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## DEATH CLAIMS JOHN ROTH LISBERG

Prominent Young Stock Man Stricken and Dies Within 24 Hours—Operation Fails to Save Life.

"In the midst of life we are in death."

The uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, as expressed in the above quotation, was perhaps never more fully brought home to us than through the sudden death of Johnnie Rothlisberg in our city Wednesday afternoon. Going about his business affairs one day as full of life as one could wish to be, he lay cold in death's embrace scarcely twenty-four hours later, and his family and friends could hardly realize he had been called from their midst.

John Rothlisberg has been engaged in buying stock for Carstee & Co. of Tacoma, for the past two or three years and has been in the habit of coming to Cottonwood almost every week to receive and ship stock from this station. He came over as usual on Monday and received several cars of cattle from Platt & Jones, of the Joseph country, and shipped the cattle out on Tuesday morning's train. He completed the morning's work by settling up for the stock purchased and seemed to be in the best of health and spirits. In the afternoon he was sitting in the hotel lobby figuring over his accounts when he was suddenly stricken with severe cramps in the stomach and bowels. Physicians were at once summoned but all were out of town at the time. Dr. Turner was the first to return and did all in his power to check the attack. The cramps returned however, during the night, and it was realized that an operation was the only chance for saving the patient's life and even this was slight. Dr. Slusser was summoned from Grangeville and the operation was performed shortly before noon, when it was found that the stomach was ruptured and all hopes were at an end. Death came at 1:05 o'clock in the afternoon.

John Rothlisberg was born in Texas and was 33 years of age at the time of his death. He came to Idaho county with his parents when a child and has spent most of his life here. After finishing school he followed farming for several years, then engaged in the meat business at the county seat, and in recent years has been buying stock. He leaves a wife and two children, a mother, several brothers and many friends to mourn his untimely loss. He was a quiet, unassuming young man of fine character and excellent business characteristics, and will be deeply mourned by his large circle of friends over the county.

The remains were prepared for burial at the Nau undertaking parlors and were shipped to Grangeville Wednesday evening where they are being held until the mother and a brother can arrive from Salt Lake City. The funeral will probably be held Sunday afternoon.

The Chronicle joins with friends of the bereaved family in extending to them sincere sympathy in their great loss.

Contractor Lasker is making fine progress on the Peterson building and now has the walls well up above the first story. He will complete the brick work next week and will have the building ready for occupancy in the near future.

## Securing Satisfactory Grade

State Engineer Booth passed through Cottonwood Wednesday morning enroute from Grangeville to Lewiston. In speaking about the location of the north and south road he said it was the policy of the State Highway Commission when planning and surveying state roads to secure the most practical and direct route between the points sought to be connected or territory to be served. In as much as the state helps to build these roads and once built, maintains them, the state's interest is equivalent if not greater than that of the local district that it serves because the maintenance cost is a considerable item.

When his attention was called to the present survey north of town cutting up property as it does, he said that no matter what route would have been taken this same condition might and would have pertained. However that this part of the survey will likely be changed if found that a more practicable, route can be secured or one that does not cut up property so badly; that it may be necessary to relocate certain sections because it is impossible to determine with one survey which is the best route. Mr. Booth said that the man in charge of this survey work, Mr. Burns, had reported to him that in general a most satisfactory route had been secured.

## Commissioners Count Vote

The board of county commissioners was in session several days this week at Grangeville canvassing the election returns. All precincts except Edwardsburg were in when the count was made and this precinct may not report. While the totals are changed to some extent the results are the same as announced last week. Following is the vote, the democratic candidates being given first:

Presidential electors—Democrats, 2265. Republicans, 1868.  
Governor—Alexander, 2139. Davis, 2028.  
Lieutenant Governor—Parker, 2183. Holt, 1831.  
Secretary of State—Dougherty, 1963. Barker, 1909.  
State Auditor—Van Deusen, 1995. Lewis, 1866.  
State Treasurer—Worthington, 1896. Eagleson, 1960.  
Attorney-General—Walters, 1960. Sweeley, 1865.  
Superintendent Public Instruction—Carlisle, 1830. Redfield, 2111.  
Inspector of Mines—Fry, 1880. Bell, 1965.  
State Senator—Pettibone, 2144. Sweet, 1917.  
State Representatives—Hussman, 2102. Quinlan, 2126. Harchelrode, 1907. Meyer, 1934.  
Commissioner 1st Dist.—Tinker, 1903. Clark, 2091.  
Commissioner 2d Dist.—Schroeder, 1981. Long, 2088.  
Commissioner 3d Dist.—Rhodes, 2028. Rice, 1954.  
Sheriff—Yates, 2152. Webb, 2048.  
Treasurer—Bradbury, 2141. Rice, 2080.  
Probate Judge—Campbell, 2172. Hess, 1861.  
Superintendent—Staley, 2401. Jenkins, 1776.  
Assessor—Atwood, 1792. Hazelbaker, 2276.  
Coroner—Trenary, 2070. Blake, 1945.  
Surveyor—Brown, 2048. Spedden, 2002.  
Prosecuting Attorney—Griffith, 2023. Auger, 1953.  
Justice Supreme Court—Dunn, 1529. Rice, 792.

