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STATE ROAD WILL STRIKE US

County Commissioners Ask For Slight Changes in Survey so Road May Pass Through Towns.

According to late reports the north and south state highway will pass through both Grangeville and Cottonwood when finally completed. This decision was reached late last week at Grangeville when Surveyor Burns was called before the board of county commissioners and a number of citizens and, after talking the location of the state highway over at some length, was asked to re-survey portions of the road so as to have it pass through both of the towns mentioned.

The fact that the surveyors have sought to secure the shortest route between Whitebird and the county line north of Ferdinand has caused most of the route to be laid through the fields and has caused much antagonism among the farmers affected, and will later result in a very expensive right-of-way. This fact, together with the fact that the best interests of the people are not served by the road missing the towns by several miles and the difficulty that would arise in financing such a road across the prairie, caused the county board to ask for a change in the route to include both towns mentioned and it is believed the state board will accept the changes made when matters are fully explained to them. The changes will do away with several miles of expensive roads that would otherwise have to be built in the Grangeville and Tolo country, and it is possible the road may follow much of the present road between Grangeville and this place, thereby doing away with necessity of purchasing much expensive right of way between the two towns. North of this place the road will no doubt maintain practically the present route, with possibly a few slight changes, as the present county road between this place and Ferdinand is entirely too rough to be utilized.

Miss Wagner Showered

The Wagner home in this city was the scene of a very enjoyable party Wednesday evening when more than thirty friends surprised Miss Helen with a miscellaneous shower in honor of her approaching wedding. The guests descended on the home in a body and took Miss Helen completely by surprise but she soon recovered and made all welcome and the evening was passed very pleasantly with games and music. Five Hundred was played at seven tables, Miss Minnie Lange winning first prize, a very dainty sugar bowl and cream pitcher, and Miss Theresa Funke second prize, a fruit dish. The prizes were then given to Miss Helen, who was also showered with many dainty and useful gifts suitable for her new station in life. Lunch was served at a late hour, after which the guests departed wishing the bride-to-be all kinds of happiness in future years.

Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria, died Tuesday evening from bronchial pneumonia, aged 86 years. He will be succeeded by Archduke Charles Francis Joseph. The deceased ruler had reigned over his kingdom for 68 years.

Beans Paid Poor Man

Peck, Nov. 21.—In the spring of this year a man called on Mr. Steele of Central Ridge inquiring for "bean ground," with the result that Mr. Steele rented him forty acres, supplying everything even to living expenses, board, room, etc., for the man and his wife. The conditions were that Mr. Steele and the man should share equally in the crop.

The man proved to be a worker of the whirlwind type. He hoed beans from daylight to dark working out for his neighbors in the spare time.

Several times during the season the man (who was no farmer by the way) tried to make a deal with Mr. Steele whereby the latter should take the beans off his hands owing to his getting discouraged with the weather, etc., offering to sell his share at one time for \$200 and later for \$300.

Mr. Steele, however, generously persuaded the man to hold on with the result that at the settlement recently made the man has \$1,200 practically clear money, the beans realizing just about \$60 an acre.

Truly this is a poor man's country and we ought to have no poor as there are opportunities similar in abundance in this section.

Rehder Sale Proved a Big One

The sale held last Friday at the Henry Rehder farm west of town drew a nice crowd and everything sold at very satisfactory prices, the sale totaling right around the \$4500 mark. The cattle brought nice prices, milk cows selling for \$75 to \$91 dollars, and the young stock in proportion. Harry C. Cranke, the Spokane auctioneer who cried the sale, showed his ability as an auctioneer and disposed of all the property at good prices and was back in town by five o'clock that evening. Mr. Rehder was more than pleased with the results of the sale and says it would have totaled more than \$5,000 had he not held out the hay and one or two animals. Mr. Cranke made a fine impression with the local public and will no doubt secure other sales here in the spring.

Official News From Boise

A telegram was received here Monday from Boise by Mrs. E. L. Parker announcing the election of Governor Alexander by a majority of 605 votes and the election of E. L. Parker as lieutenant governor, W. T. Dougherty as secretary of state, Clarence VanDensen as state auditor, and T. A. Walters as attorney-general. The telegram was sent after the official returns from all counties had been received and the results were certain. The news contained in the message was more than welcome to the many friends of Mr. Parker and to loyal party members generally.

Edgar Fry and wife intend leaving early next week for California to spend the winter.

The local high school basketball team will play a similar aggregation at Grangeville on Wednesday evening of next week.

John Wemhoff moved his family into town this week from Nezperce and is occupying one of the Wiest cottages in the north end of town.

Henry Ruff, a resident of the Meadows section across the Clearwater from Mt. Idaho, is reported to have been accidentally shot through both hips this week while hunting.

COTTONWOOD GROWING FAST

Spent More Money For Improvements This Year Than Any Other Town in Upper Country.

