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FUNERAL SERVICES FOR HENRY THOMPSON HELD AT HAMILTON

SERVICES ARE ATTENDED BY PEOPLE FROM ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTY—WAS NATIVE OF ENGLAND AND PIONEER HERE.

The funeral services for County Commissioner Henry Thompson, killed in the train wreck in Sedro-Woolley Thursday of last week, were held in the M. E. church in Hamilton Sunday. The attendance was the largest ever known at a funeral in Hamilton, every part of Skagit county being represented and also friends from Seattle and Bellingham. About fifty people from this city were present at the service. The church had been tastefully decorated with greens and flowers by the people of Hamilton.

A short service was first held at the Thompson residence in Birdsview, under the charge of Superintendent Long of the Birdsview Sunday school. The services in the church were conducted by Rev. A. W. Wilson, of Mount Vernon. Special music was furnished by a mixed quartet of Hamilton people.

The services at the grave side were conducted by Concrete lodge No. 272, I. O. O. F., the beautiful and impressive ritualistic service of the order being used, following which interment was made in the Hamilton cemetery. The pallbearers were members of the Concrete lodge of Odd Fellows, and were as follows: William Day, Geo. Powell, Chas. Jones, I. B. Evensen, C. A. Wahlgren and Carl Monrad.

Henry Thompson was born in Westmoreland, England, March 12, 1852, and at the time of his death had reached the age of 65 years, 10 months and 19 days. He was married at Sedbury, Yorkshire, England, February 13, 1874, to Margaret Dodd. To this union were born seven children, all of whom are still living.

While a young man he learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed in England for a number of years. In October, 1885, he came to the United States, locating in Mitchell county, South Dakota, where he worked as a carpenter until March, 1887, when he moved to Wichita, Kansas, where he resided until October, 1889, when he came west, taking up a homestead at Birdsview, where he has since made his home and has developed his homestead of wild land into one of the finest farms of that neighborhood. His family remained at Wichita until March, 1891, when they joined him at Birdsview. In 1912 he was nominated and elected to the office of county commissioner for the Third district, and two years later was re-elected, this time for the long term of four years.

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THE BAPTIST LADIES' AID CHANGES DAY OF MEETING

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church met Tuesday afternoon at the home of the president, Mrs. H. V. Davies. A very profitable and interesting meeting was enjoyed by the many members and friends present. Among other business transacted the Aid decided to change its meeting day as the Tuesday afternoon meetings conflicted with the meetings of the Red Cross. In the future the Ladies' Aid will meet on the second Wednesday of each month, so that the members who desire to attend the meetings of the Red Cross can do so.

At the close of the business session a delicious 10-cent tea was served by the hostess and greatly enjoyed. Those present were: Mesdames J. B. Belfrey, W. H. Biggerstaff, J. A. Carter, J. E. Cahail, J. H. Cooper, J. E. Bond, W. L. Connally, Chas. Wahlgren, R. E. Williams, H. V. Davies, Frank Ritchie, Frank Greiner, M. L. Heyer and W. H. Wallace; Misses Margaret Campion, Lenora Anderson, Cleo King, Ruby and Ruth Bond, Winnifred Pierce, Helen Greiner and Virginia Wallace; Masters Burton Pierce, Jack Wallace and Ted and James Carter.

The next meeting of the Aid will be held in two weeks at the home of Mrs. J. A. Carter, in East Concrete.

THESE ARE THE THINGS THE SUBMARINE FEARS

Scene in a large factory in France where the finishing touches are being put on torpedoes and on the depth bombs that destroy so many German submarines.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO AWARD BIDS MONDAY

For nearly three days the county commissioners wrestled with bids for the construction of the Olympia and Riverside road and the Avon-Allen road. The bids were opened Tuesday afternoon. The bidding was spirited and has brought the cost of construction down to bed-rock. Various conditions have arisen which prevented the commissioners from awarding the contracts this week. The bids will be awarded next Monday.

Six bidders were in the race for the job of constructing the Olympia Marsh road, as follows:

T. M. Morgan, Everett, 6-inch concrete, $52,922.50.

J. L. Smith, Seattle, 6-inch concrete, $35,718.95.

Warren Construction Co., of Portland, 5-inch bitulithic, $53,377. Also 3-inch bitulithic, $63,231.80.

Skagit Construction Co., of Mount Vernon, 6-inch concrete, $54,615. Also bitulithic 2-inch, $67,720.20.

R. M. Hardy, Seattle, 6-inch concrete, $50,180.

Kaiser Paving Co., Everett, 2-inch bitulithic, $52,883. Also 5-inch bitulithic, $60,666.20.

Avon-Allen Road Bids

Kaiser Paving Co., Everett, 2-inch bitulithic, $139,473. Also 5-inch bitulithic, $124,060.

J. L. Smith, Seattle, 6-inch concrete, $117,259.45.

Warren Construction Co., 2-inch bitulithic, $145,853.54. Also 5-inch bitulithic, $128,567.

R. M. Hardy, Seattle, 6-inch concrete, $118,622.25.

T. M. Morgan, Everett, 6-inch concrete, $131,010.35.

PUBLIC SERVICE RESERVE ENROLLMENT NEXT WEEK

Arthur G. Smith, manager of the Washington Portland Cement company, has been named as enrolling officer for all of the eastern part of Skagit county for the enrollment of labor for government service next week. He has already secured all the necessary blanks and has everything in readiness to commence the enrollment Monday morning. The labor enrolled will constitute a reserve subject to call for government work in the line for which the laborer is best fitted. Any information desired as to the classes of labor desired for enrollment and the duties required of those who enroll may be secured from Mr. Smith. Enrolled laborers will not be enlisted, but will simply be subject to call for government work when required, and will be paid the usual wages for the work to be done.

PIERCE FAMILY RECOVERING

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Pierce, who were injured in the wreck last week, are reported to be recovering rapidly, and it is expected that they will be able to return home early next week. The little boy, Milton, is fully recovered from his injuries.

HAMILTON RED CROSS TO GIVE BIG DANCE TONIGHT

The Hamilton auxiliary of the Skagit county Red Cross decided Tuesday afternoon at a well attended meeting that they would prefer to become a branch instead of continuing as an auxiliary, and it was unanimously decided to file application for charter as a branch and the papers forwarded to the headquarters, at Sedro-Woolley. Next Wednesday afternoon a meeting of all the members of the Hamilton Red Cross will be held at the home of Mrs. John H. Slipper, when Mrs. W. T. Odlin, of Sedro-Woolley, will be present and formally organize the branch. New officers will be elected and the change of work and responsibility will be explained by Mrs. Odlin.

