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A PLEASURABLE DUTY

Possibly you have need of a bank. If so, it becomes our pleasurable duty to invite you to come to this bank.

THE SAN JUAN COUNTY BANK
FRIDAY HARBOR, WASHINGTON

A SENSATIONAL SALE

T. T. Paxson, successor to Paxson & Cadwell, has a large assortment of the finest

Blue and White Enamelled Ware

It is vastly better than ordinary granite ware and is now offered at

One-third off

the usual prices—even cheaper than granite ware. We quote:

- Dish Pans, cut from \$1.50 to 1.00
- Large Preserving Kettles cut from .90 to .50
- Tea Kettles cut from \$1.50 to 1.00
- Large Pails cut from \$1.50 to 1.00

A Large Assortment of Kettles cut from .80, .90 and \$1.00 to .50

Come and see the display at our store

T. T. PAXSON

The Busy Store

Douglas Bldg. Friday Harbor

THE LEADING GROCERY STORE

Fancy and Staple Groceries
Tea, Coffee and Spices
Fresh Vegetables

TULLOCH'S, THE SATISFACTORY STORE

Ross Block Friday Harbor

CHEAPER AT CHURCHILL'S

FRUIT JARS

Mason Economy

AMMUNITION

Tackle for Salmon Trolling

N. E. Churchill

Will You Stand Pat Or Disincorporate

Disincorporation is again being agitated.

The council will meet next Monday to make the tax levy for the coming year. The estimate of expense have already been published, but lest they have been forgotten they are herewith presented:

- Street improvements \$400.
- What do we get for that small amount?
- Light and light fixtures \$200.
- Where and when are we going to get the light?
- Salary of clerk \$120.
- Stationery and postage \$20.
- Anything to show for that?
- Attorney's fees \$50.
- What use have we got for a lawyer?
- Marshal's salary \$300.
- The Mayor has been doing all that for nothing.
- Street Commissioner's salary \$300.
- Nothing doing.
- City treasurer's percentage \$30.
- What's the use?
- Office rent \$15.
- No quorum.
- Water \$60.
- Where are we to get \$60 worth of water?

As a matter of fact what excuse is there for an incorporated town anyway. The Islander solicits expressions of opinion on this subject next week. But please be brief—evermore be brief.

The Aluminum Age

Not over a generation ago aluminum was little more than a curiosity. It was worth \$15 or more a pound and its total production in the United States was less than a hundred pounds a year, notwithstanding the fact that aluminum is the most abundant of all the metals in the earth's crust, of which aluminum oxide forms about 15 per cent. The great progress made in the industry is noted in the fact that a report on bauxite and aluminum for 1910, by W. C. Phalen just published by the United States Geological Survey shows a consumption in the United States in that year of 47,734,000 pounds, valued at nearly \$12,000,000. The price has thus dropped from \$1 an ounce to about 23 cents a pound.

Mr. Phalen states that although aluminum has in recent years become a most important economic metal, it is at present produced only from bauxite, a comparatively scarce mineral, and that even the great discovery which made this possible is only the first stage of wresting the metal from its various rock and earth combinations. Aluminum is an essential constituent of all important rocks except sandstone and limestone and is found in all clays. The supply is therefore practically limitless, awaiting only the perfection of a process for cheap extraction.

Mr. Phalen mentions a number of recently patented processes which show progress in the cheap extraction of the metal from the common sources of supply. As aluminum in its various forms, both pure and as an alloy, possesses many remarkable qualities, it may be welcomed as a coming metal of great utility. Should it become as abundant and cheap a metal as may reasonably be expected, the industry holds boundless possibilities. An alloy called duralumin contains 90 to 95 per cent of aluminum, which at present prices would make it rather expensive, but it is claimed to have qualities as good as Bessemer steel, although it is only about one-third as heavy as iron or brass. It possesses great hardness even when annealed. Another alloy of aluminum and copper is said to be a good imitation of gold it polishes readily and takes a high luster and is well adapted to ornamental purposes. It is also highly resistant to chemical action and can be readily machined and rolled and drawn into wire. Aluminum may therefore have a wide future use, ranging from structural material to brooches and hatpins.

Many other important uses of aluminum and mentioned in Mr. Phalen's report, a copy of which may be obtained through application to the Director of the Geological Survey Washington, D. C.

Wednesday Oct. 4, will be Grange day at the Puyallup Valley fair.

The Bear Is Still At Large

The big Kodiak bear is still at large on Orcas island, and many fairy stories are related about the havoc the beast is creating among the sheep, deer and orchards. One Doe Bay man insists that he saw the monster carrying a sheep across a deep crevasse in the mountains. Another came across the carcass of a deer partly eaten by the bear. Wes Langell is reported to have set a trap for him. The trap was not large enough to hold him so the bear is wearing it around the jungle for a jewelry ornament.

