE AGAIN NOTORIOUS

**Hillside Mansion Built Five Years Ago, Rented, Used for Road House Purposes Entertains Miscellaneous Array Who Get Arrested.**

Dr. Dean, proprietor of a sanitarium or hospital for special diseases at 234 Morrison street took possession of Holly Lodge on the North slope of Mt. Scott some time ago and prepared it for an amusement point. He added a good sized ball room to it and fitted up a number of rooms. Just before the state went dry he announced that he would conduct an open house and his advertising seems to have brought returns. For some time past the neighbors have been complaining about the hilarious proceedings that have been going on out there and a special officer from the sheriff's office has been detailed to watch things. Saturday evenings were the times when the place was most generously patronized so plans were laid to investigate it last Saturday night.

It was about three o'clock in the morning when deputies Phillips, Beckman, Ward, and Glennon stepped in and arrested Dr. Dean and detained the company until their names were taken. Dr. Dean will be tried for selling liquor. There were 25 persons in the house. Liquor was found in several of the rooms and a partly emptied bottle of whiskey stood on the dining room table. Four persons were seated at the table. Why people should be carousing around at that time of night would be enough to convict most any of them if they were investigated by the grand jury. In the basement of the house was a bar fitted up at which ginger ale was sold, but it is said that it was the custom to fill the glasses up with liquor of a more stimulating nature.

It is the desire of the people in the vicinity of Lents that the place be permanently closed. The house was built in the first place for illegitimate purposes and there seems to be a disposition on the part of its owners to continue it as an immoral rendezvous.

### Grange to Give Play

The Russellville Grange Drama Club will present their next annual play on Saturday night of this week, April 15th. "The Village Lawyer" is the best and most difficult play ever attempted by the Club and a grand success is anticipated. With hard practice three times weekly and with Mrs. D. A. Hood directing the action, the members are doing fine work.

The cast consisting of eleven characters is exceptionally strong and though there are three new ones in this year, they are not backward in showing their talent.

All the Granges of the county are joining to help matters along, and the Grange having the highest representation over twenty, will receive a cash reward, so if you live near any of these granges get in with their delegation and help them get the prize.

The four acts and two scenes will require about three hours for presenting and after that refreshments will be served in the basement by the ladies of the home grange.

A grand old time is assured, to all and you will find that the twenty-five cents for admission will be a very small price for the value received.

Remember the time and the place, Russellville Grange Hall on the Base Line Road, April 15th, 8:15 p. m.

### Mrs. Clapp Dead

Mrs. C. F. Clapp of 6915-46th avenue died Thursday, March 25th, and the funeral was held at Lereh's the following Tuesday. Mrs. Clapp leaves her husband, a son Harry, and a daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth M. Carlson of St. Marys, Idaho, to mourn her death.

Her death was due to shock from a surgical operation for tumor. Her health has been disturbed for some time and an operation promised relief but she was not strong enough to overcome it.

Roseburg will regulate jitneys. It will charge license fee and require a \$2000 bond.

### Daily Mails

Mails at the Lents postoffice arrive and depart daily, except Sunday, as follows:

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| Arrive      | Depart      |
| 6:00 A. M.  | 7:15 A. M.  |
| 12:50 P. M. | 12:30 P. M. |
| 3:30 P. M.  | 5:30 P. M.  |