

The Hermiston Herald

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FOR WHICH WE ASK FORGIVENESS.

Nearly everyone makes some kind of a resolution of January 1st. They look back on the past year and resolve to part company with some of the bad habits that have dogged their footsteps during the 365 days just slipped into eternity.

Last year the editor kept a diary of the lies he told from January 1st 1925 to January 1st, 1926. He was greatly surprised to find that after he had listed them on the adding machine the totals of his fabrications amounted to 5799. Below are some of them:

Man left Hermiston. Long story in Herald concerning him being an honest and upright citizen. Owe the editor four year's subscription. Young couple married. White-up told of bright future in store for groom. Didn't have enough sense to push a wheelbarrow down a fifty foot street.

An extremely stingy and miserly old man died. Obituary told of his unselfishness for others. Before he lets the devil get anything from him he'll take bankruptcy.

Friend asked us to have a drink while wife was present. Told him we had not taken a drink for three years.

One hundred and ten subscribers who owe us from three to four years subscriptions told us not to worry for some day they would pay up. Assured them we knew they were telling the truth.

Concocted a story of how we were able to bring in a station far away in New York state on the radio. Walla Walla is about our longest distance and then it sounds like some one hollering down a well.

Man asked us if we had noticed a woman who passed by the office wearing socks rolled a little lower than customary. Answered on.

Wife asked us to accompany her to church. Had a big business deal on town.

Swapping stories with neighbor concerning largest fish each had caught. Did our best but neighbor had longer reach.

Told woman she had small feet when you couldn't get them in a ten foot alley without the aid of a shoe horn.

Some more delinquent subscribers to the Herald tell the editor the same story as the hundred and ten Answer them in the same manner.

Lost ten dollars on the world series. Explain we knew the other team would win and we only made the bet because the man who won the money was "shooting off his mouth."

Agreed with a big husky fellow on a certain subject when we knew he was wrong and could prove it but thought too much of our map to have it battered up merely for the sake of argument.

Aimed a piece of stove wood at an old rooster that had been scratching in our garden and after filling up on chicken pot pie went out and expressed surprise when the owner informed us some one had stolen his prize biddy.

Some more delinquent subscribers promise to pay up in future. Told them we did not doubt their word.

Once while in the company of a number of Al lars we tried to do our duty by telling the story of a man who had such a big ranch he carried a calendar with him instead of a watch when he went out after the cows.

Congratulated a speaker who gave a humorous selection on the wit and humor displayed in its rendition when as a matter of fact it was as funny as a ghost in a graveyard at two o'clock in the morning.

Promised two tickets to a vaudeville show if we would boost it. We did and those in the audience had to be awakened and told it was time to go home.

The editor has made a solemn resolve not to tell any more lies than a newspaper man is supposed to tell during 1926, so please don't come in and make a statement so that we will have to agree with you unless you mean what you say. Also include this in your New Year resolution. Resolve that I will pay my subscription to The Herald now.

COURT ASKED TO ENJOIN SCHOOL BOARD FROM LEVY

"An Echo of the battle of ballots and opinion that occurred when union high school district No. 9 was created recently at Hermiston was heard in circuit court when a number of property owners in school district No. 115, which is a part of the territory included in the high school district, brought suit against the board of district No. 115 and asked that the board be enjoined by the court from certifying the tax levy

for 1925. The suit was brought by F. L. Jackson, C. M. Jackson and Jessie A. Hinesline against C. H. McIlroy, chairman, W. L. Pearson and W. G. Rodda, members of the board, Besse M. Jackson, clerk of the board, and R. O. Hawks as county assessor. "According to the complaint, the board of school district No. 115 included in its budget an item of \$500 for contesting the legality of the union high school district. The claim is made by the plaintiffs that this could not legally be done by the board and that the inclusion of the item increased the levy for 1925 more than six per cent above what it had been for 1924. W. J. Warner of Hermiston and Raley, Raley and Steiwer and H. J. Warner represent the plaintiff."—East Oregonian.

IRRIGON NEWS ITEMS

Quite a number of Irrigon Grangers attended the joint installation of officers at Boardman on Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Robinson of Kendrick, Idaho, visited friends here last week.

