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## PERTINENT NEWS OF STATE WITH OUR OWN COMMENT

### Idaho Close Rival to Nevada as Mecca for Eastern Divorcees.

### GETTING A REPUTATION

County Assessors of the State are in session in Boise this week for the purpose of studying the new revenue laws. The late legislature made a number of changes in the tax laws. In order that the work will be done the same in every county this meeting is held. Tax Commissioners Robertson and Purcell and Representative Overmire, chairman of the house committee which introduced and carried the revenue law through, were in attendance at the meeting for the purpose of explaining the provisions of the law. The present revenue law differs from the old law in several important ways. Henceforth property will be assessed for taxation purposes at its full cash value. The 40 per cent feature of the law has been done away with. The board of county commissioners sitting as a board of equalization will grant tax exemptions. In the past the assessor has done this. Property exempt from taxation will appear on the assessment roll the same as all other property and the exemptions will be noted by the assessor as instructed by the board of commissioners.

The decision of the assessors and the interpretation of the revenue laws will appear in the next issue of The Tribune. It is thought that the law as interpreted and as it will be applied will be of more use and benefit to the reader than an outline of the law as passed by the legislature.

### Eastern Divorce Suits.

For many years Nevada has enjoyed an unenviable reputation as the Mecca for those seeking divorce from the eastern states where the divorce laws are more stringent. It seems that people from the east are discovering that the Idaho laws permit of easy divorce. Clerk Stovel of the district called our attention to the fact that eastern people are coming to this state for the sole purpose of securing divorce. Caldwell has been selected as one of the county seat towns which is convenient for the purpose. During the recent term of court Judge Bryan called attention to the number of Boise divorce cases that were tried in this county. It is thought that the reason that these cases are brought here is the hope that less publicity will attend the trial of the cases. Judge Bryan has expressed himself as determined to send Boise cases back to Ada county for trial if the law permits him to do so.

There is no method of finding out how many eastern divorce suits have been brought to Idaho courts, but there is no question but that there have been a great many and the number is increasing rapidly. If the person seeking a divorce establishes residence in this state the courts have nothing to do but hear the cases when they are instituted.

### The Alfalfa Weevil.

The presence of the alfalfa weevil in several southeastern counties has attracted great attention to the pest. While the weevil has not shown itself in this section of the state there is no telling when it may do so. The farmers of the Boise Valley, as well as those of other alfalfa growing sections should maintain a close look out for the insect.

This animal belongs to the large order of hard-shelled insects called beetles (coleoptera) and in a group generally called snout beetles. To this same order belongs some of our most serious pests, such as the boll-weevil, of the south, and the strawberry weevil.

The insect hibernates and passes the winter as adult weevils in any well sheltered place. They come out as early in the spring as the alfalfa starts and lays eggs on the buds, stalks and leaves. These eggs hatch in about ten days into larvae, which are very active. The young larvae are small alfalfa-green worms with a black head. They feed in the leaf buds, in the stalks and on the leaves. It is in this worm stage that the greatest damage is done. In about a month it passes from the larvae into the cocoon, and pupa stage and in about a week emerges as an adult weevil. The best known remedies are clean cultivation and rotation of crops. Alfalfa fields should be thoroughly cultivated with a disc or spring-toothed harrow early in spring and again after each crop is removed. The farmers can well afford to practice these methods, for they not only prevent attack of the weevil, but they insure larger crops. Everyone in Southern Idaho should become familiar with this animal, and if one is found it should be reported to the State Horticultural Department at Boise, which is now working in every way possible to prevent its spread in this state.

## CALDWELL FIRM COMPLETES BRIDGES ON WEISER RIVER

### The Six Bridges Cost \$27,000 and Were Finished on Time.

The Fortes Bridge Company of Caldwell, which had the contract from the county for the construction of six bridges, has completed the work and turned them over to the county. The bridge over the Weiser river above Midvale was completed last week, as was the one near the mouth of Crane Creek, below Midvale.

The bridges are located as follows: One about six miles above Midvale; one near mouth of Crane Creek; one on the Little Weiser; one between Cambridge and Indian Valley and two on Hog Creek. The contract price for the construction of the six bridges was \$27,000.

W. B. Baumgardner, who was in charge of the construction of the Midvale bridge, was in charge of the construction work on all the bridges. He returned to his home in Caldwell Friday, after having completed all the bridges within the contract time. He is a very efficient man in his line.—Midvale Reporter.

