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### SCHOOLS CLOSE FOR SUMMER

#### PROMOTION LISTS ANNOUNCED TO-DAY

Pupils Have Been Dismissed for Two Months' Vacation.

To-day the public schools closed for the summer holidays. In most of the centres exercises were held this forenoon, including the reading of promotion lists and the lists of winners of rolls of honor.

#### SPRING RIDGE.

The closing exercises of the Spring Ridge school were held this forenoon, commencing at 10 o'clock. The pupils assembled in Miss Russell's room which was beautifully decorated with quantities of ferns, roses, marguerites and sprigs, by the pupils of Miss Brown's class. Rev. E. G. Miller, pastor of St. Barnabas church, presided, and a very nicely arranged programme was rendered by the children, as follows:

Piano duet, Lavinia and Mabel Millington; song, "Vacation," school; recitation, "June," Mabel Estes; song, "The Doggie's Sail," first primer class; mandolin and banjo duet, Robert and Clifford Renouf; recitation, "The Boy and His Box," Orma Le Sueur; recitation and song, "Flowers of June," first primer class—Samuel McCleave, representing daisies, Dorothy Wilkinson, clover, Edward Bassett, Helena Taverner, Alex. Roy and Alma June, butternuts and Walter Brynjolfsson and Stella James, roses; recitation, "What a Boy Can Do," Eddie Newman; burlesque band—Benjamin Davies, Fred Paul King (bugle), Willie McCorkall (tambourine), Robert Renouf (banjo), Howard Knott (castanets), Earle Pierce (flute); song, "The Month of May," first of second reader class; recitation, "The Holidays," eight children of second primer class; song, "Vacation," school. National Anthem.

#### Promotions.

First Primer to Second Primer (Miss Russell)—Mabel Millington, Scott McCleave, Muriel Alexander, Knott, Mona Draphton Jewell, Stella Maud James, Alexander, Roy, Alfred Rossi, Walter Brynjolfsson, Kenneth Burton, Audrey Wannamaker Gibson, Cyril Goe, James Henski, Margaret Hatch, Claudia May Cullum, Vera Edith Olliver, Doris Evelyn Stevens, Helena Taverner, Dorothy May Wilkinson, William Bertram Witty, Florence Mary Young.

#### Rolls of Honor.

Proficiency, Samuel William McCleave, deportment, May W. Gibson, punctuality and regularity, Helena Taverner.

#### Promotions.

From 1st to 2nd reader—George Alvin Foster, Marjorie Harriet Cullum, Mildred Florence Bassett, Ethel Maud Crowther, Edwin Newman, Freda Hardis George, Florence Irene McInnes, John Drummond Pike, Alfred Staples, Leslie John Cook, Clifford Philip Renouf, Clarence Wilson, Julia Bertucci, James Henry Buckett, Ernest Walter, Ruth Belle Whiteman, Edward George Fullerton, Cecil Samuel Holman, Frederick James Simpson, John Willie Dee, Recommended—Clarence Brown.

#### Rolls of Honor.

Miss Johnson's class—Proficiency, George Allen Foster; deportment, Mildred Florence Bassett; regularity and punctuality, Hazel May Brown, Eva May Dee, John Willie Dee, Cecil Samuel Holman.

#### Promotions.

From 2nd to 3rd reader—George Montague Pusey, Howard Sydney Knott, Victoria Stewart, Paul Alan King and James Leonard Gray (equal), Frank Brown, Mabel Victoria Millington, Albert Victor Badcock, Florence Cecelia Keating, Earle Alan Pierce, Cora Grandville Wilson, Leveston Harry Millington, Benjamin Clifford Davies, Gros Sigurdson, Robert Joseph Renouf, Roy Wellington Hatch, Carvel Christie, George Christina Drysdale, Bertha Ellen Cook, Frederick Good, James Lewis McPadden, William James McCorkall, Archibald Simpson, Annie Jane Nobbs, Elwood Thompson Smith.

