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GOVERNOR HELD ROUSING MEETING

Voters Traveled Many Miles to Hear Chief Executive Explain State Business Transactions.

The large Orpheum theatre was filled to overflowing Tuesday to hear Governor Alexander, people having come from fifteen to twenty miles, and some much farther, to hear the chief executive of the state give an account of his stewardship during the past two years. The meeting opened after the Ferdinand band had played several selections on the street and in the hall, and Hon. E. L. Parker of this place, democratic candidate for lieutenant governor, made a short address. Governor Alexander was then introduced and spoke for almost two hours, holding the close attention of the large audience until the end.

The governor opened his speech with a glowing tribute to President Wilson and spoke of the many difficulties that have confronted him since he took the chair in the white house. He said that the president had kept us out of war at a time when the entire world seemed to be war mad and in spite of the enormous pressure brought from all sides to push our country into war. He pointed to the great and priceless peace that we are enjoying and the prosperity of our nation and joy and happiness in the most humble homes in the land, and said that had any other man than Woodrow Wilson occupied the presidential chair during the past two years our nation would now be engaged in war and our young men filling the trenches over in war-cursed Europe, a condition that may yet occur unless President Wilson is returned to office next month.

He spoke of the many acts of beneficial legislation that have been enacted into law under democratic administration, pointing particularly to the federal reserve banking law which prevents all future panics, the child labor law which prevents children under sixteen years of age being employed in factory or mine, the federal good roads law which appropriates \$5 millions of dollars within the next few years to build suitable highways throughout our country, and last but not least, the rural credits law. This measure is classed as one of the greatest acts of constructive legislation enacted in centuries and is the only law passed that benefits the farmer alone. It is claimed this law, when once in force, will save the farmers of the United States one hundred and fifty millions of dollars annually in interest charges alone.

Coming down to state matters the governor spoke at length on how business of the state had been handled in the past and the cost of doing business had increased with almost every administration. He told of how the lower house two years ago had passed an appropriation bill of two million dollars and he had succeeded in getting it reduced by half a million before it was finally passed, and had made still further reductions by vetoing many unnecessary appropriation bills. He spoke of the Allen defalcations and how the state investigation had placed the total shortage at some \$93,000 and wanted to let it rest at that but he had gone to the bottom of the matter and finally caused the bonding company to pay back to

the state a total of \$154,000. He spoke of the Coffin attempt to graft \$14,000 from the state for attorney fees when he was never employed for such purpose and how this had been headed off and would be defeated. He referred to his carrying the case to the state supreme court and forcing the big irrigation companies of south Idaho to deliver water for irrigation purposes to the starving settlers on some of the tracts, thereby establishing the fact that the waters of the state belong to the people of the state and not to the large corporations.

The governor told of how he had been opposed at every turn by the professional politicians and office seekers but had gone his way and did the best within his power and judgment for the taxpayers of the state and that his meanest enemy would not say he had not been governor in every sense of the word while he had occupied the chair.

The governor was listened to with closest attention throughout his discourse and was frequently applauded when making some telling point. His meeting was one of the largest ever held here and the audience was composed of members of all political parties.

The meeting closed after W. B. Hussman, candidate for representative, had made a few remarks, and as the crowd dispersed expressions could be heard on every side commending the statements of the governor and expressing faith in him as the man to fill the chair for the next two years.

From this place Governor Alexander went to Vollmer and Nezperce, where he held enthusiastic meetings. He returned to Grangeville for a rousing meeting last night and left this morning for the northern part of the state where he will complete his itinerary.

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Work is progressing nicely on the concrete foundation for S. J. Peterson's new building. The rock for the foundation and floor has all been crushed and delivered at the site, the forms are completed and the work of putting in the concrete will now progress rapidly. We understand

The American Quartette

Following is the program (subject to change) of the American Quartette, the second number of the lyceum course, which will appear at the Orpheum on Thursday evening, Oct. 26th.

