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TOWNSHIPS HOLD ELECTIONS TUESDAY

Townships will hold their annual meetings for the election of officers Tuesday. The polls will be open from 9 to 4.

NORTHWOOD SCHOOL STARTS POTATO CLUB

A Potato Club to determine which pupil can raise the most and best potatoes has been organized in the Northwood school. The business part of it is moving nicely and the indicator points directly to the growing of better potatoes and plenty of them.

NORTHWOOD

The Northwood Grange erected a nice barn on their property last week. The Willing Workers were very pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. F. M. Bloom Wednesday.

A FARM GAINING A REPUTATION

The transformation of the logged-off lands in the Puget Sound basin, into places fitted for peaceful and profitable habitation of man is a work worthy of highest honors.

John W. Edwards of Portland was in Lynden on business Tuesday.

GRANGE PROTESTS AGAINST BRIDGE

That the proposed Marietta bridge is not receiving the unanimous support of those in the Mt. View district, is shown in the following resolution sent The Tribune this week:

Whereas it being published that the Authorities of Whatcom County, intend to build a steel bridge over Nooksack River between Marietta and the Lummi Reserve and whereas it is represented that the people of Mt. View desire said bridge for the reason that it would greatly shorten the distance to and from the city of Bellingham, whereas we believe and know that the distance is not shortened for the large majority of the citizens of Mt. View, also in our opinion that there is not enough travel or business tributary to said bridge to justify the expense of building the same.

Another reason being the channel of the Nooksack River may at any time change and is now working back to the old channel, furthermore such bridge should not be built until such time as either the Lummi Reserve becomes a part of Whatcom County to help pay for it, or the United States as guardian of the Lummi Indians helps pay for its construction.

Therefore, be it resolved by Gulf Grange No. 241, that we are utterly opposed, under present conditions, to the building of a bridge over the Nooksack River between Marietta and the Lummi Reserve.

Carried unanimously.

IRA ROBINSON, Sec.

County News

Everson merchants have signed an agreement to patronize the B. and N. exclusively and to boycott the auto stages if the railroad will promise them a daily freight train.

Ferndale has a tennis club.

Some talk was current in Bellingham last week to the effect that a movement to recall Commissioners McMillan and Slater would be started shortly.

Hicks and Son, proprietors of the Sumas Advocate, purchased the Sumas News this week and consolidated the two papers. The Advocate was established a year ago, following considerable discussion. Sumas is not large enough to support two papers, as both the News and Advocate discovered, and the consolidation is one that will be welcomed by all concerned.

The progressive state committee of the State of Washington has called a state convention of the progressive party, as represented by delegates, to meet in the City of Seattle in the State of Washington at 10:30 o'clock a. m. on Thursday, May 4, 1916, to select thirteen delegates and thirteen alternates to the national progressive party convention, which will meet in Chicago on June 7, 1916.

Delegates will be chosen upon the following basis: One delegate for each 750 votes or major fraction thereof cast for Theodore Roosevelt in 1912. Every county, however, will have at least one delegate. Whatcom County is entitled to six delegates.

County committees are instructed to call a county convention to meet at the Court House in the county seat on or before 2:00 o'clock p. m. on the 15th day of April, 1916. In the event that the county committee fails to take this action, the progressives of any such county are hereby instructed to meet in mass convention at the Court House at 2:30 o'clock p. m. on the 15th day of April, 1916 and elect delegates to the state convention in accordance with this call and to fill any vacancies on the county committee and to transact any other business that may properly come before it.

Mrs. Harvey Smith and Mrs. Everett Hawley entertained the members of the Amphiction Club and their husbands at the home of Mrs. Hawley last Thursday night. Five hundred was played at six tables, Mrs. Wilder Jones having the high score for the ladies and Mr. Harvey Smith for the gentlemen.

Frank Knapp Should Be Re-Elected

Plain statements made by the campaigners on both sides in the election Saturday of a school director for the Lynden district, leave absolutely no doubt as to the main issue involved. The point that will confront the voter is this: "Should the present administration, represented by Frank Knapp, which is responsible for retaining P. A. Wright as head of the Lynden schools, be continued?"

