

SPOKANE GETS BIG COLD STORAGE PLANT

Milwaukee Capitalists Are Building Fine Structure Here.

Contractor John Huetter has charge of the erection of a large cold storage plant on Front ave. opposite the Northern Pacific roundhouse. The parties back of the enterprise are Milwaukee capitalists, headed by W. J. Frost.

L. R. Stitsky, reputed to be one of Milwaukee's most prominent architects, has been sent here and is the sole representative of the Milwaukee syndicate building the plant. He also pays all the wage bills and makes regular report of progress to Milwaukee.

The plans call for a building approximately 120 feet by 75, steel foundation, permitting 18 feet of head room for the machinery, which will be of a heavy type.

The foundation will be topped with three stories of brick work and the building will cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000. With the machinery, the structure will call for an outlay of nearly \$125,000.

The Pabst Brewing company is mentioned as the real owner, but this could not be verified this afternoon. It is said to be the intention of the parties building the plant to completely equip it for the manufacture of artificial ice to be shipped throughout the southern territory contiguous to Spokane.

Cyrus Harty, the former owner of the site upon which the plant is being constructed, sold it three months ago to W. J. Frost of Milwaukee, in whose name the new building is being erected.

COUNTRY VISITORS EJECTED AT HOTELS

"For ways that are dark and tricks that are vain give me the love-lorn lass," sighed the magnate who presides at the office of a leading Spokane hostelry last night as he brushed a few sparkles from his head-light.

"You see that name," he continued, indicating with a long and carefully manicured index nail the signature, "Mrs. Hill, Rossland," on the open register. "Well, that was not the name we are convinced of the woman who wrote it and we have serious reasons to doubt that she hailed from Rossland."

"About two days after the arrival of the woman we noticed a young man, from his air plainly the proprietor, sauntering through the corridors on his way to Mrs. Hill's apartment. He was not a guest and we therefore called upon the woman for an explanation.

"She was quite good looking and seemed much affected by our suspicious and, although sorry, we were obliged to ask her to seek quarters elsewhere.

"What may you judge was my com-

plaintion," went on the bejeweled clerk, "to find when I came on duty again this soft-same woman coming down the stairs.

"I ran to the register, but it did not enlighten me, and not until I questioned the night man and described the woman did I connect her with the 'Miss Moore of Rossland,' whose name had been placed on the register during the night.

"Well, she's gone for good now," again sighed the clerk. "Both of us know her and it is not likely we'll be fooled again."

Another instance of the chicanery of the affectionately disposed occurred this morning when a "Mrs. Chase of Lind" as the register in another hotel described her, was asked to explain several suspicious events which took place last evening.

The genial dragons at the hotel doors in the persons of the clerks have taken to saying "full house," just like the poker player, and it would be unfortunate if they should be called on for a "show down" by the fair objects of their suspicion.

POPULAR MAIL CARRIER GIVEN CHRISTMAS GIFT.

Mr. Alexander, the popular letter carrier living on Center st. near Hay's Park, received a Christmas gift of \$25 this morning from the people along his route from Third ave. up on the hill south and from Division st. east to Spokane st. The gift was placed in a pair of little red hose, the latter being a gift to Mr. Alexander's little girl, aged eight months.

TERMS IN PEN.

Judge Richards this morning sentenced Henry C. Corbett and Joseph Cook, who pleaded guilty to attempting to rob A. H. Trotter, to two years each in the state penitentiary at Walla Walla.

He also sentenced Dan Burns, who pleaded guilty to receiving stolen property, to 30 days in the county jail.

SUE WESTERN UNION FOR DELAYED MESSAGE.

Slater & Wolf have commenced suit in the superior court against the Western Union Telegraph company to collect \$500 damages, alleged to have been sustained by them last July by the transmitting of a message. In cipher to them from Toronto in which a wrong word was sent, causing them a loss to the above amount.

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| Fancy mixed nuts, 2-lb. | 35c | Armour's mince meat, 2 lbs. | 25c |
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STOLE SEALSKIN.

The amount of shoplifting which has been going on during the past month is much greater than anyone not "on the inside" would imagine, and those engaged in the art do not confine their work to small articles either.

The fact has just leaked out that a valuable sealskin coat mysteriously disappeared from one of the larger stores of the city recently. It was not thought possible that a person could get away with so large an article undetected and a thorough search of the store was made, but the coat could not be found.

The matter was kept quiet in the hope that the thief might be found or the coat returned, but the proprietors are no wiser regarding the matter than at first and the affair has now leaked out.

John Wolford, for 14 years an employee of the O. K. Livery stable, on First ave. near Lincoln st., has been arrested on complaint of his 17-year-old daughter, who charged him with theft.

