

LOCAL NEWS OF THE PAST WEEK

Velvets at Gutchell's.
Barney Quigley of Black Jack is taking a rest at the Capitol hotel in Boise.

Pocket Books of all kinds at Gutchell's drug store.

J. W. Ballenger, the Dewey merchant, has been in Boise during the week on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. McClung of Dewey assumed the care of Mrs. Johnson's baby girl during her illness.

E. H. Morgan, who is spending the winter in Boise trying to recover his health, was met there this week by NUGGET and found to be looking much improved.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Feeny, yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, a fine ten pound baby boy, Mrs. Jas. Feeny attending. Mother and child doing nicely.

Charley Seifeldt, the cigar maker, brother of Mrs. Steele, returned here yesterday after spending several months down along the coast, chiefly in San Francisco.

Rev. Jones will hold divine services at St. James' Episcopal church next Sunday both morning and evening. Mrs. Jones will sing a solo in the evening. All are cordially invited. Sunday school at 3 p. m.

Mrs. August Johnson, who has been at the Miner's union hospital for several weeks, suffering from rheumatic and heart troubles, was taken to Boise by Mr. Johnson for treatment at the hospital of that city.

The windows of the Idaho building at the World's Fair will be transparencies showing the wonderfully beautiful scenery of that state. Shoshone Falls in Idaho are 220 feet high, 60 feet higher than the great Niagara Falls and of great volume.

The little village of Parma in Canyon county is forging ahead at a rapid gait and it promises to keep right in line with the other prosperous towns of that county. It has a very creditable local newspaper and last week F. E. Fish was chosen as the first mayor. Many buildings are to be erected there this coming season.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Bibbins, of the Bibbins Myer Mercantile Co., went to Boise this week, Mr. Bibbins going there to assist Mr. Alfred Eoff, cashier of the Boise City National Bank for about thirty days, taking the place of W. S. Bruce of that institution, who last week underwent a surgical operation at the hospital, and will not be able to resume his work at the bank for some weeks.

R. M. Lewis, who has stuck so closely to the Owyhee mountains for several years past, is taking his ease for the winter at the Capital hotel in Boise, wearing good clothes and attending church with commendable regularity. Bob looks like another man since he discarded, temporarily, his diggin' clothes and hob-nailed shoe, and deserves the good luck which has followed his diligence as a prospector.

Mrs. J. W. Mills has spent the week in Boise, where she met representatives of New York and Portland wholesale millinery houses and made selections and ordered her spring supply of millinery and children's dress goods. She was fortunate in finding samples from New York of the latest in ladies' ties and neckwear and promises to show an unusually fine stock in these lines. Her goods will arrive in ample time for the usual spring opening.

This is what Wm. J. Bryan says of Roosevelt: "He is a strong man of noble character and as a brave soldier, a man of great executive ability, with wide knowledge of statecraft and politics, is very popular with the common people, especially in the West. There is no man in the republican party, I believe, who has a firmer hold on the rank and file of the American people, and there is none who commands the respect of the nations to a greater degree, or who wields a stronger influence over the world at large."

Pipes at Gutchell's.
Goggles at Gutchell's.
Rev. Jones has been suffering with a severe cold for several days and was unable to keep his appointments at DeLamar last Sunday.

W. V. Irons, state game warden, visited Swan Falls yesterday to inspect the fish ladder at the dam there. Mr. Irwin went over from Dewey to meet him at the power plant.

The NUGGET editor being absent the greater part of the week, attending the meeting of the republican state central committee at Boise, is offered as an excuse for any shortcomings in this issue.

R. S. Hawes is regularly receiving, every Thursday, ample supplies of both salt and fresh water fish and oysters, as well as keeping on hand other dainties in the line of good things to eat. Leave your orders with him.

NUGGET, while in Boise this week, had the pleasure of visiting the very handsome apartments of the Elk's Club in that city, in the Elk building. It is a beautifully fitted up home by the members of that very popular and rapidly growing fraternity.

Tom Pettit, an old-time stage driver, known in many of the mountain states and once a driver between Kelton and Boise in the days when stage drivers were men of note, died in Boise last Sunday morning. Pettit had grown very corpulent in his old age and has been living "from hand to mouth" in Boise for 25 years.

The announcement that E. H. Dewey will accept the nomination for governor, if tendered him by the republican convention, has been made in the Nampa papers. That Mr. Dewey is a straight out stalwart republican is well known in this county, where he grew to manhood, and fully expressed his sentiments from boyhood in direct opposition to the sentiments prevailing in his early environments. We know this to be true.

Skipped and Left a Lot of Mourners.
A. Schibeg, who formerly kept a small notion store at Dewey, and who for the past few months has been running a meat peddling business in this and surrounding camps, has skipped out without the formality of bidding a quite a number of creditors good bye. It is reported that at least half a dozen persons here and in Dewey are regretting the absolute confidence they placed in the man's honesty to the extent of \$200 to \$300 each, and this without hearing reports from the ranchers who have been supplying the fellow with the meat he has been selling. It looks as if Schibeg had been deliberately planning this event and the surmise is general that he has skipped with quite a large roll of money.

