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## TALKED ABOUT THE TOWN

### The "Tribune's" Big Ears do a Little Service This Week.

Local Notes, Personal Affairs and Items of General Interest Roped In and Ear-Marked.

John Lackey, the Snake river stockman, says it costs \$17 to ship a horse to Virginia, from which state he had just returned Monday. He took three carloads back there and disposed of them to a reasonable advantage. "The horse market is no market at all though," he said. "It is practically dead in all the large centers. To sell at the prevailing prices there would scarcely pay the cost of gathering and freight. I took mine clear to the Atlantic seaboard in an old town that had never had a western horse in it—(except Texans) and sold them as novelties to clerks and other fellows about town who always bite at a new thing. I sold some of my stock at higher prices than good young, native animals were bringing in the same market. The market for western horses is not only played out," he continued, "but the depression extends to all classes but speed animals. A young draft horse, weighing from 1200 to 1400 pounds which sold in Omaha and Kansas City two years ago at \$150 up will not bring more than \$100 now and more frequently less. We unload eight times on the trip across the continent and an animal that is not fat on the start looks pretty raw at destination."

"The price of sheep is lower in Chicago than in Idaho today," said Mr. Lackey, "and I can't understand why unless it is on account of a short corn crop. Feeders probably realize that corn will be such a price before long that they cannot feed to an advantage and are placing their mutton on the market. If this is the case the market will be depressed for three or months and will then raise. If not, Idaho mutton will not bring as large a price as usual next spring."

"Dirt is still flying at a lively rate on the Payette," said M. B. Gwinn, the contractor. "Several of the contracts will be completed next month, but there will be work on the canal as long as there is good weather. I have used 260 kegs of powder on my contracts in the last ten days and will need half as many more before I am through. The completed ditch will cost not less than \$200,000, a nice, snug sum to be expended in this section this year of dull times."

"We have furnished the Payette ditch 1,000,000 feet of lumber so far this season," said C. R. Shaw of the Central Lumber Co., "all for fluming. The flumes on this ditch are something wonderful" he continued. "First, regular piling are driven in the usual manner and are then sawed off and prepared for a cap as in regular bridge work. Two inch stuff is used for the bottom and sides, and the entire flume is calked the same as a ship, then it is lined with one-inch stuff laid to cover the joints and seams. Then the whole structure is treated to a thick coat of an asphaltum preparation. The cost of this fluming cannot be less than \$10 per foot, and as there are 3,000 feet of it on the canal you can readily see that this item alone is more than the cost of some entire systems in the Boise valley."

"The building of this canal on the present line delays indefinitely a pet scheme of our company," said Mr. Shaw. "As you well know the divide between Payette and Boise valleys in the vicinity of Falls Store and the head of Sand gulch is high but narrow. On the Boise side of the divide from this point down to Snake river lie thousands of acres of the finest sage soil in the west. A canal to reach this bench from Boise river—providing the water was there—would have to start from Star and

would cover no land worth mentioning until Canyon hill was passed; but a short tunnel through the divide to a canal on the Payette side that had sufficient elevation would let us tap the never failing Payette at comparatively small cost. The present canal does not run high enough for this purpose—being 80 feet lower than the divide. As I said before, the scheme is postponed indefinitely for the reason that a higher canal would have to traverse several miles of very rough country in order to keep clear of the present works and would not cover enough extra land on the Payette side to justify paralleling. If the present canal had been taken out higher up with a view to this purpose it would have been a great scheme."

Considerable doubt is expressed by loggers as to the practicability of floating logs through the new canal. The engineers, or "science" men, say it is all right—the common people don't believe it.

Badley, the smoke vender.

Billy Schnabel is chasing cayuses on Succor creek this week.

This is only a scheme to inform you that we can furnish your children with all school supplies. Blatchley.

The Weiser postoffice was burglarized Thursday morning and about \$700 in money, stamps, etc., taken. No clue.

