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## JOHN HUSTON DIES IN ALASKAN RIVER

Doctor in Government  
Service is Son of Local  
Residents.

Heartbreaking news was received in a telegram from Fortuna Lodge, Alaska, on Tuesday morning by E. R. Huston, announcing the accidental death, by drowning, of his son, Dr. John Huston. The telegram was short, and no particulars surrounding the accident were given, other than to state that Dr. Huston fell overboard from a medical ship while on the way down the Yukon river. The accident occurred on Saturday the 16th and the telegram, sent out on Monday, contained the information that continued search was being made for the body. The word came from Mrs. Huston, who was on the boat with her husband.

Dr. Huston and wife were both in the government service in Alaska, being with the United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Education, Alaska Native School, Medical and Reindeer service. They left Seattle last August and for a time were located with the government hospital at Juneau, the headquarters of the department, and worked out from there. They had recently made an extensive trip by boat, following the coast line as far as Unalakleet, back to Juneau, and then were placed on the work along the Yukon river, being stationed at Marshall, a point now far inland from the mouth of the Yukon.

It is evident that when the accident occurred the medical boat was on a journey to one of the native missions down the river, as Dr. Huston was called to many points and long distances to minister to the medical needs of the natives, and had recently been on the go almost night and day. Further word concerning the accident, and whether the body has been recovered, is momentarily expected by the relatives here. The distance is so far, and it is so uncertain as to just where Mrs. Huston might be, that it makes it impossible to get any word to her from this end.

Announcement of the sudden passing of Dr. Huston comes as a stunning blow to his parents and relatives here, and they have the sincere sympathy of the entire community in this affliction.

Dr. Huston was 32 years, 5 months and 15 days of age. He was a native of Albany, at which place he received his high school education and fitted himself for the completion of a higher education course, graduating from the University of Oregon with the class of 1917. Deciding to study medicine he attended the U. of O. medical school and received his degree in 1922. Following this he spent one year as an intern in Multnomah hospital at Portland, and then one year as assistant in the medical department of the University at Eugene. After spending some time in private practice in Portland, he entered the government service in the Marine hospital at Port Townsend, Wash., being transferred from there to the same service in Seattle, and then on August 7, 1926, he sailed for Juneau, Alaska, to enter the hospital service of the government there.

He was married to Elizabeth Beatrice McFarland, of Bachelorette, Nebraska, July 29, 1922. Mrs. Huston was a graduate nurse from Good Samaritan hospital in Portland, and it was here that the doctor and his future wife became acquainted. Mrs. Huston was engaged as a graduate nurse in the government service along with her husband.

While Dr. Huston was a young man in the profession, he was making good and had a bright future before him, and his untimely death cuts short a career that gave every promise of being brilliant.

## Reports Mountain Range Finest For Many Years

Jerm O'Connor returned from the high mountains in the vicinity of Desolation lake the first of the week, where he will summer a part of his sheep. He states that the range conditions in the mountains are the best he has noted in many years. The feed is abundant and luxurious and the flocks should come home in the fall in excellent condition.

Speaking of the little difficulty he had with the Ukiah road supervisor, mention of which we made in these columns last issue, Jerm thinks the picture was considerably overdrawn and it was made to appear that he was the chief culprit in rolling a lot of rock on the road, that was alleged to obstruct the highway. As a matter of fact, his sheep were the last of some five bands that had been driven along this piece of road, and Jerm did not like to be held responsible for all the rock (and there were no hundreds as the E. O. article stated) that had been forced from the hillside into the road. However, as he was the only one held up on the charge, he tried to make good by taking a man and spending parts of two days clearing the rock off. At no time was the road obstructed, but the official was not satisfied and took Mr. O'Connor to Pendleton for a hearing in the justice court. The trial was postponed to a later date, and Jerm feels that he will prove his innocence all right. He was informed that it is the practice to drive bands of cattle over this particular piece of county road almost continuously and he only went this way because it shortened the distance quite materially and he could not get by otherwise without trespassing on private property.

