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"GERMAN PSYCHOLOGY."

German industry, intelligence, research, thrift, organization, system, co-operation, thoroughness, scholarship, love of country, are admirable. These qualities have enabled seventy millions of people to live in comfort and happiness on an area less than that of the state of Texas. The world is fortunate in having learned through the war more of the methods of German progress than was ever known before. To the extent that these lessons are applied the world will profit. It is what is termed the "German psychology" that is feared. This menacing spirit is well exemplified in the following article from the Frankfurter Zeitung, a representative German newspaper:

"With the fall of England, Russia and France will automatically collapse like the organs of a body whose heart has been bored through. Then, also, America will remain isolated and must for her part accept any conditions which we impose, because in the peace treaties with our European foes we can, among other things, also demand the handing over of all large battleships and submarines, whereby our fleet would become seven times the strength of the American navy. Then America would be simultaneously compelled to surrender, and as a matter of course would not only be compelled to give up all the interned German liners, but also pay all the war expenditures of the Germanic powers and their allies."

While except for German psychology, autocracy and militarism the remainder of the world—including America—would undoubtedly be better off for Germanization, it seemingly prefers its own processes of progress. For this reason, before hanging up the coonskin, Germany must yet catch the coon. This task is proving to be both difficult and vexatious, despite the Zeitung's optimism.

It's up to the farmers to attend to tomorrow's road meeting at Pendleton. They pay more taxes and have a larger interest in the good roads question than any other class. The Leader for one is content that the farmers shall decide for themselves upon precisely what they want—dirt roads or rock roads, macadam roads or concrete roads, road

bonds or no bonds. It is primarily the farmer's problem—let him solve it in his own way. He is intelligent enough and wise enough to know what he wants, else he would not be owning a bunch of Umatilla county land while lesser men bow to his nod.

It's a bit paradoxical that the steel magnates should be so prosperous when they always have to handle such a hard proposition.

The inevitable has happened, and Uncle Sam must go skunk-hunting in Mexico.

The martyrs to Villa's barbarity will not have died in vain if the Mexican mess should result in hastening our preparedness program.

We move to strike out the last two words of "dead or alive," our own impression being that as a wholly defunct and devitalized corpse Villa may be a trifle less repulsive.

Our somewhat attenuated office devil threw a fit and "pied" a type galley while trying to perform his duties and read the Weekly Bulldogger at the same time. His eyes were glued to the following atrocity and had to be prized loose with an italic shooting stick:

"A teacher in the Pendleton schools thought to test the knowledge of her scholars on current events in connection with their composition work. Thus she directed them to build a sentence using in it the names of the governor and the secretary of state of Oregon. She was surprised to receive the following ingeniously constructed sentence from one boy: 'George Washington Jackson, the darkey boy in our class, had bugs in his hair and we O-cott them Withycombe.'"

We congratulate McManus upon having overcome his partisan myopia to an extent sufficient to enable him to visualize "A Deserving Democrat." The said D. D. S. A. Newberry, candidate for register of the La Grande land office, and we are inclined to confirm Mac's judgment.

The g. o. p. is desperately hunting a peach of a candidate with nothing but a lemon tree in its political garden.

Weston stood still for so long that its people were glad it still stood; but now it is moving ahead, thank you, and in the right direction.

Rex Lampman says that for personal reasons he'd like to know how the Villa bandits manage to live on nothing, but if Rex gets paid for his stuff we reckon he doesn't need any enlightenment.

We assume that Wilson might at one time have satisfied the Great Only if he could have qualified as a human snooda by swallowing Mexico in one vast and comprehensive gulp.

Uncle Sam having waited until he could no longer avoid sending his troops into Mexico, his conscience is clearer than the consequences.

We noticed in "The Once Over" the other day a little bunch of real good readin'—clipped from The Weston Leader.

WESTON HEARS FROM GOOD ROADS MAN

President Robinson Says That Proposed Apportionment is Purely Tentative.

Pendleton, Or., March 13.—(To the Editor of The Leader.)—Will you permit me to use some of the space in your very highly esteemed paper to answer a few of the arguments set forth last week against the proposal to issue bonds for building permanent hard surface roads in Umatilla county?

