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WINTER LYCEUM ATTRACTIONS

High-class Entertainment Put on by Our Com'l Club.

The bookings for the fall and winter lyceum bureau attractions were received this week and promise some exceptional features of entertainment for the coming winter season. The Red-path bureau numbers which appeared here last winter were thoroughly enjoyed and drew full houses and it is safe to say the coming winter's program will meet with equal approval. The coming attractions are five in number and will start off with the Means-Anderson trio on October 17th, followed by the Ada Roach company of six persons on November 7th. Rollo McBride, lecturer, will appear here on Nov. 15th, the St. Clair sisters on Jan. 25th and the Rob Roy male quartette on Feb. 14th. The Means-Anderson trio includes violin, piano and character singing and is an entertaining number of particular strength. The Ada Roach company will present the musical program, The Heart of the Immigrant, which depicts life as seen from Ellis Island when the European immigrants land to take up life in this country. Songs to suit the play will be rendered and the entire program is said to be a winner.

Rollo McBride, known country-wide as the public defender of Pittsburg, will lecture on the subject of "Making Crooked Men Straight" and no man in the country is better able than he to do justice to the subject.

The St. Clair sisters are four young lady musicians of exceptional ability and will give the music loving public an evening of enjoyment seldom realized outside of the large cities.

The Rob Roys, as the name suggests, are Scotch laddies and their program will deal largely with songs, music and impersonations peculiar to the land of the heather.

The above gives a faint outline of what the different numbers will provide and it is safe to say the coming program will prove fully as attractive as the one of last winter. Season tickets will be the same as last winter, \$2.50 for adults, \$2 for high school students and \$1.50 for grade students.

There are a limited number of tickets still on sale and it will be advisable for those wishing to attend the series of entertainments to secure tickets as early as possible.

As heretofore, the lyceum course is being fostered by the commercial club and any profits accruing from the course will be spent later for matters of public benefit.

Fred Johnston and Lawrence Vetch were passengers on the northbound train today for a brief visit into Eastern Washington.

Miss Ethel E. Redfield, state superintendent of schools, has been notified that Idaho educators will be asked to compete for a prize of \$20,000. This money is given by an unknown gentleman for the best plan submitted for character education in the schools of the United States. Miss Redfield will shortly make announcement of the nine committees who will work on these plans.

The field hospital company, 80 strong, stationed at Boise barracks, received orders Monday from the war department, western division, to entrain next day for Louisville, Ky. The company will not know its destination until Louisville is reached. Major B. O. Clark is in charge of this military unit, having organized it during the summer. The men for the company were recruited from all parts of Idaho. It will precede the regiments in Idaho, Montana and Washington to France. Orders are also expected this week for the Second Idaho regiment to entrain for Charlotte, N. C.

Chases Wanted.

If any of our brother publishers have 6-col. steel chases, side and foot-sticks for sale they can find a buyer by addressing this office.

A popular young couple is to be married next week in the Westlake country. Guess who "it am."

C. R. Pidgeon brought in a nice sample of alfalfa from his farm east of town Monday that showed up some fine seed pods and proved that the plant can be grown here for seed as well as for hay and pasture.

From 85 to 90 head of cattle have died during the past month on the range in the Weiser National Forest. It is supposed they were poisoned, but whether from eating larkspur and other poisonous weeds, or from poison scattered about the range by vicious persons has not been decided. The State Veterinarian is investigating the matter and will report his conclusions before long.

The regular Saturday night street concert was rendered by the Cottonwood band, and was enjoyed by a large crowd. Following the concert the boys were treated to a watermelon feed, furnished by local admirers, to which they did ample justice. The band, which was organized last fall, is rapidly improving under the able direction of Prof. Shattuck of Ferdinand.

Felix Martzen and family and Mr. and Mrs. B. Tacke returned Sunday evening from their trip to Spokane and report having had a very pleasant time. They took in the fair for a couple of days, visited friends and enjoyed themselves generally while Felix attended to business matters. On the way home they spent several hours at the M. F. Fuchs farm near Slickpoo and found Mat and family enjoying the best of health and pretty well satisfied with life on the farm.

RED CROSS DOINGS.

Names added to membership roll: Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Blackburn and Mrs. D. M. Howell.

Mrs. Fitzgerald donated \$20 to the Red Cross last month.

There will be a home talent play given for the benefit of the Red Cross in the near future.

Beginning with October the Red Cross rooms will be open only on Thursdays and Saturdays. It is hoped that more will take an interest and on these days not only the few faithful ones be present, but the room filled with workers. Ladies, are you doing your part? Information comes from all towns that the workers are many. Let Cottonwood say as much. Our last box sent to Lewiston received many fine compliments, so the Chapter Secretary informs us. There is another box almost completed.