#### Recommended—Phyllis Olive Peiros, Della Beamish, Myrtle James.

#### Rolls of Honor.

Miss Broome's division—Proficiency, George Montague Pusey; deportment, Lavinia Mary Millington; regularity and punctuality, Benjamin Clifford Davies, Paul Alan King, Myrtle James, Mabel Victoria Millington.

#### NORTH WARD.

On account of the absence of the principal, J. M. Campbell, assisting at the entrance examination, North Ward school had no closing exercises. The honor rolls were presented by the teachers in each room and the promotion lists read. A special presentation was made to Ernest Adams for regular attendance and service as bugle boy for the school. Medals were also awarded to those who took prizes at the May races.

#### Promotions.

Promoted from Division II to Entrance Class (Miss C. A. Dowling, teacher)—Lawrence Balcom, Agnes Beane, Murray Boucher, Ida Burton, Roxina Cath, Fung Chan, Arthur Coats, Charlie Coates, Violet Crook, Robert Gladstone, Cecil Poole, Charles French, Gladys Fulton, Arthur Grace, Walter Hall, Gladys Hesson, William Hick, Margaret Holt, Alma Irvine, Winnie Jamieson, Marion Kincaid.

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### CITY DECIDES TO EXPROPRIATE

#### WILL OFFER \$850,000 FOR ESQUIMALT WORKS

This Decision Was Reached at A Private Meeting Last Night.

The city is going to offer the Esquimalt Waterworks Company the sum of \$850,000 for their entire undertaking—the works at Goldstream, the plant in Victoria West and Thetis Lake.

This decision, it was announced this morning, was reached at a private meeting of the council last night. W. J. Taylor, K. C., the city's counsel, was present and advised the council that the city had power under the legislation obtained last session to expropriate the whole of the company's property. The same view was entertained by E. P. Davis, K. C., of Vancouver, who was consulted at the suggestion of the city solicitor.

While it was agreed to proceed to expropriation, on motion of Ald. Stewart, seconded by Ald. Raymond, there were four members of council who thought that the city should carry out the wishes of the ratepayers, as expressed by the vote in 1908, and go to Sooke for a water supply. These four were Ald. Henderson, Ross, Fullerton and Humbler.

The steps now to be taken are under the recent legislation. The value of the company's undertaking, estimated on the scale laid down in the act, is said by city authorities to be \$850,000. A short time ago the company turned down an offer of \$800,000. They have two months in which to accept or reject this latest offer. Should they turn it down also the city will then go on to arbitration.

#### TWO LOSE LIVES IN AUTO ACCIDENTS

##### Boy Run Over at Portland—Several Persons Injured at Aberdeen.

(Times Leased Wire.) Portland, Ore., June 30.—Walter Raffling, the 11-year-old son of a tailor was run over and so severely injured by automobile driven by Harry L. Keats, a well known automobile dealer, that he died two hours later at St. Vincent's hospital. The boy was riding on the rear step of an ice wagon and jumped off that vehicle, only to be struck by Keats' automobile.

According to eye-witnesses the auto was not running fast, and the accident was unavoidable.

#### Collides With Telegraph Pole.

Cooley, of this city, was killed near here yesterday when a tire on his automobile and the machine crashed into a telegraph pole. Three people who accompanied him were injured, one seriously.

#### Auto Capitalizes.

Aberdeen, Wash., June 30.—A big touring car containing a party of seven Aberdeen young people was overturned near Elma at an early hour yesterday morning and several of the occupants of the machine were painfully bruised. The party consisted of Jack Shapton, Charles Ingram, Stuart Hooper and the Misses Hazel Magill, Anna Carlson, Margaret Baker, Laura Hulbert, and the driver of the car, Geo. Lawrence. Miss Baker was the most seriously hurt.

Ingram fell unconscious after running into Elma and back after a physician.

#### HOLD-UP MEN ROB AUTOMOBILE PARTY

##### Stop Car in Seattle and Relieve Occupants of Cash and Jewelry.

(Times Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., June 30.—Stopped on the Lake Washington boulevard by a barricade erected across the roadway, an automobile containing a party of prominent people was held up and robbed by two masked men of money and jewelry to the value of \$500. The robbery was kept secret by the police in the hope that they would be able to effect the arrest of the bandits.

