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NAMPA WILL HOLD BIG CELEBRATION

NAMPA PREPARING FOR GREAT HARVEST FESTIVAL FOR LAST PART OF MONTH

Many kinds of prizes and sports will be offered by the enterprising city a few miles from Caldwell—An enthusiasm that cannot be downed.

We read in our esteemed contemporaries, the Nampa Leader-Herald and the Nampa Record that the business men of that city are enthusiastically at work preparing for the harvest festival. The harvest festival is scheduled to take place on Friday and Saturday, September 23 and 24. According to the reports, it will be a great occasion. Splendid prizes and premiums have been provided and two great days they will be. The people of Caldwell should go up en masse on one of these days. It wouldn't hurt to go Thursday and stay over night. Nampa is noted for her hospitality and there is little doubt but that the two days' celebration and festival will exceed all past efforts.

When you stop to think about it Nampa possesses some admirable qualities and a great many magnificent men. Nampa does things when a great many other towns are bemoaning their hard luck. It's just Nampa's way. Somehow or other she has gathered into the fold a bunch of men and women who really do things. For about twenty years it has been the private opinion of every man, woman and child in Caldwell, Boise and other envious towns that Nampa was on her last legs and slated to go fluey in about a year. Nampa hasn't gone fluey yet and the present indications are that the catastrophe has been indefinitely postponed.

Old timers like Sebree, Cooper, Blatchley and Dan Campbell remember some of the stunts that Nampa pulled off in her early history. As a child Nampa was up to enterprising tricks and she has lost none of her enterprise. Caldwell once undertook to build a railroad to Boise. That railroad was to have put a crimp in Nampa, so it was thought. While Caldwell was springing it all out, Col. W. H. Dewey suddenly seized with the double-breasted in the right eyelid. Mr. J. McGee understood a sly wink or two that Col. Dewey could not resist. They moved to Nampa overnight and within 12 hours construction work was in progress on the Idaho Central, whose termini were Nampa on the one side and Boise on the other and Caldwell out in the field. It was the same with the sugar factory, brewery, feeble-minded asylum and about everything else that Nampa ever wanted. She corralled enterprises, business houses and people as easily as an apple sampling. Everything is duck soup for Nampa.

We opine that things will continue the same old way for a little while yet. Dewey, a worthy successor to his father; Partridge and McKays, both of them, father Major S. and son, Col. C. R.; helped, aided and assisted by Burkland, Hennes, Hill and Folsheim, too, have no idea of throwing up the sponge at the present time. And with them are such men as Sherman, Barrett, Walling, Lockman with his brewery, Estabrook and two dozen others, not to mention Blunk, Hagen and five thousand others, boosting and booming things all the time. We say that these gentlemen have no idea, and never have had the idea, of stopping at this stage of the game. We rather imagine that they are just getting warmed up for the day. We anticipate a few more units in the near future in which Nampa will be greatly interested.

All this is beside the question. Two weeks from today the harvest festival will be in full swing at Nampa. Two days will be devoted to celebrating the harvest. It behooves the people of Caldwell to attend the celebration. It will do them no harm and they might imbibe a little of the Nampa spirit without damage to themselves.

A steel range, nearly new, for sale. Inquire of H. B. Steetle.

STATE WILL SELL ITS SCHOOL BONDS

LAND BOARD WILL SELL BONDS AND LEND PROCEEDS TO IDAHO FARMERS.

Plan Will Give State Bigger Income and Furnish Cheaper Money to Idaho Borrowers.—Will Bring in Over Two Million Dollars of Eastern Money.

Readers of the Tribune will recall that several weeks ago State Auditor Taylor suggested that the state sell its school bonds to eastern people and loan the money derived from the sale to Idaho farmers. The plan would give the state a bigger income and at the same time give the people comparatively cheap money. At a meeting of the state land board held in Boise last week the following resolution was submitted by Auditor Taylor:

"Resolved, That the register of the land board be instructed to advertise forthwith the sale of \$250,000 worth of school bonds in accordance with the resolution heretofore adopted by this board, said notice of sale to run in at least two daily papers of the state for a period of 30 days, and provide for sealed bids to be filed with the register of the board and to be opened in the presence of the board at a time to be specified in said notice, the board to reserve the right to reject any and all bids."

What It May Mean. This is looked upon as the first definite step in the sale of about \$2,000,000 in trust fund bonds to eastern bonding houses and the loaning of the money so secured to the farmers of the state at the rate of 6 per cent interest. The land board is now getting but 5 per cent on the money, so that this would mean an additional income of approximately \$20,000 from this source. On the other hand, farmers who borrow money pay interest and commissions, about 9 per cent for their money. If they could borrow this \$2,000,000 from the state land board at 6 per cent it would mean a saving to them of approximately \$30,000 a year.

