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SOMEBODY'S READING LEAVENWORTH ECHO

Response to an Item Indicates as Much—Many Former Residents Want Their Names on the Carr Petition

Three weeks ago there was inserted in The Echo a brief item advising those who wanted their names placed on the petition asking the governor to pardon Mr. Harry E. Carr to write a letter to the publisher indicating their purpose, sign it in ink and mail to The Echo. Within two days after the paper was issued letters began to come in and have since been coming in at the rate of two to four every day, including Sundays.

Not only is this gratifying but the letters revive memory of names of people who formerly lived here, many of whom had been forgotten, but who knew Mr. Carr personally and are willing to go to a little trouble to show their desire to endorse his request for a pardon. If this matter is brought properly to the attention of the governor it will no doubt have a profound effect. Following are the names so far received:

- Rev. W. V. Davis, Algona, Wash.
- G. A. Daly, Everett, Wash.
- Lyman S. Ailes, Leavenworth, Wash.
- F. B. Cahill, Leavenworth, Wash.
- F. J. Brady, Marshfield, Oregon.
- Mrs. F. J. Brady, Marshfield, Ore.
- Ollie V. Cox, Rockville, Ind.
- Mrs. O. V. Cox, Rockville, Ind.
- F. A. Loskamp, Elk River, Idaho.
- Mr. and Mrs. Eugene R. Keinitz, Cambridge, Minn.
- Chris Hansen, New Westminster, B. C.
- A. C. Banko, Ephrata, Wash.
- Fae Banko, Ephrata, Wash.
- Sadye M. Marble, Glacier National Park, Montana.
- R. E. Marble, Glacier Nat'l Park, Montana.
- T. G. Jarvis, Henderson, Mont.
- J. M. Beamish, Anacortes, Wash.
- Mrs. Jennie M. Beamish, Anacortes, Wash.
- Mrs. Alex Service Fairfield, Wash., (formerly Mrs. C. J. Sutton.)
- A. M. Applegate, Mgr. Harrington Mills, Harrington, Wash.
- J. S. McCanna, with Fisher Bros., Seattle.

- Arthur Walker, Seattle, Wash.
- Ada A. Walker, Seattle, Wash.
- F. G. Wettstine, Seattle, Wash.
- Phoebe H. Wettstine, Seattle, Wash.
- One hundred and twenty-one signatures were attached to the letters from Mr. and Mrs. Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Wettstine, including the following well known former residents of Leavenworth:
- H. J. Killeen, Seattle.
- A. K. Bonnar, Seattle.
- Mrs. A. K. Bonnar, Seattle.
- Peter G. McGregor, Seattle.
- Gratia McGregor, Seattle.
- H. M. Wall, Seattle.
- Mary F. Dodson, Seattle.
- Mrs. Thos. J. Grant, Seattle.
- Mrs. John Calder, Seattle.
- Will Madison, Seattle.
- Eva B. Madison, Seattle.
- Susie Briskey, Seattle.
- L. P. Durand, Seattle.
- Chas. P. Durand, Seattle.
- B. F. Moore, Seattle.
- I. J. Tegmeier, Seattle.
- Mrs. Irving Tegmeier, Seattle.
- Frank Burns, Seattle.
- H. B. Forrest, Seattle.
- Samuel Vanderwest, Seattle.

Jay Adams spent several days here with his parents this week and returned to Seattle. He is now a full fledged lawyer, having secured his diploma and degree of bachelor of law. He intends to enter a business college and take up stenography, typewriting, commercial law and bookkeeping.

Mrs. A. C. Ross is here on a visit to the family of her father Geo. Ouren. On her arrival here last Saturday she was accompanied by her sister, Miss Marian, who attended the Queen Anne high school, of Seattle, and was one of the 500 honor students.

The Old Settler's Picnic

Deak Brown and wife, pioneer residents of the Wenatchee valley, came up from Monitor last Saturday and spent Sunday visiting their son, Dude Brown, who is engaged in the livery business in Leavenworth. Incidentally Mr. Brown was doing a little boosting for the Old Settler's three days meeting at Monitor on the 18th, 19th and 20th of this month. There will be three baseball games, Friday between Wenatchee and Monitor, Saturday Cashmere against Wenatchee, and Sunday Leavenworth against Cashmere.

FOUR SCORE AND THREE STILL ACTIVE AND HEARTY

Judge J. H. Chase, Cashmere, Will Spend the Rest of His Life Writing History

The Judge, after a long, useful and active life has retired to a small tract of land on Mission creek in the outskirts of Cashmere, where he will spend most of his time writing, taking exercise in the cultivation of such fruits and flowers as appeal to his fancy. He intends to build a home with a view to comfort rather than elegance and end his days there. Four score and three years, says the Cashmere Record, does not appear to hang heavily on "Cashmere's Grand Old Man," who yet is vigorous and retains all his brilliant mental faculties, and in his new home, amid surroundings that to him are cherished as the dearest on earth, he is planning a work to hand down to posterity.

