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## INDIAN LAND SELLS HIGH

One Tract of Unimproved Land Near Ferdinand Sold for \$82 an Acre—Neighbors All Wanted It.

Lapwai, Oct. 23.—The sale of Indian heirship land conducted here by agency officials today resulted in a new record price for unimproved Indian agricultural land. The tract bringing the record price is located near Ferdinand and the price paid was a little better than \$82 per acre. There were 13 tracts offered and six tracts were sold.

The following are the tracts marketed:

Twenty acres located six miles south of Sweetwater on McCormack ridge, appraised value, \$320 to A. F. Rudd, \$351.

Forty acres located eleven miles from Grangeville, appraised value \$2,000, thirty acres plow land, to Bert Decker, \$2,100.

Eighty acres located two miles east of Ferdinand, 75 acres plow land, appraised value, \$4,800 to Henry J. Schaeffer, \$5,051.

Eighty acres located one mile from Ferdinand, appraised value \$5,000, to Henry Arnzen, \$6,586.

One hundred and twenty acres located near Culdesac, 65 acres plow land, appraised value \$4600 to Lee Dutton, \$4910.

Forty acres located near Stites, thirty acres plow land, appraised value, \$2450, to Robert N. Hanford, \$2,450.

## "Farmer" Smith Coming

"Farmer" Smith, the agricultural expert of the O.-W. R. & N. railway company, writes our townsman, W. B. Hussman, that he will visit Cottonwood the first week in November and take up the matter of corn growing on the prairie and try to secure samples of corn grown here this year with a view to using it in supplying seed to districts where the altitude is as high or higher than Camas Prairie. Mr. Smith understands diversified farming and corn growing from start to finish and it is possible a meeting may be arranged for him to address the farmers of this section on this vital subject. As soon as the date of his visit is known plans will be put under way for such a meeting and it is hoped that a large crowd may be secured to hear him.

John Meyer and family and Misses Rena and Margaret Seubert motored to Lewiston last Friday and took in the auto race meet.

Mrs. Summerfield and child were visiting at Keuterville last week from Moscow with the lady's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Blake.

Drag the roads, brother, after each rain. Smooth roads are worth as much to the man with the wagon or buggy as to the man with a car.

Dr. Orr, assisted by Dr. Stockton of Grangeville, performed a major operation on Mrs. James Crea southeast of town on Tuesday of this week. The patient stood the operation nicely and is recovering as rapidly as could be expected.

Charles Holt has been in the city for several days from his home at Goff on the upper Salmon river, and will leave soon for the river country with a drove of about a hundred cattle which he has secured from farmers on Camas and Nezperce prairies.

## Hold Catholic Church Fair

The pastor and members of the local Catholic church have decided to hold a church fair on November 16, 17 and 18 for the purpose of raising funds with which to pay off the indebtedness on the church and school and the plans for the fair are now well under way. The fair proper, with its varied attractions, will be held in the lower room of the K of C. hall, while the ladies of the parish will serve meals to the hungry on each day of the fair in the Goldstone building, formerly occupied by the Chronicle, on King street. On the evening of the 17th an entertainment will be staged at the I. O. O. F. hall which promises to eclipse all former efforts of the kind.

The public generally is cordially invited to attend the fair, to join in the entertainment features and enjoy themselves as fully as possible at all times, and it is the hope of the committees that nothing may be overlooked that may tend to make the fair a pleasant success from start to finish.

## Bring Back High Honors

Most of the delegates to the I. O. O. F. grand lodge session at Idaho Falls from this place returned home Sunday evening, bringing with them more honors than they possessed on leaving. Geo. M. Robertson was advanced from Grand Warden to Deputy Grand Master and is now within one step of the Grand Master's chair, which is the highest honor the state grand lodge can confer on its members. Mrs. Robertson was appointed to the office of Grand Marshal of the Rebekah Assembly and Riley Rice was elected Grand High Priest of the Grand Encampment, which latter is within one step of the highest office in the Grand Encampment. The delegates feel properly proud of the honors received and report having had a most enjoyable trip and being royally entertained at Idaho Falls.

