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SEEN and HEARD ON MAIN STREET



Guess who is coming for Christmas—Tom and Jerry!

Definition

AVERAGE MAN: One who believes in a more equitable division of wealth, provided he gets more than he does now.

Lena Genster has about given up hope. Even with the double advantage of Leap Year and Draft, she has had no luck.

Sure a husband's words are often sharp. He has to get them in edgewise.

There was only one thing Percy Whiffletree could do better than anyone else . . . he can read his own writing.

If you are going to make any New Year's resolutions, make them with zipper attachments so they can easily be crawled out of.

Definition

DESPERATE WOMAN: One who compliments her Boy Friend on the kind of tobacco he smokes in his pipe.

The neighbors are wondering if Mrs. Hassenpfeffer is progressive or conservative—she wears last year's hat, drives this year's car, and lives on next year's income.

"So you deceived your husband said the judge gravely.

"On the contrary, my lord, he deceived me. He said he was going out of town and he didn't go."

"Honey, you know we are dining with the McTavishes this evening," reminded the wife.

"All right. Let's have dinner and be on our way."

They finally taught the baby to talk, and are now trying to teach it to keep quiet.

Puzzle Dept.

Answer these questions and see if you get the total 3880:

What year were you born?

What is your age?

In what year did you take your present position?

How many years have you worked on this job?

Man has his dogged will—and woman has her kittenish ways.

HISTORY OF A JOKE

A guy thinks the joke and laughs out loud in the night. The next morning he tells his wife, and she fails to see anything funny about it. Later he tells a friend, who sends it to the local paper. The editor thinks it's terrible, but prints it anyway because it just fills a hole in his funny column. Then it goes the rounds of all the papers. About a year later a dozen radio comedians get hold of it, and it takes a paid audience to finally give it a real laugh.

CHRISTMAS SEALS



Help to Protect Your Home from Tuberculosis

A Merry Xmas But Quiet One For Concrete

Quietest Holiday Season In Many Years Here—Flu Cancels Features.

The Christmas holidays in Concrete have found the community very quiet this year with little of extraordinary activity. The influenza epidemic cancelled the usual Christmas program at the school, which usually marks the holidays, and other features of the season have been eliminated for one reason or another.

The annual treat for the youngsters, conducted each year by the Concrete Booster club, was not forgotten however, and each child was presented with a big sack of candy, fruit and nuts as they left school Friday for their holiday vacation.

The children will return to their classes January 2nd.

Early Shopping Slow

Christmas shopping this year is reported to have started very slowly in Concrete, and just during the past few days have local merchants felt the usual Christmas-time rush. As last-minute shoppers came to town, however, business has picked up tremendously and most stores will dispose of the largest share of their unusually fine stocks this season.

Hamilton Girl Injured In Auto Wreck On Saturday

Thurman Medford, 19, of Sedro-Woolley and Phyllis Galbreath, 17, of Hamilton were painfully injured Saturday when their automobile turned over three times and landed in a ditch on the Sterling road. Medford received cuts on the head and right arm, while Miss Galbreath sustained a head and leg injury. The car was almost a total wreck.

TEACHER'S VACATIONS

It appears that a good percentage of the local teachers are spending their Christmas vacation at home this year. Among those remaining in Concrete are the Owen Kinnamons, the Vernon Bachers, the Charles Sharps, Miss Annice Lang, the McMackins and the Myrvia Dimmits.

Teachers visiting elsewhere are Miss Rose Mary Dwyer at her home in Seattle, Miss Ann Borgeson with her parents in Spokane, Miss Mary Parks at Sauk and Yakima, Mrs. Zola Jordan at Seattle, Miss Gwen Simmons in Mt. Vernon, the P. L. Burns with relatives in Seattle, Miss Edith Williams at her home in Rolling Bay and Mrs. Lindbeck in Mount Vernon, Everett and Seattle.

May the ships that sailed out into the old year
Come to harbor in the New,
Bringing cargoes of love and life
and cheer.

CHURCH NOTICES

Mt. Baker Presbyterian Church
"A House of Prayer"

Sunday, Dec. 29, 1940

Bible School, 9:45 a. m. Lesson "Jesus Requires Faithfulness." Loyalty to God and man is life with a zest.