The basket social given by the Grange on New Year's eve was quite a jolly affair. The attendance, owing to sickness and other unavoidable circumstances, was not up to the usual mark.

The Knight family returned Sunday from Newport by the sea. Hazel particularly reports a "yolly gude time."

Mrs. Ed. Schmalings' father and sister of Yakima spent the holidays with the Schmalings.

Among the improvements made on the school property during the vacation were the removal of a useless cross partition in the basement and the laying of a 400 foot pipe line from the septic tank.

The school band has received a new set of music folios upon which the boys will begin work at once in order to be fully prepared to play or several weddings that are expected to take place before long.

Miss Nell Marthaler of Gervais visited friends here part of last week. Miss Marthaler was the intermediate teacher here two years ago.

Geo. Hendricks made a flying trip to Portland recently.

The Irrigon melon growers held a meeting at the school house Tuesday night.

The Grange is giving another of its social doings on Friday night. There will be a program, a pie sale and a general good time for everybody in the community.

Frank Markham and wife were called to Prescott, Wash., this week because of the illness of their grand-aunt.

Mrs. C. G. Holland of Portland, spent the week end here with her parents, the C. I. Salings.

Harvey Wolfe has been at Burley, Idaho, for several days where he was called on account of the serious illness of his father.

J. T. Embry of Hermiston was in town on business Monday.

Mrs. Lyle Salings has recovered from her recent illness.

An elaborate dinner was served last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Twain in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Huckleberry Finn and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sawyer (the five little Sawyers. (Boardman papers please copy.)

Hermiston Boy Shows Up Well In Wrestling at O. A. C.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Jan. 10—John Haddock of Hermiston, sophomore in commerce, is showing up well in wrestling according to Coach Robin Reed. Haddock is wrestling in the 145 pound class and has a good chance to be entered in events of this weight during the season. He is now a sophomore and will have a chance to make his letter three times. Haddock may get an opportunity to show his ability in one or more of the meets on this year's schedule. The teams the O. A. C. bonecrushers will meet are University of Oregon at Corvallis, January 30; Washington state college at Pullman February 13; University of Oregon at Eugene February 20, and the University of Washington at Corvallis March 6. Coach Reed also expects to get meets with Multnomah Amateur Athletic club and the Elks club of Portland. With this heavy schedule and the national meet in view varsity wrestlers are expecting an interesting season.

The selection of the varsity squad this year will be a difficult task, thinks the coach, as most of the men are first class wrestlers. At least three men in each weight can battle against the best wrestlers on the coast in the opinion of Reed.

Animals and Birds Have Own Domains

If you want a piece of land you buy it, but if a robin wants a garden he fights for it, and so long as he is fit he will continue to fight for it and drive off all intruders of his own kind. Other birds he tolerates, but no other robin, except his own mate, may invade his "property."

Each fox has his own range on which he hunts, and other dog-foxes respect his rights. Badgers have their own territory. There are great earths in the Devonshire woods inhabited by badger families that have been there so long that mankind's oldest families are mere upstarts when compared with them!

Golden eagles are very long-lived, and a pair will cling to the same eyrie for many years. Peregrines do the same, but these fine hawks have the curious habit of nesting in one place and hunting in another. Keepers declare that they never touch game in the neighborhood of their nesting-place.—London Tit-Bits.

Showers of Stars

Great showers of meteors or shooting stars have occurred on a number of dates. One of the most brilliant was that of November 12 and 13, 1833. On this occasion it was estimated that stars to the number of 240,000 fell in the space of nine hours, all from the same part of the heavens. Another great shower, though less intense, was observed in November of the following year. On November 13 and 14, 1893, there were other abundant meteoric showers, meteors falling at the rate of about 2,500 an hour. Observers have noted that these brilliant displays have occurred at intervals of about one-third of a century, the explanation being that a great cloud or distended stream of meteors revolves around the sun in that period, and that one portion of the elliptical orbit intersects that of the earth.

