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GAME BOARD ASKS FOR CLEAN SWEEP

Present Aids Out After May 1st—Meier After Prison Superintendent.

Salem.—In line with its plan to reorganize the state game department the game commission Tuesday instructed that all members of the personnel be notified that within the next 15 days they should submit their resignations to the commission and that they should continue to work until the resignations are acted upon. In calling for the wholesale resignation it is the idea of the commission that it will be free to select those whom it desires to retain and that those who are retained will appreciate their responsibility to the commission rather than to outsiders.

In the matter of selecting a master warden, or game supervisor as he will be termed under the new game code, the commission did nothing beyond considering in executive session a number of candidates and their qualifications. The final selection of supervisor and heads of departments will probably be announced at the next meeting of the commission May 11 in Portland.

By that time decision will also be reached probably on the question of moving the headquarters of the department from Portland to the capital building at Salem. In its present quarters the commission is paying \$298 rent per month.

Among candidates for chief warden are J. E. Cullison, chairman of the late commission; F. M. Brown, deputy warden; Art Fish, chief of law enforcement; Deputy Warden Meads, and Senator Ed Miller of Grants Pass.

Charles P. Pray of Oswego, former special agent in the federal department of justice, was appointed state parole officer by Governor Meier Tuesday.

The governor also reported progress in his proposal to install an assistant purchasing agent in the board of control to represent himself in passing on purchases for departments and commissions coming under his exclusive jurisdiction.

Meier, earlier in the session met his first definite defeat in his projected "house cleaning" of state institutions and departments when a majority of the board refused to stand with him in his demand for removal of Henry W. Meyers, superintendent of the state penitentiary.

Both Hal Hoss, secretary of state, and State Treasurer Kay were opposed to the governor's proposal to oust the superintendent. They agreed to a counter proposal that charges which have been made against Meyers by former prison employes be aired at a public hearing to be held in the state house at 9 a. m. Friday.

A proposal by the governor that the services of Colonel W. B. Bartram as superintendent of the prison flax industry be dispensed with "forthwith" also failed to gain the board's support.

Bartram, under previous board action, was slated to go May 1. The governor based his demand on additional complaints which were laid before him and he wanted the release to be effective at once. Kay told the governor he interviewed all the men to whom the governor referred relative to these new complaints and that in no instance had he found the charges substantiated.

"On the contrary," Kay declared, "I find Bartram is working in entire harmony with the prison, is instructing those who are to succeed him and there is no foundation for the charge he is disrupting the flax industry. I voted to release Bartram on May 1, and it would be an injustice to him to kick him out before that time on the flimsy charges you have referred to us."

Sam Kozer Resigns

Governor Meier has announced the appointment of Henry Hanzen as state budget director to succeed Sam A. Kozer who resigned April 1. Kozer's resignation becomes effective April 15. The fact that the resignation had been tendered had not been known outside the governor's office. Hanzen, former Portland newspaperman, directed Meier's campaign for the governorship. Kozer resigned his post as secretary of state to become budget director.

Wrecking Church Property

The Catholic church property on Fifth street, where services have not been held for some time, has been considerably damaged, presumably by boys, who have broken out windows, entered the church building and disarranged and damaged a number of articles. Investigation is said to be under way to discover if possible, who is responsible for the damage done the church property.

Sterling Parris' Farm Home, Contents Destroyed

The farm home of Sterling Parris, together with contents was totally destroyed by fire of unknown origin about 3 o'clock, Monday afternoon. Not one thing was saved, as the house was a mass of flames when the first persons arrived on the scene.

Mrs. Parris had come to Athena with Mrs. Clifford Walker and Mr. Parris was working in a field, out of view of the house. A little son of Joseph Cannon was the first one to see the fire, and soon afterward Norman McIntyre and Will Bush were there and when they broke in a window, flames burst out and singed their eyebrows, forcing them back.

In a short time quite a crowd congregated, but no one could be of any assistance, whatever. Fortunately the wind was blowing the flames away from the direction of other buildings, though the big shade trees in the front yard were seared by heat and flame.

