

## SOME NEWS NOTES OF THE CITY

Happy New Year!

The steel frame work for the new federal building is being erected rapidly and it begins to look now as if Olympia's new postoffice would be ready for use within the next few months, after a delay of nearly two years.

With the signatures of the mayor of Olympia, the president of the Chamber of Commerce, officers of the Olympia and Capital National banks, judges of the state supreme court and practically every state officer at the capitol, a telegram was sent to the secretary of the treasury at Washington, D. C., Tuesday night, urging the regional bank organization committee to establish one of the regional banks provided by the new currency system, in Seattle.

Lots of people were in the city the fore part of the week making their final Christmas purchases, and local merchants report a brisk Christmas trade equal to and in most cases better than that of a year ago.

Work on the new Northern Pacific tunnel under Seventh street is progressing so rapidly that every day sees much new construction. The concrete foundations for the arches are now completed nearly to Franklin street, the concrete arches are finished to Washington and a big part of the old tunnel between Franklin and Adams streets has been torn up to make way for the new structure.

Every barber in the 11 shops of Olympia belongs to the local union of the International organization, for the first time in six years. The following officers of the local union were elected this week: J. L. Jackson, President, Otto Apt, vice president; Charles B. Collins, financial secretary; W. E. Beckwith, recording secretary; Frank Ferris, treasurer, and Tom Keating, guide.

For sale—Two Jersey bull calves, sons of registered bull. One three months old, \$15; other 8 months old, \$25. P. Hacker, Hunter's Point, Box 735, Olympia, Wash. 12-2-1

The officers-elect of the Order of the Eastern Star and of the Royal Arch Masons will be installed at the Masonic temple next Tuesday evening, December 30. An invitation is extended to all Masons and their families to be present.

Olympia chapter, R. A. M., has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: High priest, W. T. Drips; king, Al Helander; scribe, E. J. Leavelle; treasurer, Fred W. Stocking; secretary, Robert Doragh.

Fred W. Carlson, the well known local real estate man, last week purchased the stock of the Baker & Baker stationery store on Main street and is closing it out at reduced prices so that he can use this store as the location for his growing real estate business.

Borthwick-McClintic company have spared no expense in remodeling the portion of the Reed block on Sixth street which they recently leased until now they are a credit to the city. The stock is complete and moderate in price, the chapel large, well furnished and conveniently arranged and all departments strictly modern. Day or night calls promptly attended. Phone 132. adv

Tom Simington, who was held in the county jail several days last week, was released Saturday after local authorities decided there was not sufficient ground to place a formal charge against him of having caused the death of Matt Connors with whom he got into a fist fight about a week ago. It was at first thought that Simington struck Connors a blow which resulted in the latter's death, but later investigations convinced them there were other causes. Simington is 66 years old, while Connors was 71. The latter died at St. Peter's hospital Thursday of last week and the funeral was held last Tuesday.

Local banks have announced that owing to the fact that Saturday from 12 o'clock noon on is a legal holiday, they will close at that hour after January 1 instead of at 1 o'clock as heretofore, thereby following the custom in vogue in the larger cities. All of the banks of Southwest Washington that formed Group No. 4 of the state association here recently, agreed upon the change.

Fire which broke out early last Saturday morning in the Pacific Lutheran Seminary on East Bay avenue, resulted in considerable damage from fire, smoke and water before it was extinguished, the loss being estimated between \$3,000 and \$5,000, partially covered by insurance.

## TO FINISH V NECK.

Advice For Home Shirt Waist Makers.



NET FICHU WITH QUILLINGS.

There are many good ways of finishing the neck line. Until the slightly pointed V line in the front goes out of fashion it is a good one to follow, because it is easy to manage and incidentally becoming to most faces. And it is this neck line that is most easily finished with some sort of frill or ruche.

One especially good way of finishing the V neck is with a double tulle or net frill, with a ribbon fastened through the center between the two frills with ends that tie in front.

Double ruching or frilling is expensive, but it can be made quite satisfactorily for most uses by joining two bands of single frilling. For the sort of ruche described the single frilling should be basted with the plaits in place, close to the inside edge, and then ripped from the little band of net or muslin that holds the plaits in place. The two frills should then be basted together and joined under a little strip of net stitched down in place. The ribbon is folded or crushed softly and fastened along this little strip of net that joins the two frills together. The long ends form a tie that covers the front opening.

