ENTHUSIASM IN VOTING CONTEST

YOUNG WOMEN IN ALL PARTS OF THE VALLEY ARE WORKING HARD FOR PRIZES.

Opening Day of This Week Was a Good One and Results Are Shown to Indicate Increase.

With renewed energy the workers in The Statesman's voting contest opened up their work this week and the prospects are for the best and biggest week's work they have yet done. All are enthused over the prospect of the trips to Seattle and more especially the four up the Alaska coast which are to be given entirely free to the winners in the four districts.

From Prescott to Pendleton and from Dayton to Kennewick, many young ladies are working hard and are getting results to show for their efforts. The vote getting is made easier by the fact that The Statesman is recognizedly the best evening paper in its field and stands head and shoulders above its rivals.

The count of votes, made this morning, stands as follows:

Nettie Lampp	36,100
Vernece Stettler	32,450
Minnie Gimmikle	44,850
Effie Fayerweather	35,100
Nettie Lamb	23,300
Lucile Gabbart	34,500
Florence Bohannon	22,200
Edna Holmes	25,400
Lucreta Cummings	29,300
Sophia Hess	25,400
Luella McKean	24,300
Hazel Jennings	25,100
Stella Grinstead	47,150
Minnie Miller	26,300
Margaret McCool	37,200
Mrs Clara Gonser	41,400
May Warren	42,250
Daisy Oliver	24,350
Lona Kyger	39,700
Neva Ware	38,250
Jessie Abbott	25,700
Orpha Dyer	38,420
Pauline Anderson	22,100
Ruth Howick	29,300
Miss Sacre	27,100
Lillian Blackman	24,850
Enid Smit en	27,420
Hazel Stetler	42,400
Harriett Stoddard	30,100
May Bayshore	34,800
Pasco.	
Nellie Hall	32,600
Bessie Faust	[illegible]
Dayton.	
Verna Hopkins	25, 020
Cordelia Bailey	26,150
Chloa Mofft	22,400
Hazel Nichols	27,000
Dallie Nash	28,300
Lena Moulton	20,600
Athena.	
Gertrude Booher	31,200
Milton.	
Arlie Rouanzion	52,420
Winnie Shields	50,100
Freewater.	
Mary Tanke	42,000
Weston.	
Ruth Banister	20,000
Lela Bloom	22,320
Ida Thompson	24,100
Laura Smith	25,600
Adams.	
Miss Lieualen	25,320
Lela Rogers	24,400
Kennewick.	
Esther Stigler	26,720
Frances Olbright	28,800
Waitsburg	
Myrtle Witt	22,840
Mae Jonas	28,460
Della Conover	27,880
Caroline Wright	26,900
Maude Sander	29,100
Cora Whitney	29,940
Pomeroy.	
Minnie Woodruff	27,850
Irene Junker	24,000
Bertha Howells	25,100
Starbuck.	
Elsie Burgdof	26,400
Frances Hukill	28,300
Mrs. Esther Fister	27,800
Prescott.	
Ethel Crowell	29,860
Kate Painter	40,080
Bessie Case	38,700
Dixie.	
Gertrude Aritz	34,600
Stella Lewis	36,760
Richland.	
Elsie Clements	14,800
Hazel Shelton	16,740
Roxy Coblentz	21,300
Touchet.	
Lucy Martin	16,000
Vella Byrnes	14,480
Lo tie Barnes	18,840

Corrigan Disappears.

SPOKANE, March 30.—Patrick Corrigan, aged 35, a farmer of Custer, Wisconsin, on a visit with his sister here, has mysteriously disappeared. It is believed he has met with foul play. He had just sold has farm for $7,000 He left his sister's home last Saturday and has failed to return.

