

SPENDS \$750,000 ON IMPROVEMENTS

Nampa Has Record Year in Municipal and Private Development.

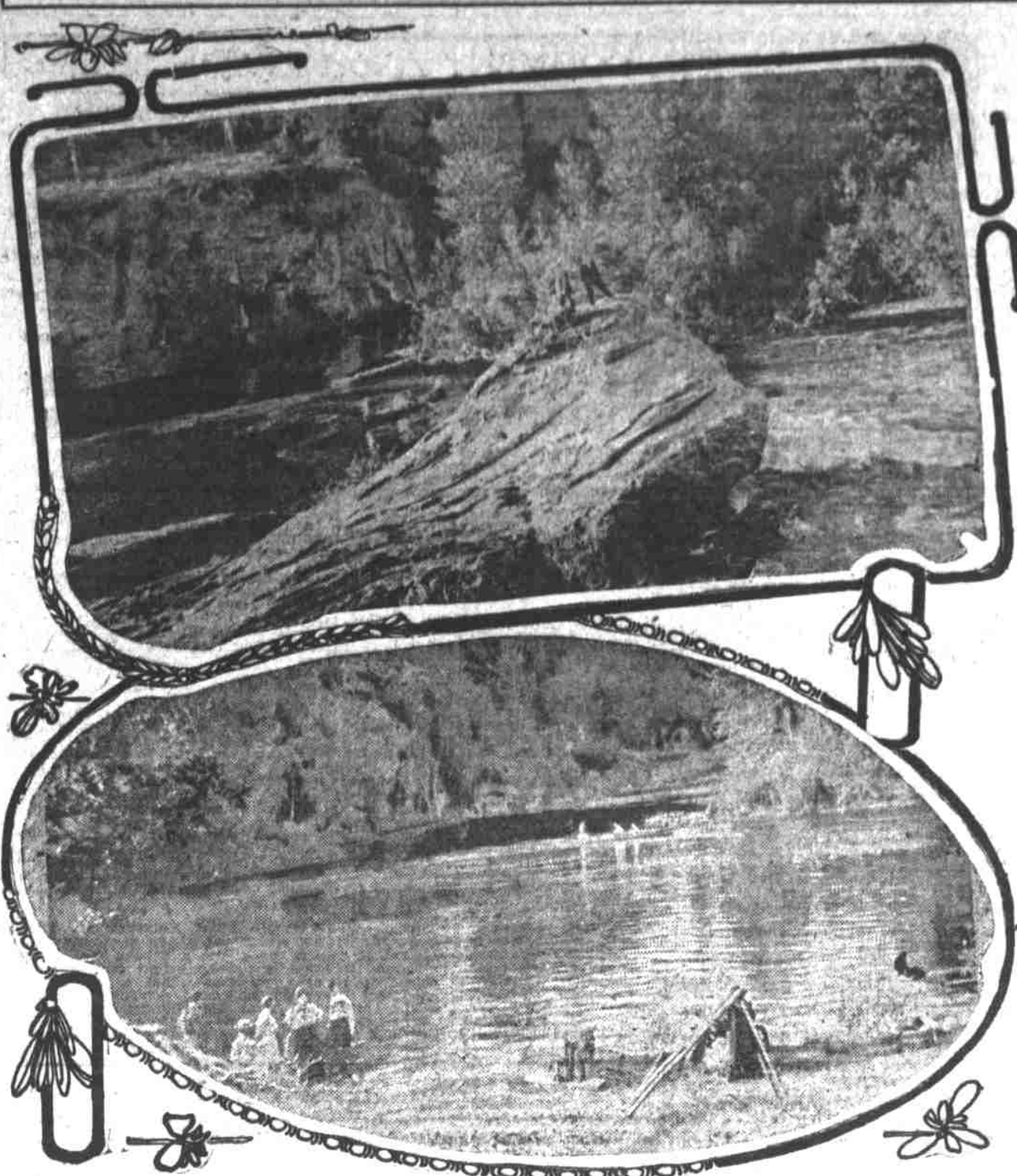
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Nampa, Idaho, Dec. 15.—With improvements amounting to more than \$750,000, and an increase in population this year of more than 1000 people, Nampa, with its 6000 people looks back upon the year now drawing to a close as the epochal period of its history. In the business district \$250,000 worth of new buildings by private capital have been built this year, or are under course of construction. Municipal improvements for this year, either completed or in course of completion, amount to \$235,000. Two hundred thousand dollars worth of new residences, 700 in all, with an average cost of \$3000 each, either completed or now under course of construction, have been built within the corporate limits of Nampa this year. Added to the above is the \$80,000 addition built to Kenwood school. And the new \$15,000 Catholic church for which excavation is now being made. Included in the municipal improvements are 25 blocks bitulithic pavement, \$125,000; 55 blocks iron water mains, \$14,000; 64 blocks cement walks, \$18,000; a splendid \$30,000 city hall; \$30,000 for the fire department, \$10,000 of which is for a new fire station and \$10,000 for fire equipment of the best modern type.