For the past two weeks things have been humming in Red Cross circles to make the dance tonight one of the biggest and jolliest affairs ever planned by local workers. The Hamilton orchestra will furnish the music, which alone will guarantee a pleasant evening. The charge will be $1 per couple, and a supper such as the Hamilton ladies know how to prepare so tastefully will be served at "before-de-war" prices, 35 cents a plate. A hundred pound live pig named "Katie" has been donated by H. A. Moore; a full-grown sheep, donated by Mrs. Harvey Davis, and a practically new two-seated carriage, donated by Mr. Wilbert, are to be used to swell Red Cross funds. Tickets on "Katie" and the sheep have been sold by Mrs. R. G. Kellner, and these beasties will be raffled off on the night of the dance. The carriage has been sold for $50 to a Lyman resident. Do not miss the fun, but be on hand for the big dance at the Hamilton opera house tonight.

SEVERAL SKAGIT BOYS ON TORPEDOED TRANSPORT

Two Skagit county boys, Sherman D. Reece, of Birdsview, and Paul Childers, of Alger, are known to have been on the transport Tuscania, torpedoed off the Irish coast Wednesday. These boys were in the contingent of the Twentieth engineers (forestry) on the transport. There are a number of other boys from this county in the Twentieth engineers, but it is not definitely known whether or not they were assigned to any of the four companies on board the boat. Among the boys who are members of this regiment are Cecil Phillips, of this city, and "Jake" Stafford, of Sauk. This regiment consists of 17,000 men, some of whom are already in France and others being still in training in various parts of the United States. Only a comparatively small part of the regiment were on the Tuscania.

SMITH BILLIARD HALL SOLD

The Smith billiard hall was sold by sheriff's sale Monday under execution on a judgment in favor of Judd Seaman, who bought the property for the amount of the judgment. Mr Seaman has made no arrangements as yet for opening up the place.

WASHINGTON PLANT IS AGAIN GRINDING CEMENT

The big plant of the Washington Portland Cement company resumed operations Tuesday, following the usual annual shut-down for the holidays. During the time the plant was shut down it was thoroughly overhauled and all needed repairs and alterations made, and the factory is now in good shape to continue grinding out cement steadily until next Christmas. The plant is not running to full capacity as yet, but it is turning out a lot of good cement, and it is probable that it will be running to capacity by spring, as the company is looking forward to a good year in the cement business.

The Superior company is still continuing work on new construction, and it will be some time yet before this will be sufficiently completed to permit the starting up of the machinery.

TOBACCO FUND BENEFIT TO BE HELD FRIDAY NIGHT

Another card party and dance for the benefit of the soldiers' tobacco fund will be held in the Eagles hall next Friday evening, February 15. The evening will be spent in the playing of progressive whist and in dancing, with an oyster supper thrown in for good measure. Card players will pay a fee of 25 cents each, which will include supper; those who do not participate in the card games will be taxed a quarter for their supper. The dancing will begin at ten and continue without intermission till two o'clock. A separate charge of fifty cents will be made for the dance, and from this the expenses will be paid, and the excess, if any, added to the tobacco fund. The music will be furnished by Wheelock's two-piece orchestra. All are invited to attend and enjoy a good time.

COLLECTOR WILL CATCH ALL INCOME TAX DODGERS

Somebody is going to tell on you if you don't pay your income tax. Congress has fixed it so that somebody must tell, whether he wants to or not. One section of the war income tax law, exhaustively comprehensive in scope, requires every person, without exception, and every corporation, partnership, association and insurance company, in whatever capacity acting, who paid $800 or more to another person, corporation, partnership, association or insurance company, as interest, rent, salaries, wages, premiums, annuities, compensation, remuneration, emoluments or other fixed or determinable gains, profits and income, to report the name and address of the person, corporation, etc., to whom the payment was made, together with the amount of payment, to the commissioner of internal revenue at Washington, using a form prescribed for the purpose, which must be filled out and returned on or before March 1, 1918.

RICHARD THOMPSON APPOINTED TO FILL VACANCY ON BOARD

WILL FILL OUT UNEXPIRED TERM OF HIS FATHER AS COMMISSIONER FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT—WELL QUALIFIED.

Tuesday afternoon E. A. Sisson and S. M. Butler, the other two members of the board of county commissioners, appointed Richard Thompson, of Grasmere, as commissioner from the Third district to fill out the unexpired term of Commissioner Henry Thompson, who was killed in the train wreck at Sedro-Woolley last week. Mr. Thompson was immediately sworn in and took an active part in the remainder of the session of the board this week.

When the board met Modnay the matter of the appointment of a successor to Commissioner Thompson was taken up for consideration and the appointment was tendered to W. J. S. Gordon, of this city, who declined the appointment for the reason that he could not spare the time to properly attend to the many duties of the office. The friends of Frank J. Hoehn, of Sedro-Woolley, had circulated a petition asking that he be appointed, and when it was learned that Mr. Gordon would not accept the position the friends of Richard Thompson got busy with a petition asking for his appointment. This action met with such approval that when the petition was filed with the commissioners Tuesday noon it carried over 900 names.

When the board met Monday the noon Mr. Hoehn appeared before the commissioners and withdrew his name from the race, and Mr. Thompson was promptly named and sworn in.

The new commissioner is a son of the late Henry Thompson and is well and favorably known throughout his district. He has had considerable experience in assisting his father in the work in the district, and takes up his duties with more than an ordinary knowledge of the work under way and of what he needs to be done during the year. It is expected that he will prove a capable and popular official.

SEDRO-WOOLLEY MERCHANT IS SIXTH WRECK VICTIM

Adding one more to the list of dead as a result of the railway crash at Sedro-Woolley Thursday, J. E. Powell, Sedro-Woolley merchant, died Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock. No hope was held out for Powell's recovery after the accident and he never fully regained consciousness. Five were killed outright and Powell's death brings the total dead to six. He is survived by the widow and two sons, one living at Sedro-Woolley and the other at Olympia. Only two wreck victims still remain in the Sedro-Woolley hospitals, they being J. J. Robinson, traveling salesman of Seattle, and D. J. Harrigan, of Bellingham, a Northern Pacific conductor. Robert Nestos, the Bellingham timberman, was removed from Sedro-Woolley to St. Luke's hospital at Bellingham Tuesday. All these men are on the road to recovery. Powell was about 61 years of age.

