

WANTS BIG DAMAGES

Frank Huber, While Drunk, Fell in the River.

Rambled Down Main Street in Mud up to His Ankles Trying to Find the Depot.

Frank Huber, the man from Anatone, Asotin county, who wandered down Main street one stormy night last November trying to find a short cut to the O. R. & N. depot, was in mud up to his ankles in his restless effort to get to his train about an hour before it was due, has filed his long-contemplated suit against the city of Colfax for \$10,000. The complaint was filed with the clerk of the superior court and is brought because of injuries alleged to have been sustained by him when he fell over the embankment into the South Palouse river at the corner of Main and Island.

Huber alleges that he fell up against a rock wall into the mud and water of the river; that he was injured so severely that he is now unable to perform his usual avocation. Shortly after Huber fell in the river his attorney, J. T. Brown, presented a claim to the city council asking for \$10,000 damages and the council investigated the case and concluded that the man was entitled to nothing. It was not through the negligence of the city that the man fell into the river while in a drunken condition thereby losing the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of the north half, or any other portion, of his ear. Huber was not injured so bad but that he could walk from the scene of action to Stuart's drug store after being fished out of the river by a passerby who discovered him in his plight. The cold bath Huber had taken sobered him a little, but even while the doctor was dressing the bruises the man would cry and sing by noise. Huber came from the land of Kaiser Wilhelm many years ago and declared that he had "marched with Sherman to sea, but never had so many troubles right away." He also said that he "would from Colfax have damages yet." According to his complaint he has damages yet.

For Teachers' Institute.

Programs are out announcing the Whitman county teachers' institute to be held in Colfax from March 30 to April 3. Superintendent McCroskey is making the arrangements and promises the teachers a good institute. Among the list of instructors are O. L. Waller, G. W. Beach and C. V. Piper of the Agricultural college; Lewis B. Alger and Miss Mabel E. Bray of the Cheney normal; Miss L. L. West and Miss Cora Goodnight of the Rosalia public schools; J. L. Dumas of the Pullman public schools; Edward T. Mathes of the state normal at Whatcom; Miss Florence Bosworth of the Oakesdale public schools; N. D. Showalter of the Farmington public schools; H. C. Blair of the Blair business college, Spokane, and Mrs. E. C. Morgan of the Colfax public schools. Lectures will be delivered by E. A. Bryan, president of the W. A. C.; W. G. Beach, professor of economic science at the W. A. C. and E. T. Mathes, principal of the Whatcom normal.

The institute will convene at 9 o'clock Monday morning, March 30. The forenoon sessions will be held in the High school building, South Colfax, and the afternoon and evening sessions will be held at the court house. The school officers of the county, the professors and teachers of all private and religious schools, and the public generally have a cordial invitation to be present at any and all meetings. The program as arranged gives promise for much that is good in instruction and will no doubt be of interest to all. This institute is the twenty-second annual session.

Board of Health Meets.

The board of health of the city of Colfax met in the council chamber Wednesday evening to consider the health condition of the city. The board instructed the city marshal to notify property owners to clean up their premises and place them in as healthy a condition as possible. This order of the board was considered necessary from the fact that a number of residences in Colfax are under quarantine for smallpox. As soon as the quarantine is raised, which may be some time next week, all houses which have been carrying yellow flags will have to be fumigated and the premises thoroughly cleaned, in order to destroy the plague germs. In the meantime all citizens should do all in their power to comply with the orders of the board of health, so that the danger from the spread of any disease may be lessened as much as possible. From the present outlook the board has the plague well under control, as no new cases are developing outside of the houses where the yellow flag is shown. There appears to be no immediate danger of the disease spreading outside of the afflicted families.

Changes in School Law.