## SEED WHEAT CAN BE SUPPLIED BY LOCAL GROWERS

Morrow County Has Plenty of  
Pure Seed; Many Fields  
Certified.

G. R. Hyslop of the Oregon Agricultural college spent several days in Morrow county recently, and in company with County Agent Smith completed the work of certifying grain. Due to the fact that most of the grain to be harvested this year is growing on the ground that was re-seeded to most wheat farmers could get two years ago, following the freeze-out, a special effort has been made to locate enough pure seed to supply the local demand for fall planting.

County Agent Smith mailed circular letters to all farmers growing wheat, asking them to notify him if their fields were comparatively free from mixtures. A number of farmers answered the inquiry and their fields were inspected. Wheat that may be certified must not contain more than one-half of one per cent foreign wheat, must have only a limited amount of other grains and no noxious weeds that cannot be separated by the ordinary cleaning processes.

The following is a list of farmers whose fields passed the field inspection, and the varieties they are growing:

John Troedson, lone, 4 acres Regal, 100 acres Turkey.

B. H. Peck, Heppner 2-3-4 acres Regal.

C. B. Cox, Heppner, 2 1-2 acres Regal.

Dwight Misner, lone, 80 acres Turkey, 150 acres Hard Federation.

Harry Schriever, Lexington, 185 acres Turkey, 2 1-2 acres Regal.

Homer Green, Eight Mile, 30 acres Regal.

Roy Campbell, Lexington, 3 acres Regal.

Lawrence Redding, Eight Mile, 46 acres Hybrid 128, 40 acres Federation.

Carl E. Bergstrom, lone, 60 acres Federation.

C. F. Hemrich, Heppner, 375 acres Hybrid 128, 10 acres Federation.

R. A. Thompson, Heppner, 20 acres Federation.

Ralph Bengt, Heppner, 200 acres Federation.

Jeff Jones, Heppner, 38 acres Federation.

## NEW HIGHWAY COMMISSION. (Oregon Voter)

Resignation of William Doby from the highway commission, means that Governor Patterson, in appointing his successor, will now control that important state board, the most important single board from a development standpoint that the governor is permitted to appoint, having already appointed Commissioner Gates.

Robert M. Sawyer, end editor, is appointed to succeed Doby. The people's investment in roads will have another faithful trustee.

Governor Patterson made some excellent appointments during his term of office. The choice of William Doby, formerly county judge, Baker county, was one of them. Judge Doby so thoroughly enjoyed the highway commission work, that he gave a vast amount of time and effort to its prosecution. Knowing that his own modesty would depreciate his achievement, we rely upon the statement of his friends that since his appointment in April, 1923, he gave the state two-thirds of his time without compensation other than the honor which accrues to any citizen for the conscientious performance of a public trust. While his experience prior to appointment had been confined to county road work, he was immediately elected chairman of the commission, and served continuously in that capacity. His viewpoint was not restricted by local boundaries, but matched in breadth and vision that of his associates. The commission under Judge Doby was unusually harmonious. Opinions of course differed at times, but it was conspicuously noticeable that a willingness to determine the commission's "best judgment" animated Judge Doby and Commissioners Malone and Van Duzer.

Robert W. Sawyer, besides editing the Bend Bulletin, has served Deschutes county as county judge. He was re-elected last November by a comfortable majority over his opponent at the conclusion of a campaign that was designed to shake the community's confidence in Sawyer. That it utterly failed to do so, is indicative of his integrity, courage and sound judgment and in direction of public work in his community. His editorial defense of the state's highway program and system of revenue raising through license fees and gasoline tax, has been most vigorous. The state need have no fear lest Judge Sawyer will be the man to foist any fads or fables upon the public's patience. He is a graduate of Harvard University, which in itself leads one to expect conservative tendencies, an expectation which in this instance finds as a corollary his analytic justification of the dual system of state and local road improvement in Oregon.