## PLEDGE LAND AND GRADE FOR RAILROAD EXTENSION

Residents and property owners living south of the Deer Flat reservoir, in a meeting held in the Rankin school house Saturday night pledged the right-of-way and proposed extension of the Caldwell Traction company. Messrs. Rankin, Oakes and Tollman, representing the residents of that section, were in Caldwell Monday in consultation with the railroad officials. The extension will be nine miles long and will tap a thickly settled farming community.

The committee is gathering data regarding the possible tonnage and the number of acres that will be served. It is generally understood that the company favors the extension and that it will be built soon.

Work on the extension of the Caldwell Traction company through lower Deer Flat to Sunny Slope started this week.

## BRIDE AND GROOM GIVEN PLEASANT SURPRISE PARTY

Last week Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Church were surprised by a number of their friends who arrived at the beautiful bungalow which the young couple occupy bearing cakes and many other delicacies which prove especially attractive to the masculine heart. The evening was spent in games and general jollification and an excellent foundation was laid by the host and hostess for a very enviable reputation for hospitality.

## POMONA GRANGE GIVES PROGRAM

The Pomona Grange held at Caldwell on last Tuesday, while not largely attended, was favored in the afternoon, with a most interesting program. J. K. Trout, who is an advocate of diversified farming, and an authority on the raising of hogs, gave a most instructive and interesting talk along these lines.

J. T. Stinson, who is a thorough believer in thoroughbred stock for dairy purposes, on the farm, gave some of his experiences, which were both entertaining and instructive.

The paper read by Mrs. F. E. Phillips, on "How Method Helps," was a most helpful one, and contained many useful hints, in regard to the extra work at haying and threshing times on the farm.

The Hon. Silas Wilson gave a talk on the "Fruit Industry," that should have been heard by every orchardist in southwest Idaho. He is an ardent advocate of intensive culture in the orchard, and of the raising of high-grade fruit. He believes that the best quality of fruit can be raised here, that soil and climate are all in our favor, but that the average orchard owner has much to learn, especially as regards the pruning of the trees, and the thinning of the fruit. He also believes that when the highest grade of fruit is raised here, that there will be no difficulty in finding good markets for it all at the best prices.

State Master Harland then gave the Grange a most interesting talk touching on the matter of keeping up interest in the local granges, and then giving some insight into the work of the recent legislature.

J. J. Allison not being present, T. M. Nichol explained the benefits to be derived from the work of the County Field Man.

This closed the program, which in point of interest was considered one of the most successful held in some time.

The Easter Market and Chicken Pie supper given by the Baptist ladies on Wednesday afternoon and evening, was a most decided success. Aprons, rugs and fancy goods of various kind found a ready sale and the delicious supper served was well patronized. As a result a substantial sum was added to the amount being raised by the ladies on their pledge for the new church.

## CALDWELL TO HAVE \$100,000 PACKING PLANT

### Contract Closed With Large Corporation Who Will Build at Once

### WILL EMPLOY 200 PEOPLE

### Second Factory Proposition in Last Month—Machinery is Ordered for Potato Flake and Flour Factory Which Will Begin Operations in May—Pleased With Caldwell.

A completely equipped and modern packing plant will be in operation in this city before the year is over, according to a contract entered into by the directors of the Commercial club at a meeting the first part of the week.

The plant is to be one of a chain of like factories which extend from Seattle to Los Angeles, and will have a capacity of 150 head of hogs and 100 head of cattle, employing about 200 people.

After carefully investigating the position and surrounding territory of a number of cities in this section, representatives of the well-known corporation controlling these packing plants decided that Caldwell presented excellent opportunities for those interested in manufacturing and a definite proposition was made to the directors of the Commercial club, who at once accepted. The plant is to cost not less than \$100,000 and will be completed before the end of the year.

### Boon to Whole Southwest.

Regarding the proposed plant and its location here, H. W. Dorman, president of the Commercial club, said: "Negotiations have been in progress for some time regarding the location of a packing plant in Caldwell, and the proposition accepted by the directors of the club is the gratifying result. Lack of market has retarded our development to an alarming extent. A factory of the size and character of the one to be established here will mean much not only to Caldwell but to southwestern Idaho in general. Skeptical manufacturers will have proof conclusive that opportunity awaits men with capital, energy and brains in this section."

