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APPRECIATIVE EULOGY OF COLONEL NEWPORT

A panegyric of praise and close-up analysis of the sturdiest of western pioneers and Hermiston's foremost citizen by an intimate friend and co-worker:

Last week the grave closed over all that was mortal of one of the most widely known, highly respected and best beloved residents of Umatilla county. The passing of Colonel Newport breaks a link with the past. His death removes from our midst another of those sturdy pioneers who had abounding faith in this western country, and who gave freely of his time, energy and talents, with which he was so richly endowed, and so essential to its progress and development.

It is too early yet to view his life's work in its true perspective. The glorious sun has but recently set—we must await the morrow of reflection. We cannot at this time appraise at the true value his contribution to the gigantic effort to reclaim the desert and bring this city and surrounding territory to the present high state of prosperity—time alone will reveal this. But that his name will be writ large on the pages of the history of Hermiston is an undeniable fact.

He was a man of intense enthusiasm and never undertook any task half-heartedly. His presence alone was a valuable asset in any undertaking, for he possessed to a remarkable degree the faculty of imparting to others his own zeal and buoyancy of spirits. At a time like this, when the whole world is in a state of turmoil and unrest, when labor and capital are eternally grappling at each other's throat, we can ill afford to lose this courtly type of the old school of employers, who believed that as far as possible personal relations between employer and directing men to be more intimate, that every individual in the organization from the president down to the water boy be saturated with the spirit of efficient service.

Work with the Colonel was a passion. He looked upon it not as a curse but as a principal source of happiness. The standard of measurement of human success, he once said, which is based on the amount of property accumulated, is false; the true standard is based on one's contribution to the general welfare.

Farewell Colonel! We will miss your picturesque figure, your genial smile, your pleasing manner, your kindly words and consideration, but the refreshing influence of your life will not be forgotten. In the future, when we come to days of doubt and anxiety as to what best to do for the welfare of the community you loved so well, we will draw aside the veil that hides us from the past, that we may the more correctly study the delineations of your countenance and, if possible, draw an inspiration from your life, that we may the better be enabled to uphold the unfurled banner of achievement and progress and hand it down to our successors as pure and unadulterated as we have received it from the hands of those who have gone before.

SWITCHMEN'S STRIKE AFFECTS HERMISTON

When that man Ganau in far off Chicago got peeved and started the switchmen's strike it was like throwing a rock in the ocean—it started the waves going until we feel the effects way out here. The embargo on carload lots tied up two cars of alfalfa meal ready for shipment by the C. S. McNaught Co., and the supply of gasoline was about exhausted here in Hermiston.

Good Samaritans

P. P. Sullivan, Jas. Scott, F. N. Whitney, A. D. Crowland and Mr. Moffitt played the act of the good Samaritan the first of the week when they assembled their teams on the ranch of C. C. Cox, three-quarters of a mile south of town, and spring-footed his large alfalfa field. These gentlemen deserve much credit for this kindness, as Mr. Cox and family have had much sickness the past winter.

Mysterious White Tracks

There being no snow on the ground, and the shoemaker knowing of no one wearing a No. 15 boot, those mysterious white tracks on the sidewalks Wednesday morning caused no end of speculation. It never was ascertained whether they were made by a slow-foot "culled" man from the sunny south who had fallen into a lime barrel, or a rejuvenated dinosaur from the Arctic regions—except that they all led to the store of Sappers' Inc., which firm was celebrating its first anniversary as hardware merchants of Hermiston by giving away ten per cent of its profits.

West End Pupils Chosen

Declamatory champions from this end of the county were chosen Friday of last week in this city to meet other county champions at the Oratorical and Declamatory contest in Pendleton in May. Those chosen were: Class A, high school oratory, Hollis Gordon of Hermiston; class B, high school declamation, Anna Schachermeyer of Umatilla; class C, 6th, 7th and 8th grades, Wilma Waugaman of Columbia District; class D, 3rd, 4th and 5th grades, Grace Jackson of Minnehaha District.

Surprise Party

On last Saturday evening a delightful surprise party was given at the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. Callahan a few miles northwest of Hermiston. The surprise was planned by some members of the H. O. A. Club as a welcome party to the Callahan family, who recently purchased the Dr. Groom place, and who moved here from Seattle. A large crowd was present. Cards and music were enjoyed, and at midnight refreshments were served.

County Taxes Roll In

Approximately \$700,000 have been paid in on the first half of the 1919 tax roll in Umatilla county. This is about one-half the total to be collected this year. Many tax receipts have not yet been written, although the collections have been made.

