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"Every board, every person handling public money, should publish an account of it."

Seek Nominations.

Hermiston threw its hat into the political ring this week with the filing of R. C. Todd with the county clerk his intentions of seeking the republican nomination for Umatilla county commissioner, and also the announcement by H. J. Stillings that he has filed with the Secretary of State his intentions of seeking the election as a delegate to the democratic national convention to be held in Chicago in June. Mr. Stillings is filing from the second congressional district.



IT'S SMART TO BUY GOOD SHOES and then Keep them REPAIRED BOWMAN SHOE SHOP

Mr. Todd has long been a resident of Hermiston and is well known in the west end of the county for his interest in business and civic affairs of the county. He is especially interested in an economical program for the county and in the major project for Umatilla, road work.

A complete political turnover is apt to be seen this year, due to present economical conditions, and the promise of an economical program will be a big campaign issue.

River or Road—Which?

The action of the state highway commission in deferring advertising for bids on the Sand Station-Washington state line section of the Wallula cutoff has caused considerable comment in this section and in Walla Walla, Wn. Road boosters have perhaps been rightly riled by the action when the cutoff would swing traffic from Portland nearer the Walla Walla valley, Lewiston, Pullman, the Camas Prairie country, and the Clearwater district. The Walla Walla Bulletin says "news brought that the new Oregon highway commission had reversed the action of its predecessor to hold up construction on the Umatilla-Wallula cutoff, partially built in 1931 with federal aid, proved a disappointment and more. It raised a wave of resentment against the commission and, in particular, E. B. Aldrich of Pendleton, who is held responsible for the act."

Before we condemn the action of the road commission, or Mr. Aldrich, let us consider the reason given for deferring immediate work on the Wallula cutoff. Mr. Aldrich says, "The basis for the present postponement is the fact that for a distance of over six miles the highway, as proposed, would have been at an elevation lower than the crest of the dam at Umatilla rapids, provided the dam is built with the top at an elevation of 330 feet above sea level, as suggested in the war department survey. Therefore the highway for the distance stated would have been submerged by the building of such a dam."

Hope for the development of the Columbia at Umatilla rapids was encouraged largely by the President's message to congress February 17, in which he specifically mentioned the Umatilla rapids along with the development of the dam at Boulder canyon, the dam at Cove creek, and

the development of the Grand Coulee on the Columbia, as soon "as contracts can be made for the sale of power to amortize the cost of construction to the government."

"A further factor in the situation," says Mr. Aldrich, "is created by the fact the secretary of agriculture, when he approved placing the Wallula cutoff on the federal aid map, did so with a provision that the highway when constructed should not interfere with power development."

This action by the state highway commission does not necessarily mean that the cutoff is not to be completed. Mr. Aldrich said in a statement made Tuesday.

We shall patiently await developments.

"MEN OF CHANCE" SAID TO BE FAST-MOVING PICTURE

The pleasure capitals of Europe form the background for the next picture to grace the screen at the Oasis theatre Sunday and Monday. "Men of Chance" is the title and, according to advance information, the picture moves along at a fast pace, being geared to the speed of the life of the places it represents. It is a story filled with the loves and hates of a dominant man tricked by his enemies through the agency of the woman he marries. Mary Astor and Ricardo Cortez have the prominent leads, with John Halliday, Kitty Kelly and Ralph Ince in the supporting cast.

ADVENTURE PLUS IN "DANGER ISLAND"

Screaming, frenzied cannibals—doom in a pit of alligators—jungle beasts—a devastating fire at sea—a wild quest for a radium fortune—and desperate gun-fights are only a few of the thrills numbered in Universal's red-blooded chapter play, "Danger Island," coming to the Oasis theatre in its first chapter, "The Coast of Peril."

Based upon a search for precious radium in the wilds of Africa, the story concerns an unscrupulous club man and his equally unscrupulous gang who attempt to wrest a map of the precious metal's charted location from the scientist-discoverer daughter, Lucile Browne.

A virile, young sea captain, Kenneth Harlan, is confronted with the enormous task of saving both the girl and the metal from the villainous hands of her enemies, and is eventually confronted also with fact that he loves the girl.

The serial appears in 12 chapters, regularly gracing the Friday and Saturday night program at the Oasis theatre.

IRRIGON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Markham and children visited Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Jones, Monday evening. Mrs. Edwin Wilson left Tuesday for Portland for a few days visit with relatives.

