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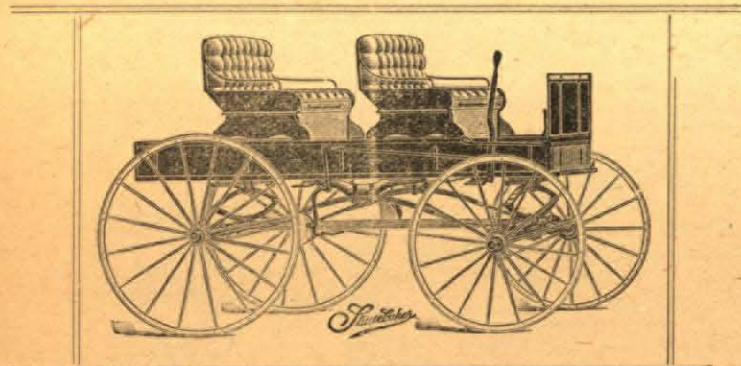
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THE WAR IS ON

Japan Opens Hostilities Against
Russia and Scores Two Remark-
ably Brilliant Victories at Sea.

Eleven Russian Ships Already Out of
Business—Intense Interest Locally in the War.

While war has not even yet been officially declared between Japan and Russia a state of actual war nevertheless exists and has existed since Feb. 6, on which day the Japanese minister to Russia was ordered by his government to leave St. Petersburg.

The Japanese naval commander lost no time in beginning hostilities. With a fleet of nine war vessels the Japs at once steamed for Port Arthur where the Russian squadron lay at ease. About midnight on Monday, Feb. 8, four Japanese torpedo boats attacked the Russian fleet disabling by means of torpedoes the Russian battleships Czarevitch and Retvizan and the armored cruiser Pallada.

At Chemulpo, Korea on the 9th the Japanese fleet attacked two Russian cruisers, the Variag and Korietz and sunk both. In neither engagement were there any casualties on the Japanese side and they retired without the loss of a vessel or a single man. In addition the Japanese war vessels captured the same day two Russian merchantmen and two transports carrying supplies from Port Arthur to the Russian army in Korea.

A dispatch bearing date of Tokio, Feb. 10 states unofficially that two of the Japanese warships were badly damaged in the first engagement off Port Arthur.

A dispatch from the seat of war via Paris on Feb. 11 states that the Japanese in attempting to land a detachment of troops in the vicinity of Port Arthur were repulsed and forced to retire by the Russians. Up to Feb. 11 a total of 10 ships of the Russian navy had been disabled or captured by the Japanese.

A dispatch of the 11th states that a Japanese force now occupies Seoul, the capital of Korea and that as a large Russian force were marching on Seoul a terrific battle on land is imminent.

Advices from different points in China state that a furore of excitement prevails among all classes of the population as the result of the breaking out of hostilities, popular sympathy being with the Japanese.

The tremendous success that the Japanese navy has met with thus far in the campaign has called forth the admiration of naval officers all over the world, except perhaps in Russia.

The Russian government through its ambassador at Washington has asked the government of the United States to state its intentions. An official declaration of neutrality will, it is announced, be made by the American government today.

Assessor Coonse on Railway Taxation.

County Assessor Harry Coonse on his return from the meeting of the state assessors at Spokane last week received the congratulations of numerous people on account of the stand he took and the vigorous fight that he made for a higher assessment on the railway property of the state. Mr. Coonse says that the assessors had a very exciting time over the matter and that the "bunch" which stood for a low assessment of railroad property acted throughout in a very high handed manner, the fact that the chairman was in sympathy with them enabling the railroad men to have their way notwithstanding the fact that 19 assessors, comprising a majority were against them.

Mr. Coonse stated to the Democrat on Thursday that he intended assessing the railroad right of way in this county at \$10.00 per mile this year and that he had been assured that a majority of assessors in counties containing main lines would do likewise regardless of the action taken at the Spokane meeting.

Irrigation Meeting Called Off.

President Larson of the Commercial Club received information the first of the week from the Seattle Chamber of Commerce to the effect that the state irrigation convention to have been held under the auspices of that organization at Seattle February 15, had been formally called off.

The reason for calling the meeting off is said to be due to the fact that Gov. McBride has concluded to appoint a

state irrigation commission to consist of three men whose duty it will be to examine thoroughly into the irrigation problem of this state including the water storage question. This being the case it was considered by the prime movers in the proposed Seattle convention that the holding of a meeting at this time would be inadvisable.

INDIANS MUST OBEY GAME LAW

Acting Commissioner Tonner
Thinks Indian No Better
Than White
Man.

The following letter received by Game Warden Nicol from the A. C. Tonner, acting commissioner of Indian affairs is self-explanatory:

A. A. Nicol, Esq., game warden Yakima county, North Yakima, Washington.

Sir:—This office is in receipt by departmental reference of your communication of the 21st ultimo, addressed to the Secretary of the Interior, in which you ask "if the Indians on the Yakima reservation are allowed by their treaty to kill deer, both on and off their reservation at any time of the year and in any numbers they see fit."

In reply you are informed that the Yakima confederated bands of Indians in their treaty of June 9, 1855 (12 stats., 951) ceding certain of their lands to the government, provided in article 3 that they should have "the right of taking fish at all usual and accustomed places, in common with citizens of the territory and of erecting temporary buildings for curing them, together with the privilege of hunting, gathering roots and berries, and pasturing their horses and cattle upon open and unclaimed lands."

The territory of Washington was admitted into the union by the enabling act of congress approved February 22, 1889. Neither the act of admission nor the constitution of the state, contains any provision reserving to the Indians the right to hunt outside their reservation in accordance with said treaty provisions of 1855.

In 1895, the supreme court held in the Ward vs. Race Horse case that the rights of the Bannock Indians to hunt outside their reservation in Wyoming though granted by treaty, were only temporary and precarious and could only exist so long as the necessities of civilization did not require otherwise; and that such treaty rights were nullified by the subsequent admission of the territory into the union on an equal footing with the other states.

On a parity of reasoning this decision would also apply in the present case; and the Indians cannot therefore hunt outside their reservation in violation of the United States laws.

As to the Indians in question hunting within the limits of their reservation, the Secretary of the Interior decided May 19, 1902, in the case of the allotted Indians of the Klamath reservation, Oregon, that the game laws of Oregon did not run on their reservation, which is, so far as their hunting is concerned, under the exclusive jurisdiction and control of the United States; but that their hunting should be restricted so far as possible to their actual wants, and that the department regulations as to their fishing and hunting "should conform as nearly as may be, without inflicting hardship upon the Indians, to the laws of the state."

As to the status of the two reservations is similar, it would seem that by analogy this ruling as to the Klamath Indians would also apply with equal force to the case under consideration.

A copy of this letter has been sent to the superintendent in charge of the Yakima Indians for his information and guidance in the matter. Very respectfully,

A. C. TONNER,
Acting Commissioner.

W. L. Wright to Go to St. Louis.

W. L. Wright, state fair commissioner and well known fruit grower of Fruitvale, will go to St. Louis June 1 to take charge of the horticultural exhibit to be made at the World's Fair. Mr. Wright was selected for the place by the St. Louis Fair commission of this state over a number of other parties who desired the appointment.

The position carries a salary of \$150 per month. Mr. Wright has accepted the appointment.

Owing to his acceptance of this appointment Mr. Wright will probably find it necessary to resign his position as state fair commissioner, as the duties of the two offices will likely conflict.

New Business Building.

Barton W. Pickett this week purchased from Thomas Lund lot No. 2, block No.

10, located adjoining the Alfalfa building on Yakima avenue, the consideration being \$3500. The lot is well located for business purposes.

Mr. Pickett's intention is to erect on the lot during the coming season a handsome two story building. Whether it will be of brick or stone he has not yet definitely decided.

NOT MUCH DOING

Superior Court Mill Grinds Slowly
This Week Owing to Failure of
Judge Bell to Show Up—Probate Business.

Owing to the non-arrival of Judge Bell of Seattle this has been a quiet week in the superior court. Judge Bell was expected here on Monday to hear the case of S. O. Morford versus Pearl and F. H. Rudkin, a case in which Judge Rudkin, of course, is disqualified to preside over. Judge Bell has not as yet showed up. As a result the jury was temporarily excused and court adjourned. Court assembled again on Wednesday and the civil case of A. P. Gray versus Joshua Swindler was called for trial. This was a suit for a settlement and was long and tedious. The jury after being out for some time brought in a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$814.10.

The next case called was that of J. M. Baxter versus Geo. McKay, an attachment suit. The former is represented by Whitson & Parker and the latter by Snyder & Prohle. The case was decided in favor of the plaintiff.

During the past week letters of administration were petitioned for in the probate court as follows:

Ada Gendrin asking to be appointed administrator of the estate of Ulrice Gendrin, deceased.

Wallace Morrison petitions to be appointed administrator of the estate of James Morrison, deceased.

The will of the late Julia P. Smith was filed with the clerk of the court. The will names A. C. Smith and F. W. Barton as executors of the estate.

The petition of A. Johnson asking to be appointed administrator of the estate of the late John McBride, was granted by the court.

The petition of J. W. Carey asking to be appointed guardian of Glen and Noble Craig, minors, has been filed with the clerk.

Dirk Virloof, a native of Holland, was given his first naturalization papers this week on the applicant forswearing his allegiance to Queen Wilhelmina.

