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DANGER OF FLOODS BELIEVED PAST

Danger of serious flood in the Nooksack river valley as a result of rains and melting snow is believed to be past for the present. The river began receding Tuesday night and at no time reached a dangerous height.

At Everson, a part of some false work that was built last summer to give additional support to the B. and N. railroad bridge, was carried out, and passengers were transferred around the bridge. The county wagon bridge was in no danger.

From Worthen on, the tracks of the railroad were under water. No mail was received in Lynden over the railroad Wednesday. At five p. m., the sacks were brought from Bellingham by stage.

MANY FRIENDS GATHER AT PLANK SERVICES

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Jennie Reed Plank were held Sunday at 11 a. m. at the Baptist Church.

Mrs. Plank during her residence in Lynden, had made many friends, who filled the church. The service was covered with many beautiful floral offerings. Rev. P. H. Davies used as his text Mark 14:8 "She has done what she could."

Mrs. Plank was born in 1842 at Connersville, Ind.

She leaves to mourn her loss two daughters and one son, Philip Roy of St. Paul, Minn., Mrs. A. W. Frost of Wiser Lake and Mrs. Mabel M. Plank of Lynden.

TO HOLD BAKE SALE FOR LIBRARY SATURDAY

There will be a sale of baked goods at the public reading room Saturday, Feb. 19, from 1 to 5 p. m. The proceeds are to be used for the library and all contributions to this sale will be gladly received.

It has been the custom for members of the library board to go out once a year in the business district and solicit membership subscriptions for the library. It is the desire of the board to discontinue this practice if possible and to this end, all who can do so, are urgently requested to renew their membership or take out new membership cards.

Friday Coachockey took his basketball warriors to Sumas for the return game with the high school team of that city. The contest was a fast one, Sumas taking the lead early in the game but Lynden soon overtook them and kept ahead until the final whistle, winning by a score of 21 to 14. As Sumas had failed to secure a referee for the game, Superintendent P. A. Wright of Lynden was drafted into service and acquitted himself creditably in this trying position. The team and their few supporters arrived home Saturday noon. The next game will be with the North Side High School in Bellingham Friday night. The last game before the tournament will be the return game at Harmony Monday.

Miss Alliea Landaal entertained Monday from 3 to 6 at a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Dorothy Lindhout. The decorations which were suggestive of Valentines, were simple but beautiful. A short musical program was rendered after which the "bride-elect" received many beautiful and practical gifts. The hostess was assisted in serving dainty refreshments by Miss Bessie Frick. Those present were: Misses Seat, Rena and Dina Hayman, Tremam, Jamieson, Lucile Ecker, Meenk, Kitty and Emma De Hoogh, Catherine Lindhout, Bauman, Feenhouse, Mrs. Wm. Vander Griend and Mrs. Leonard Lenssen.

Word was received here this week that Malcolm McDonnell, formerly of Lynden, had passed away at Streamstown, Sask., Canada. William McDonnell, proprietor of the Palace Cafe, and Harry McDonnell of San Diego are brothers. During his residence in Lynden, Mr. McDonnell made many friends, who were deeply grieved to hear of his death.

Earl Marr reached home Sunday evening after spending a week in Seattle. The trip from Seattle to Bellingham Saturday night on the train was a tiresome one as it was necessary to make quite a detour because of the mud slides.

James Trapman left for Redmond, Ore., this week to prove up on a piece of land.

RESPONSIBILITY.

All persons possessing any portion of power ought to be strongly and awfully impressed with an idea that they act in trust and that they are to account for their conduct in that trust to the one great Master, Author and Founder of society.—Burke.

It is meat and drink to me to see a clown. By my troth, we that have good wits have much to answer for.—"As You Like It." Shakespeare.

Men's minds are as variant as their faces. Where the motives of their actions are pure the operation of the former is no more to be imputed to them, as a crime, than the appearance of the latter, for both, being the work of nature, are alike unavoidable.—George Washington.

