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T. M. BALDWIN DIES AT PORTLAND SUNDAY

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD TODAY IN PRINEVILLE

DEATH DUE TO HEART FAILURE

Was One of Most Active and Best Known Men in This Part of State Prominent Mason

T. M. Baldwin, president of the First National Bank of this city, expired some time Sunday night at his room in a Portland hotel, death being due to heart failure.

Mr. Baldwin was in Portland attending the Irrigation Congress, and took an active part in the work in that body throughout the three-day session, apparently being in the best of health.

Saturday night, however, he had an attack which caused him some concern, and his daughter, Mrs. R. S. Dixon, who was with him, called a physician.

Sunday he was able to be about and talked with Prineville men during the afternoon, in the hotel lobby.

He retired about the usual hour, but failed to appear Monday morning. Mrs. Dixon went to his room and no reply coming as she rapped on the door, entered the door, which was not locked, and found the body lying on the bed.

Physicians said that he had expired several hours earlier, perhaps as he was preparing to retire for the night.

The remains were brought to Prineville today, arriving by special train over the Prineville Railway at 8:30 a. m.

Grand Master Settlement of the Masonic Lodge of Oregon, M. E. Brink, of this city, Mrs. R. S. Dixon and Mrs. Z. M. Brown made up the party.

Funeral services are being held this afternoon at 2 o'clock, the arrangements being in charge of the local Masonic lodge, of which Mr. Baldwin had been a most active member for many years.

The death of Mr. Baldwin comes as a severe loss to the community, one which we can ill afford at the time when so many development matters are under consideration, for he was most prominent in these affairs at all times.

He was 63 years of age, was born in Cedar Bluff, Iowa, in 1856. He came to Oregon in 1862, shortly after which he came to this county, where he has been identified with development matters.

He became identified with the First National Bank soon after its organization, was cashier of the institution until his health failed a few years ago, and later became president of the organization which position he held at the time of his death.

The bank was built up around the strong, able influence of its cashier and president, and although much of the responsibility has been shared by him in more recent years, the institution as well as the community will feel his loss keenly.

The career of Mr. Baldwin as a Mason was unusual to say the least. He was always active in the affairs of the lodge, and reached the highest position possible in the state, having served as Grand Master of the state organization a few years ago, and at the time of his death held important committee positions in that organization.

He is survived by his widow, his son, Harold, who is cashier of the First National Bank, and his daughters, Mrs. R. S. Dixon and Miss Bertha Baldwin.

—W. S. S.—

INDIANS USING SAGE TEA

And Finding It a Preventive and Cure For Influenza

COLVILLE, WASH., Dec. 30.—The Colville Indians, after severe losses from the influenza, have adopted the use of sage tea made from the leaves of the sage brush as both a preventive and cure with good results. Mild laxatives are administered, and it is said that the epidemic, which raged with much disaster to the natives, has almost disappeared in localities where sage leaves may be obtained.—Spokesman-Review.

MISS ZOE CORNETT BRIDE OF HAROLD FRED MAISON

Harold Fred Maison, of Portland, and Miss Zoe Cornett were married in Portland Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Maison left Wednesday for California, where they will make their future home.

Mrs. Maison is the daughter of G. M. Cornett, a prominent merchant of Prineville. Mr. Maison is a Lieutenant in the Aviation school and has just recently been mustered out of service.

Charles A. King was taken to Portland hospital Friday night, suffering from a very serious injury to the spine. About ten days ago the horse he was riding fell backwards with him, causing the injury. He was accompanied to Portland by Mrs. King and his sister, Mrs. Mary McDowell.

DISHMAN, HOELSCHER, BIGGS DIRECTORS

EIGHTY-EIGHT VOTES CAST AT ELECTION ON TUESDAY

NEW BOARD EFFECTIVE IN FEB.

Two Members From "Dry" Part Of District Which Became An Issue

W. I. Dishman, M. R. Biggs, and Fred F. Hoelscher are the men selected by the voters on Tuesday to guide the affairs of the Ochoco Irrigation District for the coming year. E. T. Slayton, T. H. Lafollette and C. W. Foster are the candidates that were defeated for these places, and all of them have been on the board practically since the district was organized.

Eighty-eight votes were cast, a good representation of the electorate in the district. Mr. Dishman received the greatest endorsement, or 73 votes, Mr. Biggs 67, and Mr. Hoelscher 45 votes.

