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Primary and City Candidates

It is possible, if anybody wishes to do it, to run for partisan nomination for municipal office in the May primary. The primary machinery is there for such use, although it has been the custom for municipal candidates to ignore it. The exception in recent years was the candidacy of Clyde Brandenburg, who ran alone for the republican nomination for mayor in 1936.

By general consent, the city election has been made non-partisan. This is done by the simple process of all candidates withholding their filing until the period before the general election. Thus they run for the offices without regard to their party affiliations.

We believe the public generally approves such a policy. A municipal primary might be a good thing, if it were a non-partisan primary such as that in which circuit judge candidates are nominated. Then the city would choose its officers at a general election from among non-partisan candidates who received the highest or next highest votes for those offices in the primary. But we do not believe there would be approval of an effort to inject partisan politics into the municipal election, through the partisan primaries. Party affiliations are of little or no consequence as regards qualifications for such strictly local offices as mayor, police judge, treasurer or city councilman.

One reason, in Klamath Falls, why a spring primary for city officers would be undesirable, is the fact that all city officers have only two-year terms. If officials desiring re-election had to spend most of their second year running for office, first in a spring primary and then in the fall, their service to the city would be materially reduced. If one happened to fall by the wayside in the spring primary, then we would have a lame duck in office for seven or eight months.

For these reasons, the best policy for city candidates to follow is to run on a non-partisan basis in the fall, according to long-established custom. Perhaps some day an early fall non-partisan primary for municipal candidates will be set up.

Auto Toll Begins

THE annual automobile accident toll has received its start for 1940. The death of an Indian at Chilquien in a hit-run accident was the first fatality of the year, and a heavy, black, unpleasant number has appeared in this newspaper for the first time in 1940.

Klamath county had an unfavorable accident record in 1939. If it does no better than that in 1940, 18 more will lose their lives in this manner before the year is over. Each individual motorist might well ask himself this question: Will I be responsible for an accident that adds to that toll, blotting out either my own life or that of some other person?

Having asked the question, if he will undertake to answer it in the negative by careful driving in 1940, we will have a happier story to tell next December 31 about Klamath's automobile accident record.

Cultural Effort

A DETERMINED effort is being made by public-spirited local people to obtain the support necessary to assure a federal art center for Klamath Falls. Their purpose is to raise sufficient money, by membership subscriptions, to establish the center so that it may be maintained entirely by federal and state help.

The art center would be a place where classes in various branches of the arts would be open to all persons, and a place where local people could view traveling exhibits of great artists. The art center would belong to the public, in every sense of the word.

Success of the project would be an important cultural advancement for Klamath Falls.

The Family Doctor

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEN
Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygiene, the Health Magazine
THE knee joint is frequently weak because of looseness or cracking of the semilunar cartilages.

These small, circular bodies which lie between the large bones of the knee and thigh, are frequently damaged in athletic performances. When the cartilage is loosened or broken, the knee will lock, become swollen and painful. During the football season just ended, several of the nation's leading stars were incapacitated for long periods of time by injuries to their semilunar cartilages.

Until modern surgery was greatly improved, operations on the knee joint used to be considered as extremely serious. There was always danger of secondary infection. For this reason, it was customary, in most instances, to permit swelling to go down, after which the knee could be put in proper position and permitted to heal. The athlete would often be incapacitated for two or three weeks.

If one does not plan to indulge in athletics to any considerable extent, he can easily obtain recovery simply by rest and application of heat with the use of a proper bandage or splint. However, if the young man or woman plans to continue in athletics or to practice ballet dancing, medical treatment does not bring about lasting results. Under these circumstances, removal by operation is now generally recommended.

In the last 20 years, operations have been greatly improved, and the safeguards surrounding the operation have been increased. Nowadays, if the operation is performed by a competent surgeon or orthopedic surgeon, and the after-care is satisfactory, there is little, if any, chance of a recurrence of this knee trouble.

One British authority reports that 92 per cent of the knees on which operations have been performed were just as good as the uninjured knees after a period of five years. In 98 per cent, the knee movements were perfect; and in more than 80 per cent, there was no indication that there had ever been trouble with the knee.

Despite previous unfortunate experiences, new interest is being aroused in lighter-than-air craft. It is possible the navy may soon begin construction of dirigibles again, including one airplane carrier.

Enjoy a pleasant surprise? Taste Wieland's Ale!

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Mr. Hull has been out-argued by the British on the mail seizure issue—but not convinced. He has been scowling into his desk saucer, and barking about doing something, but nothing important will be done.

