

YEAR THAT IS GONE

A Review of Important Local Events in Historical Form.

Many Happenings of Town and County in Shape for Ready Reference.

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Engagement of W. H. Winfree and Miss Jane Rosa announced. Supreme court upheld the judgment of John H. Graham against the O. R. & N. for \$8000. The conviction of A. J. Symes for manslaughter was upheld by Supreme court and his sentence of 18 years affirmed. Week ending January 20.—Whitman County Poultry show held. Wheat 44 cents at Colfax. Bert Russell arrested for horse stealing. W. G. Campbell released on \$5000 bond. Northern Pacific compromised the lien land case of Jacob Slaght at Palouse; reported \$10,000 paid. Week ending January 27.—Northern Pacific surveyors started work on Union flat. Second National bank brought foreclosure proceedings against the People's Advocate. Flooding opened in the Little Alkali country. Palouse country imports Oregon potatoes at \$1.50 to \$1.75 a hundred. P. J. Flynn, charged with embezzlement of money of a piano house, went free on compromise. Marriage of E. K. Sheldon and Effie Goodwin. Eastern apple buyers visit the country in numbers. Baby weighing 1 1/2 pounds born to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brown at Colfax. February. For week ending February 3.—Small blizzard swept Palouse hills for six hours; wind 20 miles an hour, temperature 2 degrees above zero. Earl Bruner, 7 years old, was frozen to death near Tekoa, while walking three miles from school. Enrollment of Colfax schools, 686. W. G. Campbell arraigned in the superior court and pleaded not guilty of murder in first degree. Considerable wheat was sold at county prices at 4 1/2 to 4 3/4 cents. Geo. Ochs, 17 years old, of near Endicott, sent to asylum for insane. Week ending February 10.—O. R. & N. surveyors arrived at Colfax and went to work between town and Snake river. S. E. Coffin of Tekoa appointed superintendent of the county poor farm. Public meeting to honor the services of the Washington killed and wounded at Manila was held at the court house. Rehearing petition of Archie McGilvery, sentenced to six years for attempted rape, was turned down by supreme court. E. DeLashmutt of Rosalia jailed for whipping a baby of Mrs. Grunwald. He had a license to marry the woman when arrested. Chas. E. Metz stricken with paralysis. Week ending February 17.—Homes of Leroy Marbell and John Caplice burned in Colfax. John L. Spence, pioneer, died near Wilcox. Chas. E. Metz died at Colfax. Robert Marrs passed bogus checks at Colfax and was captured. Mrs. C. L. Mackenzie died in New Mexico. Mrs. Amanda O'Dell died in Union flat. John Hyder of Union put on trial for rape of his own daughter. Week ending February 24.—Bert Russell was given 15 days in jail for theft of a horse and saddle from a Colfax liveryman. Assessor advised \$4000 in land, which had been escaping taxation, to the roll. John Hyder was found guilty of rape upon his 15-year-old daughter. Alfred J. Symes was taken to the penitentiary to serve his sentence of 18 years for killing L. A. Conlee in 1895. Northern Pacific began buying right of way on Penawawa and Union flat. March. For week ending March 3.—Alfred Coldidge and associates secured control of the rich Rambler-Cariboo silver-lead mine in the Sloco, buying 100,000 shares. Some wheat sold at 46. Field assessors began their work. The \$8000 judgment won by J. H. Graham against the O. R. & N. for damages was paid. F. A. Sikes appointed by the governor a member of the state board of education. False report of death of Tracy Inman at Manila received. Week ending March 10.—Sensational affidavits accusing a juror of bias and prejudice were filed in the superior court in an application for a new trial in the Hyder case. Wm. Jackson, a pioneer farmer and shoemaker of Palouse, suicided at Spokane with strychnine. John Weston and George Cole were arrested for horse stealing, but released in Colton justice court. Mumps appeared in the city. Flows started about Colfax. Fire department was reorganized and placed upon better footing. Richard H. McLean of Tekoa, wounded in the first battle with Filipinos, died at Manila. Scarlet fever appeared in Colfax. Week ending March 17.—Archie McGilvery went to the penitentiary to begin his sentence of six years for attempted incest. County Commissioner Swank, who had previously been too ill to assume his duties, met with the board. A. D. Hayward, father of Mrs. H. P. James, died in Vermont. Frederick Clark found dead at Rosalia. Capt. Chas. Hopkins, father of C. B. Hopkins, died at Seattle. Mrs. N. T. Ellis died at Spokane. Week ending March 24.—John Ryder was granted a new trial by the superior court after being once convicted. Colfax telephone office was advanced to an all-night office. City council laid a license on slot machines. Mrs. John Batt died at Eugene, Oregon. Ed. Griffin, a wealthy farmer near Oakesdale was found dead in his bed. Week ending March 31.—Brakeman F. N. Cook was struck on the head and dangerously hurt by a hobo on a freight train. Treasurer Windus paid the annual interest charge of \$10,000 on the county bonds. City council made a fruitless effort to locate a sufficient pure water supply for the city up Spring flat. Zell M. Beebe sold his cigar store to Badley & Zehner and retired from business. April. For week ending April 7.—Mrs. Sarah M.

