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## NO MISHAPS MAR THE "GLORIOUS FOURTH"

First Celebration of Independence Day in Twin Falls—Enjoyed by Large Crowd—Good Ball Game Between Regulars and Stars—Horse Races Disappointing on Account of Lack of Entries—Field Sports Attractive and Fireworks Display Brilliant.

The "Glorious Fourth" is over and the only scorching of the city received was from the hot rays of Old Sol. The weather man neglected to furnish a breeze for the occasion and the heat scorched the people rather sluggish. Considering the limited time at the disposal of the committee the celebration was very creditable. It lagged at times because nobody seemed willing to take the initiative.

The parade was quite lengthy and attractive. The Odd Fellows making a particularly fine showing. There were a number of decorated vehicles in line headed by the Hotel Perrine bus containing a jovial crowd.

The address by Rev. R. D. Osterhout was timely and well received and greatly enjoyed by a large crowd. The Twin Falls band did nobly and won all sorts of praise. When all the instruments are received and the bandmen have had a little time to practice the organization will be one of the best in the state. The music furnished on Wednesday was very acceptable indeed.

**Baseball.**  
The first nine and the Twin Falls Stars put up a pretty game of ball for five innings, after which the regulars drew away and won by a score of 5 to 1. Smith and Towner, the regular battery, strengthened the Stars, while Holohan and Sweetley officiated for the regulars. Smith struck out 10 men and Holohan 12. It was very hot and the boys began to tire after the fifth inning, when the crowd started for the race track and interest in the game dwindled. The line-up was:

**Regulars.** Stars.  
Kierstead, ss. Towner, c.  
McMahon, 3b. Jay Abbott, 1b.  
Shelton, p. Blackey, 2b.  
Sweetley, c. Swank, 3b.  
Holohan, p. Turnpseed, ss.  
Noble, 1b. Roy Abbott, 1r.  
Hulse, 2b. W. Y. Farnsworth, 2b.  
Dunn, 3b. Peterson, 1r.  
Osburn, 1b. Smith, p.  
**Score by innings:**  
Regulars..... 2 0 0 1 4 2—8 2  
Stars..... 0 0 1 0 0 0—1 7 6

The horse races did not come up to expectancy on account of the sparse entries and the difficulty in keeping the course clear of spectators. The people stood around in the hot sun for an hour and after the time set for the races to begin, nobody seemed to be in charge of the races until Judge McKinlay took hold and the program began to move. Joe Hulse's good mare, Kitty Lind, won the first heat of the harness race easily. She is sucking a colt and Mr. Hulse did not wish to run the risk of injuring her by exciting her in the next two heats which went to Jim Burnett's Frank Wilkes with George Bassett's good old Ned close up.

The first saddle race was the best of the day. Burnett's Midnight, with a little boy up, won handily. After two false breaks in the first half mile, free for all, Girdner's Billy wheeled when the word was given and was left at the post, Bassett's Elsie coming in alone. There was considerable betting on this race, but in most cases those who had their money down on the mare refused to accept the winnings. A match race between the same horses has been arranged for the 15th.

The fireworks display was well handled and very attractive. On the streets impromptu displays kept the marshals busy but no dance was done. There was only one arrest during the day for drunkenness and no

disturbance of any kind occurred.

**Quarter mile, saddle horses—Burnett's Midnight, won. Harrah's Fred second. Bassett's Tim McKinlay, P. H. Harness race, half mile—Burnett's Frank Wilkes won the second, and third heats and race. Hulse's Kitty Lind won the first heat and second money. Bassett's Ned third.**

**Half-mile running, free for all—Bassett's Elsie won. Girdner's Billy left at post.**  
**Half mile for saddle horses, free for all—Hartwell's Dan won. Bassett's Elsie second. Bassett's Tim third.**

**Field Sports.**  
50 yards, for boys under 10—H. Shopper won. Frank Long second. A. Johnson third.

100 yards, free for all—G. E. Smith won. S. Turnpseed second.  
50 yards, for girls under 10—Gladie Roberts won. Laverne Rawson second.  
Three-legged race—Turnpseed and Smith won. Robertson and Peterson second.

50 yards, for girls over 12—Alice Urie won. Bessie Eldred second. Florence Costello third.

Flat men's race—James Jones won. T. Cummings second.  
220 yards, open—Jack W. White won. W. Y. Farnsworth second.  
Wheelbarrow race—Bryan and Taylor won. Robertson and Peterson second.

**CLIMBED TREE TO ROB NEST.**  
Blow Snake Makes Short Work of Young Canary Birds.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Holohan and their son, Paul, of the McKinlay place, Smith, J. W. Craven, Henry Heisterberg, A. D. McKinlay and George Frazer took a drive to the Goat springs on Sunday. They found the road in splendid condition, that portion between the high line canal and the springs being particularly good. At the springs the party witnessed an interesting spectacle. Noticing several birds resembling large canaries screaming and flitting around a clump of tall wild rose bushes, they discovered a billion whistling birds' nest about eight feet from the ground on a small limb of a rose tree. Partially celled within the nest was a large blow snake at which the birds were pecking and striking. With a stick the snake was knocked down and killed. Several protruberances in the snake's body showed what had become of the young birds which were found within the snake when it was cut open. The rose bush was one mass of small, sharp thorns, and how the snake succeeded in climbing the tree, which was less than half an inch in diameter, was puzzling. The blow snakes are said to be extremely fond of young birds and it is stated that they will climb tall trees to get at the nests.

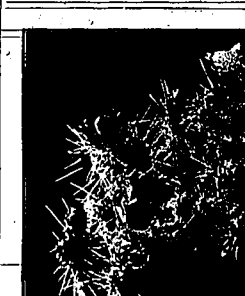
About midway between Goat springs and Warm creek, Jonas Bros. of Rock Creek are boring for artesian water. They have developed a splendid flow of about 50 inches at a depth of 400 feet. The water is 96 degrees in temperature and as clear as crystal. Fully six feet of obdurate was encountered about 300 feet below the surface. The water rises through a six-inch pipe when the pipe is extended upward and the flow and pressure remain apparently the same. The well will be raised to greater depth in the hope of tapping a greater flow of water and raising the temperature. The water seems to be highly mineralized.

## LOCATED GOOD QUARTZ LEADS

J. M. Bower Believes He Has Found a Mining District.

J. M. Bower has located and is preparing to develop a number of promising quartz claims at the head of Rock creek, about 45 miles southeast of Twin Falls. The claims lie in a district in which there are many indications of coal and oil and where several coal ledges have been found. They are on the same line as the Vipera, Melcher tunnel and other good properties in Idaho and the Contact district in Nevada. To the northeast of the claims are the fine marble quarries south of Albion.

Many years ago Mr. Bower and his father, J. E. Bower of Broncho, visited the district and found several pieces of rich float, one of which assayed \$18,000 in gold. They were attracted to the place by an old trapper who brought a piece of good float to Mr. Bower's ranch on Dry creek. For several years the Bowers spent a month or six weeks in the district every summer prospecting. They found several good ledges and a great deal of float but they never could locate the ledge or ledge from which the high grade float came. Mr. Bower, Jr., now be-



BEFORE AND AFTER IRRIGATION.

The upper picture shows the wild cactus found on the Twin Falls tract. Below is a picture of Twin Falls roses grown by J. A. Waters at his nursery on Blue Lakes Avenue.

(Photos by Blabac & Reichardt, Twin Falls.)

Here he is on the right track. From surface rock he has obtained assays of from \$1 to \$6 in gold and 10 to 20 ounces of silver. The leads are well defined, and although they have not been opened up to any great extent, they look very promising. Mr. Bower has located quite a number of claims and secured water rights. There is plenty of timber in the vicinity and the ground is not hard to work. From the presence of so much alluvial find Mr. Bower believes he has found something good. It will not do Twin Falls any harm if he has.

## GENEROUS PRIZES

FOR THE FARMERS

ALL HAVE A GOOD CHANCE TO WIN AT THE FAIR.

Will Be Encouraged to Bring in the Best Products of Their Fields and Gardens—Management Believes in a Liberal Policy.

Interest in the Twin Falls fair, which will be held here on September 5, 6 and 7, is constantly increasing and there is every indication that the fair will be a conspicuous success. Subscriptions are coming in every day. In addition to those printed below, a number of other large donations have been offered and it is safe to predict that more than \$3000 will be distributed among the farmers. Besides the cash subsidies a number of prizes of value have been offered. These will be in the nature of special prizes for certain products. In short, there will be the strongest incentive for every

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Hansen has been made a voting precinct and notice has been given that a primary election will be held in the school house at Hansen on Monday, July 16, for the purpose of electing two delegates to the Republican county convention to be held in the court house at Albion Saturday, July 21.

