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Uintah Railway Station



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By 1929, the Uintah gave the iron bridge at White River Station to Uintah County. In 1935, during the middle of the Great Depression, the road was being maintained by the Civilian Conservation Corps, which added new culverts and widened the entire road. During January of 1936, the Uintah Railway finally got rid of the toll road by giving the entire thing to the county. Increased traffic from the mining camps was expected, as the toll at the White River station was not negated by the county's ownership.

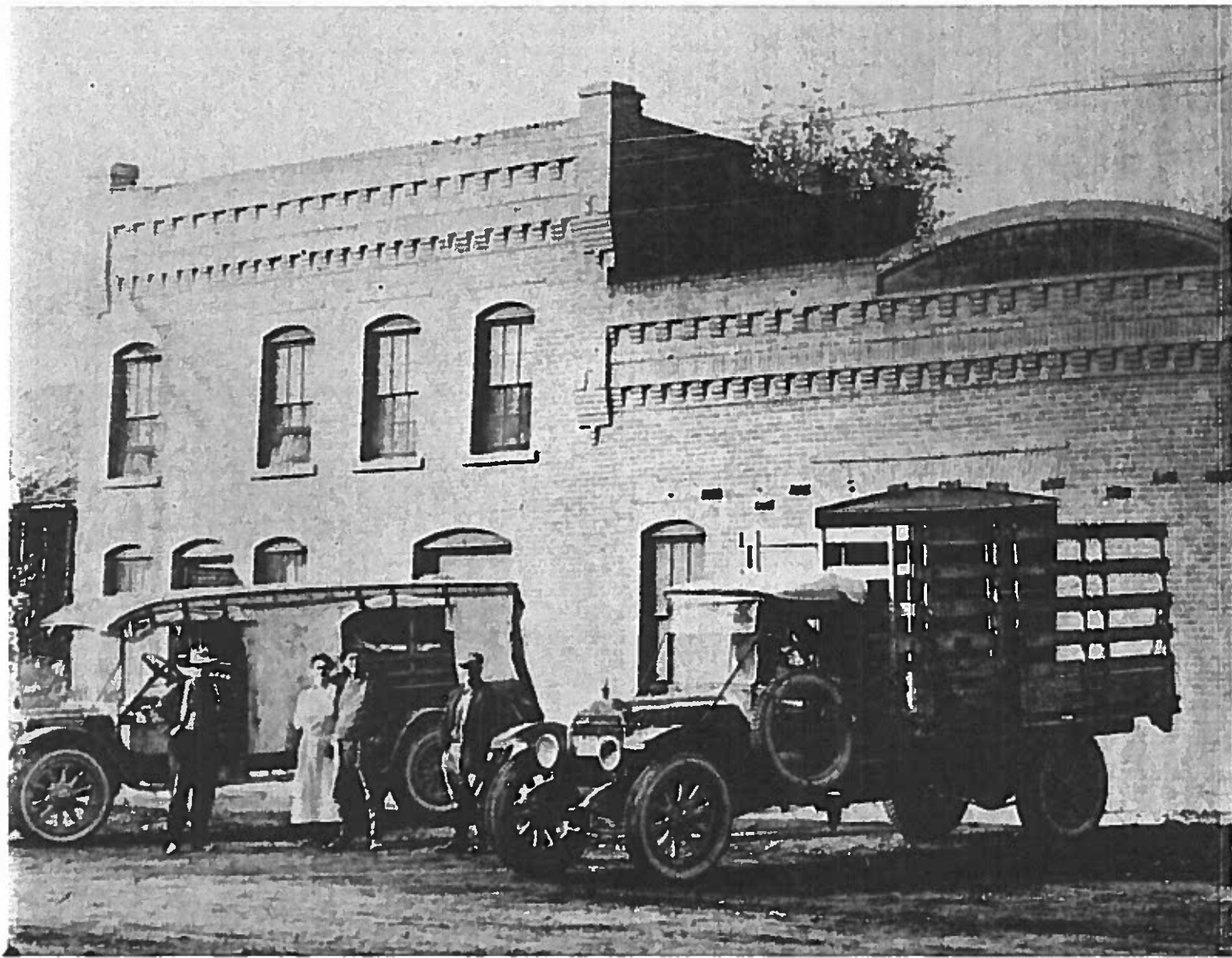
**UINTAH RAILWAY MALLET**  
*No. 50 pulled the last scheduled train on Tuesday, May 16, 1939. It consisted of one boxcar, two flatcars and combination car No. 50.*

RICHARD A. RONZIO COLLECTION

**ALL MANNER OF THINGS** were found on the wagons that hauled the freight to Vernal, Utah—from mail and small parcels, to household furniture and industrial machinery. The freight depot in Vernal was a large brick building, constructed by the Uintah Railway during 1905. It stands on the corner of Vernal Avenue and First North Street. This depot could be a busy place, as wagons full of freight from Dragon and Watson were delivered. The Uintah provided a telegraph line into Vernal, and this was a superior system to anything that had been used before. Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Logan operated the telegraph from the second floor of the Uintah Railway's freight office, in contact continuously with Dragon, Watson and Mack. concerning the comings and goings of freight and passengers.







C. L. DE VED PHOTO - CHRIS H. UEBERROTH COLLECTION

**TRUCKERS IN THE 1915-1920 ERA** had backed their rigs in front of the Uintah Railway's loading doors in Vernal. The trucks' high wheels aided these vehicles to climb out of mud-rutted roads. Chains were hung from the wooden stake-bed truck, along with a spare tire, at the driver's door. Containing both a freight house and a passenger depot

of oil shale. Although great amounts of money were spent on the new facility, it never did produce enough oil to offset the huge cost of production.

Also in 1918, the U.S. Post Office Department was again at odds over the new freight rates that the Uintah bid for carrying the mail from Watson to Vernal. Since they could not agree on a new freight rate, the Post Office decided to operate the route itself, using three motor trucks that followed the road from Watson via the Jensen bridge.

During May of 1921, with a decrease in freight and an increase in privately owned motor

for the stage line, the staff at this two-story office building saw shipments every week day, both in and out of the Ashley Valley. The upper story of this office contained the telegraph office that connected Vernal with Dragon and Mack. It was operated by Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Logan from 1905 until the Uintah sold the property in 1939.

vehicles, the Uintah ceased operations over the toll road. Passengers arriving at Watson had to make prior arrangements for transportation beyond that point. The Uintah continued to haul occasional heavy freight until 1926, when that also ended.

Private contractors and passenger businesses continued to provide services for some years to come; 1926 saw the White Bus Line operating between Vernal and Watson. A Mr. DeMerschn ran the operation and patrons were instructed to call the Uintah office in Mack to learn what time they needed to be in Watson to conduct freight or passenger business.

## MRS. LOGAN HAS MUSICAL CHICKEN

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Mrs Sarah Logan, of the Uintah Railway company, is wondering whether she has a chicken that wants to study music. If not that, and probably not, she is wondering if some one stole a hen, or further still, did that some one desire to exchange a hymn book for a hen.

To make a long story short, when she went into the hen house a couple of days ago she found a young chicken looking at a hymn book and she also found one of her hens missing.

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1913-09-05

Mrs Sarah Logan has a black kitten at the Uintah Railway office that has many accomplishments, one of which is the knowledge and ability to turn on and off the electric lights. One day while playing with the globe hanging over the counter the light was suddenly turned on and then off. Since that time kitty has made a practice of amusing herself pulling one string and then the other.

# J. Q. LOGAN, VERNAL, IS DEAD IN PROVO

Feb 17, 1915

Complication of Diseases. Had  
Been Blind For a Number  
of Years

J. Q. Logan is dead in Provo. After years of physical suffering and after recent mental suffering, he has found peace and rest. The news came over the wires that he had died on Monday night. Just a short time ago Mr. Logan was taken to Provo for treatment. On February 13, last Saturday, one of the physicians gave out a statement to the effect that the patient had organic liver and stomach trouble and that he might die at any moment.

Several years ago Mr. Logan began to have trouble with his eyes. In 1911 an operation was performed for cataract, but no relief was found and since that time he grew gradually more helpless.

For seven years Mr. Logan was agent for the Uintah Railway company. He was with the Denver and Rio Grande for more than twenty years. Twenty-eight years ago he married Miss Sarah M. Hanna in Gunnison, Colorado. One child, born to them, died in infancy.

Deceased was born, of Irish parents, in Cincinnati, in the year 1853. His father was a merchant tailor and was, during the Civil war, wounded while fighting in the Northern army. The widow died soon after of a broken heart. Young Logan was educated at Oberlin College, one of the famous institutions in Ohio. He had to make his own way in life. His first job was at Indianapolis, where he worked as a telegraph operator. Since he was old enough Mr. Logan was a Mason and many years ago he joined the Odd-fellows at Pallsade. He was a member of the M. E. church.

The big heart of the community will go out to Mrs. Logan in this dark hour of trouble. She is now and has been in railroad work most of the time since her marriage. She is the agent at Vernal for the Uintah Railway company. She was, for a number of years, superintendent of schools in Gunnison county, Colorado.



Mrs. Sarah M. Logan.

For eighteen years Mrs. Sarah M. Logan has been employed in the office of the Utah railway in Vernal, first as a clerk then as agent. Her first thought in the morning after arriving by stage the night before was to return to her home.

During all those years of faithful service she has had but one vacation and that was taken three years ago, when for two months a visit was made at old home scenes in Illinois and other eastern sections.

Mrs. Logan has made friends by the score and the longer the acquaintance the greater the friendship. She has always taken an active part in community affairs and finds time to serve on many public committees. The big displays of the Utah County fair in the domestic art and science department has been under her supervision.

She is a member of the Rebekah lodge of Vernal, Eastern Star lodge of Myton, president of the Theta club and a member or officer of various other literary and public service clubs of Vernal. Always a charming hostess, Mrs. Logan is one of the leaders in Vernal society and club life.



Verona Express

1924-2-15

**A jolly crowd of ladies gathered at the home of Mrs. John Hackling Thursday evening. High five was**

the game of the evening, Mrs. Ruth Caldwell and Mrs. Mary Colton carrying away the honors. The hostess served refreshments. Those present were, Mrs. Sarah Logan, Mrs. L. N. Meredith, Mrs. Susan Murray, Mrs. Ida Hatch, Mrs. H. Gurr, Mrs. Adelbert Colton, Mrs. Ora Hiestreet, Mrs. Lamar Samuels, Mrs. Nellie Hackins, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Maggie Tilley, Mrs. Ruth Caldwell and Mrs. Ralph Mason.

# **Let's Mail Party.**

*Verona Express*

1924-12-24

The Rebekah Lodge held their annual Christmas party Wednesday night in the Odd Fellows Hall. The evening was enjoyably spent with food with Mrs Sarah Logan and Mrs Robert M Roberts winning prizes. A delicious lunch was served.

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## Business and Professional Women Meet Monday.

The Business and Professional Women's club held its regular monthly luncheon at the Vernal hotel Monday noon after which a business meeting was held in the lobby of the hotel. One of the things decided upon was to hold a Chrysanthemum Day Time and place to be announced later Every person in Vernal and vicinity who cultivates this charming plant is invited to bring their flowers and put on display. Prizes will be given. The judges will be people who are competent to judge flowers.

Chrysanthemum day is being held for the purpose of creating an interest in the culture of this beautiful autumn flower which blooms in all its glory after most other flowers have faded. Come, everybody, and lets establish an annual flower day in Vernal such as is held in other cities.

The Business and Professional Women's club have just received their charter from the National Federation and are now ready for business.

Vernal Express  
1925-09-25

of Mrs. L. N. Meredith. The object of this meeting was to organize a social club to meet twice a month for the purpose of visiting and relaxing. But these thrifty ladies could not waste an afternoon without some useful thing to show for the time spent. So they brought knitting, crocheting, embroidery work and mending. At the close of each session the hostess served tea. Thus it was that the 20th Century Club was born. The original group consisted of the following charter members:

Mrs. Leslie Ashton, Mrs. Wm. H. Burton, Mrs. Charles DeMoisy, Mrs. C. A. Johnson, Mrs. Thomas T. Johnston, Mrs. L. N. Meredith, Mrs. M. R. Martin, Mrs. Leon Pack, Mrs. William Witbeck, Mrs. L. H. Woodard and Mrs. LeGrand Young. Mrs. Meredith was elected president, Mrs. Burton, vice-president, and Mrs. C. A. Johnson, secretary and treasurer.

During World War I, these ladies organized for all-out war work. They made sweaters, socks, army kits, etc. Into each kit went a New Testament donated by the club. Inside the cover of each book was posted a copy of a beautiful poem composed and dedicated to the soldiers by Mrs. Pack. When the war ended the club adopted a little French girl, a war orphan, and supported her until she became old enough to care for herself. When the war work ended the club added literary work to their program and became federated.

From the beginning, the club supported the struggling Vernal Public Library, by contributing from their own libraries, also by giving one new book a month and subscriptions to periodicals, particularly children's magazines. It was the 20th Century Club which initiated the rental book shelf.

The club is still active although its membership has dwindled. At one time it boasted a membership of twenty. At present there are only four charter members known to be living.

#### VERNAL BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL CLUB

The Vernal Business and Professional Women's Club was organized Feb. 19, 1925, the seventh club in the state and the first club in the state to ask for a charter, independently. Mrs. Clara M. Clawson was the state organizer. Mrs. Sarah Logan was the local originator and organizer.

The first regular business meeting was held at the office of Attorney Thos. W. O'Donnell. Those present were: Sarah M. Logan, president; Ethel M. Martin, vice-president; Violet Harrison, secretary; Edith R. Lawrence (Cooper), treasurer; Ruth Bennion, Edith M. Johnson and Louise Jorgensen. Effie Young was absent. The above named were the charter members. The constitution and bylaws were fixed by a committee of Ethel Martin, Louise Jorgensen and Ruth Bennion. Monthly business meet-

ings were held the first Monday of each month and the monthly luncheon the third Monday.

The same officers were elected for another year at the June election and the National Charter was received, also the emblem (or pins). The chrysanthemum was chosen as the club flower. Their first annual flower show was held at the Commercial Hotel Oct. 21, 1925. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Cora McAndrews, Mrs. W. H. Siddoway, Mrs. J. H. Ratliff and Louise Jorgensen.

The club sponsored a library project and, with the assistance of other clubs, raised \$700.00. During World War II, this was invested in War Bonds and will be cashed and used toward a library when the city and county build.

The May Day dances were the chief source of revenue for this project. The club was instrumental in securing Mrs. Kate Calder as Primary Supervisor for the schools in 1926. For several years the club gave a scholarship to a graduating girl from the Uintah High School of \$50.00. This was paid to the institution where she registered. Grace Slaugh, Bernice Colton, and Ina Swetman were winners. It was then decided to make it a loan fund and perhaps more interest would be shown. It grew from one \$50.00 fund to three \$50.00 loans.

During the war years, members were active in war work; three of our members have acted on the County Hospital Board.

The presidents have been: Ethel M. Martin, Louise Jorgensen (two terms), Helen Hemstreet (Schaefermeyer, Rose Johnson, Iras White (Schwobe), (two terms); May Jorgensen, Pearl Shaffer (two terms), Stella Stevens (Saddler), Lola Christensen (two terms), Mary Ricks (Noble), Edith Allen, Gladys Woolley, Amelia Manker, Isabell Angus. The officers for 1946-47 are: Edith Allen, president; Jennie Weeks, vice-president; Winona Massey, secretary; Annie Johnston, treasurer.

The purpose of the Federation is to promote better business conditions for women and to interest women in public affairs. Its slogan is "Better Business Women for a Better Business World."

The local club is a member of the International Federation of Business and Professional Women's Club. Any woman employed or in business is eligible for membership providing she can meet the standards set up by the National Federation.

#### UINTAH BASIN DISTRICT OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

On March 28, 1941 at Vernal, Utah, fifty-five members, representing five Federated Women's clubs of Uintah Basin, were organized into a district to be known as the Uintah Basin District Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. J. H. Peckenpau, state president, conducted the organization which was followed by an impressive installation ceremony.

Following are the officers who were installed: president, Mrs. Minnie W. Chapman; first vice-

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1912-04-05  
Vernal Express  
The annual stockholders meeting of the Colorado Park Irrigation Company held at Randlett, Utah, last Monday elected Richard A Leigh, president, and R C Horn and T O Donnell new members of the board of directors Mrs Sarah M Logan was re-elected secretary and N J Meagher treasurer One of the most important business matters transacted was the ratifying of the \$12,000 bond issue to complete the project The bonds were placed through the Western Real Estate & Securities Company 'Water by May 1912,' is the watchword of the company

The recently published delinquent sale has been postponed until April, 10, 1912.



# DELINQUENT NOTICE.

The Colorado Park Irrigation Company, Principal place of business  
Randlett, Utah

There are delinquent on the following described stock on account of  
an assessment (No 18) levied on the 11 day of May 1912, the several  
amounts set opposite the names of the respective shareholders as follows  
to wit.

A. J. Boan . . . . .	21C	130	.....	\$65 00
O H Backen .. .	Not issued	87	.....	43 50
Mary J Bracken ..	Not issued	80	.....	40 00
E S. Bryant .....	7C	160	.....	80 00
John H Evans ....	25C	160	.....	80 00
A. L. Gray .....	30C	138	.....	68 00
Albert Halen .....		10	.....	5 00
Clyde Haynes . . . .	22C	40C	.....	20 00
W. P. Hamilton .....	11C	120	.....	60 00
W. P. Hamilton .....	42C	40	.....	20 00
Louella C Hamilton . . .	14C	160	.....	80 00
Louella C. Hamilton . . .	41C	160	.....	80 00
Leonard Harris .....	34C	30	.....	15 00
Rosetta Jensen . . . .	8C	160	.....	75 00
J. P. Jensen .....	5C	95	.....	47.50
J. P. Jensen .. .	40C	24	.....	12 00
T. N Jones .....	35C	144	.....	72 00
Roy E Kurtz . . . . .	2C	160	.....	80 00
R R Long . . . . .	20C	160	.....	80 00
H. F Moore . . . . .	7C	65	.....	32 50
Moses Moore .....	26C	160	.....	80 00
Moses Moore .....	37C	45	.....	22 50
James McAvery .....	44C	30	.....	15 00
Maggie McNaughton . . . . .	17C	98	.....	48 00
Wm. Nischwitz .....	8C	160	.....	80 00
Wm. Nischwitz . . . . .	8C	160	.....	80 00
Wm. Nischwitz . . . . .	Not issued	35	.....	17 50
Nichols & Donaldson	Not issued	42	.....	21 00
M J. Hersey .....	1C	120	.....	60 00
Western Real Estate & Sec. Co	39C	80	.....	40 00
Mary L Winn . . . . .	11C	40	.....	20 00
Chas. Wallace . . . .	Not issued	130	.....	65 00
Edw Clementz . . . .	Not issued	71	.....	35 50
C. Glossbrenner .....	Not issued	43	.....	21 50
R. C. Horn . . . . .	Not issued	80	.....	40 00

And in accordance with law and an order of the Board of Directors  
so many shares of each parcel of said stock as may be necessary will  
be sold on July 3, 1912, at 2 p m of said date at Randlett Precinct,  
Utah, to pay the delinquent assement thereon together with the cost  
of advertising and expense of sale

*Verbal Expires*

*1912-07-19*

**—Mrs Sarah M Logan spent Thurs  
day at Kennedy**

# Flower Show for Vernal To Be Held October 31 at Commercial Hotel

At the meeting of the Business and Professional Women's club held Wednesday afternoon it was decided to inaugurate a flower day to be known as "Chrysanthemum Day." This will be an annual event. Its purpose will be to encourage the growth of more flowers and especially the Chrysanthemum. The day designated is the 31st day of October which falls on Saturday of next week. A flower show will be staged at the Commercial hotel on this day from 3 to 5 p. m. Everybody is invited to come and bring their Chrysanthemums and compete in the contest for the best flowers. Every lady will be given a Chrysanthemum who visits the show and the flowers left over will be distributed to the local hospitals. The Commercial hotel lobby has been furnished for this event through the courtesy of the management. Music will be furnished during the show.

Anyone having Chrysanthemums to compete for prizes should have them at the hotel in the morning.

Vernal Express 1925-10-23

# People's Party Places City Ticket in the Field

At a mass meeting held in the county court house Friday night the People's party made up a ticket for the coming city election. Considerable interest and enthusiasm was manifested at the meeting and a good ticket selected.

Those who were successful in receiving nominations for the ticket were as follows: Mayor, Dr. Homer E. Rich; recorder, Wilson Murray; treasurer, Mars Pope; 4-year councilmen, Rae Ashton, Jesse Haws and Mrs Sarah M. Logan.

Ellis Merkley acted as chairman of the meeting.

Dr. Rich requested that his name be withdrawn on account of being an officer of the American Legion, which forbids him from running for public office, and also being president of the Uintah club. T. G. Alexander has been selected in his place and will head the ticket, for mayor.

Yernal Express Oct 23, 1925

*Verona Express*

1925.10-30

## CHRYSAANTHEMUM DAY

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Saturday, October 31, has been designated Chrysanthemum day for Verona. A contest will be conducted by the Business and Professional Women's club in the lobby of the Commercial Hotel from 3 to 5 in the afternoon and all are invited to come and bring their flowers to merely inspect the beautiful specimens on show. Prizes will be given for the Chrysanthemums displayed. Judges are E. Peterson, Mary Wheeler and Mary Reader.

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## Another Townsite Located in Ouray Valley

Avalon a new townsite was approved by the county commissioner the first day of February and was filed in the office of the county recorder on the 15th

The site is in Ouray Valley between Randlett and Leota  $5\frac{1}{4}$  miles from the former and  $6\frac{1}{4}$  miles from the latter. The land platted was formerly a part of the desert entries of Mrs. Roberta Leigh of Denver, Colo. and Mrs. Sarah Logan of Vernal and is about the center of that portion of the Ouray Valley which has been known as Colorado Park.

The plat is composed of 12 blocks 400 by 360 feet. Two half blocks, two full blocks and the intervening streets are held within a reserve for park and playground purposes. The intersecting main streets are designated as Ouray Avenue which runs east and west and Park Avenue which runs north and south.

Between 60 and 60 people representing 25 families nearby residents met at the home of President N. O. Colton Sunday, Feb. 12th, and christened the new center Avalon.

Running in this same issue of the Express is the proposal of the board of directors of the Ouray Valley Irrigation company to change its principal place of business from Vernal to Avalon. Located centrally within the area served by the canal systems of the Ouray Valley and Colorado Park Irrigation companies it should be common ground for their official workings.

It is also expected that the headquarters of the Randlett ward will be moved to the new place within a short time.

Present ownership rests with the Uintah Sales and Development company, a local corporation, Ray E. Dillman being its president.

1928-02-17

Vernal Express

## Republican Women of County Organize with Mrs S M Logan as their Leader

At a meeting of the Ladies Republican club of Uintah county held at the home of Mrs Minnie J Davis September 26th Mrs Sarah M Logan was chosen as county chairman with Mrs Pearl L Eaton vice-chairman and the following named ladies as precinct chairmen

Naples—Mrs Abner Richens Davis—Mrs Alfred Simper, Glines—Mrs Edward Hoeft Maeser—Mrs Winne Colett Vernal first—Mrs Charles F Carpenter, Vernal second—Mrs Addie Longhurst Lapoint—Mrs Charles Taylor Tridell—Mrs Alice Morrill Whiterocks—Mrs Fern Houston Ashley—Mrs John Bryant Jensen—Mrs Lloyd Stewart Bennett—Mrs W L Witlock Wilson—Mrs W B Seave Gusher—Mrs F O Lundberg Fort Duchesne—Mrs Phoebe Litster Randlett—Mrs Elsie Knight, Hayden—Mrs Dasy Pace, Leota—Mrs Lester E Eklund

Several good talks were made at the meeting and those present were reminded that there were only five days left in which to register, October 9 10 16 30 and 31 Precinct chairmen were urged to get busy and see that everyone in their precinct were

registered

The meeting adopted the slogan "One hundred per cent of the women in the state of Utah voting in 1928"

# Chrysanthemum Day

1930-06-05

In the fall of 1925 Chrystanthemum Day was held for the first time in Vernal. Each year since until last year, has seen a marked improvement in the display of flowers. The early frosts last year destroyed the chrysanthemums and so there were none for display. Plans are already under way for carrying on the show this year.

Mrs Sarah M Logan is to be given much credit for this achievement, as it was thru her suggestion and efforts that it came into existence.

Following are the names of ladies winning prizes previous years.

1925—Mrs Cora McAndrews first, Mrs Wm H Siddoway, second Mrs J H Ratliff third.

Miss Louise Jorgensen received the blue ribbon for individual entries.

1926—Mrs Sarah M Logan was awarded the prize for the largest collection of flowers and Mrs S Collett received the prize for the most attractive single bouquet.

1927—Mrs Wm H Siddoway first Mrs Bertha Meredith second.

1928—Mrs Ethel Fowler received the prize for the best display.

We hope that everyone will keep this Chrysanthemum exhibition in mind and prepare to make this show bigger and better than ever.

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A scarcity of tin is foreseen, if the world continues to use up its tin at the present rate.

*Vernal Express*  
**Chrysanthemum Day**

1930-68-14

The Business and Professional Women's Club of Vernal will sponsor the annual chrysanthemum day as usual this fall. It is now time to claim our all the weak stems and branches that the flowers produced may have full strength of the plant to develop them.

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# Red Cross Chapter Fully Organized

OCT 17, 1911

The Uintah County Chapter of the American Red Cross meeting at the Vogue Theatre Sunday afternoon was well attended and a great deal of enthusiasm prevailed.

Miss Merle McClintock, Secretary of the Grand Junction Chapter of the Red Cross spoke very interestingly on the practical work of her chapter and told us many of the various lines of activity which our citizens can follow in support of the Red Cross.

Doctor O Howell, as Chairman of the Uintah County Chapter introduced Mrs W M Cooley, who is well known to our people, and who has been active in Red Cross work, by direct authority from Washington headquarters all over this country, who made a strong appeal for our support and energetic work in the Red Cross.

Frederic Porter, as Treasurer, made a brief statement of the membership already secured and several of the Membership Soliciting Committee who were present announced the number of members already enlisted amounting to about 130 at that time. Mr Porter also announced that over one hundred members now belonging to the Grand Junction Chapter and living in Uintah County would automatically be transferred to the Uintah County Chapter, so that this Chapter then had approximately 250 members, this announcement was greeted with applause.

Mr. Porter made a strong appeal for at least two thousand members of the Uintah Chapter and urged that every man woman and child in the County should become members and join with their efforts and their money in this great work.

The temporary organization previously effected was made permanent and the following were elected as vice Chairman in charge of Red Cross organization and work in their respective districts:

Watson—Mr Alva N Hawks  
Rainbow—Mr Homer O Ford  
Dragon—Mr I L Chapman  
White River—Mr Enoch L Curry  
Curay—Mr Matt W Curry  
Handlett—Rev M J Hersey  
McCall—Mr. Thomas Nichols  
Pt Duchesne—Mr A H Kneale  
Whiterocks—Mr R L Merriman  
Alberts—Mr Horace Norrell  
La Plume—Sheldon Roy Taylor  
Hawwood—Mr Keith Smith  
Manilla—Mr Frank Nebeker

An executive committee was elected as follows:

William M Anderson, Lawrence H Allen, Mrs L W Curry, Earl Thompson, E D Colton, Horace W Colliard and Mrs S M Logan, with Dr M Garrett O'Donnell, chairman, Hon D R Colton, vice chairman, Frederic Porter, treasurer and Mrs Wm M Anderson secretary as ex officio members.

On Monday the executive committee held a meeting and the general plan of work to be taken up was decided upon and the following were appointed on the Military Relief committee publicity, Mrs Mary Barnett, secretary to the committee, Miss Mary McAndrews, supplies, Mrs L W Curry, surgical dressings, Mrs Edna Remmon, purchases, Mrs John N Davis, cutting, Mrs Richard Pope, knitting, Mrs John H Reider. Additional committees will be appointed later.

The chairman, Dr O'Donnell announced that the following donations had been received (and additional donations are also here included):

Headquarters office, Room 4, in the Uintah State Bank building by the Uintah State Bank, free of rent; halcomining the office calls Mr Geo A Reimer; lumber for cupboards and shelving for supplies Leslie Ashton Hardware company, carpenter work on shelving, etc. by Richard Finn, Wm Cook, Frank Watkins, and through the courtesy of Campbell & Odekerk, Mr Harry Kelsor, all ably assisted by Wm M Anderson, sewing machines loaned for chapter use, Mrs Ethel Deming, Mrs Nellie R Rodabaugh, Mrs M R Martin; enameling

of woodwork, William D Lewis, card record files, William M Anderson.

The headquarters office of the chapter, Room 4 upstairs, in the State Bank building will be open every afternoon during this and next week, and later will be open all day in charge of Miss McAndrews, the secretary of the Military Relief committee.

The Uintah Telephone Company is installing a telephone No 9, so that headquarters will be in touch with the entire community.

A complete card index of all members of the chapter will be prepared and all are requested to call at the office and register their names telephone numbers and addresses and state the kind of work they can do, if any, either at home or at the office and what number of days or parts of days each week they can devote to the work, so that the entire working force can be classified and made ready to respond to the demands from Washington for special services. Those who cannot call at the office are requested to communicate with the Secretary of the Military Relief Committee, Miss McAndrews, advising what they are prepared to do and how much time each week they can give if any.

Mrs Anderson, the secretary of the chapter has already ordered a full set of supplies from Washington, patterns and all necessary information and in a short time the chapter will be ready for active work. Yarn for knitting the various garments required has also been ordered and will be supplied free to members for the knitting of those articles so much needed by our soldier boys.

It is earnestly desired that all of the already existing organizations, clubs, relief and charitable organizations should continue their active work for the Red Cross through their present organized bodies, securing their patterns and materials from the chapter headquarters, and returning the finished work for dispatch to Washington.

In the outlying districts it is urgently suggested that auxiliary chapters of the Uintah County chapter of the American Red Cross should be organized, with as many members as possible, all members joining the Uintah County Chapter, and securing their supplies and instructions from Headquarters in Vernal. Each auxiliary must have ten or more members, they may elect their own officers and transact their own affairs subject to instructions from the Uintah Chapter, and reporting to the Chapter regularly, all under the direction of the vice-chairman in each district who should be the chairman of each auxiliary. No dues are required to belong to these auxiliaries, membership to the Uintah County chapter being all that is required.

Donations to the Uintah chapter, and also to each auxiliary as formed, are greatly needed. These donations should comprise, especially bed spreads, old sheets, pillow slips, table cloths, napkins, muslin, bleached and unbleached white or unbleached outing flannel grey, plain or striped, brown or blue outing flannel, twill, middy, pepperell, liondale cheese cloth or daisy cloth, bed spreads, all kinds of cotton cloths and cotton and wool yarns for knitting.

It should be understood that working members perform the necessary work at their homes or otherwise, as they may elect, and that the facilities of the office may be utilized so far as space will permit.

It is anticipated that one or more of the sewing machines which have been donated and loaned to the chapter may be distributed to the homes of members or to existing organizations working for the chapter, as well as used in the chapter office.

The chapter now needs the use of a typewriter, an office desk and

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Why Your Country Needs You as a

You should know that as an American it is your duty to become a member of the Red Cross. That by the payment of a small annual fee and a little unselfish service, you can support your Government in its humanitarian work.

Your help is needed now. To support its field and base hospitals, its doctors and nurses and to provide the necessities of military and civilian relief calls for millions of members. America will do more than any other nation in this great work.

No Aid service is required of members.

The president of the United States is president of the Red Cross so

Since 1941 the American Red Cross rendered valuable aid in disasters. It has received and expended more than \$15,000,000 in money and relief supplies.

No other agency provides so practical an opportunity for helping humanity in times of great crises when the need is urgent and the measure for relief must be prompt and adequate.

The membership of all people in the valley, very men, women and child, is earnestly desired in the Uintah County Chapter; whether workers or not your membership is needed. Membership applications blanks have been placed in the Vernal Spring and also in the Uintah drug stores. The following constitute the temporary membership soliciting committee:

Do not wait to be solicited by the committee but search out those having the membership lists and sign your name or you may join the Chapter at the Chapter Office in the Illinois State Bank building.

All of the rights of membership go with the annual membership of one dollar, in case members desire to receive the *Red Cross magazine*, the cost is two dollars per year; the other memberships are moreover honorarv, and go with the additional subscription in the event that

The new members of the Vinta Chapter to the date of publication are as follows:

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 Peter A J Johnson, Thos Perry  
 Wm H. Johnson, Chas P. Jones  
 Charles N Davis, Willie Burser  
 William H. Mason, J H White  
 Irving Eaton James Pauls R  
 Penfold C W Melting, William  
 Rudge William Meadows, Pontie  
 Calder, P S Wright, Arthur W  
 Elias Archie S. Richards, M  
 Fidan George W. Jones, Joseph  
 William H Calder, Rex Jones  
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 Johnson Sylvia O Davis, Dr W  
 Nellie Mrs O Martin, Mrs W  
 Weaver Mrs Elea A Knight, M  
 William Matt Mrs Lela Holt, M

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 La Point, J. Walter Harrow M  
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 Mrs. Chas. DeFried, Mrs. Don  
 C. C. Cotton Mrs. Fred Wood Mrs. J. W.  
 Burton Mrs. Ann Burton, Mrs.  
 Mrs. J. W. Burton, Mrs. M. J. M  
 Alice Johnson, Mrs. L. H. Reid M  
 Castle Cooper, Miss Mabel Ham  
 Mrs. Viola M. Pope, Ches. H. Co  
 Mrs. J. S. Ashton Archie Smith  
 Howard B. Woolley, Miss Lula Ham  
 Helen Mrs. Sylvia Ham  
 Mrs. J. W. Ham, Carl Griffin Mrs. J.  
 P. Allen Mrs. Maggie Barker, M  
 Emma Shaffer, Mrs. Gladys Anderson  
 Mrs. William Wilbeck, Mrs. Kate  
 Erlene Mosher, Mrs. L. H. Woodson  
 Mrs. J. J. Chubb, Mrs. J. K. Wood  
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The Executive Committee of Utah County Chapter American R. C. S.