FOUND—5 gallon can of machine oil. Owner can get same at this office.

WANTED—Housekeeper for family of four children. Inquire this office.

You Just Know He's Glad

By Albert T. Reid



## William M. Ayers Dies Following Short Illness

The death of William M. Ayers occurred at his home in this city early Friday morning, July 15th, and following his return, the day before, from Hot Lake where he had gone for treatment. The announcement of his death came as a surprise to friends and neighbors who had not realized that he was in so critical a condition, though they had known that he was suffering from some serious ailment. Mr. Ayers had accompanied Sheriff McDufee home from Hot Lake on Thursday, and when he arrived here it was noted that he was greatly fatigued by the journey. He was taken quite ill during the night, and at 1:30 death came.

Funeral services were held at the family residence at 10:00 a. m. Sunday, Elder George F. Watson, minister of the Adventist church of Hermiston, officiating, and burial was in Heppner cemetery beside other members of the family who had passed on before.

Mr. Ayers had been a resident of Heppner for many years. He has held the position as janitor at the court house ever since the new building was completed, and in this service was always faithful and efficient. At the last general election he was chosen as Justice of the Peace for the sixth district of Morrow county, and in this position he was found to be trustworthy, also. He had been a familiar figure at the court house and about town, possessed a large number of friends and is a man that will be missed from the community. He is survived by his wife, Lulu Ayers, and two sons, Charles O. Ayers and Tim Ayers, and by one brother, James Ayers, of Pine City.

**CARD OF THANKS.**

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their assistance and sympathy, and for the many beautiful flowers; especially do we thank Gay M. Anderson for his help in this time of affliction.

LULU AYERS.  
CHARLES O. AYERS.  
TIM AYERS.

## Young Man Seriously Injured at Road Camp

Leland Adams, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Dempsey, was very seriously injured near the Clarks canyon road camp south of Lexington Monday, when he attempted to board a moving truck and missed his hold. He fell in such a manner that he was struck by the hind wheel of the heavy vehicle and suffered injuries to his shoulder and received several broken ribs on the left side. He was rushed to Heppner and is now being cared for at the Heppner Surgical hospital. While he appears to be getting along all right, Dr. McMurdo has not been able to fully determine the extent of his injuries, owing to the swelling in his side and shoulder. It is thought that the shoulder was not crushed, though this appeared to be the case at first, but the collar bone was broken. The young man was fortunate in falling on a pile of loose crushed rock which formed a cushion and broke the force of the impact with the wheel, which struck him in a sliding motion as it passed. The truck was loaded with four yards of crushed rock and had the wheel passed over the body the result could not have been otherwise than fatal.

Percy Garriques was in the city from his home at Portland Wednesday, looking after his business interests here. He returned home today.

## LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Supt. J. M. Burgess of the Heppner schools was in the city over Wednesday, departing today for his summer camp at Elk lake, west of Bend. Mr. and Mrs. Burgess and Rev. and Mrs. M. T. Wipe of Pendleton are spending the summer vacation in camp at Elk lake and enjoying the outing to the limit. Plenty of good fishing in the vicinity keeps the men folks out of mischief.

Billy Burchell, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Burchell of Lexington was brought to Heppner Sunday forenoon to have Dr. Johnston treat a badly injured foot. The injury happened to Billy when he was catching up his saddle pony and the animal stepped on the boy's foot, cutting and bruising it and taking off one toe nail entirely.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Helms, Lexington residents, were visitors at Heppner for a short time yesterday. Threshing began on their place Monday and Mr. Helms reports that the yield is quite satisfactory though there are some light spots to take down the general average. Harvest is pretty generally on throughout the Lexington country now.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Curran left Tuesday on an auto trip for their vacation. They expected to go as far north as Vancouver, B. C., visiting at various points along the way. Mrs. Jared Aiken, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curran, is in charge of the Curran Hat shop during Mrs. Curran's absence.

