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ALLISON IS FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER IN FIRST DEGREE

LYMAN MAN WILL SPEND HIS
LIFE IN PRISON FOR MURDER
OF WIFE LAST OCTOBER—
JURY OUT THREE HOURS.

Porter Allison was tried before a jury in the superior court in Mount Vernon Monday and Tuesday on a charge of murder for the killing of his wife at the family home in Lyman October 7, and the jury, after being out for three hours, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree. The hearing of the case was begun Monday morning, and the case went to the jury at 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. As a result of the verdict Allison will be sentenced to imprisonment for life in the state penitentiary. Allison was defended by C. D. Beagle, of Mount Vernon, while Prosecuting Attorney W. L. Brickey and his deputy, Sumner Hurd, conducted the case for the state.

The story of the murder is as follows:

On October 7, Allison stepped into the doorway of his home and reported that he was back again. Mrs. Allison was busy lighting the fire in the kitchen stove and remarked that she needed more wood for her fire, and attempted to pass her husband. He threw his arm about her shoulders, according to testimony, drew her to him and put a bullet through her heart. This was done in the presence of two children, girls aged 16 and 11 years.

Allison then rushed over to the Fiske home, about fifty feet distant, and fired a shot through the window at Mrs. Anna Fiske, who, evidence showed, had at various occasions attempted to reconcile the Allison, but had failed. The lights were quickly turned out in the Fiske home and Allison rushed back to his home and fired a second bullet through his wife's heart as she lay on the floor.

The citizens of Lyman immediately formed a posse, but Allison realized he was in danger and fled to the home of C. W. Johnson, constable, for protection.

TOASTED ROLLED OATS SKAGIT COUNTY PRODUCT

Electrically toasted oats, the first to be successfully run through any mill, were turned out by the Fisher mill in Mount Vernon this week. The product, after a thorough test, was pronounced absolutely first class, and will soon be placed on the market.

When the Fisher company took over the Mount Vernon plant, it was re-modeled and new equipment of the latest design added. Having acquired a patent for an electric process of toasting and drying the product, the company proceeded to engage experts to carry out their plans. The machinery which had been purchased for a projected plant in Seattle was shipped to Mount Vernon and installed. The new equipment consists of six electric toasters, two aspirators, which remove dirt and other foreign substances by suction, one drier, one dust collector and one set of heating coils. The mill has a capacity of 75 barrels per day, and on a double shift this capacity can be doubled.

PRINCIPALS' CLUB MEETS IN MOUNT VERNON TODAY

A meeting of the Skagit County Principals' club will be held in Mount Vernon this afternoon, and as every principal and teacher in the county has been urged to attend, a large attendance is anticipated. The features of the meeting will be an address on "War and Reconstruction" by Dr. O. H. Richardson, of the University of Washington, and a talk on "Educational Legislation, Passed and Pending," by Supt. H. C. Crumpacker of the Sedro-Woolley schools. A regular business meeting will also be held, at which Skagit county school matters will be taken up and discussed.

JOBS FOR SOLDIERS IS PURPOSE OF NEW RED CROSS SERVICE

MATTER TAKEN UP AT SPECIAL
MEETING OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY
CHAPTER—TO HAVE REPRESENTATIVE IN EACH BRANCH.

Every branch and auxiliary under the jurisdiction of the Sedro-Woolley chapter of the Red Cross, except Concrete and Hamilton, were represented at a special meeting held at the Red Cross headquarters in Sedro-Woolley Tuesday. The meeting was called for the purpose of listening to the address of J. K. Hannay, Jr., who is representing the head office in the federal employment service, who outlined the work to be done by the chapters and branches of the Red Cross in carrying on the work of finding employment for the soldiers and sailors as they are released from service. The Red Cross has but recently taken up this line of work, and so far the efforts of the organization have proved very successful.

At the special meeting H. L. Devin was named to have charge of this work in Sedro-Woolley and vicinity. A representative will be selected from each branch and auxiliary to take care of his community. The names of those selected will be announced later. Chairman Morgan of the chapter appointed E. G. Ludwick as chairman of the finance committee to succeed C. E. Bingham, and Mrs. E. G. Ludwick was named as chairman of the Junior Red Cross for the district covered by the chapter.

UNION CHURCH SERVICES WILL BE HELD TOMORROW

The Baptist and Presbyterian churches of this city will hold a union service at the Presbyterian church tomorrow evening. Rev. G. H. Redden will deliver the sermon, his subject being "The Unpardonable Sin." At 8:30 in the evening a young people's rally will be held, in which the young people of both churches will take part. Rev. Redden will speak on "How I Came to Be a Preacher." A preaching service will also be held in the forenoon at the Presbyterian church at 11 o'clock.

The usual Sunday school services will be held at both churches in the forenoon, but no service of any kind will be held at the Baptist church in the evening.

The revival services being held by Rev. Redden and Rev. McElmon have been continued through the week, the church being filled every evening. About sixteen new members have been added to the local churches as a result of the meetings. Whether the services will be continued through next week will be decided at the close of the service tomorrow evening. Rev. Redden has aroused great interest in church work here, and it is probable that he will be asked to stay for another week.

HATCHERY AT BAKER LAKE SENDS EGGS TO BIRDSVIEW

Foreman Jos. Kemmerich of the Baker lake fish hatchery has been kept busy for the past few weeks transferring several million silver salmon eggs from the Baker lake station to the hatchery at Birdsview. It has been found that the young silver salmon grow so much faster than the sockeye salmon that the young sockeye fry is eaten by the silvers if both are turned out into the lake at the same age. As the Baker lake hatchery was installed by the government for the especial purpose of propagating sockeyes, the hatchery force for the past few years have made a practice of taking the eggs from what silver salmon may be caught and, keeping the eggs until they are eyed, then transferring them to the government hatchery at Birdsview for hatching. The take of eggs at the lake was exceptionally large last year, and the capacity of the plant is taxed by the sockeye eggs on hand.

REPAIR WORK IN FLOODED VALENCIENNES



This interesting Canadian official photograph gives an example of the kind of rotten work the Germans did in their retreat. This is a street in Valenciennes, a town that was flooded by the enemy as he retreated, and, standing up to his knees in water, a Canadian signaller mending a damaged wire.

