

# Idaho News From Her Main Cities and Towns.

## SUIT IS ENTERED BY GOV. GOODING

R. S. Sheridan, Manager of Capital News, is Charged With Criminal Libel.

## WAS ARRESTED ON MONDAY.

Good Work Accomplished in Idaho During This Year by the Pure Food Commissioners.

### Special Correspondence.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 27.—Christmas passed off in Boise with great happiness and pleasure. In all the churches there were fitting programs carried out and there seemed to prevail over the entire city a spirit of profound peace. The Latter-day Saints participated in a very joyous program of exercises at their church on Christmas day, fully 200 persons were present. Many coming in from surrounding towns to be present at the exercises. Appropriate gifts were provided for all under 15 years of age.

### GOODING ENTERS SUIT.

Gov. Frank R. Gooding has entered suit against R. S. Sheridan, manager of the Capital News, charging him with criminal libel. The papers of arrest were served on Mr. Sheridan Monday afternoon, and he was allowed to go upon his own recognizance. His hearing was set for this morning at 10 o'clock, but was postponed until the 4th of January, 1907.

The text of the complaint is as follows:

In the justice's court, Boise precinct, Ada county, state of Idaho. Before W. C. Dunbar, sitting as examining magistrate. State of Idaho, plaintiff; vs. R. S. Sheridan, defendant.

Personally appeared before me this 24th day of December, 1906, Frank R. Gooding, who, being duly sworn, complains and says that on the 18th day of July, 1906, complainant, Frank R. Gooding, then being and for a long time prior thereto, having been a public officer, to-wit: governor of the state of Idaho, duly elected, qualified and acting as such, said defendant, R. S. Sheridan, then being the proprietor, editor and manager of a newspaper, to-wit: the Evening Capital News, which newspaper was then and ever since has been in general circulation in Ada county, state of Idaho; the said R. S. Sheridan as such editor, proprietor and manager, did then and there, wilfully, unlawfully and maliciously compose, print and publish in the said newspaper a certain malicious defamation of and concerning the said F. R. Gooding, governor of Idaho, as aforesaid, and of and concerning the acts of the said F. R. Gooding as governor, which said malicious defamation is of the tenor and effect following, that is to-wit:

"Even so mild an endorsement as that of Gov. Gooding's splendid business administration could muster up three votes in a Republican county convention, nearly where the people are familiar with the record Gooding and graft have become so thoroughly known as synonymous terms." (meaning thereby that he, the said Frank R. Gooding was and is dishonest and corrupt and made unlawful profits and gains out of and by virtue of his said office, and out of public funds and property in his control or management by virtue of his said office), "that the rank and file will have no more of it. Only federal office holders and those connected with the Gooding-Brady machine are zealous in support of the big chief."

And which malicious defamation tends and did then and there tend to impeach the honesty, integrity and reputation of the said Frank R. Gooding, governor of the state of Idaho, as aforesaid; thereby exposing the said Frank R. Gooding to public hatred, contempt and ridicule, all of which is

contrary to the form, force and effect of the statutes in such cases made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the state of Idaho.

Said complainant therefore prays that a warrant may be issued for the arrest of the said R. S. Sheridan and that he may be dealt with according to law.

FRANK R. GOODING.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of December, 1906.

WILLIAM C. DUNBAR,

Justice of the peace in and for Boise precinct, Ada county, Idaho.

### UNIQUE LAND CONTEST.

When James Delaven filed the final proof papers, last Monday, as administrator of the estate of Thomas Pollock, deceased, he practically closed one of the most interesting cases ever before the Boise land office.

Thomas Pollock, at one time a partner of James C. Heenan, the California pugilist, came to Idaho in 1872 and settled on a tract of land in Idaho county, on the little Salmon river, at which time the land was unsurveyed.

He lived there until the time of his death, in September, 1902. During all of this time he was unable to obtain the right of his land on account of its not being surveyed.

