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## TWENTY-THREE PERMITS ISSUED FOR NOVEMBER

### Building Activities Within The City Going Ahead Despite Material Shortage

Despite the critical shortage of building materials as well as labor, building activities are going ahead rapidly in Payette and the month of November when 23 permits were granted by City Clerk Alice Bulmer is indicative of the amount of building that may be expected in the community just as soon as the situation has been relieved. Included in the November permits were several for completely new houses. Permits for the month just passed totaled \$36,242.50.

Permits issued by Mrs. Bulmer included the following:  
Neil R. Pritch, First Avenue south, reshingle, \$85.  
Mrs. Edith Clark, So. 9th, new porch, \$82.50.  
Chloe Brassy, 228 So. 7th, reshingle, \$325.  
Margaret Hill, 590 S. 12th, changing stairway, \$60.  
Darrell Smith, Patch Addition, new house, \$5000.  
Wm. Meyers, 1325 Ard Avenue S., remodeling, \$40.  
A. A. Hansen, Calhoun Addition, garage, \$200.  
J. H. Grover, 3rd Avenue and 12th street, Substitution unit, \$900.  
J. C. Woodward, building, new balcony, \$450.  
George Sedlmayer, shelving, \$75.  
W. B. Robertson, Brown Addition, garage, \$200.  
Oliver Stegall, Patch Addition, house and garage, \$2500.  
Loral Boyd, 7th Ave. N. house, \$350.  
Lewis L. Dewey, Fairview, Addition, two cabins, \$200.  
S. P. Caldwell, 14th between 2nd and 3rd Ave. So., small house, \$150.  
Jessie Lynn, 119 No. 9th, reshingle, \$125.  
Edwards & Edwards, Decker Addition, new house, \$6000.  
Edwards & Edwards, Patch's Addition, new house, \$7000.  
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Mrs. Ellis Hartley, 921 Center Avenue, addition, \$1600.  
Willard Baker, Melchior Addn., temporary house, \$800.  
Ollie Beeson, 7th Avenue north, remodeling, \$100.

## CALF DRAWING HELD WEDNESDAY

### Twenty-eight Business Men Sponsor Fourteen 4-H Boys In Project

A partnership deal wherein twenty-eight businessmen and firms are sponsoring fourteen 4-H boys in raising calves was completed at a Chamber of Commerce meeting Wednesday noon when a drawing was held to choose the sponsors for the young stockmen.

In the deal the sponsors underwrote the expense of buying the calf the boys then take the animals; care for them and when they are ready for market pay back the sponsors their money. The boys thus earn the profits the calves bring.

The list of business men and firms with the boys they are sponsoring follows:  
Art Lattig, Shirley Manser—Larry Jenkins; Parsons Fruit Company; Payette Jewelry—Charles Clausen; Gamble Stores, Keith Anderson—David Barber; B. F. McCarrall, First Security Bank—Don Rich; Bill Meehan, Save-Mor Drug—Roger Jenkins; Patch Realty, Ben Franklin; Farbers—Jim Stearns; Bill Blackaby, George Sedlmayer—Wayne Darrington, Jack Hanigan, Superior Grocery—Darrell Downing; Tom Pence, City Meat Market—Phil Stearns; Herman Precht, Peterson Furniture—Terry Swisher; Ike Whiteley, C. C. Anderson—Verie Downing; Dependable Mercantile, J. C. Penney—Denis Barber; Bryon's Variety, Safeway Stores—Bernard Rose; Leland Barber, Payette Hardware & Implement Co.—Horace Wood.

## 3 SHOPPING WEEKS Left



## Railroad Signal Lamps Stolen

Both railroad officials and local police have been investigating the theft of several railroad switch lamps on two successive nights last week.

On one night five of the lamps used to signal whether or not a switch is open were stolen and no trace so far has been found of them. On the next night three of the lights disappeared but were later recovered.