The Hansen townsite will be placed on the market July 15 by a number of Chicago capitalists. The townsite of 100 acres in extent and it will be laid out in first class condition. Two lumber yards will be opened at once and a brickyard will be started on the opening day. Other valuable industries are in prospect and the outlook is very bright. Hansen is well located for the distribution point for the Rock Creek district and adjacent to the big bench which will be watered before very long. The town will have a first class water system with fire protection, electric lights and power, graded streets, sidewalks, shade trees and many other advantages. It is a center of the highest spirits of the encouragement and this will be forthcoming. Following is a partial list of the subscriptions:

Twin Falls Land & Water Co.	\$500
Twin Falls Investment Co.	250
1st Nat. Bank	100
McCormick & Co.	100
1st National Bank	100
Palace saloon	100
Bedford Drug Co.	50
Idaho Development Co.	50
Perkins & Larson	50
H. C. Sorenson & Co.	50
Wilson Bros.	50
Sprague's Pharmacy	50
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Flint Coal Co.	50
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Star Restaurant	50
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W. H. Eldridge	50
New Publishing Co.	50
Twin Falls Lumber Co.	50
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Hotel Perrine	50
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J. M. Bower	50
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W. H. Weaver	50
H. W. Clouche	50
Asb & Greenwald	50
Arnold Frank	50
Waverly Hotel	50
J. C. Carl	50
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I. G. Granger	50
H. B. Johnson	50
W. V. Jones	50
N. Musgrave	50
Hugh Cameron	50
Twin Falls Meat Co.	50
John C. White	50
A. T. Bradley	50

## WILL OPEN HANSEN TOWNSITE

Chicago Capitalists Will Make It a Modern Town.

HANSEN, July 5.—The Misses Beth and Ruth Hamilton of Twin Falls were callers in Hansen last Saturday.  
Fred Baker left Monday for a visit to his home in Goldendale, Wash. Mrs. Florida of Boise is visiting her sister, Mrs. Roberts of this place.  
Landseekers for ranches in this part of the tract have been much in evidence for the past few days.  
M. Condon of Pocatello, supervising engineer of the railroad construction company, was in Hansen last Friday.

Miss Lattie and Mr. Vas Nelson went to Circleville, Utah, last Saturday to spend the Fourth of July with relatives there.  
H. G. Galt, who left here for Eldorado, Mexico, a few weeks ago, returned last Tuesday. Mr. Galt has concluded to make his home here.  
F. S. Stone of Davis City, Iowa, was a visitor in Hansen on Saturday.

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## CROPS IN VERY

FINE CONDITION

SPLENDID APPEARANCE OF EXPERIMENTAL FARM.

Sugar Beets, Field Peas, Wheat and Potatoes Far Advanced and Promise Abundant Yields—Beets Are Especially Fine.

If any farmer has doubts regarding the productive qualities of the Twin Falls soil he should visit the experimental farm here and satisfy himself that any plant indigenous to the temperate zone can be grown on this tract. Those who had had luck with their field peas this season should inspect the experimental farm. These peas have not been irrigated yet and are five feet high and as thick as matchsticks. The Dickwood wheat, in the opinion of as good an authority as Professor H. T. French of Moscow, who inspected it a few years ago, yield from 60 to 80 bushels to the acre. The corn which is almost as good as the Macaroni brand is equally as good. The most handsome showing, however, is made by the Canada and Mexican field peas. The peas are now a remarkable growth without irrigation. The sugar beets are more than two inches in diameter at the top and taper for fully 15 inches. By dumping them water Mr. Meyer is forcing them to grow long and retain proper form instead of bulging out unnaturally as they would if left to their own devices. The growers from Colorado who have recently inspected the beets at the experimental farm said they never saw a better field. Mr. Meyer is proud of his potatoes. The Acme are now larger than hen's eggs and very prolific, while the Six Weeks variety is almost as full as the Acme. The flat corn and sunflowers look well and the other vegetables present a very satisfactory appearance. The alfalfa and orchard grass cut fully 15 tons to the acre. One of the prettiest sights on the farm is a litter of six Poland China pigs, farrowed May 25. They are little beauties and almost every visitor wants to buy them. The company maintaining this farm in order to demonstrate what can be done with Twin Falls soil and every farmer, no matter what his experience, will profit by inspecting it. Mr. Meyer is always ready to furnish information and the farm is always open for inspection.

The gray saddle horse which Mr. Pettigrew lately working as a traction inspector for the water company, got loose from the company's stable and ran away. The company's men, knowing the whereabouts of the horse, went to a favor by advising the manager's office at Twin Falls. Mr. Pettigrew is a fine driver and this week and took dinner with G. Sommer.

Several Large Lions Killed in Vicinity of Three Creek.

I. W. Goldard of Three Creek, who was in Twin Falls a few days ago with a shipment of wool, told some interesting stories in regard to the raising of cougars in that section. Mr. Goldard said the cougars, or mountain lions, were especially fond of young colts. The big cats had often been seen attacking colts and killing them down. The mares will not fight for their offspring with the cougars, but the cows will. The scent of the cow is what attracts the cougar. The cougar stalks the horse, sneaking up on the young colts whose curiosity is invariably their undoing. When a cougar is killed, the head is his trophy. Last week Goldard's nephew killed two large cougars in Salmon river canyon near the bridge on the Three Creek road. The largest was a fine specimen of the animal, which was killed with a 22 rifle, measured over nine feet in length. These cougars had been killing stock for a long time and their destruction was a great relief.

Ben-Larios of the Diamond-A ranch on the Bureau sent to Philadelphia last year for two foxhounds which he trained to trail cougars. The dogs worked splendidly. While hunting a cougar last fall Mr. Larios' dogs treed the animal. It was after sundown but the dogs were so sure of their work in which the cougar had taken refuge. Seeing a dark form in the branches Mr. Larios fired at it, supposing it was a cougar. To his consternation one of his valued dogs dropped dead from the limbs. A few moments later he located and killed the cougar, but the dead dog was lying in the tree with its claws caught in the bark of the tree.

Cougars are very hard to trail because they are so cunning. They will hide down on a limb or rock and keep perfectly still while the hunter passes within a few feet of them. When a cougar is killed they will eat a man but as a rule they will not attack unless cornered.

There is a state bounty on cougar scalps and a bounty on the skins of growers also pay rewards for them, consequently the animals are hunted down. Except in the mountain regions, however, the cougars are very scarce and it is believed they will soon become extinct.

## Shoe Truths

Full Vamps or Cut Off Vamps

Is the question in the Shoe Business Today.

COURTNEY'S

Line is the only one in the United States making every shoe honest. That's the reason they wear and look so well.

Summer Styles

It is a genuine pleasure to do business this season because we have such a beautiful stock of just the very things which every woman wants most. It is the only way to do business to get the best there is and sell for low prices. The trouble with most stores is they only look out for the price and try to sell inferior goods.

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# SPEAKS HIGHLY OF TWIN FALLS

INTERESTING REPORT BY H. O. RASCHBACHER.

Who Spent Last Summer Investigating Conditions on Twin Falls Tract for the Government Bureau of Irrigation and Drainage Investigation.

The territory discussed in this report lies along the Snake river from St. Anthony, near the eastern limit of Idaho, down to where Salmon river enters from the south. The distance is about 200 miles and embraces approximately that part of the Snake river plains which was in geologic times covered with lava. The lava bed has a total area of about 12,000 square miles, the amount of land which can ever be farmed under irrigation is limited to certain tracts comparatively free from outcropping lava rock and conveniently situated for gravity irrigation from Snake river or its tributaries.

The report of surveys made in 1904 for the state engineer as the basis for water right decrees shows an irrigated area of 250,000 acres, and an additional irrigable area (under decree) of 650,000 acres, in the valley as far down as Raft river. Below this point are 254,000 acres of land and the completion of the north side, Twin Falls canal will add 140,000 acres more. The north side canal of the Minidoka reclamation project will add 60,000 acres, and a canal is proposed on the south side to irrigate 50,000 acres more. If to the present of the land are added the Dubois reclamation project, which is proposed for the irrigation of 200,000 acres southwest of St. Anthony, with water to be sent to the head of Snake river, we have a grand total of over a million acres of new land, nearly every acre of which will have to be cleared, fenced, and irrigated, as compared for irrigation in the next few years. Of this area 800,000 acres, including the north side Minidoka tract, is actually under ditch today.