Robert Broker is in the city from Ilo visiting at the Libbey oome.

A dainty baby daughter of regulation weight and lung power was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Altman near Greencreek early Monday morning.

Raymond Kaschmitter returned the first of the week from his trip to Montana and, we understand, is thinking seriously of returning to that state to locate.

Theo. Schaecher purchased a Ford touring car Wednesday from John Hoene and will now take an occasional holiday and see sections of the country that were formerly as distant as lands across the sea.

Lieutenant Garber, inspector of the Idaho national guard, spent several days in Grangeville this week making a preliminary examination to determine the advisability of establishing a company of the guard at that place. It is said the enrollment of the proposed guard now numbers over 70 and Lieutenant Garber will probably recommend its formation.

Mrs. Anthia Huff this week purchased several head of fine Holstein cattle from Dr. Slusser at Grangeville, paying \$405 for them. The purchase consisted of three heifers, one cow and a bull calf that is closely related to the champion Holstein cow of the United States. The calf is registered and cost \$125. This is a fine start for a purebred herd and Mrs. Huff will in a few years have one of the best herds of Holstein in the county.

## ANOTHER BIG STOCK SHIPMENT

Eight Carloads of Horses, Cattle and Hogs Shipped From This Place Tuesday to Spokane and Seattle.

Another large shipment of livestock was made from this place Tuesday to Spokane and coast points. Eight cars were shipped in all from this station and enough more were added from Grangeville and Feun and points down the line to make a trainload of about thirty cars which was pulled into the Lewiston yards that afternoon.

Of the local shipments one car of 22 head of horses was shipped to Spokane by Emicks & Sullivan and, we understand, will go east to fill part of an army order. John Baer shipped 2½ cars of cattle and 1½ cars of hogs to Spokane and John Meyer shipped three cars of hogs to Frye & Co. at Seattle. Mr. Baer secured part of his cattle from Eugene Andrews and Marshall Ceaser on Salmon river and the balance from farmers in the Keuterville country. There were some exceptionally nice animals among them.

The above shipments probably reached a total value of \$12,000, which is a nice sum of money to be turned loose among our farmers and stockmen at this time.

## Miss Alexander Married

Boise, Oct. 16.—Miss Leah Alexander, daughter of Governor Moses Alexander of this state, was married here tonight to Michael E. Spiro, a business man of San Francisco. The wedding was performed at the residence of the governor. Justice William M. Morgan, justice of the supreme court, performed the ceremony.

Adolf Johnson was in the city Wednesday on business from near Westlake.

Ray Downer left yesterday for Elk City with a load of freight for Pete Erickson.

This may not be very nice growing weather but it is fine for automobiling.

A. L. Harchelrode and family were in the city Wednesday from Winona in their car.

J. A. Bushue, Charlie Hayden and Clyde Manning were in town Wednesday from Ferdinand.

Grain shipments from this station have been rather light this week on account of inability to secure cars.

Dr. Shinnick is having a new porch built and other improvements made to his residence on First street.

The Misses Jungert entertained a large party of friends at their home southwest of town last Sunday.

John Jorgens and Frank Graham were in the city Tuesday from Nezperce delivering a bunch of cattle to Charles Holt.

J. A. Bushue and family were in the city Tuesday from Ferdinand. Joe is sure getting plenty of use out of that new car.

August Seubert and wife and J. F. Jenny and wife motored to Nezperce Sunday and spent the day with friends in that locality.

The dance given by the Virtuoso orchestra at the K. C. hall Tuesday evening drew a nice crowd and was greatly enjoyed. The music provided was first class.

