

Capitol Correspondence

The more one visits the State Legislature the more he is impressed with the make up of these two bodies. They seem to be an earnest set of men and, aside from a few local interests, are heartily working for the benefit of the state as a whole. McGowan of Latah is a leader, so is Dr. Moody and there seems to be little of a petty partisan spirit manifested on either side. That both bodies are working rapidly is easily apparent even to the casual observer.

The removal of the State University of course had to make its biennial appearance. It created no little excitement at the time. The threat of secession on part of the North was probably the most effective weapon used to put a quietus on the proposed constitutional amendment as a necessary step to placing the University on wheels. The University will not be moved but that it will indefinitely remain the University of Idaho is problematical. In our humble judgment it will, at no very distant day, become an institution of the new state which will sometime become an established fact.

The South East is favorable to cutting off the so-called Pan-handle and as soon as the north plucks up the necessary courage the South East can be depended upon to help put the project through. Conditions as they are now are wrong and cannot continue indefinitely. It is useless to blame the southern part of the state for the agitation of questions that throw the good people of the Pan-handle into fits. Interchange conditions between Moscow and Boise and Moscow would be just as magnanimous as Boise now is and would strive strenuously for all she could get. The University could not be located more disadvantageously from the standpoint of the south than at present. Those acquainted with all the facts know that all four of the state educational institutions were located not according to the fitness of things but to satisfy the local pride of the several successful communities. Some day there will be a final reckoning and abnormal conditions will become normal.

The legislature has at this writing the question of segregation under consideration but it is hard to predict what will come of it. That it should be put through as a matter of right cannot be questioned. Expediency however, may postpone action. The interests of the northern and southern parts of the state are so divergent that they can never be harmonized. North Idaho could easily become a part of one of the very richest states in the Union if it has the pluck to act along right lines. It is to be hoped that the people of the North will awaken to their best interests and not continue to blame Boise when things go wrong. Boise is a splendid city filled with a whole souled people but it is well understood here that the North is the tail of the dog which can be wagged at pleasure by the South because the South has the votes.

The Legislature is at present wrestling with the Japanese question. That the Japs should be prohibited from acquiring real estate in Idaho does not permit an argument. Owing to the influence of the national government action on the bill now pending will doubtless be postponed. But the states of the Pacific Northwest cannot go on without some safeguard against this yellow or brown peril. The South has a race problem that the nation cannot solve, let the northwest therefore profit by her example before it is too late. The Legislature should be encouraged to continue to legislate for the interests of Idaho independent of what Japan may say.

UNCLE SAM MAKES ALL HIS OWN FLAGS

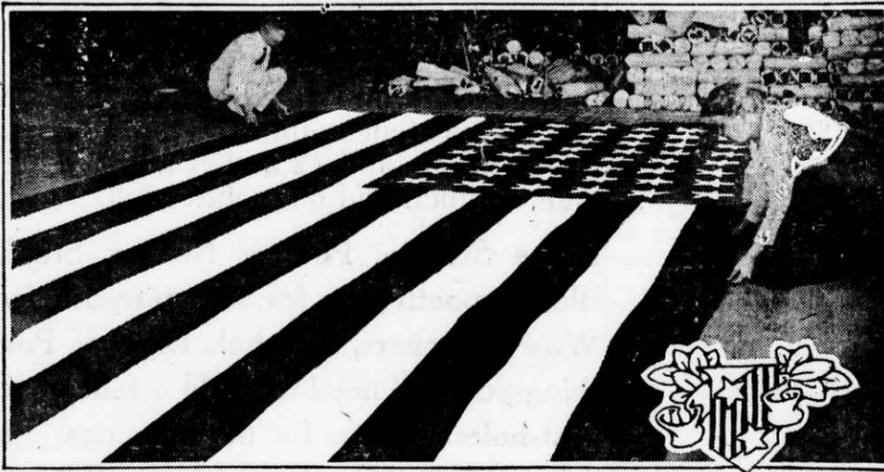


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At the New York navy yard at Brooklyn Old Glory is made in all sizes for Uncle Sam's use. It was recently decided to standardize all flags used for federal purposes. Here is seen a woman finishing a flag.

Deer Coming to Town

Clarence and Jack Bechtol met a deer in the road about a quarter of a mile from town, as they were driving up the Bear Creek road last Sunday morning. They got quite close to it and could tell that it was in very poor condition. E. T. Lundt saw a deer, probably the same one, on the hill side back of his house Sunday afternoon. Mr. Lundt lives half way between Kendrick and Juliaetta. Deer have a hard time, if they get away from the timber and too close to the settlements, as the dogs run them for miles. In their weakened condition at this time of the year, it is hard for them to get away.

Mr. Roseberry, whose place is on the edge of town, saw two deer back of his barn a few days ago. They took fright and started off thru J. I. Mitcham's place. Deer have an abnormal sense of curiosity and those near town were probably investigating some of the exciting events that have transpired here during the past few weeks.

