

HOTEL MYSTERY CLEARED UP

BABY GIRL BORN TO NELLIE McQUEEN YESTERDAY. DIED NATURAL DEATH.

Mother of Child Is Beautiful Girl of Walla Walla to Hide Her Shame.

Miss Nellie McQueen, a beautiful girl of 23, who has been employed as a waitress in the Star restaurant in West Walla street, gave birth to a pretty baby girl in room 31 of the Louvre hotel yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock.

At the time the baby was born Miss McQueen was waited upon by Miss Polly Brown, a chambermaid in the State hotel, and Thomas Evans, a night waiter in the Portland restaurant. Several hours after the birth of the child, Ross Leslie, a friend of Evans, called the baby before Captain of Police Mike Davis at the central police station, and informed him of the identity of the child and how it came into his possession. The circumstances surrounding the birth of the baby and its condition when brought to the police station, roused the suspicions of Captain Davis that the baby had been removed to the hospital. Miss McQueen did not receive competent attention and her condition today, while not critical, was extremely grave. It is understood that she has a brother working near Walla Walla and he will be notified to give her the attention she needs. The remains of the baby were interred in the city cemetery this afternoon.

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Unfortunate Young Woman. Miss McQueen came to Walla Walla from Spokane about two months ago. She sought and obtained employment as a waitress in the Star restaurant, and until a few days ago retained her position. Thomas Evans, the waiter who was with Miss McQueen yesterday when the baby was born, was paying attention and it is said he never abandoned her condition until called yesterday. Miss O'Brien is a mutual friend and when apprised of the situation rendered her services. The desire to avoid notoriety was the reason Miss McQueen ascribes for not calling in a physician. When it became known that the child was dead, the question of disposing of the body confronted the three. Mr. Evans confided in Mr. Leslie the facts, and last

night at 11:30 the body was turned over to Mr. Leslie who took it immediately to Captain of Police Davis at the police station. City Physician Ingram and Deputy Coroner MacMartin were then called and the three went to Miss McQueen's room. The young mother, ill and despairing at her unfortunate plight at first refused to disclose her name or where her home was. When advised that it would be best to tell all, she finally told the officers that her home was near Spokane. She absolutely refused to tell who was responsible for her condition, but it was learned today that a young man named George Larey was the father of the child. Miss McQueen last saw Larey at Spokane six months ago. She does not know where he is at present.

Only Acted as a Friend. "I only acted as a friend to Mr. Evans in the matter," Ross Leslie said when seen this morning. "Mr. Evans informed me of the facts in the case and I consented to see that the baby was given a decent burial. I took the baby to Captain Davis and informed him of the identity of the child and how it came into my possession. Regarding when the baby was born or who was its father I cannot say. Miss McQueen as far as I know is an estimable young lady who has been foully betrayed by one who accomplished her ruin through promises of marriage. It is an old story, but an extremely pathetic one in this case."

Moved to Hospital. In order that Miss McQueen may receive efficient medical attention City Health Physician Ingram arranged this afternoon to have the young woman removed to the hospital. Miss McQueen did not receive competent attention and her condition today, while not critical, was extremely grave. It is understood that she has a brother working near Walla Walla and he will be notified to give her the attention she needs. The remains of the baby were interred in the city cemetery this afternoon.

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WHITMAN COLLEGE OPEN

CONVOCATION EXERCISES LAST NIGHT DRAWS BIG CROWD TO WHITMAN CHAPEL.

Convocation Address Given by Prof. W. A. Bratton—Registration Started This Morning.

At 8 o'clock last night to the music of a stately procession played on piano and organ the Whitman college council marched upon the chapel platform to lead dignity to the twenty-fourth convocation of Whitman college. The exercises were presided over by President S. B. L. Penrose and were varied by some choice musical selections by faculty and students of the conservatory of music.

The convocation address was given by Professor W. A. Bratton of the chair of mathematics. It was a keen, clear analysis of the conditions which confront the young man and woman starting out in life at the dawn of this wonderful twentieth century. In substance he said that this twentieth century was confronted with the same old problems which have vexed men throughout the ages, but that the complex conditions of today have vastly complicated them. How life's good things shall be divided will always be determined by the old law of competition. What is ordinarily called success was illustrated by the speaker in four illustrations.

Tawny Wolfe, the most successful Indian hunter and warrior of his day and generation, ascetic who devised the most wonderful made of self torture was the admiration of an age of religious fanaticism. When Italian diplomacy was at its height he most treacherous was the most successful. The early pioneers of America reaped rewards which paid for their sacrifices and were the highest examples of this type of success.