NO INFORMATION GIVEN REGARDING STATE BANK

Many of the depositors of the State Bank of Concrete are becoming impatient over what appears to be an unnecessary delay in arriving at a decision whether or not to reopen the bank. As practically a month has passed since the bank was closed by the bank examiner, and no steps have been taken as yet to have a receiver appointed to liquidate the affairs of the bank, it is generally believed that it will eventually be reopened. However, the large majority of the people of Concrete would be pleased to have an official announcement made to this effect, that the present uncertainty may be removed.

It has been reported that a representative of the bank examiner's office will be in town this afternoon for the purpose of straightening out some liberty bond matters and to make arrangements for the delivery of some bonds now held in the bank vault, and it is hoped that during his stay in the city some information may be forthcoming as to when the bank will again be open for business.

So far as can be learned, no clue has been obtained by the sheriff's office as to the present whereabouts of L. A. O'Brien, former president of the bank, although efforts are still being made to locate him.

COUNTY DAIRYMEN HOLD MEETING IN BURLINGTON

The meeting of the dairymen of Skagit county, held in Burlington last Saturday to consider legislation affecting the industry, was attended by over 400 dairymen from all parts of the county. Several bills now pending before the state legislature, including the so-called milk code, were discussed, and all were disapproved. The milk code covers over 90 pages of typewritten matter, and was condemned for the reason that it was brought up to the legislature without giving the dairy interests time to consider its merits. Lewis Ekman, John Kill and Alfred Johnson were named as a legislative committee to represent the county association in Olympia.

PLAN FOR GENERAL STRIKE IN ANACORTES CALLED OFF

Efforts to make the general strike in Anacortes complete have been called off, and the unions striking in sympathy with the shipyard workers went back to work Thursday morning. About the only union men who went out on the call for a general strike were the longshoremen and the shipgrewers. The cooks and waiters went out for 24 hours, to show their sympathy with the strikers, but were back on the job the next morning. The timberworkers held a meeting last Saturday night and decided not to go out. The shipyard men are still out, and there are no indications of an early settlement of their strike.

PETERSON ROAD PETITION DENIED BY COUNTY BOARD

At a meeting of the board of county commissioners last week, the petition for the construction of a paved road, known as the Peterson road, to connect the Avon-Allen road with the Pacific highway, was denied. A large number of farmers residing along the proposed highway were in attendance at the meeting, and a large part of the afternoon was devoted to oratory, but the petitioners were unable to change the decision of the board. This petition had been granted by the former board, and it is understood that suit will be started to compel the present board to carry out the decision of the old board. A proposal to pave from 35th street in Anacortes to the main county road, a distance of 1.3 miles, was approved by the commissioners. The city of Anacortes and the county will divide the cost of the paving.

CHILD LOSES HAND WHEN DYNAMITE CAP EXPLODES

Bert, the eight-year-old son of F. E. Eldred, who lives near Clear Lake, lost the greater part of his left hand last Saturday as the result of the explosion of a dynamite cap. The little boy had found the cap while out playing, and while experimenting with it the cap exploded, badly lacerating his left hand. The doctor who was called found it necessary to amputate the thumb and two fingers, and it is believed that the remaining fingers can be saved. The Eldred family made their home in this city some years ago.

PETITION CIRCULATED FOR PAVING CLEAR LAKE ROAD

A petition is being circulated by the residents of Clear Lake and vicinity for the paving of the road from Sedro-Woolley, through Clear Lake and on to the Pacific highway out of Mount Vernon, the road to be built under the Donohue law. If this project goes through it will assure a paved highway from Sedro-Woolley to Mount Vernon, with the exception of a small strip between the former city and the end of the Skagit river bridge.

CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY TO BUILD CEMENT WALKS

At a meeting of the Sedro-Woolley city council, held Monday, it was decided to order all worn-out wooden walks to be torn out to avoid probable damage suits against the city. The order of the council also provides that all walks ordered out shall be replaced by cement walks. Plans for financing the new walks needed at once are now being considered, and definite action will be taken at the next meeting of the council. The city marshal was also instructed to strictly enforce the automobile ordinance.

JEFFRIES NAMED AS SCHOOL DIRECTOR TO SUCCEED CARTER

IS RECOMMENDED FOR VACANT
PLACE—THE ANNUAL SCHOOL
ELECTION WILL BE HELD ON
SATURDAY, MARCH 1.

A. T. Jeffries, proprietor of the Concrete Market, and one of the best known business men of the city, has been recommended by the members of the local board of school directors for appointment to the vacancy caused by the resignation of J. A. Carter, who moved to Bellingham some weeks ago. The appointment will be made by the county superintendent of schools, and the official notice is expected any day. Mr. Jeffries is appointed for the unexpired term of Mr. Carter, which will expire March 23, but it is generally believed that he will be elected for the full term of three years at the annual school election if he will consent to be a candidate for the position.

The annual school election will be held at the old school building during the afternoon of Saturday, March 1, at which time one school director for the term of three years will be elected. Usually there are only a few votes cast at school elections in this city, but this year may prove an exception. Registration is not required of voters at school elections, but qualifications otherwise are the same as for general elections.

REEBEKAH LODGE TO HAVE BENEFIT SHOW TONIGHT

The program at the Concrete theater tonight will be largely in charge of the ladies of the Concrete Rebekah lodge, who, under an arrangement with Manager McDonald, will receive a percentage of the receipts for their order. The photoplay for the evening will be "The Kingdom of Love," a Fox drama, featuring Jewel Carmen. Added attractions will be a number of songs and recitations by home talent under the direction of the Rebekahs. The ladies have been busy selling tickets for several days, and a crowded house is expected this evening.

Tomorrow night Sardon's famous opera, "La Tosca," will be shown, with Pauline Frederick in the stellar role. This picture is full of magnificent stage settings, and the acting is good throughout. Tuesday night the popular Goldwyn star, Mae Marsh, who has appeared in pictures here several times during the past few months, will again be shown, this time in "The Glorious Adventure." This picture is said to be fully up to the standard of her former productions, and is one well worth seeing.