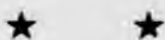
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m. Subject: "The King of Men." "Lead on, O King Eternal."

The Young People meet at 6:30. Evening Praise, 7:30 p. m. Subject: "The Gospel For a Closing Year." "The old year yieldeth to the new—may it find you blest and true!"

Wed. 7:30 p. m. Bible Study and Prayers. John Ch. 15. "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee the crown of life," saith God.

Thos. A. Davis, Minister

Our Christmas Editorial



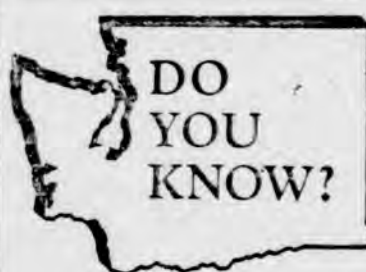
In a newspaper office events move with sometimes unbelievable rapidity as each week brings its quota of current local happenings—the good things, the sad things and the indifferent things that go to make up the life of small town. In this respect a newspaper always hails the end of an old year and the beginning of a new, and that happiest day of all—Christmas—which marks the beginning of the change from old to new. In this short week the world of peace undergoes a happy change as the jumbled pattern of the year just passed smoothes out into a set picture of things that have been, leaving us all to look with hope and courage toward the things that are to come. Thus Christmas serves us as a breathing spell between two periods of harsh reality.

Founded upon the beautiful story of the birth of our Lord, tradition and customs of many countries have made the modern Christmas the best holiday of all the year. Gifts, remembrances, smiling faces and cheery words come naturally. The toys that make children happy likewise leave their joy in the hearts of the parents who take their reward in watching eyes shining with anticipation, and the shouts of happiness on Christmas morning. Each friendship renewed and each absent one remembered has a part in the scheme that for a day makes folks human in the simple, kindly manner of their Maker.

And so, this Christmas day, we bring you best wishes—from your friends the merchants, from your newspaper and your editor. Leave the past year in our hands to be bound into an unchangeable volume for future perusal, drink deeply of the pleasures, big and small, of the Christmas holiday and resolve for the coming year to bring a small bit of the spirit of this day into each action and contact with your fellow man as the days of '41 slip by. With this thought in your minds, the recording of events each year by us cannot help but be a happy chore.

A Merry Christmas to one and all.

—THE EDITOR



Shipping as a commercial enterprise began on Puget Sound in 1850 with the arrival of the brig George Emory at Olympia and Stellacoom. In 1851 Olympia was designated as a port of entry. The schooner Exact arrived in Olympia in that year, just one week after having landed Seattle's founders at Alki.

Increasing population led to placing the Major Tompkins in 1854 on the run between Olympia, Victoria and way points, the beginning of a local passenger and freight service.

Transportation and mail facilities generally were very unsatisfactory in 1953. Olympia was connected with Portland by stage leaving Olympia every Tuesday. A connection was made with boats on the Columbia River. Later B. F. Yantis and A. B. Rabeson formed a partnership stage line and cut the time to 12 hours between Olympia and the Columbia. In December 1854, a stage line was established between Olympia and Cowlitz by way of Grand Mound on Tuesdays and Fridays. At Cowlitz, near the present site of Toledo, connection was made with boats for Monticello and Portland.

ELEVEN YEARS AGO IN CONCRETE

Concrete Herald, Dec. 26, 1929

Christmas festivities throughout Concrete were saddened yesterday by news that Marshal Jim Owen had passed away at the Virginia Mason hospital in Seattle. Any man in an official capacity makes friends and enemies, and Jim had both, but his friends greatly outnumbered his enemies, and whether friend or foe, the news of his death came as a shock and was received with universal regret. The latest report on his condition on Tuesday night was that he was in very critical condition, but it was hard to believe that Jim, always strong and husky, was at the point of death, and it was generally believed that he would pull through. He was taken ill on Thursday evening of last week with what appeared to be a light attack of stomach trouble. He became worse and was finally rushed to Seattle for an operation. A ruptured appendix was found. James Owen was about 50 years of age and had been marshal of Concrete for about eight years.

