

CALDWELL BOYS ARE THANKFUL FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER

Boys Overseas Write Back to Entertainment Committee That They Enjoyed Hospitality.

Caldwell was able to furnish nearly every man in the service with a splendid Christmas dinner. This was accomplished through the entertainment committee of the Commercial Club.

Mr. J. S. Harrington, chairman, and Mr. Ed Hendon, secretary, are in receipt of a number of letters from Caldwell men in the service both in this country and overseas, expressing their thanks for the Christmas dinner money.

The following letter signed by 28 Caldwell men are typical of the letters received by the committee:

Sincere Appreciation.
Angers, France, Jan. 18, 1918.—Mr. J. S. Harrington, Chairman; Mr. E. M. Hendon, Secretary and Treasurer; and citizens of Caldwell and surrounding territory, who have contributed so generously to Company "D" and to "Winning the War."

The undersigned members of Company "D" desire to express their sincere appreciation for the generous contribution received by them during the time they have been serving the colors, and expressly for the contribution received Christmas 1918.

It has also been a great source of pride and inspiration to us to read of the magnificent results achieved by the people of our home county in the different Liberty Bond, Red Cross, War Saving Stamps and National War Work Council drives, and of their success in other activities which have contributed so largely to the successful conclusion of the war.

It has been the privilege of several of us to talk with men who have passed through Caldwell on their way to France, and all who spoke in the highest terms of the reception given them, and the interest manifested in their welfare by the people of Caldwell. All were impressed and mentioned that all soldiers passing through were made to feel that they were "Caldwell Boys" regardless of where they were from.

Again thanking you for your thoughtfulness, and hoping that we may soon express our thanks personally, we are,
Your friends,
Lt. Henry M. Howard, Harold F. Foot, Frank Hartkopf, Max H. Gibbons, Orrie E. Guerin, George L. Judd, Edmund E. Palmatrix, Jack M. Allison, Jarrett Burris, Elwyn F. Shioley, Roy J. Smith, Mort L. Sturgeon, Clarence L. Braskamp, Glenn C. Wright, Scott N. Vinson, Ernest P. Pennington, Ray Siebenberg, Herbert W. Clark, Frank Madden, Charles Harding, Clifford Baker, Lee R. Clemons, Bruce L. Fleetwood, Dallas M. Mark, Marion L. Kurtz, Allen C. Lyon, Frank A. Shaffer, Ray Lonkey.

Letter From The Trenches.
Private Bryan Harding of Caldwell has probably seen as much, or more real service, as any man from Idaho. He has been in the trenches and during the hardest fighting participated in by the American troops. Private Harding writes as follows:
Mr. J. S. Harrington, Dear Sir—
On the 10th of January I received from the citizens of Caldwell, Idaho, their draft for \$3.00 and take the first opportunity in thanking them, through you, for the interest and remembrance of the boys over here, for it is the people behind the fighters that makes a victorious army.

There is only one other Caldwell man I am in touch with, Mc Judd, who is in the salvage squad of this division (the Rainbow), and I very seldom see him, only four times in the last year, but expect to look him up again soon.

Our division is doing occupation duty in Germany, after a 500 kilometer hike into Germany, from close to Sedan through Belgium, Luxembourg, and finally into Germany. The 150th F. A. of which I am a member is located at a big summer resort, mineral springs, natural hot water and a large bath house, which we sure enjoy, as personally I never had a bath for over 10 months, except in a bucket and cold water at that or else a creek if any was handy and you had the time.

And Kooties, Lord I am not rid of them yet.

PVT. BRYAN HARDING.

LECTURE ON SUCCESSFUL RETAIL MERCHANDISING
Illustrated Lecture on Mistakes of Business and How to Avoid Them.

