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#### THAT ISLAND OF YAP.

The issue that has arisen over the island of Yap is not properly between the United States and Japan but between the United States and the supreme council of the league of nations. It would be well for our government to recognize this fact, since a dispute with the supreme council is far less likely to involve us in war than direct diplomatic quarreling with the proud and sensitive little empire of the Mikado.

The supreme council placed under the Japanese mandate all of the former German islands north of the equator, Yap included. Whether or not the council was justified in taking this action and ignoring the rights of the United States as one of the victorious powers, is a question which our government should properly take up and thresh out with the council itself. Japan, we think, is clearly within her own right in refusing to turn over the disputed island for use as an international cable station, unless the supreme council so decides. Japan is a member of the league of nations, and is not to be criticized for accepting and respecting a mandatory. The wisdom of the Japanese position may be questioned, because of the further ill feeling that may be engendered between the people of this country and the people of Japan, but not its equity.

Moreover, were it not for its value as a cable station of this otherwise insignificant island, there would undoubtedly be no objection on the part of our government to the Japanese mandatory. Neither would we be apt to question the British mandatory over Mesopotamia were there no oil in that disputed region. In other words, we stand for what we are pleased to regard as our rights only when we are in danger of losing something if we do not. The supreme council could grant all the mandates it pleased for the disposal of valueless territory without disturbing our presumably exalted ideas of principle.

Let us not assume that our beloved country is never motivated by any question save that of world welfare, in its dispute with foreign powers. As a Yankee nation we know quite well on which side our bread is buttered.

#### SOMETHING FOR NOTHING?

The treaty by which Colombia gets \$25,000,000 from the United States for no apparent consideration save its good will, was first advocated by a democratic administration and blocked by a republican senate minority. It has now been advocated by a republican president and put through by a republican senate majority, including the very republican senators who voted against it before. The late Theodore Roosevelt stigma-

tized Colombia's demand as "black-mail." Virtually our government has sought to placate Colombia in order to protect American oil interests in Colombian territory, as oil now bulks hugely among the needs of the nation. Later events will determine whether or not Uncle Sam is entitled to be regarded as a wise philanthropist or as an "easy mark." Meanwhile the taxpayer may do all the bleating he likes, for he is obviously the goat.

Says the Oregonian: "England's drink bill appears enormous, but that is because the traffic is legitimate. America's, if it could be compiled, would be found to be quite large. Not even the most ardent prohibitionist is fooled any more." Perhaps true, in a measure. But a drunken man is getting to be an infrequent sight on the streets of our towns and cities, and the younger generation is growing up without acquiring a booze appetite.

No one will ever know what caused the untimely and sorrowful demise of the luckless mastodon with tusks nine feet long unearthed near Arlington. Perchance, poor thing, it died of the toothache.

The democrats may have occasion to envy the republican party its acquirement of the loaves and the fishes, but not of the nation's problems.

As to the sudden passing of that millionaire packer's son, there is apt to be no widespread regret that he couldn't borrow the ten thou.

The fact that Japan can fight is among the reasons why the United States should carefully refrain from qualifying as her antagonist.

Possibly President Harding's peace plans are not without merit, since they have occasioned disappointment in Berlin.

Confirming our view that he was always a bit irrational, "Big Bill" Haywood prefers Russia to the pen.

Standing alone and defiant, the British coal miners have adopted, as it were, a striking attitude.

Having found that war doesn't pay, Germany has evidently decided that neither will she.

Germany, it appears, is unwilling to pay any sum that she isn't willing to pay.

#### S. A. BARNES IS RE-ELECTED TO HEAD MEMORIAL BOARD

At the annual meeting of the Weston Memorial association held Monday at Memorial hall the following officers were elected: S. A. Barnes, president; Claud Price, vice president; H. Goodwin, secretary; C. L. Pinkerton, treasurer. Mr. Barnes and Mr. Pinkerton are incumbents. The officers were chosen unanimously, but ten or more ballots were found necessary to elect the three directors who with the four officers constitute the board of control. The honor fell finally upon Nelson H. Jones, S. J. Culley and G. W. Staggs. An effort is being made by the board, and it is hoped will prove successful, to persuade President Barnes to continue the management of the picture shows for another year and this matter will be settled at a board meeting next

Monday. His stewardship the past year, to which he has freely devoted his time, has shown a good profit to the hall, the affairs of which will be in satisfactory condition when past due subscriptions are collected.

#### A Voice for Local Progress

To the Editor:—  
Is Weston hibernating? Is Weston sleeping? Will Weston continue indifferent to the great possibilities lying at its door?

The mountain lands tributary to Weston produce the finest of potatoes, cabbage, turnips and strawberries—to mention only four of their many products. With the proper marketing facilities, these can and will be raised in ever-increasing quantities. Every pound should be marketed by, through or in this town. The mountain people rightfully are interested in this town and this town is interested in them. A mutual spirit of co-operation and encouragement should be inculcated, if they and the town are to profit to the full by the rich land turned by their plow shares—a land that Providence smiles upon.