With many local differences these lands are alike covered more or less heavily with sagebrush. The fine, yellow-white, wind-deposited soil is made by porous strata of lava, and in thickness from nothing to 40 feet, but is so generally alike in texture and quality that similar methods of preparation for irrigation can be used in the entire basin. It contains all the chemical constituents necessary for plant growth, and is especially rich in lime. The prevailing winds are from the southwest, and the soil is found to be exceedingly deep on the northeastern slopes of knolls, while lava rock generally outcrops on the western slopes. Analyses of samples of soil taken from different depths show practically the same chemical constituents throughout, except that the amount of humus is found in the first six inches. Both black and white alkali are found, but in rather small amounts. The alkali is exceedingly fine and, except in creek bottoms is almost entirely devoid of coarse sand. Though the virgin soil is lacking in humus, some exceptions are noted. The alkali has been raised, and once it is properly fertilized with leguminous crops the yield should be heavy.

The somewhat rolling character of the Snake river plains and the porous character of the underlying lava rock are its best safeguards against the rise of alkali in the soil, and the advantage goes far to offset the greater hardship in leveling the land and getting it into shape for irrigation. On the Twin Falls and Minidoka tracts nearly every quarter section has its own drainage channel, and all excess alkali is carried through it to the Snake river, without being deposited on the land by being blown. The duty of water usually assumed in selling water rights will tend to prevent excessive irrigation, and, with the natural drainage, will insure the complete immunity of the tracts from injurious alkali.

**Obtaining Land and Water.**  
Of over 250 canals and ditches described in the state engineer's survey of the sixth judicial district only 23 are reported as having no "additional acreage irrigable," all the rest having increased land under irrigation. Some of these ditches are organized as irrigation districts, and many are cooperative or incorporated canals, the price of land and water being fixed for varying too much to be described here. It may be said, however, that there is a strong tendency toward the ownership of water rights by individuals rather than by outside corporations. The Carey and reclamation acts and the irrigation district law all provide for the ultimate control by users.

Under Carey act enterprises the price of water rights is limited by the amount made by the state engineer's construction company. The American Falls canal, built under this act, is to irrigate 90,000 acres, water rights for the first 100,000 acres have been sold for \$15, \$20 and \$25, according to the price of land and water. The water is sold for 25 cents per acre-foot per second per acre. The annual maintenance fee is 20 cents per acre. Under the Twin Falls canal act, water rights for the first 100,000 acres have been sold for \$15, \$20 and \$25, according to the price of land and water. The water is sold for 25 cents per acre-foot per second per acre. The annual maintenance fee is 20 cents per acre.

**Seepage Losses in New Canals.**  
Measurements were taken to determine the seepage loss on a portion of the main canal, eight miles in length, through a tract where the soil was dry and the water was new. The average to be expected throughout the entire length of the canal in the future, after the rock cuts have been shown. The total amount of water flowing in the canal at the upper end of the section measured was 500 cubic feet per second for each 50 acres. The water was lost by seepage at the rate of 10 cubic feet per second per acre, the measured loss being 80 cubic feet per second per acre. The water was lost by seepage at the rate of 10 cubic feet per second per acre, the measured loss being 80 cubic feet per second per acre. The water was lost by seepage at the rate of 10 cubic feet per second per acre, the measured loss being 80 cubic feet per second per acre.

able in cash, with interest at 6 per cent on deferred payments. A main head gate was 5.05 cubic feet per second, and the outflow 4.8 cubic feet per second, making a total loss of .25 cubic feet per second, or slightly more than two miles. The second lateral carried 21.8 cubic feet per second at the head gate, and the outflow in one mile was 19.2 cubic feet per second, making a loss of 2.6 cubic feet per second. The greater loss per mile in the second lateral was without doubt due to the greater velocity of the water, which prevented a deposit of silt. Thus keeping the channel from becoming water-tight. The evaporation loss during the summer months is exceedingly heavy, measuring four feet in ten days from a tank set in a running ditch.

**Expense to New Settlers.**  
As already explained, the first cost of land and water right, assuming that the settler pays the entire amount for the first payment, is \$25.50 per acre. To the first cost must be added the cost of fencing, grubbing sagebrush, plowing, grading, marking, ditching, seeding and irrigating. Fencing posts cost about 13 cents each delivered at Twin Falls. About 320 posts are required to fence 40 acres, where roads or lanes are laid out every 100 feet, the cost being 41.60 per acre for posts about 11. The additional cost depends upon the kind of wire used and number of wires strung; but the average total cost for barbed wire fence is close to \$3 per acre. Clearing—The entire tract is covered with sagebrush, varying in height from 10 to 15 feet. This must be cleared off before any plowing or leveling can be done. Most of the settlers clear land by hand-cutting down the brush in an arched line, and then piling and burning it. The cutting and piling is generally done during the day, and the burning at night. One man can clear an acre of land in two days, setting in one day as much as he can pile and burn the next. With a sharp mattock the brush can be cut easily a low inch above the ground. The older residents of southern Idaho claim that about an acre a day can be cleared by one man when the ground is frozen, the brush being broken up by the frost, which then prevents its yielding when struck by the mattock. When the brush is dry the land is sometimes cleared by burning it as it stands. By this method one man can easily clear an acre a day. It is claimed that this leaves the soil in better condition than the roots burning down to the ground, leaving the ash as a fertilizer. Contracts for clearing land by hand, which include the piling and burning of the brush, are made for an average of \$3.50 per acre, the price depending on the market price for day laborers.

When the land is not cleared by hand three different methods are used in grubbing out the brush. Probably the cheapest of the three methods is to drag a railroad rail back and forth over the ground. With six horses hitched to an 18-foot rail 22 acres were cleared in three days, three hands being employed. The rail was dragged over the brush twice in each direction, and then followed up with the grubbing hoe. The actual cost by this method, at the time when wages, board and horse feed were very high, was about \$3 an acre.

A considerable area has been cleared with a grubber consisting of a knife blade carried on a wheel base and drawn about six inches below the surface of the ground. About four acres a day can be cut by this grubber. Which in use only a short time it has given very good results. Sometimes the sagebrush is piled in heaps by hand preparatory to burning. This is done by cutting the brush with an ordinary hay rake or some form of homemade rake. While most of the settlers burn the brush as fast as it is cut quite a number stack it for fuel. Sagebrush burns readily and leaves a good bed of coals, making it an excellent fuel for household use. In the early days of settlement in southern Idaho, a stack of sagebrush is a valuable asset, and will help materially in cutting down a farmer's expenses at a time when the cost of setting new land in shape is especially heavy.

**Plowing—Settlers frequently do not believe all these farming implements with them and consequently must have their plowing done by outside parties. A contract for plowing generally calls for a depth of 10 inches, but a number of fields have been plowed only four inches. The cost for plowing six inches is between \$2 and \$2.50 an acre, which does not include the cost of the horse and driver. The cost of setting new land in shape is especially heavy.**

A number of farmers, acting on the advice of older settlers, have diked their land in order to make a comparison of the crops grown on the diked and plowed land shows clearly the advantage of deep plowing. This is shown by the fact that the experimental farm at Twin Falls, where two fields were sown with alfalfa, both having been prepared for crops in exactly the same manner except that one had been plowed six inches deep while the other had been diked to a depth of three inches. At the end of four months the alfalfa in the plowed field stood 15 inches high while that in the diked field was only three inches high. Deep plowing turns under the humus in the soil, and the alfalfa in the plowed field fed upon it, helps the water to percolate more freely by loosening the soil to a greater depth, and destroys the larvae of injurious insects by exposing them to light and air.

**Grading—Land is generally leveled with a drag made of a few boards nailed with iron or large stones. The soil after plowing and harrowing being loose enough to work readily into shape. In their haste to satisfy the requirements for water rights the settlers have done no more leveling than was absolutely necessary, causing almost endless trouble when the water was turned on. As a result, a number of farms are cut by gullies and crops have been washed out by the water when beyond control. The water in the furrows is not washed the yields are uneven, owing to the fact that the lower portions receive too much water while the knolls receive too little. The water is not properly done, the yields have been even, and the soil has not been cut by unmanageable streams. The importance of leveling the land can not be too greatly emphasized. For a uniform yield it is essential, not to speak**

of the added ease in irrigation and the saving in the length of laterals required. The average cost for leveling has been about \$1 per acre. This avoids the disturbance of the upper layer of soil, which contains more or less humus, tends to make the crop uneven the first year or two, but will not cause any lasting injury. Under irrigation the water must be applied in a regular, uniform manner. A combined plowing and leveling. After the land has been plowed and cleared, the furrows are quickly, and easily made by some form of marker. A combined marker and roller in use on one farm gave very good results, correcting the smaller irregularities in the surface at the same time. The furrows, except where the grade is too steep, are generally run in the direction of greatest slope.