Immediately after the death of Mr. Pollock, John Bridge and M. F. Perkins came forward and claimed the land, on the ground that, it being unsurveyed land, it reverted back to the government after the death of Pollock, claiming that his squatter's right came to an end.

Bridge fenced about 50 acres of the land and Perkins built his fence around the same piece about two feet, outside of Bridge's fence.

Several suits and prosecution followed over the land, and when the plats were filed in 1904, after it had been surveyed, Bridge immediately filed a homestead entry upon the land.

Perkins filed a contest claim on the grounds of priority of settlement.

James Delaven, as the administrator of the estate of Thomas Pollock, filed petition of intervention and contended that, although the pre-emption law had been repealed, the heirs of Thomas Pollock were entitled to complete their title to this land under the pre-emption laws, because Pollock had settled upon the land and lived upon it for 30 years prior to his death, and that during his life he was prevented from completing title to it under the pre-emption law because of its being unsurveyed land.

The case has been carried through the Boise land office, appealed to the commissioner of the general land office and also appealed to the secretary of the interior, each of whom confirmed the right of the heirs of Thomas Pollock to the land, and the filing of the papers of final proof this week was the result of the ruling of the secretary of the interior.

### FOR PURE FOOD.

The state board of dairy, food and oil commissioners, has submitted its regular biennial report to the governor. The report contains much data of great interest to the public. The board has also made some very beneficial suggestions which, if carried into effect, will call for some new legislation.

It says:

"The work of the commissioner since the passage of the food law of 1903, has thoroughly demonstrated the necessity of segregating the two departments, horticultural inspection and food inspection. We urgently recommend that the powers of the commissioner be enlarged, so as to extend his work to the inspection of drugs, medicines, paints, oils, liquors and commercial stock foods, the commission finding much work to be accomplished in these lines."

The board then goes on to point out the adulterations found in the above named commodities as found upon the markets today, and then gives space to an enumeration of the personal work of the commissioner, A. F. Hitt, from which is gleaned the following interesting facts:

During his term of office, Mr. Hitt has selected 20 samples of food products, of which 184 were tested; 89 were found legal and 104 illegal. He has tested and sealed as correct 1,143 scales, condemned 63, and given time to repair 15. The following list of goods he has condemned as illegal:

Baking powder, 20 cases and 883 cans. Dried and evaporated fruit, on account of being wormy, 1,472 pounds. Jams containing illegal preservatives, in case lots, 10 cases and 550 cans. Tomato catsup, 7 cases and 553 bottles.

Tomato soup, 16 cases and 198 cans. Imported French peas, one case and 250 cans. Domestic peas, 48 cases and 10 cans.

Maraschino cherries, 854 bottles. Sugar (colored cake sugar), 27 pounds.

Syrup, improperly labeled, 4 cases and 70 cans.

Extracts, improperly labeled, six bottles.

Fruit cookies, improperly labeled, four pounds.

Cheese, improperly labeled, 122 pounds.

Pickles (dill), 29 gallons.

Sausage, 394 pounds.

Spiced meat in butcher shops, 1,624 pounds.

Mixed ham, 547 pounds.

Cod fish, 60 cases and 944 pounds.

Vinegar, 57 barrels.

Meat preservatives found in butcher shops, (26 different brands) aggregating 983 pounds.

The meat preservatives and French peas, with a few exceptions, were confiscated and destroyed.

### DAIRYING IN IDAHO.

Regarding dairying in Idaho, Mr. Hitt says:

"We have at present 24 creameries and cheese factories in actual operation within this state and ten that are not running on account of a lack of milk and cream."

"These 24 creameries produce about 976,000 pounds of butter, which sold for an average price of 24 1/2 cents per pound, making a total of \$241,560.

In addition to the above, there were shipped out of the state about 800,000 pounds of cream to be made into butter, cheese and ice cream. There are a great many small cheese dairies in the state and the output of these cheese dairies together with the cheese made at the cheese factories and at the creameries, amounts to about 445,000 pounds.