WOMEN OF WOODCRAFT HOLD AN INTERESTING MEETING

Mt. Shuksan circle, Women of Woodcraft, held a very interesting business meeting Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Grace Bride. A considerable number of members were in attendance and took an active part in the session. During the meeting the newly elected officers were installed, Mrs. Grace Bride acting as installing officer. The new officers are as follows: Guardian neighbor, Daisy Bond; past guardian, Grace Bride; adviser, Marguarite Miller; magician, Cliffie Reid; clerk, Alice Leonard, banker, and also attendant, Katherine Jackson; manager, Cliffie Reid.

Mrs. H. V. Davies spent yesterday with friends in Hamilton.

ROUTINE BUSINESS IS GIVEN ATTENTION TO BY CITY COUNCIL

ONLY ROUTINE MATTERS COME UP FOR ACTION AT MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY EVENING—BILLS ALLOWED.

The regular meeting of the city fathers Tuesday evening was devoid of any special features, only matters of routine business appearing on the file for disposal. The list of bills presented for payment was a little longer than usual and several committees had reports to make, and this about finished the business of the meeting.

The council was called to order at the usual hour by Mayor C. L. Wagner, with Councilmen Ireton, O'Connell, Smith and Wolfe present, Franklin absent. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The monthly report of the city treasurer was read and placed on file. This report showed that the city still had a small amount of cash on hand, but not enough to take up any of the outstanding warrants.

Mr. Wolfe, for the street and alley committee, reported that the sidewalk to the new bridge had been practically completed on the east side of the river, but that the work on the west side was being held up by the inability of the committee to secure the necessary lumber.

Mr. O'Connell reported that the lights near the old bridge had been moved to new locations so as to light the approaches to the new bridge, and Mr. Smith stated that the forms for the lightposts for the bridge had been completed and that lights would be installed on the bridge as soon as weather conditions would permit.

In the absence of Mr. Franklin, the license committee was not ready to make a report upon the application for a reduction in the amount of the theater license.

On motion of Mr. O'Connell, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following bills were allowed aad ordered paid:

Frank Hyde, labor on walks, $6.75; David Vier, do., $7.50; Jack Hagan, do., $7.50; Chas. Jones, do., $9; Wm. Day, do. on streets, $19.50; W. J. S. Gordon, prem. marshal's bond, $10; H. C. Landes, salary, marshal, $16.75; library, maintenance, $10; J. J. McDonald, special police, $12; G. L. Leonard, salary and rent, $25; City Livery, hauling lumber, $7.50; Herald, quarantine cards, $2.50; W. B. Parry, salary, street commissioner, $29.65; B. R. P., L. & W. Co., lights and water, $99.55.

The bond of H. C. Landes as city marshal was approved and ordered filed.

Ordinance No. 68, fixing the salaries of the marshal, street commissioner and health officer was read and after proper motions was passed, all councilmen voting aye.

Council adjourned.

ANOTHER GOOD PROGRAM FOR PARLIAMENTARY CLUB

The weekly programs of the Parliamentary club of the sixth and seventh grades are becoming the feature of the week's work and are eagerly looked forward to by the pupils. An excellent program was well rendered Thursday afternoon and another fine program has been prepared for next Thursday afternoon. Next week's program is as follows:

Flag salute .....
Report of Audobon society .....
Song, "Loch Lomond" .....
Essay .....Edith Metcalf
Music .....Alice Woodworth
Pen picture.....Mabel Brooks
Reading .....Evans White
Experiment .....Ted Carter
Debate: "Resolved, That geography is a more useful study than arithmetic."
Affirmative, Bert Kauffman, Evans White.
Negative, Alex. Patterson, Ted Carter.
Parliamentary News...Jean Williams
Critic's report .....

Jos. Fessler, of Moss Hill, is a business visitor in town today.

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"	C. E. Franklin	Attorney	G. L. Leonard
"	W. J. O'Connell	Street Commissioner	W. B. Parry
"	L. E. Wolfe	Health Officer	R. N. Gordon, M. D.

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Assessor	J. Z. Nelson	Coroner	Arthur F. Baker

"UNCLE HENRY" THOMPSON

It was with sincere regret that the people of the Skagit valley last week heard of the death of County Commissioner Henry Thompson, who was more familiarly known as "Uncle Henry." A resident of the valley for almost thirty years, he was well known, not only up and down the Skagit valley, but throughout the county, and every man, woman and child who knew him may be numbered among his friends. Locating at Birdsview at a time when the entire eastern portion of the county was but a wilderness, he has played a large part in the development of what is now one of the richest districts of the county. He was a pioneer and had many of the qualities of the early pioneers. Hospitable and kindly to all, unassuming, always ready to render help when help was needed, and with a large measure of sympathy for his fellow man in trouble, he was in every sense of the word a good friend and neighbor. He was a capable business man, and always believed in and practiced square dealing with all, and his word was as good as his bond. He has passed beyond, but memories of "Uncle Henry" will linger long in the hearts of his many friends in the Skagit valley, and his works will remain as monuments to his memory long after the present generation has passed away.

CONCRETE VS. BITULITHIC

Judging by the comparative values of the two kinds of paved highways, there really should be a wider difference in cost than appears from the bids filed with the county commissioners this week. There is very little difference between the cost of the concrete road and the bitulithic road, and in one instance the bid for the concrete construction is even lower than the other. Road engineers throughout the country are practically unanimous in saying that the concrete road is by far the better type of road, the slightly higher cost of original construction being more than offset by the lower maintenance cost and greater permanence. Leading road builders claim that the bitulithic road has a very high maintenance cost, requiring inspection and careful attention all the time, and that it will have to be renewed comparatively soon, the number of years of life of the road depending on the volume of traffic. On the other hand it is conceded that a properly built concrete road has practically no maintenance cost, and that it is practically a permanent road. With so little a difference in first cost, the county commissioners should show no hesitancy in deciding upon which type of road to build in Skagit county, and there is some question as to whether they would be justified in building bitulithic roads no matter how much difference there might be in original cost. It has been proved in other communities many times that the better road is always the cheapest in the long run, and the result would undoubtedly be the same here.

WILL MAKE GOOD COMMISSIONER

The appointment of Richard Thompson as county commissioner for the Third district to fill the unexpired term of his father, Henry Thompson, is generally satisfactory to the people of the district. While he has never filled an official position, he has always taken an active interest in public affairs, and will have no difficulty in creditably handling the duties and responsibilities of the position from the start. Being an experienced road builder, he is well equipped to intelligently and efficiently supervise the road work of his district. He is broad-minded enough to look beyond his district, and will make an efficient commissioner for all of Skagit county. His many friends are confident that he will perform the duties of his new office with credit to himself and to the county.