## ATHLETIC FIELD TO BE IMPROVED

### Committee Outlines Plans At Meeting Thursday Night

In line with a general physical education expansion program under way at the schools, Payette people can look forward to some very definite needed improvements at the high school athletic field early next spring and summer as a result of action taken by the Athletic Field Improvement committee recently named by the city school board.

Improvements will include: plowing and re-seeding of the field; installation of an irrigation system; building of more bleachers and the installation of lights to permit of both night baseball and football games.

On the basis that the athletic field had been and would continue to be the community athletic center, the school board several weeks ago decided to name a committee made up of representatives of various civic organizations, and give it the responsibility of deciding upon the most needed improvements and methods of financing them.

The group under the name of the Athletic Field Improvement committee, was therefore named as follows: Dr. V. V. Belknap and Ed Parsons representing the school board; T. A. Masingill and Wm. Rowberry, Chamber of Commerce; H. S. Harper and A. P. Meehan, Kiwanis club; E. N. Dibble and L. M. Bowman, American Legion.

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## PAYETTE QUINT WINS TWO GAMES

### Locals Start Off Season In High Gear

Payette high's quintet has started the basketball season off in high gear. In pre-season games the locals took the Middleton team here Saturday night by a score of 15 to 9 and went to Notus Tuesday night and won there by a tally of 29 to 25.

In addition the local B squad won both its games on the same nights taking Middleton 18 to 8 and Notus 26 to 18.

The Middleton game despite the close scores was termed slow by Coach W. T. Tuttle. He said players on both teams seemed to be feeling each other out and entered into the fracas more or less timidly.

Masingill with six was high point man for the locals.

Starters for the locals included: Gibbons and Swisher, forwards; Gene Rose, center, and Masingill and Shigeta, guards. Barrie, Bahr, Robertson and Peterson also saw action in the game.

The game at Notus was much faster the coach reported, and at half time Notus led 15 to 14. Starting line-up was G. Rose and Swisher forwards; Ferrell, center, and Masingill and Shigeta, guards. Gibbons and Barrie also saw action. Swisher with 16 was high point man.

Kirk with 12 against Middleton and 18 against Notus was high point man both nights for the B squad.

The Payette team is scheduled to play a return game at Middleton next Saturday night and one here with Notus Tuesday night.

## "Bud" Decker Rejoins Army

Lowell D. "Bud" Decker has rejoined the army, his father, Deputy Sheriff Ray Decker reported Wednesday.

"Bud," who was a staff sergeant in the air corps, was discharged last June after having served five years in the army and four in the Navy. He was at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941 at the time of the Japanese attack. Since his discharge last June he has been working in this city, the last month or so as a night policeman.

## Raders To Leave Local Hospital

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Rader who have been operating the Payette General hospital for sometime plan on leaving Dec. 15, according to a statement given out this morning by Mr. Rader.

He said so far no one has been engaged to take the place.

## NOVEMBER FINES BRING GOOD SUM

### Thirty Arrests Made During Month According To Police Report

According to the report rendered to the city council last Monday evening by Chief of Police Cecil Rose, thirty arrests were made during the month of November and as a result of which Police Judge Martin Luther reported fines collected in the amount of \$409. The largest fine collected was for \$100, which was assessed against Willard M. Colvert on a charge of reckless driving. November was the month of the largest number of law violations reported within the municipality in some time past.

Arrests made by the police department included 15 for drunkenness, 1 reckless driving, 1 forgery, 2 speeding, 1 improper parking, 1 carrying a concealed weapon, 4 for investigation, 4 disturbing the peace and 1 for vagrancy.

The police department reported that during the month of November 20 doors and windows were found unlocked in the business district, 15 transients were given sleeping quarters at the city hall and 3 unlicensed dogs were killed.

## BOY SCOUT DRIVE STARTS TUESDAY

### Effort Will Be Made To Complete Quota In One Day

Payette's Boy Scout drive will get off to a good start with a "Kick-off" breakfast at Harold's on Tuesday morning, December 11 at which time all scout officials and solicitors will be present to lay plans for a quick clean-up of the campaign. It is hoped by Stanley Swensen, chairman of the drive, that the entire community can be solicited in one day and the drive completed. No quota has been set.