BAPTIST LADIES' AID TO HOLD MEETING WEDNESDAY

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church will hold its next regular meeting Wednesday afternoon, February 19, at the home of Mrs. Mattie Robinson in Crofoot's addition with Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. F. H. Roller as hostesses. As here are a number of business matters of importance to come up for consideration at this meeting, all members are urged to attend and bring their friends.

LADIES' AUXILIARY MEETS AT HOME OF MRS. FEAZEL

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Mt. Baker Presbyterian church met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Geo. W. Feazel in Crofoot's addition, with a large number of members and visitors in attendance. A short but interesting business session was held, followed by a social meeting, during which delicious refreshments were served by the hostess. The meeting was an enjoyable one throughout, and all who attended were well pleased.

TIME FOR PAYING INCOME TAX WILL NOT BE EXTENDED

RETURNS MUST BE FILED AND
PAYMENTS MADE BEFORE
MARCH 15—TAXPAYERS WILL
BE GIVEN ASSISTANCE.

Following the approval of the new revenue bill by congress, the internal revenue bureau announced that there would be no general extension of time beyond March 15 for the filing of returns and payment of income taxes due on that date. A financial emergency makes it necessary to get the initial tax payments in by March 15. Some months ago in financing the war the treasury department issued certificates of indebtedness amounting to \$800,000,000, maturing March 15. The first payments of the income tax and excess profits taxes will be needed to meet this huge obligation.

The internal revenue bureau must carry out the program prescribed in the new law, which requires all returns for 1918 to be filed on or before March 15, and requires the first quarterly payment, or the entire amount, to be made on or before that date. Every taxpayer who can possibly do so is urged to make full payment of his income tax before that date. The quarterly payment method is intended for taxpayers whose financing of the tax at one time would tend to upset local financial conditions.

The bureau has arranged to send out an advisory force of agents and deputies to assist taxpayers. These officers will be stationed at convenient points, where they can be consulted without charge. Taxpayers should get in touch with these men for assistance in preparing returns. The forms for the tax returns are now being printed, and all forms will be in the hands of collectors and deputies between February 15 and March 1.

SUPERIOR CEMENT PLANT IS AGAIN IN OPERATION

The big cement factory of the Superior Portland Cement company, which has been shut down for several months while repairs were being made and new machinery installed, started up again Monday afternoon, and since that time has been grinding out cement to almost the full capacity of the plant. The new machinery is working smoothly and everything started off without a hitch. The only difficulty so far has been to bring down enough rock from the quarry to keep the factory going at full capacity, but this is being remedied rapidly, and within a short time it is expected that the plant will be turning out over 3,000 barrels of the finished product every day.

HERD OF GOATS SHIPPED FOR PORTLAND CHILDREN

A herd of 210 Angora goats was brought from Cypress island to Mount Vernon the first of the week and from there shipped to Portland, where they will be distributed by lot to the school children as part of the agricultural club program of the city schools. The shipment was in charge of A. I. O'Reilly, Oregon state leader in boys' and girls' club work.

YOUNG LADY CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

A jolly crowd of young people gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wolfe in Crofoot's addition yesterday evening to help Miss Irene McGovern to properly celebrate her sixteenth birthday anniversary. The evening was spent in the enjoyment of music, games and social conversation and in having a real good time. Delicious refreshments were served at a late hour. It was near the midnight hour when the happy guests departed, all voting it one of the merriest parties of the season.

The money you spent for liberty bonds will be used to destroy the Huns. The money you give the Red Cross will save Americans.

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Assessor.....Jess E. Rossely, Jr.

HAMILTON

Mrs. Carrie Woodruff and small granddaughter, Marie Smith, of Bayview, came up to Hamilton Wednesday of this week. Mrs. Woodruff will act as housekeeper for Mr. Phipps.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Rosser were Bellingham visitors Thursday of this week.

Carrol Bryson, of Independence, came up Wednesday for a visit of a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bryson.

Owing to illness among the pupils in the Steen school, it has been closed this week, and Miss Dahlquist is teaching in the Central school, taking the place of Miss Clara O'Neill of the second grade, who is still unable to return to her duties.

W. E. Armstrong is driving a new car.

Mark S. Jackson, of the W. W. Alverson insurance agency of San Francisco, was in Hamilton Thursday on business connected with establishing a Hamilton agency for fire and automobile insurance.

Rev. Father Noonan, of Sedro-Woolley, will hold services in the Catholic church next Sunday, Feb. 16.

Mrs. C. Robinson and Mrs. A. J. Jacobin were Sedro-Woolley visitors Monday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Klanders left Tuesday morning for Bellingham and Lynden, where they will visit for several days.

Mrs. A. P. Floyd spent Tuesday of this week in Sedro-Woolley.

Rev. F. G. Willey attended the meeting of the Skagit County Ministerial association at Avon Monday of this week, and on Tuesday he went to Sedro-Woolley to attend the group conference of pastors and laymen from Acme, Hamilton, Lyman and Sedro-Woolley. H. S. Crothers and J. G. Stewart were lay delegates from Hamilton to the conference. This conference will discuss what part this group will take in the great centenary fund campaign of the Methodist church, which has as its goal the raising of eighty million dollars for reconstruction work.

Next Sunday there will be preaching services both morning and evening at the church. Rev. Holiday, of Burlington, occupying the pulpit at the 11 o'clock service and Rev. A. O. Quall, of Avon, preaching at 8 o'clock in the evening. It is likely that the orchestra will be augmented by the addition of another instrument or perhaps two, and the music will be a special feature of the evening service.

The Hamilton motion picture theatre will give a matinee next Sunday afternoon and will probably continue this plan regularly, so that the picture show will not interfere with the church service.

Mrs. Wm. Love visited in Sedro-Woolley Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. Louis LaMar returned Friday of last week from an extended visit with her aunt, Mrs. F. C. King, of Sedro-Woolley.

Mrs. Motz Hamilton entertained last Sunday Bud Meade, of Montana, and Miss Ethel Tatham, of Sterling. Mr. Meade has just returned from France, where he fought side by side with Ralph Tatham on the bloody battlefield of the Marne and was wounded on the same day, July 18. His stories of his life in France are intensely interesting to Ralph's family. Both Mr. Meade and Ralph recovered from their wounds of July and were able to rejoin their company, but Mr. Meade was wounded again October 3, and it is because of this second wound that he is now at home ahead of the rest of his company.