But good clothes, good food and good things of life are not all men want. They want the approval of their fellow men and to leave something to posterity which shall be enduring. Eat, drink and be happy is the highest aim of life, says the epicurean, endure patiently suffering, says the stoic, while Kant says duty is the highest aim of life. These highest ideals are individual in their nature and success in attaining them requires special excellence in the individual.

This requires special equipment. In these days striving for the highest success without an education is hacking at the good things of life with a dull ax. Statistics show that the educated man has 118 times greater chance of success than his uneducated brother. He closed with a special tribute to the work and spirit of Whitman college and the bright prospects for a great year.

The address was the best which has been given at Convocation for several years. The informal reception in the chapel to the new students was a pleasant affair, in which faculty, alumni and students new and old met, chatted and renewed old and made new acquaintances.

The first chapel exercises of the year took place at 10:30 o'clock this morning. Besides the usual exercises Rev. Mr. McLean, president of Pacific Theological Seminary, San Francisco, made a short talk to the students.

FIRST RAIN OF FALL SEASON

Total Precipitation Last Night .28 of an Inch—Generally Welcomed by Farmers.

The first rain of the fall season fell in Walla Walla last night, and the dusty atmosphere which has prevailed for several weeks to the discomfort of citizens in general is expected to give way to Indian summer weather, which is the most charming period of the year in the Walla Walla valley. The total precipitation last night reported by Observer Newman of the Walla Walla weather office was close to one-third of an inch, the exact measurement being .29 of an inch. Four hundredths of this precipitation fell yesterday afternoon. Last night's rain continued pretty well throughout the night and the dusty streets and country roads were covered with puddles and mud an inch thick. With the exception of a few farmers who are not yet through harvesting the rain last night was generally welcomed throughout the county.

STATE LINE NEWS

What People Are Doing Along the Boundary Between Oregon and Washington.

Born, Wednesday, September 6, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred McElrath, a son. George Reynolds returned Sunday from a trip to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Ingle and family left last Monday for an indefinite visit to the exposition and Seattle.

Mrs. Strahm of Weston is visiting friends in the neighborhood.

Mrs. Chas. Boerstler was out Sunday after a two months' confinement with a broken leg.

Walter Powell is erecting a fine new residence on his new place.

John Naught and Charles Dyer had a sale Monday. They intend to start to Los Angeles, Cal., in a couple of weeks to make their permanent home.

Mrs. John Naught intends going to West Virginia to spend the winter with her parents. She will return to Los Angeles in the spring.

Most of the country schools started

last Monday. The Moore and Springdale schools started a week ago Monday.

The McMinn dryer is now running. The ladies of the Congregational church gave a social at Howard Canvel's residence Tuesday evening.

Marion Dyer recently bought 10 acre of land from Mr. Clem and intends building soon.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church, the Young People's Union of the Baptist church and the Christian Endeavor of the Congregational church, held a union meeting last Sunday evening that was largely attended.

The young people of the neighborhood gave Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hesselstine and family a merry surprise last Saturday evening. About 35 young people rushed in on them. Although the Hesselstine family were all packed up and ready to move, every one spent a pleasant evening with music and games. Mr. Hesselstine and family intend moving to Touchet this week, where they will keep a grocery and drygoods store.

FROM NORTHWEST PAPERS

Getting Ready for Water Suit.

Attorney A. D. Stillman of Pendleton, was in the city Wednesday, looking after his clients in the Peacock Mill company suit. We understand he has also been employed to defend the rights of all the parties up the river in the Little Walla Walla Irrigation Union suit. State Engineer Lewis and a party of five assistants are now engaged in making surveys, measurements of water, etc., to be used in the Little Walla Walla suit. The Tualum water users have decided to defend the Peacock Mill company suit in a body and to stand on the old McArthur decree, which gives them one-half the water down their branch of the stream. They have employed Attorney C. T. Godwin to act as resident counsel in both suits.—Milton Eagle.

Miner Made a Record.

Record time was made in the disposal of a criminal charge in the superior court today. Jean Mimer, a farm laborer employed near Endicott, was given a check for \$7 this morning. He went to Endicott and presented the check for payment, but the figures had been raised to \$17 in bungling fashion. He was promptly arrested, says a dispatch from Colfax. A telephone message was sent to the sheriff's office here and Deputy Sheriff Nessly went to Endicott after Mimer, arriving at Colfax at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The prisoner at his own request was taken directly to the superior court where he entered a plea of guilty and Judge Chadwick sentenced him to serve 18 months in the penitentiary.—Colfax Commoner.