It is hoped that Scouting may be improved in Payette in the next year as the Ore-Ida Council now has two men in the field as well as an executive, all of which goes to increase the expense.

At the present time there are four troops in Payette with a total membership of seventy-five. The troops are sponsored by the Kiwanis club, American Legion Post and the Eagles Lodge.

The drive for funds will be concluded with a Victory dinner at Harold's at the conclusion of the drive on Tuesday evening.

## Petty Thievery Reported Prevalent

Numerous reports of petty thefts have reached the Independent-Enterprise during the past week and residents of the city are warned to keep doors and windows locked, as well as their automobiles, when they are left parked in the business district.

Walter Overlander recently reported the theft of numerous articles of ammunition and hunting clothing being taken from his automobile.

J. B. Stone reported the theft of a tire from his automobile. The theft was committed during the daytime.

Bryon Bigelow also reported the theft of a spare tire. In order to get the tire it was necessary for the thief to break open the trunk of the automobile.

## Fruitland Juniors Will Give Play

The Fruitland Junior high school play, "The Ghost Walks" by Watkins E. Wright, a three act comedy with a dash of mystery involving a ghost, a colored maid, a chicken farm and a cold self-centered woman will be presented Friday night, Dec. 14 at the Fruitland high school auditorium at 8:15.

The cast is as follows: Betsy, a colored servant, Elaine Miesch, Ezra Parker, executor of Peter Dunn's estate, Lyngel Herndon, Helen Adams, Peter Dunn's niece, a stock actor, Rowena Fisher, Jane McEnroe, her husband, Billy Wayne, Paul Jackson, formerly Helen's leading man, Albert Hutchison, Vivian Cole, the pounder stage struck maiden, Rose Ellen Schmidt, Donald Clark, a young New Yorker interested in aviation, Dorothy Watson, Dorothy Masters, who hopes to marry Donald, Jean Wood.

## FOUR FACE POLICE COURT

Four people faced charges in police court during the past week.

Lee E. Hays who was arrested Nov. 28 was fined \$25 on a plea of guilty to a charge of drunkenness Thursday by Judge Martin Luther.

Bryon Shelton, charged with vagrancy was floated out of town Friday.

Wm. C. Mayo who pleaded guilty to a charge of drunkenness was fined \$25 Saturday.

Jeanie Ingle who pleaded guilty to a charge of improper parking was fined \$3 Wednesday.

## Classified Ad Sells Buick Auto

Cleo Blurton had the value of an Independent-Enterprise classified advertisement demonstrated to him most forcibly last week.

He carried an advertisement for the sale of a Buick car in last Thursday's edition, and by noon Friday had it sold for a handsome cash price. The advertisement cost him just twenty five cents.

Not everyone, of course, receives such startling results from local advertising, but those who take advantage of the classified and display columns of this newspaper regularly find a service not surpassed anywhere in a town the size of Payette in bringing buyers and sellers together.

## PAYETTE COUNTY IS STILL SHORT ON BOND QUOTA

### Only 75 Percent Of 'E' Bonds And 50 Percent Of Others Have Been Subscribed

With only two days more of the scheduled campaign to go Payette county is still short on its Victory Loan quota, figures released by Keith Anderson, county war bond secretary showed.

Toward quotas of \$1,050,000 in E bonds and \$183,000 in other bonds yesterday's figures were:

E Bonds	
Payette Bank	\$86,243.25
Payette Postoffice	9,056.25
Fruitland	6,506.25
New Plymouth	14,212.50
Total	\$36,018.25

  

Other Bonds	
Payette Bank	\$43,057.00
New Plymouth Bank	15,104.20
Allocations	31,000.00
Total	\$89,161.20
Grand Total	\$125,179.45

Col. W. H. Moss, county war bond chairman said yesterday that he was keenly disappointed over the showing that Payette county so far has made. Despite frequent urging many of the Victory Crew members have not completed the canvass of their districts. The bonds have not been bought simply for the reason that many prospective purchasers are waiting for the Crew members to call. He is therefore urging again that the Victory Crew members cover their districts, and that all patriotic citizens who have not been called upon come in and buy bonds in order that Payette County may not fall down on this last bond drive and keep its war campaign record.