County News

A prohibition party county convention is called to meet Friday, February 18, at 10 a. m. at the Y. M. C. A. for the election of delegates to the state prohibition convention. An all-day session will be held, with a program and speakers. Everyone is requested to bring a basket lunch and have a social time at the noon hour.

A county committee for Boys and Girls' Agricultural and Industrial Contest at the 1916 County Fair, composed of Mrs. S. Elroy McCaw, C. E. Flint, C. M. Scudder, Mrs. Mary B. Haight, John Cole, Carl Zook, Frank Edwards, Mrs. E. T. Nobles, Miss Sarah Ormsby, Frank C. Benson, Miss Meta Laube and Mrs. Althea Adams met last week. The meeting was held for the purpose of formulating plans for the contests and outlining the premium list for the final contest at the fair in order to get them in the hands of the school children as soon as possible. An effort will be made to place the contests upon such a basis that no disturbance will be caused by the change of teachers which frequently occurs.

Blaine will hold a special election to decide whether to issue bonds for \$23,000 to take up outstanding warrants. The city would save 3 per cent in interest on the change.

Conditions in the lumber and shingle industries have improved greatly during the past few weeks, and especially since the weather conditions closed down nearly all the mills and camps. Lumber prices were boosted \$4 per M at one time, and the latest quotations received here for shingles were \$1.90 for clears and \$1.40 for stars.—Blaine Journal.

Van Buren township will hold its meeting to nominate candidates Saturday.

Everson reports several cases of measles and whooping cough.

Ferndale's new business men's club is holding some lively meetings and doing some good work. A farm expert gave an address Tuesday under the auspices of the club to the ranchers of the district. Ferndale merchants held a special bargain day to induce a crowd to come to town and hear the lecture.

The raise of soldiers' pay in Europe which is a result of the enormous draft of recruits for the front may have a bearing that should be noted here. The British army pay has always been low and attracted only the poorest material. In times of peace it is natural for the general public to think of the soldier as a nonproducer and a useless expense. When the civil war broke out in 1861 many people at the north thought that the "me'er-do-wells" were just the ones to go. Young men of education, good family and prospects in life should stay at home. It was argued, and leave the soldiering to the riffraff. The type of regular army "rounders" was familiar in almost every village. Self respecting families did not wish their sons to drop to that level. But the riffraff in the army did not last longer than one campaign—perhaps were eliminated in the drilling camps. It was the flower of the youth of the country that bore the brunt of war and saved the nation. Stimulation of patriotism by valorous means will be necessary in order to maintain the preparedness program. The pay of the soldier will become a practical question. The best young men look out for the future, have little preparedness schemes of their own, and the soldier's pay should be on a par with the talent which is to be attracted.

TEAMS TO PLAY IN BIG TOURNAMENT

One of the most interesting affairs of the year will take place at the High School Gymnasium Friday and Saturday of next week when eight of the strongest basketball teams of the county will meet in the Annual Basketball Tournament. On Friday evening there will be four games and four of the schools will be eliminated; on Saturday afternoon the winners of Friday night will play, making two games and then on Saturday evening the final game between the winners of the afternoon is scheduled.

Two pennants will be offered, one for the tournament championship, and the other for the team winning the highest number of points in conduct and appearance during the series of games.

Eight teams will participate in the tournament and some fast and close contests are assured. Ferndale has withdrawn and Fajhaven has been secured to fill out the number. The teams which will play are Sumas, Blaine, Laurel, Harmony, Fajhaven and Whatcom of Bellingham, Bellingham Normal, and Lynden.

Season tickets will be sold at \$1.00 and seats may be reserved any time from 11 o'clock Saturday, Feb. 19, at the City Drug Store.

During this tournament Lynden will be responsible for about sixty young men from all parts of the county and the tournament directors are anxious that each visitor finds the trip worth while. Of course it will be impossible to send these boys to the hotel from a financial standpoint and therefore the High School is asking again that all who are willing and can arrange to entertain one or more of these two days will do so.

"We feel sure that you will enjoy meeting the boys and helping to make this meeting a success from a Lynden standpoint," said P. A. Wright today. "If you have an extra room or place at the table or both please see or phone me."