Out of the eighteen boxes sent to France through the local Red Cross five have now been heard from, the

latest being that of Louis Cannon, whose mother and sister, Mrs. Amanda Cannon and Mrs. Motz Hamilton, have word that his box came to him on December 21, and the contents were in excellent condition but disappeared very rapidly after being opened.

Mrs. S. H. Sprinkle has been appointed librarian of the church library and reports that many books are missing from the collection. She asks that all books out be brought in as soon as possible, so that the lists can be checked up.

Miss Bertha Banks entertained the girls of the Canning club at her room on Noble street Wednesday afternoon. At the brief business session the following officers were chosen: President, Constance Weddell; vice president, Dorothy Rosser; secretary, Theo Cummings; assistant leader, Ariel K. Ward; program committee, Nettie Bryson, Mollie Moyer, Daisy Hamilton and Fairy Reece. The remaining time was happily spent with a valentine box and in playing valentine games. Dainty refreshments were served. Club members in attendance were: Dorothy Rosser, Constance Weddell, Ada Claire Axelrod, Rhoda Reece, Fairy Reece, Amanda Hamilton, Theo Cummings, Daisy Hamilton, Kathryn Moore, Geraldine Vaughn, Adine Vaughn, Miss Wade and Miss Banks. The club plans to meet on the last Friday of each month.

Mrs. J. A. Mitchell, of Bellingham, is visiting with her son, Harry Mitchell, having arrived in Hamilton last Sunday.

H. A. Moore left Tuesday morning for a business trip to Seattle and Everett.

Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Weddell arrived home Monday evening from a two days' visit in Seattle.

Mrs. Ira Hays was in Bellingham Thursday and Friday of last week.

Miss Marguerite Cook, of the local telephone exchange, spent Sunday with her people in Sedro-Woolley.

Mrs. Nell Wheelock returned Wednesday evening from a business visit to Seattle.

Mrs. Wm. Lanway, supervisor of Belgian relief garments in the Hamilton Red Cross, reports that there has just been received 100 undergarments to be made up immediately, and workers are urged to be at the Red Cross rooms on the working afternoons, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, to help with this work.

Thursday evening of last week Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Slipper entertained with an enjoyable musical evening the following guests: Misses Melkild, Moffett, Banks and Hayson. Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Slipper again entertained complimentary to Frank Kellner. Music and dancing entertained the guests to a late hour, when dainty refreshments were served by Mrs. Slipper. Those who enjoyed the pleasant evening were: Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Moore, Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Weddell, Mrs. F. G. Slipper, Mrs. S. H. Sprinkle, Misses Norma Wansbrough, Ariel Ward, Isabel Jacobs of Sedro-Woolley, and Messrs. L. E. Pequette, Armine Slipper, Fern Reddish of Sedro-Woolley, and the guest of honor, Frank Kellner.

Another enjoyable affair honoring Frank Kellner was a dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Moore Sunday. Covers were laid for the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Slipper, Misses Marianne Slipper and Isabel Jacobs, and Frank Kellner.

Send for a Bomb, Sir.
The excited voice of the mother of George B. Elliott of the firm of Breed, Elliott & Harrison, announced that an old house owned by Mr. Elliott was burning.

"Is it still burning?" inquired Mr. Elliott, with some anxiety in his voice. When informed in the affirmative, he replied, with much relief, "Well, there is nothing that I can do," and told his mother to notify him if the fire was in danger of going out.—Indianapolis News.

COMMENTS OF THE STATE PRESS

Some Real Thoughts from the Think Tanks of Thoughtful Thinkers

A highway over the Cascades through Skagit or Whatcom counties would bring to the notice of the country scenery that would make Baedeker lay in a new supply of adjectives.—Anacortes American.

Lots of men who are rank failures in their own cabbage patch are there with bells when it comes to telling trained statesmen how to properly guide the good old ship of state.—Guemes Beachcomber.

A man can never figure out to his own satisfaction what his wife saw about him to make her believe he was worth settling down with, and some of us might feel worse if we did really know just how it happened.—Camas Post.

For awhile we thought the war was something of a mess, but it was eclipsed by the "flu," and now that the flu scare has vanished, the strikers are holding the boards. It soon will be time for another outbreak of Villaitis.—Bellingham Herald.

Man is willing to give woman everything but the right to vote. Probably because he has not learned to use that right properly himself and doesn't think it safe to trust it to woman.—Everett Labor Journal.

It may be that formerly we were too proud to fight, but certainly now we are proud of our fighting.—Kent Journal.

When we rake up the nasty things we have done as individuals and pile them into a dirty monument in our own back yards, we seldom have much of evil to say about the shortcomings of our neighbors.—Guemes Beachcomber.

A St. Louis man is bidding for fame with the statement that he taught Kaiser Bill how to skate. Before anybody else springs it we wish to observe that this pastime isn't indulged in in the locality where Bill will finally reside.—Auburn Globe-Republican.

At the recent meeting of the directors of the Skagit County Fair association it was decided to hold one of the biggest, best, most representative agricultural, live stock and general farm featuring annual demonstrations ever held by the association.—Burlington Journal.

Having wound up the soviet revolt and rid the community of the influenza, Mr. Average Citizen can now spare a little time to making out his income tax statement before it comes time to spade up the back-yard garden.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Considering the number of men who are on strike, or talking about quitting their jobs, maybe it would be just as well if those patriots who want to spend a few millions to stave off unemployment would wait until the work seems to be in demand.—Yakima Republic.

The legislators of California are battling with the flu mask. Legislators like to talk, and object to the enforcement of the mask law against legislators in Sacramento. The police were condemned and censured by the law makers for trying to arrest them in hotel lobbies, which, they point out, are their homes in the capital. A masked legislator would be impossible.—Sedro-Woolley Courier.

