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George W. Hopp, formerly owner and editor of the Wenatchee Republican, was defeated for member of the lower house of the Washington legislature in Thurston county by a democrat.

The lumber consumers of Wenatchee are enjoying the benefits of a lumber price war between the three large lumber yards at that place. The price of lumber is said to be unusually low and as a consequence an extraordinary amount of building and improving has been done this fall and will continue all winter.

The smart alex editor of the "twinkle, twinkle, little Star" had some more fun with himself last week. He copied two items, one about the Elberta hotel and the other referred to Joe Edwards, the plumber. We received twenty cents per line for these two items, but if we had known our advertisers would get the benefit of the Star's circulation we would have doubled the charge.

The Japs must have taken their cue from the Chinese who several hundred years ago attacked their enemies with stink pots. Late dispatches from the seat of war tell of a new method of offensive warfare adopted by the Japanese. They throw into the Russian trenches a missile that looks like a huge sausage which bursts, giving off a most foul and offensive odor. If not thrown out of the trenches it causes the soldiers to faint. The gas is however not fatal in its effects.

Judge C. V. Martin is building a new \$3,000 residence on Chelan avenue. This building will have one of the finest cellars in Wenatchee.—Wenatchee Advance.

Eighty car loads of tobacco, valued at \$960,000 recently passed through Portland. It was shipped to the orient.

A manufacturer of pyrotechnics in Nagasaki, Japan, makes a rocket from which, when it explodes in the air, there flies away a large bird which resembles a humming bird in its movements. It is said that the secret of this wonderful production has been in the possession of the eldest child of the family for more than 400 years.

Texas On the Boom

It is southward that the star of empire takes its way, for Texas has this year passed Missouri in population and there are now only four states that contain more people—New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois and Ohio. In area Texas is nearly a third larger than a four of them. At the present rate of increase of population Texas will pass Ohio before 1920, Illinois before 1930, Pennsylvania by 1949 and New York by 1950, and become the most populous state in the Union. If it was as densely settled as New York now is it would contain 41,000,000 souls, and when it becomes as densely populated as England or Germany is it will contain 95,000,000. By the act of congress admitting it into the Union the state may be divided into as many as five states whenever the people desire division, but division has never been seriously proposed.—Fort Worth Record.

L. N. Moss, of Spokane, and L. Palmer, of Chicago, spent several days here the first of the week. Mr. Moss is manager of the Moss Ranch Co., and came out to look over the property, of which W. P. Van De Grift is the local manager. To old timers the property is better known as the John Schmidt place, on Eagle creek. This is one of the largest, best improved and most valuable ranches in the county.

THE MINING INDUSTRY

Some Very Promising Mines Are Being Opened Up That Will Be Tributary to Leavenworth

It has been known for years that the mountains in this vicinity contained mineral of various kinds, and, it is firmly believed, in paying quantity. All that is lacking is capital sufficient to develop the prospects and convince the doubtful ones that it is here. The Larica mines at Blewett are said to be the oldest in the state. They have been worked for many years with an occasional stoppage, and a large quantity of gold has been taken out of these mines by the different owners. The ores taken out of these mines are free milling gold and last winter and spring the capacity of the mill was increased and the power enlarged. On this property there are several miles of tunnels.

On the head of Icicle creek, near Mount Stewart, there are numerous mines, on some of which a large amount of development work has been done.

Last week George Persinger came down from Nigger creek, a tributary of Peshastin creek, where he has been for fifteen years working on a group of twenty-three claims known as the North Pole group. An incorporated company owns this property, on which numerous shafts have been sunk varying in depth from twenty to one hundred and twenty-five feet. A cinnabar prospect is down 125 feet, and Mr. Persinger showed us a very rich specimen which is fairly loaded with quick silver, and would probably run 90 per cent. in the pure stuff. The average, however, he says, will run from 2 1/2 to 5 per cent. in quick silver.

The greatest amount and the most promising development work has been done on a grey serpentine proposition containing free gold in very fine round particles. On this property a shaft has been sunk to a depth of 90 feet. On the surface there was a large percentage of copper and a small percentage of gold, as depth was reached the per centage of copper decreased and the per centage of gold increased, until finally the copper almost disappeared. A tunnel has been run on this property over 123 feet long. The last 43 feet is in the grey serpentine quartz, which is free milling. Just how much farther the body of ore extends is not known.

Mr. Persinger says enough development work has been done, and enough ore exposed, to convince any man who knows anything about mining that the North Pole company has a valuable property. The property is located 12 miles from Peshastin siding and 16 miles from Leavenworth. Since writing the above Mr. Persinger received returns from a Spokane assayer on a sample of the grey serpentine ore which runs \$1.70 in silver and 61.10 in gold to the ton. He left Tuesday for Seattle, where he will have another assay made, perhaps two, by different assayers, in order to confirm his belief in the value of the ore.

