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EAGLES LEAVE ON A SPECIAL PARLOR CAR TOMORROW MORNING

Over Forty Members and Wives Will Represent Concrete at Olympia and Later at Sedro Woolley.

A special parlor car has been provided for the members of the local Eagle lodge who will leave tomorrow morning for the meeting of the grand lodge at Olympia, and the Great Northern railroad company will see to it that every possible accommodation is offered.

Over forty members of the Concrete lodge will comprise the party that will be taken to Olympia by the steamer City of Tacoma. After the convention they will go to Sedro Woolley, where their fine new uniforms are expected to continue to make a hit.

Those leaving on tomorrow's train are as follows: C. L. Woodard and wife, Richard Thompson and wife, Robt. Russell and wife, M. B. Barnhart and wife, Henry Thompson and wife, W. R. Gee and wife, L. E. Wolfe, S. McMillen, Calvin Ryan, C. K. Wolfe, Andy Erickson, Horace Knippel, C. W. Swiers, Wm. Reusch, Herman Bischoff, W. R. Smith, John Greiner, W. S. Worrel, Fred Shaw, Fred Ballinger, Frank Baker, J. R. Moore, Julius Oakes, J. L. Dale, Marion Savage, E. E. Aldridge, Gilbert F. Iles, Al. Bowen, Colin Cochrane, Walter Adam, Milt Hickerson, Maurice Davis, Andy Hermburg, Wm. Doyle, Pearl Redick and Frank Olsen.

HEAVY MILK TRUCK BREAKS THROUGH CONCRETE ROAD

That even concrete roads won't stand up under ten to twelve tons of weight equipped with a "flat wheel" was demonstrated this week when it was noticed that cracks were showing up in the concrete road just west of Sedro Woolley, due to the impact of a ponderous automobile milk truck with part of a tire missing.

The massive truck, with about eight inches of solid tire broken off, chugged along, coming down on the pavement like twelve ton of brick with every turn of the wheel. Pedestrians claimed they could feel the jar for a hundred feet. It isn't surprising the road cracked some.

That particular truck is undergoing repairs now, and the county officials will see that it doesn't duplicate its work of destructiveness. The commissioners say they are not building roads for young locomotives, especially the flat wheeled kind.

Frank Biddlecome has a good joke on Judge Wolfe, and he is spreading it broadcast. He claims that Judge spent half an hour at his place a few days ago electioneering to a scare-crow, and did not notice his mistake until he had gone through his whole speech as to what an excellent candidate he is, and why he should be sent to the legislature.

THE COHENS PROPERLY HONORED UPON THEIR RETURN TO CONCRETE

When Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Cohen came to Concrete Thursday night after their wedding tour, they learned in various ways that their arrival had been anticipated. Following the gang that gathered at the train by traveling from Burlington in the Ira Morris automobile, the newly-weds did not get in until rather a late hour, but that seemingly mattered not at all to the 200 enthusiastic highbinders that were waiting to welcome them.

Armed with large fat horns that made large fat noises and long skinny ones that made long skinny noises, with cowbells and whistles and awesome contrivances calculated to reduce any young married couple to a proper realization of their duties to their friends, the gang made ready for action. Mr. and Mrs. Cohen were discovered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Binzer, and induced to come forth after much solicitation from the horns, bells and other instruments of torture. Bill White and Lloyd Seabury are probably entitled to special mention for their efforts at this stage of the proceedings. In his worthy zeal Bill had rendered his horn mute, but by using it partly as a club and partly as a scraper on the iron fence he succeeded so admirably that the defect of the reed was never missed.

Mr. and Mrs. Cohen were escorted to the Club of Concrete, Mrs. Cohen by automobile and her lesser eighth on foot and in the stern grasp of several athletic young men specially chosen for the occasion. Albert added to the excitement of the moment by breaking away from his captors twice, and was captured and tackled only after hard chases.

At the club rooms Mrs. Cohen, who was Miss Marcia Bergman, of Spokane, was introduced to her many new friends, speeches were made by the groom and by S. A. Post and by L. E. Wolfe. Refreshments were served and a general good-natured merrymaking indulged in. Mr. and Mrs. Cohen were welcomed to Concrete in a very delightful manner, and certainly in a way that they are not likely ever to forget.

RADICICH-DRAGOVICH CASE DISMISSED BY THE JUSTICE

On complaint of Mrs. Para Radicich Marshal McDonald this week arrested Mrs. Fanny Dragovich, who was alleged by Mrs. Radicich to have used vulgar and abusive language to the complainant. Judge Wolfe heard the case yesterday morning with Martin Zmijarevich acting as interpreter, and Mike Bouillon, Nick Mendez and John Radicich acting as witnesses.

After hearing all nine sides of the story Judge Wolfe dismissed the case.

A Great Northern station agents' convention was held last Sunday at Burlington, and about forty agents, besides many cashiers and other station men were in attendance. J. W. Belfrey of Concrete, was among the prominent agents present.

Columbia Wins; Washington Fourth

Columbia won the big eight oared race at Poughkeepsie yesterday with Pennsylvania second, Cornell third and Washington fourth. Wisconsin finished fifth and Syracuse last.

COMMISSIONER HOPES GRASMERE ROAD MAY BE STRAIGHTENED

About Half Mile of Distance May be Saved by More Direct Route.—Would Build North of Tracks.

With the hope that it will be possible to straighten and shorten the county road between Concrete and Grasmere County Commissioner Henry Thompson and Supervisor W. R. Gee went over a tentative route for a new road Thursday, and made plans which will probably be worked out later. It is the hope of the commissioner that it will be possible to build the new road north of the railroad tracks from Main street west, thereby cutting off about half a mile between this town and Grasmere, and eliminating some bad features in the present road.

A portion of the road between Concrete and Grasmere, now used as a county road, has never been legally acquired by the county, and it is understood that the owners of the land over which it passes desire a change made.

It is expected that a petition will be circulated within a few days to have the road straightened. As the commissioner points out, however, action will have to be taken soon, if the work is to be completed this summer.

SURPRISE AND KITCHEN SHOWER HELD AT GRASMERE

A surprise party and kitchen shower was given Mrs. N. A. Miller on Wednesday evening at the Williams' Hall at Grasmere. Mrs. Miller, with her son and daughter, have just begun housekeeping in the Wolfe house, and are now comfortably settled. Those present at the party were: Mrs. N. A. Miller, Mrs. C. W. Greist, Mrs. Kate Haynes, Mrs. Anna Powell, Mrs. Geo. Powell, Mrs. E. Williams, Mrs. A. Carlson, Mrs. Chas. Plummer, Mrs. J. W. Tigard, Mrs. Hazel McKinney, Miss Lela Miller, Mr. and Mrs. C. Angevine, Mrs. E. Cummings, Mrs. C. E. Crump, Mrs. G. Birch, Mrs. Jessie Hackler, Miss Maud Melville, Maud, Ruby, Elvin, and Mrs. Ben Arnold, Nellie Plummer, Clyde and Myra McKinney, Ethel Tigard, Lillian Carlson, Melissa, Ralph and Mrs. J. M. Henson, Velma and Clova Crump. Perry Hackler, Jr., was also present, and took a picture of the jolly crowd.

EVENING TRAIN WILL BE HELD AT SEDRO WOOLLEY

On July 2, 3 and 4 residents of the Upper Skagit valley should remember that the evening train, No. 279, ordinarily due to leave Sedro Woolley at 7:26 p.m., will be held until 10 p.m., to allow all merrymakers a chance to take in the carnival.

"MEASURING THE LIFE BY DOLLARS" SERMON SUBJECT

Last week the church of the Brethren meeting in convention at Seattle constituted a choir of 4000 voices led by a woman without organ or instrument of any kind. The single offering of \$20,000 for missions was most startling and impressive.

Returning from this convention Rev. W. M. Grafton will speak tomorrow evening on "Measuring a Life by Dollars." The complete program is as follows: Orchestra Selection, Organ, Violin, Cornet.

Hymn, "Even Me" Hymn, "Golden Days Are Coming Bye and Bye." "Scripture Reading" Prayer by the Pastor Gloria Patri.

Orchestra Selection by Mrs. Davies and Messrs. Lindbeck and Wahlgren Arabem, "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" Hymn, "Help Somebody Today" Address "MEASURING A LIFE BY DOLLARS," Rev. Grafton Male Quartet, Selected Hymn, "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" Benediction

VAUDEVILLE AT CONCRETE THEATER LAST EVENING

The Harritys, man, wife and three interesting children, entertained at the Concrete theater last evening in an acceptable manner. They are vaudeville performers of much versatility.

Tonight the Harritys will be at Hamilton, performing there in connection with the Stickley show.

We commend to all our correspondents and readers the splendid showing made by the Lyman correspondent. Items from neighboring towns is one of the best features of this paper, and the more we get the better we like it.

Thos. H. Lucas and Harvey Shannon returned Thursday evening from Seattle, where they had spent the week on a business mission.

DARRINGTON ROAD WILL PERMIT SCENIC TRIP NEXT SUMMER

Skagit County Improving to Snohomish County Line.—When completed Will Offer Splendid Drive.

Supervisor Alex Parks with his crew of men have now worked up the Darrington road for a distance of about ten miles, and have put it in very good shape considering the amount of work to be done and the shortage of funds available for the purpose. By next summer, however, it is quite certain that the road will be in good shape to the Snohomish county line, and as the Snohomish commissioners are doing considerable work to open up the road from Darrington west, a very rich region will be opened up.

When these roads have been completed, automobilists will be given an opportunity to run over a splendid piece of new country. Then it will be possible to come up the Skagit valley, cross over to Darrington and thence down to Arlington and other Snohomish county points. The scenery on the road is very fine; there are numbers of places where the fishing is excellent; and for the hunter there is considerable "game country."

ASSERTS SNIDER CARRIED REVOLVER IN HIS POCKET

About the only new development in the trial of Matt D. Snider for the killing of L. E. Adams occurred yesterday when a witness testified that he noticed a gun on Snider's person as the latter lay in the caboose on the way home from the circus on the night of the shooting. Burton Medford, who heard the shot fired, was on the stand yesterday, and told his story.

MOTORISTS' LICENSE FEES ARE BEING PAID RAPIDLY

Postal and express money orders, cashiers' checks, drafts and personal checks, practically all for \$2 each, are overflowing in the office of Secretary of State I. M. Howell. Approximately 1500 remittances were received in one day last week from all parts of the state, more than 300 coming from Seattle alone, and the rush promises to continue for weeks.