FINE BRICK BLOCK SOON FOR MILTON

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Milton, Or., Dec. 15.—A. M. Elam has awarded the contract for constructing a large brick building at the corner of Main and Fair streets, to C. J. Wallingford the lowest bidder among seven contractors. The price was \$18,297. The contract calls for the completion of the building by the first of May, 1910. When complete the Elam brick will be 70x100 feet, two stories high, beside a basement.

Another Artesian Well. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Walla Walla, Wash., Dec. 15.—Another artesian well has been struck at a depth of 615 feet on the land of Joe Tachi, about a quarter of a mile below Fort Walla Walla. The well was drilled jointly by L. L. Hunt, Joe Tachi and Frank Breen. The stream flows 45 inches above the casing and is one of the strongest obtained in the valley.

HARNESSING THE CLACKAMAS



Site of the Dam and Power Plant of the Sanitary Furniture Factory.

ROGUE VALLEY TO SHIP 10,000 CARS

Success in Fruit Culture Brings Pre-Cooling Plant to Medford.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Medford, Or., Dec. 15.—Not only has the fruit crop of the Rogue river valley been heavy, but the quality of the fruit has been unsurpassed and has commanded the world's best prices. Without exception, Rogue river fruit when offered in the different markets of the world this season, commanded top prices, surpassing that offered by all other sections. England has taken all of the New York Spitzbergs produced, New York city the Spitzbergs, while the pears, universally conceded to be the finest grown, have brought prices which shattered previous records. It is estimated that over 1,000,000 fruit trees, covering 15,000 acres will be planted in the Rogue river valley this winter, which will make a total orchard area of 65,000 acres tributary to Medford. In five years it is estimated that this valley, which at present ships more cars of fruit than any other section of the northwest, will ship at least 10,000 carloads of fruit each year. Steps are already under way for the erection of a huge pre-cooling plant in this city. To the fact that the Rogue river valley produces fruit of a superior keeping quality is due the high prices paid for it. With the pre-cooling plant the keeping qualities can be improved so that the future means more fruit and higher prices.

Some Record Yields. Tronson & Guthrie, from five acres of the year-old Spitzberg variety averaged 520 boxes to the acre, which netted \$3 a box or \$1500 an acre. In addition they secured \$1100 in prizes at the Spokane National Apple show, and a higher price for their premium car. A car of Spitzbergs was sold recently in New York at an average of \$3.36 a box. The seven and a half acre Bartlett pear orchard owned by John G. Gore, south of Medford, is also the record holder of the variety here. Yield and price. Mr. Gore this year shipped 12 cars of pears, which netted him \$9335.10 or \$144.68 per acre. From seven acres of 16-year-old Bartlett pears W. G. Estep sold an average of 514 boxes to the acre, which netted \$2 a box or \$1028 an acre. Sixteen and a half acres of 19-year-old Winter Nellis pears in the Snowy Butte orchard yielded a record average of 435 boxes to the acre, which sold at the orchard at \$2.12 box or \$900 an acre. The same orchard yielded \$180,000 worth of pears two years ago. The Snowy Butte orchard was purchased four years ago by Fred B. Hopkins for \$30,000. He recently sold it to John R. Allen of New York for \$168,000.

If You Want the Best

Advertisement for Ben Selling, a leading clothier. It features a logo with an eagle and the word 'BREWER'. The text promotes 'The Best \$3 Hat in the World' and lists various styles of hats. The name 'BEN SELLING LEADING CLOTHIER' is prominently displayed.

Advertisement for a 'Talking Machine and Records for a Christmas Present'. It lists various models and prices, such as 'The regular \$25.00 Talking Machines and six records \$17.85'. It also includes an illustration of a gramophone.

Advertisement for Graves Music Co., located at 111 Fourth Street. It describes the store as 'The Largest and Finest Music Emporium in the West' and lists various musical instruments and records.

Advertisement for White-Rock water. It features the brand name in large, stylized letters and includes the slogan 'A Health-Guarantee to be Found in No Other Water'. It lists reasons why it is the best water, such as being 'STERILIZED' and 'NEVER put in a bottle that has been used before'.

