

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Wild strawberries are ripening. Wednesday was Ascension Day. Summer begins on the 21st of June. Only four weeks from next Wednesday is the Fourth.

The best of ranch butter now sells for 30 cents per pound. C. F. Leavenworth has returned from a trip to St. Paul.

T. N. Henry has been elected principal of the Tumwater public schools.

Harold Barnard, a well-known logger of this city, died last Saturday at Olympia.

The steamer Skagit Chief will bring up 200 knights and their friends from Tacoma Monday.

Prof. L. P. Venon, of Washon College, will spend his holiday vacation at his Olympia home.

Curtis Harold and Edith Pearl Mumford were united in marriage on East-side last Sunday.

Monday evening a reception and ball will be given by members of the K. of P. at Olympia hotel.

The date fixed for the encampment of the National Guards at Woodland has been fixed on the 18th inst.

George Patridge lost the index finger of his left hand in the shingle mill at Chambers Lake, Saturday.

Miss Daisy Robertson was awarded the gold medal at the oratorical contest in the Christian church, Tuesday evening.

Rev. C. C. Marston has accepted the pastorate of the Central Baptist Church, of this city, at a salary of \$1,000 per annum.

Supreme Chancellor W. W. Blackwell, the highest officer of the K. of P., will be here at the grand lodge session next week.

W. B. Shearer, formerly with Mr. Starr, the bookseller in this city, now traveling man for J. K. Gill & Co., of Portland, came over Tuesday, on a visit to his many friends.

Mose H. Scott, who has lately been resuscitated by a decision of the U. S. Supreme Court, is now in California. His many friends will be delighted to know that he is no longer a ghost.

Sam Woodruff has another "nibble" from a proposed investor in local business. This time it is a glass factory, and its projectors want encouragement to come here to make fruit jars.

Senator Squire votes the Olympia that he has introduced an amendment in the U. S. Senate, increasing the appropriation in the House bill of \$30,000 for improvement of our harbor to \$60,000.

Pat Dunning's house at South Bay was wholly destroyed by fire Saturday, while Mr. D. was in this city. The contents and building were worth \$2,000, on which an insurance of \$1,000 was held.

Our people should be thankful that they live on a shore whose waters are controlled by fixed laws; that the flow of the tides is regulated by that Omnipotent Power which has decreed that it shall come so far and no farther.

After a steady rainfall the forenoon of Decoration day, and lowering clouds the remainder of the day, the weather has settled down to delightful summer sunshine and warmth. It was quite a damper on the spirits of the "blue boys."

Capitol Lodge No. 15, K. of P., last night elected the following officers: E. G. Kreider, C. C.; E. E. Booth, C.; D. T. McCarty, prelate; A. L. Campbell, M. of W.; Nathan Kaufman, M. of A.; P. M. Troy, Trustee; W. H. Roberts, Organist.

Miss Clara M. Stinson teacher of art in the public school, left this morning for her home in the East, the management having determined that art culture is one of the ornamental branches that can safely be dispensed with in these utilitarian days.

The monthly meeting of the County Commissioners begin to-day. It is astounding to observe how largely the business of the county has increased of late years. In the old time quarterly meetings were considered ample for superintending the county's business, and the whole cost of the board was less than \$100 per annum.

Another string of beautiful speckled trout have found their way to our table through the courtesy of Hobart G. Hagin, whose reputation as a Nimrod grows daily more prominent. This string was longer than the former one, a matter of congratulation, and induces the hope that that like the race of Abou Ben Adam it will constantly increase.

The Woman's society of the Olympic University has been organized by Mrs. B. W. Johns for President, Mrs. Brinblatt Secretary and Mrs. Gilbert Treasurer. A Vice President will be chosen from each church in the city, and the association will meet to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 in the O. C. I. building to perfect its organization.

Sunday afternoon the Grand Army, the Sons and Daughters of Veterans, and the Women's Relief Corps held memorial services in Olympia Theater. The exercises consisted of an invocation by Rev. James Welch, Scriptural lesson by Rev. T. J. Lamont, and an address by Rev. W. E. Pritchard. The exercises were interspersed with music by a choir.