The snow prevented the Rev. Fred Alban Weil of Bellingham from giving a sermon last month in Lynden. He plans to come now Sunday evening, Feb. 27. Services will be held at 7:45 p. m. in the W. R. C. Hall. An invitation is extended to all. The subject of the sermon will be announced next week.

LYNDEN BOYS LEAD COUNTY

Edward Kamm made the highest average in the county at the mid-year eighth grade examinations given by the state, according to an announcement made today. Kamm passed with a grade of 94 per cent. Another Lynden boy, Elmer Swenson, took second county honors with a 92 grade.

Ten Lynden students passed the examinations successfully. The work in the eighth grade is especially heavy and any pupil who can earn a state diploma in one-half year is to be commended. Those who passed will continue the work of the grade for the balance of the year entering high school next September. The following are the successful pupils with the average grade earned: Edward Kamm 94, Elmer Swenson 92, Marion Bay 91, Edgar Vinup 82, Charles Sprague 88, Jessie Ruscoe 80, Bradford Knapp 84, Porter Hatley 86, Frank Hatley 82, Walter Gaskill 88.

VAN BUREN

H. W. Nutter was an Everson visitor Saturday.

Miss Lois Heathers has been visiting relatives in Sumas the past week.

Mrs. O. Wilcoxson and son Merwin spent Thursday with her mother, Mrs. Wm. Rarick.

Miss Lottie Perry was a Sumas visitor Thursday.

Mrs. H. W. Nutter and daughter Laura spent Sunday with her sister Mrs. Andy Kirkman.

Robert Kirkman was an Everson visitor Tuesday.

O. Wilcoxson and his nephew, Harry Wilcoxson were in Lynden Saturday.

Anna Benson spent Sunday with Margaret Kirkman.

Helen Hinton attended services in Clearbrook Sunday afternoon.

Many of the school children who have been absent from school on account of sickness, were back again Monday morning.

A rumor that passenger service to Lynden on the B. and N. would be discontinued March 1 was denied today by W. Sommer, local agent. Mr. Sommer said he did not know where the report started, but he had heard nothing of the move.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Matthews Friday morning, a daughter.

THE FOOTPATH.

Oh, here it is! The sliding rail That marks the old remembered spot; The gap that struck our school-boy trail The crooked path across the lot.

It left the road by school and church, A penciled shadow, nothing more, That parted from the silver birch And ended at the farmhouse door.

No line or compass traced its plan; With frequent bends to left or right, In aimless, wayward curves it ran, But always kept the door in sight.

—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

LYNDEN TWELVE YEARS BACK

From Pacific Pilot, Feb. 18, 1904.

Attorney F. W. Bixby has purchased twenty feet on Front St. adjoining Joe Beck's hall site, and will at once commence the erection of a modern law office.

The petition praying for a new rural route out of this place east and south has been sent to Representative W. L. Jones. The proposed route covers a distance of 2 1/2 miles and would serve mail to 143 families.

H. Kok has commenced the erection of a fine large residence on the ranch he recently purchased from H. Barron.

Miss Pauline Handy is spending the week in Seattle.

Former residents of Michigan will give a supper tomorrow night. The following are on the program: Mrs. Benj. Shoemaker, Rev. Rinehart, Grace Flinn, Ben Loring, Hazel Seger, Rena Helder, Mrs. B. W. Loring, Reka Roo.

LAUREL AND WISER LAKE

The Guide Meridian is now open for autos and stages which are running on schedule time.

Harry Allen of Ten Mile who has been confined in a Bellingham hospital since his injuries from a dynamite explosion, is recovering and expects to return home as soon as the weather will permit.

The Daughters of Dorcas will meet with Mrs. W. L. Minturn and Mrs. Richardson at the home of the latter Thursday, February 17.

There was a debate at the auditorium Saturday night between Sumas and Laurel.

The Laurel school reopened Monday having been closed two weeks on account of cold weather and the roads being blocked with snow.