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The Rebekah lodge celebrated the birthday anniversary of three more of its members at the Wednesday night meeting. The guests of honor on this occasion were Miss Edith Lawrence Mrs. O Neal and Mrs. Ethel Denning. The nature of the party was a handkerchief shower. The hostesses, Mrs. Sarah M. Logan and Miss Lawrence had delicious refreshments including ice cream cake and orangeade. A splendid musical program was also enjoyed. At the meeting two weeks ago, Mrs. L. H. Woodard was the recipient of honors in view of the fact that it was her birthday.

Vermed Express 1918-68-09

Mrs Sarah M. Jordan, the general agent of the Utah Railway, is celebrating the thirtieth anniversary of her arrival in Vermed this week

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*Novel Express 1919-12-26*

Mrs Sarah M Logan, agent of the Utah Railway, who has been visiting at Columbia, Mo., has gone on to Shelbyvur, Ind. She will soon return to her duties here

Vernal Express 1920-01-09

**Mrs Sarah Logan sent a beautiful and artistic remembrance souvenir of Columbia, Missouri, which is greatly appreciated**



## MRS. LOGAN HOSTESS

### TO CLUB GIRLS

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The Bachelor Girls' Club met Monday night at the home of Sarah M. Logan, and was admirably entertained by the hostess in her charming way. As is the custom each member answered the roll call by reciting some important fact gleaned from the previous lesson. The study, "Beautiful Children in Art," was ably handled by the hostess, each member taking part.

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## **VERNAL COMMERCIAL CLUB LADIES' AUXILIARY ORGANIZES**

Monday afternoon, an organization of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Vernal Commercial club was organized with the following officers: Mrs. C. J. Neal president, Mrs. Sarah M. Logan vice-president, Mrs. L. H. Allan secretary, Mrs. W. A. Banks, Mrs. H. E. Rich, Miss Louise Jorgensen and Mrs. William Collyer form the advisory board. Also the following committees:

Entertainment—Mrs. Sybil Collyer, Mrs. Walter Barnes, Mrs. Chas DeMolsy, Jr., Miss Bernice McNeill.

Highways and Byways—Mrs. W. A. Banks, Mrs. James Fowlks, Mrs Charles Hatch.

Civic Improvement—Miss Louise Jorgensen, Mrs. John N. Davis, Mrs. W. S. Henderson.

Commerce and Industry—Mrs. E. A. Manker, Mrs. John C. Bates, Mrs. C. H. Howell.

Membership—Mrs S. M. Logan, Mrs. W. N. Preas, Mrs. L. H. Woodward.

Advertising—Mrs. H. E. Rich, Mrs G. H. Harrison, Mrs. Bryant Stillingham.

There are about thirty-five charter members. The initiation fee is \$1 and 25 cents monthly dues payable quarterly in advance. The first regular meeting will be held the first Monday in February at 8 o'clock P. M.

The Ladies' Auxiliary have decided to supervise the Boys' and Girls' club work for the coming year and details will be worked out at the next regular meeting.

Vernal Express Jan 27, 1922

# RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE

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The Thalia Club mourns the loss of one of its members Mrs Anna T. McCoy, departed this life July 22, 1922.

Whereas: God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved sister and friend Anna T. McCoy, and Whereas: in her passing our club has suffered an irreparable loss, now therefore be it Resolved, by the officers and members of Thalia Club that the sympathy of the entire club be extended to the husband and family, and that a copy of these resolutions be preserved in the records of the club, that a copy be sent for publication in the "Vernal Express" and one sent to the family.

Mrs SARAH M LOGAN,

Mrs Mary Reader,

Mrs Minnie A. Dodds,

Mrs Lydia R Hardy,

Mrs. Lillie White,

Committee

# Pioneer Vernal Telegraph Op- erator Passes

Mrs Sarah M. Logan Succumbs Tuesday Morning After Lingered Illness of Many Months Had Been in Employ of Uintah Railway for Past 25 Years.



MRS SARAH M. LOGAN

Tuesday morning Vernal lost one of its most faithful and loyal citizens in the passing of Mrs Sarah Margaret Logan, who for many years has been manager and telegraph operator at the Uintah Railway office. Mrs Logan had been in the employ of the company for over 25 years and has friends in all parts of the west who had become acquainted with her through her genial disposition at the railway office. During the past eight months she has suffered greatly. Her sister, Mrs Lizzie Love of Klamath, Fla., has been with her constantly during her sickness.

Mrs Logan lived to see modern transportation replace the methods of the days when she commenced working with the railway company, when four six and eight-horse outfits brought cargoes of freight to the local depot from Watson taking many days longer than the modern method of truck and rail. When storms took the lines out and when emergency calls had to go through, Mrs Logan always waited faithfully at her post to send the code over the wires.

Mrs Logan loved beautiful flowers and spend many hours working in her garden which was considered one of the most attractive in the Valley. People who visited her flowers marveled at their beauty. She developed some wonderful species of flowers and encouraged their growth in the community. She was active in inaugurating an annual chrysanthemum day fostered by the Business and Professional Womens club of this city. She also gave freely of advice and plants from her garden to many who desired to develop a garden.

The deceased was born in Washington, Illinois the daughter of Jasper N Hanna and Amanda T Hanna who moved in the early days from the vicinity of Columbus Ohio to Indiana and later to Illinois. She leaves to mourn two brothers Charles and Frank Hanna of Brunswick Mo., and a sister Mrs L B Stuckey of Columbia Mo., a brother David in Manila, P I. and her sister, Mrs Lizzie Love.

Mrs Logan was married in Gunnison Colorado on July 8th, 1883 to John Q Logan. She has been active in a number of organizations in the community and the Basin. She was a charter member of Deuteronomy No 17 O E S. She was also a member of the local chapter of Rebekahs and of the Royal Neighbors and an active member of the Business and Professional Womens club of which she was organizer and first president.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday afternoon, at 2 00 p m June 18th at the Congregational Church. Services will be conducted by the Deuteronomy Chapter of No 17 Eastern Star of Myton Utah and brief address by the Reverend George E Gullid.

The body will be taken to Denver at the conclusion of the service for cremation and will be accompanied by Charles W Hannah a second cousin of the deceased. The body will later be taken to Missouri where she spent most of her girlhood. Mrs Logan was a member of St. Pauls Episcopal church in Vernal.

# Maeser Town Approved by Commission

Maeser Community Incorporated as a Town. John L. McConkie Appointed President. New Town to Make Extensive Improvements in Community.

At the meeting of the county commissioners held on Saturday the petition of the citizens of Maeser for the incorporation of a town, was sanctioned. John L. McConkie was appointed president and William P. Vernon and Andrew J. Vernon trustees until an election is held.

One of the first major improvements of a civic nature to take place in the newly formed town, will be the installation of a modern waterworks system and the securing of a better supply of water. A number of other needed improvements will be undertaken later on. Considerable federal funds will now be available to Maeser which could not have been secured before incorporation. Maeser has the honor of being the second incorporated town in Uintah county.

In order to combat cutworms and other insects that have been making inroads on crops of the county, the commissioners authorized County Clerk F. L. Noel to distribute to people of the county the arsenic powder owned by the county, at the rate of two pounds per garden.

Dr. Weldon K. Bullock made a strong plea for a county hospital and in a vivid manner told of conditions existing in the county which could be remedied by such a county institution. He referred to the splendid arrangement made by the government to pay 55 per cent of the cost of such an institution. He said the plan for a hospital would cost the county about \$12,000. The county would also be responsible for the maintenance of the hospital.

Superintendent L. O. Noble and Clerk Driver E. Smith of the Uintah School District presented the school budget for the coming year. The board decided that the same levy as last year would remain 145 mills.

O. R. Lund, county ERA manager, informed the commissioners at a meeting June 28 that those on relief in the county who showed a willingness to work and help themselves will be given work by the relief office but those who do not work will receive no government help. To relieve unemployment, Mr. Lund suggested new projects for road work at Handlett, Jensen and Davis. To help carry out the FEA work a government truck could be secured, the county manager said.

'Did Joan inherit her beauty?'  
"Yes, her father left her a drug store"

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# Maeser Town to Get \$20,000 P WA Waterworks

1936-09-17

The town of Maeser has secured a PWA loan of \$20,000 for the waterworks system, according to a wire received from Senator Wm. H. King by John L. McConkie, president of the town board. Maeser town was recently incorporated. Other members of the board are William Vernon and Andrew Vernon.

According to information, \$11,000 is a loan and \$9,000 a grant from the PWA. The town will be paid from revenue received from water rents within the townsite and is payable through a long term of years.

The town board has been working on this project since last fall, a year ago. It was necessary for the incorporation of Maeser town to enable them to comply with the provisions of the PWA.

It is expected work will start in the near future or as soon as the legal matters can be complied with.

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A young man at Ashley had his best girl taken away from him recently, he bore that affliction with great fortitude, but when his rival pulled faces at him, he drew the line, and forbearance ceased to be a virtue he jumped on the young destroyer of his prospects of future bliss and done him up to a finish, leaving his masticating apparatus minus several teeth.

The Vernal District school will commence next Tuesday September the 5th. The new addition is nearly completed and is a larger room than either of the old ones. This will make the school accommodations for this district somewhat better than it has been heretofore. The school trustees deserve a good deal of credit for pushing the work ahead on the new building and getting it ready for fall and winter school.

The A. P. P. Society will meet at Mr. J. P. Rudys on Wednesday eve next instead of Friday, as there will be a Grand Ball, given by the Y. L. M. I. A. of Mill Ward on Friday eve. The members please take notice.

Irving L. Pratt, Pres. A. P. P. S.

Reception.

Saturday evening, Mr. Gibson and wife gave a reception in honor of the marriage of their daughter Mary to Prof. N. G. Sowards, of the Church Academy. The company was composed of a number of the intimate friends of the family

**A Basket Party**  
The Y. L. M. I. Association of Mill Ward will give a Basket party at Mill Ward Social Hall Friday evening Sept. 8 all who wish are invited to attend.

Ladies will bring their picnic in small baskets which will be numbered by a committee as they are taken in. Gentlemen will then draw their numbers from a hat and the lady holding a basket with the same number will be the gentlemen partner for the evening.

Admission 50 cts. a couple.

**Notice to the Public.**  
Owing to delays in the completion of our new school room the Uintah Stake Academy will not begin its school year until Monday September 11. On that date at 9 o'clock A. M. Prof. Sowards will be pleased to meet all his old pupils and sufficient new ones to fill our spacious school room to overflowing. Each pupil should furnish him or herself with a chair as our new furniture has not yet arrived. The tuition for the ensuing year will be for the Intermediate department \$6 for a term of ten weeks or \$3 for half term or any part thereof. Admission to the preparatory department will be full term \$4 half term \$2. Pupils should not purchase books until they have consulted the Principal of the school as to what studies they will take. Any information with regards to the school may be had by communicating with Prof.

Sketches of the proposed Chapel were submitted by Anderson and young, architects of Salt Lake City in Mid-Winter of 1928-29.

On Tuesday Evening Feb. 12, 1929 the first mass meeting was called, and the Bishopric authorized to select a building committee and make a complete canvas of the ward to ascertain whether sufficient funds would be subscribed to justify launching the building program.

The canvas was made and a considerable difference of opinion was expressed as to a building site.

Finally after several meetings, a mass meeting was called on Thursday evening May 2nd 1929 to determine definitely whether we should or should not build. A central location had by this time been made available without extra expense to the ward by the offer of Bro. Leslie P. Thacker to sell and the offer of Bro. Philip C. Stringham to buy for the sum of \$1600.00 two acres of land just south of the Maeser School.

After considerable discussion in the meeting the meeting it was decided to leave the selection of the site to Bro. Orson F. Whitney of the quorum of Twelve Apostles who would be here Sat. May 11th to attend Stake Conference.

Brother Whitney was taken by special committee to the two sites, the one just north of the maeser store, owned by the ward, and the one just south of the Maeser School already referred to.

After listening to the reports of the committees and making it a matter of humble prayer Bro Whitney, *recommends* *this decision* *at a special meeting of* special committee members, the Stake President, and Ward Bishopric.

in favor of the central location.

On Monday morning May 6 Contractor H. J. Mc Kean of Salt Lake City Staked off the building and on Fri. May 10 1929 work in excavating and gravel hauling began.

The work has progressed reasonably well to the present date Friday Aug. 23, 1929, and with the kind help of our Father in Heaven *have already been bestowed upon us* whose mercies, bestowed upon us, we shall be able to carry the work forward to completion November the 1st 1929, at a cost of \$48,000.00, \$24,000 to be raised by the church, and *\$24000 - to be raised by the ward.*

C. R. Richens



August 23, 1929

I am glad to have had the privilege of being the first contributor  
to the New Maeser Ward Chapel.

Born March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1843

Maryweater Co. Ia.

Harther Johnson

NAMES OF THE OFFICERS OF THE LANSER WARD AT THE TIME OF THE  
CONSTRUCTION OF THE LANSER WARD CHANCEL  
IN THE YEAR 1929.

THE CORNER STONE BEING LAID THIS THE 23rd DAY OF AUG. 1929

Names of Ward officers

Carl R. Richens -----Bishop  
Walton E. Bodily -----1st Counselor  
LeRoy E. Carroll -----2nd Counselor  
Wm. H. Mc Conie -----WARD Clerk  
Warren S. Jones -----Chorister  
Lucy V. Jones -----Organist  
Thomas E. Hall -----Chairman of the Genealogical Board

NAMES OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

Carl R. Richens  
Walton E. Bodily  
LeRoy Carroll  
Andrew J. Vernon  
Elmer Lind  
Phillip C. Stringham  
Lorin Hatch  
Mark M. Hall

## OFFICERS OF THE RELIEF SOCIETY

A. D. 1929

Jane B. Colton -----President  
Mary F. Hall -----1st Counselor  
Alice Ashby -----2nd Counselor  
Georgia Merkley -----Secretary  
Ambrosine Ashby -----Chorister  
Mamie Price -----Organist

## Class Leaders

Sylvia Richens -----Social Service  
Lucy Lind -----Literature  
Ella Stringham -----Theological

## District Teachers

Esther Carrol  
Jennie R. Gray

Merinda Holfetz  
Matilda Bascom

Alice Bodily  
Matilda Nelson

Lavina Burton  
Emily Mc Kee

Caroline Oaks  
Della Anderson

Caroline Mc Conkie  
Eliza Mc Conkie

Margaret Timothy  
Rhoda Hatch

Jane E. Hardy  
Ada Vernon

Aranda Nickell  
Annie Dudley

Eleanor Allen  
Ruth Taylor



# OFFICERS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL

A. D. 1929

Chas. H. Colton -----Superintendent  
 Chas. P. Maughan -----1st Assistant  
 J. La Mar Bird -----2nd Assistant  
 Olive F. Jones -----Secretary  
 Howard Collett -----Asst. Secretary  
 Ada Vernon -----Librarian  
 Ethelwynne Collett -----Chorister  
 Lucy V. Jones -----Organist

## Teachers

John L. Mc Conkie -----Gospel Doctrine  
 Alton J. Vernon  
 Joseph P. Hacking -----Missionary  
 Leo F. Smith -----Old Testament  
 Elmer Lind -----Book of Mormon  
 Nathan Hardy  
 Zelpha Allen -----New Testament  
 Lucy Hacking  
 Alice Bodily -----Church History  
 Audrey Richens ---  
 Nellie H. Colton-----Primary  
 Carrie C. Hacking  
 Rachel A. Jones -----Kindergarten

Y. M. M. I. A. OFFICERS      A. D. 1929

Chas L. Richens -----President  
 Rolland A. Bascom -----1st Assistant  
 Ross E. Roper -----2nd Assistant  
 Albert E. Jones -----S ecretary

Department Leaders

Chas H. Colton -----Adult  
 Chas. P. Maughan -----M. Men

Vanguard

Curtis Ashby -----Scout Leader

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Warren S. Jones -----C hairman  
 Lola Smith

Y. L. L. I. A. OFFICERS

Grace R. Hall -----president  
 Mamie Price -----1st Counselor  
 Nellie Oaks -----2nd counselor  
 Hilda Oaks -----Secretary  
 Eunice Smith -----Organist

Department Leaders

Maud Carpenter -----Adult  
 Sylvia Richens  
 Essie Collett -----Gleaners  
 Matilda Bascom -----Ad. B ee Hive  
 Thelma Oaks -----  
 Reva Pitt -----Bee Hive

Junior

# PRIMARY OFFICERS

A. D. 1929

Anna E. Smith -----President  
 Eleanor Allen -----1st Counselor  
 Hazel Allen -----2nd Counselor  
 Caroline Mc Conkie -----Secretary  
 Otella Carroll -----Chorister  
 -----Organist

## Department Leaders

Eunice Smith -----Play Leader  
 Mazie Hall -----Sea Gull  
 Thelma Oaks -----Blue Bird  
 Merle Oaks  
 Phebe Allen -----Trail Builders  
 Olive Jones  
 Rowena Stringham -----Z. B.  
 Thora Ashby  
 Hilda Oaks  
 Pearl Dudley -----Zion Girls  
 Ada Vernon -----Group 2  
 Viola Caldwell  
 Mary Mellen Hacking  
 Matilda Bascom -----Group 1

NAAMES OF THE STAKE OFFICERS LIVING IN THE WARD IN THE YEAR 1929

Elmer Lind -----Member of the High Council  
Elmora Vermon -----Pres. of the Stake Relief Society  
Ethelwynne Collett -----Chorister of Relief Society  
Carrie C. Hacking -----Pres of Stake Primary  
Maysie Christensen -----2nd Counselor in Stake Primary  
Fosephine H. Bird -----Chorister of Stake Primary  
Lucy V. Jones -----Sec. of Y. L. M. I. A.  
Stephen W. Ashby -----Mem. of Gen. Bd.  
Ambrosine Ashby -----Mem. of Gen. Bd.

Officers From the organization of the ward  
Down to June 1927

BISHOPS

1 William Shaffer

1- Robert Bodily

2- George Glines

Thomas Caldwell

2 Sterling D. Colton

1-Robert Bodily

2- John Gallaway

Thos. J. Caldwell

Don B. Colton

3 B. O. Colton Jr.

1- John L. Mc Conkie

2- Joseph W. Hacking

4 Joseph H Bodily

1-Thos. H. Murray

2- Lester Bingham

1- John L. Mc Conkie

5 Sylvanis Collett

1- Thomas Bingham

2- C. R. Richens

W. E. Bodily

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

MAESER WARD, VERNAL, UTAH

Pioneers in the Maeser Ward.  
Aug 22, 1929.

I came to Uintah County in 1878.  
came to Maeser ward in 1888. I have wor  
in the State Relief Society, ward primary.  
Sunday School; have worked as a teacher  
in the Sunday School for 25 years.

Mary Hall Stringham

I came to Ashley Valley in November, 1878.  
and located in what is known as Maeser Ward.  
was the first President of the Y. M. M. I. A. of Uintah  
State when it was organized, was the first Supt. of  
the Sunday School in the Maeser Ward.  
M. Stringham

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

MAESER WARD, VERNAL, UTAH

Aug 22, 1929.

William G. B. Reynolds and Elizabeth Reyn  
came to Ashley Valley in 1879 and settled in  
(Mell) Maeser ward in 1880. William G. B. Rey  
and his father William B. Reynolds built  
the first mill in Ashley Valley.

Elizabeth Reyno



# Uintah Stake

## CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Maeser Ward, Vernal, Utah August 25, 1929

### Life Record of Annie Maria Glines Hacking

Annie Maria Glines was born the year Johnsons Army came to Utah, the time of the big move. In a wagon by the Utah Lake near American Fork. I was born May 11, 1856 the daughter of James Harvy Glines and Elizabeth Ann Mayes Glines. In about 3 years moved back to Cedar Fort. Soldiers left the fort and went to Fair Field, CAMP Floyd. I seen the fight between the Soldiers and the Indians north of Cedar Fort. I saved an Indian and his wife by hiding them in a wagon box under a bed.

When 15 yrs. of age I was chosen Secratary of Retrenchment Association for 3 yrs. WHEN 17 yrs old was chosen teacher of Sunday School until moved to Ashley Valley Oct 24, 1879. In 1880 I was chosen Relief Society teacher and also Sunday School teacher until 1927. May 1878 was chosen 2ed. Councilor to Abigal Oaks President, in Primary State, in Uintah Co. Utah. Then 2ed Councilor, then President held these offices for 30yrs. Class Leader in Maeser Relief Society for 15 yrs. Officer in Geneological Society for a few years.

I attended the Temple excursions of the Uintah Stake to Manti Temple during the last week of May in the years 1926, 27, 28, 29. I

I was married to James Hacking August 28, 1876 at the County Court House then at the Endowment House at Salt Lake City by Jos. F. Smith. James Hacking was the son of John Sampson Hacking and Jane Clark. I am the Mother of 13 children.

James Clair Hacking	born Jan 1, 1878
Elizabeth Jane	" Apr. 25, 1879
John Glines	" Jan 18, 1881
Wm Ralph	" Aug 26, 1882
Ambrosine	" AUG 22, 1884
Nellie	" Feb 26, 1886
Annie Myrtle	" Jan 4, 1888
RAY	" Nov 1, 1889
May	" Aug 24, 1891
Core	" Sep 19, 1893
Fern	" Aug 28, 1895
Linnie	" MAY 28, 1898
Owen	" Dec 15, 1900

Annie M Hacking Vernal Utah,

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

MAESER WARD, VERNAL, UTAH

Aug 22, 1929.

<sup>Thomas and</sup>  
I am the son of Kerem Holliday Bingham born  
Aug 12, 1850 Ogden Utah.

Came to Ashley Valley June 22, 1878.

Moved family here Sept 22, 1878.

Lived in Mill and Crookston since 1886.

I was Supt. of the Sunday School for over 20 years.

I was first Councilor to Bishop Sylvester Collet  
for five years from 1887 to 1927.

Thomas Bingham

Mary E Bingham wife of Thomas Bingham  
I was first Councilor to Ogden Baker in the  
Stake Primary.

Mary E Bingham.

George Watt Nisley Born 1858. Bishenkhead  
England son of John and Lydia Rodgers Nisley  
Came to Ashley Valley 1881.

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I came out in March, <sup>1880</sup> to Ashley Valley. We were sixteen in making it to Jensen from Heber City. I came with A. B. Har and Captain Dodds. That summer I helped brand 1300 calves and round up 800 beef steers to ship to Denver. I went back to Heber, returning to Ashley Valley in 1882 and worked in Wm. Reynolds' Flour Mill.

I was asst. Supt. in the Sunday School to Bro. Philip Bingham for nine years; President of the Mutual for also year and a half; and Clerk in the Elders quorum for seven or eight years. In 1886 I went to White Rocks where I was Boss Farmer over the Indians for one year and Industrial teacher for one year.

Wm. H. Jones.

I came to Ashley Valley in Oct. 1888. Was married Dec. 4, 1890 by Bishop William Shaffer of Mill Ward, now Maeser, joined the Relief Society the summer of 1892, and have worked in Sunday School, M. D. L. and Primary organs. Was, also, a Sun. Sch. Teacher, and President of the Relief Society. Wm. H. Jones.

Juliaette Stowell Perry was born near Westfield Chautauqua County, New York in 1835.

She with her folks emigrated to Nauvoo in September 1844, and left there for Knox County Illinois in 1846.

Gradually as means were provided and arrangements made they started westward, reached Council Bluffs and left there June 17, 1852, crossed the plains into Great Salt Lake Valley; arriving there October 2, 1852.

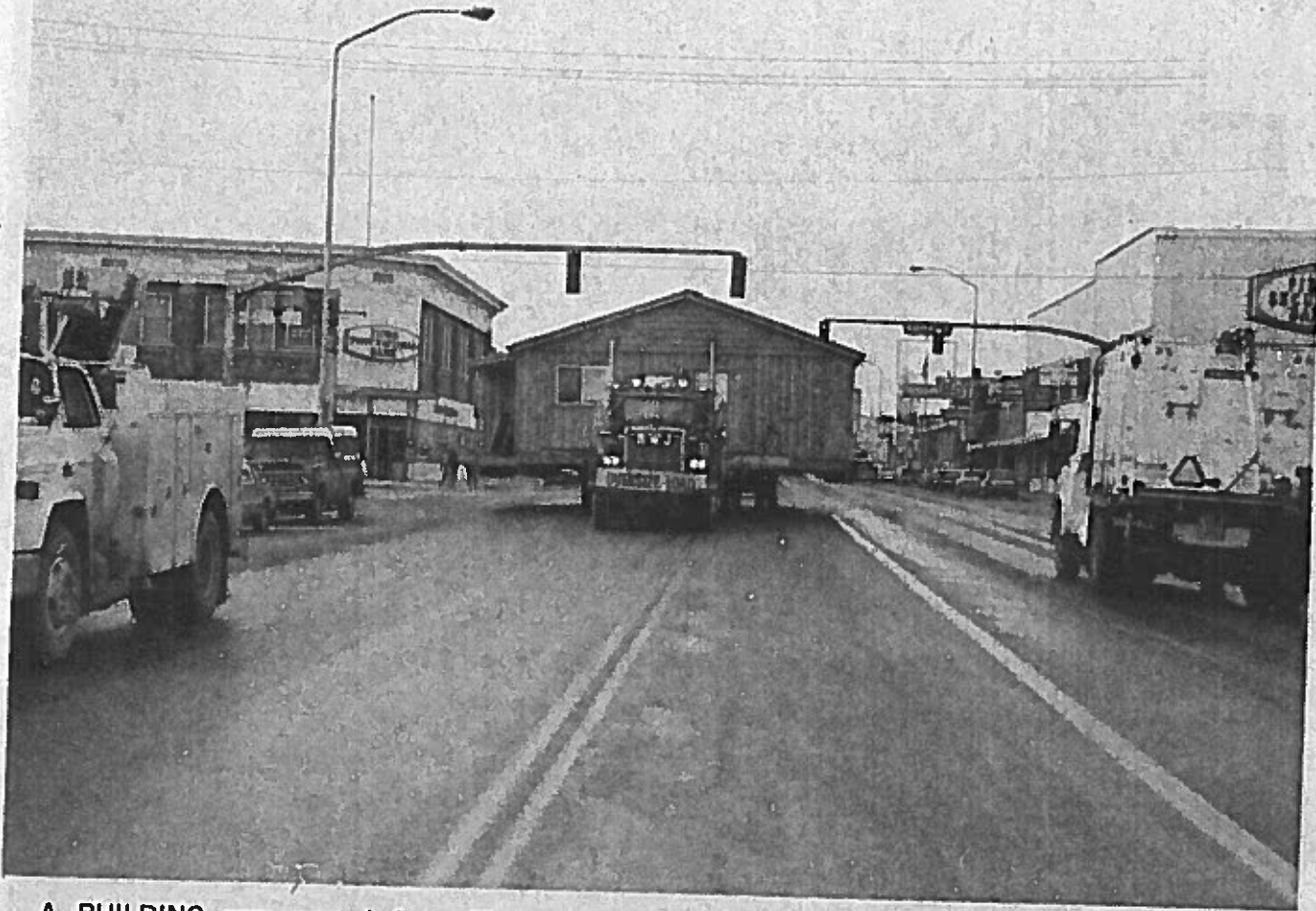
She was married to William Howard Perry June 10, 1853, the ceremony being performed by George A. Smith.

And in the year 1873 Mr. Perry came to Ashley Valley, then the following year 1880 his wife Juliaette Stowell Perry accompanied him.

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A BUILDING was moved from Maeser to downtown Vernal Wednesday. Traffic was impaired for short intervals along the route and the

truck had a little difficulty making the turn from 500 West onto Main Street, but all in all, the move came off without a hitch.



SECTION THREE  
CHRISTMAS EDITION

The Wolf of Poverty gnashes his teeth in vain against the home of a man who has a bank account.

CHRISTMAS EDITION

# The Vernal Express

XXXVII VERNAL, UTAH CO., NEV., UTAH, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1929 NO. 60

**Winners of the \$100.00  
Offered by Uintah State  
Bank in Barley and Corn**

Bingham and O. R. Triplett won a prize of \$50 offered by the Utah State Bank for the best of barley and corn. Mr. Bingham won the barley yield contest with a production of 101.36 bushels per acre. Mr. Bingham had 5.85 acres and planted to barley and his was 593 bushels. For several years Mr. Bingham has been raising barley, the variety recommended by the Extension Service. He was the first farmer in the County to plant this variety. It did so well that he continued to grow it ever since he first tried it. Treble Barley is considered equal to corn for feeding stock. It has a thin hull and near-entire berry is rich feed. Archie Jenkins of Maeser was in the Barley contest and Bill Green of Ashley, third. These men both had good yields but did not compare with the Treble grown by Mr. Bingham. Triplett won the corn contest in competition with a yield of 101.36 bushels per acre. Other farmers entered the contest but their yield for silage so it could not be weighed in the contest. Mr. Triplett's seed was a white flint, also mixed with other varieties. It is an exceptionally good yield considering the fact that it was grown in irrigation and the seed used was not pure. We feel sure that if Triplett had used one of the yielding varieties, such as Georgia or Minnesota No. 13, and had it the care that he did his crop, he would have had a yield of at least as much. Mr. Triplett comes from a corn producing country and certainly knows how to take care of a crop. There was not a weed seen in his entire cornfield. In spite of the fact that Mr. Triplett's yield was not as high as could be expected, we think he is worthy of the prize because he entered the contest in good faith and he showed excellent care of his crop from the time it was planted until it was harvested and stored in the crib. If Triplett uses a high yielding variety next year, he will be hard to beat in a corn-growing contest. One of these two crops should be used and used for feed. They are very valuable and could fit in

## All Arrangements Completed for Maeser's Big Market Day Carnival

Every person in Maeser is working this week to make the big Market Day Carnival, this Saturday, a huge success. Men began early Monday morning to arrange the Imperial Hall for the occasion. Tables were built for the serving of the turkey dinner, and other parts of the commodious building arranged for the Country Store, the Auction Sale and the Bazaar. Others have been working to advertise this big day, with the result that it has been advertised from Lapoint to Rangely, Colorado. The ladies have been just as energetic. Some have had charge of the preparing of this sumptuous feast, while others are busily engaged in sewing, making quilts, and doing "their bit" in ways too numerous to mention. Ever-one has been busy with their own work and is working for the chapel, while all throughout the valley are planning to be present on this festive day. Saturday, December 14, 1929, will be a red letter day in the history of Maeser.

The new organ and piano which have been ordered for the new chapel are here and ready to be installed. A committee composed of Mrs. week.

## Campaign Being Conducted in Interest of Bean Culture in the Basin Meeting Success

### 'Gives Bride Away' With 'I Do' By Long Distance

Unable to attend the wedding of his daughter, Miss Florence Mills, a graduate of Vassar, Major Byron J. Mills "gave her away" over long distance telephone wires when she was married recently to Albert Hawkins in Calgary, Canada. Major Mills was at his home in Seattle, Washington, when the words came over the wire, "Who giveth this woman away?" "I do," answered the bride's father in Seattle and the marriage ceremony became a fact.

Joseph P. Hacking as chairman, with Mrs. Leon Christensen and President Wallace Calder of Vernal to help choose the colors for the draperies and decorating of the chapel, held their second meeting on Monday, with Mrs. Effie Barrows, Lorain and Miss Alice Pederson, present. The committees are very grateful to these ladies for their assistance in this matter. The draperies were chosen and will be ready for hanging when the painting is finished. The carpenters and painters are working at the chapel now. The staining and first coat of paint was put on downstairs, the fore part of week.

The campaign to sign 4000 acres for the culture of dry edible beans, throughout the Uintah Basin, conducted by the J. V. G. Peppard Seed Company, is being hotly waged in all localities. Much interest is being taken by prominent individuals and civic clubs who are sponsoring and lending valued support to this movement. In Ashley Valley, three meetings have been held, one at Jensen, one at Naples and Davis, and one in Glines ward. At Jensen the cause was given whole-hearted support and in a small crowd of progressive farmers, 100 acres were signed. Good response was had in Naples and Davis, and the company was gratified to note that the most progressive and prominent agriculturalists in these sections were among the first to sign. Much interest was shown in the Glines ward meeting, and a good sign up is looked for in this section.

Those who are actively campaigning and representing the Lions club are James H. Wallis, J. A. Chenev and Bryan Stringham; County agent E. Peterson and President Ernest Easton represent the Uintah county farm bureau and Ray H. Paulson who has the distinction of signing the first contract. These men and many others can see the necessity of bringing this promising industry to the Basin.

