

## THE LOCAL NEWS.

1909

### HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Sweeney's made to order clothing is up-to-date.

The Pythian Sisters' ball was well attended and was both a social and financial success.

Mrs. Bachelor and daughter, of DeLamar, visited with Mrs. R. S. Hawes last Wednesday.

Building and Rox Flintcoat Roofing Paper, and Windows at Philipp's.

Miss Joyce, of Murphy, made a pleasant call at the Nugget office and took advantage of our clubbing rates.

M. Kingsinger, who works at the Black Jack mine had the misfortune to get his leg broken.

To be well dressed get your clothing at G. R. Sweeney's.

Universal coffee percolators make perfect coffee, sold by Philipp.

The usual infant born to the wife of E. Lewis a few weeks ago, died after living about one week. The parents have the sympathy of the community.

The latest phonograph records just received at Rowett's.

On Christmas night a dispute and row started in the Brewery saloon that terminated in several shots being fired and the party arrested and placed under \$1000 bonds to appear at next term of court.

Mrs. C. S. Burchfield will open dressmaking parlors at her residence, where she will do all kinds of dressmaking, fitting and fancy sewing. Being an experienced dressmaker she guarantees satisfaction. Your patronage solicited.

Jack Hogan, an old time miner, and noted character of this section, died this morning at 11:30. At one time Mr. Hogan was pretty well fixed, having cleared about \$9000 in the sale of a mining property on War Eagle.

Well, boys, you know how it is. Our stock went up in smoke and we have bills to pay, so what you may owe us will help out. We are obliged to collect our accounts at once, so come up and settle.

Lowery & Aura.

County Assessor Krieg reports that he has collected over \$40,000 in taxes during the month of December. Dec. 31, 1908, he received for taxes amounting to \$12,856.37.

Much praise should be given the ladies of Silver City, headed by our ever thoughtful County School Supt., Mrs. Myrtle Hastings Shea, and County Treasurer-elect, Miss Margaret Cavaney, who served hot coffee to the men who had been fighting the fire.

The Brewery saloon is "badly disfigured but still in the ring," and has opened for business in the Mills' building, opposite the Probate court room.

The citizens and property owners of Silver City wish to express their thanks for the valuable assistance rendered us by the people from the surrounding country during the disastrous fire that visited us last Tuesday morning. The untiring efforts of those who so valiantly aided in controlling the flames will long be remembered.

Having lost very heavily in the recent fire, it will be necessary for me to collect all my outstanding accounts. Those indebted to me will please come forward at once and settle, as I can not be lenient any longer. With many thanks to the willing hands that did their best to save my property and extinguish the flames, I remain,

Michael Rook.

To all my friends and acquaintances in Owyhee Co.:

#### Sincere Wishes,

Though brief and simple be the rhyme,  
Accept the wish sincere,  
A bright and happy Christmastime  
A prosperous New Year.

Jos. Dreyer, S. M. Nampa, Ida.

A fine New Year's present was re-

ceived by W. B. Hurd this morning, when his wife presented him with a brand new 8 pound daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Moody arrived from Emmett and will make Silver their future home. Mrs. Moody is a sister of Mrs. Lex Brunzell.

Mrs. Wm. McIntire and Miss Idaho Basset, of Boise, are visiting their sister, Mrs. W. B. Hurd. They are enraptured with the excellent climate and fine sleighing, and expect to remain here for a short time.

The DeLamar Glee Club consists of as fine a male quartette as can be found on the Pacific coast. They gave us a rare treat on Christmas evening by serenading many places in Silver City. They sang many selections of Christmas carols, that were rendered in an artistic and excellent manner. It was our misfortune to be absent when they visited the Nugget building, but Mrs. F. enjoyed the music. Come again, boys, and we will be at home; and don't forget that the latch string hangs on the outside.

The usual aftermath of fire and destruction of saloon property occurred here on Tuesday morning. The sheriff and his deputy promptly closed all the saloons, but as the ground was covered with bottles of all kinds of liquor taken from the buildings a number were pretty well ginned up and there were several "scrapes" and one shooting scrape but fortunately no one was shot or seriously injured. The party that did the shooting was arraigned for assault with a deadly weapon and was placed under \$1500. bonds to appear at the next term of Court. Taking everything into consideration there was much less disorder than one would have looked for under the circumstances.

The news of the appalling disasters from earthquake in southern Italy, where 200,000 people have lost their lives, is shocking the entire world. The destruction of entire cities with all of the inhabitants, or where only a very few escaped, are common reports. A tidal-wave over 30 feet high swept the country, inland, for a distance of ten miles, in places, destroying everything in its path. When all the facts are known it is doubtful if the history of the world can show a more disastrous occurrence.

### ENTERPRISE.

Seneca Walker, who has been attending school in Baker City, Oregon, is now at home spending the holidays with his parents.