NEW OFFICE BUILDING McNAUGHT COMPANY

The C. S. McNaught Co. have started work on a new office building just back of their alfalfa meal mill and molasses factory. It will be constructed of tile and prove to be very much more convenient, as well as to give more room for the transaction of their ever increasing business.

And by the way, we can think of no other industry or business that fits in with greater precision to a small-tract, hay-raising community than an enterprise of this character; for the rancher with a small tonnage of hay is not put to the profit-taking expense of baling but can always get the highest market price for one load or a hundred of loose alfalfa, and get his pay in money, meal or molasses.

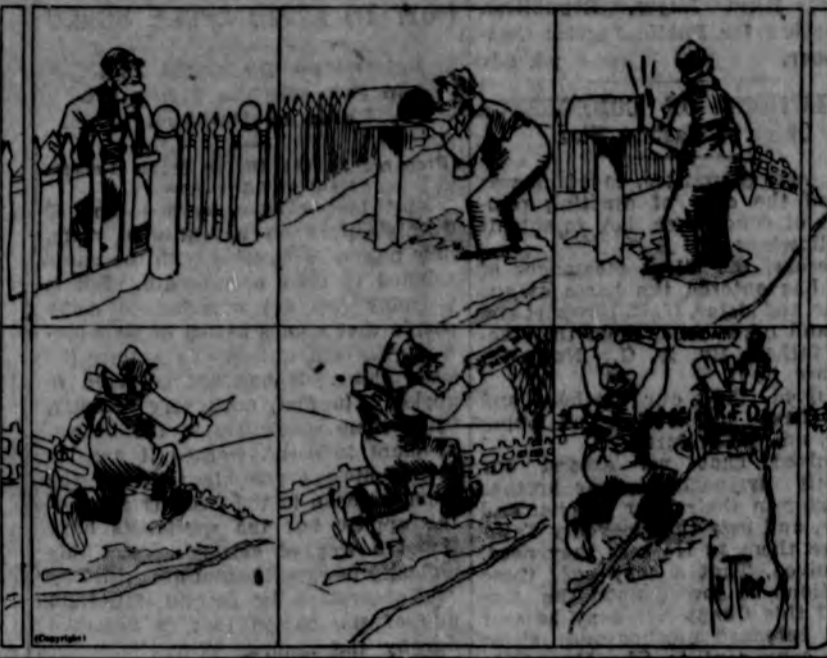
Candidate for County Judge

Judge I. M. Schanep of Pilot Rock, who is a candidate for the Republican nomination for county judge, was seeing the voters of Hermiston Thursday. Mr. Schanep says he is the only candidate from the south end of the county and that the people of the south end have always dealt fairly with candidates from other parts of the county and feel that they should have representation on the board of commissioners. Judge Schanep has had previous experience in this office, and is a close student of road problems.

Thirty members of the official board of the local Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. Hay Thursday evening. Dr. Pemberton of The Dalles presided at a very enthusiastic meeting, after which a light lunch was served.

O. F. Steele of Pendleton, former deputy assessor and well known in this section, was in town Thursday visiting with old friends.

The Eleventh Hour



HERMISTON AGAIN WINNER BENEFIT GAME TOMORROW

Hermiston easily defeated Umatilla Sunday at Umatilla in a game devoid of features and well sprinkled with errors. The score was 12 to 2. Our boys show pretty good team work and will be able to keep up their winning streak and head the league at the close of the season without much trouble if they keep in practice and don't get over-confident.

Umatilla showed lack of practice, but with a few changes in the positions of the men will have a team to reckon with before the season ends. Morse pitched the entire game for Hermiston and was very effective with that "slow and easy" of his. Stangeby did most of the hurling for Umatilla, and with air-tight support the score would undoubtedly have been chalked up differently. Smith was substituted, but the game was already gone beyond recall.

The same teams play here next Sunday and we look for a close and interesting setto. The home grounds have been flooded and will be in fine shape for a fast game.

Echo defeated Irrigon Sunday, which puts her and Umatilla in a tie for second place, and makes it up to both of them to win the next games if they want to keep up in the king row.

In the game at Echo Sunday Lawrence Markham, one of the Irrigon players, had the misfortune to get his leg broken, which will lay him up for several weeks. As Mr. Markham is a working man the accident will occasion quite a hardship on him, so the directors of the league have voted to give him the entire proceeds of the next four games.