It is imperative that the people of Ashley Valley and the Basin as a whole get behind this move, as the time is limited for their acceptance. The company has extended the time to December 20th and we urge that serious thought and action be given this matter without delay, as the Uintah Basin cannot afford to pass up this opportunity. The J. V. G. Peppard Seed Company is prepared both financially and with working force to thoroughly establish this new and high remunerative industry in our midst. It will not do to procrastinate the day of opportunity. The farmer should support the meetings being held. Our banks both the Uintah State and the Bank of Vernal highly endorse this movement. This paper endorses it, our business men and civic clubs are all behind it. Every progressive farmer highly recommends it. The company is willing to spend \$2 to 100 thousand dollars in bringing this new opportunity to the

**The Vision of Christmas**  
by Robert L. C. Head

It was surely more than mere  
Christian faith about a Child.  
Little children, with their laughter  
and tears, their joys and their sorrows  
gotten sorrows, touch the better  
instincts of all mankind, for of



## Apostle Melvin J. Ballard to Dedicate Maeser's New Chapel Sunday Evening

### Utah Legislature to be Called into Special Session Dec. 27 on Tax Issue

Gov. George H. Dern last Tuesday issued his proclamation calling the Utah legislature into special session January 27th. He has not yet issued writs for the special elections necessary in Salt Lake and Weber counties, but is awaiting an opinion from the attorney general as to whether or not measures passed by a legislature which contains vacancies can be voided. In case it appears necessary to hold the specials these are to be on January 7th. The governor's original date for the special session was January 20th, but in view of the appeal made by Alonzo Mackay, Salt Lake county clerk for more time to prepare, Governor Dern postponed the opening of the session a week, which will give Mackay a similar time.

### Nearly Half Million Fish Successfully Planted in Forest Lakes This Year

Approximately 450,000 fish were successfully planted in the lakes and streams in the Ashley National Forest during 1929, according to Supervisor A. G. Nord in his annual report to the District Forester. This is an increase of about 200,000 over the plantings of last year. The important waters which were stocked on the north drainages of the Uintah mountains, included the East fork of Smith's fork, Henry's fork, West Beaver, Sheep and Carter creeks, and waters which were stocked on the South drainages were Whiterocks, Uintah, Yellowstone rivers, Paradise Brush, and Ashley creeks, and several small lakes.

Many of the waters were stocked for the first time this year. Most of the plantings were made by truck, but in some instances cans of fish were transported by pack horses from the end of the auto roads to the most remote lake and to the headwaters of streams. The most successful plantings reported were from stock of the well developed fingerling stages. The shipments of fish for the South side were supplied by the Whiterocks state hatchery and for the North side, from the Murray state hatchery and the Saratoga Federal Hatchery. The plantings were made by local fish and game clubs, the Mountain View chapter of the Isaac Walton League, officials of the Utah state fish and game commission and the forest service.

A total of 104 deer were killed during the open hunting season this year. This was about fifty per cent below the number killed in 1928. The lighter killing this year was due to the absence of storms to start the movement of the bucks from their summer range to the fall and winter ranges, which comprise the main hunting grounds.

The \$45,000 chapel which has been under construction during the past summer, by the people of Maeser ward, is now completed and ready for dedication. This is the third largest building in the stake and represents the unite efforts of the people of the ward as well as the people of Ashley valley, who have liberally cooperated in helping to put over this building program.

On the main floor of the building is the auditorium and amusement hall. At the front of the auditorium is a beautiful bronze panel, depicting the Prophet Joseph Smith receiving the gold plates from which the Book of Mormon was translated, from the Angel Moroni. The rostrum is fully equipped, including a grand piano and a church organ. The amusement hall is constructed to provide a varied recreational program. This includes ample stage for dramatics and equipment for motion pictures. The class rooms are in the basement of the building, as also the Relief Society room. Joining an electrically equipped kitchen, are three class rooms with folding doors, which can be opened, making a commodious banquet hall. In the southeast corner of the basement is the Boy Scout room. This room was not included in the contract and the work was done mostly by the boys, under expert supervision. They met in the evenings and did the work to complete this room. A bishop's office and comfortably furnished rest room also are included in the building.

The grounds around the building have been cleared, and the soil prepared for the planting of lawns and shrubbery in the spring. Cement walks are laid all around the building and the driveways and parking spaces have been leveled, shaded and graveled, which adds greatly to the appearance of the chapel surroundings.

The dedicatory services will be held Sunday next December 29th at 7:30 p. m. Apostle Melvin J. Ballard will be present to offer the dedicatory prayer. He will also address the stake Priesthood and auxiliary organizations in the Tabernacle at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, to which all are invited.

Night watchmen in Japanese cities carry two blocks of wood which they clap together to warn the citizens to be careful of fire.

## Federal Wool Corporation Offers to Finance Uintah Farmers in Sale of W

Uintah County has a possibility of getting money this year, if the farmers respond, through the Federal Wool Corporation to finance the wool pool, according to E. Peterson, county agent. The Federal Wool Corp. has placed the minimum which an organization must have in order to get government money, at \$500,000 pounds. "Farmers of Uintah county have this amount of wool", says Mr. Peterson, "and it is up to them to decide whether or not they want to sign up and take advantage of service which the government has to offer. A great many of the farm wool producers have already signed a contract to sell their 1930 clip through the pool, and others are signing every day. If we get this amount we feel almost certain that we can get the services of a government specialist, who will come here and grade our wool and teach some of local producers how to do it. That in the near future we may have our trained wool graders, to do this work for us. When the wool is in the warehouse, which will be a government bonded warehouse, producers may receive an additional advance equivalent to 75 per cent of the market value of the wool."

This organization is also prepared to handle all kinds of livestock and poultry. They have shipped, just recently, several truckloads of lambs, beef cattle and hogs and the results were very satisfactory. Anyone who has livestock or poultry they wish to dispose of at the market price should list the same with the secretary of the county farm bureau.

The Uintah county farm bureau is in a very good condition to render a real worthwhile service to all of its members", says E. Peterson, county agent. For several years the organization has been handling the farm wool pool very efficiently. Each year improvements are made which the members can take advantage of.

The local organizations of the Uintah county farm bureau have been holding their annual meetings this week in the various communities and electing officers. The members of the Farm bureau in each community elect five directors, three for a two-year term and two for a one-year term. Next year it will be two for one-year term and one for three year term. When these directors are chosen they meet and out of their group choose a president, a vice-president and a secretary. The latter, however, does not necessarily have to be a member

of the board of directors. They are chosen automatically a member of the county board of directors and has full voting power in the community in the great organization. This same policy is cognized with reference to the organization. Each county becomes an officer of the organization and the state in manner is connected up with the American Farm Bureau.

In the election held at Althea Swett, Alma Preece and E. Kidd were elected director two-year term; H. P. Wilkner Swett were elected for year term. These directors elect Althea Swett as their president, E. Kidd as vice-president and Wilson as secretary.

At Davis Alfred Simper, Boren and Henry Workman elected directors for two years. Collier and Stephen Adams one-year directors elected. Boren was chosen by the director. The vice-president re-try will be chosen at a later date.

The Glines community election Winward, Ernest Johnson W. Weaver for the two-year term. William McKee and Martha for the one-year term. Of these elected at their next meeting.

In Maeser LeRoy E. Carr Jenkins and Wallace Oaks were elected for the two-year term; V. By and Lindsey Oaks for year term. These directors Roy E. Carroll as President Oaks as vice-president and W. by as Secretary.

Naples chose Jacob N. Mark N. Cook and Raymond the two-year term; J. W. George A. Nash for the term. These directors will elect their other officers at date.

The Vernal local elect Horrocks, Wilford Bastian G. Bingham for the two-year term; George E. Wilkins and E. for the one-year term. At of these directors, Joseph was elected President, Wilf'an as vice-president, a Wilnder, secretary. This-ly Jensen on this side of ridge to elect officers. A Jensen organizes, the ann-ings will be held in all of vation communities follow election of the county office nal, January 6th. The coun-for this election and to dec-gram of work for the year be held at the courthouse, 10 o'clock a. m. January 6

Members of the "Uin-Club" at the B. Enjoy Christmas

Charming in every detail Christmas dinner party of Basin students attending the Brigham Young Uni Provo, Utah. The party was

Happy New Year 1930

## Developers Announce Exclusive Housing Project In Maeser

Greenfield Downs, a new residential development in Maeser, will be opened with an invitation only, ribbon cutting ceremony, Friday, July 16. The event will begin at noon and will feature a buffet lunch.

The Greenfield Downs project, located at 4200 West, Maeser Highway, is a joint venture between K-3 Development Corpor-

ation and Bob McRae, a local attorney.

The development is an equestrian property and contains 46 homesites, one-half acre and larger, each bordered by white rail Kentucky type fencing. Each homeowner will have access to equestrian bridle paths that are adjacent to each homesite and lead to the public ground to the southeast of the project.

The Greenfield project is a planned unit development with a private road system that will be maintained by the residents. This helps insure the privacy of the families living in the development. The homesites are fully improved with paved roads, culinary water system, and even includes sewer lines throughout, even though there is no sewer

lines to the project. The reason is that when sewer is brought to the site, the roads won't have to be dug up to install the system.

Lots in the Greenfield Downs project will be available for sale after the grand opening festivities and will range in price from \$25,500 to \$35,270.



# At Farm in Maeser

Eleven Pair, Valued at \$24,000 Brought Here by S. D. Pearce

Located on the former H. C. Jolley farm in Maeser is a new fur industry, for the Ashley Valley, owned by S. D. Pearce of Lynwood, Calif., a former resident of Vernal.

Mr. Pearce recently shipped from the coast 11 pairs of Chinchillas valued at \$24,000, from which is obtained the world's most sought of fur.

The Chinchilla is a rodent and native of South America, so small it can easily be held in the palm of one's hand. Grey in color it has fur of the softest texture. When fully grown the weight is about 23 ounces.

It took 6 years for an explorer to secure nine animals in South America. Mr. Pearce said, where their habitat is in the rocky cliffs of the Andes Mountains. From this small beginning the first Chinchilla farms were started on the Southern Continent and by degrees the animals were brought to the United States where now hundreds of farms are located while only one remains in South America.

Mr. Pearce purchased his stock from Rohner and Pierce at their Chinchilla ranch in Inglewood, California. Until last spring they valued each pair at \$3200. There are now located in Utah five Chinchilla farms near Salt Lake City one at Price and the new venture here.

Beth Shaffer is in charge of the farm at Maeser. Mr. Shaffer spent 6 months at the ingewood farm learning to care for the animals. They are vegetarians. The diet consists principally of rolled oats, alfalfa, barley and some green feed. Vitamin pellets are fed to them also. Mr. Shaffer said, to keep them healthy. Their diet has to be watched closely.

There is no animal odor present. They sleep in their hutches during the daytime and venture forth at night to play, chirping like a prairie dog. Their ears and tails resembles those of the ground squirrel.

They are very prolific breeders with 3 litters yearly averaging 1 to 7 young in a litter. The fur is prime during the month of March. It is expected there will be 30,000 breeding stock by 1943 at the farms in the United States.

One can get an idea of the value of the fur and the demand for trimming when it takes at least 100 pelts to make a fur coat. There are only 3 such garments in existence worth \$65,000 each. Each pelt sells from \$80 to \$100, Mr. Shaffer said. The fur is also used for trimming purposes on the costliest gowns.

Mr. Pearce believes the Ashley Valley will prove to be an ideal location for the propagating of the valuable animals because of the climate. He intends to purchase 10 pairs more in the fall for the local farm. One of the little animals died shortly after their arrival in Vernal. All of the others are doing splendidly, according to Mr. Shaffer.

Bob Pearce, son of Mr. and Mrs.



CHINCHILLAS at Pearce Farm in Maeser. The animals are friendly and may be handled like a rabbit.

## Uintah County Rubber Quota Doubled by Vernal

The scrap rubber campaign at the close of the drive Tuesday, was a tremendous success, reports H. S. Sowards, chairman of the Uintah county forces gathering the rubber, with a total of nearly 100,000 pounds reported in the county.

In Vernal City alone there was 90,000 pounds with \$1,599 pounds gathered by Conoco, which amount includes 4150 pounds from White-rocks, 2533 pounds from Randlett, and 5580 pounds from Jensen. R. A. Bryson, manager of the Raven Oil & Refining company at Rangely, donated 1055 pounds of scrap. Mr. Sowards stated. The Conoco dealers paid the sum of \$506.44 for the 25 3-4 tons gathered. The remainder was donated.

Last week the Shell Service had taken in 13,920 pounds; this week an additional 3,002 pounds came in. Hotel Service, Standard Oil, 2600 and 800; Utah Motor, 4500 and 1800; Texco, 7800 and 700; Utah Oil, 4700 and 2000 pounds.

The allotment set for Uintah county was 38,000 pounds, which was more than doubled by Vernal City alone.

By proclamation of President F. D. Roosevelt, the campaign was extended ten days, to July 10.

## Naples Donates \$77.60 to Boost

## Don B. Colton Be Orator at 24th Celebration

Hon. Don B. Colton of Salt Lake and former Vernalite is to be the principal speaker at the celebration July 24th at the City Park, according to information from acting chairman, Ashley Bartlett.

The day's activities will begin at 10:00 o'clock with a miniature parade, headed by the National Colors, the ancient Dinosaur, Miss Utah, then the Redmen, trappers, scouts, pioneers, crickets, seagulls, and historic characters of Utah and Ashley Valley, drum and bugle corps, bands and floats. The pageant, "Founding of Utah," directed by Mrs. Fred G. Bingham, will follow the parade, at the City Park.

Following the program dinner will be served all pioneers, under the auspices of Mrs. Morjorie Hatch, head of the Uintah County Daughters of the Utah Pioneers and the associated camps.

Sports highlighted by a donkey ball game at 4:00 o'clock, will begin for the children immediately after lunch hour with Harold E. Hullinger in charge.

The selection of Goddess of Liberty (miniature), Miss Utah, Miss Uintah County, Miss Vernal will likely be determined on the basis of beards now been grown by the men. The participating ward with the largest number of whisker-growers will have the honor of naming the Goddess. The lesser numbers to name the other honor characters.

In the evening a grand ball at the Imperial Hall will conclude the 1942 Pioneer Day celebration at Vernal.

## County Stores Join Utah Drive for War Stamp Sales

Retail establishments of Utah, launched their "Retailers for Victory" program Wednesday. Their objective is to make 4 per cent of gross sales in war stamps and getting 100 per cent participation of their employees in the ten per cent payroll deduction plan.

The plan will continue through July and got under way Wednesday at noon when stores for 15 minutes made no sales except of war stamps and bonds.

## LDS Chapel Dedicated by Apostle Merrill

On Sunday, the new \$18,000 L. D. S. Chapel at Craig was dedicated with Elder Joseph F. Merrill of the council of the Twelve, the principal speaker of the occasion. Joseph Livingston is Bishop of the Craig church. Elbert R. Curtis president of the western states mission and Mrs.

## Grazing Official Proves Capable Fire Fighter

G. W. "Bud" Mathis, assistant district grazer, had the unique distinction of being a one-man fire fighting force all of Monday night when he fought a 30-acre range fire on the East side of Little Mountain, 15 miles northwest of Vernal.

Mr. Mathis had gone to investigate the cause of smoke in that section Monday evening. When he arrived he found the acreage partly burned over with streaks of flames reaching out in new areas. Having no time to go for help, he was kept busy circling the area and keeping down the spread. The fire was entirely extinguished by 8:00 a.m. Tuesday after more than a 12-hour fighting vigil. Tired and rusty faced Mr. Mathis welcomed a well-earned rest at home.

Mr. Mathis cautions campers and others to get permits before starting fires of any nature on the grazing area which was closed on June first. All grazing grounds have become restricted areas since that time. Heavy penalties are in store for those who may be responsible for fires set on or reaching grazing ground, he said.

## Craig Man Takes Over Vernal-Salt Lake Mail Route

Postmaster Pontha Calder reports that L. L. McMichael, contractor for the Craig to Vernal mail service for the past four years, was the successful bidder for the Craig to Salt Lake mail service, taking charge of both star routes Wednesday morning. The contract was let for the next four years.

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# FARMERS MILLING COMPANY LAUNCHED

Articles of corporation were filed yesterday with the county clerk bringing into legal existence "The Farmers Milling Company." The principal place of business is stated as Alabser, Uintah county, Utah. The Farmers Milling Company is incorporated for \$6,000, or 300 shares at the par value of \$20 per share. Two hundred twelve and one half shares of the capital stock is subscribed, and twenty per cent of the par value has been paid into the treasury. The remaining eighty six and one half shares remains treasury stock.

The president of the new concern is not named but the articles of incorporation provide that the corporation shall be governed by the board of directors consisting of the following five men, Wm. Hoelt, Wm. P. Vernon, M. M. Batty, George Searle and James O'Neil, all of Vernal, Utah. Hereafter, immediately after the first annual election the directors shall name the president, secretary and treasurer.

The new concern is launched to acquire the Fletcher Flouring mill and to carry on a general milling business, to purchase, to manufacture and to sell all mill products.

The following are stockholders:

Hyrum Rasmussen	5
Andrew Johnson	5
A. C. Ewert	5
Samuel Hansen	1
Andrew Dudley Jr.	3
Merond Moon	3
Bernard Gardner	2
Joseph S. Dudley	6
Marken Dudley	3

Gerald Stewart	5
John T. Rasmussen	5
Wm. Hoelt	5
W. L. Fletcher	5
H. S. Cooper	5
E. H. Wilson	5
Rock Mantle	5
M. M. Batty	5
James O'Neil Jr.	5
W. P. Vernon	5
T. J. Caldwell	5
W. H. Oaks	5
James A. Winn	5
Roy Galloway	5
Joseph Lee	5
W. J. Thomas	5
J. W. Davis	5
S. Ross & C. Graham	5
AV. G. Caldwell	5
W. M. Caldwell	5
Wm. J. Fuller	5
Bernard A. Miller	5
W. H. Bowden	5
John G. Hacking	5
Hyrum Mantle	5
Ed. Hoelt	5
Otto Hoelt	5
Fardon Dadds Jr.	5
F. C. Volght	5
W. M. McCoy	5
I. P. Rudy	5
W. M. Martin	5
Nathan Hardy	5
J. J. Young Jr.	5
Thos. Speirs	5
F. C. Stringham	5
F. M. Caldwell	5
Geo. Searle	5
Robert Toddy	5
Philis J. Ellis	5
L. L. Cotton	5
J. H. Carroll	5
N. A. Zeh	5
W. G. R. Reynolds	5
Andrew Vernon	5
James Hanson	5
Frederick Bird	5
Blatch Murray	5
Thos. H. Murray	5
Wm. Ashby	5
Thos. Plingham	5

Wm. Barker	5
Geo. L. Lane	5
Chas. L. Wells	5
David Katten	5
Jerry B. Munro	5
Heber Wadley	5
Geo. Wadley	5
Roy Danks	5
Thos. Jenkins	5

THIS MEANS YOU  
The up your time, and about the city ordinance and against your time of interest as well as the peace and safety of the citizens of Vernal to leave them untied.  
This means you!

## NOTICE:

Stockholders of the Ashley Upper Irrigation Co., Location and principal place of business, Vernal, Utah. Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the said company held Sept. 5, 1911, an assessment of \$2.50 per share was levied on the Capital Stock of the said Corporation which is now due and payable to B. D. Nebeker at the office of the Utah Realty and Investment Company.

Any Stock upon which the assessment may remain unpaid on Nov. 1, 1911, will be delinquent and shall be advertised for sale, and if after the expiration of 20 days after said advertisement the assessment shall have remained unpaid, together with the costs of advertising, enough of the delinquent stock shall be sold at public auction Nov. 20, 1911, at the office of the Utah Abstract Co., to pay said assessment together with costs of advertising and sale.

All Certificates not renewed during 1910 must positively be renewed at once.

Dated at Vernal, Utah, Sept. 5, 1911.

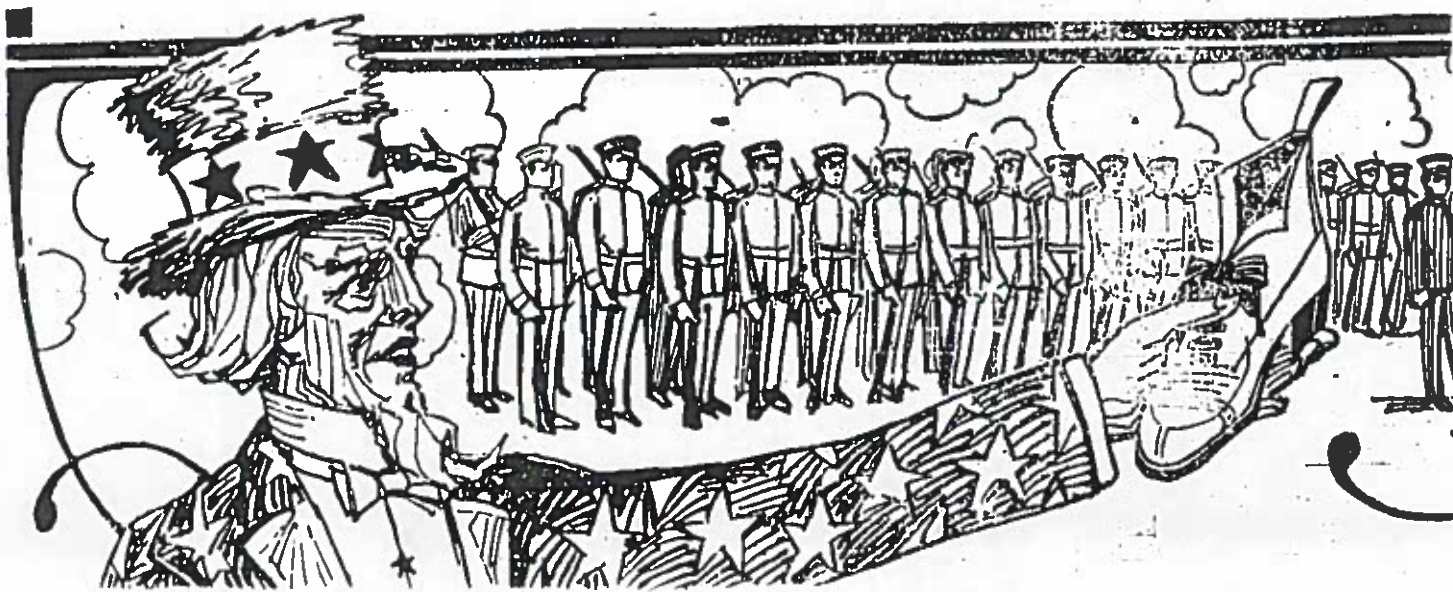
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# FARMERS MILLING COMPANY LAUNCHED

Articles of corporation were filed yesterday with the county clerk bringing into legal existence "The Farmers Milling Company." The principal place of business is stated as Mouser, Uintah county, Utah.

The Farmers Milling Company is incorporated for \$6,000, or 300 shares at the par value of \$20 per share. Two hundred twelve and one half shares of the capital stock is subscribed, and twenty per cent of the par value has been paid into the treasury. The remaining eighty six and one half shares remains treasury stock.

The president of the new concern is not named but the articles of incorporation provides that the corporation shall be governed by the board of directors consisting of the following five men, Wm. Hoelt, Wm. P. Vernon, H. S. Cooper, George Searle and James O'Neil, all of Vernal, Utah. Thereafter, immediately after the first annual election the directors shall name the president, secretary and treasurer.

The new concern is launched to acquire the Pioneer Flouring mill and to carry on a general milling business, to purchase, to manufacture and to sell all mill products.

The following are stockholders:

Hyram Rasmussen	5
Andrew Johnson	5
A. C. Burt	5
Samuel Hasem	1
Andrew Dudley Jr.	3
Merford Moon	3
Bernard Gardner	2
Joseph S. Dudley	5
Marion Dudley	5

Gerald Stewart	5
John T. Rasmussen	5
Wm. Hoelt	5
W. L. Fletcher	5
H. S. Cooper	5
B. R. Wilson	5
Thos. Mantle	5
W. M. Paffy	5
James O'Neil Jr.	5
W. P. Vernon	5
T. J. Caldwell	5
W. H. Oaks	5
James A. Winn	5
Roy Galloway	5
Joseph Lee	5
W. J. Thomas	5
J. W. Davis	5
S. Ross & C. Graham	5
W. G. Caldwell	5
W. M. Caldwell	5
Wm. J. Fuller	5
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W. H. Fowden	5
John G. Hacking	5
Hyram Mantle	5
Ed. Hoelt	5
Orin Hoelt	5
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E. C. Voight	5
W. M. McCoy	5
L. P. Rudy	5
W. M. Martin	5
Wm. Hardy	5
J. Young Jr.	5
Thos. Spels	5
E. C. Strickham	5
E. M. Caldwell	5
Ed. Searle	5
Robert Toddy	5
Ed. J. Ellis	5
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J. H. Carroll	5
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W. G. R. Reynolds	5
Andrew Vernon	5
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Thos. Jenkins	5

## THIS MEANS YOU.

Tie up your team. It is against the city ordinance and against your financial interest as well as the peace and safety of the citizens of Vernal to leave them untied.

This means you!

## NOTICE.

Stockholders of the Ashley Upper Irrigation Co., Location and principal place of business, Vernal, Utah. Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the said company held Sept. 5, 1911, an assessment of \$2.50 per share was levied on the Capital Stock of the said Corporation which is now due and payable to P. D. Nebeker at the office of the Uintah Realty and Investment Company.

Any Stock upon which the assessment may remain unpaid on Nov. 1, 1911, will be delinquent and shall be advertised for sale, and if after the expiration of 20 days after said advertisement the assessment shall have remained unpaid, together with the costs of advertising, enough of the delinquent stock shall be sold at public auction Nov. 20, 1911, at the office of the Uintah Abstract Co., to pay said assessment together with costs of advertising and sale.

All Certificates not renewed during 1910 must positively be renewed at once.

Dated at Vernal, Utah, Sept. 5, 1911.

E. J. YOUNG, Jr., Secretary.  
Vernal Utah

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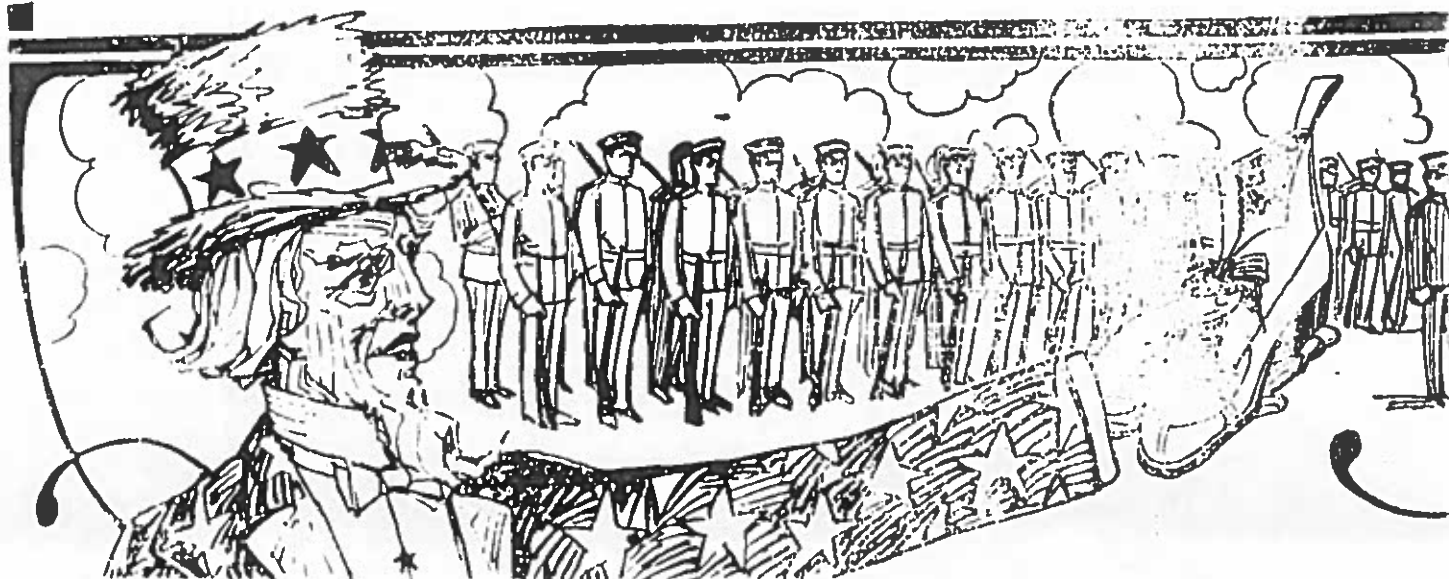
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GEORGE M. BACON.



# Flying nurse visits family in Maeser

Eleanore Scott, daughter of Grant and Mildred Hacking of Maeser, took time out from a busy life in California to return to Vernal for her niece's wedding. "It's like coming home," she said. "Even after all these years I still think of Vernal as home."

Scott is a registered nurse who has worked in the Redding Medical Center, Redding, Calif., for over 30 years. She spent most of those years in emergency medicine, helping to piece bodies back together at accident sites, reviving drowning victims at pool side and all the other life saving things emergency personnel must do.

She and her husband, Lynton Scott, live 70 miles from the hospital and Scott makes the 140 mile round trip to and from work at least five days per week, through the mountains in the winter months and over them in warmer weather when the daylight hours are longer. That's right, she flies an airplane to work for a good part of the year.

"I'm just a recreational pilot," said Scott, who has been flying for nearly 32 years. "I'm not an instrument pilot so I don't fly in the dark." But for those months when daylight lingers, Scott cuts more than two hours off her daily commute time, leaving herself extra hours for her many other activities.

At age 64, Scott hasn't even begun to slow down. In addition to full time nursing, she maintains a beautiful yard, swims daily when possible, and always makes time to "create a memory" with her grandchildren. Every spring and every fall Scott spends two



Mildred Hacking and her daughter Eleanore Scott take a rest break before heading out on a shopping trip for a family wedding.

weeks in the Vernal area where she helps her parents and her sister Barbara Hall and brother-in-law Berkley Hall with the family farm. "Baling hay is my favorite chore," she said. She also checks on her property in Dry Fork and makes a trip with her father to look over the family holdings on Diamond Mountain.

This year, while on Diamond Mountain, Scott had a rare opportunity to create a great memory for herself. "I thought I could hear elk so I told my dad I was going to go see if I could find them. I sat for two hours and watched a herd of about 150 elk migrate into the aspens. It was beautiful."

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the reservation will call for whatever increase there may be in the supply. Wheat is an easy crop to handle; the price is good; and there is no danger of over-supply. Put in more wheat this fall.

It would also be a good thing if the farmers would experiment a little more with corn culture. The Vernal mill has excellent machinery for making corn meal; but it has handled less than 20 bushels of corn during this last year. A large quantity of corn meal is shipped into the valley every year. A careful study of the matter would undoubtedly produce a species of corn which would do well even in the short season of this section.

#### Always a Bird

A Mt. Carmel lady has a wonderful record. Although she has been married four times she has always been a bird. She began life as Miss Eliza both Bird of Harrison county near Paris, Ky. Her first venture outside the home nest was when she married Bert Martin. When Mr. Martin died she married Edward Crow, a farmer. When the time came to change nests she allied herself with William Robin and lived happily until the matrimonial season again came around for Mrs. Robin. Then David Buzzard, a widower more attractive personally and socially than his name would indicate appeared and Mrs. Robin became Mrs. Buzzard.

Into the Buzzard roost Mrs. Buzzard carried one little martin, two little crows and one little robin. One little buzzard was already there to welcome the other little birds. We do not doubt that when her earthly career is ended she will mount upon wings to be a bird of paradise in heaven's Sun.

#### Contentment in Rural Life

Farmer and Drovers Journal.

A man's happiness does not rest in the magnitude of his possessions. It comes rather from reconciliation with the conditions of life's opportunities. Nowhere should contentment be more conspicuous than in rural communities, where far from ignoble strife for riches the residents pursue the even tenor of their way. The husbandman should be contented on a good farm. A laudable pride to maintain the fertility of the land, to keep the fences and buildings in good repair and to improve the home surroundings should lead to contentment. To watch the trees and vines grow that one has planted, to provide

#### Glines Park.

Four years ago Mr. Chas. Glines started the making of a park and race track at his place in Maeser ward which promises to be an up-to-date resort in a few years. The track is already one of the best in the State, and as it is the only circular, half mile track in this county all the horsemen in this part of the state

naturally come to this track for nearly all meets. Mr. Glines has spared no pains to make the track as perfect as the conditions of soil permit; the track is smooth and already fairly hard; and it will, of course, improve with use. Such a track is a valuable asset to this county in the encouragement which it gives to the breeding of good horses; not only fast horses, but general utility horses; and the present high price of horses, which is sure to stay for a long time to come, makes it worth while for the farmers to give careful attention to the raising of horses.

As a park Mr. Glines' resort is still in the making. Trees have been planted at one side for a grove, and willows have been planted all around the track. A grandstand accommodates about nine hundred people; and a large booth is built under which is found a merry-go-round and lunch counters. Inside the southern half of the track a gully has been excavated. The earth from this gully was used in making part of the track. This will be filled with water and will make a beautiful half moon lagoon; an inlet and outlet will be made so the water can be kept fresh. In the center of the field a pond has been made which will also have inlet and outlet. The pond and lagoon when completed will give boating facilities in the summer, and might be used for skating rink in the winter. Mr. Glines deserves credit and patronage for this enterprise.

A big celebration is being planned at this resort for the Twenty-Fourth. Beside the horse races which have been announced in last week's issue of this paper, there will be other attractions and events, such as a stage hold-up and a sham battle. The arrangements for a stage hold-up are superb. The gully, which has been mentioned begins directly in front of the grand stand, and comes out on the field at the opposite side; where the hold-up will take place in plain view of all spectators. The track, which is considerably elevated at the south end, and the embankment around the pond, will offer excellent places for Indians to hide; and they can all appear at once as if springing from the ground. A sham hanging and a sham burning at the stake will be part of the performance. It promises to be the most realistic frontier-life demonstration ever acted here; and everybody present will be able to see it.

A man will be on the grounds to assist in looking after the teams and looking after the comfort of the visit-

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Utah Co's. Leading Prescription Drug Store. VERNAL, UTAH, PHONE, VERNAL 16.

