

What People Are Doing

Aberdeen Paint Co., for Wall Paper, Oils, Paints, etc. 302 E. Market.

F. R. Archer made a trip to Seattle the other day on business matters.

Mrs. W. C. Kidder will be hostess at the next meeting of the G. A. R. club.

Willis R. Lebo, head of the Willis R. Lebo company, was in Portland the other day, a guest at the Hotel Benson.

The Link club will hold its next meeting with Mrs. Chamberlain, at her home, 1401 Morgan street.

Mrs. A. B. Cady and son are home from a ten weeks' visit in Southern California.

M. M. Hunt of the Milwaukee's land department was in the city this week, stopping at the Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Paulhamus have gone to Seattle to make their future home, after a lengthy residence here.

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The Pythian Sisters Relief club will hold a meeting next Thursday with Mrs. S. K. Bowes.

Mrs. Albert Hulbert at her home on North N street, Tuesday, was hostess to the Young Mothers' club.

Division No. 2, First Baptist church, held a meeting Wednesday with Mrs. William Smith.

Mrs. H. P. Potter and daughter, Eleanor, went to Tacoma Saturday for a two or three days' visit.

R. H. Thomson, noted Seattle engineer, was in the city the other day, a guest at the Hotel Washington.

Mrs. Leo Rothschild of Meskill was visiting in the city the other day, stopping at the Hotel Washington.

Senator E. E. Boner left last Friday for Spokane on business connected with the state educational survey.

Miss Elma DeLong has returned to her home in Brooklyn after spending a week here visiting her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Boyle this week enjoyed a visit from Mrs. Boyle's brother, Harold Reid, of Seattle.

W. J. Lester of Seattle had business that brought him to Aberdeen this week, stopping at the Washington.

Lee Berryman of Carlisle, was in the city the other day, a guest at the Hotel Washington.

Mrs. Minnie Armstrong of Westport, was visiting friends in Aberdeen the other day.

The Fagan Coffee company has made its front very attractive by painting it white.

Fred Davidson of Davidson Bros., who has been in Ortling at his parents' home for his health's benefit, is back feeling much better.

Mrs. Alfred Anderson will be hostess at the next meeting of the Holly club, which met last Friday with Dr. Mayne McLafferty.

Mrs. J. H. Fuller, at her home on North G street, last Friday, gave a bridge party, assisted by Mrs. Roy C. Sargent and Mrs. J. C. Hogan.

Mrs. E. S. Warner at her home, 906 West Second street, next Thursday will be hostess to the E. O. H. Embroidery club.

Mrs. Harry Gibson at her home, Seventh and Thornton streets, will be hostess next Thursday to the Circles Aid club.

A complimentary luncheon to Mrs. Dunwoody of Minneapolis was given last Friday afternoon by Mrs. J. R. Douglas.

Miss Frances Douglas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Douglas, will be home from Bryn Mawr June 1 to spend the summer vacation.

Officers of Pioneer chapter, First Presbyterian church, have been elected: Mrs. J. S. Smith, chairman; Mrs. Hugh Frazee, secretary-treasurer.

Miss Marion C. Hogan returned to Seattle Monday after spending a week visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hogan.

Mrs. William Anstie, Miss Beatrice McKenna and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Kennedy returned early this week from an automobile trip to the Sound.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tucker and young daughter are in San Francisco on a visit at the home of Mrs. Tucker's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Cross expect to move into their newly purchased home, that formerly was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Coxy, about May 1.

W. C. Mumaw, local manager of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company, made a business trip to Elma, Monday.

Mrs. R. E. Taggart this week has been enjoying a visit from her sister, Mrs. W. W. Boner, now a resident of Port Orchard, where Mr. Boner is managing a bank.

Christian Endeavor society, First Presbyterian church, gave an enjoyable penny social last Friday evening at the home of Mrs. F. G. Messer, on North B street.

Department Commander North of the Women's Relief corps, was entertained by the local W. R. C. at a lunch Wednesday after his lecture in Odd Fellows hall.

A. C. Gallac, president of the Aberdeen Chamber of Commerce, last week took the 33rd degree in Masonry at Seattle, the only Mason in Southwestern Washington to have taken that degree.

The Northern Pacific Railway company's city offices will be moved about May 1 to the rooms in the Finch building, fronting on H street, formerly occupied by the Finch Investment company. The Northern Express company will occupy the railway company's old quarters on Heron street.

The Knights of Columbus ball, on Monday evening at Electric park pavilion, is expected to pull about the biggest crowd ever to attend an affair of the kind on Grays Harbor. More than 800 invitations have been issued in Aberdeen and Hoquiam, the ball being under the auspices of the K. C. lodges of the two cities.

The fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Haynes will be celebrated tomorrow evening at their home on North B street. Many friends of the pioneer couple have joined in the plans for the celebration, 150 invitations having been issued. Mrs. J. E. Van der Mark of Wenatchee, Harry Haynes of Portland and Mrs. R. W. Hardcastle of Monitor, Ore., children of Mr. and Mrs. Haynes, will be here. Two other children, O. B. Haynes of Arizona and Thomas Haynes of Fairbanks, Alaska, will not be able to attend the anniversary.