Ed Clark, local Maytag agent, departed for Pendleton on Monday and went on from there Tuesday to New. Iowa, where he will visit the big factory of the Maytag washing machine, having been one to go from this territory because of the record made in salesmanship.

Mrs. J. P. Seghers and children, Joe, Jr., and Bud are up from Portland to spend the summer with Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Johnston. It is hoped the change of climate will benefit Junior's health as he has been ill the last two months, suffering an acute rheumatic attack.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Adams and Mrs. Henry Dempsey of Falls City, Oregon, arrived at Heppner on Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Adams are the parents of Leland Adams, the young man hurt at the Clarks canyon road camp on Monday.

E. Nordyke was in the city from Lexington yesterday. He is enjoying general good health but still suffers some from the gasoline burns received early last winter, in which one of his legs was badly injured.

Mrs. Ida Dutton, who spent a few days at Heppner, returned to her home on a trip to Portland, where she spent a couple of days. He brought with him a new Hudson sedan.

Miss Stella Boring of Arlington is at Morrow General hospital in this city where she is being treated for an infection in her left hand.

Levi and Patricia Westfall are home after spending a month in Athol with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. T. Smith.

Mrs. Stella Watkins of Yakima is at Heppner visiting her father, Dick Ogee, who is a patient at Morrow General hospital.

Jos. Eskelson came up from his Salem home on Tuesday and was a visitor in Heppner on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Wilkes of Athena spent Sunday in this city as guests of Mrs. Zena Westfall.

## Market Road Grade Ready for Surfacing

The gap in the Lexington-Jarmon market road has been graded to connect with the market road leading out from Echo, and the surfacing will be put on later, following rains that will settle the road bed.

This road will complete another section of the market road system of Morrow county, work on which was begun and completed out from Lexington several years ago to a point about nine miles north of Lexington, and while it did not go far enough to be of great benefit to the north Sand Hollow section, it has proved a big help to the farming community adjacent on either side for many miles and made it much easier for the delivery of crops to market. The completion of this road should bring more trade into Lexington, and we hope this may prove the case.

## RAISING BABY IS FULL TIME JOB

From State Board of Health.

Some English novelists have recently been carrying on quite a warm discussion as to whether or not raising a baby requires full-time attention. This discussion has been carried on in the English newspapers, magazines, and over the radio. Quite a few of its echoes have reached this side of the water already. Although the discussion has been carried on in the staid manner characteristic of Englishmen, quite a bit of it has been very pointed. One woman novelist, very much on the affirmative side of the question, writes that she once ran a baby herself. She waxes very eloquent on the necessity for entertaining the baby and to keep the baby from getting bored, all of which any mother or any nurse would appreciate.

Reassigning all levity, however, the raising of a baby is certainly a full-time job, if it is carried on in a proper and successful manner, and in a manner agreeable to the best interest of the baby and the parents. A baby demands constant attention twenty-four hours out of the day. Some ear must be listening to its slightest cry, be it midnight or morning, and if the cry is not heeded, disaster may result. One woman, writing, recalled a statement that she heard her father make when she was a child, that it was quite a common thing for him to get up in the night and hand out at least twenty "dinks" of water. The parent must be alert at every sound and call. A sudden change of weather may demand more cover; a matter of thirty minutes or more might prove disastrous to the baby if delayed that long; and a thousand and one things demand attention day and night. The baby's food must be just right, and it must be given at the exact minute scheduled for the baby's best interest; the clothing must be constantly adjusted; it must be constantly watched for symptoms of illness, and immediate action taken when such occurs. In fact, if there is any job in the whole world requiring all the time of at least one individual, it is the job of properly looking after a baby. For the good of the world and of the race very near a hundred per cent of mothers find this job attractive and appealing, and find it a joy and pleasure instead of drudgery. It is well that such is the case, but it is none the less hard on the mother.