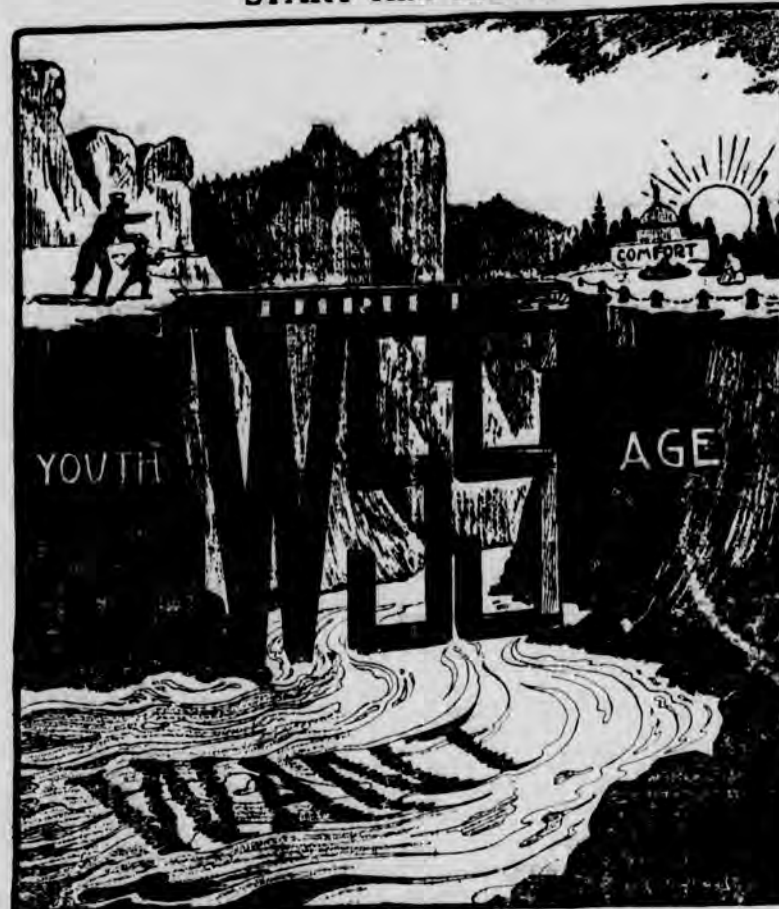
The government is requesting us to figure up our 1918 income, so that there will be no delay in turning in our income tax schedules at the proper time. It is also delicately hinting at the probability of a Victory liberty loan in the spring.—Kent Journal.

One of the by-products of the war is the organization of the boys' and girls' clubs throughout the country, and the resulting interest among school children everywhere in the processes of producing and making things, not excluding money. It is to be hoped that the interest is permanent.—Anacortes American.

Now someone proposes to again tinker with the primary law by tacking on a presidential preference primary plank. Sometimes we find a piece of machinery needs so much tinkering that its value is lost in the repairs. Some day we hope to see a set of men in the state bold enough, and fearless enough, to strike at the root of this matter, and do to the primary law what ought to be done to it.—Chehalis Bee-Nugget.

From the way all the balance of the factions in Russia resent the peace conference proposition to meet with the Bolsheviks, it may be inferred the latter bunch has about the same standing in Russia as does the I. W.

START HIM RIGHT



WIN \$3 A WORD BY WRITING A VICTORY SLOGAN

Good Victory Liberty Loan slogans are wanted by the general publicity committee of the Twelfth Federal Reserve District with headquarters in San Francisco.

The committee will pay as high as \$3 a word. First prize will be \$30, second prize \$20, and third prize, \$10. Slogans should be limited to 10 or 12 words. Send all slogans to SLOGAN EDITOR, Room 201, 430 California Street, San Francisco, California. The contest closes Saturday, March 22.

There are no Liberty Loans ahead of you after the Victory Loan, so mortgage your future for Victory Bonds. Thousands of our soldiers and sailors mortgaged their futures.

Your boy will be a better man than you are if you give him a weekly allowance for Thrift Stamps. Let him buy them himself.

When the Fat Years Return

By F. C.

Ambulance 1-86, Western Front.

When the fat years return, and, rich and free,
You half forget, as men have ever done,
The price once paid for your security,
Thinking too much of fortune lost or won.
Too much of pride and laughter, food and ease,
Or of some public favor cheaply earned,
Oh, then turn back the page and think of these
Who gave their bodies for freedom to be burned—
For these lived, too; they, too, loved ease and laughter,
Sunlight, the green earth. All that you still keep
They had, and more—vision. If you come after
And dare forget them, buried so young, so deep,
And dare forget this faith for which they stood—
Ah, but you will not, being of their blood! —The Outlook.

Start figuring now on your personal quota of Victory Liberty Bonds. If you don't, start figuring on increased taxes.

MONTHLY WAR STAMP QUOTAS FIXED FOR TWELFTH DISTRICT

The Treasury Department has assigned to the Twelfth Federal Reserve District the following monthly quotas to be raised in War Savings Stamps during 1919:

January	\$ 4,200,000
February	4,800,000
March	5,400,000
April	6,000,000
May	6,600,000
June	7,200,000
July	7,800,000
August	8,400,000
September	9,000,000
October	10,800,000
November	12,000,000
December	13,200,000

Total \$96,000,000

The total to be raised throughout the country is \$1,600,000,000.

W. in this country.—Auburn Globe-Republican.

A new rule went into effect on the Great Northern railroad last Sunday whereby no freight trains are to move from midnight Saturday until after midnight Sunday. This new rule gives a full Sunday's rest to freight train crews, many switchmen, yard men and other employees of the railroad.—Snohomish County Tribune.

A dependable backbone is a mighty good friend to the retailer. It enables him to determine upon a policy and stick to it, to fix a price and abide by it; to start something and stay with it. It's the backbone that supports your head piece, and determines whether ability counts or is of small account. It's the man with backbone that masters his business. It's the merchant who lacks spinal column whose business masters him.—West Coast Trade.

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PUBLIC LAND SALE

Department of the Interior,
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Jan. 10, 1919.

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 Arthur O. Jones, Serial No. 04331, we will offer at public sale to the highest bidder, but at not less than \$2.00 per acre, at 10 o'clock a.m., on the 24th day of March, 1919, next, at this office, the following tract of land: SE 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 9, T. 33 N., R. 6 E., W. 4.

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.
Jan. 18—Feb. 15.

Things That Are Doing in the County

The N. A. Nelson shoe and clothing store in LaConner was sold last week to Henry Hall, recently from Tacoma, and Mr. Nelson will devote his time to farming. Mr. Hall was associated with W. C. Wiggin in a grocery store in LaConner some years ago.