**Ditching—The amount of ditching required depends on the distance of the farm from the main lateral and the character of the ground surface. Where conditions favor, ditching has cost as low as \$1 per acre. It has been as high as \$5 per acre, averaging between \$2 and \$3.**

**Irrigating—Contracts for applying water have been made for \$2 per acre for the season. The contract usually calls for three or four irrigations, any above that number being paid for extra.**

**Total Cost—The various items of cost per acre may be summarized as follows:**

First cost of the land and water	\$25.50
Fencing material	3.00
Labor	3.50
Grubbing sagebrush	3.50
Plowing	.50
Seeding	.50
Leveling and marking	1.00
Ditching	2.00
Irrigating	2.00
Total cost per acre	\$40.00

In case the settler uses his own teams and labor for clearing, leveling, plowing, etc., the payments on his land as they fall due, the cash outlay per acre for the first year will be as follows:

First payment on water right	\$3.00
First payment on land	2.50
Fencing material	3.00
Total	\$8.50

**Method of Irrigating.**  
The furrow system has been generally adopted by the farmers on the Twin Falls tract for all crops raised. In irrigating by this method water is carried through the bank of the main lateral in a box about four inches square and 15 inches long, made of one-inch stuff. From this box the water is led into the furrows or corrugations made by the marker, four to eight furrows being run in each box. The furrows are spaced 24 feet apart, are about three inches wide and two inches deep, and vary in length from 500 to 800 feet, depending on the slope.

Enough water is turned through each box in the head ditch to supply each of the furrows under it with a small steady stream. Too much water makes the soil wash, while if too little is used the water will not reach the lower end of the furrows. About the proper amount will run the length of a 500-foot furrow in three hours. The water seeps laterally between the furrows and is led running into the head ditch in the center throughout this length. This requires 12 to 18 hours, and in that time the soil is saturated to a depth of four to six feet. After the ground has been irrigated a few times the furrows become more permanent, and when the proper amount of water is turned into the head ditch the water does not require any further attention until the irrigation is complete.

In the older irrigated districts of southern Idaho it has been found that a heavy irrigation in the fall is of more benefit than the lighter irrigations given during the growing season. Besides the "reservoir" of water stored when the plants are young and need it most, such an irrigation also shows any variations in the ground surface, which then can be corrected before the crop is planted.

As a rule, the new irrigators have tried to use furrows which were too long. The result has been that much water at the upper end of the field and too little at the lower end. The best plan is to have short furrows, gather the water at their ends by means of waste ditches, and redistribute it, or carry it over to some other field where it is run over a new set of furrows. For cultivated crops the best length is 250 to 400 feet. With furrows of this length little water will waste at the lower end of the farm and crops will be more evenly watered.

During the summer months the desert soil is almost devoid of moisture, and a larger amount of water is required for the first irrigation than for any subsequent ones. In order to de-

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### HOW TO USE A MOWING MACHINE

Mower Should Be Well Oiled and Nuts Kept Tight.

There is a proper way to use a mowing machine and when rightly used a machine will last longer and do more and better work than when it is used carelessly. It should be thoroughly oiled and all nuts gone over and the loose ones tightened. A careful inspection of knife and guards should be made each time that the machine is all snug and in good order. In hitching to the machine the slack in the trace chains should be sufficient to allow the machine to move forward freely as all machines will that are well balanced, so that if for any reason a sudden check is given to the forward motion there is a chance for a little spring before breaking. Unless the alfalfa is badly down the hay should be run with a little upward slant. This will cause it to dip over many small protuberances of soil or small rocks without cutting through or coming in forcible contact, and this will keep a knife from becoming dull so soon. It also tightens the draft—Denver Field and Farm.

### LIFE OF A STRAWBERRY BED

Not More Than Two Crops Can Be Raised Profitably.

Two years is as long as a strawberry bed can be maintained with profit. The first year of fruiting will give the largest fruit, the second the greatest quantity, then vigor must be renewed. Rows are too crowded to admit the growth of new plants, weeds multiply and are difficult to control and for this reason it is best to plow up the bed immediately after the removal of the second crop. A new bed should be set each year and an old one plowed up. Following the plow the land should be used for one season for some other crop or it is possible to meet good results by sowing, with some selling crop, a second crop of strawberries. This is turned under in the fall. Many eastern growers find greatest profit in the practice of taking but one crop. The plants are set in August, fruited the next June and then turned under, but here in the west with our rich soil and plenty of irrigating water it is better to take two crops.—Denver Field and Farm.

Do not water sugar beets until actually necessary, but do not permit the plants to suffer for moisture. Most growers realize that when growth is checked by drought and begins again both the quality and the quantity of the crop is lost. Beets should be kept in a healthy growing condition from the time of the first irrigation until harvest.

### HAY STACKERS COME IN HANDY

Facilitate Harvesting and Result in Less Loss.

Here in the alfalfa country a hay stacker is an absolute necessity. By its use the labor incident to stacking hay is greatly reduced and the hay is put up much more quickly. Two classes of stackers are on the market. One dumps the hay in one place on the stack while the other class separates it evenly over the entire length of the stack and both give good satisfaction. Some prefer the second class stackers and others those that spread the hay evenly over the entire stack. One great advantage in using a stacker comes from the fact that much larger stacks can be built. They settle down solidly and reduce to a minimum the percentage of loss.

### SHOULD SAVE ALFALFA LEAVES

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National forest reserves, their creation, management and control, and the policy adopted by the federal government are subjects that will receive great attention from prominent citizens interested in each side of these questions at the session of the National irrigation congress, which meets at Boise, Idaho, September 3 to 8, 1906. The states of the great northwest are almost as much interested in the matter of forest reserves as in irrigation, and some lively discussions will be participated in by delegates who will attend the congress for this purpose.

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### LIKED EXPERIMENTAL FARM

Horticultural Commissioner Hitt Praised Twin Falls.

A. F. Hitt, puro food and state horticultural commissioner, has returned to Boise from attending a meeting of both boards at Twin Falls. That is a wonderful section, said Mr. Hitt. "I saw many interesting things but McPherson's experimental farm was the best of all. We should have had some such a revelation to see nearly 100 varieties of plants, grains and vegetables growing in small plats side by side and nearly everyone doing well. Some were luxurious and others were not so well adapted to the soil and climate."

"The only failure I noticed was where an experiment was made in sowing fall wheat in the spring. This will not work, but I believe if the wheat was sown down, it might come out and make a crop next year. The experimental farm furnishes a great object lesson for eastern people not familiar with irrigation. They could see how the different crops are cared for, and by inquiry learn how well when to irrigate."

"I saw some fine fields of hay on the tract, one of alfalfa and redtop and am sure will average three tons to the acre at the first cutting. As baled hay sells for \$22 this farmer will doubtless receive \$440 per ton for his final cut. He will pay for their land and water right twice over the first year. The big cash returns from the products of the land is causing a substantial increase in the value of lands."

Mr. Hitt said the two boards adjourned to meet next at Moscow, the date to be fixed by the chamber of commerce. While in Twin Falls several cases of French peas, beans and preserves were condemned but no arrests were made. Hitt also found a great deal of short weight butter. He gave fair warning, and the next trip over there, he said, will be a busy one if the warnings are not heeded.—Capital News.

### Eller's Big Show.

Why not attend a first-class entertainment when you have an opportunity? It costs no more. This company is producing the great play of "The Van Winkle" under canvas, also including between each act specialties that are of the very best. Professor Hummel, the world's greatest trick bicycle and unicycle rider, does the most wonderful work on a single wheel ever attempted. Miss Ann Blain, California's greatest singer, plays the piano in impersonations, and others, make a continuous performance. The press, wherever they have appeared, praise the company for having the best show ever seen under canvas. So confident is the manager of this company of pleasing the people that he guarantees to refund the money to anyone not satisfied, and one people can rest assured that they won't regret the fact they attended, as their show will be full of the excitement of all at Twin Falls, Sunday, July 8.

### Profitable Farming.

On Wednesday we were in D. Crompton's north of Garland and were taken through the little four-acre fruit orchard. This piece is planted to apples, and in the tree rows one way are raspberries, gooseberries and currants, and between the rows there are four rows of strawberries, which are the ones we ever saw. There are in the orchard 1 1/2 acres of strawberries that will net over \$400 this season. Mr. Crompton is one of the most practical farmers in the valley. From a 20-acre farm, 18 acres of which is used for crops and fruit, the farm land being planted to beets and potatoes, all garden vegetables being raised in the orchard. The net profits in the year 1905 were \$1200, or more than \$60 per acre, and allowing the beets and potatoes to be as good this year as last year, Crompton will receive \$1400 clear money from this small farm. Who can beat it?—Tremont Times.

