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WORK PROGRESSING NICELY.

Board of Directors of the Payette-Boise Water Users Association Re-Elected.

The first annual meeting of the stockholders of the Payette-Boise Water Users Association held in this city on Monday, marks a stepping stone in the progress of the great government project that is proposed for this section of the country. There was a full representation of the shareholders of the association and the election of officers resulted in continuing the old board of directors for the ensuing year. Reports from the canvassing agents in the different parts of the project show that they are being successful beyond the greatest expectations of the members of the association. The work of having contracts signed by the land owners has only been in progress for the last thirty days and during that time the reports show that 830 land owners have signed contracts representing over 79,000 acres of land. The larger land owners are coming freely into the project, such men as John Lemp, Robert Noble and E. Dewey being among the signers. The State lands amounting to 63,000 acres have already been pledged to the land board and this showing seems to place the project well along towards completion. Efforts to close up the signing of contracts will be redoubled with the hope that the work may be practically completed by the first of February. It is important that this showing be made as soon as possible for the fact that it will have upon the government officials, and for the purpose of hastening the commencement of the work on the project. Meetings will be held east and south of Caldwell during the present week and at Parma on Wednesday the 18th. So far there has been no active work done in the Pioneer Irrigation District, but the attitude of the people seems so strongly in favor of the project that there is little doubt but the signing will be practically unanimous. The officers were so pleased over the showing made by the latest reports that they immediately wired Mr. Jewell at Washington so as to keep the government officials fully informed as to the conditions here.

After the adjournment of the stockholders meeting, the board of directors met and organized by re-election of the former officers of the association, as follows: J. H. Caldwell, president; H. A. Partridge, vice-president; A. A. Richards, secretary; D. R. Hubbard, treasurer. The committee appointed to wait on the State Land Board relative to their subscription to the project, reported that the board had taken favorable action and had assured the committee of their co-operation in every particular.

On motion of A. J. Howd it was ordered that Hon. George H. Stewart be invited to address the meeting to be held at Parma, January 18th, 1905. Various reports of agents were submitted and approved and the work was planned for the coming month. A financial statement showing all the receipts and expenditures of the Association up to date will be issued the coming week.

Merry Skating Party.

Friday evening, a week ago, a merry party of young people went to Picard's pond. They spent the evening very pleasantly gliding over the glittering ice. The members of the party were: Mesdames Hammond and Shipley, Misses Christianson, Kelleher, Baxter, Wilkins, Stella Cupp, Mary Cupp, Mesdames Keller, Messrs. Hammond, Cook, Frank Cook, Christianson, Kelleher, Gipson, Van Fanning, Wood, Froman, Maxey, Shipley and Andrews.

CALDWELL MAN AT MERIDIAN

Central Lumber Co. Purchases Business and Assumes Charge.

The Central Lumber Co. took possession of the Stokesberry & Daly lumber business on Monday. The new company is a branch of the Grande Ronde Lumber Co. of Oregon, who has lumber yards all over the country. A number of improvements will be commenced at once. The warehouse will be moved back, the office raised, the old sheds torn down and new ones put up in their places. The yard will carry a full line of building material. W. P. Kelleher, who was in the employ of the company at Caldwell, is the manager.—Meridian Tribune.

Notes and Notables.

Hon. A. B. Moss of Payette was in the City Monday.

Kirkpatrick of Lemhi is legging for Initiative and Referendum.

Hon. C. W. Cooper is in our midst, happy and healthy as ever.

Smith of Washington County wants a County Roadmaster General. By all means, let Smith have it.

Mr. Watson Vernon, the prominent Boise architect, was in the city Tuesday, figuring on some plans for new houses.

Hon. M. A. Partridge of Nampa was in the city Tuesday attending to business in connection with Government Reclamation.

J. C. Rice Esq. and Hon. A. K. Steunenberg were in St. Anthony during the past week on business connected with their banking interests.

Speaker Hunt has announced the House Committees. Canyon Co. does not appear to figure very prominently on the important committees.

County Attorney Van Dyn has secured offices in the Commercial Block, and will move his family to the County seat as soon as he can procure a house.

Representatives J. H. Richards, of Ada, has introduced a bill providing for the deposit of current public funds in banks that will pay not less than 2 per cent on daily balances.

A bill has been introduced in the legislature to divide the Third judicial district. Ada and Boise County to constitute the Third; Canyon, Owyhee and Washington the seventh.

McBeth, of Custer, wants the State to build a wagon road for him from Loon Creek to Thunder Mountain. What in thunder mountain does McBeth want to leave Loon Creek for, anyway?