Much school legislation was enacted by the legislature just closed, most of which does not go into effect until about June 12. The bill restoring penalties for the violation of school laws, however, carried an emergency clause and is therefore now in full force and effect. This bill, in general terms, simply restores chapter 11 of the Code of Public Instruction, which was declared void by the supreme court in May, 1901. The only material changes in this chapter are those prescribing penalties for assisting or coaching teachers and eighth grade pupils in the taking of examinations, and the making of false reports by teachers, principals and superintendents. The penalty for the latter offense is the forfeiture of the certificate of the offender. This provision is aimed especially at those who make false reports in regard to attendance. For financial reasons the new school laws cannot be published before August 1, but a brief digest of all material amendments will be published and distributed as soon as certified copies of the new laws are obtained from the secretary of state.

I will buy or sell your land right now, if your price is right. Write me at once. H. L. Moody, Box 1074, Spokane, Wash.

The Chicago Millinery Store will have on display their entire line of spring millinery, March 27th, 28th, Friday and Saturday, and following days.

INSURE WITH SNYDER & McDOWELL.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Stoneberger have returned from California, where they spent the winter visiting.

Representative and Mrs. Charles L. MacKenzie returned Sunday from Olympia.

Robert Ewart, son of Postmaster Ewart, came down from Spokane Saturday and visited with his parents. He intends to go to Aberdeen.

Joe Stark returned Friday from a two months' visit with relatives and friends at his old home in Missouri.

Representative J. A. Dix returned to his home in Garfield Saturday from Olympia and his friends and neighbors gave him a most pleasing reception.

I. B. Harris, who has been visiting relatives and friends at his old home in Rhode Island for the past two months, has returned home.

Dr. J. D. Campbell and Dr. J. C. Marshall arrived in Colfax Saturday from their homes in Tennessee, and are visiting at the home of Dr. T. D. Ferguson, an old time friend.

Attorney and Mrs. M. O. Reed left Sunday for a three weeks' trip to San Francisco, where Mr. Reed goes on business connected with his mining interests.

Miss Myrtle Ringer visited relatives and friends in Pullman this week.

Attorney Parker W. Kimball of Pullman was a Colfax visitor Monday.

Julius Lippitt and family, and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hamilton are expected home from California about April 1.

W. M. Martzall arrived Monday from Portland, where he spent the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Pope, who have recently sold their ranch near Garfield, will remove to Colfax to reside.

Howard Bramwell and Chas. Kennel went to Spokane Monday, where they attended the funeral of the late D. Wolfard.

Mrs. S. J. Chadwick and daughter Elizabeth left last week for Chicago, where the little girl will receive medical treatment. They were accompanied by Miss Mary Chadwick of Salem, Oregon.

S. M. Davis, a prominent citizen of Pullman, was in Colfax Tuesday on business.

Representative E. J. Durham of Colton was in Colfax yesterday, en route home from Olympia, where he has been during the session of the legislature.

G. W. Milleson, the sign painter, left Thursday for Kalispell, Mont., where he goes for a business trip. He is contemplating locating in the Montana town if things "look good."

C. J. Halsey, who has been a resident of Whitman county for 19 years, has sold his farm and left Thursday for Saginaw, Mich., intending to remain.

Mrs. G. A. Chapman and children are expected home Sunday from California.

W. C. White, yeoman in the quartermaster department on the battleship Wisconsin, now at Bremerton navy yard, spent several days this week visiting his old friend and schoolmate, Geo. E. Canfield.

Miles Miller is in Colton this week, where he was called by the illness of his daughter, Mary, who is attending the convent there.

Mrs. Frank Warren, who has been the guest of Mrs. Howard Bramwell, returned Monday to her home at Harrison, Idaho.

Civil Service Examinations.

The civil service commissioner has issued a notice that examinations for carriers for the rural free delivery routes terminating in Colfax will be held in the near future. A vacancy is to exist on R. F. D. No. 2 and, according to the department instructions, applicants must stand a civil service examination. This examination is not severe and anyone who has been a resident for one year upon the route can take the examination. The person standing the best test will secure the appointment. All applicants must be prepared to furnish their own horse and cart for the delivery of the mails. Any person desiring to take the examination should leave their name with Postmaster Ewart at the Colfax postoffice. When the date for the examination is set Postmaster Ewart will notify all those who have placed their application for the examination with him. A circular to this effect is posted in the Colfax office and anyone desiring further information can see the same at any time.