Extreme interest is being manifested in the retail merchandising lecture which is being brought to this city by the Commercial Club and which will be shown free of charge to all merchants and clerks on Monday night, March 10, at 8 o'clock. The lecture, which has been prepared by the National Cash Register Company, contains the result of thirty-three years spent in collecting retail merchandising ideas from merchants in all parts of the world, and is by far the best lecture of its character on the road today.

Mr. G. W. Sulley will be the lecturer, and by means of stereopticon slides and motion pictures he will tell the

causes of failure, and explain some of the latest methods of storekeeping. An interesting feature of the lecture will be the part devoted to newspaper advertising. Writing of newspaper advertisements, selection of mediums, and the necessity for a policy of continuous advertising by the retailer will be taken up in detail. By the same method the question of proper window display, delivery problems, perfection of a store organization, and other interesting matters will be discussed.

In addition, the three reel Essanay feature film, "Troubles of a Merchant, and How to Stop Them," will be shown for the first time in this city. This film, prepared at a cost of \$30,000 has been exhibited before commercial bodies, conventions, and other organizations from coast to coast, and has everywhere been declared to be the best exposition of the troubles of the retail merchant ever given.

The film tells in an interesting manner the story of Mr. White, a grocer, who through lax business methods and poor system had been brought to the verge of bankruptcy. As the film progresses, the causes for his failure are vividly portrayed. His clerks were indifferent, his goods, badly arranged, his system thoroughly disorganized. When his hopes were at the lowest ebb, a change came in his career, and by the installation of modern business methods, and a rearrangement of his store, he rose to prosperity.

Because of the enthusiasm created in other cities where the film has been shown, it is expected that a capacity audience will greet the lecture in this city. Every scene is said to contain a lesson. All merchants and salespeople in the city are invited to attend.

SEND NAMES BLACK CANYON DIRECTORS

Opportunity to Interest Reclamation Service Should Not Be Overlooked by Local People.

Once more we urge our readers to hand or mail the names of any persons they know who are landowners in the Black Canyon Irrigation District and who are now or have been in the military or naval service of the country to some officer of the district. Give the names to President Newport, Secretary Marple, Attorney Thompson or Directors Cox or Andrews.

The government is vitally interested in providing homes for the men in the service of the country. Judge Will R. King, chief counsel of the Reclamation Service, has stated that it will assist the Black Canyon materially, if it can be shown that a number of district landowners are in the service or have been in the service.

Extension Wanted.
The first unit of the Black Canyon will be provided for with proper irrigation works at once. Additional units should be provided for as soon as possible. Extension of the irrigation works to include more land is the end the officers of the district have in view. Secretary Lane of the Department of the Interior is the man who is at the head of all proposed internal development work. Secretary Lane has outlined a plan for the reclamation of great tracts of arid and swamp lands throughout the country.

Soldiers and Sailors First.
The primary object of the great development plans of Secretary Lane is to provide employment for the men who are being discharged from the service. He also wants to provide homes for these men. The immense waste lands of the country naturally and inevitably attracted his attention. The reclamation of these lands will accomplish all that Secretary Lane has in view.

It will be a question of priority one of these days. Which shall be first? The Black Canyon is entitled to be first of all the reclamation projects in the country. Now is the time to do everything, and take every step that tends to making the project first.

GIPSON IS EXPECTED HOME FROM FRANCE TODAY

Caldwell Red Cross Worker Landed at Philadelphia Several Days Ago.

J. H. Gipson, who has been in the Red Cross service in France since last fall, is expected to arrive home today. Mr. Gipson landed at Philadelphia several days ago.

Mr. Gipson was engaged in Red Cross field work in France.

Bruce Leiser Married.

Lieut. Bruce Leiser has notified his father, Mr. Wilson Lieser, that he has taken to himself a wife. Lieut. Leiser recently married a charming French girl and will be home with her soon. Lieut. Leiser is well known in Caldwell and his many friends extend congratulations. So far as we know Lieut. Leiser is the first Caldwell man to succumb to the charms of the girls of France.