P. S. We say above: "Game devoid of features." One phenomenal and unusual putout was decided by Umpire Campbell when Umatilla's left fielder made a long run and somersault and kicked up such a dust sticking his head in the ground, which aided and abetted by the sun shining in his "ump's" eyes, nobody knew where that fly did light.

LEAGUE STANDING

	WON	LOST	PCT
Hermiston	2	0	1000
Umatilla	1	1	500
Echo	1	1	500
Irrigon	0	2	000

Luce Given \$687 Damages

Arthur L. Luce was given special damage of \$537 and punitive damage of \$150, for a total of \$687, from John McElroy, by the circuit court jury which heard the case, tried Tuesday in Pendleton. Both men are Minnehaha ranchers who became involved in a quarrel last summer. Luce sought damages totaling \$5000 for alleged assault and battery. This was the second trial of the case. Mr. McElroy being the victor in the first round and loser in the second. It is likely the case will now be appealed to a higher court.

Longfellow wrote some poetry about "footprints in the sands of time," but it remained for Sappers' Inc. of Hermiston to startle the natives and excite the constabulary with "footprints from a can of lime."

Minstrel Show Coming

On Saturday night, May 15, the people of Hermiston will be given a big treat in the form of a show at the Auditorium to be put on by the grade pupils of the Hermiston public schools. The program will consist of a minstrel show in which only boys will participate. Several solos will be rendered by the boys from Dixie. Truly the spirit of the land of cotton will be right here in Hermiston that night. The girls of the grades will appear in characteristic costumes of the folk dances of various countries. Besides these dances there will be solo dancing. Not an idle moment in the performance—it is full of pep from start to finish.

No Increase of Salary

A petition recently presented to the county court for an increase in salary for deputy county officials and persons employed in the county offices was turned down by the court, according to well-grounded information. The county budget would not stand any salary boost at present.

Teachers Elected

At the meeting of the school board the latter part of last week A. C. Voelker was re-elected to the superintendency of the Hermiston schools, and he has accepted the position. Mrs. Miller was also re-engaged, and Miss Brierly of Stanfield was chosen as one of the high school staff.

In a letter to The Herald C. G. Blayden of Boardman states that the report that he was discharged from the position of station agent at that place is erroneous, as he resigned and turned the books over to the auditor last Saturday in regular form.

This week the local telephone exchange office is having its walls calumined, and in addition a new floor is to be laid. This work, when completed, will add materially to the appearance of the place.

The proletariat used to wear the overalls. Now the bourgeois are adopting the denim. And it will all come out that overalls will go up in price and we'll have to work in broadcloth.

REMODELING POULTRY HOUSE

Many Stuffy Old Structures Can Be Rebuilt With Little Trouble—Cost Is Small.

Many farms have old stye, closed-up poultry houses with poor light and ventilation; also old sheds and other buildings of little use for other purposes that can be remodeled or built over with little difficulty into satisfactory poultry houses, according to the United States department of agriculture.

A building of that kind usually can be made over for less than one-half the cost of constructing a new one, and if the work is well done should give just as good results. Furthermore, the work performed in remodeling the building serves as a good poultry club demonstration in poultry house construction.

NAMES OF ALL ASPIRANTS FILED FOR COUNTY OFFICES

Stone-Prann Nuptials

A social event of great interest and almost as a complete surprise was the quiet, unannounced wedding of Miss Alice Prann and Frank H. Stone at 12 o'clock, noon, on Tuesday, April 13th, which took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Prann. Immediately after the simple and unelaborate ceremony, performed by Rev. M. R. Gallaber, the newlyweds surreptitiously hid away to Stanfield, where they took train No. 17 for Portland to spend their honeymoon.

All our readers, we daresay, know pretty, vivacious, lively Miss Prann, who has been employed as stenographer and bookkeeper at the Inland Empire Lumber Co. for some time past, and the groom is one of the young, prosperous and progressive ranchers of the irrigation district. Mr. and Mrs. Stone returned Sunday from their honeymoon and are now at home on the West Side to their many friends.

Registered Only 155

Official Registrar Edlie M. Johnson reports that with the closing of the books this week 106 Republicans, 45 Democrats and four from other parties had filed, making a small total of 155. The registration books will remain closed until after May 21, when they will be reopened and remain so until a month before the general election.