Discovered by Accident

Sheffield plate was discovered by accident in 1742 by Thomas Bolsover, a Sheffield mechanic. He was repairing the handle of a pocket-knife composed partly of silver and partly of copper, says Good Hardware, and in making his repairs accidentally fused the two metals. He at once conceived the idea of uniting these two metals and used this as a substitute for making articles which hitherto had been made of sterling silver only.

He seems to have specialized in making small articles such as buckles, buttons, snuff boxes and match boxes, some of which were only half an inch in diameter. He did not appreciate how important his discovery was, and consequently did not reap the full results from his remarkable invention.

Capitalize Blunders

It doesn't make much difference whether your age is seventeen, seventy or one hundred and seventy you will grow and develop as long as you are willing to profit by your mistakes, says Harry Daniel in Thrift. Look your mistakes straight in the eye, shake hands with them and then bid them good-by forever. A bad habit is nothing but a mistake that has acquired a permanent address. The average man of success today will say, "I owe my success to hard work." But he's holding out one of his choicest secrets. What he should say is, "I'm a success because I know how to clean up \$100 worth of wisdom on every little \$2 mistake I ever made." Mistakes seldom bite the first time.

Mysteries

Not all the mysteries are cleared up. There is one connected with those persons who walk across the continent or wheel perambulators from one section to another or undertake to get the autographs of a thousand mayors—all say, upon a bet. What one would like to know is who puts up the reward or lays down the other half of the wager. We never hear of him. He is more obscure and modest than the head of a bootlegging syndicate and, apparently, every bit as afraid that he will get his deserved punishment.—Toledo Blade.

TRY THE HERALD WANT ADS

Basketball Game Friday Night The local high school will meet Pilot Rock on the floor of the Hermiston auditorium next Friday, Jan. 15, in a basket ball game. Both the girls and boys teams will play. Admission will be 15 and 25 cents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR UMATILLA COUNTY

In the Matter of the Examination of the regularity and legality of the organization of Union High School District No. 9, Umatilla County, Oregon and of the election and organization of the Union High School Board of such District. To Union High School District No. 9 of Umatilla County, Oregon and to all tax payers and legal voters within said district.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Jesse Goff, H. J. Ott, E. L. Jackson, A. A. Paulsen and W. W. Feltthouse as the Union High School Board of Union High School District No. 9 of Umatilla County, Oregon did on the 26th day of December, 1925 file with the Clerk of the above entitled Court a petition asking for the examination of the regularity and legality of the organization of Union High School District No. 9 of Umatilla County, Oregon and of the election and organization of the Union High School Board of such district.

and that an order has been entered in the above entitled Court directing that notice of said proceeding be served on all parties in interest by publication thereof for at least once a week for two successive weeks in the Hermiston Herald.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any person interested may appear at any time, within ten days after the full publication of this notice and contest the validity of such proceeding or of any of the acts or things therein enumerated. This notice is published pursuant to order as hereinabove specified, once a week for two successive weeks, the first publication hereof being made on the 31st day of December, 1925.

(SEAL) R. T. BROWN, County Clerk of Umatilla County, Oregon as ex-officio Clerk of the Circuit Court of Umatilla County, Oregon. (16-31c)

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, Nov. 30, 1925.

Notice is hereby given that Edward Kunze, of Boardman, Oregon, who, on Dec. 14, 1920 made Home-

stead Entry No. 021468 for W 1/4 NE 1/4 being Unit "B" Umatilla project, section 20, township 4 North, Range 25 East Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described before C. G. Balyden, United States commissioner at Boardman, Oregon, on the 11th day of January, 1926. Claimant names as witnesses: W. A. Price, Calvin Erwin, Claud Meyers, Paul Smith, all of Boardman, Oregon.

J. W. DONNELLY, Register.

TAKEN UP NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I have taken up and kept for about ten days at C. L. Unke ranch, 1 mile south of Hermiston the following described animal: One heifer, red with white on stomach and hips, about 7 months old. Said animal will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder or cash in hand on the 19th day of December, 1925, at the above described ranch at 10 o'clock A. M.

Dated at Hermiston on this 30th day of November, 1925. 13-21 Signed, C. L. UNKE.

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