You, who have not been to the rooms, come in and see what is being done. Cottonwood Auxiliary's success depends on you and our help.

Financial Report for August.

Receipts	
Aug. 1, pins	.30
" 1, knitting needles	1.00
" 7, needles and pins	.50
" 7, memberships returned	5.50
" 10, membership	2.00
" 10-20, knitting needles	.75
" 20, donation, Mrs. Newman	2.00
" 29, cash and needles	2.41
" 30, donation, Mrs. Fitzgerald	20.00
" 30, knitting needles	.50
Cash on hand at beginning of month	101.95
Total	136.91
Disbursements	
August 9, Lewiston chapter	\$ 13.53
" 25, Cottonwood Mercantile Co.	11.50
" 25, Parker & Parker	70.73
" 25, Goldstone, Nash, Creelman	17.25
" 25, Randall, laundry	3.40
" 25, Lewiston chapter	2.00
Total	118.41
Cash on hand	18.50
Total	136.91

Miss Murray of Grangeville now has on display in the Creelman building on Broadway a nice line of ladies' trimmed hats.

Miss Margaret Sweet has taken up the work of county school superintendent to succeed J. J. Staley, who resigned to accept the superintendency of the Grangeville school. Miss Sweet will be assisted by Miss Bessie Coyne.

LOCAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

In and Around Cottonwood and Camas Prairie.

A. O. Martin left this morning for a business visit to Moscow.

J. W. Hockersmith was in town Tuesday from Salmon river.

Geo. F. McKinney returned today from a brief business trip to Lewiston.

Whatever else may slip your memory, don't forget the Farmers Institute at Cottonwood Oct. 2 and 3.

Martin Goss left today for North Dakota, where he will spend this fall looking after his extensive farming interests.

Dr. Shinnick reports Mrs. Ben Robinson of Greencreek as making a nice recovery from her recent severe sickness.

During their closing-out sale Goldstone, Nash & Creelman will keep their store open every evening until 9 o'clock. See their page ad.

John Hoene, who returned with his family from Spokane Tuesday, reports the largest attendance in ten years at the Inter-State Fair.

Dr. Turner reports the young son of Frank Rad, 3 miles west of town, on the road to recovery from his attack of typhoid fever.

E. J. Bennett, the Denver miller, was transacting business in town Wednesday. So were Hans Pederson and John Martin of Keuterville.

Dr. J. E. Smith is moving his dental office today from over the Turner drugstore to his elegant new office next door to J. V. Baker's store.

J. E. Heritage, who owns a good farm six miles east of here, was in town Saturday. He has just completed a large new barn on his ranch.

Another reason that our people have abundant reason to feel thankful for is that the price of firstclass flour here is considerably less than at any other place in the entire country.

Jim Croa, one of the successful farmers from the Fenn country, had a yield of 45 bushels of fall-sown wheat to the acre. This is fully as good as the yield in most irrigated districts.

Mrs. E. E. Hale underwent a serious operation at her home here Wednesday by Dr. Orr, assisted by Dr. Stockton of Grangeville. The patient is getting along nicely.

Mrs. N. Adams and daughter returned to their home at Clarkston today. Mr. Adams will remain here for several weeks, until threshing is finished on his Greencreek farm.

Alois Wagner has returned home from Spokane, where he had been attending the Expert business college. His sister Anna, who went up there to attend the fair, returned with him.

Mrs. Reynolds and daughter, who have been visiting the Julian family at Cottonwood and other friends at Ferdinand for several weeks, left this morning for their home at Pomeroy.

Both Cottonwood schools—public and Parochial—opened Monday with splendid attendance and interest. Parents should see that the children attend school regularly and not miss a day if possible.

Henry Schaeffer, who recently purchased the Henry Walter farm of 180 acres, a few miles north of here, was a business visitor in town Wednesday evening. He came down with Banker Bieker in the latter's car from Ferdinand.

John C. Popp, arrested two weeks ago on the charge of shooting at his brother, Andrew Popp, after the latter had served papers to eject him from the farm upon which he resides, near Cottonwood, was Saturday held to the district court under \$500 bonds.

The commercial club circulated a subscription paper Tuesday and within a few hours collected from our business men all the money necessary to defray the expenses of the Farmers Institute to be held here Oct. 2 and 3. Every farmer in the county is expected to be present and take part in the doings. See program later.

Frank M. Bieker, the popular and energetic banker of Ferdinand, was in town Wednesday evening attending a meeting of the K. of C. lodge.

The Cottonwood Milling Co. last week shipped to Spokane 3 cars of extra good hogs. They were pronounced the best ever shipped from this portion of the country. This company shipped one car of cattle this week.

