

THE WORLD ALL BY ITSELF.

PROGRESS MADE BY A SOCIALIST COLONY IN SKAGIT COUNTY.

Out of Living Is Seven and a Quarter Cents a Day—Women Are Wanted to Furnish Wives for Surplus Bachelors—Equal Shares.

Arrangements are being perfected by which it is expected to largely increase the Socialist colony at Equality, in Skagit county. During the summer a large number of persons are expected to join those already located, from Missouri, Illinois and other Eastern states.

They buy nothing outside. Women work as well as men, making garden and manufacturing everything that is needed. They are paid in scrip, at the rate of 5 cents an hour, and this scrip is good for meals or anything they may need at the store. They publish a newspaper called Freedom, and print over 3,000 copies weekly. These are purely Socialist, and are distributed in the Eastern states, where the colony is recruiting. It is their purpose to clear up the land as rapidly as possible when their privileges will be greatly increased. They are happy and prosperous, however.

The colony is governed by a set of by-laws, which lay down all the municipal regulations. Nobody owns individual property. All their holdings are community, and order is of the best.

There are many of the men who are bachelors, and an effort is made to get in a sufficient number of women recruits who are willing to marry, to furnish each man with a wife.

MORMONS HUNT A HOME. Say Locate in Wyoming, but a Cattlemen Say They Must Behave.

The Mormon church of Utah is said to be looking for a site for a colony in Wyoming. Thomas R. Hannaford, a cattlemen of Cody, who is stopping at the Seattle, says he understands that a Mormon colony will be located in the state. "Two weeks ago," he said yesterday, "two of the prominent officials of the Mormon church arrived from Salt Lake at Eagle's Nest, a short distance from Cody. They made a thorough examination of the lands along the Shoshone river, and expressed themselves well pleased with it. Before leaving they said they had decided to locate a colony of Mormons there, and that they would come from Utah and Idaho.

"We have plenty of land in Wyoming, and will be glad to have a Mormon colony. We can make them believe themselves and won't have to elect one of their number to congress to get evidence to convict, if they should violate the law."

Z. C. MILES CO. REORGANIZED. Will Renounce He Be Known as Z. C. Miles & Piper Co.

The long established and well known hardware house, the Z. C. Miles Company, after several years' operation under the efficient receivership of A. L. Piper, has been reorganized, and will be continued under the name of Z. C. Miles & Piper Company. The officers of the new company are: Z. C. Miles, president; C. H. Kiehl, vice president; T. S. Somers, secretary; John Schwab, superintendent of the manufacturing department, and A. L. Piper, manager and treasurer. The officers, with F. W. Hicks, constitute the board of trustees. The new company starts with a paid-up capital of \$40,000.

The new company will continue to handle and enlarge upon the same lines formerly handled, as well as other new and popular ones.

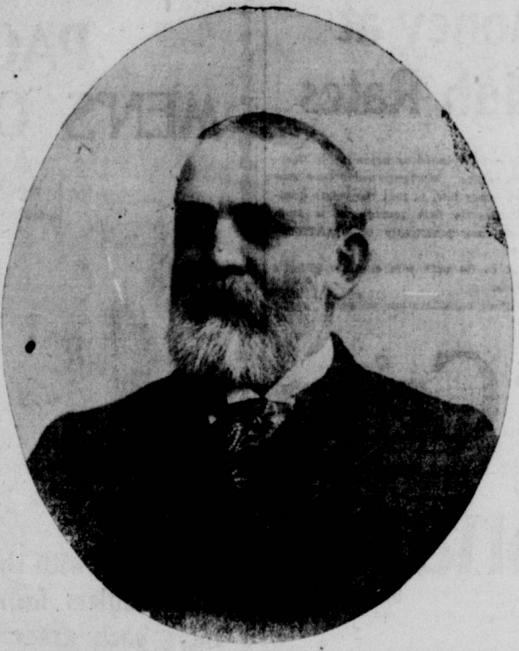
STEAMER DIRIGO ARRIVES. Brings Twelve Passengers and a Heavy Freight.

Steamer Dirigo, Capt. George Roberts, sailing February 19 from Skagway, arrived yesterday morning. She had twelve passengers from Lynn canal and intermediate points, among others H. C. Strong, a leading merchant of Ketchikan. Her cargo consisted of twenty-two 400-pound boxes of fresh halibut from the Wrangell Narrows banks.

Her passengers were: R. D. Featherston, W. E. Oster, Mrs. Oster and three children, H. C. Strong, Mrs. Strong, F. U. Whitney, Mrs. Whitney, H. W. Windle, John Dubruel.

