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## Harry Devin Was City's Historian, Weather Recorder

Harry L. Devin, born in Ottumwa, Ohio, June 16, 1862, came to Sedro in 1889 on a visit and liked the locale so well that the following year he brought his family here and established his home. He opened a real estate office in 1890 on the bank of the Skagit river and in 1892 was appointed postmaster, later resigning in favor of the Woolley postmaster.

He spent two years in the Klondike prospecting and upon his return spent nine months in Northeastern Washington, managing the Silver Butte mine. He came back to Sedro-Woolley and in 1902 entered the real estate business with C. J. Wicker, forming the Skagit Realty Co.

Mr. Devin had a major part in every important development that has taken place in Sedro-Woolley since its founding and his reference library was the haven of every person wishing facts or figures pertaining to Sedro-Woolley. He was official weather recorder tere for forty-three years.