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Wind Storm Hits Valley Saturday Eve

40-Mile Wind Disrupts Light And Phone Service—Two Die Near Mt. Vernon.

A winter gale, the hardest felt here for many years, hit the valley Saturday evening. The gale, which did much damage elsewhere in the state, was fairly high over the county and in the upper valley did the most damage only on high points.

The power and telephone lines through the timber on the Rockport hill were taken out by falling trees and the road was partially blocked by limbs, trees and other debris piled there by the wind.

Power in town was also off for a short while during the blow. A half dozen poles on the Bear Creek power line serving the cement plant were blown over, but operation of the mill was resumed within a half hour from the Baker power house.

In the lower valley damage was mostly limited to light and telephone poles, but two were killed as the result of the storm. Two boys, Raymond and Vernon Den Hartog of Sumas, 20 and 17 were instantly killed and their bodies badly burned when they attempted to move a high tension pole from the highway near the county farm. As the pulled the pole with their car, the wires dropped on the top of the car, electrocuting one boy and killing the other as he came to his aid. Another passenger in the car, Mrs. Inberg Moen, 70, was uninjured, although suffering from shock.

The wind storm occurred just 11 years to a day after the last big wind felt here and throughout the state, as revealed in our "Eleven years ago" column. Official weather bureau reports state that the wind was between 40 and 48 miles per hour in velocity, gusts sometimes reaching 96 miles per hour. Another storm of almost equal intensity has been predicted to be approaching.

Return From Visit With Relatives In California

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Burns returned on Sunday from an extended visit in California and Oregon, where they visited relatives and friends. In Oakland, Cal., they visited with Mr. Burns' sister, Mrs. M. Maher, whom he had not seen for 32 years. At Alhambra they enjoyed a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Merryweather and daughter and Mrs. H. A. Ambler and daughter. On their way home a stop was made at Portland at the home of Mrs. Burns' sister, Mrs. John Wilsey.

BASKETBALL GAME HERE THIS FRIDAY

Basketball will be resumed at Concrete high this week and as the Lions play the strong Langley team on the local floor next Friday, Dec. 27th. The game will start at 7:30. In a recent contest at Langley the Lions were defeated 37-16.

In the only county games played last week the Mount Vernon Bull Dogs went down under the powerful Sedro-Woolley team by the overwhelming score of 45 to 9.

