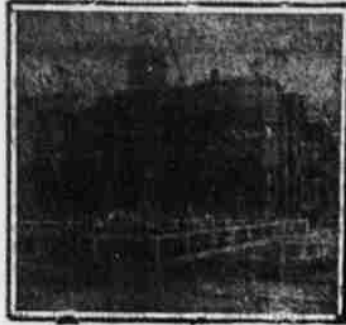


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**BRIEF RECORD OF COUNTY EVENTS**

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**ECHO NEWS NOTES**

**INTAKE WORKS COMPLETED FOR GOVERNMENT SCHEME.**

Immense Boulder Fell Upon O. R. & N. Tracks West of Town—Echo is Now Entirely Out of Coal—A. F. & A. M. Elect Officers—Cunha Protecting Property From the Encroachments of the River—Baptized Into the Methodist Faith—Will Open Barber Shop in Hermiston.

Echo, Dec. 16.—The dam and headgates at the intake of the government ditch are now finished. Considerable delay was caused in this work earlier in the season by the non-arrival of material and the high water of a few weeks ago stopped the work and done considerable damage. For a time it was feared that it would be impossible to complete the structure this season. Fortunately that was not the case and the work at this point is now completed according to the specifications and in a manner satisfactory to the government engineers.

Prof. L. W. Keylor, principal of the public school here, who has been unable to attend to his duties the past week on account of throat trouble, has recovered and will resume his work Monday.

B. F. Gillette has partitioned off a room for a warehouse in his chop mill and will in the future handle flour in carload lots.

Rev. DeWeese immersed two converts to the Methodist church in the Umatilla river below the bridge, Saturday afternoon, a large crowd witnessing the baptisms.

Joseph Cunha had several teams hauling rock last week, repairing a private bulkhead he has put in below the bridge to guard his property against high water.

The Columbia Creamery company paid out \$386.99 for butter fat on December 15, to its patrons on the meadows.

Several hundred sacks of wheat were shipped from the Pacific Coast warehouse to Portland last week.

December 15 was payday for the employees of the Puget Sound Bridge & Dredging company. This company has the contract for building the intake dam and the first few miles of the government ditch here, and pay their workmen the first and fifteenth of each month.

The first snow of the season appeared at Echo Saturday morning. There was about an inch of it which soon melted. According to the old settlers there has been no sleighing here for the last seven years, and then only for about a week, this record, together with the fact that there was a period of over seven months without any frost the past season, gives some idea of the possibilities here for the future, under irrigation.

Those who went from here to Heppner Tuesday with the Umatilla delegation, were Zoeth Houser, F. T. George, J. E. Taylor and Chris Kenison.

Carl Gilbert, the barber at this place, has made arrangements to open a shop at Hermiston, and he will also continue running the shop at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Crawford expect to move to Hermiston in the next few days, where they will reside. Their handsome new residence is about completed at that place.

A number of Echo people are talking of going to Hermiston this evening to take in the opening of the new hotel at that place.

A shipment of seven cars of beef cattle have just gone out to the Union Meat company at Portland. They were purchased from Fred Andrews, G. P. Higginbotham and Ralph Stanfield, besides some from the Umatilla Ranch company at this place.

**Burst Big Boulder.**  
Friday afternoon workmen on the government ditch about a mile below town, blasted an immense boulder onto the railroad track, breaking several ties and badly twisting one of the rails. Fortunately there was no train near at the time, a westbound being held for an hour or more while the section men repaired the damages.

**Echo Out of Coal.**  
Echo is now entirely out of coal and it is hard to say when the dealers will be able to get any of the supply ordered long ago. Several cars of wood have been received lately, which has relieved the fuel famine considerably, but at present there is no coal, although many carloads pass through daily on the railroad, none has been switched off here for some time.

