



Did you know...?

Google Books...History's Curiosity Shoppe

If you're looking for entertainment on a stormy (or hot) day, cast about in the vast pond that is *Google Books*. A search on "fall city" brings up a wealth of tidbits and some real treasures. A few examples are shown in the August 2014 Fall City Newsletter article. In this pdf you will find the full text on the items shown in the newsletter article and a few others of interest.

AMERICAN BERKSHIRE RECORD.

160,620—PRIDE OF SNOQUALMIE.
Boar, farrowed, Aug. 21, 1910.
Sire, Star of Snoqualmie 106,087.
Dam, Whitlow's Belle 92,642.
Bred by
F. E. Bennett, Fall City, Wash.
Trans. May 15, 1911, to
George Newlands, Seattle, Wash.

160,621—BELLE ALLEN.
Sow, farrowed, March 9, 1911.
Sire, Star of Snoqualmie 106,087.
Dam, Whitlow's Belle 92,642.
Bred by
F. E. Bennett, Fall City, Wash.
Trans. June 7, 1911, to
H. L. Allen, Monroe, Wash.

160,622—BELLE OF CHERRY VAL-
LEY.
Sow, farrowed, March 9, 1911.
Sire, Star of Snoqualmie 106,087.
Dam, Whitlow's Belle 92,642.
Bred by
F. E. Bennett, Fall City, Wash.
Trans. June 7, 1911, to
H. L. Allen, Monroe, Wash.

160,623—BELLE OF THE MARSH.
Sow, farrowed, March 9, 1911.
Sire, Star of Snoqualmie 106,087.
Dam, Whitlow's Belle 92,642.
Bred by
F. E. Bennett, Fall City, Wash.
Trans. June 7, 1911, to
H. L. Allen, Monroe, Wash.

160,624—BENNETT BELLE.
Sow, farrowed, March 9, 1911.
Sire, Star of Snoqualmie 106,087.
Dam, Whitlow's Belle 92,642.
Bred by
F. E. Bennett, Fall City, Wash.
Trans. June 7, 1911, to
H. L. Allen, Monroe, Wash.

Pigs were a common choice for meat in early days, since they did not require complicated pasturing. Ada Hill mentions that pigs were driven over Snoqualmie Pass from Eastern Washington very early. And Olive Taylor Quigley remembers that some farmers would let their pigs out by the river when the salmon were running...which resulted in very "fishy" pork!

The F. E. Bennett listed in this 1912 record is probably Frank Ernest, son of Frank Pierce Bennett, who moved to a farm west of Seattle in 1908. Frank and Ernest hauled milk by horse and wagon from Fall City to Tolt and later opened an early trucking business in the building which now houses Fall City Welding.



STATE OF WASHINGTON

SEVENTH BIENNIAL REPORT

OF THE

Dairy and Food Commissioner

FOR THE

Biennial Period Ending October
31, 1908

SEVENTH BIENNIAL REPORT

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KING COUNTY.

No.	NAME OF CREAMERY.	PROPRIETOR.	POSTOFFICE.
4	Seattle	John B. Agen.....	Seattle
A-65	Snoqualmie Valley.....	Ernest Samzellus.....	Monroe
611	Fall City.....	C. W. Bonell.....	Fall City
484	Glenwood	C. D. Props.....	Fall City
39	Meadow Brook.....	Miller, Reed-Pease.....	Seattle
A-107	Klock Produce Co.....	Klock Produce Co.....	Seattle
497	Fir Grove.....	L. E. Atkin.....	Enumclaw
2	Moores	J. H. Moore.....	Fall City
9	The Bradner	The Bradner Co.....	Seattle
A-66	United Produce Co.....	G. C. Boehm, Mgr.....	Seattle

This 1908 list of Creameries in King County shows three located in Fall City. If numbers assigned to creameries indicate the order in which they were licensed, the Moores (Hance and Nancy Moore and family) were second in the county. The Moore property is still the site of a working dairy farm, owned by Steve Keller. C.D. Props had a dairy farm west of Fall City, which was purchased later by Charles Bonell. For a while in the early 1900s Charles Bonell operated a creamery in the heart of town which, it is said, produced 1,000 pounds of butter a day and also shipped cream to Seattle. He later gave up this business to open a general merchandise store that served Fall City until the 1930s.