Mrs. Lydia A. Irons, Assistant National Superintendent of Mercy for the W. C. T. U., is making a lecture tour throughout this county in the interest of the organization she represents. She has already spoken at Little Rock and South Union, and to-morrow (Saturday) evening will address an audience at Columbia hall, in this city. In the afternoon she will hold a children's meeting at 2 o'clock and a matron's meeting at 3 o'clock.

The Grand Lodge I. O. O. F. meets at Spokane next Monday, and representatives from the lodge of this city will leave Saturday afternoon. They are, of Olympia Lodge: Robt. Marr, J. R. Pattison and W. J. Foster; of Alpha Encampment, Robt. Marr and C. M. Moore. Grand Representative O. C. White, Past Grand Master G. M. Swan, and Grand Patriarch G. S. Prince will accompany the delegation.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Advertisement for Baking Powder, featuring the text 'ABSOLUTELY PURE' and 'DR. BAKER'S BAKING POWDER'.

A Rare Entertainment.

Women acrobats are common enough, but womanly acrobats are remarkably uncommon. In the Larsen family, now filling an engagement with Hopkins' Trans-Oceanic Star Specialty Company, that is to be the attraction at Olympia Theater, Monday, the 4th inst., there are four of the most womanly little acrobats that ever appeared on an American stage.

A Bicycle Race Against Time.

A bicycle race against time between this city and Tacoma, by relays, took place Wednesday, the participants being the distance from Tacoma to Nisqually was made by Tacoma riders and from Nisqually here by our own boys. A message from Mayor Orr, of Tacoma, was delivered to Mayor Mann in just two hours and fifteen minutes, the run being made over 34 miles. The answer to the message took two hours and forty-five minutes, the rain having loosened the roads so as to render the passage much more difficult. The round trip of 68 miles took just five hours.

Saturday afternoon the sad rites for the memory of the dead were performed over the mortal remains of W. W. Mott, at St. John's church, in this city.

The pall-bearers were Gov. Ferry, J. H. Price, S. C. Woodruff, B. W. Davis, Judge Hoyt and C. I. Taylor. The officers and attaches of all the State officers were present. After an impressive service by Bishop Barker, the remains were escorted to the Northern Pacific train where friends of the family had assembled to bid farewell to the afflicted wife, on her departure for her former home at Stataville, N. C., where interment will be made.

Now that the city has made a very neat little park of the plaza, all the surroundings and approaches to it should be made to correspond, and in the name of the citizens generally we ask that a neat fence replace the outlandish structure across Seventh street over the tunnel and for a considerable distance along the north side of that street. It never was an ornamental piece of work, and now, after it has been whitened by the American jack-knife into all sorts of fantastic shapes, it should be replaced by something better. It obstructs as well the view of our court house to people who enter the city from the track.

DEATH OF MRS. COOK.—Wednesday, at 11:30 A. M. Theresa M., wife of Peter Cook, departed this life at her residence on Eastside, aged 77 years, from general debility, after a short illness.

Mrs. Cook came to this country from Monmouth, N. J., in 1850, settling with her husband, in California. In 1869 they came to Olympia, where they have ever since resided. She was an exemplary woman and leaves a host of friends. The funeral took place at 10 o'clock to-day, interment being made in Odd Fellows.

A LADY ENBALMER.—Olympia keeps well to the front in the world of progress. She has furnished the stage art of the first lady enbalmer west of Chicago. She adopted the profession in this city, when in 1891, her husband was engaged in the undertaking business, and a few days ago graduated as an expert at the Undertaker's Convention in Minneapolis. She has been made the subject of illustration in the Chicago Times.

VANDALISM.—It is reported that the flowers deposited by the Grand Army committee on the graves of departed comrades, as well as private offerings to the memory of the dead, have been stolen by some human being who either does not possess the knowledge to discriminate between right or wrong or is totally devoid of common sense. To rob the living is a crime that meets with universal execration, but to steal from the dead the loved-ones kindred and friends is to sink to depths of infamy that will know no resurrection on the final count.

AN OLD-TIME FAVORITE GOES UP IN SMOKE.

The steamer Messenger was wholly destroyed by fire at Commercial dock, Seattle, Sunday morning about 2 o'clock. By the time the engines arrived, the upper works were in flames, and it was impossible to obtain control of the fire until she had burnt to the water's edge. The Messenger was a stern-wheeler built at Tumwater by Capt. J. G. Parker and others, in 1873. Although a comfortable boat and moderately swift, she by no means merited the encomium of the Ziegler, that she was in the prime "considered the prettiest and fastest boat in the world."