#### Self-Knowledge.

The last of a long line of recurring numbers stood at the pumpleless well of a suburban residence.

"This well has been badly tinkered with," he announced, as others had done before him. "Half the pumping apparatus seems to be gone. Is there a sucker anywhere about the place?" "Oh, yes," replied the chafened owner, "here I am."

#### FOR SALE.

60-acre farm with good water right, 6-room house and out-buildings situated in Maeser 1 1/2 miles north of Gerber's store. A team, harness, one wagon, milch cow. Also a kitchen organ and household furniture at half price. For further particulars inquire of B. O. Colton. 29-12

#### Over Thirty-Five Years.

In 1872 there was a great deal of diarrhoea, dysentery and cholera infantum. It was at this time that Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy was first brought into use. It proved more successful than any other remedy or treatment, and has for thirty-five years maintained that record. From a small beginning its sale and use has extended to every part of the United States and to many foreign countries. Nine druggists out of ten will recommend it when their opinion is asked, although they have other medicines that pay them a greater profit. It can always be depended upon, even

in the most severe cases. For sale by

'Notice to Probate, and to Consult County Clerk for further information in the Fourth Court of the State for Utah County (Probate)

In the matter of Bert G. McCurdy, a Creditor will provide vouchers, to the residence in Vernal fore November 16, 1909. CHRISTIAN Peter-Hanson, Att

Notice for Department of Land Office at Vernal 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Roy Goodrich, of who, on September Homestead Entry Serial No. 01085, 1/4 SE 1/4, SW 1/4 Township 1 N., R. Special Meridian, 1 Intention to make Proof, to establish above described, 1 and Receiver, U Office, at Vernal, day of August, 1909 (claimant name) Stephen M. Rogers, William T. Green, Utah, and Simpson July 16-Aug. 20

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Darrell and Phyllis Jones

## *Harward and Jones marry in Temple*

Phyllis Caldwell Harward and Darrell Jones were married Nov. 10 in the Mt. Timpanogos Temple. An open house was held in their honor the same day from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

at the home of Leo and Amy Grant in Alpine.

The couple will make their home in Maeser.







# History of Maeser

By Mrs. CLARA SPIERS, Reporter

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The year, 1877 might justly be called the year in which the actual development of the Ashley valley began.

November, 1878 Phillip Stringham and family with pony team came from Salt Lake city. The previous year William Carlton Britt, S. P. Dillman, Mr. Downing and Mr. Mason came from Colorado, these with other settlers lived in Ashley town the first winter.

In the spring of 1879 Maeser Stringham, Britt, Dillman, Downing and Mason came to Maeser and took up land.

S. P. Dillman and Downing took the first irrigating stream from Ashley river now known as the Colton ditch. The same year the Central canal was dug, but it was so small at that time, one could jump across it.

The summer and fall of 1879 was marked by he greatly increased immigration into Ashley valley. S. D. Colton, now mayor of Vernal, and family, Robert Bodily and family, Richard Blakey, William Shaffer and William Bradshaw, were some of the new settlers who came to Maeser.

In the spring of 1880 Robert Bodily, Phillip Stringham, William Schaffer and Richard Blakey, with picks and shovels started the Ashley Ditch irrigation canal at Silver gate. Having suffered a very hard winter their horses were unable to work so it was necessary for the men to do the work by hand. Often times all they had to eat for their lunch was a piece of coarse graham bread and water. They brought the canal as far as the Stringham homestead, and then with a yoke of oxen plowed a furrow to William Schaffer's land now owned by Fred and William Ackhurst.

Later there was a company organized which was known as the Upper Irrigation company.

The winter of 1879 and '80 was a hard one. For several months the sole communication with the outside world was the letter mail carried by S. P. Dillman over Diamond mountain from Brown's Park. Provisions ran low. On one occasion Phillip Stringham rushed into the house and said, "I want my gun." "What are you going to do?" said Mrs. Stringham. "A deer down on

the creek and I am going to kill it."

While Mr. Stringham was gone Mrs. Stringham prepared a place for the venison. Mr. Stringham returned with a rather long face. His wife said, "Where is the venison?" "It was only a stump," said her husband.

The wheat produced during the summer of 1879 was ground on a mortar. Necessity called for a flour mill. Burrs for the mill were cut from huge boulders by Moroni Taylor under the direction of William O. Reynolds.

In the year 1881 a flour mill driven by water power was built by William O. Reynolds. This was the first permanent mill erected and the only one for many years in Ashley valley. It is now known as the Farmers' Mill. Later, Lycurgus Johnson built a mill which operated by water power but of late years has been closed down.

In the fall of 1880 Patrick Carroll built the first sawmill in Ashley valley. It was situated just above the mouth of Rock Point canal on Ashley river. The logs were hauled from Dry Fork mountain.

On account of the Indian trouble in Colorado, the war department established Fort Thornburg in the year 1881. This fort was located in the northwest part of Maeser. It was abandoned 1883 and '84. The post furnished a good market for the settlers.

In 1884 a store was opened owned by Lycurgus Johnson, S. D. Colton, and William Coltharp and was situated on the corner across the street west from the James Hacking residence.

Now we have an up-to-date store owned by Mr. and Mrs. William Rudge. It is a very pretty place, and a bank of flowers from early spring until late in the fall.

The meeting house was built 1885 and has been remodeled at frequent intervals.

The first school house was a log structure built in 1881 on the property now owned by James Fisher. It was used for school, church and amusements.

Lydia Hardy was the first teacher; with Robert Bodily, Phillip Stringham and William O. Reynolds as trustees. It was necessary for the settlers to pay tuition for their

children's schooling.

In those days when they had a dance Alfred Johnson furnished the music with his violin. And Joseph Hardy and William Reynolds entertained with step dancing.

The log school house was burned and a brick one built in its stead in the year 1885.

The community grew so rapidly that this school house would not accommodate all the children and another brick building was erected on the south side of the ward, immediately west of Rudge's store.

More settlers were induced to come and with fine irrigating canals at their disposal soon great orchards and vineyards were thriving. Beautiful fields of corn, wheat and alfalfa. Maeser grew faster than the rest of the valley due to natural resources, good water, coal and wood so near and in 1909 it was deemed necessary to build another school. One that would suffice in years to come.

In the spring of 1911 the school was completed and called Maeser Central. A monument to Ashley valley.

The telephone was brought to Vernal in August 1907 and lines were immediately run to Maeser.

Electric lights were installed in Vernal in the year of 1908. Within a year a line was taken to the coal mines west of Maeser and in a short time lights were in all the homes.

During the early part of the year 1914 a petition signed by a majority of citizens of Uintah county, asking that the school districts of the county be consolidated, was presented to the county commissioners. The petition was considered favorable and the Uintah school district was created.

The year 1915 found Maeser with a modern water system and 1917 an up-to-date heating plant in the school building, now many of the residents have a private water system.

The community is still growing. No finer fruits, grains, vegetables and flowers can be found anywhere. This year hundreds of bushels of apples alone were shipped to Duchesne and Wasatch counties, also great truckloads to Colorado.

Our homes are modern, our climate is ideal and our people are thrifty. Come and join us.

# History of Ashley

By Mrs. DAVID KARREN, Reporter

FROM 1877 TO 1921

Ashley is located on the north-west corner of the Ashley valley north

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Mr. and Mrs. William Gibson came to this valley from Kamas,

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# History of Maeser

December 13, 1928

Fifty years ago, this beautiful Ashley valley lay snuggled within our stately mountains, a vast unsettled region, in places barren ground, in other parts covered with wild growth, some of the sagebrush being taller than a man. To this land came sturdy, staunch pioneers. Some of the very earliest settlers chose this upper portion of the basin as the place to make their homes. How diligently the men labored to rid the soil of these huge sagebrush and were often accompanied by their wives who did all and times more than their work being done by hand.

With the hand of oxen teams, and hand labor, canals were built, logs procured for the building of their homes, trees and later some fruit trees were planted. It was also with the aid of horsepower and even sometimes human strength that the first burr mill was operated. Some of these early pioneers are still residing in our ward and now experience the joy and thrill of the early times in relating stories of their pioneer days.

Mrs. George Hislop, a true pioneer, claims the distinction of being one of the five women in attendance at the first Independence Day celebration held in Ashley Valley in 1878. Although they suffered privations and hardships, these people had to be cheerful and keep up their spirits by some form of entertainment, this being mostly dancing on the rough board floors of the pioneer cabins. Their souls were also kept in tune with God for their hours of suffering and strife: they poured out their gratitude and thanks for that which they did have and asked that they might be blessed with more, that their efforts in pioneering this choice section of land might be crowned with success.

True to the spirit that dominated them to begin this organization of religious services, the establishment of a day school with proper officials and the erection of a building which was used for both purposes. Survivors of the families coming here tell of their tedious journey of three weeks on the road from Heber City and Provo to this new land. One lady relates the story of bringing with her the choice dishes she

owned, a rare treasure in those days. In making the journey over mountain roads or trails as they were then, the wagon capsized, breaking all her dishes, which they gathered together in a tub and emptied by the wayside, the sting of which lived for a long time.

Today, with our modern means of travel, the automobile, we can leave the city of Vernal and in twenty minutes, find ourselves in the center of Maeser. On one corner is the Maeser store owned and operated by Mrs. Sarah Rudge, our pioneer merchant. From early spring until late autumn, this corner is one of the most beautiful spots in the ward with its gorgeous flowers and vines so artistically arranged.

Across the street is the Johnson store and service station, newly erected, with its efficient and courteous manager, Verdin Johnson. In the evenings, this service station is as brilliantly lighted as though it were the heart of a great city. From this point are streets that lead to all parts of Maeser, where we find a fine ward chapel, commodious brick school house with modern heating plant and playground equipment, beautiful modern homes, model farms stocked with the best grade of animals, fine orchards, an ideal dairy and independent water systems and all up-to-date flour mill. Then to the west and north of this boundary lines of the ward lie numerous coal mines, supplying the Ashley valley and many other communities with the finest bituminous coal.

In our ward reside some of the finest people of the land. Descendants of our pioneers, they are ready and willing to face any situation or struggle that confronts them. Born with a desire to push onward, they in turn have plodded on, building up Maeser, step by step, until today it stands as a prosperous community with a population of more than seven hundred people. A monument to those early pioneers who faced untold hardships, starvation and death itself to develop this new land, Maeser, one of the choice beauty spots in the heart of our fair Uintah basin and named after one of the most noble characters in the history of Utah. Dr. Karl G. Maeser, in his time a professor and president of the Brigham Young University in Provo.

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Mr. Gibson went out after While he was away the In-  
doubles began just over the line  
rado. Mrs. Gibson being afraid  
old Ashley town where the  
settlers had gathered.  
Mr. Gibson returned he moved  
wed log house which they had  
n their ranch during the sum-  
sing the logs with a whip saw.  
Ashley town, where they lived  
ear, then returned to their  
They sold their house in Ash-  
n to the county for a court  
it was used for this purpose  
five years. The county then  
to Hatch town, which is now  
where it was used for many  
a county building. Being re-  
It is still a neat looking house  
nds on the corner just south  
John McAndrews home, and  
the Uintah railroad office.  
the first Fourth of July cele-  
was held. There were only  
ten present; Mrs. Wm. Gibson,  
bert Snyder, Mrs. Chell Hall,  
rge W. Hialop and Mrs. Alfred  
deceased. They first had  
and church in their homes;  
log school house was built  
ations by the Latter-Day  
t stood just south of the old  
Imothy farm. Here the first  
school was organized on  
on's birthday, February 22,  
h Alf Johnson as superin-

week the mail came in from  
ver City, by way of horse-  
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id stores on their ranches,  
son's moved their store to  
ey town. Lycurgas Johnson  
a store there. Mr. Doe start-  
st saloon with five gallon of  
he evening he opened up, he  
boys. Mr. Doe with the  
brunk. They took turns about  
ar, but forgot to collect for  
he next morning the whis-  
all gone. Mr. Doe begged  
oney to leave the country.  
saloon was Charley Beutley's  
better article. It was worth  
per bottle and would freeze  
inter time.

Powell, who lived in Ashley  
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d among the settlers, during  
winter of '79.

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gan with the Meeker mas-  
re the agent and some of his  
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Josephine and Mrs. Price  
n prisoners. U. S. Troops  
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rnburg. The Major was kill-  
uilt a Fort to his memory  
tion of Duchesne and Green  
soldiers left this Fort, and  
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yon. This one was also  
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being taken to Fort Bridg-  
in Fort Duchesne was es-

ime of the Indian trouble  
were at the mercy of the  
were snowed in and there

William Gibson, Mr. David  
Karren and the Winn brothers, all  
of whom are old settlers.

real artist is supposed to be able to  
get the right letters into words.

## History of Maeser

Fifty years ago this beautiful Ash-  
ley valley lay snuggled within our  
stately mountains, a vast unsettled  
region, in places barren ground, in  
other parts covered with wild growth,  
some of the sage brush being taller  
than a man. To this land came sturdy,  
staunch pioneers. Some of the very  
earliest settlers chose this upper por-  
tion of the basin as the place to make  
their homes. How diligently the men  
labored to rid the soil of these huge  
sage brush and were often accompan-  
ied by their wives who did all and  
times more than their work being  
done by hand. With the aid of oxen  
teams and hand labor, canals were  
built, logs procured for the building  
of their homes, trees and later some  
fruit trees planted. It was also with  
the aid of horse power and even some-  
times human strength that the first  
burr mill was operated. Some of these  
early pioneers are still residing in our  
ward and now experience a joy and  
thrill of the early times in relating  
stories of their pioneer days. Mrs.  
George Hialop, a true pioneer, claims  
the distinction of being one of the five  
women folk in attendance at the first  
Independence day celebration held in  
Ashley valley in 1878. Although they  
suffered privations and hardships,  
these people had to be cheerful and  
keep up their spirits by some form of  
entertainment, this being mostly  
dancing on the rough board floors of  
the pioneer cabins. Their souls were  
also kept in tune with God for their  
hours of suffering and strife; they  
poured out their gratitude and thanks  
for that which they did have and  
asked that they might be blessed with  
more, that their efforts in pioneering  
this choice section of land might be  
crowned with success. True to the spir-  
it that dominated them to begin this  
work, they struggled on and began the  
organization of religious services, the  
establishing of a day school with prop-  
er officials and the erection of a build-  
ing which was used for both purposes.  
Survivors of the families coming here  
tell of their tedious journey of three  
weeks on the road from Heber City  
and Provo to this new land. One lady  
relates the story of bringing with her,  
the choice dishes she owned, a rare  
treasure in those days. In making the  
journey over mountain roads or trails  
as they then were, the wagon capsized,  
breaking all her dishes, which they  
gathered together in a tub and empti-  
ed by the wayside, the sting of  
which lived for a long time.

Today with our modern means of  
travel, the automobile, we can leave  
the city of Vernal and in twenty min-  
utes find ourselves in the center of  
Maeser. On one corner is the Maeser  
store, owned and operated by Mrs.  
Sarah Rudge, our pioneer merchant.  
From early spring until late autumn,  
this corner is one of the most beau-  
tiful spots in the ward with its gor-

geous flowers and vines so artistically  
arranged. Across the street is the  
Johnson store and service station,  
newly erected, with its efficient and  
courteous manager, Verdin Johnson.  
In the evenings this service station is  
as brilliantly lighted as though it were  
the heart of a great city. From this  
point are streets that lead to all parts  
of Maeser, where we find a fine ward  
chapel, a commodious brick school  
house with modern heating plant and  
play ground equipment, beautiful  
modern homes, model farms stocked  
with the best grade of animals, fine  
orchards, an ideal dairy, and inde-  
pendent water system and an up-to-  
date flour mill. Then to the west and  
north of the boundary lines of the  
ward lie the numerous coal mines, sup-  
plying the Ashley valley and many  
other communities with the finest bi-  
tuminous coal. In our ward reside  
some of the finest people of the land.  
Descendants of our pioneers, they are  
ready and willing to face any situation  
or struggle that confronts them. Born  
with a desire to push onward, they  
in turn have plodded on, building up  
Maeser, step by step, until today it  
stands as a prosperous community with  
a population of more than seven hun-  
dred people. A monument to those  
early pioneers who faced untold hard-  
ships, starvation and death itself to  
develop this new land, Maeser, one  
of the choice beauty spots in the  
heart of our fair Uintah basin and  
named after one of the most noble  
characters in the history of Utah, Dr.  
Karl G. Maeser, in his time a pro-  
fessor and president of the Brigham  
Young University of Provo.

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HISTORY OF  
MAESER LOCALITY AND SOME OF THE  
FIRST SETTLERS AND IT PRODUCTION

FALL OF 1877- 1929

INFORMATION FROM SEVERAL PLACES

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## HISTORY OF MAESER LOCALITY

Population over 1200

By Thelma M. Perry Jenkins.

"To our pioneers of Maeser, temples of courage, high of ideal and diligent of purpose; who built down the stony path we so easily tread today; whose efforts opened the way for others to greater opportunities, we humbly dedicate this history.

In the fall of 1877 some of our first pioneers settled in this vicinity. Among those coming at this time were Mr & Mrs Downing, Mr & Mrs Mason, Mr & Mrs Rock Gill, Rich Gill, Wm. & Finn Britt, G. W. Vangundy and Pete Dillman. The Britts took up some land on Ashley Creek where F. E. Colton lived. Mr Mason settled about where the old Frank Smith home stands and Pete Dillman filed on land which was later included in the Ft. Thornburg Military Reserve.

In the fall of 1878 Philip Stringham Sr. and family moved from Salt Lake and settled close to the old Ft. Thornburg headquarters. Thomas Bingham Jr. settled in Dry Fork in June 1878, then came to this Ward in the spring of 1886. His father located at Jensen in 1877, moved to Dry Fork in March 1878 and settled in this locality in 1885.

Ashley Valley, including this part, was surveyed in 1878.

Those coming in the fall of 1879, just before the hard winter, were Robert Bodily and his family, Martin Oaks and family, Wm. Shaffer, W.G. Reynolds, Bob Reynolds, Heber Timothy, Ben Green and Eph Green.

Heber Timothy, who resided at Wallsburg, Utah, went to Heber City with his brother John's oxen team and assisted W.G.B. Reynolds in moving his family to Ashley Valley. This company, consisting of three yokes of oxen started November 14, 1879. One yoke was hitched to one wagon which Heber Timothy drove, and two yokes were hitched to another wagon which Bob Reynolds drove. They arrived at the mouth of Daniels Canyon that night and spent the night at the home of Martin Oaks. The next morning they were joined by Mr Oaks, his wife, Abigail, and children, Wm., Edwin, and Sarah. They crossed Daniels Creek seventy two times coming up the canyon. Because of the extremely cold weather, traveling was very slow and the snow was fifteen inches deep when they reached the head of Strawberry valley, 19 November 1879.

Here they were joined by Eph Green and others having ox teams, loose cattle and saddle horses. On 25 November they started up Red Creek Hill. Due to the steepness of the hill and the icy condition of the trail, fifteen yoke of team-oxen were necessary to draw one wagon up the hill, and they moved about one-half mile per day. From there they went north to the Duchesne river where Tabiona now stands, and for the first time since starting were without snow. They arrived in Hatch Town, now Vernal, 4 December 1879. This was the hard winter. Nineteen people, including W.G. Reynolds and family, George Brown and family, Martin Oaks and family, Bob Reynolds, Otto Peterson and Heber Timothy lived that winter in a one room log cabin with a dirt roof and dirt floor.

Ben Green located in the corner just north of the Frank Smith home and Eph Green located near Green's pond, from whom it received its name. Mr Vest was also an early settler, locating about where the Lloyd Richards home now stands.

In 1880, Mr Gill, father of Rock and Rich Gill, came and filed on the dark vein seen in the big hill southwest of Maeser. He believed it to be coal, but it was later found to be asphaltum. He filed on a forty acre tract west of the Fairview cemetery.

During the hard winter of 1879 flour became very scarce and a way to grind flour for the settlers was desperately needed. W. G. Reynolds and Moroni Taylor went near what is now the Fairview Cemetery and got two large boulders. Mr Taylor was a stone cutter and under his direction two burrs were cut. W.G. Reynolds faced the burrs and put them in a frame, one stationary, with their faces together. They were attached to a horse power which would turn the other burr. Because of their crudeness and inefficiency, dirt, wheat and all was ground into the finished product. As winter advanced the horses became very poor and weak and it was necessary for men to assist them in turning the mill. This milling was done in Ashley Center, now Vernal, in a place just north of the old Co-op, now J.C. PENNEYS.

In 1880 Robert Bodily gave Wm. Reynolds forty acres of land for a mill site,

upon which the first flour mill in Ashley Valley was built. Wm. P. Reynolds, father of Wm. G. and Bob Reynolds, moved here and assisted with the building of the Reynolds' mill, which was completed with one room by Christmas 1880. Martin Oaks hauled all the logs and Jesse McCarrell and G.W. Vangundy were two of the carpenters. The two burrs which had been used in the Ashley Center the previous winter were moved to the new mill site and used until new machinery could be installed. Water was flumed to the mill with about fifteen foot fall to furnish power. Because of the slowness of grinding, it was necessary to operate the mill both night and day that first winter to supply the needs of the customers. The following year the mill was enlarged and a large room was built on the north which was also used for dancing for a time. Martin Oaks, David Timothy, Alma Timothy and Peter Peterson were among those who played with George Brown doing the calling for most of these dances.

Mr Reynolds operated this mill for about twenty-five years until it was purchased by W.L. Fletcher and it was known as the Farmers Mill, with W.G. Reynolds still serving as miller until a short time before his death in April 1920. Some years later Mr Fletcher sold to Farmers Milling Co. David Ellis became the next owner and operated it until it was destroyed by fire in 1934 and Maeser lost one of her old landmarks.

The native burrs of the first mill are being preserved by the D.U.P. in the Relic Hall at Vernal.

About 1888 Lycurgus Johnston, who was in the mercantile business at old Ashley, erected a flour mill one-fourth mile west of the old John Hacking residence. This mill operated for over twenty years. George Goodrich was hired as one of his first millers. In about 1920 it was torn down and sold to W.J. Meagher, who sold it to Mr Peterson at Duchesne.

Patric Carroll erected a saw mill in this locality just off the old Ft. Thornburg military reserve. It was run by water power and supplied lumber to the early settlers of the entire valley.

D.H. Workman constructed the first lime kiln in Maeser for the purpose of burning lime for plaster. This kiln was located one-fourth mile west of the Glen Oaks residence.

W.P. Reynolds made the first plaster of paris, which was ground in the old burr mill. This plaster was used as the hard finish on the original Co-op building.

Wm. Oaks was one of the first men to burn gypsum. Maeser Ward furnished gypsum to the late Dr. Earl Douglas for plaster used in the Carnegie Museum, as well as to Ashley Valley residents for many years.

There were three blacksmith shops located in this Ward during its early days. Mr. Hatch operated a shop just north of the John Merkley residence about 1895. Robert Bodily also owned a shop on the corner of his old home. Joe Ritter, who lived where the Wm. Ackhurst home now stands, also owned a shop but it was used more as a private shop. In 1897 Wm. Rudge came here from England and built the house where Mark Hall now lives, also a blacksmith shop just west of it. When Joe Ritter discontinued his business he gave Mr Rudge all his equipment.

The first store in Maeser was operated by Moroni Gerber and was located where the Maeser store now stands. Wm. Rudge became proprietor of this store some years later and operated it for many years.

Wm. G. Reynolds, Otto Peterson, George Brown and B.M. Reynolds opened up one of the first coal mines in the Valley. It is located west of Maeser and is now known as the Wardle mine.

In the year about 1903, Charles Glines who lived where the old W.P. Vernon home is, constructed a horse race track on his farm, planting trees, shrubs, etc. to make a park. This park provided amusement for the public, such as rodeos, races and other sports and was operated about two years before it was abandoned.

#### Agricultural Development.

As the people settled this locality it became necessary to obtain water for irrigation purposes, so Ashley Upper Canal was started in 1880 under very difficult circumstances. It was surveyed with the eye until it reached Philip Stringham's farm, after which Martin Oaks did the surveying with a spirit level placed in a tripod. They would build awhile, then run water in to test its efficiency. scrapers were unknown so they used slabs which they called "go-devils". Furrows were plowed first and were followed by these "go-devils" pulled by oxen. The water



turned in for testing also helped to remove the earth from the canal bed. At first this canal extended only to the Bingham corner and wasn't completed until a number of years later.

Philip Stringham Sr. produced the first fruit trees in Maeser. He also planted two acres of very choice grapes which yielded abundantly for some time before being winter-killed. Sterling Colton and Taylor Bird also planted early vineyards. Others having early orchards were Taylor Bird and Jeremiah Murray. Many of the lovely shade trees seen today were planted by our early pioneers.

Mr. Stringham also brought the first bees, consisting of four stands, to the ward. Other early honey producers were Wm. Rudge, James Hackins, Wm. Richens and Thomas Bingham Jr.

This locality became noted for its livestock industry from the beginning. Joseph P. Hacking, John S. Hacking, George D. Merkley, S.D. Colton and P.C. Stringham, Sr. were prominent in pioneering the sheep and wool industry. S.D. Colton, Phillip Stringham Sr. and Lycurgus Johnson were early stockmen. Mr. Johnson and Mr. Colton fenced what is known as the V on Brush Creek Mountain. Am. McCoy is the oldest living sheepman in Uintah County at the present time.

#### Schools

The first school was held in a vacated private dwelling located north of the Frank Smith home. The teacher at this school was Viola Pierce, a granddaughter of W.P. Reynolds. This building was used for one term then a school house was built by the citizens of the community. It was a one room building of lodge poles and daubed with a dirt roof. There were three windows on either side which were about 8 by 12 inches in size and the only door was in the south end. Robert Bodily, W. Reynolds and Philip Stringham were the first trustees. The teacher was paid by the patrons, each paying so much per child, and the school term was three months. The building was enlarged two years later. After being used for a few years this schoolhouse was destroyed by fire and was replaced by a more convenient two room brick building. In 1889 another brick schoolhouse was erected just west of the Maeser Store. Later when the grading of schools occurred, the two schools one located on the north side and one on the south side proved very satisfactory, many students having to pass one school to attend the other. This condition led to the erection of the present school in 1910, by local residents. John L. McConkie, Tillie Young and S.D. Colton were trustees at this time. Moroni Gerber brought the first load of brick Jan. 19, 1910. Frank Smith and Lige Campbell were the two main carpenters and Lon Mitchell cut all the rock for the foundation and windows. A.G. Anderson went to the mountains and cut the long timbers used. The cost of the building was about \$22,000.00 and was built by local taxation. It was entirely paid for by the time the schools consolidated. A few years later a modern heating system was installed-- also running water, making inside lavatories possible. It is now one of the two best elementary schools in the Uintah School district with a very high rating.

#### Church

For many years this ward was known as Mill Ward because of the saw mills operating here. Later a postoffice was established about one-fourth mile east of the Reynolds Mill and was known as Buena Vista Postoffice, with Lewis Allen as postmaster. It was later moved to the Maeser Store and Moroni Gerber was postmaster. During the time as the postoffice was here this was called Buena Vista Ward, but afterwards was known as Mill Ward again. This caused some confusion and a meeting was held to discuss the problem. Joseph H. Bodily suggested the name of Maeser and it was adopted in honor and memory of Dr. Karl G. Maeser, the great educator.

The first bishop of this ward was Wm. Snuffer with Robert Bodily as first counselor, Geo. E. Merkley second counselor. Mrs. Caroline Stringham was the first president of the Primary Assn. Elizabeth M. Reynolds was selected Oct. 19, 1888 as the first president of the young ladies M.I.A. with Melva Glines as first counselor, Cora Hardy as second counselor and Isabelle Shirts as secretary.

The first president of the young mens M.I.A. was Philip Stringham, Sr. Henry Glines and David Bingham were his counselors.

The first Sunday School Superintendency was chosen in 1879. Philip Stringham Sr. was superintendent with Charles Glines(?) and Isaac Jones(?) as counselors.

Melva Glines was secretary and Ella Reynolds, chorister.

On Oct. 4, 1882 the first Relief Society was organized with Mary Ann Shaffer as president, Harriet Bodily first counselor, Melissa Reynolds second counselor. Caroline Stringham was treasurer. For some years the old brick schoolhouse west of the Maeser store was used as a ward Relief Society home until it was torn down and part of the material used in the construction of our present chapel.

The old lodge-pole schoolhouse was used for all church and community gatherings for many years. About 1889 the citizens canvassed the ward, gathering logs, peices and scraps of lumber here and there for the purpose of building a recreation hall. Such material constructed the greater part of this building which was located just west of the John McConkie home. When the first school house burned, the recreation hall was used for church purposes, also as a school for a short time while the new school was being built. After some time an extension was built on the west and two north rooms were added to be used for Sunday school. It became known as the white church and was used until the erection of the present chapel in 1929 under the leadership of Bishop Carl R. Riche with LeRoy Carroll and Edwin Bodily as his counselors. The grounds were broken May 7, 1929 by Apostle Melvin J. Ballard with some 1200 persons attending this ceremony. It is a building of rich architectural beauty with every modern convenience and was built at a cost of about \$50,000.00.

Today Maeser is an incorporated town, boasting a fine water system, good roads and several thriving business establishments. It is rich in natural resources and many of her native sons and daughters have become leaders in various fields of endeavors. In a little more than half a century our pioneers have transformed a barren wilderness into a beautiful homes and farms with rich fields of grain and alfalfa, fruitful orchards and fine livestock, which make Maeser a community of contentment and plenty.

The desert has, indeed, been made to blossom as the rose.

HISTORY OF THE MAESER LOCALITY  
Written by Grace McConkie  
(Historian for Camp Thornburgh of the DUP)

Those contributing information, as authority, were: Thomas Bingham, Jr., Philip Stringham Sr., Mary B. Stringham, John L. McConkie, Wm. Oaks, George Reynolds, and others.

DEDICATION

To our Pioneer Parents of Maeser, temples of courage, high of ideal and diligent of purpose; who builded our standards, and to you, Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, whose noble efforts open for others the way for greater opportunities, we humbly dedicate this history. (Written in 1936)

In this history I have attempted to link the present with the past. We should pause in memory of those great souls of yesterday who have gone before us, and pay our sincerest respects for they who have builded better than they knew, who built down the stony path that we so easily trod today. We should ever prize the treasures from the past and seek for the inspiration that prompted the early settlers of this ward.

If only we could keep intact the memory of the pioneers of Maeser, and lay away the heirlooms which could, more completely than written records, tell the story of their lives.

Some of the older people of this locality can stand by and think too, that the "Desert has truly been made to blossom as the rose."

Fifty-nine years ago, some of the first pioneers came to Ashley Valley, some of them locating in this locality. They came the fall of 1877 and settled in this vicinity. Those coming at that time were Mr. and Mrs. Downing, Mr. and Mrs. Kason, who settled where Frank Smith's house now stands. Mr. and Mrs. Roch Gill, Mr. Rich Gill, Wm. Britt; Finn Britt, also came in 1877. The Britts took up some land on the creek where Ed Colton now lives. G.W. Vangundy, father of Cora Vangundy McAndrew, also came at this time. In the fall of 1878, Philip Stringham Sr., and family came here from Salt Lake and settled close to the old Fort Thornburgh headquarters on a tract of land later taken up as a military reserve. In June 1878 Thomas Bingham Jr. came and settled in Dry Fork; he came on to Mill Ward in the spring of 1886. His father,



Thomas Bingham Sr., came also and located at Jensen in 1877 and moved to Dry Fork March 1878. Then in 1885 he located in Mill Ward.

Ashley Valley, including this part, was surveyed in 1878.

Some of the people coming in the fall of 1879, just before the hard winter were: Wm. Shaffer, Robert Bodily, and family, W.G. Reynolds and Bob Reynolds who came Dec. 7, 1879. They came from Heber City. Heber Timothy, who was residing in Wallsburg, Utah before he came here, went to Heber City with his brother John's oxen team and assisted W.G.B. Reynolds in moving his family and household goods to Hatch Town, later known as Vernal. Martin Oaks and family, Ben Green and Eph Green came in the same company. On Nov. 14, 1879 this company started. They yoked their oxen, which consisted of three yolks. One yolk was hitched to one wagon and two yolks to another wagon. Bob Reynolds drove four oxen and Heber Timothy drove two oxen to the mouth of Daniel's Canyon. That night they stayed at Martin Oak's home. The next morning they were joined by Martin Oaks, his wife, Abigail, sons, William and Edwin, and daughter, Sarah M. In Daniel's Canyon this party crossed the creek seventy two times in fifteen miles. Because of the extremely cold weather, traveling was very slow. On November 19 they reached the head of Strawberry Valley, the snow being 15 inches deep. Here they were joined by Eph Green and others having ox teams and loose cattle and saddle horses. On Nov. 25 they traveled up Red Creek hill. Because of the steepness of the hill and the icy, slick trail, it was necessary to have fifteen yolk of oxen to draw one wagon up the hill. They moved about one-half mile a day. From there they went north to the Duchesne where Tabiona now stands, and, for the first time since they started, were without snow. They arrived at Hatch Town, now Vernal, Dec. 4, 1879.

In a one-room log cabin with dirt floor and dirt roof nineteen people lived, including W.G. Reynolds and family, Martin Oaks and family, George Brown and family, Bob Reynolds, Otto Peterson, and Heber Timothy. This was the hard winter of 1879.

