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JOHN C. WISE, M.D., Medical Inspector, U. S. Navy.

BITTER FEELING OVER LAND CASE

(Continued from page 1.)

of Susan E. McGilvery for the same land owing to written instructions from Mr. H. C. Cullon, Jr., special agent, under date of May 29, 1905, wherein he instructed us not to accept the relinquishment of McGilvery for the above land. Instructions of McCullon enclosed herewith.

July 12, 1905, S. L. McFarland, Esq., as attorney for Susan McGilvery filed an appeal from our rejection.

Accuses McGilvery of Perjury.

It is a well established fact that McGilvery perjured himself when he filed on this land as a homestead entry, as it is a notorious fact that he never lived on the land at any time, and that he made the affidavit of residence and improvements to enable him to file on the land ahead of the state which had sixty days preference right under the provisions of the act of congress of March 3, 1893 (27 Stat., 572, 573, 593), unless the applicant shows by affidavit that he lived on the land before the date of filing of plat in the land office. McGilvery made affidavit to that effect and as soon as he could do so after the state's time has passed and the contest had been dismissed, he offered his relinquishment for the same and his wife's application for the land under the act of June 3, 1887, accompanied said relinquishment.

It is a well known fact that McGilvery has been in business at Lewiston, Idaho, for several years last past, and this case has become notorious for its apparent disregard of the provisions of the land laws of the United States.

Department's Decision.

The decision of the department on the matter follows:

This office is not advised of any authority to support your action rejecting the relinquishment of an entry, against the acceptance of which there is no protest made by a party in interest.

The relinquishment should have been accepted and the entry canceled and said entry is hereby canceled of date July 10, 1905, the date the relinquishment was filed in your office and you will so note on your records.

The good or bad faith of the former homestead entry man is not before this office for consideration. By relinquishing his entry he has eliminated himself from all claim to the land, and the fact that the timber land applicant is the wife of the former entryman will not be held to effect her rights to the land, the application in every respect being regular in order and made for public unappropriated land.

Said application is herewith returned and you will allow Mrs. McGilvery to perfect the same in the usual manner. Respectfully,

J. H. FRIMPLE,
Asst. Commissioner.

FRUIT UNIONS WILL MERGE

Clarkston Shippers Conclude Such Action Is Judicious.

Special to Inter-State News.

Clarkston, Wn., Dec. 29.—A joint meeting of the Clarkston Fruit Growers Association and the Asotin County Fruit Growers Association was held in Bradford hall, yesterday afternoon. The meeting was called to order by R. B. Hooper, who stated that the purpose of the meeting was to devise a means of consolidation for the two associations. The two associations then held short sessions in order to determine whether two-thirds of the stock was represented.

The Asotin County association found they had not enough stock represented and were not able to do anything at this time. They will hold a meeting on the morning of January 9, when some action will be taken.

The Clarkston association was better prepared, as they had more than two-thirds of the stock represented. They at once proceeded to the reading of the report submitted by a committee appointed by the chamber of commerce and each of the two associations, which was adopted without a dissenting vote. An amendment was then adopted changing the capital stock of 100 shares of the par value of \$50 each to 500 shares of the par value of \$10 each.

It was also decided that the two associations merge, and that the assets should be pro rated to each share of stock, and that the value of these shares be applied to stock in the new corporation. Should this consolidation occur the Asotin County Association will disincorporate and the firm name will be the Clarkston Fruit Growers Association.

Should the associations consolidate no one outside of the association will be permitted to ship through the association or get by the market through this source, as has been the case heretofore. In the past with the two associations handling fruit, the growers of the flat have been competing against their own products, and with consolidation a much better grade and price should be obtained.

The Clarkston Association has received an award of a silver medal on fruit from the commissioners of the world's fair at St. Louis.

Lodge Dancing Parties.

The Rebekahs gave a delightful dancing party in Bradford hall Tuesday evening to a number of their friends.

Invitations are out announcing a dancing party to be given by the Modern Woodmen of America in Bradford hall, Monday evening, January 1.

The young men of Clarkston will give a dancing party in Bradford hall this evening to a few of their friends.

New Officers Installed.

The joint installation of Clarkston lodge A. F. & A. M. No. 143 and Vine-land Chapter O. E. S. No. 187 took place Wednesday evening in a Masonic hall in the presence of a large number of friends and members. The officers installed in the Masonic lodge were: F. F. Halsey, W. M.; C. Frost, S. W.; J. W. Stevens, J. W.; L. S. Lahn, Sec.; N. R. Ghochri, treasurer; C. M. Bronson, S. D.; L. Kelgrim, J. D.; F. Caswell, S. S.; L. E. Bryant, J. S.; E. Fresson, chaplain; A. W. Taylor, Tyler.

The following officers were installed by the Eastern Star: Nancy J. Presson, W. M.; C. M. Bronson, W. P.; Estelle Temple, A. P.; Susie M. Smith, secretary; Deborah Parks, treasurer; Jennie Ertle, conductress; Cassie Wood, associate conductress; Clarissa Sexton, chaplain; Harriette Blair, Ad.; Eleanor Aigis, Ruth; Mable Bryant, Esther; Alia Stevens, Martha; Frances Justice, Electa; Emily Nehrhood, warden; Christ Frost, sentinel.