The cause for the regular annual rush is the expiration of motor vehicle licenses. The licenses of each of the 30,000 automobiles and motorcycles expired at midnight May 31 and every owner without a new license at 12:01 a. m. June 1, technically was in violation of the law. The immediate issuance of licenses is a physical impossibility, however, and the forwarding of the necessary \$2 fee before June 1 is sufficient protection to the motorist.

ODD FELLOWS OF COUNTY HOLD MEETING AT AVON

The eighth semi-annual session of the District Association I. O. O. F. in District No. 7 convened at Avon on Saturday June 20th, and was opened in regular form, L. E. Wolfe, district president, presiding.

Visitors in attendance from other districts within the jurisdiction of Washington were George E. Kellough of Trinity Lodge No. 121, Grand Master; Frank A. Dayton of Golden Link Lodge No. 150, Past Grand Master; George A. Ellsperman of Blaine Lodge No. 80, Past Grand Master; F. A. LaViolette of Green Lake Lodge, No. 209, Grand Chaplain.

Visitors from other jurisdictions were as follows: W. E. Doolittle, G. E. Gustafson, and N. B. Houghton of the jurisdiction of Kansas, C. W. Hodson, Iowa, and M. F. Jayne of North Carolina.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows: F. W. Fry, of Anacortes, president; John Neighbarger, of Mount Vernon, vice president; R. L. Peck, of Avon, secretary; M. McLean, of Avon, treasurer.

L. E. Wolfe, retiring president, is a candidate for state representative, and naturally his candidacy will receive full consideration by the lodge members.

Burlington was chosen as the next semi-annual meeting place.

WORK ON NEW CLAM FACTORY IS STARTED AT LACONNER

The contract for the new clam factory building at LaConner has been let to Farmer & Duvall, of Anacortes, and the driving of the first piles will be begun next Monday.

The factory will be two stories in height, 40 x 100 feet. When completed it will employ about 25 hands and will have a payroll of about \$1,500 monthly.

A special dredge is being constructed to be used in digging the clams.

NEWLY-WEDS WILL MAKE THEIR HOME IN CONCRETE

Harry Bjerstedt, until recently of Sedro Woolley, and Miss Etta Bainster, of Blaine, were married this week at the home of the bride's parents in the latter city, and are now on their wedding trip. After July 4 the happy young couple will make their home in Concrete, where the groom is well known and has many friends.

Concrete extends to the newly-weds a cordial welcome, and wishes them a long, happy and prosperous life.

COUNTY TENNIS TOURNAMENT POSTPONED TILL TOMORROW

The tennis tournament, which was to have been held at Hamilton last Sunday, was postponed until tomorrow because of the heavy rains. Besides the local teams there will be representatives from Mt. Vernon and Anacortes at least, and probably from Burlington and Sedro Woolley.

HENRY PECK'S COUSIN SALLY - - - By Gross



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THE CONTROL OF CREDIT.

ARE you doing anything to control the credit business of your town? Or are you letting this thing run itself, without making an effort to better conditions? is the pertinent query put by Twin City Commercial Bulletin.

There is no question that credit is a good thing. It is the basis of the business of the whole world, but, like fire, it is a splendid servant, and a terrible master.

Can a customer run an account with you until his credit is exhausted and then go up the street or into the next town and do the same thing with another merchant, repeating the performance almost indefinitely? If he can, it is high time that something were done to change matters.

You may be willing to trust a man for \$100 worth of goods, based on his worth and character, but if you knew he owed \$200 or \$300 to other merchants, would you be willing to let him have those goods? The chances are you would not.

As things are now, you have practically no means of knowing the amount of money owed by your customers to all the merchants with whom they trade, consequently you and your fellows are "going it blind" so to speak, and carrying accounts for which you may be paid eventually, but at a cost in lost interest, etc., that is very heavy. — West Coast Trade.

INCOME TAX IN TROUBLE.

THE Secretary of the Treasury insists that the new income tax has teeth in it, and he has an army of assistants who propose to close the jaws of the law upon the income tax dodgers throughout the country. Somebody has been miscalculating badly, or there are more poor people in the United States than has been generally supposed, as the income tax will fail by \$21,000,000 of providing the revenue expected of it by the framers of the new tariff law. The Treasury Department "experts" estimated that the taxes on individual returns would be \$24,000,000 more than has been produced. The government "dragnet" has therefore thus far got little more than half what it had expected.

A MIDGET SERMON.

JUNE 22 was the longest day in the year. From now on we will see the sun's rays a little less each day, and then, the first thing we know we'll have winter with us.

The years are short; the seasons are shorter. Are you doing your best to make the most of Now? This day—this minute—is never coming back; are you using it in such a manner that you will feel satisfied?

SNOHOMISH EDITORS GET TOGETHER.

THE EDITORS of Snohomish county got together at Arlington recently, and enjoyed a pleasant and no doubt profitable session. Seven new members were taken into the association, a uniform minimum rate on legal advertising adopted, and considerable other business transacted. Pretty soon, if this keeps up, those Snohomish county editors will be making as much money as a good shingleweaver or at least half as much as a plumber.

INCREASE IN CANADIAN SHINGLES.

UNDER the new tariff British Columbia shingles are now coming into the United States at a rate of seven hundred and fifty cars a month, with the tendency toward heavier monthly shipments just as soon as the capacity of British Columbia mills is sufficiently increased to meet the American demand. That this capacity is being increased is shown in the fact that one hundred and twenty-five new shingle machines, equivalent to thirty average mills, have been installed in British Columbia in the first five and a half months of this year. Thus the annual capacity of British Columbia shingle mills, in less than six months, has been increased nearly a billion and a quarter shingles, and the most conservative estimates of our importation of British Columbia shingles in the first year of the free trade tariff is two and three-quarter billion pieces as compared with 762,798,000 pieces a year ago under the old tariff.

That means many Washington shingle mills either must go out of business or cut cost to a competitive point. On an average the British Columbia shingle costs nineteen cents a thousand less to make than the Western Washington shingle of like grade and quality. — West Coast Lumberman.

A NEW form of unfermented cheese made in Germany is known as "Oberammergauerspessigkase" or "Alpenkräuterklosterdelicatesfruhstuckskase." The advantage of the name lies in its specific meaning, for when translated it signifies: cheese of the cloister, a breakfast delicacy flavored with herbs of the Alps, prepared for the feast of the representation of the Passion at Oberammergau.

CONTEMPORANEOUS COMMENT

Seattle P.-I.:

The income tax promises to fall \$21,000,000 short of estimates. But then, incomes are very much less than they were when the estimates were made.

Anacortes Citizen:

Business in Anacortes is improving and in a few weeks more there will be a decided improvement on account of street work and the starting up of canneries.

West Coast Trade:

Don't worry too much because the other fellow has a pull. The craft that supplies its own power will go plowing along without the necessity of dragging a tow line.

LaConner Mail:

One thing we believe LaConner could take up with profit, and that is Market Day. Burlington has a Market Day at regular stated intervals and it is a howling success. Over at Oak Harbor on Whidby island, they also have a regular Market Day and it draws big crowds into town every time they have it.

Cowlitz County Advocate:

It is a noticeable fact that ex-Governor McBride and Loren Grinstead, two of the most prominent bull moosers during the campaign two years ago, were present at and took an active part in a Republican meeting which was held in Seattle a few days ago.

Anacortes American:

Hereafter Anacortes is to have a rose show every year and it is going to be the best in the northwest as it has been proven that Anacortes roses are in a class of their own in beauty, quality and abundance. In a few years nearly every Anacortes garden and parking strip will be planted with roses, making this a beautiful city.

Mt. Vernon Herald:

Farmers in Eastern Washington are spending the time trying to raise money to fight the blight which is threatening to put even a worse crimp in the fruit business than that sustained when the bottom fell out of the apple market. Farmers in Skagit county are milking cows, cutting hay and riding in automobiles. Take your choice.

Bellingham Sentinel:

A gentleman from Vancouver, B. C., has written the chamber of commerce that he is looking for a location for a box factory. That if he can find the proper place he will put in an extensive plant and manufacture boxes on a large scale. Come along, Mr. Box Factory Man. We have the location, the timber, the market and the grit to help you make a success of the undertaking.

Arlington Times:

Not entirely original in conception but in the spontaneity and enthusiasm with it is carried out, Arlington's annual demonstration in the form of what has come to be known as the "booster trip," affords an excellent means of keeping alive a spirit of community pride. The demonstration on Wednesday compared well with former efforts, the day being ideal and the procession orderly and well managed. The only regret was that we were unable, owing to a late start, to include Monroe in the itinerary.

Auburn Globe:

There are so many well kept premises in Auburn this spring that one could fill a column with comments on them. It is good to see civic pride increase from year to year, and each spring some who have "always just let things slip," join the ranks of those who take pride in their home grounds. There are still a few who prefer to live in a weedpatch to doing the little work required to have a pretty yard, but every year their number grows less, and by and by, let's hope, they will be a thing of the past.

Snohomish Advance:

A main street paved with brick where mud used to flow hub deep; splendid new brick blocks where shacks formerly stood; fine asphalt pavement on streets formerly impassable; side streets graded smooth where stumps were thick; concrete sidewalks replacing all or nearly all the old planks; fine new residences where vacant lots formerly appeared; an air of prosperity about homes fresh and bright with paint which were "all run down" in days gone by—Snohomish is progressing.

Monroe Monitor-Transcript:

Doctors Soll and Stockwell are planning to supply the market in Monroe with certified milk. They are going to build a modern cow barn on their ranch and equip it in a thoroughly sanitary modern manner. The barn will be built of concrete to house 20 cows and will have a room in which to wash the cows and a milk room in addition. The doctors have rented 30 acres additional from the Cap. Harrison property and are now able to handle a good sized herd and the propose to take a lead in providing absolutely pure milk.

Bellingham Herald:

For the next three months the danger from forest fires will be ever present. The timber and underbrush will be made highly inflammable by the warm weather and the number of fires started by campers and others whose fancy or business may take them into the forests will be greater than at any other season of the year. If you are in the woods or elsewhere that a fire may spread and do untold damage exercise the precaution of common sense by allowing no blaze to get beyond your needs and by putting out every fire before you leave it.

ENTOMOLOGIST TELLS HOW TO DESTROY CABBAGE APHIS

Cabbage worms and cabbage aphids, or lice, are found in more or less destructive numbers wherever cabbage and other cruciferous crops, such as turnips, cauliflower, etc., are grown. Some seasons they are much more destructive to these crops than others, owing to various causes, such as the weather conditions or the presence or absence of the various parasites and predaceous enemies, which sometimes keep them reduced to a minimum.

