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COMMISSIONER CALVERT MAKES STATEMENT

**Explains His Contract With Wash-
ington Irrigation Company---Large
Turnouts of Citizens--- The
Meeting Was a Warm
One.**

Hon. S. A. Calvert, state commissioner of public lands, arrived in this city Tuesday morning in order, as he said to a Democrat reporter, to learn the sentiment of the people here relative to the contract which he recently made with the Washington Irrigation company with the object of having that corporation extend the Sunnyside canal in order to reclaim 56,000 acres of land selected by the state under the provisions of the Cary act. Judge Calvert said that he had been most bitterly criticised and assailed by a local paper on account of his irrigation policy and that his purpose in visiting North Yakima at this time was not only to learn the views of the people here with regard to the state's contract with the Washington Irrigation company, but to make his own policy and position plain with reference to the matter. He had been greatly misrepresented, he said, and he wanted the people to know just what his position really is in the matter.

President Cornett of the Commercial Club on learning that Mr. Calvert was in town, promptly called a meeting of that organization for Tuesday evening with the result that there was a large turnout, the capacity of the assembly room being taxed to its utmost. When the meeting was called to order President Cornett introduced the visiting official and invited him to make an address.

Judge Calvert in a rather desultory sort of talk gave in detail the story of how the state acquired a claim through Arid Land Commissioner Howlett to a large body of land in the lower end of this county. If something was not done, and done quickly, the state would lose all claim to the land. In this emergency a representative of the Washington Irrigation company came to the rescue with a proposition to reclaim these state lands by means of an extension of the present Sunnyside canal, owned by that corporation. This company proposed to reclaim the state land in consideration of being paid the sum of \$30 per acre for water rights. As the state must necessarily realize the sum of \$10 per acre this would make the cost to the home seeker but \$40 per acre, certainly a reasonable price for irrigated land. The state, with little or nothing invested would thus realize the vast sum of \$560,000 from the enterprise besides creating a large amount of taxable wealth. In exchange for this great boon, the Washington Irrigation company asked nothing in return. The offer, in fact, was so extremely favorable to the state that he, Judge Calvert, lost no time in accepting the deal. The consent or approval of the secretary of the interior being necessary under the terms of the grant, he had made a trip to Washington, D. C. The secretary, however, had decided to hold the matter up until the he had investigated as to the ability of the irrigation company to do the work in a manner satisfactory to the federal government. The secretary of the interior had finally told him that he would probably be able to take final action on the proposal within sixty days.

Judge Calvert then read the written proposal of the Washington Irrigation company, omitting unimportant details. He also exhibited a blue print map of the route to be traversed by the proposed extension.

Edward Whitson, attorney of the Yakima Development company, next addressed the meeting. In effect Mr. Whitson said that his company had had surveyors in the field constantly for the past three months with the object of securing data in order to determine the feasibility of a proposed high line canal which if constructed would irrigate not only the lands in question claimed by the state, but also a large body of land in the upper valley, perhaps three or four hundred thousand acres altogether. It is a gigantic scheme and one that he believed was feasible. That, however, would have to be determined by the engineers reports. These reports would be made known in a few days. Mr. Nares the main promoter of the enterprise, was due to arrive in North Yakima that night. As Mr. Nares would be here so

soon to outline his plans he, Whitson, suggested that the meeting adjourn until the following morning in order to permit Judge Calvert to confer with Mr. Nares.

Judge Calvert demurred at this, intimating that he was not particular about meeting Mr. Nares unless first assured that that gentleman had something definite to offer in the way of a proposal to irrigate the state lands. The visitor then went on to say that he would not consider any proposition to give away or sell to any individual or corporation any rights now held by the state in any of the Cascade mountain lakes. He had been criticised, he said, for having entered into a contract with the Washington Irrigation company, yet that corporation had not asked for any rights in the lakes in fact nobody had except Mr. Whitson, in behalf of the Yakima Development company. Mr. Whitson here interposed to state that he had merely asked the land commissioner to put the shore lands of the lakes up at public auction and allow the public to bid on the same. This, Judge Calvert said, he had refused to do and reiterated his determination never to allow any corporation to secure any rights in the lakes as long as he was commissioner of public lands, unless otherwise ordered by act of the legislature.

Ira P. Englehart then secured the floor and prefaced his speech by stating that he appeared as the attorney of the Washington Irrigation company. Mr. Englehart stated that he was in a position to know what he talked about when he said that the Washington Irrigation company was not asking the state for one drop of water from the lakes beyond the natural flow. That corporation had an appropriation of 1050 cubic feet of water per second of time from the Yakima river, a supply ample to irrigate 150,000 acres of land. This statement was at once contradicted by Prof. Barge, who stated that the officials of the Washington Irrigation company while engaged in "knocking" the government's scheme on the reservation had sung an entirely different song. Englehart stated that Whitson was the man who had "knocked" the government ditch. To this Barge retorted that both attorneys, Whitson and Englehart had been "knocking" and that he, Barge, was in a position to know that such was the fact. This incident provoked a good deal of laughter.

After this a number of pertinent questions were asked Judge Calvert, which that gentleman seemed to find it difficult to answer. When asked if he had investigated the ability of the Washington Irrigation company to carry out its part of the contract and furnish the necessary amount of water to reclaim the land. To this Judge Calvert replied: "They say that they can, and that is all I know about it."

A number of local orators were then recognized successively by the chair, the most of whom spoke in condemnation of the Calvert-Blaine deal as being inimical to the interests of this valley. Attorney I. M. Krutz made an eloquent speech in which he appealed to the land commissioner asking that he should not commit himself until other parties were given an opportunity to compete in the matter of watering the state lands, that the state might be a heavy loser by reason of snap judgment being taken. J. J. Rudkin talked favorably to the W. I. company's scheme and wound up his argument by stating that he had personal interests to subserve in the lower valley. Ed. Kelso favored the proposition for the same reason. L. O. Janek and J. D. Medill called attention to the fact that a year ago the Washington Irrigation company had made a plea that they must be permitted to store water in the lakes in order to cover the land under the present ditch and in order to avoid disastrous litigation. Today, after just having completed an extension covering 25,000 acres additional it was found that the company still had water sufficient to cover 100,000 acres more. W. W. Robertson finally secured the floor and

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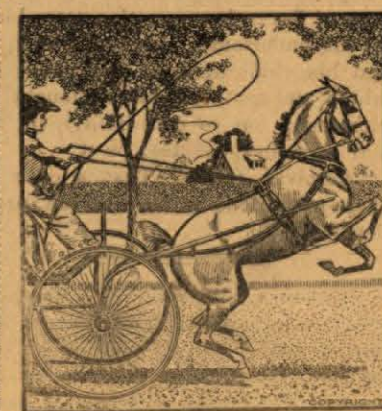
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HERBERT SPENCER, the last of the great quartet of English philosophers and authors of the Victorian era, namely, Darwin, Tyndall, Huxley and Spencer, died last week at his home in Brighton at the ripe old age of 83, having been born April 27, 1820, while George IV sat on the throne of England.

Like a number of other great men who have done so much to blaze the way of progress and enlightenment in the world Herbert Spencer began life under the most unfavorable conditions. In childhood and in youth he was puny and sickly, so much so in fact that his parents did not think it worth while to send the boy to school. As the family physician had given it as his opinion that young Spencer was a physical incompetent and would never live to attain manhood. His early education, therefore, consisted of what he was able to glean from books at home and what he could imbibe from his more fortunate brothers and sisters who attended school. He had a great yearning for knowledge and through the kindness of an uncle, a clergyman of the Church of England, the boy was supplied with books. Thus to a great extent Spencer was self educated.