Jack Wills, the Kooskia hardware dealer, accompanied by his wife and son, motored to Grangeville Wednesday. They stopped several hours in Cottonwood while Mr. Wills was having his car doctored.

State Labor Commissioner W. J. A. McVetty of Boise, is in Lewiston investigating complaints arising relative to arrests made by the federal troops on the charge of disloyalty. Mr. McVetty was sent there as a special representative of the governor.

Felix Martzen, manager for the water company, takes this means of warning water-users to not waste any more water than possible just now, as the long dry spell has caused the supply to be a little shorter than usual. This trouble will soon be remedied when the new well is completed.

Even if crops were a partial failure on Camas Prairie this season, it is some consolation to know that they were several hundred percent better than in any other portion of the country. Which is going some. This country has most of the muchly-boomed irrigated districts skinned to a frazzle.

The Farmers Union Warehouse Co. Tuesday shipped to Spokane a car of extra good hogs, for which they paid 17c per pound—the top-notch price paid here this season. To give the outside public some idea of the importance of Cottonwood as a shipping point, the two railroads operating this line—the O. W. R. & N. and Northern Pacific—say that more hog stock, especially hogs, is shipped each year from Cottonwood than from any other producing point west of the Mississippi river. This is also one of the greatest grain shipping points in America.

A lively wrestling match was pulled off in Firemen's hall Saturday night, for the gate receipts and a side bet of \$25, between Charley Wilson of this place and Grover Meyers of Lewiston. Wilson bet Meyers \$25 he could throw him twice in one hour, and succeeded in doing so, but with only about five minutes to spare. Wilson had the advantage over Meyers of about 30 pounds in weight, and both exhibited considerable science for amateurs. Jack Warren, our passenger railway brakeman, acted as referee. Tony Nau, our furniture man, staged the bout, which was witnessed by a large crowd. A boxing contest is soon to be arranged here between Wilson and a Spokane pugilist.

Commercial Club Honors Ex-Editor Wimer.

The Commercial Club held the regular meeting and banquet at the Phoenix hotel Monday noon. After the usual business was disposed of, President of the Club Geo. M. Robertson of the First National Bank, in a neatly-worded speech, presented to Ex-Editor Wimer a beautiful gold watch—a gift from the Commercial Club. This was done as a token of esteem and appreciation for Mr. Wimer's long and faithful service as a member of the club and for the untiring energy he has always exerted in behalf of the town and community.

In the most beautiful and eloquent language Mr. Robertson compared the steady growth and influence of the Chronicle, under Mr. Wimer's guidance for the past 17 years, to a river with its source in the snow-capped mountains. The stream begins in a small quiet way, but gradually enlarges and broadens out into a great and mighty river.

So it was with the Chronicle. It was obliged to start in a small quiet way and perhaps had a struggling existence until the town and community developed to a point making it possible for the paper to enlarge and broaden out in its power and usefulness until it became a most important factor in the development of the town and surrounding country.

Of course this unexpected honor came as a complete surprise to Mr. Wimer, who was too much overcome with emotion to lengthen out much in his words of thanks—but it is a safe bet that nobody ever received a present that was more thoroughly appreciated.

NEWS AROUND THE STATE

Local, County and State News Briefly Told.

Jim Chamberlain of Boles was in town on business this week.

M. M. Belknap of the German State bank has treated himself to a new Paige car, bought last week from the Cottonwood Hardware company.

Dr. Blake of Keuterville has joined the ranks of automobilists by purchasing a Buick roadster from the Hoene Hardware company last week.

Miss Merle Barrett of Joseph went to Lewiston Monday to take a course in the state normal school, after which she will teach the Reed school in the Joseph district.

Miss Thelma Hubbard of Pullman arrived here Saturday to begin her duties as superintendent of the Pine View school, which began Monday with a favorable enrollment.

Mrs. Turner, wife of Dr. J. W. Turner, returned Friday from an extended visit at her old home in Indiana. She came back by way of California, where she made several visits at different places.

Mrs. J. C. Shaw, sister of W. T. Simon of the Cottonwood Hardware Co., after a pleasant visit here with her relatives, left Monday for a visit with her sister in Los Angeles before returning to her home in Ohio.

Ole Johnson and Walter Lemons were in Cottonwood the first of the week from Spring Camp. The latter has sold his stock and leased his ranch to Mr. Johnson and expects to serve in Uncle Sam's new army when he is called to the colors.

L. E. Hyde, local manager of the electric company departed Monday in company with his wife for a visit with relatives in Portland and San Francisco. While they are absent Miss Mamie Burgund is in charge of the office, which is open from 6:30 to 8 p. m.

S. B. Riggins, owner of the Riggins Hot Springs summer resort 40 miles south of Cottonwood on the Salmon river, was at Reubens last week on cattle business. Mr. Riggins believes the springs will develop into one of the most popular summer resorts in the Northwest before many years.