New Cases Filed.

The following new cases have been filed this week:

Fred A. Hall vs. John P. Baker—Replevin suit.

Alta A. Cartwright vs. John A. Cartwright—divorce.

John P. Simpson vs. Daisy B. Simpson—divorce.

Etta D. Williams vs. Frank C. L. Williams—divorce.

D. L. Stone & Son vs. M. Shinohara, et al.—foreclosure of lien.

Geo. S. Rankin vs. City of North Yakima—injunction.

THE FARMERS INSTITUTE

Will Convene Next Tuesday for a
Three Day Session—Farmers
Should Make it a Point to
Attend.

The Farmers' Institute to be held under the auspices of the Yakima County Horticultural union, will assemble at Woodman hall, this city, next Tuesday, Feb. 16. The meeting will be called to order by President Richards at 9:30 a. m. The committee of the union having the matter in charge have spared no effort in arranging an interesting and instructive program. A number of eminent and widely known authorities will be here to address the farmers on the different branches of their vocation. It is to be hoped therefore that there will be a good attendance not only of the farmers of the valley, but of residents of North Yakima. The official program of the meeting follows:

Tuesday, Feb. 16—Forenoon. Opening address, J. O. Cull.

Song, by quartette—VanSycle, Brown, Dudley and Hoffman.

Afternoon, 1:30 p. m.—Music, Dudley, Hoffman and Brown.

"Propagating Fruits," paper read by Prof. F. A. Huntley.

Wednesday, 9:30 a. m.—Music, duet, VanSycle and Brown.

"Pruning of Orchards and Selection of Varieties for an Orchard," Prof. N. O. Booth of the state agricultural college.

Wednesday, 1:30 p. m.—Solo, L. O. Meigs.

"Beauty and Benefits of Horticulture," Joseph Lannin, Sunnyside, Wash.

Thursday, 9:30 a. m.—Instrumental Solo,

"Habits of the Codling Moth, Diseases of the Fruit Tree and Their Remedy," by a member of the botanical department of State Agricultural college.

"The Codling Moth," F. Walden, Seattle.

1:30 p. m.—Music by quartette, Dudley, Greene, Parker and Crawford.

"The Woolly Aphis," Prof. Lawrence of the State Agricultural college.

General discussions of fruit culture, boxing, packing of fruit and marketing. Free for all who may be called on.

Ditch Company Elects Officers.

At the annual election of officers of the Fruitvale Ditch company, held last Saturday evening at the Fruitvale school house the following set of trustees were selected for the ensuing year: J. Howard Wright, E. M. King, O. Russell, W. B. Newcomb and S. Sherwood.

The executive officers elected are, J. Howard Wright, president; E. M. King, vice president; W. B. Newcomb, secretary; O. Russell, treasurer.

The Fruitvale company in connection with the Old Union Ditch company are figuring on doing some improvement work at their intake on the Natches this spring by the construction of a wing dam.

Henry Kohls of the Kohls Shoe company, returned the first of the week from a month's trip to his former home at Shakopee, Minn.

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THE ICE FACTORY

The Democrat Scribe Looks Over the New Plant and Watches the Process of Ice Making.

The Democrat scribe visited the plant of the Yakima Artificial Ice company Tuesday, and through the courtesy of J. W. Marshall, the genial representative of the York Manufacturing company, which installed the machinery, was shown over the establishment, and as a result we learned a little something of the mysteries of modern ice manufacture.

To the uninitiated the method employed to prepare the water for freezing into ice chemically pure is a rather complicated one. The water used, the raw material, is supplied by the Northwest Light & Water company. The water is first converted into steam under 100 pounds pressure. The vapor then passes into the re-boiler, where the air is completely boiled out of it. It then passes through a double pipe cooler at a low temperature, which conveys the water into a double tank filter, charged with hard wood charcoal. The water then passes into the huge storage tank, where it is ready to be converted into ice. This large tank from the upper service contains 143 separate openings, each of which contains a big can filled with water, which every 24 hours produces a pure block of ice, 36 inches in length, 11 inches thick, and weighing 300 pounds. Running at full capacity, and on full time, the plant will produce one of these big cakes of clear, chemically pure ice every 10 minutes. The ice is liberated from the cans quickly by injecting a stream of warm water down the sides of the vessel, which quickly liberates the ice. The block of congealed fluid then goes to the store room.

The plant so far has been operated under the directions of Mr. Marshall of the York Manufacturing company. It will be turned over today probably, however, to the owners, Messrs. Hawks & Hughes, in fine running order.

Mr. Hughes informs the Democrat that the plant will begin permanent operations for the season on or before the 1st of March. Contracts are now being entered into with city customers to furnish ice for the season at a flat rate of \$4 per ton to the trade or large consumers, and a rate of 60 cents per hundred delivered to private consumers. The company will also sell distilled water as well as cold storage in their warehouse, which is divided into seven compartments in each of which a different degree of temperature will be maintained.

Mr. Marshall will probably go from here to Hong Kong, China, to install the machinery in a large plant being built there. He came here from Salt Lake City, where he put in a plant with a capacity of 100 tons daily.

Filed a Water Appropriation.

The Yakima Development company through its secretary, T. H. Larkin, this week filed with the county auditor a claim to 1000 cubic feet of water per second of time from the Tietan river, the water thus appropriated to be used in a storage reservoir to be constructed in the Tietan basin and "for irrigation upon lands of the Tietan, Cowiche, Wide-Hollow and Abtanum country." The paper filed recites that the water appropriated is to be taken out of the Tietan at a point 6000 feet below the confluence of the north and south forks of that stream.

While the filing of this appropriation does not necessarily mean that the canal will be constructed it is regarded locally as a good indication that the ditch will be dug during the coming season.

"Bootleggers" Sentenced.

Frank Smith the "bootlegger" at the conclusion of his trial in the U. S. court at Seattle last week was given a 10-year sentence on McNeil's island by Judge Hanford and sentenced to pay a fine of \$100. Smith is an old offender. Smith, while in the custody of Deputy U. S. Marshal Short at Seattle last Saturday made a desperate effort to escape, first attempting to throw pepper in the eyes of Mr. Short.

Smith is regarded by the officers as a hard citizen. After being sentenced Smith boasted in the presence of the officers that he had sold over \$400 worth of "booze" to the Indians around North Yakima.

Thomas Grenier was given one year and a fine of \$100 for peddling whiskey. This was his first offense so far as known.

Deputy Assessors Appointed.

Assessor Harry Coonse has appointed the following deputies for field work this year: North Yakima, A. B. Sweeney; Wenas and Selah, E. B. Watt; Naches, Abner Sinclair; Abtanum, D. B. Greenwalt; Moxee, D. L. Peck; Parker Bottom and Zillah, D. C. Macy; Sunnyside, Wallace Goodsell; Prosser, H. G. Guild; Rattlesnake and White Bluffs, C. A. Jensen; Kiona and Horse Heaven, M. W. Smith; Kennewick, Fay Dean; Mt. Adams country, J. C. Parrott. For Nob Hill, the reservation, Cowiche and Yakima City and suburbs of North Yakima no appointments have yet been made.

J. W. Sindall will be the office deputy this year, as last.

The deputies will take the field to begin the work of the new assessment March 1.

To Move Portable School Houses.

The school board of district No. 7 at its meeting Monday night ordered that the two small portable school houses located on the Columbia school site be moved to the school grounds on North Naches avenue. The order was made because of the greater demand for school room on the east side, there now being plenty of room on the west side with the completion of the Columbia annex and the Summit View school house.

R. K. Nichols, clerk of the school board of district No. 7, has made a statement showing the disbursement of the school bond issue of \$22,000 for the new school buildings. The buildings have all been completed and every cent of indebtedness thereon paid. A balance of \$2713.37 remains in the hands of the county treasurer. Following is the statement:

Cash paid for lot 41, Summit View, including interest on warrant No. 3801	\$ 701.89
Cash paid W. W. Felton on contract on Summit View building, as per contract	8038.00
Cash paid Yakima Valley Bank on contract Columbia addition as per Switzer contract	7448.00
Cash paid seats for above buildings	1523.74
Cash paid E. W. Sankey, architect and superintendent	350.00
Cash paid W. W. Felton, architect	150.00
Cash paid E. A. Bissell, superintendent	150.00
Cash paid W. W. Felton, corner stone, Summit View	15.00
Cash paid A. F. Switzer, coal hole, Columbia addition	10.00
Total cost of buildings, to date	\$19,286.63
February 5, Balance in special fund to credit of district	\$2713.37

Granted a Franchise.

The prosperous town of Prosser has been considerably torn up of late, according to reports, over the action of the town council there granting a second lighting franchise. The franchise was granted to the Prosser Falls Land and irrigation company and is to run for a period of 25 years. There appears to have been some opposition to the franchise among the members of the council and a great deal among the citizens of the town.

Prosser is now lighted by the Prosser Electric company, of which Alf Thompson and "Hub" Pratt, two well known young men formerly of this city are the principal stockholders. The franchise under which they now operate was granted about three years ago and it is said to be an "exclusive" one. It is said that the granting of a second franchise is very apt to result in legal complications.

The intention of the Prosser Falls company is to put in an electric plant that will develop 200 horse power, the purpose being to sell power as well as light. The champions of this company claim that such a plant would mean much for Prosser as it would lead to the establishment of other lines of industry in that town.

Received Insurance Money.