In the automobile were Harry Watson and L. W. Bonney, of the local undertaking firm of Bonney-Watson; Mrs. A. P. Resley, her son and daughter, Walter Evans and Miss Maude Turington, of Tacoma.

When nearing Madison street, Watson, who was driving, noticed an obstruction and got out to remove it. As he did so, two masked men rushed from the bushes beside the road and thrust a revolver into his face. They then proceeded to search Watson and the other members of the party, and after securing their plunder the hold-up men disappeared in the darkness.



AN ALDERMANIC ICONOCLAST.

#### CLOUDBURST CAUSES FLOOD AT HELENA

##### Street Car Traffic Interrupted—Loss Will Be Heavy.

(Times Leased Wire.) Helena, Mont., June 30.—Residents of the city to-day are viewing the havoc wrought by a cloudburst which late yesterday afternoon sent a torrent of water through the principal streets and caused the destruction of much property and flooded innumerable cellars and subways. The deluge was caused by a cloudburst in a dry gulch above the city, which was followed by a torrential rain and hailstorm. Main street became a veritable river, water sweeping like a mill race from walk to walk and overflowing them. The storm continued for fully half an hour, accompanied by vivid flashes of lightning. From various streets leading into and out of the city, street cars were stopped, and not a car was run for several hours. It is impossible as yet to estimate the damage, but it will be very heavy.

#### FORD NO. 2 DECLARED WINNER OF RACE

##### Transcontinental Automobile Contest to Be Annual Affair.

(Times Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., June 30.—At a banquet at the New York state building at the exposition grounds last night, at which Ford car No. 2 was declared the winner of the Seattle to New York cup race, Robert Guggenheim, the donor, announced that the transcontinental contest would become an annual affair, and that the next race would start July 4th, 1910. This, Mr. Guggenheim said, he hoped would prove the first active step in a movement to establish a splendid national highway between the two cities.

#### RAILWAY CASUALTIES IN UNITED STATES

##### Six Hundred and Sixty-three Persons Killed in Three Months.

(Times Leased Wire.) Washington, D. C., June 30.—An increase of 84 in the total of railroad casualties, but a decrease of 45 in the total number of persons killed, as compared with the figures for the corresponding quarter last year, is shown for the months of January, February and March, 1909, by accident bulletin No. 53, issued by the interstate commerce commission. During the months named 663 persons were killed and 122 injured.

The number of collisions was 1,042, and there were 1,242 derailments.

#### PREFERS DEATH TO SURRENDER

##### MURDERER SHOTS HIMSELF THROUGH HEAD

##### Kills Parents of Divorced Wife and Ends Life When Pursued.

(Times Leased Wire.) Des Moines, Iowa, June 30.—Run to earth by a posse, which was hot on his trail throughout the night, Cal Littlepage, a farm hand, aged 28 years, shot himself through the temple early to-day rather than face a trial on a charge of double murder.

Littlepage shot and killed Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Jamison, parents of his divorced wife, yesterday afternoon. The tragedy took place at the Jamison home, eight miles west of Valley Junction. It is thought that the farm hand had accused the Jamisons of estranging him from his wife, and in a passion killed the pair for revenge.

After the murders Littlepage took flight and was lost to sight for more than ten hours. A posse was organized and took up the chase.

Early to-day the fugitive was found dead in a field about five miles from the scene of the murder.

#### KAISER ABANDONS SUMMER CRUISE

##### DROWNED IN ELK RIVER.

(Times Leased Wire.) Berlin, June 30.—It is definitely announced here to-day that Emperor William has given up his customary yachting trip to the North Sea, and will remain in Germany until the present political crisis reaches a settlement.

#### CLUE TO IDENTITY OF MURDERED MAN

##### Believed to Be Grain Dealer Who Disappeared From Bellingham.

(Times Leased Wire.) Spokane, Wash., June 30.—After searching for many days, Pendleton officers believe they have at last found a clue to the identity of the mysteriously murdered man whose naked body was found jammed into a box, floating in the Columbia river opposite Pendleton, June 5th. That the body is that of Curt Pless, the German giant, who disappeared from Bellingham after he had left on a business trip to eastern Washington, is their claim. Pless was proprietor of the Pless Grain and Hay Company. The description tallies almost exactly.

