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## PAVED STREETS SURE

The long-felt want of paved streets for the business portion of Blackfoot is about to be consummated. This week W. C. Berryman, the venerable president of the First National Bank, took it into his head that the muddy streets of the city which he watched grow from a mere hamlet, must soon disappear. There are a number of other prominent citizens who have long desired paved streets, but they lacked the courage to take the initiative. This week Mr. Berryman circulated among the property holders a petition and secured over half of their signatures and expects to have seventy-five per cent. of them on the petition when he presents it to the city council at their next meeting which will be on the 21st inst.

The streets to be paved are as follows: Main street from the office of the Idaho Light & Power company to the Red Cross Garage. Taylor from the Mackay track to Gibbs barn, five blocks. Pacific from Taylor to Main. Idaho street from Main to Taylor. Judicial street from Main to Taylor. As this popular paving petition will compel the city council to do the work, Blackfoot will soon have passable streets that will be a credit and a saving for the city for years to come.

## CHICKEN DINNER AND BAZAAR

The Ladies' Aid of the Lutheran church will give a bazaar and chicken dinner next Saturday afternoon the 11th of December. The bazaar will begin at 3 o'clock and supper will be served from 5 to 7.

## THIEVES AND BOOTY CAPTURED

Last night about 6 o'clock, two petty larceny thieves entered Dustin's pharmacy and while one of them engaged the proprietor's attention in a talk the other grabbed the punch board and with its prizes of \$15 in gold ran out of the store. "Dusty" started after him and was joined by Night Policeman Drew, who fired two shots at the fleeing thief, who was captured some time later, and the stolen coin less \$2.50 was found in the street where it had been thrown by the thief.

The robbers gave their names as James Wilson and W. G. Beverly, and had all the indications of professional grafters. They were transferred from the city prison to the county jail for safe keeping.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Esther Chapter No. 11, Order of the Eastern Star, held their annual election of officers December 1st, when the following were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. C. F. Hendrie, Worthy Matron; Ernest Pearson, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Edward Thoreson, Associate Matron; Mrs. Edith Simons, Secretary; George F. Gagon, Treasurer; Mrs. Wm. Varley, Conduress; Mrs. Ernest Pearson, Associate Conduress. Appointive officers will be announced later.

## LOST—A silver mesh bag containing

crochet work and spectacles. Finder please return to Mrs. Collins at the Model Cafe. Mrs. Sill, Owner.

Butter wrappers printed neatly and promptly.

## CITY SOLONS, NOT AUTO CATERERS

The city council held a regular meeting Tuesday night with a quorum present, the absentees being Councilmen Hesse, Thompson and Mowrey.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Peck, when Clerk Roy DeKay read the minutes of the previous meeting which were approved as read. The petition of Eved Trego for the city to provide accommodations for passing autoists was laid on the table, as Mayor Peck stated that there were garages and hotels here for that purpose. He remarked that inasmuch as housekeepers and tourists in less pretentious conveyances than automobiles were not allowed by law to camp within the city confines, he did not see how auto-caterers could be catered to. The entire council seemed to approve of the mayor's stand in this matter and after considerable merriment the petition was tabled.

Mr. Alex Younie appeared before the board to protest his sprinkling tax notice which called for \$18.75 for fifty feet on Bridge street.

N. F. Boyle was granted permission to build a frame house on block 124, lots 12, 13 and 14. H. G. Berryman was granted permission to build a garage on block 24, lots 11, 12 and 13, original townsite, to cost \$150.

City Sexton W. F. Brown reported collections for November \$52.50. The bill of Mangun and Son of \$1449.50 for building cement crossings was laid over for further investigation. Mangun & Son built 5792 feet of crossings. The city's bill of \$156 for sewer connection for the State asylum was put in the hands of Councilmen Berryman and Pelkey for collection from the State. Jas. Young appeared before the council in protest of his sprinkling tax of 15 cents per foot. Prof. Vincent gave the councilmen complimentary tickets to John Merritte Driver lecture on the 10th inst.

An electric light was ordered at the municipal skating pond.

Moved and seconded that bids be received for the boarding of city prisoners whose meals now cost 25 cents each.

Chief of Police Sewell reported a collection of \$39 for November. Police Judge Good reported the collection of \$40 for November.

The following bills were read and allowed:

Southern Idaho Water Power Company	\$692.85
Bond Bus	10.05
Grove City Plumbing Co.	5.10
Blackfoot Electric Supply Co.	15.10
N. F. Boyle & Co.	19.75
Blackfoot Optimist	2.50
Markus Blankie	3.10
E. J. Benson	7.00
B. Lyons	14.10
Joe DeKay	25.00
Allen Transfer Co.	7.07
Billy Chandler	1.25
Berey's Hardware Co.	3.60
M. S. E. & T. Co.	1.00
Gom State Lumber Co.	69.63
Blackfoot Waterworks	35.40
Blackfoot Waterworks	12.00
J. B. Avel	15.00
H. Horton	2.40
W. T. Brown	60.00
William Drew	\$5.00
C. P. McKinley	3.25
William Grocclose	80.00
R. L. Sewell	90.00
T. Hall	2.00
J. A. Hapton	2.25
White Transfer Co.	2.00
J. E. Good	25.00
N. F. Boyle & Co.	18.50
N. F. Boyle & Co.	27.05
Fred Poindexter	1.25
P. B. Van Blaricom	50.00
John Hutton	69.00
Clyde Kenney	14.25
J. T. Wright	2.00
E. J. Benson	8.50
J. E. Smith	50.50
Arthur Smith	16.50
Willard McMillan	11.25
J. H. Taylor	4.25
John Rollins	10.25

## RAILROAD CLAIM AGENT HERE

The Oregon Short Line claim agent was in Blackfoot last Saturday and called on Mrs. W. C. Johnson, who had a miraculous escape from a fatal railroad accident at American Falls several weeks ago. We have been informed that Mrs. Johnson and the railroad official reached an amicable settlement and that the railroad company will not be held responsible for the lady's serious injury.