A RULE OF ACTION TO PROMOTE PEACE.—To avoid misunderstanding and trouble in the future, teachers and others in public service for indefinite periods of time, which are for convenience designated terms, should be remembered that the employer is entitled to some consideration as well as the employee; that it is well that harmony and confidence should be maintained between these two contracting parties, and that a unity of interest suggest mutual concessions and much forbearance. While none dispute that Shylock was legally entitled to his pound of flesh, a unit in excommunicating him for taking it, but the knot should be of that elastic nature that will not tear the parts asunder. The employer and the employee cannot maintain feeling of sympathy and respect and wage law suits at the same time. The suggestion of such a resort is likely to arouse that spirit of antagonism which defeats good work.

Let us have no more of it. Consider how much better a regular salary is, paid promptly, than the uncertain and precarious reward for day wages.

An old man who has been teaching school at Toledo, released to attend the county teachers institute, and Superintendent Lewis is said to have annulled his certificate and notified the school board not to allow the old gentleman to teach.

Large advertisement for Dr. Baker's Cream Baking Powder, featuring the text 'DR. BAKER'S CREAM BAKING POWDER' and 'MOST PERFECT MADE'.

SENSIBLE SUGGESTION

A PROPOSAL TO KILL THREE BIRDS WITH ONE STONE.

While excavating a channel to build a Solid Bridge and Form a Fresh Water Basin for Shipping at the Same Time Mayor Mann's Recommendation.

At the close of the session of the City Council, last week, Mayor Mann presented to the members a matter of vital importance to the interests of this city.

"The term of my office is quickly passing," said the Mayor, "and I feel that, even in the faithful discharge of our routine duties, unless we do something for the permanent improvement of the city, our time will have been misspent.

"Probably the most important matter I desire to present to your attention, is the filling of the Marshville bridge. Now perhaps some people may not know where the Marshville bridge is; but all of the older residents know it to be commonly called the westside bridge. Last year \$35,000 was expended on our harbor, and the material excavated was deposited under the long wharf. As I understand it, the bill embodying an additional appropriation of \$30,000 for Olympia, has passed the House in a law in the hands of the Senate committee.

"The maintenance of the bridge is a running expense, requiring repaving, recapping and replanking. When the dredger goes to work this year, the principal operation will be the excavation of a basin near Percival's dock, for the turning of vessels. If we go about it properly, we can retain the dirt for making a permanent street to the westside. The only expense will be the bulkheading and the construction of buttresses at the channels, perhaps with coles. Then proceed with depositing the earth, working westward as far as the appropriation will permit. This is one opportunity of our life time, to secure such good work and I think we should look to it carefully.

"The suggestion would be to invite Captain Symons to come here and show him what he wanted before the government drawings for the excavation of the harbor are made, or the contract is let. If we wait until the award of the contract, then the dirt will be deposited where it is the cheapest.

"Another matter to which I desire to call your attention, is one closely pertaining to the harbor, and the Westside bridge. With that work under way, there will be but little remaining to put Olympia in possession of a fresh water harbor second to none on the northwest coast. The channel at the draw could be closed and a main channel opened by a lock, for the passage of vessels. I think that we can secure from the most competent engineers an estimate of the cost of such an improvement, at but little expense. With a fresh water basin two-thirds of a mile long and a half mile wide, the water of Puget Sound cannot fail to be attracted here. In addition, it will always be of great value to mills and manufacturing institutions and will be a standing inducement for business to come to this city and to locate their plants here."

The Mayor urged the immediate investigation of the matter and the Council met as a committee of the whole on Monday evening, to take necessary action. At the special meeting subsequently held, the Mayor presented the correspondence with the government engineer and request him to visit Olympia for a conference with the Council on this matter. Councilmen Gilmore, Giles and Lamson were appointed a committee to ascertain the condition and title of the lands abutting on the proposed fill.

Memorial Day.

The programme outlined by the G. A. R. for Memorial day, was materially changed by the rain which began falling early in the morning and continued at intervals all day. Instead of holding the exercises at the Capitol grounds, they were held at Olympia Theater, and much of the display of the parade, including the division of school children, was abandoned. The line of march was likewise much abridged and was from the Post's hall direct to the theater.