Weston should be the banking town of these industrious and worthy people; their school town, their trading town and their shipping town. And if each and all will help the results will be surprising and gratifying.

There is a future for Weston mountain, for Weston lowlands, for Weston itself. Why not have a producers' warehouse wherein every pound of produce raised in and around Weston could be sorted, crated and otherwise prepared for the wholesale and retail markets—sold then under a guarantee, thus commanding top prices and insuring constant orders. It is up to Weston to provide some such a convenience if the town would profit by its proximity to one of the richest agricultural regions on earth.

The city officials are working along the line of civic progress by means of their street improvement campaign. (This should and will be brought to fruition through the loyal aid of every true friend of the town. Then, given a much needed produce warehouse and a pull-together spirit between town and country, and we will develop a community in which all of us will feel proud to live and have our being.

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### ANNUAL PIONEERS REUNION AT WESTON JUNE 3 AND 4

Friday and Saturday, June 3 and 4, are the dates of the next annual reunion of Unatilla county pioneers, to be held at Weston as usual. At the meeting held Monday at the office of Secretary Barnes a large attendance was noted, and also a keen interest in the proceedings which indicates general community co-operation in making this reunion a memorable one. President R. Alexander was prevented by illness from attending, and delegated Mayor Nelson H. Jones to preside. Committees were appointed as follows:

Program—J. H. Williams, Clark Wood, Nelson H. Jones.  
Finance and Concessions—L. B. Davis, L. I. O'Harra, L. R. Van Winkle.  
Grounds—J. M. Ashworth, Geo. A. Lindeken, Walter Webb.  
Transportation—Frank Price, C. L. Pinkerton, Joe Wurser.  
Badges—H. Goodwin, P. T. Harbour, J. A. Lumsden.  
Publicity—S. A. Barnes, C. W. Avery, Claud Price.  
Reception—J. M. Banister, Geo. W. Staggs, J. A. King, J. F. Snider, H. A. Brandt.  
Decoration—S. J. Culley, Mrs. J. H. Williams, Mrs. H. Goodwin.  
Sports—J. M. Price, F. G. Lucas, O. A. Adams.  
Speakers—E. M. Smith, W. H. Gould, W. A. Barnes.  
Music—J. H. Price, R. L. Reynaud, A. M. Ross.

### BASEBALL OPENS SUNDAY IN WHEAT BELT LEAGUE

The withdrawal of Athena from the Blue Mountain league has disrupted that organization. At a meeting in Pendleton last evening the Wheat Belt league was organized, with a four-team circuit. Weston was represented at the meeting by R. L. Reynaud, business manager, and Ed. L. Wood, team manager of the local organization. The schedule follows:

April 24—Helix at Pendleton, Weston at Pilot Rock.  
May 1—Pendleton at Weston, Pilot Rock at Helix.  
May 8—Helix at Weston, Pilot Rock at Pendleton.  
May 15—Pendleton at Pilot Rock, Weston at Helix.  
May 22—Pilot Rock at Weston, Helix at Pendleton.  
May 29—Helix at Pilot Rock, Weston at Pendleton.  
June 5—Weston at Pilot Rock, Pendleton at Helix.  
June 12—Pendleton at Weston, Pilot Rock at Helix.

#### Weston Teachers All Elected

All of the teachers of the Weston schools were re-elected at a recent meeting of the board of directors. F. C. Fitzpatrick, however, will not accept re-election as superintendent, as he goes to Kelso, Wash., for the coming school year. Mr. Fitzpatrick will be superintendent at Kelso, at a salary of \$2900. It is the county seat of Cowlitz county and has three school buildings and a corps of 23 teachers. The departure of Mr. and Mrs. Fitzpatrick will be viewed here with general regret. They have been prominent in the social as well as the educational life of the community, and Mr. Fitzpatrick has served successfully for four years as superintendent. The board is considering several applications for the vacated position.

The list of teachers as elected follows:

High school—F. C. Fitzpatrick, Miss Frank Harris Davis, Miss Lurline Brown, Miss Esther R. Hubbard.  
Eighth grade—Mrs. Gertrude Fitzpatrick.  
Sixth and seventh grades—Miss Mabel Isaacson.  
Fifth grade—Miss Esther Mark.  
Third and fourth grades—Miss Lillian Sheldon.  
First and second grades—Miss Louise Rintoul.

Rev. W. R. Storms was called to Notus, Idaho, yesterday to conduct a three weeks' evangelistic campaign. Local people will have charge of the services next Sunday at the Baptist church. The following two Sundays services will be conducted by Rev. M. D. Lynn of Helix.

Mrs. Sarah McDougal and S. A. Barnes motored to Pendleton yesterday to visit Mrs. McDougal's brother, William Kilgore, who is a patient in the hospital there.

Walter Webb has made a hit with the thirsty by installing at the Pastime an ornamental barrel for serving Hire's root beer.

Rev. A. J. Starmer is attending to business matters in Roseburg this week. Services will be conducted in the M. E. Church, South, next Sunday by Martin Radcliffe of Milton, a theological student of Columbia college.

### HOW ABOUT YOUR SPUD CROP?

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