The Tribune is proud of the Lynden schools, recognizing with the vast majority of citizens that they are on a higher basis than those in the smaller cities throughout the land. The pride that all Lynden takes in its schools is not local egotism; it has authority in the opinions of Miss Della Keeler, formerly county superintendent of schools, and Edwin H. Twitmyer, state high school inspector, whose views are given in The Tribune this week.

Though lofty in quality, the Lynden system is being conducted on a minimum of expense. A 1916 state bulletin of statistics of high schools gives the following figures: Aberdeen, with an enrollment of 266, is paying \$64.69 per pupil; Anacortes, with 145, pays \$60; Blaine, with 94, \$80; Burlington, with \$7, \$76.44; Everett, 764, \$77.80; Ferndale, 162, \$80.50; Harmony, 40, \$88.12; Mt. Vernon, 197, \$81. Lynden with an enrollment of 126, pays exactly \$52.80 per pupil!

Aberdeen pays its superintendent \$2,250; Anacortes, \$1,800; Burlington, \$1,920; Cashmere, \$1,700; Blaine, \$1,800; Ferndale, \$1,500; Marysville, \$1,600; Mt. Vernon, \$2,000. Lynden pays its superintendent \$1,350 a year!

The present school administration should be complimented for giving Lynden excellent school service so cheaply. Their efforts should be endorsed by a vigorous vote Saturday to retain Frank Knapp.

Not that The Tribune feels that Will Lauckhart is not amply qualified to hold the position he seeks. Mr. Lauckhart has earned a reputation of integrity and worth that would honor any public office. The fact, however, that his supporters have unfortunately attacked Lynden's present splendid school system by assailing the men directly responsible for it, makes necessary the support of Mr. Knapp.

Frank Knapp has made an efficient and painstaking member of the school board. He has thoroughly acquainted himself with the workings and needs of the schools during the years in which he has been on the board.

While not seeking re-election, he has consented to permit his name to be placed before the people again. Frank Knapp has made good, and the people owe it to themselves and to him to retain him on the school board.

Vote Saturday, and vote for Knapp.

LYNDEN FIVE WINS COUNTY TOURNAMENT

Lynden triumphed over all comers in the county basketball tournament at the high school Friday and Saturday. The tournament was a decided success from the standpoint of attendance, enthusiasm, and fast games.

Harmony defeated Laurel Friday night without exerting themselves particularly by a score of 30 to 14, and Normal High in a more closely contested game, defeated Sumas 21 to 17. The first half of the Lynden-Blaine game ended 15 to 13 in Lynden's favor and when the final whistle blew, there was joy among the Lynden supporters as the score was Lynden 28, Blaine 23.

Lynden "came back" in the second half of the Blaine game Saturday afternoon and tied the score. In the five minutes of additional play, Lynden won 30 to 25. The Harmony-Normal game was a disappointment as a fairly close game was expected but the Normal boys stamped and the Harmony boys were fast and accurate, winning 55 to 19.

Saturday evening the opening game was an exhibition contest between the Lynden Scouts and second team. They were a tie 11-11 the first half but in the last half the second team forged ahead and won 25 to 18. The feeling of nervousness on the part of Lynden supporters was less noticeable in the final Lynden-Harmony game when the first half ended 14 to 7 in Lynden's favor. The last half was fast but the home team never lost its lead and won 24 to 16 and was awarded the championship pennant.

FRASIER IS FIRST TO ANNOUNCE CANDIDACY

The early bird in the county's election campaign this year, is A. H. Frasier. Mr. Frasier formally announces his candidacy for county commissioner in this issue of The Tribune.

From now on, the political situation in the county will become more and more interesting, as candidates for the various places announce themselves from week to week.

Mrs. Geo. Adam and daughter, Miss Verma, of Ferndale, were the guests at the J. W. Tremain home Sunday.

Professor Minto, bacteriologist of the State College of Washington, is preparing inoculation material for the following legumes: alfalfa, field peas, and red clover. The preparation will be ready for shipment during the months of March, April and May. It is in liquid form and can easily be applied. The cost will be about 25 cents per acre.

Mr. and Mrs. John Troost and son Charlie were Saturday evening callers at the George Leake home. Rev. Heines of Seattle and Mr. De Hoogh of Lynden called at John Evenden's Saturday evening.