At the age of twenty-three the young man left home and went to London to begin his literary career. For years he supported himself on the slight remuneration he received from manuscript furnished newspaper and magazine publishers, the fault found with his writing being that it was too deep and heavy for current literature. During these years he wrote his first book, "Social Statics," which when finished no publisher would print. By keen self denial he finally managed to have the book published himself, but the people would not read it and only a few copies were sold. His next book, "Principles of Psychology," was scarcely better received, only 750 copies being sold. This book so exhausted both the finances and the health of the young author that he was ill and on the verge of starvation for over a year. His book, however, attracted the attention of John Stuart Mill, who offered him financial aid, which was declined for the reason that Spencer could not see his way to repay his friend.

It is the common theory that Spencer got the fundamental ideas of his evolutionary philosophy from Darwin, but the truth is that seven years before Darwin's great work, the "Origin of Species," appeared and before he knew Darwin, Spencer wrote the following: "As those prematurely carried off must, in the average of cases, be those to whom the power of self-preservation is the least, it unavoidably follows that those left behind to continue the race must be those in whom the power of self-preservation is the greatest, must be the select of their generation."

In spite of successive failures to reach the reading public Spencer persevered and slowly but surely success came to him. Curiously enough it was from American readers of his great works that Spencer obtained the most substantial recognition. After his name was made on this side of the Atlantic the English people then discovered that Spencer was one of the greatest thinkers of his age, eminently fit to rank with such men as Darwin, Tyndall and Huxley.

It would be vain to attempt a brief description of Spencer's all-embracing system of philosophy. Three of the conclusions which he reached are expressed in the following three paragraphs:

"The Power manifested throughout the universe distinguished as material is the same Power which in ourselves wells up under the form of consciousness."

"The Ultimate Power is no more representable in terms of human consciousness than human consciousness is representable in terms of a planet's functions."

"If religion and science are to be reconciled, the basis of reconciliation must be this deepest, widest and most certain of all facts—that the Power which the universe manifests to us is inscrutable."

In the twilight of his life he addressed these words as from the skeptic to the believer:

"Those on whom fears of eternal punishment weigh heavily may fitly be shown that merciless as is the Cosmic process worked out by an Unknown Power, yet vengeance is nowhere to be found in it."

Thus death removes one of the greatest lights of English literature, the last of the great mental giants of the Victorian era. Spencer is dead, but his fine example and his splendid lifework is left as a legacy to all mankind.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT in his message to congress seems to have lost much of his old time strenuousness. This is conceded to be a fact by even so fervent an admirer of the president as the Portland Oregonian.

On such great public questions as tariff reform, currency legislation, regulation of the trusts and the rights of labor in contention with capital the president has little or nothing to say, realizing apparently that radical differences exist within his own party on these issues and to exploit his own opinions fully at this time might create party friction and division and thereby lessening the chances of the great Theodore himself to secure another lease of power. In short, the vigor and aggressiveness of the acting president is almost entirely lacking in the message as compared with his two previous ones, except in the discussion of questions over which there is no political controversy.

The Oregonian ascribes this change in the presidential mood to an increased sense of responsibility on the part of Mr. Roosevelt. It may be due in part to such a feeling, but is much more likely to the feeling of nervousness that has come over Teddy regarding the succession to the presidency. He evidently feels the necessity at this time of making concessions to the powerful element within his own party which not only fears and distrusts him but is already actively at work in organizing opposition to his nomination. It is to placate and reassure this powerful opposition that has its headquarters in Wall street that the president has deigned to come down from his high horse and write a message which practically ignores the existence of great issues to be settled on the subject of which he has heretofore had so much to say. It is clearly the case that the president has weakened in his attitude towards organized capital. It is also clear that he has established the right to be regarded hereafter as a most astute and masterful politician. It remains to be seen, however, whether or not his enemies within his own party will be comforted at this critical time by a flow of soft words.

It is the opinion of this paper that Hon. S. A. Calvert, state commissioner of public lands, is an honest, conscientious official who wishes to do what he regards as his whole duty to the people of this state in irrigation matters, but who at the same time is much hampered by a lack of knowledge of the subject. If he errs therefore it is much more likely to be through ignorance than a desire to give any community in this valley the worst of the deal.

The public land commissioner evidently came here to enlighten our people and to tell them just where he stood as between two contending corporations who each desire to acquire valuable vested water rights in this section from the state. Mr. Calvert made a frank and manly statement of the case as far as he was conversant with it. The objection, however, to his attitude, is this, that he is not open to conviction. He is determined to put through his deal with the Washington Irrigation Company regardless of how such action would affect other people interested. No good results were attained by Mr. Calvert's visit here except the information secured by our own people through a heated discussion of the question. This paper wishes it plainly understood that in this controversy its sympathies are not with any corporation. We maintain that the water supply of this valley belongs as a matter of right to all the people of the valley and that if any corporation is to be permitted to control its source it should be with the distinct agreement that the greatest possible number of people are to be benefited by such action. We desire to see all portions of this great valley improved, but not one section at the expense of another.

HERE is a good one on President Roosevelt. The Daughters of the Confederacy of the state of Texas in annual convention, passed the following resolution commending Teddy for so ably vindicating the right of secession:

"Whereas, The president of the United States, by his recent course toward the republic of Panama, has shown to the world his endorsement of the principles of the right of secession; and

"Whereas, The people of the northern states, by their acceptance and approval of his course, have shown that they have been led by him out of the fog of ignorance to the bright realms of truth, attained by the southern statesmen so many years ago; be it

"Resolved, That we extend to the president the hearty thanks of the Daughters of the Confederacy of the state of Texas, in convention assembled, for his endorsement of the principles and his vindication of the cause for which the southern people fought so gloriously, but so disastrously in the war between the states; be it

"Resolved, further, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the president."

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The democratic minority of the national house of representatives has been fortunate at this session of congress in the selection of a leader, John Sharpe Williams of Mississippi. Williams is a highly educated, brainy man, thoroughly versed in parliamentary tactics and as shrewd as a Connecticut Yankee. In addition to high qualities of leadership he has a keen and ready wit which he never allows to degenerate into biting sarcasm for the purpose of annoying others.

So far Williams has shown himself to be very skillful as a leader. He not only avoids the traps set for him by the majority leaders but he is an adept at setting traps himself. He has, moreover, the reputation of being a "good fellow," who is personally popular on both sides of the house.

EDITOR ROBERSON of the Republic has launched a gubernatorial boom for Senator Jack Spawm of this county. It must be admitted that this is a pretty hard rap at the Cowichie statesman, especially if he has any ambition to become governor. It may be true, as is often asserted, that the Republic man made Mr. Spawm a senator, yet it is doubtful if he can make him a governor. Still, he might. However, if Jack really wants to be governor it would be safer for him to see "Rob" at once and make the necessary arrangements in order to secure his opposition, for it is a peculiar influence that the man wields.

THE republican national convention will meet in Chicago June 21. In the selection of Chicago Mark Hanna and his committee exhibited good sense. It is to be hoped that the democratic committee when it meets will also decide to hold the convention of that party in the "windy" city. Chicago is centrally located and has all the facilities for taking care of big crowds and what is more the hotel men of that city don't charge about four prices as did those of Minneapolis and Kansas City a few years ago when the national conventions met in those cities.

THE New York democracy is reported as having decided to send a solid delegation next year to the national convention for Chief Judge Alton B. Parker. A canvass of the democratic county newspapers of Indiana results in the following expression of presidential preferences: Judge Parker of New York first; Senator Gorman second; Richard Olney third; W. J. Bryan fourth; William R. Hearst fifth; Grover Cleveland sixth; Carter Harrison seventh; George Gray of Delaware eighth; John W. Bookwalter of Ohio ninth.—Oregonian.

THE Sunnyside Sun man has worked himself into such a fever of excitement regarding the extension of the Sunnyside ditch that he seems to imagine that every man "above the gap" is his mortal enemy. Keep cool, brother, keep cool! What's the matter with taking a bath in the big ditch?