Here are the bonds held by the land board:

| County | Amount |
|------------|----------------|
| Adams | 20,950.00 |
| Ada | 112,470.00 |
| Bannock | 65,050.00 |
| Bear Lake | 58,400.00 |
| Blaine | 51,395.00 |
| Boise | 22,000.00 |
| Bonner | 83,600.00 |
| Bingham | 242,620.00 |
| Canyon | 264,001.00 |
| Cassia | 84,270.00 |
| Clearwater | 6,480.00 |
| Custer | 10,500.00 |
| Elmore | 56,000.00 |
| Fremont | 198,213.00 |
| Idaho | 22,390.00 |
| Kootenai | 242,300.00 |
| Latah | 49,800.00 |
| Lemhi | 48,000.00 |
| Lewis | 18,900.00 |
| Lincoln | 137,612.00 |
| Nez Perce | 25,885.00 |
| Oneida | 118,386.74 |
| Owyhee | 9,900.00 |
| Shoshone | 62,500.00 |
| Twin Falls | 181,800.00 |
| Washington | 64,450.00 |
| Total | \$3,193,872.74 |

Auditor Taylor takes the position that the circulation of this amount of money would give a tremendous stimulus to business in general.

The Tribune has called attention to the fact many times that the thing really needed in Idaho is capital. While this state is crying for capital untold millions of dollars are idle in eastern banks. The school bonds are desirable securities in the east. They can be sold readily and probably at a premium. The money will be used in the further development of the state.

State Levy Three Mills.

The state board of equalization last week fixed the levy for state purposes at 3 mills upon a valuation of \$30 million dollars. The levy last year was 7.11 mills upon a valuation of 127 million dollars. This will raise \$990,000 as against \$916,000 last year.

Misses Ann and Helen Redway left Sunday for Chicago, where Miss Helen will enter school.

OUR PROSPERITY ABOUT TO RETURN

CONDITIONS INDICATIVE OF SATISFACTORY SEASON IN EASTERN CENTERS.

Most of Reports Show Steady Improvements in Business Conditions Throughout the Country—Optimistic Prevails Over Grain and Cotton Crops Says Dun's.

Dun's Review for the week ending September 9 takes a very hopeful view of the situation; business prospects; crop conditions; throughout the country. In summing up the week the Review says:

Steady improvement in business conditions is indicated by most of the reports which come from the leading industries and from trade centers. This is further confirmed by the gain in bank clearings, the reduction in number of idle cars and the increase in pig iron production. Apparently there is much more optimistic sentiment regarding the cotton and grain crops, in spite of the recent Government reports of conditions; and with the prospect of fair average farm returns, low stocks of goods on the shelves of distributing merchants and an abundant supply of money, the fall season is opening with a considerable growth of confidence, which is helped by the lull in political activities, the gradual subsiding of war talk abroad and the better outlook as regards the labor situation at home. Resumption of work in many New England textile mills this week is an event of value. Moreover, the demand for dry goods, both jobbing and at retail, is improved. While the wool market is more quiet for the moment, business is fair and quotations firm. In the shoe trade conservative gain also appears, and the same is true as regards leather. The improvement in pig iron and steel is mostly in the increased output of pig iron as in finished materials there is a diminished demand except in structural goods, the continued activity in operations. Altogether the quickened movement in general business while not large, is indicative of a satisfactory season of fairly normal conditions. During the first week of September it is noteworthy that bank clearings outside of New York City increased 4.6 per cent over 1910 and 13.2 per cent over 1909, while at New York there was a gain of 7.6 per cent over 1910 and a decrease of only 8.5 per cent compared with 1909. Railroad earnings during the month of August were almost exactly the same as in 1910. Foreign commerce returns of the port of New York in the latest week show exports of \$12,372,460, an increase of \$2,794,098 over 1910 and of \$3,514,408 over 1909, while the imports were \$15,578,871, a decline of \$1,197,800 from 1910 and a gain of \$287,844 over 1909.

The enlarged operations in pig iron are indicated by returns covering the production during August, which rose 133,569 tons to 1,926,637 tons, according to Iron Age; the daily rate of output reached 62,150 tons, or 4,309 tons more than in the previous month, and the capacity of the 203 furnaces active on September 1 was 3,321 tons a day greater than that of the 196 furnaces in blast on August 1.

Most of last month's expansion was due to the increased turnover of the leading interest, whose bookings and shipments in that period were heavier than in any preceding month this year. In the finished lines the existing price situation induces consumers generally to confine purchases to actual needs. Competition for new business has become very keen and buyers accordingly find it easier to obtain concessions. The wire trade reflects reduced activity, but in the structural division many mills have enough work to keep them fully occupied for several months.

Miss Myrtle Hardy left Saturday for Council where she will teach school this winter. Miss Hardy taught at Council last year with great satisfaction to pupils and parents.