Idaho County wants an insane asylum at Grangeville and her representatives have introduced a bill providing for it. This is a great State and no doubt every public institution, including the State Capital, ought to be duplicated as a safeguard against lost, strayed or stolen.

A meeting of the Government Reclamation Water Users Association was held at Lone Star School house last Tuesday night. There was a good attendance and many prominent men addressed the people, among them Judge J. H. Richards and Hon. J. H. Lowell. Much enthusiasm was exhibited.

That was a shrewd trick of McBeth's—McBeth of Custer, a Democrat. The printing of the Governor's message was up for consideration. McBeth seized the opportunity to pronounce a panegyric on the document, and urged the printing of 10,000 copies. He said sweet things about the Governor, via the message, then he pulled his little bill for a wagon road from Loon Creek.

LET US FIGURE ON YOUR BILL



TRY US FOR COAL!

Central Lumber Co.

DILLO ANDREWS, Manager

How are You fixed for Lumber!

Don't forget the place



CHANGE AT COURT HOUSE

New Administration With Few Changes in the Personnel—Quiet Installation of Officers.

For a while Monday morning it was feared that we might have no change of officers at the court house. County Attorney Frank J. Smith filed an opinion that Fidelity bonds were not sufficient and that the new officers would have to provide personal bonds. Many had already secured Fidelity and they had to rustle personal bonds at the last moment. After which the installation went quietly on. The new officers are: Commissioners—F. E. Fiske; Chairman, D. P. Dodd, J. F. T. Bayse.

Assessor—J. W. Watkins. Sheriff—J. C. Nichols. Probate Judge—M. I. Church. Treasurer—S. W. Dee. Superintendent of schools—Cora B. Bean. County Attorney—O. M. Van Dyn.

Surveyor—Wm. Noot. Coroner—Dr. J. F. Loder.

The retiring officers are: Commissioners—W. H. Platt, Robert McGuire, J. F. Breshears. Assessor—G. T. Hamill. Sheriff—J. W. Watkins. Probate Judge—M. I. Church. Treasurer—J. Hutchinson. Supt. of schools—Cora B. Bean. County Attorney—Frank J. Smith.

Surveyor—Robt. Milliken. Coroner—Dr. Delano.

EMMETT WILL BOOM.

Four and a Half Million Feet of Lumber to go into New Buildings.

There will be something doing in the building line in Emmett and the country tributary to it before this time next year. The W. E. Davis sawmill has already contracted to cut 4 1/2 million feet of lumber for private parties to be used in erecting dwelling houses and out-buildings. John McNish has a large force of men at work felling timber at Smith's Ferry and he plans to cut 4 million feet, thus increasing the output of his mill 1 million feet over last year. The people are getting ready for the good times coming, and there promises to be plenty of work for both mechanic and laborer during this year.—Emmett Index.

A HEART RENDING ACCIDENT.

The Babe of Geo. Ellis of Middleton Burned to Death Wednesday While Playing in Kitchen

Middleton, Idaho, Jan. 12, 1905. Special to THE CALDWELL TRIBUNE.—A most heartrending accident occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Ellis, 12 miles above Middleton, Wednesday. Their two little children were playing in the kitchen, when the older of the two accidentally pushed the smaller, a babe of a few weeks old, against the stove. The little one's clothes caught fire and before anything could be done was so badly burned that death ended its suffering within a couple of hours. Mrs. Ellis was out of the room at the time, but hearing the screams of the children hastened back. It was too late to do any good. The child was wrapt in flames.

TO DIVIDE DISTRICT.

Richards Introduces the Measure—Business too Much for One Judge.

Hon. J. H. Richards of Ada county introduced a petition to the legislature from the Canyon county bar, asking that the Third Judicial District be divided. The petition says that the business of the district has become so great that it is no longer possible for one judge to properly handle it. Frequently people are arrested and being unable to furnish bail are held for several months and set free on trial. In fact holding court only twice a year works a hardship on all litigants. The petition suggests that Ada and Boise counties be made one district and Canyon, Owyhee and Washington be made another. The petition was signed by every member of the Canyon county bar. Later Judge Richards introduced house bill No. 6 which carries out the idea of the petition. It will undoubtedly be passed at an early date.

Try Central Lumber Co. for good coal. John Bruce, the well known Poison creek sheepman was in Caldwell a couple of days this week. He returned home Wednesday. Mr. Bruce says that so far the sheepmen have had to feed very little hay. However the lack of snow has worked a hardship on the sheep going to the winter range as it has caused a scarcity of water.

COURSE OF LECTURES.

Will Be a Rare Treat—Deserves Handsome Patronage.

A town of schools should have a good course of lectures and concerts. People coming from the East say that they miss the lectures and concerts and do not see how we old sage brushers can endure being so behind the times.