Printing Man Buys a Home. F. V. Van Dusen, of the Merchants' Printing Company, has purchased from F. B. Finley the south forty feet of a lot on Thirtieth avenue, near Denny way, for \$2,000. There is a new, modern, two-story and basement business lot. Mr. Van Dusen buys the property for a home.

MEMBERS OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TENDER A BANQUET TO E. O. GRAVES, ITS RETIRING PRESIDENT.



FIFTY-SIX members of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce and other prominent citizens of Seattle gathered at the banquet table in the Butler grill rooms last night to do honor to E. O. Graves, the retiring president of the chamber. Several prominent citizens of Portland and San Francisco were also among the guests. The affair was one of the most enjoyable in the recent history of the city. The gathering was a congenial one, the menu elegant, the decorations handsome and the speeches full of wit and eloquence.

J. W. Clise, vice president of the Chamber of Commerce, presided. When the edibles had been disposed of, the speech-making began. John B. Allen was the first on the list, his subject being the past achievements of the city of Seattle. He traced the career of the people of this city from the days of the Indian wars of 1855-6 to the present time. "It seems to me," he said, "that the comradeship and spirit of self-sacrifice for the common good, which was the characteristic of the citizens of Seattle in the early pioneer days, was deeply laid and is now a firmly fixed trait of her people." (Applause.)

E. C. Hughes spoke eloquently of the future of Seattle, saying that within the next twenty years there would be a population of fifteen millions on the Pacific coast.

Capt. W. W. Robinson, Jr., spoke of the work of the Chamber of Commerce in securing shipments of men, animals and supplies from Seattle to the Philippines, and in connection with the army post at Fort Lawton. Speaking of Gen. Lawton, Capt. Robinson proposed a toast to his memory, which was drunk standing and in silence.

S. H. Graves, president of the White Pass & Yukon railway, spoke of the supremacy of Seattle in the north. "You have, by your enterprise, seized the trade of that magnificent empire," he said. "It will always belong to Seattle." (Applause.)

Joseph Collins spoke in an appropriate vein to the toast "The Younger Members of the Chamber of Commerce." At the conclusion of his remarks Mr. Collins offered a set of resolutions, which were adopted in which Mr. Graves is held by the members of the chamber, and expressing their regret at his departure from the city.

Finally Judge Burke, in a speech which was eloquent in the extreme, presented Mr. Graves with a solid silver loving cup, the gift of members of the chamber.

Mr. Graves responded in a brief speech, in which he thanked the donors and expressed his hearty esteem and affection for them. "As I look up and down these tables I see only the faces of my friends," he said. "Let me close by proposing a toast to the Seattle Chamber of Commerce. This was heartily drunk and then the gathering broke up.

The following is a list of the guests present: James Griffiths, J. W. Pratt, J. W. Clise, Herman Chapin, Robert Moran, R. Sartori, W. D. Perkins, H. H. Dearborn, S. Frauenthal, William B. Allison, Griffith Davies, Charles R. Collins, R. H. Spencer, John B. Allen, E. C. Hughes, G. D. Colvin, George E. de Steigler, H. C. Henry, E. C. Hawkins, H. B. Dunbar, Josiah Collins, C. E. Burnside, T. S. Lippy, Thomas W. Prosch, W. R. Forrest, A. P. Burwell, George A. Burch, S. H. Graves, M. E. Downs, Charles A. Riddle, Capt. W. W. Robinson, Jr., George W. Fischer, F. W. Baker, W. E. Boone, A. S. Burwell, W. P. Hiram, T. N. Haller, J. P. Hartman, J. L. Parrell, George M. Stewart, L. S. Miller, Charles E. Crane, E. E. Ainsworth, J. Purth, F. H. Osgood, M. F. Backus, William H. Imon, Thomas Burke, Edward O. Graves, A. W. Engle, John Schram, William Pigott, A. D. Charlton and I. A. Nadeau.

is said to be looking into titles to certain title lands purchased by his road. C. R. Hedley, proprietor of the Hotel Ryan, at Whatcom, is in the city on business. A. B. Govey, manager of the Sol Simpson logging camp, at Matlock, is at the Butler. E. H. Morrison, a large lumber manufacturer of Fairfield, is stopping at the Butler. William R. Brown, a well-known logger of Edlison, is in the city, a guest of the Occidental. L. E. James, of Vancouver, is in the city, en route to Portland, where his sister is very ill. Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Austin arrived from Oakville yesterday, and will be at the Seattle several days. Homer King, secretary of the Wells-Fargo Express Company, returned to San Francisco last night. E. A. Armstrong, the restaurant man, who accidentally shot himself through the

left lung on January 23, is convalescing, and expects to be at his place of business again soon. G. E. Hutchison, traveling passenger agent of the Soo line at Minneapolis, is at the Hattiner-Grand. F. N. Kollock, district messenger and freight agent of the Pennsylvania lines at Portland, is in the city. John M. Mayhall, a well-known business man of Sullian, is in the city on business. He is at the Northern. He is here looking after contracts. F. M. James, brother of Edward James, the Alaska mining man, is a guest of the Seattle. He is en route to Douglas. W. M. Dowling, cashier of the Chicago office of the North American Transportation & Trading Company, is in Seattle on business. He may continue his trip to Dawson.