BRYAN in Europe mingles with the great of earth and in wit or argument is able to hold his own with the best of them. The average Englishman may require a considerable amount of time to see the point of a joke, but he can always be trusted to recognize a truly great man at sight.

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Death of Herbert Spencer.

Obituary efforts seem out of place applied to Herbert Spencer. It is as if one should eulogize an encyclopedia or some ancient Athenian journalist had attempted a personal tribute to the Delphic oracle. The personality of Spencer the philosopher long since lost itself in the majestic power of the Spencerian philosophy. For three generations Herbert Spencer has led the world of thought. He made no claim to infallibility; his conclusions were frequently challenged and must continue to be the subject of controversy; yet the towering mental stature of the thinker, the far-reaching height, depth and breadth of the thought, the majestic dignity of the man almost made of Spencer a nineteenth century oracle. Fame seems a small word applied to such as he. The reference libraries of the world have been his monument for half a century, growing in grandeur with each year of his life work. The promulgation of the doctrine of evolution changed the currents of world thought and has dominated and directed almost every line of intellectual and spiritual progress for fifty years past. Four years before the appearance of Darwin's "Origin of Species," Herbert Spencer gave to the world his "Principles of Psychology," based on the principle of evolution.

The physical passing of the great philosopher, bowed with four score years and three, is but an incident of the greater life into whose mystery, purpose and destiny no human ever sought to penetrate deeper and farther. His life work completed, his influence moving men onward in pursuit of truth, his fame secure, Herbert Spencer takes his place with Bacon and Plato and Socrates in the ranks of the immortals.—Geo. F. Cotterill in Seattle Herald.

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Local and Personal.

H. J. Bicknell is a Seattle visitor this week.

F. B. Shallow was a Sound visitor this week.

W. N. Granger of Zillah was in the city Tuesday.

Attorney Will Thompson is attending court this week in Ellensburg.

Mrs. C. J. Taft is home from a visit with relatives at Baker City, Ore.

Invitations are out for a leap year ball to be given January 1 by St. Margaret's guild.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira P. Englehart are in Seattle this week, having gone over on Thursday.

Ben Hughes has gone to Chehalis to spend the winter and perhaps to locate definitely.

J. P. Mattson was able to be about again the first of the week after his recent sick spell.

Ex-Judge J. B. Reavis was in the city the first of the week from Seattle, where he now resides.

O. C. Palmer arrived here this week with his family from Puyallup to make his home in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Wyman left for Spokane Monday afternoon to spend the week with relatives and to take in "Ben Hur."

J. Emmett Ryan, the well known owner of the Yakima hotel bar, stole off to Seattle Tuesday on a mission of combined business and pleasure.

Mrs. L. H. Gale, who for a number of years has lived here with her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Hauser, left here Tuesday to visit another daughter in San Francisco.

Charles Purdin of the Wenas, ill with typhoid fever, has been placed in the Deaconess hospital, where he is reported to be doing as well as could be expected.

J. B. George, the well known merchant of Sunnyside and daughter, Miss Elsie, were in the city Monday and Tuesday, inspecting a travelling man's samples.

N. B. Stone of Outlook, this county, has been granted a patent through his attorneys, C. A. Snow & Co., Washington, D. C., on a puzzle which he recently invented.

The Horticultural union will meet at Woodmen's hall this afternoon to select delegates to the Inland Empire Horticultural meeting to be held at Spokane next month.

The Rathbone sisters gave a social Wednesday evening at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Dulin on South Sixth street, which is reported to have been a very pleasant event.

F. J. Tickner, the photographer, has purchased his partner's interest in the business and will continue the business in his own name. His place of business will be known as "Tickner's Studio."

E. C. Burlingame left for Walla Walla Sunday to look after his big ranch near that city. He now has his ranch mostly under irrigation and thinks of subdividing the land and placing it on the market.

Christmas trees are in evidence more than ever this season. Several wagon loads were hauled down from the mountains and the supply is so great that the green sticks appear to be a drug on the market.

The sleet Monday night and Tuesday morning made sidewalk navigation rather hazardous. A number of people who were not "rough shod" took headers. A drizzling rain Tuesday fortunately soon fixed the sleet.

Mayor-elect Fechter made a business trip Tuesday to the lower valley. When accosted at the depot the new mayor in a jocular way stated that he was leaving town to escape the importunities of office seekers.

S. S. Patterson of the Moxee returned last Saturday from Fresno, Cal., where his father and the rest of the family are now and will remain definitely. The young man will stay here and look after his father's Moxee ranch.

"Tilt" Phillips, the genial postmaster at Mabton, was a county seat visitor on Tuesday. Mr. Phillips says the petition of W. H. Cline of Sunnyside for appointment as county commissioner has been very generally signed by Mabton people.

The five hundred tons of alfalfa hay owned by James Wright and stored at the Coffin warehouse was purchased last week by Elliott & Chambers who have since shipped the most of the lot to the Sound. The price was not made public.

The Democrat returns thanks to Congressman Wesley L. Jones for twelve copies of the new book recently published by the agricultural department, entitled, "Diseases of the Horse." The book is a very valuable one for reference.

District Deputy W. H. Alsbury of the Modern Woodmen and venerable consul Orlando Beck of North Yakima camp visited the Ellensburg camp Monday night and aided in putting a number of candidates through the paces. They report having had a royal time.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. Y. Coleman are entertaining Mrs. J. G. Coleman, widow of Mr. Coleman's brother, who died of typhoid fever about three months ago at Ballard. The lady is on her way back to her old home in Michigan, where she expects to reside in the future.

Otis, the four year old son of Mrs. L. T. Day of Brown avenue on the west side, died Tuesday from croup. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon. This is the second child that Mrs. Day has lost since the death of her husband, the late "Tony" Day from consumption.

Work on the ice factory and cold storage warehouse is now progressing satisfactorily, the building being under roof and construction work well along. Messrs. Hughes & Hawks, the promoters, are in hopes of having the machinery installed and tested before the first of March.

The Democrat last week inadvertently omitted to mention the marriage of Mr. W. W. Pettijohn and Miss Dollie Young, which occurred December 10 at the Presbyterian manse, Rev. F. L. Hayden officiating. The happy couple have settled down in their cosy home on Seventh street.

The criticism of Florence Roberts as "Zaza" that appeared as an editorial in a local paper recently is in turn severely criticised by local theatre goers. The town, they say, has been tormented to death with "bum" shows, yet the Republic reserves its criticism for the best of the lot.

E. B. Preble last Saturday sold his crop of hops, at 22 cents. Judge Preble could have realized considerable more than that figure had he sold earlier in the season. However, as he got 25c for his crop last year and 22c this year he feels that he is keeping up pretty well with the game.

Mrs. Eva Patton, wife of C. W. Patton, who moved here about six weeks ago from Seattle, died at her home on North Seventh street, last Saturday. Sessions & Gilbaugh shipped the remains to Seattle for burial Monday. The cause of death is given as consumption. Deceased was 19 years of age.

Cliff Clemm, the well known pioneer, recently returned from a visit to the Sound country, his first in 24 years. Mr. Clemm went over with the idea of purchasing land in the Puyallup valley, but he returned with the idea that land is held at a ridiculously high figure over there considering what can be produced.

A. Elliott of the commission house of Elliott & Chambers returned Sunday from a business trip to the Sound. Mr. Elliott has established his son, Clifton, who recently married in this city, as the selling agent of the firm at Tacoma, Orville, a younger son of Mr. Elliott, went over this week to assist his brother in the Tacoma office.

Not to exceed fifteen per cent. of the Yakima 1903 hop crop is said to be now in the hands of the growers. Never before in the history of the industry in this county has there been as much activity in the market as there has been during the past 60 days. There seems to be but little use to make quotations as the price according to quality ranges at the present time from 22c down to 11 cents or whatever a man can get.