The new board will take control of affairs early in February, and at that time a drawing will be held to determine which of the three men is to hold one year, which two years, and which one three years.

A year from this time but one director will be chosen, who will supplant the short term director according to the drawing.

Two members of the board are from what is termed the dry part of the district, or that part never having had water prior to the formation of the district. This became an issue before the vote was cast, and may have had something to do with the result of the election.

The board is an exceptionally strong one, and will conduct the affairs of the district in an able manner without question.

The election of Mr. Hoelscher is complimentary to him, he having been absent from home in the tank division of the service at the time of the campaign and election, and shows the esteem in which he is held in the community in which he lives.

—W. S. S.—

HIGH SCHOOL

NEWS NOTES

The first basket ball game of the season with an outside team will be played in the Club Hall Friday evening at 8:00 o'clock, with Redmond H. S. Redmond comes with a strong team under the coaching of Jerry Moore, and an exciting game is expected. Everybody out to support our own team.

The following visitors at the High School this week: Harold Charlton, Neva Weigand, Mrs. J. E. Wilson, Mrs. E. Wolfe, Miss Sexton, Mrs. Joe Lister, Mrs. Van Nuy, Mrs. Steve Yancey, Mrs. Orval Yancey, Miss Martha Horgan, Miss Helen Wyman, Mrs. Hyde.

Senior speeches will commence on Friday morning, January 17. Helen Ayers and Ada Bullard will be the first to appear. Subjects, "Lest We Forget," and "General Pershing."

The High School Auxiliary of the Red Cross has received an allotment of shirts, 4-year-old size for Belgian babies, to make. (Some babies, those Belgians.—Ed.) The Auxiliary is divided into sections, one division meeting Tuesday evenings, and one Thursday evenings.

Some very interesting results are revealed in the scholarship report for the second six weeks' period just ended. Only four out of the ten whose names appeared in the "ten highest" of last report are found on the Honor Roll for this period. Those who last did not do so because they fell below their last month's average, but because others forged ahead of them.

The report shows a splendid growth in scholarship throughout the entire school over last period. The Seniors still lead with a class average of 89.8 per cent, a gain of 1.2 per cent. over last period; the Juniors follow with an average for the class of 87.7 per cent., a gain of 1.2 per cent.; the Sophomores with a class average of 86.7 per cent., a gain of only .9 per cent. over that of last period; the Freshman class average 85.6 per cent., a gain of 1.4 per cent. The Freshman class making the greatest gain in class average for the period. Average scholarship for the school, 86.7 per cent.

In the first six week's period there were 26 students who had an average grade over 90 per cent., this period shows 40 students with an average grade over 90 per cent. Last period there were 2 Seniors, 2 Juniors, 3 Sophomores, and 3 Freshmen represented in the Honor Roll. For this period there are 5 Seniors, 9 Juniors, 4 Sophomores, and 1 Freshman.

Honor Roll
Clarence Mertsching, 96.75; Sarah Hamar, 94.75; Cecil Bowlin, 94.4; Elsie Grant, 94.4; Olive Shaun, 93.8; Tillie Zell, 93.8; Hulda Sundquist, 93.7; John Houston, 93.5; Blanche Rowell, 93.5; Alceo McCreedy, 93.4.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM IN "FLU" SITUATION

COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER SAYS TOWN IN GOOD CONDITION

7 CASES ALL CONVALESCENT

Conditions More Serious in Country Districts—Much Care Should Be Used

There is no cause for alarm in the influenza situation in Prineville according to the opinion of county health officer J. H. Rosenberg, who has gone over the situation carefully.

Only seven cases are known to the authorities in Prineville, these are all convalescent, and none of them were considered of a serious nature.

People should use care in visiting homes where the disease is known to exist, or even suspected, but there is less cause for alarm than has been for the past two months.

On the other hand, the situation in the country is more serious, probably because of the fact that people visit from one home to another more than in town.

The doctor advises that no cause exists for greater precaution than has already been exercised, and that if people who have the disease obey orders by keeping indoors for a reasonable time after they commence to recover, there will be no general spread in the community.

—W. S. S.—

KELSO YANKETTES ELECT

KELSO, Wash., Jan. 13.—Officers for the coming year were chosen Friday night by the Yankettes, an organization of Kelso young ladies, who have been devoting their time to war work and to cheering the soldier boys in France. The officers are: Yankee, Olive Eldred; Yanko, Byrdie Poland; Yankaire, Nina Gildes; Yankoin, Ruth Henrickson; Yankrone, Mrs. E. P. Jenkins; Yankerin, Margaret Hull; Assistant Yankerin, Ethyle Taylor; Yanket, Eva Keatley; Yankard, Edna Hackett.

