

This Week

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dramatic last minute appointment of Tom Boise as state liquor commissioner was easily the sensation of the week, overshadowing even the maneuvers over the speakership. Opinions suggested for it vary from rosiac to the fantastic. But most opinion seems to center in the fact that it was the close alliance between the Clarks and Boise that was the determining factor. As suggested in this column first hinted at the allotment some weeks ago, Boise has been of notable assistance to the state in times past, particularly during the primary campaign, and also in a certain incident, discussed only in backstairs gossip, during the general campaign. In the latter matter in Boise's assistance was invaluable. Republican leaders greeted the appointment with glee, as giving them a chance to revamp the whole legislative setup. Many thoughtful legislators, however, shuddered somewhat at the prospect of reopening the liquor question in this session, foreseeing the possibility that it might be full of traps for the newly rejuvenated politicians.

Governor Bottolfsen's message was, as a whole, well received. It was, initially, the product of a lot of splitting work, with many conferences with men affected by various interests.

The handling, without gloves, of the high educational question drew approval from many who are more or less neutral, for the courage he displayed, though there were some objections from the interests he was representing.

The plan for a state comptroller, to take over the state's auditing work, was generally applauded, though as yet the details of the scheme are not too well outlined. It is understood he has just two drafts of proposals covering

Largest Share of WPA Funds Are Spent in 1936

Boise, Ida. (Special)—WPA has spent \$15,798,466.35 under the various federal relief acts, it was revealed today by federal reports, out of a total federal expenditure for the three years in question of \$51,826,585.06.

Biggest expenditures were in the election year of 1936, when the federal government poured forth \$23,304,435.46, or nearly half the total expended.

The funds expended were distributed as follows:

Highways, roads and streets, \$7,988,108.97; public buildings, \$1,532,449.95; conservation work, \$24,985,596.79; electric, water and sewed systems, \$1,304,045.28; transportation facilities, \$319,725.55; educational projects, \$2,079,873.51; sewing, canning, etc., \$2,478,451.82; administrative expense, \$1,571,277.10; rural resettlement and direct relief, \$4,624,786.59; grants to the states for relief, \$3,859,991.

Out of the total granted to the state the department of agriculture received \$4,728,681, of which \$3,645,864 went as a specific allotment under the triple A, the remainder to specific purposes.

The bureau of public roads drew \$3,645,864.75 from its specific allotment, and \$1,082,817.11 from its statutory allotment. The total for the department of agriculture was \$14,879,526.

The department of commerce absorbed \$1,435,405, including reclamation expenditures in the department of the interior.

The CCC spent within the state \$14,360,019. This included the administration of the Idian service.

Remainder of the federal rehabilitation work amounted to replacement of former federal activities.

SENATOR AND MRS. BROWN ARE SETTLED IN BOISE

STATE OF IDAHO LAUNCHES RECORDS AND PAPER

Boise, Ida. (Special)—A fire in the basement of the state capitol brought a sudden realization to state authorities that they do not have a list of its property. The situation on each, and the value, would be in a poor position to collect insurance in case of a disastrous fire.

Of course no one is looking for a really serious fire, for the capitol itself is entirely too fireproof to admit anything like the blaze which gutted the statehouse; but valuable records and furniture might be destroyed.

So the bureau of public records has started a complete inventory of the praisal of all state belongings. It probably will last for several years. A tough part of the job is appraising historical relics in the state museum, many of which have lost their historical connection through neglect.

Local Beauty Officially Succumbs to Cupid in Elko, Nevada

Miss Jean Woodward of Boise, Idaho, and Raymond Lefever of Elko, Nevada, were married December 15 at the Elko church.

Miss Woodward is operating the Cascade Beauty shop here from Nampa where for some time she was employed in beauty parlors in that city. Mr. Lefever is a farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Jess Lefever of Elko and is at present working in Elko, Nevada.

The bride who, is an attractive brunette, wore a wedding dress of velvet with black accessories. The young couple were attended by Miss and Mrs. Milton Ready.

Mr. Lefever has been in Elko, Nevada and attended the University of Nevada.