Davis, died. Richard Barrett was arrested for assault on Brakeman Cook. Board of trade organized at Colfax with 101 members. Louis Champeau was arrested for insanity. Farmers presented a strong petition to the commissioners asking for a bounty on squirrels. Week ending April 14.—H. W. Canfield chosen as president of the board of trustees of the state agricultural college. Camp of Modern Woodmen of America organized at Colfax. North Palouse river inundated Poverty flat in North Colfax. Prof. Read again installed as manager of the band. Dr. B. R. Mitchell killed on Palouse grade by overturning of his buggy. Attempt made to hold up Chas. De France in Buck canyon failed. Peaches in the side gulches along Snake river killed by frost. Week ending April 21.—Colfax chamber of commerce placed in good working order and committees appointed. F. Arthur Shaw returned from Honolulu. Mrs. Barbara Stravens died, aged 41. Andrew Johnson killed beneath a granite block at the quarry at Granite point. Oscar Carlson, deaf mute, killed by a train at Tekoa. County assessment closed. Mrs. R. H. Martens blew off top of her head at Glenwood. Dr. Stubb appointed county physician. Daughter of Geo. Tenpero burned to death near Kamia. Week ending April 28.—Odd Fellows celebrated the 80th anniversary of founding of the order in America. Body of Medora Clendenen, who suicided at Lewistown, found in Snake river at Long hollow. Smallpox appears at Tekoa. Wheat 43 cents at Colfax. Farm house of R. E. Matlock, Pleasant valley, burned. C. R. Gary, run over by a freight train near Riparia, died at hospital. Mrs. Carl J. Lloyd died at Elberton. Miss Zula Catlett of Winona died. May. For week ending May 5.—Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Blair left for Joplin, Mo., to remain. Prof. Brinsmead enlisted in sixteenth infantry. Colfax postoffice again raised from third to second class office. High water caused trouble among log drivers. Week ending May 12.—Crops promised well. County had 54 cases before supreme court. Miss Ione Fleming died suddenly at Colfax. Colfax assessment: Real estate, \$275,654; improvements thereon, \$268,645. Total, \$544,299. Harvey Stinson arrested for stealing horse at Colville. O. R. & N. began construction of new depot at Colfax. C. H. Fisher, Oakesdale warehouseman, arrested for shipping wheat without consent of owners. Wm. Andrews died at age of 73. James Dabney arrested for raising and cashing check. Two horses stolen from R. Richards near St. John by escaping dynamiters from the Coeur d'Alenes. Week ending May 19.—Pat Dowling dragged and badly hurt by runaway team. Chas. Dixon, wanted for embezzlement of railroad funds at Tekoa, captured near Lane, Idaho, and brought to Colfax jail. Richard Barrett, supposed assailant of Brakeman Cook, released for lack of proof. John Mohr shot in the neck by C. H. Brumfield in a lively duel near Sunset. Assessed valuation of town real estate in county, \$1,610,000. Week ending May 26.—John Ryder sentenced by Judge McDonald to four years in prison. James Dabney, check raiser, got one year in penitentiary. Left foot of Theo. Smith amputated. Prof. Hanson appointed superintendent of Colfax schools. Horticultural society organized at Garfield. June. For week ending June 2.—W. G. Campbell on trial for murder of James Hardwick. Memorial day appropriately observed. Big warehouse collapsed at Elberton. Diplomas issued to 35 eighth grade pupils of county as result of examination. Nine high school pupils graduated at Colfax schools. Lodge of Maccabees organized at Colfax. Crop prospects excellent. Temperance conference held at Colfax. Jury in case of J. W. Clark, assault, discharged. Reunion of county veterans held at Palouse. Week ending June 9.—Jury acquitted W. G. Campbell of charge of murder. John Hyder and James Dabney taken to penitentiary. Council figured on new sewers. H. A. Chadwick died aged 75. Elizabeth Swenditch appointed to free scholarship at Agricultural college by commissioners. Chas. Espey killed by train near Garfield. Rev. G. J. Dahlke put in jail for abduction of a Kansas man's wife. The Gazette made official county paper. C. N. Hinchliff moved his store from Elberton to Colfax. Week ending June 16.—W. J. Hamilton and R. A. Mills elected school directors and E. K. Sheldon clerk. Entertainment for benefit of homeless children netted \$40. Having begun in the alfalfa fields of western Whitman. Council accepted sewer plans and resolved to construct. Sheep shearing is over in western part of county. Diphtheria appeared at Colfax. Week ending June 23.