Vice President Fairbanks has formally accepted an invitation to attend the Fourteenth National Irrigation congress to be held at Boise, Idaho, and will be among the distinguished guests of the Gem state on that occasion. In accepting the invitation the vice president wrote as follows: "I appreciate the cordial invitation and shall arrange to be with you. The subject of irrigation is one that has long engaged my interest. I am in thorough sympathy with every effort made to reclaim the arid and semi-arid lands for cultivation and settlement."

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## ASKING TOO MUCH OF THE PARTY.

The candidacy of Dr. Hugh Franco of Wardner for the Republican nomination for governor is being fostered by the Bunker Hill & Sullivan Mining company. Through that agency he has secured the election of a delegation to the Republican state convention instructed for himself. Perhaps under other conditions this might be all right. At the present crisis it is easily understood that it is all wrong.

The state of Idaho in a sense is on trial. It is openly charged by the socialists, a political organization with upwards of a million votes in the United States, that the state of Idaho has entered into a conspiracy with the mine owners of the state and of the United States, having for its purpose the protection of the Western Federation of Miners, the greatest labor organization in the west. This is to be accomplished, according to the socialists, by railroading to the gallows the leading officers of that organization for the murder of ex-Governor Steunenberg.

Not many people believe that this charge can be truthfully made against the state. But suppose for an instant that Dr. Franco is nominated for governor. Could anything be done by a political party that would better tend to convince people that the conspiracy charge was well founded than this? Would it not in a sense be a confession that the mine owners were vitally interested in the prosecution of those charged with the Steunenberg murder—interested, not as all good citizens should be in the punishment of an atrocious crime, but commercially, so that the mine owners might be untroubled by a powerful labor organization warding off unpleasant legislation, affecting taxation, government supervision of mining operations, the protection of miners and laborers' rights.

The question is vital to the life of the Republican party. Dr. Franco, who is a pleasant gentleman, has lived in Idaho for a number of years. He has always been a trusted employee of the Bunker Hill company. His candidacy at present is at its command. He is the trusted agent of the corporation. At the time of the labor troubles in the Coeur d'Alenes, through the agency of his employers, he was made absolute master of the situation in Idaho. At that time he was a Democrat. He remained a member of that political party apparently until two years ago, when the Bunker Hill company made him its candidate for the legislature on the Republican ticket. He was elected and served his employers with exemplary fidelity throughout the session, opposing the passage of an eight-hour law, state control of mining corporations, the taxing of mines other than by the present inadequate process and in other ways established his right to the continued confidence and esteem of his employers.

The humor of the situation crops out when the Shoshone Republicans in convention assembled last Friday, after instructing the delegation to vote for Franco for governor, also passed a resolution declaring in favor of the enactment of an eight-hour law. The reports state that the passage of this resolution was supported by strong speeches by Dr. Franco and Barney O'Neill. It will be remembered that O'Neill was a member of the Seventh session senate, and the most effective leader in opposition to eight-hour legislation. Dr. Franco was a member of the house in 1905 and was effective in his opposition to the eight-hour law. It is natural to think that the passage of this resolution by these two opponents of the principle is meaningless. Nothing has happened since the adjournment of the legislature to induce either gentlemen to any error in his former faith, and it is apparent that only political expediency has influenced their present action.

## IS GATHERING VALUABLE DATA.

Immigration Commissioner Miller Acquires Labor Statistics.

BOISE, July 2.—Colonel Allen Miller, state immigration commissioner, who has just returned from a somewhat lengthy stay in the northern part of Idaho, has gathered a store of valuable information regarding the conditions in the five northern counties of Idaho, which will prove a lesson in our own words to all the people all the people. Miller has now gone to the southeast, where he will gather the same line of statistics that he secured in the north.

It is noted that he does not include in his figures returns from the mines, concentrators, quartz mills and smelters of the Coeur d'Alenes and other mining districts, this being left for the mining inspector to report.

Colonel Miller, in making up of his trip throughout the north, stated: "Although my mission was entirely disassociated from politics, of necessity I heard a great deal talked in all parts of the north I heard hearty expressions of confidence in the present state administration and constant expression of confidence in Governor Gooding should be re-nominated and re-elected. There is a general feeling that the state has never before had so strong a government as the one we have now. So much of material benefit to the state at large. There is a feeling that he has developed a degree of special efficiency in all departments, and there is constant comment on the fact that for the first time in the history of the state there has been no scandal connected with the management of public affairs or public institutions. The people are anxious that the governor shall be given further opportunity to complete the work so well begun. If the southern portion of the state feel like they do in the north, Governor Gooding will be re-nominated by acclamation."

Speaking of the southern portion of the state, he said: "The northwestern part of the state feel like they do in the north, Governor Gooding will be re-nominated by acclamation."

Colonel Miller said: "Since my canvass of the manufacturing industries of the five northern counties I have completed a study of the labor factors employed. The following showing is made:

"Number of establishments, 373;  
capital invested, \$10,000,871; gross product, \$3,704,725; number of men employed, 6,632; average wage per day, \$2.50.

"The lumber industry, of course, is away in the lead of all others. The number of men, as stated above, are not all employed during the whole year. The domestic mill operates some 60 weeks, and 120-day and some throughout the entire year. The mills of Kootenai county, and some in the Clearwater country, are the only ones manufacturing lumber as yet for transportation and sale beyond the state.

"The smelters and quartz mills, and the men employed in and about them were not included in my canvass, as Mr. Robert Bell, the state mining inspector is gathering statistics of the mines of the state and the allied industries, including the men employed, wages paid and gross and net output. "I am pleased to see that the northern part of the state is so prosperous before as it is today, and I am sure by the time I get through with my canvass of the southern part of the state, will find a similar condition prevailing there. I intend to keep on with the work until finally completed.

"The only complaints I heard during my search through these five counties were on account of the forest reserves and of the scarcity of labor. The contractors on the Corbin road, a branch of the Great Northern, on the extension of the O. R. & N. from Riparian to Lewiston, the extension of the Northern Pacific from Lewiston to the mines of the state and the electric line between the same points, are all handicapped from lack of men. The farmers of the Camas and Nez Perce valleys and in the Palouse and Potlatch countries in Latah county are all living in dread of the coming harvest on similar grounds. The grain and hay crops in these sections, with favorable weather, will be a record breaker. In my knowledge of this grain growing region present prospects for big crops have never been equalled."

## REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE VILLAGE OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, TO JULY 3, 1906.

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Balance from last statement, \$4,245.44	
March 1—Police fines, etc., 57.00	
March 7—License (Wamsley), 500.00	
March 8—County treasurer (taxes), 6,040.29	
March 14—Wilson Bros. (license), 500.00	
March 14—Sorenson (license), 500.00	
March 22—George Bassett (license), 500.00	
April 11—Police fines, etc., 75.00	
April 11—Auctioneer license, 5.00	
April 11—Sorenson (license), 500.00	
May 4—Police fines, etc., 24.00	
May 8—Police fines, etc., 65.00	
May 8—Police fines, etc., 2.50	
May 23—Police fines, etc., 289.50	
May 25—Dog tax, 15.00	
May 26—Poll tax, 20.00	
June 8—Poll tax, 20.00	
June 8—Shooting gallery (license), 15.00	
June 9—Police fines, etc., 57.00	
June 9—Wamsley (license), 500.00	
June 30—Poll tax, 15.00	
June 30—Tent show license, 30.00	
July 2—Police fines, etc., 500.00	
July 2—Building permits, 14.00	
Total, \$14,621.23	

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the foregoing statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public, this 5th day of July, 1906.

I, R. DARROW, Notary Public.

Warrants Paid and Charged to General Fund.