An agriculture committee meeting was held at the home of W. C. Isom Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of outlining a program for the coming year. Those present were: Chas. Smith, Morrow County Agent Forest Huntington, William Kiek, Mr. Wood and Garnet Best, Umatilla County agent.

A very interesting meeting of Irri-gron Grange 641 was held Wednesday night, with sixty members present. The lecture hour was well filled. Some of the speakers of the evening were Chas. Smith of Heppner, on agriculture; A. C. Houghton, on world peace; and Jess Richards of Stanfield, his subject being mainly political. Several humorous readings were presented by Grange members. The gentlemen members were on the supper committee, and a splendid luncheon was served which every one enjoyed.

The Boardman high school played the Irri-gron boys Saturday night at Irri-gron and won the game by one point.

The grade students presented a George Washington program Friday afternoon, which was well attended. A large crowd attended the dance at the school auditorium Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Benseal were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Isom Monday.

A number from this vicinity dressed turkeys for the association pool which went from Hermiston Thursday.

Mrs. Williams left Sunday for Walla Walla where she will remain for some time with her daughter who is ill at her home there.

Frank Moody arrived Tuesday and will work for Frank Brace during the spring months.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Markham visited here over Sunday.

Emmett McCoy who has been signal maintenance for the past 18 years has been transferred to Boardman and will move his family there in the next two weeks.

A noiseless window shade roller has been perfected that stops and locks automatically.

PATRIOTIC MEETING HONORS BIRTHDAY OF WASHINGTON.

The most interesting meeting held for a long time was enjoyed by a fair attendance February 19, at the club house in Columbia district by members of the Farm Bureau Auxiliary, in regular session, honoring the 200th anniversary of Washington's birthday. At the business meeting, Mrs. Charles Keller and Mrs. Jackson Harr were appointed to make a report of the women's achievements in the Auxiliary to KHQ Spokane, for broadcast. After this report reaches the broadcasting headquarters it will go on the air during the noon hour at some future date.

The social hour was full of interest centered around the life of the Father of our country, George Washington. Mrs. N. W. Bloom took the religious side of Washington's life and related many facts.

At roll call, each member arose, saluted the flag and remained standing until all had done the same and all repeated the flag salute in concert. Ten questions were asked by Mrs. Summerer and Mrs. Blum received first prize and Mrs. Paxton second prize for answering the most questions correctly. Following his delicious refreshments of cherry pie was served by Mrs. Sommerer, Mrs. Ott, Mrs. Blum and Mrs. Lynch.

The main feature of the entertainment was the numbers rendered by the school children. A program with numbers from each room.

A vote of thanks was given to the teachers of Columbia for this part of the day's entertainment. Next regular meeting will be held March 4th, with Mrs. Harvey Payne, director, and the committee in charge consisting of Mrs. Gus Linder, Mrs. Barham, Mrs. A. W. Turnblad, and Mrs. Val Knaut.

STUDENTS OF COLUMBIA SCHOOL GIVE PATRIOTIC PROGRAM.

A program reflecting much credit and honor to both teacher and pupils was held in Columbia school house the morning of the 22nd, honoring Washington's birthday. The three rooms were represented in appropriate pieces and costumes of Colonial times.

A very interesting feature were some of the principal episodes in Washington's life, enacted on stage and a pretty scene was that of four school girls in Colonial dress dancing the minuet. A fair attendance of parents and patrons of the school were present. A pleasant surprise was a closing feature of the exercises which came in the form of cookies for everyone, arranged by Mrs. Sommerer and Mrs. Ott.

COLUMBIA NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Annetta Barham was a visitor at the Gus Linder home Tuesday.

F. W. Lens took a load of potatoes to Heppner Tuesday.

Mrs. Tom Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Hughes left Friday for Seattle where they will visit for a couple of weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Osburn are staying at the Wilson home during Mrs. Wilson's absence.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Stockard and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Conrad and their families were visitors at the L. Hammer home Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Sommerer gave a quilting party Wednesday. Those present were Mrs. Henry Ott, Mrs. Charles Keller, Mrs. John Jendrjewski, and Mrs. Carson, Mrs. Sommerer's mother.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Moore Monday, February 22, on Washington's birthday. Mother and baby are getting along fine.