Presbyterian Church.
Prof. Hayman will preach next Sunday morning and evening. After the morning service a congregational meeting will be held to consider the matter of calling a pastor. All who count this their church home are invited and urged to be present.

ZEH ELECTED PRESIDENT NEW BUILDING COMPANY

Association Duly Organized and is Now Ready to Transact Business—Leading Men Interested.

The Caldwell Home Building Association is the name of the new \$25,000.00 corporation organized in Caldwell for the purpose of building houses in this city. The organization was perfected at a meeting held last week. The association is now ready to do business.

Directors elected for the following year are among the leading business men of the city. They are H. J. Zeh, J. W. Smeed, J. W. Gue, E. H. Plowhead, Jay Gulligan, W. H. Redway, A. L. Murphy, C. S. Doan, F. R. Miller and W. P. Lyon.

Zeh Elected President.
The board of directors organized by electing Mr. H. J. Zeh, president; Dr. J. W. Gue, vice president; Mr. J. Lester, Jr., secretary; Mr. F. R. Miller, treasurer.

Committees were appointed as follows: Organization, E. H. Plowhead, chairman, and C. S. Doan and A. L. Murphy; Building Plan, J. W. Smeed, chairman, W. H. Redway and Jay Gulligan; Mr. Walter Griffiths was appointed attorney for the association.

Getting Ready for Business.
The officers of the association have practically cleaned up, all the preliminaries and are now ready for business. They are now advertising for residence lots which they will buy. This association is different from the ordinary building and loan association in that it will go ahead on its own hook and build houses to sell. It will work with and supplement the activities of the Caldwell Building & Loan association.

The standing and high character of the men who will administer the affairs of the association are sufficient guarantee of the success of the new organization.

NON-PARTISAN LEAGUE WILL BE REORGANIZED

Scholtz, McKaig and Other Townley Satellites Will Be Kicked Out Unceremoniously.

Boise, Feb. 26.—A reorganization of the Nonpartisan League in Idaho is imminent. It is expected it will be staged with a flourish of propaganda and promises before the legislature adjourns in order to properly impress those members who are affiliated with the league or with the Democratic party as well as any Republicans who may have indicated the virus of Bolshevism in their veins.

This is not a voluntary realignment, as understood, so far as the present leaders of the Nonpartisan League are concerned, for under the plans as agreed on at a recent meeting of prominent league leaders of the more conservative stamp and of active Democratic politicians those leaders are to be kicked out, notably Messrs. McKaig and Scholtz.

No More Townlevism.
The prime factors in this movement have concluded that Townlevism and its association of Socialism and I. W. Wism will not go in Idaho. It is planned, therefore, to remove the new organization from all Townley and other North Dakota influence and stigma.

The newspaper at Nampa is to be taken over if the new order shall be put into effect, together with all the machinery of the Nonpartisan League that may be considered usable.

In this new movement certain Democrats are taking a leading part. Some of them were notoriously active in their attacks on the Nonpartisan League in the last campaign, which imparts added significance to the situation.

Brisk Fight Promised.

The Townley leaders of the league in Idaho, such as McKaig and Scholtz, are understood to be advised and to be laying plans for a brisk resistance.

In this they will be joined by others who have been passing the hat among the farmers and by the Socialists and other radical elements in the league.

As the Nonpartisan League leaders in Idaho stole the Democratic party, so far as nominees were concerned, in the 1918 primary, it is whispered that the Democrats in the new movement have their appetite whetted to a keen edge by the prospect of turning the tables and appropriating the league.

Opposed to Vicious Ones.
The promoters of the reorganization including a number of substantial farmers are understood to be specially determined in view of the continued evidence of anarchistic-like vituperation and viciousness on the part of those at present in charge of the league as reflected in the league newspaper at Nampa.

Such tactics, they aver, are injuring the league, causing an unmistakable revulsion among the sober-thinking membership.