During this winter and spring flour became very scarce. This valley, at that time, was in Wasatch Stake, and Jeremiah Hatch was presiding elder over this branch of that stake. I.J. Clark and father Hadlock were his counselors. At the suggestion

of W.G. Reynolds, who became our pioneer miller, they advised that he prepare a pair of burrs to grind flour for the common settlers. W.G. Reynolds and Moroni "Rone" Taylor went near what is now Maeser Cemetery and got two large boulders. Rone Taylor was a stone cutter and under his direction, with stone chisels, two burrs were cut. W.G. Reynolds faced the burrs, put them in a frame, one stationary, with their faces together. They attached them to a horse power and the other burr would turn with the same velocity as a cylinder in a threshing machine. The horses were very poor and their strength was not sufficient to do this work and so about a dozen men would take hold and assist. This milling was done in Ashley Center, now Vernal, in a place north of the old Co-op (now J.C. Penneys), 5th North and Vernal Ave. where the present power station is located. In 1880 Wm. P. Reynolds, father of W.G., and Bob Reynolds came and assisted with the building of the Reynolds mill which was completed with one room by Christmas 1880. This second flour mill was located in Mill Ward (now Maeser) at what is now known as the "old mill corner" until it was destroyed by fire during the summer of 1934. Martin Oaks, father of William Oaks, hauled all of the logs for that first mill. Jesse McCarrel and G.W. VanGundy were two of the carpenters on the mill. The two burrs which were chiseled from two large boulders, and which had been used at Ashley Center the previous winter by W.G. Reynolds were moved to the Reynolds Mill and were used there during the winter of 1880. Because of their crudeness and inefficiency, dirt and wheat alike was ground into the flour. During that winter, because of the slowness of grinding, it was necessary to operate the mill both night and day in order to supply the needs of the customers. The mill was run by water power which was floomed to the building with about a fifteen foot drop or fall. The following year the mill was enlarged with another large room being built on the north. This large room was also used for dances that winter, there being no other place. Some of the people who attended dances at the mill were: Mr. and Mrs. W.G. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bodily, Wm. Oaks, Wm. Clark, John Harper, Dick Blakey, Wm. Henry and Wm. "Billy" Bradshaw. Some of the musicians who played for their dances were: Martin Oaks, David Timothy, Alma Timothy, Peter Petersen. George Brown did most of the calling for the dances at the mill. Wm. Shaffer was bishop at that time.

Some of the men who used to bring grist to the mill at that time, or in 1886, were: Bishop Hatch from Vernal, Pres. S.R. Bennion, Arthur Gardiner, David Timothy, David Workman, I.N. Jacobs, John Caldwell, brother of Wash Caldwell, Peter Shirts, Isaac M. Jones, W.W. Seymour, James Griffin, Henry Griffin, John Harper, John Worsley, L. Packett, Wm. McCwan, Jos. Howard, Ed French, Teancom Taylor, Mat Thomas, Jed Roby, Robert Bodily, Dr. Hullinger, William Shaffer, Taylor Bird, father of Clarence Bird, Philip Stringham Sr., Otto Petersen, brother of Mrs. Lizzie Reynolds, David Bills, Thomas Bingham Jr. and Sr., Wm. Henry Brady, Dick Blakey and others. Mr. Reynolds operated this mill from 1880 until 1905, with the exception of eight or ten years at which time not very much was done. Between 1900 - 1905 the milling site was purchased by Mr. W.I. Fletcher. All new machinery was purchased and installed at this time. The output of flour then was about fifty barrels per day. After Mr. Fletcher became owner of the mill it was known as the Farmer's Mill. Mr. W.G. Reynolds still worked in this mill with Mr. Fletcher until 1920 when his health became so poor it was necessary for him to quit. Mr. Reynolds died April 29, 1920.

Some years later Mr. Fletcher sold the mill to the Farmer's Milling Co. and later it was purchased by David Ellis, who operated it until it was destroyed by fire. At that time people of this locality lost one of their old landmarks, but never will they forget the service it gave to the people. The native burrs, chiseled from the two huge boulders, are now being preserved by the DUP in the relic hall in Vernal. At this time it will interesting to note that the Reynolds family lived in a log house near the mill for four years and then moved to their homestead, which included the tract of land running one-half mile west of their home and then south to the Bingham Street and east to the Rudge Store. Mrs. Lizzie Reynolds, wife of W.G. Reynolds, attended her first school, along with her two oldest children, George and Rose Reynolds Hardy. They attended this school in 1879 in the old fort located at Ashley Center.

In 1880 Mr. Gill, father of Roch and Rich Gill, came here and filed on the dark vein that we can still see in the big hill west of Maeser, thinking that it was coal, but later found that it was asphaltum. He filed on a forty acre tract of land west

of the Maeser Cemetery. Mr. Vest was also an early settler of this community. He located about where Lloyd Richard's home now stands. Eph and Ben Green were also Maeser settlers. Ben located in the corner just north of the Frank Smith home and Eph located near Green's pond; this man gave the pond its name.

In about 1888, Lacurgas Johnson, who was in the mercantile business in Old Ashley Town, located three or four miles north of J.C. Penneys, erected a flour mill in Section 16 or one fourth mile west of John Hacking's residence. G.F. Culmer, whose interest was in the mercantile business in Salt Lake City, advanced the capital to Mr. Johnson for the erection of this mill. The mill operated for over twenty years. In about 1920 it was torn down and sold to N.J. Meagher and later sold to a Mr. Petersen in Duchesne. "Curg" Johnson, as he was commonly called, hired as one of his first millers, George A. Goodrich, father of the late George L. Goodrich, of Naples. George A. also built the mill and stone home for Johnsons.

Patrick Henry also erected a saw mill in this locality. It was located in the southwest corner of Section 15. The mill was just off the old military reserve, Fort Thornburgh. The remainder of Mr. Henry's land was a part of the reservation east. The saw mill was made at this particular location that it might be supplied with water power to saw timber to accommodate the early settlers of the entire valley. Wm. Oaks now owns the field near Glenn Oaks home where part of the old mill race is still intact. This ward was called Mill Ward for a good many years because of the several mills operated here. Later a post office was established here and located about one fourth mile east of the Reynolds mill, on the opposite side of the road from the Joe Hardy place and now owned by Eph Pitt. For the short while this post office was here the ward was known as Buena Vista. Some people have said that R.L. Woodward named the ward this. The first postmaster, while the post office was here, was Lewis Allen. The Buena Vista Post Office was later moved to the spot where Mrs. Sarah Rudge's store is located and Moroni Gerber was the post master. Under the window, north of the door in the Rudge store, you can see the slot where letters were posted. An advertisement is nailed over the slot at this time, however. There was also a post office in Vernal at this time, having been moved from old

Ashley town site. In a short time Buena Vista was again known as Mill Ward.

Later, R.L. Woodward, a community admirer and worker and also a great admirer of Dr. Karl G. Maeser, first president of Brigham Young Academy (later BYU), named Mill Ward 'Maeser' in honor and memory of Dr. Maeser.

School

The early settlers of Maeser did indeed sacrifice much for the meager education provided for their children at that time. The first school held in Maeser was in a private dwelling which had been vacated and was located north of where Frank Smith's home now stands. It was the first shingled roof house in this locality. Thomas Bingham Jr. and father, Thomas Bingham Sr., made the shingles in Dry Fork. They were made by hand. This building was used for school for one season only. The teacher for this school was paid by the patrons, each of them paying so much per child. The first school term was only three months. A lady called Viola Pierce was Maeser's first school teacher.

The next school house erected in Maeser was built by the loyal citizens of the community and is often spoken of as the Mud Temple. This building was located where the Jim Fisher<sup>home</sup> now stands. It was a one room lodgepole house which was <sup>at</sup> dobbed. It had a dirt roof and floor. There were three windows on either side which were 8x12 inches in size. The only door was in the south end. For a period of about three years this school was paid for by the patrons, each of them paying so much per child. Robert Bodily, W.G. Reynolds, and Philip Stringham were the first trustees. Dave Bingham was a later trustee. Two years later an addition was made at the north end of this room. The back was removed making one long room. Among the first teachers in this school were Billy Souvern and R.L. Woodward. Some of the people who attended this school were: Wm. Osks, George Reynolds, Rose Reynolds, Levi and Mary Ann Bodily, Robert and Joseph Carroll, Heber Carroll and others. At first the school term was only three months.

This building was also used for church, dancing, and other public work as there was no other place large enough at that time. In about 1890 this place was destroyed by fire. After the "Mud Temple" was burned, the old white church, located just west of John L. McConkie's, was the meeting house used previous to the building of the

present chapel in 1929. This white frame church was erected originally in about 1889 as an amusement hall. Philip Stringham Sr., Robert Bodily, Dan Price, David Bingham, and others did a lot of the work on it. They canvassed the ward, most of it being done during the month of February, and gathered logs, pieces and scraps of any kind of lumber here and there, and from such material as this they worked it into the old church. This building was also used for school for short times, but mostly for church. Even after our present school building, built in 1910, was completed, this white church was used for church purposes. After about eight years it became necessary to have more room for church. R.L. Woodward took a very active part in building an extension on the west end of the white church, also two north rooms to be used for the Sunday School. This, as I have said, was not intended for a church at first, but a place for recreational activities. Before this time the ward was making preparation for a church to be erected on the lot where Don McConkie now lives. A strong foundation of large rocks placed together with lime and imbedded several feet into the ground, is located about thirty feet west of Don McConkie's house. The complete foundation is still intact. After the people began using the white building, this new church was finally discontinued, because of the financial condition of the church.

The Mud Temple as a school was replaced by a more convenient two-room brick school in the same location. The men who constructed this school were J.C. Duke, better known as "Cal", Wm. Tucker, R.N. Lyddiard and others. Among the teachers who taught in this school in the early years were R.L. Woodward, Emma Jacobs and others. In later years, O.V. Harris, May Perry, Joseph Murray taught there. Charles Colton was a principal later in this school also.

In 1899 a brick school was erected just west of the Maeser store. It was also a two-room building. R.N. Lyddiard, a brick mason, was in charge of the construction of this building. Later, when the grading of schools occurred, the two schools in Maeser, one on the north and one on the south, proved very unsatisfactory, as students on either side of the ward, in some cases, had to pass the school on one side to attend their grade on the other side. This condition led to the erection of



of the school house now being used (1936). It was erected in 1910. It was done by local help. John L. McConkie, Tillie Young, and B.O. Colton were the trustees. Moroni Gerber brought the first brick for the school. It was delivered on Jan. 19, 1910. John L. McConkie checked all brick and lumber that came in. Frank Smith and Lige Campbell were the two main carpenters. Len Mitchell, an expert stone cutter, cut all the rock for the foundation, windows, etc. Mr. A.G. Anderson went to the mountain and got out the long timber which was used. The cost of the building was about \$22,000.00 and was built through local taxation in this district. It was all paid for when the schools consolidated. A few years later a modern heating plant was installed, also running water which made possible inside laboratories. Wm. Oaks was president of the board of education at that time. Joseph Bodily, now of Maeser, was a member of the board, representing Moffat. When the present school opened its doors to the students in 1910, the school sold its building by the Maeser store and this two-room brick building became the ward Relief Society home and tithing building. When the new church was erected in 1929 this building was torn down and part of the material was used in the construction of the new chapel.

At the present time the Maeser School engages eight teachers. A special music teacher is also hired. The school building, at this time, is one of the best elementary school buildings in the district. It is equipped with steam heat, electric lights, a water system, asphalt walks, lawns, trees, shrubs of all kinds, and well-furnished with playground equipment. This school has a very high rating in the district. After consolidation, the enrollment for this year, 1936, is about 300, including all students from first to the eighth grade inclusive, from Glines Ward and Dry Fork. Hot lunches are being served daily at the school.

Shortly after Billy Bradshaw, who located where Frant Caldwell now lives, and Robert Bodily, Philip Stringham Sr., Martin Oaks, Wm. Shaffer, and others settled in this locality, it, of course, became necessary to construct a ditch for the purpose of running water to their land. The ditch which was constructed is now known as the Ashley Upper Canal. This was started in about 1880 by these men. The work went forward under very inconvenient circumstances. The only means of surveying, at first,

was with the eye. It was done this way until they reached the Philip Stringham Sr. farm, just about where his house now stands. They would build for a while and then run some water in to test its efficiency. After reaching Mr. Stringham's, Martin Oaks did the surveying with a tripod made from a log, and which was no small load to carry. A spirit level was placed in this tripod, and this was their means of surveying the remaining part of the ditch.

Scrapers used today were unknown implements at that time, so for scrapers they used slabs which they called "go devils". Two furrows were plowed first and then were followed up by these "go devils." Oxen teams were used on the scrapers, as horses were very scarce. At first this canal extended only to the Bingham corner and was not completed until years later when Billy Powell and others did some work. You will notice, however, that this canal was made just after the hard winter of 1879 and food was very scarce. Philip Stringham was one man who ground wheat or corn in a coffee mill for his family before going to work. Some of the wheat was so musty it was impossible to eat and was fed to his chickens.

In the earlier days Philip Stringham Sr. planted two acres of the very choicest grapes, about six varieties in all. This vineyard included the land where the house now stands. For some time it yielded abundantly, but later it winter killed. It was the largest vineyard ever grown in Maeser and perhaps the first one. Others who tried vineyards were Sterling D. Colton and Taylor Bird, father of Clarence Bird. Mr. Stringham also produced the first fruit in Maeser; Taylor Bird also had one of the first fruit orchards here. Wm. Murray's father also had a very nice orchard about this time.

Maeser was also noted then for its sheep and wool industry and has gradually increased. Some of the larger sheep owners were: Joseph P. Hacking, John S. Hacking, George D. Merkley, S.D. Colton, Philip Stringham Sr., and also some owners of smaller flocks.

Some of the very early prominent stockmen were: S.D. Colton, Philip Stringham Sr., "Kurg" Johnson, and others. In the early days of Maeser S.D. Colton and Kurg Johnson fenced what is known as the "V" on Brush Creek Mountain. Philip Stringham brought the first bees to Maeser. He brought four stands. Some other early honey producers at

that time or perhaps later were: Wm. Rudge, James Hacking, Wm. Richins, Thomas Bingham Jr., Andrew Vernon and others.

Some of the first trees planted in Maeser are still standing. On Philip Stringham's old farm are trees that he planted. The large cottonwood trees still growing along the banks of the canal running past the old home of Nelson Merkley, now owned by Asher Merkley, were planted there before the canal was made and were planted by early settlers. Wm. Oaks, who was a very young man at that time, helped with the planting. He states that when these trees were put there they were nothing more than poles, not having any roots at all.

Harris Workman was the first person to be buried in the Maeser Cemetery. This was about 1887. This man and Berto Bird were working to save John Wimmer Sr. They were working below a pond when the walls gave way, and these two men were drowned. Berto Bird was buried in the Vernal Cemetery.

D.H. Workman constructed the first lime kiln in Maeser. This was for the purpose of burning lime for plaster. The kiln was located one fourth<sup>mile</sup> west of the Glenn Oaks residence. W.P. Reynolds made the first plaster of paris in Maeser. This plaster of paris was ground in the old burr mill. It was used as the hard finish on the old, original Co-op building just back of the present J.C. Penney store. Wm. Oaks was one of the first men in Maeser to burn gypsum. Maeser furnished gypsum to the late Dr. Earl Douglas for plaster used in plastering the Carnegie Museum as well as many other places.

Al Johnson brought the first threshing machine to Ashley Valley. This machine was run by horse power.

*Blacksmiths*  
There were three blacksmith shops located in Maeser at the same time. There was one where George Bowden now lives and was owned by Mr. Hatch. This shop was operating in about the year 1895. Robert Bodily owned a blacksmith shop, located on the corner of the old home owned by Mr. Bodily. Joe Ritter, who lived on the spot where the Wm. Akhurst home now stands, also owned a blacksmith shop. This shop was operated more as a private shop. In 1897 Mr. Wm. Rudge came here from England, and after a few months, located where Mark Hall now lives. He built Mark's house and also a black-

smith just west of the house and in front of the brick school built to replace the old "Mud Temple." Mr. Joe Ritter gave Mr. Rudge his anvil, blacksmith bellows, vice and other things, thus discontinuing his business. Mr. Robert Bodily also discontinued his blacksmithing, leaving Mr. Rudge and perhaps Mr. Hatch as the only blacksmiths.

In the year 1903-04 Charles Glines, who lived where Wm. P. Vernon now lives, constructed a horse race track on that farm. His first intentions were to make a park. Mr. Glines made the race track, planted trees, shrubs, etc. This place provided much amusement for the public, such as rodeos, races, and other sports. This project was urged by some of the men especially interested in horses. Mr. Glines operated the park for about two years, after which time it was abandoned.

Before the military forces came to Maeser and established old Fort Thornburgh, which was about 1878, Wm. G. Reynolds, Otto Petersen, George Brown, and B.M. Reynolds opened up the first coal mine. This mine is located west of Maeser and is known as the Pack-Allen Mine.

The first store in Maeser was operated by Moroni Gerber, and was located where Mrs. Rudge's store now stands. The next owner was Mr. Elmer. Mr. Wiley Collett purchased the store from Mr. Elmer and later sold it to Mr. Hadlock, who eventually sold it to Wm. Rudge. Mrs. Sarah Rudge now owns and operates this store.

The very first church meeting held in the western part of Ashley Valley was held in G.W. Vangundy's house.

The first dance ever held in this western part of the valley was at Dry Fork, now a branch of Maeser Ward. It was held in Merk M. Hall and Mary B. Hall's, (now Aunt Mary Stringham) house. The dance was held Christmas 1878. The floor they danced on was a "punchin" floor. It was made from split poles, split by hand, and laid with the round side down and fastened to cross poles with wooden pegs, as nails were not to be had. Harv Meeks from Midway was the only player for the dance. He played the fiddle. Thomas Bingham Jr., known as "Uncle Tommy", did the calling at the dance.

Thomas Bingham Sr., father of Thomas Jr., was the first ordained bishop of Ashley Valley and was bishop of Dry Fork.

Race track  
Rodeo

Coal mine

Store

The second meeting ever held after Uintah County was made a county was held Aug. 5, 1880, at which time the Reynolds people asked for water to operate the mill. Theirs was the second part of the business transacted. This part was copied from the original record, which should be recorded in the courthouse, but, so far as known, is not. It is as follow:

Petition of Reynolds and Reynolds as to the right of using one third of the water of Ashley stream for milling purposes, to be conveyed down the Ashley Center canal to a point forty or fifty rods north of the Robert Bodily house, there to be taken out by throwing a dam across the canal and thence conveyed south on section line to a point near the present canal bridge, thence to be emptied back into the canal. This petition was granted and thus furnished power to operate the Reynolds mill spoken of in this history.

The first bishop of Maeser was Wm. Shaffer in the old "Mud Temple."

The first president of the Primary in Maeser was Mrs. Carolina Stringham.

The first president of the Young Ladies Mutual Improvement Association was Elizabeth M. Reynolds. She was set apart for this office on Oct. 19, 1884. Melva Glines was first counselor. Cora Hardy was second counselor and Isabelle Shirts was secretary.

The first president of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Assn. was Philip Stringham Sr. Henry Glines and David Bingham were his counselors.

On Oct. 4, 1882 the first Relief Society was organized in Maeser with Mary Ann Shaffer as president, Harriet Bodily as first counselor and Melissa Reynolds as second counselor. Ella Reynolds was secretary and Melva Glines was assistant secretary. Carolina Stringham was treasurer.

The first Sunday School superintendency was chosen in 1879. Philip Stringham Sr. was superintendent with Charles Glines as first assistant and Isaac M. Jones as second assistant. Melva Glines was secretary and Ella Reynolds chorister.

Maeser, at this time, is an ideal place to live. The spiritual contribution given through these different church organizations has meant much in the lives of her children.

Maeser can now boast a recently completed church of rich architecture with every



modern convenience. This church was erected in 1929 under the able direction of Bishop Carl R. Richens with LeRoy Carroll and Edwin Bodily as his counselors. Wm. McConkie was ward clerk. The first meeting of importance in connection with building the new church was held on February 12, 1929. The ground was sold to the church by Leslie P. Thacker and ground was broken on May 7, 1929. On the evening of Dec. 29, 1929, this church was dedicated by Apostle Melvin J. Ballard. There were about 1200 people who attended the dedicatorial services.

During the period of time the church was being erected the people worked together very unitedly under the divine inspiration of God. The church was finished at a cost of \$50,000.00. Anderson and Young were the architects. H.J. Kean was the contractor. These men were from Salt Lake City and worked together in a very harmonious way.

There have been clubs of various natures organized in Maeser at various times, which have been profitable in an educational way, as well as other ways, to the people. One organization, of this kind in every respect, and for which this history is written, is the Daughter of the Utah Pioneers, of the Camp Thornburgh. The first meeting of this organization, with recorded minutes, was held Feb. 27, 1931 at the home of Mrs. Minnie Wilson. The officers were: Mrs. Minnie Wilson, Captain; Ambrosine Hacking Ashby, first lieutenant; Mary F. Stringham Hall, second lieutenant; Jessie , Sec. and Treas.; with Thora Ashby as an assistant. Mamie Carpenter Price was historian, with Matilda Nelson Jones as assistant, Ethelwynne Stringham Collett as registrar; Custodian of relics, Beatrice Stringham, with Lola Smith as assistant. Chaplain, Maude Harder Carpenter; Chorister, Stella Markham Carroll; Organist, Violet Peters Caldwell.

Today Maeser has about 3600 acres of the choicest irrigated lands to be found in any part of Uintah Basin, producing farm commodities in abundance. Maeser leads the basin in beef and dairy stock and produces immense quantities of butterfat, honey, turkeys, poultry and eggs.

## Water Sites in Baldies Investigated

### Surveyors Visit the Headwaters of Ashley Creek

With threatening snow clouds hanging over the 12,000 foot altitudes of the Baldy peaks, a party of United States Reclamation Service surveyors made a 150-mile trip into this scenic region Wednesday for the purpose of obtaining preliminary data on water storage possibilities at the headwaters of Ashley Creek. A car took the party to the Pat Carroll mill site and horses then used to reach Twin Lakes, Goose Lake, the Lake Shore Basin, and Hacking Lake, at the foot of Marsh Peak and Leidy Peak, where snow six inches was encountered.

The recent storms had left the slopes of the high altitudes almost swampy with moisture and the reclamation chiefs were impressed with the possibilities of the natural basins and heavily timbered areas as water storage units for the Ashley Valley farms. E. O. Nielsen, Salt Lake, regional supervisor; William O. McDaniels, field supervisor; Olen Laason, in charge of local operations, representing the United States Reclamation Service; Robert Hunting, president of the Ashley Valley Reservoir company; W. B. Wallis of the Vernal Express, made up the party, headed by Leon P. Christensen, county surveyor and engineer in charge of the Buck Pasture project.

At Twin Lakes the twenty-year old cribbing of this reservoir was inspected. Although water has not been stored in this basin for some time, it is planned to repair the gates so that the full storage capacity may be utilized. Goose Lake and Hacking Lake were well filled with water. Goose Lake dam was also constructed more than twenty years ago.

The group looked over the place where it is planned to divert the waters of the North Fork of the Ashley to the Buck Pasture reservoir, by means of a canal.

The strenuous horseback ride proved almost too much for the three visiting transit-peepers and the pencil pusher, who finally disembarked from their mounts and by painful stages of walking, brought back the use of their stiff and distorted limbs.

After eight hours in the saddle, the party was overjoyed to again be back in the car, which was waiting at Big Park. But the car had only travelled a few feet when its frame-work reposed on the soft, rain-soaked sod of the park with all four wheels high and dry. It



DR. ADAM S. BENNION

### Dr. Adam S. Bennion Again Heads Red Cross State Roll Call

Dr. Adam S. Bennion, distinguished Utah educator and assistant to the president of the Utah Power & Light company, has accepted for the second time the appointment of chairman of the Utah State Roll Call committee for the American Red Cross. This announcement was made in San Francisco recently by A. L. Shafer, Red Cross manager in the Pacific Area.

At the same time Mr. Shafer lauded Dr. Bennion's outstanding achievement as state chairman in the last Roll Call in which the Utah Red Cross Chapters enrolled 19,515 members. This was an increase of 3,353 members over the previous year and represents a gain of 20.7 per cent.

The 38 Utah chapters registered the largest percentage of increase of any state in the Pacific area.

They have set their goal for the current Roll Call, opening Armistice Day, November 11, and continuing through Thanksgiving Day, November 24, at 30,350 members. This latter figure is in keeping with the National Red Cross objective of six million adult members throughout the nation.

Dr. Bennion has written a number of books, among which are "Fundamental Principles of Teaching," "Problems of Youth," "Looking in on Greatness." He holds membership in a number of groups among which are the L. D. S. Church Board of Education and the Salt Lake Library Board. He is an excellent public speaker and his services are greatly in demand as a public spirited leader and a humanitarian.

### Penney Store to be Managed for One Day by Students

The management of the J. O. Penney store Saturday will be placed in the hands of Uintah high school students, announces D. Jones manager. The students

## Huge Sum Secured To Pave Road to Maeser

### Will be First Farm-to-Market Project in This County

### Democrats Hold Rally Here On Wednesday

Declaring that the feigned issue of dictatorship injected into the 1938 political campaign is a weak and unnecessary scare, Senator Elbert D. Thomas struck the keynote of the initial campaign rally of the Uintah County Democratic party at a rally in the Imperial Hall Wednesday evening. Visiting with Senator Thomas were Representative Abe Murdock and Roger I. McDonough, nominee for the supreme court.

A large crowd representing both political parties was in attendance to hear the speakers. Presiding were David H. Calder, county chairman and Mrs. Beatrice Schofield, county chairwoman of the Democratic party. Most of the county candidates were present and were introduced by Mr. Calder, who conducted the meeting.

In the initial speech, Rep. Murdock pointed out the philosophy of the New Deal and said he stood back of it, back of such measures as the CCC, banking legislation, social security and public works administration. Judge McDonough spoke of his aspirations to the supreme court bench.

Senator Thomas told of his support of the New Deal and stated he was back of it because it was a humanitarian deal, interested and devoted to the improvement of living conditions of all the people. He pointed out that Rep. Murdock was honored with the chairmanship of the western block of legislators, an honor which has never before come to Utah.

The Uintah high school students furnished several numbers on the program.

## Commissioners Indian Agent Ask Road Aid

### Will Ask State Road For Aid

On Tropic Highway

With an appropriation of \$20,000 for the grading, graveling and oiling of the state road from Vernal through Maeser to the high line canal as the initial project in Uintah county on the farm-to-market road building program, Uintah county commissioners and Engineer L. P. Christensen returned from Salt Lake last week and well-paid for their conference with the state road commission.

The original plan for this fund was to use \$13,000 for the construction of a road in the Ashley section and \$7,000 in the west part of the county. It was pointed out by the state commission that it would be impossible to use farm-to-market funds for county roads so it was decided to build the Ashley road with county and WPA funds, following out the original plans.

A great deal of the work on the \$20,000 road to Maeser will be spent to improve the drainage of the present road bed. The road bed will be put in during the winter and either oil or asphalt placed on as a surface in the spring. When completed the road will compare with U. S. 40 and come up to the standard specifications for farm-to-market roads.

The commissioners were also successful in securing tentative approval of a \$7,000 WPA project to paint the county grandstand at the fair grounds, according to John W. Weaver, chairman. This project will get under way in the near future and calls for the painting of the building with the use of a power spray. Mr. Weaver is of the opinion that two coats of paint will be used with the funds to be available.

The four miles of road in Ashley ward will be started as soon as men are available to carry on the work, according to Mr. Weaver. It is planned to put down a gravel road bed between three and four inches in thickness. Gravel will be crushed at a pit north of the Valley.

## School Board Deplores Drinking Water

At the regular meeting of the Board of Education, Monday, a report from the state board of health indicated that with perhaps one

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In 1899 a brick building was erected just west of the Maeser store to be used for school. For some time previous to the building of the new church house in 1929, this brick building was the War Relief Society home and when the new church was erected, this building was torn down and part of the material was used in the construction of the new chapel. In 1899 R. N. Lyddiard, a brick mason, was in charge of the construction of this building. Later, when the grading of schools occurred, the two school houses in Maeser, one on the north and one on the south, proved very unsatisfactory, as students on either side of the ward, in some cases, had to pass the school on one side to attend their grade on the other side. This condition led to the erection of the school house now being used. It was erected in 1910. It was done by local help. John L. McConkie, Tillie Young and B. O. Colton were the trustees. Moroni Gerber brought the first brick for the school. It was delivered on January 19, 1910. John L. McConkie checked all brick and lumber that came in. Frank Smith and Lige Campbell were the two main carpenters. Len Mitchell, an expert stone cutter, cut all of the rock for the foundation, windows, etc. Mr. A. G. Anderson went to the mountain and got out the long timber which was used. The cost of the building was about \$22,000 and was built through local taxation in this district and was all paid for when the schools consolidated. A few years later, a modern heating plant was installed, also running water which made possible inside lavatories. William Oaks was president of the Board of Education at that time. Joseph Bodily, now of Maeser, was a member of the board, representing Moffat.

At the present time the Maeser School engages eight teachers. A special music teacher is also hired. The school building at this time is one of the two best elementary school buildings in the district. It is equipped with steam heat, electric lights, a water system, asphalt walks, lawns, trees, shrubs of all kinds and is well furnished with playground apparatus. This school has a very high rating in the district. After consolidation, the enrollment for this year, 1936, is about 300, including all students from the first to the eighth grade, inclusive, with students from Glines Ward and Dry Fork. Hot lunches are being served daily at the school.

Shortly after Billy Bradshaw, who located where Frank Caldwell now lives, and Robert Bodily, Philip Stringham, Sr., Martin Oaks, William Shaffer and others settled in this locality, it of course, became necessary to construct a ditch for the purpose of running water to their land. The ditch which was then constructed is now known as the Ashley Upper Canal. This was started in about 1880 by these men. The work went forward under very inconvenient circumstances. The only means of surveying at first was with the eye. It was done this way until they reached Philip Stringham Sr.'s farm, just about where his house now stands. They would build for awhile and then run some water in to test its efficiency. (Now 2963 north 3500 west) So after reaching the Stringham's, Martin Oaks did the surveying with a tripod made from a long log and which was no small load to carry. A spirit level was placed in this tripod and this was their means of surveying the remaining part of the ditch.

Scrapers such as used today were unknown implements at that time and so for scrapers they used slabs which they called, "go devils". About two furrows were plowed first and then were followed up by these "go devils". Oxen teams

were used on these scrapers as horses were very scarce. At first this canal extended only to the Bingham corner and was not completed until years later when Billy Powell and others did some work. You will notice, however, that this canal was made just after the hard winter of 1879 and food was very scarce. Philip Stringham was one man who ground wheat or corn in a coffee mill for his family before going to work. Some of the wheat after being ground was so musty it was impossible to eat it and so was fed to the chickens.

In the earlier days Philip Stringham Sr., planted two acres of the very choicest grapes, about six varieties in all. This vineyard included the land where his house now stands. For sometime this vineyard yielded abundantly, but later it winter killed. This was the largest vineyard in Maeser and perhaps the first one. Others who had vineyards were: Sterling Colton and Taylor Bird, father of Clarence Bird. Mr. Stringham also produced the first fruit in Maeser. Taylor Bird also had one of the first fruit orchards and William Murray's father also had a very nice orchard at this time.

Maeser was also noted at this time for its sheep and wool industry which has gradually increased. Some of the larger sheep owners were: Joseph P. Hacking, John S. Hacking, George D. Merkley, S. D. Colton, Philip Stringham, Sr., and also some owners of smaller flocks.

Some of the very early prominent stockmen were: S. D. Colton, Philip Stringham Sr., "Curg" Johnson and others. In the early days of Maeser, S. D. Colton and "Curg" Johnson fenced what is known as the "V" on Brush Creek Mountain. Philip Stringham brought the first bees to Maeser, bringing in four stands. Some other early honey producers at that time or perhaps later were: Mr. William Rudge, James Hacking, William Richens, Thomas Bingham Jr., and maybe others.

Some of the very first trees planted in Maeser are still standing. On Philip Stringham's old farm are trees that he planted. The large cottonwood trees still growing along the banks of the canal running past the old home of Nelson Merkley, now owned by Asher Merkley, (about 226 north 1500 west) were planted there before the canal was made and were planted by early settlers. William Oaks, who was a very young man at that time, helped with the planting and stated that when these trees were put there they were nothing then but poles, not having any roots at all.

Harris Workman was the first person to be buried in the Maeser Cemetery. This was about 1887. This man and Berto Bird were working to rescue John Wimmer Sr. They were working below a pond when the walls gave way and these two men were drowned. Berto Bird was buried in the Vernal Cemetery.

D.H. Workman constructed the first lime kiln in Maeser. This was for the purpose of burning lime for plaster. This kiln was located one-fourth mile west of the Glen Oaks residence. C. P. Reynolds made the first plaster of paris in Maeser. This plaster of paris was ground in the old burr mill and was used as the hard finish on the old original co-op building which was located just back of the Ashley Co-op, now J. C. Penney store. William Oaks was one of the first men in Maeser to burn gypsum. Maeser furnished gypsum to the late Dr. Earl Douglass for plaster used in plastering the Carnegie Museum as well as many







# Johnson's Store

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

STANDARD GAS AND OILS

WE CAN SUPPLY YOUR EVERY NEED

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agraph his relatives in Salt Lake on Friday last with what result we have not learned.

Lewis Allen's store is the news depot of the Vernal Express for Millward. Notices of births, deaths, marriages, mining news, etc., left there will receive attention.

Farmers should take time by the forelock this spring in putting in grain, as from present indications water will be scarce.

J. C. Taylor spoke on the principles of reform Monday evening at the Millward Hall to a large and appreciative audience.

By the way, our hall that has been long in an unfinished condition, under the able supervision of Dan Price and Heber Timothy, is being rapidly pushed to completion; also enclosed with a substantial board fence.