IDAHO LABOR TROUBLES.

HOUSE COMMITTEE STILL EXAMINING WITNESSES.

Night Watchman Miller Testifies to His Arrest Without Process or Charges, and Describes Treatment of Prisoners by Soldiers.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The house committee on military affairs today continued the investigation of the Idaho labor case. Stinson concluded his narrative, began yesterday, on the treatment received while under arrest, and R. V. Crozier, United States district attorney for Idaho, testified as to the prosecution of the miners. He had prosecuted thirteen and convicted ten for interfering with mail trains.

Beyond these legal proceedings he had no information on the subject. He said, however, that he had expressed the opinion that wholesale arrests by the military, without formality of warrants, were illegal.

The committee decided to subpoena Gen. Corbin and Capt. Brist, of the army, to get from them certain features of the action of the military authorities while on duty in Idaho.

Ramson Miller, night watchman at one of the mines near the scene of the disturbance, testified that he was arrested without process and without charges, although he had been in the hospital at the time of the blowing up of the Bunker Hill. He detailed incidents in the "bull pen." At one time, he said, a colored soldier had threatened to shoot him for a mere trifling infraction and on another occasion a corporal of the guard announced, with obscene oaths, and with a pistol in his hand, that he would shoot the first man caught smoking.

The witness described the arrangements of the prisons and the violence resulting from the inability of hundreds on the upper floor to get adequate sanitary appliances. The committee adjourned until Monday, when the witness will continue his testimony.

SNOHOMISH SHINGLE MILLS. Most of Them Have Started Work and Others Will Follow.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. SNOHOMISH, Feb. 24.—Business in this section is gradually recovering from the enforced quietness resulting from the winter shut-down of the shingle mills. These have almost all started on the shingles on a hand machine. This makes a new record, the old one having been 119,000, held by Thompson & Poleson's, at Hartford.

Several important changes have taken place in the shingle business here. Miracle & Heath having assumed control of the Knapp mill. These gentlemen are making many important improvements about the property, which will increase its usefulness. The old Cyclone will also be operated this season. Maughlin Bros., of Snohomish, will manage it for an Eastern firm which recently bought the property.

These and many other minor changes indicate a great business in shingles this year. Already wages have gone up and business improvements will follow.

Steamboat Captain Hurt. Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. WENATCHEE, Feb. 24.—Capt. Griggs, of the steamer Selkirk, had the misfortune to fall overboard at Leech park, breaking several ribs and receiving internal injuries, which it is greatly feared he will not recover from.

Farmers Beginning Work. Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. WENATCHEE, Feb. 24.—The valley presents quite a spring-like appearance at this date. The snow has all disappeared and farmers have commenced their spring work.

Death of Mrs. G. V. Johnson. Mrs. G. V. Johnson, whose husband runs a boathouse at Leech park, died yesterday of congestion of the brain. Mrs. Johnson was 52 years of age. Her husband, a son and daughter survive her. She came here with her family about nine years ago. Her former home was in Minneapolis.

Funeral of Mrs. Ada F. Kennedy. Funeral services for Mrs. Ada F. Kennedy, who died Thursday, were held yesterday morning from the Church of Our Lady of Good Help, Rev. F. X. Prefontaine officiating. Interment was made in Calvary cemetery.

Funeral of J. B. Hewett. Funeral services for the late J. B. Hewett, the pioneer, who died Thursday, were held yesterday afternoon from the family residence at Brooklyn, Rev. T. C. Wiswell and Rev. Clark Davis officiating. Interment was made in Lake View cemetery.

THE WEATHER. FORECAST FOR SUNDAY. Fair; stationary temperature. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WEATHER BUREAU. DAILY BULLETIN.

Table with columns: PLACE, Barometer, Temperature, Wind, State of Sky. Includes locations like Astoria, Baker City, Boise, Boreas, etc.