—W. S. S.—

ESTRAY NOTICE

Strayed from my pasture, two yearling heifers. One red roan and one pale red mottled face. Both are branded 73 on hip and Bar Lazy L6 on right side. End of left ears cut off with underbit and split in right ears. Please notify Chas. Palmer, Roberts, Oregon.

—W. S. S.—

DRUNK, DRANK, DRUNK

The drinks they drank to make them drunk have been reported upon by Municipal Judge George Rosman in an interesting table we condense below, covering the 12-day period of December 17 to 28 inclusive. Within this period there were 91 "drunks" before the judge, and following are the liquids partaken by the number of prisoners indicated:

Whisky, 40; Bay Rum, 9; Home-made Wine, 9; Medicinal Preparations, 17; Home-made Beer, 3; Self-made alcoholic concoctions, 4; Unknown, 1; Cider, 1; Lemon Extract, 1. Total, 91.

There were ten court days in this period. Monday, December 23, showed the largest number of "drunks" (23) and Tuesday, the day after Christmas, the next largest number (18). A gradual tapering off is evident from the beginning of each week towards the end, the victim evidently being able to get a fresh start on each Sunday or holiday.

Judge Rosman's comments on these figures are of interest. He writes: "You will notice that seventeen are marked drunk on Medicinal Preparations. This includes such articles as Tanlac, Bitter Root Tonic, etc. "Four, you will notice, were drunk on alcoholic concoctions. That is, they mix together some alcohol and water, add to it some coloring matter and perhaps some vaseline to make it smooth, and drink it.

"The bulk of the whisky drunks are men that come in from the logging camps where they have remained for a matter of several months without an opportunity of spending their money. When they get a few days vacation in the city and away from the woods, the first idea they have is to get a bottle of whiskey. They do not mind paying \$12.00 or \$14.00 for it and the result is that the police pick up two or three drunks.

The men drunk on bay rum, medicinal preparations and alcoholic concoctions are generally a hard looking set who became confirmed drunkards in the days of the saloons. They are ordinarily a set of men that have but little money but a strong appetite.

"It is seldom that we have in court any young man on a charge of being drunk. Most of our defendants are men of thirty-five to sixty years of age. It is seldom that anyone below the above ages comes in.

"When the present generation that acquired its thirst for liquor in the days of the saloons has passed on, it seems reasonable to believe that the enforcement of the prohibition law will become a much easier problem."—Oregon Voter.

FEDERAL LOAN ASS'N HOLDS AN ELECTION

DICKSON, McCORD, SLAYTON BIGGS, LISTER, DIRECTORATE

HAS \$250,000 IN LOANS OUT

All Are Placed Within County, and Run As Long As Forty Years New Secretary Coming

A meeting of the Crook county Federal Loan Association was held at the office of M. R. Biggs, secretary for the organization, Tuesday evening.

The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers for the coming year. The board is composed of the following men: Geo. Dickson, A. A. McCord, E. T. Slayton, M. R. Biggs and Joe Lister.

Mr. McCord was placed on the board in the place made vacant by the resignation of W. I. Dishman, and other than that, no change was made.

As Mr. Biggs was chosen director, a new secretary will be elected at the next meeting of the board, which will be within the next two weeks. The association has placed about \$250,000 of government loans in the district which includes Crook county, during the year, some of the loans running for a period of forty years.

—W. S. S.—

SECTION HOMESTEAD LAW IS AMENDED

U. S. Commissioner Bechtell informs us that an amendment to the Section Homestead Law was passed by Congress on October 25th, 1918, whereby residence will not be required on additional entries under the section act, which are inconspicuous to an original entry, as was required by the original act, but that if the original entry is still owned by the claimant, the residence may be had on either of the tracts involved for three years after the additional is allowed. In other cases, that is, where claimant has disposed of his original entry, such residence must be had on the land additionally entered.

This will be good news to a great many homesteaders who have made additional entries under this section law, and who can now perfect their additional entries by residence on the original entry instead of upon the new entry, as was originally required by the section act.