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Jensen Items.

Jensen, March 24th, 1896.

The ferrying season has begun.

Duck shooting is all the rage with the boys of this place.

A. G. Johnson is constructing a drain ditch, by which he expects to drain the old lake bottom.

Burns Bench Irrigation Company have completed the collection of an assessment levied for the purpose of ascertaining by law their rights to the waters of Brush Creek.

Fred Dart, the free agent, seems to have abandoned the hope of making a fortune at his former business and has resolved to accept a position as boss farmer offered him by Bill Stew-

aine out of a possible 100 and a half 60.

A tramp visited all the houses at Cloverport, Ky., and begged from every kind lady he met a postage stamp with which to send a letter to his sick mother. He got the stamp every time and went out of town with several dollars in his pockets as a result of the successful ruse.

It is stated that an electric hen has recently been invented, which is claimed to be superior to the natural article of flesh, feathers and blood, except that it cannot lay eggs. When the electric incubator has produced the chickens, an electric foster mother takes them in charge. The upper part is devoted to the freshly hatched, while the lower part is so arranged that the young can run around on the ground and at the same time find heat and protection when they require it.

### THE BURIATS.

something of the habits of a People of Siberia.

A St. Petersburg correspondent gives an abstract of a recent account given by a Russian physician, Dr. Shendikofski, of the Buriats, a race inhabiting from Ussuriysk to the north of Lake Baikal, in Siberia. They are an entirely pastoral race. They all, men and women, practically live in the saddle. In summer they dwell on the plains; in winter, when the snows come, they retire to the hills and live in yurts, huts built of wood or felt, rich, dry and dirty. They drink sour milk and "brick" tea. They seldom eat meat, but whenever they do they eat it in enormous quantities, six pounds or seven pounds at a time without salt or bread. They are inveterate smokers, men and women, even children indulging inordinately. There is scarcely any social life among them. Each unit of five or six families generally remains in its own separate existence. Their religion was formerly Shamanism, but about a century ago the Mongol Lamas were permitted to preach Buddhism among them, and Shamanism has now but few followers. The Buddhists have



Levi Bodily and Miss Celia Thompson were granted a license to wed by the county clerk Monday.

H. A. Chestnut returned from Brown's Park Monday where he has been the past two weeks prospecting.

Go to J. K. Bullock's meat, market and grocery for California fruits and sweet potatoes. Fresh and salted meats and groceries.

Lewis Allen has purchased the entire stock of goods of the Ashley store and will move the same to his store in Millward this week.

The brick work on R. S. Collatt's new residence is finished and the building adds another item to the beauty and enterprise of Vernal.

The Chittenden took a shot at a prospective customer Monday night. He should go a little slower and be wiser to understand that he is no better and is not entitled to any more privileges than any other citizen of the town.

There will be a ball at the Opera House December 11th, under the auspices of the Y. M. & Y. L. L. A. for the purpose of raising money to buy lamps for the Stake House. Hanson Band in attendance. Everybody invited.

Bishop Leonard, of Salt Lake, addressed a large congregation in the Opera house Sunday morning and evening. The Bishop is a good speaker and his hearers were well satisfied with the time spent in listening to him.

According to the Forecast Weather

and of good disposition and serviceable animals both and for draught purposes were raised in Brown's are well bred.

"The worst cold I ever life was cured by Cough Remedy," writes A. J. Ton, of Sulter Creek, Cal. I suffered with a cough and expectorating all the time. The Remedy cured me, and I may friends when troubled with cough or cold to use it, for them good." Sold by V. Co.

Dr. Rose has moved his residence on Uintah Ave. houses are being built on street in Vernal and the valley, which makes a go for the enterprise of As citizens. Alpa Taylor, and several others have built into neat brick residences just season and the probability that a great many more same thing before this time.

On the third page will be an interesting article "Mr. Deposed." This is the outcome of his disposition the manifesto, although that he has been untidy time and that this step or in any way connected with matters. Mr. Thatch is a candidate for legislator and the Express to see him elected as we perfectly honorable and sent Utah in an able man.

16 Nov 1896

# THE LARAMIE EXPLORER

Laramie, Uintah County, Utah, December 3, 1896.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Dr. Lindsay, physician and surgeon, Office over Johnson & Son's store.

The Ashlee postoffice was moved yesterday to Lewis Allen's store in Millward.

Born—To the wife of Louis Lind, a daughter, on the morning of Nov. 27th.

One bay horse, brand blotch on left thigh, a star in forehead, three or four years old. Owner call at Geo. Young's for the same.

John Steinkor, Sr. had leg broken by a fall last Friday. Dr. Lindsay is attending the patient and he is getting along finely.

Go to J. K. Bullock's meat market and grocery for California fruits and sweet potatoes. Fresh and salted meats and groceries.

Notice—Parties wishing photographs from negatives by Willis the Heber photographe taken while in Vernal can get them at my gallery.

Don't fail to see Little Tom Wilson, in her latest hit "Out in the Cold" also her elegant dance at the Opera House Dec. 16th and 17th.

A committee of the ladies of Vernal will give a Prize Leap Year Ball at the Opera House on December 18th. Prize to be given to the best dressed gentleman. This is the chance of a lifetime and perhaps the last Leap Year Ball for eight long years. Look out for invitations.

After hearing some friends continually praising Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, Curtis, of Annholm, California, purchased a bottle of it for his own use and is now as enthusiastic over its wonderful work as anyone can be. The twenty-five and fifty cent sizes for sale by Vernal Drug Company.

The delinquent tax is appears in this issue and the tax is late on account of the work it took to set the type. Although having a larger supply of sorts than most country printing offices are blessed with, a portion of the list had to be stereotyped in

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Treasurer Blankenship is busy these days sending out his "notice taxpayers." And, we presume, before long he will have to hire an assistant during the rush to help take the cash of the taxpayers.

James Eskerson, of Brush creek, is taken to the Post Sunday to be treated for heart trouble. He has been suffering with heart trouble for several months, but of late has become bad that he is unable to work.

Isaac Bullock, Wm. Bullock, and Wm. William Jr., of Provo, relatives of K. Bullock, were in Vernal the first part of the week. They drove in on their ranch on Hickey's Fork 190 and of cattle which they sold to Geo. arlo.

Monday night Dr. Bjorkson met with an accident but no bones broken. He was returning from Deane Wilson's place in 4th ward the seat to a cart gave way letting him out of a cart on his head with his medicine case and babies on top. The seat went without a driver and when the cart was somewhat disfigured.

A. C. Overholt and Mrs. Tom White, both of this place, were married last Wednesday night. Mr. Overholt is the proprietor of the Auditorium saloon and Mrs. White is well known to our citizens, both parties having resided in Vernal a number of years. Friends join with the Farness in congratulations.

At the present time Vernal is with it a justice of the peace, and there is

over the kidney, and perhaps was injured internally. He is in a critical condition and recovery is doubtful.

The hum of the threshing machine is heard in every direction these days. All of the threshers in the valley are kept busy. A large acreage of grain was planted this year and an extra good yield is reported. There are five threshers in the valley and most of them will be kept busy until snow lies.

Lewis Allen, the Millward merchant, has returned from a business trip to Salt Lake. He says that Tommy Richardson, who left Ashley valley for the Klondyke, traded his team and wagon for a place in Salt Lake

and has decided to make that his home in the future. He was cured of the Klondyke fever in crossing the Wasatch range between here and the city.

Frank Goodwin and family, of Brown's Park, have come to Vernal to locate and are now stopping at the home of Geo. Law. He has purchased John Pepo's residence property and will move therein in about a week, or as soon as Mr. Pepo moves out.

Mr. Goodwin disposed of his sheep last spring to the Young Brothers of Rock Springs and has sold his ranch in Brown's Park to Mat Rush, of La Joro.

For the Annual Festival of Mountain Plain at Denver Oct. 5th, 6th, 7th, a rate of \$20.00 is hereby announced for the round trip to Denver from all main line points. Tickets will be sold on Oct. 2nd, 3rd, only limited to con-

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the grip is getting a grip on a great many people of the valley lately and it looks as if the doctors would have plenty to do if the weather does not change soon.

J. K. Bullock has purchased a steam cement roaster with a small engine attached. Quite a crowd gathered in front of his establishment Tuesday to see the machine make a trial run.

18 Jan 1897 X The Ashley postoffice being more convenient for a great many subscribers of the Express who live in Millward, than the Vernal office, we will change their address from Vernal to Ashley, if they wish us to do so.

The gossips of Millward have a new problem to solve. A grass widow is at the bottom of the affair. After seven long years of single blessedness a bouncing baby boy arrived to brighten her lonely life and lend enchantment to the view.

J. T. McConnell returned from a business trip to Salt Lake yesterday. On the way in from Price the sun reflecting from the snow put an elegant tan on his cheeks and nose which double discounts the complexion painted artists for brilliance.

Go and see "Hazel Kirke," Friday, February 26th, by the New Dramatic Company, at the Vernal Opera House. This play will be followed by the comedy entitled "Charley's Aunt," which has been played with great success in most of the large cities of the United States and of Europe.

For the convention of the national association of merchants and travelers

to be held in the machinery.

Mr. Ward E. Smith, of Frederickstown, Mo., was troubled with chronic diarrhoea for over thirty years. He had become fully satisfied that it was only a question of a short time until he would have to give up. He had been treated by some of the best physicians in Europe and America but got no permanent relief. One day he picked up a newspaper and chanced to read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. He got a bottle of it, the first dose helped him and its continued use cured him. For sale by Vernal Drug Co.

Owing to the sickness of Ward Pack, the theatre advertised for last Friday and Saturday nights had to be postponed until Wednesday and Thursday nights of this week. Although Mr. Pack had been ailing for several days, he was not confined to his bed until last Friday, consequently the show had to be postponed as it was too late in the day to get a substitute. A great many tickets were sold and many people were disappointed. The popular play "Emeralds," having a good moral, is appreciated all the more by the people. Last night a fair audience was present at the performance, and judging from the number of reserved seats tickets sold up to the time of going to press, the house will be packed to night. All of the actors played their parts well, and the three new members of this company, Mrs. Sadie Holdaway, Miss Claude Stringham and Miss Ada Rich, add considerably to the strength of the company. The new actors and

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THURSDAY, OCT. 19, 1896.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Dr. Lindsay, physician and surgeon,  
Office over Johnson & Son's store.

E. W. Allen has been appointed  
postmaster at Ashley.

School land blank application at  
the County Treasurers office.

The most daring hold-up we have  
heard of was that near Ogden last  
Tuesday. The highwayman alone  
and unaided held up the train and  
packed off the registered letters. A  
short sketch on the third page.

This week we publish the official  
Australian ballot for the benefit of  
the voters. The party emblems that  
should have appeared in the ticket are  
delayed somewhere on the road be-  
tween here and Price but will be on  
the ticket next week. Study it well  
before election day.

# WATERBURY'S

Place of business, Vernal, Utah.

Call on the Waterbury for your  
millinery goods, hats, etc.

Waterbury's is a place where you  
can find everything you need for the  
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Edgar Jacobson son of Mr. Jacobson of  
Millward returned to Ashley valley  
last week for Padmington, Wyo. where  
he has been working for several  
months past.

Dead—Monday, October 19, 1896,  
John William, the three-year-old son  
of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hering.  
The parents have the heartfelt sym-  
pathy of their neighbors and friends  
in this their great bereavement.

M. E. Johnson, of Huntington, Em-  
ery county, candidate for senator of  
the 12th senatorial district on the  
Democratic ticket, arrived last night.  
He will spend several days in the  
county fixing up his political fences.

T. A. Walley and Hyrum Beck ar-  
rived on the stage last night and Mon-  
day will start a full force of men at  
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chief, Walker, visited friends in Ver-  
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A benefit ball will be given at the  
Opera House Friday Aug. 11th. The  
proceeds will be used to purchase an  
invalid chair for Mrs. Deeler. Come  
and aid in a good cause.

Mr. Lewis Allen will close out his  
entire stock of Merchandise at auc-  
tion sale Tuesday, August 8th. Sale  
commences at 9 o'clock a. m. Re-  
member the place, the Ashley Post  
Office in Millward.

Do you want honey at 4 cents a  
pound? Then come before the price  
rises to 5. Two and a half miles west  
and one half mile south of the Ver-  
nal Post Office, at the Enterprise  
Apiary. GEORGE GLINES.

The honey business is booming  
here just now; our honey plants are  
bleeming profusely and the few of  
honey is the best for years. The  
great question among the bee keepers  
just now is: "What shall we put our  
honey in?"

Monday morning our County Clerk,  
Peter Hansen, with his family in  
company with Mrs. Hansen's father,  
ex-judge Jas. H. Glines, Fred Wood,  
Misses Emma Bingham and May  
Beers, started for the capital via  
Strawberry Valley.

Prof. G. H. Brimhall concluded the  
series of lectures last evening to a  
large audience his subject being  
"Soliloquy as the Searchlight of the  
Soul." The audience was delighted

Pricee and L. S. Holdaway, to re-  
cover \$700 on a promissory note.

Mrs. R. S. Collett was reported  
very sick last evening and there was  
a great deal of excitement for a time  
the lady lapsing from one fainting  
spell to another. We are pleased  
to note that she is much better to-day.

The lecture on Tuesday night  
Prof. Wolfe was ably attended o-  
wing to the rain of the afternoon and  
evening, but those who did attend  
were well pleased with the manner  
which the Prof. handled his subje-  
"Heroes and Hero Worship."

The teachers institute now being  
held at the Vernal Central Sch.  
House is attracting considerable  
attention judging from the large daily  
attendance. The busy air of those who  
attend bespeak the proficiency of  
corps of instructors consisting  
Profs. Brimhall and Wolfe, Miss  
Young and Reynolds.

To-day is the last day of the Teachers  
Institute. The attendance  
has been good and the interest  
throughout the whole session.  
The presence of such able instructors  
a source of much pleasure and has  
been of great and lasting benefit to  
teachers and the people generally.  
We hope to see them again next  
year and we assure them there is a  
place in our hearts reserved for them.  
They will always be welcome.

FOR RENT.—House and lot of  
Olive Thompson's opposite  
Fairchild's.

FOR SALE.—25, 50 or 71 acres  
good improved farming land

Henry Tylor, wife, daughter, and grand-daughter from Uinta are guests of W. I. Reynolds.

The U. S. Marshals on the track of the boys who helped themselves to Post Office money at the Ashley Post Office. One of the boys has been placed under bonds and the marshal has sent to the Dyer mine expecting to find the missing one there.

Saturday, April 2nd, about 200 relatives and friends gathered at the home of Mrs. Abby Oaks, in honor of the 82 birthday of her father, W. P. Reynolds. A program of music, songs and dancing was indulged in, besides partaking of a most tasty dinner. Grandfather Reynolds demonstrated to all that although he was more than three score and ten he could yet join in the dance and merriment with all.

The shearers start for Jack Edwards' shearing pens, near Baggs, Saturday, and expect to get there about the 12th.

We had our first rain Sat. night.

People generally fear our fruit trees are killed by the severe winter.

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### Two Million a Year.

When people buy, try, and buy again, it means they're satisfied. The people of the United States are now buying Cascarets Candy Cathartic at the rate of two million boxes a year and it will be three million before New Year's. It means merit proved, that Cascarets are the most delightful bowel regulator for everybody the year round. All druggists 10c, 25c, 50c a box, cure guaranteed. For Sale by Vernal Drug Company.

### Merrill's Ward Notes.

As the star of civilization traveled to the west, so has the center of the population of Ashley taken its course

much importance is attached by superstitions.

**COAL FOR SALE**—By the Kerr Coal Company, at the mine known the Edwards mine, north of the Ashley town. Coal always on hand and a minor living at the mine wait upon you.

The Western Grocery Co., Wholesale Grocers, Kansas City and Denver, Col. Do business with the consumer direct, they cut out the middle-man's profit. All goods are shipped as represented. All goods are so subject to inspection before delivery. Send in a trial order and save 80 per cent. Reference, Colorado National Bank, Denver, Col. American National Bank Kansas City Mo.

Above all other seasons of the year Easter is the season of flowers. Ureter or New York spends at least \$1,000,000 for flowers during Holy Week.

As the Holly and Mistletoe are the distinguishing badge of Christmas, the lily is the emblem of the Lent season. The most popular species are the Japan lily, the longiflorum and the calla. The azalea shares the honor of the day with the lily, as the violet holds the third place in popular estimation. The latter being largely used for personal adornment.

S. D. Colton returned from Douglas mountain, Saturday, where he has been looking after the mining interests of the company. He reports that the mine the Bromide is improving both in regard to quality and quantity of ore and that the company is contemplating in a smelter in the area.



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At Monday morning November a fine boy came to gladden the of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Webb.

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COLTHARP COMPANY.

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C. Camp went to the Dyer mine Thursday with a load of forage. smelter starts up, he may make ar trips again.

Ashley Co-op had their lot yed Thursday forenoon. It is intention to put a board fence west side of it.

buy all our goods for spot cash very lowest possible prices and our customers the benefit of cash g. COLLET'S BARGAIN STORE.

go Booth, Attorney S. A. King, grapher Monto Roberts, Lawyer cotton and four others were agers on the stage for Price lay morning.

At Freeze, when you can buy grade clothing at the lowest n prices, at Collet's Bargain Uintah Avenue, first corner of the stake houses

ater is coming and you need to re for it. Just call in and get f our heaters. We carry a bid line, and are sure that wo ut you. COLTHARP CO.

family up from Ouray for the winter. His partner, Eph Rasmussen, will live at Ouray and run the store.

A dispatch from Washington D. C. dated November 18th, states that the postoffice at Ashley, Uintah County, has been ordered discontinued, the mail to be sent to Vernal.

The old Pioneer Mill of Reynolds & Company, is now running at full blast on chopping and manufacturing corn meal and graham flour. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Mrs. Carrie Hillman returned from a two month's visit in Salt Lake City last Saturday evening, accompanied by her sister, Miss Sarah Burton, who has been attending school in the city the past two years.

We have the finest line of perfumery ever brought to the city, made in California "where the flowers grow." They please others, will please you. Try them.

Respectfully, VERNAL DRUG CO,

Thursday evening Dr. Bjornson returned from Salt Lake all well. He says he had a very pleasant trip. Mrs. Bjornson remained at the Capitol and will not be home for about ten days.

A paddler named A. Bornstein was brought before Justice Pack on Monday charged with obstructing the streets with his wagons loaded with hides, pelts, etc. He had been previously notified by the marshal not to do so but failed to give heed. He was fined \$2.50 and costs.

We have just received one of the largest and most complete lines of

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Every new fake that gets into Vernal finds a liberal amount of patronage. The fact is and, but none the less true, that most of us seem to be classed allied to a certain bossy number of the funny tribe.

The citizens of Ashley have been beat out of their post office, it having been discontinued by the government. Too bad. That is a step backward. Now all the people of Mill ward have any enterprise, they will never cease to importune the present prosperous Republican administration for a post office and a daily mail service. Charlie Glines is a McKinley Republican and stood pat during the "silver craze," and can be conscientiously recommended for the position. That corner is in the centre of a populous district, and it is the people's own fault if they do not have a post office.

What is the matter with our local Dramatic Association? The people of this valley are great theatre goers, but at the same time those who are thought not realize how detrimental it is to the financial interests of this isolated community to pay out large sums of money to people who carry it out of the country. It is said that the Imperial Dramatic company cleared up an even \$1000 on their Vernal and Fort Da-

## GLINES WARD CLEANING

The Bureau was mistaken in the statement that the late Joseph Rich-  
one was born in Provo. He was born in Charleston, Wasatch County.

W. Ross of Glines ward and Mr. Gurber, lately of Midway, Wasatch County, now living in Mill ward, contemplate starting a cheese factory here this winter. Mr. Gurber is an experienced cheese maker, and there is no doubt that the enterprise will be a success.

The stockholders of the Ashley Upper Irrigation Company held their annual meeting here last Monday. There was a large representation present and many questions of vital importance to the community were discussed. The minutes of all the meetings of the board of directors were read as was also the financial report of the company. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President of the company, J. H. Murray; Secretary, J. P. Rudy; directors, Thomas Bingham, George Pickens, John J. Slough, Joseph McKee and Mark Batt.

Nass Olsen formerly of this place is now at La Junta, Colorado, where he has a permanent job in the machine shop of the Atchafalaya, Topoka and Santa Fe railroad.

A welcome home party was tendered our returned missionary, Henry Abplanalp, in the meeting house last night.

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In a short time the people living in the upper end of the valley will be rejoicing in the convenience of a post office near their homes. Moroni Gurber, the popular mill ward merchant, has received the appointment and last week filled bonds as post master. The new office, which has been christened "Bount Vista" by the post office department, will be located at Mr. Gurber's place of business on the Holliday corner. As this is the most public place in Mill ward and the most suitable place for a post office, the people of that part of the valley will soon wonder how they have managed to live these many years without it. We congratulate the citizens, who have worked for the establishment of the office, upon the favorable action taken in their behalf by the department. It is needless to say that Mr. Gurber will be a good and efficient post master and we predict that he will hold the position for many years to come.

#### Polling Places.

Jensen, school house district No. 1.  
Naples, Robert's hall.  
South Vernal, old Central school house.  
North Vernal, City hall.  
Glinas ward, school house.  
Mill ward, Social hall.  
Dry Fork, school house.  
Lucerne Valley, Manila school house.

Services in Odd Fellows Hall on  
Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p.  
The people are invited.

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Lost.—A 45-70 Ballard rifle  
between Vernal and Millward. This  
day morning October 25th. Find  
please leave at Co-op.

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The final grand democratic ra-  
will be held at the Vernal Op-  
House Monday night. The speaker  
will be Prof. Andrew Morgan and  
Vernal's great lady orator, Mrs. C.  
Taylor. A grand display of  
works will be one of the attractions.

Sheriff Preece called at this office  
late last night and handed us the  
following telegram:

Price, Utah, Nov. 2  
William Preece,  
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Just arrived. We have all the best  
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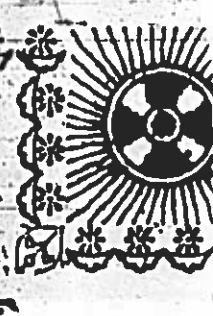
J. T. McConnell

The republican campaigners com-  
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and Mr. Nye left this morning for  
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"What kind?"

"A yellow one."

"But what's the matter with you?"

"I want to write a letter."

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### THIRTY YEARS AGO

Dr. Charles E. Hirth has receiv-  
ed his new dental chair and elec-  
trical equipment.

E. W. Davis and family, Misses  
Gale Blankenship and Helen De-  
Molsy have been on a camping  
trip on Brush creek for ten days.  
County Clerk Hacking issued  
marriage licenses July 20 to Lorin  
Hatch of Vernal and Rhoda Price  
of Maeser; and T. F. Campbell  
and Vilate Clark of Vernal.

Tuesday, July 14, Mrs. William  
Knobles gave birth to a daugh-  
ter. Born, Wednesday, July 15, to  
the wife of Ira Burton, two daugh-  
ters.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Henderson  
are over from the reservation for  
a short visit. They have been on  
their homestead now about six  
weeks.

Lafe Richardson was over from  
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quainted with the new boy that  
made his appearance on that day,  
at the Richardson home.

spent the Twenty-fourth with her  
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace  
Oaks.

Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Colton of  
Roosevelt spent Sunday visiting  
Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Vet Carroll and  
daughter, Maxine, returned from  
Provo where Maxine received med-  
ical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hacking are  
the parents of a baby girl, born  
on July 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Allen, who  
have been ill are improving.

Miss Margaret Oaks, who has  
been staying at the home of Ken-  
neth Splers caring for the children  
while Mrs. Splers was at Bing-  
ham, returned home Monday.

Mrs. Lloyd Merkley of Jensen  
and family spent Thursday visit-  
ing Mr. and Mrs. John L. McCon-  
kie. Mrs. McConkie accompanied  
her home for a visit.

The Primary gave a children's  
dance Monday at the amusement  
hall.

Mrs. Alma Warren left Friday  
evening for Salt Lake City.

Elden Allred of Heber is spend-  
ing a few days visiting at the  
home of his grandparents, Mr. and  
Mrs. George Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Thacker and  
family left Sunday morning for  
Salt Lake to attend the Covered  
Wagon Days celebration. He trans-  
ported the UHS band members.

The MIA members presented a  
sunset historical pageant at the  
high school grounds Sunday.

Lloyd Richards made a trip to  
Salt Lake during the week.

Mrs. George Walkup and family  
of Whiterocks spent Friday here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McConkie  
and family of Lapoint spent Sun-  
day here.

Mrs. George Roberts left Mon-  
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at the home of her daughter, Mrs.  
A. M. Gray.

Lewis Timothy is installing a  
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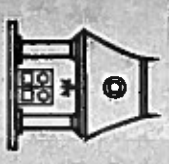
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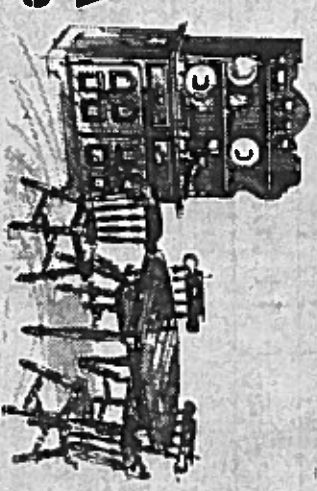
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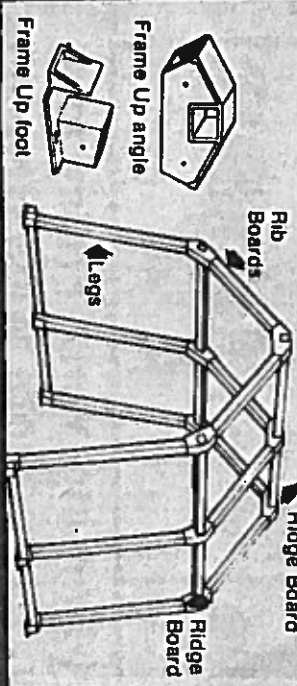
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## Maeser begins work on sewer line

The construction of a new sewer line on 500 North on the Maeser Highway began Monday, July 2 and will continue for approximately three weeks.

The new sewer line will be installed beginning at 1900 West, in

front of Uintah High School to 2500 West.

"We ask the public to be very cautious and reduce your speed while traveling this area," said Harry Miyoshi, Maeser district manager.

"We are sorry for the inconvenience

this construction will cause but we will do our best to complete this project as quickly as possible. Your cooperation and patience is very much appreciated."

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# Valley

## MAESER

BY MRS KENNETH SPIERS

fort. Mail was brought by Dillman, who made the mountains on snow brought all letters but was paper. This was passing among the settlers and his turn at reading the the "outside". James later that, although the very severe, his little log comfortable with its dirt for a door, and a piece of factory muslin for a

standing the trials and endured, the people must continue to be must have entertainment, to children must have several men in the fort, belongings had violins, music of these instruments whiled away many dancing. Each Sunday unday school was held, then on week days attendance conducted by William a cabin located a quarter of the fort.

ing of 1880 came early, came an epidemic of the diphtheria, caused by due to insufficient nourishing the hard winter any children were claimed and it is recalled that a Henderson and his wife, me to the valley the premen with eleven children, spring with only two, all falling victims to the di-

supply was exhausted in of 1880 and the people starvation. It was then Hadlock received back money to the amount of this he loaned to the people so they might be encourage food to tide them they could grow some the early days of May, four-horse outfit departed River City, Wyo., to loads of provisions and allies. It is written in the these pioneering days that Hacking cooked frozen and some bran, seasoned at the last salt remaining, the starving people with at the meager food. On before the outfit returned in River City with provi-

the settlers fasted—not utary choice, but because crumb of food was to be where. When the teams view tears of gratitude in the eyes of the brave great of Indian outbreaks

The first pioneers moved this part of Ashley valley by traveling up Deep creek, over Red Pine ridge, and into Dry Fork, and so Maeser had settlers as early as any other part of Ashley valley. Robert Bodily, William Shaffer, Phillip Stringham, Sr., William Britt, Finus Britt, William Bradshaw and the late Wm. G. Reynolds, some accompanied by their families, had all located. In what is now Maeser ward and were here during the hard winter of 1879-80, and Thomas Bingham at this time lived in Dry Fork. All these men were instrumental in making the upper part of the valley what it is today.

In 1879 Robert Bodily, William Bradshaw, William Shaffer and Phillip Stringham with ox and horse teams began the construction of the pioneer irrigating canal of the upper valley, now known as the Upper canal, and by this canal water was brought from Ashley creek to the tracts these men and their neighbors were tilling. Today this canal supplies practically all the irrigating water for Maeser ward.

Being the original advocate of a school for this section of the valley, Robert Bodily was chosen as one of the first school trustees of the district, and he also was one of the early county commissioners at a time when the county seat was located at Old Ashley. The first log school house was located just west of the Mark M. Hall residence, and later an addition was built to accommodate the fast increasing number of children. In 1889 this school building was destroyed by fire, originated by an overheated stove. The ward chapel was then built, and in this school was conducted until 1889, in which year the first brick school house was erected in Maeser.

Soon after the "hard winter" Wm. Reynolds, father of William C. Reynolds, came to Maeser, and together they constructed and operated the first burr mill in the upper valley, the motive power being supplied by horses. This enterprise was known for many years as the Reynolds' mill but is now known as Farmers

had disappeared and all settlers moved out of the fort and began to till the soil. As but a few horses had survived the harsh winter, nearly all the work was done by hand. Roads and canals were constructed by hand labor, and crops were planted. James Hacking planted trees on both sides of the street passing in front of his home.

Gradually more settlers joined the band of pioneers in the expansive region—an inland empire—and diligently all labored in truly making "the desert to bloom as the rose."

mill. The original small room in which the milling was conducted was only recently torn down. In the years as the custom of the mill increased more modern machinery was installed, the owners keeping step with progress. From the day when the old mill turned out its first batch of flour until his death, five years ago, William G. Reynolds continued to be the miller of the enterprise he founded.

In Maeser a Sunday school was instituted with the first arrival of pioneers, and other religious services soon followed. William Shaffer was the presiding elder in the pioneer days, and when the ward was created he was made bishop. At the time of the organization of the ward Robert Bodily was his first counselor and George Glines was second counselor.

Another early settler of this part of the valley was Lycurgus Johnson and he also erected a flour mill. As his mill and the one operated by William G. Reynolds were the only ones in this section, the ward was first named Mill ward. In 1910, when the new brick school house

was built and bought the Maeser school in honor of Frederick Karl G. Maeser of Fribourg, it was deemed best to change the name of the ward to conform with the name of the school. This was done, and since 1910 the old Mill ward is known as Maeser ward.

Since the days of long ago when these good, brave pioneers chose the upper part of the valley as the place to build their homes, Maeser ward has grown and flourished, and today are found meadows and farm lands, fine orchards, and some of the most magnificent homes of the Uintah basin, where once was seen only the wild growth of the desert.

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tributed thousands of dollars among them. Among the large buyers he has the reputation of being a dealer who usually has a desirable bunch of cattle to sell.

### MAESER

The three weeks old baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hall is gradually recovering from a severe illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Knight, formerly of Denver, Colorado but now living in the Moroni Gerber place, are the proud parents of a baby boy, born Sunday night.

Wiley Collett has started up a store in the place formerly owned by H. Elmer and son.

The Thanksgiving dinner given by the Relief Society was pronounced a success. The afternoon dance was also well attended.

George Merkle recently undertook to drive a bull out of his stack yard, when it attacked him and he barely escaped with his life. He run a pitchfork in its nose several times but without effect, after which he was mercilessly thrown around, causing severe bruises and a general shaking up. He is able to get around now with the aid of crutches.

Mr. Billings, the Watkins man, had a bad runaway the other day scattering extracts and medicine along the street after which the team ran into a telephone pole, damaging it and throwing several telephones out of commission.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Spiers are rejoicing over the arrival of a seven pound bay, which came to live with them on December 14th.

### DEFEATED BY SNOW STORM

Rev. M. J. Hersey, was in town

Referring to the

A jury composed of the following citizens was finally empaneled; viz: Charles O. Weist, Alfred Simper, Moses Moore, Arthur E. Gardiner, John O. Evans, Roger Horrocks, Eugene Woodruff and Adelbert Colton.

Attorney Earnest H. Burgess, of Roosevelt, was appointed to defend Galloway.

After being out for some time the jury pronounced the defendant not guilty.

Following is a list of probate matters disposed of:

Estate of I. T. Lucky, deceased. Petition for final distribution and discharge of administrator, granted.

Estate of J. M. Thomas, deceased. Petition for distribution to her (Louisa A. Thomas, administratrix) the residue of the property of said estate. Her final account rendered as administratrix. Both petitions granted.

Estate of Hattie J. Demming, deceased. Petition for order approving final account and also an order for final distribution, granted.

Estate of Catherine Fairchild, deceased. Returns of sale of real estate and petition of John O. Evans, administrator, praying for an order confirming sale of real estate of the property of said estate, granted.

Estate of Reed James Hacking, deceased. Petition of Mabel Hacking administratrix, praying for an order for final distribution of said estate, granted.

Estate of Joel Orson Williams, deceased. Petition for hearing final account and for final distribution, granted.

Estate of Annie C. Murray, deceased. Petition of Stephen R. Murray, praying for an order of sale of certain real estate and personal pro-

which pipelines have been constructed, and the other, the artesian wells on the plant site property. Because of the value of water to the community and the necessity of avoiding any waste of water for agricultural purposes, a complete recirculating system has been constructed, with a reservoir covering 310 acres of collecting and storage purposes. This system will not only conserve water but will bring into the area for agricultural needs a larger quantity of water than existed before. The reservoir is now completed.