Word received here from Salt Lake is that Mr. and Mrs. Adam Blackstock are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy.

Tim Shirley and wife are now living in their new residence, which they lately have erected near the ferry.

C. F. Young is putting in a number of improvements at his place, among which is a very large tank to be used in connection with the windmill for irrigation purposes.

Jas. Farrel has just completed the building of a new house and barn on his place at Opaline.

Mrs. Elmer Carson, after spending the summer with friends and relatives at Chatsworth, Ill., has returned to her ranch and is having a house and barn built.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Patton spent Christmas with the latter's parents at Caldwell. They report a most enjoyable time while there, even if they did most freeze to death going and coming.

J. P. Moon and sons are spending the holidays on their ranch. They came over to prepare some land for seeding to grain but the skating and hunting proved too attractive.

People here are quite pleased over the article in last week's Nugget about the county division.

A petition for signers sent here has as yet been unable to get a single name as we are quite contented to stay in Owyhee County.

### Wedding Bells at DeLamar.

A very pretty wedding occurred at DeLamar on Christmas Eve, at the home of Mrs. C. D. Bachelor, when her youngest daughter, Jennie, became the wife of Mr. Arch Morrel. The bride is one of DeLamar's most beautiful and popular young ladies, and counts her friends by the number of her acquaintances. The groom has lived in DeLamar for a number of years, and is quite well known, being esteemed as a steady and popular young man.

The ceremony, which was very impressive, was performed by Rev. Brady, at 8:30 o'clock. The little three-year-old nephew of the bride, Darwin Paulding, was ring-bearer, and was a picture with his golden curls and white attire. He was followed by the flower-girls, three nieces of the bride, Ruby and Inez Bachelor, dressed in pale blue silk, and Alda Hurd, in pink silk, who strewed white flowers in the pathway of the bride. Mrs. Nellie Langford, acted as bridesmaid, and was lovely in white taffeta. Mr. Harry Bachelor, youngest brother of the bride, officiated as best man. The bride was beautiful in white satin messaline, trimmed with Cluny lace. Her blonde beauty was enhanced by the filmy bridal veil, which was caught up with white roses. She carried a bouquet of brides roses. The bridal party stood under a wedding bell, completely covered with white lilies.

The parlor was a bower of Christmas greens, holly and mistletoe, and pink and white roses, the color scheme of the dining room being red. The table was festooned with smilax and decorated with red carnations. Covers were laid for sixteen. Needless to say, the guests enjoyed a most delicious supper that left nothing to be desired, as all who know the famous culinary qualifications of Mrs. Bachelor can testify.

The wedding was a quiet one, only relatives and one or two intimate friends being present. Mrs. Hurd, of Payette, sister of the bride, with her husband, and Mr. Harry Bachelor, of Boise, came over to attend.

That same evening Mrs. Bachelor won a beautiful doll at a raffle, and she laughingly, withal rather sadly, remarked that "while she had lost one doll she had won another." The happy couple went at once to housekeeping in the Forney residence and their many friends wish for them a long and happy life.

### REYNOLDS.

Warmer weather prevails in this section now, which is quite a change from the severe cold snap of last week.

Robert Grant spent Xmas with his family in Boise.

Harlow Scott attended the dance at Oreana Xmas night.

Mrs. McDonald is down from DeLamar, visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Goble at the Democrats.

Miss Anna Jordan is enjoying a visit with her sister, Mrs. L. A. York of Boise.

Mrs. Nellie Williams, accompanied by her niece, Mrs. Angus McDonald, of DeLamar, went to Boise last week for a fortnight's visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Langford were down from Silver to eat Xmas dinner with Mrs. L's. parents. They returned home the following day.

Ed. Matheson and wife and daughter Edna, of Murphy, spent Xmas as the home of C. C. Johnston and wife, Mrs. Matheson's parents.

U. J. Bernard took a supply of beef to Silver, Tuesday.

A number of Murphy young people will attend the Odd Fellow's dance here next Thursday evening, and will dance the old year out and the new year in.

### Disastrous Fire in Silver City.

About 2 o'clock Tuesday morning we were awakened by the cry of fire, and on looking out saw smoke issuing from the roof of the Mint saloon, just across the street from the Nugget office. In an incredibly short time the flames burst through the roof, the fire having originated from a defective flue, or stove pipe. The citizens turned out in short order and soon had several streams of water on the fire, but was unable to check the headway of the flames. Soon recruits began to arrive from the surrounding mines and Dewey and DeLamar.

