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WOMAN SHOTS SELF BUT WILL RECOVER

Mrs. Ed Thompson Tires of Life and Fires Bullet into Her Brain—Was Mentally Deranged

Mrs. Ed. Thompson, residing about one mile down the creek from the Peshastin saw mill shot herself Wednesday morning about ten o'clock, the ball entering about two inches in front and even with the top of the ear on the right side of the head and came out at the center, on top of the head. The weapon used was a .41 caliber pistol. Her husband, who works for the mill company found her when he came home from work about six o'clock. Drs. Judah and Hoxsey were called from here but found Dr. McKeown there, he having been in the neighborhood in attendance on another patient. Dr. McKeown says he removed fully a teacup full of the brains in dressing the wound. The woman seemed perfectly rational after having lain on the floor over eight hours. Blood and brains covered the floor and her hands, face and body was covered with dried blood. She talked rationally about the shooting saying she had done it herself and that she was tired of living. She returned Monday last from Medical lake sanitarium whither she was sent some four months ago suffering from mental derangement.

Reports from the woman yesterday were to the effect that she was getting on very well and in a fair way to recover. She gave birth to a child just before being sent to Medical lake. As soon as she recovered she expressed a desire to see the child but it appears that her husband refused to let her see it. There appears to have been some family trouble. We are also told that Thompson has been married three or four times previously. All his wives having either died or disappeared.

LAST HALF JULY BUSINESS BIGGEST EVER ON G. N. RY

So Say Railroad Men—Business Good and Many New Crews Put to Work

Traffic on the Great Northern has been improving the past month, say railroad men, and the last fifteen days recorded the largest volume of business ever done by the road. The traffic has been growing both east and west bound. Passenger travel, both to and from, the great California expositions has been growing in volume as the season advanced. Lumber shipments to the middle states have been increasing as the prospect of a large grain crop came in sight. Now that the crop is assured and the harvesting well under way, lumber dealers are stocking up in anticipation of an increased demand as the farmers begin to realize on the grain crop. General merchandise shipments to the west are increasing as the wave of prosperity rolls over the country, but by far the largest amount of the west bound traffic consists of war supplies, munitions and clothing, automobiles and trucks, large cannon and machine guns, indeed almost every conceivable kind of goods and wares destined for the Russian Pacific port of Vladivostok and intended for the Russian government. Twenty thousand freight cars are being made in this country for the Russian government to relieve the freight blockade on the Trans-Siberian railroad. If railroad traffic may be taken as a barometer indicating a rising tide in the business affairs of this country then we are sure on the high road to prosperity.

A musical treat, followed by an ice cream social, will be given in the Congregational church, Thursday evening, August 12, at 8 o'clock. The male and ladies' quartette will render some of their choice selections. A mixed quartette will sing and other numbers of interest will be features of the evening. An inclusive admission of 25 cents will be charged.

You'll bless the man who invented thirst when you discover the palate pleasing qualities of our delicious soda at Koerner's Drug Store.

Mrs. J. T. McDonald entertained in honor of Dr. Judah's mother, Mrs. M. F. Judah, of Seattle, last Friday afternoon.

George Siverly Returns From Canada

Mr. Siverly returned from Edmonton Monday morning after an absence of ten days. He was called there by the sickness of a bachelor uncle, 62 years old, who lived on a homestead some miles distant from Edmonton. He was dead when he arrived. He had made a will leaving all his property, a valuable homestead and some stock to himself. Before leaving he made arrangements to have the estate wound up. He found the Canadian people and authorities very kindly and helpful, and says the country is fine around Edmonton with evidence of good crops being made.