Smut explosions last Saturday caused a fire which burned the inner workings of the Henry Uhlenkott thresher while operating on his farm seven miles east of town. The machine is seriously damaged and will not be used again this season. Three years ago Mr. Uhlenkott had a separator destroyed by fire from the same cause.

The most welcome visitor to this section for many a day was the heavy rain Monday night—nearly an inch—the first that fell here since June 11th—exactly 90 days. It will do an immense amount of good in reviving the parched grass—to say nothing of settling the terrible dust and clearing the atmosphere from forest fires everywhere. Heavy rains also fell Wednesday night and all day Thursday, soaking the ground almost enough for fall plowing.

Mr. and Mrs. James Barrett were in the city the first of the week from across the river and were fitting out with a complete outfit of household goods for the new home they recently purchased. Jim sold his place on the Joseph recently for \$4200 and was figuring on moving to the coast but later found a nice 240-acre farm on the Doumeq that appealed to him and bought it. As he had sold the home place with all stock and household effects it necessitated a trip out here to secure a new outfit in order to start housekeeping again. The new farm contains a hundred acres of plow ground and Jim says he intends making his fortune raising hogs.

A. F. Bicknell of Boise has been appointed by the food administration federal food administrator for Idaho.

While at work on the new bank at Ferdinand one of the workmen was severely injured one day last week by a scaffold giving way, precipitating him to the ground, about twenty feet below.

In spite of undreamed of conditions the railroads of the nation are moving thousands of troops and unheard of quantities of supplies without interruption or serious inconvenience to general traffic.

R. P. Nash returned the first of the week to his ranch on the Salmon river, after laying in a line of supplies for the winter from our local stores. His family will spend several months visiting at Lewiston.

Cottonwood Public Schools

(By Prof. Skinner)
Cottonwood Public Schools opened Monday, Sept. 10th, with a total enrollment of 108 pupils.

The faculty is the same as last year with the exception of the superintendent and third and fourth grade teacher. Supt. C. J. Skinner succeeds Supt. J. P. Barackman, and Miss Jessie Wardrobe from Genesee, has charge of the third and fourth grade room. Principal W. A. Lustie has charge of the high school again, while Miss Bertha Sloneker from Payette is the instructor in domestic science.

The other teachers are Mrs. E. M. de Courcy, seventh and eighth grades; Miss Fannie McGrew, fifth and sixth grades; and Miss Delma Wilder, first and second grades.

Forty-three students have responded for instruction in the high school department, the largest number yet to enter here at the beginning of a school year, and the high school promises this year to be the largest in its history. The time has come when the young people realize that a high school education is as essential to a man or woman in the world of tomorrow as an eighth grade education was to their fathers and mothers of yesterday. The high this year promises to be one of the best in its history and we hope in the future it will be a mecca for those seeking the upper grades of instruction in the surrounding country.

Supt. Skinner is giving a course of penmanship to all high school students, making it a required study. Principal Lustie is offering an elective course in elementary Spanish.

Clarke Bassett, Lewiston mail carrier, was drowned Sunday in Snake river when a canoe carrying four people capsized. The body was recovered and the funeral was held Tuesday. Bassett was 32 years of age and leaves his widow and two children.

Join Our Big Excursion to Montana on Tuesday, Sept. 18.

Some of the people of the Camas Prairie district have formed the idea that it is necessary to pay high prices for land in Montana. The reason for this is that several men from different districts have been into this country trying to sell Montana land and take in trade a piece of land on the prairie; at the same time trying to make the land taken in stand as a clear profit to them. This kind of a man has no reputation to protect, and if he "puts the deal over" he is just that far ahead. Obviously, a good deal for him is a poor deal for you.

If you are going to buy land anywhere you cannot afford to buy without seeing Montana. Montana prices are still low, if you get the RIGHT price. You get the right price if you go with the right people. Our company is one of the pioneers of the Northwest and will stand investigation. We will be glad to furnish you references of people you know, and who we have done business with. By permission we refer you to Fred Simon or J. V. Baker in Cottonwood.

We will sell you highly improved land in the best wheat districts of the state for from \$20 to \$40 per acre, on easy terms. Unimproved land for from \$12.50 to \$20 per acre. We have land in any part of the state you wish to settle in.

CENTRAL MONTANA RANCH-ES COMPANY.

Helena, Hingham, Havre, Cut Bank, Billings, Phillipsburg.

A. W. Hover, General Western Agent, will be in Cottonwood until date of excursion—next Tuesday, 18.

Miss Anna Wagner will have a fine stock of millinery on display in the Nuxoll block on Friday and Saturday of next week.