The skull of the man found was crushed, and the body had been dragged by a rope around the neck. This rope was the only thing in the box except the riakid body. The murderer had covered it with quick lime, but the lime did not act.

#### SIX PERSONS ARE KILLED BY EXPLOSION

##### Bomb Hurler Into House While Large Party is at Dinner.

(Times Leased Wire.) Paris, June 30.—A special dispatch received here from Lisbon, says that six persons were killed and four others seriously, if not fatally, injured by a bomb which was thrown through a window of the house of a rich landowner near Morgador, Spain, while a large party was at dinner. The outrage is believed to be one of political revenge.

#### KAISER WINS RACE.

##### Emperor Steered Meteor During Part of Contest.

(Times Leased Wire.) Kiel, Germany, June 30.—Emperor William's yacht Meteor, steered part of the time by his Majesty himself, won the 50 mile race to Eckersfoerde yesterday, covering the distance in five hours and 10 minutes. The Germanina was second and the Iduna, owned by the Emperor, was third. The racers were accompanied by a large fleet of yachts.

### CHINESE AT WAR IN VANCOUVER

#### DEATHS FOLLOW OUTBREAK OF TROUBLE

Additional Police Officers Placed on Duty in Chinatown.

(Times Leased Wire.) Vancouver, B. C., June 30.—Wong Gong is at the St. Paul's hospital dying; Mah Bing is dead from poisoning, and two Chinamen, whose names are hidden under many aliases, are dead from suicide; a reporter for a local Chinese daily paper has been threatened with death for being "a talking machine" and all Chinatown is in a ferment over a falling out among the Chinese gambling tongs.

The stabbing of Wong Gong was witnessed by a policeman yesterday in the notorious Canton alley, but before he could arrest the two Chinese who committed the deed they disappeared as if swallowed up by the earth. Additional officers have been detailed to patrol the Chinatown district to prevent further disorders.

#### WILL BORE BIG TUNNEL.

##### Harriman Will Build Road Under Peninsula Between the Columbia and Willamette.

Portland, Ore., June 30.—A contract has just been awarded by the Harriman system in this city for the boring of a tunnel through the peninsula between the Willamette and Columbia rivers at a point just north of this city. The tunnel will be 6,472 feet long and will cost about \$1,000,000. The work must be completed within a year. It will eventually be utilized by the Portland-Puget Sound traffic.

#### TORNADO DEMOLISHES THIRTY HOUSES

##### Storm Sweeps Over Town in North Dakota—Seven Persons Injured.

(Times Leased Wire.) Devils Lake, N. D., June 30.—Seven persons were seriously injured and 30 houses demolished by a tornado which swept the towns of Niles and Leeds, N. D., yesterday, according to telephone messages received here to-day. Early reports of the damage done by the storm were exaggerated, it being stated that a number of persons were killed. As far as can be learned here there were no fatalities.

The injured persons are members of the Ames family. Their house was demolished by the storm, and the father and six children badly hurt.

#### YUKON COUNCIL ELECTION.

##### Dawson, June 30.—The first wholly elective Yukon council was chosen in the election held yesterday. The results show the following are elected:

Klondike district—Max Landreville and Angus William McLeod, both Liberals.

North Dawson—Andrew H. Smith, Conservative; Jas. W. Murphy, Liberal.

Bonanza district—R. L. Ashbaugh and Frank McAlpine, both Conservatives.

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#### FIVE MEN INJURED ON TORPEDO BOAT

##### Scalded by the Bursting of Boiler Tubes on the Hull.

(Times Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Cal., June 30.—Five men of the torpedo boat Hull were terribly scalded last night when a boiler tube burst and filled the boiler room with steam. R. K. King, a fireman, will probably die of his injuries. The others injured are: J. M. Rober, water tender; Francis Crawford, fireman; John E. Carter, fireman; Newton Carsh, coal passer.

The accident occurred as the boat was passing down the entrance of the bay to Sausalito, where she was to have remained over night, preparatory to starting for Seattle this morning. The boat was but slightly damaged.