DeLamar Locals.
Miss Ida Lawson has been visiting here the past week, the guest of Mrs. Adams.

Wm. Tolmie, who is employed in the DeLamar drug store, came in with a lot of goods for that institution from Boise last Sunday.

Quite a number of DeLamar young ladies enjoyed a ride with their friend, Duncan, last Sunday evening. They drove to Dewey.

Misses Dora Rowett and Alice Con- nors, accompanied by John Grete and Ernest Rowett, came down from Silver last Sunday evening for a ride.

Fred Anderson had the misfortune to sprain his ankle last week, but is getting along nicely at this writing.

The latest novels at Gutchell's.

Card of Thanks.
The Catholics of Silver City hereby express their appreciation and hearty thanks to Hon. Joseph Hutchinson and the Silver City Electric Light Co. for their generous donation of the electric lights for their church this winter.

The thanks and appreciation of the congregation are also extended to Mrs. J. C. Connors for causing the wiring of the church and having the improvement made.

Mrs. R. CUNNINGHAM,
President of the Altar Society.
Mrs. E. Lewis, Secretary.

REPUBLICANS MEET IN BOISE

The republican state executive committee met a Boise, Tuesday, in compliance with the call of its chairman, Frank R. Gooding, with a full delegation present, and only three or four counties represented by proxies. The main object of the meeting at this time was to fix the times and places for holding the two state conventions and to apportion the number of delegates to represent each county. It was decided to hold the first convention, to choose delegates to the national convention, at Pocatello, May 18, and the convention to nominate a state ticket at Moscow, August 11.

Resolutions were passed as given below.

Upon adjournment the entire committee went in a body, led by the chairman, and paid their respects to the governor and his staff, the chairman in an address commending them for the satisfactory manner in which the affairs of the state were being conducted by them and the governor responded in a pleasant address in which he briefly explained the amount of labor involved in straightening out the confusion in nearly every department caused by the several years democratic administration.

In all the meetings of the committee the utmost confidence was expressed, that with President Roosevelt at the head of the national ticket, republicanism would sweep the state with a much increased majority over that of 1902.

Every county was given one delegate for each 130 votes or major fraction thereof, cast for the Republican nominee for secretary of state in 1902, and two at large, the apportionment being as follows:

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| Ada | 26 |
| Bannock | 17 |
| Bear Lake | 11 |
| Bingham | 17 |
| Blaine | 9 |
| Boise | 8 |
| Canyon | 15 |
| Cassia | 8 |
| Custer | 5 |
| Elmore | 5 |
| Fremont | 23 |
| Idaho | 15 |
| Kootenai | 17 |
| Latah | 18 |
| Lemhi | 7 |
| Lincoln | 6 |
| Nez Perce | 20 |
| Owaida | 16 |
| Owyhee | 7 |
| Shoshone | 23 |
| Washington | 12 |
| Total | 285 |

The following resolutions were adopted:

"We the republican state central committee, in regular session assembled, at Boise, Idaho, most heartily endorse the strong, unequivocal, determined and upright course of President Roosevelt in his administration of national affairs, as well as his fidelity to the best interests of the people of Idaho and the republican party therein.

"Resolved, That we deprecate and condemn any and all efforts to create misunderstanding, dissension or friction within the ranks of the party in this state by an attempted revival of political issues long since dead and forgotten, based upon a difference of religious belief.

"We unhesitatingly declare in favor of Hon. Theodore Roosevelt as the next nominee of the republican party for president of the United States and we earnestly favor the selection of delegates from Idaho to the coming national convention instructed to work and vote for his nomination. We recognize in him a man whose views are not bounded by the conditions and need of any particular section of the country but a champion of the people's rights and an executive whose knowledge and experience fit him to deal intelligently with the problems seeking solution in that section of our union.

"We heartily endorse the course of our republican senator and representative in congress in sustaining the action of this committee relative to appointments to federal office in this state."

Dewey Items.

An important event of more than passing interest on account of the high standing of the contracting parties was the wedding of Mr. John A. Fraser of this place to Miss Marguerite Jackson. The ceremony occurred at Boise January 25th, Rev. McKinley officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. Thomas and Mrs. Carrie Jackson, highly respected citizens of New Glasgow, Nova Scotia. The groom is a young man of pleasing appearance and good moral character, holding an important position with the Trade Dollar Company. Mr. Hugh Fraser, a brother of the groom, conveyed the happy couple by private conveyance to this place on Wednesday evening, where a beautiful residence prepared by the groom awaited them. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Steward acted as a reception committee and had a bountiful repast prepared for the auspicious event. The employees of the Trade Dollar mine tendered the young couple a reception. The groom, who is the prince of good fellows, responded in his happiest mood, dispensing liquid refreshments and fragrant havanaes, and many were the compliments paid the distinguished and happy couple, who will be a valuable acquisition to our best society.

The explosion of a coal oil lamp came near destroying the business establishment of Mr. Thomas Bradshaw, the Black Jack merchant. The loss is fully covered by insurance, except the manager's whiskers, which may possibly destroy his chances in the matrimonial market, he being an eligible leap year proposition.