Arthur A. Waite, who died at his home in the Wenas on Christmas was a member of the Modern Woodmen and carried a policy in that order for \$2000. The following statement from Mrs. Waite is self-explanatory:

North Yakima, Wash., Feb. 7, 1904. I feel that Camp 5550 M. W. A., has certainly fulfilled all its obligations and has been very prompt in payment of the policy held by me, wife and beneficiary of Arthur A. Waite, deceased, late of Camp 5550, and I thank the clerk and members of the Camp for the kindness they have shown me. I can heartily recommend the Modern Woodmen and may it prosper and continue to grow. It shall always have my best wishes for a bright future.

MRS. A. A. WAITE.

Card of Thanks.

We, the undersigned, desire to express our heartfelt thanks to our kind friends in North Yakima and vicinity for their sympathy and assistance incident to the death of our beloved wife and daughter, Mrs. Kate Butcher.

Fred Hamilton Butcher, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stephenson.

Notice has been received from Washington that the land contest case of John Reed vs. Carrie A. Krutz, over a desert tract of 100 acres in the Sunnyside country has been decided in favor of the latter. Ira Krutz the attorney of this city, filed on the land over ten years ago and afterwards relinquished to his wife. The department held that it was not the fault of Mrs. Krutz that she had no water on the land at the time final proof was submitted, but that of the water company, the lack of water being the grounds on which the contest was based.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL AND PERSONAL

W. P. Murphy, deputy head consul of the M. W. A., returned home Saturday from doing missionary work for the order in the different towns of Klickitat county. He had good success and says that owing to the prevailing good prices for wheat and stock the people over that way are more than usually prosperous.

R. K. Nichols, past high priest of the Royal Arch Masons at the meeting of the local chapter Tuesday evening was presented with a handsome antique oak reclining chair by members of the order, who wished to recognize the splendid service rendered the chapter by Mr. Nichols. The presentation speech was made by Rev. Alfred H. Henry.

A number of the ladies of Sunnyside met last Saturday afternoon and formed a temporary organization for the purpose of purchasing a large stock of roses to be grown in individual gardens there. A permanent society will be formed with the object of making a success of rose culture and for holding an annual rose carnival at Sunnyside.

The Wenas Stock company filed articles of incorporation this week with the county auditor. The trustees named are John Cleman, David Longmire, Earl B. Watt, John J. Miller and Milton M. Burge. The capital stock of the company is \$50,000, divided into shares of \$100 each. The new corporation will deal in live stock in the Wenas valley.

Charles Mabry, Al. Reiber and Ed. Whidby went hunting for ducks on the reservation one day recently. Before they had succeeded in bagging much game they were overhauled by a squad of Indian police and escorted off the reservation. At least that is the story that their friends tell on them and everybody who heard it had a good laugh at the expense of the discomfited hunters.

Dr. Wells reported to the Democrat Monday that Mrs. Emil Allwardt of the Moxee had given birth to triplets, two boys and one girl, on Sunday, the female weighing seven and the male infants each six pounds. Both mother and babes at last accounts were doing well. The father is said to be quite happy over his unexpected good luck and is of the opinion that Yakima is the most productive country in the world.

Mr. Birmingham, the present owner of the Howlett block in which the U. S. land office is located, is preparing to have a fire-proof vault put in the building. This improvement is being made on the demand of the officials of the general land office on the report made by special agent Linnen to the effect that the land office records are in imminent danger of being destroyed in case of fire under the present arrangements for their safe keeping.

Florence Roberts and her company in the presentation of "Sapho" at the local theatre Saturday night played to a packed house. A majority of those in attendance were apparently well satisfied with the performance, although the pleasure of the event was marred by the uncontrolled mirth and comment of the "gallery gods" who as a rule can be depended upon to applaud at the wrong time. A goodly amount of criticism was passed upon the management for permitting so much hilarity in the galleries.

Ex-Mayor Shaw visited the Sound this week on business.

The Maccaabees will give a social at Woodman hall next Monday evening.

Del Hisecock returned home this week from his visit to his old home at Elmira N. Y.

E. S. Price left for Seattle Friday to place some large blocks of stock for the newly organized Yakima-Washington Fruit company.

Charles Owen, the popular bookkeeper at Lombard & Horsley's, has been unable to be at his desk this week on account of illness.

H. J. Thomas, a nephew of Capt. J. H. Thomas, is here with his family from Pasadena, Cal. Mr. Thomas is here to locate and is on the lookout for a stock farm.

President Bryan of the state agricultural college writes the Democrat that a new edition of the Spraying Calendar has been issued and will be sent free to all who apply for it.

Garret Wyneberg, the 19 year old son of Henry Wyneberg of the Moxee, died Thursday Feb. 11 from a blood disease. The funeral was held Friday with interment in Moxee cemetery.

A. E. Larson this week purchased from I. H. Dills seven lots in Yakima Heights addition on Nob Hill, consideration \$1250. Mr. Larson bought the property with the view of building a residence thereon.

The young people of this city are getting all the enjoyment out of the snow possible while it lasts. Thursday night probably every available sleigh in town was doing service and several parties were out until a late hour.

The democratic state committee which assembled at Seattle Thursday issued a call for the democratic state

convention to meet at Olympia June 2 for the purpose of electing ten delegates to the democratic national convention which will convene at St. Louis July 6.

Chairman Lince of the board of county commissioners has been appealed to for help recently by several poverty stricken families who have been passing the winter living in tents on the banks of the Schanno ditch in the west part of town. All requests for money were denied by the chairman, but in two or three cases where the applicants were in actual want they were supplied with the necessities of life.

Rankin Goes Into Court.

Judge Rudkin Thursday on the petition of Geo. S. Rankin and wife issued a temporary injunction against the city of North Yakima restraining the city from changing the course of the Union ditch on south Sixth street. The writ is made returnable Feb. 15. Mayor Fechter and Councilmen Sinclair, Rand and Bull, comprising the street and ditch committee of the council, are made parties to the suit.

The Moxee Bridge Repairs.

Chairman Lince of the board of county commissioners in answer to a criticism published in this paper last week regarding the contract for the repair of the Moxee bridge stated in the Republic that the contract was let to the Puget Sound Bridge & Dredging company for the reason that the bid of that firm provided for putting in steel beams instead of wooden ones. For that reason the bid of the Seattle concern was accepted although C. E. Lum offered to do the work for \$1190 less money. A majority of the board being of the opinion that the use of steel beams would be cheaper in the end and be more satisfactory.

Mr. Lum says that the plans or specifications did not provide for steel girders and that his bid of \$3480 was for wooden beams only, but that he informed members of the board that if steel was wanted he would put it in for \$500 additional, which would have made his bill still less by \$690 than that of the Seattle firm.

The Democrat in commenting upon this matter does so without prejudice. Since it is a public matter and the taxpayers foot the bills this paper assumes that the people are entitled to the facts.

Fairview Literary and Musical Club.

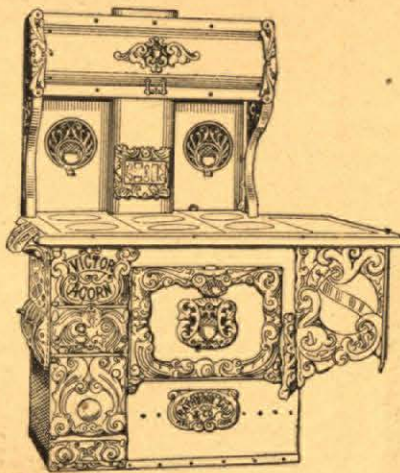
A number of the young people of Fairview met Wednesday evening at the residence of J. M. Brown and organized a musical and literary club.

Miss Iris McWhorter was elected president, Bert Gilmore, vice president, Miss Alice Remy, secretary. Miss Mary Remy was elected editor of the club paper to be read at each entertainment. Harry Brown was selected as musical director. All the officers elected compose the committee on program. The next meeting of the club will be at the residence of Mr. McWhorter, Saturday evening, February 6, at which time a complete program will be rendered including a stump speech by Bennie Brown. The club will meet every two weeks at different homes in Fairview.

Through an oversight in the Democrat's composing room last week the above item after being set in type was mislaid and therefore did not appear in the last issue. We hope to be pardoned by our Fairview friends for the error.

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Not many potatoes have been coming in since the snow began. The price holds firm at from \$11.50 to \$13 per ton. Onions are quoted 1 1/2c per pound.

Friday, Feb. 12, the anniversary of Lincoln's birthday, was appropriately observed in the city schools in all of which special programs were rendered. The schools will also fittingly observe Washington's birthday Feb. 22.

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No. 7 North First Street.

Yakima News Notes.

Items are rather scarce this morning.

This place is rapidly becoming a large shipping point. A large amount of hay is being shipped out every week.

Several social events are on tap for this week, chief among which is the dance at the hall Friday night.

Some Moxee parties are figuring on establishing an extensive butter business here if they can find a suitable location.

Jerry Wheeler paid a visit here Wednesday and invited a few of his friends to a social dance at his house Friday night next.

The M. W. A. ball was well attended and a fine time was had. About 40 couples enjoyed themselves until the wee sma' hours.

Mr. Wadecamp, who bought the Weikel place here last spring, is now offering the property for sale. Mr. W. does not intend to leave Yakima but has other interests here to occupy his attention.

