

ADMITS HE HAULED 150 QUARTS TO COTTONWOOD

PAUL SIEFFERT IN JAIL ON BOOTLEG CHARGE—HELD TO DISTRICT COURT

STOLEN ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Nabbed in Ten Mile Country on Orders from Sheriff Eller—Bares All

Paul Sieffert, a German of Elk City, on Thursday morning admitted before Probate Judge Campbell that he had transported liquor into dry territory. Sieffert, whose full name is Paul Wilhelm Ferdinand August Sieffert, was held to the district court, and now is in the county jail thinking over the matter of whether it is advisable to traffic in intoxicating liquor in Idaho county.

Arrested on Tuesday in the Ten Mile mining district by A. S. Johnson of Golden, who was deputized by Sheriff Eller, Sieffert was brought to Grangeville Wednesday night by Deputy Sheriff Harriman, who met the prisoner at Newsome, and was lodged in the county jail. After deliberating through the night, Sieffert, when arraigned before Probate Judge Campbell decided to throw himself upon the mercy of the court, and admitted that he had transported liquor, as alleged.

The probate court, prevented by law from sentencing the man, referred the case to the district court, and it is likely that at the next term of the court, Sieffert will admit his guilt before Judge Scales.

Sieffert, in December, in company with another man, who has not been apprehended, transported 150 quarts of whiskey by automobile from Elk City to Cottonwood. The whiskey was hidden in a barn at Cottonwood on Christmas eve, and it is believed that that efforts were to be made later to sell the booze.

The following night, when Sieffert went to the barn to get the liquor, it was missing. It is stated that the whiskey was stolen, and distributed gratuitously to Christmas celebrants at Cottonwood.

Sieffert declared he bought the booze from two men, who transported it on pack horses from Darby, Mont., to Elk City.

It is believed that Sieffert thought he could escape a severe penalty by acknowledging his guilt.

Sieffert, about a year ago, was before the Idaho county Council of Defense, on a charge of disloyal utterances, but no action was taken on the matter. His declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States is on file in the court house.

JOHN PHILLIPS ASKS DIVORCE

John W. Phillips of Stites, and formerly of Grangeville, this week, through his attorney, A. S. Hardy, filed suit for divorce from his wife, Dora D. Phillips, alleging cruelty. The complaint, after being filed, was withdrawn from the county clerk's office.

Grangeville Boy Is Among 23 Left Out of Lost Battalion

HAROLD WILTSE TELLS PORTLAND GATHERING OF HIS EXPERIENCES

To be one of twenty-three survivors of Whittlesy's Lost Battalion, which was practically annihilated in the war, has fallen to the lot of a former Grangeville boy, Harold Wiltse, son of B. S. Wiltse, who also was at one time a resident of this city.

Mr. Wiltse told of his experiences recently while at a banquet at Portland, Ore. This banquet was attended by Mrs. George M. Reed, formerly of Grangeville, and she has written to the Free Press an account of the incident. Her letter in part follows:

"An event occurred in Portland last Friday evening of which I think many Grangeville people will be interested to hear. "It was at a dinner given by the men's club of the First Presbyterian church to the men of the church who have recently been discharged from the service. After the dinner, which was attended by about 400 persons, Dr. Boyd, the pastor, gave a welcome to the boys and then called upon each one to recount his part in the service. The young man is Harold Wiltse, son of B. S. Wiltse, well known to many in Idaho county.

"I felt so proud of him that I decided to write this letter to his old home town, that you may add his name to the list of fine young men who have brought honor to us all by their fine service."

OWENS-SCHMADEKA MARRIAGE

Young Couple Will Reside on Farm North of Town

In the presence of a group of immediate relatives of the bride and bridegroom, Mrs. Hattie Owens and Albert Schmadeka were married Wednesday noon in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Anderson, east of Grangeville. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. A. Pine, pastor of the Christian church. Mr. Schmadeka is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Schmadeka. The newlyweds will reside on what is known as the George Stephens farm, north of town. The farm was purchased by the bridegroom's father some time ago for the son.

WILL ENTERTAIN SOLDIERS

Sailors, Also, to Be Guests of the First Aid Girls

The First Aid Girls are arranging a banquet, to be given in honor of the returned soldiers and sailors, in the Odd Fellows' hall the evening of April 4. All men who have been in the service will be welcome. The banquet begins at 6 o'clock and is to be followed by a dance for the public, in Dreamland hall, with music by the Cowboy orchestra.

