

**PERSONAL MENTION.**

Miss Irene Moore visited Pullman friends last week and attended the Junior room at the W. S. C. last Friday evening.

George Sutherland of Newport visited Colfax friends over Sunday.

P. W. Greenway, who has been engaged in business in Spokane for several months, was in Colfax the first of the week mingling with old time friends. Mr. Greenway was successful in drawing a number last year for a homestead on the Coeur d'Alene reservation and may turn rancher. It all depends whether anything desirable is left when his number is reached.

Thomas A. White, whose home is now in Spokane, but who maintains large land holdings in Whitman county, was at the county seat Saturday.

Ben Burgander went to Spokane Wednesday to witness some of the sights connected with the big carnival.

John Pattison was down from Spokane this week attending to business.

Ex Sheriff Joe Canutt, now city marshal of Tekoa, was mingling with old time friends at the county seat Monday and Tuesday.

W. D. Ellis of Spokane was in town Monday looking after property interests.

J. T. Billups of Winona, who has just returned from a visit to San Francisco, was a Colfax visitor Tuesday.

Dr. F. X. Emerson, who is now located at Kent, a prosperous burg near Seattle, was in Colfax Saturday and Sunday.

Photographer Bilger, now located at Garfield, spent Sunday in Colfax.

Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Walters and Miss Helen Walters returned from Los Angeles and other points of interest in Southern California the last of last week, having spent most of the winter in that delightful climate. Mr. Walters returns much invigorated in health.

Mrs. W. A. Mitchell returned from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, the first of the week, after a stay of two months in the Smoky City.

Miss Ella Rupy stopped over Sunday to visit with her parents and friends in Pullman.

Mrs. W. A. Nelson arrived home Thursday last week after a visit of several months with relatives in Missouri.

R. Dreger is recovering from an attack of typhoid malaria and is able to be around again.

Judge Canfield returned Tuesday evening from Asotin, where he held court several days for Judge Miller.

Mrs. Ira A. Long of Elberton was a Wednesday visitor in Colfax.

Prosecuting Attorney Chamberlin returned Wednesday from a business trip to Spokane.

E. H. Letterman of Pullman was transacting business and meeting old friends in Colfax Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Urech is arranging to leave on May 3 for a three or four months' visit to relatives in Switzerland.

Arthur Cox, who has been sojourning in the Palouse country for about a month, left yesterday to rejoin his family at Miles City, Montana.

Miss Rena Baker leaves for Spokane tomorrow, where she will remain over Sunday.

E. E. Zaring was in town yesterday from American Falls, Idaho.

E. M. Downing of Gifford, Idaho, was in Colfax yesterday hunting up old friends of pioneer days. Mr. Downing was one of the pioneer merchants of Colfax, leaving for new fields after the great fire of 1882, which all but wiped Colfax off the map.

**Epidemic of Appendicitis.**

There seems to have been an epidemic of appendicitis operations in Colfax the past week, it becoming a subject of remark. Miss Irma Armstrong was operated upon Saturday at the hospital. Miss May Harvey of Riparia was brought to Colfax and underwent the knife process yesterday forenoon. George S. Gill, clerk in the Lippitt store, was operated upon Sunday. Will Hickman underwent an operation Monday morning, and Matt Johnson followed by going through the same performance in the afternoon of the same day. All are in St. Ignatius hospital and are doing as well as could be expected. Miss Ethyle Good, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Good of Colfax, was operated upon at Spokane last week, and at this writing is convalescing.

**County Superintendents' Convention**

The program for the annual convention of county superintendents at Pullman, May 3, 4 and 5, has been issued. The convention will open its doors at 9 o'clock each morning and will continue in session till 4 o'clock, with an intermission of 1 1/2 hours for luncheon. The general topics of the three days are as follows: "The County Superintendent," "The Rural School Problem," "Miscellaneous." The afternoon of May 5 will be taken up by the reports of committees.

**Seeks Re-Election as Clerk.**

George H. Newman makes definite announcement that he will seek re-election as county clerk. Mr. Newman has made an efficient officer, there being no chance for adverse criticism. He has made the people's business his business. This is said without prejudice to any one who may aspire to the position.

**RESULT OF A FAMILY FEUD.**

**George Lust Killed by George Bafus Saturday Night.**

George Bafus, a well-to-do rancher living 15 miles southwest of Colfax, was lodged in jail Sunday night charged with murder, having killed his brother-in-law, George Lust, by hitting him over the head with a stick of stove wood. The killing took place at the Bafus home, soon after arrival there from Colfax Saturday evening. Lust's skull was fractured and he died in three hours after the fracas. He was single and was buried at Dusty Tuesday.

Coroner Bruning, Deputy Sheriff Cole and Prosecuting Attorney Chamberlin were summoned and left for the scene at once. Bafus admits the killing, but says he had no thought of seriously injuring Lust when he struck him with the stick.

