

James Petty Has Two Good Eyes

Writes to Examiner After Operation for Cataract at Kansas City

Bell hospital, Rosedale, Kan., Dec. 15. My Dear Harrigan: Following a most wonderful operation on my left eye by Dr. E. J. Curran of Kansas City, Mo., a new world was opened to me on Armistice Day.

The sensation I experienced on that day, and in fact, every day since, is simply beyond description.

When I went to the doctor's office in the Waldhan building early in the morning of that notable day, I was told that I was the fifty-second patient to be treated or examined that day. About 3:30 I was called in. After a short examination the doctor said "That cataract on your left eye has been there since birth, but I can remove that right now." This did not sound good to me, for all the other specialists told me that the left eye could not be operated with any degree of certainty, but I said "go to it," and in less time than it takes me to write it, I was out of the office acting like a crazy man.

An hour later the doctor called me back, and in the presence of a number of other doctors, nurses and patients explained that the operation was very rare and one of the most delicate known to modern eye surgery.

The operation was absolutely without pain. The next morning after the operation I was interviewed by newspaper men, and my picture with more than a column appeared in the Kansas City Post and Star, and on the front page too, along with Secretary Hughes and the other members of the disarmament conference in session at Washington, D. C.

Since that time I have been getting letters with newspaper clippings enclosed from all over the country especially from Pacific coast cities. I am still receiving letters and telephone calls of inquiry as to the truth of the newspaper accounts of my case. I take pleasure in answering each and all of these inquiries, as I think a duty is incumbent upon me to cite any unfortunate with defective eyes to someone who can give them relief. The doctor said I would have to go to a hospital for an operation on my other eye, assuring me that within a few weeks I would have two good eyes before he was through with me.

So two weeks ago I came to the Bell hospital for the operation. When I came to the hospital I found all rooms full, and but one bed vacant in a ward with thirteen others, a man having just died causing the vacancy.

I was operated the same day without taking any anesthetic. This op-

eration, like the first, has given me no pain. I have now been here two weeks and three patients have moved out by order of the undertaker. I am of the opinion that I will be out of the hospital in another week or two.

I have been delegated here to read aloud the daily papers to the rest of the patients. This is something I never could do before. There was one man who came here almost totally blind, and after being operated by Dr. Curran in two weeks was pronounced cured; but the man contracted pneumonia in the meantime, and died the same day that he recovered his sight.

This place, the Bell Memorial hospital, is a state institution with a dispensary and medical college and is run in connection with the state university at Lawrence, Kan., hence there are about one hundred medical students around here every day practicing on the inmates of the hospital.

Some of the things I now see that I never saw before are reading the finest print by a very ordinary light, seeing autos and aeroplanes a mile distant, seeing small birds in the air, recognizing features across the street, noting the short skirts and thin fabrics worn in Kansas City, and above all, a moving picture of myself shown here by the Pathe News, so you see, it was no wonder I acted like a crazy man when this new world was opened up to me.

Yours truly, James Petty, 528 Norton Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

Stevens County Has Two Granges

Bouck Organizing in Competition with Washington State Grange

Stevens county, at one time leading all counties in the state in grange membership, is now in the throes of decision between the Washington State grange and the new Western Progressive grange. William Bouck, deposed master of the Washington State grange, has been in this vicinity for two weeks in organization work for the new Western Progressive grange.

Dominion grange No. 1, northeast of Colville, was the first grange in the state to be organized under the new leadership. It has 60 members, and transferred bodily from the Washington State grange. Clayton grange with 75 members, Gardenspot with 60 members, Addy grange, Marble Valley grange, Summit valley grange have gone over bodily to the new organization. Fort Colville grange, a mile east of Colville, by a vote of 13 to 10 refused to transfer, but last week the Union Progressive grange was organized with 15 members from Fort Colville and 10 from White Lake granges.

Last Friday evening the Narcisse grange, by decision of 15 of the 18 members present, organized under the Bouck leadership. At the Mill creek grange the newly elected master refused to be installed unless under the name of the Western Progressive grange, and the new organization was established by a vote of 23 of the 24 members present.