Will Lay Water Mains.

The line of water main which was to have been placed in the north end of Colfax last fall will soon be laid if the weather continues to be pleasant. It was found necessary to postpone the work last year from the fact that the factory could not deliver the pipe and accessories in time for the completion of the contract before freezing weather set in. Jas. H. Fife, who has the contract, came down from Spokane last week and is ready to commence the work, the material having arrived in the interval since the postponing of the work. At the council meeting last Monday evening it was decided that Mr. Fife should start the work at the earliest possible date. The contractor thinks he can have the work completed within 30 days. The excavation for the pipe will commence at once. The contract calls for the laying of 1400 feet of 6-inch mains. The residents of the north end will soon be supplied with city water.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of letters remaining unclaimed for in the Colfax postoffice, March 20, 1908: Butler, Chas. Doughton, Mrs. Sarah E. Edmond, Miss Daisy Finch, Walter Howard, Miss Mabel Hopkins, Robt A. Jennings, Miss Delpha Lee, James W. Miller, Miss Jane Morris, Mrs. M. H. Moore, James Warren, T. J. Woods, Will.

One cent postage will be collected. JAMES EWART, P. M.

Madam U. E. Fehr has opened dress making parlors at her residence 318 Perkins Av. Street suits, reception dresses. Tailor suits a specialty. All work guaranteed first class.

For Sale. Fifty head No. 1 stock cattle, 1 to 6 years old; matched driving team; top buggy and harness; household goods, etc. Can be found on ranch or at Endicott. W. M. Martzall, Endicott.

For Rent. Farm of 35 acres, with house, barn, well and orchard. Splendid place for poultry and garden. Half mile from Colfax. J. E. Nessly, Colfax, Wash.

Take your poultry to Moore.

WHO IS TELLING FIBS?

Colfax Firemen are Hot on Mr. MacKenzie's Trail.

They Say he is Either Resourceful With His Imagination, or Handles Truth Lightly.

Colfax, Wash., March 17.—Editor Gazette: We address this communication to you with the hope that you may see fit to publish it. The members of the Colfax fire department have been grossly misrepresented by Representative Charles L. MacKenzie upon the floors of the legislature which has just adjourned, if the following letter, which we ask you to publish in this connection is true. This letter was received by the chief of the Colfax fire department from E. B. Raymond, chief of the Olympia fire department, and speaks for itself. The letter follows:

Olympia, Wash., March 11, '08.—Chief Fire Dept., Colfax, Wash. Dear Sir: On the floor of the legislature yesterday Mr. MacKenzie, your representative, said that he was secretary of a fire company in your city. And still he put up a hard fight against the bill introduced by the Pacific Coast Association of Fire Chiefs for the taxation of insurance companies 1 per cent of all premiums collected in cities of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd class, for the fire department. I think the firemen of Colfax ought to see that Mr. MacKenzie does not get a chance to repeat them. Hoping that I am not taking too much liberty, I remain yours sincerely,

E. B. RAYMOND, Chief Fire Dept.

In the first place we wish it understood that we are not in any manner criticizing Mr. MacKenzie for working against the bill referred to, for we have never seen a copy and therefore are not in a position to judge its merits. What we wish to call attention to in this matter is the fact that if Mr. MacKenzie made the statements accredited to him by Mr. Raymond that he has done the Colfax fire department a great injury. Not only this, but he has placed the city of Colfax in a very bad light before the members of the legislature and the state at large. It is also quite reasonable to suppose that the representatives of the various insurance companies doing business in this state will make a memorandum of his statements and consider them as correct, when in fact there is no truth in them. You can readily see what effect such things will have upon insurance rates in Colfax if Mr. MacKenzie is allowed to have said.