SUIT IS FILED TO CONDEMN LAND AT WHITEBIRD

MRS. EVA L. CANFIELD MADE DEFENDANT BY HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS

CANT REACH SETTLEMENT

Matter of Procuring Right-of-Way Taken to District Court for Decision

Mrs. Eva L. Canfield of Cottonwood and A. S. Wright of Grangeville are named defendants in condemnation proceedings instituted by the commissioners of the Whitebird highway district, to procure land owned by Mrs. Canfield for right-of-way for the North and South highway. Mr. Wright is interested only inasmuch as he has a claim against the land owned by Mrs. Canfield.

The highway commissioners, unable to reach a reasonable settlement for the land, so the complaint indicates, brought suit in order that the road might be routed through the property owned by Mrs. Canfield.

A number of other suits are to be started, it is declared, if land owners do not sell their land at a price deemed reasonable by the highway boards of the districts through which the road passes.

SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR SATURDAY NIGHT

Set your clocks ahead one hour when you retire Saturday night, and your time will be correct on Sunday morning, and in keeping with the daylight saving plan, which operated successfully in the United States during the summer months last year, and which will be instituted during the coming spring and summer. Thomas Thompson, local jeweler, says there is no use puzzling one's self about the change in time, which officially takes place early Sunday morning. Simply set the clocks ahead an hour Saturday night, he asserts.

SUIT FILED TO OUST TINKER FROM OFFICE

Action was brought in the district court this week by the state of Idaho to oust George S. Tinker from the office of commissioner of the Clearwater highway district. Usurpation of office is charged.

According to the complaint, Tinker was elected commissioner of the Clearwater highway district in December, 1916, for a period of four years from Jan. 1, 1917. It is alleged that in October, 1918, Tinker removed from Clearwater highway district to Kooskia, and therefore is not a resident of the Clearwater district, and is disqualified from holding office in that district.

The state asks the court to oust Tinker from office, to compel him to pay costs of action, and to pay a fine not in excess of \$5000.

Throngs Gather on Opening Night of '49 Show

DELEGATION FROM LEWISTON ADDS TO CROWD—TWO MORE NIGHTS

The '49 show is on. Opening Thursday night, and to continue until early Sunday morning, Grangeville's third annual Days of '49 under the auspices of the Cowboy band, is proving a most successful and popular affair.

A delegation of more than fifty business men and their ladies from Lewiston attended the show Thursday night, in addition to hundreds of persons from all parts of Idaho county.

Old and young together enjoyed the entertainment. Those who were not interested in the dance hall, found entertainment galore in the gambling den, where all the games of chance of the old-time west were played with phoney money. Roulette, poker, blackjack and faro provided splendid entertainment for the old-timers, who were afforded an opportunity to again live the days of yesteryear when the west was young and far more gay than it is today.

An interesting feature of the Thursday night entertainment was the old-folks' dance, in which many old married folk participated, to their greatest enjoyment, in a quadrille, while three fiddlers fiddled with all their might in a fiddling contest, which, after a half hour's continuous fiddling, was declared a draw, and the prize of \$15 was divided equally among the fiddlers three. The fiddlers were Joe Hazel-fiddlers. The fiddlers were Joe Hazel-baker, Emil VonBerge and Fred Cross.

Striking costumes were those worn by L. M. Harris and Sheldon Stabbs, both of whom were dressed to impersonate tin-horn gamblers, while Mrs. A. N. Dyer and Miss Helen Erskine were dressed in old-fashioned attire. There were numerous cowboys in chaps and Tammany Vincent was dressed as an Indian chieftain.

About the dance hall were many signs, home made, calling attention to the several attractions, and bearing instructions on conduct permissible during the evening. In one corner of the dance hall was a bar, where squirrel whiskey, snake poison and other appetizing drinks were served. In another corner was a bandstand, from which the Cowboy orchestra rendered dance music during the evening.

The Lewiston delegation, which arrived Thursday night in a special sleeper, was met at the train by the band and automobiles, and conveyed to the dance hall.

Here is a list of the Lewiston persons who attended, as furnished by one member of the party.