In several communities there are farmers who now belong to both organizations, and in some cases the same men are officers in both granges. The master at Fort Colville grange is a member of the Bouck grange, but will continue to preside at the old grange until his term of office expires.

State dues in the Bouck organization have been fixed at \$2 annually, and local dues are ranging from \$1 to \$3 a year.

Mr. Bouck reports that the new organization has already secured, or will secure, every one of the 12 granges in Pend Oreille county, except that the Usk grange will divide. In Spokane county the granges at Kennerwood, Conley, Arcadia and Lost Springs have joined with Bouck.

Pomona granges have already been organized in Pend Oreille and Okanogan counties, and two will be organized in Stevens county next month, also one in Spokane county.

The question has been raised as to the possibility of farmers being members of both organizations, and this point, together with the question of ownership of some of the grange halls, will await decisions of the respective organizations.

There is considerable feeling aroused in some places as a result of the Bouck campaign, and efforts have apparently been made by old and new organizations to show the victorious side. The following article appeared in the Spokesman-Review last Saturday, bearing a Colville date line:

"The efforts of William Bouck, deposed state grange master, to organize a new grange to supplant the

existing organization, is not meeting with much encouragement and support in this part of the state. Four of the most prominent granges in Stevens county, Meyers Falls, the Pleasant Valley, Wigwam and White Mud have voted against permitting him to use their grange halls. At the meeting which was held near Colville at the Fort Colville grange hall Wednesday night he obtained only a very few members. While he is receiving some support in the Old Dominion grange, the more prominent granges in the county have gone flatly on record against him. At Bouck's Wednesday night meeting there was a large attendance of American legion members. His activities are being watched by the patriotic organizations of Stevens county."

The Spokesman-Review, which for years was after State Master Kegley's scalp, has continued the fight since Bouck was elected master, and is still after him, according to an editorial which appeared this week denouncing him. In Stevens county, this attitude has undoubtedly given strength to the Bouck side of the case.

An effort was made last week to get the Colville post of the American Legion embroiled in the controversy, but the cooler heads of the post, together with the office of Sheriff W. H. Graham, made it plain that the regular legal methods must prevail. About 20 of the Legion members attended one of the Bouck meetings, but found no cause for complaint.

The members of the Washington State grange who intend to stand by the original organization state that they are not alarmed at the situation, although they regret the circumstances which are bringing the two organizations into the field. Politics and previous affiliations do not seem to form any special basis for the present division, although it is perhaps true that a majority of the more radical farmers are lending their assistance to Bouck.

The Western Progressive grange is now organized in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Colorado and Montana. In this state, almost every county has been covered. Pomona is in process of organization in the larger counties of Washington, particularly on the west side.

Withdrawal from the National grange has been discussed in the Washington State grange since the middle of the Kegley administration, and although the state leaders could say little openly, the matter has been thoroughly discussed for several years. The organizers of the new movement state that their work is not in antagonism to any other grange movements, but is formed to enable members to do things which are not permitted by the National grange, such as free discussion of all questions whether political or not.

Mr. Bouck states that cooperation will be more strongly featured in the new organization, and that a correlation will be made between the consumers in the city and the producers on the farms. Cooperative plans will be worked out, not so much in the buying line as in the production and direct selling to consumers.

When asked regarding his attitude toward the National and Washington State grange, Mr. Bouck stated to an Examiner representative that he had no ill feelings in the matter, had no disposition to fight them, and was not even discussing them; that his efforts were solely directed toward building an organization which could fully serve the producers on the farms of the northwest.

Open Doors, Run Drills With the Pressure of Air

If necessity is the mother of invention, convenience is the father.

Cold weather and the constant stream of cars into the Culver & Richardson Company garage brought from Ross Culver the question "Can you open the garage door from the office by air pressure?"

"I can," stated R. F. Benedict, a mechanic employed by the company.