Warrant No. 66—Pioneer Hardware shop, 1.25	
No. 67—Eller Coal Co., 2.00	
No. 68—Twin Falls Lumber Co., 2.50	
No. 70—Twin Falls Mfg. Co., 50.00	
No. 71—E. W. Dyer, 100.00	
No. 73—F. K. Hinkley, 120.00	
No. 76—Jas. and Geo. Crist, 10.00	
No. 77—Ramsey, 80.00	
No. 78—J. K. Hinkley, 99.00	
No. 79—James Cameron, 16.50	
No. 81—J. W. Hoke, 12.25	
No. 82—Grace A. Kierstead, 4.00	
No. 84—Roberts Mountain Bell Tel. Co., 5.00	
No. 85—Jas. H. Hoke, 1.50	
No. 86—W. C. Lisonbee, 3.25	
No. 87—Robinson-Tape Hdw. Co., 85.92	
No. 88—Twin Falls Lumber & Wagon Co., 75.00	
No. 89—E. W. Dyer, 27.50	
No. 90—T. F. Teines, 2.20	
No. 91—P. H. Hall, 2.20	

No. 92—Eller Coal Co., 6.25	
No. 93—W. C. Lisonbee, 11.25	
No. 96—Braun Bros., 1.50	
No. 97—Seth Webb, 60.00	
No. 98—W. A. Austin, 65.00	
No. 99—E. W. Dyer, 100.00	
No. 100—S. Ryan, 5.00	
No. 101—Don O'Malley, 73.50	
No. 102—Twin Falls Mfg. Co., 16.00	
No. 103—J. K. Hinkley, 100.00	
No. 104—Robinson-Tape Hdw. Co., 3.20	
No. 106—Twin Falls Hdw. Co., 32.20	
No. 107—Perrine & Burton, 12.50	
No. 108—Arch Cunningham, 21.75	
No. 109—Rogers & Towler, 40.00	
No. 110—H. Towner, 12.50	
No. 111—W. J. Burdett, 45.00	
No. 112—Wm. Frisch, 16.00	
No. 113—O. E. McKee, 29.00	
No. 114—Rogers & Towler, 29.00	
No. 115—W. J. Burdett, 27.50	
No. 116—Pat Fallon, 7.50	
No. 117—Charles Sardius, 100.00	
No. 118—C. W. Dyer, 12.75	
No. 119—J. K. Hinkley, 11.25	
No. 120—H. H. Hoke, 11.25	
No. 122—W. A. Austin, 75.00	
No. 123—Seth Webb, 115.00	
No. 124—Bedford Drug Co., 50.00	
No. 125—Robinson-Tape Hdw. Co., 8.20	
No. 126—D. C. Bennett, 10.00	
No. 127—Braun Bros., 50.00	
No. 128—W. J. Burdett, 32.50	
No. 129—L. B. Mahler, 22.50	
No. 130—Don Campbell, 30.00	
No. 131—J. K. Hinkley, 19.25	
No. 132—Gilbert Lee, 65.00	
No. 134—S. Ryan, 30.00	
No. 136—R. P. Updegraff, 30.00	
No. 137—B. A. Barnes, 57.50	
No. 138—C. W. Levisse, 27.00	
No. 139—J. E. Erdmann, 1.00	
No. 140—J. R. Darrow, 25.00	
No. 141—Allen More Co., 35.00	
No. 142—Dan O'Malley, 75.00	
No. 143—W. W. Humphrey, 65.00	
No. 144—Dan O'Malley, 25.00	
No. 145—Hall, 25.00	
No. 146—Don Campbell, 25.00	
No. 147—Twin Falls Lumber Co., 68.72	
No. 148—Robert Lamon, 60.00	
No. 149—Seth Webb, 15.00	
No. 150—E. Mahler, 15.00	
No. 151—B. O. Barnes, 80.00	
No. 152—W. A. Austin, 5.00	
No. 153—J. K. Hinkley, 125.00	
No. 154—J. R. Darrow, 60.00	
No. 155—R. D. Thompson, 70.00	
No. 156—R. S. Cookham, 432.50	
No. 157—C. Lisonbee, 40.00	
No. 158—C. W. Dyer, 100.00	
No. 159—W. W. Humphrey, 155.24	
No. 160—W. P. Guthrie, 12.50	
No. 161—J. E. Clifton, 17.50	
No. 162—W. J. McDonough, 77.50	
No. 163—Gilbert Lee, 92.75	
No. 164—Nibbley-Channel Lmbr. Co., 17.88	
No. 165—S. Ryan, 75.00	
No. 166—Robert Lamon, 75.00	
No. 167—Ramsey, 80.00	
No. 168—Twin Falls Times, 14.50	
No. 169—Braun Bros., 10.70	
No. 170—Perrine & Burton, 6.90	
No. 171—Twin Falls Hdw. Co., 9.19	
No. 172—Twin Falls Lumber Co., 3.00	
No. 173—B. A. Barnes, 30.25	
No. 174—W. W. Thompson, 37.50	
No. 175—J. W. Cooper, 3.75	
No. 176—W. W. Thompson, 10.00	
No. 177—C. W. Dyer, 16.00	
No. 178—Seth Webb, 16.00	
No. 179—W. P. Guthrie, 25.00	
No. 180—J. R. Darrow, 25.25	
No. 181—J. K. Hinkley, 3.50	
No. 182—Dan O'Malley, 3.50	
No. 183—News Pub. Co., 12.25	
No. 184—Earl Felt, 14.00	

Total, \$5,330.83

## Summary.

Total receipts, \$14,621.23  
Total disbursements, 5,330.83

Balance on hand, \$9,290.40  
I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the county of Cassia, state of Idaho, this 5th day of July, 1906.

I, J. M. MAXWELL, Notary Public.

Notice for Publication—Final Proof.

I, Louis P. Hansen of Twin Falls, who made entries No. 574 and 825, under the provisions of an act of the legislature of the state of Idaho, commonly known as the "Carey act," approved March 2, 1894, which embraces lot 3 and the SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 and SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of section 30, township 10 S., range 17 E., do hereby give notice of my intention to make final proof to establish my claim to the land above described, and that I expect to prove that I have resided on, reclaimed and cultivated said land as required by law, before C. W. Levisse, representative of the State Land Board at Twin Falls, Idaho, on August 6, 1906, by two of the following witnesses: Alfred Peterson, J. W. McCarron, E. E. Peterson, Louis Schwartz, all of Twin Falls, and LOUIS P. HANSEN, Entryman.

Notice for Publication—Final Proof.

I, William H. Long of Filer, who made entry No. 620, under the provisions of an act of the legislature of the state of Idaho, commonly known as the "Carey act," approved March 2, 1894, which embraces the SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of section 27, township 9 S., range 15 E., do hereby give notice of my intention to make final proof to establish my claim to the land above described, and that I expect to prove that I have resided on, reclaimed and cultivated said land as required by law, before C. W. Levisse, representative of the State Land Board at Twin Falls, Idaho, on August 4, 1906, by two of the following witnesses: J. R. Long, W. C. Lisonbee, T. T. Higginbotham, Frank Russell, all of Filer, Idaho, and WILLIAM H. LONG, Entryman.

Notice for Publication—Final Proof.

I, John H. Lynch of Buhl, Idaho, who made entry No. 171, under the provisions of an act of the legislature of the state of Idaho, commonly known as the "Carey act," approved March 2, 1894, which embraces the SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of section 25, township 9 S., range 15 E., do hereby give notice of my intention to make final proof to establish my claim to the land above described, and that I expect to prove that I have resided on, reclaimed and cultivated said land as required by law, before C. W. Levisse, representative of the State Land Board at Twin Falls, Idaho, on August 4, 1906, by two of the following witnesses: J. M. Shank, Wm. A. Peterson, T. W. Reilly, P. J. Lynch, all of Buhl, Idaho, and JOHN H. LYNCH, Entryman.

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## BREVITIES

H. T. Ames, the "Almo" merchant, was a Twin Falls visitor this week.

George Bassett is going to be long on potatoes this year, having 16 acres under crop. The first look at the crop and a magnificent yield is expected.

The furniture for the Maroon school house has been purchased and work on the building will commence next week. The school is to be erected on the corner of Mr. Gulick's land.

H. G. Batio came in from his ranch near Hansen this week. Mr. Batio has been very busy clearing and cultivating his land and it is expected that he will have a splendid crop this year.

Nels Lind has a splendid field of alfalfa, the heads on which measure an inch in length. The stand is thick and the crop will be disappointed if he does not harvest 50 bushels to the acre.

The Hulso brothers went to Thousand Springs yesterday to recuperate from the effects of the Fourth. They have a fine lot of grub and bait and arranged for a day to bring back their fish.

Jack Voorhees and Carl Hahn have 40 acres of Bunk potatoes on Snake flat which give promise of yielding a banner crop. The spuds came up evenly and thickly and are flourishing like a green bay tree. It will take some hauling to move the crop.

Frederic L. Harris and George F. Sprague drove out to Shoshone on the morning of the Fourth and took the Halley train for Silver Creek, where they put in the day fishing. They were accompanied by John Hardy of Salt Lake. Returns are lacking.