## YOUTH GIVEN A JAIL SENTENCE

### Youth Pleads Guilty To Charge Of Forgery In District Court

A nineteen year old Oregon Slope youth last Monday entered a plea of guilty to a charge of forgery before District Judge A. O. Sutton and was sentenced to not less than one year in the Idaho state prison. Sentence was contorted to six months in the county jail upon the recommendation of County Prosecutor W. R. McClure.

The youth is alleged, forged the name of H. C. Folsom to a check in the amount of \$14.75, which was passed at the White Spot. Lendency was recommended by the county prosecutor due to the youth of the young man as well as the fact that he had not previously had a police record.

## Seen About Town

"Dad" Farber with a brace and bit boring a hole in the cement sidewalk in front of Farbers Department Store. J. R. Farber being "fenced in" with a new partition at his shoe shop. A bouquet this week to Bill Blackaby for helping the war bond drive by giving a free show to bond purchasers. Pat Murphy offering to help out of an airplane for ten dollars—provided of course he be supplied with a parachute. Looks like a rocky road ahead for transient advertising solicitors when the Chamber of Commerce committee gets in action.

Helen Dunn teaching the Auxiliary members how to make butter. Thanks in the eyes of a lot of Payette folk signify that the season of Good Will is fast approaching—The big question of the day—not what the United Nations are going to do about permanent peace nor the disastrous economic results of widespread strikes will bring but what will I get, Billy or Mary or Dad or Mom for Christmas. No kidding about it when minds are filled with such thoughts of Santa Claus little else can enter in. There must be one.

## STORES FULL OF CHRISTMAS GIFTS

### Merchants Able To Offer Better Selections Than Expected

Payette stores have much more Christmas merchandise than the average merchant, expected a few months ago, a check up Wednesday revealed.

Although some items such as electrical appliances, sugar, fats and oils and some lines of clothing are short, there is still plenty to insure everyone in the Payette trading area a happy and comfortable Christmas one leading merchant reported.

Best of all he continued, due to wholesale practices and the fact that buyers have been on the market continuously we have our allotments of the same lines that stores in the larger cities have. Therefore there is no need for patrons here to go out of the city in the hope that they can find items not in stock in Payette. The larger stores have been allotted the same lines we have, and they are short the same items.

Just so through Payette stores he said, you'll be most agreeably surprised with the showings being made by local merchants.

## DRUNK DRIVER DRAWS \$100 FINE

### Two Auto Wrecks Reported During The Week

Raymond Williamson of Nyssa was fined \$100 and costs when he appeared in probate court before Judge W. S. Stephenson Monday and pleaded guilty to a charge of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

The arrest was made early Sunday morning by Sheriff Ray Stephens, who reported that Williamson had run into a car driven by Robert Boles a short distance south of town. The sheriff had just come from investigating another wreck and saw the accident. Both cars were damaged but neither driver was hurt.

The other wreck occurred only a short distance away and a few minutes previously when cars driven by Eugene Spahn of Ontario and Eugene Sweet of Payette collided. Cause was given as glaring headlights. No one was hurt but both cars were damaged to some extent the sheriff reported.

## Chamber Endorses Advertising Group

At last Wednesday's meeting of the Payette Chamber of Commerce it was decided that the organization would appoint a committee, which in the future would act on all advertising schemes proposed for this city. Chamber members are being urged in the future that whenever they are solicited by transients for advertising that they request the card which will be issued should the project have the approval of the Chamber of Commerce committee. It is believed that by this means many of the fake advertising stunts which confront the community may be sidetracked and businessmen generally afforded protection against such projects. Full consideration of the advertising value of any project will be given the committee and if found worthy will be given approval.