Over 1700 feet of tunnel work has been done on the North Pole group. The problem that confronts the company just now is a road to the mines, so that machinery and supplies can be hauled in. It will take between two and three thousand dollars to build a good wagon road to where the mines are located.

There are a number of other prospects in this locality. R. F. Brown is interested in some promising prospects adjoining the North Pole, on which a large amount of work has been done.

It is estimated that as many as 150 men are at work on the various mining properties in the section named, exclusive of Blewett.

It is not at all improbable that within the next few years a mining camp may be opened in the vicinity of Leavenworth that will rival the famous Cripple Creek camp.

Ripe Strawberries

G. M. Adams who has an excellent fruit farm some three miles west of town was in the city Tuesday and brought in a sample of ripe strawberries and red raspberries, and all his grown out doors in the garden and ripened on the plants, on the 15th day of November. This is a fair sample of Okanogan climate and soil production.

Mr. Adams is an ideal farmer and his work is always done in a systematic and methodical manner. His farm is a veritable garden of Eden. His fruit is known all over the state as being of the very best quality and all due to his untiring energy to have everything of the best.

It would be well if a number of our farmers would pattern after Mr. Adams.—Brewster Herald

Dr. Freeman of Seattle and old friend of the family of J. T. McAneny is here on a visit.

Soon as the Bloom building is completed and the hall ready for occupancy a lodge of Fraternal Eagles will be organized. Already sixty-two names have been secured as a starter.

Messrs. Waldenburg & Heales did a very creditable job of painting on the Bjork building which is now complete in every part and would be a credit to a town much larger than Leavenworth. There are on the ground floor two large store rooms a hotel office and a large and well lighted dining room and a convenient kitchen. On the upper floor are thirty three sleeping rooms, a parlor and two linen closets two bath rooms lavatories and other necessary conveniences that go to make up a first class hotel. Mr. Fritz, the manager, says he will keep a first class hostelry for the traveling public, and being conveniently located there is no reason why the Overland Hotel should not become a favorite stopping place.

An Improvement in Spelling

As a result of our publishing some weeks ago the standing of the children in the fifth and sixth grades in spelling there has been a marked improvement in this important branch. Following is a recent report furnished us last week by Mrs. M. Farmer. The report was received too late for last week's use but to show the improvement we will give it place this week.

Fifth grade—Mamie Emig, 76; Anna Sadoske, 84; Willa De Martin, 84; Laura Botsford, 72; Theresa Ross, 80; Rudolph Gregson, 72; Benj. Rallon, 92; Alpha Wells, 60; Chas. Durand, 52.

Sixth grade—Norbert Graham, 68; Geo. Dye, 90; Fred Botsford, 98; Willie Smith, 45; Harold Turner, 60; Sandy Olson, 38; Tommy Davis, 65; M. Wall, 75; Jessie Hansen, 80; Lyman Durand, 46; Bessie Walker, 53; Arline Farmer, 98; Eva Graham, 90; Lillie English, 98; Claude Hood, 65; Wm. Douglas, 65.

Messrs. Smith & Tholin have named the new saloon the Opera House Bar. The fixtures are being put in place this week and the house will be opened sometime next week. Announcements will be mailed to all the old friends of the firm Monday or Tuesday. No place of a similar kind, between Seattle and Spokane, has spent so much money in furniture and fixtures, the cost of which will not fall far short of three thousand dollars. The entire outfit is done in real and imitation cherry. It will be a most luxuriantly fitted up drinking place and will cater to the best trade in this line.

Remedy for Asphyxiation

A San Francisco dispatch says: New treatment recently advanced by a French physician in cases where persons have been overcome by gas was tried on a patient at the central emergency hospital today, and it was surprisingly successful. It consisted in introducing peroxide of hydrogen into the system by means of a stomach pump, the idea being to inject oxygen into the blood, in order that the effect of the carbon monoxide might be counteracted. The treatment will bring instant results.

The patient was Edward Tracy, who was unconscious when taken in, and had been so for hours. He soon regained his senses and will recover.

New Way to Break Up Theatre Habit

R. A. Landrum, a St. Paul railway clerk, to break his wife from the theatre habit burned most of her wearing apparel.

Mrs. Landrum became so enraged that he had to flee for safety. She had her husband arrested on a charge of malicious destruction of property, and Landrum was placed under bonds to keep the peace.

How to Make a Curling Fluid

A curling fluid said to be very efficacious in keeping the hair in curl is made as follows: To one pint of hot water add one-half ounce of refined borax and one dram of gum arabic. When the ingredients are dissolved add two tablespoonfuls of spirits of camphor. Strain through fine muslin and bottle for use. Moisten the hair with the fluid and roll up each lock on kid or paper curlers and leave until perfectly dry.