With three air tubes attached to the main air line used in supplying air to autos, and leading into the office with the assistance of a "four-way cock," the great outside door to the garage may be opened from the office in a way consistent with twentieth century progress in inventions.

The Culver & Richardson garage may in time be known as the pneumatic shop.

The drill is operated by air pressure, and one of the much used hammers. Later on the valve grinder will be operated by air, when the plan is finally worked out. In shipbuilding during the war times, air pressure was used extensively, and the ideas gained by Mr. Culver have been a basis upon which the Culver & Richardson Company have set their machinery spinning by utilizing power from the air tanks already installed.

THE SYMBOL OF HOPE.



The Christmas seal sale in Stevens county has been in charge of Supt. G. L. Putnam. The sale in Colville was handled by Mrs. J. C. Harrigan. Among those who assisted in the sales in Colville, at postoffice and stores, were Mrs. Ross Culver, Mrs. W. Lon Johnson, Mrs. Irving D. Sill, Miss Katherine Milliren, Miss Christine Kimple, Mrs. Glenn Crowe, Mrs. T. N. Ledgerwood, Mrs. L. Wernli, Mrs. Quinn W. McCord, Mrs. H. J. Plumb, Miss Rose Eastland, Miss Alice Seeley, Miss Marjorie Ide, Miss Bernice Lee, Miss Ruth Miller, Miss Margaret Ferris. The girls who distributed the auto stickers, under the direction of Miss Josephine LaPlant, were Misses Christine Kimple, Katherine Milliren, Julia Bair, Irene Miller, Reba Campbell, Genevieve Henderson, Barbara Dowty. Colville has thus far sold 20,000 seals.

CHRISTMAS SEALS

(By Mrs. R. C. McCreedie, president Washington Tuberculosis Association.)

There is scarcely a home in our state that is not affected by tuberculosis; if not one of the family or a relative there is some dear friend whose case depresses and worries us and whom we will miss terribly if the disease is not checked and he or she finally succumbs to the raids of this dire parasite which destroys so many human lives.

As Christmas approaches it seems as though we all become more imbued with the spirit of the Great Master, the great healer of human woes. He was ever tender, ever merciful, ever helpful to the weak, the sick and the suffering. If each one of us in arranging our Christmas program and our gift giving will keep in mind the true spirit of Christmas this year we will not neglect to do our part in regard to the Christmas seal. Providing for the less fortunate has become a business proposition with good Americans. If we are to hold our place as the leading nation in the world, each one of us must remember "the duty of each to all, the responsibility of all to each." We must do all we can to preserve our national health. The little penny Christmas seal is the main support of the work of educating people as to the best methods of prevention, and it also furnishes funds to promote the establishment by public officials of sanatoria for healing many of those who are victims of the disease and of taking care of the hopeless cases who are most apt to spread the disease and who have reached this stage because of lack of proper education before the disease got a firm hold of its victim.

The national and state tuberculosis associations are doing good work in decreasing the death rate annually. The Washington Tuberculosis association has been commended and recognized in the national conference as one of the leaders among all the states in its efficient fight against tuberculosis. We desire to keep holding the banner high. The name of our state in itself is a challenge for good Americanization work.

The programs of the state association and the county leagues are constructive and deserve the support you are asking for them, and nearly every league has been organized long enough to point to a record of achievement. We can justly be proud of them.

The seal sale has received the indorsement of practically all state and national groups and is recognized as the greatest popular and educational health movement in the world.

Just as we have overcome typhoid, diphtheria and yellow fever, so we must combine our enthusiastic efforts to overcome tuberculosis and bring joy and happiness to take the place of grief in many homes now desolated by the disease by making our Christmas seal sales this year the largest they have ever been in our state.

WHEN?

Items of Colville History Which Are Not Dated in Current Histories

(List No. 2)

When Tom Kirk ran a livery stable in Marcus.

When Louis Strauss went to Douglas falls with a livery team, unhitched them, and couldn't hitch them up again.

When George Wisner ran a sawmill at White Mud.