ALMOST THOUSAND PEOPLE TURN OUT TO SEE GOVERNOR

Object of Meeting to Ascertain Facts in the Carr Pardon Application

Governor Lister arrived here Wednesday afternoon at 3:20 and was at once driven to the Masonic temple, where the meeting was planned to be held. He was introduced by Mayor Woodrow with a few remarks. The crowd was variously estimated at from six hundred to a thousand. The hall was crowded. Even standing room being taken. The wide porches extending around three sides of the building were filled and many stood out in the street. The Governor prefaced his talk of almost an hour by reference to the matter that brought him here at this particular time and regretted that the occasion was not more fortunate. He said that in the matter of pardoning Harry E. Carr he would do just what the people of Leavenworth might expect him to do, what he thought was right. Before concluding his remarks he touched on state finances, public roads, the workmen's compensation act and the minimum wage law. He said when he accepted the duties of governor he found the general fund nearly a half million dollars overdrawn, and now after entering the third year there was almost one and a half million dollars in cash on hand. He said he opposed the twenty million dollars bonding proposition because at the end of the twenty years we would have paid twenty million dollars in interest and still owe the original twenty million dollars. He said we were now spending in round numbers one million dollars each year in improving our roads and could continue to do so for twenty years and then be out of debt and submitted that the pay-as-you-go method was better because we would leave no debt for posterity, that had nothing to do with creating the debt, to pay the bill. He approved of the workmen's compensation law and the minimum wage bill. Under the former injured workmen would receive prompt aid without the intervention of lawyers and courts.

At the conclusion of his remarks the Carr matter came up by Hon. Frank Reeves, of Wenatchee, outlining the grounds on which the pardon was asked. Mr. Reeves and Col. Fox reviewed the case very thoroughly. A number of others, Mr. N. B. Day, A. G. McKeown, John Sadoski, J. B. Ballou, N. Patterson, N. A. Pearson and Chas. Allen, and the following ladies: Mrs. Jos. Mitchel, Mrs. G. W. Sampson, Mrs. J. B. Adams, Mrs. M. H. Collins, Mrs. J. S. Judah made short talks and urged reasons why the pardon should be granted. From remarks made by the Governor at the close of the meeting it was surmised that personal investigation, the universality of expression and sympathy with the petitioner, by upwards of six hundred people present, made some impression.

Big Force Working in the Forests

Eighty-six men, thirty-five county wardens and fifty-one federal patrolmen, a larger force than has been employed in any previous summer, is at work in the woods this year, under State Forester E. W. Ferris, as a protective force to guard against forest fires.

MANY CASH BUYERS IN WENATCHEE VALLEY

Men With Money Offer \$1 per Box for our Apples, Orchard Run—Growers are Hesitating

Cash buyers are working in the Wenatchee valley, says the Wenatchee World. They are here with gum shoes and dark lanterns and can only be found in the tall grass, but they are here. The quietness of their operations and the indisposition to seek publicity is due to the fear that growers will become unreasonable and hold their fruit for impossible prices if they get the idea that there is any competition among cash buyers.

Word has gone to the jobbing trade that by far the larger bulk of the Wenatchee tonnage still remains in the hands of growers who are very anxious to dispose of their holdings for cash, but will do business with selling organizations by September first if cash sales have not been negotiated by that time. The trade fully realizes that growers do not propose to be caught on the hip with no means of marketing their fruit effectively as a result of waiting too long for the cash buyer.

"I am finding the Wenatchee grower pretty sensible this year," said a dealer in a private conversation this week. "He is wise on the value of his fruit and does not propose to be buncoed, but appears willing to accept a reasonable price and let the other fellow make a penny."

"If there ever was a time when we growers ought to get every cent possible for our fruit and get it at the earliest possible moment," said one grower, "this is the year. We feel that we are entitled to a good price in order to make up for past losses, and in view of reduced national production this year. However, we do not wish to take any chances. We don't want to kill the goose that lays the golden egg. If cash buyers at this time will pay us a reasonable price we are going to do business."

Another type of grower is represented in a man who is reported to have said that the only price he will consider is \$1.40 per box orchard run. He has excellent varieties and his fruit is in first class condition, but there are no takers at this figure. The prevailing idea is that the cash buyer is not justified to pay more than a few cents above a dollar a box, orchard run for the best varieties. It is reported that crops are now being daily sold on these quotations.

Will Market Hail Pecked Fruit

Recommendations that the board of control of the Growers League at its next regular meeting adopt special grading rules to govern shipments of hail-marked fruit were made last Saturday at a meeting of shippers of the Wenatchee valley in conference with J. B. Adams, president of the Growers' League. Fully fifteen shippers were in attendance. The recommendations were made unanimously.

It was the consensus of opinion that the grower could obtain more money for his hail-marked fruit if separate grades were established, and such fruit kept entirely separate from the standard grades, extra fancy, fancy and C, and quality not lowered.

Recommendations that two grades be adopted were made; hail fancy and hail C. The hail fancy grade is to have the same color and size requirements of the extra fancy and fancy grades and shall not contain apples on which hail-marks aggregate more than the size of a dime. The hail C grade is to have the same requirements as the C grade, and shall contain no apples with broken skins.