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ASK FOR RETRIAL OF ADAMS CASE.

In the case of J. F. Adams vs. C. C. Dempsey et al. This is the case which has been tried in the superior court three times and twice has been taken to the supreme court.

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PERSONAL.

T. H. Kerns is a new arrival today.

Lester Coffin came in from Lewiston today.

Judge C. H. Neal of Davenport is in the city.

S. B. Stone of Heron, Mont., is at the Spokane.

Charles Wiberg of Lakeview is here for the holidays.

Clair Hunt, government surveyor, is in from Rockcut, Wash., today.

Leon Graham of Post Falls, Idaho, came in today and will remain for the holidays.

A. B. W. Hodges of the Vernon & Nelson Telephone company is in the city from Grand Forks, N. D.

Rev. J. Oliver Van Osdel and wife have returned after an extended and pleasant stay in California. The object of the doctor's visit was to assist with the planning of a new Baptist church in Oakland, and his trip that the business part of his trip was successfully accomplished.

MOVEMENTS TO MAKE FOUR NEW COUNTIES

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 24.—A movement is under way at Enumclaw for the creation of a new county out of a portion of Pierce, King, Kittitas and Yakima counties to be called Rainier county. Enumclaw would be the new county seat.

Another scheme is under way to divide Kittitas county with Cle-Elum as the new county seat.

A third scheme is that of making Kennewick the county seat of a new county carved out of Yakima, Walla Walla, Franklin and Douglas.

Another scheme which will be presented to the legislature is the division of Yakima county, with Prosser as the county seat, a part of the

We wish you one and all a very, very Merry Christmas!

NEW YORK BROKERS GIVE AWAY MILLIONS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Old Santa Claus visited Wall st. today and called at Uncle Sam's subtreasury, where he filled his sack. He took out over \$1,000,000 in bright, shining silver coins of the latest vintage and the brightest of yellow eagles and double eagles. Only the newest and crispest dollar bills and certificates would suit him. Then he went around to many brokerage and banking houses, where he distributed his packages, the recipients ranging from little messengers to the managing clerks and future partners.

It is estimated that over \$2,500,000 will be distributed by the rich bankers and brokers of Wall st. to their business associates and clerks during the Christmas holiday week. Over \$10,000 was given today to the minor employees of the stock exchange.

Wall st. closed up its business this afternoon and bankers and office boys alike went home filled with the spirit of the holiday. In nearly every brokerage house and banking house in the financial district the employees were made happy by the gift of a week's salary, while in others the Christmas boxes were much larger, amounting to two and three weeks' salaries. The distribution of the gifts of the trust companies and large private banking institutions were not made as a rule, at the close of business, but the employees were informed that the usual custom will be followed this year as in the past, in making the gifts at the end of the year.

OLD SMELTER.

Dr. J. Oliver Van Osdel and Joseph R. Roberson practically confirmed the statement of "The Press" concerning the reopening and operation of the plant known as the "old smelter," about four miles below the city on the river side.

Mr. Roberson is named as the probable president of the organization, whose composition besides Mr. Roberson, Dr. Van Osdel and young Mr. Van Osdel could not be learned.

The property is now in the hands of the company, who are not hurrying matters in regard to beginning operations, but active steps will probably be taken in the spring.

WILL NOT PROSECUTE HIS ASSAILANTS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Great amazement and curiosity have been caused by the refusal of Fred F. Marriott, publisher of the Weekly News-Letter and victim of a sensational assault last September, to prosecute his assailants.

Marriott's paper printed an article criticizing the behavior of a young lady whom it did not name, Truxton Beale, a grandson of the old Commodore Beale of naval fame. Thought the article referred to Miss Main Ogdin, and, being a friend of the young lady, proposed to go to the house and chastise the proprietor of the paper. His friend, Thomas H. Williams, president of the California Jockey club, accompanied him.

Mr. Marriott appeared at the door, greeted the gentlemen cordially and invited them in. He was assailed from behind, and received some heavy blows about the head. He attempted to run up the stairs, and was shot at several times, and wounded in the leg so badly that his life has hung in the balance for months.

After the assault Mr. Marriott's paper indulged in a few lurid editorial remarks and the town thought that whenever the time should come for evening up that score the wounded editor would be there, if not with both feet, at least with one.

The case of assault to murder came up in the superior court, and the two wealthy defendants were present with their attorneys. Marriott failed to put in an appearance, though well, and the case went over.

The engagement of Mr. Beale to the young lady in the case has been announced.

The management of the Spokane & Eastern Trust company gave a pleasant Christmas dinner at Davenport's last night.

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