Rev. Father Feusi, who has been in charge of St. Joseph's Catholic church here for the past two years, has been transferred to St. Stephens, Mont. He will be succeeded in the pastorate here by Rev. Father Diomed, who is well known here, as he had charge of the Yakima church some four years ago. Since they are to lose Father Feusi the members of this congregation are pleased to know that they are to have Father Diomed back.

Miss Katherine Van Slyck is now the principal and sole proprietor of the Yakima Business College, having purchased the interest of E. M. Churchill. Miss Van Slyck is a very capable and efficient instructor and is exceedingly popular with her students who number fifty-eight. This is an institution in which our people should take an interest and pride as its success means much for the welfare of the town. The Democrat prophesies success for the school under the superintendency of Miss Van Slyck.

Miss Bessie McPhee is now decidedly better and is mending slowly.

Edward Whitson while in Portland Thursday wired to this city confirming the report that the Yakima water and light plant had been sold.

The people of Kennewick are preparing a petition to be presented at the January session of the board of county commissioners asking that their town be incorporated.

Owing to the death of Mrs. Alex Miller the meeting of the Ladies Musical Club, which was to have been held on Tuesday of this week, was postponed until January 7th, to be held at the home of Miss James when the two programs will be combined.

A number of the lady and gentlemen friends of Mr. George E. Pierce gave that gentleman a very pleasant surprise at his home on South Second street last Monday evening. The occasion was the birthday of Mr. Pierce and it was celebrated in a fitting manner. Cards and other games were played and a bountiful lunch was served.

Want Column

For Sale—A six months scholarship in leading business college at Spokane. For particulars inquire at this office.

To trade—A good 10-acre tract two miles from town, for residence property in North Yakima. Inquire at this office or address Lock box 309, North Yakima.

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Henry D. Baldwin, Supt. City Water Works, Shullsburg, Wis., writes: "I have tried many kinds of liniment, but I have never received much benefit until I used Ballard's Snow Liniment for rheumatism and pains. I think it the best liniment on earth." 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by F. L. Janek's Drug Store.

Coughing Spell Caused death.

"Harry Duckwell, aged 25 years choked to death early yesterday morning at his home, in the presence of his wife and child. He contracted a slight cold a few days ago and paid but little attention to it. Yesterday morning he was seized with a fit of coughing which continued for some time. His wife sent for a physician but before he could arrive another coughing spell came on and Duckwell died from suffocation. St. Louis Globe Democrat, Dec. 1, 1901." Ballard's Horehound Syrup would have saved him. 25c, 50c and \$1.00. For sale at F. L. Janek's drug store.

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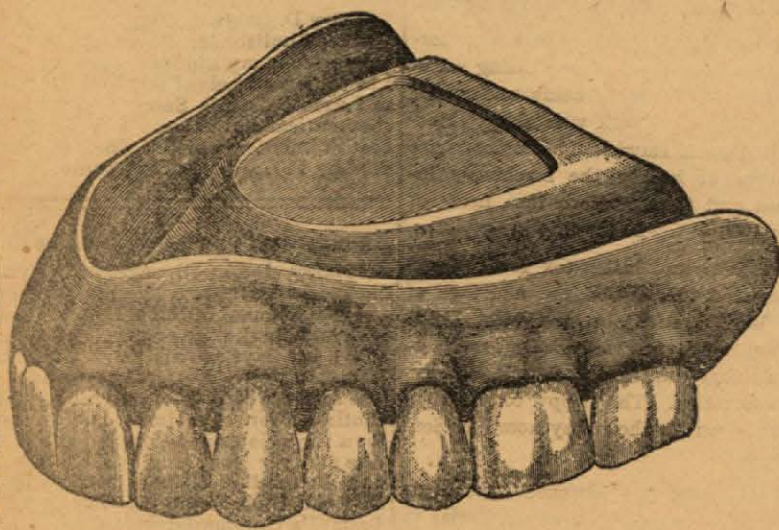
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FLOOR GIVES WAY IN PIANO STORE

THE WHOLE CONTENTS OF THE ROOM GO CRASHING TO THE BOTTOM, NEARLY A HUNDRED PIANOS AND ORGANS GOING TO PIECES IN A BUNCH.

The floor in D. S. Johnston's store at 15 north Second street in this city gave way yesterday and every piano and organ in the place fell crashing to the bottom. This makes a gloomy outlook for Hoover & Thompson for their prospective holiday trade, and their vision of many dollars in profits has gone glimmering.

Through their ambition to have this year's holiday trade eclipse all others, Hoover & Thompson crowded nearly two carloads of new goods into their store, until the price floors broke, and the imminent spread rapidly, and people rushed and all the small goods, went in on a big tumble to the bottom notch in price.

The crash attracted the attention of people going to business and the excitement spread rapidly, and people rushed hurriedly to the scene. Seeing that the floors were likely to be broken down by the surging crowd, they were unlocked and the people let in.

Pianos that regularly sell elsewhere at \$250, \$275, \$300, \$350, \$375, \$400 and from there up, are selling for \$192, \$212, \$228, \$250, \$273 and \$290. Then there are some exceptionally fine and elaborate styles at \$332, \$450 and \$495.

Organs that regularly sell for \$85, \$95 and \$110, are now going at \$68, \$76 and \$95.

As soon as the floors broke there was a general scrambling to get what went down. The result is that all the following sales have been recorded, and nineteen people are made happy by the crash. Rev. Alfred H. Henry got a beautiful H. M. Cable; Mr. F. M. Rushmore got a swell Kimball; G. O. Shumate a H. M. Cable; I. L. Bivens, Storey & Clark organ; L. W. Brown, Kimball organ; Dr. Stephenson, Mason & Hamlin organ; O. B. Merritt, L. F. Gedesch, Ann Arbor organ; W. W. Swan, Pease piano; Armstrong school district, Mason & Hamlin organ; Mrs. Neil Ross, Kimball piano; I. M. Groves, D. S. Johnston piano; D. E. Castor, Pease piano; Miss Jessie Parrott, Johnston piano; S. L. Stewart, Kimball organ; H. E. Linse, Johnston piano and J. B. Keffer, Kimball piano.

We are selling many instruments to be delivered the day before Xmas. You will be wise to make your selection early and we will hold and deliver as you direct.

These low prices make them go fast, every instrument in the house at 15 south Second street is marked down in price, except the Simplex piano player.

Lynch is All Right.

Indian Supt. Jay Lynch, who was in the city Tuesday is now feeling decidedly more hopeful regarding the outcome of the result of the investigation of his office that has been made by order of the Indian bureau. Capt. Downs who has made a report to headquarters that will it is believed completely exonerate Mr. Lynch on the charge of neglect of duty.

Mr. Lynch, in the opinion of his friends here, has been made the victim of civil service politics and petty spite of men in the classified service, who seem to think that one of their own number is entitled to Mr. Lynch's job. Mr. Lynch's many friends in this city are very much gratified at the outcome of what looks like deliberate persecution.

Nuptial Knots Untied.

Judge Rudkin held a short session of the superior court Saturday during which time he unloosed three badly tangled marital knots.

John A. Viles of Prosser was given a divorce from Ada M. Viles on the double charge of cruelty and infidelity. The plaintiff was given the custody of a minor child and practically all the community property.

Rosa Hockett was granted a divorce from James W. Hockett on the grounds of desertion. The plaintiff resides in this city.

The court also granted a decree to Orville B. Runyan of Toppenish vs. Mary Runyan on the ground of cruel and inhuman treatment.

Mr. McNaught Still Has Hopes.