Yes, indeed, raising a baby, as the English novelist puts it, is a full-time job.

## WASCO WHEAT SUFFERS LOSS FROM WINDS

Report on Conditions by County  
Agent Shows Shattering to be  
as High as Twenty Percent.

That the farmers quite generally over a portion of Wasco county's best wheat section suffered a heavy per cent of loss during the past week, when high winds caused the grain to shatter, is the report received Monday by County Agent Smith of this county from the agent of Wasco county. While the wind was pretty strong over Morrow county during the week, Agent Smith states that he has no reports from any quarter that there was any loss here on this account, and the grain seems to have shattered no worse than in other seasons, and where this has happened at all it has been in the fields of Fortyfold, which variety is expected to suffer a certain per cent of wastage on this account. The Wasco county agent states, under date of Saturday:

"Fifteen to twenty percent of the grain has shattered out on the ground on ranches where some of the heaviest yields in the county were in prospect a week ago. Most of the shattering naturally takes place in the ripest grain but the discouraging feature is that considerable grain is on the ground in fields which will not be ready to harvest for at least another week."

"This discovery was made yesterday by the county agent in company with E. H. Matheny, Frank Emerson and George Oharr when an inspection was made of a small field of Regal, the first smut proof variety grown in the county, and which was planted on the Oharr ranch last fall. This field is not ripe enough to thresh but at least 15 or 20 per cent of it is on the ground. This variety was immediately condemned as not being desirable for this reason. However, adjacent fields of Turkey on the same ranch and on the W. C. Korte ranch showed an unusual amount of shattering, probably 10 to 15 per cent at this time."

"This same condition was also found on the Emerson and Petroff ranches where grain was showing signs of maturity. Some grain is lost each year on the south and west slopes but this year an unprecedented amount had been lost wherever the wind hits it."

"The Hybrid field on the Emerson ranch which has been showing up so well this spring will not be ready to harvest for another week but there is enough grain on the ground now to seed a new crop. An inspection was made of the Hybrid field on the C. L. Look ranch across the road which is one of the best fields in the county and it is estimated that at least 10 per cent of this grain is shattered."

"Davis brothers on Eight Mile report an unusual loss from shattering in their fall sown Federation. There was considerable shattering in the same ground two years ago but considerably more this year. I. F. Hill also reports considerable grain on the ground on his Eight Mile ranch."

"This is a condition which is not altogether unexpected. The wheat kernels are unusually plump and this has loosened up the chaff. The heavy winds of the last week were largely responsible for the rather discouraging outlook at the present time. This grain on the ground is a total loss. None of the varieties mentioned are as hard to shatter as other varieties which are sometimes produced."

"Frank Emerson estimates that if wind and weather conditions do not become more favorable there will be a 50 per cent loss in some fields before they can be harvested."

"This information is not being released simply to offset the unusual publicity of bumper crops in the Northwest which have reduced the price of Northwest export wheat below the Middle Western domestic price and caused the Chicago market to drop 1c yesterday and increased the price of wheat sacks 2c, but is simply statement of facts which have not been exaggerated and which anyone can verify. It simply bears out the old adage that the proper time to anticipate the amount or number of wheat and eggs is when they are in the grain bin or basket."

## Morrow County Potatoes Now Under Quarantine

By order of the State Board of Horticulture, the potato crop of Morrow county has been placed under quarantine because of the prevalence here of the Colorado potato beetle. This order was effective July first and it is now unlawful to ship any potatoes from here to California, or to any other county in the state, except such as are now under like restrictions. These counties are Grant, Umatilla, Union, Baker and Malheur.