There was some insurance on the farm house but none on the contents. The place was formerly the home of the late D. H. Sanders, and S. S. Parris purchased it from A. H. McIntyre. During the past winter, Mr. and Mrs. Parris had made extensive improvements on the house. New plumbing had been put in and the rooms had been newly painted and papered, and other improvements made.

Another house owned by Mr. Parris in the vicinity will be moved to the site of the burned building and remodeled for occupancy.

Provisions Made for "Last Quartet" Fund

Portland.—When but four old men remain of the 2000 or 3000 world war sailors on the U. S. S. South Dakota, those four will meet for a final banquet. On the table will be a fat money bag. Before the four men separate, dissolving the U. S. S. South Dakota Veterans Association, they will divide the contents of the bag equally. Each will carry away enough money to carry him thru his few remaining years.

The "Last Quartet Fund" was started by contributions of 25 cents from each of the 100 members who attended the tenth annual reunion of the association here Saturday night. The plan is for each member to add 25 cents a year to the pool. The money will be placed in a savings bank and, when only four veterans remain, they will divide the pot.

The Study Club

Dainty sprays of peach bloom placed about the rooms made the home of Mrs. W. S. Ferguson a bower of Spring beauty Friday afternoon when she was hostess to the Study club, the occasion being the annual guest day of this very interesting and successful organization. With the president, Mrs. F. B. Radtke presiding, the meeting opened with roll call, answered with the name of some manufactured product of Japan. Mrs. M. I. Miller read from Hutchinson the pages descriptive of that country, followed by a review by Mrs. J. W. Pinkerton of "A Daughter of the Samurai," by the interesting Japanese author, Madame Sugimoto. The review was given in Mrs. Pinkerton's usually comprehensive and thorough manner. The hosts assisted by her committee consisting of Mrs. M. M. Johns, Mrs. Frank Little and Mrs. Fred Kershaw, served light refreshments. Guests present were: Mrs. B. B. Richards, Mrs. D. A. Pinkerton, Mrs. Velton Read, Mrs. C. M. Eager, Mrs. C. A. Sias, Mrs. L. A. Cornell, Miss Elsa Ringel and Mrs. Frank Snyder of Weston, besides fifteen members of the club. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Johns, the subject being: The South Sea Islands.

Umatilla County Oil Co.

Officers of the Umatilla County Oil company held a meeting with Athena farmers at the Rogers & Goodman store in this city Tuesday evening. The company, recently organized, has for its purpose the buying of gasoline and oils in the open market and selling it to the farmer stockholders in the company. Shares are \$25 each and are sold only to farmers, who are restricted to the purchase of four each. Sam R. Thompson is president of the company and Carl Engdahl is secretary-treasurer. County Agent Holt was the principal speaker at the Athena meeting.

Practicing for Track Meet

Athena high school and the grades are turning out for practice for the district track meet, which will be held at Helix tomorrow. Coach Miller reports that he will have entries in all high school and grade events at the meet. The grade events will be run off commencing at 10 a. m. and the high school contests will begin at 2 p. m.

REVISED GRAIN FREIGHT RATES

Reductions to Coast Points From Montana, Idaho, Washington.

Washington.—A lengthy study of Western grain rates has been concluded with issuance by the interstate commerce commission of a supplemental order revising and correcting the reduced rates prescribed last year, and refusing further consideration of individual cases.

The revised rates, to become effective June 1, apply to water carriers as well as railroads. The inquiry which resulted in the new rate schedules has been under way for several years. Export grain as well as grain for domestic use comes under provisions of the order. It applies to the states of Montana, Idaho and Washington.

The revised grain rate tariffs re-ordered by the interstate commerce commission have been effective in Oregon intra-state traffic since April 1 under order of the Oregon public utility commissioner, who denied the delay until June 1 asked by the carriers and now denied by Wednesday's ruling.

The original requirement for the new schedules fixed the effective date as November 1, 1930, but the railroads were successful in postponing the date until April 1 and again until June 1 and had asked for reopening of the case and further extension, which the interstate commerce commission has denied.

Athena-Adams School Teams in a Hot Fray

Not until the last inning of a hotly contested seven-inning game, could Athena high school players get their sights arranged to play the game out of the fire which Boots Lacourse had kindled with two scores for Adams.

