

### CITY COUNCIL MEETS

#### Citizens Petition for Purchase of Park Site.

#### Committee of Ladies Offer Services of Athenaeum Club in Cleaning Up and Beautifying the City.

The city council met in regular session Monday evening with Mayor Davenport in the chair and all councilmen present with the exception of Johnson.

Bills were examined and allowed and warrants ordered drawn on the respective funds, as follows: Current expense fund, \$709.20; water fund, \$98.50; pipe fund, \$11,709.91.

A committee, composed of Mesdames Dr. Wilson Johnson, Julius Lippitt, James Cairnes and R. H. Lacey, from the Athenaeum club, waited on the council and offered the co-operation of the club with the city fathers in cleaning up and beautifying the city, procuring site for park, etc. On motion the matter was referred to the street committee, who were empowered to act in conjunction with the ladies.

A petition bearing the signatures of 58 citizens, comprising representatives of practically every business house in the city, was filed asking the council to buy ground for a park, and recommending block 11 of Prescott & Perkins addition formerly used as base ball grounds, as being the most feasible for the purpose. This matter was also referred to the street committee.

Building permits were granted to the following: L. S. Nordyke, Potlatch Lumber company, H. I. Willis and G. N. Palmer.

Copy of an ordinance passed by the city council of Elberton, granting the right-of-way for the pipe line through the corporate limits of that city, with conditions imposed, was read, approved and accepted.

Two ordinances were introduced and passed the first and second reading and were referred to the judiciary committee. One is for the regulation of bowling alleys and fixing a license of \$10 per annum for each alley. The other is for the regulation of saloons, and repeals the present ordinance.

On motion Right-of-way agent Banker was authorized to make settlement for the balance of right-of-way for pipe line.

The water committee reported favorably on the extension of water mains on Cooper street.

On motion the city clerk was instructed to advertise for bids for sprinkling streets for the season of 1905.

#### TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

#### Supt. McCroskey Has Spared No Pains to Make It a Success.

All teachers and others who are interested in educational work are reminded that Teacher's Institute will be held in Colfax April 3 to 7 inclusive. Superintendent McCroskey has spared no work to make this the best institute ever held in Whitman county, and from the list of educational men which will address the teachers during the week we think he has succeeded in obtaining the very best educators in the state. The instructors whom Mr. McCroskey has been able to obtain are Professor A. H. Yoder of the state university; Principal H. C. Sampson of the Washington state college; Principal E. T. Mathies of the state normal at Bellingham, and F. M. McCully, deputy state superintendent. Music will also be a feature of the institute. W. B. Strong, professor of music at the Washington state college, has been obtained to direct the music. The "Institute Glee Club," together with a number of local talent, will render special music during the week. The program for the week will consist of section work in the forenoon at the high school building and assembly periods in the afternoon at the court house.

Monday evening the Colfax teachers will give a reception at the court house for the visitors. Wednesday evening Prof. W. G. Beach of the W. S. C. will lecture on "Some phases of the Russian-Japanese contest." Special rates of 1 1/2 fare for the round trip will be made by the railroad companies to all wishing to attend.

#### A PLEASING ENTERTAINMENT.

#### Home Talent Produced the Comedy "Jane" at the Ridgeway.

The comedy "Jane," which was put on at the Ridgeway last Friday night, under the auspices of the Eastern Star, was a great success. The entire cast were Colfax people, and under the direction of Wm. Edgar Graham the entertainment was superior to that given by many professional companies who have played here. The big hit of the evening was made by "Baby" Ewart, 8 months old. He was tossed and wooled about in a manner that would have sent the average infant into hysterics, but he seemed to think the whole performance was gotten up for his especial benefit, and laughed and crowned throughout the ordeal, while his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Ewart, were holding their breath for fear he would be dropped. Each member of the company maintained the part assigned to it in a very creditable manner, and there was not a hitch from start to finish.

Miss Lucy Hogan as Mrs. Chadwick, Miss Stella Perkins as Jane, V. T. McCroskey as William, Bert Kuhn as Claud, Reginald Jones as Mr. Kershaw and Herman Schmidt as Charles Shakleton, deserve special mention.

Between the first and second acts Mrs. S. J. Chadwick sang "My Mercedes," and was rewarded with an encore, to which she responded with "Three Little Words." Miss Louise Adelberg sang "Why Adam Sinned," and as an encore sang "You Mustn't Pick Plums From My Plum Tree." Between the second and third acts Edwin C. Baird sang "Sail, Ho," and Miss Iva Windus sang, "Fishing." Each was given an encore.

