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NEELEY PEOPLE WILL PROTECT WARM CREEK IRRIGATION SYSTEM

RESERVOIR SITE PARTIALLY OWNED BY NATATORIUM COMPANY MAY BE SUBJECTED TO FIGHT IN COURT.

MRS. THORNTON ON WARPATH

Warm Creek Waterusers Elect Directors at Meeting in L. D. S. Church Saturday Afternoon—No Trouble Anticipated in Their Camp.

Water rights that are alleged to be endangered by the work of the Warm Springs Natatorium company may be settled in court as a result of opposition expressed during the last few days by Mrs. Mary A. Thornton and protective measures taken by the Warm Creek Irrigation company.

Mrs. Thornton alleges that the water rights of Warm creek belong to her and her family and that she has prior rights and claims that directly conflict with the building of the American Falls Natatorium. Her plan is to dam Warm creek where it crosses the main Rockland road, impound the water and use it for irrigation purposes. The recent purchase of much of the land involved by the American Falls Natatorium company complicates the matter in a way that it may require the court to settle.

The water users of the Warm creek irrigation company met Saturday afternoon at the L. D. S. church at Neeley to consider the matter and elect a board of directors. Those chosen were Heber Dille, Roy Zaring, Lot Payne, Crandall Thornton and Frank Parr.

Rights to Protect.

The Warm Creek Irrigation company plans to protect its rights but does not anticipate the necessity of going to court in the matter, according to Frank Parr, one of the newly elected directors. "We have certain water rights for irrigation and culinary purposes that we want protected," said Mr. Parr, "but we do not expect any serious difficulty in reaching an agreement with the natatorium people. Our ditches will not carry flood waters and they must therefore be protected. In order to use the Warm creek water in our homes it would have to be protected from contamination such as would be caused by the natatorium. This could be done easily by piping the water from Cold Creek around the reservoir."

ALBERT HOLCOMB ESCAPES FROM ST. ANTHONY, RETURNED

Rockland Youth Evades Officers for Several Days But Finally Reports and Taken to Industrial School

Albert Holcomb effected his escape from the industrial training school last week and succeeded in returning to his home in Rockland before he was discovered. He was sent there following conviction on a larceny charge filed by his uncle, Ben Cotant.

Young Holcomb hid in the office of the superintendent of the institution until a search was instituted for his capture. When all guards had left the building for the search, he slipped out a window and escaped. He was located in Rockland Sunday and an effort made to get him. He evaded the officers but was returned to American Falls Tuesday by his parents. A guard came for him from St. Anthony Wednesday.

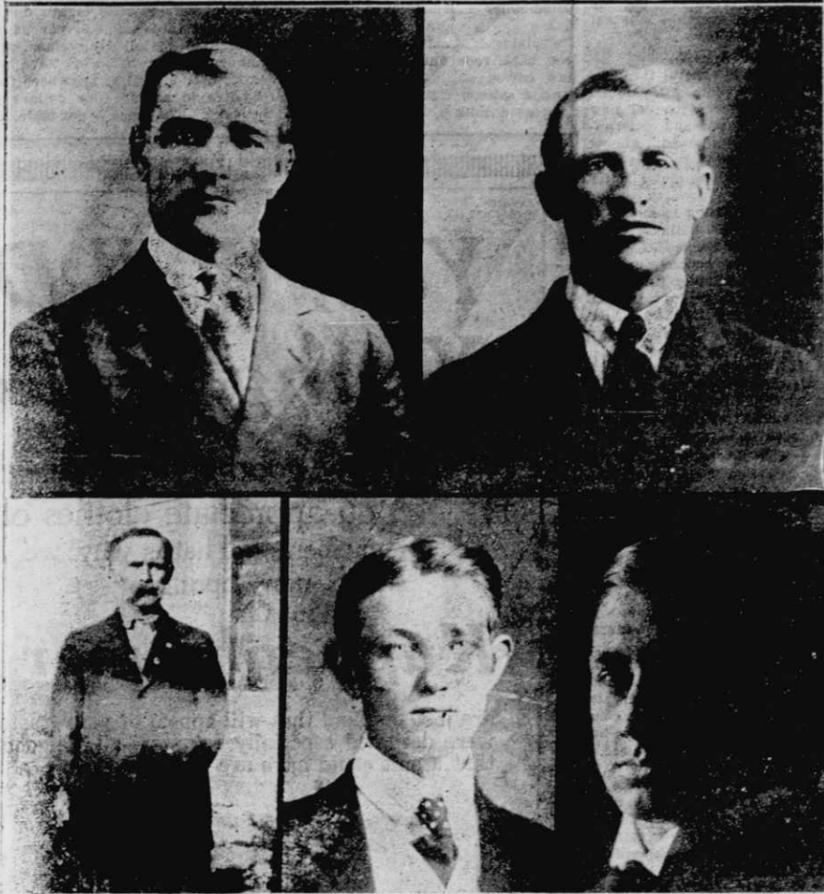
CO. "A" RECEIVES COMPLETE ORDNANCE AND CLOTHING

