

NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST IN IDAHO

Important Occurrences Of The Past Week From Cities In Our State

Project is Finished.

Weiser.—State Senator Edward M. Barton, of this city, is one of the very few upon whom falls the distinction of having built and owned one of the largest private irrigation projects in the country. The Barton project, which consists of dam, reservoir and miles of ditches, is located among the hills between Monroe and Mann creeks several miles north of Weiser, is rapidly nearing completion, and will supply more than 2000 acres of some of the richest agricultural land in Idaho.

Plans Completed For Gathering

Gooding.—The program for the great farmers' day at Gooding has just been announced. The committee in charge has arranged for a gigantic open kettle burgoo, the first of its kind to be held in Idaho. A call has been issued for a large amount of game and supplies of various kinds and the burgoo will be a success if the committee is able to make it one.

IDAHO CARNIVAL ON WAY

Boise.—A monster revival of the old time Idaho carnival, the Hornkibrinka, is planned as one of the features of the celebration of the semi-centennials of the creation of the territory of Idaho and the founding of Fort Boise, which will be held here in connection with the Rainmakers' carnival September 22 to 27. Idaho pioneers from all over the United States are expected to be in attendance at the semi-centennial and moving pictures of the pioneers and the pioneers' pageant will be taken for preservation in the archives of the city of Boise and the Idaho Historical Society.

Championship bucking, steer riding and roping contests will be of daily occurrence during the carnival as the Rainmakers have included a wild west stampede with their other attractions. The Idaho Intermountain Fair occurs at the same time as the Rainmakers' carnival and the wild west features of the carnival will be held at the fair.

Liquor at Camp Meeting.

Kamiah.—James Stuart, special deputy United States marshal placed McCoy Hill and Philip Morris under arrest on a charge of introducing liquor on the Nez Perce reservation, and arraigned them before United States Commissioner O'Neil at Lewiston. The defendants are two half-breed Nez Perce Indians, and are charged with introducing the liquor on the reservation at Mason Butte during the Indian camp meeting.

Idaho Sales Are Large.

Childwell.—The success of the new union stockyards here is now assured. A tabulation by the officers of the company just completed shows that some \$50,000 changed hands at the first sale of the new venture and listings are coming in fast for the second sale, to be held August 5, 6 and 7.

TO DRAFT COMPENSATION ACT

Governor Haines Selects Representatives of Law, Labor and Capital

Boise.—Governor Haines has announced the names of the following men who are to investigate labor conditions in the state and report to the next legislature a draft of a workmen's compensation act to serve as a basis for legislation:

Walter H. Hanson, Wallace; A. H. Connor, Sandpoint; J. C. H. Reynolds, Spirit Lake; E. M. Hoover, Boise; J. P. Nicholas, Wardner; T. W. Rickard, Poestello.

This action of Governor Haines is taken in conformity with authority conferred upon him by the last legislature. When the legislature of last winter failed after many trials to agree upon a workmen's compensation act it was finally decided to authorize the governor to name a committee to represent the lawmakers, capital and labor.

This committee will be called to meet for the purpose of organizing and mapping out its work soon after August 1. Whether it will meet in Boise or at some point in the north is not yet known. As four of the members are named from north Idaho, it is thought the meeting may be held in the north.

Idaho Defaulter Held

Boise.—Arrested on the charge of issuing a bogus check on the Boise City National Bank, of this city, given to the First National Bank of Denver, William A. Matthews, an insurance operator wanted in Boise for embezzling \$30,000 from the Overland Insurance company, which he organized, is in jail at Norfolk, Va. Matthews operated in Boise early last spring.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

John Montag of Portland was nominated by the president to be United States marshal for the district of Oregon.

With a \$30 drying plant and a cheap stove, Charles Bales of Dorena, has solved the problem of marketing loganberries.

Governor West commuted the sentence of death imposed upon Jackson F. Adams, convicted of killing Clinton Chamberlain, in Clatsop county, to life imprisonment.

The bodies of C. B. Smith and wife, who perished in a blizzard on Mount St. Helens, were both found after a long search, and were brought to Portland for interment.

Senator Lane, of Oregon, has the appointment of another cadet at Annapolis, and has asked President Kerr, of the Oregon agricultural college, if he will examine candidates for the place.

Portland's wheat exports for the fiscal year ended June 30 show an increase of more than 20 per cent over those of the preceding year, according to figures made public by the department of commerce.

Having exhausted the supply of cans that, before the season opened, was deemed amply sufficient, the Eugene fruit growers' cannery have started evaporating loganberries instead of putting them up in syrup.

The Al Kader Temple, Shriners, of Portland, has advised Secretary Frank Meredith of the state fair board that the shriners will be glad to accept Saturday, October 4, as their special day at the state fair this year.

The most recent and approved mining apparatus, designed after the patterns now in use in the Massachusetts institute of technology, will be installed in the Oregon agricultural college school of mines.

A piece of currency issued when the United States was young is in the possession of G. H. Thomas of Portland. It is a three dollar bill issued nearly a century ago by the Hudson State bank, at Hudson, N. Y.

A number of new courses in forestry and mining, as well as a reorganization of the work offered in animal husbandry, are announced in the new catalogue of the Oregon agricultural college.

The mayor, board of aldermen and police at Medford made a raid on every rooming house in that southern Oregon city, with the result that no evidence of wrongdoing was discovered.

Annual reports from the county school superintendents of five counties, just received by the state school superintendent, show that in all of them there are more boys attending the public schools than girls.

For the reason that he was a socialist, Police Sergeant Andrew Sorenson was reduced summarily to the ranks by Police Chief Clark at Portland, and was ordered to take an East Side territory until he becomes a patrolman, July 20.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the life saving service, Washington, D. C., for construction of ten 36-foot self righting and self bailing lifeboats with gasoline engines, three of which are to be delivered at Astoria.