Inescapable fact is the mail differences between Washington and London have been over-interpreted by some outsiders to indicate serious disturbances in friendly Anglo-American relations. State department was annoyed by these interpretations and one official said no more news on the mail issue could be put out until this unwarranted excitement quieted down.

The truth too is that the latest British note caused considerable embarrassment among United States diplomats by reciting from an American note in 1916 to the effect that "the class of mail matter which includes stocks, bonds, coupons and similar securities is to be regarded as of the same nature as merchandise." This unfortunate United States position of May, 1916, was assumed under the pro-British influence of American Ambassador Walter Hines Page, but Mr. Hull cannot point that out now in diplomatic correspondence.

All he can do is fume and fret. In short, the British have put a crimp in his argument but not in his temper.

SUSPICIOUS

Mr. Hull and his assistant secretary of state, Adolf A. Berle, have never tracked along blindly through the maze of the White House. On the theory that the British can do very little wrong, Berle has been almost consistently suspicious of British motives and her plans, almost equally with his distrust and dislike of Germany and her actions. In fact, Berle just about belongs to the "They're all a bunch of so-and-so's" school of thought with regard to the European crowd, and Hull, while he is fanatically convinced of the necessity for maintaining normal trade, does not think much more of the British than he does of some of the others.

GESTURES

Later on the state secretary may carry out his threat to eliminate Bermuda from the trans-Atlantic mail service. Pan-American Airways, officials of the line, have made application to the civil aeronautics authority here to eliminate either the Azores or Bermuda stop, when they get their new big ships capable of longer hops.

The controversy is apt to be characterized from now on by such actions as these—gestures which will not cut deep.

LONGER TIME

This government's war authorities gave some surprising confidential testimony on the nation's industrial preparedness for war. It was scratched out of the senate appropriations committee's hearings before these were published.

They said the popular notion that an "M day" would find this country turned immediately into war production was unwarranted. Their confidential estimate was that 48 hours to 28 months would be required for the government to coordinate and perfect the manufacturing of airplanes and war necessities.

WATERWAY

Word dripped out of the Canadian commission conferences on St. Lawrence waterway here that the entire new treaty was in shape before the conference had started except for agreement on complicated engineering data. The promise in this spot a week ago that the treaty would be dispatched to the senate within a month still holds good.

Propaganda for the treaty will be handled to stress the point that it is an entirely new document, although much of it is based on the former treaty which the senate failed to ratify.

AMERICANISM

Just a day before he was stricken, Senator Borah said in a conference with a friend he was interested in promoting only one thing more immediately—a platform at the next republican national convention that would take a determined stand for Americanism. He thought the most important thing the republican party could do was to resist the tendency of some of the new dealers to edge closer and closer toward the European war and the peace that will eventually come out of it.

HATE RULES

Borah died as a man saddened at the state of the world. In this same conference he lamented the prevalent popularity of hate in international intercourse. He remarked how all nations, even those not at war, were conducting their diplomacy on grounds of hate. When the hearer interrupted to observe that the American people seem to be less prone to follow the popular world wave than other peoples, he interposed that he was not so sure. The roots of some hatreds had been planted here, he said, and he feared to what height they might grow under cultivation.

Telling The Editor

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., (To the Editor)—This reporter dropped in to the Klamath Valley hospital last Friday and after receiving a report that the one I was hunting for was a patient in room 215, I walked up to the room.

There she was, for the 22nd time a patient again in a hospital—and not yet past her 30th birthday.

I, being after news, asked her if I might have an interview. She said it was granted if I would not publish her name.

I found in this patient a challenge for great courage. In the last two years she has suffered a fractured spine, two broken ribs, a fractured pelvis, a dislocated vertebrae, a fractured ulna and then they carried her from her room in a local hotel last week and again became a patient full of patience. Her glowing countenance and bright smiles accounted for the attention she was receiving for the company was filling every available place in the room. Flowers banked her bedside, nurses exchanged greetings as they passed by in the corridor—doctors greeted her merrily, hospital attaches all called jestingly to her as they passed her door and the very atmosphere seemed charged with her brilliant and cheerful personality.

"Yes," she answered, "I have had my cross to bear but you have heard that old adage, 'A man may be down but he is never out' and

SIDE GLANCES



"Your club wasn't much of a success for me last year. If I don't have more coming to me next Christmas, I'm going to change banks."