PROGRAM

Stars and Stripes.....	Sousa
Long, Long Trail.....	Whitmark
Hark, The Trumpet Calleth.....	Dudley Buck
Lead Kindly Light.....	"
Simple Confession (cello solo).....	Thome
Mexican Nightingale (whistling solo).....	DeGorza
American Indian (crayon conception).....	Clayton Conrad
Salut d'Amour.....	Elgar
Hungarian Dance No. 6.....	Brahms
Shooting of Dan McGrew.....	R. W. Service
Somewhere a Voice is Calling.....	Tate
Boys of the Old Brigade.....	Parks
Polish Dance (violin solo).....	Wienawski
Little Children of the War.....	Crayon conception
Tenor Solo.....	Selected
Medley of Popular Songs.....	Whitmark
Perfect Day.....	Carrie Jacobs Bond



THE AMERICAN QUARTETTE.

the building will be constructed of brick, as it was found impossible to secure the tiling at first intended to be used.

State Surveyors Near Town

Engineer Burns, who has charge of the work of completing the location of the north and south state highway across Camas prairie to the Lewis county line, is now camped with his crew of men at the Goeckner farm northeast of town, having moved camp to that place the fore part of the week. The state surveying crew completed the location of the road up from Whitebird to the prairie last week. The old route up Chapman creek was abandoned as being entirely unfeasible and a new route was secured around the Tolo point near the Soderburg place. After passing the lake the road swung west and then north for four miles on the present county road between the towns of Denver and Fenn. It then swung in a northwesterly direction through the low passes to near the Eckert place and the work of surveying this last lap has been in progress this week. It is the intention of the surveying party to run the line on through the Ferdinand country to a crossing of Lawyer's canyon near the big railroad bridge but it is impossible at this time to say whether the state highway commission will designate this route as the final location for the road or not. As the present survey runs the road will pass from two to three miles east of Cottonwood and is said to miss Grangeville an equal distance.

Directness of route, cheapness of construction, reduction of grades and serving the largest number of people in the county traversed are the points considered by the surveyors and state board in locating the road and, while each locality would like much to have the road run past their front door, it is impossible to satisfy all and is better to have such a road traversing our country than to be forced to get along for future years as we have in the past.

Indian Lands Sold

Lapwai, Oct. 16. — Decision was reached today on the bids submitted Saturday for Indian lands on the Nez Perce Indian reservation, a price in advance of the appraised value being received for each tract. The following are the purchasers:

- John Nuxoll, 80 acres, \$5,448.
- T. H. Robertson, 80 acres, \$3,300.
- George H. Waterman, 40 acres, \$2,205.
- J. A. Keller, 120 acres, \$3,910.
- G. C. Swain, 80 acres, \$5,450.
- R. R. Randall, 80 acres, \$5,055.
- Stephen Truckositz, 80 acres, \$3,501.
- Edna Wahl, 100 acres, \$2,676.

Idaho Remains on Border

Boise, Ida., Oct. 17. — Official announcement was made at Nogales, Arizona, today that the Idaho regiment would remain on the border indefinitely. Half of the regiment is to be mounted at once. Horses were given Company F of Lewiston and Company C of Coeur d'Alene on Tuesday. The former will be stationed at Arivaca, 28 miles northwest of Nogales, and the latter at Lochiel, 30 miles east. The Idaho regiment has relieved the Second U. S. regulars for border patrol duty.

Tannahill Will Speak Here

Hon. Geo. W. Tannahill, a prominent Lewiston attorney and well known throughout northern Idaho, will address the voters of Cottonwood and vicinity on national and state issues from a democratic standpoint at the K. C. hall tomorrow evening at 8:30 o'clock. Mr. Tannahill is one of the most gifted speakers in this part of the state and will be able to enlighten his audience on many matters of national importance. County candidates will also be present and several short talks will be made by them. The voters should not fail to hear these speakers at the time set.

Mr. Tannahill will also hold a meeting at Keuterville this evening.

NEWS AROUND THE STATE

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

Another election will soon be called in the Lapwai highway district for the purpose of voting a \$150,000 bond for highway improvement in that district. It is believed the bond will carry.

The 20-months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Loy Lampson, of Lewiston, is ill with infantile paralysis. The case is under close quarantine and every effort will be made to prevent the spread of the disease.

Bud Brannon, of Mohler, reports the biggest yield of oats so far this fall. He had 10 acres, which he sowed on summer fallow land as an experiment, that went 110 bushels to the acre. — Nezperce Herald.

Fred N. Shepherd, cashier of the Empire National bank at Lewiston, and well known in this county, has been honored by appointment as a member of the agricultural commission of the American Bankers' association.