So to meet the supposed demand we have signed up an iron-clad contract with the Ridpath Lyceum Bureau of Chicago for two lectures and two concerts agreeing to pay them \$305 for the four entertainments. The Redpath Co. is the oldest and one of the best known institutions of the kind in the United States and always sends out first class talent.

The season tickets sell for \$2 to the general public and single admission 75 cents. To all students in our public schools the season tickets are \$1 and single admission 75 cents.

We want to make this enterprise a success and to have something of the same nature every year. There ought to be at least one lecture loving community in south Idaho outside of Boise. We hope to come out even in the matter of money, and should there be any money over it will be expended on the grounds and buildings of the College of Idaho.

That the patrons of this course may have the best appointments and comforts the city affords we propose to give these entertainments in the city opera house, provided we can sell enough season tickets to see our way clear financially, and we can arrange dates with the general manager of that institution.

The first number in the course will be a lecture on Thursday evening Jan. 19, by Mr. F. P. Jolly. Subject: The Jolly side of Life. Tickets for sale at Greenlund's.

W. J. BOONE, Chairman Com.

Gov't Reclamation Meeting.

There will be a meeting at Parma next Wednesday evening to discuss the advantages and benefits of Government reclamation. The Reclamation law will be fully explained, as will every feature of the Payette-Boise Valley enterprise. Hon. Geo. H. Stewart, District Judge, and Hon. J. H. Richards will address the meeting. People interested in the upbuilding of the country, and all others, should attend the meeting.

For Sale

My residence and six lots on the Boulevard at the corner of Fourth avenue east. A good, substantial residence, conveniently located in every respect. Apply only to G. W. Hodson, Caldwell, Idaho.

A. W. Frost visited Boise Monday.

PEARL MINES.

Manager Dorman Talks—Most Satisfactory Situation.

Mr. Henry W. Dorman, manager of the I. X. I. group of mines in the Pearl district, gives some very interesting and encouraging information respecting the mining situation. He says the camp is showing up splendidly. There is increased activity all along the line. The producing mines are becoming more productive and development work is being pushed with renewed energy. The cause of the greatly improved condition is that it has been finally demonstrated that all the ores can be reduced by the cyanide process. Until recently experts have held that the only way in which the ores could be handled was by concentration, but improved methods, coming with a better knowledge of cyanide, have made it possible to employ the cyanide process with marked success. A few years ago a Montana expert spent several days experimenting for Mr. Dorman on Pearl ores, and the best results he could get from cyanide under the process then employed was a saving of 47 per cent of the values. On this showing cyanide was necessarily abandoned, and concentration plants installed. Recent improvements in the cyanide process makes it entirely practicable to save 92 per cent of the values, and at one of the mines where the process has been in operation for 30 days or more this is actually being done. Mr. Dorman says the problem is now solved, and Pearl will soon become one of the greatest mining districts in the west. The cost of installing a cyanide plant is only about 60 per cent of the cost of a concentration plant, and the same or a greater degree of saving is effected in operation. It is now, quite practicable, says Mr. Dorman, to handle three dollar ore at a good profit. The economies effected by cyanide over concentration are many. There is first, the freighting of concentrates, then the smelting, then sacks and finally the great additional amount of water needed, and in the Pearl district water is a vital consideration.

Mr. Dorman is one of the most experienced practical miners in the State. He located the I. X. I. group and has other large mining interests. His faith in I. X. I. has never wavered although many discouraging obstacles have been met with. It seems that, at last, all difficulties have been overcome, and Mr. Dorman is fully justified. He is entitled to big reward and will now get his due.

A. K. Steunenberg and John C. Rice of Caldwell were in the city yesterday on their way to St. Anthony to attend a meeting of the directors of the First National Bank at that place in which they are interested. They state that everything looks most encouraging for Caldwell this year and that there is but little doubt but that the great government irrigation project for watering the lands of the Payette-Boise valleys will be carried through. There are now more than 60,000 acres of settled lands which have been signed up for the enterprise and the government has more than 250,000 acres of land which is not yet settled which will be benefited besides several thousand more belonging to the state. Should this proposition be carried out, Caldwell would be in the center of one of the most magnificent agricultural sections in the west.—Pocatello Advance.

Wanted.

To buy or trade for a good driving horse. Call at the Idaho Implement Co.'s establishment, Caldwell, Idaho.

R. E. Simmons was in Caldwell Monday of this week transacting business. He informs us that Mrs. Simmons had recently returned from Stockton, Mo., where she visited friends and relatives. She was away about two months. Mrs. Simmons had a very enjoyable visit, but would a great deal rather live in Idaho than Missouri.