

BUSINESS HOUSES AT MYTON BURN

TOTAL LOSS ESTIMATED AT THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Saloon Man, Where the Fire Originated, Suffers to the Extent of Thirteen Thousand—Heroic Efforts of the Volunteer Department Saves Property of Many Business Men.

MYTON, June 19.—Fire of unknown origin starting in the rear of a saloon, owned by J. D. Beaver, about 2 o'clock this morning almost totally destroyed the main business section of Myton and caused damage estimated at thirty thousand dollars. A tank of gasoline in the heart of the fire district failed to explode, although the solder melted away fast. Eight frame buildings were burned to the ground and another was torn down to prevent the fire reaching the big brick structure of the Maxwell Mercantile company.

The fire was discovered by the night watchman, who immediately turned in an alarm and aroused the residents, numbering five hundred. A high wind was blowing, however, and the flames spread rapidly to adjoining buildings and soon the entire block was aflame. The flames leaped across the narrow street and only with much difficulty did the people succeed in protecting these buildings. Practically every store window in the town is cracked and the fronts of the buildings across the street from the fire are charred and blackened from the intense heat.

After the citizens had worked several hours trying to extinguish the flames, it was realized that the fire was beyond control and the entire row of buildings adjoining the big structure of the Maxwell company was doomed. In order to save this building the structure adjoining it was torn down and piles of sacks filled with wet sand were placed against the walls of the brick building. The open space between the fire and the brick building, created by tearing down the building, succeeded in checking the flames.

J. D. Beaver, in whose saloon the fire is believed to have originated, suffered the heaviest loss from the fire. He placed his loss tonight at \$13,000. A. T. Wells' butcher and general merchandise stock, estimated to be worth \$10,000, was a total loss, with no insurance. Other losses sustained were by J. M. Bryant, Dr. Croy, and Dr. Baker, with but little insurance. The Merchant & Wimmer barber shop and fixtures were destroyed with a loss estimated at \$3000. One residence was destroyed.

The only property saved in the row was the stock of the Myton Free Press. The printing plant, including considerable new machinery, was removed to new quarters a day ago on account of danger from fire. It is said tonight that modern brick buildings will be erected on the site of the old frame buildings destroyed this morning.

The Myton Free Press is to be printed from the office of the Vernal Express until such time as the Press has reerected its new machinery to take the place of that burned. The Sun at Price tendered Editor Cook any assistance he might want, which is not only appreciated by Editor Cook but by the citizens of Myton as well. Numerous legal publications are being run at this time in the Press.

SCHOOL BOARDS TO MEET TOGETHER NEXT WEDNESDAY

The Carbon county high school board met conjointly with the board of education of the Carbon county school district last Monday. The resignation of H. L. Reed and Lillian R. Elder as teachers of the Scofield branch were read and accepted. On recommendation of John G. Guffler, G. B. Mosby and Helen Owens, both of Salt Lake City, were elected to fill the vacancies. The election of a music teacher was deferred.

On recommendation of the house committee, Walter Bass was elected janitor for the ensuing year at a salary of ninety dollars per month. The regular claims for the month were allowed.

The meeting adjourned until June 20th, when members of all the school boards of the county, the high school board and the consolidated school board will meet as one for the purpose of making the necessary transfer of books, records and property.

AN OLD FRIEND CANNOT DO WITHOUT PRICES' BEST PAPER

Writing to the editor of The Sun, under recent date from Hiawatha, John P. Hise, well and favorably known throughout Eastern Utah, describes himself of this, which is taken in the same good spirit in which it is intended: "Thanks for the copy of The Sun. Long may it shine. Please send me two dollars worth. I was truly glad to get it, and also glad to know you are in the newspaper business, though sorry to think that as good a Missourian as you should get off so far as to be running a republican newspaper. I spent a most enjoyable six months back in St. Louis and vicinity, visiting some sisters and one brother, whom I had not seen for sixteen years. Am glad to be back in Utah and think I shall stay in Carbon county. Best wishes for yourself and The Sun."

DRY TERRITORY DECISION.

The importation into "dry" territory of beer at other intoxicants, even in a lunch basket as part of a picnic lunch with subsequent consumption of the liquor, is held as a violation of the state liquor law, and violators are liable under its provisions. This is an opinion given last Friday by A. H. Barnes, attorney general, in answering a question submitted by John Walsh, probation officer of Davis county. Violation in this case, according to Barnes, comes under the new Pank law.

SCOFIELD ROADS WORKED

Highway to Colton Now One of the Best in Eastern Utah.