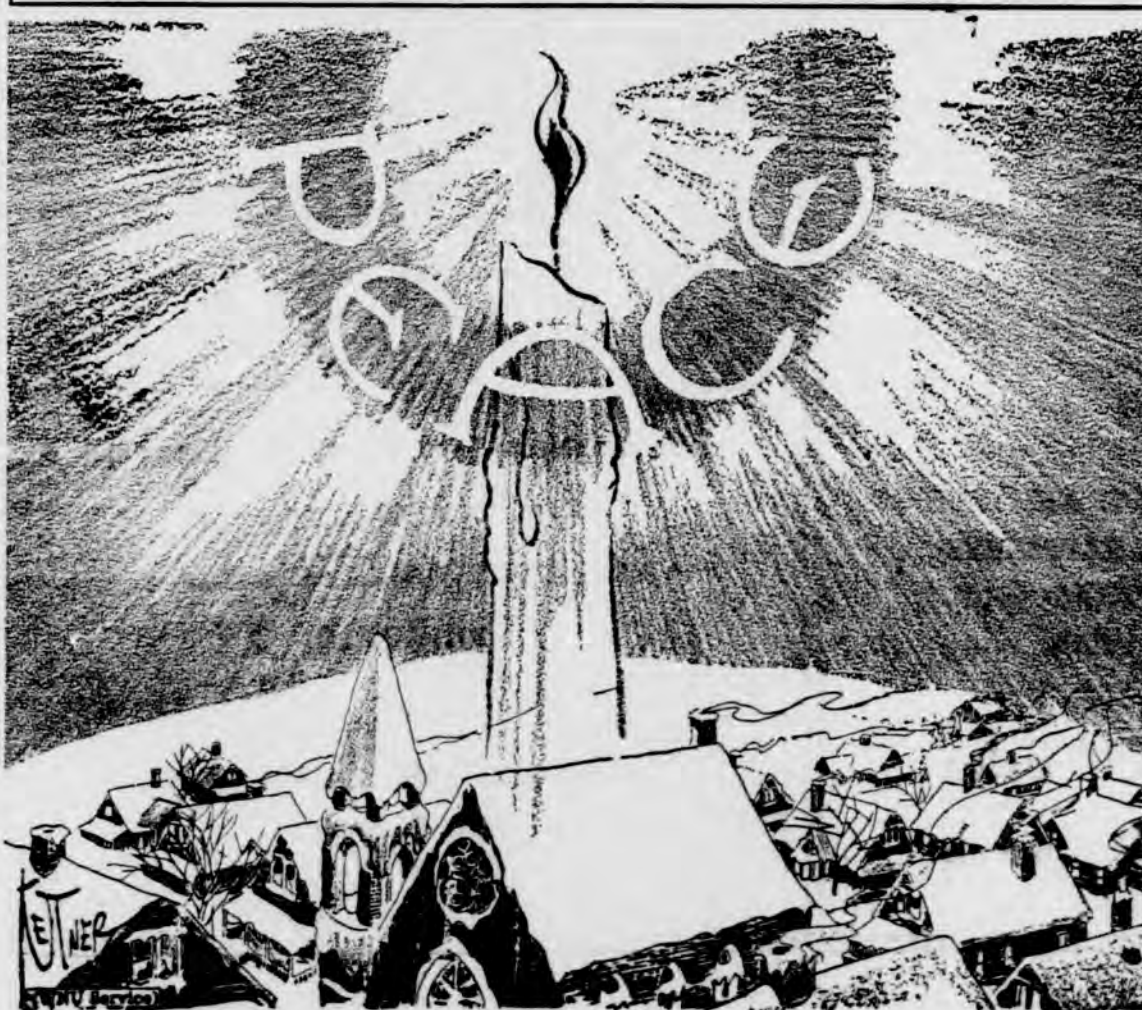
Collegians To Dance At Chuckanut Shell Dec. 26

The annual W.S.C.—U. of W. Booster Dance will be held Thursday night, Dec. 26th, at the Chuckanut Shell, near Bellingham. Collegiate music for the affair will be featured by the "Doctors of Rhythm" well known for its fine music in the Northwest. Many W.S.C. souvenirs will be given as door prizes. The dance is a regular Associated Student Booster Committee function.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

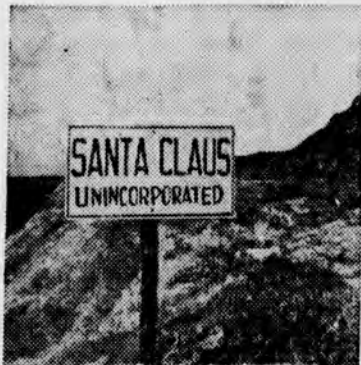
The only New Year's Eve celebration in the upper valley this year will be the Tillikum's Club dance to be held at Bullerville on Tuesday, December 31st. A "balloon" dance is advertised for the evening.

Christmas Blessings



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Santa Claus Really Has a Post Office



This is the doorway to Santa Claus land, a real village resting in the Indiana hills which has become world-famous because of its Christmas name and also because Abraham Lincoln lived there from his seventh to twenty-first years. Santa Claus is an unincorporated village but its post office does a land-office business each December because thousands of people send their letters there to be cancelled with the famous Santa Claus postal stamp.



For 28 years James F. Martin was postmaster at Santa Claus, taking it easy each summer and working like a fiend during the Christmas rush. Finally the pressure grew so great that his office was rated as a third-class post office, a ranking usually enjoyed only by much larger communities. Above is the Santa Claus post office and general store.



Succeeding James Martin when he died was the present postmaster, Oscar Phillips, forty-one. To him has fallen the duty of making thousands of children happy. Each day he receives hundreds of letters containing enclosures which are to be cancelled carefully with the Santa Claus stamp and sent on to all parts of the world.