Mrs. Esther Gardiner was a guest at the N. W. Bloom home, for a birthday dinner given for her father Mr. Bloom.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Lee, former resident of Hermiston, spent Monday and Tuesday at the W. A. Mikesell home. They have been running a furniture store at Lebanon, but sold out and intend locating here again.

Florence Udey returned last Wednesday from The Dalles where she spent a few days visiting.

Miss Edith Mikesell was a vacation visitor with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mikesell.

Mrs. Willard, who has been ill for some time, is rapidly improving.

O. A. Wells was a business visitor at the Joe Udey home Monday.

Mrs. M. L. Watson and Mrs. O. O. Felthouse were guests at the Joe Udey home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carol Cobb, who were married in Walla Walla last summer, started back to Kentucky, by way of San Diego, California, February 19th. They have been living on part of the Hooker ranch.

Alpha Christly has been hauling hay from Butter Creek this week.

Marvin Watson and O. O. Felthouse graded the bus route road on Wednesday.

CHURCH NOTES

BAPTIST-CHRISTIAN CHURCH

W. E. Jones, Pastor. 10:20 A. M. Communion service. 10:30 A. M. Song Service and devotional.

10:55 A. M. Preaching service on the subject, "Lowest Thou: Me More Than These?" Also Junior church for the little folks, Mrs. Wm. Hinebine, superintendent.

11:20 A. M. Teaching service. Classes for all ages. You are welcome.

6:30 P. M. Christian Endeavor Junior and Senior. Topic for Senior Endeavor Sunday, February 28, is "What Contributions to Civilization are Missionaries Making?" Edith Clarke is the leader. On Sunday, March 6, one of our C. E. honorary members will be the leader. Mr. A. E. Benseal will lead the discussion of the topic "What Does it Mean to be a Christian?" This will be a consecration meeting.

7:30 P. M. Preaching service, subject, "The Power of Sin."

BAPTIST CHURCH

E. James Cain, Pastor. The new pastor, E. James Cain, will preach in the morning at eleven o'clock on the subject, "The Shaking of the Heavens and the Earth, and the Immovable Kingdom". In the evening, service at eight o'clock, he will speak on the subject, "When God Went to a Funeral."

Do not forget to come to the Sunday school at ten o'clock. We had expected the Rev. Hunderup to begin a meeting with us this week, but the church at Cove, Ore., has been receiving so many blessings from God through Mr. Hunderup that they begged him to stay with them another week. He will be with us next Tuesday and will hold meetings every evening of the week. We are sure God will bless you and you will have a good time with us. You will be welcome.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES

"Mind" was the subject of the Lesson - Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, February 21.

The Golden Text was, "God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind" (II Tim. 1:7).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "The Lord giveth wisdom; out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding" (Prov. 2:6).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures", by Mary Baker Eddy: "Christian Science reveals incontrovertibly that Mind is All-in-all, that the only realities are the divine Mind and idea. This great fact is not, however, seen to be supported by sensible evidence, until its divine Principle is demonstrated by healing the sick and thus proved absolute and divine. This proof once seen, no other conclusion can be reached" (p. 109).

UMATILLA NEWS ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Miller and children motored to Pendleton Saturday to visit with Mr. Miller's mother, Mrs. W. O. Miller, who is ill at the Pendleton hospital.

Earl Brownell of Pasco, Wn., was a Umatilla visitor from Wednesday until Friday of last week. His father D. R. Brownell accompanied him home.

Miss McFarland visited in Portland over the week end.

Rev. W. O. Miller and Mrs. Duff Knight motored to Pendleton Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Butterwood and Mrs. Gus Tones and daughter, Barbara, motored to Pendleton Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Springer motored to Pendleton Thursday to visit their daughter, Mrs. Wallace Mahoney.

Mrs. Robert Foord and son Dan of The Dalles spent the week end in Umatilla with friends.

Mrs. W. O. Miller was able to return to her home Monday after spending several weeks in the St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton.

Miss Ina Gilbert teacher in the Umatilla schools, spent the week end visiting friends in Portland.

Miss Bernadine Lash of Seattle spent the week end with friends in Umatilla. Mr. Bullard came for her Monday and they returned Tuesday.

Miss Sarah Rix spent the week end with relatives and friends in Portland.

Bert Dexter of Yamhill, is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Dexter.