Company A, Capt. Rinehart, in full uniform escorted the procession to the theater, where a large audience had already assembled. Maj. Archibald Adams presided. The military was drawn up into a hollow square on the stage encircling the cenotaph and cross. The programme, as announced in our last issue, was then followed, beginning with a prayer by Rev. T. J. Lamont and ending with a benediction by Judge Gordon. It was as follows: Prayer.—Rev. Conrad T. J. Lamont. Song.—The Star Spangled Banner. Music.—The Army and the National Guard. "Grand Army of the Republic." Col. N. H. Owens. Music.—Veterans (by Mrs. B.). Women's Relief Corps. Major O. A. Bowen. Music.—The Capital Park Band. "The Public Schools of America." The Capital Park Band. Music.—The Day Judge M. J. Hand. Oration of the Day.—By the band and everybody.

Space will not admit of an adequate report of the several eloquent addresses of the speakers to seventy and true ring of patriotism, and were far above the average as oratorical efforts. Specially worthy of note were the addresses of Gov. Ferry, Col. Owens, Prof. E. H. Hall, and Judge Gordon. Every one of the speakers was cheered heartily in recognition of deserving merit. At the close yesterday afternoon the necessary resolutions and a committee proceeded to the cemetery to decorate the graves of departed comrades with beautiful flowers as a token of grateful remembrance.

Articles of Incorporation.

The following incorporations have made filings with the Secretary of State since our last report: Colton Lodge No. 114, I. O. O. F., of Colton, Whitman county. E. M. Lamson, J. H. Biew, J. H. Maynard, J. R. Standley, officers. Squaw Creek Mining company, at Squaw Creek, Okanogan county. Capital stock, \$1,000. Incorporators, E. A. Stout, J. R. Duff, J. N. Noble. Columbia Gold Mining and Milling company, Okanogan county. Capital stock \$10,000. Incorporators, E. A. Strout, H. A. Noble, J. R. Duff. Pacific Coast Liqueur company, at Seattle. Capital stock, \$50,000. Incorporators, John O'Brien, August H. Miller, John C. Allen.

The Star Manufacturing company, of Seattle, has changed its name to the Seattle Pickle and Vinegar works. A piece of creditable artistic enterprise is on foot at North Yakima, and consists of a project, now assured, to build a boulevard from the town out to the State fair grounds. The road will be graded, tree planted, irrigation ditches put along its full length and a 12-foot sidewalk on either side. It will be done in time for the fair.

Advertisement for 'Walter Chambers, MEAT DEALER' and 'E. W. P. O., Universal Odd Fellows Building'. Includes text 'WILL Let Us Help You' and 'Do You Know?'.



The Trans-Oceanic Star Specialty Co. which appears at Olympia Theater, Monday evening, is under the management of J. D. Hopkins, who made such a brilliant success of the Boston Howard Athenaeum Specialty Co. last season.

Advertisement for 'Walter Chambers, MEAT DEALER' listing 'BEEF, LAMB, PORK, VEAL AND MUTTON' and 'For Sale or Rent'.

Advertisement for 'Sheriff's Sale UNDER FORECLOSURE' and 'ROBT. FROST, DEALER IN General Hardware'.

Advertisement for 'FISHING TACKLE AND PAINTS' and 'PAINTS OF ALL COLORS'.

Advertisement for 'THE NEW OLYMPIA THEATER' and 'NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION'.

Advertisement for 'An Ornament FOR THE... Center Table'.

Advertisement for 'A Source of Useful Information AN EDUCATOR OF THE FAMILY!'.

Advertisement for 'PORTFOLIO OF THE WORLD'S PHOTOGRAPHS'.

Advertisement for 'The World's Most Famous People'.

Advertisement for 'Jos. Stripf, GROCERIES'.

Advertisement for 'All Kinds of Feed and Hay at Bottom Prices'.

Advertisement for 'Oliver & Company' and 'Full Line of Choice Groceries, Grain'.

Advertisement for 'OLIVER & CO., T. J. McBRATNEY & CO.'.

Advertisement for 'PRACTICAL HORSESHOEING AND GENERAL BLACKSMITHING'.

Advertisement for 'OLYMPIA DOOR & LUMBER COMPANY' and 'LUMBER, LATH, SHINGLES'.