

Judge Hunton was a man of great native ability, and was highly regarded by his fellows. He was prominent in all counsels, and has been a real factor in the development of this section of the state of Wyoming. He was a man of action, fearless, broad minded; outspoken in his beliefs and forceful in his expressions. While at Bordeaux, he was postmaster, and here was Justice of the Peace for many years, a position which brought out his fair-play characteristics prominently. The past two years he has held the position of court commissioner. He has been prominent in politics and was one whose counsel was sought widely in the democratic party.

During his first years with his brother John at Bordeaux, Thomas, together with his brother, was in a number of brushes with the Indians, and while watching some stock over on the Chug, another brother, Jim, was killed and the stock in his charge run off. A little later, the Indians made another raid on stock on the Chug and ran away with a considerable bunch.

A number of citizens, among whom was Judge Hunton, reinforced by several soldiers, pursued the redskins over into the Reshaw hills and there came upon them just at night. A fight resulted in which one soldier was killed. Owing to the fact that night was near, the Indians succeeded in getting away taking the stock with them.

Judge Hunton leaves, besides his wife, six children. They are John at Laramie; Dean attending Harvard University; Thomas, Wheatland; Jas, Wheatland and Miss Mora and Master Don at home. He is also survived by his brother John Hunton with whom he was closely associated during his early residence here.