Advertisement for The Cornelius Hotel, located at the corner of Park and Alder Streets. It describes the hotel as 'The House of Welcome' and lists amenities like private baths and single rooms. The proprietor is W. Cornelius and the manager is H. E. Fletcher.

Advertisement for The Seward Hotel, located at the corner of Tenth and Alder. It describes the hotel as 'The leading hotel of Portland, opened July, 1909' and lists features like modern furniture and a beautiful corner lobby. The proprietor is W. E. Seward.

BUILDERS OF GREATER OREGON

A. W. Trow. Breaking down precedents of half a century in Oregon, the flourishing town of Ontario has elected, without opposition, a newcomer to the office of mayor. It is the first time when extensive plans are being matured by the municipality. As a doer of things worth while A. W. Trow has "made good" with the people who are spending time and money lavishly to secure the irrigation of large tracts of idle land with good prospects of ultimate and quick success. Anticipating greatness the city of Ontario, fully awake to her possibilities, has set out on a new era of development.



A. W. Trow. new comers to Oregon have ever been honored. Was busy in Minnesota. Mr. Trow hails from Minnesota where he had experience in municipal affairs, having served as president of the council in his home town. His greatest activity has been in agriculture. He began farming on his own account in 1901 and achieved success on the farm and in the Farmers' cooperative cream-

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ery, which brought him into prominence with the agricultural organizations in that great agricultural state. He was twice elected president of the Minnesota State Dairyman's association, served several years on the state dairy and food commission, was elected superintendent of the dairy department of the Minnesota State fair for four consecutive years, was superintendent for Minnesota in the dairy contests at the Buffalo and the St. Louis exhibitions. At both places Minnesota won the grand sweepstakes; and from St. Louis he had the honor of carrying home to the creameries of Minnesota more medals than were awarded to all the other states and foreign countries combined. He served four years on the board of directors of the state farmers' institute and was conductor of institutes during three winters.



E. E. Gilman Picks Popples and Pears in December.

Mr. Trow has for a number of years been associate editor of the St. Paul Farmer, among the largest agricultural journals published in the United States and he still has charge of the dairy, farm and question departments of that paper. For a number of years Mr. Trow has been an investor in agricultural land and after wide observation concluded that eastern Oregon has a very promising future. Since settling in Ontario he has acquired considerable land and has put out a 40 acre orchard.

RAILROAD TUNNEL READY FOR TRAFFIC

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Salmon, Idaho, Dec. 15.—The people of Salmon and Lemhi counties are rejoicing today. Tracklayers on the Gilmore & Pittsburg railway have passed through the Rocky mountains tunnel and brought the first train to the Idaho side. The magnates of the Gilmore & Pittsburg road are coming from the east and are due to visit Junction on their special train on December 16. They will also visit Salmon by auto cars. It is thought the track will reach Salmon and the golden spike will be driven about February 1, 1910.

Many Telegraph Poles.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Cottage Grove, Or., Dec. 15.—H. M. Anderson is furnishing 700 cedar telegraph poles, 25 feet in length, to the Western Union, shipping them to Glendale. He is also filling an order for 300 poles placed by the Southern Pacific, shipments being made to Grants Pass. These poles are cut at Comstock, Latham and Divide.

Success is Certain with a Moderate Oven and Crescent (Egg-Phosphate) Baking Powder

Advertisement for Crescent Egg Phosphate Baking Powder. It describes the product as raising slowly and evenly, and when raised stays in suspension and never falls. It includes an illustration of a cylindrical tin of the powder and provides instructions for use.

Advertisement for Burnett's Vanilla. It claims 'There is no Other Vanilla' and describes the product as an extract made that can compare in any way with the rich, satisfying strength and the delicious delicate flavor of the genuine. It includes an illustration of a small bottle.

Advertisement for Brown's Bronchial Troches. It describes the product as a convenient and effective remedy for coughs and bronchitis. It includes an illustration of a small box of the troches.

Advertisement for Pasco Schools in Fine New Building. It describes the new school building in Pasco, Wash., as one of the most modern buildings in the state. It includes an illustration of the school building.

Advertisement for Orchards in Yamhill. It describes the planting of a large area of fruit near Bellevue in Yamhill, Or., by the Northwest Land & Improvement Company.

Advertisement for Rare Bargains in Real Estate. It promotes real estate deals found in the classified columns of The Journal, mentioning various properties and locations.