We Want Two of This Breed

The Index, Emmet, Idaho, tells the following:

Zera Grillery, who lives on upper Wilson creek, Idaho, claims he has a hen that lays two eggs a day. She lays the first egg early in the morning and the second about 7 o'clock in the evening. The hen is a two-year old. Grillery had intended selling the fowl. He caught her after dark and put her in a box. He was delayed two days in coming to town and at the end of that

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time was surprised to find four eggs in the box. There were no openings in the box large enough to allow an egg to pass through. The hen saved her own life. Grillery's curiosity was aroused and he decided to keep her. He has cooped this wonderful chicken on several different occasions and always gets two eggs a day. The hen is a great hustler. Grillery says she is the first chicken out in the morning and the last one to roost at night. She is a little larger than the ordinary hen. People who are up on the subject say they never before heard of a hen laying two eggs a day. Grillery is willing to bet any amount that what he says is true and will produce this valuable hen whenever a bet is offered.

A Gentleman's Drinking Place
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MYSTIC WREATH EXPLAINED

Tribute to Queen Victoria at Her Death Was Sent by Much Admired Singer.

At the time of Queen Victoria's funeral there was much comment in the newspapers about a mysterious wreath laid upon the coffin. It was one of the finest there, but bore only the words, "O, Rest in the Lord!" No name was attached, and there was a great deal of speculation as to who had sent it. It has now been revealed that the wreath was placed there by Queen Alexandra on behalf of Miss Ada Crossley, the famous Australian contralto. She was often "commanded" to Windsor castle by Queen Victoria, who greatly admired her singing. Once she happened to choose her majesty's favorite song, "O, Rest in the Lord!" The queen wept bitterly and explained that she could never hear that song without thinking of her dead husband, the prince consort, who also had loved it dearly. This was the reason why Miss Crossley sent the wreath.

Rainmaking as a Business.

Twelve years ago this summer the "rainmakers" were at the height of their renown in western Kansas. In going back over its files the Smith Center Pioneer finds that it published this notice in 1892: "I wish to inform the public of Smith county that if they will deposit \$500 in some bank of Smith Center, I will make it rain any week a committee appointed for the purpose shall suggest, and if satisfactory to them, I receive the \$500, and if not, I receive nothing, after which, if desirable, I will enter into contract with Smith county to furnish rain for so much per cultivated acre through the crop season.—Rube Jarvis."

Reason for Kuropatkin's Plight.

Gen. Kuropatkin's complaint that his men are too old calls attention to the fact that the Russian system tends to place rather old men with the colors in war time. The liability for service extends from the twenty-first to the forty-third year. The first four years are spent with the colors, and the conscript is then a reservist for 14 years. It is quite likely, therefore, that Kuropatkin has received many reservists of about 39 years of age. Japan's service age is from 17 to 40.

Port Arthur Called Lushunkow.

The Chinese name for Port Arthur was Lushunkow; the town had, 20 years ago, only a few thousand inhabitants, and was used as a place for the deportation of criminals.

JOIN FORCES TO AID CUPID

Editor and Parson Agree to Divide Fees and Boom Business—Old Folks Not Barred.

As an incentive to matrimony the pastor of the church of the village of Dallas, Pa., and Editor Capwell, publisher of the town weekly, the Dallas Post, have entered into an agreement by which marriages among the young people will be encouraged. The following appears in a recent week's issue of the Post:

"Here is a chance that will help you to get the Post a year free. A good brother duly authorized to say the words that will unite for life, or until the divorce court cuts the bonds, says he will divy up with us the fees he receives from all couples we send to him to marry. Now we will give a year's subscription to each couple who will get him to tie the knot, and also give a nice write-up of the wedding besides."

Editor Capwell says the offer is not confined exclusively to young folks.

GOATS AND NATION'S FATE

Bewhiskered Thibetan Animal 'Is Strayed Over Line of Demarcation and the War Follows.

The frontier between British India and Thibet traverses districts where there are mountain pastures, and the main grievance was that certain Thibetan goats which were ignorant of the line of demarcation were in the habit of straying into British territory. What particular harm the goats did by browsing occasionally on British grass is not very clear. In any case, the damage could not have been considerable. In 1739 England went to war with Spain on account of the ear of a certain Jenkins, which had been cut off by some Spanish officials, although it was contended that the ear was still attached to Jenkins' head. It has, however, been reserved to this century for England to engage in a war that promises to be extensive, on account, professedly, of a few wandering goats.

Drawn Out Honeymoon Desirable.

That New England couple that took their wedding trip on a freight train may have wanted to have the honeymoon as long drawn out as possible, says the Chicago Daily News.

Figures Obsolete Now.

The population of the world, according to the latest estimate, is 1,567,419,233. But these figures were published before Col. Alexis Romanoff, the new czarlette, was born.