Real Estate Sales

Some of the sales made during the past thirty days by the leaders in Real Estate—Davies and Skinner:

Completed sale of 18 lots in Norman's Add...	$ 7,000
John Thonney's wheat farm; 528 acres.....	18,500
R Stiller's 66-acre tract.....	7,500
A. B. Good's residence in Green's Annex....	3,000
Henry Mang's wheat farm, 480 acres.....	18,000
M. R. Hanger's residence on Merriam St....	10,000
Mrs. May Evans Reed's wheat farm; 200 A...	19,000
Mrs. Jane McInroe's wheat farm 237 acres..	23,700
Mrs. Harn's fruit farm	1,000
Aggregating	$107,700

The sales for this month are not up to the average as there is always a depression in the Real Estate business during March, but the figures here given are convincing proof of some activity, even in a dull month.

This Real Estate office was the first established in Walla Walla, and its known reliability and wide acquaintance with people, properties and values make it a desirable place to deal for those in quest of quick results. Its property lists cover the best values both in the city and country.

GREAT OPENING FOR NURSERIES

DEMAND FOR TREES AND PLANTS OF ALL KINDS GREATLY EXCEEDS SUPPLY.

Hawaiians Would Welcome Large Nursery Where They Could Purchase All Kinds of Shrubs.

HONOLULU, March 30.—(Special)—Constant application is made from all parts of the Islands for seed, suckers and plants of various economic crops and ornamentals. Neither the territorial board of agriculture, nor the federal experiment station is in a position to supply these demands; in fact, such work should not be a chief function of official institutions. The operation of a nursery is a commercial proposition. The supplying of a small quantity of material for starting various kinds of crops is done temporarily by the experiment station, but will be abandoned entirely as soon as the matter is taken up by some commercial nurseryman. The plans and seeds most in demand are alligator pear, papaia, citrus fruits, figs, bananas, Roselle, cotton, soy beans and other legumes, corn and an extended list of ornamental plants. In importing such things from the mainland, or elsewhere, there is always the danger of introducing some injurious insect or fungus disease; and the rigid quarantine which is necessarily and rightly carried out in the inspection of such importation, sometimes injures the material which is imported. In addition to this, there is a likelihood of the deterioration of the material in transit, by long delays or by improper handling; and finally, the seed and plants introduced from other countries require acclimatization here, and may, therefore, prove somewhat disappointing to the importer. For these reasons, it seems strange that some nurseryman has not engaged in the business of producing acclimatized strains of economic and ornamental plants, such as are desired by the citizens of the territory; and no hesitation is felt in recommending the establishment of a commercial nursery near Honolulu as a promising business for the man who understands this sort of work.

There is not only the mere matter of supplying the demand for economic and ornamental plants, but there is also a good opening for the practical plant breeder in charge of such a business undertaking, in establishing and improving the varieties of some of the plants which we already have, particularly, the alligator pear, papaias and some of the more hardy ornamental plants which, if properly worked up would undoubtedly find a place in some of the markets of California and the southwest.

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frequently falls in this month, and the events connected with the period of the life of Jesus would naturally afford subjects for the spectacles of the season.

"The tricks of the first of April may, however, be the remains of some Roman custom derived from the east, and spread over Europe, like so many other customs, by these conquerors. It is certain that the Hindus practice precisely similar artifices at the time of the Hull feast on March 31.

"In France, the unlucky party who may be fooled is called un poisson (fish) d'Avril; in Scotland, a gowk (cuckoo); in England and the United States, an April-fool."

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remains of Governor Cosgrove. The delegation will be met along the line by the senate and house delegation appointed by President Ruth of the senate and Speaker Meigs of the house.

Wheat Farm Sold for $14,400.

EPHRATA, March 30.—A land sale was completed today by which S. M. Wilson of Morrison, Wash., sold, through G. L.Gordon, of the Empire Investment company, of Spokane, 480 acres of land to J. W. Billups, of Grangeville, Idaho, for the sum of $14,400. The land, which is situated eight miles southwest of Ephrata, is described as the southeast quarter of section 30, township 2, range 26, and the west half of section 29, township 2, range 26.