George Copeland has arrived from Pittsburgh and expects to work on the twin falls water power project. He expects to work off about 25 pounds of the grubbing team. He likes the Twin Falls river much and will doubtless make frequent trips to the city during the proving up period.

J. G. Davenport of Eller's piano house has opened headquarters in the Babcock building, next to Osborne & Ferney's, where he has installed a metronome piano. This is the first of the kind introduced in Twin Falls and Davenport's impromptu concerts are greatly enjoyed. By means of the metronome the works of the great masters are reproduced with perfect fidelity.

The Odd Fellows of Twin Falls will hold their regular meeting on July 7, when a new lodge will be instituted at that point. The Buhl lodge will have a strong initial membership. The Twin Falls lodge is the largest of its kind in the state and is constantly growing. The work at Buhl will be conducted under the direction of Jacob S. Hoxsey.

Ernest Taché, the photographer, has six acres of White Elephant potatoes under cultivation. He has never irrigated until last spring and his spuds did not thrive very well last season. This year he has passed the experimental stage and succeeded in getting an elegant stand. If all happens he will harvest more than 400 bushels to the acre.

John Graf has finished the repair work on the Rock creek grade west of town and a better job could not be desired. The grade is now in first-class condition and will not flood with water. It will remain so. The work cost about \$80, which will be repaid by popular subscription. Clark Gibson, who had the idea of this for his energy in having this work done.

The Twin Falls hunters are making elaborate preparations for the opening of the chicken season next Sunday. The fact that the Pocatello basketball team will visit Twin Falls on that date perplexes those who do not wish to miss the ball game but the chances are that most of the boys will take to the hills. The birds are not at plentiful as they were last year.

Herbert Foster, who recently played an engagement at the Ring theater with "Bertie's Tennis" was shot and killed while out hunting for sheep. He was shot by a shepherd named Art McCoy, with whom he had quarreled over a woman. Foster played the "heavenly tenor" and was a very popular attraction in the drama. He made many friends in Twin Falls and appeared to be a very pleasant gentleman. McCoy is under arrest.

Under new postal arrangements the accommodation train which leaves Twin Falls at 5:30 in the morning will carry eastbound mail, which will be delivered to the train at 2 at Minidoka, making direct connections for all points east of that station. This will give the people of Twin Falls two eastbound trains a day. The new service began on the morning of July 2. The accommodation train will not carry mail west.

Mr. George D. Allen entertained on Monday afternoon in honor of Mrs. H. F. Allen. A "kissing contest" furnished the amusement. Mrs. H. F. Allen, first prize and Mrs. Hamilton second. Refreshments were served. Those present were Mrs. S. H. Hays of Boise, Mrs. A. Kinkley, Mrs. H. F. Allen, Mrs. C. Crocker, Mrs. Pike, Mrs. Tash, Mrs. Sweeney, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Bowen, Mrs. Eastman, Mrs. B. A. Mitchell, Mrs. Holman, Mrs. Holtzman, Mrs. Boyd, Mrs. W. F. Pike, Mrs. and Miss McCollum, Mrs. W. Pike.

John Erickson's alfalfa field will average more than four tons to the acre for the first cutting. From six to eight tons were taken from a short of a ton each. This is an enormous yield and would scarcely be credited were it not that the field is close to town, and the alfalfa is of such quality. The windrows were so close together that a wagon could barely be driven between them and the cocks were as close as the windrows. The alfalfa was photographed while the hay was being stacked and the picture will be reproduced in next week's News.

A 10-cent tea will be served by the Ladies' aid of the Christian church next Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Costello.

A. D. Crandall has returned from eastern and central Washington, where he did some missionary work for the Twin Falls tract.

Gordon C. Glander and Miss Hattie Carpenter were recently married on Tuesday by Rev. R. J. Osterhout. They will reside in Twin Falls.

C. D. Thomas is in north Idaho, where he went to attend to some private business and play with his old friends in the Nez Perce band on the Fourth.

James A. Waters will leave for Washington state on Monday, July 9, to wind up some unfinished business. He will take some photographs and literature to show his old friends.

Presiding Elder Van Dusen of the Methodist church will hold service in Twin Falls next Sunday. This will be Mr. Van Dusen's last service in Twin Falls, as he is to be transferred from the Idaho field.

Merbert Young and Miss Helen Murphy of Twin Falls were married last Sunday by Judge Smith at his office and shortly afterward departed on their honeymoon journey. They will make their home here.

While unloading lumber at the First National bank building yesterday Emil Braun crushed one of his fingers between two planks. He will not lose the use of the member, the injury being more painful than serious.

J. D. Rogers, who has been assistant postmaster in Twin Falls for some time, has resigned and is preparing to go to north Idaho where his military interests demand his attention. Mr. Rogers has been a very popular and capable official and his absence will be regretted by many friends.

Max Godfrey, a spectator at the races on the Fourth, was struck in the head by one of the runners and stunned. He had stepped out on the track to see the finish and failed to alight in time to avoid the collision. The rider of the runner who was thrown by the impact and sprained an ankle.

## ADVERTISED LETTER LIST

Letters unclaimed at Twin Falls postoffice for the week ending June 30, 1906:

Burns, Earl Estadio  
Blacklock, Strong  
Calcut, C.  
Cattlin, J. A.  
Dale, G.  
Dorsey, W.  
Haldiman, Jack  
Hurlbut, A. A. J.  
Millane, Henry  
Milton, George  
Morton, F. A.  
Monahan, J. H.  
McKee, G. E.  
McKee, J. V.  
Shimizu, J. (6 postals)  
Smith, Tom  
Smith, J. G.  
Tate, Harry  
Turnbaugh, William  
Tunda, (3)  
Willey, Pearl (2)

Brady, Brady  
McKoy, George  
Williams, W. W.  
W. W. DUNN, Postmaster.

Talk to Guy Davenport, About Pianos.

Over half a hundred different makes of pianos are on hand at the Ring theater. The fact that the Pocatello basketball team will visit Twin Falls on that date perplexes those who do not wish to miss the ball game but the chances are that most of the boys will take to the hills. The birds are not at plentiful as they were last year.

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Notice to Contractors and Others.

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First—For platform on the third-story of a schoolhouse in accordance with the plans on file with the undersigned clerk of the board.

The contractor to furnish all material for building and constructing said platform.

Second—The trustees call for bids for fitting the walls of each and every room in the new school building in Twin Falls. One coat of sizing and one coat of whitening. The bids to include the furnishing all material and to be figured out, so as to give total amount of bid, in round numbers.

Third—The board would like to have bids for the work of painting the first of the school time, and extending the full nine months of the year. The janitor to sweep all rooms and dust the same, to build and maintain the fire under the boilers, and keep the grounds in a neat and tidy manner and appearance. The exact nature of the work to be done, obtained from Professor T. V. Potter, superintendent of schools, Twin Falls.

Fourth—The trustees call for bids for furnishing three wagons, covered tops, spring backs, to be built in accordance with the specifications on file with the clerk. Said wagons to have tires not less than 24 inches wide.

C. D. THOMAS, Clerk.

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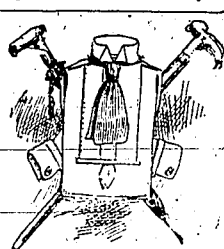
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Woodmen Meeting.

Regular meeting W. O. W. Wednesday, July 11, at 8 o'clock.

G. F. BAKER, C. C.

NOTICE.

Corrected list of arrival and departure of trains and mails for Twin Falls.

Mail arrives daily, including Sunday: Train No. 71, at 7 a. m.  
Mail departs daily, including Sunday: Train No. 72, at 4:15 p. m.  
Mail closes at 3:45 p. m.

Postoffice Hours.

Open at 8:00 a. m. Closes at 5:00 p. m.

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W. W. DUNN, Postmaster.

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Several hundred delegates from North Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Oregon and Washington have advised the executive committee of the National Irrigation congress that they will attend for the purpose of discussing the forest reserve question. Arrangements have been made for giving the advocates and opponents of the policy every opportunity for presenting their views on this important matter, and much is expected to be accomplished. The question is said to be second in importance to that of irrigation.