That goes for women too." When asked how she kept so cheerful she replied, "Happiness keeps me cheerful, I never was as happy in my life."

So this reporter said adieu to this little patient who didn't want her name in print and yet who has carved her name as a true challenger of great courage on the hearts of her public.

TRIBUTE TO SCHORTGEN

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., (To the Editor)—The writer wishes to express deep sympathy to Mr. Henry Schortgen's family and my sincere regret at the loss of a very personal friend.

Henry was always a friend of the workingman. Consistent in his thinking and effort to better the few remaining privileges of the unemployed.

He knew the pulse of the community on everything of community interest better than any other man in the writer's acquaintance.

The city of Klamath Falls, the merchants and the working man will all miss this straight forward, honorable public servant.

Just one of his hundreds of friends,

E. L. CRAMBLITT.

Volunteers From Britain, France May Aid Finland

LONDON, Jan. 24 (UP)—Military and political experts, describing the Russian-Finnish war as the pivot of a greater conflict, said today that British and French volunteer forces may be sent to Finland before spring to bolster allied influence among the neutral nations.

Those speculating on the possible dispatch of volunteers recalled that during the Spanish civil war the word "volunteer" became a synonym for expeditionary force. The report was one of several indicating that allied policy is moving in new directions, far different from that of last September when Britain and France were trying to neutralize Russia or even win the soviet's benevolent neutrality.

The feeling is growing in Britain and France that Russia is a potential enemy if not already a "co-enemy" alongside Germany. American opinion, sympathizing with Finland against Russia, and the attitude of the Scandinavians and other neutrals have buttressed this attitude.

SCHOOL BUSES RUN WITHOUT TROUBLE

County school buses have had unusually fine going on the rural roads this year, according to County School Superintendent Fred Peterson.

Even in wet weather, he said, the buses have managed to get through. Recently the roads were frozen and while the surfaces in some places were rough, the buses moved without any danger of stalling.

"Every year," said Peterson, "our situation gets better. Time was when we did a lot of worrying about getting the buses through. Now about the only thing that can happen that is really disastrous to our schedule is a heavy snow storm followed by high, drifting winds."

Blue Suit Sought As Evidence in Law Murder Case

ABERDEEN, Wash., Jan. 24 (UP)—A blue suit worn by Dick Law, CIO union officer, the night of his wife's slaying January 5 today assumed an important role as authorities pursued their investigation of the crime.

Police Chief George Dean asserted Law informed him the suit had been turned over to federal officers in Tacoma—but they denied knowledge of the suit. Law then referred authorities to his attorney, John Caughlan, who reportedly told Deputy Prosecutor Paul O. Manly:

"I wouldn't tell you who has it if I knew." Caughlan added the suit was turned over to a man he could not immediately identify. The suit has not been found yet.

Law testified at a coroner's inquest last week his suit became blood-stained when he held his wife's body.

Sailing of Nazi Crew Delayed by Ship Interception

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 24 (UP)—Interception of the Japanese liner Tatsu Maru by a British warship near Honolulu tonight decreased possibility that 512 German crewmen from the scuttled liner Columbus will sail from San Francisco.

It was reported German authorities were reconsidering their original plan to ship the Columbus crewmen back to Germany by way of Japan and Siberia because of increased British naval watchfulness in the Pacific.

The 512 Germans, brought here by train from the east, are quartered at Angel Island immigration station where the cost of lodging them is being paid by the German government at the rate of approximately \$1000 a day.

OBITUARY

VIRGIL WILSON

Virgil Wilson, a lifelong resident of Klamath county, passed away at the Klamath Agency on Monday evening, January 22. The deceased was a native of the Klamath reservation and was aged 58 years when called. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Eliza Wilson; 4 sons, Virgil Jr., Vernie, Clifford, Floyd; a daughter, Anna Wilson; a brother, Finley; a sister, Blanche Jones; 3 nephews, Leander Wilson, Jack Jones, Chester Jones; 2 nieces, Florence Jones and Francis Wilson, all of Chillicothe, Ore.; also 5 grandchildren. The remains rest in Ward's Klamath funeral home, 925 High street, where friends may call Wednesday evening, January 24. Notice of the funeral will appear in this paper later.

All-expense air tours may soon be available, provided they include 20 per cent surface travel.

PINE TREE NOW

Deanna's in Love!