## ELECTION ROW IN SOUTH IDAHO

Republicans Claim Irregularities Enough in Southeast to Elect Davis—Case Will Be Taken Into Court.

All kinds of election stories are coming out of Boise these days and if most of them are to be believed there is liable to be a lively contest down in the south end of the state before a number of the state and county candidates are seated. Most of the reports have to do with alleged election irregularities in southern and south-eastern counties, and it is claimed by the republicans that when matters are finally sifted in one or two counties Davis will have been elected over Alexander and at least one entire republican county ticket will have been elected.

The first report came from Bonneville county, in the south-east, where it is said the county commissioners threw out 921 votes in two precincts when the canvass of the returns was made. The commissioners tried to get the judges of election to recount the ballots in another precinct but the judges refused. It is claimed that the voters in many instances marked a cross in the large circle at the top of the republican ticket, thereby voting a straight ticket, and then proceeded to make a cross after the name of Alexander and other candidates on the democratic ticket but failing to mark out the names of the republican candidates they did not care to vote for. The election judges apparently held that the intent of the voter was plain and counted the ballots for such democratic candidates as were voted for. The county commissioners undoubtedly held an opposite view and caused a recount in a couple of precincts, with the above result.

The news from Bonneville county brought up claims of irregularities in other counties and it was reported that investigations would also be held in Ada, Power, Canyon and other counties.

Be this as it may, the news stories point more toward a few irregularities than to any intent at fraudulent voting and it is quite probable that when matters quiet down the irregularities will prove much less than at first reported.

In any event the case presents a nice legal complication and if carried into court the matter may take months to decide.

Another story coming from Boise is to the effect that James E. Pinnock, one of the democratic presidential electors, is not qualified to act by reason of having also been a candidate for the state legislature from Custer county and having been elected, and this would give his vote to the nearest republican elector, thereby giving three of Idaho's electoral votes to Wilson and one to Hughes.

Ed. Rathbone sold his stage line and barn property at this place this week to Albert Rogers and intends leaving later for California to spend the winter. Mr. Rogers took charge of the stage line Wednesday and will operate the same in future.

The first card party of the winter season to be given by the K. C. lodge was held at the hall Wednesday evening and was quite well attended. Progressive five hundred was enjoyed until after eleven o'clock and all present had a very pleasant time.

## Election Makes Many Changes

As a result of last week's election Idaho went into the democratic column by a handsome majority, giving Wilson a plurality of 15,000 votes, and carrying almost the entire democratic state ticket into office. All candidates on the democratic ticket except treasurer, superintendent of public instruction and mine inspector were elected and the democrats will control both houses of the next legislature.

A Boise dispatch has the following to say regarding the election:

For the first time in a number of years an Idaho legislature will probably be democratic in both branches when the legislature-elect convenes in Boise in January, 1917. Returns from 33 of the 37 counties in the state give the democrats 20 senators out of a possible 37, while in the house the democrats have 36 members and the republicans 25, if the most reliable information obtainable at this time is correct. Such well-known candidates for senator as John Hart of Jefferson county, Nathan Ricks of Madison county, James E. Steele of Bonneville county, E. S. Sweet of Idaho county, Guy H. Martin of Bonner county and I. I. Purcell of Washington county were defeated. A. H. Conner, speaker of the last house; W. L. Shaddock of Bonneville county; H. A. Lawson, a member of the twelfth legislature and author of the mothers' pension bill, Ada county republican nominee for state senator; D. J. Elrod of Bannock county, and others went down to defeat before the slide.

First reports indicated the defeat of Peter G. Johnson of Bingham county, for a number of sessions leader of the house, but returns from a precinct reporting late saved him. In Custer county Senator Ravenal MacBeth was defeated. For many years until the present he has been reelected from that county and news of his defeat came as a genuine surprise.

For the first time in years a democrat will preside over the senate. Ernest L. Parker of Cottonwood, a democrat, was elected lieutenant governor over B. M. Holt, republican, and will drop the gravel when the upper house is called to order.

## Makes Them Like Idaho

Mrs. E. L. Martin and little daughter were in the city Wednesday afternoon from near Winona and left yesterday for Turner, Ore., to spend a few weeks with relatives. While here Mrs. Martin gave us some interesting figures about their grain crop this year. They threshed 6,975 sacks of wheat and barley and sold the grain last week at Kamiah. The wheat which was of the Marquis variety, brought \$1.56½ per bushel and the barley \$1.87½ per hundred pounds. The wheat grown on a hundred acres of rented ground sold for an average of \$62.70 per acre, while the barley averaged \$47.69 an acre. Mrs. Martin said they are not inclined to leave Idaho now and are more than pleased with results since they came to Camas prairie.

## Attention Farmers!

We will contract good, clean, fat hogs, weighing from 180 to 300 pounds, for any time in January, February or March, at 10c a pound. Can place three or four cars of good feeder hogs, 125 pounds and up, at 6½ and 7 cents.

Farmers Union Warehouse Co. Geo. S. Downer, Mgr.

