

Hundreds in Grangeville for Fourth of July Celebration

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FRENCH STOPS HERE ON WAY TO MOSCOW

Idaho Congressman Arrives
Unannounced on 4th of July;
Traveled with President

Legislator Home from Four
Months' Official Trip from
Canal Zone to Alaska.

Predicting bumper crops in all parts of Idaho, Burton L. French, representative of the First Idaho district in the Congress of the United States, was in Grangeville Wednesday noon.

Congressman French, who was accompanied by John McEvers, former Grangeville boy, now assistant U. S. district attorney for Idaho, arrived in Grangeville unannounced. He and Mr. McEvers were traveling by automobile from Boise to Moscow.

Congressman French, who is a member of the house appropriations committee, recently was on an inspection trip with committee members which took him to naval institutions, stations and projects in the east, to the Panama canal, along the Pacific coast, and thence to Alaska. Off Panama, Congressman French and party attended the Pacific and Atlantic fleet review. The tour comprised four months.

Mr. French is enthusiastic over Alaska, but declares the territory presents many problems in the way of development which the government must handle. His trip to the northern country was primarily to study conditions there, in order that he might make intelligent recommendations as to the needs of the country.

Mr. French was with President Harding's party enroute from Cache Junction, Utah, to Pocatello, last week. "The president was given a tremendous reception at Pocatello, and made an admirable speech," declared Mr. French. "It was the largest crowd that ever assembled in Pocatello."

Mr. French is delighted with crop prospects all through south Idaho and on Camas prairie. He predicts, with the harvesting of the gigantic crop, improvement in conditions in Idaho.

Mr. French will spend some time at his home in Moscow.

CELEBRATION LASTS TOO LONG; 3 FINED

Four young men, all said to be under 19 years of age, were arrested in Grangeville Thursday morning by Deputy Sheriff Ben Robertson, and were taken before H. Taylor, police magistrate, to answer to charges of disorderly conduct. They pleaded guilty, and were fined \$15 each. One paid his fine, while an automobile in which the quartet was riding when arrested was held as security for payment of the fines by the remaining three.

The boys had attended the Fourth of July celebration at Clearwater and are declared to have not been through celebrating when they arrived in Grangeville.

Sheriff Eller was called to Clearwater Thursday morning by persons who complained of hilarious conduct by ruffians in connection with the celebration there. The sheriff made no arrests. When he reached Clearwater the roughnecks had absconded.

TWO ARE HELD TO FEDERAL COURT

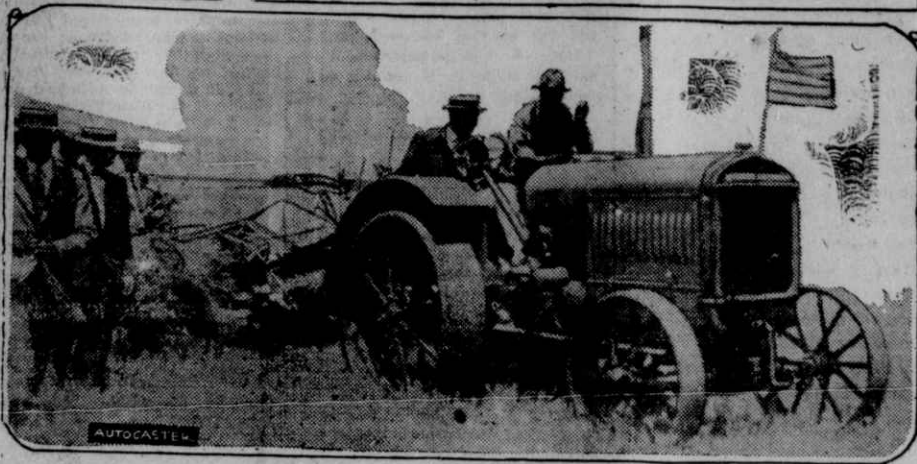
Cottonwood Men Waive Examination on Liquor Charge

Henry Niebuhr and Otto Alchmayer, both of Cottonwood, waived preliminary examination before H. Taylor, U. S. commissioner, in Grangeville, Saturday, on federal liquor charges, and were held to answer to the federal court at Moscow, on bond of \$500 each, which they furnished.