### Covers Wide Territory.

"In my estimation," he continued, "the success of the packing plant is assured. Our local plant will handle beves from the Wyoming and Montana ranges; the sheep from the Idaho and eastern Oregon pastures. We can offer shippers of Nevada and Utah a market 500 miles nearer than they now have."

Carl Feldhusen, manager of the German Products company, has ordered the machinery for the plant and plans to begin the manufacture of potato flakes and flour in May.

## FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

R. Emory Buckley, Minister. At the hour of public worship next Sunday forenoon an Easter program will be given by the Sunday School. The public is cordially invited to these exercises.

A discourse appropriate to the Easter time will be given by the pastor at the public preaching hour in the evening, 7:30. Prof. Frederick Fleming Beale, organist, has charge of the choir and will furnish special Easter music for this occasion.

The Sunday school will meet at 10:30 a. m., and the Epworth and Intermediate leagues will meet at 6:15.

On Thursday night at 7:30 will be held the mid-week prayer service.

The Westminster Guild held a most enjoyable meeting at the manse Wednesday night, the hostesses being Miss Georgia McFarland and Miss Josephine Steunberg. Devotional services were conducted by the chaplain, Miss Margaret Nichol, after which an interesting business meeting followed. Plans were made for the work of the new year and after the installation of new officers, conducted by Mrs. W. P. Lyon, all members of the Guild pledged themselves anew to the organization, cementing the bond by joining hands to form a circle and singing, "Blest be the Tie that Binds." Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses and an hour of good fellowship followed.

Mrs. Will Maxey entertained the Priscilla club Thursday afternoon from 2:30 to 5. Dainty refreshments were served, followed by a profitable afternoon of fancy work for which this club is noted.

Mrs. M. M. Robertson returned Sunday from Sidney Tucker's, where she has been nursing. Results: a 12-pound baby boy. Mrs. Robertson is gone only three weeks. Dr. Cole attended the case.

T. A. Sherwood of Richfield, Utah, who is to become the local manager for the Beaver River Light and Power company, arrived in Caldwell this week. His family expect to follow at an early date.

The J. W. E. club met last Saturday afternoon at the home of Inez Englebritson. The young people walked out, enjoying thoroughly the early spring flowers, the birds and the fine country air.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blatchley and Mrs. W. A. Stone were Boise visitors Wednesday.

## CITY COUNCIL IN SESSION LAST SATURDAY

### Only Ten Days in Which to Do Many Things Before They Finish Their Term

### MANY NEW SIDEWALKS

### City Parks Will Receive Attention and City Hall to be Beautified—Council Will Choose Site of New Warehouse and Hose Station—Garage to be removed at City Expense

The days of the present council rapidly coming to a close, the City Dads met Saturday evening in order to push forward several matters requiring attention before they are gathered to their fathers.

The choosing of a site upon which to erect a warehouse which would also accommodate the road roller and a hose cart, occupied the attention of the venerable fathers. Several points of vantage were discussed and it was decided to investigate and report at the next meeting. It is of advantage to have the building on the line of the railroad in order that any supplies may be unloaded with the least expense.

Some inquiry was made by several anxious citizens regarding the matter of the irrigation ditch on 9th avenue to the old French corner, by which the Boone and Maxey residences get water. The old ditch ran within the curbing and when improvements were made it was necessary to fill this ditch. Through a recent decision of the supreme court of the state the last doubt as to whom the liability rests in matters of this sort was removed. The city may compel the water companies to make their ditches conform to the streets. In this case the Pioneer district will attend to the new ditches.

### Cheerful Sidewalk News.

In cleaning up the little details that have escaped their attention the City Dads discovered that many sidewalks which were ordered in last fall are still non est; other walks in the city are in sad need of repair. It was decided that those walks not yet in should at once be laid, the owners, or the city, having the walks ready for use by the first of April. The next meeting will order in those walks which require immediate attention and which no action has yet been taken.

### Garbage and Weeds.

In cleaning up the matter of garbage did not escape the watchful eye of the council. All citizens who notify the city before March 31 may have their garbage hauled away at the expense of the city. It is probable that this will become a monthly custom.

By an act of the late lamented legislature the city may compel owners of vacant lots to remove the luxuriant growths of weeds which nearly always adorn such property. The council intends to take advantage of this and will insist that the weeds disappear.

