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## LIBERTY BELL CELEBRATION WAS GREAT SUCCESS

### CALDWELL TURNS OUT LARGEST CROWD OF ANY TOWN IN COUNTRY SAYS THE COMMITTEE

Great Celebration Was Success in Every Respect—Everybody Sees Liberty Bell—Walters Makes Excellent Address—Parade Attracts Attention—Good Ball Game.

The committee in charge of the Liberty Bell which is en route from Philadelphia to San Francisco and which was in the city Monday says that a large crowd was out to greet the bell in this city than in any other of equal size along the entire route. It is conservatively estimated that 10,000 people were on hand to see the famous Liberty Bell Monday morning. The people gathered from miles around. Some of them came a long distance.

The bell arrived in Caldwell 30 minutes later than schedule. It was accompanied by members of the Select and Common councils of Philadelphia, Governor Alexander and other prominent men of the state. The Liberty Bell party was met by a delegation representing the city headed by Mayor Boyes, and accompanied by members of the city council and prominent citizens.

**Governor in Charge of Affairs.**  
Governor Alexander seemed to be the master of ceremonies. He made a speech and pointed out the bell, led the cheering and otherwise madethings interesting. The school children passed in review before the bell. The famous bell left the city while the crowds cheered vigorously. The next stop was made at Weiser. The bell stopped only four times in Idaho, at Pocatello, Boise, Caldwell and Weiser.

As soon as the bell left the city the day's festivities started with a patriotic meeting on Kimball. Mayor Boyes introduced Hon. T. A. Walters, the orator of the day. Mr. Walters delivered a forceful, appropriate address. Owing to the fact that there were no seats not as many people heard the address of Mr. Walters as should have done so. He merited a much larger and more attentive audience than he had. This condition, however, is not unusual on such occasions.

**Program of Morning.**  
The program previously made out by the committees in charge was followed out. It follows:

Children assembled on Kimball ave. Arrival of Liberty Bell. Exhibition drill by Co. D, Idaho National Guard.

Concert by Caldwell Band. Patriotic program, E. H. Plowhead, platform manager; Address of welcome, Mayor F. C. Boyes. Song—"America," led by sixteen young ladies and Caldwell band. Reading, "Old Glory," Mrs. R. B. Scatterday. Solo, "Star Spangled Banner," Mrs. W. J. Ross, accompanied by Caldwell band. Chorus, "Columbia the Gem of the Ocean," Patriotic address, "The Toll of the Bell," Hon. T. A. Walters.

**Afternoon Program.**  
The first event in the afternoon was the beautiful automobile parade. The auto floats in the parade were beautiful. Mr. W. P. Lyon won the first prize for the most beautiful city float and Mr. B. W. Sower for the most beautiful out-of-town float. There were a number of floats which were close seconds and it was a hard matter for the committee to make the awards.

A large automobile bus handsomely trimmed with paper and including live pigeons perched on the canopy was the float entered by C. E. Wyckoff of this city. The city fire truck, tastefully decorated and bearing a charming impersonation of the goddess of liberty, formed a delightful pageant. The car driven by Miss Georgia Froman and conveying a representation of Uncle Sam and of Young America, and the entry of A. E. Sutton, bearing a handsome canopy on which swung a large bell, also brought forth applause from admirers.

**An Alalfa Cabin.**  
Judged from the standpoint of novelty, the float entered by Mr. Winslow of Greenleaf would no doubt have carried away the honors. The car was entirely covered and screened by a neat cabin made of fresh-cut alfalfa. The parade was led by the Caldwell band and twice passed before the spectators massed on Main street. The judges were Mrs. R. W. Oakes, Jr., Mrs. M. H. Eustace and S. J. Vanhyning.

Next on the program was the hotly contested baseball game between Ontario and Caldwell at Recreation Park. In the evening large crowds, particularly of the younger people, repaired to Lake Lowell, where they enjoyed a concert by the band and the grand ball.

**Militiamen as Guard.**  
Company D of the Idaho National Guard—the Twin Falls company—acted as honor guard of the bell during the stop here. After the departure of the special the militiamen gave an exhibition drill on the streets which was greatly appreciated.