For Monday, March 3rd—Traders Day—we will have one more shipment of fine pattern hats; also pine apple straw sailors. M. E. Gilgan-Sarchet, Main street, below Saratoga Hotel.

CONSIDERING AIRCRAFT FOR BUSINESS

Holt Seed Company May Purchase Two Commercial Aeroplanes for Use in Their Affairs.

One man in Caldwell is convinced that the aeroplane is practical in ordinary business. That man is Mr. B. M. Holt. Mr. Holt, head of the Holt Seed company, recently returned from France where he naturally had an opportunity to see the various aircraft in daily work. He became convinced that aircraft is practical in commerce where the business is extensive and transacted at many points.

The Holt Seed company has taken up commercial aeroplanes with a number of the big companies especially the de Havilland people. The company plans to buy two aeroplane and use them in their every day business.

Extensive Business.
The Holt Seed Co. buys seeds all over Idaho and eastern Oregon and Washington and in Utah. It sells in all the seed markets of the country. During the buying season the company has a large force of men in the field traveling from point to point. A business of this kind can profitably employ airplanes.

Mr. F. L. Lilly informed the Tribune Monday that the company was making a serious investigation of aircraft from a commercial standpoint.

SECOND HIGHWAY BOND MEASURE FEATURE

Changes in Irrigation and Water Control—Number of Bills Put to Sleep Forever.

Boise, Feb. 26.—A second highway bond measure, which will net the state highway funds about \$1,500,000 on the present basis of valuation is the feature of road legislation of the past ten days. The bill making the levy possible was introduced into the house during the past week and has already become almost assured of passage by the favorable recommendation of the committee.

Another road bill went to the governor when the Morgan measure making it optional with county commissioners to levy twenty-five cents for every \$100 of valuation for highway purposes passed the senate. There are two companion road bills still left to be acted on. Both of these provide for optional levies of fifty cents each on every \$100 of property.

Irrigation Bills.
Three measures into which the big irrigation bill, changing the entire system of water allowance and government in the state was merged, have now been introduced. The two most important of the number provide for three engineers to be known as directors in the department of reclamation and for giving of sovereign right in water matters to these directors. According to members of the irrigation committees in the two houses the bills will not get out of committee.

A number house bills have met death in the past few days when they got to the upper body while the same practice has applied in the house with senate measures. One of the most important house bills to feel the senate axe was the one providing an eight hour day for women. Several members declared amendments had taken away its effectiveness. A claim that the law would take away positions from a large number of women working in seed houses and the seed be sent east in bulk was sufficient to line up a unanimous vote in the senate against the bill.

No Raise in Pay.
Legislators did not look favorably on the effort to raise their pay and give them four instead of two years term. Both joint resolutions were killed. The resolutions which had for their purpose lengthening the terms of county commissioners were also defeated.

One of the most lengthy measures of the session is the new educational bill in the senate. It is said to present far-reaching changes in the classification of teachers and to conform to the laws of a number of eastern states where the rank of schools is higher than in Idaho. The bill was prepared by Dr. E. A. Bryan, commissioner of education. According to statements made on the floor of the house Idaho ranks thirty-seven in the standing of its schools, while its sister state, Utah, ranks sixth.

Charging that the wheat price fixed by the law of supply and demand would be higher this year than the government guarantee and that this condition would have been true a year ago and would be for the next two years Representative Hall on Saturday claimed the federal administration was making political capital out of its efforts to establish a fund of \$1,000,000 to protect the wheat price. Hall is a grain man and farmer and said he would take his chance on a big price for the commodity without the assistance of the government. He claimed the type of publicity being given placed the administration on the role a protector of the farmer was a bid for votes.

Special sale on soaps, Traders Day, March 3rd. See windows, Botkin-Joy Drug Company.—Adv.

Wrist Watches at Laughlin's Jewelry Store.—Adv.