The proposed contract with the Idaho Railway, Light & Power Co. was read and proved satisfactory. This will be presented to the company for their action.

### More Ditch Trouble.

A. E. Gipson appeared before the council asking that they take some action before they go out about the repair of the ditch which runs along his orchard in the public highway and supplies the Clemens and Phillips ranches. The council committee had examined the ditch some time ago and it was finally decided that Mr. Gipson and the committee once again call upon the Pioneer directors and see if they will agree to attend to the repair of the ditch before the irrigation season opens. It seemed to be the opinion that only a cement ditch would prove of anything like permanent value, the pitch and character of the soil rendering such construction necessary.

### Work for Park Committees.

The approach of summer and the park committee and some discussion was had regarding work to be done in the parks. The committee will confer with members of the Forward club and set out the right shrubs and vines around the city hall. In a short time grass will be growing and vines creeping, and the otherwise handsome building will be a veritable bower of loveliness—or "somewheres thereabout." The Hasbrouck and Curtis parks will receive attention. In Curtis park it is probable that blue grass will be sown after a shallow disc has been run over the ground. Some fills will be necessary where the tulies held absolute sway and this summer the park will be even more popular than it was last. The trees in Hasbrouck park that have died will be replaced with lusty growths and the grass re-sown where it is thin.

### Water for Cemetery.

The city mains do not carry enough water for the proper irrigation of the cemetery and the council will arrange for the rent of water from the irrigation project on Canyon Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin S. Rosenberg have moved to Washoe where they will make their future home. They have rented a place near Washoe and will engage in farming.

## CHARGE OF INSANITY IS NOT SUSTAINED

An investigation as to the sanity of Mrs. William Isaac of this city was conducted before Probate Judge D. D. Harger Monday, Dr. Lyman of Boise and Drs. Miller and Cole of Caldwell, constituting the examining board. The charge of insanity was not sustained.

## TROUBLED WATERS ON THE SEA OF MATRIMONY

Suit for divorce has been instituted in the district court in Canyon county by Laura L. Sharlow against Thomas Sharlow. The action is based upon claims of non-support and desertion. In addition to a decree of divorce Mrs. Sharlow asks that court restore her maiden name, Laura L. Cook.

## CALDWELL CHAPTER MAKING FINE PROGRESS

The Caldwell Chapter A. F. and A. M. has been very busy at work since its inception. Applications have far exceeded the number expected by the charter members and the work put on has excited very favorable comment from visiting brethren.

## STAR CIGAR STORE OPENS FOR BUSINESS

The new Star Cigar Store opened for business the latter part of last week. The new establishment is fitted out in the most approved manner and the new billiard table is sure to prove an attraction to lovers of the game.

## CAMP COOKERY POPULAR

It was expected that about a dozen young men would enter the camp cookery class at the Oregon Agricultural College this semester. Instead 42 were on hand the first night, and it was been impossible to admit others who have since applied. The evening class in special cookery for young women is also popular that it has been necessary to make two sections of it and give two laboratories to each in order that the girls may have room to work.

## EPWORTH LEAGUE TO HOLD SUNRISE MEETING

The Epworth League will hold a sunrise meeting at the Methodist church next Sunday morning at 6:30. An especial invitation is extended all the other societies of the city, as well as anyone interested.

## TWO TICKETS IN THE FIELD

It was the common impression for a long time that the people would have trouble in filling the city offices. Yesterday opposition to the present administration developed and a meeting was called for last evening for the purpose of placing in nomination a full city ticket on which would be none of the members of the present city administration. The meeting was held so late in the evening that The Tribune cannot give the results of it in this issue. The proposal yesterday afternoon was to nominate Dr. F. M. Cole for mayor, Messrs. B. M. Holt and I. S. Binford for councilmen from the first ward; T. S. Jackson and William von Wasmer from the second, and George Runciman and Hugh Ackley from the third. Ben Dunlap was slated for city clerk. We were told that all of these gentlemen would accept the positions for which they had been named.

A meeting will also be held this evening at the city hall. It is said that this meeting will place Mayor Griffiths in nomination for a second term. His councilmen have not been fully determined upon. From time to time Messrs. W. E. Parker, C. G. Baker from the first; C. Q. Adams and C. J. Westcott from the second; and E. H. Adam from the third ward have been mentioned for positions on the council. In regard to how these latter gentlemen feel toward the second ticket The Tribune is uninformed. It has been supposed that Ben Dunlap is endorsed by the second mass convention in case he was nominated at the first.