"Amount of butter made in the state, as near as can be ascertained, 2,700,000 pounds.

"Amount of butter consumed annually, 4,100,000 pounds. Butter shipped in by retailers, 900,220 pounds.

"I have tested 147 samples of milk

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### Special Correspondence.

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### NEW OPERA HOUSE OPENS AT PRESTON

### Handsone Building Now Ready For Any Attractions That May Be Booked.

### ALL THE NEWS OF THE WEEK.

### Closing of the Academy For the Holidays the Occasion For a Big Jollification by All.

### Special Correspondence.

PRESTON, Ida., Dec. 27.—On Christmas night the doors of the new opera house were thrown open to the general public. This handsome building, erected at a cost of \$25,000, is a roomy brick structure of Gothic style, designed by the local architect, John Nuffer. The contractors were an Ogden firm, and have acquitted themselves with signal credit. In the equality of this amusement house neither the brick nor money has been spared. The best of mple paid in the form of stage, 40x60 feet; while the scenery is gorgeous.

### VISIT OF THE STORK.

The stork left Christmas packages at the following homes: Mrs. J. P. Rasmussen, a boy; Mrs. Lucile Cato, a girl; Mrs. William Newsaver, a boy; Mrs. Lorenzo Perkins, a boy; Dr. Allen R. Cutler was a member of the reception committee in each instance.

### DEATH VISITS MECHAN HOME.

Pneumonia occasioned the demise of little Leo Mechem, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mechem, of Preston. There is a considerable amount of sickness prevalent in Owyhee county at present, writing, due primarily to this rainy, humid, open winter. Several cases of pneumonia are reported among the children. Every one is hoping for a climatic change toward the frigid.

### PRaise FOR THE "NEWS."

The Christmas "News" was a welcome guest in Preston; about 30 copies were sold by local dealers. The write-up for Preston was especially well received. Business men, as a rule, feel that the city owes a debt of profound gratitude to the Deseret News for its splendid effort. Christmas comes, and Christmas goes, but they hope the "News" will be forever.

### ACADEMY NOTES.

The closing of the academy for the holidays was the occasion for an impressive program. The student body and the faculty met in the assembly room, where the following program was rendered:

Prayer..... Academy choir

Stump speech..... W. K. Barton

Toast, "The Irishman"..... Geo. D. Cato

Vocal solo..... Lou Parkinson

Duets..... Mrs. D. F. Thomas and Eva Johnson

Violin solo..... Miss Myrtle Brimhall

Closing remarks..... Prin. John Johnson

### WEDDING BELLS.

Cupid has been busy during the cold weather and St. Nicholas found extra duties to visit as follows: George Chapman and Nellie Dawdle; C. A. Monson and Jane Swainston; William Dunkley and Laura Lowe; Oscar Simmons and Mary Shawer.

The new academy building will be ready for occupancy Jan. 7, 1907. The finishing touches are being put on by the contractors.

### DEADLY SERPENT BITES.

are as common in India as are stomach and liver disorders with us. For the latter, however, there is a sure remedy: Electric Bitters (the great restorative medicine, of which S. A. Brown, of Bennettville, S. C., says: "They restored my wife to perfect health after years of suffering with dyspepsia and a chronically torpid liver." Electric Bitters cure chills and fever, malaria, biliousness, lame back, kidney troubles and bladder disorders. Sold by guarantee by Z. C. M. I. Drug Dept., 112-114 S. Main St., druggists. Price 60c.