Game Warden Bower, supported by a posse of deputies hunted the bear all last Sunday, but escaped meeting him face to face. The latest report about the critter is that he is feeding on the Barlett pears on the Norris place and enjoying them hugely.

D'Arcy-Kirk Nuptials

A quiet wedding took place in Bellingham on Tuesday afternoon the 19th inst., in which the contracting parties were two of the most popular young people of Skagit and San Juan counties. The bride was Miss Olive Kirk, daughter of Mr. Peter Kirk a retired capitalist of Deer Lodge Farm and is without doubt one of the most charming, accomplished and popular young ladies of San Juan County. Miss Kirk was born in the north of England, Cumberland county some 23 years ago. She is near akin to noble blood the long line of her lineal ancestors leading back to nobility. Peter Kirk, her father, came to America twenty-three years ago and was the founder of the town of Kirkland, on Lake Washington. Later he purchased and named Deer Lodge Farm whither he retired with his family and at which place Miss Olive grew into womanhood and popularity, drawing about her a circle of friends the warp and woof of whose friendship will last as long as life.

Francis A. D'Arcy, the groom, was practically raised in Skagit county, being the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. D'Arcy who came to Skagit county in an early day and settled on the Swinomish flats near LaConnor. Frank, as he is popularly known, is one of the most popular and worthy young men of the state.

The ceremony was performed by Judge Featherkile, of Bellingham, Tuesday afternoon and the bridal dinner was served at the Byron Hotel. Anacortes Citizen.

Had Good Sport

Congressman Humphrey and Mr. Freeman who were guests of Mayor Murray at the fishing banks last Friday, Saturday and Sunday, left for Anacortes Monday evening. The party enjoyed some excellent sport trolling for salmon, their catch being well into two figures. The distinguished visitors used their rods in trolling and had a lively tussle with the silvers when they hooked them. The weather was perfect for fishing, and they would have liked to have spent a few days more here but Mr. Humphrey has many engagements, and was obliged to go. He expects to return next month for some shooting.

Archer Breaking Records

When the barkentine Archer with a cargo of lime from Roche Harbor reached San Francisco in five days as announced by the news dispatches from the California city it marks what is believed to be a radical change in coastwise shipping so far as sailing vessels are concerned, as it shows the practicability of the gas producer. The average trip for a sailing vessel of this type from Puget Sound to San Francisco is 20 days and the quickest passage is six days.

Died on the Rosalie

Edward Vinten, pantryman on the steamer Rosalie, was found dead in his berth at Richardson last Friday morning. He had died some time during the night from heart disease. Dr. Reed was summoned, but found no evidence that would call for an inquest. The body was turned over to Undertaker Harpst and by him shipped to Seattle.

A Petticoat Government Suggested

Our new voters, the women, who are unquestionably in the majority, and who are displaying more interest four to one than the men in the coming town election, might as well come to the front in the present emergency and run the town. By nominating a mayor and two councilwomen they will control that body. The men are not seeking the offices and they don't want them.

The Islander will gladly boost for a petticoat government, because we believe the women will do something. The registration thus far indicates that the women will do most of the voting. Why should they not also run the municipal establishment. The town election will be held Dec. 5. Declaration of candidacy may be filed next month. Get busy.

Our Underground Waters

Water is found in some amount in all formations below the earth's surface, from the loosest and most porous sands and gravels to the hardest slate and granite. The amount varies from the merest trace chemically combined in the molecules of the rocks to immense reservoirs which supply wells flowing hundreds of thousands of gallons a day. Some waters are so pure that a refined chemical analysis show only minute traces of organic and mineral matter; others are so heavily charged with minerals or other impurities as to be unsuitable for use.

The slope of the surface at any point is one factor determining the amount of slope also determines the form of the water table—that is, of the upper limit of saturation. Except where the surface is flat the water table is generally not parallel with the surface; it is almost invariably farthest from the surface on the summits of hills and mountains and nearest to it in valleys and along the coast, reaching the surface in swamps and along rivers, lakes and beaches. The surface of the water table is always in motion, its higher portions flowing toward the lowest outlets along rivers to the sea. This direction of flow explains why fresh water is usually found when a well is dug in a sandy beach.—From Water Supply Paper 223, United States Geological Survey.

The Hill farm sold

Charles Somers Company, Seattle, report the sale of another San Juan County farm, this the property Mr. A. J. Hill at East Sound, and comprising about 100 acres with productive orchard and complete improvements, the consideration is approximately \$10,000. The new owner who will occupy the place as quickly as the necessary title transfer is completed, a well known Seattle gentleman whose purpose is to become a permanent Island resident.