PORT TOWNSEND—Arrived Feb. 23, Br bark Interside, from Hamburg. TACOMA—Arrived Feb. 23, bark Newsboy, from Padua. GREENOCK—Arrived Feb. 23, Br ship Karoo, from Port Blakely. QUEENSTOWN—Arrived Feb. 23, Gr ship Card, from Oregon. VIKOJAMA—To sail Feb. 23, Japan steamer Kinshu Maru, for Seattle. Arrived Feb. 23, Br steamship G. M. ... SAN FRANCISCO—Arrived Feb. 23, star steamer ... NANAIMO, B. C.—Arrived Feb. 23, star Titania, from San Francisco. OYSTER HARBOR—Arrived Feb. 23, schr Santa-clara, from Honolulu. Sailed Feb. 23, star Wallingford, for Tacoma. HOQUIAM—Arrived Feb. 23, schr La Gloriosa, from San Francisco for Hoquiam; star John P. Miller, from San Francisco for Hoquiam.

SERGEANT LAUBSCHER TO BE PERMITTED TO TRY FOR PROMOTION; WARD AND OTHERS REJECTED.



THE civil service commission yesterday decided to permit Sergeant W. F. Laubscher, of the police department, to take the civil service examination for promotion to the rank of captain. Action on Laubscher's application had previously been deferred. The commission, however, took no further action on the application of Sergeant Ward to take the same examination, nor on the application of Jailer Corning and Patrolman Osborn to take the examination for sergeants' positions. These three applications had previously been rejected, and the men will not be permitted to take the examination, which is to be given Tuesday of this week. None of the civil service commission, is authority for the statement that the action of the commission to permit Laubscher to take the examination was not a formal one. He says that all three of the commissioners called at his office yesterday at various times and signified their willingness that Laubscher should stand the examination. None of the civil service commissioners will give any reason for their action in turning down Ward, Osborn and Corning, further than to say that they are not regarded as being capable to fill the positions to which they aspire.

Advertisement for Bailey Building, Room B. Features John H. McGraw and George B. Kittlinger. Text: REAL ESTATE—FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE. New Zealand Insurance Co. THE time is now ripe for this form of investment. The Eastern Investor is taking advantage of the fact that Western Washington has the only great bodies of large timber left in the United States. Stumpage today in Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan has advanced to two, three and four dollars per thousand. In ten years the same condition will stare us in the face. Now why not take advantage of the low price of stumpage in Western Washington, invest a few dollars now, and reap the great increase that will surely follow.

Advertisement for Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt. Features a muscular man holding a chain. Text: BE A FREE MAN! Be a Man Among Men! Be Strong and Youthful! Free Yourself From the Chains That Hold You Down. NATURE intended you to be a strong man. You have the physique, the constitution, and yet you do not feel the vim, the sand, the ambition one would expect in a man of your age. What is it? Why a lack of vitality—the foundation of manhood. You have lost it, no matter how. Get it back; feel young, look young, act young. Life is beautiful when you have health. I can help you. Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt (IT DOES NOT BURN.) With Suspensory for weak men, has brought strength, ambition and happiness to ten thousand men in the past year. Men, why will you be weak? Why do you not listen to the echo of thousands of grateful voices raised in thanks to Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt? Why do you go on from day to day realizing that you are losing your nerve force, your manhood, when you see a cure within your grasp? Reach for it, take it to your heart, and feel the life blood flowing, jumping, dancing through your veins; feel the exhilarating spark of manly power warm your frame, the bright flash come to your eye, and the firm grip to your hand—the grip which grasps your fellow man and tells him that you have found your Mecca—you have regained your manhood. ACT NOW Act today; do not delay a matter which is the key to your future happiness; do not allow a disease to destroy all possibility of future pleasure for you. Whatever your condition today, you will not improve as you grow older. Age calls for greater vital force, and the older you get the more pronounced and apparent will be your weakness; so cure it now—cure it while you are young. The time is ripe. While the vital spark is still warm it can be easily fanned to flame by Electricity, and Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt will make you strong if you try it now. WARRANTED NOT TO BURN NOR BLISTER. My appliances are warranted the strongest in the world, yet they give the current like a soothing, glowing warmth, flowing into the body without the stinging, burning sensation caused by old style belts. My special inventions—the cushion electrode and regulator—prevent this horror. My Belt is half price to those having the old-style burning belts. FREE BOOK. I have published an 80-page book, beautifully illustrated and full of truths for men and women who are low in vitality, weak and declining. It is worth reading. If you have tried everything else and believe in nothing, this book will convert you to the altar of truth. I send it, closely sealed, free. Ask for it. Call, if possible, and consult me personally. DR. M. A. McLAUGHLIN, 105 Columbia St., Above First Av., Seattle, Wash. NEVER SOLD IN DRUG STORES. Office Hours: 8 a. m. to 8:30 p. m. Sundays, 10 to 1.

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