## Our Roll of Honor

Following are the names of those who have rolled good hard coin into the Chronicle strong box during the past week: Mat Duolos, E. L. Jessup, Andrew Sprute, J. B. Krieger, Joseph McDonald, Peter Aschenbrenner, Ferdinand; Fred Enneking, Keuterville; Adolf Johnson, Westlake; J. W. Crea, Fenn; P. N. Huffman, Wm. Beckman, Greencreek; Peter Roeper, St. Peters, Mo.; Harry Billow, Henry Krieger, Alberta, Canada, A. Holtz, Fenn; Chas. Albin, Pollock; O. P. Fry, Ferdinand.

It's fine to watch the shekels roll  
That buy us 'duds' and grub and coal.  
And if our purse don't get too clean  
Some may be left for gasoline.

## Quartette Was Fine

The entertainment provided last Saturday evening by the Sequoia Male Quartette was one of the best that Cottonwood has seen for many days and was worthy of a much better attendance than it drew. The members of the quartette were all artists in their line and the singing of M. L. Bowman, basso, and of H. M. Whetsel, first tenor, was fully equal, if not superior, to any we have heard here by any of the concert companies visiting our city. The readings of Mr. Finley were well received, while the piano selections by William Lowell Patton captivated all present, his beautiful arrangement of the "Rosary" being especially delightful.

As a comic feature, the German song near the end of the program was one of the best we have ever heard and drew rounds of applause from all who understood that language.

As stated before, the entertainment was worthy of a much larger crowd and those who failed to attend were considerably the loser thereby.

The high school students realized some \$17 as their share of the net proceeds after the guarantee was paid, and this sum will be used in supplying material for the domestic science and manual training departments.

## Take Feeders to Pomeroy

F. L. Miller and a Mr. Sanderson drove about 400 head of stock cattle through town Tuesday morning on their way to Pomeroy, Wash., where the cattle will be fed until they are ready for market. Mr. Miller secured most of the cattle from stockmen in the upper Salmon river country while Mr. Sanderson picked up the balance here on the prairie. The former has large land holdings in the Pomeroy country and along Snake river and has been in the habit for years of picking up stock cattle each fall and turning the animals into his fields and pastures where they are allowed to graze until in top market condition. The bunch taken out this time were a prime lot of feeders and will make their owner a nice piece of money when finally sold.

## A Rich Find

M. W. Ricketts felled a bee tree up Little Canyon this week, from which he obtained 50 lbs. of clean comb honey, 30 lbs. of soiled honey and the swarm of bees. The tree was a mere shell, about 14 inches in diameter, and contained layer upon layer of perfect honey. The soiled honey he intends to feed to his newly acquired swarm.—Peck Press.

Homer Brutzeman arrived here recently from Lewiston to assist at the local depot and is occupying part of the station as a residence for his family, which consists of a wife and little daughter.

## NEWS AROUND THE STATE

Items From Various Places Reproduced for the Benefit of our Readers—Stories Refreshed from Exchanges.

Dr. M. S. Fite was arrested this week at Lewiston for practicing without a license.

Senator J. H. Brady and wife were visitors in Lewiston the first of the week from Pocatello and went on to points in the northern part of the state.

Governor Alexander has accepted an invitation to visit the Northwest Livestock Show at Lewiston and will address the members and people there on the evening of Nov. 29th.

Reports have been received in Moscow that Henry Dernbam, for many years a merchant at that place, and for the past 20 years at the head of the Emporium store in San Francisco, had suffered a stroke of apoplexy, but that his recovery is expected.

William Bisson was adjudged insane last week at Grangeville and was ordered committed to the Orofino asylum. Two of his children were placed in the Children's Home at Lewiston and a third boy, who had been making considerable trouble, was committed to the state reform school at St. Anthony.

At a Sunday school convention held in Vollmer last week a resolution was passed asking all christian people to withhold their patronage from Sunday ball games and to refuse to support teams that play on the Sabbath. It was proposed to take the matter up with adjoining counties and try to discontinue Sunday baseball in central Idaho.

