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PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Wm. VanBibber left this morning on a business trip to Olympia, Wash.

Frank Wood left this morning for Portland to attend the business college in that city.

Dr. Hollister has just returned from a professional trip into Sherman county, being called to consult with Dr. Smith.

C. McPherson, who has been spending the holidays with his family in this city, returned to his ranch near Hay Creek this afternoon.

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at Blakeley & Houghton's drug store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed or price refunded.

Water Commissioners' Special Meeting.

A special meeting of the water commissioners was called last night for the purpose of making a settlement with the Pacific Bridge Co., which has just completed the work on the new water system. Including extra work of extending mains, etc., the bill of the company was \$10,933.89, which was allowed and ordered paid.

Other bills allowed were:
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Wm Nicholas, labor..... 15 00
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Wm Mitchell, fling saw..... 25
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Heaviest in Spokane's History.

SPOKANE, Jan. 2.—Spokane during the last two days has experienced the heaviest snow in its history. Since yesterday morning fifteen inches has fallen, making twenty-five inches on the ground. Because of strong winds, the snow has drifted and it is with difficulty that street car lines are kept open. In places the snow has drifted to a depth of fifteen feet.

Horrible agony is caused by Piles, burns and skin diseases. These are immediately relieved and quickly cured by De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. Beware of worthless imitations. Snipes-Kinersly Drug Co.

BACKBONE OF ARMY.

Noncommissioned Officers the Unglorified Sinews of War.

With Unlimited Ability to Work, They Bear the Brunt of Battle and Shoot Their Way Into the Corridors of Oblivion.

The recruit of the army no sooner swears that he "will obey the commands of all officers placed above him" than he falls into the hands of a corporal. This soldier, with the two clean white chevrons on his sleeves, looks him over, guides him to a bathing place and begins to lick him into shape. He begins by teaching him how to stand, how to turn around, where to keep his eyes and all the small details of the soldier's business. He impresses on him the necessity of quick doing, and cautions that the officers are there to think. Then the recruit is shuffled on to a sergeant, who places him in a set of fours and teaches him how to find his place and what to do when he finds it. He finally falls into the hands of the first sergeant in company drill. He may get an occasional sight of his captain, but he learns to know and emulate his sergeant.

The "noncom." is the teacher. His unlimited ability to work and his undying patience straighten up round shoulders, liven up shuffling steps and make a sturdy soldier of the raw recruit. He works always and forever, and executes the orders of his superiors quickly and accurately. He serves as a model to be copied after by the private—he is the backbone of the army.

Glory seldom comes to the "noncom." A long time ago a certain Sgt. Jasper won a permanent place in history, and more recently Sgt. Hamilton Fish died bravely at the front. The "noncom." works unnoticed, like the line player in the football team, because he doesn't run with the ball, but he is the backbone that holds the ribs together. When the battle is hot and sweat mingles with blood on the sodden field, when bullets whizz and shells scream, when comrades sink to the ground and turn on their faces, the officer lifts his sword on high and steps forward into glory. The "noncom." speaks the quiet "Steady, boys!" and walks into the jaws of death, shooting his way into the corridors of oblivion. The captain knows he will be famous if he survives—famous if he dies. The sergeant or the corporal knows his wife and children will weep over their loss, his comrades that survive him will bury him in a soldier's grave wrapped in his blanket. He is too numerous for the historian to mention; he was simply doing his duty. Yet if the victory is won it is because he is in his place and doing his duty.

Under the new tactics in use by the United States army companies no longer fight with men shoulder to shoulder under the direct command of the captain. Much stress is laid on the skirmish drill, in which sets of four under corporals and squads under sergeants fight in open order, firing at will after the captain has ordered "commence firing." The corporal is responsible for his set of four and the sergeant for his squad. The first sergeant is in a manner responsible for the entire company and is ready to assume command when his officers are shot down. The new arrangement gives opportunity to the "noncom." to show himself. It remains to be seen whether or not he will break into fame.

It is not in battle, however, that the noncommissioned officer earns the title of "backbone," for in the fight the sweating private is a necessary person. In the camp the white-chevrons soldier makes his presence known and felt. The first sergeant, gruff, stern, severe, kind, man of all work and all intelligence, father of his company and mother, too, in camp, is in charge of his men. He looks after the company quarters, tents, bedding, clothing, knows all about the kitchen and sees to the equipments. He calls the roll, details the guard, knows the ability and willingness of every soldier of his command and is the disciplinarian and mouthpiece of his company. He is the go-between for privates and officers, adjusts quarrels and disseminates advice. The company books, though not intricate, are tedious, and are kept by him, and he reports the dead to his captain. He seems to be in every place at the same time. He is the model soldier.

The literature of the present war is yet unwritten. Glorious victories have been won and admirals and generals have been launched into everlasting fame. It is to be hoped, when the war correspondents get back to the quiet of their desks, they will not have been blinded by the glare of uplifted swords and glittering shoulder straps to the bravery and courage of the "noncommissioned man." There is room in history for the "backbone of the army."—Kansas City Star.

