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THE AMENDE HONORABLE

The reference in the Echo of last week to the amount of money that had been paid out by the county in court costs, that might have been saved, was based on a remark made by a gentleman in Wenatchee in an exaggerated sense, and was not intended to be taken seriously.

Under a fiction which is called poetic license, long haired, wild eyed geniuses who are in the habit of expressing their thoughts in rhyme, take all manner of liberty with the English language, violating all the known rules of orthography, prosody and syntax in a way that harrows the sensibilities of all those who have a regard for the established rules of expression.

Somewhat in a like manner members of the legal profession take liberties with facts, under certain circumstances, when in their judgment "action on the case" warrants them, that is positively shocking to the uninitiated. Under, and by virtue of this authority, which has been undisputedly enjoyed for so long by members of the bar that it has become a prescriptive right, because "the memory of man runneth not to the contrary," lawyers have been known, on rare occasions, to make statements before a justice of the peace that under a strict construction would be considered in violation of the ninth commandment.

Now, if the patient reader will pardon the apparent digression, which was made necessary by way of explanation, we will get back to the subject and acknowledge our sin, which was in accepting for unqualified fact a statement made by an honorable member of the bar, with a knowledge of the prescriptive right of lawyers to handle the truth with a recklessness born of habit. Wherefore we deem it fair and right to say the Echo erred last week in saying that a certain family had cost the county \$2,500. The statement was made by a highly respected and reputable member of the Chelan county bar under circumstances hinted at above, and ought, in view of the writer's knowledge of the right of lawyers to make sweeping statements, to have been accepted cum grano salis.

That the affairs that come under the direction of Mr. Frank Reeves, county attorney, have been conservative and economically conducted since he has held the office, will appear from a letter over the signature of County Clerk Carl Christensen in this issue of the Echo. The figures are official, being taken from the records. And now that they are brought out in this connection can not but make it more flattering than it would have been.

The Wenatchee Republic of last week would be a credit to a town many times as large as the city by the Columbia. It is doing a great work in bringing into notice that growing and enterprising town. When a stranger sees a copy of the Republic the question always follows: "How large is Wenatchee?"

Mr. George Wood, the city man of the Republic spent a day in our town this week. He was here to meet a twin brother who came over from Tacoma to pay him a visit and do a little business on the side. While here he called on the Echo.

ONE WAY OF WORSHIPPING

For the past month we have had the most perfect weather imaginable. The past winter, while not a cold one, was long, lasting from November to April, fully a month longer than usual, and the fall of snow perhaps rather heavier than usual, keeping the ground covered for the five months to a depth of from one to three feet, making excursions to the mountains, woods and streams impracticable. Indeed, making all manner of out door diversion except sleighing, impossible. Now that spring with its warm balmy weather has set in, the bright sunshine resting on all the earth, the trees putting on their summer foliage, the hills and slopes and meadows clothed in that restful shade of green that is unlike anything else in this world; the birds, too, chirp and twitter in such a merry way as if they also were rejoicing because spring was here. Everything abounds with health and strength. The small boy can hardly contain himself. He feels so good he just wants to fly. Nature woos us with such irresistible siren smiles, beckoning us to her haunts, that we cannot resist the impulse to put behind us the haunts of men and follow her on the only day of leisure we have in the seven—Sunday. We wander along the banks of the river and gaze into the shining water, we lie on the grass and look for hours into the azure vault watching one cloud fleck chase another, we listen to the brawling mountain torrent as it rushes down to meet and mingle its waters with the river; we climb a high mountain and feel that we are standing on top of the world, and that life is large and the world is good. Oh life, oh spring! Most glorious of the seasons.

Who shall say that the man who spends his Sundays—with his family if he have one—worshipping nature and nature's god on this the only day he can spare from his work, does not come nearer to true worship than that other one who bends his knee in the sunless precincts of a church.

The new rules of the Seattle police department provide that the members may play dominoes and checkers to kill time while waiting to go on duty but poker, seven-up and other card games, nit.

About the most telling comment that has yet been made on the value of advertising was that contained in Bradstreet's last annual report, which contained the statistical information that eighty-five out of every hundred business men who failed last year did not advertise in the newspapers. Of course their reason was that it did not pay.

A Correction

Wenatchee, Wash., April 25, 1904.
 Editor of the Leavenworth Echo:
 In your editorials of last week you showed to the public the good name of Henry Crass, nominee for county attorney on the Republican ticket. We all admire Mr. Crass and his ability and feel assured that his nomination will be sealed on the third day of November by a large majority, but in the meantime don't let us throw reflections on the administration of present County Attorney, undeserved and uncalled for.

You say that Chelan County has paid out thousands of dollars in court costs since its organization which might have been and ought to have been saved. Where you have got this information from I don't know, but it is certainly false and very misleading, the court records will show that forty criminal cases have been disposed of since January 1st, 1901, in nineteen the parties have plead guilty, seven were found guilty, eight were acquitted by the jury, and six cases dismissed by the County Attorney. During that time the county has paid out for court costs \$1586.55.

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has received from the state \$107.55, and has collected fines and costs from defendants \$775.35, this leaves an actual balance or \$703.95 that this county has paid out for court costs under the administration of our present county attorney in a space of three years and four months. Is there another county in this state with such a record? There is not, not one. And who deserves the credit for such economy? From the records of the court it is a well known fact the administration of Mr. Reeves as prosecuting attorney has been of great economy and saving to the county, in other counties whenever criminal cases of any importance were tried they employed outside attorneys to assist in the prosecution, this county never has, that is another great saying which most of the people don't realize.

The records show that the administration of all the county officers from its organization to the present time has been of the greatest economy in every department, with the exception of the present county clerk, for him I have nothing to say.
 Yours Truly,
 Carl Christensen,
 Co. Clerk.

Harry Hoxsey left yesterday for Spokane, where he will spend the summer with his grandmother.

The Cascade Hotel has undergone a number of extensive repairs lately. The arrangement of the hotel has been so changed that some eight or ten more bed rooms have been added.

The local lodge of Good Templars have arranged with a Mr. Blain to give a three nights entertainment on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week in the church. A small admission will be charged Wednesday night. Everybody should attend as it will benefit the lodge of Good Templars.

The little seven year old daughter of P. H. Tomlinson who lives near the mill was very severely burned last week. She was playing around in the yard where some trash piles were being burned and in some way her clothing caught fire. Her screams attracted the attention of her father who ran to her aid and put out her clothing, not, however, until her right side was severely burned. At present she is out of danger and getting on very nicely.

The warm weather of the last few days and nights has caused the Wenatchee to raise again and yesterday it began to run over the top of the Lamb-Davis Company's dam. This morning it is reported to be running over the top about a foot deep. So far there is no indication that it will give way. Several hundred thousand tons of rock have been dumped into the cribs within the past ten days. The river will, however, rise three feet higher than it is at present. Then will come the final test.

Church Services.

CONGREGATIONAL—Morning service every Sunday at 10:45; Sunday school at 12:00; young peoples service 7:00 p. m.; evening service 8:00. J. S. Gove, Pastor.
 Prayer meeting every Thursday evening.
 Ladies Guild meets every Thursday afternoon.
 CATHOLIC—Services at the Catholic church every fourth Sunday in the month; mass at 7:30 a. m.; Sunday school at 3 p. m.; vesper 1:30 p. m.; low mass following Monday.
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