Word was received last week of the death of Mrs. S. A. Garlick, of Burlington, in Michigan January 30. She was visiting at her old home at the time of her death. The body was taken to Harlan, Ia., for interment.

Richard M. Davis, a Sedro-Woolley farmer, died Friday of last week from injuries received from a fall from a load of hay in Clear Lake the day before. The hay started to slide off the wagon, causing him to fall to the pavement, breaking his back. He is survived by his wife and two children.

At a recent meeting of the LaConner Commercial club the following officers were elected for 1919: President, Ivan Alexander; vice president, Carl Hultman; secretary, C. R. Kem; treasurer, W. S. Packard.

C. A. Nelson, superintendent of the Mount Vernon schools, was named as county chairman for the boys' and girls' club work for this year at a meeting held in Mount Vernon. There were about sixty school districts represented at the meeting.

The city authorities of Mount Vernon have decided to enforce an aged curfew ordinance, and curfew will ring every evening at 9 o'clock.

The James O'Laughlin farm near Mount Vernon was sold last week to James Lane for a consideration of \$27,000. Mr. O'Laughlin has resided on the farm continuously for over forty years.

Frank Fritch, an aged resident of Burlington, died at his home Thursday of last week from paralysis. He was 73 years of age, and had made his home in Burlington for 25 years. He leaves a wife, two sons and two daughters.

Mrs. James Smith, an aged woman of Sedro-Woolley, fell from a chair Monday of last week and broke one of her legs. The injury is a serious one on account of her age.

An epidemic of mumps has made its appearance in Sedro-Woolley, and the school attendance has again dropped to far below normal.

The Mount Vernon high school basketball team has the edge on the county championship as a result of winning from the Burlington team in a hard-fought game by the narrow margin of 21 to 20.

W. S. Patton, of Sedro-Woolley, was badly injured at the Cokedale mine Monday of last week. When standing below a coal chute he was caught by a load of coal coming down the chute and nearly buried.

Neils Jensen, a resident of Anacortes for the past eight years, died Monday of last week after a short illness. He was a native of Denmark and was 72 years of age.

Courtland C. Temple, former city clerk of Anacortes, has arranged to enter the advertising business in California as soon as he is discharged from the army.

Dr. F. E. Whittaker, of Sedro-Woolley, died Wednesday of last week from influenza in Everett. He had been practicing in Sedro-Woolley for about a year.

Some weeks ago John H. Fortner, a former resident of Lyman and Sedro-Woolley, was reported to have been killed in action. Last week a letter was received by the I. O. O. F. lodge of Sedro-Woolley announcing that Fortner was still alive and was in the base hospital at Camp Lewis recovering from wounds.

Abraham Goldberg died in the Valley hospital in Sedro-Woolley last week after a short illness. The remains were shipped to Seattle for interment.

A corporation has been formed in Anacortes to take over the building and business of the Rex theater, which was closed recently by W. W. Krieger. The house was re-opened last Saturday night.

At a meeting of the Anacortes city council, held last week, it was decided to build concrete sidewalks on both sides of Commercial avenue from 10th to 36th streets.

A meeting of the Skagit County Medical society was held in Anacortes January 31. New officers were elected for the year as follows: President,

Dr. Llewellyn Cook, Anacortes; vice president, Dr. J. Fred Mills, Sedro-Woolley; secretary-treasurer, Dr. Luman S. Roach, Mount Vernon. The records of the organization show that there are fourteen Skagit county physicians now holding commissions in the army and navy.

Two trained nurses were added to the staff of the Anacortes hospital last week, Mrs. B. F. Mudgett, of Seattle, and Miss Mabel Munson, of Bellingham.

Martin Wagner and Miss Gertrude Fodman, both of Anacortes, were married in Mount Vernon February 1.

Dr. H. M. Wheeler, who has been conducting a dental parlor in LaConner for the past year, has moved to Anacortes, where he has purchased the dental business of Dr. Bean.

A new Mount Vernon firm is the Doty-Powell Truck company, consisting of Burr Doty and J. A. Powell. They will engage in the trucking and express business.

Mrs. Mary C. Horn, a resident of Mount Vernon for 18 years, died Feb. 1 from burns received a few days before. She was 77 years of age and is survived by five children, three in Mount Vernon and two in the east.

The Mount Vernon city council has passed an ordinance fixing a license fee of \$10 per day for canvassers for magazine and newspaper subscriptions.

Frank Earthfield, 33 years old, died from influenza in Anacortes Monday of last week. He came to Anacortes from Norway 15 years ago.

Thieves entered the E. A. Phillips store in Anacortes Monday night of last week and carried away 16 pocket knives, several flash lights and an automatic revolver.

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SHORT LOCAL NOTES

E. P. Lucas returned the first of the week from a few weeks' business visit to Seattle and other Sound cities.

Alex. Park came down from his farm near Sauk Saturday to attend to some business matters and visit with old friends in town.

T. C. Price, of Minkler, has been spending the week in town as a guest at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Ritchie.

E. L. Gardner, who was severely burned in a gas explosion in the Cokedale mine a short time ago, returned to his home in this city Sunday. He has practically recovered from his injuries.

Mrs. B. B. Pierce was reported to be seriously ill the first of the week, but is now said to be slowly improving.

Mrs. Mattie Robinson left Sunday for Seattle, where she was called by the illness of an old friend. She expects to be gone for several weeks.

Floyd H. Roller left Sunday for Faber to do some engineering work for the new shingle mill to be built near there.

Dudley I. Green, proprietor of the Concrete drug store, left Monday morning for a short business visit in Sedro-Woolley.

Axel Foss was transacting business and visiting with friends in Sedro-Woolley Monday.

Mrs. K. Glover, manager of the Skagit River Telephone company, left Monday for a few days' business visit to Hamilton and Sedro-Woolley.

H. M. Powlison, a mill man of Van Horn, was looking after business affairs in town Monday.

E. E. Aldridge came in from his farm south of the Skagit Thursday to look after some property interests in this city.

C. E. Murdock was transacting business in Burlington and other down-river cities Monday.

H. C. Landes is kept pretty busy in his blacksmith shop these days, but he managed to take enough time off Monday to make a short business trip to Sedro-Woolley.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey E. Shannon left Monday evening for a few days' visit with relatives and friends in Hamilton.