Judge Chase is firmly convinced that the credit of discovery and first settlement of the continent of North America properly belongs to the Welsh, and several years of his life have been spent in research on this disputed question in the gathering of data, which he will assemble into a volume. Another volume on true conditions in Alaska will be written. And then there will be his own biography—a story that will cover territory from ocean to ocean and from Mexico to the Bering sea, in which pioneer and early mining days will be depicted, Indian warfare described, and last, but not least, his own activities in the building up of the mighty western empire.

MORE CORN, MORE COWS, MORE HOGS, MORE DOLLARS

C. L. Smith of the O.-W. R. and N. Co. Making Tour of Eastern Washington Urging Farmers to Diversify

For the purpose of helping the farmers of the state solve their crop problems, C. L. Smith, agriculturist of the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Co., is now making a tour of the company's lines in Eastern Washington and Idaho. The purpose of Mr. Smith's lectures is expressed in the slogan, "More Corn, More Cows, More Hogs, More Dollars, advocating diversified and scientific farming and stock raising. But more especially will he give attention to the individual problems of the farmer and for this purpose many meetings, both in towns and on farms, have been arranged. Mr. Smith is well known and popular throughout the northwest. His advice is eagerly sought because of his vast knowledge of agriculture.

Double Wedding Party from Cashmere

Two newly married couples motored here from Cashmere Wednesday afternoon to take the train for the west. The brides are sisters and resided in Cashmere. Mr. Leonard E. Schmitt, of Cashmere and wife, formerly Miss Anna E. Mikkelsen, and Mr. Roy C. Wilder, of Cashmere, and wife, formerly Miss Ada A. Mikkelsen. The party is bound for the coast on a brief wedding tour. No little merriment was caused when the bystanders caught on to the double wedding party who took the train under a shower of rice and the congratulations of accompanying friends.

DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES FRUIT CROP FOR YEAR 1915

Wenatchee Valley Reported Best Conditions—Fruit Growers Expect Better Prices

The state department of agriculture has been gathering statistics on fruit crop conditions in the state of Washington the past month and the estimate shows a considerable lighter crop than in 1914. This gives the growers hope that better prices will prevail. The further fact that the crop in the middle and eastern states suffered considerable frost damage in May may still further help the price of northwestern fruit. From such information as comes to us and from personal observation we are of the opinion that the estimate for the Wenatchee valley is too high by one thousand cars, or fifteen hundred cars under the 1914 crop. Following is the report of the state department:

While apple crops in the commercial orchard districts of Eastern Washington promise to be lighter than the bumper crops of 1914, orchardists are encouraged by the prospects of better prices, according to the second 1915 crop report of the state department of agriculture.

In the principal commercial districts, taking the 1914 crops as a basis, prospects are for the following production, the report shows:

- Yakima district—Apples, 30 to 50 per cent; peaches, 90 to 125 per cent; cherries, 75 to 100 per cent; plums and prunes, 90 to 100 per cent.
- Wenatchee district—Apples, 80 per cent; peaches 70 per cent; cherries, pears, plums and prunes, 100 per cent.
- Walla Walla district—Apples, 60 per cent; peaches, 75 per cent; pears, 50 per cent; cherries, 65 per cent; plums and prunes, 100 per cent.

No general frost damages have been suffered, though there has been severe damage in scattered localities.

General spraying for both blight and codling moth has been the rule this year, though less spraying has been done in the Wenatchee district than in other parts of the state, the report declares.

A Correction.

Leavenworth, Wn., June 14.—Editor Echo: I would like to call your attention to a little article in your paper of June 11, 1915, regarding the arrest of Martin Lafret by Game Warden Watson. You state that I "dismissed the case against Lafret, an alien, who was carrying fire arms without the proper credentials," and that "Lafret had his first citizenship papers but did not have credentials from the consul, which the law requires."

The law does not require an alien, having his first papers, to have a certificate from his consul, but on the contrary the first papers place him on a plane with a citizen of the United States.

"It shall be unlawful for any person who is not a citizen of the United States, or who has not declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States, to carry or to have in his possession any shotgun, etc."—Rem. Bal. vol. 3, sec. 2517, and goes on to say that aliens, (meaning those who are not citizens or who have not taken out their first papers as stated above) cannot obtain licenses without first obtaining a certificate from their consuls.

