

STATE AND IDAHO NEWS

Latest Items of Interest From Utah and Gem State

25,000 FARMS IN THIS STATE

More Than Five Million Acres Worth Well Over \$31,000,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The census bureau announced today that Utah has 25,000 farms, containing 5,000,000 acres, and valued at \$31,000,000.

The above dispatch gives the total for the state as compiled from the agricultural census of 1919. It shows that the number of farms in the state has increased 10 per cent since 1914.

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Each county has a big lead, when the value of farm lands and buildings is considered. For in that county the agricultural property is valued at \$23,761,394, or an increase since 1914 of \$16,059,166, more than 122 per cent.

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Data given in each county includes the number of farms, whether operated by owner or tenant, the acreage in farms, the domestic animals and the value of the principal crops, including wheat, oats, hay, potatoes, barley, corn and apples.

The value of lands and buildings of the farms in the counties named, together with the percentage of increase in the past ten years, is given as follows:

LAYTON STATION AGENT IS HELD

E. I. Wheeler Charged With Embezzlement From Railroad Company

SALT LAKE, Dec. 1.—Charged with the alleged embezzlement of \$1000 from the Los Angeles & Salt Lake railroad from the American Express company, E. I. Wheeler, station agent for the Denver & Rio Grande railroad at Layton, was arrested at 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon by a special agent for the United States department of justice.

The money was alleged to have been stolen during August and September of this year while Wheeler was a station agent for the Salt Lake route at Fairbrooks and at Walnut, Cal.

Wheeler was held in the county jail last night. He will be taken to Los Angeles, where a complaint charging felony has been filed against him.

A special agent of the department of justice last night filed a criminal complaint which was filed at Salt Lake following the agent's trial at Los Angeles.

SALT LAKE, Dec. 1.—Landing his way on route to Cheyenne from Salt Lake, Arthur Cox, pilot of the United States mail service, made a forced landing at Saratoga, Carbon county, Wyo., yesterday. Saratoga is more than 100 miles south of Cheyenne.

Cox was compelled to descend when his engine and oil supply was exhausted yesterday. Saratoga is more than 100 miles south of Cheyenne.

The plane was not injured and the aviator escaped any hurt in making the landing. Supplies were forwarded to Saratoga from Cheyenne.

STATE BALANCE

IS \$1,900,000

Fiscal Year Comes to Close With Reports on Finances Compiled

SALT LAKE, Dec. 1.—With a balance on the treasury of \$1,901,187.02 the state of Utah yesterday closed its fiscal year. Of this amount \$549,244.14 was in the general fund and available for the meeting of the state expenses and accounts against the commonwealth. An additional \$369,292.79 was in the state district school fund and ready for distribution among the school districts early next year.

To be added to this amount was \$774,650.09 in the state schools land grant interest fund.

The state school lands interest will be increased because the interest payments and rental payments in large numbers become due with the close of the present month.

TAX MONEY. That tax money has already begun to be collected for the monthly report made by Daniel O. Larson, state treasurer, yesterday. This shows that the receipts to all funds during the month totaled \$1,044,309.13.

This amount \$25,985.77 was apportioned to the state general fund and \$207,592.24 to the state district school fund. Other funds benefiting heavily were the state high school fund, by \$25,831.72; the maintenance fund of the University of Utah, by \$15,26.86; that of the Utah Agricultural college, by \$14,457.79; and that of the branch agricultural college, by \$22,26.45.

Receipts to the fish and game fund were \$4212.10, to the state hospital \$25,030.00, to the state trust fund \$1022.29 from an estate held in trust for the heir who has as yet been unable to claim it.

The state treasurer's report shows that money actually disbursed totaled \$200,152.72, or a little less than \$1 for every \$2 received in the month. While the amounts are not in several cases the same as the total of warrants issued by the state auditor, Joseph B. Bick, during the month, as already printed, the totals are approximately the same.

The balance on hand at the beginning of the month, as shown by Mr. Larson's report, was \$1,328,042.33, and that at the end of the month had grown to the figure given, \$1,901,187.02.

CASH IN BANK. The amounts of cash in the banks to the credit of the respective funds are shown by Mr. Larson's report to be as follows:

General, \$549,244.14; district school, \$207,592.24; high school, \$25,831.72; U. of U. maintenance, \$15,266.86; U. of U. A. C. maintenance, \$14,457.79; U. of U. maintenance, \$22,264.55; and game, \$42,121.10; bonds, \$44,032.59; federal vocational education, \$11,792; capital building, \$65,534; colonization, \$454; forest reserves, \$29,030.00; trust, \$324,457.79; reclamation trust, \$22,432; redemption (bonds due 1924), \$47,765.03; redemption (bonds of 1917), \$40,977.05; suspense account, \$3,962; motor vehicle registration, \$78,601.81; defense, \$102,827; land registration assurance, \$42,118; state land grants, \$291,062.85; and hand November 10, 1920, \$1,901,187.02.

