

THE PASSING THROUGH.

President E. A. Bryan, of the state agricultural college at Pullman, arrived in Seattle yesterday from Eastern Washington for the purpose of attending the meetings of the state dairy commission and the Dairyman's Association. At the meeting of the association this morning at the Chamber of Commerce he is to deliver an address. The state dairy commission will meet in the afternoon. It consists of Commissioner E. McDonald, Secretary George W. D. Jenkins and President Bryan.

"College matters are flourishing, in harmony with the whole season of the state east of the Cascade mountains," said Prof. Bryan at the Butler hotel last night. "We have 25 students now and will enroll 375 altogether before the year is out. The school for daying open January 15, limited to twenty-five. This limit will be taken up."

"Despite the loss by fire of the boys' dormitory, the college is progressing. The students have been successful in getting quarters through the town and at a hotel which the board rented for the purpose and which is full. The students are working hard and they will be one of the most successful in the history of the institution."

"The last bulletin, which is now in the printer's hands, contains some interesting and valuable matter—the result of examinations of the orchards in Eastern Washington that suffered in the great freeze of November, 1896, by the horticulturist of the university. Prof. J. A. Halmos, Prof. Balmer spent a good part of last season inspecting these orchards. In the bulletin, which will be issued shortly, it is shown that the orchards that were irrigated and cultivated late in the autumn suffered seriously by the severe weather of that month, while others which were not irrigated escaped injury. In some localities, which orchards were killed, while in others a line between the dead trees and those that were uninjured was drawn by the irrigating ditch. One orchard in particular is mentioned, in which the irrigation ditch ran through the orchard, and trees crossing it at right angles, running from a hillside above. The trees below the slope, or those which were irrigated, were dead while those above escaped."

"The point is that the late irrigation and cultivation does not give the growing wood a chance to ripen before the freeze comes. The point proven by the researches of Prof. Balmer should be of great value to the orchardists in the eastern part of the state."

"In Eastern Washington there are evidences of prosperity everywhere. In some parts of the wheat belt, the value of the crop last season exceeded even that of the land. Mortgages are being paid off and there is a general spirit of cheerfulness and good feeling abroad."

Judge Carroll B. Graves, the well-known lawyer and Republican, is in the city from Ellensburg on business. He reports that times are better in that and Yakima counties, as well as throughout Eastern Washington, than for years past.

"The coal mines of Roslyn are employing more men than ever," he said last night. "The product of the Swauk gold mining district for this year will be the largest on record. You know what a great wheat crop the farmers of Eastern Washington harvested this year. These causes have brought good times to Eastern Washington. The farmers have money, the banks are in good shape and merchants are doing a good business, with collections easy. People are coming to the country from the East and Middle West, particularly into Yakima county."

"I notice that Seattle is enjoying a great measure of prosperity, and the city never looks so well. Undoubtedly there will be a great business done by the merchants of this city next year."

Judge L. T. Erwin, of Yakima, returned yesterday from a flying trip to Skagway and Dyea. While at the latter place he made a tramp to the summit of the Chilkoot pass and became impressed with its virtues that he proposes to send a large number of teams to engage in packing. The judge says that both Skagway and Dyea are lively, thriving towns, and that Juneau is a hummer.

W. T. Somers, a banker from Santa Barbara, D. A. name, etc., is in the city, which sailed for the north last night. Mr. Somers is one of the best-known men in financial circles of Southern California. He and Mr. More have business proposition under way in Dyea and Skagway.

Personal. J. C. Saunders is at the Butler from Port Townsend. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Crooker, of Everett, returned to the Butler. W. J. Rogers, of Tacoma, is in the city, a guest at the Stevens. W. H. Hare and A. L. Dilley are in the city from North Yakima. E. A. McDonald, the state dairy commissioner, is a guest at the Stevens. D. B. Ward, who has been sick for the past ten days, is again on his feet. W. P. Bird, traveling auditor of the Northern Pacific, is a guest at the Butler. Gene Gould, of Friday Harbor, arrived in the city yesterday and put up at the Stevens. Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Norburn, of Vancouver, B. C., are among the late arrivals at the Butler.