## Payette Population On The Upgrade

Payette's population is showing a steady increase as is definitely indicated by the number of water users of the local water department. According to the records of City Clerk Alice Bulmer there were 846 water users in the city during the month of November an increase of nine over the previous month of October.

The steady growth in the number of patrons of the water department is indicated by the fact that in November, 1944 there were 767, 752 in 1943 and 706 in 1942.

## Gem Club To Hold Rock Exchange

The Snake River Gem club will hold its annual rock exchange and election of officers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zimmerman on Monday evening, Dec. 10.

All members and others interested in rocks are urged to attend. The club has members residing in Weiser, Ontario and other neighboring cities.

## Free War Bond Show Dec. 7

Manager William Blackaby of the Ritz and Rio theatres, announces a free war bond show at the Ritz on the evening of December 7th. A free show ticket will be given for every war bond purchase made this week and up to the date of the show.

## Kiwanians Plan Christmas Party

Payette Kiwanians are now making plans for their annual Christmas party which is now scheduled for next Tuesday. Christmas gifts will be purchased by Kiwanians and will be brought to next Tuesday's meeting and immediately will be sent to the Children's Home in Boise as a contribution of Payette Kiwanians.

## PAYS TRIBUTE TO LOCAL INDUSTRY

### Importance Of Two Local Industries Told At Kiwanis Club

Hugh McNair, manufacturers representative from Boise, called forcibly to the attention of Payette Kiwanians the importance of the Marshall Fixture company and the Richards Electro-Fence company to interested Kiwanians in a talk under the title of Your Local Manufacturers and Their Position In Industry. McNair represents both firms in the marketing of their products.

The speaker traced the history of the Richards Electro-Fence company from its inception as a small firm up to its present day standard of being one of the largest manufacturers of electric fences in the country. He stated that the product was of excellent quality and in his dealings with jobbers had found a ready demand for the product of the local plant.

McNair stated that he had only recently taken samples of the furniture manufactured by the Marshall Fixture company to Portland, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Arizona and other well known cities where amongst furniture dealers it had created a sensation. As an indication of the demand for the local product Meier-Frank company of Portland had asked for the exclusive agency. He stated that there is not a furniture plant in Los Angeles that will compare within twenty per cent with that of the Marshall Fixture company in your city.

## NO TRACE FOUND OF MISSING MEN

### Officers Believe Hart And McCullough Are Dead

Despite thorough searches of the Crane Creek country by sheriff's posse and others no trace has been found of Lee Hart and "Red" McCullough, cowboys who have been missing from their Sand Hollow camp for several weeks. Sheriff A. S. Caviness of Washington county reported Wednesday.

Caviness has been leading the search since the cowboy's disappearance and a large part of the area searched is in Washington county. Sheriff Ray Stephens of Payette county has been assisting Caviness to locate the missing men.

Officers now believe, according to Sheriff Stephens that both men are dead.

McCullough was last seen at the camp Oct. 28 and Hart a week or so later. About two weeks ago Hart stayed overnight at the Bogie ranch on Weiser river and when asked about McCullough replied "Red is dead." He later ate dinner at the Souler ranch on Upper Crane creek and left there on foot. Since that time there has been no trace of him found by officers.

New developments in the case this week reported by Caviness and the other officers were: Two youths reported that they had taken McCullough home drunk the night of Oct. 28 and when he wanted to return to town with them they scuffled with him. As a result they said he fell on the floor of the cabin and struck his head. Believing him to be in a drunken stupor they left him there with Hart who said he would take care of his partner.

Local officers reported that Hart was in town a week or so later and although they did not think much of it at the time they said he acted as though he had something on his mind.

John Stringer, stockman by whom the two cowboys were employed, had offered a reward of \$200 for location of either of the men.