A hundred acres of the land is under cultivation and has fall-sown wheat four inches high already. The land in question was formerly a part of the old Lindsay place, and was bought last fall by its present seller for $10,500.

The new owner has arranged to keep a man on the place, and his plans include substantial improvements and irrigation work.

PAVING PETITIONS UP BEFORE COUNCIL

Property Owners Would Have Birch Street From Second to Park Improved With Macadam.

Two petitions, asking for street improvements, were filed with City Clerk T. D. S. Hart this afternoon, and will be acted on by the city council at its meetings tonight. One of the communications, signed by five property owners, prays that Craig street from the east line of Park to the west line of Howard street, be improved with macadam. The signatures are C. S. Haynes E. J. Klemme, C. S. Buffum, Harry Lasater and E. W. Oliver.

The second petition, signed by 17 property owners in the proposed district, asks the improvement of Birch street from Second to Park, and is as follows:

"We, the underground residents of Walla Walla and owners of property abutting on Birch street between Second and Park, hereby petition your honorable body to macadamize said Birch street between the streets hereinbefore mentioned, upon the local improvement district plan. We believe in the narrow roadway for residence streets, similar to that on Palouse street, and desire a concrete curb, but are of the opinion that the expense of a storm sewer may be omitted with safety. We further wish to call the attention of your honorable body to the offsets in Birch street, which we think should be removed by narrowing the street sufficiently on the north side to reduce it to a width which it now has from Catherine to Park streets."

The communication is signed by the following: Amelia E. Ward estate, Augusta W. Rees, T. M. Hanger, H. R. Keylor, eGorge Drumheller, L. McMorris, Mrs. C. N. Suttner, F. C. Robinson, G. W. Whitehouse, Whitehouse & Drumheller, H. G. Thompson, Mrs. Alicia Durry, D. G. Ferguson, Mrs. William Stine, J. C. Scott, Cynthia A. Johnson and D. V. Wood.

NEVADA WANTS CHEAPER RATES

STATE COMMISSION SAYS PRESENT SCHEDULES ARE DISCRIMINATORY.

California Shippers Are on Hand to Protest, Saying the Rates Are Good Enough.

RENO, March 30.—The complaint of the Nevada railroad commission against the Southern Pacific, Nevada, California and Oregon railroads that their rates for Nevada pionts are unjust and discriminatory, was aired today before the interstate commerce commission, represented by Examiner Lyon. Representatives of San Francisco and Los Angeles shippers were present to resist the petition of the Nevada shippers. California shippers say they encounter water competition and should be allowed to keep the rates they now enjoy.

Sell Opium.

SEATTLE, March 30.—Fifty pounds of opium, gathered by local custom officers, will be sold at auction by the government this afternoon. At the same time 75 pounds will be sold in Tacoma. The bidding will be spirited because of the law prohibiting the importation of opium is effective next Thursday.

Writ Denied.

SPOKANE, March, The state supreme court denied the writ asked for by Prosecutor Pugh, permitting him making a short-hand report of the testimony before the grand jury in the investigation of the Gordon scandal. Gordon wins in the controversy.

Another Strike.

WINNIPEG, March 30.—Alarming reports are current that another big strike of the machinists of the Canadian Pacific railroad is imminent. The company refuses to negotiate jointly with the men on the eastern and the western system. A deadlock has been reached in the negotiations. The present scale expires within a few days.

The Statesman-Union classified advertising columns will find what you want.

THIRD LUNCHEON BIG SUCCESS

LARGE NUMBER OF LEADING BUSINESS MEN OF CITY IN ATTENDANCE.

Dr. Lyman B. Sperry, Dr. J. W. Summers and Gilbert Hunt Among the Speakers Today.