The many friends of Mrs. Johnson will be glad to know that she is able to be about in an invalid chair, and that her recent accident will have no permanent effects.

## AN INDIAN DIVORCE

Divorce has become so common that even the native sons and daughters of the Indian reservation are beginning to resort to it. This week the law firm of Thomas & Anderson have gained the notoriety of getting the first divorce for an Indian lass who has become tired of her man. Her name is Esther Teton Jim, and her grounds for divorce are cruelty and neglect. She says she was married to Robert Jim on the reservation several years ago, and now wants a legal separation from him.

## MAY LOSE AN EYE

The many friends of Harry Williams who is now a resident of Lima, Mont., will regret to learn that he met with an accident recently which may cost him the loss of an eye. He is now in Salt Lake City for medical attention. Mrs. Williams is visiting her mother, Mrs. D. H. McMillan.

## CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTIONS

This week Messrs. James Duckworth and James Martin made a very successful collection committee for the municipal Christmas tree, and as a result of their labor gave Mayor Peck \$254, and have more yet to come.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Grove City Lodge No. 33, A. F. & A. M., will hold their annual election of officers tomorrow night, when a good attendance of members should be present.

## RUMMAGE SALE

The ladies of the V. I. S. will hold a Rummage Sale at the V. I. S. rooms, city hall, Saturday, December 18th, 1915.—Adv.

## This Shop of Blackfoot's

You really must see it to believe it. We cannot begin to enumerate what it contains. All we can say is "Come in and see it."

Our display will be immensely helpful in selecting the Holiday Gifts

No gift is little if it bears the good will and the imprint of good taste. You furnish the good will and we will do the rest.

And remember our discount books are good until the first of the year. Ten per cent. on the money you spend.

## HAYES' GIFT SHOP

The Largest Store of its Kind in Idaho

YOU BE A "PRUDENT MAN" TOO



When the year has nearly rolled around what a satisfaction it is to have for your months of labor a NET RESULT! The man who BANKS his money and has his money safe not only enjoys the feeling of independence but spurs himself on to GREATER work.

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## DWELLING BURNED

Wednesday afternoon, November 24, the home and contents of John S. Harper, which is located near Groveland, was totally destroyed by fire, the cause of which is yet unknown. The property was formerly owned by J. H. McDonald, and at the time of its destruction was fully insured by J. H. Early. The fire, which is supposed to have been caused by a defective flue, was first discovered upstairs.

Fred Bennett had his collar bone broken and other portions of his anatomy somewhat plucked one day last week in a most unusual manner. He and Leslie Just were trying to effect a coupling between the rear ends of two wagons in order to get a load of coal out of the mud. Fred stepped in with a chain and when fairly between the wagons, the backing team backed too far and smashed him between the wagons. Dr. Mitchell of Blackfoot made the necessary repairs and he is now on the job again.

The Pingree, Presto and Rich communications that were crowded out this week will appear next.

## ORPHEUM THEATRE

### Theo Lorch & Company

present three wonderful plays

"HELP WANTED," Thursday, December 9th

"TODAY," Friday, December 10th

"DR. JEKYLL and MR. HYDE," Saturday, Dec. 11

Saturday Matinee

"NEARLY MARRIED"

Prices 25c, 50c, 75c - Saturday Matinee 25c to all Tickets on sale at Dustin's.

Monday, December 13th

"NEAL OF THE NAVY"

Tuesday, December 14th

Leonore Ulrich

In the Paramount Feature

"KILMENEY"

Vaudeville

Wednesday, December 15th

Marguerite Clark

In the Paramount Feature

"SEVEN SISTERS"

A Clever film—See it!

## START A BANK ACCOUNT FOR A CHRISTMAS PRESENT

Here is a present that is especially appropriate and acceptable to many persons and settles the problem of what to give for Christmas.

A bank account is an ideal gift for children because it helps them acquire the habit of thrift and economy, which will mean a great asset later on.

No more appropriate present can be found for the wife. And relatives will also welcome this gift.

Many manufacturers, storekeepers, and other business people encourage employes with a start of this kind. It is an aid to thrift, contentment and efficiency.

Accounts opened for any amount from \$1.00 up.

## D. W. Standrod & Co. Bankers

Hours: 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. We pay 4 per cent. interest, compounded quarterly in our Savings Department or (Certificates of Deposit.)

## Here are shirts that any man will admire--

Manhattan Wilson Monarch the best makes

Monarch at \$1

Wilson shirts \$1 to \$4

Manhattan shirts \$1.50 to \$2.50

Novel weaves and correct coloring

Each shirt in a handsome presentation package if you wish.

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## Rowles-Mack Co. - Good Clothes -

Exchanges or refunds before Christmas or after.