INCREASED INSURANCE NECESSARY

One of the most important and vital points of interest to those insured on the co-insurance basis is apt to be overlooked and result in disappointment in the adjustment of a fire loss. This question relates to the necessity of carrying adequate insurance to value. Values of property and construction have increased in practically every item, while wages and overhead charges have shown an upward tendency since the beginning of the war.

Insurance written on the basis of appraisals of values made several years ago would be entirely inadequate at the present time. It would be well for all property owners to re-appraise their buildings and re-inventory their contents and increase their insurance in a sufficient amount to obviate any controversy on the question of required insurance to value, so that should a fire occur the full advantage of the co-insurance clause would be secured and the loss be fully met by the companies involved rather than on a pro rata basis between the company and the policy-holder through failure of the assured to fulfill his part of the contract.

Every insurance agent should advise the assured to use diligence to see that his insurance amounts to the agreed percentage of sound value of property.—Fire Facts.

If a number of the old school politicians in congress could be interned for the duration of the war, necessary legislation would be greatly speeded up. These politicians will favor nothing that does not show a direct personal benefit to them, and by their obstructive tactics act as a brake on the wheels of progress. If one of this class knew that the building of one more ship would end the war, his mental caliber is such that he would vote against the building of this ship unless it was built in his distrct.

Hindenburg says he will be in Paris by April 1. We always thought he would be there sooner or later, but did not think that Pershing's troops would be able to catch him as soon as that.

The difference between a bush league politician and a bush league ball player is that the ball player often makes good in the bush league while the politician is no good anywhere.

An exchange says that the gossips have the motor car beaten to a frazzle when it comes to running people down.

COMMENTS OF THE STATE PRESS

Some Real Thoughts from the Think Tanks of Thoughtful Thinkers

Walla Walla people now pay 20 cents a quart for milk. It's about time Walla Walla devised a milk substitute.—Everett Herald.

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Judging from the reports of exemption boards, the next census will show an astonishing increase in the number of farmers.—Mount Vernon Argus.

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At present cost of living, it is with mixed emotions that you receive the joyful announcement of your beloved cousins that they are coming to spend a fortnight in your home.—Hoquiam Washingtonian.

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The North Dakota legislature has passed a sabotage bill providing for a life sentence for persons convicted of destroying food stores or property used in the production of food. North Dakota is on the right track.—Bellingham Herald.

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The various "requests" of the food administrator have not half enough punch in them. They should be orders with a hook on the end so they will stick. 'Tisn't just right for some individuals to kick through and others not simply because there is no patriotism about them.—Anacortes American.

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The labor administration has endorsed the principle of "equal pay for equal work." That ought to solve the question of women in war work. The unions have no objection to their employment so long as their competition does not reduce wages.—Camas Post.

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There is no bewilderment, though, about one fact which stands out in bold relief, and that is that all the hundred sects are in one uniform, obeying one order and proceeding under one flag toward the attainment of a single purpose. Right down the list from Agnostic to Wesleyan they are Americans, and that is the important thing.—Spokane Spokesman-Review.

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What kind of a jail has Tacoma anyhow? A British recruiting officer offered to sign up any of the jail prisoners who desired for service as noncombatants. They were to receive $60 a month and all of their expenses and they would see the world at the British government's expense. Would they get out of jail for that? Not they. Maybe Tacoma has a regular palace of a jail.—Olympia Olympian.

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Shipping incompetents from Kansas City to Seattle and then shipping them home again, is another example of labor efficiency experts not calculated to win the plaudits of the people.—Guemes Beachcomber.

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Just to show her scorn of our plans for conservation, Nature speeds up and gives us the most extravagant exhibition of diversified weather this country has seen in years.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

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Speaking of economizing in these days of war, we remember an old lady in Colfax about thirty years ago who made her unmentionables and chemise out of flour sacks with a deep fringe of embroidery camouflage on the lower end of the unmentionables and lace trimmings for the chemise. You wouldn't know the difference unless you happened to ketch her in a wind storm—and we didn't know the difference until our wife told us. Why not do that same thing today?—Oak Harbor News.

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A wise merchant does not suffer the loss of a regular patron without making every effort to ascertain the cause, and, if possible, remove it. The store that persistently adheres to the slogan, "we make it right," will progress, for the sustained confidence of its regular trade will bring more new business than all the camouflage that can be employed.—West Coast Trade.

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What a tremendous factor the county fair could be made in helping the nation win the war. The fair sessions this year should be constructively devoted to the kindred branches of agriculture through demonstration and lecture in suggesting scientific methods that would double the productive output of the fertile districts of the valley of the Skagit.—Burlington Journal.

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If all the good fellows who used to put their feet upon the rail and say, "Set 'em up for the crowd," were to line up before a thrift stamp window and order one all round, the government cash registers would be making some music.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

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So drunk that "he was trying to light a toothpick with a tenpenny nail," was the police accusation against a rounder picked off the streets of Tacoma Sunday. This would indicate that Seattle bootleggers must yield the palm to the Tacoma fraternity. — Auburn Globe-Republican.

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The elimination of unnecessary industry during the war has not gone as far as it could, of course. When we enter the field of waste industry and unnecessary occupations we will see something new every minute.—Anacortes Citizen.

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Probably one thing that makes the kaiser's blue blood boil over is that sixteen of his finest ships, one of which is the largest in the world, are helping the allies to win the war by carrying "idiotic Yankee" soldiers to France.—Bellingham Herald.

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Announcement has been made by the state council of defense that hereafter more stringent steps are to be taken to prevent the spreading of both slander and sedition and that members of every county council of defense will be expected to act accordingly. While there is less of this idle chatter now than heretofore there is still too much and if a number of loud-mouthed ones are interned for the duration of the war no harm will result.—Anacortes American.

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"Kindly Kwit Kussing," is a sign displayed by the Y. M. C. A. buildings in the army cantonments. Its unique spelling never fails to attract attention and it is said to have resulted in a marked reduction of profanity.—Camas Post.

Things That Are Doing in the County

The Sedro-Woolley and Everett high school basketball teams played in Sedro-Woolley recently, the home team winning by a score of 67 to 15. The Sedro-Woolley team is said to have a good chance for the state championship this year.

Albert Rowland, 27 years of age, died in an Everett hospital Sunday of last week following an operation for appendicitis. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Rowland, of Sedro-Woolley, in which city he has made his home for the past ten years.

The printing plant of the Sedro-Woolley Courier was sold last week by T. J. Maroney to Frank G. Evans, of Everett. Mr. Maroney will remain with Mr. Evans for a short time.