Joseph McNaught, the railroad promoter, was in the city for a few hours on Monday to confer with Edward Whitson and G. S. Rankin relative to the proposed Yakima Valley Central lines. To the Democrat man, on being pressed for information Mr. McNaught said:

"I have nothing to give out to the newspapers at this time except to say that if anybody assumes that our railroad proposition in this valley is dead they are badly mistaken. I want the people here to understand that I am endeavoring in every possible way to keep faith with them in the matter, but I have had great obstacles to contend with in financing the scheme. I want to say though that the prospect for building the roads is better right now than it has been for the past six months."

Need An Athletic Club.

Chris Larson, Yakima's champion wrestler and all around athlete left for Whatcom last night where he was billed to box Jack Larney in a twenty round match. On his return here Mr. Larson will begin active work in the establishment of the proposed Yakima Athletic club. Switzer's hall on Front street has been secured and put in readiness at once for use as a gymnasium. Any person desiring to join the club can leave their application at the Democrat office. The entrance fee of \$5 will be used for the purchase of fixtures. The dues will be \$2 per month and will be used to pay current expenses and to pay the instructor, Prof. Larson.

The necessity for an athletic club has long been felt in this city and the Democrat trusts that the people will take hold of the matter at this time and make the move a success. A well appointed gymnasium would be a boon to overworked business and professional men as well as clerks and others who feel the need of more strenuous muscular exercise in order to preserve their health.

It is a good move. Help to push it along.

Caught Bootlegging.

Deputy U. S. Marshal Short on Tuesday arrested Andrew Fowler, a Cowichie farmer for selling whiskey to an Indian. Fowler is a son in law of A. J. Lewis the well known rancher and politician of the Cowichie.

Fowler had a hearing before Commissioner Howlett Wednesday and was bound over to appear before the U. S. court. He is now out on bail.

New Suits Filed.

The following suits were filed this week with Clerk Day of the superior court: John Baxter vs. Geo. McKay, attachment. J. F. Reed vs. Hugh B. Purcell, attachment. J. F. Reed vs. Hugh B. Purcell, attachment. J. F. Reed vs. Hugh B. Purcell, attachment. J. F. Reed vs. Hugh B. Purcell, attachment.

Protection of Young Apple Trees.

The Nebraska Farmer gives the following directions for caring for the young apple trees from one who has had long experience in that line:

"While there are a great many washes and soaps on the market to keep pests from gnawing fruit trees, a very simple and efficient method is as follows: First clean away by pulling all weeds close around the trees, then wrap loosely around the body of each tree a piece of tar paper that will completely cover it from the ground up to a distance of not less than two feet six inches high. This fasten at both ends with a piece of stove pipe wire. Never use binder twine or cord of any description as it is apt to rot or break, or be cut by mice, leaving the paper loose, which would destroy the protection.

"Proceed with the job of wrapping the trees in the following manner: First, find out how many trees you wish to protect; then cut the desired number of pieces of tar paper the right length, and wide enough to go around each tree at least one and a half times, and with a pair of cutting pliers cut a sufficient number of wires to fasten the papers; then you are ready for business.

"By preparing all the material beforehand, you will find it but a small job to put it on and no tools will be needed, except your hands."

Yakima News Notes.

John Weaver has come home for the winter.

We are soon to have a new store located here.

The N. P. has put in a new platform around their depot at this place.

Dave Underwood and Len Lindsey have opened up a new butcher shop in our city.

Judge Cowles will spend Christmas at Portland, Ore., and Amboy, Wash., his old home.

The city election is now over and the next excitement will be Christmas. Let us have a Christmas tree.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Wheeler, accompanied by Miss Bertha Mills, took in "Ben Hur" at Seattle last week.

Capt. Thomas informs us that he intends in the spring to build 50 new cottages in our burg. "Good shot," captain.

The school entertainment given last Thursday evening was a complete success, the program being an interesting one throughout. The sum of \$60 was cleared, which will be used to buy an organ for the school. We congratulate our school board on having selected such an able corps of teachers, including Prof. C. M. Beardsley, A. W. Bowles and Miss Vertner, who are manifesting so great an interest in our schools.

Yakima Camp No. 10,228, M. W. A., upon invitation from Wapato Camp No. 10,660, went from their hall to the depot and took possession of train No. 4 last Saturday to spend the evening with the camp at that place. The boys came home Sunday morning on No. 4, and were well pleased with their trip and singing the praises of their Wapato neighbors. The boys say that the members of Wapato camp can't be beaten as entertain-

ers, and for good things to eat. Our boys while there put on the work, putting seven candidates over the "slippery way."

CORRESPONDENT

See Ackenhausen, the new jeweler, 212 Yakima avenue, for Xmas presents. 14-15

Volcanic Functions.

Terrific as are the forces of volcanic action, they have served and do yet serve their ordained purpose in the magnificent scheme of cosmic development. Volcanoes form a natural vent for the pent up internal forces resulting from the slow cooling and consolidation of the earth's mass. They act as the safety valves of the world, without which the crust of the earth would in all probability burst with explosive force and with a resulting cataclysm appalling to contemplate. Volcanoes tend, in fact, to maintain the normal stable equilibrium between the interior and the outer surface of the world.—Engineering.

Treasures of the Kremlin.

All the czars of Russia have been crowned in the Kremlin, in Moscow, and in the treasury there are the thrones of all the emperors of the past and the historic jewels and the choicest plate now owned by the Russian crown. There is \$120,000,000 worth of gold and silver and precious stones in that treasury, and there are basins of gold there which are as big as a baby's bathtub and two card tables of solid silver which are worth a king's ransom.

Lobsters.

To avoid buying lobsters which have been cooked and laid on ice until all their firmness and sweetness have been sacrificed lay the creature on its back and straighten out the tail. If when the tail is released it springs back into its normal curled position, it may be considered fresh. But if it stays back and seems limp and flabby it is unfit for use.

A Costly Lie.

"My wife found a poker chip in my pocket, and I told her it was a dyspepsia tablet."

"That was clever."

"Far from it! She swallowed the chip, and the doctor's bills cost me more than the jackpot."—Philadelphia Record.

The Snob.

There is little satisfaction in being a snob. Yes, a satisfaction, to be sure, a lonely, selfish, melancholy pleasure enjoyed by men and women who draw the social line—even in the cemetery. But the worms! What is their opinion?—Schoolmaster.

Fresh Air.

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(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington D. C., Dec. 14, 1903.

Post-office scandals were the subject of the first interesting debate in the Senate since the regular session began. Senator Penrose, republican, introduced a resolution calling upon the postmaster general to send all the papers of the recent investigations to the committee on post offices and post roads, which committee would institute a further investigation if it thought necessary. The republicans favor this resolution, but the democrats wished to amend it by making the investigation mandatory. Senator Gorman led the democrats in his first important speech since his return to the senate. Senator Lodge and others opposed him. Mr. Gorman said in part, "Sir, the country is not satisfied with what has been done. We are not satisfied with the course of this investigation thorough as it may have been as to a few individuals. The prominent ones insist that it is persecution; that they are being made the scape goats of a great avalanche of fraud which has been perpetrated because others higher in authority have been negligent. We want the facts. We want to open the books. We want the investigation through and complete, and then we will see whether the president, with his great power, will turn out the inefficient and prosecute all the rascals, and I have no doubt he will. Let us aid him to purify the Department and to prevent these wholesale frauds in the future." Senator Lodge replied by saying that a congressional investigation was the most clumsy one possible, and cited as proof of this assertion, that the department had been investigated by two congressional committees which has been unable to find anything wrong. Senator Nelson added that the facts which would be made public through such an investigation would help those who are now accused. The democrats will no doubt point out to Mr. Nelson that it is far more important that the public know the true condition of affairs in the department than that a few individuals be convicted.