Bert S. Cox and Verlie Angee, both of Grass Valley, Ore., were granted a marriage license July 9th.



## News Snapshots Of the Week

The baseball season opened April 14. President Wilson started the game between the Washingtons and Yankees. Spring activity was seen in Europe, as the French army made decided advances. The Germans sent heavy reinforcements to aid of Austrians in the Carpathians. The Kronprinz Wilhelm, German sea raider, entered Newport News, reporting she sank four teen vessels. Count von Bernstorff scores our government as being unfair in its attitude as a neutral. Villa surrounded Carrizastan and General Huerta entered United States; these incidents enlivened Mexican news. The Riggs bank of Washington accused J. S. Williams, comptroller of currency, and William G. McAdoo, secretary of treasury, of conspiring to wreck bank. Rear Admiral Fiske resigned as adviser to secretary of navy.

## IDAHO IN LEAD IN NEW RAILROAD MILEAGE

Exceeded by Only Two Other States, Florida and Washington.

It is a fact not generally known that in railroads built in 1914 Idaho stands third in the list of states in the United States. The mileage constructed in Idaho is exceeded only by Florida and Washington. Florida built 242 miles of new railroad; Washington 142; Idaho 117.

## Shipping Butter to Melbourne.

The Caldwell Co-Operative Creamery company during 1914 shipped three carloads of butter to Melbourne, Australia. This creamery is building up an immense business. The fact that its butter is being shipped to the antipodes shows very clearly that it is turning out a superior product.

## Telephone Business Increases.

The telephone business is considered a reliable barometer of conditions. Manager Lewis of the local exchange informs The Tribune that there was a steady growth of business all through the past year. The first half of the present year shows a continued growth. It surpasses either half of last year and the indications are that it will continue to grow.

## NEW MAN FOR CALDWELL

Will Take Place of Ike Westcott at First Base.

Ike Westcott has lost his job as first base guardian for the Caldwell baseball team. He was definitely displaced Tuesday, when Caldwell's population was enriched by the addition of a new ballplayer.

The new man's name is Vining. His front handle has not yet been decided upon. He is a son of E. (Jack) Vining, manager of the Caldwell club, and he was born at St. Alphonsus hospital at 7 o'clock Tuesday evening. Since he came at just about the time the league blew up and left the Caldwell club as the pennant winner. Papa Jack is confident the youngster was born with a Connie Mack destiny, and he announced positively that Ike has lost his first base job.—Statesman.

## Orders Three Foreclosures.

Orders for prosecution of three foreclosure suit sales were issued by Judge Bryan of the district court here Tuesday.

Decrees were entered for the plaintiffs in these suits: First National Bank of Idaho vs. F. K. Thurber, Lulu W. Thurber, H. C. Robinson et al.; Tom G. King vs. Frank W. Davidson and Ethel Davidson; D. J. Westcott vs. Mary Frances Kneeder and H. S. Kneeder.

The amounts involved range from \$870 to \$1506, exclusive of attorney's fees and interest charges.

## Band of Wolves Ravage Cattle.

A band of wolves in the hills and mountains east of town near the head of Willow creek are destroying horses and cattle and the stockmen of that section and others who have livestock interests there will have to take some measure for protection and will ask that the grazing association restore the bounty on predatory animals which was withdrawn the first of July, as there seems to be more real need of the bounty now than at any other time.—Idaho Falls Register.

## Suit Over Title.

Fred J. Burke entered suit Monday in district court to quiet title to a tract of land in Canyon county. J. F. Swanson is named as defendant.

Miss Myrtle McDonough, of Caldwell and Miss Lucile Wolfe of Twin Falls have been guests since last Friday of Miss McDonough's cousins, the Misses Egan at Hotel Evans—Mountainhome Republican.

Organization Manager Beard of the Woodmen of the World lodge is in the city in the interests of the order. Hon. M. B. Gwinn was in the city from Boise, Wednesday.

## ALL CALDWELL ATTENDS THE TWO BIG PICNICS

The two big picnics are a thing of the past for 1915, and the streets of Caldwell will again assume the appearance of a busy burg.