On Wednesday evening the play was repeated for the benefit of the Rest room. Between the acts Miss Louise Adelberg, Mrs. Chas. H. Larkin, Miss Fisher and Edwin C. Baird rendered vocal solos, and A. J. Hobbie a violin solo.

Spelling Contest Friday Evening. The second annual spelling contest between the 7th and 8th grades of the Colfax schools will be held in the High School Hall, Friday evening, March 10th, beginning at 8 o'clock. Great interest has been aroused amongst the pupils and a most interesting contest is ex-

pected. Ten spellers are chosen to represent each grade and the side which spells the greatest number of words correctly, will be named the winner. After the contest between the grades is over, those pupils who have missed no words in the contest will be pitted against each other in a good, old-fashioned "spell down"; and a silver medal will be given to the winner. County Superintendent McCroskey has consented to pronounce the words to the spellers; and he will be the sole judge of the contest. The representatives of the 7th grade are Hattie Bakala, Violet Cribb, Bessie Ferguson, Minnie Jacobson, Landon King, Eva Kuhn, Bertha Nelson, Nellie Sullivan, Helen Troy and Helen Walmer; of the 8th grade, Virgil Bell, Ruth DePledge, Clara Felch, Guy Hubbard, Lonnie Jeffers, Edna Michaelson, Royal Neil, Fred Newton, Harold Windus and Hassie McAdams. An interesting musical program will be rendered in connection with the contest. The admission will be ten cents.

#### PREPARE FOR BIG RUN.

#### 7,500,000 Feet of Logs for Colfax Mill This Season.

The Potlatch Lumber Company is making preparations for a big run at this point this season. They are at work this week installing an additional boiler of 100,000 horse power capacity. They have completed their new office building and moved into same this week and the old office will be used as additional space for storing shant and doors. The ground is cleared for the erection of a building 20x50 directly west of the new office which will be used for storing mouldings, etc. As soon as this is completed large sheds will be erected for storing finishing lumber. The company intends, to build a sidetrack into the yard at once, for convenience in loading lumber for shipment to outside stations. There are about 1,500,000 feet of logs in the river above town and it is the intention to bring down a drive of 6,000,000 feet additional, making a total of 7,500,000 feet for this year's run, or about double the amount ever used here in one year heretofore. The management expects to start cutting lumber about the 20th of this month with the logs already on hand, which, it is expected, will keep the mill running full blast until the big drive gets in.

#### THE SOCIAL SIDE.

#### Large Afternoon Party.

The spacious home of Judge and Mrs. Stephen J. Chadwick was the scene of a large and very delightful party Monday afternoon when Mrs. Chadwick and Mrs. H. W. Canfield entertained sixty ladies. Those who play cards enjoyed a game of progressive euchre. Mrs. Ivan Chase captured the prize for lone hands. It was an exquisite cloisonne box. Mrs. A. C. Warner, who made the most progressions received a beautiful rose jar of quaint Japanese ware. In a guessing contest provided for those who do not care for cards, Mrs. W. D. Allin was the winner and was presented with a large cluster of carnations. After the games the guests were entertained with piano selections by Miss Myrtle Erwin of Troutdale, Oregon, and Miss Kimbrough. These young ladies also assisted the hostesses in the serving of dainty refreshments.

#### A Rose Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Chandler Woodward entertained twenty-eight of their young friends with a five hundred party Monday evening given in honor of Miss Rose Carpenter of Wallburg. A pretty compliment was paid the guests in honor of roses of the American Beauty variety. These superb blossoms were everywhere in evidence; the lights were shaded in crimson; the score cards bore clusters of tiny red buds and blossoms done in water colors, and the refreshments which were also in red further accentuated the brilliant color scheme. Miss Nellie Sullivan and Mr. Sumner Perkins proved themselves to be adepts at five hundred and were accordingly awarded pretty prizes.

#### For Mrs. Vermilye.

Mrs. Leon Kuhn entertained a small coterie of ladies with seven-hand euchre Saturday afternoon at her home in honor of Mrs. R. H. Vermilye, who with her husband and daughter, Bess, left Monday for their future home in Billings, Montana. The afternoon was spent in playing cards after which refreshments were served.

#### Social Notes.

The Ladies Aid Society of Plymouth Congregational Church is holding a cup and saucer sale at the home of Mrs. Charles E. Scriber this afternoon. Fragrant tea and delicious little cakes will be on sale and the purchaser will have the privilege of keeping the cup and saucer in which the tea is served.

The young people of the Baptist church will be entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Sherley this evening.