BASKETBALL GAME SATURDAY NIGHT AT GYM

Boise Will Come Down—Fast and Furious Game Promised—Both Teams in Good Condition.

There will be a basketball game at the high school gym Saturday evening at 8 o'clock sharp. The game will be between the Boise and Caldwell high school teams.

Both teams are in fine fettle and a splendid game is guaranteed—in fact the fastest game seen in Caldwell this year. The public is invited.

COMMERCIAL CLUB HELPS METHODISTS

Will Attempt to Clean Up Church Indebtedness—Issues General Appeal to the Public.

In view of the fact that the Methodist church is used for all public meetings the Commercial Club has decided that it is no more than right that the general public should assist the members of the church in lifting the indebtedness against the building. With the object of raising some \$8000.00 the amount of the indebtedness the club has addressed a letter to the general public asking the donation of Liberty Bonds for the purpose stated.

The letter, dated February 23, explains the situation clearly and is as follows:

Liberty Bonds at Par.
In this city we have no auditorium sufficiently large for all public meetings the Methodist church, which is used by the citizens of Caldwell and vicinity for chautauquas, lecture courses, conventions, banquets and other public meetings.

This building was constructed at a cost of approximately \$33,000, \$25,000 of which has been paid by a small number of our citizens who are now endeavoring to raise \$8,000, and, believing the public should bear its share of this expense the Caldwell Commercial Club of this city has endorsed a Liberty Bond campaign for the purpose of raising said amount and making alterations and improvements which will make the building more convenient for the purposes for which it is used.

We are, therefore, requesting patriotic and enterprising citizens who have Liberty Bonds to contribute at least one to any member of our committee for the purpose above mentioned and hope you may do so at this time.

John Smeed, W. T. Kimbrough, C. G. Baker, H. E. Wallace, W. H. Blunt, R. W. Oakes, J. H. Lowell, R. S. Madden.

Lieut. Jaret Burris in New York

Mr. and Mrs. Burris are in receipt of word from their son, Lieut. Jaret Burris, stating that he had arrived safely in New York with the 116th Engineers and will be home soon.

Lieut. Burris took a course in an officers' training camp in France and was entitled to a commission as lieutenant just before the time the war closed.

Notice to Contractors.
Sealed bids will be received by the school board of the Independent School District No. 28, Caldwell, Idaho, up to and until 6:00 o'clock p. m., March 24, 1919, for the remodeling of the present high school building addition to same, according to plans and specifications furnished. Separate figures will be received for heating and plumbing.

Contractors submitting figures shall properly seal their bids and mark them clearly on the outside, designating the work figured, and addressing all bids to W. S. Maxey, Clerk. All general contractors bids shall be accompanied by certified check in the sum of \$1,000.00. All bids for heating shall be accompanied by certified check for \$500.00 and all bids on plumbing shall be accompanied by certified check for \$300.00. All checks to be made payable to W. S. Maxey, Clerk. The school board reserves the right to accept any or reject all bids submitted.

The plans may be secured from the clerk of the board at Caldwell, Idaho, or from Wayland & Fennell, Architects, Boise, Idaho. The contractor securing same shall deposit \$10.00 for said plans and specifications, which sum will be refunded when the plans and specifications are returned.

Notice.
Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Glen L. Evans and Herman Witteborg under the firm name of THE SERVICE TIRE COMPANY, was on February 19, 1919, dissolved by mutual agreement, Mr. Fred L. Evans having purchased the interest of Mr. Witteborg in the business. The business will be continued under the old name at the same stand, 614 Main street, and all obligations of the old firm will be paid by the new, and all accounts due the old firm are payable to the new partnership.

GLEN L. EVANS, HERMAN WITTEBORG.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for the kindness shown us during our bereavement; and we also wish to thank them for the beautiful flowers.

MR. and MRS. R. C. STRATTON.

116TH ENGINEERS LAND AT NEW YORK LAST MONDAY

Thought to Be Between 36 and 50 Caldwell Boys on Transport—Word Received From Many.