The apportionment made at the last meeting at which Mr. MacKenzie and Mr. Danister were present was merely tentative. It was not conclusive and will not be conclusive until the county court makes the order calling the special election for the primary date. In fact, another meeting has been called for Saturday, March 18, to reconsider this same apportionment. The apportionment was made for the purpose of getting a basis upon which to work. The county court is not bound by this apportionment, nor is it bound by any apportionment the committee may make. It seems to me that if the people would look at this matter in the right light they would readily see where it would be to their interests to get in and try to get a reasonable and accurate and satisfactory outline of roads and road improvement rather than announce a determined opposition to a thing which is merely tentative.

But while on this subject let me call your attention to the fact that state aid must naturally assist in closing up any gaps left in the road building if our money should be found insufficient. That is the purpose and object of the state road tax and it is just exactly what is now being done with the money. Umatilla county assistance unless we do something in that line ourselves.

Did your people oppose the construction of the macadam road? Do they now want it torn up and removed because there is a gap unfinished? Don't they know that gap is going to be closed up? You have the only semblance of improved road in Umatilla county and you and your taxpayers must admit that poor as it is, it is better than the old dirt road. It has been paid for by road tax from all parts of the county. And now for you and your taxpayers to say that the people of Echo, Hermiston, Stanfield, Pilot Rock, Helix and other sections shall have no improved roads at all seems to me to be entirely wrong.

You and your taxpayers know very well that every foot of the present macadam road between Pendleton and the state line will be hard surfaced the very first thing you say "you don't" think it will merely in order to have something to base your

KEATOR WOULD BE DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Announces Candidacy for Republican Nomination and Submits Platform.

Roscoe I. Keator, assistant district attorney under Frederick Stelzer, has announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination in the district attorneyship. He came to Pendleton from Salem in 1912, and is a law graduate of Willamette university. His preparatory education he received in a New York high school, secondary and normal school. He worked his way through the eastern schools as well as through Willamette.

Mr. Keator is the first of the candidates for district attorney to definitely announce his position upon the salient features of recent legislation. His platform follows:

"At the request of a number of the taxpayers throughout Umatilla county, I have concluded to enter the race



(Roscoe I. Keator.)

in the coming primaries as a candidate for the Republican nomination to the office of district attorney.

"I am entering this race free from all political obligations or factional influence. I am bound by no personal obligations or prejudices and have no interest to serve in the administration save that of the public in general, and do, if nominated in the coming primaries, and elected upon November next, pledge myself, first, to prosecute all offenses without fear or favor; second, to conduct the administration of the office of district attorney in the most economical manner consistent with the efficient enforcement of the law; third, to earnestly and impartially investigate each and every act or offense which comes to my knowledge in violation of the prohibition act, and in every case so investigated, where the evidence will warrant conviction, I will endeavor to convict the offender."

opposition upon. Even without the bond issue you know that road money has been secured. It was because the county court long ago realized that the macadam had to be hard surfaced that the present road improvement issue was raised. It was first considered to put a bond issue up to the people for the sole purpose and then other sections wanting hard surfaced roads came in and proposed that if we bonded at all, bond for enough to do extensive road work.

Now let's get down and talk good roads to the people and not this particular bond issue. The apportionment is definitely fixed by the county court. Then it will be time enough to discuss the merits of that issue and nothing else, but in the meantime let us carry on a campaign of education as to what good roads really mean to a community and to the county at large. Come out to the road meetings and take part in all the discussions and then when we have finished our preliminary work and the matter is passed up to the county court you and each taxpayer will then have a right to say that he did his best to get what he deemed absolutely essential and if he is displeased with the final apportionment it will then be ample time for him to oppose the bond issue.

JOHN F. ROBINSON,
President Umatilla County Good Roads Association.