We want your drug business on the basis of Right Drugs, Right Service and Right Prices. Koerner's Drug Store.

Mrs. J. B. Adams entertained a number of ladies in honor of her house guest, Mrs. Robert Kendal, of Entiat.

The "Eagles" will Help Uncle Sam

Every member of the local lodge of the Fraternal Order of Eagles may become a part of Uncle Sam's citizen soldiery. At the Grand Aerie session to be held in Spokane week after next, one of the most important matters to come before the session will be that of offering the service of the entire membership of the order, roughly estimated at half a million, to Uncle Sam as a nucleus for a prospective soldiery. The Eagles will be the first fraternal order to take up officially the matter of turning their organization to patriotic use for national defense, and, under the plans to be discussed, volunteer service will be promised by the Eagles in exchange for government training by army officers to be assigned by the war department.

UNIDENTIFIED DEAD MAN FOUND IN THE WENATCHEE

Discovered Last Saturday Just Above the Lamb-Davis Co's Dam

"One more unfortunate, rashly impetuous, gone to his death," unwept and unknown. Had he a mother, sister or brother, or was there a dearer one yet than all others? He had a mother, yes. Perhaps she, too, has joined the silent majority. Any way, she will never know of the manner of his death and burial. Perhaps somewhere she is waiting for a letter telling her he is well and expects soon to see her, a hope she will never realize.

The body was found floating in the river about four o'clock, face downward, some three hundred yards above the dam, close to town, near a clump of willows. A boat was procured and the body floated down to the dam, Magistrate Graham notified and taken in charge by him about seven o'clock in the evening. It was taken to the rooms of the Leavenworth Undertaking Co., where an inquest was held.

There was nothing in the clothing by which the man could be identified, nor could anyone be found who would be positive about identification. When found he had on a dark bluish shirt and dark pants, an almost new pair of those high top laced shoes, and over all a gray rain coat. He appeared to be between twenty-eight and thirty-two years old. His hair was brown, rather long and flue, eyes blue, and he was about five feet and seven inches in height, rather muscular build. Dr. Judah made an examination for evidence of foul play but could find none. The evidence of physicians was to the effect that he had been in the water not less than two weeks, and might have been in the water much longer. The water of the Wenatchee river is so cold that a body submerged might remain practically intact for months. When first discovered it was not very much swollen, but on being exposed to the warm air it began to decay very rapidly and burial was made during the night immediately after the inquest was concluded among a number of other unidentified dead that have heretofore been buried in the Leavenworth cemetery.

SCHOOL MONEY FOR CHELAN

For July Exceeded by Over \$2000 Last Year's Appointment

The school apportionment for Chelan county for July was \$2415.93 greater than in 1914, the school fund receiving \$551.47 from the state, and \$6,129.65 from the county, total of \$11,681.12.

For the fiscal year ending with the July apportionment only four payments were made instead of six as in previous years. This was done at the advice of the state superintendent, who figured that an annual saving of \$25,000 could be made to the state in interest charges.

The money received was divided as follows: Chelan, \$952.39; Monitor, \$295.36; Wenatchee, \$4,327.31; Leavenworth, \$1433.04; Peshastin, \$522.77; Malaga, \$322.53; and Beacon Hill, \$357.83.

HUNDREDS OF AUTOISTS ARE LIABLE TO \$15 FINE

Law Says the Temporary Number Plates Must be Returned—Over 500 in this County Failed to Do So

There are exactly 508 automobile owners in Chelan county in imminent danger of arrest and liable to a fine of \$15, according to advices received by County Auditor Ross, from I. M. Howell, secretary of state. Owners have been told repeatedly to turn in their temporary numbers to the county auditor's office immediately upon receipt of the permanent numbers from Olympia. But in 508 cases it has been overlooked, either forgotten or of no consequence.

However, the state intends to regain possession of the temporary numbers and unless they begin to roll in will commence action which will gain the desired results.

Although the secretary of state has received numerous requests from motorists over the state for new permanent number plates to replace ones lost, County Auditor Ross has not heard of any such requests coming from Chelan county. Chas. A. Foster, of the Secretary of State's office, states that the numbers should be fastened securely to the machines so they will not swing. A charge of 50 cents is made for new numbers to replace lost ones. Besides this, Mr. Foster says it would take many days, perhaps months, before the numbers could be replaced.