I am not in favor of justices arguing their decisions in the newspapers, but as your informant was undoubtedly biased, I thought I would state my position, in order that the people of Leavenworth might not think that I had arbitrarily turned an offender loose, as would appear from the statement appearing in your valued publication.

P. H. Graham.

The Lutheran Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Stoltze in the Cascade Orchards next Thursday afternoon June 24. Members wishing to do are requested to meet at the mill railroad crossing at half past one sharp.

A. S. Ricker Ships in Dairy Herd

Mr. A. S. Ricker, a Michigan man with some experience in the dairy industry, has taken a lease on the Lamb-Davis Lumber Co.'s fine hay farm south of town and the last of this week unloaded here ten very fine high grade Holstein milch cows and a thoroughbred Holstein bull. He has secured a first class cream separator and will at once engage in the milk business. The ranch on which he has secured a lease is one of the finest in the Upper Wenatchee valley. It is admirably adapted to the dairy industry.

THE FRUITGROWERS' COUNCIL AFOUL OF ANTI-TRUST LAW

The Price Fixing Part of the Council's Program in Violation of the Federal Laws

Quite a stir was caused this week among the fruit growers of Washington, Oregon and Idaho, when the announcement was made from Washington that the fixing of a minimum price at which apples might be sold was in direct violation of law passed against the restraints of trade. It will be remembered that last winter when the council met to formulate a plan of marketing the apples of the northwestern states, providing for packing and grading rules, the board of control was also given the power to fix a minimum price at which apples might be placed upon the market. Mr. Paulhamus, if we remember rightly, was in favor of fixing the selling price. While the law in restraint of trade made some exemptions in favor of labor unions and farmers it appears that fixing a selling price on the apples would not fall under the exemption.

Just how this new difficulty in the way of selling the apples of the northwest at a profit will be met remains to be worked out.

LEGALITY OF PROHI LAW BEING TRIED IN OLYMPIA

The Trial Began in Thurston County Wednesday

The result of the suit instituted by M. K. Gottstein, a liquor dealer of Seattle, is being watched by dries and wets with unusual interest. The ground set up by Gottstein is that initiative measure No. 3 was not properly advertised. County attorney Williams has been asked to furnish proof that the law was complied with in Chelan county.

Fourth of July Celebration

At an informal meeting of citizens held in the city hall yesterday evening an executive committee of three members was appointed to have general supervisory control of the celebration with power to appoint all sub-committees that may be necessary. It was pretty generally decided that an automobile race was impracticable and would have to be eliminated. A motorcycle race was discussed but not fully decided on. The executive committee, consisting of J. W. Elliott, Mayor Woodrow and C. W. Seeley will have the right to prepare a program. Many of those present thought a parade would be a good thing, if enough could be induced to take part in it. The executive has ample time in which to prepare a program and make it public in the next ten days.

STANDING OF CONTESTANTS

This is a comparative standing of the contestants in the Echo big subscription contest as far as we know.

- Gladys Pinch, Leavenworth 64,200
- Reatha Hutchings, 11worth 53,000
- Laura Hardy, Leavenworth 52,500
- Idabelle Kelly, Peshastin 51,500
- Alice Lingley, Leavenworth 48,250
- Mildred Logan, Leavenworth 30,000
- Coyle Duncan, Leav. Mill 28,500
- Stella Newsham, Blewett 26,500
- Mildred James, Leavenworth 26,500
- Lois Ruth, Leavenworth 16,500
- Helen Nicholas, Cascade O. 14,000
- Minnie Roberts, Leavenworth 10,500

CASHMERE ORCHARDIST KILLED LAST SUNDAY

David West, on Way to Picnic, Thrown From Horse and Neck is Broken—Died Instantly

While on the way to his ranch in Tripp canyon, with his brother, wife and several friends, to spend the day and have a picnic dinner David West, a resident of the Cashmere valley for the past ten years, was thrown from his horse and died without uttering a word. They were going down a steep hill in the Mission creek valley when the horse he was riding, a gentle old family nag, began to rear and buck and threw Mr. West off. He struck the ground with his head and shoulders and an examination showed that the neck was dislocated in the fall. S. Ricketts, who was in the party, got to him first and raised him up, and he says Mr. West tried to say something but failed to make himself understood. He is survived by his wife, who is in a critical condition as a result of the shock, and a son, Joseph, who resides near Seattle, and a brother, Leonard West. Mr. West was 60 years old and regarded as an excellent citizen. He owned a fine ranch and modern home near Cashmere.

FORESTRY NOTES

John Brender and Carl Krollpfeiffer began yesterday to clear out the Icicle river trail.

Work will commence after the first of July on a trail from Wenatchee lake up the Little Wenatchee river to Cady Pass.