We are informed by County Agent Smith that potatoes may be shipped to California, and to other counties in the state if they have been properly inspected and a certificate issued to this effect. They are passed over a screen at shipping point and this certificate must accompany the shipment. C. H. Dillabaugh will be potato inspector at Boardman, and some one will be named as Irrigon by the County Agent for that point. County Agent Smith will act in this capacity for Heppner, lone and Lexington.

Grandma McMurray of lone is a patient at Morrow General hospital where she is recovering from an infection in her right hand. Her physician states that it will be only a short time until she will again be up and about.

## This Week



## William Howard Taft. Father Plays Bear. Reason to be Thankful. If I Had Some Mush.

Justice Taft says he likes the law better than the White House and, nearing his seventieth year, announces he will not retire. He certainly should not retire, for he owes to the public many future years of good effort. His mind and his smile are as young as ever, and every well informed man in the United States, big or little, would gladly submit any issue to the judgment of Chief Justice Taft.

In six hours New York's National Guard laid out an airplane base, ready for use, with radio, telephone and all other requirements. A fine achievement.

The United States Government should take as much time as necessary to provide an airplane base for every great city.

Governors Island in New York Harbor should be given up entirely to flying, with a big dock for submarines.

The richest city, New York, containing the United States Sub-Treasury and all its gold, is unprotected from the air.

There ought to be an air field there from which swift United States pursuit planes would rise like mosquitoes from a stagnant pond, to meet any invader.

Human beings are like children. A father plays "bear" with his little child, and the child is relieved when the bear stands up and becomes, once more, "father."

In England the eclipse put out the sun, changing day to night, and everybody knew that it was only make-believe night. Nobody feared that "the devil was eating the sun." Nevertheless, when the eclipse passed and the sun came shining out once more, the crowds cheered. They were glad to have mother nature stop playing bear.

When Uncle Sam's fiscal year ended last week, he found a surplus of \$635,000,000. Secretary Mellon had "guessed" \$625,000,000, a good prophecy.

Uncle Sam really is a rich person and can afford anything he needs. He ought to dig canals, harness water power, build the greatest air and submarine fleets in the world. He should stop trying to persuade Europe to do what it doesn't want to do, attend to his own business and be in a position to make other nations mind theirs. Until this nation is prepared to defend itself against any ten other nations the Government will not have done its duty.

"Well done, but what did you do the next day?"

Fokker, airplane builder, would have an answer ready for Napoleon's favorite question. On Wednesday a Fokker plane flew to Honolulu. Next day a Fokker plane reached France. Now Fokker announces a plane to fly, non-stop, for seventy-two hours, and go from Seattle to Tokyo, 5,000 miles. This Government should contract with Fokker to keep him here for life building airplanes. Ancient Monarchs and Popes offered any inducement that would bring great artists to their courts. The great artist of today is the airplane artist.

On the Hudson, not ten yards from shore, off Sing Sing Prison, three boys were struggling. Prison guards could not leave their duty to save them. Convicts begged permission to save the boys, but the guards, rifles leveled, forbade them to follow their impulse, jump into the river and pull the drowning boys ashore.

The three boys drowned while guards and convicts looked on, some of the latter weeping.

Once more those convicts feel that they never had a chance, not even a chance to help others, at risk to themselves.

They had a bad start in life, most of them, and things have gone wrong with them ever since. When they missed the opportunity to save life they again felt cheated.

If the prisoners had no chance in the beginning, is not the fault of society, whose fault is it?

**ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH.**

Rev. Stanley Moore, missionary in charge.

Sunday school at 9:45 o'clock.

Morning prayer and sermon at 11 o'clock.

"O God, Thou art my God; earnestly will I seek Thee— Because Thy loving kindness is better than life, My lips shall praise Thee."

All Girl Reserves who are going camping meet at the parish house at 7:15 tonight (Thursday). This is very important, as final arrangements will be made for camp.

All Boy Scouts who are going to the Scout camp this year meet at the Episcopal parish house at 7:15 Tuesday evening. We want to talk over plans and make arrangements for camp.