Wednesday nearly everybody, at least the business and professional men, attended the Water Users' picnic at Larson's Grove, and Thursday everybody that could get away went to Parma for the big Roswell-Parma picnic that has grown to be an immense gathering of holiday-makers intent on the one thing of having a good time—and they are always highly successful.

The Water Users' picnic was attended by about a thousand men, women and children. Early in the morning the grove was pretty well filled, and they kept coming all day. Speeches were made by Senator Borah, Governor Alexander and others. The bands played, the crowd "visited," enjoyed a picnic dinner at noon, saw the ball game, and had all the fun that is allowed for one day.

While the crowd paid rather scant attention to the reading of the report of the Board of Review, it was perhaps the most important happening of the day.

The report was read by the president of the Water Users' Association and stated that the majority of the board found less than one per cent of the money expended by the government had been wasted needlessly. Mr. Bradley stated that the minority report found about \$50,000 was the figure; this in an expenditure of eleven million dollars on the reclamation work is rather a feather in the cap of the Reclamation officials.

Mr. Bradley said that the report that the entire cost of the project could be ascertained this year was erroneous and that it would be at least two years before the cost could be stated at all accurately.

Senator Borah was introduced as "the choice of Idaho for the presidency of the United States." He stated that if he was the choice of Idaho that would be a pretty good reason why he would not be the choice of New York; but that he would rather be the choice of Idaho than that of the whole country.

He told of the great fight against the Rivers and Harbors Bill in the interest of the Reclamation plans and aroused his auditors to bursts of enthusiasm at will. Governor Alexander spoke about as usual. He said that he had already saved the people of the state a half million dollars, as would be seen when the state tax levy was made; the levy would be at least half a million less than last year.

## "The Worst Legislature."

Mr. Alexander said that the last legislature was the worst he had ever seen, and that the Democrats were almost as bad as the Republicans.

The Tribune was unable to get any of the particulars of the Roswell-Parma picnic of yesterday in time for the paper. Senator Borah left the city at noon in company with B. M. Holt and we presume arrived safely and repeated his speech of the day before.

The picnic attracts a large number, and we feel safe in the prediction that at least 3,000 people were in attendance.

## SAMPSON OF PROHIBITION TO SPEAK IN CALDWELL

Luther M. Wells, one-time secretary of the Republican State Chairmen of Colorado, and said to be the Sampson that overthrew the Goliath of the wet forces of that state in the wet and dry campaign, will tell a graphic story of the Colorado fight Sunday evening at the Baptist church. Mr. Wells was the winner of the Collegiate oratorical contests of Colorado, and was rather under-estimated by the anti-prohibition forces; he will tell how the college youth won his fight. Go to hear him and you will have a treat.

## O'DONNELL FINDS BOISE PROJECT IN FINE CONDITION

I. D. O'Donnell, supervisor of irrigation, Reclamation Service, recently visited the Boise and other government projects. In reporting to Secretary Lane on the Boise project, Mr. O'Donnell says:

"On the whole, I found the project in splendid shape. Crops are looking good; even the sandy districts have made a good improvement over last year, and it is only a matter of time until these sandy areas will be in good producing condition. Considerable new development work is going on among the farmers. Quite a number of new prune orchards are being put out and a considerable increase in the cultivated area will show this year. The most important development is in the dairy and hog-raising work. Some very fine herds of dairy stock are being built up and many hogs are being raised. The Department of Agriculture has put a special animal-industry man on the project. That department now has men on seven of our projects, and their work is sure to do a great deal of good."

## Progress of Work.

The progress of the work on the Boise project for the month of May is given in the July number of the Reclamation Record as follows:

The month of May will prove to be one of the wettest within the history of the local weather bureau, as shown by the records of that office, and has converted what seemed upon the first of the month to be a critical situation as regards the water supply for 1915 into a more hopeful outlook. For about two weeks beginning May 9 the rains were so persistent and heavy that irrigation throughout the valley practically ceased by the middle of the month, the Service, as well as many of the older ditches and permitting the storage of the maximum amount of water in the Arrowrock and Deer Flat reservoirs. The storage in the former reservoir increased from May 1 to 27 from 32,890 to 135,130 acre-feet, and in the latter reservoir during the same period from 100,000 to 116,000 acre-feet.