Forest Ranger J. P. William's wife left for Alaska Tuesday afternoon, whether he will also go after the first of July.

Three men will start work on an extension of the White Pine creek trail. This trail will eventually be completed to the head of Icicle river.

It is the intention to build a telephone line up the Icicle river to connect with Cle Elum, part of the work on which may be done this summer.

The closed season for burning slashings and trash in the national forest closed June the first. Those wishing to secure burning permits should see State Rangers H. C. Blankenship or John Brender.

Among those who have recently taken employment with the forestry department are W. F. Willis, who will be stationed on Nason creek, Frank Varo, who will be stationed in the White river basin, Robert Nickles on the Chewawa river and his brother Joe on the Wenatchee lake. The duty of Lester Burgess will be to look after the telephone lines.

Floyd Blankenship and five men began this week on a trail to be completed to the top of Tumwater mountain, just back of the town. The trail starts from the ranger station at the foot of the mountain and runs in a northerly direction to the low swag just north of town. From that point it will ascend the mountain at an easy grade on the west or north side. The ranger station to be built on top of the mountain will not be visible from the western part of town but can be seen from the east end. Ultimately it is the intention to run a telephone line from the ranger office to the top of the mountain. A number of parties were watching the progress of the work yesterday morning from Front street. Mr. Sylvester says the grade will average about twelve per cent, which is not considered steep for a trail.

New Proprietor at the Wallace Barn

L. F. Pitchow, and experienced Leavenworth livery man concluded a deal with C. W. Wallace this week whereby he takes over the stock and livery equipment and secures a lease on the barn. Mr. Wallace, it is said, will make a trip to Soap lake in search of health.

Conductor W. H. Brooks Acquitted

It took the jury less than 15 minutes to arrive at a verdict of not guilty in the trial before Federal Judge Frank H. Rudkin Monday in the case against William H. Brookes of Leavenworth, charged with boxcar robbery while a freight conductor in the employ of the Great Northern railroad in the year 1914.

The principal witness for the prosecution was Alexander Gardner, a former brakeman on Brooks' train, who confessed his share in the alleged robberies and turned state's evidence. His story was partially corroborated by his wife.

THE ICICLE CANAL COMPANY WANTS TO DISINCORPORATE

Has Brought Suit in the Superior Court of King Co.—Set for Hearing June 29th

On Sunday, after the issue of The Echo containing the story of how the Icicle Canal Co. hoodwinks the public, there was received at this office a copy of an advertisement from some one who signs himself "Traveler," saying he had seen a copy of The Echo containing the reference to the canal company, and inclosing a copy of an advertisement. It appears suit has been brought in King county to dissolve the corporation.

Why does the company want to disincorporate? Why was the action brought in King county? These are very pertinent questions. The company's ditch is located in Chelan county. Was the suit brought in King county to hide its tracks? Do the many ranchers in the Wenatchee valley who have signed contracts for water know that the company is going out of business? Why was not this advertisement placed in some paper circulated in Chelan county, where it would have cost less and been seen by those interested. The transaction looks devious on its face.

Hydraulic Mining at Blewett

Fred Krause, one of the stockholders in the Wright Mining Co., operating a hydraulic plant at Blewett, was here Wednesday transacting business and buying supplies. He says his company began operations about eighteen months ago and most of the time was consumed in installing the plant. For the past two months, however, they have been washing down gravel. They have a splendid head of water with a pressure nearly approximating 200 pounds. They have not yet made a clean-up, but feel confident that they will have a very snug sum in gold to take out. The gold is rather coarse, being mostly in small nuggets.

Reports of Fruit Damage.

John Walsh of Wenatchee was in receipt Monday of the Livingstone Republican, printed in Geneseo, New York, under date of June 3. This is printed in the heart of the big New York fruit belt and states that the loss in Geneseo as a result of the frost which struck that section the latter part of May was very great, saying, "Never in years has the temperature reached such low a level when the season seemed so far advanced. With the warm weather the latter part of April, gardens and orchards had attained an unusually good start and the outlook was for a good season for both vegetables and fruit. The cold weather has put an end to all these rosy hopes. It was by no means a local wave that hit Geneseo. Reports are that the same sort of experience occurred in all parts of New York with varying degrees of severity. Just chalk it up somewhere that on the night of May 26, 1915, Geneseo had weather that ruined crops and formed ice in places half an inch thick!"—Wenatchee World.

Charles Hamilton, field manager of the Yakima valley Fruitgrowers' association, now estimates that the Yakima valley will this year ship 4200 carloads of fruit, approximately half the shipments of 1914. He estimates the apple shipments at 2200 carloads, peaches at 1000, pears at 800, and other fruits at 200.