Andy Brunell was attending to business matters in Rockport and vicinity Monday.

G. A. Olson, who has been spending the winter on his farm near Ballard, returned to town the first of the week and is again doing carpenter work in this vicinity.

Oscar Banner, formerly of Marblemount, but now located in Eastern Washington, spent Tuesday in town as a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Gardner.

W. J. McDonald, manager of the Concrete theater, was transacting business in Sedro-Woolley Tuesday forenoon.

O. F. Olsen left Tuesday morning for a few days' business visit to various down-river cities.

Cal. D. Ryan, formerly foreman at the Baker lake fish hatchery, who has been in charge of a hatchery at Duckabush for the past few years, was greeting old friends in town Tuesday. He left the last of the week for Ketchikan, Alaska, where he will be in charge of a large government hatchery.

L. E. Wolfe, cashier at the Concrete depot, was looking after business matters and visiting with friends in Sedro-Woolley for a few hours Tuesday.

—Did you ever go on an adventure? Come and go with Mae Marsh on one that will please you next Tuesday night at the Concrete theatre. It is a Goldwyn movie and will please you, as they do many others who are buck with us again.

F. S. Legas returned to town Tuesday evening from Norfolk, Va., where he ended his first cruise as a sailor boy in the merchant marine, being a member of the crew of the SS. Crusoe. He states that he had an interesting voyage, but hopes to receive his discharge soon, as he does not particularly care for a seafaring life. He will return to Seattle this evening.

George Nick, the hard-working shoemaker, left Wednesday morning for a few days' business visit in Seattle.

H. J. Mooney spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Anacortes, Sedro-Woolley and Mount Vernon, returning Monday.

R. Roggenstroh, of the Baker River Lumber company, was a business visitor in Sedro-Woolley Wednesday.

Ed Markstrom was in from his farm on Bear creek Wednesday to visit with friends in town for a few hours.

Miss Veryl Robinson, domestic science teacher in the Concrete school, was a business visitor in Sedro-Woolley Wednesday evening.

Otto von Pressentin came up from his farm at Moss Hill Wednesday to look after some business interests in town.

Mrs. Anne Boynton left Thursday morning for a short visit with friends in Sedro-Woolley.

Miss Grace Johns, of the Van Horn teaching force, was visiting with friends and attending to business matters in town Tuesday evening.

D. D. Dillard, of the Baker River Lumber company, was looking after business matters in Sedro-Woolley Thursday.

Mrs. Frank Ritchie, who has been on the sick list for the past two weeks, is reported to be slowly improving.

Joe Kemmerich, foreman of the Baker lake hatchery, returned to the lake the first of the week, after a short business visit in town.

W. L. Connally returned to Everett Sunday after a week's visit with his family in this city.

Mrs. E. A. Hayden, of Joseph, Ore., arrived in town Wednesday evening for a few weeks' visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. C. Bride.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Roller and children left yesterday morning for a few days' visit with relatives and friends in Burlington.

J. E. Metcalf left Thursday evening for a short business visit in Sedro-Woolley.

E. G. Ellison, of Sauk, was transacting business in town yesterday.

Mrs. John P. Olsen left Tuesday morning for a short visit with friends in Sedro-Woolley.

Mrs. Christine Haines was a business visitor in Mount Vernon yesterday.

S. B. Ellison, a well-known farmer of Sauk, was visiting with friends and attending to business matters in town yesterday.

H. Ries left yesterday morning for a short business visit in Hamilton.

J. J. McDougall left Thursday evening for a short business visit to Sedro-Woolley and other down-river points.

D. I. Green was transacting business and greeting old friends in Bellingham yesterday.

W. W. Caskey, of the Sauk Timber company, was in town yesterday.

ROCKPORT

Lars Naslund, of Monroe, has been spending the week here as a guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. Frank Alexander.

Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Hooper and baby have returned home from Hamilton, where they have been visiting with Mrs. Hooper's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson.

Miss Ellen Anderson, of Seattle, is visiting this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Polson.

Mr. and Mrs. Juett, of Idaho, are making a visit here with Mrs. Juett's father, Frank Olson.

Jerome Martin was a business visitor in Seattle for several days last week.

Milton Strand, of North Yakima, is making an extended visit at the home of Pete Hammer.

Little Norman Pressentin has been on the sick list this week.

Robert Hatt returned Thursday from Montana, where he has been spending the winter.

William Tracy, of Seattle, was greeting old friends and attending to business matters here Friday.

Will Fenton, who has been station agent here for the past year, has been transferred to Delta. Mr. Fenton and family left the first of the week for their new home.

Miss Grace O'Connor spent Sunday with friends in Sauk.

James Hooper was transacting business and visiting with friends in Seattle for several days the first of the week.

Mrs. William Porter returned on Thursday from Sedro-Woolley, where she has been visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson, for a few days.

VAN HORN

Prof. E. J. Klemme, of the Bellingham normal, spoke to a large crowd at the Grange hall Saturday night. This was Mr. Klemme's second appearance at Van Horn, and he was enthusiastically welcomed. The professor gave the first of a series of entertainments which will be given at intervals of about a month. Mr. Parish, a reader and singer of talent, will be on the program in March.

Mrs. Nellie Brower and son Earl and daughter Charlotte are making an extended visit with Mrs. Brower's mother, Mrs. Mary Robertson.

H. M. Powlison was a business visitor in Seattle Tuesday and Wednesday.

A. L. Howard, who is now a resident of Sedro-Woolley, visited in Van Horn between trains Sunday.

Earl Robertson cut his foot Tuesday morning while chopping brush. It was necessary to take a couple of stitches to close the cut, but he is able to walk around on crutches.

Mrs. Frank Yeager was called to the bedside of her father, Mr. Ellison, the first of the week. He is critically ill at his home at Sauk.

Mrs. Mary Robertson left Tuesday for a short visit with relatives and friends in Seattle.

Rev. B. K. McElmon and Rev. G. H. Redden were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Ely Thursday.

Mrs. Henry Sloan and Miss Ruth Trueman, of Lyman, were guests at the home of their sister, Mrs. H. L. Larsen, Sunday.

Prof. and Mrs. Geo. W. White, of Maple Falls, spent Friday afternoon here as guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Ely.