A Statement From the Lauckhart Supporters

It has been rumored that Mr. Lauckhart's supporters have made false statements concerning things which have happened in the past and Mrs. Mounter desires to state that the school records are open for inspection. These records verify the statements made by the accused; while the opposing side has not to our knowledge made any attempt to verify their statements by inviting or even remotely suggesting that the voting public investigate the records, thus enabling them to intelligently express themselves at the polls. We again repeat that common honesty dictates that all voters demand a bill of the particulars obtainable at the clerk's home.

Mrs. Mounter also wishes to deny that she has ever at any time made a stand for only teachers having college degrees being hired in the grades. She does, however, state that she believes in having for the Supt. at the head of our schools a teacher with a college degree or in any case with a certification AT LEAST AS GOOD as that of the teachers under his supervision. The last reports made to this district from the county and state offices show the following to be the certification of our High School teachers:

P. A. Wright, Supt., 2nd grade certificate	\$1350.00
L. C. Wright, Principal, 2nd grade certificate	1200.00
Elmina Graham, Bachelor of Arts degree	900.00
Grace Headrick, Bachelor of Arts degree	675.00
Elsie Sweet, Bachelor of Arts degree	675.00
Fred Rockey, Bachelor of Science degree	810.00
Edith Gilliland, special certificate	675.00
Marguerite Fleming, special certificate	675.00

The above list shows that in our high school the teachers with the poorest certification are the ones receiving the highest salaries. The standard of excellence of any school is determined not by one or two but by numerous factors—such, for instance, as the faculty, the equipment, and the students themselves and we believe we have some very good material in each of these factors. There are those who are desirous of seeing those who are largely responsible for the efficiency of our schools, receiving their just share of the credit for it and their just share of the salaries.

There are many who question the right of two members of the school board to meet on the street and afterward notify the third member of the board as to what they decided on any question, as has been customary. The legality of such meetings has been questioned. So far as we know, Mr. Lauckhart has made no statement to his supporters concerning his policy toward any person or persons but expresses himself as standing for an honest deal and fair play to all. If the supporters of any person or persons are alarmed at the consequences of fair play, do they not thereby condemn themselves and the ones whom they support?

The election of the teachers for the ensuing year will most likely not occur for some time yet, and should Mr. Lauckhart be elected he will have ample time to satisfy himself as to the merits of those whose competency is questioned.

CREAMERY TO OPEN STORE IN SEATTLE

An important move for the local dairy interests was made this week, when the directors of the Lynden Creamery Co. announced their intention of opening a wholesale butter, egg, and cheese business in Seattle.

The creamery store will deal directly with the retailers, and will thereby eliminate commission house profits and increase the returns to the farmers. Frank Lopas will act as manager of the store.

As a result of low prices in San Francisco, butter dropped four cents a pound this week. Butterfat in Lynden is 33 cents, as against 37 cents formerly. It is interesting to note that although butterfat in Seattle is quoted at 30 cents, the farmers are receiving 33 cents locally.

BOOTH'S CORNERS

Captain N. A. Palmer and wife of Polson Montana, who have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Palmer and other relatives the past six weeks, returned to their home last week.

Alvah Litton of Eastern Washington is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Litton.

Joe Davison of Blaine was a Sunday caller at John Pearson's.

Mr. Hungerford of Bellingham was in this neighborhood Tuesday.

George Schenk and family from Paradise, moved onto his new place last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Palmer visited at John Limings in Lynden Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stremler called on Mr. and Mrs. John Troost Friday evening.

Otho Wilson, Clyde and Raymond Wilson of Lynden and Franklin Swope were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Rathbone Sunday.

Arle Palmer visited with Elsie and Minnie Troost Saturday.

Mrs. Alice Crajne was a Bellingham visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Ivy Palmer visited Mrs. Ruth Palmer Thursday afternoon.

Miss Elsie Bovendam visited home folks Monday.

Mrs. G. N. Heaton is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Ecker of Bellingham this week.

Mrs. Hattie Leake visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Troost Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crane were pleasant callers at Charlie Love's of Fairview Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Mary Swope visited Mrs. Maude Palmer Thursday.