With an attendance of more than 50 of the leading business men of the city, the third weekly luncheon of the Commercial club was given in the dining room of the Dacres hotel today, the grill room having been found too small to easily accommodate the large number of club members who are attending these functions. A short program of addresses was given, the first speaker being Rev. Lyman B. Sperry, the lecturer who is conducting a series of meetings in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium this week. Rev. Sperry dwelt at length upon the necessity for upbuilding the moral plane of the community, and in removed vice and evil temptations from the young manhood and young womanhood of the city.

Dr. J. W. Summers, who has been in Walla Walla but a comparatively short time, spoke on the subject, "Impressions of a Newcomer," and among other things that did not create a favorable impression upon him at the time of his arrival, he enumerated the following: West Main street, below the pavement; saloons; no tall buildings; inadequate eating houses; board walks; tumbled fences; church buildings.

"In the descriptive matter I secured of the Walla Walla valley," said Mr. Summers, "I was given the impression that the valley was a little depression about four miles in width, and I was not certain that I would desire to live here. I think our future literature should speak of the Walla Walla valley as being an undulating tract about the size of the state of New Jersey. I was favorably impressed upon arrival, to see practically the whole train unload here; but another load im- [illegible] still further impressed me.

"Another thing that impressed me, though not favorably, was the fact that all business blocks are low, not more than four stories in height. I believe the time has come for a five-story building, and if I were to erect a block here I would wait until I had money enough to add an additional story. The restaurant facilities and the hotels, with a few exceptions, are more properly fitted for a town of 2,000 people, and the board sidewalks on practically every street are destined for a town of the same size. The church buildings, with a few exceptions, are not what they should be, and the panels of tumbled fences are anything but picturesque."

Dr. Summers disclaimed any intention of "knocking," saying he had been asked to give his impressions secured on arrival, even though they do not impress him now, after 15 months of residence here, as they did on his arrival. He struck a key-note when he said, "The time for that big hotel is ripe and we should go after it."

Gilbert Hunt Talks.

Ex-Mayor Gilbert Hunt, who recently returned from an extended visit in the Hawaiian islands, gave a brief story of his jaunt, saying in part:

"I came here with the expectation of being entertained and not as one of the entertainers. I have enjoyed the luncheon to a great extent, and will give a few of the impressions of my recent visit in Honolulu. I have often wondered why people in Walla Walla would leave this city to spend their vacations in California. I do not believe there will be as great an exodus next year as there has been the past season, for when we arrived in Los Angeles it was raining harder than I ever saw it rain in Walla Walla or anywhere else. The atmosphere was decidedly cold and uncomfortable. We have a finer climate and a better country, and along the route I saw no scenery that would compare to that in this section; their farms looked poor and unproductive; there were very few good horses in the state, and even the pigs were as poor and scrawny as anything I ever saw in the shape of a pig. After making the trip I returned even more impressed with the wonderful advantages and resources of the Walla Walla valley.

"We need not be ashamed of our valley, and in speaking to tourists, I have told them, that before they fin- [illegible] visit Walla Walla and see some really lovely country. The people of Honolulu are an easy-going race; they do not fight much among themselves, I am told, and take things very much as they come. Walla Wallans may have a little too much of the spirit of letting things drift, but I was glad on my return to learn that they had awakened and that several miles of street improvements were being contemplated."

Police and Suffragettes.

LONDON, March 30.—A Clash between the suffragettes and the police occurred about the house of commons today in which several participants were badly bruised. The police gained the upper hand after a hard struggle. Nine women were arrested, charged with striking the "bobbies" with their umbrellas.

Big Business.

SEATTLE, March 30.—It is reported on good authority that the Guggenheim-Morgan syndicate contemplates the expenditure of $20,000,000 in new enterprises on Puget Sound. A copper wire and copper products plant at Tacoma, a line of lake vessels on the inside passage to Cordova and the virtual monopolization of the Nippon Yusan Kaisha line are the projects on hand.

Kill a Sheriff.

OKLAHOMA CITY, March 30.—An unconfirmed rumor says that Sheriff Patty, and a deputy were killed in an encounter with Chief Crazy Snake's band of full bloods and negroes today.