—Democratic central committee met. James Woodruff sentenced to four years for cattle stealing. Bert Hayden, one year in county jail. Real estate assessment was increased \$300,000 over previous year. Thos. Ross sentenced to four years in penitentiary for robbery at Pullman. Blackleg in cattle appeared near Pine City. Fred Doremus awarded \$15,100 in damage case against the O. R. & N. Mary Einsidler secured a verdict of \$2000 against county for damages in a bridge accident at Guy. Week ending June 30.—Colfax citizens decided on a free county fair. One case of smallpox was found at Colfax. Three days' picnic held at Elberton. Brilliant meteor sailed over Colfax. Meeting of dairymen at Colfax called off because of smallpox. Chet Hardesty and Casey, who stole Lair's horse, captured at Silver City, Idaho, for robbery there. Morrell Hughes arrested for cattle stealing. Charlie Walters stabbed by Wyatt boys at Elberton. Uniforms received for Company B. July. For week ending July 7.—Dr. Coffey and party nearly poisoned by drinking water from a barrel formerly containing vitrol. Smallpox case at Farmington. Chas. Dixon set free. Relatives paid railroad all money embezzled. Gen. Tannatt resigned as regent of agricultural college. Postoffice at Palouse burglarized, but nothing of value taken. Roby Gragg badly cut his wife, Mrs. Carroll and himself at his farm near Steptoe. Company B took first prize in drill at Tacoma. Week ending July 14.—Company B banqueted by citizens on return from Tacoma. Contract for collection of old taxes made by commissioners with Hanna and Hargrave. Congressman Cushman addressed militiamen and citizens at Colfax. Smallpox case at Belmont. Week ending July 21.—Colfax Hardware Company sold to Barroll & Mohney. Census shows 803 children of school age in Colfax district. Thermometers marked well up in the 90s.

Store of La Crosse Mercantile company burned. Mrs. Mary Davis died, aged 72. James Milne, pioneer, died, aged 73. L. F. Bull's home burned at Hay. Week ending July 28.—Earl McClaskey of Palouse, 18 years old, sent to asylum for insanity. Arden, little son of J. M. Hobbs, Cedar creek, accidentally poisoned by acid. Miss Willie Woodward assigned as teacher of Colfax school. Contractors on Snake river railroad find difficulty in keeping men. August. For week ending August 4.—New school board held its first meeting. Cy. Neel sold wool at 12 cents a pound. Vernie Easum died from diphtheria. Preparations for the free fair well under way. Council orders city engineer to lay out five new sewer districts. The increase in total assessed valuation of county property over last year is nearly a million dollars, in actual figures \$984,373. Telitha Edwards of Tekoa, a girl of 14, is taken into custody for incorrigibility. Week ending August 11.—Henry J. Sutton of Palouse captured at Spokane. Big fire at Garfield destroyed six business houses. Threshing machines ready to start. Smallpox case at Garfield. Recalling for Thirty-fifth infantry in progress at Colfax, with good results. Aaron Kuhn sold 80,000 bushels of wheat at Portland. Colfax smallpox patient cured; no other cases. Tracy Inman, once reported killed at Manila, returned. Week ending August 18.—Children of school age in county, 3046—males 1630, females 1416. Heavy rains did some damage to crops. Grain sacks quoted at 8 1/2 cents. Recruiting office at Colfax closed—29 enlistments. M. A. Carleton, agent of the agricultural department, visited the county to secure Paris exposition samples. O. R. & N. and N. P. companies made a six months' truce which called off construction work on proposed Snake and Clearwater railroads. Week ending August 25.—Roby Gragg was fined \$1 for hacking his wife to pieces and \$50 in the case of her friend, Mrs. Carroll. Mrs. Gragg was given a divorce. Elmer Bellinger returned from the Philippines. James Templeton badly hurt in a runaway on Almo grade out of Colfax. Frederick Mohr, pioneer, died near Cheney. County commissioners adjourned as board of equalization. No complaints worth waiting for came in. Buck Stuart of Diamond reported a wheat yield of 32 bushels an acre from 55 acres. School apportionment of \$28,901.35 was made to the county. September. For week ending September 1.