In Olden Times

People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with the transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently overcome habitual constipation, well informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system. Buy the genuine, made by the California Fig Syrup Co.

PAYING THE TROOPS.

Complicated Task Which Volunteer Paymasters Perform.

The Routine of Remunerating Uncle Sam's Soldiers and the Amounts They Receive—Paying Dear for Titles.

One of the pleasantest features of army life is the coming of the paymaster with his gripsack full of money. Since the declaration of war with Spain the war department has added 70 paymasters and twice as many clerks, under the emergency act providing for an increase. The work required is almost wholly that of expert accountants. Especially is this true of the department of the east, in New York city, where, in addition to keeping the accounts of the volunteers in this vicinity, the paymasters are obliged to take care of the accounts of regulars and retired officers and soldiers. There is no mercy shown to a green paymaster. Whether he understands the work or not, he has to do the same amount as is given to a paymaster who has been in the service 20 years. In fact, there is a growing suspicion that the volunteer paymaster gets the worst of it all round.

The retired list which new paymasters are required to wrestle with in the paymaster's office in this city comprises the accounts of 400 officers and men who have been retired from the service, but who are drawing three-quarters pay. These payments are made once each month under an intricate system of bookkeeping. It is so complicated that no business man of to-day would think of applying it to his own business.

The retired officers and men are paid on the first day of each month. Those residing in New York receive their pay in currency at the paymaster's office, while those residing outside the city are paid by check. The New York pay department is under the control of Lieut. Col. Wilson, who ranks next to Paymaster General Stanton. Under him at the present time are two regular army paymasters, all ranking as majors. As in the army proper, there is nothing done in the pay department without orders, and the soldier who becomes impatient at not receiving his pay at the anticipated time should not blame the paymaster. It may be that he has not received his orders.

The First New York volunteers were paid off recently by Maj. Fowler at Fort Hamilton, and the method of procedure will serve to illustrate all payments in the field. On the rolls furnished by the company commanders an estimate of the amount due each man, less fines, was made by the paymaster, and the latter, with his clerk, went to the camp with sufficient currency to pay off. At Fort Hamilton the place selected for paying the troops was the hall of the local lodge of Good Templars. Each company was lined up, one at a time, in front of the paymaster's desk, and as his name was called out each man stepped forward and received his money.

First comes the captain, who receives \$150; then the first lieutenant, who takes \$125. The second lieutenant walks off with \$116.67, and then follow the noncommissioned officers, beginning with the first sergeant, whose compensation is \$30 a month. After the noncommissioned officers come the privates, who receive \$15.50 a month instead of \$13 a month, as formerly. In fact, in all the salaries of noncommissioned officers and privates there has been a uniform increase of 20 per cent.

When an entire regiment is paid off it is done from what is known as the roll of the field, staff and band, containing the names of the brigade or regimental field officers. These officers are paid by the paymaster in the same manner that other payments are made, but the amounts are much larger, the brigadier general receiving \$458.83 a month; colonel, \$291.67; lieutenant colonel, \$250, and major, \$208.33. Regimental quartermaster and regimental adjutants receive \$150, while the regimental chaplain's pay is \$125 a month.

Commissioned officers may draw their salaries from any paymaster, and it is not infrequent that accounts are duplicated. In such cases there is trouble in store for the officer. Paymasters, although they handle large sums of money, are only under \$10,000 bonds. They are responsible for the accuracy of their accounts, and the overpayment of money to soldiers is a loss to the paymaster. The government checks up every item in the pay rolls, and every error in payment is charged back to the paymaster. The possibility of error is a constant worry to the volunteer paymasters, who are largely dependent upon their clerks.

For this responsibility their compensation is \$298 a month. Were it not for the gold shoulder straps and the rank of major which goes with the office, there are few paymasters in the volunteer service who would accept the place. There are among the volunteer paymasters some whose incomes from their private business exceeded that of their salary, but whose age disqualified them for army service, who have joined the pay department that they might acquire a military title. Such of these paymasters as have been assigned to the department of the east are fast realizing that they are paying dear for their titles.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT UNDER and by virtue of an execution dated the 10th day of November, 1898, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Grant County, upon a judgment given and rendered therein on the 6th day of October, 1896, (a transcript of which was filed and docketed in office of the highest bidder for cash in hand, for the purpose of the 22d day of October, 1896,) in favor of L. S. Penfield and against Mary D. Hess, for the sum of \$366.40, and the further sum of \$50.00 as attorney's fees and all disbursements, which said execution is directed to me and commanding me to levy upon and sell the property of the said judgment debtor, Mary D. Hess, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment aforesaid with interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum from said 5th day of October, 1896, and the costs and expenses of and upon this writ I did on Saturday the 17th day of December, 1898, levy upon and on

Thursday the 19th day of January, 1899, at one o'clock p. m. at the County Courthouse door, in Wasco County, Oregon, will sell, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, for the purpose of satisfying said judgment, interest, costs and expenses, the undivided one fifth interest of the said judgment debtor in and to the following described lands and premises, to wit: All of sections 21, 23, 25, 27 and 29; the southeast quarter and the north half of the northwest quarter of section 22; the northwest quarter of section 23; the west half of the west half and the south half of the south half of section 34; the southeast half of the northwest quarter of section 36, all in township 7 south, range 17 east, and all of section 3 in township 8 south, range 17 east, Willamette, in Wasco County, Oregon, containing 4600 acres more or less. Dalles City, Oregon, December 10, 1898.