ANOTHER ROAD MEETING TOMORROW AT PENDLETON

"We want a committee of representative citizens and taxpayers to work with the county court to see to it that we get a dollar's worth of road for every dollar spent," says President J. F. Robinson of the Good Roads Association, "and that is one of the main reasons for calling this meeting for Saturday, March 18. I believe that the people are willing to vote the bonds for the roads if they can be assured that the money will all go into the actual construction of the highways, and I believe that they are entitled not only to that assurance but to the assurance that they will have a final supervision over the entire expenditure."

"I want to see every taxpayer in the county present at this meeting and I want to see everybody who is in favor of good roads present. This is a matter which is entirely up to the people and unless they take an intelligent part in the considerations and the actual work they are certain to be disappointed in the results, no difference what they are."

"We cannot expect any aid from the state unless we do something ourselves. Other counties not nearly so rich as Umatilla are voting bonds for good roads and the state is completing what they were unable to finish. The state will do the same for Umatilla county if we will make the start. Come out to this meeting Saturday, March 18, and talk it over."

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Mrs. Baggie—How much shall I turn them up?
Mr. Baggie—About half an inch.—London Answers.

Of Course Not.
"I wonder why the oldest person in the world was a man?"
"Why, because no woman would ever have acknowledged it."—Florida Times-Union.

NOW'S THE TIME TO GET ENROLLED

Registration is Too Slow to Suit Slim Barnes—An Appeal to the Voters.

Up to Tuesday only 218 of the 750 voters residing in precincts 12, 14, 15, 16 and 17 had registered with F. A. Barnes, who is the official registrar for these five local precincts. At that better ratio is shown than throughout the county as a whole, wherein only one voter out of five had attended to this important duty of citizenship.

Registrar Barnes has not waited for the voters to come into his office but has gone out into the highways and byways, carrying the official cards in his pocket, and roused them up. This doubtless accounts for the larger proportionate registration here, as Weston's sovereign citizens are presumably just as indifferent as their fellows in other parts of the county.

The local registrar has been asked so often about election dates, despite the fact that they have been printed in all the county papers, that the more important ones are given here

again:
Registration books close April 14.
Primaries May 19.
Registration books open for general election September 5 and close October 7.
General election November 7.

Unless more of the Weston county's 750 voters register now, the remainder will have a hard time doing so should they wish to vote on primary day, because the process is then slower and the rush greater. Not only is it their duty, but Mr. Barnes will regard it as a personal favor if they will come in at once and not keep him in suspense. Slim fears attenuation through his "watchful waiting" policy and doesn't want to qualify for the "silver" class, which is already sufficiently well represented by Davis and Lavender.

Voters who register now are permanently on the rolls unless they move into another precinct or fail to vote. Let them get the little job over with, and thus justify the confidence reposed in them by this great American republic. Slim Barnes and the Weston Leader.

Of the 218 voters now on the local rolls 121 are republicans, 81 democrats, three independents, two prohibitionists and one a socialist.

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RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts.....	\$126,117 83
Overdrafts..... (none)	
Bonds and warrants.....	12,540 25
Real estate.....	3,500 00
Banking house.....	1,000 00
Furniture and fixtures.....	25,729 36
Other real estate owned.....	15,459 94
Due from approved reserve banks.....	21 45
Checks and other cash items.....	6,580 53
Cash on hand.....	
Total.....	\$193,949 08
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in.....	\$30,000 00
Surplus fund.....	15,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid.....	2,384 75
Due to banks and bankers.....	1,500 62
Individual deposits subject to check.....	105,040 70
Demand certificates of deposit.....	2,635 17
Time and Savings deposits.....	22,483 17
Bills payable for money borrowed.....	15,000 00
Other liabilities.....	3 19
Total.....	\$193,949 08

State of Oregon, ss.
County of Umatilla, ss.
I, E. M. Smith, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. M. SMITH, Cashier.

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F. D. WATTS,
J. H. PRICE,
Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of March, 1916.
E. L. BLOMGREN,
Notary Public.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
In the Matter of the Estate of Edward Anderson, Deceased.
TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
Notice is hereby given that Anna Anderson is the duly appointed and acting executrix of the above entitled estate, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers attached thereto, to said executrix at her home in Weston, Oregon, or at the office of Geo. F. Fee in Pendleton, Oregon, within six months from the 17th day of March, 1916.
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