Dale Tresner, of Sedro-Woolley, has secured the Skagit county agency for the Oakland automobile.

The White variety store in Sedro-Woolley has moved to its new location in the building recently occupied by the Princess theater.

Maurice Splane, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Splane, of Sedro-Woolley, has been promoted to the rank of sergeant at Camp Hancock, Georgia.

A burglar broke into the Sedro-Woolley library Wednesday night of last week and extracted $1.80 from the librarian's desk. Other desks were ransacked, but nothing further is missing.

Miss Susan Dailey and William O. Cline, both of Sedro-Woolley, were marrieid in the Windsor hotel in Mount Vernon Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Jacobina Beck, of Sedro-Woolley, and C. E. Garrison, of Pleasant Ridge, were married Saturday, January 26. They will reside in Clear Lake.

Grover McDaniels, of Burlington, lost a part of his foot in a railroad accident while working as a brakeman on a work train on the Great Northern near Leavenworth.

Bert Robinson, an employee of the Ford garage in Mount Vernon, lost an eye and was otherwise injured last week by an explosion of dynamite while he was repairing a car belonging to A. W. Binnall, of Milltown. The explosive in some way had become caught in the frame of the brake rod, probably placed there purposely, and when Robinson started to remove it with a hammer the explosion occurred.

The Mount Vernon high school last week unfurled a service flag bearing fifty stars in honor of pupils and graduates of the school who have entered military service since the beginning of the war.

Chas. Yandell, a young boy of Lyman, was kicked by a horse recently and struck on the leg with such force that it required fourteen stitches to close the cut.

Robert Welch, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Welch, of Lyman, died Saturday, January 26. He was one month old.

Ben Hagmark, J. F. Peck, J. Sholund and Pete Miller, all I. W. W. agitators, were arrested at the Nelson-Neil mill at Montborne by the sheriff's office and turned over to the federal authorities Monday. They have been taken to Seattle and will probably be interned during the war.

A large dredger arrived at LaConner last week to commence the work of rebuilding the dikes that were washed out by the flood. It is expected that it will be kept busy for over a month.

J. E. Perin, of Mount Vernon, last week closed a deal for the purchase of the Mount Vernon Investment company's interest in the Dale & Shea Abstract company. It is believed that the two abstract companies of Mount Vernon will be combined as a result of the deal.

David Owen, a recent arrival from Everett, has opened a restaurant on Myrtle street in Mount Vernon, opposite the Windsor hotel.

J. T. Deane, a resident of Anacortes for the past ten years, died in the Sedro-Woolley hospital Wednesday of last week, after a long illness. He was 66 years of age, and is survived by his widow and five sons.

Cyrus Hollingsworth, an aged resident of Anacortes, died at the home of his son in that city Monday of last week. He was 78 years of age, and was a veteran of the Civil war.

The Frank Burgett residence in Anacortes, with all its contents, was destroyed by fire Wednesday of last week. The fire was caused by a defective flue.

One of the leading potato buyers of the Northwest has estimated that the Skagit county potato crop was damaged over $100,000 by the recent floods.

The business men of Anacortes have received assurance that the [illegible] vessels originally contemplated will be built at the Anacortes ship yard.

Geo. D. McLean, a pioneer of Skagit county and a banker of Mount Vernon, claims to be the first man in the country to knit and fully complete an army sweater. The sweater has been turned over to the Red Cross.

Dr. Harry Single, of Anacortes, has been commissioned as a first lieutenant in the army dental corps.

Tuesday night of last week the heavy wind storm sunk several of the small boats at Anacortes and greatly damaged a number of buildings along the water front.

C. H. Sisson, a rancher of Guemes island, was arrested last week on a charge of cruelty to animals, but "skipped" before he could be brought to trial.

F. H. Jackson, of Clear Lake, has been elected as one one of the trustees of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, and was also chosen as treasurer of the board.

The Sedro-Woolley Veneer Works has established a new logging camp on the Matson tract, near Edison. Two-thirds of the timber to be removed is spruce suitable for airplane construction.

Martin Sonnix, one of the leading farmers of Guemes island, has sold his farm to Herbert Colbert, and has moved to Seattle.

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Wash the rice, mix all together, and bake three hours in a very slow oven, stirring now and then at first. This may be made on top of the stove in a double boiler, or in a fireless cooker. Any coarse cereal may be used in place of rice.

PANNED POTATOES

Cut cold boiled potatoes into quarter-inch slices; drdedge lightly with flour and fry in pan with a little butter. When light brown, heap on side of pan; let stand a few minutes, then loosen with a knife and turn out on a platter in much the same way that an omelet is taken out. Sprinkle with salt and serve at once.

If there is anything you wish to buy or to sell, try a Herald ad. It brings results.

This Is Our Winter of Test

SERVING food is a local problem for each community. Prices and definite rules for every one cannot be formulated. It is a duty for each one to eat only so much as is necessary to maintain the human body healthy and strong. This winter of 1918 is the period when is to be tested here in America whether our people are capable of voluntary individual sacrifice to save the world. That is the purpose of the organization of the United States Food Administration—by voluntary effort to provide the food that the world needs.

U. S. FOOD ADMINISTRATION

NEED BIG HERDS

Europe's Meat Supply Must Come From America.

Warring Nations Have Depleted Live Stock at Enormous Rate, Even Killing Dairy Cattle For Food.

American stock breeders are being asked to conserve their flocks and herds in order to meet Europe's tremendous demands for meats during the war and probably for many years afterward.

The United States food administration reports that American stock raisers have shown a disposition to co-operate with the government in increasing the nation's supply of live stock.

Germany today is probably better supplied with live stock than any other European nation. When the German armies made their big advance into France and then retreated virtually all the cattle in the invaded territory — approximately 1,800,000 head—were driven behind the German lines.

But in England—where 2,400,000 acres of pasture lands have been turned into grain fields—the cattle herds are decreasing rapidly. One of the reasons apparently is the declining maximum price scale adopted by the English as follows: For September, $17.76 per 100 pounds; October, $17.28; November and December, $16.08; January, $14.40. The effect of these prices was to drive beef animals on the market as soon as possible.

In France the number of cattle as well as the quality have shown an enormous decline during the war. Where France had 14,807,000 head of cattle in 1913, she now has only 12,341,900, a decrease of 16.6 per cent. And France is today producing only one gallon of milk compared to two and one-half gallons before the war.

Denmark and Holland have been forced to sacrifice dairy herds for beef because of the lack of necessary feed.