Attractive Concrete Bridge Spans Snoqualmie River at Fall City, Wash.

SINCE 1917 a three-span concrete arch bridge has carried traffic using the Sunset Highway across the Snoqualmie River at Fall City, Wash. The bridge consists of three arches with an overall length of 370 feet. The center arch span is 104 feet while the two end arches have a span of 97 feet. Spandrels are backfilled with earth. The grade of the roadway over the bridge approximates a parabolic curve 310 feet long, with a rise of 4 feet.



The stately strength of the Sunset Highway bridge as it crosses the Snoqualmie River at Falls City, is strikingly illustrated in this photograph.

Concrete footings were carried down to a depth of 12 feet below the lowest point in the river bed. Pier footings rest on 72 piles and abutment footings on 86 piles.

Ornamentation consists of bush-hammered panels in the plain panel railings and in the spandrel walls. Artistic lighting standards are placed on each railing at bridge ends and over piers and abutments.

The cost of the bridge, including the removal of the old structure and the provision of a temporary bridge during construction, was \$36,000.

Fall City's first concrete bridge served us from 1917 through 1980. The bridge was still sound when it was removed, but no longer had the width of roadway to accommodate the much larger vehicles in use. And there was concern that its height above the river at flood made it vulnerable to damage by large floating debris.



JOHN G. JANICKE, attorney at law and a farmer of King county, was born in a town near Leipsic, Prussia, January 18, 1827, a son of John G. and Christina (Boehme) Janicke. In 1849 our subject landed in New York, shortly afterward went to St. Louis, in 1851 to Chicago and one year later returned to St. Louis; in 1855 went to Joliet, Illinois, and in 1857 to Minnesota.

While in the latter State he organized the First Minnesota Cavalry, of German volunteers, for the last war. They were mustered in September 16, 1861, and soon ordered to Camp Benton, St. Louis, Missouri, where they joined the Fifth Regiment of Iowa Cavalry, commanded by Colonel W. W. Lowe. In this regiment the company was designated as Company G, of which Mr. Janicke was elected First Sergeant. Later the company was known as Company A. in Brackett's Minnesota battalion. They served under General Sully during the Indian war in Minnesota, and were mustered out in May, 1866. Mr. Janicke then served as recruiting officer for a time. September 17, 1864, he was appointed Second Lieutenant of Company G, Fourth Regiment of Minnesota Infantry, and afterward, for meritorious conduct, was promoted to the rank of First Lieutenant, commanding Company G. During the war he participated in the battles of Fort Donelson, Paris, Dresden, Clarksville, Allatoona Pass, October 5, 1864, and was with Sherman on the grand march to the sea. During this campaign his regiment was attached to the Second Brigade, Third Division, Fifteenth Army Corps, and they marched and formed the center of General Sherman's army. In this movement Mr. Janicke was a participant in all the battles and skirmishes of his company, including the five days' siege of Savannah, Georgia, and the battle of Bentonville, North Carolina. In April, 1865, while he was with his command at Raleigh, North Carolina, he received from General O. O. Howard a special commission, as a Provost Marshal officer.

After the close of hostilities, Mr. Janicke went to St. Paul, where he conducted a garden farm until in May, 1871, after which he came to Seattle. In June, 1871, he located on his present farm, two and a half miles from Fall City, his being the first white family in that immediate section. At the first general election in King county, and while Washington was a Territory, he was elected Justice of the Peace for Fall City and Tolt precincts; he qualified only for the latter precinct, however, and two years later was re-elected to the same office, for Tolt, but does not hold the office now.