The men were arrested at Cottonwood by Sheriff Eller, who seized a 20-gallon still, with two worms, a 12-gallon still, four quarts of moonshine and a quantity of mash, alleged to have belonged to the pair.

Deputy U. S. Marshal West was here Saturday, representing the government in the case.

President Harding Finds Time to Harvest Kansas Wheat



A Kansas harvest-sun beat down on President Harding as he gave 'er the gas and threw the tractor into gear to start the wheat-cutting season near Hutchinson, June 23. Then the President gathered up bundles and "shocked" them with the remark, "This is how we do it in Ohio."

HARDWARE FIRM BUYS BUSINESS BUILDING

Miller Company Purchases
Building Occupied by
Main Street Garage

Miller Hardware & Implement Co., through the purchase, from Herman Bock, of Napa, Cal., of the building occupied by the Main Street garage, will have a home of its own in the center of the business section of Grangeville. The Miller company has for many years been located at the east end of the business district.

Details of the transaction for purchase of the garage building have just been completed. The deal was made through the Elmers - Graham agency.

A. Urbahn, manager of the Miller Hardware & Implement Co., has made no definite plans for removal of the stock and business to the new location, but announces the move will be made during the coming winter. Extensive alterations to the building are planned. Walter McAdams, proprietor of the Main Street garage, will continue to occupy the building until it is required by the Miller company.

INDIANS ASSEMBLE IN CAMPMEETING

Hundreds of Indians from the northwest are in attendance at the annual Nezperce campmeeting, which opened June 27 at Talmak's grove, two miles south of Mason Butte, and nine miles southwest of Craigmont. The campmeeting, which annually attracts many white visitors, as well as hundreds of Indians, will continue through July 9.

Every morning at 5 o'clock the Indians meet in a sunrise prayer meeting, and the next number of the day, with the exception of Sunday, it is the children's hour, in which Indian leaders take charge. There are, daily choir practice, musical programs, orations and Bible study classes and recreation of every sort that would appeal to the grownups and children of the several tribes. Leading the campmeeting are Indian preachers.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. OLIVER

Funeral services were held in Walla Walla, Wn., on Wednesday last week for Mrs. Rebecca Oliver, a pioneer of the west. Mrs. Oliver formerly resided in Grangeville, but for the last twenty years she had made her home in Walla Walla.

Mrs. Oliver was born in Allen county, O., on Jan. 5, 1842, and was 81 years old at the time of her death. She came west in 1871, and had made her home in Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

Surviving her are her husband, E. W. Oliver, of this city; four sons, John Oliver, Grangeville; A. N. Oliver, Moscow; E. H. Oliver, Clarkston, and A. J. Oliver, Savagetown, Wyo., and two daughters, Mrs. Olive Haynes, Walla Walla, and Mrs. A. J. Holsclaw.

MISS MANNING WEDS LOS ANGELES MAN

Miss Jennie Manning, of Grangeville, and Gustav W. Schneidau, of Los Angeles, were married Wednesday evening in the Episcopal rectory, Lewiston, by the Reverend D. J. W. Somerville. The bride recently was graduated as a nurse from White's hospital, Lewiston.

MANGE KILLING ELK IN SELWAY FOREST RESERVE

Elk in the Selway National forest are reported to be suffering from mange, and some are dying from the disease. It is believed by game experts that lack of salt is causing the disease. R. E. Thomas, state game warden, has ordered that a ton of salt be distributed in the Selway forest.