Never Again.

Not long ago a congressman sent to a constituent some horticultural seeds ranging in variety from flowers to vegetables. At their first subsequent meeting the recipient remarked: "I had a narrow escape with those pesky seeds. It was my fault, but I could not resist a chance to play a practical joke on a friend, a very attractive widow. I changed the envelopes containing the flower seeds and put in the flower envelopes lettuce, radishes and onions, telling her that they were furnished by the agricultural department and were strictly A. I impressed her with the efforts of the government to supply the best and of the vast sums expended for that purpose until she was persuaded to give them special attention. I was then called away from town and did not see her for six weeks. Returning, I called on the lady and casually inquired about the seeds.

"She answered, 'To tell you the truth, I haven't been out to the cemetery since they were planted. You said they were so fine that I concluded to plant them on my husband's grave.' "I made a quick getaway and proceeded to the cemetery, where I found a fresh crop of onions, lettuce and radishes growing upon the grave. I pulled them up, and you bet I've sworn off joking widows, with substitute flower seeds."—Boston Herald.

The Busy Bishop.

Shortly after Dr. Gore was appointed bishop of Worcester, England, the vicar of a Worcestershire parish was chatting with a friend about the affairs of the diocese.

"How do you get on with the new bishop?" asked the latter.

"For goodness' sake don't ask me!" was the reply. "They used to call the vicar of Worcester the 'dead see' because it was so old fashioned and sleepy, but now it ought to be called the 'red see,' because there's Gore all over the place!"

TOWNSHIPS HOLD THEIR PRIMARIES

Township primary elections held the interest of the citizens of the country districts this week. Lynden voted Tuesday, and Delta Wednesday.

Extraordinary interest was taken in the Lynden township primary. One hundred and seventy-one votes were cast, as against about 65 last year.

Returns of the Lynden township primary are as follows:

Supervisor, District No. 1—E. Zweegman, 64; L. Stremmer 88. Supervisor District No. 2—J. F. Ohlund, 88; S. B. Day, 63; F. M. Bloom 8.

Supervisor District No. 3—S. T. Shumway, 58; G. Veleke, 91. Clerk—F. P. Close, 75; Ren Van Diest, 79.

Assessor—M. Vander Griend, 61; G. H. Whipple, 78; William Jones, 26.

Treasurer—Neis Jacobson, 135. Justice of the Peace—M. Vander Griend, 108.

Constable—John Tehrnik, 106. One hundred and forty-three votes were cast at the Delta election, about the same number as last year. Returns were as follows:

Supervisor, 1 yr., Frank Weidkamp, 70; D. Vander Griend, 27.

Supervisor, 2 yrs., A. W. Wheeler, 80; W. H. Jackman, 55.

Supervisor, 3 yrs., O. E. Wilson, 89; P. Schuylerman, 20.

Clerk, John Axling, 122; B. C. Vander Griend, 17.

Treasurer, S. T. Jackman, 94; John Swope, 42.

Assessor H. Oldemeyer 56; W. E. Preston, 39.

Justice of the Peace, Mrs. P. O. Berthussen, 62; N. C. Hanson, 17.

Constable, P. O. Berthussen, 47; Gerrit Top, 46.

LEAP YEAR MINSTRELS SCHEDULED FOR FEB. 29

Feb. 29 is the date selected for the Leap Year Minstrels to be given by the Lynden Volunteer Fire Department for the benefit of the building fund. The production will be staged in Jamieson's Opera House.

An evening of merriment and song is promised by the Firemen. Some of the best local singers and comedians are included in the cast, which is rehearsing regularly.

The following are included among the players and managers: R. R. Helder, director of music; Wil Baldwin, vaudeville director; Gerrit Schuylerman and Jasper Van Rossum, firemen's committee; O. Collev, Fred Coley, Lund, Wm. Kelly, Wilder Jones, William Dor, George Hall, Lloyd Gil, Mark Hammond, J. L. Van Rossum, Jasper Seat, Henry Lindhout, Frank Bostwick.