Mrs. Tom-Tucker has gone to Portland to consult a doctor.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Isom of Irri-gron, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kendler, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Burke, and Henry Crisman and granddaughter Dorothy Mattice, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kendler, Sr., Sunday.

Word comes that Mrs. T. O. Waller, who has been in the St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton for some time, is much better and will be able to return home some time

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this week. Elvin Stephens, small grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Stephens, is very ill at the Pendleton hospital. Miss Verna Byrnes and Paul Walsh motored to The Dalles Sunday where they visited with Mrs. Henry Sommons and daughters, until Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. James Keenie accompanied by Dorine Lash and their nephew, James Stephens, motored to Pasco Sunday. "Grandma" Meacham has returned to Umatilla to make her home with her son William Bennett. Ursel Hyatt spent Sunday in Portland. Several Umatilla people attended the funeral of Mrs. A. B. Stephens of Pendleton this week. Mr. Stephens is the father of A. B. Stephens of Umatilla. District Tournament. The sub-district basketball tournament will be held at Umatilla March 4 and 5. There are eight teams entering and they all play the first day. The teams defeated the first round will be eliminated. Those winning will compete for a chance to go to the district tournament at Heppner. Schedule for the first day follows: Umatilla vs. Lexington vs. Irrigon vs. Lexington vs. Irrigon.

CITY OF HERMISTON Report of City Recorder for Period December 31, 1930 to December 31, 1931

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. GENERAL FUND: Cash in Fund December 31, 1930 \$2,252.31; Collections during Year (taxes, fines, etc.) 5,383.06; Disbursements during Year: Official Salaries \$1,060.04; Police Salaries 1,630.00; Fire Department 417.59; Library 639.55; Streets; Maintenance 253.70; Streets, Lighting 826.30; Industrial Accident Insurance 394.06; Retirement of Street Improvement Warrants 648.67; Miscellaneous 245.75; Cash in Fund December 31, 1931 1,469.71; Total \$7,635.37

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. IRRIGATION DISTRICT NO. 1: Deficit December 31, 1930 \$166.02; Collections During Year—Assessments 729.05; Disbursements during Year: Labor and Supplies 128.08; Irrigation Water 131.00; Car Mileage, Water Superintendent 70.03; Miscellaneous .85; Cash in Fund December 31, 1931 233.07; Total \$729.05

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. IRRIGATION DISTRICT NO. 2: Deficit December 31, 1930 59.46; Collections During Year—Assessments 500.97; Disbursements during Year: Labor and Supplies 13.85; Operation and Maintenance Charge—Water 74.10; Car Mileage, Water Superintendent 26.47; Miscellaneous 2.36; Cash in Fund December 31, 1931 324.73; Total 500.97

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. CITY WATER FUND: Cash in Fund December 31, 1930 4.36; Collections During Year 7,453.79; Disbursements during Year: Salary, Superintendent 1,615.50; Labor and Supplies 132.05; Electric Power 1,111.85; Payment on Pipe Contract 1,800.00; Interest on Bonds 1,500.00; Miscellaneous 64.88; Cash in Fund December 31, 1931 1,233.87; Total 7,458.15

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. SPECIAL STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND: Cash in Fund December 31, 1930 12.89; Collections During Year 346.29; Disbursements during Year 359.18; Total 359.18

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. GLADYS AVENUE IMPROVEMENT FUND: Cash in Fund December 31, 1930 16.58; Collections During Year 999.09; Disbursements during Year—Warrants 935.43; Cash in Fund December 31, 1931 80.24; Total 1,015.67

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. TOTAL INDEBTEDNESS OF CITY DECEMBER 31, 1931: Bonds for Construction of Water Works \$25,000.00; Balance of Water Pipe Contract 1,028.42; Street Improvement Warrants 811.99; Vouchers Payable 857.43; Construction Charge to U. S. for Irrig. Dist. No. 2 131.04; Total \$27,628.84

PUBLIC UTILITY FRANCHISES: Hermiston Light & Power Co., Hermiston, Oregon; Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co., Hermiston, Oregon. I, Chas. Taylor, Recorder of the City of Hermiston, do hereby certify, that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the above statements as shown by the books of this office, December 31, 1931, are true and correct. Receipts and Disbursements of all funds for the year 1931 agree with receipts and disbursements as shown by the books of the City Treasurer for the same period. CHAS. TAYLOR, Recorder.

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