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Girl Fatally Burned When House Takes Fire

PARIS, Ida., Dec. 1.—May Jarvis, 14-year-old daughter of Mrs. Jarvis of Bloomington, was fatally injured last night in a fire which destroyed her father's home.

The girl's brothers had been in the carport, and were returning home, having their wet clothes on chairs near the stove.

The fire had gained considerable headway before it was discovered. The family fled from the house, and it was not for some minutes that May's absence was noted.

OBJECTORS FREED FROM FORT DOUGLAS. SALT LAKE, Dec. 1.—With the freeing of seven conscientious objectors from the war prison at Fort Douglas yesterday, in accordance with orders from the war department, the prison was cleared of prisoners of this sort.

At one time there were 375 conscientious objectors at Fort Douglas. The men freed yesterday, whose names are in the east, are: Roy Dempsey, Chris J. Grogan, Francis Stines, Frank D. Minnich, Alfred E. Merrimister, William F. Doty and Frank Moser.

SALT LAKE BANKER DIES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS. SALT LAKE, Dec. 1.—Josiah Barnett, cashier for the McCormick & Co. bankers, for a period of nearly forty years, and a pioneer banker of the intermountain west, died at St. Mary's hospital last night, following a short illness.

TO CONTINUE WORK AT GIANT LEDGE MINE. BOISE, Ida., Dec. 1.—Despite the bad weather ahead the Giant Ledge mine in the Murray district will continue its development work during the entire winter, according to Charles G. Taylor, mine manager.

SENT TO INSANE ASYLUM. TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Dec. 1.—J. P. Wiedeman, charged with killing Irving Kelsey, his son-in-law, November 7, was adjudged insane here yesterday, and was committed to the state asylum at Blackfoot.

Several physicians were called as witnesses for the defense, Wiedeman after the shooting, gave himself up. When arraigned, he denied his guilt.

Idaho Youth Shot While Out Hunting

BLACKFOOT, Idaho, Dec. 1.—While hunting last yesterday, William Trend, 12 years of age, was shot and almost instantly killed by Ray Eichelberger, a companion, about the same age. The shooting occurred just outside the city.

Eichelberger says his gun was accidentally discharged when he stumbled. One side of Trend's face was torn off and his death occurred within a short time. Coroner Peck will hold an inquest tomorrow.

IDAHO GOVERNOR BANS JAPANESE CITIZENSHIP

BOISE, Ida., Dec. 1.—Any treaty that will grant to foreign born Japanese in Idaho the right of citizenship, or to increasing the number of any race which cannot be assimilated into the existing form of civilization here and therefore cannot become good citizens, will be opposed by Governor D. W. Davis of Idaho.

The action of Governor Davis was taken in response to an appeal received from United States Senator James D. Phelan of California, who points out that a treaty is in the making which will grant American citizenship to Japanese now in this country, and who holds that the Japanese situation in the United States has reached a critical stage.

The step taken by Governor Davis is said to forecast a prediction that has been made—that is, the Japanese question is likely to become a mooted one before the sixteenth Idaho legislature when it convenes in regular biennial session in Boise in January. Many members of the legislature already have been approached on the subject.

TO DEBATE PLUMB PLAN. MOSCOW, Ida., Dec. 1.—The question for debate in the Southern Idaho conference league has been chosen and consists of the merits of the Plumb railroad plan. Tickets college has been admitted to the league, which now includes five colleges, the Idaho Technical Institute, the College of Idaho at Caldwell, Gooding college at Gooding, Albion Normal at Albion, and the Ricks Normal college of Rexburg.

Each college will be represented by an affirmative and a negative team of three men each, and the debates will be held the second Friday in February.

ADMITTS HE'S DESERTER. TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Dec. 1.—Arrested Saturday at Buhl upon suspicion, Fred Whittaker admitted that he was a deserter from the army. He was taken to Salt Lake yesterday and was turned over to military authorities at Fort Douglas.

GRAIN JUDGING TEAM. MOSCOW, Ida., Dec. 1.—A grain judging team, composed of three university agricultural students, will be sent to the Idaho State Seed Growers' association meeting to be held in Nampa January 10 to 15, to compete in a grain judging contest with teams from Washington State college, Oregon Agricultural college and probably two or three intermountain schools. Twenty-five men are again out for the Idaho team. Professor H. W. Hubbert will be in charge.

HUNTER FINED \$150. TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Dec. 1.—Two deer carcasses, taken from James Savage, who yesterday was found guilty of violating game laws and fined \$150, will be sold at auction during the coming week, according to J. E. Fitzsimmons, who arrested Savage. The arrest of Savage terminated a twenty-five mile chase through Meadville basin.



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