Lacourse had scored Adams' two runs in the fourth and sixth innings and had held Athena to a couple of bingles and no scores; in fact this nifty athlete was the stellar light of the game. Then the seventh rolled around.

Jenkins flew out to Hodgen. Ralph Moore binged out a three-ply swat and Wilson walked. Pickett got life at first, when B. Hodgen dropped the ball on the strike. Hansell scored Moore and Wilson with a scorching single, Pickett going to third, from where he brought in the third tally on Jack Moore's long fly to LaFave. Huffman held Adams to six hits. Both teams played a whale of a game and it was a good one to see.

Struck His Mother

Waldo Terry of Pendleton, was fined \$50 and costs in municipal court on a charge of assault and battery preferred by his mother, Mrs. Laura J. Terry. Terry pleaded not guilty, but the judge decided that he had hit his mother at least once.

Farmers National Warehouses

Henry Collins, western manager for the Farmers National Grain Corporation, reports the purchase of nine warehouses and an elevator at Condon, by the corporation.

Athena to Open the League Season Here Sunday

Reductions to Coast Points From Montana, Idaho, Washington.

The opening game of the Umatilla County Baseball league season will open on the Athena grounds Sunday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, with Helix. The season was to have started last Sunday between the two teams at Helix, but was postponed for this coming Sunday, with change of location.

As scheduled, Umatilla opened the season at the Mission Indians' grounds, scoring a defeat over the Indians by the score of 9 to 3. Next Sunday the Indians play a return game at Umatilla.

A good attendance is wanted for the Helix-Athena game here next Sunday and everybody is boosting for a big crowd present when Mr. Umpire announces the batteries and shouts "play ball!" Athena's probable lineup will be:

Tudor, pitcher; Brannon, catcher; Harden, 1b; Wallan, 2b; Lacourse, ss; Lowell Jenkins, 3b; Miller, rf; Harris, cf and Crowley, lf.

Boy Scout Circus

Several hundred Boy Scouts of the Blue Mountain Council will take part in a circus to be held at Walla Walla tonight, at the State Armory. Fifteen troops have been signed up to participate in the eight events which have been arranged. Included on the program are the impressive investiture ceremony where 100 young scouts will receive their tenderfoot badges, a three-ring tableau, a model aircraft display, and a number of other events designed to show the major activities of scouting.

Free Textbooks for the Grade School Pupils

Salem.—Free textbooks, as far as the expenditure of \$1.50 per year will permit, may be provided pupils of grade schools this fall, if the budgets provided for such expenditure is voted upon for the present school year, an opinion by the state attorney general held.

The opinion was requested by C. A. Howard, superintendent of public instruction. Those districts voting budgets in June for the coming year are expected to include the item for textbooks. Those voting in October for the next year, the opinion states, cannot include the item. It is being suggested by the state superintendent that these districts desiring to make use of the free text books this fall, make provision for holding their budgets election before the fall term starts.

Weston Man in Court

H. J. Driscoll of Weston, who was secretly indicted by the grand jury for unlawful sale of securities, entered a plea of not guilty when arraigned before Judge Sweek in circuit court, Tuesday. Driscoll's alleged offense involves the sale of mining stock without a permit from the state corporation commissioner.

Benefit Dance Successful

The benefit dance given at Miller hall Wednesday evening, was well attended and \$52 was netted for the Athena Cemetery Association fund. The music was contributed by several Athena musicians and expenses were small. Punch was served and all who attended report having an enjoyable time.

WALLA WALLA GETS FLOOD SUGGESTIONS

Dam, Dredge, Change Type of Bridges and Clear Up Channel.

Walla Walla.—The special flood control committee named by President John Casper of the chamber of commerce is beginning to receive suggestions into which it can "get its teeth," these suggestions coming from engineers who have studied the peculiar conditions which exist here. From a watershed covering some 75 square miles frequently come freshets which wash down rock and gravel, trees and debris, pouring this stuff into a narrow channel of Mill creek, which wriggles through town. The water and debris try to crowd under low bridges, which act as dams, causing overflows and destruction to property.

The last flood, that of March 31, caused a loss of at least a million and a half dollars.