The party which was to have been given last week by Mrs. G. A. Chapman and Mrs. H. C. Woodin was postponed until Wednesday of next week at Mrs. Chapman's home. On the following Friday, St. Patrick's day, Mrs. Woodin and Mrs. Chapman will give an evening party.

The Athenaeum Club will be entertained Thursday afternoon by Mrs. H. W. Canfield. Ireland will be the subject for consideration, and an interesting program is being prepared including Irish witticisms, papers on the customs and people of the Emerald Isle and Irish songs.

#### Incredible Brutality.

It would have been incredible brutality if Chas. F. Lemberger, of Syracuse, N. Y., had not done the best he could for his suffering son. "My boy," he says, "cut a fearful gash over his eye, so I applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which quickly healed it and saved his eye. Good for burns and ulcers too. Only 25c at Elk Drug Store."

#### The Best Cough Syrup.

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Headache? Try Hamilton's headache cure. Pioneer Drug Store.

Miss Alice Scott who has been in Chicago for several weeks, buying stock and studying styles, has returned and will be found at Mrs. Mitchell's Millinery store.

#### THINKS MR. KEYES MISTAKEN.

#### C. L. MacKenzie Defends the Open River Association.

Colfax, March 7.—Editor Gazette.—An article which appeared in the Gazette, signed by Thomas Keyes, opposing the granting of aid to the Open River association by the county commissioners, has been called to my attention and I beg space of you to make a reply to my friend Mr. Keyes, in order to set him right on a few propositions on which he is evidently somewhat mixed.

In the first place no one is pledged individually or has pledged the credit of the county to give anything toward the opening of the Snake and Columbia rivers to navigation, and Whitman county or her citizens need not pay one dollar of the expense connected with this great work if they don't want to, and the work will go on just the same, but the rivers will not be navigable as soon as they would if all the people tributary to both streams joined in the movement. The rivers are not navigable now, but our association has undertaken to make them so, and the building of the portage road is an incident thereto, the idea being to establish traffic on the river.

We have succeeded in getting \$300,000 appropriated by congress for our purpose and we are going to build the portage road and eventually make both rivers navigable, the Snake as far as Lewiston. When this great improvement will be completed we cannot say, but the future will see it and of course the doubter can minimize the benefits until they are practically and definitely established, and by criticizing and making little of the advantages to be gained from an open river can greatly retard the work.

Mr. Keyes and myself, from his recitation of the woes of railroad domination as to our coal supply, are both interested in the same question and that is, how can we bring the railroads to time.

To me, competition is the power that will regulate all the evils of high and discriminating freight rates, and an open river will give us this competition. The grain and the tonnage will get to the river if there is an open waterway to tidewater.

In New York the state annually makes large appropriations for the maintenance of the Erie canal, though very little, if any, freight is transported on it, yet the fact that it is there and in operation as a competing factor keeps railroad rates in that state 25 per cent lower than they would be if conditions were otherwise. This is the substance of a report of a commission created by the state several years ago to look into the matter of increasing freight rates, when the Erie canal had been unused for several years and no provision made for its maintenance.

This matter is one in which every citizen of our county is interested, and I accord to Mr. Keyes the privilege of an adverse opinion regarding our proposition if that is the way he sees it, and I would say here, that a wrong opinion on a question of this kind is better than no opinion at all, as our citizens, as a whole, take altogether too little interest in these questions of public welfare.

Let the people study the subject of our open river and if our association is in the right and doing a good work, help us out and make your views known.

Yours truly,  
C. L. MACKENZIE.

#### LOCAL BREVITIES.

W. J. Edwards was granted a divorce from Suzie T. Edwards by Judge Chadwick last Saturday. The couple were married November 25, 1897, in Whitman county. On March 15, 1901, the defendant deserted and abandoned the plaintiff, and ever since has lived apart from him. No children were born of the issue.

Judge Miller of Dayton passed through Colfax, Sunday, on his way to Spokane, where he goes to hear the argument in the case of Wm. Clutter et al. vs. N. L. Strange, et al. The case was tried in Colfax, but, for convenience of parties and attorneys interested, the argument is being heard in Spokane.

Thomas L. Jackson has filed a petition for divorce in the superior court against Mary E. Jackson. The complaint alleges adultery as the cause for action.

On motion of Prosecuting Attorney Kipp, the case of the State vs. Walter Finley was dismissed on Monday last. The reasons for the move were not made public but were deemed sufficient by the prosecutor.

Herman Mihlke of Rosalia, Wash., was declared an habitual drunkard by Judge Chadwick last Monday. Notices will be posted in all saloons in the county.

Lenten services will be held at the church of the Good Samaritan on each Wednesday afternoon at 3:45, and Friday evening at 7:30. All are cordially invited to these special services.