### Maeser IGA Closes

Last week the stock of the Maeser I. G. A. store was sold to Ashton Brothers.

For the past several years this store has been operated by Erma Fletcher.

Miss Fletcher plans to leave this week for Ft. Lewis, Washington, where she has a position on a PBX board. She also plans to enter radio training there.

### All Wool Stocks in Rock Springs Sold

Practically all wool in the Rock Springs, Wyo., section, which comprises approximately 1,000,000 pounds, has been sold and the last carload shipment of one of the big buyers is being made this week from Opal, Wyo., said word received here from Albert S. Erickson.

Much of the wool was purchased during the shearing time and the remainder has been purchased by the Harris Wool and Fur Co., now liquidated. The John W. Hay and Gottsche Estates comprised

vouchers to the undersigned at the law office of Clyde S. Johnson, Suite 2, Uintah State Bank Bldg., Vernal, Uintah County, Utah, on or before the 21st day of January A. D. 1943.

J. H. Quirl, Executor of the estate of John Quirl, deceased.

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Mike Adams, (left) owner of Vernal Fire Extinguisher, stands with Doug McGregor, Maeser Merchants President, and Wimpy's owner Jack Gardner (right).

## Maeser Merchants add two new members

Vernal Fire Extinguisher Sales and Service and Wimpy's have recently joined the Maeser Area Merchant Association.

Vernal Fire Extinguisher Sales and Service repairs and services all types of fire extinguishers besides selling many different types. Mike Adams is owner of Vernal Fire Extinguisher and has been in business 3½ years.

Wimpy's is a fast food restaurant

specializing in hamburgers and french fries. Jack Gardner purchased Wimpy's 13 months ago.

The addition of these two businesses brings the total association membership to 14 businesses, according to Doug McGregor, president of the organization. McGregor said the association was established to make people aware of the services available in the Maeser area. They meet twice a month to formulate and decide on courses of action.

business in Old Ashley town, located three or four miles north of J. C. Penneys, erected a flour mill which was located in Section 16, or one-fourth mile west of John Hacking's residence. G. F. Culmer, whose interest was in the mercantile business at Salt Lake City, advanced the capital to Mr. Johnson for the erection of this mill and this flour mill operated for over twenty years. George A. Goodrich built the mill and also the stone house for the Johnson family and was also the first miller hired by "Curg" Johnson, as he was commonly called. The Goodrich families later settled in Naples. In about 1920 the mill was torn down and sold to N. J. Meagher and later sold to a Mr. Petersen at Duchesne.

Patrick Henry also erected a sawmill in this locality. It was located in the southwest corner of Section 15. The mill was just off the old military reserve, Fort Thornburg. The remainder of Patrick Henry's land was a part of the reservation east. This sawmill was made at this particular place that it might be supplied with water power to saw timber to accommodate the early settlers of this entire valley. William Oaks now owns the field, near Glen Oak's home, (2190 north 2500 west) where part of the old millrace is still intact.

This ward was called Mill Ward for a good many years and was named for the several mills operated here.

Later a postoffice was established here and was located about one-fourth mile east of the Reynolds mill, on the opposite side of the road from the Joseph Hardy place and now owned by Eph Pitt. While this postoffice was here, this ward was known as Buena Vista as that was the name of the postoffice. Some people have said that R. L. Woodard named the ward Buena Vista. The first postmaster, while the postoffice was here was Lewis Allen. This postoffice was later moved to the spot where the Rudge's store was located and Moroni Gerber was the postmaster. Under the window north of the door in the Rudge store, you can still see the slot where letters were posted. An advertisement is nailed over the slot at this time, however. (Note: at this time, May, 1978, the old Rudge store has become the Dun Broke Feed and Seed store (2510 west 500 north) and the Buena Vista postoffice, complete with letter slot, is located on the Linford Batty property in Ashley, where it has been marked by the Daughters of Utah Pioneers and is also a State Historical marker.)

There was also a postoffice in Vernal at this time, having been moved from Old Ashley townsite to that location. In a short time Buena Vista was again known as Mill Ward. Later Joseph H. Bodily, a community worker and also a great admirer of Dr. Karl G. Maeser, suggested that the name be changed to Maeser Ward in honor of the memory of Dr. Karl G. Maeser, which is a fitting and unique name for this ward. (There are now Maeser 1st, 2nd and 3rd wards, and a Vernal Utah, Maeser Stake, created April 30, 1978, with a new stake center to commence building in Maeser, across from the new Maeser Elementary School.)

The early settlers of Maeser did indeed sacrifice much for the meager education provided for their children at that time. The first school held at Maeser was held in a private dwelling which had been vacated and was located north of where Frank Smith's home now stands. It was the first shingled roof house in this area.

\* The Ashley postoffice which is on Linford Batty property at about 1370 W. 2500 North was created on Dec 27 1873 & was discontinued on Nov 11 1897. This old building is still there & taken care of by the Buena Vista UHP. The Buena Vista post office was established Oct 4, 1904 in Maeser at 2510 W. 500 N. It discontinued on Nov 27 1978. (The early Maeser Post) was discontinued on Nov 13, 1910. They have

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1. Offered cooperation in state and federal programs to curb and eventually eradicate rodents and poisonous weeds, but declared that cattle and horse growers should not pay a disproportionate share of the cost as they asserted has been the case in the past.
2. Endorsed the general principles of the new brand and anti-theft act passed at the last session of the legislature, and urged "speedy enactment" of the McCarran anti-theft bill now pending in congress, which would make it a felony to transport stolen livestock across a state line.
3. Reiterated opposition to any modification of the existing embargo applying to all countries where foot and mouth disease exists.
4. Declared that the cattle in-

park and continue four blocks west with the new lights. A notice of intention to create an improvement district will be published and as soon as the necessary preliminary work is completed steps will be taken to install the new system.

Representatives of the Band Boosters met requesting a small donation from the city to assist with their drive. This was granted.

A representative of the Highway 40 club asked the city for an appropriation to assist in an advertising program, which was granted.

### Fugitive Court Saturday

Mrs. Pardon Dadds and her son, Clinton Dadds, formerly of Vernal, were under arrest Saturday at Ventura, Calif., on charges of harboring a fugitive from justice.

Jay C. Newman, agent in charge of the Salt Lake office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, who was informed of the detention of the woman and her son, said that the government's two-year search for the woman's husband will be continued.

The captives were secretly indicted a week ago by the federal grand jury at Ogden for allegedly concealing Pardon Dadds between Dec. 15, 1938 and Jan. 20, 1939.

Mr. Dadds was charged on Dec. 2, 1937 with selling liquor to Indians.—Deseret News.

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# Maeser Plans Beautification Drive to

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A committee composed of residents of Maeser, is planning to beautify that section of the Valley, in keeping with the plan to beautify Utah for the World's Fair and Centennial in 1947.

Every family has been visited and the plans explained, which include: Clean up and paint up, front and back; paint mail boxes and posts white; plant flowers, trees and shrubs; saw fence posts

to uniform height; dump rubbish out of sight of roads and highways.

Money has been collected from each family to purchase trees to plant along highways, streets and private homes. Each street has a committee to promote the cleaning of that street as well as a committee to urge the planting of flowers.

A move is underway to finish

the sidewalks that were started a number of years ago. Arbor Day has been chosen as street cleaning day.

Members of the committee are Beatrice Stringham, as chairman; Mrs. Rhoda Hatch, trees; M. M. Hall, streets; Mrs. Eleanor Allen, flowers; Melvin Jorgensen, sidewalk and business; Mrs. Byron Thomas, county advisor.

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## Maeser

Eloise Allen Parker  
Phone 789-2178

### Maeser resident accident victim

Wynn Mansfield was in a motorcycle-car accident last Friday, Aug. 20. He was on the way to work. The car made a left turn into Country Cash Market causing Wynn to hit into their car. He broke the small bone in his leg, broke his wrist and was bleeding internally. He was rushed into emergency surgery. He is recovering at home now and anxious to return to work.

James and Olive Parry have moved to Moab. Jim is the manager of a saddle tree company there.

Brenda and William J. Smith are living in the Jim Parry home. They moved to Vernal from Midland, Mich. They have one son, Robert, who is one year old. William works for Dowell Division Dow Chemical USA.

Thomas J. and Peggy Price have moved to Grand Junction, Colo. They are not going to sell their home as they plan to use it as a rental. They have plans to possibly move back to Vernal someday.

The Mack McConkie family held their family reunion recently at Oaks Park on Taylor Mountain. Carl and Kathy McConkie and family came from Dillon, Mont.; Randy and Valynn Christopherson and family came from Provo; Garth and Melanie McConkie and family; Glen and DeAnn McConkie and family from Vernal attended.

Roger and Laura Hacking and family have moved into their new home.

Steve and Andrea Justice Warby have moved back to Vernal. They were living in Casper, Wyo.

Mr. Don (Louise) Goff, daughter of Mrs. Valena Merkley, came from Ladson, S.C. to be with her mother at the time of Roland's death and funeral. She will return to her home in a week.

Blaine Joe and Cheryl Hall Merkley and their two sons have moved to Farmington, N.M. Blaine Joe just recently graduated from college at BYU. His major was accounting.

Mrs. Theo Line has some company visiting her. They are Mr. and Mr. Norman (Dora Dean) Welch from Connell, Wash., and Mrs. Vera Kenison from Olympia, Wash. These ladies are sisters of Theo, also Myril Bodily and Mrs. James (Vida) Clark. Their maiden name is Carrugh.

Last weekend the five Carrugh sisters and their families met at Altonah on some property belonging to James Clark and had a large long-awaited Carrugh family reunion.

Darin Perry, son of Rodney and LaRae Perry, recently accidentally shot himself in the leg with a .45 automatic pistol he believed to be unloaded.

Brother and Sister Margaret Zufelt's mission report on Aug. 29 in Maeser drew a large crowd of local people and many from out of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Arland (Venita Hatch) from Auburn, Wash., were in Vernal recently for the reception of her nephew, Marc Millicam and Kaleen McGregor. Mrs. Arland is the daughter of the Sam Hatches and a sister to Janet Abplanalp, mother of the groom.

The Arlands also visited her aunt and uncle, the Boyd Hatches. They spent

time on the mountain with Sam and Lucille Hatch fishing, hunting arrowheads and enjoying the mountain. The Arlands also visited her aunt, Tess Siddoway.

Mr. and Mrs. DeNile Smuin built a new home recently about a block north of their double wide trailer which they sold to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Drapper.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Drapper moved to Vernal from Silt, Colo. after retiring. Their daughter and son-in-law, Darris and Billie Smuin, live in Vernal. Their other daughter, Leona Stokes, lives in Red Cloud, Neb., spent some time visiting them recently.

Mrs. Mildred Sherman, sister of Mrs. Drapper, Springville, has also been in Vernal for several weeks visiting her sister.

Teachers from the Maeser area who are teaching this year are: Uintah High-Bill Caldwell, Gil Limb, Bob Jameson, Curtis May, Nancy Colton, secretary. Junior High-Joe Calder, Chuck Henry, Clark Oviatt, Jean Peterson and Lorin Richens. Ashley Elementary-Carolyn Fulkerson, Norma Powers and Cody Jenkins. Central-Roger Beckstead. Discovery-Kaye Richens, Ramond Peterson and Gayle Ferguson, secretary. Maeser-Maralea Beckstead, Lois Zumbo, Rodney Porter, Donna Massey, Rex Hadlock, Brad Bullock and Christy Whitney. Learning Center-Estella Richens.

Mr. and Mrs. Frances Bowden of El Paso, Texas are visiting in Vernal at his mother's, Mrs. May Bowden and Mr. and Mrs. Glen McKee. They also visited friends in Tridell.



# Maeser Roads Are Shale Surfaced by Much Donation Work

(From Maeser Correspondent)

With the coming of spring the subject of repairing the roads is again discussed. Some of the men in the ward have already spent several days at work for this good movement. They have greatly improved over a half mile of road from William Abbott's residence extending south beyond the Ashley creek, by grading it and making a hard surface of shale. The men secured the shale from an old shale mountain near Rock Point. Half of the work was donated and the county pays 50 per cent of cost. It would be well for the people of the ward to avail themselves this opportunity to extend the shale covered road into Vernal. At present it is not difficult to load a wagon with shale because there is a loading chute on the grounds.

The men who so generously helped on this section of road were: Ed Colton, 6 days; William Ramsay, 6 days; Ray Reynolds, 6 days; Sam Grey, 6 days; Marcellus Jones, 5 days; Owen Jones, 5 days; Rods Roper, 5 days; Lee Hall, 2 days; William Abbott, 4 days; Lynn Britt, 5 days; John McLean, 4½ days; Edgar Allen, 2½ days; Morgan Morkley, 4 days; Daniel Nelson, 5 days; Glenn Oaks, 4½ days; Ed Bodilly, 4 days, and Arthur Baker, 3½ days.

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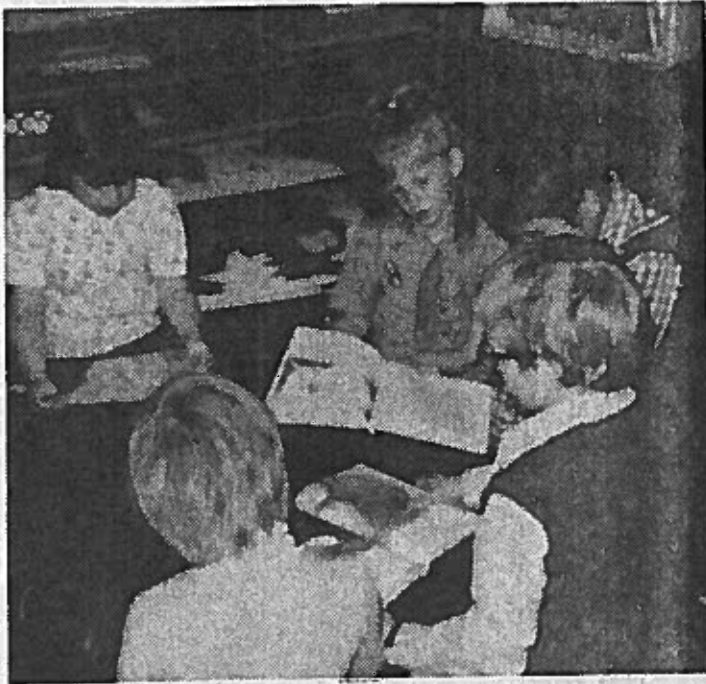
# Maeser School develops their learning center

By Sue Naylor  
Second Grade Teacher

A learning center is an instructional device developed with a specific goal in mind. The activities in the center are provided to reach an outcome. A center can be: designed for a purpose, designed for any number of activities, designed to introduce, develop or reinforce a concept; designed for a group or an individual; designed for different ability levels. A learning center can be just for fun.

Our reading center in the second grade was developed to give practice in reading. We have alphabet charts, flash cards, vowel cards, letter wheels, word-ending wheels, matching games, card games, lotto games, story sequence games, books of all kinds, and a set of headphones and story tapes. Materials for creative writing are also available. All the games are self-checking.

The children work independently in the reading center. They are learning and having fun at the same time.



ABOVE CLOCKWISE are Loretta Clerico, Shiree Bowthorpe, Darrick Hale, Tracy Gardner, Todd Balka making use of the learning center.



Leonardo da Vinci was left-handed.



Estate Dealer now calls on to save time, for stepping too fast makes Residence Streets out of order to make any future plans to this Hustler, most people own their own

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Many a man spends half a day preparing to waste his time and the other half in wasting it.

Miss Alta Gillman is employed as stenographer at the office of County Agent E. Peterson.

Andrew Dudley, Jr. was transacting business in town Saturday, returning to Jensen the same evening.

V. T. Rice, who will have charge of the musical entertainment for the U. B. J. C., was a business visitor in Vernal Thursday.

J. H. Chew, father of Mrs. Nille Hugbhel, is in from Colorado and enjoying a visit with home folks and his many friends.

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## Happings In Society

### MISS REVA YORK HONORED WITH SHOWERS

Tuesday evening at the York home a large number of guests were entertained by Mrs. William Preece and daughter and Mrs. Irvin Eaton as hostesses at a shower in honor of Miss Reva York who is to become the bride of Kenneth Richardson July 6. Many beautiful gifts were received by Miss York from her admiring friends.

### VERNAL GIRL MARRIES CALIFORNIA MAN

Miss LaVista McCurdy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George McCurdy, Sr., of Glines ward, and who have lived for some time in California, was married June 25 at her home in Huntington Beach, Calif., where she was working in a music store, to William R. Gamboni, employee of the Holly Oil company at the home of her parents, by President Evans of the L. D. S. church, Long Beach.

### WILL WED SATURDAY

Miss Reva York, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. York and who is employed at the Ashton Bros. company, and Kenneth Richardson, son of Sheriff and Mrs. Lafe Richardson, both popular young people of Vernal have announced they will be married July 5 and will leave early next week for Price where they will make their home. Mr. Richardson has employment there.

### E. H. ADAIR HONORED ON HIS BIRTHDAY

Monday the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Calbreath was the scene of a surprise and farewell party. A surprise for E. H. Adair on his birthday and a farewell to Rev. and Mrs. G. A. Downey and Mrs. Mildred Downey and daughter.

A splendid dinner was served by the hosts, a bountiful portion coming from Mr. Calbreath's excellent garden. Mr. Adair recently returned from Iowa and the Downey's leave soon for California and Louisiana. F. S. Tucker, the new congregational pastor, was also present.

### Hon. Don B. Colton To Speak at Conjoint Next Sunday Night

The M. I. A. conjoint meeting of the Vernal First and Second wards will be held at the First ward chapel at 7:30 p. m., Sunday, July 6. Congressman Don B. Colton will be the speaker. The following program will be given: Vocal solo, Miss Josephine Hacking; reading, Merle Cook; quartet, A. B. Thomas and company; violin duet, Mrs. May Haslem and Mrs. Rose Johnson; reading, Miss Mable Richardson; clarinet solo, David Calder; piano duet, Miss Thora Johnson and Miss Elva Eaton. Everyone cordially invited.

### ENJOY YELLOWSTONE TRIP

County Treasurer and Mrs. Henderson drove their new Essex coach to Yellowstone going by way of La-

### MAESER STORE OPENED FOR BUSINESS FRIDAY

The many customers and friends of Mr. and Mrs. William Rudge of the Maeser store, which has been closed for some time past, will be pleased to learn the are back at the old stand ready to serve their patrons.

### BYRON EATON RETURNS FROM L. D. S. MISSION

Wednesday evening Byron Eaton, who had filled a mission in the Northern states, returned home and is busy shaking hands with his many friends. He was joined at Salt Lake city by Mrs. Eaton who returned with him.

Mr. Eaton served as president in two conferences. He greatly enjoyed the Vernal Express and states he is glad to get back home, but greatly enjoyed his mission.

### COUNCIL DISCUSSES LICENNES

The city council Wednesday evening limited the use of city water and held discussion on the new schedule for city licenses. A committee from the Vernal Gun club was present.

### LEAVE FOR CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Lemmon and family left Sunday morning for San Diego, Calif., where they will go to make their permanent home. Mr. and Mrs. Lemmon have a host of friends in Vernal who wish them much success in their new home. They will drive through in their car.

### HORSE INJURED BOY

Clinton Dodds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pardon Dodds, Jr., while leading a wild horse at the ranch home Tuesday, was thrown to the ground and while not seriously injured received a number of painful gashes about the head when the horse kicked him.

### Doubts the Existence of White Backed Robin

Leo C. Thorne, photographer and naturalist, who several weeks ago reported seeing a white backed robin and attempted taking its photo-

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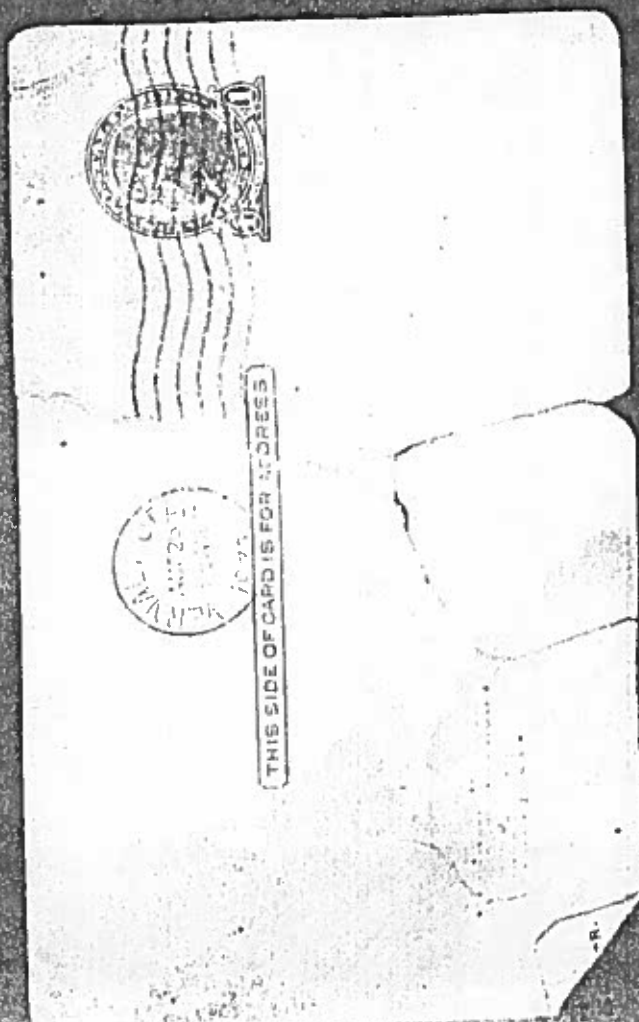
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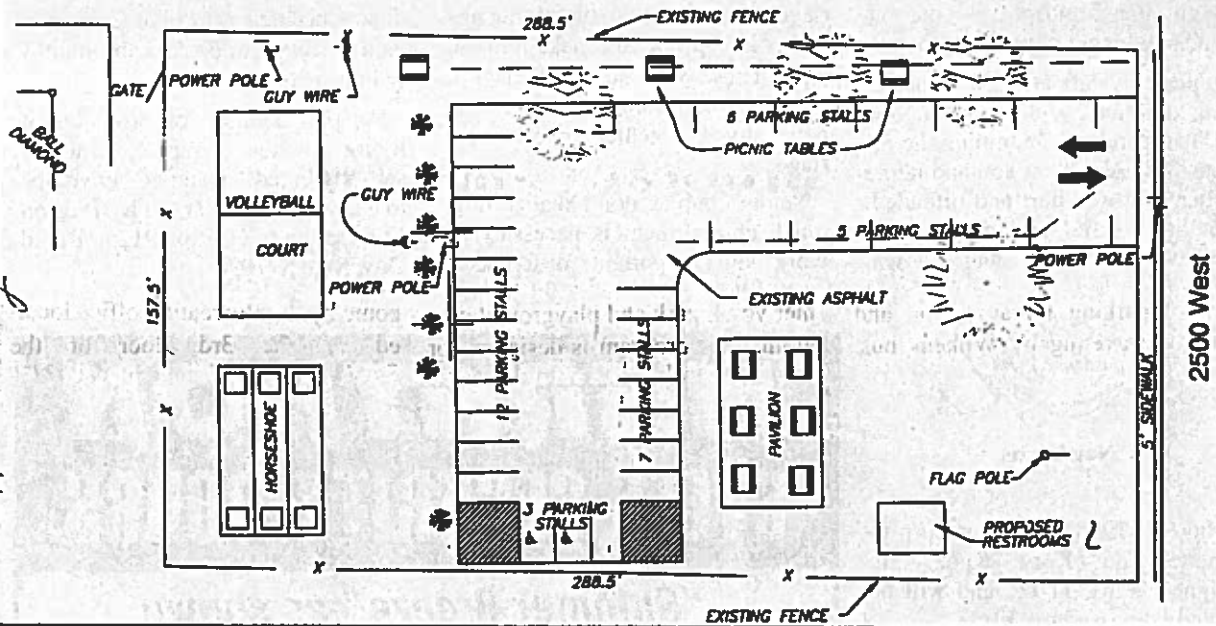
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Drawing shows proposed Maeser park near the Maeser School.

## Maeser to have community park

by Bonnie Weaver  
Express Staff Writer

At the May 19 school board meeting, Dr. Richard Jolley presented the Board with a proposal to turn some unused Uintah School District owned property into a small park. Jolley said, "The property I'm talk-

ing about is located on 2500 West, just north of 1000 North, approximately 1080 or 1090 North, right next to the Maeser Water Improvement District."

Jolley proposed a cooperative effort be made between interested citizens, eagle scouts and the Parks

and Recreation Department, if the District would approve this use for the property.

According to Jolley, at the present time there's some lawn there, a baseball diamond, a flag pole and some lilac bushes. He hopes to add a volleyball area, horseshoes, a few picnic tables, etc., depending on the interest and desires of the community. Jolley said that he thought a sprinkling and/or water system was already in place.

"I think that if people get involved we can have a nice park there...Parks and Recreation said they'd mow the lawn and there are eagle scouts ready to do community service projects in the area," Jolley said.

Fran Harding, president of the school board, said she understood that the Parks and Recreation Department would assume some of the liability but asked Scott Ruppe, Uintah School District business administrator, to check if the District would have to take on some of the liability as well.

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Recorder—Golda M. Carroll  
Sheriff—H. M. Snyder  
Under Sheriff—S. D. Hatch  
Treasurer—J. Wallace Johnson  
Attorney—Clyde S. Johnson, R.  
R. Hackett, Inc., Vernal  
Welfare—Belle Angus  
Nurses—Naomi Zundell and  
Grace Kilby  
Agent—Russell R. Keeler  
Assessor—Lester Bingham  
County Commissioners 1940—Byron Goodrich, Ray G. Labrum, J. W. Weaver  
County Commissioners 1941—J. W. Weaver, J. Ray McKee, Alma Preece  
Justice of the Peace—W. S. Henderson

## FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

Judges—Dallas H. Young, Abe W. Turner  
District Attorney—Wm. Stanley Dunford

## LEGISLATURE

Senator—Lynne Ashton  
Representative—B. H. Stringham

## VERNA CITY OFFICERS

Mayor—R. C. Cooper  
Councilmen—Donald R. Barr, Wendell Pope, Harmon Sowards, Chas. A. Hatch, Philip Watkins  
Recorder—C. T. Pope  
Treasurer—Wilson Murray  
Marshal—Lafe Richardson  
Night Marshal—Mark Caldwell  
Water Master—Emil Sundquist  
Justice of the Peace—Chas. S. Carter  
Volunteer Fire Department—Wendell Pope, Chief; Jack Milburn, Henry Schaefermeyer, Kenneth Richardson, Marion Batty, Ralph Alexander, James Hemm, street, Nile Smith, Paul Lyman

## MAESER TOWN BOARD

Leslie Thacker—Chairman  
Verdin Johnson, Harold McKee, Morgan Merkle, Leroy Carroll, members;  
Don L. McConkie, clerk  
Vernal Post Office—Pontha Calder, postmaster, Jessie Haws, Leonard Perry, Hattie Y. Johnson, Frank Blough, Ivan Atwood, clerks; Delbert Shanno, custodial employee  
Rural Carriers—Vern Shimmie, R. P. D. 1, and Chas. B. Anderson, R. P. D. 2

## POSTMASTERS

Lapoint—Thelma Winn  
Gusher—Homer Haynes  
Port Duchesne—Martin Curtis  
Randlett—Muriel Stevens  
Ouray—Austin Wardle  
Jensen—Zelpha Wellman  
Whiterocks—Robert Marimon  
Tridell—Jennie McConkie  
Leota—Thelma Bliddecome  
Myton—Alice Todd

## ASHLEY NATIONAL FOREST SERVICE

A. L. Taylor, supervisor  
Grazing Supervisor—E. E. House, district grazer; R. E. Mathis, Jr., grazer  
OCO Camp D. O. 31—Wm. W. Robinson, commander  
Educational Advisor—Frank J. Kennard; Thomas E. Ward, superintendent  
Selective Service Board—N. J.

Explorer Chairman—J. Wallace Johnson  
Explorer Chairman—T. Edward Aycock  
Finance—Charles A. Hatch  
Secretary—Charles H. Colton  
Camping Director—Richard Jensen  
Health and Safety Chairman—Wallace Calder  
Court of Honor—Charles S. Carter

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Ashley Ward—Alma Preece  
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Glines—John B. Eaton  
Jensen—Lloyd J. Merkle  
Lapoint—Jerry Harrison  
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Naples—Lavell Manwaring  
Tridell—Leroy Morrill  
Vernal First Ward—Pontha Calder  
Vernal Second Ward—Owen Leota—Y. S. Eksund  
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## KINGSBURY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Reverend James W. Hallwood, pastor

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fr. Father Maurice Fitzgerald

## CIVIC CLUB ASSOCIATIONS, ETC.

Lions Club—B. H. Stringham, president  
Junior Chamber of Commerce—Clair Brown, president  
Utah Basin Livestock Show—Alvin E. Weeks, president  
Vernal Rodeo—Alvin E. Weeks, president  
Ashley Woolgrowers Association—Harold Reader, president  
Ashley Cattlegrowers Association—Hiram E. Seeley, president  
AAA—Elmer Lind, president  
Planting Board—Elmer Lind, president  
Utah Basin Soil Conservation Committee—Leon P. Christensen, chairman  
Library Board—R. C. Cooper, chairman; Byron Goodrich, Mrs. Bert Singleton, Mrs. L. P. Christensen, Mrs. Charles Batty, members; Mrs. Elizabeth Meeker, librarian  
Vernal Wildlife Federation—Mark Code, president  
American Legion—Owen Johnston

## DAUGHTERS OF UTAH PIONEERS

County Officers—Mrs. Marjorie Hatch, president  
Camp—Angie K. Bartlett—Mrs. Oral Tenney, captain  
Camp Vernal—Mrs. Stella Pack, captain  
Camp Whiterocks—Ida Atwood, captain  
Camp Escalante—Jensen, Eleanor Chew, captain  
Camp Tokawana—Katie Horrocks, captain  
Camp Eleanor Caldwell—Mrs. Pearl Perry, captain  
Camp Thornburg—Leona McCon-

kie, captain  
Junior Camp—Mrs. Alta Ward, captain

## SOCIAL CLUBS

Acc High—Opal Showalter, president  
BPW—Olady Woolley, president  
Bridge—Mrs. Lillian Henderson, president  
Lady Lions—Mrs. Martha Kapp, president  
Finnish—No officers  
Ulam—Mrs. Veronah Blough, president  
Beaux Arts—Mrs. Ruth Lendell, president  
O. T. Bridge—Mrs. Thelma Ross, president  
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## Apple

By CHARLES OWEN

THE old soprano sat quietly, intently observing, at a rear table of the Deodars cabaret. She wasn't so old, either, but she had the misfortune in an age of perverted admirations to be tall and bony built. Twenty years ago she had been a beauty, with a strong dramatic voice that, if trained, might have withstood the ravages of Wagner. As it was, she had sung at the top of her voice to her father's cows in her childhood, overwhelmed the female vocalization of the village choristers, and come to the city. She had earned at once, because big women and strong voices were the mode. Now she drank coffee—paid her cover! charge—ate indifferent French pastries to get away from herself, and watched half-starved girls with no features kick and wriggle to the cacophonies of saxophones and trap drums. If she had been an educated woman she could have coped with her conflicting emotions. She did know the reason she had chosen this restless place to rest in. It was because the doorway boasted a window where a large plate of little apples, her favorite fruit, were displayed.

The incessant clicking of countless high heels on the polished floor irritated her nerves. She felt listless, she, who had never had a sick day in her life. She hated the lack of beauty in the chorus—beauty of figure, of face, of voice. She wished for one moment she could get up and sing and show what volume and resonance were (only she did not use these words, of course).

She looked down at her feet. Smaller in proportion than those of the thin-legged girls who danced. Her clothes were rather good. She sewed well and had fair taste. She took out the little mirror in her handbag and glanced at her face. "Gosh! I'd like to show 'em!" she said to herself, and then started; for some one touched her shoulder. She turned, prepared to fight. Her aggressiveness had been at once her greatest friend and foe.

"Maggie Grant! For Pete's sake! Don't you know me? Gee, but I'm glad to see you again. Say, don't tell me you've forgotten Dan? Dan Smith of the Pitt farm? Say it's great to see you, but what are you doing here? I thought you was prima donna (he called it pryma) or something, eh?"

"I've quit all that, Dan," said the woman, after a startled pause, gathering her wits, as it were, and satisfying herself as to the man's identity. "I'm getting old. Besides, they don't think I'm good looking any more." She gazed rather ruefully at the syncopeed steppers on the floor. "How've you been making out, Dan? Married, I suppose—and kids, and . . ."

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

Thursday, Dec. 9, 1943

No. 49

## Here is Hope

OUR OWN community, like the rest of the world, has been shaken by the thunder of guns. This thunder echoes in our ears as we once more celebrate the birth of the Prince of Peace.

Yet this newspaper sees no irony in the scars of war and the message of is Christmas.

the everlasting hope of Christmas that such a vital force in our lives. That hope never ending period of "Peace on Earth." It is true that the columns of this paper Christmas have been dominated by the the war lords on our normal way of know that the peace-loving "little" goodwill far outnumber the evil.

"little" people are the citizens of this ty and other communities like it. And these same "little" people that Christ to this world 1943 years ago.

