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A decree of divorce was granted yesterday to Mary J. Merkoski from Thomas Merkoski, otherwise known as Tom Smith on the ground of cruelty and non-support.

The suit of the Tenino sandstone quarries and the Port Townsend Southern in condemnation proceedings, terminated this week in a compromise that seems satisfactory to all the parties, and the railroad will have an uninterrupted track through Tenino to its terminus on tide-water at Tacoma.

Why has not some Senator or Representative introduced a bill providing for a Constitutional amendment submitting proposed measures before their passage to the Supreme Court as to their constitutionality? Such a provision is embodied in other State constitutions which result in avoiding delay, annoyance and expense.

T. T. Langridge, of Elma, recently paid our community a visit. He appreciates old friends. The banquet of the K. of P. was a most interesting affair. He reported that his wife was in good health, but that his child had been on the sick list. He also said A. L. Callow and family were in good health, and that Arthur's life is well occupied.

The Tenino condemnation cases having occupied so much of the Superior Court's time during the recent month, it is probable another jury list will be prepared for next April's session of the court. Under the present law no jury panel can be held for a longer term than one month, unless necessary to finish the actual trial of a case at the end of the month.

A wholesale produce association has been formed by our leading grocers for handling hay, grain and feed for the surrounding country. A board of trustees was selected consisting of J. S. Reder, J. C. Barnes, P. D. Cooke of Tumwater, M. E. George and C. A. Marshall. It is expected to begin operations March 15 in the warehouse opposite the Carlton House, on Columbia street.

The Thurston County W. C. T. U. will hold its annual convention in this city, March 1st, at 10 a. m., 1:30 p. m. and the evening. The latter will be a mass meeting at which Mrs. Margaret B. Platt, President, and Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, Secretary, of the State organization, will speak. There will be a basket-lunch at noon, and friends from near and far will bring full baskets.

Judge Linn has dissolved the restraining order granted to protect Justice Frost in retention of his office of Committing Magistrate until a showing had been made. Mr. Frost will vacate the office, but will not surrender the records until the court decides in the pending suit of J. G. Crouch, who is the legal Justice of the Peace, and he has likewise given notice of appeal to the Supreme Court.

The Legislature ought to provide some better method for the rendition of the accounts of State officials, who only report once a month aggregate amounts of money received to the State Treasurer. If a private individual or corporation should procure such policy, bankruptcy would soon be apparent; but as it is losses resulting from mistakes or fraud are recouped at the expense of the general taxpayers.

On and after March 1st, Postmasters will have on sale neat little books containing 25 one-cent stamps, with ruled paper between the leaves to prevent sticking together, at the face price of 25 cents each. This will prove a great convenience as well as saving to the user of stamps who frequently loses or destroys them when carrying them without some protection, and their use will doubtless become quite general.

Mrs. Lavina Foster died at St. Peter's Hospital, Monday evening, about 6 o'clock, after a brief illness of typhoid-pneumonia. The previous evening she was taken to the hospital, but she did not rally from the fall disease. Deceased had been a resident of this city several years. She leaves a husband, John Foster, and three descendants, Mrs. Chris. Devine, Mrs. Joseph Austin and A. R. Galloway.

Mrs. James Hoag, of this city, has been attending the family of David Johnson, residing on Lima prairie, who have been quite ill with measles. Eight of the family were afflicted at the same time, including Mrs. Johnson's mother, who is over 80 years old. Mr. Hoag's health is far from good. His affliction seems to have a rheumatic tendency, but Mrs. H. with all of her onerous duties, keeps well. She is well schooled in nursing sick people, and takes pleasure in that duty.

It is claimed that parties have been taking wood off from lots 7, 8 and 9, block 2, Fourth Street addition. The owners are trying to locate the culprits. Some people think they have a right to go into a highway and cut down trees, and no one has any right to object, except perhaps the county. The courts generally hold the owner of contiguous land has also title to the timber to the center of the street, subject only to the right of the public to make appropriation of it for repairs made in such vicinity.

The B. L. Hill Drug Company's store, since late improvements, is an exceedingly attractive place of business and a conceded ornament to our city. The lofty ceiling and walls have been decorated in artistic style, and the whole store has been planned with an eye to convenience as well as a prominent feature of progress is in the magnificent soda fountain, which year by year is replaced with another with still greater capacity and beauty. The one lately installed is constructed of mission glass with immense marble slabs for the top and side-board and a plate-glass mirror, six by ten feet in size, for a background. It is a pleasure to note this evidence of thrift in a business that has been built upon sterling merit.