The Anaconda Standard says that the Butte, Anaconda & Pacific railroad will be built within two years. Marcus Daly, the Anaconda capitalist is behind the project. They don't appear to know up in Montana that railroading for this year has ceased.

"Charlie," a Chinese restaurant keeper, on Front street, was fined \$5 and \$11 costs by Police Judge Callaway for maintaining a nuisance at his place of business. Charlie had been invited to clean up by Marshal Martin three or four times, but continued in his Mongolian practices—hence the above item.

J. M. Goodwin, the genial traveling correspondent of the Salt Lake Tribune, paid us a friendly call last Thursday. Mr. Goodwin says that his paper does not take kindly to the evident desire of the Idaho republicans to affiliate with the Mormons—especially in view of the fact that only a few years ago they considered the priesthood as the worst foe to the American institutions extant.

The Caldwell Pharmacy—in north room of Masonic Block—Adam & Smithson, proprietors, will soon be ready to supply the people of Caldwell and vicinity with drugs, patent medicines, toilet articles and druggist sundries, and respectfully solicit your patronage; everything new, clean and pure; prescriptions a specialty, as that department is in the hands of Mr. D. D. Smithson, the well-known prescription clerk. Watch for opening notice. Call and inspect.

The Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, in Portland Tuesday, Sept. 28, elected officers as follows: Grand Sire, C. F. Campbell, London, Ontario; Deputy Grand Sire, J. W. Stebbins, Rochester, New York; Secretary, Theodore A. Ross, Columbus, Ohio; Treasurer, Isaac A. Sheppard, Philadelphia. The membership of the order is now 721,146, an increase of 48,807 over last year. The aggregate revenue of the lodges the past year was \$7,726,243, of which \$3,176,382 was expended for relief.

Boise papers of the 21st inst., announce the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. King. Mr. King was granted a leave of absence from his duties as county auditor a month ago and went to his old home in Wisconsin where he was married last week to Miss Idaho Schnabel, a former Boise lady, but for the past few years living in Germany, she having crossed the ocean to marry the man of her choice. The newly-wedded couple are well-known in Caldwell, the groom having established himself in the minds of our people as an honest and efficient public officer, while the bride is known to many as a lady of rare mental and social attainment; she is also a cousin to the Schnabel family of this place. THE TRIBUNE joins hosts of friends in wishing them well.

George Reed made a business trip to Mineral last Monday.

R. A. Cowden, of Emmett, was in Caldwell last Monday.

Mr. Swain Beaty, who has been sick the past week, is recovering.

Oakes Bros. are shoers of goods; they always meet all competitors.

Mountain Home has the only prohibition paper (straight) in the state.

The finest line of Bulk Teas ever seen in Caldwell at Stiles & Dunbar.

Mrs. Brunt Young, of Mountain Home, was a Caldwell visitor this week.

A merry party of Caldwellites held a dinner party at the Sebree ranch last Monday.

Conductor Bell, of the Short Line, is republican nominee for sheriff in Bingham county.

The Ketchum Keystone reports just two democrats in that town who are staying with Cleveland.

Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Hayes, of Emmett, spent a day or two in Caldwell the first of the week.

J. M. Ballentine, democratic nominee for representative, was in town a few hours Thursday.

Something for Breakfast! see our window. "The Finest" is the place to get a variety of the best goods to eat.

A. J. Crook and Capt. Gunn, peoples nominees for governor and congress respectively, will be in Caldwell on September 28th.

Only an advertisement to remind you that Blatchley always has a full stock of drugs, toilet articles, wall paper and paints.

No trace of the perpetrators of the daring robbery of a passenger on a Short Line train two weeks ago has ever been found.

Geo. Oakes and family returned last Saturday from Long Valley. They will occupy the house recently vacated by Mr. G. F. Brown.

Mr. Wm. Cupp was over from Squaw creek the first of the week. He says his father, who has been very sick for some time past, is improving.

The Payette Independent announces negotiations for a 500-acre fruit farm at that place completed. The whole tract will be put into orchard within two years.