Company "A" 3rd Idaho National guard will issue uniforms Sunday to all men who desire them. Full ordnance and equipment for 107 men arrived Friday and Saturday of last week and will be issued as soon as the men call for it. Forty-eight heavy boxes of material arrived in the consignment. Members of the Aberdeen platoon will be in American Falls Sunday for their equipment. Many of them are expected to remain over for the evening exercises of the American Legion in the M. E. church program for which has been announced.

HELP POISON THE SPARROWS.

Mrs. J. T. Sykes is campaigning for the American Falls Woman's club to rid the community of the dangerous sparrow. Nine members of the club and several school girls began putting out poison last Thursday around elevators and barns frequented by sparrows. Anyone bothered with sparrows can procure poison from the office of Bruce Lampson, county agent in the Evans block.

OFFICERS OF FARMERS CREAMERY ASSOCIATION



Top, left to right; Frank L. Boldt, American Falls, director; S. L. Wixon, of Roy, president; E. E. Geesey, Fairview, treasurer; F. A. Commons, Roy, director; Ray Moss, Rockland, secretary.

MEET AT WAGNER HALL.

All members of the national guard, members of the G. A. R. Veterans of the Spanish-American war and members of the American Legion and ex-service men are requested to meet at Wagner hall at 7:30 Sunday evening and march to the church in a body. Special seating arrangements will be cared for at the church.

POCATELLO WINS DUAL VICTORY FROM LOCALS

Basket Ball Teams From Gate City Win Both Games From Boys and Girls of American Falls High School.

Pocatello won both basketball games in the double header staged in the Odeon hall Friday evening before 200 fans. Pocatello won an easy victory in the boys' game but fought hard to keep the lead in the girls' contest. The American Falls high girls lost 9 to 2 and the boys were defeated 45 to 7.

Two hundred people crowded the sidelines in the hall anxious to see the locals win but they were disappointed. After the first few minutes of play the superiority of the Pocatello forwards were demonstrated and there was little hope for American Falls. The floor work of the girls from home was in many cases superior to the visitors. They had frequent shots for the basket but were not as accurate as Pocatello. The few chances that the visitors had were converted for scores. Ruth Thornton and Freda Howard worked together nicely at the forward positions but were visited with bad luck in shooting baskets. The guards for the American Falls girls did well but were heavily outweighed by their opponents.

The basket shooting of the American Falls boys was as inaccurate as the girls in the first game and was largely responsible for their failure to score more often. Many times they had the ball under the basket and opportunities to score only to have the ball bounce off the board or roll around the basket and fall to enter. Their floor work was at times very ragged, due largely to the absence of two of their members, Winters and Spalding, from the game. "Bill"

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FLU-PNEUMONIA CLAIMS LIFE OF JOHN SCHAFER

School Attendance Back to Normal After Inroad of Epidemic During Last Two Weeks—Physicians Report Several New Cases.

John J. Schafer died Saturday following an attack of influenza that developed into pneumonia. He will be buried today in Odessa, Washington, his former home. Several new cases of the "flu" are reported this week. Middle aged people seem to predominate in catching the germs at the present stage of the epidemic. The attendance in the public schools of the city is back to normal following a fifty per cent attendance of ten days ago.

Among those recently afflicted are Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Anderson, Mrs. L. B. Smith, G. W. Austin, Mr. Siagel, his assistant at the Gem State Lumber company, Mrs. E. E. Anderson and Miss Grace Cronkhite. Families who were reported seriously afflicted last week are in nearly every case well on the road to recovery. A serious case still endangers one of the Carlier boys who has pneumonia. Miss Inez Gillette, teacher in the high school is recovering from pneumonia after a long illness. Mrs. Ethel Sennell, daughter of Sam Baugh, is recovering from a severe illness. Children who have recently become ill with the "flu" are Ruth Barton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Barton, Ruth French, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Lee French, two children in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Budge and two children belonging to Mrs. Edwin Brown.