Mrs. J. H. Gipson and daughter left last week for Enterprise, Oregon for a short visit with relatives.

DECISION HANDED DOWN AT FRISCO

JUDGE DEITRICH REVERSED IN DECISION BY CIRCUIT COURT OF U. S.

Railroads Must Secure Permission From Government Before They Can Transverse Reclamation Projects With Their Lines According to Latest Decision.

What is claimed by the district attorney's office to be one of the most important decisions to Idaho that has been handed down by the United States circuit court of appeals of San Francisco has just been received by District Attorney C. H. Lingenfelter. It reverses Judge Frank S. Deitrich in his decision refusing to grant an injunction against the Minidoka & Southwestern Railway company, a subsidiary line of the Oregon Short Line, to prevent it from building a line across the Minidoka reclamation project. The government petitioned for the injunction and Judge Deitrich held that the road had a right to build, providing it installed proper crossing over the canals erected by the government for irrigation purposes.

The circuit court held that the government had invested \$1,300,000 in the Minidoka project and the railroad could not undo the work performed by the government, it being feared that the construction of the road would interfere with the canal system. More important than this point involved, in the opinion of the district attorney, is another in the case as to whether a reclamation project that is being constructed by the government and which is settled up on by homesteaders can be used by a railroad for construction work without the consent of the secretary of the interior and the signing of a stipulation agreeing to comply with the wishes of the government regulating the construction of a proposed road and its possible interference with the irrigation system that is being installed. The opinion of the circuit court of appeals is believed by federal officials here to indicate that this permission must now be secured by a road proposing to build in this manner.

GEORGE STRODE IN LOCAL HOSPITAL.

Word was received here shortly after noon yesterday to the effect that George Strode, brother of Will and James of this city, was critically ill on Sinker Creek, and Dr. H. P. Ross started in one of Dewey's autos for the ranch. The distance is about 50 miles and they arrived there in the evening.

The doctor found that Mr. Strode was suffering with an attack of appendicitis. He had been sick for the past four days, but his condition did not become alarming until Sunday. He was relieved at once of considerable suffering, but for precaution he was brought to Nampa the same evening, as a relapse might make it necessary for an operation.

At present the patient is at the Nampa hospital and is apparently recovering.—Nampa Record.

WILL ATTEND LAND CONVENTION.

J. P. Newport, president of the Black Canyon Irrigation district, was a business visitor in Caldwell Monday. Mr. Newport has been appointed delegate to the public lands convention which will meet in Denver September 28 and continue to and including October 3. Mr. Newport stated that unless something unforeseen arises, he will attend the convention. A number of very distinguished men will be in attendance. Among those who will address the convention are President Taft, ex-Secretary of the Interior R. A. Ballinger, ex-Secretary of the Interior and ex-United States Senator from Colorado Henry M. Teller, Governor John F. Shaffroth of Colorado, and many others.

Guy C. McGee and Fred McConeal left Saturday morning for Castle Creek in Owyhee county where they have been engaged on a piece of engineering work that will take them about a week or ten days to procure the field notes. We understand that the work is irrigation.

We pay cash for produce. Saratoga Hotel.

PAYETTE MAN DIES AT HOME OF SON

WELL KNOWN WRITER AND SCHOLAR DIES AT HOME OF HIS SON.

Noted Writer on Scientific Subjects and Contributor to National Magazines Quietly Passes Away.—Son and Daughter Survive to Mourn Loss.

Joseph T. Patch, father of General L. V. Patch with whom he has been living for a number of years, died at the home of his son Saturday evening at 6 o'clock in Payette.

Judge Patch was born in Mt. Holy Vt. seventy three years ago. When a youth he moved to Gowanda, N. Y. and graduated from Ellington Academy. He afterwards became a teacher in the public schools in Buffalo and after a few years attended Ann Arbor University and graduated from that institution. He settled in Mount Pleasant, Iowa, where he practiced law for twelve years. It was here he met Mary Vernon, daughter of Dr. Vernon an eminent Methodist preacher, who became his wife. Four children were born of this union. One son, Gen. L. V. Patch of Payette, and a daughter, Mrs. Gordon P. Miller, of Prosser, Wash., are the living children. A brother, Prof. J. V. D. Patch, is president of the St. Joseph University, St. Joseph, Mo. and a sister, Mrs. E. C. Calkins is wife of Judge Calkins, Supreme Court Commissioner of Nebraska. A niece Mrs. Geo. Windie is a resident of the Payette valley. Judge Patch practiced law in Omaha for 20 years and was reckoned as one of the foremost lawyers in Nebraska. The wife died in Nebraska fifteen years ago and about nine years ago the husband and father stricken in health came to Idaho to live with his son. For several years his health was much improved but a decline began a year ago and he had not been very well since, although his mind was bright and keen to the last. He was a voluminous writer and contributed to many magazines, notably, the Review of Reviews. His field was in the domain of science and philosophy. He had just lately finished a volume on philosophy which it seems he did not expect to see published in his life time, but for which he made arrangements to have published, giving directions and instructions to his son.—Payette Independent.