It is reported that the owners of saloons here will refuse to take out license this year as they feel that a \$400 license fee besides being compelled to close up at 10 p. m. and on Sunday is too much.

Notices have been posted requiring property owners to clean up their premises and remove the huge manure piles that have been allowed to accumulate in barn yards and alleys for years. Now if the board of health will see that this order is enforced they will have the thanks of the entire community.

The city council met in special session Tuesday night. It appearing that Councilman Goins had not lived long enough here to become a resident the office was declared vacant and Benj. McNeil is elected to the place. Mr. McNeil is a good business man and enjoys the confidence of the citizens of this place.

The Royal Neighbors furnished the supper for the Woodmen ball and it was a great success. The table was spread with all kinds of good things. Mayor Baker condescended to help wait on the table and made a very efficient waiter. Everyone went home satisfied. Even the "Judge" was heard to remark that he had got enough to eat.

Wenas Notes.

Mrs. Catlin is visiting the family of R. H. Kershaw.

Revival meetings in the school house of district 52 are still in progress.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Swain have been visiting the family of Mr. E. B. Watt.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Purdin are rejoicing over the arrival of a nine pound boy.

H. Hagadorn has leased land on the reservation and will soon move there with his family.

Miss Dry, teacher of the Cowan school visited with her parents in North Yakima last Saturday and Sunday.

Will Taylor has returned from the lower end of the county where he has been working with the hay baling crew.

Miss Grace Smith was very pleasantly surprised at the home of Mrs. Ed Treat, Monday evening, the occasion being her 19th birthday.

The teacher and pupils of district 52 will give a Washington's birthday entertainment, followed by a pie social, next Friday evening, Feb. 19.

The annual meeting of the Wenas Stock company will be held Saturday afternoon, Feb. 13, at the residence of the secretary, E. B. Watt.

The stockholders of the Wenas Ditch company held their annual meeting on Monday evening, Feb. 8. Messrs. Forrest Fletcher, L. J. Anderson and E. B. Watt were elected trustees and John Ogburn, treasurer, again.

Business College Notes.

Seventy-six students.

Mr. Sanger has gone to Sunnyside.

Mrs. Brown of the evening shorthand course, is back after a month's absence on account of sickness.

Mr. Coe and Mr. Mochler have entered the commercial course and Miss Cornwell the shorthand course of evening school.

The boys are now in training for the baseball season. Colors of dark green and white have been chosen and the pink carnation is the college flower.

Miss Maud Prudy who has a complete commercial life scholarship; Mrs. Michaels, commercial scholarship; Miss Ida the shorthand course of evening school, students.

If you can judge by the marks in English, Misses Mattie Preble, Slasor, McWhorter and West; Mr. Elliott and Mr. Biehn will be among the number on the roll of honor.

Wapato.

Mrs. Lancaster is suffering from a very sore throat.

Miss Jennie Cooper visited friends in Sunnyside last week.

About three inches of the beautiful fell here Tuesday night.

F. O. Leloh made a business trip to North Yakima Monday.

Miss Rota Gibson was on the sick list the first of the week.

Mr. Franzen and daughter, Leona, were visiting in North Yakima the first of the week.

Supt. Lynch, has been down from the fort this week looking after the work on the new ditch.

The M. W. A. gave a delightful ball last Friday evening. The camp is growing rapidly in numbers and popularity.

Mr. McCredy is putting in some new counters in his store to accommodate the large new stock of goods that he is getting in.

W. P. Murphy stopped off here last Friday night on his way home from Goldendale, where he had been working in the interest of the M. W. A.

John Conol and Finley—who left last fall for Idaho returned Tuesday glad to be back in Wapato. Mr. Conol intends building a blacksmith shop and making making this his future home.

J. K. Wheelis spent Sunday in North Yakima visiting friends, returning Monday to his home at Whatcom. While spending the winter in Wapato Mr. Wheelis make many friends among the young people who regretted to see him go.

Of Interest to Irrigators.

About a year ago the English capitalists completed the great dam at Assouan, near the headwaters of the Nile in Africa—the object being to store up water for irrigating purposes. Last winter it gathered its first stock of water, and the official report says that the success of all of the summer crops is assured as a result of the distribution of the water held in store by that dam. The Assouan dam, and a smaller one in an adjoining stream cost nearly \$24,000,000, and if it becomes a means of increasing the cotton yield on the arid lands of Egypt the money has undoubtedly been exceedingly well spent. It is said that an acre of land in Egypt produces almost five hundred pounds of cotton—while cotton grown in the United States produces only about two hundred pounds.

The Assouan dam towers 76 feet above the bed of the river and is about 6,000 feet long. It will hold a reserve of more than 1,000,000,000 tons of water—more than enough for a year's supply to the entire United Kingdom. The benefits to follow this venture have led to the inauguration of other enterprises of a similar character in other parts of the Upper Nile. Engineers are now making plans for the construction of a great reservoir system from which Upper Egypt and the Sudan can be irrigated. The success of this great undertaking can well serve to point what may be accomplished in the United States when the irrigation systems that are now in contemplation are perfected and in operation. The quantity of water that flows to waste every year from the canyons in the Rocky mountains is enormous. If this be distributed over the arid districts, and it can be done, it will increase the productivity of the western plains to an extent that can not now be imagined.—Ex.

What the State Capitol Cost.

Secretary D. B. Garrison made public his annual report to the state capitol commission, setting forth the finances of the commission and the progress of the work which it has in hand. At least three months, according to the report, will be required to finish the building now in progress of construction. Practically all of the funds appropriated by the legislature for the completion of the building will have been used up by the time the structure is finished, and this will probably not allow for much of any expenditure on the park surrounding the capitol save the construction of the stay wall and possibly the walks around the building, where it faces on Sixth and Washington streets. The commission originally had in mind quite a scheme but no thing definite, however, for beautifying the park.

The total cost of the building to date is \$405,141.56. To this really should be added the expenses of the commission, amounting to \$5,014.60, and the expense of the Grass suit of \$1,847.18.—Olympia Star and Herald.

Why Japan Fights.

Both the Japanese and Russians have issued statements of their positions and the former seem to have the better of it. In the negotiations of the last six months each side has probably been trying to get the better of the other, and there has undoubtedly been a resort to every sort of diplomatic strategy that is known to those skilled in the trade. Talleyrand, one of the greatest of diplomats, said that in diplomacy "men speak only to conceal their thoughts;" so it is easier to judge of the present situation by what the two powers have done, rather than by what they have said.

Although the Japanese may have been unduly elated and boastful by reason of internal progress, and more particularly because of their victory over China, it does not appear that they have been

asking more than was reasonably within their rights. For years they have exercised a predominating influence in Korea and it is natural that they should be solicitous for their interests there, as the power of the czar has become entrenched in Manchuria and his soldiers have crossed into Korean territory on the old claim of protecting Russian property.

It is clear to the Japanese, as it is to everybody else who has read the long story of Russian expansion and absorption, that unless Japan interposes aggressive objection the czar will gobble up Korea just as he has acquired Manchuria. Russian professions of respecting the integrity of China in Manchuria are a farce. She does not intend to give up the province, and will never do so unless compelled so to do by superior force.

But Russia's present retention of Manchuria is in violation of treaties to which Japan and other nations are parties, and the Japanese have as much right to consider that province within their sphere of influence as any other party to the treaty has. If Russia is free to permanently occupy Manchuria unmolested, it will certainly not hesitate to overrun Korea by similar tricky methods, and Japan is doing no more than guard her own interests when she refuses to countenance the dangerous encroachments of Russian empire seekers.—Spokesman-Review.

Should Repeal Bad Laws.

There are now fifteen million dollars in the United States treasury set apart under the national irrigation act for the building of irrigation works by the national government.

Work will soon begin on such great structures as the Tonto Basin reservoir in Arizona, the Gunnison tunnel in Colorado, and the St. Mary's and Milk river system in Montana.

Every dollar of their cost will be paid out for labor, directly and indirectly, and each irrigation system will create a demand for labor on the reclaimed lands under it each year thereafter greater than the entire cost of the system.

There are now over 100,000,000 acres of public lands that can be reclaimed. But it will be gone in a few years at the rate it is now being stolen by the speculators. This wholesale theft of the public domain is enormously prejudicial to the interest of labor and to the workers of the country.—The Union, Leavenworth, Kas.

A Business Epitaph.

Amusing epitaphs are not difficult to find if one is seeking them. The Chesapeake Republican cites a most singular one which may be found on a monument in eastern Tennessee:

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The names are not really Smith and Jones, but they will answer for the purposes of the story. "I met Jones later," says the narrator, "and he gave me a frank explanation of the inscription."

"Smith was a bachelor without relatives," he said, "but he knew a tremendous lot of country people, and if any of them happened to see his grave they might think that the old house had closed up and gone out of business. So I thought it no more than right to let them know that the firm was still alive."

No Doubt About It.

A kind hearted lady saw a small boy seated on one of the benches in Fairmount park the other day smoking a cigar which she afterward told a friend seemed almost as big as himself. The lady is an enthusiastic anti-tobacco worker and never loses an opportunity to impress, especially upon youthful minds, the evils of using tobacco in any form.

Seating herself by the side of the lad, she said kindly, "Oh, my boy, wouldn't your father be dreadfully pained if he saw you smoking that cigar?"

"Rather think he would," responded the twentieth century young man without removing the weed from his mouth. "This is one of his best cigars."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Giving an Opinion.