While playing football at Rawsonville on Wednesday of last week, Willis Emblar in making a tackle came in contact with a stump in the school yard and a fracture of the skull resulted. Physicians from Moscow were called and it is thought doubtful if the lad will recover. Owing to this unfortunate occurrence the football team has been asked to disband for the season.

It cost the people of this state \$86,550.20 less to operate the University of Idaho the first nine months of this year than it did the first nine months of 1913. This is shown by a report filed with Governor Alexander by Francis Jenkins, bursar of that institution. The expenditures of the university the first nine months of 1913 amounted to \$271,166.54, while in 1915 they were but \$184,616.25.

In response to a request from the governor for special information regarding the number of prisoners at the state penitentiary, a letter was received Friday at the governor's office from Warden Snook stating that the expense to the state for the past 12 months had been \$38,283.96. This is an increase of \$4,435.19 over figures of \$34,838.77 for the preceding 12 months in 1914 and 1913. There was an increase of 29 in the number of inmates, but the average annual expense per man was reduced \$1.29. In 1913 and 1914 it cost the taxpayers \$131.50 a year for each of 265 prisoners. The present year finds this reduced to \$130.21 for each of 294 prisoners. The figures were furnished the governor by Warden Snook in advance of his regular annual report, which is made November 1 of each year.

## After Better Apples For Idaho

The October issue of the Journal of Heredity, a scientific magazine published by the American Genetic Association, contains a review of the address given by Prof. Vincent, horticulturist at the University of Idaho, at Berkeley last August. The article is of special interest to Idaho people because it gives an idea of the big work that is being done along the lines of apple breeding in Idaho. One of the great needs, says Prof. Vincent, is a better winter apple. Many of the varieties we have have many good points, but also have some serious drawbacks. The Jonathan has the color and quality, but is not a good keeper, and is subject to water core and storage scald. It is also very susceptible to blight. Ben Davis is a great producer, is a good keeper, the trees bloom late and are remarkably free from disease. The fruit is not easily damaged in shipping. But along with all these good qualities the fruit lacks crispness, juiciness, flavor and texture, and is so late in maturing in the northern states that it does not color up well. So with other varieties, all having very serious defects.

In an attempt to get a variety that will combine the better qualities, Professor Vincent is using the Ben Davis as a basis, and crossing several varieties with it. The varieties used are Jonathan, Spitzenberg, Wagener, Winesap, Rome Beauty, Gravenstein, Newtown, Arkansas Black and Delicious.

With these varieties there have been made 10,228 crosses since 1910, and at the present time there are growing in the nursery at Moscow, 10,915 seedling trees. No one knows what these trees will develop into, but without doubt there will be found many improvements in the good qualities as a result of the work.

Some idea of the immense amount of work involved can be gained, by a glance at the methods of procedure that must be followed. First the unopened blossoms must be visited and the delicate work of masculation performed so that the blossom will not be self pollinated, and the blossom covered to prevent foreign pollen entering. Pollen must be obtained from the desired blossoms at just the right time, and dusted onto the emasculated blossom. Then it must be sealed. In the fall the pollinated apples are taken, the seed removed and carefully kept till spring, when after two or three transplantings they are finally set out in the nursery as seedlings. All this requires an immense amount of bookkeeping, and painstaking, careful manipulation.

Prof. Vincent's work is somewhat along the line of that of Luther Burbank, and he spent some time with Mr. Burbank at his gardens at Santa Rosa.

A large party of relatives and friends were entertained at the F. G. Nuxoll home east of Greencreek last Sunday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Nuxoll, of Illinois.

It is reported locally that the train load of hogs shipped recently to Chicago were sold in St. Paul after the Chicago market had dropped \$1.35 in a single day. The price in St. Paul is said to have been very satisfactory and the shippers came out better than even on the shipment.

P. J. and J. C. Rounds this week purchased the California restaurant adjoining the Pastime pool hall and took charge of the same Wednesday evening. One of the new owners is a cook by profession and they intend giving the public the very best service possible while in business here.