Eighty-three cases were reported last week and local doctors are of the opinion that there are several more cases this week than last. That the worst stage of the epidemic is past is the general feeling among health authorities.

The Red Cross still has great difficulty in procuring nurses for families that are in need. This feature of the problem has been the most difficult to cope with. Proper medical attention demands that many families have one or more nurses. The Red Cross has undertaken to supply the nurses but has not succeeded in obtaining help that was needed in several cases.

Mr. Schafer who died Saturday was the brother-in-law to George Horst of American Falls. He had been here about six months before the pneumonia took him. He leaves his wife and three small children to mourn his loss. The family and Mr. Horst accompanied the casket to Odessa, Washington where burial services were held.

CRIMINAL TO NEGLECT VACCINATION SAYS NOTH

Health Officer Scores Those Who Spread Smallpox When Ordinary Precautions Would Eradicate—Several Cases Reported in City.

That there should be no quarantine for smallpox and no effort made to curb its spread is the opinion of Dr. R. F. Noth, county health officer, who has been called during the last week to care for several cases of the disease that have developed among the people of American Falls.

"Vaccination is almost a certain preventative for smallpox," said the doctor yesterday, "and it should be listed as a crime for anyone to catch it. It is positively preventable and there is no excuse for its spread. People who get it and do not report it until the contagion is spread commit a crime against the city. Even those who report cases are fearful lest their friends find out that they made the report. People should know now that smallpox is the filthiest disease we have and most easily prevented. I am not in favor of quarantining cases as the only people who will catch it are those who will not undergo vaccination. If they will not be vaccinated my opinion is that they should have the smallpox and get it over with."

Several smallpox cards have been placed about the city during the week and Dr. Noth warns all who have not been vaccinated that this is their first obligation to the community.

TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS RAISED FOR RELIEF OF ARMENIANS

J. B. Holloway, committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce to solicit funds for the Armenian relief, reported Wednesday that \$205 had been collected for the Armenian relief in central Europe.

Several business houses have yet to report their donations and it is probable that the amount will be raised considerably before a final report is made.

"POOR MARRIED MAN" TONIGHT AT ROCKLAND, AUSPICES L. D. S.

Joseph E. May is director of "Poor Married Man" which is to be given tonight in the L. D. S. church at Rockland. Those of the cast of the play are Joseph E. May, Oliver Hutchinson, Harold White, Melvin Morris, Mrs. Ely Harris, Mrs. Delpha Logan and Miss Jennie Richardson.

FALLEN SOLDIERS WILL BE HONORED SUNDAY

Certificates Will Be Presented Parents at Legion Exercises.

The following men are on the honor roll of Power county as those who fell in the war with Germany:

Roland Evans, son of L. L. Evans killed in action September 29, 1918 in battle of the Argonne, with the 362nd Infantry, 91st division.

Fred Howard, son of Mrs. George Howard, Garfield, Washington, died October 28 on the Meuse-Argonne front. He was killed in action. He was with the second engineers.

John Daniels, son of Mrs. Martha Daniels of Pauline died of the influenza at Camp Fremont.

Albert T. Ralphs, son of Ephriam Ralphs of Rockland was killed September 9th, 1918, with the 34th machine gun battalion during the attack on Sedan.

John Fiemer of Prosperity, died from wounds received in action March 5th, 1918. He was with Company "C" of the 343 Infantry.

Robert Hutchinson died on board S. S. Corona from pneumonia. He was with motor truck company 543, M. S. J. 427.

The program prepared for presentation Sunday evening in the M. E. church follows:

- Overture—Orchestra
- "America"—Audience led by Men's Chorus.
- Invocation—Rev. Ford
- "Soldiers' Chorus" from Faust—Men's Chorus.
- Presentation of Certificates—M. M. Myers.
- "Tenting on the Old Camp Ground"—Men's Chorus
- Reading from Daniel Webster's Address on George Washington W. H. Dack
- "Marseillaise"—Men's Chorus
- Reading—"France in Battle Flames"—Miss Viola Gillette.
- Trombone Solo—"Let Us Have Peace"—H. M. Crandall
- Tableaux—"France's Gift to America"—Miss Helen McGee.
- "Star Spangled Banner"—Audience, led by Men's Chorus.
- Selection—Orchestra

UNIVERSAL TRAINING NOW BEFORE CONGRESS

Provisions of New Army Bill Set Forth in Senate Document—Small Standing Army and Large Reserve Advocated.