**Elect Officers.**  
Election of officers of the A. F. & A. M. Umatilla lodge No. 40, took place Saturday evening, the officers for the ensuing Masonic year are: W. M., A. B. McCarty; S. W., Allen Thompson; J. W., William McCarty; secretary, R. B. Stanfield; treasurer, L. W. McAdams; Tyler, A. B. Thompson; S. D., Dora Bowman; J. D., Thomas Smith; Stewart, W. W. Wilson.

**Working Below Dam.**  
There are now about 75 men ripping-rapping below the dam and headgates. They will rip-rap some 800 feet of the ditch between the intake and the sand gates.

Shippers from all over the west and middle west will meet in Chicago January 4 to devise ways and means to meet the emergencies caused by car shortages, which exist nearly everywhere. An especially large attendance of lumbermen is expected.

**HERMISTON NOTES**

**PEOPLE ARE PLEASED OVER DIAGONAL ROAD.**

Opening of Hermiston Hotel a Grand Affair—Returned From Montana—Christmas Will Be Appropriately Celebrated—Work Will Begin on the Big Reservoir Soon—Another Hardware Store Talked of—Many Newcomers About and New Buildings in Every Direction.

Hermiston, Dec. 17.—The Hermiston hotel, which is a credit to any place the size of this, will be opened tonight with a grand ball and supper. Invitations have been sent out to a large number of people in the county for this occasion, and a pleasant evening is anticipated by all. Mr. Morgan, the proprietor, is making elaborate preparations for the occasion.

The people of Hermiston are very much pleased over the fact that the county court has granted the petition for a diagonal road through the Umatilla project.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Bland, who went to Heppner with the big Umatilla delegation, reported an enjoyable trip, and say Heppner people treated them royally.

S. Oldaker is expected to return today from a business trip to Montana. Arrangements are being made to celebrate Christmas in a most appropriate way by the teachers and scholars of the public and Sunday schools and their friends.

H. T. Frazer of Montana, has been in Hermiston for some days, with a view to opening a hardware store here in the near future.

The Maxwell company, which has incorporated a bank, will make arrangements to open the same very soon, and for a time headquarters for the institution will be in the office of the Realty company.

Buildings are going up in all directions, and things are lively, new people coming in every day to look over the conditions and most of them are more than pleased with the outlook for the future of this section.

**Supplies to the Reservoir.**  
Supplies for the camps at the reservoir site, and other places along the line of the project are being taken from this place every day. It is reported that all is well under way to begin active work on the reservoir for the big project. Messrs. Harvey and Morton, who have the contract for the construction of laterals on section 2 of the project, have arrived in Hermiston and will begin work at once.

**CHARTER FOR PILOT ROCK.**  
Effort Being Made to Extend the City Limits.

A petition was circulated Wednesday among the legal voters of the city for signatures to be submitted to the city council as the initial step toward the adoption of a city charter for the city of Pilot Rock, with a view to increasing the present territory of the old town and asking for the right to bond the city for the purpose of installing a water works system, says the Pilot Rock Record.

It is proposed to take in 50 or 100 acres, above and below the present city limits, and give the town room for expansion. A. J. Sturtevant, who owns the land contiguous to Pilot Rock, it is understood, is opposed to any expansion of the city limits on the south side, which is considered by a majority of the citizens to be the logical territory to be embraced, while there is no objection to the inclusion of territory in the north side.

Captain Forest of the schooner Annie Larson, shot and killed George Fisher, a seaman, while lying off Astoria. The killing took place during a row over Fisher claiming that he was ill and could not work, while the mate insisted that he was shamming.

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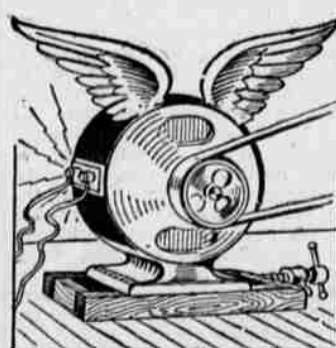
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