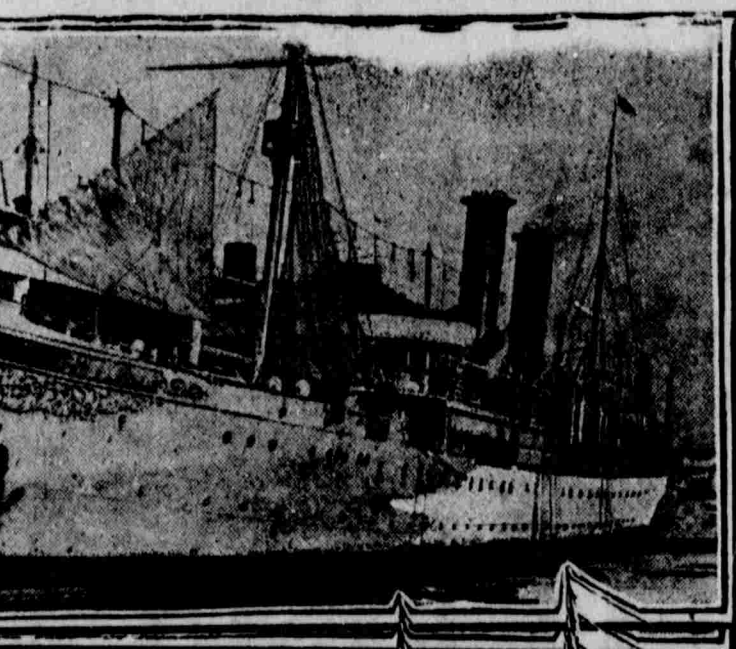
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### GREAT TOURIST STEAMER WRECKED.

The Hamburg-American steamer Prinzess Victoria Luise, which was driven on the rocks off Port Royal, near Kingston, Jamaica, on December 16, was designed as a cruiser yacht and had been in use for West Indian trips from New York every winter. She was leaving Kingston when the accident occurred. Captain Brunswig had navigated that coast many times and on this occasion felt that he could dispense with the services of a pilot. His error was seen when too late and the great ship crashed on to the treacherous ledge in full view of the warning light-house. Captain Brunswig saw that his passengers were safely transferred to the shore and then, realizing that his career as a navigator was at an end, went into his cabin and blew out his brains.

rise far above the generally accepted term, a country paper. Typographically one and all are good and almost in every case local items are well and state, and what I have found has all been properly labelled and stamped."

### BURLEY BULLETINS ON THE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS.

### Special Correspondence.

BURLEY, Ida., Dec. 27.—The passenger traffic through the Oregon Short Line office has been quite heavy during the past week on account of many taking advantage of the holiday rates. About \$200 worth of tickets were sold last Friday, many being normal students going to their respective homes.

Christmas passed off very quietly here. Christmas eve was celebrated in the latter-day Saints church and consisted of a well arranged program, after which Santa Claus came in and distributed prizes from the tree to all present. Christmas night a great many went over to Heyburn to enjoy themselves at a dance.

The recent rains and warm weather have made the roads leading to Burley almost impassable.

Mrs. Geo. Oakley went to Boise Tuesday to attend her little boy, who is in the hospital suffering from typhoid fever. The little fellow has been attending the deaf and dumb school at that place.

Messrs. Thomas Dayley, Joseph Mechem and Roy Dayley have gone to Los Angeles to spend the winter.

Mrs. Purley Pack went to Albion Monday to spend the holidays with her parents, also to attend the wedding reception of her brother, who was married in the Salt Lake temple last week.

Mrs. Mary Harding was called to Oakley last week on account of her mother, Mrs. George Crater, being very sick. She is at present improving slowly.

The ferry that is being built by the Townsite company is almost completed.

### WARM WEATHER IN EVIDENCE AT IDAHO FALLS.

### Special Correspondence.

IDAHO FALLS, Ida., Dec. 27.—The weather on Christmas day was much more like spring than winter, except that the roads were very muddy from rain that fell the day before. The day was spent in a very quiet way. Most of the churches had Christmas trees, and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

The Christmas "News" was highly spoken of by all here who saw the immense issue. Many persons expressed themselves to the effect that they would send copies to friends in various parts of the country.