Whether or not the United States will in the future be amply protected against a recurrence of the unpreparedness of 1917 depends on the action taken in congress on house bill No. 3792 now up for consideration by the military affairs committee. It has met with much favorable comment and some very bitter opposition in congress. The Press is glad to present it to its readers for consideration at this time.

This bill was prepared by the subcommittee of the military affairs committee of the senate after exhaustive hearings. Many of its provisions are the result of compromises to meet the views of various persons interested, but it is believed that the fundamental principles are sound and that all persons favoring a sound military policy for the United States can unite in its support.

The principal features are as follows:

There will be but one army of the United States, to be composed of the permanent professional establishment absolutely necessary for proper garrisoning of our overseas possessions, home defense and training establishment, this army to be as small as possible. It will start with a maximum of 18,000 officers and 280,000 enlisted men, and will be gradually reduced in a period of five years to a maximum of 16,200 officers and 210,000 enlisted men.

Supplementing the regular establishment will be the citizen army, to be composed of the organized reserves composed of men who have had their

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TWO FALSE ALARMS GET QUICK RESPONSE OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

MONDAY AND TUESDAY RUNS FAIL TO LOCATE REPORTED CONFLAGRATION BUT PROVIDE PRACTICE FOR FIREMEN.

NOT BAND WAGON—SAYS CHIEF

New Truck and Hose Cart Given Trial Spins When Wires Get Crossed—Fitzpatrick Announces Names of Thirteen Members.

The people of American Falls are advised by our fire chief to rest secure in their homes, now that a modern fire equipment manned by an efficient fire department is ready at a moment's notice to stifle any conflagration that threatens life or property in the city. Two false alarms this week gave the department welcome opportunities to test its ability. Despite the fact that the chemical wagon is the slowest vehicle in town, the claim is made that it gets there and is an efficient piece of equipment. It contains two 500 gallon tanks of chemical fire extinguisher and carries nozzles and accessories for the hose. The hose cart is fastened to the rear of the chemical wagon and trails along to the fire at every call. The wagon is a product of the Ford Motor company but carries an unusually heavy load that slows it down.

The first call for the fire department came about 8 p. m. Monday and was reported at the Charles Johnson residence in ward 1. The department arrived after thirty minutes delay and without hose cart. This was caused by the presence of a freight on the tracks and the failure of the hose cart detachment to remember its duty. The alarm was false as was discovered by the several hundred people who turned out in answer to the call. The second call came early Tuesday afternoon and found the department alert to answer. A quick run was made to Knob hill but again the alarm was false. Crossed wires were blamed for sending in the call to the central station.

Personnel of Department.

The fire truck and hose cart are located in the Battery Service and Machine shop, P. G. Hanson, proprietor. The garage provides a driver for the truck and locates all calls. The department is composed of H. F. Fitzpatrick, chief, W. W. Oliver and E. P. Cronkhite, nozzle men; Sid Stuart and Dan Cronkhite, nozzle men; John Collins, A. C. Sallee and Floyd Stuart, attachment men; P. G. Hanson, G. M. Oliver, Thomas Davie and Harold Johnson, chemical men.

The department has visited all the hydrants in the city, unscrewed the taps and examined the connections. The trial runs acquainted the members of the department with the difficulties met in getting to a fire and better time will be made in the future.

Mr. Fitzpatrick emphasizes the necessity of aiding the department as much as possible during the runs by keeping out of the way. "Private cars should not cut in ahead of the fire truck, merely because they are faster," he says. "And just remember also that the fire truck is for the fire department, and not for every person looking for a quick ride to the scene of the fire."

LIBRARY BUSY PLACE.

Two thousand six hundred and forty-eight visitors called at the American Falls library during December and January and borrowed a total of 1,520 books from the shelves, according to the report of Mrs. Della Reed, librarian. One hundred and five magazines were read, 69 new cards were issued, six non-resident receipts were received and 118 new books were added to the shelves. Of these 63 were given by Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Greenwood. Mrs. Bert Blackburn gave 13, Harry Hager nine, Florence Eyanosa three, Mr. Richards three, Mr. Emmet one, and Bob Voight one.

MISS ZETHIA PARSONS DIES; BURIED SAT. AFTERNOON

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon for Miss Zethia Parsons of Aberdeen who died at Bethany Deaconess hospital following an operation made necessary by a complication of diseases. Miss Parsons was fourteen years old. Interment was made in Falls View cemetery Saturday.

Governor D. W. Davis was in American Falls Saturday for a short visit with friends. He left Sunday for Boise.