After the installation ceremonies an elaborate banquet was served in the Ramsey building and many toasts were given and responded to.

Clarkston Personal.

W. A. Elliott and F. E. Gilbert will leave this evening for Spokane. Mr. Elliott will return Monday and Mr. Gilbert will go to Seattle and the coast.

Mrs. Ellen J. Hooper, mother of R. B. Hooper, who has been visiting here for the past seven months, left last night for her home in Omaha.

George Frost, G. Bremer, M. Wright.

Printing committee—E. L. Alford.

Decoration committee—H. O. Allen, J. S. Sorey, G. Frost.

Door committee—Tillman Bell, W. L. Gifford, H. Fair, J. S. Sorey.

Introduction committee—J. F. Atkinson, Prof. W. B. Hibbard, J. E. Nickerson.

Reception committee—George E. Erb, S. H. Reed, D. O. Powell, J. B. Anderson, S. E. Arant, J. M. Molloy, H. Berg, F. H. Wood.

Refreshment committee—H. B. Smith, E. G. Dirks.

Goodnight committee—H. Berg, B. F. Crow, G. Frost, C. Hamm, E. G. Dirks, G. E. Erb, F. H. Wood.

The following refreshments were W. S. Hogan, W. C. Connors, R. F. Romero.

Floor committee—Harry Lydon, E. O. Martinson, E. Arant, B. F. Crow, J. F. Atkinson, Prof. W. B. Hibbard, J. E. Nickerson.

Retiring room committee—C. Hamm, served:

Menu.

Claret Punch Champagne Wafers

Served in ball room.

Nut salad Stuffed olives

K. of P. sandwiches Saratoga chips

Ice cream Assorted cake

Coffee Chocolate

Served in banquet hall.

There was music by Keller's orchestra.

Methodist—Baskerville and Moody, the special evangelists who have been secured by the M. E. church to hold a series of meetings here, begin their work Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

It is expected that there will be a meeting also at 3 p. m., and one in the evening at 7:30 p. m. The choir has been arranging for special work and the entire church has been preparing for this work by holding services in about a dozen homes of the city during the past week.

KNIGHTS GIVE GRAND BALL

Gay Revellers Enjoy Dance in Woodmen Hall.

One of the very smart social events of the season was the dance given last night by Excelsior Lodge No. 2, Knights of Pythias, at the Woodmen hall.

As chairman of the advisory committee, F. H. Wood had general charge of the arrangements and everything went off in the most approved fashion.

The dance was entirely complimentary, given by the lodge members to their friends, and visiting Knights, and being one of the very few real complimentary dances was greatly appreciated by those attending. Luncheon was served continuously after the first hour of dancing in an adjoining room. Punch was served in the dance hall and the reception committee was everywhere in evidence, making all feel comfortable and at home, with the hand of fellowship extended to all within their walls.

Songs by Taylor Children.

The address of greeting was made by J. B. Anderson. Harry Lydon was supervisor of the floor, while G. E. Erb called the quadrilles. The Taylor family, consisting of four little boys and a very little girl, entertained the guests between dances with very choice singings.

The refreshments were arranged by Bert Smith, chairman of the refreshment committee.

Mr. Wood was asked during the evening concerning the work of the lodge for the year just ending.

Excelsior Lodge is Prosperous.

"Our lodge," said he, "is just winding up one of the most prosperous years in its history. On January 3 there will be a regular meeting of the lodge at which time the new officers will be installed. At this meeting I will submit a report of the work of the lodge. It will show that the financial standing of the lodge is in very excellent condition. It will also show that we now have a membership of 128, with a large class to come in in January, and another started for February."

Following are the members of the committees whom 420 pleased revellers have to thank for the delightful entertainment afforded at the Woodmen hall last night:

Advisory committee—F. H. Wood, B. S. Crow, G. E. Erb, S. H. Reed, W. L. Gifford, E. L. Alford.

Hall and music committee—H. Fair, W. Keller.

Invitation committee—W. L. Gifford, H. Fair, J. S. Sorey.

Program and flower committee—

JUSTICE REFUSES THE BONDS

Anderson Still in Jail Under Attempted Murder Charge.

Justice of the Peace Williams of Orofino refused to accept the \$1000 bond presented by Mrs. Anderson for the release of her son Ernest J. Anderson, and the young man continues to be confined in the county jail under a charge of attempt to kill Banker James Blake.

It is understood that should Anderson be released under bonds he would be arrested at once on charges of assault preferred by A. L. Morgan of Orofino.

Tyson is Given His Liberty.

J. A. Tyson, who was placed in the county jail two weeks ago, on the charge of attempt to kill a man and woman during a drunken brawl in a

bawdy house, was given a hearing Wednesday before Judge Hanlon on a charge of simple assault and was fined \$50, the sentence being suspended during good behavior. Tyson at once left town.

County Attorney Crow after careful inquiry into the case, concluded the evidence insufficient for conviction under the first charge, and on his recommendation the lesser charge was preferred.

Mrs. Sherman Stookey and Mrs. A. H. Carson of Teakin are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Stookey.

W. J. Roberts, head of the department of civil engineering in the Washington state college at Pullman, is in the city in the capacity of a consulting engineer for the work on the Lewiston-Sweetwater canal. Professor Roberts is registered at the Bollinger.

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