When Bossburg was larger than Colville.

When B. G. Rich was telegraph operator at Bossburg.

When Ole Anderson sold his railroad interests to Jim Hill.

When W. H. Wright ran a jewelry store at the corner of Main and First.

When Levi Donley farmed on Marcus Flat.

When Con Durland taught school in Colville.

When A. J. Lee ran a barber shop at Marcus.

When Henry Spedden put out the fire at Al Thompson's favorite resort.

When the "hot air" railroad was built to Metaline.

When the K. P.s gave a grand ball at the rink.

When Erv Jessepah was a baseball star.

When Bill Graham was a farmer near Bluecreek.

When Chris Steltz was Colville's favorite pitcher.

Decorate the Christmas Package

EVERY one when sending a Christmas gift desires it to appear as attractive as possible. When we receive a gift nicely wrapped with tissue paper and decorated with pretty Christmas seals, there is an added pleasure. This is especially so when we realize that the sender has spent time and cleverness to give this little touch of personal thoughtfulness.

Many varieties of Christmas seals may be purchased, but a little originality will not come amiss even in these small details.

There are seals for the outside package and the heading to be used on the note paper, conveying the good wishes of the giver, or on the little card of greeting. These two in each set match. This gives another touch of the unusual, which is always sought after.

Have a piece of carbon paper, place it over the note paper, card or seal, and on top of this one of the designs. Carefully trace with a sharp pencil the entire outline. An exact duplicate of the design will be found on the note paper or seal ready for tinting. This may be easily done with water colors or wax crayons. Poinsettia should be colored a warm, bright red, with yellow centers and dark green stems.

Holly, the special emblem of this season, has berries of vivid, fiery red and glossy leaves of dark green.

A dainty basket of forget-me-nots would be pretty colored yellow, the flowers a faint light blue and the bow-knot of pale pink. Now we have the mystic sign of the holidays, borrowed from the Druids, the mistletoe. The berries of this plant are a pearly white and the leaves a yellowish green.

Spend a little extra time giving the Christmas gift this novel decoration, and the pleasure it affords will never cause you to regret having done so.

Economy is to be considered at Christmas time. Our purse-strings have been stretched to the breaking point purchasing gifts for relatives and friends. To put this fascinating bit of handiwork upon the Christmas package costs comparatively nothing, aside from the time you spend doing it. This fact counts very little when we add to the enjoyment of others.

These few suggestions will probably cause endless ideas for the Christmas package to present themselves to you. Make your gifts radiate the holiday spirit; give this little bit of personality and attractiveness to as small a thing as the Christmas seal.

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OLD YULETIDE CAROLS

"Holy Night" Regarded as One of Most Beautiful Songs.

"Draw Nigh, Immanuel," One of Old-set Pieces and Far Antedates Any Others.

THE ancient Christmas carol, "Holy Night" is German in its origin and is considered by many persons to be the most beautiful of all Christmas carols. It has sometimes been ascribed to Martin Luther, but the consensus of expert opinion is that it is much older than his time and is one of the oldest of German folk songs.

The carol "God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen," is English in its origin and dates back to about the beginning of the Seventeenth century, although the author of the words and the composer of the music are unknown. The fine old melody sung to this poem possesses all the best qualifications of a sterling hymn tune and will probably last as long as the verses with which it is always associated.

The carol "Draw Nigh, Immanuel," is one of the oldest pieces of coherent music in existence, and both the words and music far antedate any of the others. The music is an old French melody, dated from the Thirteenth century, although, of course, it has been harmonized to conform with more modern standards.

There is a most curious but beautiful musical effect at the close of this carol. The words of "Draw Nigh, Immanuel," are about 100 years older than the music, being taken from the Mozarabic breviary of the Twelfth century, and it is generally believed that they were taken from the liturgy of the early Christians at Toledo, Spain, where the Mozarabic breviary was formulated.

Another carol, "The First Noel," has a traditional French melody and probably originated in Breton, although the exact origin of this fine old song is somewhat in doubt.



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