OBITUARY

Mrs. John Larsen, pioneer resident of the city, died April 13 at her home, 1100 East First street, aged 49 years. Surviving are three daughters: Mrs. John Anderson, Mrs. Nels Johnson and Marie Larsen; and a son, Louis Larsen, residing at Westport.

Mrs. Sarah Isabell Bunch died April 17 at the home of her son, in Elma. She was aged 73 years and was a pioneer of Oregon. Surviving are two daughters and six sons, all residents of this state.

Word was received April 19 by Mrs. S. J. Stieglitz that her mother, Mrs. Agnes Stearns, had died in Minneapolis, aged 63 years. Mrs. Stearns visited here last summer with her daughter.

The Grant Hotel register shows increasing popularity: from Portland, J. Brown, J. Lane, E. N. Welch, O. Bowen, M. Olsen, H. E. Bradley, E. Bulles, A. Nelson, H. Black, Seattle; M. M. Cross and wife, L. H. Briler, R. Post, W. W. Walker, J. L. Doggett, Tacoma; J. W. Crate, F. E. Hyatt, A. C. Griffin, H. Sullivan, Olympia; Mrs. J. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Elshleman, Rochester; D. Carson, Satsop; John A. Grey, Chicago; J. Kuehne, Vancouver, B. C.

TO OPEN JEWELRY STORE
Lars Shaker, who comes here from Redondo, Cal., will open a jewelry establishment in Aberdeen.

England, Germany and France Agree

on one thing, if on no other. They all prohibit the sale of alum baking powders.

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FROM THE COUNTY

OAKVILLE—Contest is expected of the will of the late Andrew A. Dahl, who died April 9, aged 80 years. Petition for letters of administration has been filed by L. A. Dahl, only son. Contest is expected from Mrs. B. E. Williams, only daughter, under terms of an alleged will giving her the whole estate, amounting to about \$4,000.

MARKHAM—Explosion of a lamp in the Deming Shingle company of offices the other day caused considerable excitement but little damage from resulting fire, which was extinguished without spreading.

COSMOPOLIS—An election will be held here tomorrow to decide whether Cosmopolis shall erect a new \$10,000 school building, with four rooms, two of which would be grade and two devoted to manual and domestic science training.

MONTESSANO—A petition filed with the county commissioners this week asks for a road on the south side of the Chehalis river from the end of the Minckler road east to South Satsop, and for a bridge across the Chehalis at South Satsop. The county engineer was ordered to make a report on the road, petition being signed by 180 names.

ELMA—The Elma baseball team defeated the Aberdeen All-Stars last Sunday, 10 to 5. The game was slow.

MONTESSANO—County School Superintendent J. W. Hodge this week visited Lewis county schools. Miss Elsie Parrett, deputy superintendent, has returned from Huron, S. D., where she was called by the death of her father.

ELMA—The Elma Fruit Growers' association has elected R. Boutyette, A. Erickson and Henry Purdy trustees and Louis Callow as commissioner. D. Ruddle, A. Hanshaw and J. K. Bailey are a committee empowered to hire a manager for the berry season at salary of \$60 to \$65.

MATLOCK—Lincoln Grange, at its meeting last Saturday, decided to give a dance April 29.

MONTESSANO—R. W. McKenna, official tester for the Monteseano Cow Testing association, reports a fine record made by six of John E. Taylor's registered Jersey cows. They each averaged 65 pounds of butter fat for April.

ELMA—A movement has been started to make school girls from the county schools take part in the county scholastic track meet, to be held here May 6. Miss Tessie Osborne of the Elma high school started the movement.

MONTESSANO—W. E. Donohue, clerk of the Elma school board, plead guilty last Saturday to charge of misappropriating \$74 of the school funds. He was sentenced to two and a half years, minimum, at Walla Walla. Much sympathy is expressed for the defaulting clerk and for his wife, but tenders of financial assistance made the latter have been refused. Mrs. Donohue now is in Seattle.

Wearing Your Rubbers.
How to elude your wife when she insists that you positively must wear your rubbers when you go out:
First.—Tell her you positively will not do it. This will produce in her an attitude of resignation, and she will almost forgive you for not wearing them for giving her a chance to act the role of a martyr.
Second.—Say that you never wore rubbers before you were married. She will then tell you that you were always sick, too, and will work herself into a jovial glow by thinking what good care she is taking of you.
Third.—Wear the rubbers to keep peace in the family.—Judge.
One Drawback.
"You seem to be very comfortable here. Do you like the work of broom-making?" the female visitor to the prison asked a convict.
"I've only one fault to find with my job here—lady," replied the convict.
"And what is that, may I ask?"
"It's altogether too confining."—Detroit Free Press.