A new machine for saving gold from the black sands of the beach is being tried out in a cove near the entrance of Coos Bay. It works on the centrifugal wheel principle, and is something on the order of a cream separator.

Harry Beard, formerly of Linn county, has been sentenced at Roseburg to ten years in the Oregon penitentiary. Beard had been paroled by Governor West and went to Douglas county where he was convicted of stealing a horse while employed as a ranch hand.

William L. Finley, state game warden of Oregon is one of 15 ornithologists and leaders in bird protection who have been designated by the secretary of agriculture to advise him in the framing regulations to make the new federal protection of game effective.

The petition of the squatters in the vicinity of Arrow, Lake county asking that the Portland business interests assist them in their effort to have the land in that section opened for homestead entry, has been taken up by the Portland commercial club, and every effort will be made to hasten the relief for which the settlers are asking.

Tassie Stewart, a director of the Milton Ditch company, was tried in Justice court and fined \$10 and costs for unlawfully opening the headgate on his ditch to the detriment of the other water users in the community. This is the first time a conviction has been secured this year under the operation of the new water law of Oregon and much interest was shown in the case.

Expenditures in sight indicate that the state of Oregon will have a deficit of over \$1,000,000 before any of the next year's taxes are paid in April, according to a statement issued by State Treasurer Kay at Salem. With less than a half million dollars in the general fund, this entire fund will be wiped out before August 10, and the state will have to begin paying 6 per cent interest.

NAPOLEON'S BAD OMEN.

He Was Superstitious, and His Presentiment Came True.

Napoleon the Great was exceedingly superstitious. The following is told as one of the illustrations of this:

When Napoleon, in the spring of 1799, was lying before Acre he was anxious for news from upper Egypt, whither he had dispatched Dessaix in pursuit of a distinguished Mameluke leader. Not many days after a courier arrived with favorable dispatches, favorable in the main, but reporting one tragical occurrence on a small scale that to Napoleon outweighed the public prosperity.

The commander as a brave man felt that any fate that awaited him would be better than to fall into the hands of the enemy. He set fire to the powder magazine. The vessel blew up and the crew perished.

For all this Napoleon cared little, but one solitary fact that was in the report which struck him with secret alarm—this ill fated boat was called L'Italie, and in the name of the vessel Napoleon read an augury or the fate which had befallen the Italian territory. He felt certain that Italy was lost, and Napoleon was inconsolable.

But what possible connection, it was asked, can exist between this vessel on the Nile and a remote peninsula of southern Europe? "No matter," replied Napoleon, "my presentiments never deceive me. You will see that all is ruined. I am satisfied that my Italy, my conquest, is lost to France." So, indeed, it was.—New York Press.

CHAMPION LAZY PEOPLE.

Kongo Gluttons Who Do Little Else Than Sleep and Eat.

According to M. Friedmann, a German traveler and historian recently returned from the Kongo, there is a tribe of natives down in one of the interior parts of that region actually so stuffed all of the time with food, three or four times as much as they have any need of, that they are continually in a dull and almost unintelligent stupor.

They do little besides sleep and eat. They are too lazy to do any individual hunting, and it is the disliked and unpopular member of the family that is forced to do the food providing for the relatives. The women are quite as lazy as the men and work only when it is absolutely necessary to eat.

The only time when the natives rouse themselves is at marriage or at death. Both of these occasions are celebrated by eating more than on ordinary occasions even, and the after effects of both events are often disastrous, as one or two of the party are sure to eat so much as to be seriously and often fatally sick, which only means another celebration of a different kind.

The few missionaries who have penetrated the interior sufficiently far to meet with these tribes own to their being practically hopeless as far as any regenerating is concerned. They seem to have been stupefied through the centuries and to have become utterly degenerate and useless members of society.—Chicago Tribune.

A Single Line Poet.

Every man has the streak of poetry in him, and probably every man could write one line of poetry out of his life, as any man has one novel in himself. But we were talking at large the other day, and a man quoted the line "A rose red city half as old as time." And then came the question, Who wrote that line that everybody knows? One man said it referred to Damascus. But no one knew who wrote it.

There are single line poets as there are "Single Speech" Hamiltons, and here is perhaps the only instance in which the Newdigate prize poem at Oxford has produced a living line, for the author was the Rev. J. W. Burgon, who won the prize in 1845 and doubtless recited portions of his poem in the Sheldonian theater. But that allusion to Petra, the Arabian rock city, has lived.—London Chronicle.

Necessary Noise.

A poet and a musician wrote a comic opera. When it was first performed it was noticed that the music was very loud.

"Why did you write such strenuous music?" asked a friend of the composer.

"You wouldn't ask that," the composer replied, "if you had read any of those lyrics. I didn't want the audience to hear them!"—Saturday Evening Post.

His Splendid Wish.

"What are you thinking about, Henry?"

"Oh, I was just wishing."

"What were you wishing, dear?"

"I was just wishing that my salary was as big as we were trying to make our friends think it must be."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Foiled.

Tramp—Good morning, lady, I thought perhaps I might be able to get a bite here. Mrs. Snapp—Certainly not. Tramp—Oh, then I am laboring under a mistake. Mrs. Snapp—It strikes me you never labor under any circumstances.—London Opinion.

His Ground.

He—Why are you going to marry that old fossil? She—I love the very ground he walks on. He—I know, but isn't there any other way of getting it?—London Opinion.

Shorn and Dyed.

"Then you weren't always a black sheep?"

"No, mum; I started my career as a Wall street lamb."—Washington Herald.

TRIP TO MOUNTAINS

Outing and Fishing Excursion

A special train will leave Ontario at 7:30 a. m., Sunday, July 27 for

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