The 16-months old babe of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Settler, of Lapwai, pulled a lighted lamp onto its carriage from the table Monday evening and was quite badly burned. The mother was severely burned about the hands and arms while extinguishing the flames.

Henry Thiessen, the well known Hereford breeder of Sweetwater, recently purchased at Kansas City the great bull, Prince Rupert 80th, paying \$2200 for the animal. This animal comes from a noted strain that has been producing prize winners for the past fifteen years and will be a valuable addition to the herds of the northwest.

Thirty five carloads of cattle purchased in the Salmon river country were shipped from Stites late last week to Anaconda, Mont., and will be placed on the range near Wisdom. The cattle were purchased by William Montgomery, a prominent stock man of that state. Mr. Montgomery shipped 25 carloads of Idaho county cattle to Montana last year.

Roy Hotaling, a young farmer residing five miles northeast of Nezperce, broke his neck late last week by falling from the barn loft while feeding his horses early in the morning. The dead body was found by the young man's mother when he failed to come for breakfast. Hotaling was 23 years of age and leaves a young wife and many relatives. He was held in high esteem in the community in which he lived and his sudden death was a severe blow to the family and friends.

Fred Stevens, a resident of the Lapwai section, was shot in the right breast and perhaps fatally wounded last Friday night by Harvey Minnis, a special U. S. officer who is engaged with special officer C. H. Hanson in suppressing the liquor traffic among the Indians. The officers had arrested a crippled brother of Stevens and a man named Weeks. The former called for help and Minnis shot as Stevens approached them. The officers were later placed under arrest and are being held pending an investigation. The officers claim an attempt was being made to mob them when the shooting took place.

Public School Notes

Forty-one enrolled in high school. Arthur Eckerman, and Ina Huffman joined this week.

It has been the finest weather so far for school, very little unexcused absence and tardyness.

Nels Darling gave the high a funny, interesting, and instructive talk Wednesday p. m.

Institute next week, no school.

The freshmen entertained the high school and teachers on the evening of the 13th, in the Creelman hall. Everyone had a fine time until eleven. Splendid refreshments were served.

The following pupils received the highest average on their grade cards: 3rd grade—Cathryn Phillips, 95; Elza Mathieson, 95. 4th grade—Sellma Butler, 96; Clarence Peterson, 95. 7th grade—Lefa Martin, 93; Agnes Eckerman, 93. 8th grade—Henrietta Manwaring, 94; Grace Robbins, 94.

In the history of western Europe, the high school has just finished one of the most difficult chapters—Feudalism.

The basket ball teams are organized with Jesse Rogers and Charles Hamill as captain and secretary, respectively of the boys' team, and Caroline Terhaar and Alice Riggins for the girls.

The high school has been organized into two sections for literary work on Friday afternoons. The officers for the first section are: president, Anna Peterson; secretary, Caroline Terhaar. For section two—president, Bessie Williams; secretary, Nell Barackman.

The high school orchestra is now organized with 9 members. R. S. Shattuck, of Ferdinand is director.

The first literary program of the sophomores was given last Friday afternoon. The "School News" made its first appearance and was very interesting.

Darling Lecture Was Great

If the first number of the Redpath Lyceum Bureau course is any criterion of the succeeding numbers the people of this locality can congratulate themselves on securing some of the best entertainment available for the coming winter months. The opening number of the course was a lecture by Nels Darling, which was delivered Wednesday evening at the Orpheum. The house was well filled for the occasion and to say that all got full value for their money is putting it mildly. Mr. Darling is an accomplished talker and decidedly witty and kept his audience convulsed with laughter during the entire lecture. He spoke first upon economic matters nationally and then came down to the treatment of local conditions in the community and the way he handed out short arm jabs to both townsmen and farmers was a sight to hear. He played no favorites and presented naked facts in a way to cause his hearers to view local matters and conditions in an entirely new light. While some of his statements may have been overdrawn, they in most cases hit near the mark and his visit here is almost certain to prove of material benefit to all who heard him.

The second number of the course, The American Quartet, will appear here on Thursday evening of next week and will undoubtedly draw a crowded house. The quartet will furnish music after the entertainment for a three-hour dance at the Odd Fellow hall.