The home maker of shirt waists should always avoid a tight appearance where the V necked shirt waist closes. Nothing is more ugly than a V neck that pulls tightly about the neck and makes the neck bulge.

There should always be some sort of ruching or bow to finish the neck in the front. These finishes cover up any defects at the neck. Illustrated is a charming fichu made of white wash net trimmed with old fashioned quillings. The model is very dainty and becoming.

## Our Weatherwise Hair.

For every fifty folks who look to the barometer for news as to a change in the weather there are hardly five who know that the human hair is not only an accurate and reliable foreteller of rain or drought, cold or heat.

If in dressing your own hair or brushing your small daughter's you find it rough and brittle the weather will keep hot and dry. When the hair becomes soft and smooth again look out for rain. Lasting rain is foretold by curly hair becoming straight and clingy and straight hair flat and less abundant looking. When the hair begins to fluff out and curl again the weather will become pleasant once more. The approach of thunderstorms is heralded by the hair's crackling when being combed and "following" the comb and brush, which electrical tendency grows less and less as the rain comes down in showers. Some people are far more alive to atmospheric changes and conditions, but all hair shows its weather wisdom more or less, the blonder shades more so than brown or black locks.

## Homemade Plateau.

Very attractive disks for use under a vase of flowers, a pitcher of ice water or the punch bowl can be made at home at trifling expense by any woman who is in the least ingenious.

Have a piece of heavy glass cut in the shape of a hexagon, each side measuring about five inches. Get a small piece of cretonne having a figure about the same size. Lay the glass over it and tack in place by a small amount of glue along the edge. Bind the edge with gilt gimp about an inch wide. By sewing lightly at each corner it will stay in place. The cost of materials is as follows: One yard gimp, 25 cents; one-half yard of cretonne, 15 cents. The price of the glass varies, according to thickness.

## A Hook Hint.

You know what a bother it is to sew hooks on the edge of a waist without the stitches showing on the right side. My cousin has found an easy way to do this, writes a correspondent. She makes the hem the right width and runs an old corset steel through it, then sews on the hooks and pulls out the steel. She always uses eyes that are one size smaller than the hooks and says they never come unfastened.

**A Useful Parcel Post Tape Measure.** One of the little conveniences now obtainable is a parcel post tape measure. It is seventy-two inches long and thus gives measurements for the largest packages allowed. On one side is printed the length in inches, and on the other will be found the postage rates, according to zone and weight.

## SOME PERSONAL ITEMS

Mrs. Earle Flanders and daughter Marion of Aberdeen are spending a few days at the home of her parents.

Local friends of Fred Lewis, son of C. L. Lewis of this city, have received announcements of his marriage recently. He expects to make his home in Spokane, where he has been employed for several years.

Mrs. Charles A. Barr and daughter, Mrs. L. R. Lounsbury, and the latter's two children, went to Spokane this week to attend a family reunion at the home of Mrs. Barr's mother, Mrs. L. F. St. Claire. They will be gone until after New Year's.

Mrs. O. V. Linn, 53 years old, widow of the late Judge Linn, died at the home on Fourteenth street at 7 o'clock Monday morning, as the result of a stroke of paralysis suffered five weeks ago. She was conscious up to the last but was unable to speak during the last two days. Funeral services were held at the home Wednesday afternoon, Rev. D. A. Thompson, pastor of the Presbyterian church, officiating, and Supreme Judges H. A. Fullerton and Wallace Mount, Superior Judge John R. Mitchell, Attorney P. M. Troy, F. V. Donnelly and H. B. McElroy, acting as pallbearers. Mrs. Linn was born in New Palestine, Ohio, and came to Olympia in 1891 from Hoquiam. Judge Linn died in 1908 while serving on the Thurston county superior bench. Mrs. Linn had been quite prominent in Olympia society and was a member of the local chapter of the Eastern Star. She is survived by a 13-year-old son, Donald, a sister, Mrs. R. D. Taggart, who has made her home here for the last two years, and a brother, R. F. Taggart, of East Palestine, Ohio.

Miss Zena Whiteman has returned from British Columbia, where she has been visiting with relatives for some time, to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Lawrence McIntosh, of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie H. Foulitz of Tacoma, the latter a niece of the late George Barnes, visited Olympia recently and while here Mrs. Foulitz was given the gold watch and chain presented to her uncle during pioneer days by the Barnes hook and ladder company of which he was the first chief when the local fire department was a volunteer outfit. She prizes the watch highly as a valuable heirloom.