Close study of the European meat situation has convinced the Food Administration that the future problem of America lies largely in the production of meat producing animals and dairy products rather than in the production of cereals for export when the war will have ceased.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT HELPS PAY FOR BREAD

There has been much misunderstanding about the bread program in England. It is true that the Englishman buys a loaf of bread for less than an American can, but it is poorer bread, and the British government is paying $200,000,000 a year toward the cost of it.

All the grain grown in Great Britain is taken over by the government at an arbitrary price and the imported wheat purchased on the markets at the prevailing market price. This is turned over to the mills by the government at a price that allows the adulterated war bread loaf of four pounds to sell at 18 cents, the two pound loaf at 9 cents and the one pound loaf at 5 cents.

In France, under conditions somewhat similar, but with a larger extraction, the four pound loaf sells for 16 cents.

MAKING MEATLESS DAYS PERMANENT.

In the meatless menu there is a fertile field for developing new and nourishing dishes, according to E. H. Niles, writing in the Hotel Gazette, who believes that the present shortage of meat and fats will not end with the coming of peace, but may grow more acute and continue for five or six years, thus making it worth while to develop menus of grain, vegetables and fish on a more or less permanent basis. Meat can be replaced by cereals and other protein foods, or may be served in very small portions as a flavoring for other food. In making up meatless menus this author finds our American Creole and southern cuisine a broad field for investigation.

CORN WILL WIN DEMOCRACY'S WAR

America's Greatest Cereal Crop Is Now Moving to Market.

MAINSTAY IN NATION'S CRISIS.

Surplus Wheat of the United States Has Been Sent to Famine Threatened Europe.

America's great corn crop, exceeding 3,000,000,000 bushels, will save the world's food situation, officials of the United States food administration believe.

Corn is the nation's best food cereal, housewives are beginning to realize. It contains all the elements needed to keep the body in a state of health and when used according to the scores of tried recipes, especially when combined with an added portion of oil or fat, will sustain life indefinitely. Indian warriors in colonial days lived on parched corn alone for many days at a time, and at Valley Forge parched corn was at times the sole ration of the Continental soldiers.

Owing to transportation difficulties caused by the war the corn crop moved more slowly to market this year than ever before. Now, however, the cereal is reaching the millers and consumers. In the meantime the nation's surplus wheat has been sent to Europe.

Today there are approximately 30 bushels of corn for every American. This quantity is greater by five bushels than in former years.

Corn has become the nation's mainstay in the crisis of war.

Just as this cereal saved the first American colonists from famine on many occasions, just as it served as a staple food during the War of the Revolution and during the Civil War, King Corn has again come to the front in the nation's battle with autocracy.

Corn meal is finding greatly increased use in the making of ordinary white bread. Hundreds of housewives and many of the larger bakers are mixing 20 per cent. corn meal with wheat flour to make leavened bread. This kind of a mixture is worked and baked in the same recipes and with the same methods that apply to straight wheat bread.

Corn bread—using corn meal entirely—is gaining a greater popularity than ever before. Housewives are coming to realize that every pound of wheat saved in America means a pound of wheat released for shipment to the nations with which America is associated in the war.

There are a score of corn products that today possess unusual importance for Americans. Corn syrup for sweetening corn cakes and buckwheat cakes and for use in the kitchen instead of granulated sugar is one of the leading products made from corn.

Corn oil, excellent for frying and for every other purpose filled by salad oils, is appearing on the market in large quantities. It comes from the germ of the corn.

MADE-IN-GERMANY LIES CIRCULATED IN CANADA

Canada is also having trouble with Made-in-Germany lies calculated to hinder Canadian food conservation according to an official statement received from the Canadian food controller by the United States food administration.

The stories bothering Canada are of the same general character as those the United States food administrator recently denounced in this country, such as the ridiculous salt and blueing famine fakes and the report that the government would seize housewives' stocks of home canned goods.

The Canadian food controller estimates that when the people listen to and pass on such stories, each one has the power of destruction that lies in a battalion of soldiers.

"Stories without even a vestige of foundation have been scattered broadcast," said the Canadian statement. "Nor have they come to life casually. They have started simultaneously in different parts of the country and in each instance have been calculated to arouse public indignation.

"They are insidious, subtle, persistent. Bit by bit they dissipate public trust, the great essential in the work of food control.

"It lies with every individual to forbear from criticism; to refrain from passing on the vagrant and harmful story, and thus the more effectively to co-operate in work which is going to mean more than the majority of people yet realize."

THE UNITED STATES FOOD ADMINISTRATION SAYS:

There is no royal road to food conservation. We can only accomplish this by the voluntary action of our whole people, each element in proportion to its means. It is a matter of equality of burden; a matter of minute saving and substitution at every point in the 20,000,000 kitchens, on the 20,000,000 dinner tables, and in the 2,000,000 manufacturing, wholesale and retail establishments of the country.

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ORDINANCE NO. 68

AN ORDINANCE fixing the compensation of the Marshal, Street Commissioner and Health Officer of the Town of Concrete, Washington, and repealing all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith.

Be it ordained by the Council of the Town of Concrete:

Section 1. That the compensation to be paid to the Marshal of the Town of Concrete be, and the same is hereby fixed at the sum of Three hundred dollars ($300.00) per annum, payable monthly.

Sec. 2. That the compensation to be paid to the Street Commissioner of the Town of Concrete be, and the same is hereby fixed at the sum of Five hundred dollars ($500.00) per annum, payable monthly.

Sec. 3. That the compensation to be paid to the Health Officer of the Town of Concrete be, and the same is hereby fixed at the sum of One hundred dollars ($100.00) per annum, payable quarterly.

Sec. 4. That all of the salaries or compensation herein mentioned shall be paid by town warrants drawn on the general fund of the Town of Concrete.

Sec. 5. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication.

Passed this 5th day of February, 1918.

Approved this 5th day of February, 1918.

C. L. WAGNER, Mayor.

Attest: G. L. LEONARD, Clerk.

No. 04419
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

United States Land Office,
Seattle, Wash., Feb. 5, 1918.

Notice is hereby given that Garrett A. Dove, by Claire Evelyn Barton, his attorney in fact, the post office address of attorney in fact being Hotel Washington, Seattle, Wash., has on the 5th day of February, 1918, filed in this office his application to select under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1898 (30 Stat. 597, 620), S½ NE¼, E½ SE¼ Section 17, Township 34 North, Range 10 East, W. M.

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, to the disposal to applicant, should file their affidavits of protest in this office on or before the 26th day of March, 1918.