The Thurston County W. C. T. U. have offered a prize of ten dollars for the best essay and five dollars for the next best, to be submitted by pupils of the 7th, 8th and 9th grades of the Thurston county common schools. The essays must be original, not exceeding 1,200 words, and not less than ten appearing in competition. They should be sent not later than April 15th, to Emma Page, this city. In determination of the relative merit, the penmanship shall count 5, spelling 5, punctuation 5, composition 25 and thought 60. The subject will be "The Value of Total Abstinence to a Life." The three highest other than those receiving prizes will receive honorable mention.

The judges will be Mrs. Clara A. Dunbar, Mrs. J. H. Batic and J. H. Schively.

A member of the Legislature who is not a lawyer said to a representative of the STANDARD: "The demand for more Superior Judges is foolishness. Some plan ought to be devised to do away with technical and quibbling motions, which occupy so much of the time of courts, that are made for purposes of delay and to prevent hearings on the merits of legal controversies. If this condition was met, there are plenty of judges to do the work. The situation is such that when a party brings a meritorious action which should be tried and disposed of in a couple of months at farthest, it is liable to be delayed for years through dilatory tactics. The situation is becoming so obnoxious that men who have just complaints hesitate about suing, because they never know when they will be able to reap the fruits of their efforts."

Frank Pierce, of Seattle, author of Pierce's Washington Code, has been in the city during the week. Frank says he intends to put upon the market, some time in the near future, a digest of the Washington Supreme Court reports, which will include the Territorial and State reports up to this volume. Arthur Remington's digest has not yet made its appearance, though promised more than six months ago. It is said the publishers, the Bancroft-Whitney Co., have been too busy to complete the contract for the publication of their work on time. Some of Mr. Remington's friends think Mr. Pierce is waiting to see what Arthur's work will be like, before he makes the venture. The Pacific Reporter digests, including Washington decisions, have heretofore hurt the sale of State court's digests, embraced in the Reporter system.

Gerald B. Moore, youngest son of our pioneer settler, P. D. Moore, died at the family residence on Twelfth street, Monday morning. He has been suffering several years from that great destroyer, the White Plague, consumption, said to have been contracted from la grippe during exposure while in the field as a surveyor. Mr. Moore was a native of this city and born in the early '60s. He is survived by his father, two brothers A. S. and L. E. and two sisters Mrs. Edna Eddings and Miss Jeanette Moore. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from the family home on west Twelfth street, under the auspices of Olympia A. C. No. 21, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Hon. J. H. Schively delivered an impressive tribute to the memory of the departed. Interment was made in Masonic cemetery.

The case of Sullivan vs. Billings, an action claiming damages for libel and slander, came up for hearing in the Superior Court, Monday, on plaintiff's motion to strike out interrogatories of defendant demanding she (Sullivan) give the names of the parties in whose hearing the slanderous language was uttered. The plaintiff by her attorney, claimed she was not obliged to give the names of witnesses in advance of the trial; that the precedent thus established would be a dangerous one, as the adverse party might be enabled to take advantage of the situation, by an effort to get the witnesses to contradict themselves, or spirit some of them away, to the detriment of plaintiff's case. The court, after hearing arguments, denied the motion, and stated that the statute requiring interrogatories to be answered should be held peculiarly applicable to such cases, and require that the names of the witnesses be furnished by the plaintiff.

LEGISLATIVE. (Continued from Second Page) The direct primary for the next election. The local option bill was defeated by one vote the same day, after amendment so as to apply only to the cities of the Fourth and fifth classes, a call of the House, the vote stood, on final vote on the bill as follows: Ayes—Armstrong, Bassett, Beebe, Blackmore, Byerly, Cole, Connell, E. C. Davis, Fancher, Fulton, Gaches, J. J. Gilbert, Gustafson, Hanson, Hogan, F. C. Jackson, Johnson, King, Kirkpatrick, Kloveberg, Lambert, Long, Lung, McCoy, McMasters, McKee, Madson, Megler, Miller, Moore, Ramsey, Rancke, Reeves, Sayre, Sherley, I. N. Stephens, D. M. Thompson, W. H. Thompson, Tibbetts, Troy, Whitlow, Mr. Speaker—45. Noes—Beach, Bell, Bradberry, Cameron, Carlyn, Cloos, Congleton, D. J. Davis, Dixon, Erickson, Frankson, E. P. Gilbert, Govan, Glen, Griffin, Hamilton, Hanson, Henderson, Hewitt, Hurshman, Huxtable, H. F. Jackson, Kayne, McDonald, McMenam, Olanoff, Quinlan, Reid, Renick, Rhodes, Rice, Sewall, Sheets, Schultz, Slayden, Smeal, E. M. Stephens, Stevenson, Taylor, Tonkin, Wade, Ward, Williams. Absent and not voting—Abrams, Hornberger, Hutchinson, Peddycock, Romaine, Strobridge, Ulah, Vergrowe—8.