Faster Time For Fruit Trains

The Great Northern railway officials are making preparations to give the best possible service to Wenatchee valley fruit shippers this season. H. A. Kimball, assistant general freight agent of Seattle, and W. W. Baker of the traffic department were in Wenatchee last week in company with Agent A. A. Piper consulting with the shippers toward that end.

Starting immediately, all fruit trains for the east will be placed on a new schedule of 126½ hours to the Minnesota transfer, which reduces the old time by over 18 hours. In other words by this new fast schedule, fruit will be placed on the market one day sooner than before. A new schedule for shipments via Billings is under consideration.

Arrangements have been made to keep the icing service up to the highest possible standard. Every car which leaves Wenatchee for the east will have its bunkers full of ice, reicing after loading if necessary.

The most important phase of the traffic situation under consideration at present is the question of assembling rates for the Red Apple branch. Heretofore, unless cars were loaded to the minimum, local rates had to be paid to Wenatchee, where the fruit was reloaded. The officials are now considering assembling rates in transit, which will enable shippers from upriver to reload at Wenatchee without extra charge.

Agent Piper states that the C. B. & Q. has promised to loan during fruit season 2000 refrigerator cars, which together with the 3500 owned by the Great Northern, will insure an adequate supply of cars.

Lest you forget. It is the custom of this paper to print free all notices of entertainments where admission to the public is free. But where an admission is charged, and the object is to make money for any purpose whatever, then it becomes business and notices of such entertainments will be charged for at the regular advertising rates. Where others give their services free and admission to the entertainment is free we will help advertise it without charge. When the public must pay an admission then it becomes purely a business affair, whatever its nature, and advertising it becomes a business matter.

Mrs. Robert Kendal, of Entiat, is a guest at the J. B. Adams home.

U. S. Civil Service Examination

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that a forest and field clerk's examination will be held in Seattle on September 18, to fill vacancies as they may occur in the forest and reclamation service. Applications will not be accepted from persons who do not show that they have had at least one year's actual experience in clerical work in a business office. A knowledge of stenography and typewriting is required. Men only will be admitted to this examination. The age limits are 18 years or over on the day of examination.

TOURING PARTY CONDEMN THE VANTAGE PASS ROUTE

Road is Rough With a Thirty Per Cent Grade and Long Stretches Between water

A Seattle touring party consisting of E. Van Luik, R. Tamke, A. Willers and E. Fleischer arrived here Wednesday, having made the trip in an Oakland touring car from Seattle by way of Snoqualmie pass and the Vantage route to Grant county. From there they recrossed the Columbia river and went to Wenatchee and up the valley to this place. They were all very pronounced in condemning the route from Ellensburg to the Columbia river by way of what is called the Vantage route. They say the road is rough, rocky, sandy in long stretches with lots of grade that runs from fifteen to twenty-five per cent, and that between Ellensburg and the river the country is more like a desert, without water except occasionally a wind mill that pumps water for cattle. They intend to return to Seattle either by way of the Blewett or Walla Walla route. Anything to avoid the Vantage ferry route. They said they wore out \$150 worth of tires on the Vantage route and that the parties who directed them to go by that route must have been interested in the sale of auto tires. Ellensburg and some Seattle garages advised tourists to go the desert route. The party left here Wednesday for Spokane accompanied by George Blocksidge.

Boost for the Blewett Pass

If Chelan county is to get its share of the tourist travel there must be a united effort on the part of the residents of this valley to advertise the Blewett Pass. And, furthermore, the road must be improved. In the past month the Spokesman Review has had no less than a dozen accounts of motorists telling of the troubles they had in coming over the Blewett road and urging travelers to take the Vantage route. In Ellensburg everyone is a booster for the Vantage route, while in Cle Elum the Blewett Pass is favored. Recently a number of citizens of Cle Elum appeared before the county commissioners and asked for an appropriation to be used on this highway but they received no satisfaction other than that the matter would be taken up at some later date. Chelan county has already expended several thousand dollars on the Blewett road and is laying plans to do considerable work on the highway again next year.

While it is true that there are some steep grades on this highway it is far superior at the present time to the Vantage road, which, as one tourist said, "reminded him of crossing the great American Desert." The Blewett Pass road is much more of a scenic route and there is water all along the way, which is not true of the other mountain road. To help advertise the pass we suggest that automobile parties going from this valley to the Coast carry banners reading, Wenatchee Valley via Blewett Pass." This would help as much as anything to bring the road to the attention of touring parties. Those having friends coming in autos from the Coast should write and tell them to be sure and come over the Blewett Pass.