## NEWS AROUND THE STATE

Items From Various Places Reproduced for the Benefit of our Readers—Stories Refreshed from Exchanges.

The Kidder highway district is erecting a \$5,000 bridge across the Clearwater river at Kooskia.

The O.-W. R. & N. company recently placed an order for 1500 standard size box cars and 1000 automobile cars.

The state sanitary board late last week appropriated \$2500 of its funds to the Northwest Livestock Show at Lewiston.

Hagerman expects to build an \$8,000 cheese factory. And it will pay the farmers and dairy men of that section more than that amount in the next twelve months.—Meadows Eagle.

F. M. Slagle, of Pullman, Wn., has shipped 50,000 pounds of field peas to Europe to be used as food for the men in the trenches. The price received was 4c per pound, or \$2,000 for the shipment.

Grain sales concluded late last week in the Lewiston country totaled more than 100,000 bushels. The largest individual sale was made by George Ausman of Asotin, who sold 40,000 bushels, for which he received more than \$60,000.

A trunk containing sixteen quart bottles of whiskey was seized at the depot in Lewiston late last week by the sheriff of that county after a broken bottle had disclosed the contents of the trunk. The trunk was checked into Lewiston as regular baggage and its owner it not known.

Mrs. Robert Grostein, a pioneer resident of Lewiston and wife of one of the pioneer merchants of that place, died last Friday in Spokane and was buried Monday by the side of her husband in the Lewiston cemetery. She was 67 years of age and came to The Dalles, Ore., over fifty years ago.

The Idaho State Poultry Show will be held at Lewiston during the week of Nov. 26th in connection with the Northwest Livestock Show. No poultry show will be held at Spokane this winter and many fanciers from that city will exhibit their birds at Lewiston. It is estimated more than 500 birds will be on display at the show.

The commissioners of the Lapwai highway district issued a call Tuesday for another bond election to be held on December 5th when the question of issuing bonds in the sum of \$150,000 will be voted on. At a former election last spring the bond issue was defeated but it is believed the bond will carry at this time.

J. C. Rooney, the Stites butcher, was brought to the county jail at Grangeville Sunday evening and locked up on a charge of having murdered his day old daughter recently. The arrest was made by Deputy Sheriff Eller who had been at Stites for some days investigating the case. Rooney's preliminary examination will probably be held within a few days.

## \$10 Reward

The above reward will be paid for the return of my black shepherd dog to the Newell livery barn in Cottonwood. Dog is black, with white ring around neck, and half of face is white. W. T. PLATT.

## Wheat Highest Ever Known

Portland, Ore., Nov. 11.—Portland wheat bids reached the highest ever known today with the exception of the bluestem variety. There was a general advance of 3 to 5 cents a bushel in bids for the day and bluestem touched \$1.65 per bushel, which is the same as on October 30, the previous highest record. Other varieties were at \$1.61 per bushel.

The market for oats also touched a new high record here with the trade eagerly bidding \$35 a ton for supplies of No. 1 feed.

## Harrison-Oldham

A. A. Harrison and Miss Lois Oldham were united in marriage on Wednesday evening of this week at the home of the bride's parents east of this place, Rev. H. J. Wood performing the ceremony. The contracting parties are well known and highly esteemed young people of our community and have a large circle of friends. The Chronicle extends hearty congratulations.

C. A. Fisher was in the city yesterday from Moscow.

The local K. of P. lodge is preparing to give its annual Thanksgiving ball and will have bills out announcing the same in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard McKinley lost a little baby son last week, the first boy born to their home. The babe was buried last Friday.

Percy Campbell writes us this week to have his paper changed to Pineale, Mont., and says he has secured a homestead there and has built a cabin on his claim.

Henry Rehder has rented the Fet Rhoades residence on north King street and will move his family into town in a day or so. The sale of his personal effects is being held today.

Mrs. M. M. Belknap and sons returned Monday evening from a five weeks' visit with the lady's parents at Sigourney, Iowa. M. M. was very glad to quit batching when they got home.

John Wemhoff was in town Wednesday from Nezperce looking for a house to rent. He recently traded his place near Nezperce for a farm at Westlake and will spend the winter here with his family if he can secure suitable living quarters.

J. J. Keane, deputy state game warden, was in the city yesterday from Moscow and went on to Grangeville last evening. Mr. Keane was a candidate for the state senate on the democratic ticket in his county and missed being elected by the narrow margin of 13 votes.

Five cars of cattle and three of hogs were shipped out from this station Tuesday morning. The cattle were purchased by John Rothlisberg from Jones & Platt and were shipped to Carstee & Co. at Tacoma, while the hogs were shipped to Spokane by the Farmers Union Warehouse company.

A birthday surprise was given John Hoene at his home Tuesday evening by his wife in honor of John's 43rd anniversary. Some twenty or more guests gathered at the Hoene home at six o'clock and, after wishing the host many more happy birthdays, sat down to a sumptuous feast prepared by Mrs. Hoene. The evening was spent with music and cards and the hour was late before the party broke up. A very enjoyable time was had by all present and John seemed to enjoy the surprise fully as much as he did his friends.