

WEST AND SOUTH OFFER GREATEST OPPORTUNITIES

Government Reclamation Experts in Talks Before Idaho Society of Engineers, Describe Possibilities.

WORKERS WILL WIN OUT EXPECTED TO SPEED UP

Southern Pine Belt Affords Golden Chance to Ambitious Mankind to Become Prosperous—Agricultural Lands as Yet Unscathed.

That the west and the south afford the greatest opportunity to the man who will hustle and work to win a home was the consensus of opinion of W. Ross, F. W. Hanna and D. W. Cole, government reclamation engineers, who spoke at a joint meeting of the University club and the Idaho Society of Engineers held at the Commercial club Saturday evening, on the territories and possibilities of the land settlement plan of Secretary Lane.

The meeting was opened at 9 o'clock, and Joseph Pence, chairman of the state council of defense, selected as chairman. In a neat speech of introduction, Mr. Pence introduced D. W. Ross, formerly head of the reclamation service in this state, as the "man who made Idaho blossom like the rose."

SPEAKS OF SOUTH.

Mr. Ross told of the vast acreage of cut-over lands in the south, commented upon their wonderful fertility if cleared, and told of the cost of developing the unused lands in that section. He said that it was his belief that the south offered a wonderful opportunity to the man who would work with the hand of a man to a land needed but an acre by mankind to develop the largest agricultural crops of the nation. He commented on the ease with which it was possible to get land in that section for settlement purposes. These misgivings indicate that the soldiers are looking to the west for relief.

Back to Farm Movement

It is apparent from this correspondence that the "back to the farm" movement is on among the men who have been in the service. H. E. Becker writing from a southern camp to the governor says:

OTHERS SPEAK.

F. W. Hanna, of Des Moines, Iowa, another government engineer, followed Mr. Ross. Mr. Hanna had been in the south and west investigating the feasibility of putting into effect the Lane project, and felt, like Mr. Ross, that the west and the south were the coming Eldorado in the agricultural life of the whole United States, and with the settling of the unused lands by soldiers and sailors, would come into the hands of the people.

BOARD EDUCATION CONFERENCE

The state board of education Saturday held an all-afternoon session with the educational and appropriation committees. The budgets for the several institutions were gone over carefully. No definite decision was reached with reference to them, it was announced after the meeting.

CLUB GLEANINGS

Soldiers' Memorial Fund Originated With Woman's Club. While that fact seems to be quite lost sight of in the general enthusiasm which surrounds the idea of building a memorial to those who have made the supreme sacrifice, it is nevertheless true that a woman's organization, the Society of Owyhee Daughters, was the first organization in the state to offer a suggestion or plan a line of action, as far as that body knows, "The society met directly after the sad news of the death of Lieutenant John Regan, who was an Owyhee county boy, was announced, and after some consideration devoted the sum of \$50 to a fund for the erection of a suitable memorial for Idaho soldiers who died in battle. This was early in September, and as there seems to be no record of any earlier effort the honor seems to belong to the Society of Owyhee Daughters.

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LEGISLATURE HAS ABOUT REACHED THE HALF SESSION MARK

Twenty-Ninth Day Falls on Monday and Sixtieth Day Is Per Diem Limit—Big Legislation Pending.

Land Settlement Action Will Be Pushed With Vigor—Senate Finance Committee Holding Appropriation Bills—Education Session.

The legislature is about to reach the turning point in its career. The twenty-ninth day will arrive Monday which is close to half of the session and that body will this week open the second half. There are but 60 per diem legislative days and the bulk of the legislation that is going to be enacted by the Fifteenth will be recorded in the next 30 days. Every effort will be made to speed up its work.

Up to the present time there have been 184 bills introduced in the two houses irrespective of resolutions and memorials. Of this number 319 are house measures and 74 senate. A total of 10 bills and memorials have been passed by the two houses.