By F. C. SEXTON, Deputy Sheriff of Wasco County, Oregon.

SUMMONS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT of the State of Oregon for Wasco County.
vs.
Emily Pratt, Defendant.
In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear in the above entitled court on or before the 28 day of January 1899, then and there to answer the complaint of plaintiff filed against you in the above entitled cause, and if you fail so to appear, and answer said complaint, for want of due diligence, you will apply to the above entitled court for the relief prayed for in his complaint to-wit: For a decree of the above entitled court dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between plaintiff and defendant.
The plaintiff has awarded the sole care and custody of their minor children, Katie Pratt and Reubin Pratt, and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem equitable and just. This summons is served upon you, the said Emily Pratt, by publication thereof, by order of the Hon. W. L. Bradshaw, Judge of the above entitled court, which order bears date the 12th day of December, 1898, and direct that said amount be published once a week for not less than six weeks in the DALLES CHRONICLE, a newspaper of general circulation published in Dalles City, Wasco County, Oregon, and said publication to begin with Saturday, the 17th day of December, 1898, and end with Saturday the 21st day of January, 1899.
DUFER & MERRILL,
Attorneys at Law.

NOTICE.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, THE DALLES, OR., DECEMBER 25, 1898.
Complaint having been entered at this office by Frank C. Wilson against Gustave A. Brockman for abandoning his homestead entry, No. 20, dated Oct. 21, 1892, in the NW 1/4, Sec. 22, Twp. 22, R. 13, E. 1, the following notice is hereby given: That the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at The Dalles, Oregon, on Tuesday, January 24, 1899, viz: Lewis A. Sears, The Dalles, Homestead Application No. 5230, for SW 1/4, NW 1/4, Sect. 11, Twp. 11 north, Range 13, East W. M.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Newton Ferguson, of The Dalles, Oregon; Henry Ryan, of The Dalles, Oregon; Andrew McCabe, of The Dalles, Oregon.
JAY P. LUCAS, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, THE DALLES, OR., DECEMBER 12, 1898.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at The Dalles, Oregon, on Tuesday, January 24, 1899, viz: Lewis A. Sears, The Dalles, Homestead Application No. 5230, for SW 1/4, NW 1/4, Sect. 11, Twp. 11 north, Range 13, East W. M.
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JAY P. LUCAS, Register.

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his resignation as one of the administrators of the estate of Perry Watkins, deceased, and the county court of the state of Oregon for Wasco county, has appointed the 30th day of January, 1899, at the hour of 10 o'clock, a. m. as the time for hearing the same and the accounts of said administrator up to said date. All persons interested in the estate are hereby notified to appear in said court at said time to show cause, if any exists, why said resignation should not be accepted and said administrator discharged.
Dalles City, Or., Dec. 27, 1898.
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One of the Administrators of the Estate of Perry Watkins, Deceased.

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J. P. Shannon, Plaintiff,
vs.
Mary W. Lewis, Wayne F. Lewis and Wm. Mc D. Lewis, Minors, by M. A. Moody, their guardian ad item, and Z. F. Moody, executors of the estate of W. Mc D. Lewis, deceased. Defendants.
By virtue of an execution, decree and order of sale, duly issued out of and under the seal of the circuit court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Wasco, to me directed and dated the 28th day of December, 1898, upon a decree for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage, rendered and entered in said court on the 29th day of December, 1898, in the above entitled cause in favor of the plaintiff and against defendants, in the sum of Thirty-two hundred and Fifty-four dollars, and commanding me to make sale of the real property embraced in such decree of foreclosure and hereinafter described, I will, on the

7th day of February, 1899, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, and at the front door of the County Court House in Dalles City, Wasco County, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the defendants or either of them had on the 11th day of June, 1888, the date of the mortgage foreclosed herein, or which said defendant or any of the defendants herein, have since acquired, or now have in and to the following described property, situated and being in Wasco county, Oregon, to-wit:

The 8 1/2 NW 1/4, and the 1/2 NE 1/4, Section 19, Township 3, south of range 12, East of Willamette meridian, containing 160.47 acres according to the government survey thereof, the same being known on the maps and plats of the United States as Cash Entry No. 85, of John P. Shannon; or so much of said property as will satisfy said judgment and decree. Said property will be sold subject to confirmation and redemption as by law provided.
Dated at The Dalles, Oregon, this 28th day of December, 1898.

ROBERT KELLY,
Sheriff of Wasco County, Or.