—W. S. S.—

TO STUDY METHODS FOR UNEMPLOYED

Reports gathered from all reliable sources in Oregon show today that there are approximately five thousand unemployed men in the state," said Wilfred F. Smith, Federal Director of U. S. Employment Service.

It was to meet an emergency of this sort and devise some methods of relief that the Reconstruction Convention was called in Portland by Mayor George L. Baker last week, at which representatives from nearly every section in the state were present. Out of the sessions came the knowledge that immediate action is required.

Hundreds of soldiers are being discharged every day and returning to their homes to once more enter civil pursuits. Some have been unable to secure employment, and when others have been given their old places upon their return, the civilian who held the job now finds himself looking for other work.

Large bodies of idle men are not conducive to the welfare of the state or a community, and the cooperation from every source that has any influence is sought to relieve the situation.

It is hoped that this will not be looked upon as a pessimistic view, but a plain statement of cold facts. The attention of every employer in the state is directed to the situation and they are urged to expand a little if possible. Those who have delayed some needed improvement until after the war should start it now. If each employer of labor will arrange to absorb only a few of the idle men the problem will be easy of solution.

Unemployment breeds soup houses and soup houses have no place in any well-regulated community. Then, it may breed something worse.

Questionnaires in the form of a blank card will be mailed to all employers in the state this week. Upon being filled out and returned to the Federal Director with the information asked for, he will know exactly how many men may be placed throughout the state.

—W. S. S.—

MRS. R. G. SMITH ENTERTAINS

Mrs. R. G. Smith entertained with a dinner party Sunday evening in honor of Mrs. Ida Cantrill, who expects to leave soon for Portland, where she will make her home. The guests present were: Mrs. Lenora Dillon, Mrs. Wanderly, Mrs. Martha Spear and Mrs. Alta Cantrill.

IRRIGATION CONGRESS RE-ELECTS OFFICERS

JAY H. UPTON IS TO CONTINUE AS PRESIDENT

ANNUAL SESSION IS CLOSED

Reconstruction and Legislation Are The Chief Topics Of Discussion At The Convention

Jay H. Upton of Prineville, was re-elected president of the Oregon Irrigation Congress at its final session Saturday forenoon, at the Imperial Hotel, and Fred N. Wallace was re-elected secretary. The delegates expressed their approval of the conduct of the organization during the past year by the unanimous choice of the two executive and administrative officials to succeed themselves. Julian A. Hurley, state senator from Grant, Harney and Malheur counties, F. S. Bramwell, of Grants Pass, and J. M. Kyle, of Stansfield, were elected vice-presidents.

Delegates and officers of the congress were agreed that it was one of the most successful sessions of the organization that has brought irrigation farmers of the state together for a long time.

Report of the resolutions committee was submitted to the congress at the opening of the last session. Following is a digest of the resolutions adopted:

Indorsement of the Sinnott bill appropriating \$1,000,000,000 for reclamation and drainage.

Favoring Federal aid for the development of the Deschutes project.

Urging State Legislation to complete Tumalo project, or to co-operate with United States or private interests for its completion.

Ask Legislature to increase fund available for stream measurements to provide for reconstruction program of irrigation development.

Call upon state officials to investigate and file suits to recover school, school indemnity and swamp lands secured from the state through fraud.

Rules amended so that each organization holding membership in Oregon Irrigation Congress pay annual dues of \$5, payable in advance.

Recommendation to the Legislature that a full appropriation for the maintenance of the Oregon Bureau of Mines and Geology be granted.

Recommend change in law so that permits for the use of water granted by State Engineer may be made definite as to the right of holder to change place of proposed use.

Recommendation for proper increase in compensation of water masters.

Recommend amendment of irrigation code so that special improvement districts may be formed within irrigation districts such as pumping or drainage that requires special expenditure; and advises other amendments to more clearly define meaning of the law.

The legislative committee was instructed by the congress on recommendation of the resolutions committee to endeavor to secure the enactment by the Legislature of the recommendations of President Upton in his annual address, as follows:

"That the canals, dams, reservoir sites, and other property of irrigation and drainage districts be exempt from taxation."

That the procedure for the confirmation of the organization of irrigation districts be reduced to one method of court procedure instead of three; that the statute be so amended as to abolish the fee of the Secretary of State for affixing the seal in certification of irrigation district bonds; that fees heretofore collected by the Secretary of State be refunded to the respective irrigation districts.

It also was recommended that the present irrigation law be amended so as to permit the secretary of the district to sign warrants instead of requiring the county clerks sign such warrants.