Emmett Fixes Tax Levy.

The city council Tuesday night fixed the tax levy for 1911 at 20 mills, an increase over last year of 3 mills. Of this 15 mills is for the expenses of the city government and 5 mills to take up the outstanding indebtedness.

The assessed valuation this year shows an increase of \$168,032 over last year, the 1911 valuation being \$422,784 and the 1910 valuation \$254,752. The levy will raise approximately \$9,000.

The question of issuing bonds to take up the outstanding indebtedness, which amounts to over \$7000, was discussed at some length, but there was a diversity of opinion among the councilmen as to the wisdom of that course. Today, however, a more favorable opinion is expressed in regard to taking up the indebtedness in that way instead of by a levy this year and it is probable the ordinance fixing the levy will be held up until another meeting can be held and the matter gone over more thoroughly. The levy of 3 mills will raise only \$1200, which will not materially reduce the indebtedness. If a bond issue is authorized the tax levy this year will be reduced to 17 mills, the same as last year.—Emmett Index.

Election Postponed.

Leaders of the "wets" in Washington county have decided to defer their special election until next February. The special election in that county was to have been held in October. The overwhelming "dry" majority in Canyon county last week caused the "wet" leaders to decide on the action taken. They feel that the excitement over the big "dry" victory in Canyon county will quiet down by the time the special election is held in February.

Delegates Elected.

C. A. Oakes, John Steunenberg, T. B. Buckner and H. M. Steetle were elected representatives to the Grand Lodge of Idaho, I. O. O. F., by Caldwell Lodge No. 10 at its regular meeting Wednesday night. The grand lodge meets at Twin Falls this year in October.

Gem of the Mountains Rebekah Lodge elected Mesdames J. W. Guo, Sarah J. Handy, E. A. Wheeler, and H. M. Steetle to represent the local lodge in the Rebekah State Assembly which meets at Twin Falls also October 14.

KEEP IMAGINATION WORKING STEADILY

WHERE? OH, WHERE? IS THAT LITTLE DOG GONE.—THAT IS THE QUESTION.

Paralysis Has Seized the Railroad Builders and There is Nothing Doing—Two Electric Lines Have Been Abandoned in the Desert to Unknown Fate.

It's a sad day when the imagination becomes atrophied.

Following the custom adopted by the Boise Statesman in its editorials we make that sentence a paragraph. The Statesman don't set any fashion too swift for the Tribune. The day its pages are draped in harem skirts that day will see us wearing bloomers. We mean to keep abreast of the times as the Statesman gives us light.

Sly, cunning and insidious is that intercalation. It is relied upon to take the curse off the opening paragraph. This is a custom much in vogue among those who want to say something without arousing the ire of the natives; and also among those of the cults of intellectual fads. We are in both classes, because we always desire to be in fashion.

As stated above, which statement is repeated, it's a sad day when the imagination becomes atrophied. Not many months ago Caldwell and Nampa were building railroads, especially electric railroads, in every direction and it wasn't costing a cent. Now what are we doing? We are doing nothing of any consequence. There hasn't been a mile of electric railway built in high on seven weeks, and its all in the head too. Alex Ballanyme is frequently of the opinion that he ought to have his head made over. We are of the opinion that there are a number of others in the same fix. When it don't cost anything there is no reason why railroads should not be built. Consider the hills of the valley, or Boise the Beautiful, they toll not, neither do they spin, yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed in such as the former and Harriman never dreamed of the railroad routes the latter has doped out. It's no trick for the Statesman or the Capital News to start a railroad on the top of Squaw Butte in the morning and fetch it to Boise before dark. While Caldwell must have the money raised and the material on the ground before she will even notice a railroad. Even then there are grave doubts in the minds of many whether it will ever be operated or not. The Tribune urges the people of Caldwell to nourish and nurture their imagination. Nampa should do likewise. There is no use in losing out on account of lack of exercise of imagination.

As we see them there are now two electric lines in the air. One is headed for Nampa and the other is winding its way toward Roswell via Sebree and Henderson's flat. Originally it was our intention that Pierce build to Roswell and Sebree to Nampa. We have changed the plans. Sebree will extend his present road to Roswell while Pierce is going to Nampa. This is the very latest information that has been given to the public. We confidently look forward to actual construction work early in October.

Incidentally we were informed Wednesday that Hill was en route. He wants a north and south road and it will certainly pass through Boise. Young Louis Hill took an early fancy to Boise and has spent thousands of dollars in trying to get a route that would touch Boise. He has found it impossible. In consequence the Hill road will cross the Short Line at Caldwell. This is no dream.

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