Tried to Kill Himself. Pearl Dunlap, a pretty young woman of the half-world, aged about 19, who came to Seattle from near Snohomish, attempted suicide last night in the St. Paul hotel, over the United States saloon, on Second avenue south, between Washington and Main streets. The medium chosen by Miss Dunlap as an exit from the life she was leading was poison, and at 11:30 she swallowed something very hot and of corrosive sublimate. Dr. Emil Richards was called and administered emetics and enemas, and at 12 o'clock she was out of danger. After taking the poison she was unable to get up, and threw herself over the banisters of the stairway, saying that the drug did not act fast enough to suit her. She was restrained, however, until the arrival of a physician. Even then she refused to allow him to treat her, and it was only by the aid of medicine that she was saved. Her roommate, a girl called Kitty, stated that it was one of several attempts upon her life that Pearl has made and that she will succeed or later accomplish it. The cause assigned is despondency.

His Wife Retained. A. E. Bruhn, the Jefferson Street theater manager, who was arrested Tuesday afternoon on a warrant sworn out upon his wife, who charged him with having attempted to shoot her, was released yesterday. Bruhn was unable to find Mrs. Bruhn, and said that he believed she had been taken before Judge Austin. The case, however, was not taken up, and Bruhn was released. There was nothing to do but close the case. Bruhn's wife is very much in earnest when she makes the complaint and wanted to know if there was anything to be done.

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was not some way in which she could have been hanged. When she thought of him behind the bars of the city prison, however, it was a different matter, and she quietly left town to put a stop to the prosecution. The Klondike Stoves, as well as our complete line of Prospectors' Hardware and Cooking Utensils.

The Shomo Shooting. Charles Shomo, proprietor of the Klondike saloon, who was found by Detective Williams and Capt. Sullivan Monday morning lying on the floor of the saloon, was shot with a bullet hole through his neck and a revolver tightly clutched in his hand, rested easily yesterday in his cot at the Providence hospital. He will undoubtedly recover from the wound, which the police believe he inflicted with suicidal intent, and which the man's friends say was made by some enemy. They claim to be working up a case against the man who fired the shot. The police investigated the shooting thoroughly yesterday, but could find no evidence that indicated anything else but a case of suicide while under the influence of liquor.

The Winkler Inquest. Coroner Yandell held an inquest yesterday afternoon over the body of C. W. Winkler, the Columbia & Puget Sound brakeman who killed early yesterday morning on the Pacific Coast Company's workings. No new facts about the accident developed at the inquest. The jury brought in the following verdict:

"We, the jury, find that the deceased was a native of California, about 36 years of age, who came to his death in the yards of the Columbia & Puget Sound railway by being struck by the cars of the same railway, and that said death was the result of a lack of proper guards, and was caused by gross negligence of the Columbia & Puget Sound Railroad Company."

The jurors who brought in the above verdict are John Barr, Hugo Stietengen, Rudolph C. V. Liedberg, R. E. Bridges and A. H. Dahl. Winkler's body will be sent to Butte City, Cal., according to instructions received from his father.

Marriage Licenses. Licenses to marry were issued yesterday for John Lee Chase (21) of Leander, B. C., and Ida Belle Watson (or Matheson) (35), of Tacoma; James Oliver Cruise (23), of Seattle, and Hattie Louise Campbell (21), of Coupeville; Conrad M. Thuland (29) and Martha Strom, both of Seattle; Ed Swanson (50), of Franklin, and Mary Johnson (24), of Seattle; John Samuel Pichler (21), of Seattle, and Emma Josephine Ender (19), of Port Townsend; Frank E. Anderson (32), of South Park, and Ruth Abigail Rhodes (15), of Star Lake; Jeremiah E. Kelley (26), and Carrie B. Richards (23), both of Seattle; John McIntosh (29), of Olympia, and Flora McInerney (25), of Seattle.

New Companies Formed. Articles of incorporation have been filed for the Spokane and Alaska Mining & Mercantile Company; capital stock, \$100,000 in \$10 shares; trustees, E. E. Green and F. M. Spinning; and for the Upper Yukon Company, capital stock, \$50,000 in \$10 shares; trustees, J. H. Kibbourn, J. W. Hughes, C. P. Stone, Albert J. Goddard and James H. Calvert.