A. A. Sumner came up Saturday night to spend Sunday with his family here.

SAUK

Little Earl Babcock, who has been ill in the Valley hospital in Sedro-Woolley for some time, had his leg amputated the first of the week. His mother, Mrs. E. J. Babcock, has been spending the week with him at the hospital.

Mrs. Mabel Jenkins, of Rockport, spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Chas. Kinkead.

Miss Grace O'Connor, of Rockport, was an over Sunday guest at the home of Miss Bessie Stafford.

Mrs. Garnet Thompson was visiting with friends in Rockport Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Sam Thompson came up Friday afternoon for a visit with her daughters, Mrs. Anna Olson and Mrs. Garnet Thompson.

Mrs. Ernest Perreault spent Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Harry Wainwright.

Philip Moran, who is working at Rockport, spent Sunday at his home here.

Alex. Park went to Burlington Sunday for a short visit with his little daughter, who is ill in the hospital there.

Little George Perreault has been on the sick list this week and has been unable to attend school.

Mrs. Chas. Kinkead spent Tuesday afternoon as a guest at the home of Mrs. Leslie Olson.

Aden Brandt, cook at the Sauk hotel, has just returned from Sedro-Woolley, where he has been spending a ten days' vacation.

W. W. Caskey had Garnet Thompson out learning him how to handle a Ford Tuesday afternoon. It was some job.

Thurston Thompson spent Monday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Leslie Olson. He has recently received his discharge from the army.

Mrs. Ira Hensley is down with the influenza this week.

Little Margie Wainwright has been on the sick list this week, but is reported to be improving.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Phillips and children left Tuesday for Sauk, where they will make their home for the next few months. Mr. Phillips is employed in the Cowden mill near that place.

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GRANDDAD'S CLOCK

By JOSEPHINE MURPHY.

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Downstairs in the saleroom the auctioneer had become quite tired of telling intending bidders that it was "not for sale." He had explained that it belonged to a lady who had acted as companion to the late owner of the house.

She was still occupying one room in the house and had not had time to remove all her things before the sale, and so the clock had remained in its usual place in a corner landing.

The auctioneer was preparing to take down the name of the last purchaser.

"My name is Richard D—," said the man. "Never mind writing it down; here is my card. By the way, do you think it would be any use to send it in to the lady upstairs? I am very curious to see the clock they are all making such a fuss about. I have not troubled to view the things, as I noticed in the catalogue that the cabinet was the only thing worth buying. However, I will run up and have a look at the clock, and if I take a fancy to it perhaps I may come to terms with the owner."

"Whoever wants to buy that clock will have to marry the owner," replied the auctioneer.

A roar of applause greeted his remark, and, amidst the merriment of a room full of people, he made his escape upstairs.

At first glance he recognized it to be one of rare make. It struck the hour of four and its voice sounded to him like the echo of another clock that had struck in the long ago.

It awoke old memories, asleep for many years. And now for a few minutes Mr. Richard D—, the wealthy merchant and counsellor, was dead, and plain Dick D—, the farmhand of twenty years before, reigned in his stead.

Once more it was haymaking time, and he and his companions, tired out with their day's work, were sitting at the supper table in the farmhouse kitchen, waited upon by Farmer E—'s pretty daughter Esther.

Once more he could feel his heart beating and keeping time to the tick of the grandfather clock that fitted so well in the corner.

Memories of happier days which he and Esther spent together, the only drawback to his happiness being that the old clock was ticking away the precious minutes. Then had come the misunderstanding and they had parted.

He came to himself with a start. How silly for him to indulge in such sentimental reveries. The past was dead and buried; what need to dig it up again.

Yet how strange it was that he had never thought of the other clock except in connection with her. And all these years he had overlooked the fact that it must have been one of great value. He wondered if it was still ticking in its old place in the corner, and if Esther ever thought of him when she sat in the farmhouse, happily surrounded by her husband and children. Of course she had married Timothy Blake. He remembered it was through him they had quarreled.

At this moment the door at the far end of the landing opened and a woman came out.

She paused in front of him and said: "Excuse me, sir, that clock belongs to me, and is not for sale."

His card case fell to the floor, and as he stooped to pick it up he murmured, "It is she! It is she!"

"The auctioneer told me the clock was not for sale, but I thought you might sell it if I made you a good offer."

"I would not sell for any offer," she replied. "The clock has associations for me and is a memento of the happy days gone by. In fact," she added sadly, "it is the only voice left me now that speaks to me out of the past."

"What does it say?" he questioned eagerly.

She seemed surprised and annoyed by the question, for she made no answer.

"I am sorry if I have hurt your feelings by my offer, Mrs.—" He hesitated over the last word.

"Miss E—," she replied, correcting him and filling in the pause.

"What?" he shouted in amazement. "Do you mean to say you never married Timothy after all?"

She turned and peered up into his face.

"You, Dick? You?" He caught hold of her hands, and looking at her with a glad light shining in his eyes, he said: "Is it possible, Esther, that you have not forgotten me?"

"How could I forget," she replied, "when the old clock has been ticking your name to me for the last twenty years?"

Ten minutes later a man rushed into the anteroom and said to the young man who was still gazing at the bookcase:

"That old Johnnie who went upstairs is taking your advice already. For I've just seen him kiss the owner of the clock."

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TOMORROW—SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16—

PAULINE FREDERICK in a Paramount feature entitled "LA TOSCA," the famous play after the Italian opera of that name. The play is very interesting and one that shows Mlle. Frederick at her best. Avenging the death of her lover, she commits a murder and pays the penalty with her own life—but how? See this picture and find out.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18—

MAE MARSH, the Goldwyn star, in a very thrilling story entitled "THE GLORIOUS ADVENTURE." She has some adventures, too. See what conditions exist in some of our factories, also what this girl did to correct the same.

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CASH ON DELIVERY

JOE FELICETTI Main Street

Miss Mary Groken, who is employed as an operator on the Hamilton telephone exchange, spent Tuesday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Groken, in this city.

Earl Robertson came down from Van Horn Tuesday afternoon to have

Dr. Gordon take several stitches in one of his toe, which he had cut with an axe that day.

Paul Hopkins was down from the Bear creek power station Wednesday to look after some business matters in town.