COUNTY BOARD IS TO MEET MONDAY

Quarterly Session of Commissioners to Open in Courthouse

Board of commissioners of Idaho county meets in the courthouse in Grangeville Monday, in regular quarterly session. In addition to routine business, much extra business will come before the board at the July session. The board will open and examine bids for construction of a concrete sidewalk eight feet wide for a block in front of the courthouse, will examine proposals for furnishing the county's winter fuel supply and hold a hearing on the matter of a proposed herd district in the South Fork country. The board will sell at public auction twenty-nine pieces of real estate belonging to the county, and two automobiles, formerly used by the county farm agent.

GRANGEVILLE TRIMS KOOSKIA'S INDIANS

Grangeville's baseball team defeated the Kooskia Indians, in a game here, last Sunday, by a score of 7-2.

STATE TO SCORCH MEN WHO SELL BOGUS STOCK

Commissioner of Finance
Seeks Advice on Blue
Sky Salesman

E. W. Porter, Idaho state finance commissioner, has addressed a letter to the bankers throughout the state, warning against fake investments.

Mr. Porter states in his letter that numerous complaints reaching his department indicate that a vast amount of stock in hazardous and probably fraudulent enterprises, is being sold in various parts of the state without permit from the department and in violation of the law.

The letter asks the bankers to notify Mr. Porter's office by wire the name of any company, and the agent's name, operating contrary to the law. He states that it is the hope that the department of finance may be able to prevent the looting of unwary people, in the state by the sale of worthless stock.

GRANGEVILLE FANS RECEIVE FIGHT NEWS

Much interest was taken here Wednesday in the Gibbons-Dempsey fight at Shelby, Mont.

News of the progress of the fight was furnished the fans by the Free Press. Bulletins from the Free Press office, also were read at the basett grounds.

Local fans were keenly disappointed that Jack Dempsey, world's champion heavyweight boxer, was declared the winner of the fight on points, after Tom Gibbons, his challenger, had stood against him for the full fifteen scheduled rounds without a knockout.

Indians Decrease in Numbers; Tribe Is Losing Rapidly

Supt. O. H. Lipps, of the Fort Lapwai Indian school and Nezperce reservation, has just completed taking the census of the Nez Perce Indians for the fiscal year ended June 30, which shows a decrease, of 82 members of the tribe, residing on the reservation since the census last year.

On June 30, 1922, the number of Indians on the census rolls totaled 1497. Births since June 30, 1922, 22 (11 males and 11 females). Deaths since June 30, 1922, 37 (15 males and 22 females). Dropped from the rolls on account of being mixed blood and not being born on the reservation or recognized by the Nez Perce as Indians and non-residents, 43.

The total number enrolled on the lists when the figures were compiled was 1415, 689 males and 726 females.

It will be noted that the death rate continues to exceed the birth rate as has been the case for a number of years. Last year the births were 45 and the deaths 62, being an excess of deaths over births of 17. This year the excess of deaths over births is 15.

Lewis and Clark estimated the number of Nez Perces at 7850 and Father Cataldo stated that they numbered about 5000 when he first came among them in 1868.

Tuberculosis made its first appearance among the Nez Perces about the year 1872. Since then their number has been gradually decreasing. When the allotment schedule was approved in 1895 trust patents were issued to 1887 Nez Perces, thus showing a decrease in population since that time of 472 or 25 percent in the twenty-eight years.

The low birth rate and the high death rate is responsible for this abnormal decrease. Had the Nez Perces increased in the same proportions as the white race their number now, estimating from the date of their allotment twenty-eight years ago, should be about 3000 or more than twice the present number.

From these facts it would appear to be only a matter of time when the tribe will become extinct.

ANDREWS TO RECEIVE STATE COMPENSATION

Fay Andrews, of Grangeville, will receive state compensation of from \$12 to \$16 a week, for a period of 200 weeks, for injuries which he incurred May 24, 1922, while in the employ of Idaho county on the Adams road and which injuries resulted in the amputation of one of his legs.