The walls of Cottonwood's new \$10,000 brick garage building are now completed and the work of putting on the roof and putting in the windows and front is under way. Within a short time the building will be ready to receive machinery and supplies. The new building makes a fine appearance on Main street and adds much to the appearance of the business section of the city. When fully equipped the garage will be one of the best in the Lewiston country.

With two new flour mills, a new elevator, a new creamery, a \$10,000 garage, a new concrete business block, two large implement houses, several new lumber sheds and several residences, Cottonwood can lay claim to having expended more money for improvements this year than any other town in the upper country.

And the end is not yet. Watch out for continued improvements next year and perhaps a good chunk of street paving. Cottonwood is perhaps the best town south of Lewiston and is destined to forge rapidly to the front during the next few years. It has the country and people back of it to make it the leading town of central Idaho, which it is certain to become as time passes. Watch and see.

Confirmation Services Were Fine

Rt. Rev. Bishop A. J. Glorieux, of Boise, arrived in the city Tuesday evening and on Wednesday morning administered the sacrament of confirmation to a class of about sixty children of this parish. The services began at 9:30 o'clock at the Catholic church when the confirmants, followed by Rt. Rev. Bishop and Rev. Fathers Willibrord, Philip and Martin, marched from the school building to the church. Holy mass was read by Father Willibrord, assisted by Fathers Philip and Martin, after which confirmation was given the children, several grown persons also receiving the sacrament. Bishop Glorieux delivered a very interesting lecture to those confirmed and the services throughout were very edifying, the large church being filled by people who had come to attend the services.

Bishop Glorieux departed again yesterday morning for his home in Boise.

Bought Fine Bunch of White Faces

E. S. Sweet and Fred McKinney are preparing to handle some fine stuff this winter in the way of cattle which they will feed and care for in first-class shape. Last week they bought two bunches of as fine young stock as can be found anywhere, and they are building stabling accommodations for the same in which to finish them off in. They bought one bunch of 43 head of white faces from the Salmon river section which will sure be winners after going through the finishing process with good feed and shelter.—Globe.

A. A. Harrison and bride will leave early next week for their homestead in southeastern Oregon.

COMING EVENTS

Lewiston Livestock Show, Nov. 27-Dec. 2, inclusive.

13th Annual K. P. Ball, Nov. 30, Randall Hall.

Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 30th. Everywhere.

The Killarney Girls, Dec. 9th, lyceum course attraction, at the Orpheum.

Lewis County Horse to U. of I.

County Commissioner I. H. Lowrey, of Winchester, the well known breeder of Clydesdale horses, last week sold the coming two year old stallion, Idaho Stamp, to the Idaho University. This young beauty won junior championship at the Northwest Livestock show in Lewiston last year and was selected by the University Agricultural College to head their class in draft horses and for use as their model in stock judging, showing, etc.

He is a fair sample of the Clyde stock Mr. Lowrey handles and on which he has taken premiums at many shows in the Northwest. At present he has 24 head of this class of animals, and it is to such men as him that Lewis county and the Lewiston country is indebted for the reputation they are gaining in the world of higher-class live stock.—Nezperce Herald.

Mat Pederson, of Keuterville, also owns a fine Clydesdale purchased from Mr. Lowrey and which has won prizes wherever shown. It carried off grand champion honors at the local fair and stock show last October.

Idaho Leads In Beet Seed Culture In United States

Thomas R. Cutler, manager of the Utah-Idaho Sugar Company, returning from a visit to Colorado, where he went to consult with the other officials of the United States Beet Seed company, reports that as a general thing, the beet experiments in Idaho were more satisfactory than those conducted in any other section and believes that in time the United States will be an exporter instead of an importer of beet seed.

The three companies in Utah and Idaho have paid for approximately 60 per cent of their entire crop, all deliveries up to October 31st being settled for November 15 by the offices in Salt Lake, Ogden and Layton.

The Utah-Idaho will pay the beet farmers close to \$2,000,000, the Amalgamated Sugar \$1,350,000, the Layton Sugar company approximately \$200,000 a total of about \$3,500,000, which reaches the pockets of the beet farmers at the period of the year when its arrival is the most welcome.

Just to remind you that Cottonwood has a 5c and 10c store.

John Bies this week sold his farm northeast of town to Mat Duclos, of this place, for \$10,000.

Since the discovery that Pete Johnson was missing out at Buffalo Hump the efforts put forth by a searching party to find him have proved fruitless and there is little doubt that he has joined the list of those who failed to survive the dangers of the primitive mountain life. There is no probability that the body will be found before spring as day by day the snow blanket back in that country has been getting deeper and deeper and will frustrate any effort to locate the place where he is laying.—Free Press.

NEWS AROUND THE STATE

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

The cost of the recent election in Nez Perce county was \$4300.

A return of \$75 an acre from a 39-acre bean crop is reported by Burgess Ward, of the Lenore section.