Mr. MacKenzie was made a member of Engine Co. No. 1 on August 22, 1899. He was elected secretary of that organization at the regular meeting in January, 1900 and resigned his office at the regular meeting in June of the same year. During the five months which he held the office of secretary, he only officiated at one meeting. Mr. MacKenzie has never paid but one year's dues, and consequently can hardly be considered a member at this time, although he has always been very prompt to call for his pay every time he has attended a fire. The minute book of the company is open for inspection at any time and anyone who cares to may see for themselves that Mr. MacKenzie did not make one single true statement in his speech as quoted by Mr. Raymond, chief of the Olympia fire department. At the very beginning he has been a member of the company less than four years and has not been secretary since June, 1900.

As to the statement that "only three or four men of the city department ever turned out to a fire," it would seem that Mr. MacKenzie was able to juggle the truth in a most interesting manner. We do not need to refute that statement, for it is false upon the very face. The city spent something like \$200.00 for rubber coats, hats and boots, but it is the height of absurdity for a man to make a statement that "all of them had been appropriated by three men." Had the gentleman ever attended a fire meeting he would have known better. As a matter of fact, all of the goods purchased by the city are at the stations and are in the care of the foremen of the various old companies and have been all of the time, with the exception of one coat, which was burned in the fire at the mill.

Just what object Mr. MacKenzie could have had in making the statements accredited to him, it is hard to see. Either he is a very resourceful man with his imagination, or he handles the truth lightly. In either event he has proven himself as unfriendly to the best interests of the Colfax fire department, of which he poses as a member. It would be interesting to know what the gentleman has to say for himself. Thanking you in advance, we are yours for the good of the fire department,

D. J. IRWIN, Chief.
O. SLATE, Assn't Chief,
G. W. MILLESON, Secy.
W. L. HUNTER, Foreman.

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Wanted—Girl for general housework. Apply to Mrs. B. Burgunder.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

George M. Carey has sold his interest in the real estate firm of Carey & Snyder to V. B. McDowell. The new firm will be known as Snyder & McDowell and will continue in business at the same old stand. Mr. Carey has not decided what business he will go into.

People in the country have telephoned in to the stores to find out whether it is safe for them to come to town to trade as long as the quarantine is in force. There is absolutely no danger for people to come to Colfax to trade. The only quarantine which exists in Colfax is against the individual residences where members of families have either been exposed to the plague or are confined with the smallpox. All other citizens are at perfect liberty to be about town at any and all times, so long as they stay away from the houses which are under the yellow flag.

Chas. F. Stuart has a window display in his store which attracts considerable comment. Among the different articles displayed is a miniature set of garden tools—just such playthings as a small boy would delight in. Above these toy hoes, spades, rakes, etc., is a sign reading: "Bill Curry's farming implements." All that Bill can say regarding the display is that "Charley is trying to play a stack of evens," but to the man up a tree that sounds like—well you know what it sounds like.

The old Hulin barn and fruit dryer in the south end are being remodeled and made into one by Striker & Sons, who will open a livery stable.

The interior of the Christian church is being treated to new coats of paper and paint, greatly to its benefit in appearance.

John Striker was arrested Wednesday by Marshal Weinberg and taken before Justice Kirkland, where he was tried as a vagrant and placed under \$100 bond to keep the peace, in default of which he was given into the custody of the sheriff for 30 days. Striker has been around town for some days and has been drunk all of the time. After his money gave out he was in the habit of asking whoever he met for a two bit piece. He should be able to get duly sober in 30 days.

The county treasurer has collected \$121,304 in taxes since February 1. The people of Whitman county are paying their taxes this year with a promptness never before known in the history of the treasurer's office. This is one of the best indications of prosperous times.

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H. W. GOFF, Colfax, Wash.

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Wanted—Girl to work in telephone office.

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