—R. S. Mattoon, insane, sent to Medical Lake. R. M. Johnston sold 2640 sheep to Yakima buyers at \$3.50 a head. Mrs. Nixon, an aged lady, was killed near Palouse by a mistake of a drug clerk. He gave her potassium cyanide. New wheat began coming in. Floyd Lambert, 3 years old, killed by a train near Farmington. James Templeton died at hospital from injuries received in a runaway. Sheriff orders closing of all saloons on Sundays. Week ending September 8.—Colfax saloons all closed doors on Sunday. Chairman Hinchliff of the commissioners asked that county books be expeted for three years. Rev. H. P. James went to Boston to attend Congregational council. Hiram Harper arrested for assault on M. Dychman. John Aldridge arrested for drawing gun on A. R. Milne. Ben Manchester's threshing blown up by smut dust. Telephone line extended to Mockonema, Lee Strait, and near Endicott. Week ending September 15.—Smut dust blew up and destroyed threshers of Geo. Howell, near Colfax, and Henry Hatterhagen, Uniontown. But one of 47 applicants for teachers' certificates secured first grade; 22 second, and 11 third grades. Eleven failed. Deputy Prosecutor Warner resigned. C. J. Voolies stole span of mares from Mr. Parkum near Oakesdale and was captured at Walla Walla. Frelinghuysen Stilson returned for third time to asylum for insane. Lodge of Maccabees reorganized at Colfax. Week ending September 22.—Bright, warm harvest weather prevailed. Foresters of America organized at Colfax. R. W. Roberts of Garfield appointed deputy county engineer. J. D. Stonestreet shot and wounded by George Perkins at Rosalia. D. T. Clark badly cut up in a mowing machine near Garfield. Construction of armory for Co. L, Colfax, begun. Week ending September 29.—C. Jensen arrested for attempt to defraud hotel. Held in \$25 bail, forfeited. Hairy weather excellent. E. P. Thurston, near Pullman, reported Red Russian wheat of 50 acres yielding 73 bushels an acre. Wm. Willoughby, Guy, reports 52 bushels Red Russian on 35 acres, and 49 bushels club on 40 acres. October. For week ending October 6.—Council let sewer contracts to P. Costello for \$10,636. Wm. Morrison escaped from chain gang with 17 days to serve. He was recaptured at Waukegan and sentenced to 90 days additional for breaking from custody. Wheat at Colfax, 44 cents. Harvest near close, with bright weather. Two thugs held up a Farmington saloon for \$200. Japanese section house robbed at Sunset of \$600 check and \$45 cash. Commissioners laid tax levy in 19 mills. Two mills was for redemption of bonds. The school levy was raised a mill. City tax levy fixed at 12 1/2 mills. Harry Hall arrested for robbery of John Peltier at Pullman. Rodney Morrison former Colfax policeman, sent to asylum for insane. Congressman Jones visited Colfax. Week ending October 13.—W. C. Fudge resigned as county treasurer's clerk. Thumb of Bertie Brown pulled out by roots by a rope while leading a horse behind a buggy. R. A. Alcorn took strychnine at Colfax, but failed to die. Den Downs arrested for running "blind pig" at Guy, fined \$250. Fine was forgiven by the court. Threshing outfits pulling in. Quarterly report of treasurer showed \$83,707.99 on hand, and \$12,000 in cash. Week ending October 20.—Chas. Rivers, fined \$250 by Judge McDonald for assault on Rev. Rose at Oakesdale, released by court order after serving about half his sentence. Free fair was a great success; crowds large, and money full. B. L. Newkirk of Guy, 80 years old, sent to asylum for insane. Week ending October 27.—Sandy Nelson, harness and buggy thief, badly shot by Marshal Deatherage at Oakesdale, while running from arrest. Wm. Bureleigh arrested for horse stealing near Palouse. C. A. Voorhies sentenced to five years in prison for horse stealing. Citizens prepare to welcome returning soldiers. Smallpox again appeared at Palouse. Alex. Endley held up by highwaymen at Colfax and robbed of \$38. Fruit Inspector Harrison destroyed infested nursery stock at Farmington and Garfield. Voorhies, horse thief, and Hall, charged