TELEPHONE COMPANY REPLY TO PETITION

We print below a copy of the telephone company's reply to the Public Service Commission relative to the petition of some twenty subscribers of Columbia District for better telephone service. Each of the petitioners have received a copy, but we print it for the benefit of the telephone users who had no opportunity to sign the petition and those outside of Columbia District, who are just as much interested in knowing the plans of the telephone company:

"We have thoroughly inspected the lines on which the complainants are served and have called upon Mr. Phipps and discussed the matter with him in detail. At this time it was agreed that we would arrange to send a construction crew to Hermiston to overhaul their lines and to eliminate conditions likely to be productive of trouble.

"It was explained that these lines were purchased from a predecessor company and are not of the type of construction generally placed by The Pacific Company; that The Pacific Company is planning to rebuild the exchange at Hermiston and that within the next few years the suburban lines will likewise have to be rebuilt, but that before this is done it will be necessary to determine the type of service to be rendered, as but a portion of the rural development is consistent with the suburban service schedule. We stated that the question of the kind of service best suited to the various users would be discussed with them in conference during the coming summer and well in advance of any reconstruction program.

"This arrangement will take care of their present service troubles and also of the question of their further needs and development."

The Oregon Voter—the Portland publication, not the enfranchised genus homo—will soon be printing as many pages as a dictionary, for they have started in to give the names and the "dope" on the aspirants for office in the county, state and nation. Maybe they want a big mailing list.

Another big dance at the Auditorium is announced for Thursday evening, April 29th. The Elks' Jazz Orchestra of Portland will again furnish the music, and luncheon will be served. A good time is assured.

"Put a qualified engineer on the Commission." Vote for Rhea Luper, Republican nomination for Public Service Commissioner. pd adv

Five democrats and 14 republicans had filed up to 5 o'clock Wednesday for the nomination for various county offices, to be voted on at the primary nominating election on May 21.

J. B. Saylor of Freewater is the only aspirant on the democratic ticket for the county judgeship. The republicans will choose between I. M. Schanep of Pilot Rock and B. B. Richards of Athena for the judgeship. For the one office of county commissioner to be filled the aspirants are B. E. Anderson of Pendleton, incumbent, and Lane Hoon of Freewater, democrats; and R. E. Bean of Umapine and C. E. Demaris of Milton, republicans.

Six republicans, five of them at present in office, are the only aspirants out for six of the county offices. Those who are running unopposed on the republican ticket are: R. T. Brown, clerk; B. S. Burroughs, recorder of conveyances; Grace A. Gilliam, treasurer; J. T. Brown, coroner, and Aubrey E. Perry, surveyor, all at present holding office, and R. O. Hawks, for assessor, he being now a deputy assessor.

W. W. Green, incumbent, is seeking the nomination on the democratic ticket for county school superintendent, and against him is pitted Mrs. Clare P. Stone of Athena, a republican. T. D. Taylor, sheriff, is unopposed for the democratic nomination, but has opposition from Zoeth Houser of Echo, who has filed for the republican nomination.

The race for district attorney, which is a state office insofar as filings must be made with the secretary of state, is between two republicans, R. L. Keator of Pendleton, incumbent, and S. D. Peterson of Milton.

S. A. Miller of Milton probably will be a republican candidate for representative from this county, as will also be E. P. Dodd of this city. One other besides the joint representative is to be elected, C. E. Woodson of Heppner, joint representative at the present time, is not likely to have opposition. No candidate has come out for the other position, although friends of Frank Sloan of Stanfield have been urging him to enter the race.

CLUB TO ASK COURT HIGHWAY BE OILED

The Commercial Club, two dozen strong, met Tuesday at the Hermiston hotel for their regular weekly mid-day repast. There was no unfinished business to come before the meeting, except dinner, which was unfinished when F. B. Swayze, in the absence of President Dodd, called for suggestions and remarks upon matters that should come before the body.

A recommendation was ordered made to the county court that the Columbia River Highway be oiled in this county as has been done in other counties of the state—and as is much needed to preserve and improve the road. The committee on railroads was instructed to make a strong effort to get train No. 6 to discharge express at this station.

EASTERN STAR LADIES HOSTESSES AT DANCE

The Eastern Star ladies were hostesses last night at their annual dance. It goes without saying that an enjoyable evening was had by all who were there, for unsparring efforts were made to outdo the brilliant and successful ball of last year. The hall was tastefully decorated, the music without criticism, the dancers and spectators good natured and happy.

Withal a riot of pleasure pervaded the hall, until the cats came on, and then everyone did get in good humor and forgot about the scarcity of spiders and the altitudinous flight of sugar prices.

Weather Report

The maximum temperature during the past week was 67, and the minimum 36 degrees above. The precipitation was .08 of an inch.

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