Still another Alaska company has filed articles of incorporation. The Alaska Improvement Company, capital stock, \$100,000 in \$10 shares; trustees, James Carroll, J. H. Johnson and Charles E. Bryant.

New Suits Filed. The following new suits were filed yesterday in the superior court: State vs. George Smith—Assault with intent to commit murder. Plaintiff, George Smith; defendant, Calligan et al., as the U. S. Mercantile Co.—For restoration of personal property, \$67.87.

Court Notes. Default was entered yesterday in the case of Edward Stuart vs. Catharine Stuart. Stipulation was filed yesterday in the case of Joseph E. Nichols vs. George J. Wilcox, extending the time for filing briefs and transcripts on appeal.

Default was entered yesterday against E. F. Wyman and Luu Wyman, in the case of Carstens Bros. vs. E. F. Wyman et al. E. D. McLaughlin, suing the city of Ballard for professional legal services in the case of the Green Alaska Mining & Mercantile Co., yesterday filed an amended complaint.

In the case of N. B. Nelson et al. vs. N. P. Peters, in which the Scandinavian-American bond company appears as garnishee defendant, W. D. Berg yesterday filed a complaint in intervention, claiming that the bond company is the party in interest whose garnishment was directed, was placed there by Rufus Smith for Hugo Stietengen, who assigned the bond to Berg.

Lou Graham was yesterday granted leave to intervene in the suit of A. P. Hoisington vs. A. C. Parley, George W. Burns. The petition alleges that at the time Clancy & Burns gave the company a charge of the property, they were insolvent and heavily indebted to Lou Graham, and that the mortgage was given for the purpose of defrauding her.

Two bids were received and placed on the yesterday for the construction of a bridge across the Squawquamish river, one from George L. Cole, for \$417,500, and one from J. C. Blagrove for \$494,500. The bids were opened at 10 o'clock yesterday, and only Commissioner Ryan being present. The bids were opened in separate envelopes and one general verdict was returned in the civil department yesterday, assenting to the claim of the contractor for the bridge, and awarding for road to the army post, giving a total award of \$331 in behalf of the contractor. The jury returned a verdict for \$3,000 in favor of the contractor.

Another Technical Cobweb Swept Away by the Supreme Court. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Late this afternoon the supreme court, after having heard the matter argued in chambers, denied the application for a writ of habeas corpus in the case of the condemned murderer of Blanche Lamont, for a writ of probable cause. It was contended by Durand's counsel that Judge H. B. Swain, having tried the case of the execution of their client within less than sixty days after the date upon which he was recommended to the custody of the warden of the state prison. The supreme court, however, after hearing the points relied upon for reversal, denied the petition unanimously.

Otis Kern May Recover. Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. ARLINGTON, Dec. 28.—Otis Kern, the boy who was stabbed by a girl in the barroom of the Commercial hotel, is resting easily, and there is now strong hopes for his recovery.

You Ought to Know. That the Weekly Post-Intelligencer is issued on Thursdays. That the price is only 5 cents a copy. That it contains twelve pages of selected matter, and to acquaint friends of the doings in Seattle, state or Alaska there is no better paper.

If you are going East at Christmas or New Year, you will find the Northern Pacific the best to use. Trains run on time and passengers are comfortable. The season of the year specially looked after by dining car service, as usual, is unexcelled.

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CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

CITY COUNCIL REALIZES THAT SUCH IS THE PRESENT CASE.

Attempt to Repeal Civil Service Means a Great Amount of Labor—If Repealed as Suggested the Labor Bureau Will Meet Its Death.

The members of the city council and all other city officials realize that if they submit to the people the question of the abolition of the civil service feature of the city charter, there will be far more work involved in the preliminary work than was ever dreamt of by those who have signed the anti-civil service petition. The petitioners, however, are determined to submit to the people the question of abolishing one section of the charter which created civil service. If the council does not do that, the petitioners will be abolished by a vote of the people at the coming election, there would be no end of trouble. As a matter of fact, the city charter, as it now stands, is a masterpiece of civil service. There are in the neighborhood of fourteen sections which refer to civil service in one way or another.

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