School Notes

The pupils of the Davis family have withdrawn from school: Harry from the tenth, Cushman from the eighth, Opal from the seventh. They have gone to their farm near Myrtle to begin spring work.

Mr. Wilcox of the Lapwai school faculty brought his basket ball team to Kendrick Friday for a game with our school. Kendrick's second team was used. Lapwai's team had some new players. The game was good throughout. The resulting score was 41 to 29. The local team was composed of F. Meyer, Clem, Dammarell, F. Florance and Waltz.

After the boys' game, the town girls played a game with the girls of the school. The score was 5 to 3 in favor of the town girls.

The basket ball season closed for the year with the game Saturday night between K. H. S. girls and the Troy H. S. girls, at Troy. The game was marked by good plays throughout. The score was 8 to 5 in favor of Kendrick.

The English III-IV class has begun a study of Lincoln's Letters and Speeches. A notebook is to be kept on various points.

The grades on the recent eighth grade examinations have been received. Some of the pupils are obliged to rewrite.

The marbles have appeared on the play ground.

The patrons and friends of the school are earnestly invited to attend the literary program which will be given this (Friday) afternoon. The time is 1:30.

Visiting The Schools

The following sensible article is now going the rounds of the newspapers:

"At a recent public gathering of from three or four hundred people who were earnestly discussing the problem of bettering the district schools, a call was made for the number of people in the audience who had visited their school within the past year to hold up their hands. Only fourteen out of probably 400. And they were all patrons of district schools. Yet practically every person in the room had some opinion on the subject of schools; had some idea they advanced as to school improvement or offered some criticism as to the present methods of teaching in district schools. Without being present during school hours for at least a year, how could a patron honestly and with first-hand knowledge say whether or not their school was being conducted as it should be.

It should be the duty of every patron of every school to visit at least one session during each term. If you do not, how do you profess to know how the work is progressing? Johnnie may come home and tell you, but Johnnie may not always have it just right, even if he is your child. One of the great faults with which many parents are afflicted is to believe their children in the tales they tell as they come home from school whereupon said parents immediately start a line of gossip over the phone that quickly spreads over the district, telling how "my Ruth" or "my Johnnie" has been snubbed or abused or put back in their books by the teacher, "without reason or without justice." Hold your tongue regarding the merits or demerits of the teacher as to the exact truth of what "Johnnie" and "Ruth" tell you until you visit the school and investigate thoroughly and talk things over with the teacher. Take your criticism direct to the teacher instead of peddling it all over the neighborhood.

Fairfield-Thayer

Miss Louise Alvira Fairfield and Mr. Grant Sylvester Thayer, both of Bear Ridge, were married at Lewiston Tuesday evening at the M. E. parsonage. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Snyder.

The bride is a very popular young lady and has a wide acquaintance in this community. She is the daughter of W. H. Fairfield, a prosperous farmer of Big Bear Ridge. Mr. Thayer is a wide awake young farmer and has a large circle of friends on Bear Ridge. The couple will make their home on the old Kibby place, owned by Mr. Fairfield.

Potlatch Poultry

An item of interest was overlooked last week. At the poultry show held at Moscow Ben Callison and Mrs. Frank Roberts upheld the reputation of the Potlatch by carrying off nearly all of the prizes in the Rhode Island Red class. Ben took first for the largest and best display, winning a silver cup. He also had the best display in the American class. His cash prizes totaled \$17.66.

Mrs. Roberts took first and third young pens, first pullet, third and fourth cockerel and third cock bird. She took third for the largest and best display and second in the best display American class. At the Palouse show held some time ago she took first, second, third and fourth best cockerel and first pen. She also secured a \$5. setting of eggs for the best pen.

Jewelry Store to Move

G. G. Oldfield has rented the store room next to the Kendrick Hotel and will move his stock of goods from his present location to the new quarters. He has been crowded for room and as the Kendrick Furniture Company also wishes to enlarge its floor space, it was decided a move was necessary.

The new location for the jewelry store will be generally overhauled during the next two weeks. A plate glass front will be put in and the interior remodeled. There is ample room for the jewelry business and floor space for Mr. Oldfield's stock of phonographs and musical instruments. This is another improvement for Kendrick.

Rebekahs Install Officers

Deputy President Mrs. Dora M. Hull installed the following officers into the Rebekah lodge Tuesday night at their regular meeting: Mrs. Minnie McDowell, Noble Grand; Pearl Long, Vice Grand; L. G. Peterson, Recording Secretary; Margaret Lewis, Financial Secretary. There were fourteen names presented for membership.

Mrs. Reid a Composer

Mrs. Clare Allen Reid of Big Bear Ridge now has two copyrighted songs being sung on the vaudeville stage. One was introduced in New York City by Florence Ingersoll of the Julian Eltinge Company and the other in St. Louis. They are "You Dear, Dear You" and "Everybody'd Like to Quit It" (High Cost of Living.) Mrs. Reid also published a book a few years ago. The songs are clever productions and encouraging reports are coming from the publishing house.