The green caterpillars, or cabbage worms, found on cabbage and allied plants, are too well known to need any description. They develop into the common white, gray or orange butterflies with small dark spots on their wings. They are seen frequently during the summer flying about the garden and clover and alfalfa fields. The butterflies lay the eggs on the cabbage, which hatch into the caterpillars.

The State Experiment Station at Pullman advises that the best method of controlling these worms is to spray the plants before they are half grown with arsenate of lead and soap, prepared as follows: arsenate of lead (paste), 3 ounces; soap, one-half bar; water, 4 gallons. This spray should be applied whenever the worms become abundant enough to justify it. Usually an application about the first of July and another two or three weeks later will be sufficient for early cabbage. Late cabbage may require an additional application later.

The cabbage aphids are also very well known to every gardener. They live over winter in the egg stage or as mature aphids on the old plants left in the garden during the winter. A great many generations are produced during the summer and fall, so that by late summer those plants only slightly infested in the spring may be seriously injured by these pests unless destroyed by their parasites or predaceous enemies. They are often kept in control by the ladybird beetles and the larva of the Syrphus flies.

The best method for controlling the plant lice is to spray the plants with tobacco and soap mixture prepared as follows: Blackleaf-40 2 tablespoonfuls; soap, one-half bar; water, 4 gallons. The soap is necessary in order to make the spray spread evenly and penetrate the mealy covering of the lice. Inasmuch as both worms and aphids are nearly always present at the same time, it is often desirable to spray for both, and this can be done with a combined spray prepared as follows: Blackleaf-40, 2 tablespoonfuls; soap, one-half bar; arsenate of lead, 4 ounces; water, 4 gallons.

M. A. YOTHERS,
Assistant Entomologist.

DURING HOT WEATHER MILK KEEPS BETTER IF UNMIXED

With the approach of hot weather the department of agriculture is warning dairymen again not to hold their milk before shipping it to market. A practice prevalent in some places is to take the morning milk, combine it with the afternoon milk of the same day and ship this combination early the following morning. This means that the morning milk is kept through the heat of the day. When it reaches the consumer 24 hours or more old the bacteriological count is high. This explains, the department experts say why milk from dairies in which all the conditions appear to be excellent is frequently found to be bacteriologically bad.

The remedy recommended by the department is to hold the afternoon milk, properly cooled through the cooler hours of the night, and ship it the next morning with the morning milk, also properly cooled, without mixing the two. It is of course essential to this plan that the train schedules be adapted to it, but it is felt that when the importance of the change is fully recognized this difficulty will be overcome. Such procedure in cooling and handling would materially reduce the possibility of sour milk reaching the markets.

Shippers are also urged by the department to see that the milk is thoroughly cooled as an important step in keeping its bacteriological count low.

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In No Hurry.
A lecturer one torrential night addressed an audience which might have been much larger without taxing the seating capacity of the hall. Naturally he was willing to curtail his address, and, having reached what he considered the psychological moment, said, "I'm afraid I've kept you too long." Whereupon a voice replied, "Go on; it's still raining."



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INTERESTING NEWS FROM NEARBY POINTS TOLD IN PARAGRAPHS

Happenings of the Week in Skagit County and Im- mediate Vicinity, Boiled Down for Busy Readers.

A meeting of the district I. O. G. T. lodge of Skagit county was held in Burlington recently.

William Jennings Bryan sends his regrets that he cannot attend the Anacortes Chautauqua this summer.

John M. Bourne, 55 years old, a resident of Sedro Woolley and well known there, died last week of apoplexy.

W. L. Strahl, formerly of Concrete, who has been a partner in an automobile business at Burlington, has severed his connection with the firm.

A cow valued at \$150 by its owner, William Jordan, living near Sedro Woolley, was killed by a Northern Pacific train last week.

Horace Byron, chief of police of Bellingham, died suddenly on Tuesday, June 16, after an operation for intestinal trouble.

Nine carloads of strawberries have been shipped from Auburn over the Northern Pacific, some cars going as far east as Kansas City, Mo.

The Pacific-Northwest Traction Company is removing all its poles from Sedro Woolley's main street, and the telephone company has been ordered to do likewise.

The members of the Swedish Lutheran church of Sedro Woolley held a picnic Wednesday at the farm of S. Bjerstedt. The rain interfered somewhat with the festivities.

The city council of Bellingham is having prepared an ordinance which will give them authority to dispose of wooden shacks which are considered objectionable.

Dell Mort, of Anacortes, better known as "Happy Jack," was sent to the county jail last week on the charge of roughly handling a small boy named Ray Walker.

H. V. Stevens, of Seattle, visited Gold Bar last week driving a 1908 model Franklin which bears state license No. 4. The car has traveled about 80,000 miles.

Frank E. Harte, editor of the Lyman Observer, is taking a little time off just now. Not exactly on a vacation, however, for Harte is working about 18 hours a day making floats for the Sedro Woolley carnival.

J. M. Richardson, of Hoquiam, has been chosen by the Anacortes school board as principal of the Nelson school in that city for the coming year. Richardson taught at McMurray last year.

A new steel bridge will be built over the Skykomish south of Monroe this summer, the contract having been let to George H. Griffin, of Seattle. The old bridge now used is unsafe for heavy traffic.

Miss Ethel Johnson, of Conway, and Ragnar Wiborg of Seattle were married last week at the home of the bride's parents by Rev. Rosendahl, in the presence of about fifty relatives and friends.

The residence of Mrs. Estella Mayberry at Arlington was partially destroyed by fire last week. The house was vacant at the time, and the fire is thought to have been of incendiary origin.

Why the administration has thus far failed to appoint some faithful Democrat to the postmastership at Snohomish is the cause of considerable comment at that place. A Republican is still holding office.

The members of the Methodist church at Snoqualmie refuse a change of pastors, and have told the presiding elder that if they cannot retain Rev. Rhyndress they will get along without a preacher.

The steamer Rapid Transit, which last week had an accident in the harbor at Vancouver, sprung a leak shortly after leaving the dock at Anacortes last week, and was with difficulty beached near the Fidalgo Island Packing Company's plant. A broken condenser pipe had caused the trouble.

A subscription is being circulated among the business and professional men of Anacortes for the purpose of raising \$2,000 to pay the cost of a final survey for a water line from the south fork of the Nooksack river opposite Lyman to Anacortes. There seems to be considerable prospect of success.

Sixty-eight grammar school pupils at Anacortes passed the eighth grade examination, and are eligible to enter the high school at the beginning of the fall term of school. This is the greatest number of eighth grade graduates that the city has ever had.

Good weather and a good market makes it probable that this will be one of the most successful of all years in the history of berry growing in the valleys of the White and Puyallup rivers. Thousands of cases of berries are being shipped daily.

George Linden, of Arlington, was fined \$25 and sentenced to 30 days in jail for having undersized trout in his possession. The severity of the sentence was due to the fact that he did not show up for trial at the time appointed, and tried to avoid such trial.

S. J. Hottle, a well known old time resident, was run over by a Great Northern passenger train near Stanwood last week and instantly killed. Hottle seemed to be deaf, paying no attention to the train's whistle.

L. H. Livermore, of Sedro Woolley, was arrested last week in Snohomish county for speeding on the Pacific Highway with a Ford. K. C. Beaton will say it isn't possible; the driver is simply looking for some free advertising.

A fir log measuring 32 feet in length and 114 inches in diameter, said by Ballard mill men to be the largest ever cut in a Washington mill, was sawed at the Stimson Mill Company last week. The log made 15,800 feet of lumber.

T. C. Fleming, commissioner of the second district in Snohomish county, is personally offering a prize of \$20 to the citizen who will produce the best kept half mile of road with a King drag, and will furnish the drag free.

The new lumber mill of the Stocks brothers at Mt. Vernon is nearing completion, and will be operating within a few weeks. The mill will have a capacity of about thirty thousand feet daily, and will be equipped with a dry kiln and other facilities necessary to make the various kinds of finished lumber.

A mausoleum to cost \$25,000 will be constructed at the Mount Vernon cemetery by the Northwest Mausoleum Company. W. I. Baumeister, of Burlington, has the contract. The county W. C. T. U. convention was held at Burlington on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

The Issaquah Independent points out that four murders have gone absolutely unpunished in King county during the past six and one-half years. The actual number is greater than that, but the Independent refers to those cases in which jury trials have been held.

Todd, Coats & Co., contractors who claim that City Clerk Courtland of Anacortes failed to return their certified check for \$4,000, presented a claim for \$10,176.50 against that city at a council meeting last week. The contractors allege that this sum is due them for the check and as damages.

The Monroe Monitor-Transcript points out that it doesn't always pay to take a bath. It tells about School Superintendent F. J. Waldron, who was taking a sponge bath last week in a china basin. The basin broke and a piece of the china severed an artery in Waldron's ankle. He lost a lot of blood, but will recover.

Mrs. Fred Hodes of Auburn used the kitchen range to conceal about \$400 worth of checks, and last Tuesday morning burned up the entire amount when she made the breakfast fire. She had forgotten about the checks, but remembered in time to save the pieces.

The home of G. W. Brockman at Snohomish was partially destroyed by fire of an incendiary origin last week. A box of music saturated with gasoline was found near a window, partly burned. Brockman's loss is considerable, and he had no insurance. Police are working on the case.

C. K. McMillin, vice-president of the Northwestern National Bank at Bellingham, was accidentally locked in the bank's big steel vault for about two hours last Saturday morning. McMillin worked himself out with the aid of a screw driver but not before a big crowd had assembled and considerable excitement worked up.

Beginning July 6, members of the state tax commission will spend a month touring the state, taking testimony in regard to land values, preliminary to the regular annual adjustment of state taxes between the various counties. More time than usual will be devoted this year to the work. At Seattle, Spokane and Tacoma two of the commissioners will sit together to take testimony while in other counties testimony will be taken by one commissioner.

Her royal highness, the Begum of Bhopal, Bhopal state, India, is a prospective student in the University of Washington. Her highness has sent to Recorder E. N. Stone for the latest catalogue of the institution, and has assured him that she is considering seriously whether to enroll next year. She did not state her preference as to departments or studies, nor did she forward her entrance requirements.

The University of Washington is responding with all the available means of the university's department of botany to the need of the Yakima valley for scientific aid in checking the blight which is affecting the apple orchards in that section. John W. Hotsen, instructor in botany, left Seattle Saturday to spend the summer in the Yakima country in study of the blight and in an effort to eradicate the disease. Mr. Hotsen is an expert in plant pathology, and his work in the university is more that of experimenting horticulturist than ordinary instructor in botany.