King and Grover owe their lives to the heroism of three companions, "Monk" Cline, Frank McCarthy and Bob Denton. These three men dashed back into the boiler room, from which they had fled when it filled with steam after the explosion, and brought the two injured sailors out on deck. Crawford, Parish and Carter escaped unaided, their burns being less serious.

An official inquiry into the cause of the accident has been ordered.

### ADVOCATES BIG NAVY INCREASE

#### ADMIRAL BERESFORD OUTLINES SCHEME

His Plan Includes Ten New Dreadnoughts and Many Cruisers.

(Times Leased Wire.) London, June 30.—Advocating a plan of naval expansion already submitted to the admiralty, which practically provides the doubling of Great Britain's immense sea force, Admiral Lord Charles Beresford to-day declared that this nation's situation is more serious than is generally known. He said that there was no use in precipitating a panic, but that it was best to be on the safe side.

The admiral's address, which was made before the chamber of commerce to-day, aroused the greatest enthusiasm among his hearers.

Ten Dreadnoughts in addition to the four provisional ships already provided for will be built before March 31st, 1914, under the admiral's plan. The scheme also included sixteen second class cruisers, eighteen commerce protecting cruisers and twenty ships of a new type similar to torpedo boat destroyers, but larger. The admiral also advocated the enlistment of 18,000 men for the proposed new ships.

His estimate of the cost of this plan is about \$300,000,000.

#### IRON WORKERS TO STRIKE.

##### Nearly Ten Thousand Men Will Quit Work in Pittsburgh District.

Pittsburg, Pa., June 30.—Midnight to-night will mark the crisis of the strike provoked by the recent "open shop" order issued by the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company.

After a conference to-day of the officials of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, it was announced that to-morrow a strike will become effective, tying up fourteen plants in the region.

The officials of the association declared their intention of standing firm in their fight against the open shop.

#### MANY CLAIMS RECORDED.

##### Prince Albert, Sask., June 30.—There is great excitement among the citizens of Prince Albert over reports of gold and copper discoveries at Lac la Ronge, about thirty miles from here. Many claims are being registered. Prospectors are returning with very rich samples.

#### THE SOYA WINS MOTOR BOAT RACE

##### Captures Cup Presented for Vancouver to Seattle Contest.

(Times Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., June 30.—The Soya, owned by the Puget Mill Company of Seattle and captained by Edgar Ames, crossed the Anish line of the great motor boat race of 228 miles from Vancouver to Seattle at 12:53 o'clock this morning. Her time was 24 hours and 55 minutes, having left Vancouver at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. The Soya, of Seattle, owned by F. H. Husa, and captained by H. Starz, finished second at 11:21, just 21 minutes behind the winner. The Clansman, owned and captained by Mrs. James Wood, of Nome, finished third at 11:53. The fourth boat to reach Seattle was the Allanbee, it broke down off Ballard and was towed in. The other boats in the race had not finished up to noon.

The race was under the auspices of the Pacific International Power Boat Association. The first prize is a cup put up by T. F. Day, of New York.

#### JAPANESE BUILDING AT FAIR.

##### Dedication Ceremonies Will Be Held on July 21st.

Seattle, Wash., June 30.—The dedication of the Japanese building at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition on July 21st will be one of the notable events of the fair. The building has been used since the opening day, and the exhibits are all in place, but the dedicatory ceremonies have not been held.

Hajime Ota, commissioner-general from Japan to the exposition, will be the host upon that occasion. The exercises will consist of an address by Judge Thomas Burke, who will introduce Mr. Ota. Ota will then speak for the Japanese commission, and Tachi Takesawa, director of exhibits, will speak on behalf of the exhibitors in the Japanese building. President Chibbar will represent the exposition and Mayor Miller the city of Seattle. An invitation has been sent to Governor Hay to deliver an address at the dedicatory exercises.

A reception will be held for 1,000 invited guests, among whom will be the exposition officers, city officers, men and women of Seattle and commissioners of states and counties at the fair.

The Japanese building will be elegantly decorated with flowers and flags of the nations of the world.