### PATNETIC DEATH AT LEWISVILLE THIS WEEK.

### Special Correspondence.

LEWISVILLE, Ida., Dec. 27.—A man named George Hallfield, who came here to spend the holidays with relatives, died a day or two ago. He had three sisters living in Lewisville, but none of them were aware of his presence in the city, until after he was dead and identification had been made by H. L. Allen, who had formerly known him. Hallfield's father resided in Clarkston at one time, but the son had been away from the parental home most of the time of late, and whereabouts of his relatives were unknown to him. He was taken ill on Sunday last, and died while arrangements were

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filled, and the work progressing very nicely. The schools, however, are too crowded, every available seat being taken in the lower grades, and should new students apply for admission, the teachers would be unable to place them. At the last meeting of the school board a proposition of building a high school building was taken under advisement, and plans are being made to that end. The indications at the present are that the building boom will be even greater in 1907 than it was in 1906. The plans for several new business blocks have already been made, and as soon as spring opens up and the material can be got upon the ground, the work will be commenced. The new postoffice building is nearing completion, and will be ready for occupancy about Jan. 1. The health of the people is good, and as a rule, prosperity and happiness prevail.

### CHRISTMAS "NEWS" MADE A BIG HIT AT REXBURG.

### Special Correspondence.

REXBURG, Idaho, Dec. 27.—The Christmas News reached here in due time and was hailed with delight by the many "News" readers. The space devoted to the interests of Rexburg and Fremont county generally was a pleasing feature of the paper.

There seems to have been a change in the management of the water. Usually at this season of the year there is from 12 to 30 inches of snow with the thermometer registering about 15 degrees below zero, but it is now warm and pleasant with the exception of a little drizzle.

The business houses report a splendid holiday trade, better in most cases than any previous year.

Several Rexburg people have gone to California to make their homes and others will follow as soon as transportation can be arranged.

Ashley Randa who for two years has been doing missionary work has just returned.

### OXFORD MISSIONARY'S THRILLING EXPERIENCE.

### Special Correspondence.

OXFORD, Ida., Dec. 28.—On Sunday in the latter-day Saints meetinghouse, the congregation enjoyed an unusually interesting talk by Elder William Grant, who a few months ago returned from a mission to Tennessee. He left Oxford nearly three years ago on his mission, and this was the first time he had met with the saints here since his return.

In relating some of his missionary experiences he told how his duties on one occasion called him in the neighborhood where Elders Gibbs and Berry and others were so cruelly murdered years ago. He went to the railway station, about three miles from where the tragedy occurred, and had to wait some two hours for the train. While waiting a man came up to him and asked if he was not a Mormon elder, and told him he had better get out of there at once, as there were men there who had sworn to kill the first Mormon elder who dared come in that neighborhood. He also informed him that his father was one who was killed on the occasion of the tragedy. While Elder Grant was waiting for the train a crowd of men gathered at the station and commenced throwing up an old hat and shouting at it, at the same time making threats on the Mormon elder. Things were getting decidedly worse and unpleasant when the train pulled in and Elder Grant succeeded in making his escape on the train.

On Friday the district schools of Oxford and Swan Lake joined forces and gave a very interesting entertainment in the Swan Lake schoolhouse, a part of which consisted of a spelling contest between the two schools, in which Swan Lake carried off the honors, gaining two trials out of three.

There is no snow here; but mud is plentiful.

### FOLLOWING THE FLAG.

When our soldiers went to Cuba and the Philippines, health was the most important consideration. Willis T. Morgan, retired Sergeant U. S. A., of Rural Route 1, Concord, N. H., says: "I was two years in Cuba and two years in the Philippines, and being subject to colds, I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption which kept me in perfect health. And now, in New Hampshire, we find it the best medicine in the world for coughs, colds, bronchial troubles and all lung diseases." Guaranteed at Z. C. M. I. Drug Dept., 112-114 South Main Street. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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