Dennis P. Woods, consulting engineer of Spokane, after a survey of the situation, has filed his recommendations with the special committee. Briefly they follow:

Improve and straighten upper Mill creek, above where Yellowhawk branches, to insure that water stays in its assigned channel.

Construct a low dam to create a settling basin for rocks and gravel brought down upper Mill creek and out of the canyon.

Build diversion works in connection with the dam so that 40 per cent of the water of upper Mill creek will go into Yellowhawk and Garrison creeks (delta streams of Mill creek) and 60 per cent down Mill creek through the city, this to conform to an old court ruling.

Improve lower mill creek channel from the settling basin on down. Dredge the present channel through the city, straighten the channel where practicable, and raise the channel to insure uniform depth and capacity.

Raise the bridges and change the type where necessary. Headed by John G. Kelly, a special committee is holding almost daily meetings to whip into shape some practical recommendations which can be submitted to the city commissioners for action soon.

Hundreds of pieces of property were damaged by the last flood and the damage was widespread, some places far from the creek channel suffering much, because the creek overflowed at a curve near fire station No. 2 and flowed down three streets, then spread to others.

Haugen Sees New Farm-er Legislation in Congress

New legislation to redeem republican platform pledges of farm relief is forecast by Congressman Haugen of the house agriculture committee.

Haugen proposed the equalization fee as a solution of the agricultural problem if the federal farm board has not bettered conditions by the time congress meets. The Iowa twice sponsored the "McNary-Haugen" bill containing the fee. The measure was vetoed by President Coolidge.

"The board has tried to make the tariff effective but has failed," said Haugen. "That was their major purpose."

"The board has cost the government at least \$200,000,000. The equalization fee would have met the farm condition without any cost to the treasury."

Shower Is Given

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Parris were responsible for a shower in their honor yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Archie McIntyre. A large group of friends was present and spent the afternoon with needlework. Many useful and attractive household articles were received by the honorees to assist in replacing those lost in the recent fire when their home was a total loss. Dainty refreshments were served at the tea hour.

Fishing Season Opens

The fishing season opened on trout six inches in length and over, Wednesday. Athena anglers were handicapped owing to the high stage of water in the Umatilla and Walla Walla rivers. Fishing is confined to creeks tributary to the rivers and small catches are reported.

Wheat Takes Upward Splash

Stimulated by European indications, Chicago wheat established a new high price record for the season. May opened at 83¢ and closed 83½¢; July 63¢ @ 64¢; Sept. 62 @ 62½¢; Dec. 65¢ @ 65¢. Winnipeg's close for May was 62½¢. Portland cash wheat: Blue stem, soft and Western white, 68¢.

Education and the State

By Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall, President, University of Oregon

Editor's note: This is the fourth of a series of five articles written on education by Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall, president of the University of Oregon. Others will follow at regular intervals.

The question may well be asked, how can you train people in spiritual understanding? How can you organize the altruistic impulses of youth so that they will find expression along useful and constructive channels? Many contend that it is impossible to provide emotional training in an educational institution.

One incident comes to my mind bearing upon this question. After America had been in the World War about a year, I met the first American soldier I had seen who had been in service over seas. I met him on a railroad train as he was returning to his home after having been incapacitated for further military service by injuries received in battle. I inquired if I might ask him a few questions, to which he graciously consented. In a few words I had his story. He was born on a farm in Wisconsin. He finished the sixth grade in a rural school, and then went to Racine where he began working in a shoe factory. He was working in a shoe factory at the outbreak of the war. He promptly resigned, went to Chicago, and volunteered for military service. He went through about eleven months of training and then found himself in the front line trenches overseas. He has been over the top three times, was finally severely wounded, and was returning home. He was a typical garden variety of young American manhood.

Courage Explained I asked him how he had the courage when the time came to go over the top and he knew that he had to advance through the enemy territory, through barbed wire entanglements, amidst explosive shells, poisonous gases, bursting shrapnel, and rattling machine gun fire, realizing the danger that lay ahead. His reply to me was, "Why, Mister, it wasn't so bad. Of course, you are scared, but you must remember that when you first go into the army your first teacher tells you that you must begin to look forward to that day when you are going to stand before the world and take the baptism of fire. You have to look forward to the time when you are going to be tried on the field of battle and when your gang is going to know whether you are a man or a coward. And not only that, but when you go over the top, you know that your comrades are going with you; you know that the platoon commander will lead you and will not desert, and say, Mister, you can't go back on the bunch. You would rather die in your tracks than have the gang think you were a coward."