SIRE AND SONS.

B. F. Keith of New York left \$900,000 to his wife.

Isaac Myers will close his Bowery curio shop in New York after conducting it forty-five years.

William Brown, who owns a 100 square miles in central Oregon and huge flocks of sheep, was a school teacher at \$40 a month twenty-seven years ago.

The average age of members of the new Japanese cabinet is fifty-seven, the oldest being Count Okuma, seventy-seven, and the youngest Dr. Ichiki, forty-eight.

Surgeon General William C. Gorgas, in recognition of his services to the nation at Panama, has been presented with a gold medal given by the American Museum of Safety.

Edward Compton, the well known English actor, recently gave his one thousand and eight hundredth impersonation of David Garrick. He has made a fortune out of the part and holds the record of having played the title role more times than any other actor, past or present.

Sporting Notes.

A French horse owned by an American won the Derby. At least England supplied the place.—New York Sun.

This is the season when every man likes to qualify as an expert on the selection of an all star baseball team.—Atlanta Journal.

Now that Shamrock IV. has been successfully christened and launched, there's nothing left apparently but to have it successfully beaten.—Washington Post.

The French golf championship was won by the American open champion. The French championship this year was distinguished by the fact that two Frenchmen participated.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Current Comment.

Now is the time for some genius to invent a reversible canoe that goes on its back as well as the other way.—Chicago News.

China's door is now open, says Minister Shah. But with Japan edging around she'd better put on a chain bolt.—New York Sun.

Over \$2,000,000 in taxes will be paid this year by the Krupps. But it is dear money for Germany and for the world.—Springfield Republican.

When a French militant suffragette descends upon London and proceeds to smash shop windows indiscriminately the entire cordial is put to a severe strain.—New York World.

Feminine Fancies.

A magazine complains that there are no little girls any more. And you may have observed that middle aged women are scarcer than they used to be.—Atchafalpa Globe.

Women are jealous creatures. They are even jealous of their own noses, as any powder puff will testify, for no woman likes her nose to shine in society.—London Tatler.

Englishwomen were on April 1 placed on an equality with men under the bankruptcy law. The blessed privilege of going legally broke is no longer denied them.—New York World.

Fashion Frills.

None of the new "fashions" succeeds in being quite as startling as the descriptions and illustrations.—Washington Star.

They do say that women's styles in future are to be becoming. Some of them are easy to look at even at the present writing.—Chicago News.

A Kansas minister recently reminded his congregation that Eve did not realize she lacked clothing until she ate the apple. "And," he added, "I wish a few of the women of my congregation would eat an apple."—Kansas City Star.

The Silver Lining.

"Give me an illustration of the theory that every cloud has a silver lining," said the teacher.

"When a feller is too sick to go to school," replied the brilliant boy at the foot of the class.—Philadelphia Record.

Easy.

Higgs—I never want to see him again. Higgs—That's easily done. Lend him a river.—London Mirror.

Legals

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SKAGIT.

No. 1172

In the matter of the Estate of Caroline Gardner, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Administrator of the Estate of Caroline Gardner, Deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against said deceased or her estate, to present the same with the necessary voucher within one year from and after the first publication of this notice, to-wit, within one year from the 13th day of June, 1914, to the said Administrator, at the law office of E. N. Livermore, in Mount Vernon, Skagit County, Washington, the same being the place for the transaction of all business pertaining to said estate, and all claims not presented within said time will be forever barred.

JOHN D. GARDNER,

Administrator Estate of Caroline Gardner, Deceased.

Date of First Publication, June 13, 1914.

Date of Last Publication, July 4, 1914.

E. N. Livermore, Attorney for Administrator.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Seattle, Wash., May 20, 1914.

NOTICE is hereby given that Andra Danielson whose postoffice address is Hazel, Washington, did, on the 24th day of May, 1913, file in this office Sworn Statement and Application, No. 03018, to purchase the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 23, Township 33 N., Range 10 East, Willamette Meridian, and the timber thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 3, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisal, and that, pursuant to such application, the land and timber thereon have been appraised, the timber estimated 180,000 board feet at 50 cents per M, and the land \$20; that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 10th day of August, 1914, before the Register and Receiver U. S. Land Office, at Seattle, Wash.

Any person is at liberty to protest this purchase before entry, or initiate a contest at any time before patent issues, by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry.

JOHN C. DENNY,

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Register.

Seattle Serial No. 03285

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE.

Seattle, Washington, May 23, 1914.

NOTICE is hereby given that James Deering, whose post office address is Helena, Lewis & Clark County, Montana, has this 23rd day of May, 1914, filed in this office his application to select under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved July 1, 1898 (30 Stat., 597-620), and May 17, 1906 (30 Stat., 197), That certain tract of unsurveyed land described as follows:

Beginning at Corner No. 1, which is a post marked "1", situate 1320 feet East of the Northeast corner of Sec. 31, Tp. 34 N., R. 10 E., W. M.; thence South 1320 feet to Cor. No. 2, which is a post marked "2"; thence East 1320 feet to Cor. No. 3, which is a post marked "3"; thence North 1320 feet to Cor. No. 4, which is a post marked "4"; thence West to place of beginning, which tract when surveyed will be described as follows:

NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 Sec. 32 Tp. 34 N., R. 10 E., W. M. 40 acres.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the lands described, or desiring to object because of the mineral character of the land, or for any other reason, of the disposal to applicant, should file their affidavits of protest in this office, on or before the 30th day of June, 1914.

JOHN C. DENNY,

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Register.

CALL FOR BIDS.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will receive at his office in Concrete, Washington, sealed bids for the clearing and grading of a 16 foot roadway in the center of B Street from Main Street to Limestone Street, together with a suitable approach from Main Street, and supplying and laying a 24 inch concrete sewer pipe to be used to carry water now running in a ditch crossing said road the width of said roadway.

Bids will be received by the undersigned up till 6 o'clock p. m. on Tuesday, July 7.

No bid will be considered unless accompanied by cash or a certified check equal to 5 per cent of the amount stated in the bid. The Town Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

CHAS. F. RAMSDELL,

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Town Clerk.

Train and Track.

Brooklyn has ordered safety doors placed on all steeply street cars.

Twenty men dined at a table set in the fire box of one of the Reading's new giant locomotives. The space was 13.2 by 8.8 by 5.1.

Samuel C. Stickney, assistant to the president of the Erie railroad, has been appointed assistant general manager of the Erie and subsidiary companies, with headquarters at New York.

Industrial Items.

For every 1,000 males employed in New Jersey there are 276 females.

There are two wage earning women to every five wage earning men in Great Britain.

The best paid of all laborers on the Canary Islands are coal heavers. Because of the arduousness of their task and the long hours they get about 90 cents a day. Ordinary agricultural laborers get 30 to 40 cents (women 23).

Forest Notes.

It is said that the best times of day to see forest fires from lookout stations are just after daylight and just before sunset.

The forest service has been requested to co-operate with the port authorities of Coos bay, Washington, in planting trees to control shifting sand dunes.

Jack pine trees planted ten years ago in the sand hills of Nebraska are now large enough to produce fence posts. Last year the first seed was gathered from this plantation.

A Sequel.

"My husband sees pink elephants when he drinks."

"Mine has a worse delusion than that. He sees green dogs. It's very expensive too."

"How's that?"

"Why, he goes and buys licenses for 'em."—Buffalo Commercial.

That's the Limit.

I don't mind the whis of the passing 'mobile. And I cheerfully scramble and dodge. But it galls me to feel That the man at the wheel Calls his remodeled henhouse "garage."—Detroit Free Press.

Qualified Enthusiasm.

"Don't you think he is too cute for anything?" asked the proud young mother, referring to her baby.

"Oh, I don't know," replied her seventeen-year-old brother. "He's cute enough, I guess, but I never did think much of people who hadn't any teeth."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Wuff!

"I don't like my wife," said Bill Dadder. "Her talk makes me madder and madder. I'm a freckled bookkeeper. But to make me feel cheaper, She calls me her old spotted adder."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Cause For Rejoicing.

"Your wife used to like to sing, and she played the piano a lot. Now we don't hear her at all. How's that?"

"She hasn't the time. We have two little children."

"Well, well! After all, children are a blessing!"—Dallas News.

Her Predicament.

Poor mother hangs around the aisle With deep distress to voice. The hats are always out of style Ere she can make a choice.

Foiled!

Mr. Crimmonbeak—I see a novel departure has been made in New South Wales by starting plowing at night. Mrs. Crimmonbeak—Just think! There is a new excuse for you to try and out over for staying out late at night!—Yonkers Statesman.

Personal Exception.

On patience we put special stress. All projects should commence with it 'Tis something others should possess, While we ourselves dispense with it.

She Knew a Way.

He (after the proposal)—My salary is \$1,600 a year. Now, dearest, what is the least you think you can live on a year?

She—Well, how much credit can you get?—Sacramento Union.

EARNESTNESS.

Without hard work and earnest purpose all that is best in the world perishes. We cannot even have a proper game without earnestness.

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MATURE SOWS THE BEST PRODUCERS

It is an error quite frequently made to dispose of the mature sows because they are heavier and will bring more in the market than the young ones and to keep the immature females to breed from, says W. H. Underwood in Iowa Homestead. There are several reasons why the young sows do not do as well and are not as profitable as the mature sows.

In the first place, the young sow is immature, is growing and is not developed in bodily form, and consequently when called on to produce a litter of pigs during that period she is doing double duty, growing toward mature size and carrying and feeding the young all at the same time. For the reason that she is doing double duty, she has not the large supply of blood



The Berkshire hog has many admirers, who claim that for an all-around farm animal it cannot be surpassed. No breed is better adapted to all parts of the country, especially the east. They are good rustlers and rangers, will turn almost any kind of feed into pork and cut the highest percentage of the best kind of pork. One of the best breeds for export, they are unexcelled as mothers and very prolific.

and nourishment to feed the young pigs before birth that the mature sow has, and the pigs are smaller at time of birth. She is not likely to farrow as many pigs at the first litter as she will in later years. The pigs from the young sows do not grow as large as those from the older ones, and there is a tendency to reduce the size of the animals raised from them.

In breeding the best is none too good. The mature sow that has proved her ability to bring large litters of pigs, in which there is a large percentage of good ones, is a valuable animal to keep. Fecundity is a desirable characteristic, as one does not need to be at the expense of feeding as many sows to keep up the supply of pigs as when they have small litters. The mature sow has a large amount of blood and nourishes the pigs well while carrying them. The pigs are large and strong at time of birth, often reaching double the size and weight of those from the young sow.