As he should be, the real Santa Claus is the patron saint of this little Indiana community. This 25-foot statue of St. Nicholas stands all year in a little park, attracting visitors from all parts of the country. Yes, Santa Claus does have a post office!

Marblemount News

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Petta spent Saturday in Mount Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Balch is spending their vacation in Bellingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Rawson Hornbeck and children spent Thursday in Mount Vernon.

Lawrence Hornbeck of Concrete is spending a few days with his brother, Rawson on the Cascade.

Mrs. Len Scott spent Monday and Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Nettie McKinney of Concrete.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moller and daughter spent Saturday in Everett and Mount Vernon.

Robert and Charles McCord of Monroe spent Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. McCord.

Mr. and Mrs. Len Scott spent the week end in Alger with Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. W. McCord left Saturday for Monroe to spend over the holiday season with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Indahl of Day Creek are visiting at the home of Mrs. Indahl's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Morgan.

Howard Morgan of Camp Lewis is spending the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Balch had as their guests for a few days last week, Mr. Balch's sister and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Wilson and Albert were Saturday evening dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McGovern of Concrete.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Perkins and daughters spent Friday and Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Leavitt.

On Sunday the Union Sunday school held their program during the evening at the church. There was a large attendance. Gifts were exchanged and treats distributed.

Mrs. Gordon McGovern of Concrete spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Wilson. Additional evening guests were Mr. and Mrs. Rawson Hornbeck and children of the Cascade.

The school program was held in the school gym Friday evening with songs, plays, recitations and other entertainment appropriate to the Christmas season. A very large

crowd attended and received gifts and treats.

Sidney Witham of the U. S. S. Tennessee, which is docked at Bremerton, is spending 5 days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Witham. The Tennessee will leave the 26th of December for California.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Simington left Saturday for Portland, Oregon, for over the holiday season. They will visit with their daughter, Mrs. Jim Eastman and family. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Collins are caring for the store during their absence.

LOCALS

Clare Gates of Mount Vernon was a week-end visitor at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Gates.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Reece and Paul Harmon were doing some Xmas shopping in Mount Vernon on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Buller, who were recent visitors of the Neil Campbell's of Sauk were business visitors in Concrete Friday.

Mrs. I. B. Gates, Edgar Gates and daughter Diane and Catherine Wegers were Christmas shoppers in Sedro-Woolley Monday morning.

Mrs. Margaret Davies motored to Mount Vernon Monday to bring home Mr. C. D. Mason, who is recovering from an appendicitis operation.

A HAPPY CHRISTMAS
 and a
GLAD NEW YEAR
 to everyone!
MORGAN'S BARBER SHOP
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MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR

MORGAN'S DRUG STORE
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A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS
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The Cascade Oil Sales
 Standard Oil Co. of California

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It is our sincere hope that all our patrons and fellow townsmen enjoy a very

MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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Merry Christmas And Happy New Year

Carl Monrad

MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BE JOYOUS AND THE NEW YEAR BRING EVERY HAPPINESS.

Lakeside Western Lumber Co.



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Donna Thompson



MAY THIS CHRISTMAS
BE YOUR MERRIEST

The Concrete Hardware

Eric Elmgren

Rockport Items

Mr. and Mrs. Art Morehouse were shopping in Seattle Friday.

Clyde Reece of Fort Lewis was visiting friends here Sunday.

Mrs. John Fredricks spent the week end in Sedro-Woolley.

Mrs. Jerry LaFleur was visiting relatives in Seattle Tuesday.

Mrs. O. L. Ness and Mrs. Frank Volmer attended the show in Concrete Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Volmer were shopping in Mount Vernon Thursday.

Mrs. Leroy Reynolds of Concrete was visiting friends here Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wiseman were shopping in Mount Vernon on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Marion were visiting friends in Marblemount Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. McNary left this week for an extended visit with relatives in Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor and daughter of Marblemount spent Sunday at the S. Wiseman home.

Mr. and Mrs. Morose Mertins entertained guests from Seattle over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Farmer of Enumclaw are spending the holidays at the Frank Volmer home.