Taddles—I used to think a good deal of Straddles, but—

Waddies—You don't say so? What has he done?

"The other day I asked him to call round and give me his opinion of an article of mine on 'The Impending Crisis.' Well, he came all right; but he brought a little thing of his own for me to hear, and, confound him, he wasted all the evening with his egotistical trash."

In Many Places.

Mrs. McCall—I see you've got a new girl. Has she had much experience as a cook?

Mrs. Hiram Offen—Apparently not much, but many, and I propose to give her notice to hunt up another experience when her week's up.—Philadelphia Press.

Quite Familiar.

Doctor—Do I think I can cure your catarrh? Why, I am sure of it.

Patient—So you're very familiar with the disease?

Doctor—I should say so! I've had it myself all my life.—Judge.

His Deceptive Appearance.

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THE war in Asia is now on, Japan having struck the first blow Sunday Feb. 7, which resulted in the loss of three Russian war ships in the harbor of Port Arthur, seven more being since disabled.

It is probably a fact that ninety per cent of the people of this country, or at any rate the people of this coast, sympathize with the Japs in this war notwithstanding the fact that Russia has been the traditional friend of this country and at a time too when the United States had not another open friend among the nations of Europe. As a result the ruling classes in Russia today are said to be very much chagrined because of the unfriendly attitude of not only the people but of the government of the United States in the present difficulty with Japan.

Even on the assumption that we owe Russia a debt of gratitude for past favors that would not be a good reason for condoning her acts of wanton piracy in China. She has been playing her habitual role of a robber nation, taking advantage of China's extremity and helplessness. That Japan in making war with Russia to preserve the integrity of China has an axe of her own to grind is beside the question, for nations are no more influenced by purely philanthropic motives than are individuals.

Russia because of her continuous policy of conquest has become the terror of the world. Already the mighty Czar rules over one thirteenth of the total land surface of the globe and is constantly reaching out for more territory. What Russia has not secured by intrigue and lying diplomacy she has taken by the sword. If she carried the ways of civilization, the torch of knowledge with her into conquered territory the world would not mind so much. But she does not. Instead of spreading light she spreads darkness and the gospel of despair. Upon her new subjects she forces an autocratic government centuries behind the times and a religion that is as ridiculous as it is antiquated. Every gain made by the despotic government of Russia means a loss to civilization. The balance of the world knows this and acts accordingly. The plucky little Japs may defeat Russia upon the sea, where the latter is weak, but that they will do so permanently upon land is hardly to be hoped for. They will do their best, however, and should they not succeed it may be that Great Britain will be forced into the combat, for the latter nation cannot afford to allow Russia to work her will in the Orient.

THERE is but one public man in this country who for strenuousness can be compared with Teddy Roosevelt and that man is William Randolph Hearst. Hearst just now is publishing the San Francisco Examiner, the Chicago American, the New York American, the New York Journal and the Los Angeles Examiner. In addition to the above Hearst is preparing to establish a paper at St. Louis and one likewise at Boston, both of which will be in operation within sixty days. Notwithstanding all the labor involved in watching over and managing these great newspaper properties Hearst still finds time to represent a New York district in congress and incidentally promote for himself a big boom for the democratic presidential nomination. Surely, Hearst for a newly married man, must be kept tolerably busy.

It has long been the fashion among republican editors to sneer at Hearst by referring to him as the "Yellow Kid." But coarse and vindictive abuse has not hurt Hearst. Instead he has thrived and grown great upon it. Whatever they may say about him the fact remains that Hearst is a big man and seems to be getting bigger every day. A great many people in this country are of the opinion that he is already, in spite of his youth, a big enough man to measure up to the presidential requirements.

Born with a golden spoon in his mouth, to use a familiar figure of speech, Hearst within a few years has leaped into fame and become a national figure

although not yet forty years of age. Had he started out in life a poor boy his career would not seem so strange, but instead he was the pampered only son of millionaire parents who preferred that he should not work. That the young man thus handicapped should develop a love for hard work, business and statecraft is certainly to his credit. Then too the man has made a success of everything he has undertaken, a fact that shows conclusively that he possesses brains as well as genius.

Hearst may never be able to satisfy his soaring ambition by reaching the coveted presidential chair, but even if he does not he doubtless has before him a great future that will make him a king pin in American politics. A man who reaches many millions of people every day and presents his ideas skillfully to them can influence public sentiment to a remarkable degree and this is what the sturdy young millionaire is doing.

Keep your eye on William Randolph Hearst.

NOTWITHSTANDING the fact that the state of Washington, through the sale of public lands within its borders, is one of the heaviest contributors to the national irrigation fund yet the national government does not propose to spend a cent in the reclamation of arid lands in this state.

Whether this fact is due to the lack of any feasible project presented, the want of suitable state legislation regarding water storage, or a lack of diligence on the part of our congressional delegation remains to be seen.

The officials of the Interior department who have been sent to this state to examine the different projects presented have invariably reported that there was little if any government land left below the routes of such proposed ditches, that the land was held in both corporate and private ownership, hence not within the purview of the national irrigation act. Even in the event that a feasible project could be found, in the opinion of Chief Engineer Newell, the government would not be warranted in spending a large sum of money until the legislature of this state has first passed an act clearly defining and establishing the right of the government to such water as it might store.

The state government, under a provision of the enabling act, lays claim to all the shore lands of the Cascade mountain lakes and the federal officials in effect concede this claim. Whether the national government shall store the water or it be done by private capital the obstacle in the way at present is the same—the lack of a proper law confirming the right of the party storing the water to use it exclusively when stored.

It is as clear as daylight now that the next legislature of this state will legislate or attempt to legislate on this question which is of paramount importance to the people of this valley. It therefore behooves our people to give serious thought to this pressing problem for in the manner in which it may be settled may vitally effect their individual interests as well that of whole communities in this section.

At this writing it looks as though the republican party of this state would hold but one convention this year. The Ankeny-Foster-Jones-Stevenson combine are in favor of the one convention idea and the combine is very apt to have its way. The matter will be definitely decided at the meeting of the state central committee to be held at Seattle Feb. 28.

Gov. McBride and Congressmen Cushman and Humphrey are said to be strenuous, opposed to the one convention plan. They assert that such a plan is contrary to all precedents, that it would mean an unnecessarily long and tiresome campaign, expensive to the candidates and that the election of delegates to the national convention being complicated with the selection of state and congressional candidates would mean trading to the limit, which they say would be bad for the party and bad for the interests of the people.

As a matter of fact to a man up a tree it looks as though the senatorial railroad faction were attempting to take an undue and unfair advantage of the other crowd. The combine undoubtedly has it in for the governor and the two west side congressmen as well, and the one convention idea is sprung as a part of the general plan to eliminate the trio from the political map. One convention, necessarily means an early convention, since according to republican usage a state convention to select delegates to a national convention must be held at least thirty days prior to the national assembly.

The governor and the two congressmen are presumed to be nearer the masses than are the members of the senatorial combine; hence to shorten the time by three months in which they would have to appeal to the rank and file of the party would be good politics, say the machine politicians. And there can be no doubt but that is true as viewed from their standpoint.

TAMMANY proposes to send Bourke Cochran back to congress to succeed Geo. B. McClellan. This may be all right from Tammany's standpoint but congress will get the worst of the exchange.

STATE SENATOR SMITH of King county announces that in compliance with the wishes of his numerous friends all over the state that he has finally decided to become a candidate for the republican nomination for governor.

This formal announcement from Senator Smith was hardly necessary. Everybody with any political gumption in the state knows that Smith has been running after the nomination instead of that rather doubtful honor chasing him. "My friends want me to run," is the usual way that the typical politician has of expressing himself. If Senator Smith had said "I want the office for what there is in it" he could at least be given credit for frankness.

The people of this state owe nothing to the smooth and oily senator from King county and if he succeeds in capturing the nomination the republican party of this state will be in hard luck. As president of the senate the railroad gang, which ruled that body so completely during the last session, dictated Smith's course from start to finish. The gang always knew that his rulings on disputed points would be in their favor and knowing discounted them in advance.

It would be a calamity to the state if such a man as Senator Smith should be elected governor. Our own Doc Hare, said to be a receptive candidate for that honor, is a king and a pillar of righteousness as compared with the Enuncleau politician.

THE Yakima Republic with an air of authority warns both the McBride and the railroad factions of its party that they must keep their hands off republican politics in this county.

It is this case the Republic, as usual, is merely throwing dust in the eyes of the people. Everybody with any political sense in this state knows that the fight within the republican party is between Gov. McBride and his enemies and that it will be a fight to the bitter end, when one faction or the other must go down to defeat. This being the case how can the party in this county, which is vitally interested in the outcome, remain neutral? Is the Republic, itself, neutral as between the factions? Well hardly. If it were the columns of the local organ would not be teeming almost daily with abuse and vilification of the chief executive officer of the state who is doing merely what he considers to be his duty by the people.

That the Republic should regard itself as privileged to continue its bitter attacks upon the governor and in the same breath declare that McBride's friends in this county must swallow their chagrin and not resent it may seem like good logic to the Republic but it won't appeal to any lover of fair play. In fact to most people it looks like an exhibition of most consummate gall.

THE Spokane papers are constantly harping on the fact that Spokane must have a congressman and between the lines one may easily read that a determined effort will be made from that quarter to capture for a Spokane man the seat now held by Congressman Jones.