The cutting of the first crop of alfalfa has already started, and there is plenty of moisture now in the ground to serve grain and miscellaneous crops it is not anticipated that the demands for water will be great for some time to come.

The crops in general are somewhat advanced in growth over average years. The grain crops are looking especially good.

The preliminary crop census was completed during the month, showing a total of 73,000 acres of project lands in cultivation, exclusive of New canal company lands, which represents an increase of 1,500 acres over the acreage of 1914.

## Arrowrock Dam 95 Per Cent Completed.

The Arrowrock dam is 95 per cent completed. There was a great deal of rain during May. This interfered with the work to some extent, but not seriously. Labor conditions remained good.

Progress on Arrowrock Dam: Excavation Unit. May, May 31

for foundation and abutments	Cubic yards	570	322,390
Spillway excavation	do	1,300	354,630
Concrete in dam	do	6,710	580,530
Reinforced concrete in spillway	do	660	20,610
Excavation for log conveyor	do	1,340	1,390
Tunnel for log conveyor	Linear feet	76	159
Sand cement manufactured	Barrels	6,400	583,540
Bal. valves installed	Number	18	

The dam was completed to within one foot of roadway level, excepting for two short sections totaling about

150 feet in length, which are finished to within about 12 feet of that elevation.

Progress on the spillway during the month has been slow on account of the complicated form work and the setting of control piping and reinforcing steel for the movable crest has been delivered on the ground and most of the counterweights, counterweight frames, pier plates, and lip castings have been received or are on the way.

The spillway trench is in shape, so that it would carry overflow from the reservoir at this time, if necessary, and a low section has been left at elevation 3188 in the foundation for the spillway lip, so that, if necessary, the flood waters can pass over at that point without interfering with the rest of the work. At the end of the month the water in the reservoir stood about 14 feet below this section of the spillway.

The two remaining balanced valves have been received on the work, but they can not be installed until later in the season, when the water surface in the reservoir is drawn down.

The excavation for the log conveyor is progressing satisfactorily.

The continued rains during the month have resulted in considerable run-off, which has been entirely unexpected up to this time. These rains have also resulted in cutting off the use of water for irrigation, making practically all of this run-off available for storage; and as much of this run-off as has not been needed for irrigation or for storage in the Deer Flat reservoir has been held at Arrowrock. Water started passing through the upper outlets on May 13. At the end of the month there were 157,600 acre-feet of storage water available in the Arrowrock reservoir, with the water standing at elevation 3173.4.

## Distribution Unit 88 Per Cent Completed.

The distribution unit on the project is 88 per cent completed. Very little construction work was undertaken on the distribution unit during the month, with the exception of the construction of the drains in the Pioneer district, which progressed satisfactorily with two electric machines operating. The drains will soon be completed as contemplated by the original contract.

Work continued throughout the month on the Pipe Gulch wasteway from the Golden Gate canal, but owing to the unfavorable weather conditions the progress was slow.

A few small wood and concrete structures were installed.

## SUE RAILWAY FOR \$6,000.00.

## Demand for Damages as Result of a Crossing Accident in Caldwell.

Suits for damages aggregating \$6000 were filed late Saturday in district court against the O. S. L. The actions are brought by D. N. Smith and wife, Ernestine W. Smith. Mrs. Smith suffered severe injuries last December when the fast mail hit the buggy in which she was crossing the tracks in this city and killed the horse she was driving.

For the injuries she suffered Mrs. Smith sues for \$3,000. Mr. Smith asks for one dollar less than that amount to reimburse him for the loss of his wife's services and ensuing mental anguish, and for the value of the driving horse.

It is said the plaintiffs will endeavor to show that the railway company was principally to blame for the accident because of inadequate and inefficient warning signals.

Miss Elizabeth Cummings arrived yesterday from Baker City, where she has been making her headquarters, to pay a short visit with her sister and father.

Isaac Cummings, father of Miss Elizabeth Cummings and Mrs. Frank Rogers, arrived from his home in Stirling, Ill., to pay Mr. and Mrs. Rogers a visit, Tuesday of this week.