G. A. C. ROCHESTER, Register.
Feb. 9—Mar. 9.

No. 04134
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION
ISOLATED TRACT

PUBLIC LAND SALE
Department of the Interior
U. S. Land Office at Seattle, Wash.,
Dec. 27, 1917.

Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under provisions of Sec. 2455, R. S., pursuant to the application of Roswell J. MacDonald, Serial No. 04134, we will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, but at not less than $2.50 per acre, at 10 o'clock a. m., on the 26th day of February, 1918, next, at this office, the following tract of land: SW¼ NW¼ Section 28, Twp. 35 N., R. 8 E., W. M. (40 acres).

The sale will not be kept open, but will be declared closed when those present at the hour named have ceased bidding. The person making the highest bid will be required to immediately pay to the Receiver the amount thereof.

Any persons claiming adversely the above-described land are advised to file their claims, or objections, on or before the time designated for sale.

G. A. C. ROCHESTER, Register.
J. W. OYEN, Receiver.
Jan. 12—Feb. 9.

No. 04320
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION
(Publisher.)

Department of the Interior
U. S. Land Office at Seattle, Wash.,
Dec. 11, 1917.

Notice is hereby given that Ottilia Van Oosterom, whose postoffice address is Suquamish, Wash., did, on the 11th day of August, 1917, file in this office Sworn Statement and Application No. 04320, to purchase the Lot 5, Section 4, and SE¼ NE¼ Section 5, Township 33 N., Range 10 E., W. 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 appraisement, and that, pursuant to such application, the land and timber thereon have been appraised at a total of $282.50, the timber estimated 630,000 board feet at $262.50 and the land $20; that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 6th day of March, 1918, before 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 any time before patent issues, by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry.

G. A. C. ROCHESTER, Register.
Dec. 22—Feb. 23.

NOTICE TO CO-OWNER

To FRANK HANLON:

You are hereby notified that your proportionate share of the expenditures necessary as provided by law for development work on the following mining claims, Washington Amended, Myrtle, Daisy, Ada, Alda, Kentucky, Mazama, and Emma, for the year 1917, is $200.00; that you have failed and refused to pay your said proportionate amount necessary under the law for development work and that your co-owner, John Mack, was compelled and did do the necessary work in developing said claim, that such expenditures are necessary and such labor and development for the purpose of holding said mining claims and procuring a patent therefore and that unless you within 90 days after the date of the first publication of this notice, viz., the 19th day of January, 1918, pay said amount to your co-owner who made said expenditures your interest in said group of mining claims will lapse and become the property of your co-owner and who has made said expenditures.

JOHN MACK, Co-Owner.
Jan. 19—April 20.

SHORT LOCAL NOTES

—For Rent—Five-room furnished house. For particulars inquire of Joe Pallesen.

Mrs. A. L. Woodard and son, Raymond, and Mrs. Frank L. Woodard and son, Delbert, left Sunday for Everett where they expect to make their home. Mr. A. L. Woodard has been in Everett for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Riffe and daughter, Aileen, have moved to Seattle, where they will reside while Mr. Riffe is employed in the Bremerton navy yard.

Wm. Dennison and Cy Dale were visiting with friends in Sedro-Woolley Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ballard of Rockport spent Sunday with friends in this city.

Miss Cora Miller came up from Seattle Saturday evening for a short visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. P. Cunningham.

George Bartl, a well-known citizen of Marblemount, was visiting with friends in town Saturday evening.

W. H. Davies was attending to business affairs in Mount Vernon Monday.

—Wanted: a Billy goat. Address Sam Prestogino, box 133, Concrete, Wash.

Ernest Tennant, of Sauk, was transacting business and visiting with friends in town Monday.

Harold J. Smith came up from Seattle Saturday evening for a few days' visit with his family in this city.

Deputy Sheriff C. B. Pierce was up from Mount Vernon Monday to look after some official business in town.

M. L. Tiber came up the first of the week to make preparations for the opening of the new camp of the Marysville Logging company near this city.

Henry Preston was visiting with friends in Sedro-Woolley Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. H. V. Davies left for Sedro-Woolley Sunday morning for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Pierce at the Valley hospital.

Joe Reynolds left Monday morning for Seattle to attend to business matters and visit with friends.

F. D. Dennis, a farmer of Van Horn, was transacting business in town Tuesday.

—After February first the price of wood will be advanced to $2.25 per rick or $4.50 a load. City Transfer Co., W. B. Pierce, proprietor.

C. E. Morey was up from his farm at Moss Hill Wednesday to attend to business matters in the city.

H. C. Smith, manager of the Washington Portland Cement company, visited with Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Pierce at the Sedro-Woolley hospital Sunday.

Frank D. LeBold, cashier of the State Bank of Concrete, spent Sunday with relatives and friends in Sedro-Woolley.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Smith have been spending the week with relatives and friends in Sedro-Woolley.

C. L. Wagner, chief chemist of the Superior Portland Cement company, was a business visitor in Mount Vernon Tuesday.

Dr. F. B. West, of Mount Vernon, county health officer, was in the upper valley Tuesday on official business.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Prestogino are the proud parents of a fine baby girl, born Monday morning.

Will J. Corbett came in from Sedro-Woolley Wednesday to look after property interests and visit friends.

Mrs. Nellie Wheeler, manager of the Hamilton office of the Skagit River Telephone & Telegraph company, was a business visitor in town Tuesday evening.

Thos. Thompson, of Marblemount, was transacting business in town Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dilley, who have resided in this city for the past year, left the first of the week for Portland, Ore., where they will reside.

E. H. McCoy and C. E. Hutchinson returned Sunday evening from a week-end visit with friends in LaConner.

Miss Aileene Pierce, who is teaching in one of the Bellingham schools, spent Sunday with relatives in this city.

J. J. Mulalley left yesterday morning for a few days' business visit to Seattle.

Mrs. Frank W. Wetzel and Mrs. H. E. McQueen were business visitors in Burlington Thursday.

WILL NOT INVESTIGATE CAUSES OF RAILROAD WRECK

An official investigation was held Saturday over the causes of the railroad wreck at Sedro-Woolley of last Thursday night, and it was decided that neither an inquest nor further investigation was necessary. The coroner, Aaron Lentz, will cover it thoroughly in his annual report which he files with the county prosecuting attorney. Prosecutor A. E. Eliott, Sheriff Charles Stevenson and the officials from both railroads made a complete investigation and were agreed as not going to the expense of an investigation when the causes could be plainly seen without that trouble and expense.