Land Settlement Big Issue

One of the big issues before the legislature that will receive close consideration during the balance of the session will be the land settlement act introduced by Representative Givens of Ada and Featherstone of Shoshone. It is the short form bill recommended by Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the interior, and approved by the reclamation service. It is a companion of the federal act introduced in congress calling for an appropriation of \$100,000,000 for the reclamation of lands in various states. Governor Davis is in receipt of a communication from Secretary Lane urging passage of the act. The governor's office is also in receipt of a number of requests from soldiers, one as far south as Texas, asking if it is possible to get land in this state for settlement purposes. These misgivings indicate that the soldiers are looking to the west for relief.

REGULAR CLUB SHOOT TODAY.

The regular shoot of the Boise Gun club will be held today at the club grounds which will be open from 11 o'clock this morning on. Many members and friends are expected to participate.

ISSUES OFFICE PAPER.

Considerable interest centers about the office paper which has appeared at the Western Union office, edited by one of the employees. It tells the "shop news" as the "Official Bugle" published by "V.N."

CLUB MEETS.

The January meeting of the College Woman's club was held Monday evening, Jan. 27, at the home of Mrs. John W. Easterson, 1315 Jefferson street. Rev. Willis Martin gave a brief talk, and Miss Lois Cook and Miss Louise Woodruff pleased with musical selections, the local lodge, will stage a few fast exhibitions of boxing skill that will make the brothers set up and take notice. "Kid" Rose of this city will probably be matched with "Battling" Williams of Portland, one of the fastest boys in the game, and there should be a hot old time when the pair get together in the padded square.

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LITTLE NEWS OF BOISE

TO CELEBRATE.

The local Y. M. C. A. will celebrate "National Father and Son" week from Feb. 11 to 17. Committees to handle the celebration are now being appointed, and the program will be the most extensive ever undertaken by the local association.

VISITING PARENTS.

Frank A. King, wife and daughter, Margaret, of Vancouver, Wash., are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman G. King, of this city.

SMALL NUMBER FIRES.

The local fire department responded to 14 alarms during the month of January, according to Chief Foster. Up to a late hour Friday night, there were only 13 alarms and Chief Foster thought that shouldn't be so he put down a still alarm from the Jenkins Furniture that he didn't intend to report.

HOME AGAIN.

H. L. Clyne returned the last of the week from Portland, where he has been the past six months. He came back by way of San Francisco and Salt Lake, and enjoyed the trip immensely.

Mrs. Frank Danant, of 1904 North Eighth street, is confined to her bed with a severe attack of sciatic nerve trouble.

SOLONS AFTER RABBIT FEET.

Between 25 and 30 senators and representatives and others will leave Boise this morning on a rabbit hunt. They will be taken by automobile to the ranch home of Hugh Sprout south of Nampa on the Snake river, as his guests and near there the shoot will take place. The trip will occupy most of the day.

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RUPERT CASE TO TEST UTILITY LAW IN DISTRICT COURT

In Compliance With Recent Decision of Supreme Tribunal, Rupert Electric Asks for Review.

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The next meeting will be held Feb. 10, at the home of Mrs. Curtis Pike, instead of Mrs. E. M. Hoover's, as announced in the year book.

WANT BETTER DOG HOMES.

That the city pound is not in condition to receive even stray dogs and the canines should be shown more consideration, is the opinion of those interested in humane work. They say that even dogs are entitled to better accommodations than the present pound located on the dump near the Julia Davis park.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETS

The Altar Society of St. John's Cathedral meets Wednesday, Feb. 6, at St. John's hall.

LECTURE ON LOWELL

Henry Z. Johnson, well known Boise attorney, will deliver a lecture on James Russell Lowell before the members of the Columbian club Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the club rooms. Mr. Johnson is considered a genuine authority on Lowell and his address on Monday will be commemorative of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of America's foremost essayist and man of letters. Mrs. Franklin I. Cores will read "The Present Crisis" at the same meeting. All members are urged to be present at 2:30 o'clock sharp.

WIFE HAS RECOVERED.

John D. Jones, nurse at the Sanitarium treatment rooms, has returned from Pine Valley, Ore., where he has been attending Mrs. Jones, who suffered from complications following an attack of influenza. Friends of Mrs. Jones will be glad to learn that she is rapidly recovering.