And so, in his rude way, he laid down the simple rules of psychology which constitute the hope of the race. He demonstrated that the army, which is not primarily an educational organization, can take the garden variety of American boy, train him for a few short months, send him into the most terrible war in history against the most effectively trained troops that civilization has known, and so train him that his dauntless gallantry and efficient fighting would arouse the admiration of the world. That was done by organizing his emotional life around the conception of bravery and self-respect.

Emotions Organized The army organized the boys' emotions into a definite complex until they preferred death to cowardice and would rather give up their lives than their self-respect. I maintain that if the army, even under the dramatic circumstances of war, can in a year train the average American boy to such heroism and gallantry, that modern education, through the grades and the high school and the university ought to be able to so organize the emotional and spiritual life of youth that in the great conflict of life they will prefer the things that are noble and splendid and magnificent to the things that are cheap, common and tawdry. I believe by building upon the campus, through the influence of our faculty and the cooperation of our homes, the right kind of atmosphere, the right kind of University traditions, respect for things that are fine and reverence for things that are holy, that we can so shape the emotional life of youth that they will leave the doors of the University of Oregon trained not only intellectually, to do battle with the problems of life, with a vision of service and ideals of manhood and womanhood that will make them of maximum value to society, joy to their families, and equipped for wholesome and useful lives.

The development of Freshman Week activities, the series of talks that I give to the freshmen at the beginning of their first year, the care with which we try to select faculty members whose personality and character become an inspiration to the students—these are the methods by which we are trying to build up a rich body of University traditions and high standards of student ideals. Here is an opportunity for splendid cooperation by the fathers and mothers. We cannot build these ideals upon the campus and develop them to their fullest possibilities without drawing help from the idealism and aspirations of your homes. We want you to send your children to us not only eager to make the best of their University opportunities, but also eager to build into the spiritual life of the University something of their own hopes and aspirations, something of their own ideals, and something of their own manhood and womanhood.

Taxes Now Paid at the County Sheriff's Office

Conforming to present requirements, taxpayers will hereafter pay their taxes direct to the sheriff's office at Pendleton, instead of having the convenience of making payment through their bank.

The change makes it incumbent upon the taxpayer to personally secure his tax statement from the sheriff's office, either by request through the mail or making a visit to the office.

In another column of today's Press, the First National Bank of Athena calls attention of the taxpayer to the official order which discontinues payment of taxes at the bank. The first half of 1930 taxes have been due since March, and they become delinquent after Tuesday, May 5th.

Elam Goes to Syria

Friends of Mrs. Casper Woodward and Mrs. Dave Stone will be interested to hear that their nephew Dan W. Elam, senior at Whitman college, has been appointed instructor of physics in the American University of Beirut, Syria. He will succeed Stephen Penrose, son of the Whitman president, who is returning to the United States in June to study at Columbia University. Besides teaching, Elam will do coaching in athletics and will direct the Chapel choir. He plans to spend the summers touring Europe and making an extensive study of the opera. After graduation in June, Elam will spend two months in preparatory work and will sail from New York in August. His work begins in September and he expects to be in Syria for three years.

Bank Bandit Slain

J. E. Albright, 35, farm hand, lay dead with a bullet in his heart at Ashland while a posse sought his companion in the robbery of the Ashland State Bank, Monday. Meanwhile Eric Warren, post office employe, was recovering from a bullet wound in the shoulder received as he watched the gun battle following the holdup.

Drowned in Ditch

The five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Donahue of Walla Walla, was drowned in an irrigation ditch at Boardman, Tuesday. Her parents were visiting relatives at Boardman.

John D. Tells Padre a Good Story



Judging from the expression on the face of Rev. A. T. Brooks of Boston, Mass., it must have been a good one that John D. Rockefeller had just related to him on the grounds of his winter home at Ormond Beach, Fla., where the minister was his guest.