Resolutions adopted by the Oregon State Drainage Association were endorsed and recommended.

Sentiment for the reclamation of not only arid lands by irrigation but of logged-off, cut-over and swamp lands, prominent throughout the sessions in the deliberation of the congress, took form in a strong recommendation to the Legislature for submission of a constitutional amendment. This was approved with loud acclaim by the congress and adopted by unanimous vote, as were the resolutions offered by the committee. The resolution is as follows:

"Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Irrigation Congress recommend to the Legislature of the state of Oregon in its 30th biennial session that the question of amending the constitution of the state of Oregon in this regard (that the credit of the state be used to further reclamation), be submitted to the voters of the state at the first special election or the next general election, so as to permit a competent board of state authorities to provide for a guarantee or purchase of the negotiable bonds of reclamation districts, and to that extent loan the credit of the state to the development of the irrigation of irrigated lands, and drainage and reclamation of swamp and overflow lands and the clearing of logged-off lands, and that it be further recommended, That in order not to delay and interfere with present proposed development, legislation be enacted at said session which will carry the proposed amendment into effect upon its approval by the people; that said legislation will be such as will absolutely safeguard outstanding certified bonds of irrigation districts and the interests of the state at large against all projects which are not feasible and which will permit the employment of returning soldiers at the earliest possible moment."—Oregonian.

TWO PLANS OPEN FOR OCHOCO DAM

NINE MONTHS FROM DATE SHOULD FINISH STRUCTURE

NO ADDITIONAL POWER NEEDED

One Method Is To Employ Lift Pumps The Other Reducing Head and Doubling the Power

Two different plans, both feasible and easily worked out, are under consideration for the completion of the Ochoco Project dam by the board of directors of the district.

The matter of power has delayed the sluicing operations to a great extent for the past four months, and it was alleged by the contractor that present power supplies were insufficient to care for the sluicing at the distance at which the earth should be carried.

Reports of an expert just received on the matter, however, gives the information quoted above, and steps are being taken by the board to start the new methods at once, which will mean a load of perhaps 1,200 yards of earth being delivered into the dam each work day for the next three months, after which the amount can be increased to 40,000 yards per month or even more, which would mean the easy completion of the structure in nine months from date or by November 1 of this year.

Beyond this, however, is the possibility of at least 100,000 yards going into the dam before the spring runoff is past, which will be worth thousands of dollars to the land owners under the district.

The exact method of getting these results provides for the installation of an additional pump and motor at the present pump house, the moving of the present pumping plant to the present sluicing pit, which will be converted into a storage reservoir, and the filling of this reservoir at nighttime by the less powerful pump, the same power being used as is now available for a twenty-four hour shift and this power in the daytime being used in the powerful sluicing plant for movement of the main head, or sluicing head of water.

While this change is being made, which will require about three months' time, the plan would be to shut down one of the twin pumps at once, add two additional impellers in the other one, and while a smaller head of water would be lifted than at present, the stream would have twice the present force at the nozzle, which would be ample to move material from the more distant pit, which offers an abundance of first class clay and earth for construction of the dam.

The amount of water that will be used in this sluicing operation will be between 3,500,000 and 4,000,000 gallons in each work day, which would, in fact, be handled twice, first into the small reservoir and from that point into the sluicing pit.

A storage reservoir is planned in the pit that would hold about 5,000,000 gallons of water, or more than enough for a full day's run for the sluicing pump. This could be filled on Sundays and such times as the sluicing plant is closed for repairs.

—W. S. S.—

FRED HOELSCHER RETURNS

Sergeant Fred Hoelscher arrived this morning, having been mustered out of the service. Sergeant Hoelscher enlisted in the Tank Corps in August and since that time has been stationed at Camp Polk, Raleigh, North Carolina. This is the only Tank camp in the United States. He was sent to Camp Lewis two weeks ago, where he was discharged.

—W. S. S.—

NATIONAL PROHIBITION LOOMS WITH VOLUME

National prohibition seems to be already an accomplished fact with the state legislatures ratifying the amendment for that measure every day.

The Oregon Legislature passed the amendment yesterday with but three men, all from Multnomah county, voting against it.

This gives thirty-three states out of a necessary thirty-six in favor of the submission of the issue to the voters, no state having gone on record against the measure.

California and other states that were conceded to have wet legislatures have voted for the amendment.

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