A ship subsidy bill, calling for discrimination in tonnage taxes and in duties on goods carried by American and foreign vessels, was introduced in the senate by Senator Lodge, but the bill was labeled "by request", which usually means that the senator who introduces the bill is not especially interested in it. Senator Frye also introduced a bill providing that after July 1, 1904 all merchandise and passengers carried between the Philippines and the United States should be transported in ships bearing the American flag. In his annual message, the president recommended that a commission be appointed, consisting of the secretary of the navy, the postmaster general, the secretary of commerce and labor, and members of the house and senate, to investigate and report what legislation is desirable for the development of our merchant marine. A bill corresponding to this recommendation has already been introduced in the house.

Consul Davis, American representative in Alexandria, Asiatic Turkey, has been assassinated by some Turkish soldiers, in a dispute arising out of the arrest of an American who is a naturalized American citizen. In consequence the consul has left his post for Beirut. The incident is the cause of diplomatic representations at Constantinople, and it is expected that the Turkish government will make an apology. The state department does not expect any serious trouble over the affair, but it has notified the navy department so as to be prepared for any emergency. The state department has had much trouble with naturalized Americans who return to Turkey, as the Turkish government refuses to recognize the rights of Turkish subjects to become citizens of another country. Minister Leishman will make a report on the present affair.

According to the report of the secretary of the treasury, which has just been issued, there will be a deficit of over \$23,000,000, for the fiscal year ending June 30 1904, while the surplus for the present year will be reduced to \$14,000,000. He admits that our currency system has just passed through a serious crisis, which could easily have caused general disaster. He admits also that the non-elasticity of the currency is a weakness, but suggests no remedy.

There has been much discussion here of the many instances in which President Roosevelt has betrayed his exaggerated idea of the powers and duties of the executive branch of the national government. Criticism of such actions of the president are by no means confined to the democratic party. At the final session of the last Congress, \$500,000 was appropriated for the prosecution by the attorney general of violations of the anti-trust laws. A large portion of this money remains unexpended. Referring to this the president says in his annual message: "I now recommend as a matter of utmost importance and urgency, the extension of the purpose of this appropriation, so that it may be available, under the direction of the attorney general and, until used, for the due enforcement of the laws of the United States in general and especially of the civil and criminal laws relating to public lands and the laws relating to

postal crimes and offences and the subject of naturalization." In other words, the president asks congress to turn over several hundred thousand dollars, appropriated for the use of the administration in the general enforcement of the laws. Such an act is a violation of the spirit of the constitution and of expressed provisions of the statutes, which declare that all appropriations shall be made for specific purposes. In another part of his message which deals with Panama, Mr. Roosevelt has shown himself to be the arbitrary interpreter of acts of congress. The last congress instructed the president to negotiate a treaty with Columbia for the Panama canal. Such negotiations failed, and after the resolution in Panama the president held that the orders of congress did not refer to the government of Columbia, but to and government that might thereafter get possession of the canal. Such an interpretation was enforced, showed a lack of appreciation of the powers of congress and established a bad precedent. In the matter of recess appointments the president made another arbitrary decision. The extra session of congress ended at noon last Monday. The regular session began at once. The appointment of General Wood, Dr. Crum and others had not been confirmed by the senate. In order that these men might continue to draw their salary as recess appointments, until the senate acted upon them, the president held that there was an infinitesimal recess between the two sessions and sent in the nominations again as recess appointments.

English to Become Universal.

Fifty years ago Isaac Pitman, the inventor of phonetic shorthand, predicted that English was destined to be the universal language. A writer in the New York World says that at that time Mr. Pitman was laughed at and adds: "English is now spoken by about 125,000,000 people. A century ago it was spoken by 20,000,000 people only. During that period no other leading European language has made the slightest advance. German has held its own, it is spoken now by 80,000,000, but this is no higher percentage of the total number of people of European stocks than it had a century ago. Abraham Lincoln foresaw 200,000,000 English-speaking people in the United States alone, and later prophets have described it as the home of 300,000,000 when the twenty-first century dawns. As the learning of English is compulsory in India, 300,000,000 more people are being annexed to the English-speaking world. The leading languages of continental Europe at the last century—French, German and Spanish—while declining or stationary in Europe itself, are making gains on other continents. There are only 18,000,000 Spaniards in Spain, but 35,000,000 Americans talk Spanish. Some 20,000,000 people speak German outside of Germany, and twice as many people talk Portuguese in Brazil as there are in Portugal itself, while French is the language of 14,000,000 people outside of France."—The Commoner.

Turkish Alfalfa.

Experiments which will be of interest to every farmer on the unirrigated lands in this section are now being made in the Rattlesnake country with what is called Turkish alfalfa. The plant is very much like the ordinary alfalfa, but will grow in a very much dryer soil, and is therefore believed to be a possibility as a feed crop in the dry farming sections.

The seed for the experiment is being furnished by the agricultural college at Pullman, and among others Franklin Simpson has seeded an acre. Seed was put in this fall and a good stand has been obtained already. Mr. Simpson made experiments on a small scale last spring and secured a growth eighteen inches high and the plants were in bloom when they were destroyed by the rabbits. The new field will be fenced to protect it from the animals. Mr. Simpson thinks from his experience so far that Turkish alfalfa will be a success. If it is it will not be many years before it will be one of the staple crops of the Horse Heaven and Rattlesnake countries.—Prosser Bulletin.

Teller's Good Story.

Senator Teller relates a good story by way of illustrating his opinion that the Colombian delegates who have come to see if something cannot be done to get Panama back into their country are wasting their time. Senator Teller says that these delegates remind him of a justice of the peace before whom he once tried a case. According to the senator: "The suit was over an old debt for supplies. The defense was that the bill was paid. The justice was a pompous old chap, who knew no law. After we had finished, the justice said: 'The court knows all about this case. The court has heard what the witnesses has got to say and the talk of the lawyers. The court will not decide the case just der advisement for three days, and the court will then decide the case in favor of the plaintiff.'"—The Commoner.

It's a shame to give away Babbitt & Graham's Fine Dress Skirts and Paris Cloaks, but they all go at Coffin Bros.' Dry Goods Closing Out Sale. 8tf

Old newspapers for sale at this office 25c per hundred.

OFFICIAL PROGRAM

Of the Washington State Dairy-men's Convention.

Of the eleventh Annual Meeting of the State Dairymen's Association to be held in North Yakima, Dec. 29th, 30th and 31st, 1903.

H. L. Blanchard, Hadlock, Wash. President
William Izett, Oak Harbor, Wash. Vice-President
Mrs. E. Carmichael, Yakima City, Sec. and Treas.

FIRST DAY

Tuesday, Dec. 29th, 1903.
10:00 a. m.;—Meeting called to order by the President. Reading of the minutes of the last meeting and report of the Secretary and Treasurer.

"Dairying in Central Washington" Adam Stevens
"The Agricultural Press" Vice-Pres. Wm. Izett
"The Business End of Dairying" D. S. Troy

Tuesday 1:30 p. m.
Annual address... Pres. H. L. Blanchard
"The Dairy Cow" Prof. E. W. Major of Dairy Husbandry University, Cal.
"Shall We Build Silos East of the Cascades" Prof. E. E. Elliott, Washington Agricultural College.
General discussion.

"Alfalfa" Ernest Woodcock
Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.
Address of Welcome... Mayor Shaw
Response... Prof. E. E. Elliott
"Home Making" C. L. Smith
"Poultry Talk" H. L. Blanchard

SECOND DAY

Wednesday, 30th, 9:30 a. m.
Appointment of committees by the president.

"Sugar Beet Development in Washington" Prof. E. Fulmer, Washington Agricultural College.
Discussion.

"Rearing the Dairy Calf" L. Engleman
"The Dairy Law" E. A. McDonald, State Dairy, Food and Oil Commissioner.
Discussion.