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Payette, Feb. 1.—The Payette Cold Storage company five years ago drilled a six inch well to a depth of 275 feet, for the purpose of getting a large supply of good water for making artificial ice. Due to the water being heavily mineralized, making it unfit for ice making, the well was capped for three years. Then the O. S. L. railroad wanted a sample of the water from this well to see if it could be used for locomotives passing through Payette, but the railroad could not use it.

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PAYETTE MILLS ENJOY RECORD BUSINESS YEAR

Payette, Feb. 1.—The year 1918 stands as a record year for business at the Payette mills whose plant here consists of a flour and feed mill. The wheat purchases for the year were:

At Payette	4,594,365
At New Plymouth	2,448,632
Total	7,042,997
Grain at feed mill:	
Oats	220,852
Rye	70,952
Barley	677,542
Corn	796,846
Total coarse grain	1,766,174
Local sales of flour	2436 barrels.
Shipments of flour	19,284 barrels.
Car shipments wheat	46 cars.
Sales mill feed	450 tons.
Sales coarse grains and chops	364 tons.
Sales of cereals, such as corn meal, graham, whole wheat flour	2938 barrels.

REMODELING HOUSE.

The remodeling of Lester Seawell's big 10-room, two-story brick house is making rapid progress now that good weather has set in. The roof was destroyed by fire several months ago. A bungalow roof is replacing the old high roof and is a big improvement. The interior of the house is being almost entirely altered. When completed the house will be a great improvement over what it was before the fire. A. V. Williams has the contract, the cost being something like \$2000.

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The visitors to the Western Dairy show and conferences to be held at Boise, Feb. 10, 11 and 12, will be able to get a great deal of information and assistance through the exhibits of all kinds of dairy machinery, dairy products and equipment needed in the various branches of the dairy industry.

PROGRAM NEARLY COMPLETE FOR THE LINCOLN BANQUET

Gathering of Republican clans at the Owyhee hotel on the evening of February 12 will feature the ninth annual banquet of the Lincoln Day Banquet association. Colonel Spofford, president of the association, announced Saturday night the program was about completed and would be ready for announcement Tuesday. On it will be speakers from all parts of the state. One of the biggest gatherings in the association's history is expected.

MOUNTAIN HOME

Mountain Home, Feb. 1.—Mr. and Mrs. Worth S. Lee spent a few days in Boise this week. R. P. Chatlin looked after business interests in the city yesterday from Chastlin Flats. E. E. McClure of Salt Lake City was in Mountain Home Friday on government inspection. T. Sweet of Twin Falls was a visitor in Mountain Home the latter part of the week a few days. Guy B. Donaldson of Glenns Ferry has purchased a half interest in the Swan Laundry at Mountain Home and will be found in Mountain Home from now on.

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SOUTH BOISE.

The ladies of the Costura club will entertain their husbands at Community hall next Tuesday evening. S. D. Smith has arrived home from Yakima, Wash. The Westminster guild held its regular meeting at the church annex Tuesday evening, preceded by a dinner. The missionary society of the Second Presbyterian church met Wednesday evening with Mrs. Charles Garland. There were 39 present. The society completed the book they had been studying and at the next meeting will take up another one. They also began piecing a new quilt, the former one being finished. Lucille Simpson of Meridian spent a week with Dorothy Sletton. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis of Ivywild have just received four very interesting letters and some pictures from their son Clarence, who is with the army of occupation in Germany. This young soldier gives extracts from the book he is writing on his observations since going across. W. R. Wilson of Manitou street will move to Boise in a few days. There will be another of the library fund dances given at Community hall next Friday evening between the hours of 8:30 and 11:30. There will be violin music by Mr. Tompkins, accompanied on the piano. Admission 25 cents. Verne Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Davis, of Ivywild, had one of the fingers of his left hand amputated at a local hospital last week to avoid blood poison. He is getting along nicely and expects to go home in a few days. Ralph Smith, who has been ill at his home in Ivywild, has recovered and is back at his work. David A. DeFord, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. May Peernan, left for his home in Portland Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Peters recently received a letter from their son Kenneth, with the army of occupation, saying he was on the Rhine and having a fine time.

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