The Democrat is not particularly interested in the political welfare of Mr. Jones. That goes without saying. But we do object to the spirit of hogwash constantly manifested by the politicians of the three leading cities of this state. Seattle demands the governor, a senator and a congressman, Tacoma insists on keeping her senator and congressman, while Spokane demands the other congressman and anything else in sight. The balance of the state with three fourths of the population may go hang. Who cares for what the cow counties want? They will vote the ticket anyway, say the politicians, but the cities must be looked after else they may bolt and defeat the ticket.

We can't see that Spokane has any kick coming. A great many people here are of the opinion that Mr. Jones has looked after her interests much more zealously at Washington than those of his home constituents.

THE Cuban debate on tariff reform casts some light upon the little joke which the senate of the ever-faithful isle is preparing to explode at Uncle Sam's expense.

With us "tariff reform" means tariff reduction. In England it now means tariff increase. Cuban senators use the phrase to describe a scheme, whose details are still kept secret, to lift the tariff on various articles from 35 to 600 per cent.

Our great and generous nation, after freeing Cuba from Spanish rule, long denied to the young republic the right to a living chance in trade with us. We have just concluded a reciprocity treaty granting to either party a reduction of tariff rates. And now Cuba proposes to increase her tariff so that American goods, even with the reduction, will pay more duty than before.

And no nation that lives within a Dingley wall has any right to complain of this "protection to home industry." —N. Y. World.

CLARENCE W. IDE, U. S. collector of customs at Port Townsend, refused last year to pay his poll tax on the ground that the law is unconstitutional inasmuch as it fixes an age limit, thereby discriminating between citizens. Mr.

Ide's view of the law was not accepted by the superior court at Port Townsend and he straightway appealed the case to the state supreme court. The outcome is being watched closely by lawyers and road supervisors.

It will strike a great many people that the big and pompous Mr. Ide is engaged in this instance in pretty small business.

BALTIMORE was swept with a destructive fire this week that has proved almost as extensive as the great Chicago calamity of 1871. The burned area in the stricken city extends over 140 acres of the business district covering 75 blocks on which stood 2500 buildings, many of which were from five to twelve stories high. The loss is conservatively estimated at from 150 to 200 million dollars, a fact that will probably put several insurance companies out of business. Fortunately not a single life was lost.

THE correspondent of the New York World tells the following:

Col Jim Ham Lewis, now of Chicago, where the soot has turned the pink of his whiskers to a near-Titan, met Perry Heath in the lobby of the Willard Hotel. With that graceful airy persiflage for which the Colonel is famous he stretched out both hands and said, "Hello, you rascal!"

Not content with looking daggers at Jim Ham, Heath looked outlances, cleavers, broadswords, bozz saws and battle axes and the temperature fell so rapidly that the onyx pillars cracked.

THE election of Isador Rayner to the U. S. senate from Maryland cannot but be gratifying to democrats generally throughout the country regardless of the effect that his election will have on the personal fortunes of Senator Gorman, who so bitterly opposed him. Rayner, it will be remembered, is the man who so ably defended Admiral Schley before the naval board of inquiry some three or four years ago.

MR. BRYAN wants the next democratic national platform to be an appeal to conscience. The reorganizers want to follow the policy of the republican party and make an appeal to the pocket book. If both parties make a bid for the support of the tracts, its dollars to doughnuts that the trust magnates won't worry over the result of the election.—Colfax Commoner.

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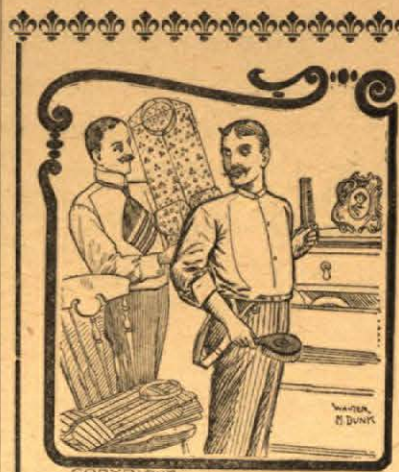
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Secretary of War Root Is Interviewed by the Democrat's Correspondent on the Situation in the Philippines.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 7, 1904.—Your correspondent walked up to the war department this morning to seek an interview with Governor Taft, feeling sure that your readers would be gratified to receive the latest word from the man who is the most talked of man in America. In the ante room was a group of visitors waiting an opportunity on one errand or another to see the new secretary of war. There was a senator, two or three members of congress, another scribe and various miscellany. It is a noble reception room; the floor of hickory panels, furniture of solid mahogany, heavy and ornately carved, upholstering of red leather; on pedestals busts of Washington, and Stanton; and on the walls, banked high to the ceiling, oil portraits of past secretaries of war, including Jefferson Davis. A cheerful wood fire blazed upon the hearth at the end of the room in a generous fire place flanked with griffins in black marble, and over it, on the frieze, was preserved in a case ten feet long the sacred flag in which the body of Abraham Lincoln was enwrapped on its final return to Illinois. The prevailing tints of the room are red and gold, and the bright ceiling spreads a canopy of harmonious tones, a fresco of a Roman chariot race. The waiting visitors exchanged brief converse and even opinions, as even strangers will when closeted together, but one by one they were called to the next room in their turn. It occurred to your correspondent while waiting that Governor Taft's father has also been secretary of war, and that he occupied these very rooms in the administration of General Grant; and also that this was the anniversary of that fateful and cruel day when the American troops fired upon the Filipinos in Manila.

Time flies and your correspondent's turn came at last. Governor Taft rose and offered his visitor his hand and then a chair. He is six feet two inches in height, weighs 310 pounds, having reduced his flesh since leaving the Philippines, and is not only a very large but a very handsome man; a square face with double chin, blue eyes, a broad sweep of forehead, and a tangle of light

brown hair. He was dressed like any other gentleman, with a turn-down collar, a blue necktie, kept by a sapphire pin, and a plain watch-chain bearing a Masonic emblem. To the question whether whether his father's seat was not a restful one after the toils of Manila, he said: "Yes; but I have not been overworked," he added with a laugh "nor is Manila a bad place to live. Indeed it is a good place, if one is careful, and lets strong liquors alone."

I reminded the secretary that the country had heard with great interest his proclamation, "Philippines for the Filipinos," but seemed not to know precisely what he meant by it—whether he meant independence or dependence with good government conferred. "I do not mean independence for them immediately or very soon," he answered; "I mean that the Filipinos shall be constantly benefited by our government there, whether anybody else reaps any benefit or not. The welfare of these islanders should be the paramount consideration. A selfish exploitation of them for the benefit of the United States or its people is expressly disavowed as unworthy of the government."

"Then, Governor," I added, "the Philippines for the Filipinos does not necessarily mean self-government?"

"Ultimately; not at present. It means that every measure, whether by congress or the commission, whether in the form of law or an executive order, should be weighed before its adoption, by this one question: Does it make for the welfare of the Filipino people or does it not? If it does, it must be enacted and executed. Those people have future capacity, but not present fitness for self-government."

Your correspondent reminded the secretary that many Americans believe that all people possess the natural right to self-government, and that they can always govern themselves better than anybody else can possibly govern them.

"Yes," he said, "I know the doctrines of the anti-imperialists, Governor Boutwell and the rest. They are mistaken. Even a short residence in Manila would open their eyes. My position is not an enviable one. I come fresh from a contest with a lot of people in the Philippine Islands who aim to be despoilers and find myself face to face with the anti-imperialists here, who blame me quite as much. There are a lot of Americans in Manila, possibly a majority, and all of the American press, who are strongly hostile to the doctrine of 'the Philippines for the Filipinos.' They have no patience with the civil govern-

ment and want the army to run everything. They want a firm government rather than a popular one. Three years ago there were 70,000 soldiers at 600 posts in the Philippines. They created a demand for food and drink so that many fortunes were quickly made. Now the army of 70,000 has been reduced to 15,000. There are fewer Americans in the islands. The demand for American supplies is much smaller and the time for large profits has passed. The Americans who are impatient with civil government look upon the Filipinos with scorn and speak of them with contempt. What shall we say of the American merchants there who call their chief customers 'niggers' and spend their time in abusing and insulting the Filipino race? The attitude of the American merchants and the American residents is always bitterly hostile to the Filipino and utterly contemptuous of him and his business. How long would civil government have popular support there if we repudiated our national promises and adopted the policy of repulsion and repudiation, saying to the people, 'You are not to be trusted.' The offices must all go to Americans! You are an inferior race and are sufficiently rewarded by having a superior race come here and run your government for you! Do the merchants of Manila and the American press there expect to chance the policy of this government? They will not do it as long as the United States is alive to the honor of preserving sacred its promises to that people. Do the Manila marplots hope to obtain support for their destruction of civil government from the democrats? But the democrats are more resolved that the islands should be preserved for the Filipinos exclusively than the republicans are. They will have no political party to which they can look for aid."

The governor spoke in very friendly terms of Aguinaldo, Mabini, Agoncillo and Apacible, said they had often been his guests at the palace, and that whenever he gave a dinner he generally tried to invite about half Americans and half Filipinos. He spoke of Aguinaldo as being a mild, gentle, polite, timid man, possessed of sufficient cunning and diplomacy to draw around him as assistants a cabinet of more highly educated and wiser men. Whether Aguinaldo would come to the St. Louis fair he did not know; the natural timidity of the man and his desire to shun observation mostly confined to his house and carriage in Manila, where he is very seldom seen walking on the streets.