The Van der Hoef family moved onto the Hungerford place last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Troost and son Charlie were Saturday evening callers at the George Leake home.

Rev. Heines of Seattle and Mr. De Hoogh of Lynden called at John Evenden's Saturday evening.

Lily Pearson spent Sunday afternoon with Arle and Verlitta Palmer.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Palmer visited with Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Palmer of Glendale, Sunday.

Miss Allie Troost, a nurse in St. Luke's hospital of Bellingham visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Troost Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Swope and daughters were Sunday visitors at A. C. Palmer's.

Mrs. Jack Van der Yacht and three small children have been very ill with the measles. They are recovering now.

S. L. Palmer was a Bellingham visitor Saturday.

Mrs. James Thorp called on Mrs. J. H. Swope Monday afternoon.

TO ELECT SCHOOL DIRECTOR SATURDAY

Election of a school director for the Lynden district will take place Saturday from 1 to 6 p. m. at the High School.

The candidates for the place are Will Lauckhart and Frank Knapp. The Lynden district now includes considerable rural territory, and Mr. Lauckhart's name is being presented by those who believe this country section should be represented. Mr. Knapp is a candidate to succeed himself on the board.

VAN BUREN

H. P. Johnson was a Bellingham visitor Monday.

Mrs. O. A. Kirkman entertained Miss Mary Connell of Clearbrook Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rarick entertained a number of friends and relatives Feb. 22, in honor of Mr. Rarick's 80th birthday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kirkman and family Mrs. Robert Conner and children Elmer, Bessie and Helen, and Mrs. B. Hughes and sons, William, George, Edward and Charles.

Mrs. J. McKay of Clearbrook spent Monday at the A. Gillis home.

Mrs. F. H. Larson spent a couple of days this week with Mrs. Robert Kirkman.

William Rarick Jr., was an Everson visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hinton, F. H. Larson and Robert Kirkman attended services in the Baptist church in Sumas Sunday evening.

Pearl Nims of Prairie District Sumas visited friends in this vicinity Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Wilcoxon and son Merwin visited friends near Nooksack Sunday.

Charles Spalding of Seattle was he week-end guest at the home of Wm. Perry last week.

Annie Benson spent Sunday with Miss Laura Nutter.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hatch and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Kirkman one day last week.

The basketball game played Friday night between Clearbrook and Lawrence was won by the latter by a score of 18 to 28.

Carl Larson spent a few days last week visiting friends and relatives of this vicinity.

Eva Siles of Nooksack and Viola Wilcoxon visited Lois Heathers one day last week.

Chester Pierce and Harry Wilcoxon attended services in Nooksack Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Alex and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Porter of Stranded Sunday.

Mrs. Sherman Heathers called at the Gillis home Sunday afternoon.

GLENDALE

Mr. and Mrs. H. Penn were pleasantly surprised Saturday evening by a number of their friends. Mr. and Mrs. Penn are moving to Lynden where they will reside.

Several from here attended the basketball tournament at Lynden.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan McLeod and daughter Lillian, and Mrs. Elma Culp spent Friday at the Bob McLeod and Lynn Thomson homes in Sunrise.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Love of Fairview visited at the G. L. Abbott home Thursday.

Glendale will debate Clearbrook at Glendale, Friday, March 3, on the question, "Resolved, That all revenues for local purposes in the state of Washington should be raised by a tax levied on land values only. Constitutionality granted. Glendale has the Negative. Admission is free but a collection will be taken.

The Domestic Science class wish to announce that they will sell hot lunches to those at the Township Election, March 7th.

The division of agronomy of the State College of Washington is now shipping orders for field peas, oats, barley, wheat, and corn. They expect to send about one thousand bushels of seed to the farmers of the state this spring. The corn costs five cents per pound, the peas four cents, and the wheat, oats and barley two cents, all f. o. b. Pullman. The seed corn has been well fumigated with carbon bisulphite to guard against the possibility of any insect pest being in the seed.

A preliminary germination test of the seed corn proved very satisfactory, 97 per cent of the Windus White Dent corn and 98 per cent of the Thayer Yellow Dent corn germinated.

Miss Mary Winchell left Friday for Bellingham, where she will take up millinery.