Initiative measures proposed for submission to the voters at the general election November 7, were filed with Secretary of State I. M. Howell Friday providing for a preferential presidential primary, non-partisan primaries and elections for state and county offices; a first aid law for accident victims; a fish code placing taxes on all fish caught in the waters of the state, and a home rule bill giving cities power to regulate all public utilities and curtailing the powers of the public service commission.

The four measures were filed by Miss Lucy Case, of Seattle, secretary of the joint legislative committee of the state Grange, State Federation of Labor, Farmers' Union and Direct Legislation League.

The water commissioner and his assistants have been busy the past week thawing out frozen water pipes. They were not successful in thawing out the pipes which supplied the barber shops but did succeed in getting the tap opened on the vacant lot between the post office and Helder's shop and from this ran pipes above ground to the rear of the post office, jewelry store and the barber shops which supplies them temporarily with water and deprives The Tribune office of the semi-occasional visits of the proprietors of these business houses whose water pipes have been frozen up for a month.

A Lincoln anniversary service was held in the Methodist Church last Sunday evening. The sermon subject was "Lincoln the Christian." Washington's anniversary will be observed in connection with the evening service next Sunday. The pastor's topic will be "Washington and the New Freedom." The morning address in this church will be on "One Minded People." The Chorus Choir will render anthems at each service.

Instinct of Self Preservation Has Been Aroused In Nations

By DARWIN P. KINGSLEY, Life Insurance President and Financier

THE year 1916 could be made the first year in an epoch so important that it would change the calendar. Will that be its history? Probably not. Civilization can go no further under the leadership of the doctrine of unconditional sovereignty. So much is certain.

THE INSTINCT OF SELF PRESERVATION, WHICH IS JUST AS STRONG IN NATIONS AS IT IS IN MAN AND ANIMALS AND JUST AS NATURAL AND NECESSARY, HAS BEEN AROUSED. THAT IS WHY THE WORLD IS FIGHTING. FIGHTING IT OUT WILL SETTLE NOTHING UNLESS THIS DOCTRINE IS ABANDONED. THERE IS ROOM ENOUGH IN THE WORLD FOR ALL NATIONS, BUT UNDER THE COMPULSION OF UNCONDITIONED SOVEREIGNTY THE GREAT POWERS OF THE EARTH WOULD BE CROWDED IF PLACED ON THE PLANET JUPITER.

Not True Trade Follows Flag, but Flag Follows Investments

By Rear Admiral FRENCH E. CHADWICK, Retired, of the United States Navy

THE Monroe doctrine simply means that there should not be set up in the Americas any more special spheres of influence, that they should develop on their own lines, let them be good or bad.

WE TOOK A STAND THAT THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD HAD A RIGHT TO THEIR OWN SOUL BESIDES THE RIGHT TO LIVE IN SUCH PEACE AS THEY THEMSELVES COULD ESTABLISH WITHIN THEIR OWN BORDERS. LET US PUT FORWARD, THEREFORE, FOR ADOPTION BY THE WHOLE WORLD THE MONROE DOCTRINE AS THE DOCTRINE OF JUSTICE FOR ALL—VIZ, THAT THERE SHOULD NOWHERE EXIST ANY SPECIAL SPHERES OF INFLUENCE.

Imperialism has had its worst and most injurious development in recent years, its essence being land grabbing and the establishing of these spheres. Imperialism from a national standpoint does not pay; regarded as a means of assuring unearned incomes to governing classes it emphatically does.

IT IS NOT TRUE THAT TRADE FOLLOWS THE FLAG, BUT IT IS TRUE THAT THE FLAG FOLLOWS INVESTMENTS. NAVIES AND ARMIES ARE INSURANCE FOR CAPITAL OWNED ABROAD BY THE LEISURE CLASS OF A NATION. IT IS FOR THEM THAT EMPIRES AND SPHERES OF INFLUENCE EXIST. THE GREAT WAR NOW WAGING IS A CULMINATION OF EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN AND EXTEND THESE SPHERES.