Mrs. Patrick McCabe and Mrs. Patrick Linehan were distinguished visitors at Dewey this week.

Miss Josie Hanlon, an estimable young lady, will leave soon to attend school at Boise. During her short stay at this place she has made many friends who sadly regret her departure. She will return here again next summer.

Preaching Service.
Rev. G. W. Kennedy will preach at Silver City, in the Court House, on the first and third Sundays of each month at 11 o'clock a. m. Will preach at De Lamar at 7:30 p. m. on each of these Sundays and on Friday night before at Dewey, and also at Jordan Valley on 2nd and 4th Sundays. All are most cordially invited to attend.

Notice.
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Boise, Idaho, January 4, 1904.
Notice is hereby given that there have been received in this office, from the United States surveyor general for Idaho, the following township plats of government lands in Washington and Idaho counties, Idaho, to-wit:

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| Township 22 North, Range 1 east | |
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| " 23 " " 1 west | |
| " 24 " " 1 east | |
| " 24 " " 1 west | |

The said township plats will remain in this office until the 10th day of February, 1904, at 9 o'clock a. m., at which time the said plats will be officially filed. On and after said February 10th, 1904, applications for the entry of lands in said townships by settlers will be received, the State of Idaho having preference right of entry for sixty days from said February 10th, 1904, except as against actual settlers. The said lands will therefore be open to public entry April 11th, 1904.

EDWARD E. GARRET, Receiver.
HARRY J. SYMS, Register.

Mrs. Pat Linehan is up from Oreana visiting Mrs. Mary grete.

BORN—In Silver City January 29, 1904, to Mr. and Mrs. Cy Maxon, a ten pound girl.

Mrs. W. W. Johnson of Roberson, Wyoming, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Townsend of Wagon town, for several weeks, returned home yesterday.

OWYHEE LODGE NO. 2, I. O. O. F., Silver City, Idaho. Meets every Friday night. Sojourning Brethren always welcome.
J. E. DICKENS, N. G.
R. H. LEONARD, Secretary.

THE KNOCKER and ASSISTANT

While business of mining is often retarded by the disreputable practice of knocking, how many claim owners stop to consider the important part they play in the game. A brief analysis in trying to promote a mining property will materially assist in making a correct diagnosis.

The legitimate business of mining is now recognized by our ablest financiers as one of the most profitable forms of industry for the investment of capital; and one that promises the largest returns when conducted with the same business sagacity required to make a success of any other industrial enterprise. Capital is always ready to invest in any legitimate mining enterprise where there is evidence that at least reasonable returns may be expected on the original investment, and with this end in view they enter that fascinating field of industry.

The acquisition of a partially developed mine or meritorious prospect is necessary before any business can be transacted. This brings capital and owner together for the purpose of making terms advantageous to both. This is where capital runs up against the first snag. The owner of a mining claim has a vague idea that he has a mine for sale; he doesn't seem to realize the difference between an unproductive prospect hole and a developed prospect with pay ore in sight. He generally fixes his price in accordance with his desires without showing a particle of evidence that the prospect ever produced a pound of pay ore or ever will so long as he owns it.

From the appearance of the property the capitalist is willing to develop the claim and see if it is really a mine, find pay mineral and pay the price asked. The owner now commences to knock. He wants 10 per cent. of the purchase price down and the balance inside of a year's time. The capitalist commences to scratch his head and ask himself the question, what am I getting for this 10 per cent down in advance? There is not a ton of ore in sight nor a certificate to show that there ever was. I don't propose to pay a 10 per cent. premium for the privilege of finding pay mineral, which is always attended with more or less risk. I can find better inducement elsewhere. And he departs, taking the first stage out of camp.

Again the owner is heard to remark that somebody has been knocking; and again the camp is dead; and people pretend they don't quite understand the cause. They don't realize that the "dog in the manger" policy is the principal and only cause, and in all human probability several valuable mining claims will pass through the hands of the administrator. The present owners will have been refused admittance at the pearly gates and relegated to the everlasting abode for mossbacks. Then our American citizens will begin to realize the immense wealth of the Carson mining district.

JAMES GOODWIN.

Idaho City Boys Piling up Wealth.
John and Joseph Duquette are doing well enough at Dawson. They are working on a lease. Last year the boys took out between \$85,000 and \$90,000, and besides this, John sold for a nice sum quite an area of hydraulic ground he had acquired. This winter they are working on a lease and ran a tunnel to the pay streak. They expected to reach it in not less than 200 feet, but were agreeably surprised in tapping it at 50 feet, and getting richer gravel than they expected. It turns out \$2.00 to the pan. They get 50 per cent of the gross proceeds. The owner of the ground furnishes all tools and appliances for working, including thawing machinery.—Idaho City World.

Teacher's Examination.
Examination for first, second and third grade county and state certificates, also life diplomas, will be held in my office in Silver City, February 25, 26 and 27, 1904.

MYRTLE M. HASTINGS,
County Superintendent.