There seems to be an impression that sows will cease breeding after they are three or four years old. That is a mistaken idea. There are cases on record where sows have bred until twenty-five and thirty years of age. If a sow skips one season in breeding she should not be condemned. Cows do the same thing occasionally, and we think but little of it. There may be good reasons for such occurrences.

GRAIN AND PASTURE.

Cows Require Little Supplementary Feed if Grazing is Good.

Cows producing only a moderate flow of milk need very little if any grain when pasture is abundant, says Hoard's Dairyman. There are times when it is well to feed some grain with pasture grass, but, as a rule, we believe it is good practice to let cows have a rest from grain for at least two or three months each year. It will be found that cows grazing on good pasture will relish a small allowance of some good hay, preferably clover or alfalfa.

If grain is fed we would be inclined to omit cottonseed meal and use corn chop and, if possible, with some other feed like ground oats or bran. Cottonseed meal is very rich in protein, and cows on good pasture do not need this kind of feed as much as they do feed rich in carbohydrates, like corn. It would not be seriously objectionable to feed a little cottonseed meal if other feeds were hard to get or were more expensive.

Increase Milk by Dehorning.

Removing the horns of cows lessens the danger of injury and increases the production of milk. In an experiment with ten cows at the Kansas Agricultural college it was found that for the first five days after dehorning the cows lost an average of one-half pound of milk a day. At the end of the fifth day they began to return to their normal flow, and in a few days eight of them were giving a substantial increase. The greatest gain was with the cows that had been hooked and driven away from their feed previous to the dehorning. The two that did not increase in production were the "boss" cows of the herd.—Kansas Farmer.

Using the Clippers.

The clipping of horses and mules in the spring is generally conceded to be beneficial. The clipped animals not only appear better and are easier cleaned, but they dry off quickly at night, get good rest and are more vigorous and thrifty. Dairywomen now regularly clip the flanks and udders of cows every three or four weeks. It is easy to wipe off the parts then before milking and insures clean, uncontaminated milk.

EXPENSIVE CROSSING.

The Czar Had His Little Joke, Though He Had to Pay For It.

Czar Nicholas I of Russia was an incorrigible joker. On one of his journeys, says Novellen-Schatz, he came to an out of the way post station and learned that because of the bad roads it would take several hours to travel by coach to the next station. They told him, however, that a footpath led through the forest, and that if he cared to walk he could reach his destination sooner than by coach.

The czar and his adjutant decided to walk and set out through the forest. Presently they came to a river. The bridge had broken down, and they were considering how they should get over when a peasant came along. The czar asked him if there was no other way of getting over.

"No, sire," replied the peasant. "How are you going to cross?" "Oh, I just walk across on foot." "How about your pack? Can you carry that?" "Surely; on my shoulders." "My man, you shall have ten rubles if you will carry me to the other bank."



"NOW TAKE ME OVER."

The peasant agreed, took the czar on his back, and carried him over.

"Now bring my companion over for ten more rubles," said Nicholas.

The peasant recrossed the stream, picked up the adjutant, and was in the middle of the river when the czar called out, "I'll give you twenty rubles if you throw him off!" The peasant found himself in an embarrassing position.

"You shall have fifty rubles if you bring me to the other shore," said the adjutant nervously.

"Sixty," called out the czar from the other bank, "if you pitch him in!" The peasant let go of the adjutant, but the frightened officer threw his arms round his neck and cried out, "A hundred rubles! Now take me over!" The peasant accepted the last offer and carried him to where the czar stood.

After breakfast the adjutant wrote in his account book: "For breakfast, 10 rubles; for transporting his majesty over the river, 10 rubles; for transporting the adjutant over the river, under highly amusing circumstances, 100 rubles."

Three Kinds of People.

There are three kinds of people in the world—the wills, the won'ts and the can'ts. The first accomplish everything, the second oppose everything, and the third fail in everything.—William T. Ellis.

Complimenting the Apostles.

A vicar in an English country parish was once puzzled when at a baptism the sponsor gave the name "Acts." "Acts!" asked the vicar. "What do you mean?" He thereupon asked the clerk to spell it. He did—A C T S. So Acts was the babe, and will continue to be in this life. Afterward, in the vestry, the vicar asked the good woman what made her choose such a name. "Why, sir," she replied, "we be religious people. We've got our own already, and they be called Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, and so my husband thought we'd compliment the apostles a bit."—From "Anecdotes of Pulpit and Parish."

Irish Humor.

Hugh O'Donnell is a story teller and a humorist. The principal charm of an "O'Donnell" in fact, consists of the running fires of stories.

He told, the other night, of the Irishman who stood before the grave of Parnell, on which was inscribed the epitaph "I still live." "Och, begorry," exclaimed Pat, "if I were dead I'd own up to it."

Even the little children in Ireland, according to O'Donnell, have the true Irish sense of humor. He was standing before Nelson's statue, he said, when he asked a youngster, "Was Nelson really Irish?"

"That he was," replied the child. "That's why he is what he was."—Pittsburgh Chronicle.

She Knew Not the Hoosiers.

Miss Tompkins believed in speaking correctly. The boundaries of Boston did not contain all who were jealous of the purity of the mother tongue. Not from her should the makers of dialect stories obtain their material.

When she heard some friends discuss Edward Eggleston's best known novel she resolved to obtain a copy. She was quite sure she knew the title, although of course she would not slur her words the way some careless people did.

So she asked the salesman at the book store:

"Have you a book by Edward Eggleston, entitled 'Who Is Your Schoolmaster?'"—Youth's Companion.

Hankin—I thought you said Rosemary was a strawberry blond.

Phyle—She used to be, but since purple hair came into fashion she is a huckleberry brunette.—Judge.

You cannot sell experience. This makes a fellow holler. I have a lot I will dispense. At five cents on the dollar. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

"What makes people so curious about that work of insulation?" "I suppose it is the natural tendency to rubber."—Baltimore American.

His young stenographer was fair. He started a flirtation. His wife got wise to it, and there will be no mediation. —Chicago Record-Herald.

Patience—I understand Mr. Styles has given his wife a string of pearls. Patrice—Well, he was determined to have some sort of a string on her.—Yonkers Statesman.

Old Mrs. Wiggins is a crank; She went into the yard And tried to catch soft water when She saw it raining hard. —Philadelphia Ledger.

"What good children she has!" "Yes, indeed. She never has to neglect her card club to look after them."—Detroit Free Press.

The savage said: "I really find Mine is a gloomy lot. They loot me if I'm good and kind And shoot me if I'm not." —Washington Star.

Creditor—You couldn't go around in your fine automobile if you had paid your debts. Debtor—That's so! I'm kind you look at it in the same light that I do.—Boston Transcript.

To publish all the things he knew A hundred volumes took, And yet he did not know enough To fill a pocketbook. —Puck.

First Working Girl—Say, Mame, I heard an awful sad thing this morning. Second Working Girl (wearily)—So did I—the alarm clock.—Life.

Why is it that the divers bricks And bullets that meander From fights and riots always hit The innocent bystander? —Judge.

"Why on earth don't men settle down after they marry?" complained Mrs. Gabb. "Because their wives won't quit stirring them up," retorted Mr. Gabb. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

Now, please accept this little gift. I hope your love 'twill win. I'll send you something worth more when My looked for ship comes in. —Yonkers Statesman.

Mrs. Snapp (with newspaper)—Here's an article which says that meat causes bad temper.

Snapp—It certainly does the way you cook it.—Philadelphia Ledger.

There isn't much in writing poetry. Big pay for clever rhyming is a myth. A very lucky bard, indeed, is he Whose ode to Keats pays what he owes to Smith. —Baltimore American.

"Does your wife open all the mail that comes to the house?" "Everything except the bills, and she's afraid to see what's inside them."—Detroit Free Press.

Black remarked: "A proposition In a mine for you I've got. 'Tis a good thing, I assure you." White replied, "Well, I am not!" —Jippincott's.

Bill—I saw a woman hanging yesterday. Tom—Where? Bill—Around her lover's neck.—Judge.

Here is a funny thing that's true— Now is the time to learn it— If you would keep a woman's love, My son, you must return it. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

"If my dog could get a job I wonder what kind he would select?" "He is like yourself. He would want something of a soap."—Baltimore American.

The picture we had taken When we were young in years— Her hand upon my shoulder— Now moves us both to tears. —Chicago Record-Herald.

Edith—I'm very fond of Jack, but papa will never hear of my marrying him. Ethel—No, dear, he never will. Jack has proposed to me.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Oh, take away the breakfast bill And heed this calculation: To boil an egg may mean to kill A poultry generation! —Washington Star.

"Is that Ella's husband?" "Yes." "He must be easily suited." "Easily suited! Say, that fellow would take a round trip in a street car just for the ride!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

He signed the pledge in hurried flight. No more corn juice for Mr. Adam. His wife wore a green wig one night, And poor old Adam thought he had 'em. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Which would you advise me to plant here, turnip seed or watermelon seed?" "Candor compels me to tell you that my chickens prefer turnip seed."—Kansas City Journal.

Now, Hamlet's father ate a pig— That's what I have been told— And that is why his ghost said, "Ham, I could a tall unfold!" —Philadelphia Ledger.

Because He's Married Now

This Is a Wedding Present

BECAUSE Albert A. Cohen, of the Baker River Mercantile Company is married now he is entitled to wedding presents, and the Herald isn't going to be behind-hand.

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FROM HERALD REPRESENTATIVES AROUND THE COUNTY

LYMAN LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Criss went to Mt. Vernon Wednesday morning.

Mr. Ben Mallonee spent Tuesday fishing and making a big catch.

Mrs. Otto Klement left for Seattle Friday to visit with her sister.

Mrs. E. Hackett of Hoquiam is visiting with her niece, Mrs. G. A. Minkler, for the past few days.

Elmer Minkler and Haddon Welch were Sedro visitors Saturday evening between trains.

Al Stendal and Elmer Minkler came up on the freight Tuesday noon and spent the day here.

Mrs. LaPlant and Mrs. G. A. Minkler motored to Hamilton Monday afternoon.

Clifford Cooper took Mr. Chester Reis and Misses Una Cooper and Ella Davis autoing Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. King left Wednesday morning to visit some of their relatives.

Miss Nellie Buterick left for Everett Monday with her aunt Miss Dewitt where she will visit for awhile.

Miss Grace Nichols left Tuesday evening for Minnesota. Her father is with her.