The wholesome interest in the city election is highly gratifying to The Tribune. We are glad to see so many able, broad-minded men coming to the front in this matter. The candidates mentioned for both tickets are good, strong men. Personally the people will have a hard time picking out the best material for office. The platforms of the two will be the deciding factor. This is as it should be. So long as good men are put in nomination by both parties the platform pledges will carry weight with the people.

## ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The list of advertised letters at the Caldwell postoffice for the week ending March 18, due 1c each, is as follows:  
B. E. Boot, Bruce Butler (2), E. Compton, Miss Dowdy, Mrs. John Ellerton, J. D. Lee, Roy Lloyd, Wallace Turner, All White; package for J. P. Jones.  
JAKE HORN, P. M.

## UTILITIES COMMISSION AND EDUCATIONAL BOARD

### Governor Haines Expresses Views on Important Appointments.

### WANTS ONLY BEST MEN

### Governor Will Investigate Commissions in California, Oregon and Washington with view to Determine Best Men Possible to Secure for Places—Good may be Accomplished

The Governor Haines is determined to exercise great care in his appointments of men on the Utilities Commission and the State Board of Control of Educational Institutions is clearly evidenced by his utterances last Saturday.

The Governor hopes to accomplish much for the people of the state through these two bodies and what he had to say should be read with interest by every taxpayer throughout the entire state. The Governor said:

### Public Utilities Commission.

"I am leaving tomorrow for California on a brief business trip on which I also hope to be able to obtain a little much-needed rest. Before my return I expect to be able to visit for a day or two in Oregon and Washington. It has been urged that I should announce my appointments for membership on the public utilities commission prior to my departure, but although I have tentatively decided on these appointments, I do not think it best to announce them for the present."

"While I am in the states named I expect to make certain investigations as to the working of these commissions, and I hope to be able to secure information as to the kind and character of men who have made good on such bodies. I realize deeply the importance of these appointments to the state and what I learn while absent may cause me to change my mind somewhat as to the men of our state best fitted to fill these positions. Unless I learn something to cause me to change my mind in this matter I shall probably announce my appointments shortly after my return."

### Fair to the People.

"I shall try to please the people of the state by the selection of men who will be fair to the corporations to be controlled, fair to the people, and able to render service which will be worth more than its costs."

With reference to the appointment of the state board of control for the educational institutions and the object he hopes to attain through the work of that board, the governor said:

"My attention has been called to the fact that in certain quarters my attitude toward the educational institutions of the state is being criticized. This has in part resulted from the failure of the bond issue for improvements at the various institutions and in part from my veto of the bill changing the name and scope of the academy at Pocatello."

### Interested in Institutions.

"This criticism is wholly unfounded for I have nothing but the most sincere interest and friendly feeling for all our institutions. I consider the passage of senate bill No. 131, providing for a state board of education, one of the most important acts of the present legislature, and I feel that if I can get the right kind of men on the board they will accomplish great and lasting good for the educational institutions of the state."

"I shall try to select the biggest, the broadest and the fairest men in the state. I shall seek for well-trained business men who are in sympathy with educational development. They must be men who are willing to give largely of their time for the public good, and above all, they must be free to look at our educational needs from the point of view of the state as a whole."

"Such a board will be able to investigate and give us a report that is dependable. They will be able to tell us whether certain institutions need new buildings and departments, whether others should change their name and the scope of their work, and what they all need in the way of appropriations for maintenance. Acting for all institutions, they will be able to present a budget to the legislature, which cannot be questioned and it will enable us to prevent the institutional lobby which has for some years been maintained at Boise, at public expense, throughout the session of the legislature. It will enable teachers and professors to stay with the work they are paid for doing and yet feel sure their institutions will be properly cared for."

"Such a board can only be selected from counties which do not have institutions. To follow any other course would be to subject the board to criticism and destroy its influence. I cannot help feeling that this plan is so eminently fair to all our educational institutions that it must commend itself to every thinking man. Our institutions will all be treated alike, and I hope the personnel of this board, when announced, will assure everyone that our educational interests are in safe hands."