- A. R. Johnson, Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company. H. H. Bratton, Bratton-Morris Co. Mr. and Mrs. S. Frank Allen, Interior Warehouse Co. E. H. Kilham, Lewiston Stationery and Printing Co. Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Jenks, Pacific Power and Light Co. Joe Baldeck, Baldeck & Co. W. R. Eehertek, Washington-Idaho Light and Power Co. J. M. Gilmore, attorney. Rev. H. T. Greene, Methodist church. A. S. Stacy, Lewiston Mercantile Co. Mr. and Mrs. Bert F. Savage, Lewiston Tribune.

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NAME COMMITTEE TO MAKE FINAL DECISION

CHARACTER OF MEMORIAL AND AMOUNT TO BE SPENT TO BE DETERMINED

FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTY

Representative Men Picked for Important Work-Tribute to Soldiers and Sailors

Erection of a suitable memorial for the soldiers and sailors from Idaho county who fought in the gr at war seems assured. A committee was appointed Wednesday by President Hattabaugh, of the Grangeville Commercial club, to have full charge of the memorial.

The committee, which consists of men from all parts of Idaho county, is empowered to decide on the character of the memorial, and the amount of money to be expended for its erection. One thousand dollars is available for the memorial from the state provided the county raises an additional \$1000. It has been suggested that a fund of \$25,000 be raised for the memorial.

Names of the committee appointed by President Hattabaugh follow:

- President, John J. Pulse; vice-president, W. W. Brown. Committee: John P. Eimers, Frank McGrane, D. H. Sassenbey, J. Frank Sims, Luther B. Case, Rev. J. A. Pine, Rev. G. O. Oliver, Rev. Father Phelan, T. E. Edmundson, Grangeville. Geo. M. Robertson, M. M. Belknap, Cottonwood. F. E. Quist, Kooskia. Wesley Paeker, Stites. James Adair, Winona. Seth Jones, A. M. Reynolds, Whitebird and Salmon river. G. L. L. Baskett, Elk City. W. J. Adsley, Ferdinand. Harry Baker, Clearwater. Edward Nelson, Fenn. Thomas Surridge, Harpster. Charles Sallee, Boles.

DISCUSS CHAUTAUQUA SUBJECT

Meeting of Men Held Under Auspices of Christian Church

Organization of a chautauqua association for Grangeville was discussed at a meeting held Wednesday night in the Odd Fellows' hall, under the auspices of the men of the Christian church.

The meeting was attended by about forty men, and was called for the purpose of discussing civic improvement, it was stated by those in charge, but the chautauqua matter developed into such a lengthy discussion that little other business was transacted.

A representative of the Cadmean chautauqua was present, and attempted to place a contract, but was unsuccessful. A committee was appointed to confer with the chautauqua representative, on Thursday, but nothing definite was done.

The matter of a reception to the returning soldiers and sailors was discussed. Refreshments were served.

Seven Sets of Jaw Teeth and Ten Coats of Hair, Raised in the Timber WOW! Saturday Night last of the Days of '49 This will be the big night and YOUR NIGHT TO HOWL

GRANGEVILLE MAY EXPERIENCE BUILDING BOOM THIS SUMMER

That Grangeville may experience a building boom during the coming summer is indicated by movements that have been on foot here during the last week. While nothing definite has been given out, it is probable that two, and possibly more buildings will be erected on Main street during the summer and fall. A Spokane man, representing owners of a vacant lot on Main street, was in the city the first of the week. He was interested in the proposed erection of a garage, but has not decided on definite plans.

FOREST SERVICE COMPLETES NEW TRAIL THROUGH CREVICE

Residents of Idaho county who have had occasion to travel over the Salmon river trail from Riggins to the mouth of French creek, will be interested in a recent announcement by the forest service that a trail has been completed through the "Crevice." This was a place just below the Jack Howard ranch, where, in order to pass a cliff, the trail dropped to the river's edge. During high water the trail became impassable and in order to avoid this spot it was necessary to climb over Kelly mountain. This meant a 6-hour trip to accomplish one and one-half miles of distance, over a trail that was exceedingly steep, even to those accustomed to Salmon river trails. This winter the local settlers, Idaho county and the forest service combined forces and under the able supervision of Jack Howard, county road supervisor, a trail was constructed around the face of the Crevice cliff above high water mark. This makes year-long travel possible up the Salmon on a water grade. The contributions were: Idaho county, \$520; forest service, \$300; local subscription, \$215.