Hop Picking Begins.

The hop-pickers are camped in fields west of Benton on the old Rich ranch in large numbers. Picking began Monday in full blast. The season's crop is only fairly good and was recently damaged by the heavy wind. The picking season will last about fifteen days in this locality.—Kennewick Courier.

Commission House at Prosser.

Chas. H. Collins of the Columbia Commission company of Kennewick was in town Tuesday, looking over the field with a view of establishing a commission house here. He was much pleased with the outlook, believing that such an institution will pay in Prosser, and expects to return here soon and endeavor to make arrangements to go into business. His firm is prepared to handle all farm products, on a cash basis, and is doing a large business at Kennewick.—Prosser Bulletin.

Wheat Rich in Gluten.

"This year's wheat is the best that I have seen in this country for fifteen years," said Mr. Byers, of the Byers mills, yesterday. "The wheat is a good deal richer in gluten and will make the very best of flour. Bluestem wheat which usually ran at about fifty-eight pounds to the bushel, this year, ran up to sixty-three. Besides this, the wheat has a clear bill of health, very little smut thus far being seen. We are putting away a good deal of wheat, this year, and between what the farmers store and the supply for the mill, my warehouses will be full. The average run for this week was about 4000 sacks per day, the average weight being 140 pounds."—Pendleton Tribune.

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UP TO THE CITY ATTORNEY

SUPPOSED TO PROSECUTE PROPERTY OWNERS WHO FAIL TO CONNECT WITH SEWERS.

So Says Health Physician Ingram, Who Says He Has Done His Duty When He Reports Such Cases.

"The story in last night's Statesman relative to the appointment of a sanitary inspector gave some people the impression that it was me who failed to be on hand to prosecute cases against property owners who have failed to connect their residences with the city sewer system." City Health Physician Ingram said this morning. "I am willing to stand for any criticism of the way the affairs of my office are conducted, but I won't want to be given credit for the shortcomings of our city attorney, whose duty it is to prosecute any violations of the city ordinance, requiring property owners to connect with the city sewer system. "I have filed a list of nearly a dozen property owners who have refused or neglected to connect with the sewers and if the city attorney neglects to prosecute the cases I don't see how his shortcomings can be charged against the city health physician or any other city official, for that matter. I believe that if a few of these cases were prosecuted there would be few complaints hereafter that property owners are neglecting to observe the city ordinances in that respect."

To Cure a Balky Horse.

A crowd blocked the street, and the horse doctor joined in to see what was up. "Ah, a balky horse," he murmured. Then he worked his way through the crowd, saying in an authoritative voice, "Let me pass, friend. I am a veterinary surgeon. Make way, please. I am a veterinary surgeon."

Thus he soon reached the balky horse. He said to the master of the animal: "Put up your whip. It will do no good. I am a veterinary. I'll cure your horse of the balks for you. Watch me."

He took hold of the horse's front leg at the fetlock, bent it at the knee joint, and held it in this position for three minutes. Then he put the leg down again, and chirruped to the animal. It started off as though it had never balked in its life.

"An odd remedy for the balks, but an infallible one," said the doctor. "It has never failed me. Any balky horse, if you hold one of its forelegs up for three minutes, will be over its balkiness by the time the leg is lowered to the ground again."

The Statesman prints today's news today.

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For the above occasion the O. R. & N. will make a round trip rate of one third fare, starting point to Portland plus \$38.00. Dates of sale, October 19th and 20th. Going limit, October 25th, returning December 20th. Stopovers will be allowed within the limits south and including Portland.

For detailed information call on or address Robert Burns, General Agent.

LEWIS AND CLARK EXPOSITION.

June 1st to October 15th

Tickets to Portland will be sold from Walla Walla daily at rate of \$9.75 for the round trip, good for thirty days.

For ten or more traveling on one ticket a rate of \$7.30 for round trip will be made. Tickets limited to ten days.

In addition to the above daily excursion rates the O. R. & N. Co. will, from time to time during the fair, run a series of coach excursions at very low rates. Dates for these excursions will be announced later.

R. BURNS, General Agent, O. R. & N. Co., Walla Walla, Wash.

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\$6.25 Daylight Excursion to Portland \$8.25.

On Thursday, Sept. 21st, the O. R. & N. Co. will run a daylight excursion to Portland at a rate of \$6.25 for round trips.

The special train will leave Walla Walla at 9 a. m., arrive at Portland 5:45 p. m.

These tickets will be good for return on any regular train leaving Portland up to and including September 28.

For detailed information call or address, ROBERT BURNS, General Agent.

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