MARBLEMOUNT RESIDENCE IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

The residence of C. H. Leonard, a farmer residing between Marblemount and Rockport, was totally destroyed by fire Friday of last week. All of the household goods and personal effects of the family were also destroyed, with the exception of a small amount of bedding and a few other small articles. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is believed to have caught from a defective flue. The total loss is estimated at about $1,000, with no insurance.

RETAILERS MAY INCREASE RATION OF WHITE FLOUR

White flour may now be retailed in this state on the basis of three pounds to one pound of substitutes, states the state food administrator. The new order, which increases the amount of white flour by 50 per cent, became effective Thursday.

Herbert Metzolf has been on the sick list this week, having been confined to his home by an attack of German measles.

Earl Tiber was reported on the sick list the first of the week.

Mrs. Peter Larson, of Van Horn, was attending to business affairs in town yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. H. C. Robertson and children left yesterday morning for a short visit with relatives and friends in Bellingham.

Geo. Ely was in from the power station at Bear creek yesterday to purchase supplies and attend to business matters.

Mrs. David Vier spent Thursday in Burlington, having some dental work done.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Thompson are the happy parents of a fine baby girl, born in Seattle February 1. Mother and daughter are reported to be getting along finely.

F. B. Benson, special agent for the United States Fidelity & Guaranty company, spent Wednesday in this city as the guest of W. A. A. Gorman, the local agent for the company.

Mrs. Donald Smith and little daughter were visiting with relatives and friends in Burlington the first of the week.

Joe Kinnerson, who has charge of the operation of the Baker ate fish hatchery, was transacting business and visiting with friends in town Thursday.

Ed Marseston came in from his farm on Bear creek yesterday to buy some needed supplies and visit with friends.

Alfred Boas, of the Baker River Mercantile company, returned yesterday from a few days' business visit in Seattle. Incidentally he took the examination under the selective draft law for army service while in Seattle.

John von Pressentin was up from his farm at Moss Hill yesterday afternoon to look after some business matters in the city.

Edwin Carlson returned to Seattle Wednesday after a few days' visit at the home of his parents in Grassmere.

H. J. Smith and F. R. Bates, of the Seattle office of the Washington Portland Cement company, were in town Tuesday attending to some business matters for the company.

William Saunders, who was making his maiden voyage in this territory for the Richmond Paper company of Seattle, was making the acquaintance of local business men yesterday.

The household goods of John Vernon, superintendent of the Puget Sound Saw Mill & Shingle company, were moved to town yesterday from Maple Falls and installed in the Geo. W. White residence on "C" street, where they will reside as soon as Mr. Vernon recovers from his injuries.

CHURCH NOTES

BAPTIST CHURCH

The regular Sunday services will be held in Eagles hall.

Sunday school at 10 a. m.

B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Group one will have charge of the meeting.

Preaching service at 7:30.

Order of service:

Prelude.

Doxology.

Invocation.

Hymn, "Softly Fades the Twilight Ray."

Scripture reading.

Prayer.

Offertory solo, Miss Lenora Schroeder.

Hymn, "We Praise Thee, O God."

Sermon, "The Value of Life."

Hymn, "Sowing in the Morning."

Benediction.

There will be no prayer meeting during the coming week.

The regular monthly meeting of the Mission circle will be held at the home of Mrs. E. V. Davies Wednesday afternoon at 2:30.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A special patriotic program in honor of Lincoln day has been arranged for the Presbyterian church service Sunday evening. The services will include a number of patriotic songs, and the pastor, Rev. C. E. Alexander, has prepared a special Lincoln day sermon.

Order of service as follows:

Organ voluntary.

Doxology.

Invocation.

Hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers."

Reading, "Lincoln's Gettysburg Address."

Hymn, "Red, White and Blue."

Scripture reading.

"Song to the Flag," choir.

Prayer.

Offertory solo, Mrs. P. J. Lindbeck.

Hymn, "Star Spangled Banner."

Lincoln day sermon.

Hymn, "America."

Benediction.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Mt. Baker Presbyterian church will give a 10-cent tea in the church parlors next Thursday afternoon. All are cordially invited to attend.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD AT HAMILTON FOR H. THOMPSON

(Continued from page 1)

He filled this position to the general satisfaction of the people of the county and was generally conceded to be the leading member of the board.

Besides his widow, he leaves surviving him three daughters, Elizabeth, wife of J. H. Minkler, a lumberman of Lyman; Annie, wife of Henry O'Malley, head superintendent of the bureau of fisheries, of Washington, D. C., and Jennie, wife of C. B. Bussell, superintendent of the Birdsview fish hatchery; four sons, William Henry Thompson, assistant superintendent of the Bernmaux Logging company, of Bernmaux, Wash.; Richard Thompson, a farmer of Grassmere; Thomas George Thompson, in the forestry service, stationed at Marblemount; and Anthony Whitehead Thompson, a farmer of Clair, Alberta.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our sincere thanks to our many friends and neighbors who so kindly and considerately extended to us their aid and sympathy following the death of our beloved husband and father. These kindly services have been gratefully appreciated, and have helped much to lighten our burden. We also express our appreciation of the many beautiful floral tributes received.

MRS. HENRY THOMPSON
and CHILDREN.

COMMISSIONERS ADOPT RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

At the meeting of the board of county commissioners Monday the following resolutions were adopted in respect to the memory of their late associate, Commissioner H. Thompson:

Whereas the Creator of the Universe has removed from our midst our associate and colleague, Henry Thompson, therefore be it

Resolved by the board of county commissioners of Skagit county, Washington, that this board recognizes Henry Thompson was a man of high ideals, sterling integrity and unselfishly devoted to his public duties.

That in his untimely death Skagit county has lost a most valued citizen and useful public officer.

That out of respect for his memory, it is ordered that the national flag be floated at half mast over the court house until his successor is selected and qualifies.

That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this board, and copy of same mailed to the family of the late Henry Thompson.

E. A. HIBBON,
H. W. BUTLER,
County Commissioners.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

Again the messenger of death has entered our midst and called from among us our beloved brother, Henry Thompson, reminding us of that great truth that "all that are born must die."

Be it resolved by Concrete Lodge No. 271, I. O. O. F., That we humbly bow in submission to Him who doeth all things well, and that we extend our sympathy to the widow and family of our deceased brother in this sad hour, and commend them to our Heavenly Father.

Be it further resolved, That the charter of this lodge be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days, a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the lodge, a copy sent to the family of our deceased brother, and a copy sent to the local paper for publication.

E. E. McKINNEY,
J. F. BROOKS,
W. J. O'CONNELL,
Committee.

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