Herbert Wing, assistant state attorney general, has ruled that Andrews is entitled to state compensation. At a hearing on the matter in Grangeville, April 16, before G. W. Suppliger, a member of the state industrial accident board, Andrews' case was presented by his attorney, W. L. Campbell, who has been active in behalf of Andrews at all times. The state insurance fund resisted payment of the claim, alleging that Andrews' leg was diseased prior to the accident, and claiming it was this disease which necessitated amputation. The attorney general's office has ruled against the state insurance fund. Amount of compensation will be fixed by the industrial accident board.

LEEPER TALKS ON PIONEERS AND U. S. FLAG

Crowd Enjoys Picnic Dinner
at Noon; Old-Timers' Association Picks Year's Officers

Grangeville Wins Baseball
Game from Nezperce; Many
Celebrate at Winchester

Combining the spirit of Pioneer day and Independence day, impressive Fourth of July exercises were held in Grangeville Wednesday. Although no effort was made to draw a big crowd to Grangeville, hundreds of people gathered here to spend the day.

The program, sponsored by the Idaho County Pioneer association and the American legion, opened with a band concert, followed by speaking in the city auto park, a basket dinner at noon, a baseball game in the afternoon, between Grangeville and Nezperce, in which Grangeville won, 4 to 3, and election of officers by the pioneer association. A dance was held in Dreamland hall that night.

Program at Auto Park
Program at the auto park was opened by an invocation by W. N. Knox, minister. There were songs by the audience and Hon. A. F. Parker, president of the pioneer association, spoke on pioneer life.

R. D. Leeper, of Lewiston, was the speaker of the day. He declared it was particularly fitting that the Fourth of July celebration and commemoration of pioneer life should be held together, because the pioneers have made much of the nation. They were the daring people who braved the trials and hardships to conquer the land.

"The pioneers are the foundation upon which this great nation is built," said Mr. Leeper. "Most other folk of today compare to them as sandstone to granite. Even as the world is hung upon great, gaunt ribs of everlasting granite, so are our institutions built upon them. Their ideals are everlasting, and the house which they have built shall never fall."

Pioneers and the Flag
The speaker pointed out that the pioneers gave us those things for which the flag stands sponsor.

"The flag of a nation represents the hopes and achievements, the ideals and desires, the toils and troubles, of its people," the speaker declared. "It represents the blood of its own sons, shed on battlefields, and the tears of its women who gave them."

"The armies of the great Pharaohs conquered Africa beneath the pennons of their king; Alexander's phalanxes traversed the world led on by some beloved banner; great Caesar's legions won for him a world behind the eagles of mighty Rome. So in our modern day, men have fought and bled and died beneath the glorious tri-color of France, and England's scarlet banner has floated over every sea and on a thousand bloody battlefields. So does our flag, the starry banner, represent America, the coined life-blood of our pioneer ancestors who lived and worked and suffered to make it what it is. It, too, has been borne by loving hands through dangers and difficulties, over many a dark field of war in every clime, that our ideals might live; never born in an unworthy cause nor by ignoble hands."

Pioneers Elect Officers

The pioneer association, in the afternoon, elected officers as follows: President—M. S. Martin. Vice President—Henry Meyer. Secretary—Henry Teicher. Treasurer—Mrs. Bertha Long. Committee in charge of the celebration expresses gratitude for the privilege of using the tourist park for the exercises and picnic.

Many Grangeville people went to Winchester Wednesday for a big celebration there. Others went to Riggin, Clearwater and Flyblow.

NORTH AND SOUTH ROAD NOW OPEN TO TRAFFIC

North and South highway is now open to through traffic between Grangeville and New Meadows, it is announced and it is hoped that the road will be kept open throughout the summer. The highway has been closed over a section between John Day and Lucile, owing to construction work.

It is reported that five miles of the road, as must now be traveled, is not in good condition, and frequent detours are necessary, but at the same time automobile traffic is possible over this section. Construction of the new road is proceeding.

IT MAY BE A GOOD IDEA, BARNEY,—BUT WHAT ARE WE TO DO WITH THIS PERFECTLY GOOD FOUNDATION?