Mr. G. A. Minkler went to Vancouver Monday and returned home Tuesday evening.

Mr. A. Hanson and H. J. Dowling motored to Sedro Woolley Tuesday evening.

Mrs. B. Cooper, Mrs. Leggett, Miss Ona and Josephine motored to Bellingham to spend a couple of days. They left Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Trueman motored to Sedro Woolley Wednesday and spent part of the day with Mrs. Kirby.

Mr. and Mrs. LaPlant and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hightower motored to Sedro Wednesday to attend the home talent play given there.

Miss Phoebe Shellhammer has been spending part of the past week in Sedro visiting her cousins there. She returned Wednesday.

Mr. Fred Fellows, G. A. Minkler and John Minkler went fishing Wednesday afternoon. Did anybody count the fish?

Mr. D. S. Pierce has been repairing the front of his building and put in a regular show entrance. Wednesday night he started again with a fine new show.

Miss Davis lost her pretty ribbon belt while motoring the other evening. It is green, showing Ella's nationality, so if any one finds it please return same.

Mrs. Della Wilhide who has been away for the last week returned for a few days but is leaving the last of this week for Seattle where she intends to reside.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Vanderford, Elmer Minkler, Al Stendal and Bob Minkler and Mrs. G. A. Minkler motored to Hamilton for currants Tuesday evening.

Mr. F. E. Harte was in town over Sunday. He is very busy attending to his duties as decoration committee for the Sedro Woolley carnival and Round-Up.

Mr. George Cockreham passed through town Tuesday afternoon with a car load of nice looking young ladies. Mrs. Grace Pollard and Mrs. Birdsey Kelley were the charmers.

Lee Snyder was arrested again Monday night on a charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct and his trial was set for Tuesday morning. He was fined \$20 and costs. "Being unable to raise the money he will be held to work it out."

The Misses Klement gave a party for the young folks Wednesday evening. The evening was spent playing cards and consuming light refreshments. Those present were Misses Ella Davis, Mattie and Mary Prevedel, Violet Shellhammer, Eva and Mary Klement, Mr. Herbert and Chester Reis, Harry Gorton, Roy Lane, Raymond Klement, and Clifford Cooper.

Mrs. H. J. Dowling entertained at cards Wednesday afternoon. A light luncheon was served after the card playing. Those present were Mrs. B. S. Vanderford, Mrs. Fred Fellows, Mrs. A. C. Thompson, Mrs. R. A. Pilon, Mrs. J. T. Hightower, Mrs. P. W. Trueman, Mrs. Frank Meyers,

Mrs. Frank Reis, Mrs. Sherman Davis, Mrs. A. LaDuke, Mrs. A. Hanson. Prizes were won by Mrs. Hanson and Mrs. Trueman.

Sunday Mrs. Moore of Hamilton was prepared to entertain the tennis fiends of the county, but as it rained the tournament was called off. Some few people were lucky enough to be present to eat all the good eats. Mrs. Birdsey Kelley and Mrs. Grace Pollard helped very kindly. Mr. and Mrs. Bratlie of Concrete, Mr. and Mrs. LaPlant, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Minkler, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Slipper and Mr. George Cockreham and the children belonging to the above mentioned did a good big share of eating.

Mrs. Al Hanson entertained at cards Thursday evening with luncheon following. There were seven tables played. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Trueman, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Trueman, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hightower, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. LaPlant, Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Vanderford, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Minkler, Mr. and Mrs. S. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reis, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fellows, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Myers, Mr. Matchan and Mrs. Henry Sloan and Mr. and Mrs. Dowling and Mr. and Mrs. Pilon, Dr. Blair and Mrs. Laura Blair.

Mrs. S. Davis entertained her friends at card and a delightful luncheon Saturday night. Prizes were won by Mrs. A. LaPlant and Mr. Al Hanson and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reis. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Trueman, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Trueman, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hightower, Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Vanderford, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Minkler, Mr. and Mrs. Al Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meyers, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Dowling, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reis, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fellows, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Klement, Mrs. Henry Sloan, Mrs. W. Brooks.

HAMILTON

Mrs. J. H. Smith and daughter Jennie were visitors to Bellingham Wednesday.

The rain is delaying the haying here at present, and no prospects of its letting up.

Wm. Rhodes was joyriding down to Anacortes Tuesday night, returning Wednesday morning.

Dr. R. G. Kellner motored to Mt. Vernon Thursday as a witness in the Snider case at the court house.

Allen Currie left Friday morning for Prosser, Wash., to visit his sister and work in the sunshine for a while.

Geo. Rueger of Birdview was in town Thursday dealing with our merchants.

Miss Naoma Trabue is working at the telephone office in place of Alice Hays who has resigned.

Ed Meins went to Prairie Tuesday evening to visit his parents, and returned the same night.

Wm. Love and family motored to Mt. Vernon Wednesday and Thursday to attend the Snider trial there.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Slipper are visiting in Seattle and Sound cities this week, leaving last week.

Deputy State Bank Examiner Hayden was in town Tuesday making his regular examination of the Hamilton State Bank.

Jacob Yungbluth left Wednesday evening for a visit to his old time home in Minnesota. He will also visit Milwaukee, where he was in business years ago.

Miss Catherine Montgomery and Lola McDowell came down from "Hardscrabble" on Little Deer creek Wednesday afternoon, and Miss Montgomery went on to Bellingham that evening to return with Miss Baker on Friday evening and go back to the tall timber.

EAST HAMILTON

H. Fisk went to Seattle Monday, returning home Tuesday.

W. C. Bean was in Sedro Woolley Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pape and children were in Seattle a few days last week.

T. M. Steen and W. C. Bean motored to Concrete on business Wednesday.

Clifford Cooper of Lyman and Miss Vena Crowley motored to Sedro Woolley Thursday evening.



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cary were called to Sultan Wednesday on account of the sudden illness of Mrs. Cary's mother.

Mr. Whitley was married to Mrs. M. Porter of Seattle recently at Mt. Vernon.

Walter and Harry Cary were in Concrete on business Tuesday.

Mr. D. Welch of Lyman visited at the home of Jesse Cary last week.

Ralph and Carl Pape returned home from Seattle, where they have been attending school for the past term.

BIRDVIEW

Mrs. Robert Russell and children were Hamilton visitors Monday.

Mrs. Charlie Pressentin visited in Hamilton this week.

Mrs. W. R. Gee was visiting at Mrs. H. L. Austin's of Grasmere Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Whitley and Miss Vera Mooney of Concrete visited at Henry Thompson's Wednesday.

Mr. Harry McEntaffer has a fine lot of Rhode Island Red chickens at his ranch. Also some fine ducks.

Mrs. S. R. McGowan of Concrete spent Wednesday with Mrs. W. F. Gee.

The river boat from Sedro Woolley came up river Monday and took a boom of logs from Leslie Savage's place.

W. R. Gee undertook to take some honey from one of his beehives and has been having a swell time ever since.

Joe Kalewagh went to Concrete to get his washing this week. It usually takes Joe several days to attend to this business.

The Eagles of this vicinity are preparing their feathers for a flight to Olympia to attend the State Aerie meeting which will be held June 29 and 30.

Commissioner Henry Thompson thought he would make hay while the sun shone so he cut down a lot of hay and now the sun refuses to shine.

W. E. Jackson is having a well put down at his home. Mrs. Jackson says when that well is finished she will be very liberal to her friends, they can drink at her expense any time.

Several cards have been received from Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gardiner and they say that it was very hot and dusty. They had arrived at Kansas city and were going from there to Muscatine, Iowa.

VAN HORN NOTES

H. C. Ely was in Seattle this week attending to business matters.

Mrs. F. J. Springsteen visited her husband at Rockport on Wednesday.

Frank Yeager and three children attended the county Grange and picnic on Guemes Island last week.

Mrs. J. F. Salley attended the meeting of the W. O. W. in Concrete on Wednesday.

Misses Pearl Gaines and Gladys Salley were shopping in Concrete on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Birchler were down from the homestead for a few hours visit.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. McDaniel visited with relatives here between trains on Wednesday.

Mrs. R. O. Felmy and children who have been visiting relatives in Oregon for the last two months are expected home this week.

Mr. E. Anderson and children from Sauk spent Monday and Tuesday of this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Alley.

Mr. Howard, filer at the Van Horn mill, has been entertaining his wife and son Wesley of Sedro Woolley this week.

Mrs. H. F. Powlison and daughter Lucile of Seattle arrived here Monday to spend the vacation with Mr. Powlison of the Van Horn Shingle Co.

SAUK NEWS

Mrs. Martha Kimbrough is visiting friends down Sound way.

Alex Park went down to Birdview on his wheel Tuesday.

Van Brandon visited Glenwood farm Monday.

George Wilkins is taking a much needed rest. He has his cook.

Griffin Ellison and family are spending the week with relatives in Seattle.

Mrs. Glen Ashberg, of Elma, and Mrs. Anderson spent Friday at the home of Mrs. Abe Young.

Miss Hazel Davidson and Nellie Butler were the guests of Mrs. Abe Young Tuesday.

Mrs. Kay Sharpe of Anacortes came up Monday to visit with Mr. Sharpe's sister Mrs. Geo. Thompson.

Some class to the poor little orphans' washing this week. They were advised not to boil red socks with their white linen. Girls take pity.

Mr. Cosgrove and family moved to Chuckanut the first of the week.

Alfred Young was shot through the right leg last Thursday by his little friend, Glen Ashberg, of Elma. They had taken a 22 rifle to shoot at a target when the gun was accidentally discharged and the bullet entered the calf of the leg and lodged down near the ankle. Dr. Mertz was called to dress the wound and Alfred is doing fine at this writing.

GRASMERE

Another dance will be given at the William's hall tonight. Everyone is invited to attend.

Elwin Arnold worked for his brother Frank at the Superior cement plant Friday.

Mrs. J. M. Henson and children returned from Anacortes Tuesday evening. Mr. Henson arrived Thursday and they will now remain at their home here.

Mrs. Frank Arnold and children and Miss Maud Arnold left last evening for Anacortes where they expect to visit with friends until after the Fourth.

GRANGE MEETS AND HOLDS PICNIC ON GUEMES ISLAND

Sauk, Wash., June 4 1914
To The Concrete Herald.

Dear Editor: We send herewith a brief report of the Grange meeting which was held on Guemes Island June 19-20, the annual Pomona picnic being held on Friday near the beach opposite Anacortes. The picnic was fairly well attended and the weather was fine. The forenoon was spent in an outing along the beach and a general good time. A regular picnic dinner was then indulged in by all.