## Council Retires Municipal Bonds

Authorization was given at last Monday evening's meeting of the Payette city council for the redemption of the municipality's bonded indebtedness by \$18,500 on February 1, thus leaving a total bonded debt at that time of \$18,500. Payments on the bonds of the city due on January 1 total only \$3500 but accumulated funds makes it possible for the council to pay the much larger amount, thus making it possible to further reduce interest costs.

At Monday evening's meeting approval was given for the issuance of a beef license to Harry Armstrong.

Municipal bills for the month of November were in the amount of \$4,306.81.

## RECLAMATION PLANS FOR THE PAYETTE DISTRICT

### Department Outlines Plans For Completion Of Payette River Water Storage Project

A comprehensive report for Congress outlining the Bureau of Reclamation's plan for the development of the initial 230,000-acre unit of the 400,000-acre Mountain Home project, near Boise, Idaho, containing a recommendation by Commissioner of Reclamation Harry W. Bashore that construction be authorized by Congress and undertaken at an early date, was today transmitted to Governor Arnold Williams of Idaho, Regional Director R. J. Newell announced.

The proposed project involves the importation of surplus Payette river water into the Boise Valley and the use of the Boise river water released by this importation into the Mountain Home area. The multiple-purpose project, in addition to providing irrigation service, will have a capacity to produce 165,000 kilowatts of hydroelectric energy to meet growing power needs in southern Idaho, and will eliminate all flood damage in the Payette Valley.

The cost of the development is estimated at \$94,693,000, on the basis of 1940 prices. The entire investment, except a \$674,000 allocation to flood control, is to be repaid to the Federal Treasury. Power revenues will return a major share of the construction costs—approximately 84 percent or \$81,139,000—this comprising all of the costs allocable to power, plus \$62,736,000, or 83 percent of the cost of bringing water to the land. Water users will be asked to repay approximately \$12,880,000.

The actual amount to be paid by the irrigators will be determined finally at a later date, the report states, but in the study it is assumed that farmers would be able to pay \$4 per acre annually for water, of which \$1.50 would be charged for operation and maintenance, and \$1.10 would constitute power charges for irrigation pumps, leaving \$1.40 per acre annually to repay construction costs. The repayment period will be 40 years, beginning at the end of a recommended development period of not to exceed ten years, during which no payment on the construction cost obligation would fall due.

The report states that construction

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## B. B. JAMBOREE STARTS TO NIGHT

### Nine Snake River Valley Conference Quintets To Play

Payette will be the mecca for teams and fans of the area tonight and tomorrow night when the second annual Snake River Valley conference basketball jamboree will be played at the local high school gymnasium.

All nine teams will play during the two nights: New Plymouth, Fruitland, Adrian and Payette contesting the first night and Emmett, Weiser, Ontario, Vale, Nyssa and Payette the second.

Started a year ago by the Payette high school, the jamboree is in its second year. All teams were anxious to come back to this city again this year as a result of the wonderful treatment received last year, it was reported when the invitation was presented at a S. R. V. School Masters Assn. meeting at Weiser about ten days ago.

The jamboree in which the various teams play half games each night gives fans the opportunity to see all teams of the conference in action and to decide upon their relative strength.

Hundreds of spectators are therefore expected to be in attendance each night.

## Officers Seek Japanese Forger

Sheriff Ray Stephens is seeking a Japanese by the name of T. Y. Kojima who it is alleged forged checks on another Japanese, Ray Susaki and cashed them at local grocery stores.

One check was for \$40.63 and the other for \$45.63.

In connection with the case Sheriff Stephens warned business men generally to be more careful in the cashing of checks for people they don't know. He said he has reports of many such cases and seldom are those who cashed the checks able to give descriptions of the passer of the worthless checks.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED RECENTLY

Mrs. Lillian Wilson, county clerk, issued the following marriage licenses this week: Tom Hamaishi and Peaka Nobuyama both of Payette, Nov. 29; Ralph L. Combs and Mabel L. Roth both of Payette Nov. 30.