Sunday last Neil M. Madson of Scofield, Chris K. Jensen of Clear Creek and other public spirited fellows of the upper coal camps, including Winter Quarters, did an amount of good work on the road towards Colton, which will make that thoroughfare second to no other mountain road through Carbon and Utah counties. And, the work done will not cost anyone other than those who contributed one cent, though several hundreds of dollars in labor and materials have been expended.

Chris K. Jensen of Clear Creek, former county commissioner, was there with three teams and ten men. Winter Quarters sent two teams and five men and Scofield had three teams, eight men and plows and scrapers employed the entire day. Rocks were removed, ditches cleaned off and the road generally placed in the best condition it has been as long as the memory of the oldest inhabitant of that section runneth back.

This coming Sunday the same volunteer force will go after the highway from Scofield to Clear Creek and put that in condition for automobiles and wagon traffic. In all of this work, Utah Fuel company has contributed no small amount in powder, teams and the like. General Superintendent Thompson has issued cards, blanked orders for powder, scrapers and teams, and is much interested in the movement. Better roads will make it easier for peddlers and ranchmen to get in and out of the camps with their products.

Taxpayers of the upper camps, although contributing their proportion to the taxes of Carbon county, realize that they are not to get much from the thirty-one thousand dollars bond issue money. However, they want good roads and are determined to build the same themselves if they are not to be had in any other way.

After next Sunday automobile travel from Price River Valley to Clear Creek by way of Colton will be a pleasure. Many will undoubtedly avail themselves of the opportunity of a fishing trip at least. It will be easy to go and come in one day.

RUSSIA MUST SEND US OUR SUGAR BEET SEED

DENVER, Colo., June 22.—The problem of procuring sugar beet seed for the 1918 crop was placed in the hands of the executive committee of the United States Manufacturers' association at a meeting of that association this afternoon and evening.

For the entire day officers of various beet sugar manufacturing companies throughout the United States discussed the problem of getting sufficient seed for next year, and they came to the conclusion that the one possible source of supply is Russia.

According to Truman G. Palmer of Chicago, secretary of the association, approximately 11,250,000 pounds of sugar beet seed will have to be imported into the United States between now and next spring. Said Palmer:

"Unless this amount of seed is obtained there will be a scarcity of sugar in the United States in another year."

TWELVE THOUSAND POUNDS OF FLOUR BY PARCEL POST

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo., June 22.—The largest single parcel post shipment which ever left Mesa county went out yesterday morning when the Mesa Flour Mill company shipped twelve thousand pounds of flour to Myton, Utah, paying \$145.55 postage on the same. The great load of flour attracted a lot of attention. Two hundred and forty bags of fifty pounds each completed the load.

COMING TO UTAH FOR SHORT VISIT

STRAWBERRY VALLEY PROJECT IS TO BE INSPECTED.

Government Representatives to View and Pass Upon Later Great Irrigation Projects of the West, Chief Among Which Is One of This State—Have Been to Northwest.

Eleven members of the appropriations committee of the national house of representatives, together with the four members of the reclamation commission, are making a personal investigation of the great irrigation and other reclamation schemes that have been put under way by the national government. The party will be in Utah next Sunday, June 23rd.

This is purely a business trip. The members of the appropriations committee are anxious to acquaint themselves at first hand with the works that they have sanctioned and may be called upon to sanction in the near future. The party is carefully avoiding entertainments and speech making. The members left Chicago on June 1st, and will complete their tour on July 15th.

The Strawberry Valley project will be the principal interest in Utah. Several days will be spent in an inspection of that great undertaking. Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Nevada, California, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado and Wyoming will be visited. The party is in California at the present time inspecting the Grand reclamation project in that state.

The party will visit Elsworth Falls, Ore., North Yakima, Wash., Hermiston, Ore., Caldwell, Nampa, Jerome, and Minidoka, Ida., before they reach Salt Lake City. From there they will go to Provo and Springville, then to Montrose, Delta, Grand Junction, Gale Biding and Denver, Colo.

NO INDIAN TROUBLE

Grayson Residents Say Redmen Are Returning to Reservation.

H. T. Haines, state commissioner of immigration, labor and statistics, returned to Salt Lake City last Monday from San Juan county, where he reports he found five violations of the nine-hour law.

"I visited only Monticello and Grayson," said Haines, "and did not go as far south as Bluff, where it is reported trouble with the Indians has begun to sprout again."

Residents of Grayson were inclined to believe there would be no more serious trouble with the Indians and I heard many rumors that those Indians who left the reservation are returning voluntarily. Fear of another uprising in the near future has left the people in Bluff, according to the people I talked with in Grayson."

Haines said crop conditions in San Juan and Grand counties are unusually good and that a prosperous year in that community is looked for.

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