Miss Helen Conrad left Sunday for Bellingham where she will spend several days with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shular, Doyle Shular and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry LaFleur were visiting friends in Concrete Friday.

Miss Jean Pressentin and Norman and Martin Pressentin are home from school for Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Buchanan and Myrtle Buchanan were shopping in Mount Vernon Saturday.

Mrs. Ozena Morehouse left Friday for Seattle where she will spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Gene Dobbs.

Walter Nitchse, an employee of the City Light, left Friday for his home in Seattle where he will spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moehouse left this week for Portland, Oregon,

where they will spend the Christmas holidays.

M. and Mrs. Eddie Adams of Sedro-Woolley were visiting at the John Fredericks home here Monday.

Clifford LaFleur, who is employed in Seattle, returned to his home here this week where he will spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph LaFleur and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh LaFleur and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald LaFleur were shopping in Mount Vernon Friday.

The Rockport Grade School gave their annual Christmas program Friday evening. It consisted of 3 plays presented by the upper grades and a play by the primary room. Candy was given to all the children after the program.

Christmas Toys



KEENE, N. H.—This community is toyland each Christmas season as workers in the toy factories rush to put last-minute touches on miniature locomotives, automobiles—and even auto trailers!

—Renew your subscription to the Herald this month.

WISHING ONE AND ALL

A Merry, Merry Christmas
AND A
Most Prosperous New Year

THE CASCADE CAFE

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May Fires burn bright with friendship,
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Friends that are loyal and true,
A heart that is light,
Days joyous and bright,
Are Yuletide wishes for you.

Moen's Dairy

Earl Lee

11 YEARS AGO IN CONCRETE

(Continued from page one)

As it has been so unusual for the town to go dark under the service of Puget Sound Power & Light there was great curiosity Sunday night when the lights went out and remained out for several hours. Rumors were that the Sedro-Woolley substation and the local power station had been burned out. The truth is that the local power plant had been badly damaged—to the extent that the instrument board and lines leading to the Concrete substation will be out of commission for about two weeks. The trouble was caused by a short circuit on the transmission line from the Baker plant to Sedro-Woolley, which burned out an oil switch. The total damage will amount to several hundred dollars here but the damage at Sedro-Woolley was not serious. Power is now coming to Concrete through the Sedro-Woolley substation.

The heavy wind storm that struck the upper Skagit valley at 4:30 yesterday morning did practically no damage in this city, except to put out all lights and stop all telephone communication with the lower valley. The wind was about the heaviest ever noted here. In other parts of the state three deaths were caused and much dam-

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age done. Power lines and telephone lines were wrecked, small boats wrecked and highway blocked for many hours by fallen trees.

The movie fans of Concrete and the upper valley will soon be able to enjoy the latest talking pictures without having to go to some of the larger cities. As a "talkie" with no talking does not seem to attract patrons, the Concrete theatre will soon install sound machines. The contract was signed this week and the theatre will close on January 6th and remain dark until installation is completed.

The Open Forum

The G. N. train crew, having lost their favorite waitress at the Cascade and commemorated the loss in poem, have once more become poetic—this time to the new hasher that waits table.

RENO, THE WAITER

What goes up, they say, comes down.
And all good things must end.
So we've said goodbye to Freda,
As she passed around the bend.

We wondered who would take her place,
Who'd fill her dainty shoes.
Now we're not sure just what we got

But some one—turned it loose.

It could be most anything
A ?? Saint or man,
But you could never tell us
From the look upon it's pan.

It hasn't got that pretty smile,
But just a vacant stare.
And every time it passes by
It fills us with despair.

When it comes in bring bring our lunch

In a quiet sort of way,
It never speaks, it only grunts
Then shuffles on its way.

Though we yell for coffee—
Butter, milk or bread.
The way you get this service,
You would think that it was dead.