The vote on the Governor's mansion bill, the same day stood: Ayes, 47; noes 24. The bill for increase of salaries of Superior Judges to \$6,000 per annum passed. The increase in pay of Superior Judges was cut out by amendment.

The Lyons-Cotterill contest occupied the attention of the Senate, Tuesday afternoon, as a special order. Senator Graves made an excellent speech in support of a minority report to dismiss the contest, and Senator Presby a majority report for a recount. The latter was, however, adopted by a vote of 24 to 14.

Piper introduced a bill in the Senate Wednesday calling for abolition of the Grand Jury system by submission of a Constitutional amendment.

The eight-hour labor law for women has developed considerable opposition before the Senate committee on Labor and Statistics. Women workers declare it would put 2,000 women out of employment, Miss Lord of Seattle, representing the Waitress' Union and seven girl clerks and one from Everett appeared in support of the measure. The committee did not take any action.

In the House, Tuesday, the day before limit of introduction of bills, the House total reached 421 and the Senate total 241, a grand total of 662. An anti-cigarette bill has passed the House. Three more holidays (including Sunday) this Legislative week—simply because the birthday of the Great Washington happens to fall so as to leave but a single working day at the end of the week. Three junkies are provided, however, one to Orting, with a special train, one to Seattle to count the Lyons-Cot-

terril ballots, and another to visit Oyster Bay and look into the "Pot Hole."

The House has indefinitely postponed its bill to punish wife-beaters by the whipping post method.

The Women's Club is making preparations for celebrating its 24th anniversary on March 11th.

The appropriation of \$30,000 for repair of the capitol and grounds has been signed by the Governor, and is now a law and the money is immediately available for the purpose.

Senator Gunn introduced a bill fixing the licensing of peddlers, and the Senate refused to pass one licensing osteopaths. It also defeated the Scott bill making Assessors final judges of whether property had been fairly listed.

Senator Scott has introduced a bill for abolition of the trading stamp business.

Senator Booth has introduced a bill extending the term of Supreme Judges to ten years, and of Superior Judges to six years, and for their election to be held at a time other than for general officers.

Gov. Mead yesterday signed Senator Graves' bill providing for the trial, commitment and custody of the criminally insane.

Senator Cloos of Pierce county, has introduced a bill making Sunday closing of saloons an act of amusement a matter of local option, in cities of the first three classes.

NECESSITY FOR A GOOD SHOWING AT THE A.-Y.-P. EXPOSITION.—It is said the Lewis and Clark Exposition has greatly aided in settling up with emigrants Alberta and the Northwest Territory, and it may be that the Alaska-Pacific project will have a like effect. Many good citizens have left the United States to settle in that cold northern country, because they thought the Canadian government offered superior inducements. This would seem to be a discredit to our country. Uncle Sam should aim to keep these citizens among us and get more of their class.

The fertility of our land is acknowledged, and the opportunities and inducements should be given to impress that fact. Every time a good person leaves a country or community it suffers a positive loss.

A HARROWING SCENE.—At Richmond, at an execution, last Friday, a negro convicted of murder, weighing 275 pounds, in the fall broke the rope. He walked calmly back to the scaffold, and a second time the rope broke when the drop was sprung. The victim died in agony on the ground.

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G. ROSENTHAL.

SHOOT COMPLETELY EXONERATED.—Senator Snoot's trial in the U. S. Senate on a charge of Mormonism, came to end this week with defeat of the resolution to unseat him by a vote of 57 to 43. This trial had been on for three years and in the meantime millions of petitioners asked for his expulsion, but as Senator Beveridge declared they "expressed the sentiment of a misinformed public," and Snoot was a man of stainless reputation. This shows how, at times, the clamor of the public may differ from a judgment based upon a deliberate and full consideration of facts; how passion and prejudice may influence popular sentiment, when the opportunity for calm consideration is not presented. The lesson conveyed is, be cautious in forming judgment and scrupulously exacting in accepting allegations of fact. Be exact in judgment and slow to condemn.

POOR SAN FRANCISCO!—About the meanest cartoon that has appeared for many days is given in the Tacoma News of Tuesday. It represents Teddy with eye-glasses prominent teeth on Carker-like display and a big club under his arm, invading a San Francisco school-room and leading little "California" to the doorway by the nape of the neck. An alumnus-eyed Jap student stands on the recitation form with hand over his face to suppress the grin the proceeding inspires. The legend underneath reads: "The Senate has given the President authority to settle the Japanese question as he pleases."

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