Ten cars of potatoes have been shipped from the Genesee country to eastern states so far this season.

"Bread will cost 7 cents a loaf in San Francisco unless the present price of flour, \$10 a barrel, is reduced," say the bakers.

Southern Pacific lines in Oregon Monday were 3000 cars short of demands, the highest figure reached since the present car shortage began.

The Stites Enterprise changed hands last week, A. J. Stuart retiring to his farm near Kamiah and L. F. Rohrbeck, of Spokane, taking charge of the paper.

K. L. Carlson sold 220 sacks of beans this week for which he received \$11.68 a sack or a total of \$2569.60. The beans were grown on Big Bear ridge.—Kendrick Gazette.

It is planned to assemble all of the north Idaho legislators at Lewiston next week during the stock show to talk over matters of importance to the northern part of the state.

Jacob H. Mowry, formerly a resident of Nezperce, was convicted last week at Asotin of the crime of rape. The crime is said to have been committed at Clarkston last summer.

Lewiston banks claim total deposits of five million dollars at this time. One of the institutions gave a dinner to its offices and employes late last week in celebration of having reached the million and a half mark.

Peck Hutchens killed a fine young otter on the South Fork above town Tuesday morning. It is thought the animal came down the river from the mountains, probably looking for a warmer climate.—Stites Enterprise.

Twelve carloads of horses purchased in the country tributary to Caldwell have been shipped to an Atlantic port for shipment to France for the use of the French army. The shipment was one of the largest from the northwest for several months, consisting of about 250 head.

The big steam shovel at work on the new state highway up Uniontown hill from Lewiston completed its work last Friday when it reached the top of the hill, after being steadily at work since June 20th. It is expected the road will be opened to traffic in the near future.

John Kennedy, a farmer of the Tom Beall creek district east of Lapwai and Culdesac, is harvesting his corn crop of 160 acres and estimates the yield at 30 bushels per acre. The corn was nipped by the early frost and will not be the best for seed but will be fed to hogs and beef cattle for fattening purposes.

As a result of the preliminary examination of J. C. Rooney at Grangeville last Friday on a charge of child murder the defendant was discharged and his wife was later placed under arrest on the same charge. Rooney's hearing came up before Probate Judge Harris and a num-

ber of witnesses testified but no evidence was offered to fasten the crime upon him. Mrs. Rooney was brought to Grangeville the first of the week and given a preliminary hearing before Judge Harris and was bound over to the district court yesterday under \$5000 bonds.

Nellie Chase of Absahka, Clearwater county, 16 years old, not only has the distinction of winning first prize for Netted Gem potatoes at the Spokane Interstate fair this year, but was also first prize winner at the recent fair at Boise.

George H. Kester was given the contract Monday for hard surfacing the new state highway up Uniontown hill from Lewiston and is to have the work completed by April 30th. The contract price is \$26,532.57. Kester recently completed a contract on the Tammany-Waha road.

Control of the property of the Hercules Mining Co., with its untold riches, passed to the Day interests last week when a deed conveying the one-sixteenth interest formerly held by the late Damian Cardoner was placed on record conveying the interest to Eleanor Day Boyce of Portland, sister of Harry, Jerome and Eugene R. Day of Wallace. With the exception of August Paulsen of Spokane, Mrs. Boyce becomes the largest individual owner in the Hercules mine.

George Weeks, Irve Shores and Charles King were found guilty at Moscow Saturday of assaulting U. S. special officers at Lapwai on October 14th and the former was sentenced to serve twelve months in the Moscow jail and pay a fine of \$200. The other two were fined \$100 each and given a jail sentence of six months. The charge of conspiracy to incite a riot, which was filed against the above named men, Ted Wheatcroft and J. E. Whittemore, was dismissed.

Wm. Harriman and Joseph Zwisler, meat dealers at Whitebird, and Jack Cully were held to the district court Saturday at Grangeville on a charge of having stolen a cow from Verne Swartz, a farmer of the Whitebird section. The defendants offered no testimony and the case will be fought out in the district court. Swartz missed his animal in September and later found the hide at the slaughter house in Whitebird. The butchers claim to have purchased the animal from Cully.

Notice

Owing to the fact that patrons of the local post office, particularly those who patronize the general delivery, remain in and crowd the lobby of the office from the time the train arrives until the mail is distributed, to such an extent that others, especially ladies, are reluctant to enter and work through the crowd, and that the attendant noise and confusion greatly retard the distributing of the mail and the tobacco smoke becomes stifling unless the practice abates it will be necessary to close the lobby during the distribution of the evening mail, in accordance with provision of the postal laws and regulations.

Repeated complaints have been lodged because of this tendency, but action has thus far been deferred because of reluctance to inconvenience those patrons who are not responsible for the above stated conditions.

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Postmaster.

See Charlie Chaplin in The Vagabond Sunday evening at the Orpheum.