Incidentally, the Charles Somers Company state, that they have a constant inquiry for good reasonably priced San Juan County farms.

Want a Hundred

The State Board of Accountancy has been monkeying with the county books at \$8. per on several occasions, and now they want to monkey with the archives of the town for a consideration. This inquisitive commission of a commission cursed state has notified the council to appropriate \$100. to expert the books of the town clerk and treasurer. Any competent accountant could do the work in half a day for two dollars. The council will make no such levy, and will not pay the the hundred.

Some Skagit Visitors

J. C. Foster of LaConner and Dr. P. Ryan of Clear Lake were guests of Mr. W. H. Gafford on Monday. They drove out to the Kady mountain ranch and saw the fertile valley of San Juan, which compares favorably with their own Skagit.

Gant Goes Cod Fishing

Charley Gant, the old time newspaper man of Anacortes made a trip to Bering Sea during the summer and has commenced a very interesting serial in the Anacortes Citizen describing his experiences as a cod fisherman.

One More Hunter Killed At Bucoda

J. C. Cales, one of the oldest and best known residents of Bucoda, was mistaken for a bear and almost instantly killed on Monday by R. W. Waddle, a well-known resident of Centralia.

The men were out hunting together.

The shooting occurred on Johnson's creek about fifteen miles from Bucoda.

No Trespassing

We the undersigned do hereby agree to prohibit hunting or trespassing on our premises during the open season by any person or persons other than signers of this agreement or members of their respective families. Any person hunting or trespassing on our premises will be prosecuted.

Donald Erickson, Stephen H. Boyce, Frank Stafford, Charles Landahl, Henry Schuman, Anton Thrones, Wm. Rosler, John Carlin, R. H. Rosler, R. E. Jefferies, R. H. Ackley, Joe Lachapell, Andrew Johnson, J. T. Smith, H. Buchanan, A. Fleming, Wm. Beigin, J. Firth, Wm. Bailer, Henry Bailer, E. P. Bailer, H. E. Wiley, D. Phillips, Steve McNamee, Bob Fleming, G. Heidenrich, Squire Stewart, Ray Edwards, Ralph Boyce, John Stamm, Mrs. M. H. Smith, D. Fountain, B. F. Hannah, James Taylor, Henry J. Hannah, F. M. Boyce, O. R. Boyce, John Dougherty, Mrs. M. McIlroy, M. N. Labar, Mrs. M. J. Wills, J. J. Sandwith, Mrs. H. M. Emmerling, Wm. Chamberlain, Paul E. Peterson, W. Hemphill, Miss Lizzie Lawson, Lyle King, D. W. Oakes, Wm. Oakes, R. M. Caines, G. A. McConell, Ole Wold, Chas. V. Peterson, D. Madden, P. Madden, Geo. Jakle, Chas. Buchanan, J. O. Bergman, Jr., John E. Dougherty, Geo. Malcolm A. Erickson, W. A. Buchanan, Jr., Robert Owens, John H. Boyce, J. O. Bergman, Henry Cowell Lime and Cement Co. per C. Coghlan, Mgr., Alex. J. Lighthouse.

The Ocean Dock, one of the few remaining landmarks of the former city of Fairhaven, is to be torn down and in its place the Pacific American Fisheries will build their new can factory. The old wharf was built by Nelson Bennett in 1889 when the Fairhaven boom was at its height. About this time Bennett was engaged in constructing the Fairhaven & Southern, the Fairhaven & Northern railroads and the big Fairhaven hotel.

When the Cypress fish trap of the Porter Fish company was raised Wednesday evening one of the largest sea lions ever caught in Puget Sound waters was found to have entered with the salmon and was raised into the scow. He was a big fellow, weighing somewhere near 800 pounds and in order that no damage might be done to the trap he was dispatched by a shot.

Women to the front

Town Clerk Frits reports the registration of 19 voters. Fourteen of them are women. The Islander will not publish the names and ages of the registered for good reasons.

The news is presented in order to commend them for their promptness. Also to demonstrate that only 19 voters are thinking of the election and their duties in that connection.

Council Meeting

At the regular meeting of the Council last Tuesday evening, the ordinance providing for a poll tax was repealed. The franchise granted the Lumber company was cancelled. Some effort is being made to light the town with gasoline lamps, but no definite arrangements have yet been made.

Meat Market Changes Hands

Jim Laplante of West Sound has bought the Nichols Bros. meat market and takes possession Oct. 1. He will keep a good supply of meats and aims to furnish the best in his line. Mr. Laplante and family have become permanent residents of Friday Harbor.