Personal Prattle

John J. Carney
Contributing Editor

Preparedness Without Preparation

There is but slight opposition in congress to placing the army and navy in condition for defensive war, should such be forced upon the nation. In this unanimity party lines have been obliterated, it being generally admitted that the struggle in Europe has dispelled the dream of a warless world for some years to come.

But, in preparing for an event we all hope to avoid, congress seems to act without the preparation such an important and expensive change of national policy should demand. No less than five committees of congress are working diligently to formulate legislation which will place the country in a condition of preparedness, working along different lines and in most instances at cross purposes. Among them there is absolutely no co-operation, co-ordination or unity. Not one of them is taking heed or concerning itself with what any one of the others is doing, and none of them is giving attention to a sixth committee, the ways and means committee, which in one respect is the most important of all, since that committee must devise the method by which the money is to be raised to pay for the preparedness. This is not in criticism of the committees themselves, but of the system, or rather lack of it, which makes such a condition possible.

United States Senator Francis G. Newlands alone has raised his voice to demand a change in the system. He has proposed that there shall be created from the committees on military affairs and naval affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives, a joint sub-committee of ten senators and ten representatives who shall be selected by these committees respectively, five by each, to investigate as follows:

(a) The general subject of the national defense.
(b) The efficiency of the present organization of the army and navy and the increase of such efficiency.
(c) The advisability of compulsory service.
(d) The relation of the state militia to the national defense.
(e) The advisability of creating a council of national defense and its composition.
(f) The increase of the military and naval schools for training officers, and utilization for this purpose of the schools of agriculture and mechanic arts created under the Morrill act.
(g) National co-operation with the states in school training, involving the fundamental idea of the uses of arms for the maintenance of civil order, both domestic and international, and not for conquest, and the method to be adopted for the inculcation of such idea.
(h) The construction, equipment, and personnel of auxiliary ships for the navy to be used in war in aid of the fighting ships and in peace for establishing routes of commerce and mail to foreign countries.

(i) The necessary cost of the national defense covering a period of five years, and including in this the extent and size of such organization of the national defense as will be covered by an annual expenditure of \$300,000,000, \$350,000,000, \$400,000,000, \$450,000,000 and \$500,000,000, respectively, for a period of five years, commencing July 1, 1916.

Here is a sensible reasonable, business-like proposal. The country intends to spend \$350,000,000 or perhaps half a billion dollars within one year on preparedness, and it may be two billions of dollars within the next five, seven or eight years, and yet it is proceeding to do so without any definite plan or system or accurate knowledge of what is needed. It is not so very many years ago when half a billion dollars and even \$350,000,000 represented the nation's entire budget for a single year and a whole session of congress was devoted to the consideration of the manner in which it should be expended. Now, it is proposed to expend similar amounts for one purpose and that without having decided upon a comprehensive plan which will accomplish the object sought.

Government by Parties.

A strong movement is afoot in this and other states to abolish the use of political parties in choosing state and county officials, and it is observed that the platform adopted by the Progressive party of King county last week contains a demand for the non-partisan election of state and county officers.

The evils of partisan selection of local officials have long been recognized in cities where it has been largely abolished. The same is true of the judiciary, and it may be said that where it has once been abolished there is no thought of returning to the old method.

It goes without saying that this reform will be strenuously resisted by whichever party is strongly dominant in any given state. For instance, in Washington, it will be opposed by the Republican party, and in South Carolina by the Democratic party, that is to say by the comparatively small number of the members of those parties who have hope for personal gain through the continuance of the partisan system.

State, county and city governments are business propositions, concerning which people will frequently differ, but the difference is never along party lines unless forced. Abolish party elections, and those differences would still occur at times, but they would be settled rationally upon their merits, something impossible under the system which subordinates rationality to party prejudice, and when voters prefer a party label to either principle or the man.

Even in national affairs this year it

is found difficult to discover a party issue. While the administration and congress is Democratic, a large part of the constructive legislation enacted at the last session of congress received support from the Republican side of the house, a fact which leads the Saturday Evening Post to say editorially in last week's number:

"We shall very soon have a Democratic nominee for the presidency and a Republican nominee, each appealing for votes under a party label. But, in view of recent Democratic utterances concerning the tariff, there is not in sight at this moment one solitary thing that is traditionally Democratic or traditionally Republican upon which they will confront each other. The only 'issue', so far as now appears, will consist of attacking and defending the performances of the Wilson administration on matters that have never been subjects of party division."

Calamity Howler Slips a Cog
William M. Whitney is a candidate for congress on the republican ticket from the Seattle district, and on April 2, the Post-Intelligencer published his campaign platform, which contained the following as a leading plank:

"The Democratic party is in power today and blighting desolation is spread over our business and commerce."

The next day, April 3, that paper contained the following editorial: "The prosperity story told by the commercial agencies week after week has become almost monotonous in its record of steady expansion of business, in every direction, of increasing consumption and increasing profits. * * * Almost without exception mills shops and factories are crowded to their utmost capacity and overtime is in force wherever possible."



William Hamilton Osborne.
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