Heart failure caused the death suddenly in Tacoma Sunday evening of George Allen, a resident of this city for more than a quarter of a century during which he operated a lumber mill, just after he and Mrs. Allen had eaten their evening meal. He is survived by the widow and six children, Harry S. Allen of South Bay, Mrs. Jesse Mills of this city, George Cozens of New York, and Joseph S., Alex S. and John M. Allen of Tacoma. Three brothers and a sister, C. N. Allen of Olympia, John Allen of Michigan, Prescott Allen of Maine, and Mrs. Alice Haycox of Maine, also survive.

Where the Olympia Ladies' Relief society cared for about 50 poor families at Christmas a year ago, less than half that number of needy were found this year.

## MEET JACKSON DAY

Democrats of City and County to Complete Organization Then.

Democrats of Olympia and Thurston county will celebrate Jackson day—January 8—this year with a smoker and light lunch in the evening at a place to be announced later, when George Yantis, temporary president of the Thurston County branch of the State Democratic league, announces that steps looking to the permanent organization of the branch will be taken and plans evolved for the branch's work in this locality in connection with the work of the state league.

It is particularly desired that as many of the Democrats residing in the county attend this meeting as can, for it will be an important event in local Democratic annals and it is expected that notices of the meeting will be considered by each Democrat of the county as personal invitations to be present, to help complete the organization and to join the local branch.

Inasmuch as this is the state capital, many Democrats, including the state officials, believe that it should lead the state in an active, energetic organization instead of lagging behind as it does now. Quite a few Democrats have joined it since the dinner about two weeks ago, when the temporary organization was effected, and the aim is to have it include in its membership all of the Democrats of the city and county.

Remember the date—Jackson day, January 8—and be there.

## PHONE TRUST BROKEN

Bell Company Agrees to Re-organize Under Anti-Trust Law.

Announcement of the plan under which the American Telephone & Telegraph company, the Bell concern, will be dissolved without litigation into conformity with the Sherman anti-trust law, thereby restoring competition to the telephone service of the entire country, was made during the last week by Attorney General McReynolds, following a series of negotiations for such a re-organization agreed to by the company.

In brief, the agreement provides that: The American Telephone & Telegraph company will dispose promptly of its holdings in the Western Union Telegraph company, so that each concern shall be under distinct management and so that all shall be entirely independent.

The company will not acquire control of other telephone companies and where control of telephone companies has been acquired, but no actual physical union has been effected, the American Telephone & Telegraph company will submit the course it is to pursue to the interstate commerce commission and to the department of justice.

The company promptly will make arrangements by which all other telephone companies in the United States shall have access to its toll lines.

The re-organization plan originated with the company, although it followed many reports that a suit against it might be filed. It was regarded by department of justice officials as the most striking indication offered in a decade that "big business" has come to the conclusion that it is better to follow the Sherman law than to fight it.

## POSTAL SERVICE PAYS

Has Balance of \$3,841,906—Government Ownership of Telegraph Urged.

The postal service is now self-supporting for the first time since 1883, an actual surplus of \$3,841,906.78 existing, according to the annual report of Postmaster General Burleson, submitted this week, in which he made a sweeping declaration in favor of the principle of government ownership of telephone and telegraph lines, because, as he said, "the successful operation of the parcel post has demonstrated the capacity of the government to conduct public utilities which fall properly within the postal provision of the constitution."

"A study of the constitutional purposes of the postal establishment leads to the conviction that the postoffice department should have control over all means of the communication of intelligence," he continues. "The first telegraph line in this country was maintained and operated as a part of the postal service, and it is to be regretted that Congress saw fit to relinquish this facility to private enterprise. The monopolistic nature of the telegraph business makes it of vital importance to the people that it be conducted by unselfish interests, and this can be accomplished only through government ownership."

## "OPEN HOUSE" AT "Y"

Local Association to Entertain Members and Friends New Year's.

A little different and for that reason perhaps more enjoyable will be the "open house" with which the local Y. M. C. A. will entertain its members and friends in this city New Year's with an afternoon and evening program designed to afford enjoyment to all.