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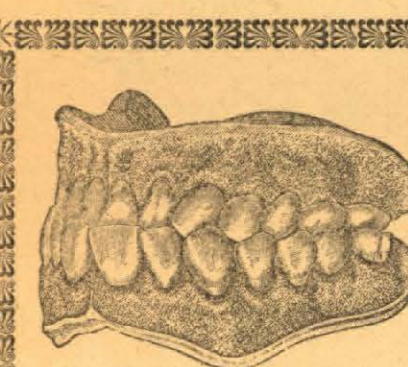
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Take, for example, the Northern Pacific. It has \$155,000,000 of stock, which was turned into the Northern Securities company at \$115 per share, or \$178,250,000. The same company is bonded for \$177,626,000. The total capitalization and bonded debt of this company is therefore \$355,876,500. In other words that is the market value of this railroad and its various branches. It would take that sum, in the open market, to buy the railroad and its branches.

Of main line and branches the company owns 5364 miles. The open market value of the road is therefore \$66,345 per mile. The statistics here given are taken from the "Manual of Statistics and Stock Exchange Handbook," a recognized authority.

The Spokane-Review has said that the Northern Pacific mileage in this state is worth \$65,000 per mile. As a matter of fact, it is worth a great deal more than that, for the reason that the valuation of \$65,000 per mile is the general average of the entire system, when the mileage in Washington is really a great deal more valuable than the average mileage. On vast stretches of the road in Montana and Dakota the traffic is light and the earnings are small. In Idaho and Washington the road enters its rich territory. Here it strikes the productive forests, mines, grain fields and orchards. Here it serves large cities. On the shores of Washington it finds the growing profitable commerce of the orient. Cut away all that the Northern Pacific owns in Washington state, and the value of the system would be lowered tremendously.

The truth is, an assessment of \$40,000 per mile on the Northern Pacific would be conservative. And when assessors openly fight efforts to assess the railroads at \$9000 to \$10,000 per mile, on the ground that those ridiculously low figures are too high, their conduct becomes disgraceful.—Spokane-Review.

Heavy Immigration Expected.
Railway officials say that the immigration to the west and particularly to the state of Washington during the year 1904 will be far in excess of any previous year. The one way settlers will go into effect on March 1 and it is probable that the homeseekers' rates will be restored at the same time. The Northern Pacific and the Great Northern railways have had active agents at work in the east and middle west during the winter months and advices from these agents to the heads of the passenger departments are such that there is no doubt but that the companies are warranted in predicting a heavy travel.

At the local chamber of commerce it is reported that inquiries for information in relation to the country are pouring in more freely than ever before and Secretary Whitehouse and his assistants are kept busy sending out replies to people who want to know all about our resources, prospects, and, above all, our matchless climate. The storms that prevailed in the east and the middle west during the year 1903 have done as much, if not a great deal more than anything else, to start the people to making inquiries about this country.—West Coast Trade.

Soak It In Them.
It costs one-half of a billion dollars to run our national government a year. That is forty-one million dollars a month, or about a million and a half dollars a day.

That is to say, it requires the work of a million men, at one dollar and a half a day every day in the year, to keep things going.

Ad to this the cost of state, county, city, township and school district governments, and it is safe to say that one-fifth of the money earned in this country goes to the support of our various governments. This statement is based on the theory that we pay the expenses of government ourselves. Of course if "the foreigner" pays them, as our republican friends claim, we have no kick coming. But if they do pay them we are certainly soaking it to them.—Winston's Weekly.

True Patriots.
The statement of the Japanese consul that the best naval officers consider it the highest honor to be assigned to torpedo boat service throws much light on the success of the Japanese in their naval war.

Service on torpedo boats in time of war is looked upon as practically sure death. By brave men of any nation the service is not avoided, and by those of reckless bravery in all it is sought out; but it is only in the Japanese navy that the best men seek the service, because with us, for instance, command of a battleship is considered higher.

In another sense, the statement is significant. It indicates to a certainty that the Japanese like the ancient Roman, takes for his motto, "Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori;" sweet and

seemly is it to die for one's fatherland. Whether it is for the nation or for their nation's head that the Japanese give themselves to death in fact, the motive and the animating spirit are the same. They are true patriots.—Seattle P-I.

Popping the Question in 1904.
The new year is a leap year, but the addition of another day to the month of February is by no means its most important peculiarity. For during this year according to immemorial tradition, it will be good form for women if they choose to propose matrimony to men instead of waiting for men to propose it to them.

Most people of either sex would say without a moment's hesitation that this leap year tradition had never been a leap year custom and that it was either a joke or an absurdity without a thing in reason or in human nature to support it. But that is going too far, for there is no folklore of any description, whether song, riddle or proverb, that is not, in the last analysis, founded on some immutable principle of human nature, and so it is with women popping the question in leap year.

The principle of human nature on which this leap year tradition is founded in the paradoxical one that while the verbal and external proposition of marriage proceeds from man, every perfectly normal and happy matrimonial match has its initiative in the heart of the woman. There are many kinds of courtship and marriage, but no marriage is ever a happy one unless the woman courts the man, albeit without his knowing it.

There is a profound and important reason why this must be so. It is woman's nature, not only in affairs of the heart, but in everything else, to be unable to change her spontaneous tastes and preferences. Her likes and dislikes display a remarkable fixity. She does not make them and she cannot unmake them. Whether it be in the realm of cookery, art, music, dress, amusement, friendship or love, this principle controls her. She cannot be dragged away temporarily from her natural bent, but she is then a crushed woman, and sooner or later she will revert to her original impulse.

One may say it is exactly the same with a man, but it is not. A man's preferences are largely a matter of rationalization. They are modified by argument, by expediency, by considerations of interest, by his conceptions of duty by his ideas of prudence. This makes his heart in matters of love, a sort of chessboard on which all these fellyings contend for the mastery. He is capable of loving a woman for a great variety of reasons besides the involuntary admiration called falling in love.

It is on account of this essential difference between men and women that the woman's preference is the thing mainly to be considered if marriage is to be stable and happy.

Happy is the man, therefore, whose wife by mere instinct pitched upon him as her ideal and woe to the man whose wife was swayed from her instinctive choice by the advice of parents, the love of money or any other influence to wed him.

This is the reason that it is folly for a man to set out to win a woman's heart—at least, by devotion. The only wise thing he can do in this line is to stand around, accidentally and unconsciously as it were, and let her do the rest.

A fair woman who has been begged and entreated to love a man until she has consented is not worth having, for she will most assuredly make him miserable. It is the woman who has courted the man who makes a happy marriage and a happy home.

It is certainly a most singular thing that while this is the eternal law and inevitable course of true love it should still be contrary to nature for a woman to propose to a man in words. Yet so it is, and courtship forever remains the man's in form and the woman's in spirit.

Both in leap year and in every other year the woman virtually proposes in every happy home.—Chicago Chronicle.

Canal Improvements.
W. S. Douglass, construction superintendent of the Washington Irrigation company was in Sunnyside the first of the week. He reports that his company is making extensive improvements on the Sunnyside canal this winter. A large force of men and teams are at work enlarging the ditch, strengthening the banks at the weak points, adding some six or eight feet to the width in places where the breaks have formerly occurred and raising the banks at all the low points. They are also riprapping the banks and changing the current at places where necessary and in every possible way fortifying the canal against breaks.—Sunnyside Sun.

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We are asked whether a telephone company has the right to build its line across your land without your consent. No; it has no such right, and if done against your protest you can chop the poles down and throw them over the fence.

Some of the humblest forms of creation are the most useful. The common earthworm, one of the lowest forms of animate life, is constantly at work nitrifying and enriching the soil. Still there are plenty of people who think the worm has no mission save to serve as a bait for snickers and bullheads.

Just as soon as a man gets a hog pasture well seeded with alfalfa he feels like kicking himself that he had not done it before. If it can possibly be obtained, the five or ten acre alfalfa hog pasture is really today the very greatest improvement which any man can put on his farm. This item will bear reading three or four times.

Corn husking machines have been quite generally tested this fall. So far they seem to do fair work where the corn all stands up, but at only a small saving in cost over the old way. Where the corn is down they are a total failure. It looks as though we shall have to pick cotton and husk corn and milk cows by hand for many years to come and perhaps it is just as well.

It is not with regret that we note the failure of some of the big centralized creameries, one going under recently owing 4,000 dairymen large or small amounts. There are well ordered limitations to the dairy business, and the limit of successful operation seems to be reached when the farmers of a given community co-operate in the manufacture of their dairy products. This plan is almost always successful.

The pigs like the new corn, and if they keep healthy will convert it into pork at a rapid rate, but fed as a sole ration they are quite likely to die. The indiscriminate feeding of new corn has probably killed more hogs than any other one thing. It is an incomplete ration, heating and deficient in flesh and blood making properties. It should not form to exceed one-half of the hog's food until during the last thirty days of his career.

In a hog feeding test conducted at the Wisconsin experiment station with four lots of hogs—one of Arkansas razorbacks, one of razorbacks of the second generation, one of razorback-Poland-China cross and one of Berkshire-razorback cross—three pigs in each lot, weighing 150 pounds each, it was found that at the end of eleven weeks the first lot showed a gain of 196 pounds, the second lot 266 pounds, the third lot 346 pounds and the fourth lot 358 pounds, which clearly shows the value of good blood.