Highway Plans Progress

Work is progressing on the formation of the new highway district. N. E. Ware, Henry Emmett and A. G. Wilson have been circulating petitions on the various ridges and have encountered but very little opposition. There are a few who do not understand the method of procedure in the formation of the district and these few want a little more time to look into the matter. But as a general rule the few who are opposing the project are doing so because they have not familiarized themselves with the plan of forming the district. For the benefit of those who wish to more thoroughly investigate the matter, a brief outline of the laws governing a highway district will be prepared by E. W. Porter of Juliaetta for next week's issue of the Gazette.

It is not the idea of those who are promoting this enterprise to try to get it thru without giving those concerned in a financial way, an opportunity to know what the formation of this district will mean to the tax payers. The large land owners within the boundaries of the district are naturally the ones most concerned as to voting bonds that might mean increased taxation. But it is to be hoped that their opposition will not become too pronounced until they may become more thoroughly enlightened upon the subject.

Troy is making good progress in getting the petitions signed. Juliaetta has a big majority over the number required on the petitions. It looks like the matter would soon be in such shape that active measures might be commenced very soon toward the formation of the district.

Boy Scouts' Reception

The Boy Scouts gave a reception at the Fraternal Temple last Monday night to the Queen Esther Girls and their officers and the Camp Fire Girls and their officers and the troop committee. About sixty were present and enjoyed themselves playing games and dancing. A vocal solo by Mrs. Patton, guardian of the Camp Fire Girls, was greatly enjoyed.

A business meeting was held before the reception at which meeting Walter McCrea was elected Scout Master for the ensuing year. E. L. Clem, A. V. Dunkle, Roy Florance and Dan Guy were selected as assistant scout masters. The troop committee is now composed of the following members: G. P. Barnum, E. H. Dammerall, John Florance and Wm. Huyette. Three new members were added to the roll. At the next meeting to be held Monday, three patrol leaders will be elected.

Joe Shultz Sells Farm

Joe Schultz sold his home place last Saturday to Fred Silflow. The farm consists of 160 acres of land and is located near Cameron. The price received was \$110 per acre and Mr. Schultz will keep this year's crop. This is probably the biggest price ever received for a quarter section of land in the Potlatch.

The farm has splendid improvements, the best on Potlatch ridge. Mr. Silflow has other large land holdings on the ridge. It is understood that Mr. Schultz and family will move to California next fall after they have harvested the crop on the place just sold.

The night train Monday, due to arrive in Kendrick at 9:05, was delayed on account of a carload of grain leaving the track near Palouse, and did not arrive until 2:00 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Deer Perish in River

Residents of the North Fork country report large numbers of deer have perished in the river during the cold spells and a number were rescued from the river by the ranchmen. Some of the deer perished from cold after being brought ashore and others recovered and remained on the flats adjacent to the river until conditions were favorable for them to feed on the low ridges and along the rocky hillsides.

It is explained the deep snow on the ridges force the deer to the flats and the scarcity of feed caused them to endeavor to cross the river. The deer have regular crossings and these are on the riffles above the rapids and eddies. It is a peculiarity of the streams of the Clearwater region for the ice to form at the bottom of the riffles, and jams are created below the rapids and as the water cuts its way through these jams, high walls of ice are left along the shore for long distances. As reported by the ranchmen, many of the deer that endeavor to cross the riffles during the frozen period are carried into the rapids and between the walls of ice below and unless rescued, but a small percent ever gain the shore.

Men who have lived on the North Fork for many years state a large number of deer are killed each winter by being caught in the ice and there appears to be no means to check this loss. The recent break in the weather has allowed the deer to resume feeding on the moss that is found on the rocks adjacent to the river and considerable feed is secured from browsing on the flats. The view is expressed that the loss this year has been less than usual, but even under the conditions of the present season, more deer have perished in the rivers than were killed by hunters during the open season.—Orofino Tribune.

Lyceum Number Tonight

The Lyndon-Gordon Company will be the next number of the Lyceum course, held at the Rex Theatre tonight. These two talented young ladies have given satisfaction wherever they appeared, judging from their splendid press notices. Clever readings and vocal music will make up their program. Practically all of the reserved seats are already taken, so a good crowd is expected.

New State Progressing

Plans for the creation of a new state out of the ten counties in northern Idaho were virtually crystallized at Boise this week when a caucus was held by northern Idaho members with those from the South who favor the secession.

The area of the new state is given as 36,600 square miles, population 150,000, assessed valuation \$160,000,000; the area left in the old state 48,288 square miles, population 225,000 and assessed valuation \$240,000,000. The boundaries of the new state are Canada on the north, Montana on the east, Washington and Oregon on the west. The southern boundary line takes in Washington and Adams counties, part of Boise and follows the southern boundary line of Idaho county to the Montana line.

The measure to be introduced will call for a constitutional convention to be held in some city in northern Idaho in June of the present year to draft a constitution for the proposed state. The signature of the governor is not necessary, it is claimed, to pass the resolution and only the approval of congress is required, the secession bill going before that body very similar to a county division bill before the house.