But remember this is Concrete
Where most anything gets by,
So we eat our lunch in silence
Cause we're sorry for the guy.
—The Train Crew

LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bland of Wenatchee are visiting with friends in Concrete and vicinity over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Dillard took their infant son to the Mt. Vernon general hospital Sunday evening where it was disclosed that the boy was very ill with the flu. Mrs. Dillard returned home Monday for a brief visit and reported that he is responding to treatment and that she expects to bring him home in a few days. She returned immediately to the hospital to be with him.

HOW TO ENJOY CHRISTMAS!

During The Holidays
Don't Fail To Drop
In At
**SHERM BENSON'S
IN ROCKPORT**

Local News

Mrs. Wm. Mitchell was a Mount Vernon visitor Thursday.

Tom Stokes is home from Camp Murray for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Lang spent Thursday shopping in Bellingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Ward and family were shopping in Mt. Vernon last Thursday.

Mrs. T. D. Stokes and Mrs. Allen Gardiner motored to Mount Vernon Monday to do Christmas shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Reynolds were Saturday evening guests at the Harry Olson home at Rockport.

Dan Dye of Mount Vernon was visiting Concrete friends Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cupples were Christmas shopping in Mt. Vernon Monday.

Mrs. Jackson of Seattle arrived Friday to spend Christmas at the Chemaes home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hoover and sons were shopping in Mount Vernon Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Fenske and son Walter of Burlington were Sunday visitors at the Jack Thurston home.

Mrs. L. T. Payne and Mrs. Arnold were visitors in Mount Vernon Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Biggerstaff and Mrs. Carroll Biggerstaff were Mount Vernon visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Green motored to Sedro-Woolley to attend the show Saturday evening.

Mrs. Fred Schultz was an Anacortes visitor at her mother's home Thursday.

Miss Jean Ross of Pullman is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Watler Ross, over the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Winton Gates of Pullman arrived in Concrete Saturday night to spend the Christmas vacation with home folks.

Harold Thompson, Jr. of Seattle, is spending his Christmas vacation from the University at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Thompson.

John Klein is spending the holidays at Snohomish.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Gates and son Gary of Marblemount are Concrete visitors this week.

Frank Ritchie and C. W. Baxter were fox-hunting in the Sedro-Woolley district Wednesday night.

Hugh Ritter of Sauk returned last week from a vacation trip in southern Oregon.

Mrs. Carl Heritage has lately been confined to her bed with the influenza and sinus trouble.

Richard Dubick of Pullman arrived Saturday evening for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Lisherness, and friends.

Elmer Leonard, who attends W. S. C. at Pullman, is home to visit



A Holiday Thought For
All Our Patrons and
Friends in Concrete and
The Upper Skagit Valley.

OKAY Barber Shop

Alf Hodgson



McGovern's Auto Repair

Gordon McGovern



MAY THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS BRING
JOY AND PEACE TO YOU AND YOUR
DEAR ONES, THIS YEAR AND
ALWAYS.

The STOP & SAVE

A. J. Ward

his friends and relatives over the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hobbs and family and mother, Mrs. Hobbs of Mount Vernon and Mrs. Henry Sage of LaConner were Christmas eve dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Gates.

Get well through Christmas
F. E. ZULAWY
Seldell Bldg., Acron
Gateway Hotel
SEDRO-WOOLLEY

CONCRETE THEATRE

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday Dec. 25-27
Jack Benny and His Radio Gang in
"BUCK BENNY RIDES AGAIN"

Saturday and Sunday December 28-29
Deanna Durbin, Kay Francis, Walter Pidgeon
"IT'S A DATE"

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday January 1-3
Bing Crosby and Mary Martin in
"RHYTHM ON THE RIVER"

AND A HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL

Merry Christmas



From the Producers of

DARIGOLD PRODUCTS

This is the season of children's delight. Bright little faces full of anticipation of Christmas. The producers of DARIGOLD Products extend best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to our many little friends—and their their parents, too.

Skagit County Dairymen's Assn.



THE MERRIEST OF CHRISTMAS'S TO YOU
We hope Santa has a big box of good luck in
his gift sack for you and yours.

The ROYAL BAKERY

John Lorentzen



Warm good wishes for you Christmas!
May the day be one of those
Remembered often with real pleasure
As a glad year comes and goes!

State Bank of Concrete