He was married, in the fall of 1863, to Elizabeth Olson, and their children are: Charles F., who is residing on his farm a mile and a half from Fall City; Christina, who died, aged nineteen years; George, who died at the same age; Rachel, who died at the age of eleven years; and Minnie, who lives with her parents on the old homestead.

An Illustrated History
of the State of Washington
Harvey Kimball Hines - 1893

John Janicke was one of Fall City's earliest settlers, and the first Civil War Veteran to settle here.



Here are some odds and ends not included in the August 2014 article:

[The Herbfarm Cookbook - Page 434](#)

Jerry Traunfeld - 2000

FUSILLI CARBONARA WITH FINES HERBES

Bette Stuart is the grande dame of [Fall City](#), Washington. People are always asking her if she will be their grandmother. She's been involved with The Herbfarm since its very beginning—teaching and assisting with cooking classes, and most important keeping us well fed with baked treats from her kitchen. One of the many other things she does is raise chickens behind her Victorian farmhouse. The eggs Bette's chickens lay are amazing. The shells are beautiful shades of ochre, chestnut, and pale blue, the whites are firm and clear, the yolks are the deepest marigold yellow. The flavor of one poached or over easy makes you pause and appreciate the pleasure of something so simple.

When Bette gave me a dozen of these eggs to take home one day, I was inspired to make a variation of pasta carbonara, the divine pasta dish sauced with pancetta, eggs, and Parmigiano-Reggiano. In place of the pancetta, I thought of another great match—eggs and fines herbes, the French herb mixture of fresh tarragon, chives, parsley, and chervil. The result is a pasta that feels as satisfying and indulgent as the classic version but is fresher tasting and not as heavy.

This is another very quick-to-prepare pasta dish. The egg yolks cook and thicken the sauce as they are tossed with the hot pasta in the bowl.

A tribute to a special
Fall City person!

If you want the recipe,
buy the book, or look
in the library.

Glimpse of
1990 Fall City business.

[Log Home Living - Aug-Sep 1990 - Page 34](#)

WILLOW FURNITURE— [Ptarmigan Willow](#) in Fall City, Washington, crafted the gazebo-style river willow bed that appears on page 47 of this issue.

WILLOW FURNITURE—[Ptarmigan Willow](#) in Fall City, Washington, crafted the gazebo-style river willow bed that appears on page 47 of this issue. Using willow, maple, aspen, and materials native to the Pacific Northwest, owner Monte Lindsley also constructs settees, chaise lounges, tables, chairs, and other pieces in limited editions or custom designs. Works consist of bark, peeled, and dyed pieces. A coat of varnish is applied before shipping. For a brochure and color chart, contact [Ptarmigan Willow](#), P.O. Box 551, Fall City WA 98024, 206-392-5767.



And a last few tidbits:

Michigan Alumnus 1935

News from the Classes

'92

For thirty years WILLIAM W. CHENEY, '92m, has been physician, surgeon and druggist for Fall City, Washington.

Michigan alumnus, Volume 16 1911

'09

Caroline Stanchfield, '09, is teaching at Fall City, King County, Wash.

This gives us the name for a teacher at the Brown school in 1911.

High School Bulletin below also refers to the Brown School.

High School Bulletin - Issues 1-7 - Page 3 1907

Washington (State). Superintendent of Public Instruction -

While we are comparing extreme cases, it might be interesting to note the corresponding figures for Fall City, the smallest high school in Mr. Latimer's report. With a total enrollment of 100, a high school enrollment of seven and with one teacher, Fall City is a four-year high school accredited by the State Board of Education.

Arts & Architecture - Volumes 9-10 - Page 106 1915

WASHINGTON.

Fall City—Architects Steven & Steven, New York Building, Seattle, are preparing plans for a two-story and basement brick school building for Fall City, to be erected at a cost of \$35,000.