The 116th Engineers of the U. S. army has landed in New York. It is thought that there are between 35 and 50 Caldwell men who were returned from France at this time.

Word has been received by Caldwell parents and friends that their sons are safely home. Among those who have wired that they are at New York are Gibbons, Lyon, Burris, Foote and others.

Caldwell Will Celebrate.

J. S. Harrington, chairman of the entertainment committee of the Commercial Club is making arrangements to give the Caldwell boys a proper reception upon their return home. He has been soliciting funds this week and at noon yesterday had raised \$700.00.

The community intends giving the returning soldiers a royal welcome home. The program of the reception and welcome will be announced in these columns at a later date.

Just when the men will be discharged is, of course, unknown but it is generally believed that they will be home within three weeks.

ARENA VALLEY ITEMS

Ed Blucher and family have moved into their new home at the south side of the valley.

Ben Sunblad of Melba, visited friends in the valley last week.

The farmers of the valley met at the school house last Friday night and heard the report of the committee that went to Boise last week to confer with the project manager about the excessive water rental charges in the sandy land. The general opinion of the water users is that now is the time to work for a classification of the lands as to amount of water required for the season's irrigation.

Mr. Sliger and family left Saturday for their home in Twin Falls after an extended visit with Mrs. Sliger's sister Mrs. S. B. Peterman.

George Swigert is painting his house.

Al Moore traded his forty acre ranch to Piercy Trunell for a five room modern house and four lots in Wilder. Mr. Moore will ride ditch this summer on Will Asst former ride.

Mrs. Mesdames, Frank Trout, Frank Jones and Al Moore motored to Wilder last Thursday to the meeting of the Methodist Ladies' Aid which met with Mrs. Kelm.

Homer Helfer is home from Camp Lewis, having received his discharge.

Albert Trent is on the sick list.

Those attending church in Roswell Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. At-n. Mrs. Frank Trout and Mr. and Mrs. Z. B. Barker.

Oscar Mendenhall has his hay baled and hauled to the car.

Mrs. A. J. Steensland of Gooding has leased the building formerly used as a hospital, has furnished same and expects to run a first class hospital. Mrs. Steensland is a trained nurse, has had special training in some branches of the work, and 20 years experience. Visitors will be received every afternoon from 2:30 till 4:30 o'clock, and every evening from 7 till 8 o'clock, beginning Monday, March 3rd.

Oregon Couple Married.

John Timmerman of Ontario and Miss Sytie Stam of Nyssa were married in Caldwell Wednesday, Judge Dunlap officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Doan were Boise visitors Monday.

Attorney Cleve Groome attended to business at Boise Monday.

A suit for divorce was filed in the district court Monday by Mariet W. Humphries against Phillip Humphries. The plaintiff alleges non-support.

Harry N. Jones returned Saturday from Camp Gordon, Ga., where he has been for some time in the service.

E. M. Hendon, assistant cashier of the First National Bank, returned Tuesday evening from Birmingham, Alabama, where he was called by the death of his brother who was a victim of influenza. Mr. Hendon states he found the south flourishing. It is enjoying a wonderful degree of prosperity.

Cafeteria dinner at the Tabernacle of the Christian church, Friday evening at 5:30 o'clock, Feb. 28, given by the Ladies' Aid.

The wood stern of Wednesday destroyed the large hay and cattle barn on the Faris ranch one-half mile southwest of Huston.

The Forward Club is going to entertain the Canyon County Burbank Federation at the Forward Club rooms on Saturday, March 8th, at 11 a. m.

Every woman in the county is invited and those attending are asked to bring sandwiches and cake for every half dozen.

The Caldwell Home-Building Association will pay cash for residence lots in desirable localities in Caldwell. Write us at Box 393, giving legal description and best cash price. 2-28

Take your sick watches and clocks to Laughlin, the jeweler. Adv.