"Changes in Dairy Practice" Prof. Severance, Pullman.
Wednesday, 1:30 p. m.
"Dairy Products and their Quality" Prof. E. W. Major.

"The Variableness of the Test" B. F. Reed.
"The Sugar Beet with Its Relation to Dairying" W. N. Granger
"How to Minimize the Great Cattle Plagues" Dr. S. B. Nelson, State Veterinarian.

Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.
"The True Creamery Plan" J. A. Wolf
Address... James Hart

THIRD DAY

Thursday, 31st, 9:30 a. m.
Address... Prof. E. W. Major
Feeding the Dairy Cow" J. L. Smith, Supt. Hazelwood Co., Spokane.

"Hog Raising on the Dairy Farm" Donald McInnis.
"The grasses of the state" Duncan Dunn.
"Country Dairymen" J. P. Marke.

Thursday, 1:30 p. m.
Business meeting, reports of committees and election of officers.
Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

Address... Pres. E. A. Bryan, Washington Agricultural College.
Banquet.

A special musical program has been arranged for every evening of the convention.
A special rate of one and one-third fare has been provided. Be sure to secure from the agent from whom you purchase your ticket a special rate certificate, to be by you presented for the signature of the secretary of the association.

WANTED—FAITHFUL PERSON TO call on retail trade and agents for manufacturing house having well established business; local territory; straight salary \$20 paid weekly and expense money advanced; previous experience unnecessary. Position permanent; business successful. Enclose self-addressed envelope. Superintendent Travelers, 605 Monon Bldg., Chicago. Nov 28,

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING

In the Superior Court of the State of Washington, for the County of Yakima.
In the matter of the estate of Jennie Kuechler, deceased.
C. G. Fletcher, administrator of the will annexed of said estate, having filed with the clerk of said court his final account as such administrator, together with his petition for distribution of the residue of said estate, notice is hereby given that the said court has appointed the 18th day of January, 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and the court room in the court house in said county as the time and place for the hearing and settlement of said account and the hearing and disposition of said petition, and that all persons taking exceptions to said account or petition will then and there be heard.

Dated December 19, 1903.
C. G. FLETCHER, Administrator with will annexed of said estate.
Dec. 19.

Assessment Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the assessment roll of Local Improvement District No. 61 in the city of North Yakima, Washington, has been certified to me for collection and that unless the assessments in said assessment roll contained are paid to me within thirty days from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit: Within thirty days from the 19th day of December, 1903, the same will become delinquent and be collected in the manner provided by law and the ordinances of said city. Dated at the office of the city treasurer in North Yakima, Washington, this 19th day of December, 1903. C. H. DONOVAN, City Treasurer.

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The DEMOCRAT and Louisville Courier Journal (semi-weekly), 1.50
The DEMOCRAT and Spokane Spokesman Review (semi-weekly), 1.60
The DEMOCRAT and Seattle Weekly Times, 1.60
The DEMOCRAT and Campbell's Illustrated Journal (monthly), 1.35

Notice of Stockholders Meeting.

New Schanno Ditch Company.

NOTICE is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the New Schanno Ditch Company will be held at the Court House in the city of North Yakima, Yakima county, Washington, on Saturday, the 2nd day of January, 1904, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and transacting such other business as may come before it.

Dated December 17th, 1903.
JOHN J. RUDKIN, Secretary

Dec 19

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Daily except Sunday. Leaves North Yakima at 8:15 a. m.; leaves Tampico 2 p. m. Fare \$1.00.

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Resolution of Intention.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL of the City of North Yakima, that the said city intends and hereby declares its intention to improve North THIRD street in said city by the construction of a plank sidewalk on the east side of said street, between and in front of blocks 62, 63, 64, 65 and lots 9, 10, 11 and 12 in block 66 in said city.

Said sidewalk to be eight feet in width and to be laid with plank two inches thick, eight inches wide and eight feet long, to be surfaced on one side and to be laid surface side up and resting on three stringers, four inches by six inches, said sidewalk to be laid on the grade marked out and established in front of the lots and lands herein described, as the same appears from the grade stakes placed by and the notes filed with the City Clerk by the City Engineer; all material used to be number one, good fir lumber. That the estimated cost of said improvement is \$700.00. That the cost of the same is to be assessed against the property abutting on said sidewalk and included within the following assessment district, to-wit: Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 in block 62. Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 in block 63. Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 in block 64. Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 in block 65. Also lots 9, 10, 11 and 12 in block 66.

That protests against said proposed improvement may be filed in the office of the City Clerk of said City of North Yakima at any time before the 31st day of Dec., 1903. That the City Clerk give due and legal notice of said proposed improvement.

Attest: H. B. DOUST, City Clerk.

Dec 12

Notice to Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that the city of North Yakima will let a contract for the construction of a sewer in the alley that divides blocks 91, 92, 93, 94 and 95 in said city. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the city clerk of said city.

Sealed proposals for the contract for the above proposed improvement will be received by the city clerk up to the time the bids are opened, to-wit: On December 21, 1903, at 7:30 o'clock, p. m.

All bidders will be required to deposit with their bids a certified check for 10 dollars on some bank in the city of North Yakima, payable to the order of the city treasurer, as security that said bidder will enter into a contract with said city in the manner provided by law and the ordinances of said city in case such contract is awarded to him. The contractor will be required to enter into a contract and give a bond with approved sureties, as required by laws of 1907, page 57, within three days after notice from the city clerk that the contract has been awarded to him.

The city council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

H. B. DOUST, City Clerk.

Notice to Creditors

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned has at the 18th day of November, A. D. 1903, been appointed and commissioned by the Superior Court of the State of Washington in and for the county of Yakima, administrator of the estate of W. H. Minner, deceased, and all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same accompanied by the proper voucher to the undersigned administrator at the office of Snyder & Preble, in the Sloan building, in the city of North Yakima, Yakima county, Washington, that being the place where he transacts his legal business, within one year from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit: within one year from the 21st day of November, A. D. 1903, or the same will be forever barred.

Administator of the estate of W. H. Minner, deceased.

Summons.

In the Superior Court of the State of Washington for Yakima county.

The City of North Yakima, a municipal corporation, Plaintiff, vs. John Reis and ————, Defendants.

The State of Washington to the said John Reis and his wife, Defendants: You and each of you are hereby summoned to appear within 60 days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit: within 60 days from the 5th day of December, 1904, and defend the above entitled action in the above court, and answer the complaint of plaintiff and serve a copy of your answer on the undersigned, attorney for plaintiff, at his office below stated, and in case of your failure so to do judgment will be rendered against you according to the demands of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of the above entitled court. The object of said action is to compel the defendant to foreclose a special assessment tax and lien against lot seventeen (17) in block thirty-two (32) according to the original plat of the city of North Yakima, for the grading of a street in the city of North Yakima upon which said lot abuts, and for costs in said action.

VISTAL SNYDER, Attorney for plaintiff
Postoffice address, North Yakima, Yakima county, Washington. Dec. 4

Assessment Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the assessment roll of Sub-Sewer District No. 2 in the city of North Yakima, Washington, has been certified to me for collection and that unless the assessments in said assessment roll contained are paid to me within thirty days from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit: Within thirty days from the 19th day of December, 1903, the same will become delinquent and be collected in the manner provided by law and the ordinances of said city. Dated at the office of the city treasurer in North Yakima, Washington, this 19th day of December, 1903. C. H. DONOVAN, City Treasurer.

Office: First National Bank.

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Prescription work a specialty at this store.

\$100 forfeit if any Cotton is found in the Best \$10 Suits in town at the little corner clothing store, Sharlow block. 4-tf

COMMISSIONER CALVERT MAKES STATEMENT

(Continued from first page.)

made a logical and convincing talk in favor of giving the "high line" people a little more time in order that they might be able to make a showing. Robertson criticised the attitude of Attorney Englehart in the matter and a sharp colloquy ensued between the two gentlemen, which rather amused the audience.