While no American farmer works his wife on the plow, as in some foreign countries, or compels her to do all the hard work while he loaf, as do the Indians with their squaws, there are all too many of them who indifferently or carelessly or out of pure cussedness permit their wives to hunt for fuel or carry water when a few dollars and a little snap and ingenuity would relieve the wife and mother of these burdens. If we were a woman and a man made us hunt for fuel to cook his meals we would give him soggy bread and pies and raw meat until he could not rest. It is the only way to reach some men.

The country is on the downward grade so far as lower wages and reduced prices for commodities are concerned. It is now the day after the spree, and there is the fiddler to pay and pretty severe headaches for not a few. We do not look for any panic or financial disaster, for be it said to the credit of the money trusts they have the power and will under no circumstances permit a panic if it can be avoided. It is not going to be so hard to hire a man to do a day's work, the gambling and speculative fever is dead business will get down to hardpan and men will be content with snail's gains—in a word, we are entering upon a healthier condition.

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does not necessarily mean that the canal
will be constructed it is regarded locally
as a good indication that the ditch will
be dug during the coming season.

"Bootleggers" Sentenced.

Frank Smith the "bootlegger" at the
conclusion of his trial in the U. S. court
at Seattle last week was given a 10-year
sentence on McNeil's island by Judge
Hanford and sentenced to pay a fine of
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Local and Personal.

Lent begins next Wednesday.

Miss Minnie Orchard is visiting friends
at Cle Elum.

Marshall S. Scudder was an Ellens-
burg visitor Wednesday.

Born—Thursday, Feb. 11, to Mr. and
Mrs. I. H. Dills, a son.

John Michels is a Sound visitor this
week, having went over Monday.

Attorney J. B. Reavis of Seattle was
here this week in attendance at court.

Miss Bessie Patton returned Thursday
from a visit of several weeks at Tacoma.

Miss Hattie Cornwell is now employ-
ed in the office of County Treasurer
Peck.

Mrs. Frank Horsley has ben on the
sick list this week, the result of throat
trouble.

Captain Dunn and wife of Parker re-
turned from their visit to the Sound
Tuesday.

A son was born last Monday, Febru-
ary 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Schott
of this city.

G. H. Moulton has been acting as
bailliff of the superior court since the
jury session began.

A. L. Ballaine of Spokane was here
over Sunday on a visit to his brother,
Dr. W. W. Ballaine.

Henry Lombard and John J. Rudkin
returned home Monday night from a busi-
ness visit to Tacoma.

Supt. Dickey has ben visiting the
schools of the northern part of the
county the past week.

Mrs. Frank L. Wheeler of Seattle, who
has been the guest of Mrs. J. B. Burns,
returned home Sunday.

Dr. P. P. Gray, a well known resident
of Ellensburg, died at his home in that
city Sunday from heart disease.

The Horticultural union will meet to-
day to consider the matter of making
some necessary changes in the by-laws
of the organization.

Dr. J. B. Burns returned home the first
of the week from his trip to California.
He visited Los Angeles, and San Diego
and points in old Mexico.

Chief Hauser has appointed John
Lemon as the second driver of the fire
department; a place created at the last
meeting of the city council.

M. V. Cochrane, a well known stock-
man of the Rattlesnake country, was in
the city Thursday and while here made
the Democrat a pleasant call.

C. S. Mead, the well known hop man,
returned home Friday of last week from
his three months stay in the Imperial
country in Southern California.

H. J. Rand, proprietor of the Colum-
bia market, contemplates making some
extensive changes in his place of busi-
ness in order to accommodate his growing
trade.

M. B. Campbell has let the contract
for the erection of a nine room residence
on his 60 acre tract that he recently pur-
chased from the Morrison heirs south of
town.

R. M. Shanon of Tacoma, who has
leased the Alfred Chase ranch on Nob
Hill, arrived here the first of the week.
He will be followed in a few days by
his family.

The Cascade Lumber company of this
city has recently put in a retail yard
at Alfalfa station and will probably
put in branch yards at other points in
the valley.

The ladies of St. Joseph's Catholic
church gave an apron and tie social at
the academy Wednesday evening and a
pleasant evening is reported by those in
attendance.

A. C. Turner, the former real estate
dealer, contemplates leaving soon to
look over the Colville reservation coun-
try with the view of acquiring some in-
terests there.

J. C. MacCrimmon returned home Mon-
day from a visit to the Sound. While at
Shelton he contracted a very severe cold
which caused him a very severe sick
spell later at Tacoma.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Harris entertained
a party of young people at their home
Tuesday evening. "Flinch" was the
amusement of the evening after which
an elegant lunch was served.

The Trinity club gave its regular
semi-monthly dance at the armory
Thursday night. This event was fol-
lowed by the "military ball" given by
the high school cadets last evening.

The Rathbone Sisters will give a so-
cial next Wednesday evening at the
home of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Doust, 512
north Third street. An interesting pro-
gram will be rendered and lunch served.

Fay F. Dean, the newly elected city
attorney at Kenewick, was in the city
this week looking up the city records in
order to gain information for the fram-
ing of ordinances for the government of
Kenewick.

The committee having in charge the
arrangements for the Elks ball next

Monday evening have been kept busy
this week making preparations for the
big event. The decorations as planned
will be superb.

Phil A. Ditter reports that the Ellens-
burg store in which he is interested in
company with Simon Fogarty, is doing
a most excellent business and that the
expectations of the firm have thus far
been more than realized.

John McBride, a well known sporting
man of this city, died at the hospital
Saturday last from an acute attack of
pneumonia. The funeral was held Mon-
day afternoon from the undertaking
parlors of Sessions & Gilbaugh.

"Our Market," on West Yakima ave-
nue, was purchased by H. Egley this
week from J. Funnemark. Mr. Egley,
who is an experienced butcher, will con-
duct the business in the future. Read
his announcement in this paper.

A number of the bachelor members of
the Commercial club met Tuesday eve-
ning and resolved to give an entertain-
ment and ball in the club parlors, April
8th; it being thought advisable to post-
pone the function until after Lent.

Friday being the anniversary of Lin-
coln's birthday and therefore a public
holiday, the banks and the county offi-
ces closed for the day and the employees
took a vacation. Superior court ad-
journed Thursday evening until Monday
morning.

Mrs. F. M. Rossiter, wife of Dr. Ros-
siter, who recently established himself
in practice here, arrived Tuesday after-
noon from Evanston, Ill. Until they can
secure a residence they will make their
home with Mrs. Rossiter's brother, Rev.
Alfred H. Henry.

Christian Nelring, a resident of Nob
Hill, died last Saturday evening rather
suddenly from valvular heart disease.
The funeral was held from the Lutheran
church Monday with burial in Tahoma
cemetery. Deceased was 72 years of
age and a native of Germany.

The Northern Pacific Irrigation com-
pany started work last week on the im-
provement and extension of the Kiona
ditch. The ditch when completed will
irrigate 1600 acres of land tributary to
Kiona. No contract has been let, the
work being done by expense account.

The Democrat is in receipt of letters
almost every day from eastern people
who desire information regarding North
Yakima and the Yakima valley. These
requests for information may be taken
as evidence that there will be a large
immigration to Washington this year.

Paul Kruger, while leading a horse
behind his buggy on his return from the
Ahtanum one day recently, met with a
painful accident. The lead rope was
about his wrist when the animal by sud-
denly jerking back pulled the driver out
of the vehicle, the wrist being dislocated
by the fall.

The committee on arrangements for
the Elks grand ball to be given at the
armory next Monday evening, Feb. 15,
has been kept busy this week in get-
ting ready for the big event. The pro-
moters say that their ball will be the
most "swell" social event that ever hap-
pened in this city.

"A Trip Around the World" was the
attraction presented at the Christian
church Monday evening. Every availa-
ble seat in the house was occupied and
standing room at a premium. The event
was the benefit of Mr. and Mrs. Webb
who rendered such valuable assistance
during the late revival.

The Democrat was in error last week
when it stated that Mrs. Kate Butcher,
nee Stephenson, had died from heart
disease. The fatal malady which car-
ried the lady off so quickly was spinal
meningitis complicated with brain fever.
Mrs. Butcher was born at Fort Scott,
Kansas and was 25 years of age.

Norman S. Drake of Holton Maine, an
old friend and neighbor of E. J. Wyman,
is in the city, having come here to look
the country over with the view of lo-
cating. Mr. Drake is one of the largest
farmers and stockmen in his part of
Maine. He is so far very favorably im-
pressed with the Yakima valley.

The last entertainment for the sea-
son, before the coming of Lent, was
given last Friday evening. A fine musi-
cal program was rendered in addition
to the regular features of cards and
dancing. A large number were in at-
tendance and the entertainment was
pronounced the best of the season.

Miles Cannon who delivered the ora-
tion at the meeting of the Old Settlers
society at Sunyside Feb. 4, in his speech
is said to have severely criticized certain
papers of the lower valley for preach-
ing the unchristian doctrine of hate and
disunion. Mr. Cannon's address is said to
have been a particularly able one.

S. J. Lowe, on the news of the Japa-
nese naval victory over the Russians
Monday, hung a home made "Jap" flag
from a window of the Lowe block. Lo-
cally, nearly every person one meets
seems to have a warm sympathy with
the little brown men and express the
wish that they will succeed in the war.

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