The day's events will begin at 3:30 in the afternoon, with a musicale in the boys' room, in which Mr. Charles E. Tyndall will play two piano solos, Mrs. C. E. Beach will sing a solo and Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Morrison will offer a duet. From 4:30 to 5:30 the gymnastic special events will be held, consisting of a 120-yard potato race, wand drill, a basket ball game between the high school seniors and sophomores, apparatus work, a volley ball game between the business men's and the seniors' classes, and various aquatic sports.

In the evening the events will be held in the gymnasium from 8 to 9:30 and will consist of a basket ball game between the midgets, biscuit shooting, apparatus work, ring vaulting, and examples of expert swimming offered by Leonard L. Conklin, in which various dives, such as the swan, jack-knife, corkscrew, Jewish, back, pile, side and toad, will be illustrated.

During the afternoon and evening the entire house will be open for the inspection of guests, music will be furnished in the lobby, the pocket billiard tables will be reserved for the ladies, everything in the building will be free for the use and amusement of the visitors, and everybody will be supposed to make themselves at home.

## XMAS FOR STATE WARDS

Day Celebrated Appropriately at All Institutions, "Pen" Included.

Christmas day this year was made memorable, in one way or another, for every one of the 5,000 wards of the state in its 11 institutions.

One of the most pathetic sights is at the state school for the blind. A special treat for the youngster was provided this year by the board of control by the purchase of \$30 worth of new records for the phonograph at the institution, and a grand concert was arranged for Christmas day. In spite of the fact that shining candles and glittering tinsel could not be seen by the children, a genuine Christmas tree was provided.

At the school for the deaf, of course, phonographic records could not be sent as a gift but the children there were able to appreciate the Christmas tree more fully.

At the soldiers' and veterans' home special pains were taken with arrangements for the Christmas dinners, turkeys, cranberries, oranges and other delicacies being provided as a variation to the usual fare. At the three hospitals for the insane the superintendents solicited from charitably inclined persons gifts of various kinds to be furnished those inmates who have no friends or relatives to remember them. Even at the state penitentiary at Walla Walla and at the reformatory at Monroe special arrangements were made for the celebration of Christmas day.

## KILLS MAN IN BRAWL

Centralia Figures in Sunday Morning Escapade in Tacoma.

S. R. Jackson, a Centralia laundryman, formerly proprietor of various barber shops in that city, shot and killed Arthur Amsler, a bartender, in a brawl at the Pierce hotel, 912½ South C street, Tacoma, early Sunday morning. He was released on bail after a charge of manslaughter had been preferred against him and is now at his home in Centralia.

Jackson maintains he shot Amsler in self defense. He was preparing to leave for his home just before the shooting occurred, after spending the evening as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Henton in their rooms at the hotel, when he says all had been drinking considerably. As the party broke up Amsler went to another room but, hearing a cry from Mrs. Henton, rushed back to their apartment, forcing open the door.

A fight ensued, in which Amsler got the better of Jackson. During the struggle Jackson drew a revolver and fired several shots, one bullet taking effect in Amsler's left lung, just above the heart.

## SENATOR TROY MAY RUN FOR CONGRESS

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the majority of the counties were frankly Progressive.

"The third party movement is now declared to be waning in the Northwest, and it is probable that the best this party can do next year—provided the Progressives do not go back to their first love—will be to offset the Republican vote, leaving a Democrat of the type of Mr. Troy in an advantageous position. Altogether, if the local man makes up his mind to enter the fight for the position, things look unusually bright for the presence at the national capital of a congressman having for his home one of the smallest counties in the district.

"In the event Mr. Troy does make a final decision to file for the Democratic nomination for Congress, it is safe to say that he will be the practically unanimous choice of the two counties on the Olympic peninsula and their neighbors on the islands. His friends answer for the sentiment in other parts of the district. This part of the state certainly needs a friend at the national capital and Mr. Troy would fill the bill."

The Quilcene Megaphone, a Republican newspaper published in that district, commented on Mr. Troy's prospects as follows:

"In the event that he does listen to his friends and announces his candidacy he will win out. There is no other man in the district, Democrat or Republican, who stands so high with the people as David S. Troy. He was elected to the legislature from this—a strong Republican county—although nominated on the Democratic ticket, and then followed his election to the state senate on the same ticket in a strong Republican district. Mr. Troy is one of the big men of the state, and the people of the Second district, if they can induce him to accept the candidacy, need look no farther for a clean, able man to represent the district in the lower house of Congress."

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