with burglary, almost escaped jail by sawing through roof. November. For week ending November 3.—Small son of W. M. Colvin drowned in a rain barrel at Colfax. Mrs. Sarah J. Reed of Winona and Carrie Maria of Lewiston were sent to asylum for insanity. Cy. Neel lost 46 head of sheep from too much wheat. F. P. Wegstein appointed clerk for treasurer. John Crabb fined \$50 for theft of a saddle. Week ending November 10.—Commissioners called on Judge McDonald to dispense with services of his brother John as bailiff. Judge refused. Mails weighed out of Colfax for 35 days, 8460 pounds, 668 first class. John Smith of Winona, arrested by sheriff for carrying a "walking pig," was fined \$100 by Judge McDonald, but he was let off on payment of \$10 costs. Corporals T. B. Richart and Chas. Schmidt and Andrew Amos returned from Philippines. Wheat 38 cents at Colfax. Northern Pacific paid for right of way along Penawawa Creek. E. F. Totten and family left for Oregon to reside. Week ending November 17.—City schools in very prosperous condition. Northern Pacific railway relinquished about 60 contested lien land claims to settlers. Commissioners leased county property for three years for \$75,000. Returned soldiers were royally welcomed by a big meeting of citizens at the court house. Week ending November 24.—Main street school at Colfax temporarily closed because of diphtheria. Sandy Nelson, thief, sent to prison for nine years. School apportionment of \$12,761.25 made to county. John Dodson acquitted of horse stealing charge. Morrell Hughes cleared of cattle stealing. Harry Hall cleared of burglary. Wm. Bureleigh discharged on horse stealing charge. J. W. Clark cleared on assault and battery complaint. School roll of honor, neither absent nor tardy during first term, contained 116 names. Name of Co. B. changed to Co. L. December. For week ending December 1.—Judge McDonald held a bar meeting. City convention nominated same old officers. Diphtheria scare subsided. Security State Bank of Palouse won its tax case against the county. Judge McDonald is after the commissioners for mutilation of records because they cut down doctor's fees in insanity cases. Week ending December 8.—A. J. Knight arrested for resisting a tax collector. City Clerk McCord badly hurt by falling down stairs. Populist Chairman Carper seriously ill. Winona expects car shops. Rainfall was heavy. City election quiet, with but 124 votes. Bounty for coyote scalps is continued indefinitely by the commissioners. Week ending December 15.—Populists held what they called a central committee meeting. Hiestand, Warner & Co., pressed by creditors. Lydia Nicholas died at hospital. J. R. Stutz resigned as county physician. Colfax high school pupils organized a literary society. For week ending December 22.—Hiestand, Warner & Co. forced into involuntary bankruptcy. Diphtheria again appears at Colfax. New sewers completed and accepted. Schools closed for the holidays. Oliver Hall appointed commissioner of arid lands. Hundredth anniversary of Washington's death observed by Masons. J. R. Hughey died at St. John. Week ending December 29.—Fleming Co., Colfax, assigned to trustee for benefit of creditors. Auditor Corner refused to draw warrants for \$2.80 each for doctors, as ordered by Judge McDonald. Christmas weather springlike. Residence of Will McK Clifford on Park street burned. Anderson Wait died at Elberton. Julia Wood, negro, sent to asylum for insane. Cy. Neel sold wool at 16 cents a pound. Christmas was appropriately observed at churches and by family gatherings. In Illinois' Early Days. Teaming to Chicago is a favorite topic of the early settlers, and many pleasing anecdotes are told of those long and weary, though oftentimes hilarious, trips. It always required a week, and sometimes longer, to make the journey. 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He wrote immediately in reply, expressing the great pleasure he would have in making his correspondent's acquaintance, principally on account of the high terms in which he had always heard his father speak of the author of "Monte-Christo."—Rival. Head of the House. McSwatters—Where is your mother-in-law now? McSwatters—We are living with her. McSwatters—What! I thought you owned a house? McSwatters—I did till she came.—Syracuse Herald. If silence is ever golden, it must be beside the graves of men whose lives were more significant than speech, and whose death was a poem, the music of which can never be sung. PLAYED OUT. Dull Headache, Pains in various parts of the body, Sinking at the pit of the stomach, Loss of appetite, Feverishness, Pimples or Sores are all positive evidences of impure blood. No matter how it became so, it must be purified in order to obtain good health. Acker's Blood Elixir has never failed to cure Scrofulous or Syphilitic poisons or any other blood diseases. 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