The coroner held an inquest, the jury bringing in the following verdict:

"We find that George Lust came to his death from injuries received by a blow on the head struck by a blunt instrument in the hands of George Bafus at the George Bafus home April 16. We recommend that George Bafus be held to the superior court of Whitman county for further investigation. We find that George Lust, after receiving the blow on the head, returned to his home, where the remains were viewed by the jury today. St. Clair Saxon, foreman; F. M. Sever, John H. Morgan, Roy Jones, Tom Hubbard, William Bock."

Many statements are given, but simmered down it appears that the parties came to Colfax Saturday, imbibed too much booze, quarreled, indulged in a free-for-all fight, with the result as above stated.

Monday night, Bafus was released from jail on \$8000 bonds being given for his appearance, A. J. Davis and George W. Larue being bondsmen. It is understood that he will be charged direct in the superior court with manslaughter.

**LOCAL BREVITIES.**

Verona Lodge No. 13, Rebekahs, gave a social at their lodge room Thursday night of last week, in which the Canton took part in full uniform. A program was rendered, followed by a dance and banquet.

A diet of bread and water brought two stubborn inmates of the county jail to terms last week, when they refused to work. Their stomachs rebelled against bread and water, albeit they appeared to be constitutionally opposed to work.

Main street should be covered by the street sprinkler, this in face of the fact that a stream of water deep enough to float a steamboat filled the street on the 1st day of last March. Strange, isn't it?

Norman Cairns has taken the agency for the Singer sewing machine in Colfax and vicinity.

The Colfax E. M. F. Co. of Colfax has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state at Olympia, capital stock \$5000. A. L. Reid and George A. Reid are named as directors. The company will sell automobiles and operate a garage.

The ladies of the Wesleyan guild of the M. E. church held a "talent social" at the home of Mrs. L. P. Berry Thursday afternoon of last week, about 60 ladies being present.

The citizens of Colfax last Friday presented Conductor Ed Choate with a Morris chair as a token of appreciation for services rendered during the flood of March 1 last. He ran his train from Moscow to Colfax, without orders, to notify the people of the on-rushing waters. The chair is substantial as well as valuable, finished in leather.

The 7-year old son of Adam McNeilly, a farmer living near Colfax, fell from a horse early in the week, breaking both bones of his right leg below the knee.

**Brought Home on a Stretcher.**

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hamilton, Miss Rita Hamilton, Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Stubb and Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Hamilton of Coeur d'Alene returned from Los Angeles Saturday. The Hamiltons spent the winter in Southern California. As previously noted in these columns, Miss Hamilton was operated upon at Los Angeles for appendicitis and at one time was considered to be in a serious condition. Dr. Stubb left Colfax two weeks ago to lend medical aid and assistance, and escorted the Hamiltons home, Miss Rita being brought on a stretcher. She was able to sit up for the first time yesterday. Mr. Hamilton returns improved in health.

**Church Social and Program.**

The Episcopal church gave a very pleasant and well attended social at Barroll & Mohny's hall on Tuesday evening, when the following program was given: Vocal solo, Mrs. J. T. Brown; recitation, Miss Katherine Ryan; vocal solo, Miss Winifred Windus; recitation, Miss Wilma Libman; vocal duet, in costume, Misses Theodosia and Phoebe Brown; vocal solo, Morton Lippitt. The program was an excellent one, each number being enthusiastically encored. Afterward games were played and a general social time enjoyed, and punch and wafers were served.

**Engagement Announced.**

Mayor Lippitt received this week the announcement of the engagement of his niece, Miss Sybil Lippitt, daughter of Julius Lippitt of Portland, to Henry M. Goldsmith of San Francisco.

**SUICIDED NEAR ELBERTON.**

**Walter Kretzer, Insane on Religion, Blows Out His Brains.**

While insane on the subject of religion, laboring under the belief that the world was coming to an end, Walter Kretzer, aged 32, a bachelor, living with his brother, Franz Kretzer, near Elberton, sent a 22-caliber bullet into his brain Wednesday afternoon, the bullet entering just back of the right temple, and lived until he reached St. Ignatius hospital Wednesday night. Kretzer taught school near Baker City, Oregon, at one time. It was while living on the ranch with his brother that he first showed signs of insanity. Last Sunday, while taking dinner with a neighbor, he left the table, believing that the neighbor was telling him he had power to control the clouds, the rain and crops. He shot himself while the brother was at work, being found on the bed.

Two sisters, Mrs. W. P. Burch of Walla Walla and Mrs. A. F. Russell, living near Portland, are expected to reach Colfax in time for the funeral today at 2 p. m. from the undertaking parlors, interment taking place in Colfax cemetery.

**Gospel Meetings.**

Fred N. Jacobson, the blind preacher from Pullman, will conduct gospel meetings in the hall at Elberton, Saturday, April 23, at 7:30 p. m., and Sunday, at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Everybody invited to hear and see the blind preacher read with his fingers.

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