Bishop Glorieaux, of the Catholic Church, visited with his followers at this place last Tuesday. The Bishop is a man of rare attainments and occupies a front rank in the councils of his church.

The two Bailey brothers were found guilty of murder in the second degree at Vale this week and were sentenced to the penitentiary for 99 years each. The other defendants secured a postponement.

There was a time in Caldwell's history when an exceptionally nice new hat raised the cry from a dozen different quarters, "Where did you get that hat?" This rudeness, we are pleased to say, is a thing of the past. Everybody now knows that they come from the M. B. Gwinn Mer. Co. without asking.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Richardson, of Havensville Kansas, arrived in Caldwell last Friday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ell Wilson of Howman. Mr. Richardson departed next day for Portland where he will at tend the Sovereign Grand Lodge I. O. O. F., after which he will return to and finish his visit with his relatives. Mr. Richardson is cashier of the Citizens' bank at Havensville, and his wife is a sister of Mr. Wilson.

Hoover received a carload of furniture last week and he wants the people to know it. A visit to his establishment reveals an endless amount of furniture of all kinds—an assortment from which every one, be he rancher, stockman, miner or swell, can choose. Elegant bedroom sets, parlor furnishings, bed lounges, and the latest and best in everything in the line of home equipment. A fine line of pictures, comprising oil paintings, water colors, pastels, etc., is going at cost—call and make your selections before the lot is culled. Hoover can furnish you anything in the line of home adornment—a "sweet smile" included.

## AFTER THE GOLDEN SAND

### A Successful Process for Saving Flour Gold Discovered at Last.

### A Wealthy Company That has Been Experimenting at Riverside for Two Years Makes a Good Showing.

One year ago last May, we are informed by Mr. G. W. Paul, of Riverside, the chief engineer of the Oregon Pacific railroad, Mr. A. O. Eckelson, stopped at his ranch over night. For some years past, Mr. Paul has occupied his spare time in mining with a rocker on the Snake river bars adjacent to his place. At the time of Mr. Eckelson's visit he was so engaged and together they prospected and talked of the possibilities of a machine that would save Snake river gold. The upshot of the matter was that Mr. Eckelson informed his host that he had a friend who had been working on such a machine for years and that he had unbounded confidence in his ability to master the proposition. When he left for Portland he took with him two hundred pounds of gold carrying sand, and about two months later Mr. Paul received an order for several hundred pounds more. Things remained in this shape until several months ago, when Mr. Paul was again visited by Mr. Eckelson, who was accompanied by Mr. N. L. Raber, Raber, of Corvallis, Oregon. In a quiet and secret manner they went to work experimenting with their machine—not even allowing Mr. Paul to witness their work—and after some time they departed. Last August they again appeared at the ranch and resumed operations and later were joined by Mr. L. L. Scott, president of the Portland Loan & Trust Co., who was summoned by telegraph. Mr. Paul was then taken into the confidence of the operators and witnessed a test run of the machine. Eight cubic yards of sand yielded over \$20—and he made a thorough search of the tailings by panning, but not a color was found. The quicksilver process also failed to show any gold in the tailings. The principle of the machine consists in forcing the gold carrying sand over a silver plate and through three separate mercury baths, which amalgamates all the gold. The main feature of the process lies in the mercury bath, which being charged with some secret compound enables to amalgamate anything—even greasy iron, as shown by several trials by Mr. Paul. Patents for the process have been obtained and a stock company to handle the same will be organized in Portland soon. Our informant says that all the parties that have visited his place are men of wealth and influence and have developed this process on strictly scientific lines. Mr. Paul is an old miner and not a man given to enthusing over anything but what shows results, and he is confident that the gravel beds of old Snake river will have to give up their treasures. He shipped ten tons of sand to Portland today, and the company will make a public exhibition of the process at the Mechanic's Fair in Portland. Outside of labor the machine can be operated for ten cents a day, and as any of the gravel bars will pay from \$4 to \$20 per day to the man, when the gold is saved, the magnitude of the invention is at once apparent to those who are fully acquainted with the extent of the Snake river gold beds.