Senator Borah came down yesterday morning and left at noon for Parma with B. M. Holt in Mr. Holt's high-powered roadster, to attend the Roswell-Parma picnic. Attorney Ralph Scatterday was in the capital Wednesday on legal business.

## SUFFICIENT WATER FOR ALL LANDS IS MADE AVAILABLE

### BOISE WATER USERS WILL SELL OLDER COMPANIES 12,000 ACRE-FOOT NEXT THIRTY DAYS

### Association Decides to Sell Water—May Sell More Later—No Danger of Damage From Drouth in Opinion of Leading Government Irrigators—Water in Arrowrock.

The Boise Water Users' Association, at the meeting of the directors held Tuesday in Caldwell, decided to sell to the older irrigating companies and districts 12,000 acre-foot of water in case they need it. This relief assures that there will be no serious damage from drouth in the Boise valley this season.

At the last meeting of the officials of the association the matter of selling government water this year in order to piece out a possible shortage in the river flow was considered. It was then feared that drouth might overtake the valley systems most any day by reason of a period of dry weather which would cut the flow in the river. As it was impossible at that time to estimate accurately whether or not the association would have any surplus of storage water, decision of the matter was put over. Fortunately, no dry period has been experienced and reports at Tuesday's session showed that no shortage is likely to be experienced even during the next 15 or 20 days.

On July 15 distribution to the river systems will be reduced to 75 per cent of their usual allotment and 10 days later this amount will be further cut to 60 per cent. This is the plan customarily followed late in the season. As the need for water decreases rapidly as soon as grain crops are matured the 60 per cent allowance would in itself probably suffice if the river but continued to furnish this amount.

## Estimates Working Out.

Supervising Engineer Weymouth showed at Tuesday's meeting that it is still impossible to estimate accurately just how much of a surplus may be left in the Arrowrock reservoir. It was found that since the previous discussion almost exactly the amount of water has been used from the Arrowrock and Deer Flat reservoirs which it was then estimated would be run out in this time. Despite the success of this fifteen-day estimate, the association fears that an unforeseen spell of dry hot weather might vitiate estimates made now of the amount that may remain at the end of the season.

Mr. Weymouth stated that on July 11 there was impounded behind the Arrowrock dam 125,839 and in the Deer Flat basin 83,764 acre-feet, a total of 209,603 acre-feet. His calculations based on the amount of water used during the remainder of the season last year would indicate a surplus of 42,150 acre-feet in the larger reservoir and a shortage of 4,600 acre-feet at Deer Flat. This would give, with the small amount yet likely to be diverted into Arrowrock a surplus of about 40,000 acre-feet.

## Satisfactory Compromise.

A few of the directors favored an immediate decision to sell about 20,000 acre-feet to the companies which have had applications for spring storage water filed since spring. Others did not favor the sale of a drop of the precious supply until settlers on the project are assured of all they need. As a compromise between the two extreme views it was voted to allow the sale of as much as 12,000 acre-feet before the time of the next monthly meeting. This amount is placed at the disposal of river systems in the next 30 days, to be distributed to them under direction of Messrs. Weymouth and Tallman, as needs and demands may arise. This action meets with general favor and there is every reason to believe that the amount will be ample for all needs that may arise.

It is believed certain that there will be at least another equal amount of surplus water which may be placed at the disposal of the irrigation companies at the next monthly meeting. If this proves to be the case another allotment will then be offered for sale. Under this plan the rights of settlers will be fully protected and needs of the various systems will also be met insofar as possible. In fact it is evident now that the Boise valley will not suffer materially from any shortage of water late in the season this year as has been feared.

For each acre foot of water sold the project receives 60 cents. Revenue from the sale of the full 12,000 acre-feet tendered to the privately controlled systems will thus amount to \$2700.

## Cut Water Appropriation.

Attention was called by the state engineer's office Wednesday to an order issued by Judge Bryan, Third Judicial District, cutting water appropriation for all canals in the Boise valley to 75 per cent. The order will become effective Friday. On account of the fact that practically all the waters of the Boise river are used for irrigation purposes, such orders are issued every year.