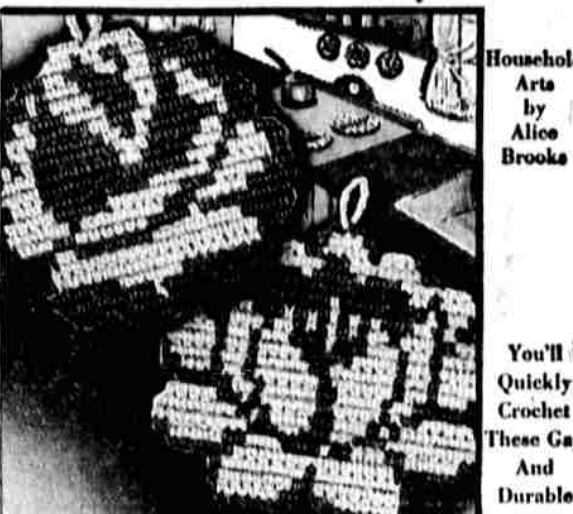


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Courthouse Records

(TUESDAY)

Marriage Applications
BRISCOE - KNOWLES. Charles Layton Briscoe, 22, laborer, Resident of Tulelake, Calif., native of Missouri. Inez Mae Knowles, 29, Resident of Tulelake, Calif., native of Wyoming. Three-day requirement waived.

HACKNEY - MCCAIN. Mark Rowan Hackney, 42, salesman, Resident of Klamath Falls, native of Arkansas. Edna McCain, 42, clerk, Resident of Klamath Falls, native of Missouri.

Divorce Complaints Filed
Virginia Marie McCormack versus Fredrick Dale McCormack. Charge, cruel and inhuman treatment. Couple married November 1, 1934, in Klamath Falls, Ore. Plaintiff asks attorney fees and court costs, David R. Vandenberg, attorney for plaintiff.

Lowell Wilson versus Patricia Wilson. Charge, cruelty. Couple married June 30, 1939, in Reno, Nev. Edwin E. Driscoll, attorney for plaintiff.

Motion Filed
For change of judge. By plaintiff in divorce complaint of McCormack versus McCormack, David R. Vandenberg, attorney for plaintiff.

Decrees Granted
Nancy Jane Burk versus James Delmot Burk. Grounds, cruelty. Plaintiff awarded custody of minor child, property, support, costs. D. E. Van Vactor, attorney for plaintiff.

Melba Dolores Lapp versus Raymond C. Lapp. Grounds, cruelty. Plaintiff awarded maiden name of Melba Dolores Lindley.

Mary Seratt versus William S. Seratt. Charge, cruelty. Plaintiff awarded custody of four minor children, property, support, and attorney's fees. A. W. Schaupp, attorney for plaintiff.

Complaints Filed
State of Oregon, by state highway commission versus B. L. Dedenhoff and Halie Dedenhoff, husband and wife, M. L. Moore, and Klamath county. Plaintiff asks for condemnation property for highway right-of-way purposes in south half of northwest quarter and in south one-half of southeast quarter of section 34, township 40 south range 10 east, T. H. Van Winkle, J. M. Devens, and J. W. De Souza, attorneys for plaintiff.

Indictments
State of Oregon versus Nathan

Wright. Indicted for breaking glass in building not his own. Pleading guilty and fined \$200 and costs. Hearing before the Honorable Judge Edward B. Ashurst.

State of Oregon versus William George Campbell. Indicted for polygamy. Pleading not guilty.

FUNERAL NOTICE

HENRY ERNEST SCHORTGEN

The funeral service for the late Henry Ernest Schortgen, who passed away in this city on Tuesday morning, January 23, will take place from the Elks Temple, Third and Main, on Thursday, January 25, at 1:30 p. m., the officers of Klamath Lodge No. 1247 BPOE officiating. The commitment service will be under the direction of Pelican Post No. 1383 VFW of the American Legion Post No. 8 of this city and Chapter No. 12 DAV's. Interment in the Linkville cemetery. Friends are respectfully invited to attend. Ward's Klamath funeral home in charge of the arrangements.

WILLIAM PATRICK WATERS

The funeral service for the late William Patrick Waters, who passed away in this city on Monday evening, January 22, will take place from the Sacred Heart Catholic church on Thursday, January 25, at 9 a. m., when a requiem mass will be celebrated for the repose of his soul. Rev. Father T. P. Casey officiating. Commitment service in the Mt. Calvary Memorial park. Friends are respectfully invited to attend. Recitation of the Rosary will take place in Ward's Klamath funeral home, 925 High street, Wednesday evening, January 24, at 8 p. m.

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