Blatchley the druggist.

Ex-Gov. White, president of Dillon National bank, was in town Friday.

Adjustable hardwood window screens to fit any window, at Central Lumber Company.

The professional card of E. E. Maxey appears in our columns today. Ed. has fixed up neat office and consulting rooms upstairs in Masonic block and will answer all calls day or night.

All's not drugs that's bitter. But we will guarantee the quality of drugs at Blatchley's, and the price too, and endeavor to merit your confidence and patronage.

Col. Stearns has resigned the chairmanship of the Nampa board of trustees, and will devote his whole time to the cause of democracy. The board passed resolutions praising the Colonel's vigorous town policy.

Our peoples party fellow-townsmen, C. W. Cooper, got enough pressure aboard at the Vandevort meeting in Boise last Thursday to make a talk to the assembled multitude. He made a decided hit and also "a night of it."

The democrats have named Geo. Reed and T. H. Callaway as justices of Caldwell precinct, and the republicans have named J. M. Carter and A. A. Hoover. For constable, J. P. Johnson has been renominated by the democrats, while the republicans have named Jim Haines.

Hans Hansen, of the Payette, made our shop a pleasant call last Wednesday. Hans has been with the log drive all season, and reports one man drowned. He and Frank Campbell have a pleasant little ranch on the Payette and their many friends here wish them success.

"Perpetual Money," a neat volume from the pen of "Brick" Pomeory, was received at this office this week. It contains facts every tax-payer should know, and is written in the usual vigorous and entertaining style of its noted author. Copies can be had by sending 25 cts. to M. M. Pomeroy, World Building, New York.

Nothing pleases the average American so much as to make a good bargain. Life will be one perpetual ray of sunshine if you take advantage of the elegant bargains the Montie B. Gwinn Mercantile Co. are now offering in summer good. We make any sacrifice rather than carry anything over.

Within the past week some heavy transactions have been made among sleepmen at this place. Mr. Pence disposed of about 7,000 head, and Hugh Lyiston 2,000, to Messrs. Hailey & Patterson, of Ogden, Utah. The price received was \$2.50 per head. The sheep will be driven to Utah to winter. —Payette Independent.

For some time past different parties from across Snake river have been exhibiting specimens of opal in town, the best being in the possession of Tim Shirley, of the hot springs. This week Chris. Fahy grub staked a man and sent him over to make a thorough prospect of the country. We understand the opals come from the vicinity of Sommercamp's ranch on Squaw creek.

State Land Agent Fenn stated to a Boise Mail reporter recently that the board of land commissioner would probably order a sale of school and university land in this county at their first meeting. This land is some of the most valuable in this state. One large tract lies about four miles from Boise, entirely under the Ridenbaugh ditch, near what is known as the Widow McCarthy's ranch; another tract lies near Hunter, and still another near Thomas B. Gess' ranch, both under an irrigating ditch. Other tracts are near Nampa, Caldwell, and under the new Payette ditch, a short distance east of Payette. It will all bring a good price, being first-class ranch property. The sale will probably occur about October 10.

Oakes Bros? Pullers of trade.

School books at Wright's drug store.

BORN—At the residence of John Fink, near Caldwell, September 16, 1892, to Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wagner, a daughter. Weight, 8 pounds.

BORN—In Caldwell, September 18, 1892, to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stark, a daughter. Weight, 8 pounds.

BORN—In Silver City, September 18, 1892, to Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Moe, an 8-pound daughter. Mother and child doing well.

## CALDWELL ABROAD.

Montie B. Gwinn, of Caldwell, interviewed our citizens last Monday. Full of business as ever.—Silver City Avalanche.

Mr. Dunbar, of Stiles & Dunbar, proprietors of "The Finest" at Caldwell, was doing Owyhee in the interest of his firm this week. They "dun bar" nobody when it comes to "styles."—Silver City Avalanche.