The buildings on that side of the street consisted of a "frame range," or one building attached to another or built so close to each other that there was no opportunity to fight the fire successfully from the side, as the ground is quite steep and the basements were used for storing wood, coal and other fuel, the whole building was soon a roaring furnace. Fortunately there was very little wind and the roofs of the buildings were covered partly with snow, which saved the town from entire destruction. As soon as it was seen that the fire could not be confined to the building in which it originated, preparations were made for blowing up the adjoining buildings by dynamite. By this time the Brewery saloon on the north was on fire with no chance of saving it, and charges of powder were placed in the Whitefront barber shop. After that was blown up and the fire fighters could use the hose from that side the further advance of the fire in that direction was checked. The blasting seemed to cause what little wind there was to change and blow towards the south, and soon the building occupied by C. M. Caldwell, as a general merchandise store, was on fire, and as the only salvation for saving the part of the town lying south was to stop the fire at the narrow alley just south of this building, a heavy charge of giant powder was put in the building and it blown up.

With five lines of hose from the hydrants throwing water upon the flames the fire was beginning to come under control if it could be stopped at the alley south of the Caldwell store, and by the united efforts of those fighting the fire it was confined to the district already in flames, although several times the buildings across the alley were on fire, but it was soon put out. Much good was done by shoveling snow on the burning buildings, which materially aided in stopping the fire.

Many acts of heroism and dangerous risks were taken but no injury or accidents of note occurred. The only life lost so far reported was that of a pet cat.

The financial loss was quite heavy, being estimated at from \$35,000 to \$50,000. At the high cost of material in this place and cost of fuel consumed the latter figure would come nearer the correct mark. There was no insurance on any of the buildings or contents destroyed except \$1500 on Caldwell's stock of merchandise. The following is a list of the losses as near as we can obtain them at present:

L. W. Walker, building and damage done to fixtures, \$1500; Ed. Grete saloon building and lunch counter fixtures and stock, \$3500; Michael Rock, restaurant, lodging house, saloon building and 2 store buildings—5 in all—all well furnished, \$20,000; Lowery & Aura, stock of liquor and cigars and personal effects, \$3,000; Chinaman, personal effects and stock of provisions, \$1000; Jack Slattery, stock and damage to building, \$800; C. M. Caldwell, loss and damage to stock of general merchandise, \$7500—insurance \$1500. The injury to surrounding property and losses by hastily moving furniture will fully amount to \$1000.

This has been a sad blow to our town, but work has already been started to clear away the debris and rebuilding has commenced.

### To Whom It May Concern:

Notice is hereby given, that I, the undersigned, will, at the January, 1909, session of the Board of County Commissioners of Owyhee County, Idaho, apply to said board for authority to appoint such deputies as may be necessary to properly discharge the duties of the office of Sheriff of Owyhee County, Idaho.

Dated at Silver City, Idaho, Dec. 4th 1908.

M. M. Krieg,

Sheriff-elect of Owyhee County, Idaho.

A high grade of nickel plated Tea and Coffee pots at Philipp's.

A fine line of fancy pipes, toys of all kinds and descriptions, silverware, and jewelry at Rowett's.

### Notice of filing Petition for the Organization of an Irrigation District.

Notice is hereby given that F. E. Tracy, and others, have filed a petition with the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Owyhee County, Idaho, for the organization of an irrigation district. It is proposed in said petition to construct a new canal system to irrigate lands in Owyhee County, Idaho, and the following are the numbers of the sections in which lands are situated, which it is proposed to include in such district, to-wit:

In Secs. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, in Township 2 North, of Range 4 West, of Boise Meridian.

In Secs. 1, 2, 3, 10 and 11, in Township 2 North, of Range 5 West, of Boise Meridian.

In Secs. 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34, in Township 3 North of Range 4 West, of Boise Meridian.

In Secs. 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36, in Township 3 North, of Range 5 West, of Boise Meridian.

In Secs. 12, 13, 14, 23, 24 and 25, in Township 3 North, of Range 6 West, of Boise Meridian.

In Secs. 19, 20, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33, in Township 4 North, of Range 5 West, of Boise Meridian.

In Secs. 14, 23, 24, 25 and 36, in Township 4 North, of Range 6 West, of Boise Meridian.

And notice is hereby given that such petition will be presented to the Board of County Commissioners of Owyhee County, Idaho, at their office in Silver City, Idaho, on the 18th day of January, 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m.

J. S. ST. CLAIR  
Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Owyhee County, Idaho.

### WILSON

Miss Carrie Chapman and Guy Givens were married Dec. 25, and returned to their home near Murphy, Monday.

Lee Beck was over from Caldwell a few days last week, visiting friends.

W. H. Baillie and W. Y. Henderson returned to their home Sunday, after a short trip to Boise.

Justice of the Peace Davis was over from Nampa this week to see about putting Wilson in Canyon County.

There were three very enjoyable dances here last week.

Miss Ruby Rintoul returned from Payette, where she has been visiting relatives for some time.

Charlie Johnston and wife, of Reynolds, are visiting relatives at Wilson.

### Card of Thanks.

We wish to especially thank those who rendered us assistance in the recent fire, and to all who aided in stopping the conflagration.

Rood & Nelson.