After dinner the program consisted of music, speaking, races, hoop-rolling contests, shoe-tying contests, pie-eating contests, etc., during which many prizes were awarded. The principal speakers were Mr. Fred J. Chamberlain of Puyallup who represented the State Grange in defense of the "Seven sisters" and Mr. W. A. Lowman of Anacortes, a fish canneryman, who represented the "Stop-Look-Listen" League, speaking on the opposite side of the question.

The following day was taken up with the regular county grange meeting. A business session as held in the forenoon, after which a delicious dinner was served by the local grange to more than one hundred people. After dinner the grange called an open session devoted to the lecturer's program, music and speaking. Mr. O. J. Erickson talked on the tax question, favoring a graduated single tax.

The grange then met in closed session, at which much business was transacted and a number of resolutions passed, one being a resolution favoring the administration of the present Worthy Master, Mr. Bouck, and his aggressive campaign in favor of the "Seven Sisters," the resolution being adopted by a unanimous vote.

Yours truly,
S. B. ELLISON.

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LOCAL NOTES

AND BRIEF ITEMS OF PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Green spent Monday and Tuesday in Bellingham.

Mrs. Wm. Steltz of Rockport was the guest of Mrs. Ira Morris Monday.

Mrs. Geo. Ely and mother, Mrs. Kell visited in Faber Tuesday.

Floyd Roller, formerly city engineer, is in the city this week.

Miss Esther Lawson spent Thursday evening with friends at Hamilton.

J. C. Criss, of Lyman, was in the city Thursday transacting business.

Miss Helen Ross visited in Hamilton Wednesday and Thursday.

C. E. Franklin left Sunday for Tacoma to attend his brothers' wedding which took place Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Morris and Mr. and Mrs. H. Klander motored to Sedro Woolley Sunday.

A. Whitlock returned home on Monday after spending several days in Seattle.

C. L. Stewart attended the Old Fellow's District meeting in Avon last Saturday.

Miss Goldie and Esther Lawson visited Miss Eva Beloit in Hamilton Saturday night and attended the dance.

S. Berger, the music house man of Mount Vernon, was a business visitor to Concrete on Monday.

Contractor Ben. N. Weaver has been busy this week building an addition on the D. D. Dillard residence.

Harry Wainwright and Epp Shuler were business visitors to the city Tuesday afternoon on a business mission.

Wm. Moran of Sauk was visiting his daughter, Mrs. Joe McDonald, here Wednesday.

Samuel Miller, of Yakima, is in the city this week for a visit with his wife and family.

Postmaster Chas. L. Olsen made a business trip to Bellingham Thursday.

W. P. Gable, a prominent painter and paper hanger of Hamilton, was a business visitor to Concrete Thursday.

C. B. Mason and mother left Thursday to visit in Sedro Woolley until after the Fourth.

Mrs. M. W. Dexter and son were the guests of her sister Mrs. E. L. Young, Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Post left Sunday evening for Seattle, returning Tuesday to their home here.

Miss Gertrude Crites, who has been visiting friends in the city, left Sunday for her home at Bellingham.

Mrs. H. J. Bratlie and son Jim are camping at Guemes Island with Mrs. W. J. Cook, of Sedro Woolley.

Mrs. Wm. Woodworth and children left Tuesday for a trip to Seattle and other points.

Conductor McRae anticipates big travel on the Skagit branch during the next week or two.

Mrs. Orlando Thatam spent a day in Hamilton this week, visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gee of Birdsview, were visitors to Concrete Monday.

With the marriage of A. A. Cohen another recruit is added to the Early Closing movement.

I. G. Robinson, a prominent merchant of Grasmere, was a business visitor to Concrete yesterday morning.

Richard Thompson, of Langsvale, drove into town yesterday morning to meet Norman Lavine, who is interested in the Burpee shingle mill.

J. E. Metcalf has sold the shingle mill at Grasmere to Dan Sebuman, of Bellingham. It is being dismantled, and will be taken to Vancouver, B. C.

Guy Powell, Frank Cockburn, Carl Stewart and C. B. Mason motored to Hamilton and attended the dance Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. McKinney entertained with a twelve o'clock dinner Monday Mrs. Frank Weston and Mrs. Joe Fessler.

Mrs. J. W. Smith, Miss Mamie Weir and Mrs. W. H. Biggerstaff went berrying at Van Horn Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. G. W. Dickinson returned to Seattle last Sunday after a visit with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dickinson.

Miss Mabel Webb, of Sedro Woolley, is spending the week in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Collins.

Miss Beulah Seymour, of Bellingham, is spending the week in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Collins.

Mrs. J. D. Sullivan and daughter Ethel of La Grande, Oregon, are the guests of Mrs. Sullivan's aunt, Mrs. Jane Bickford.

Rex Connally left Tuesday afternoon for Victoria, B. C. to do some chemical work for Chas. Gage, who is a chemist for Edwards & Lazell.

Mrs. G. S. Keeney and daughters Aliph and Amy, of Tacoma are the guests of Mrs. Keeney's aunt, Mrs. Jennie Bickford.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Corleu of Seattle were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Howard Thursday and Wednesday.

—ROOMS to rent. Modern conveniences, including bath, hot and cold water, etc. See H. C. BRYSON, next door to postoffice.

C. E. Franklin returned Wednesday after a trip to Tacoma, where he attended the wedding of his brother. He doesn't know yet whether or not these things are contagious.

Kenoyer's Orchestra gave a dance at Hamilton last Saturday evening, and a considerable number of young people of that town were in attendance.

Notice To The Public.
Poll tax in the city of Concrete is now due and payable to the undersigned officer:
J. J. McDONALD,
City Marshal.

E. W. Wrigley, a machinist formerly in the employ of the Superior Portland Cement Company, returned this week from a trip to Buffalo, N. Y.

Thos. H. Lucas left Sunday for a business trip to Seattle. Mrs. Lucas and baby accompanied him as far as Everett where they will visit Mrs. Lucas' grandmother.

Geo. A. Barrett, Concrete's former marshal, is now at Wapato, to which point he wishes the Herald sent.

—Victor Vietrolas, Columbia Grafonolas and Edison Phonographs, all of these and a big assortment of records at the Concrete Confectionery, Bjerstedt & Weir, proprietors.

The home of Frank Ringhouse, near the Skyue ferry, was destroyed by fire early last Saturday morning. Only a few household goods were saved. There was no insurance.

G. L. Leonard and family have as their guests Mr. Leonard's mother and sister Mrs. Fred Leonard and Miss Hilda Leonard, from Castle Rock.

Rev. W. M. Grafton preached last Sunday at the request of Rev. Dr. Lee, of Seattle, at the latter's church. Rev. H. V. Davies occupied Rev. Grafton's pulpit in the local church.

Mrs. Seaman announces that the following new books are on the pay shelf now. The Sea Wolf, London; The Desired Woman, Harbun; The Voice, Margaret Deland; Annie of Avonlea, Montgomery.

A tennis tournament is being held in Hamilton tomorrow, and racket wielders from all over the county will be present. The gallery is expected to be particularly pleasing—quite unusually so.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Varley, after spending a few days the guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. Tatham, left in their car Tuesday for their home in Everett. Mrs. Tatham accompanied them to Hamilton, returning home on the noon train.

J. P. Brooks, formerly operating the clay quarry hoist for the Superior company, returned to the city this week after a stay in Seattle, and is now handling the clinker hoist for the company.

Samuel Walls, who has a home-stand near Rockport, spent a portion of the day in Concrete Tuesday. Mr. Walls has lived on his homestead for the past two years, and is comfortably situated.

Judge Wolfe and Otto von Pressen attended the District meeting of Odd Fellows at Avon last Saturday. Judge Wolfe was President of this District until this meeting, when new officers were elected.

A pleasant dancing party was held at the Odd Fellows Hall last Saturday night, when Miss Helen White and Miss Gertrude Crites acted as hostesses to a merry crowd of principally young people. Green's orchestra furnished the music.

Lawrence and Lloyd Seabury will soon have their new bachelor quarters completed, as Contractor Heskett is already well along with the work. The Seabury's plans call for a very comfortable and sufficiently commodious residence.

Miss Aliene Pierce left Monday morning as a delegate from the Bellingham Normal to the Y. W. C. A. convention to be held at Cohasset Beach. Miss Pierce joined a crowd at Seattle where they took a special car. She will be gone about two weeks.

J. R. Whitehair is perfectly justified in being proud of the fact that he had new potatoes out of his own garden for dinner last Sunday. Everybody ought to have new potatoes, and his own garden. Mr. Whitehair used his spare time last week in building a root house.

Lawrence Whitlock, Perl Galbreath and Harold Reese entertained about fifty young people last Friday evening at Williams' Hall at Grasmere. Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. T. M. Reese and Mrs. C. C. Bride, assisted by Misses Mada Bride, Bessie Cole, Ella Cockburn, Maud Melville, and Messrs. Lawrence Whitlock and Harold Reese.

WASHINGTON METAL OUTPUT SHOWS SLIGHT DECREASE

The value of the gold, silver, copper, and lead produced at mines in Washington in 1913, according to C. N. Gerry, of the United States Geological Survey was \$1,053,135 compared with \$1,120,214 in 1912 and \$1,056,017 in 1911. The decrease of 6 per cent in value resulted from lower metal prices and decreased production of silver and copper.

The gold output had a value of \$696,275, or practically the same as the estimate published in January. The slight increase of \$15,311 over 1912 was due to an increase in ore shipments from Republic. Bullion shipments decreased, as only one of the two cyanide mills was operated. Increased ore shipments from the Ben Hur mine kept the gold total up to the past record.

Silver production decreased from 413,538 ounces in 1912 to 331,239 ounces in 1913. This decrease of nearly

20 per cent was in the Chewelah district, where the United Copper Co., made improvements that temporarily curtailed the output of copper ore.

The production of copper likewise decreased from 1,086,010 pounds in 1912 to 954,081 pounds in 1913.

Lead production increased from 127,387 pounds in 1912 to 202,487 pounds in 1913, and the output came largely from the Bossburg district, of Stevens County. No zinc ore was shipped from Washington either in 1912 or 1913.

RECORD MADE IN CEMENT PRODUCTION DURING 1913

The year 1913 was a record-breaker in the cement industry, according to Ernest F. Burchard, of the United States Geological Survey, in a chapter from "Mineral Resources 1913," just published. The total quantity of Portland, natural, and puzzolan cement produced in the United States last year was the greatest in the history of the cement industry, amounting to 92,949,102 barrels compared with 83,311,191 barrels in 1912.