H. C. Dickey and sons have bought the lively stock of J. S. Buck and leased the barn formerly conducted by the latter, just north of the Cooper street bridge.

Several of Colfax's baseball enthusiasts have been putting forth an effort to take toward the organization of a club for the coming season. Nearly every other town in the country has already organized, and as Colfax has some splendid material for a first-class ball team it is to be hoped that we will get in line.

Leo Carter, who has been employed as a deputy in the County treasurer's office for several months, has accepted a position with R. H. Lacey in the Burrell estate office, and Newton Pocock has been appointed to the vacant place in the treasurer's office.

The school election held last Saturday resulted in the election of H. W. Canfield by a vote of 290 to his opponent's 26. The selection of a principal for the coming year was the only issue.

A. J. Hobbie, who recently located here as a teacher on the violin, mandolin and guitar, is meeting with good success. Mr. Hobbie is anxious to get a good mandolin club organized and to that end would like all interested to call at his office in the Brickner building.

A marriage license was granted this week by Auditor Wheeler to F. W. Boyd of Palouse and Elva Benson of Freeze, Idaho.

It troubled with weak digestion, belching or sour stomach, use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and you will get quick relief. For sale by Elk Drug Store.

#### PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATION.

#### Fire Extinguisher Exhibition and Fire Come Together.

The demonstration of extinguishing fire, which was given on the corner of Main and Wall streets last Wednesday evening, was witnessed by a number of Colfax business men and property owners. A fire was kindled by means of wood and coal oil and allowed to burn until the flames reached a height of 30 or 40 feet, and got so hot that bystanders had to move back. The agent then applied part of the contents of a dry powder fire extinguisher to the blaze, putting it out in about three seconds.

The crowd had hardly recovered from the surprise at the rapid working of the extinguisher when an alarm of fire was turned in from Mechling's shop, about a block away. D. J. Irwin, chief of the fire department, had started to fill a gasoline lamp, setting his lantern down at least 10 feet away from the gasoline can. As he started to pour the gasoline, it ignited. Mr. Irwin retained his presence of mind and threw the burning can out of the window into the alley, where it exploded, scattering fire in every direction. Mr. Irwin had his hands terribly burned in the operation, but he picked up a liquid fire extinguisher which was at hand and put out the fire in the shop, then turned the same on the fire in the alley, but with little avail. The agent for the dry powder extinguisher here came on the scene and with one dash of the powder put out the blaze. The incident created considerable excitement and afforded the agent an excellent opportunity of giving a practical illustration of the worth of his goods. All who witnessed the exhibition were well pleased.

#### PERSONAL MENTION.

R. J. Neergaard was down from Oakesdale Saturday on business.

Mrs. W. J. Davenport left Friday for a two week's visit with friends in Spokane.

J. L. DuMas, principal of the Pullman schools, was a Colfax visitor Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Lewis left Tuesday for Rosalia where they expect to locate.

A. A. Wilson stopped over in Colfax Friday, on his way from California to Palouse, where he expects to re-establish his residence.

J. W. Janney and family returned to Colfax this week from Lewiston, where they spent the winter.

Senator S. S. Russell, of Garfield county, stopped over at Colfax, Sunday, returning to Olympia from Kendrick, Ida., where he had been called by the death of his brother's wife.

James Green, former deputy sheriff under J. B. Mackey, is in the city this week.

Nat Ripley who is attending the W. A. C. spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents in this city.

W. L. Penney, foreman of the Gazette office, returned from a two weeks visit with his family.

A. B. Willard, ex-county commissioner, was a visitor at the court house last Wednesday. Mr. Willard recently returned from the east where he spent the winter.

Miss Lizzie Sherman of La Crosse is visiting Colfax friends for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Fudge came up from La Crosse, Thursday.

F. A. Davis of Oakesdale was a Colfax visitor Wednesday.

M. T. Broyles, agent of the Pacific Coast Elevator Co., at Mokonon, returned Tuesday from an extended trip in the east.

C. T. Kipp of Spokane, visited his brother, R. H. Kipp of this city, this week.

B. A. Benedict of Portland has accepted a position in Stuart's drug store.

Mrs. Thos. Baker, accompanied by her daughter Ida and "Baby Burl" left Thursday evening for Sacramento and Redlands, California, where they will visit with a brother of Mrs. Baker. They will go from there to Los Angeles, where they will visit friends.

J. S. Klemgard was down from Pullman Wednesday.

Wm. Simpson and Chas. M. Hitchings from Sunset were transacting business in Colfax Wednesday.

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6:15 a.m.		8:15 p.m.
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