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### SPEAKS HIGHLY OF TWIN FALLS

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termine the amount of water required per acre to saturate the soil sufficiently to start plant growth, an experiment was conducted on a tract west of the town of Twin Falls, under the direction of Mr. A. McPherson. This land was prepared by the same methods used on most of the other farms on the Snake. The brush was "chilled" stacked and burned, after which the land was plowed six inches deep and harrowed once with a disk harrow. Some leveling was done, but not enough to put the land in good shape for irrigation. An alfalfa crop was sowed—and the furrows marked in the direction in which the water was to be turned. A recording device was installed on the head ditch to measure the amount of water turned over the farm, while a similar device was placed at the head ditch to determine the amount of water. The difference shows the amount of water absorbed by the land and lost by evaporation. A head of water sufficient to supply six or eight boxes at a time was turned into the head ditch, supplying between 50 and 60 furrows. Most of the first day was spent in repeating the work on the head ditch and in diking up some of the furrows to force the water across the low places. The soil was so exceedingly light that it required the constant efforts of two men to keep about a hundred yards of head ditch in good order, but after the first day the soil had settled to such an extent that the ditch gave no further trouble. When the water was first turned into the furrows, the sagebrush debris completely stopped up some of the small boxes, requiring constant attention to keep these cleared and establish a uniform flow. Where the land had a regular slope, the water flowed through the furrows very steadily and with no washing, but where the field had been crossed by a dead furrow and a small gully which had not been filled up when the leveling was done, the water spread in pools and cut across from one furrow to another, requiring a great deal more labor to irrigate a small portion of the head ditch than was taken to grade the entire tract properly in the first place. The difficulties which were encountered in this irrigation are common to nearly all the tracts, and serve to emphasize the advantage of grading the land as well as possible before any water is turned into the ditches. Even with perfect grading some trouble will arise owing to the light nature of the soil in the ditch banks, and it is only after two or three irrigations that these become permanent enough to be left without care when irrigating.

The experiment was carried on for three days, the water being turned on in the morning and shut off in the evening, since there was no one to take charge during the night. It is probable that the experiment took somewhat longer and that evaporation was somewhat increased on this account. During the night the soil in the wet furrows packed to such an extent that when water was again turned into them in the morning it required three or four hours for the water to penetrate the silt and start the lateral seepage again. After the water was running for a day or two it became clear and gave no further trouble by sitting up the furrows. The soil was somewhat shallow compared with average soil on the tract, and the depth of saturation was only 2.5 to 3 feet. The results of the experiment may be summarized as follows:

Area irrigated, 2.13 acres.  
Time required, 30 hours.  
Total amount of water which passed through head gate, 256 acre-feet.  
Total amount of water which passed through waste gate, 44 acre-feet.  
Total amount of moisture absorbed by the land, 212 acre-feet.  
Depth of saturation, 2.5 to 3 feet.  
Length of furrow, 560 feet.  
Time to flow through one furrow, 3 hours.  
Time to keep laterally between furrows, 20 hours.  
Depth of saturation, 2.5 to 3 feet.

The furrow system of irrigation was practiced in nearly all cases on the experimental farm at Twin Falls. All of the ground except the 14 1/2 acres seeded to alfalfa and oats was plowed and irrigated, and then run over with the disk harrow before planting. Less irrigation was required during the growing season, and a much better crop was produced than where the land had not been plowed. The water used was not measured, but was the amount thought necessary for the best results. It is hoped in 1906 to measure all the water used on the farm and to demonstrate whether one cubic foot per second for each 80 acres, if properly managed, is ample. Nearly all the small grain sown on the tract in 1905 were planted at least a month and in some cases two months out of season. Even when planted in season the yield was reduced a great deal by unskilled irrigation and new land. When once the soil has been properly supplied with water and the science of irrigation is better understood small grains should be among the most profitable crops.

Conclusion.  
The future prosperity of the Snake River plains seems assured when the conditions affecting them are considered. A soil rich in all the constituents of a fertile soil, except humus, which, however, can be supplied by a proper system of cropping, an ample supply of water, and a favorable climate, seem to assure a regular and heavy crop. The topography of the country is such as to insure easy drainage, and thus to guard against a rise of alkali, a cause of more damage to irrigated communities than all the others combined. The high duty assumed under the larger systems in selling water rights will tend to bring into use the most scientific and skillful methods of irrigation, as well as prevent the ruining of the land by over-irrigation.

The chief problem for the Twin Falls tract will be the disposition of markets for products. The demand among neighboring towns will take only a small portion of the total yield, and the bulk of it will be fed to stock or shipped. All of the larger cities in Idaho and the adjoining states are supplied by irrigated districts immediately surrounding them. Consequently the market for crops other than hay and grain will be a distant one, and the bulk of the products must be in stock than on a. Pioneer Storage.

long-distances at a profit. Judging by the amount of land being planted in orchard, the number of dairy cattle being shipped into the country, and the future plans of a majority of the settlers on the tract, the products will be fruit, dairy products and sugar beets.

### IRRIGATING A POTATO FIELD

Methods Followed in Irrigated Districts of Colorado.

In irrigating potatoes the ground is furrowed out with a plow, the supply lateral is constructed across the upper part of the field to be irrigated, and if the field is very large, along the margin also parallel to the rows down one side and across the middle at the upper end of the field. The irrigator, with a shovel and several canvas dams, perhaps of different sizes, begins at the upper end and at the highest corner of the field, and places a dam in the sub-lateral at a distance of from three to 12 rows from the corner, carefully places two or three shovels of dirt upon the flap to hold it in position when the water strikes it.

Then having raised the gate in the main lateral not far distant, a supply of water is turned in which, passing at once down the sub-lateral to the dam, strikes it and comes to a stop and after settling its sides and bottom firmly against the ditch surface all around the water rises, backs up and begins to flow down the furrows, the ends of which the irrigator has meanwhile opened with his shovel. In a small field of from 10 to 20 acres, or even in a much larger field where the fall is great, the water turned in at the top of the rows will flow through the entire length without change, but in the larger fields of from 40 to 100 acres so common in Colorado, this would be impracticable. This would be a waste of both water and time, besides being likely to result at times in injury to the crops. It is therefore usual to have one or more cross laterals plowed at intervals down the field.

Having carefully noted the progress of the water down the first set of rows until it reaches their ends below, or the first cross lateral perhaps midway of the field, the irrigator now places a second dam farther along in his first lateral so as to take in from three to 12 more rows, according to his supply of water. He then opens their ends and taking out the first canvas dam, lets the water down with a rush to the second, after which he immediately closes the mouth of the first set of furrows with dirt. Thus he continues across the first or upper section of his field until in turn all the rows have been thoroughly irrigated. If the slope of the field has made it necessary to open one or more cross laterals, he then diverts his entire supply of water down the lateral at the side of his field and having passed down a canvas dam in an aside lateral at its point of intersection with its first cross lateral, he repeats his first operation by placing another in his main position to take the water into from three to 12 rows at the new point of intake, and so proceeds until the irrigation of the whole field is complete.

Various modifications of this plan are practiced on rough-sloped hillsides or where for other reasons it is not entirely applicable. But the method outlined will in general fairly represent the system in use in the potato, corn and beet fields. Although potato cultivation is practiced in difficult localities in the older states, even on a larger scale than in Weld county, yet there are comparatively few farmers in this country who have ever seen the process in its best and most scientific form in a single field. Such areas are by no means the rule here, but a block of 20 acres is regarded as a small patch. A 40-acre block is but a small section in one solid square not unknown. In a country where the lines of domestication are so distinct, the purity and irrigation, that on one side of a ditch all is the greenest of verdure, while just across it and only a few feet away all is brown as the Sahara, there are few more pleasing and inspiring sights than one of these large potato fields when in full blossom.

In irrigating a small field a small stream should be turned into each furrow and let run until the soil is thoroughly saturated from furrow to furrow. Turning large streams through the furrows to run for a short time will not accomplish this purpose satisfactorily, especially if the furrows have a considerable slope. As soon as the soil is sufficiently dry the furrows should be cultivated again. The number of times that the crop will need irrigation afterwards will depend entirely upon the soil and the weather. At no time should the soil be permitted to become dry or baked. The soil will check the growth of the plants and materially reduce the crop. By irrigation and cultivation they should be kept growing as rapidly as possible that all favorable seasons may be improved. Usually three or four irrigations are necessary, the last one being when the tubers are nearly full grown. An ideal application of water would require that it should never rise above or stand around the base of the plants at the crown of the ridge, but this is impossible in general cultivation. With short rows and an even slope, such rarely exists on the average farm, it might be possible to accomplish the ideal.—Denver Field and Farm.

The National Irrigation congress, which meets in Boise September 3 to 8, will be in the nature of an exposition of the results of the irrigation industry. In addition to the exhibit of grains, grasses, fruits and sugar beets, there will be an extensive display of lumber, covering as well as an exhibit of the unlimited water power in the state awaiting development. The congress men who are coming west to learn of the resources of the country will be the study of the one question of irrigation, for the subject of market ranks next to that of production. The Boise congress will be a well organized information bureau.

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