Compared with the production of pig iron for 1913, which was 30,966,301 long tons, the Portland cement production is nearly 50.5 per cent of the quantity of pig iron.

Of the 113 producing plants in the United States in 1913, 23 were in the State of Pennsylvania, whose output was 28,701,845 barrels of Portland cement, the largest quantity produced by any one State. The second greatest production came from Indiana, with 10,872,574 barrels.

The United States has a comparatively small export trade in cement. In 1913 the total quantity exported was only 2,964,358 barrels, most of which was Portland cement, compared with 4,215,232 barrels in 1912.

B. B. PIERCE, JR., HOLDS PARTY ON TENTH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. B. B. Pierce entertained Wednesday afternoon at her home in East Concrete in celebration of Burton's tenth birthday. The following young people were there: Frances Heskett, Nina Shepard, Irene McGovern, Darrel and Harry Leavitt, Walton Biggerstaff, Earnest and Burtram Kaufman, Jack Templin, Evans White, Frank Flesher Winifred and Burton Pierce. Games of many kinds were enjoyed during the afternoon. Mrs. Pierce assisted by Miss Harriette Porterfield and Marie Stewart, served refreshments of fruit, punch, cake, sandwiches, and peanuts. Burton received many nice remembrances from his numerous friends.

MRS. GRAFTON HOSTESS AT MEETING OF THE AUXILIARY

Mrs. W. M. Grafton was the hostess at the Thursday afternoon meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary in the parlors of the Mt. Baker Presbyterian church, and a delightful afternoon was spent. Routine business was transacted, a report on the strawberry festival heard, and bills ordered paid. Refreshments were served, and with these the hostess was assisted by Miss Maude Melville and Miss Gladys Carter.

Those present were: Mesdames D. D. Dillard, J. C. Carter, J. H. Cooper, F. H. Heskett, W. H. Biggerstaff, C. E. Murdock, J. J. Mulalley, J. W. Smith, W. W. Van Horn, Thomas Whitley, George Powell, C. DiLio, A. Whitlock, C. C. Bride, Judd Seaman, J. W. Belfrey, Charles Wahlgren, Misses Gladys Carter, Maude Melville, Mr. Davis, of Bellingham, Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Grafton and three children.

At the next meeting, which will be held in the parlors of the church, the semi-annual election of officers will be held.

Tea Table Etiquette.

A hundred years or more ago there was a quaint tea table etiquette. It was considered a lack of courtesy to take much cream or sugar in one's tea. Etiquette demanded that the tea should be tasted from the spoon and that the hostess should then inquire, "Is your tea agreeable?" Modern women would be shocked by a fashionable lady of those days who cooled her tea with her breath, yet Young wrote of a certain bewildering Lady Betty: Her two red lips affected zephyrs blow To cool the Boleia and inflame the beau, While one white finger and a thumb conspire To lift the cup and make the world admire. —London Standard.

Once an Inland Sea.

It is the contention of geologists that the Mediterranean was once a great inland sea and that the mountainous rocks separating it from the Atlantic were in the course of ages worn away by the force of the water.

A QUESTION OF FEES.

The Doctor Scored, but the Lawyer Had a Surprise For Him.

Four men, a lawyer, a doctor, a banker and a newspaper man, sat down to play a quiet little game of poker in the doctor's apartments not far from Seventy-second street and Broadway a few nights ago.

During the game the banker, who had a sore throat, asked the doctor to recommend a cure. The doctor obliged, and then, reaching over, he took a blue chip from the banker's pile and added it to his own.

"What's the idea?" demanded the banker.

"My usual fee for medical advice," replied the medical man.

A few minutes later the doctor asked the lawyer a question involving a point in law. The lawyer rendered an opinion. Then, reaching over, he helped himself to a blue chip from the doctor's stack.

"My legal fee," he explained.

It was now time for a little refreshment. "Just leave your cards and chips where they are," said the doctor host, "and we'll adjourn to the buffet for a bite to eat."

When they returned to the card room to resume their game the doctor calmly helped himself to three white chips from the lawyer's stack.

"What's the idea now?" inquired the lawyer.

"That's for the cocktail," said the doctor. "You can't come around to my house charging for legal advice and expecting refreshments gratis. You've got to pay for what you drink."

And the next morning the lawyer appeared at the doctor's house with an officer and had the doctor arrested for selling liquor without a license.—New York World.

Life's Loom.

We sleep, but the loom of life never stops, and the pattern which was weaving when the sun went down is weaving when it comes up tomorrow. —Henry Ward Beecher.

Golf Link Theology.

Son of a household which played golf on Sunday instead of going to church, he was the source of considerable anxiety to his religious minded grandmother. When, on the occasion of a visit to her she had him alone, she took the opportunity, says the London Citizen, of questioning him, "Have you ever heard about hell?" she asked gravely. "Oh, yes, granny!" the boy nodded brightly. "On the golf links."

Too Cheap.

A husky looking person in a flannel shirt, who had evidently strayed some distance off his accustomed beat in



TURNED AWAY, WAVING HIS HAND.

New York walked up to the aristocratic Hotel Astor bar, flipped a dime down on the mahogany and said:

"Gimme a drink of rye."

"We don't sell ten cent drinks here," said the dignified man in the white jacket.

The stranger reached for his dime and turned away, waving his hand.

"I can't drink that nickel stuff!" he said, and passed out.—Saturday Evening Post.

Bars and Bars.

Mr. Justice Letton of the Nebraska supreme court went east one summer and left his house in care of friends.

One morning the telephone bell in the Letton house rang, and a woman asked for Mr. Letton. She was told the justice was not in town. She refused to believe that and asked where Mr. Letton was.

"He's on his way home now," the lady at the Letton house replied, "but he stopped off at Milwaukee to attend the meeting of the American Bar association."

"Evidently," said the woman at the other end of the wire superciliously, "there is some mistake. The Mr. Letton I know and want is not a saloon keeper. He runs a grocery store." —Saturday Evening Post.

He Learned His Valuation.

A tourist in Scotland came to a wide ferry. It was stormy, and the wind was constantly increasing. The Scotch ferryman agreed to take the tourist across, but told him to wait until he had first taken a cow across.

When he had returned and started across with the traveler the latter became curious.

"Will you tell me why you took the cow over and made me wait?" he asked.

"Well, now," explained the ferryman, "you see, the cow was valuable, and I feared the wind would increase so the boat might upset on the second trip!"

The Scrap Book

Getting From Under.

When George W. Guthrie, ambassador to Japan, was mayor of Pittsburgh he had as official messenger one Ajax Jones, an old dorky, who was the political heritage of half a dozen mayors, a sentimental fixture and, needless to say, a "character." It happened that the opposition newspapers, as is their wont, were engaged in the joyous pastime of "throwing the harpoon" into the new city executive. Guthrie, a lawyer and of an abstract turn of mind, paid little attention, but the red headlines and satiric shafts moved the old dorky to groans, snorts and angry recriminations.

"We all suttlingly got it hot an' heavy dis mawnin'," was his regular greeting when Mayor Guthrie reached his office. Sometimes his saddened greeting varied with "We all is sholy gettin' panned proper. Dem pesky papers am rantin' somethin' scandalous about we uns."

Guthrie, buried in work and civic ideals, ignored attacks. But one morning the negro messenger's greeting was slightly changed.

"Mister Mayor, dey suttlingly handed you a hot one terday!"

"No longer 'we uns'!" cried Guthrie, in genuine alarm. "This article must be something awful!"

It was.—Lippincott's.

A Song of the City.

If you come to ask your fortune of the city You must swear to take whatever she may give. You must strip yourself of frivolous desire, Wanting nothing but a fighting chance to live.

You've got to look her in the eyes, unshrinking, Forgetting when she tries you overlong. You've got to gamely take a long day's grilling And start the next one whistling a song.

Then, when she's found that you won't take a breaking, That you can play the game, she'll play it fair. When you've offered her your strength And youth, unflinching, She'll take you to her heart and hold you there. —Elizabeth Kirkman.

It Jolted Muxley.

Mr. Macmillan, the publisher, had a good story to tell of the late Professor Muxley. He was asked to write "Elementary Lessons in Physiology," and he submitted the first sixteen pages and then refused to continue the work on the ground of overpressure. Eventually Mr. Macmillan had these sixteen pages made up in a "dummy" copy and sent it to the author, who opened the parcel and, without examining the book, rushed to a colleague and said: "Look. That — Scotchman has got some one else to finish my work." "After that," said Mr. Macmillan, "it was not difficult to persuade the great scientist to complete the work quickly."

Saved!

In her "West African Studies" Miss Kingsley tells this story about the famous "driver" ants: "I was in a little village, and out of a hut came the owner and his family and all the household parasites pell-mell, leaving the drivers in possession, but the mother and father of the family, when they recovered from this unwonted burst of activity, showed such a lively concern and such unmistakable signs of anguish at having lost something behind them in the hut that I thought it must be the baby. 'In him far corner for floor!' shrieked the distracted parents, and into that hut I charged.

"Too true! There in the corner lay the poor little thing, a mere inert black mass, with hundreds of cruel drivers already swarming upon it. To seize it and give it to the distracted mother was, as the reporter would say, 'the work of an instant.' She gave a cry of joy and dropped it instantly into a water barrel, where her husband held it down with a hoe, chuckling contentedly. Shiver not, my friend, at the callousness of the Ethiopian. That there thing wasn't an infant. It was a ham!"

Spared His Feelings.

It is difficult to be popular as a customs inspector. Everybody dislikes these inspectors. Everybody feels toward them like the old skipper. This skipper, after undergoing several hours of suspicious cross questioning from two inspectors regarding his cargo, was at last leaving the wharf when a young official, unaware of his previous grilling, accosted him. "Have you anything to declare, sir?" he demanded sharply. Furious, the old skipper glared at the young man and shouted: "Yes, young man, I've a good deal to declare, but I'd be ashamed to say it before a boy like you. You're too young to hear what I would like to declare."

One on Chesterton.

A London litterateur has a little son who sucks his thumb. The litterateur said to him one day:

"Now, you must stop sucking your thumb. If you don't you'll swell up like a balloon and burst. Mind what I say!"

The urchin was much impressed. He promised to do his best to break himself of his bad habit.

Well, it happened that G. K. Chesterton, who is of more than ample proportions, dined at the litterateur's that evening. With the dessert the little chap came in. He looked at Chesterton and started. He turned pale. Then he sidled up to the mountaineer writer and said in a compassionate and yet reproachful voice: "You suck your thumb, don't you?"

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