A motion made by R. K. Nichols to adjourn until 11 a. m. Wednesday, carried.

The meeting reconvened in the club rooms Tuesday morning and was called to order by Vice President Larson. The chairman called on Mr. Nares, who was present, to make a statement. Mr. Nares said that the high line canal looked better at this time than ever before but owing to unfortunate weather the engineers in the field were not quite so far along with the work as he had hoped that they would be, but he was in a position to say positively that he would know in a very short time now whether or not the high line would be built. On being asked if his proposed high line would cover the state lands Mr. Nares answered that it certainly would. Mr. Nares thought that the state land commissioner ought at least to be willing to wait a few days in order to secure a competing proposal to irrigate the state lands.

On motion of H. B. Scudder the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the meeting:

Resolved, That we request the Washington delegation to obtain from the interior department an extension of time for the selection and reclamation of lands under the Carey act in Kittitas and Yakima counties.

Secretary Chandler stated that he had received a communication from the secretary of the interior in answer to a copy of the club's resolutions sent him in which that official stated that no definite action would be taken on Land Commissioner Calvert's proposition to irrigate the lands claimed by the state for a period of sixty days. The meeting then adjourned.

Death of Mrs. Miller.

Mrs. Esther Catherine Miller, wife of Alexander Miller, a well known resident of this city died at Portland Monday morning, Dec. 14th, aged 51 years. The remains were brought to this city Wednesday by the bereaved husband, the funeral being held Thursday at 2 p. m. from the family residence on North Second street, Rev. H. M. Bartlett officiating. A large number of sympathizing friends were in attendance and the funeral cortege to the cemetery was a long one.

Mrs. Miller's death was not unexpected among intimate friends here, as the deadly disease with which she was afflicted, cancer, in its course is necessarily fatal. Mr. Miller several months ago placed his wife under the care of an eminent specialist at Portland and neither pains or expense was spared in the endeavor to spare the patient's life, but all to no avail, for death in due time claimed its own.

The late Mrs. Miller was a woman of many noble traits of character, being kind hearted and charitable by instinct. She was a member of the Episcopal church and in health was a prominent figure in the social affairs of this city. Besides her husband she leaves an adopted daughter to mourn her loss, who have the sympathy of the entire community.

Death of James Richey.

The people of this city were quite surprised Sunday to read of the sudden death of the venerable James Richey, which occurred at his Naches avenue home at 11:30 a. m. Sunday. The cause of Mr. Richey's death is not entirely clear to the public, as the doctors in the case are reported to have somewhat disagreed in the diagnosis. The death certificate, however, gives diphtheria as the cause of dissolution. The funeral took place Monday morning at 10 a. m., the services at the grave being conducted by Rev. H. P. James of the Congregational church.

James Richey was born in Muskingum county, Ohio, May 27, 1829, and was therefore at the time of his death 75 years of age. During his infancy his parents moved to the state of Illinois, settling on a farm near the present town of Princeton. In this vicinity most of the subsequent life of Mr. Richey was passed until he removed to the Yakima valley some four years ago in order to be near his three children. During his active years he succeeded in accumulating a comfortable fortune as an Illinois farmer, and on his removal to this section made large investments in real estate, besides being heavily interested as a member of the firm of Richey & Gilbert, in bonanza farming on the Yakima Indian reservation, which turned out very profitable. In his retirement Mr. Richey not only enjoyed life, but took a keen interest in public affairs, being a man of broad and liberal views. In politics, he was a republican; in religion, a devout supporter of the Congregational church.

Besides his widow deceased leaves three children, Mrs. H. M. Gilbert of Nob Hill, Mrs. Fred A. Hall of Toppenish, and Clyde H. Richey of Sunnyside.

Mr. Gilbert, a son in law and business partner of Mr. Richey, is now at the old home in Illinois, having gone back there some three weeks ago on business.

County Teachers' Institute.

County Superintendent Dickey is now preparing a program for the coming teachers' institute of this county which will be held in the High school building of this city Jan. 4th to 8th inclusive. All the teachers of Yakima county, about 150 in number are expected to be in attendance in conformity with the state law and good results are expected.

Supt. Dickey announces that he has secured the following able corps of instructors to whom subjects have not as yet been assigned: Principal W. E. Wilson, Ellensburg Normal school; Principal H. M. Shafer, Cheney Normal school; Prof. Yoder, state university; Supt. Hart-rauft, of King county. Other well known teachers are expected to be in attendance.

A teachers' association was held at Sunnyside last Saturday with an attendance of about twenty-five teachers. The next monthly meeting will be held at Prosser.

Supt. Dickey returned the first of the week from visiting the schools of the east end of the county. He says that the schools in that portion of the county are all progressing favorably, except that in some districts the school houses are somewhat overcrowded.

Yakima W. L. & P. Plant Sold

It was reported on the streets here Thursday morning that the plant of the Yakima Water, Light & Power company had been sold to Robert E. Strahorn, of Spokane, acting for a syndicate of eastern capitalists who own a number of similar plants throughout the northwest. The consideration has not been made public.

Mr. Strahorn and Edward Whitson, president of the company, left for Portland Wednesday, the understanding being that they were to complete the deal there in which city a majority of the stock of the Y. W. L. & P. company is owned, being the property of the Corbett and Ladd estates.

Manager A. B. Whitson was seen on Thursday by the Democrat man. That gentleman admitted that negotiations had been in progress for some time, but said that he had as yet received no assurance that the deal had been finally made.

McNeff-Turner.

Jack McNeff, the well known hop buyer got the drop on his numerous friends this week by slipping off to Seattle to get married. The bride is Miss Nellie Turner, until recently employed in the central telephone office of this city. The ceremony was performed at Seattle on Monday. After a wedding trip on the Sound the happy couple will return to North Yakima to make their home. Mr. and Mrs. McNeff have the best wishes of the Democrat as well as a host of friends in this city for their future happiness.

Worked His Friends.

T. H. Larkin, secretary of the Yakima Development company naturally feels a little sore this week as the result of having been imposed upon by a former army comrade, who, like himself, was a member of the Thirtieth Minnesota volunteers, which saw service in the Philippines. Mr. Larkin does not mind his own loss so much as he does the fact that some of his friends were taken in by the fellow, whose name is Leo N. Cutts.

Cutts struck town one day last week, boozing it in from Ellensburg. He knew that Larkin lived here, and lost no time in finding him and telling him his tale of woe. Cutts was ragged and penniless, and was "up against it hard," he explained. The general secretary, of course, couldn't turn down an old comrade in distress. He first saw that Cutts got a square meal, then a shave, a haircut and a bath followed. When the fellow had finished his ablutions his friend in need was on hand with a new set of togs including an overcoat. Cutts was then taken around and introduced to Captain Marshal Scudder, who promised in a few days to find work for him in his steam laundry. Larkin then gave Cutts five dollars, took him to the Hotel Bartholot and stood god for his board for a week, during which time Cutts was expected to recruit up.

Cutts, however, couldn't stand so much prosperity. He proceeded to get full and to celebrate his good luck. He impressed Landlord Tennant so thoroughly with the idea that he was the real thing that that gentleman done himself the pleasure of lending his whilom guest the trifling sum of \$35 which Cutts said he would return in a day or two. That night Cutts "swiped" a box of cigars and was around the next day big as life passing fragrant Havana's among his acquaintances. During the day Cutts was introduced to Col. Miles Cannon, who through Mr. Larkin's efforts offered him a job in the lumber yard at Mabton. This Cutts accepted with thanks, saying that he would leave for Mabton the next morning, December 12. He did go, but he didn't stop at Mabton and now Sheriff Grant is trying to locate him, having a warrant for his arrest.

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