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is true spirit of Christmas dominate nking and you can say to all your we now say to you—

*A Merry Christmas*

## Maeser Town is Modern District

The town that grew up almost on the site of the military reserve post, Fort Thornburgh, can be justly proud of its accomplishments to the present time. Named in honor of a great man, Earl G. Maeser, founder of the Brigham Young Academy, Maeser town is making itself worthy of the name she bears. With a population of about seven hundred and fifty, the town has completed a water system which up-to-date has cost over forty-five thousand dollars. It is the aim of the town council to have a completely modern water system, and their plans had included a settling tank for storage with a five hundred thousand gallon capacity, and another mile of four inch pipe to run north from the old Maeser Mill, over and above that which has already been completed. When the W. P. A. was discontinued, which was to install the tank and the additional mile of pipe, the Maeser town council took the project in hand, and although the war has stopped the project for the time being, it will be completed just as soon as funds can be raised and the materials obtained. The tank will be located above the Joseph P. Hacking residence.

Maeser Town now owns one-eighth of the canyon water line and is cooperating with the city of Vernal to maintain it. This project was accomplished through a loan from the government and a bond that was floated by the town.

At the present time there exists no water delinquencies. They are all paid up. Perhaps the secret of this is that the penalty for delinquency is so high that no one cares to pay it. All payments were made when due.

The town council, which was composed of Leslie Thacker, Verdin R. Johnson, Lindsey Oaks, Harold McKee, Morgan Merkley, and Melvin Jorgenson as clerk, during the past year also concerned itself with a beautification project. The M S T and T Co. and the Utah

Power and Light Company were asked to cooperate in the program by moving the telephone poles further back on private property, thereby making it easier for the special committee which has been functioning all year to keep the streets clean. Both companies agreed to do this just as soon as they could obtain the necessary poles for replacement.

In order to protect the shade trees that have been planted along the streets, the town's citizens were asked to keep their stock off the streets. This has also helped to keep the streets clean.

The council has also taken steps to protect the local merchants. There has been cases of people going out of the valley to obtain goods at wholesale prices and then returning and peddling the goods without a permit, or a license. Definite steps have been taken by the council to end such practice.

Because the county already has the necessary equipment to maintain roads, the council agreed, to turn over the funds received from the state for road maintenance, and the county keeps the streets in repair for the town.

high-octane military gasoline. More than 50 million gallons of gasoline, fuel oils, lubricants, and other petroleum products are going directly to the fighting forces every day, the Petroleum Administration for War disclosed. One-third of all gasoline produced in the U. S. is now required for military purposes.

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## Security Inspects Park Site

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# Huge Dam Will Store Water To Insure Irrigation of Fertile Farm Lands of Ashley Valley

### Assurance Given Official Of Ashley Reservoir Company That Immediate Approval Would be Given Applications for \$77,057.50 to Construct Much Needed Reservoir. Geological Report Praises Project.

Assurance has been given official of the Ashley Reservoir company by WPA and Resettlement heads that the applications totaling \$77,057.50 for funds to construct the Buck Pasture reservoir and enlarge the canal, would be approved and that work could be started immediately. Only a few minor details have yet to be completed with before final approval of the applications.

A geological report made by Director William Peterson of the US AC, Logan, says that the dam will be water-tight and has a good firm foundation. The reservoir should fill twice yearly, with average precipitation, said the report. The outlet canal is well located and can easily be enlarged to take care of the flow from the reservoir said the geologist. There is no reason why the project should not be approved and started immediately. Irrigation directors and other officials met Saturday at Vernal to discuss the building of the reservoir. At a meeting presided over by Robert Hunting president of the Ashley Valley Reservoir company, a resolution was passed which will give great impetus to the construction of the project. A copy will be sent to Dr. L. B. Harmon, state specialist for community and co-operative services of the resettlement administration.

Requests for a WPA grant of \$56,645 and a loan from the resettlement administration of \$20,412.50 have been made by the reservoir company to build the reservoir, commonly called the Buck Pasture. Additional information requested by the WPA office in Provo will be furnished immediately.

Those present at the meeting besides directors from all four irrigation companies in Ashley Valley, were Senator H. B. Calder, Mayor R. C. Cooper, Attorney Wallace Calder, Engineer Leon P. Christensen and Resettlement Supervisor D. Ivo Eames.

### Buck Pasture is Best Site According to Vernal Banker and Stockman

That the Buck Pasture reservoir site is the best location he knows of, is the opinion of William H. Siddoway, president of the Utah State Bank and pioneer lumberman and stockman.

Fifty years ago Mr. Siddoway operated a sawmill 3 miles north-west of the Buck Pasture, which was then called Shingle Mill Park as it was here that the first native

### Reservoir Building Equipment Used at Montes Creek and to be Ready To Start on Reservoir for Ashley Valley Monday.

Purchase of the Carryall reservoir building equipment used on the Montes Creek reservoir has been completed by the LDS Church Security organization and will be available for use on the Long Park reservoir Monday morning, according to word brought from Salt Lake today (Thursday) by Senator H. B. Calder.

The plan is to use the equipment to finish the Long Park project and then transfer it to the Buck Pasture.

The machinery consists of two Diesel tractors, a 55 and 90 h. p., a ripper, sheep-foot tamper and 2 12-yard Carryalls or scrapers. The tractors operate for approximately 50 cents per hour and are capable of doing the work of 24 single men and teams. The equipment has lights attached and can be operated 18 hours per day. Each 15 minutes the machinery moves 24 cubic yards of earth or 1000 cubic yards per day.

The machinery will be operated under the supervision of the three presidents of the Utah Basin stakes, and will be a non-profit venture, wholly to build reservoirs where they are needed. B. O. Colton, president of the Roosevelt stake is chairman; H. B. Calder of the Utah stake, vice chairman and Owen Bennion, president of Duchesne stake, second vice chairman.

### Maeser Town to Get \$20,000 PWA Waterworks

The town of Maeser has secured a PWA loan of \$20,000 for the waterworks system, according to a wire received from Senator Wm. H. King by John L. McConkie, president of the town board. Maeser town was recently incorporated. Other members of the board are William Vernon and Andrew Vernon.

According to information, \$11,000 is a loan and \$9,000 a grant from the PWA. The town will be paid from revenue received from water rents within the townsite and is payable through a long term of years.

The town board has been working on this project since last fall, a year ago. It was necessary for the incorporation of Maeser town to enable them to comply with the provisions of the PWA.

It is expected work will start in the near future or as soon as the legal matters can be compiled with.

### School Board Makes Big

### Geological Report on Buck Pasture Claims Reservoir Capable of Storing 15,000 Acre Feet of Water With Little Additional Work And No Underlying Caverns to Carry Off Water

By WILLIAM PETERSON  
Director Extension Service USDA

On September 3, in company with Senator H. B. Calder, Leon P. Christensen, engineer; Russell R. Keetch, county agricultural agent, E. Leland Bennion, secretary of the Ashley Reservoir Co., Grant H. Calder, and others, I made an examination of what is known as Oaks Park, locally known as "Buck Pasture." The purpose of the examination was to check up on the characteristics of the area to determine the suitability for reservoir purposes.

I was furnished with reports of engineers who had previously examined the area, and some question had been raised as to whether or not the reservoir site was suitable and also as to whether or not it might be underlain with caverns which would allow loss of water through the floor of the proposed reservoir. Two features had been seriously criticized: 1. The possibility of a fault traversing the area. 2. Layers of clean stones occupying several square rods running along the stream might be intakes to underground caverns. Careful examination was given to all these features and the study was made of the entire reservoir basin.

The proposed reservoir basin has resulted from ice action, showing that a bed of ice occupied what is now called Oak's Park and the ice accumulated to such a thickness that moraines were formed on the down hill edge of the park and two well-formed lateral moraines occupy the sides of the proposed basin and come nearly together in about the center of the park. Ice has moved down through the valley but seems to have been effective only during the first or larger glacial epoch. There are no fresh moraines or glacial action which would correspond to the later glacial action in the Utah mountains.

In the upper part of the basin most of the bedrock has been covered, but in the lower half of the proposed reservoir there is an outcrop of coarse-grained sandstone projecting as a ledge on the west side and appearing in the bedding plains in several places on the east side. The piles of stones along the bed of the reservoir, referred to as a possible index of caverns, have resulted partially from stream action and partially from glacial action. The out-wash from the glacier itself, loaded with heavy stones, has carried away the lighter material and left coarse deposits of angular stone 50 to 100 feet in width and several hundred feet in length in several localities east of the present stream. As the lighter debris was carried away these

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Maeser Ward Relief Society Members, 1942



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Maeser Ward Relief Society 1942





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4. Marie Johnson
5. Nelson Murray Anderson
6. Esther Oshlanoff
7. Nelson Moberg Johnson
8. Elva Stringham
9. David Oude
10. "Larsen" "Larsen" Price Oude
11. Ardena Reine
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13. Ida Lachelle
14. Birna Lachelle
15. Ardena Johnson
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24. Elizabeth Johnson Oshlanoff
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27. Margie Johnson
28. Della Mildred Johnson Anderson
29. Ada Johnson
30. Ethelma Stringham Lachelle
31. Annie Dudley

32. Jane Lachelle
33. Elva Dudley Pope
34. Nellie Maile Allen
35. Jean Stringham
36. Evelyn Johnson Macking
37. Mae Johnson Stringham

This is the Relief Society group of Maile Thae and in the summer of 1942, taken in front of <sup>Eastgate</sup> Oshlanoff Maile Oshlanoff's home. She was too old and ill at the time this picture was taken. The Relief Society group went to her home to visit with her and visit her on her 87<sup>th</sup> birthday.

While the group was there, they had a framed studio come and take this picture of the group. At the time of this picture, Nellie Allen was sustained as President of the Relief Society and her counselors were 1<sup>st</sup> Ardena Maile Johnson and her 2<sup>nd</sup> counselor was Evelyn J. Macking, they were sustained in 1940.

At the time of this picture, Ardena Thae was not present. Her mother-in-law was very ill and was staying in her home, so she could take care of her.

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## Art Exhibit May Be Held at High School

A Utah Basin art exhibit may be held at Vernal upon the arrival of the 13 paintings made recently by Gordon N. Cope for the Vernal High School through a WPA project, according to Principal H. M. Lundell.

The paintings have a value of \$1300, said Mr. Lundell and will be furnished the local school for the mere cost of materials, approximately \$190.

The collection has already been shown in Salt Lake and won considerable praise by art critics.

## Maeser Water Project Gets President's OK

### System to be Completed Next Winter at Cost of \$37,419

Maeser waterworks extension of more than four miles of lines is expected to be completed this coming winter at a cost of \$37,419, according to an announcement by Leslie F. Thacker, president of the town board. Presidential approval was given Tuesday on a \$22,419 WPA project to finish the system.

The new project will include the installation of eight inch cast iron pipe from the High Line canal above the J. P. Hacking farm to the William Murray corner. The line will be connected with the Vernal City flow line above the Hacking place where a 50,000 gallon concrete storage tank is to be constructed. Other extensions of four inch line contemplated in the project will be from the Murray corner south to the Lester Bingham corner and with the cooperation of property owners, north from the old mill corner to the Rock Point cemetery.

Material for the line is already on the ground, said Mr. Thacker, so work could start immediately if men were available. It is estimated that a crew of fifty men could be put to work but will not be released for the project until November 1, it was reported.

Last year a bond election approved an issue of \$19,000 for the system. Over \$2,000 in cash has been raised by the town, making a total of \$37,419 to be expended on the coming program. A total of \$20,000 has already been expended on the system, making a grand total of \$37,419 when the entire system is completed. There has already been installed over four miles of pipe and the new program calls for almost the same amount, making eight miles in all.

Already completed are six inch lines from the Murray corner to the old mill corner and south to the ward chapel. Four inch lines have been laid from the Bingham corner east to the Maeser Store and from the store corner to the chapel. Two inch lines run from the Maeser Store south to the John W. Weaver residence; east to the Wilbur Oaks residence and from the mill corner east to the Richards residence.

The entire system will consist of metal cast iron pipe. One-eighth interest in the Vernal City flow line from the Hacking intake to the spring, has been purchased by Maeser Town.

Members of the town board beside Mr. Thacker include Verdin R. Johnson, Lindsey Oaks, Morgan Merkley, Harold McKee and Don L. McConkie, clerk.



This is John Ira Burton, president of the International Association of Lumber Clubs, who will be the presiding officer at the twenty-fifth annual convention of Lumber Clubs which will be held in New Orleans July 22-25.

## Death Closes Career of Valley Pioneer

Death this Thursday morning at one o'clock closed the earthly career of Ira Burton, pioneer ferryman and stockman of the Ashley Valley. Mr. Burton was stricken at his home in Vernal, July 2, and steadily lost strength until his death. He had been in poor health for several years.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2:00 p. m. in the Vernal Second Ward chapel with Bishop Owen Elsworth officiating.

John Ira Burton, 78, was born August 25, 1862 at Coalville, Utah, the son of Isaac and Clara Bartlett Burton. He came to the Ashley Valley November 17, 1877 with the Burton contingent of Ashley valley settlers, and settled at Jensen where he later operated a ferry across the Green river. He also helped build the Burton Indian fort on the Green river.

On June 17, 1887 he married Hattie Terres at Leadville, Colo.

(Continued on Page Five)

## Aluminum Drive Opens in Utah County Monday

Vernal and Utah county will cooperate in the drive for scrap aluminum for defense purposes during the week of July 21-26, according to J. R. McKee and Mayor R. O. Cooper, who head the committee.

The scrap aluminum campaign is national in scope for the purpose of augmenting the shortage of the aluminum supply so necessary for our National Defense efforts and is a patriotic move to secure the needed material quickly.

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## Development of Utah Hinges On Power

### Governor Maw Reports On Status With Federal Defense Plans

Washington officials are making it plain that Utah should be the center of a great industrial expansion provided cheap power is developed from the state. Governor Maw said today following his return from a three-week visit to Boston, Mass., and the national capital. The governor visited Vernal briefly Sunday night en route to Salt Lake.

Extensive development of Utah industries depends on the availability of electric power, and the Department of the Interior now is investigating four possible sites for hydro-electric plants on the Colorado and Green Rivers between Flaming Gorge and Dark Canyon, the governor said. The chief executive said that in other places where hydro-electric plants had been developed, steam generating plants operated with coal also had been built for supplementary power, and he said he had urged construction of similar plants in Utah to further the use of Utah coal.

Under the government's plan the power would be distributed through existing private power companies which would share in the increased revenue. Money for the power plants is furnished by the government, which is repaid from proceeds from power sales. Governor Maw said it seemed "almost certain" that an alumina plant would be constructed in the state in which the Utah deposits would be reduced to alumina. However, the alumina would be shipped to the northwest to be converted to metallic aluminum until the Utah power development is completed, he said.

## Tick Fever Fatal to Sheep Shearer

The loss was told to William Bascom, veteran sheep shearer of the Ashley valley at his home in Vernal at 11:30 p. m. Wednesday night. Mr. Bascom had been ill 11 days having been stricken at the Maeser saw mill on Fort Park, July 6, where he was resting after the shearing season of 1941. He was brought to his home in Vernal by his son Ray where it was found he was suffering from tick fever. He is the third person to succumb from the dread disease this year in the Ashley valley. William Henry Bascom, 61, was born Feb. 21, 1879, at Mona, Utah, the son of Joel Almon and Alice Jane Bell Bascom. He came with his parents to the Ashley valley when 19 years of age and has been identified with the sheep industry, principally as a shearer.

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## Six Races Daily To be Held At Vernal Rodeo

Surpassing any previous race meet of the Vernal Rodeo Association, Otis Weeks, chairman of the racing committee reported at the meeting of the association held Tuesday evening there would be six races held each day of the meet August 14, 15, 16. He also reported a new starting chute would be built which will eliminate delays in starting the races.

The rodeo queen dance will be August 2, announced Clair Brown, chairman of the Rodeo Queen committee. There are already four entrants for the queen honor and others are expected. Voting for the queen to reign at the rodeo will be by purchase of season tickets and attendance at the dance.

The 1941 Chevrolet car will be parade at the Pioneer celebrations to be held in Maeser and Neola on July 24, to advertise the rodeo. As in former years the automobile will be displayed as an advertising feature of the rodeo.

To seat the large crowd more bleacher space will be built. The entire grounds will be enclosed under a steel wire fence, reported Vice President Lee Bennion. He also reported the bucking chutes will face toward the audience. Advertising posters have been sent to all basin, Colorado and Wyoming points and responses for entry in the bucking and roping contest indicate a greater interest is being taken than ever before.

Don Showalter reported the Vernal high school band and the Alterra high school band would be in attendance.

Two weeks before the rodeo, citizens are urged to dress in costumes of cowboy type which will help to give a western atmosphere to the Ashley Valley.

## Funeral Held Here Tuesday for George Meadows

Funeral services for Charles George Meadows, 72, of Willow Creek, who died Sunday at the Basin Hospital, were conducted in the Vernal Second Ward Chapel Tuesday at 1 p. m. Phil Watkins of the ward bishopric, presided. The invocation was by John

## Spring Water to



and went back into service.

The young couple had made their home in Alaska until shortly before the declaration of war, and Mrs. Nicholson returned to make her home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Stewart of Jensen, until her husband's release.

After war was declared Sgt. Nicholson was made a gunner, first class and assigned to overseas duty. Prior to his departure he wired Mrs. Nicholson that he was flying a B-17 bomber through Salt Lake and requested that she bring their three-month old son to meet him. He was granted a one-day furlough to visit his little

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## With the Men in THE ARMED FORCES



### PROMOTED IN SIGNAL CORPS

CAMP KOHLER, Sacramento, California, Jan., 15—Private Edwin H. Abplanalp, who is stationed at the Signal Corps Replacement Training Center at Camp Kohler, California, has been promoted to the rank of technician 5th grade, according to the announcement made by Brigadier General S. H. Sherrill, Commanding General.

Technician Abplanalp, a resident of Vernal Utah, is the son of Franklin Abplanalp Maeser, Ut.

Camp Kohler is the signal corps' newest Replacement Training Center and the only such post on the west coast. The Signal Corps is responsible for installing, operating and maintaining the Army's vast communication system.

## Maeser Water System Makes Conveniences

By Edna Collett.

MAESER (Special)—Many homes in Maeser have been benefitted by the new water system, that has recently been added to the community. In 1936 Maeser Town received Government money to install a new water line to replace the old one. As the years had gone by, it was found that the system was inadequate to take care of all the people.

In the fall of 1940, the people of Maeser voted a bond of \$13,000 to put in a more modern and adequate system. A new eight-inch pipe extends from a mile and a quarter above the home of Joseph P. Hacking where it takes off from the Vernal City pipes. The Maeser Water Works owns 1-8 of the line to the clear sparkling spring water, while Vernal City owns the other 7-8. The 8 inch pipe extends from Joseph Hackings place to the Will Murray corner, and from here a 6-inch pipe runs to the old Bodily corner. A 2 inch pipe runs to the home of Lloyd Richards a 4 inch line runs from the Bodily corner to the Maeser Store and back to the Thomas Bingham corner; a two-inch pipe extends from the store to the Wilbur Oaks home; a two-inch line also extends south of the store to the home owned by Henry Slaugh.

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Mr. and Mrs. Russel Squier of Ouray have purchased the J. K. Bullock home in the northeast part of town and will make their home here.

Mrs. J. F. Chapman of Denver, formerly of Vernal, arrived Monday for a short visit. Mrs. Chapman

everything at all programs will be this goal.

Production goals together with some to how people of can meet their in. Particularly in vision work program the farm family me of its farm, the home and achievement of its programs can function effectively when neig together and hear ed by such leader the meetings.

In this nation, really counts today we can do to bring how can we support battle fronts who us. We know how farmers must do must know our country work toward this goal

### County Officials State Convention Held in Salt Lake

Uintah County standing representative annual Utah State County Officers' last week at the N in Salt Lake.

Those attending County included L County assessor, Carroll, county Noel, county clerk. sheriff; Dorr Fireweed committee Christenson, county Wallace Calder, county and the three cow ers, Martin Curtis, and W. H. Colthart

### Emerald Oil Company Elects Officer

The stockholders of the Emerald Oil Company

It cannot be fulfilled unless common sense is government policy.

Good example of how to create more chaos come to light in the nation's capital. A large store has been named defendant by the Price Administration in legal proceedings for violation of price regulations. In view of the question of whether the store was actually more or less academic. According to news re-store's price bureau now has on hand three times of price regulations which total 13,423 closely printed, small-type text, and contained 11,275 words. The store is now spending \$40,000 a year in direct costs to maintain its "compliance" bureau. This bureau has 27 employees. Working full time in addition to a mimeograph operator who in the last six months turned out 50,000 forms. A regulation in price of toilet paper took a lawyer and three natives five days at full time to make it under. In another case, picked from scores, 106 pillows purchased. Before they could be sold, 104 and distinct forms had to be filled out establishing price ceilings because there were 104 differences among the 106 pillows.

The manager of the store in question has been 31 years. He said that: "We are not moving toward the price ceiling, nor do we want to against the O P A." This manager is like of other retail merchants throughout the country. He is like millions of farmers who produce for our Allies and ourselves. They are trying to get it done quicker and more efficient. They are not treated as criminals by a lot of people. All they ask is a common-sense plan reinforced. There are signs that we are on the way toward that end.

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 The home Dramatic Club is preparing a play, "The Hidden Hand".  
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 Hyrum Smuin has moved his family to the mine, to be near his work.  
 Mrs. Velma Boren and children of Roosevelt are staying at the home of Mrs. Boren's Mother Mrs. Emma Smuin.  
 Mrs. Kenneth Workman left Thursday for her home in Ogden after spending the past week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Atwood.  
 Speakers at sacrament meeting were A. Theodore Johnson of the High Council and Elder Boyd Hall, who recently returned from the Northwestern States mission.  
 William Davis, who has just returned from California, accompanied his brother, Charles Davis and his sister, Mrs. William Morison, visited friends in Davis this week.  
 Alfred Simper was sustained as superintendent of the Sunday School and Robert Cook and Frank Collier as counselors.  
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 WILLOW CREEK  
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 Two soldiers happened to be at the same time at the same place.

**Makes Possible Modern Conveniences**

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The new line put along the mile from Joseph P. Hacking's to Barth Shaffer's has just recently been completed, with W. P. A. labor. The W. P. A. labor was taken off, so the mile strip from the Wm. Murray corner to the Bingham corner will be completed in the near future, by the men that are working for the Maeser Water System under the direction of Leslie P. Thacker. Most of the trench has already been completed.

Plans have been made to move the chlorinator above the place where the Maeser water works connects onto the city line.

The road along the mile strip from the Shaffer corner to the Hacking corner was out of alignment so each person moved their fences back so that it could be straightened by the county workers. By next year the road is to be graveled and paved by the county, which will make it one of the finest and best laid roads in the county.

Other extensions were to be added and a 50,000 gallon storage tank was to be constructed at the head of the line, but due to war conditions this program could not be completed. It is hoped to see the project completed as soon as conditions will permit.

The Maeser Waterworks is one of the best systems in the Basin and the crystal clear water from the spring is the purest water in the State of Utah. One hundred and twenty families have been benefitted by the Maeser Water System.

This has all been accomplished through the Town Board and the cooperation of the people. President of the town board is Leslie P. Thacker, with Morgan Merkley, Verdin Johnson, Lindsey Oaks and Harold McKee as board members.

**MAESER**

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Melvin Bodily returned to Salt Lake City Tuesday, after spending the holidays and the past two weeks with his parents Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bodily. He is attending a radio school.

Bishop and Mrs. Lester Bingham made a trip to Salt Lake City, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Von Roper and family have moved into one of the homes owned by Mrs. Andrew Vernon.

Joseph Bodily has returned home. He has spent several months doing defense work in and around Salt Lake City.

Claude Hatch has returned home to help his father with his sheep. He has been stationed with the Coast Guard in California for the past several months.

Shirley Price and Jay Hall were visiting their parents this weekend. Shirley is employed in Salt Lake City, and Jay is employed on the railroad in Provo.

Saturday night, the people from the William Murray corner to the John Bingham corner were rejoicing because the New Maeser Waterworks line was completed. Most of the people in Maeser are now connected on the new water system, and are pleased with the good water they are now receiving.

W. E. Bodily received word recently that his son Lorenzo has

Dean. She has been employed at Calder's Beauty Shop. Burnett is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Roberts.

Mrs. Lacy Roper received word that her son, Oather had reached his destination and is now stationed at St. Petersburg, Florida. Mrs. Roper now has three sons and two sons-in-law in the service.

**Vernal Marine Receives Citation for Bravery in Midway**

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Only two squads

There were only two marine squadrons at Midway when the Japanese armada came in to attempt conquest of the Hawaiian area, the navy said. These were fighting squadrons 221 and scout-bomb squadron 241—units of the marine aircraft group 22.

The entire aerial defense of Midway fell upon the 25 planes of fighting 221 when that outpost was attacked by more than 100 enemy bombers and fighters early June 4, but the squadron did its job so well that for thirteen of its own planes lost at least forty-three Jap planes were accounted for and so disrupted the enemy operations of others that they failed to put the Midway airfield out of action.

Since defensive fighting occupied the entire effort of squadron 221, the dive bombers of 241 had to go alone to attack the enemy fleet. In three missions they lost heavily in planes and men, due to violent anti-aircraft fire and fighter resistance, but several Jap aircraft carriers and battleships were badly damaged, if not actually sunk by their bombs.

Of the 84 pilots and gunmen of the two squadrons, 38 are listed as missing in action and are presumed to be lost, the navy said. Their decorations have been sent to their next kin. Seventeen others were wounded, but most of these have recovered and returned to active service.

**Crash into Carrier**

A navy cross award was made to Major Lofton R. Henderson of Lorain, Ohio, who crashed his flaming dive bomber into a Japanese carrier, and the Gold Star was awarded to Captain Marion E. Carl of Woodburn, Oregon, fighter pilot hero of both the Midway engagement and the early air fight over Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands. He previously had been given a gold cross in recognition of his destruction of sixteen Japanese planes in the Solomons.

The marine air force was one of several groups of planes which joined in winning the great American victory at Midway. There were also army high-levels and



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torpedo bombers and navy and torpedo bombers patrols and torpedo planes ing from the island and secure carriers with their complements were near by

**Meet the Oncoming Foe**

The army and carrier were engaged in offense against the Japanese fleet when the Jap planes sight just after dawn of it was up to the Marine to make what defense they met the Japs about out and a terrific melee

Despite the 3 to 1 ratio, the Marines scored over the enemy were not enough of them

**Hospital News**

Mr. and Mrs. A. DeMott of Jensen are the parents of a baby girl born Saturday, 16.

Melvin Collier was a patient at the Basin Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan of Jensen were the parents of a baby girl born Sunday.

Henry Workman is being treated for a fractured leg he fell from when he fell from on.

Emil Sundquist is still considerably from a fact he received two weeks ago he fell in an irrigation ditch.

**Poultry - Lives FEEDS**

Successful Poultry



## Vernal Express



Deer roam freely in the Lorin and Estelle Richin's backyard in Maeser.



Cody Jenkins stands in his oat field near Mill Corner.

# Maeser's agriculture impacted Ashley Valley

By Jean Taylor-Starr

Just northwest of Vernal City is an area known as Maeser. It has been both geographically and historically described by many people in

a variety of publications, primarily by Doris K. Burton in Settlements of Uintah County Digging Deeper, from which much of the following information has been gleaned.

With the influx lately of seed and garden catalogs and spring sneaking into our consciousness, Maeser's agricultural and horticultural importance had an impact on Ashley Valley.

The first settlers to the Maeser area began arriving in 1877 and immediately began clearing the land to start farming and raising livestock. It was not an easy life on the frontier of civilization and the winter of 1879-1880 was a particularly harsh one, creating shortages of food, fuel and the basic staples of life.

Several expeditions were made to Green River, Wyo. by the early Maeser settlers to trade hides from starved cattle for flour and other supplies needed to survive that winter. The following spring a couple of intrepid settlers brought two large boulders from near what is now the Fairview Cemetery down to lower Maeser and chiseled them into milling burrs for grinding wheat, and though the result was cracked wheat and not quite flour, it did begin the milling process. These first attempts at milling signaled

the local industrial birth and spawned the first flour mill in the Ashley Valley.

In a new building, the more efficient milling methods resulting from new equipment produced a better grade of flour and the Farmer's Mill was born. W. G. Reynolds operated this mill for nearly 25 years until shortly before his death in 1920. Although this first mill was again sold and operated for a number of years, it was destroyed by fire in 1934 and the surviving original grinding burrs were taken to the DUP museum. A second mill located not far from the Reynolds mill lent the area the name of Mill District or Mill Ward, which was later changed to Buena Vista and finally to Maeser.

The Ashley Valley is considered geographically to be a high desert which means there is a dearth of precipitation for at least part of the year. It does, however, have a fairly friendly growing season. Many of the first settlers brought trees, shrubs and flower cuttings to their new environment with the expectation of growing the plants with which they were familiar. The first fruit trees were planted in the 1800s, having been purchased from the Utah Nursery Company and included several varieties of apples, apricots, pears, Italian prune plums and hardy strains of grapes. Many of the home and backyard gardens and orchards surviving today are the direct botanical descen-

dents of these first plantings, a testament to both the quality of the plants and the care given them through the years. There were also bee swarms brought in for the production of local honey; sheep for their wool and meat, and of course, cattle. The llamas and other exotics came much later.

Because of the inherently dry conditions of the valley, the residents found it necessary to bring irrigation water to their fields, gardens and orchards. The Mormon influence in the area, then and now, made the backyard garden and fruit orchards a necessity for providing the residents with fresh produce as well as a surplus for canning. The summer of 2005 produced a plethora of fruit, especially apricots, apples and grapes, and canners were well used by a great number of residents.

Without benefit of modern day equipment, the early Maeser settlers hacked out a water course from the mouth of Ashley Canyon into Maeser using their hand tools and teams of horses and oxen to build what became known as the Ashley Upper Canal. This was no mean feat, given the terrain and distance down slope to the valley, but when finished provided much needed irrigation water to sustain the agriculture and local gardens of Maeser. The later distribution and allocation of water to the local populace was undertaken by the Maeser Water Company, organized in 1916 when the water system was updated and modernized. Subsequently Maeser was incorporated to qualify for a Public Works Administration loan to improve the water system. Then in 1970 the citizens of Maeser voted to unincorporate rather than assume the financial obligations of a small municipality which lacked an adequate revenue base.

Though Maeser remains unincorporated today, the living legacy of those early settlers still stands. There are well-tended, lush gardens, fruit trees and orchards, mature landscaping trees, and local honey for sale. Healthy livestock abound and an earth-centeredness that people of the land exude. Though not exactly a Garden of Eden in the biblical sense, Maeser does indeed deserve its reputation of being a productive area in which to live.

# MAESER

BRIEF HISTORY by THELMA STEVENS, Reporter.

The development of Ashley valley began in 1877, but it was the following year before growth actually took place.

## First Settlers

In 1878 Phillip Stringham and family with pony team came from Salt Lake city and William Carlton, Britt, S. P. Dillman, Mr. Down-

ing and Mr. Mason came from Colorado. These with other settlers, lived in Ashley Town the first winter.

In the spring of 1879, Mr. Stringham, Britt, Dillman, Downing, and Mason came to Maeser and took up land. S. P. Dillman and Mr. Downing took up the first irrigating stream from Ashley river, now known as the Colton Ditch. The same year the central canal was dug; but it was so small at that time one could jump across it.

The summer and fall of 1879 was marked by the greatly increased immigration into Ashley valley. S. D. Colton and family, Richard Blakely, Robert Bodily, William Shaffer and William Bradshaw were the new settlers who came to Maeser.

In the spring of 1880 Robert Bodily, Phillip Stringham, William Shaffer and Richard Blakely started the upper irrigation canal at Silver Gate in Ashley canyon.

Having suffered a very hard winter their horses were unable to work, so it was necessary for the men to do the work by hand. Often times all they had to eat for their lunch was a piece of coarse graham bread and water. They finally brought the canal as far as Phillip Stringham's homestead and then with a yoke of oxen plowed a furrow to William Shaffer's land, which is now owned by William Akhurst.

Later a canal company was organized known as the Upper Irrigation company.

## The Winter of '79

The winter of 1879 and 80 was a severe one. Many horses and cattle perished due to lack of feed and the excessive cold weather. The settlers themselves lived on meager rations. For several months the sole communication with the outside world was the letter mail carried by S. P. Dillman on snow shoes over

Diamond mountain from Brown's Park.

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In the autumn of 1880 Patrick Carroll built the first saw mill in Ashley valley. It was situated just above Rock Point canal on Ashley creek. The logs were hauled from Dry Fork mountain.

## Fort Thornburgh Established.

About this time the War department established an army post for the settlers protection against Indian troubles. This post was called Ft. Thornburgh and was located in the northwest part of Maeser. It was abandoned a few years later; however, while here, furnished a good market for settlers.

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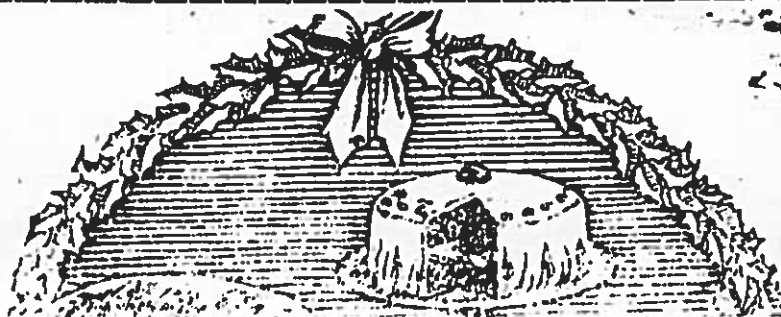
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Now we have an up-to-date store owned by Mr. and Mrs. William Rudge. It is a pleasant place to deal and customers can be sure of satisfaction. Mrs. Rudge has many beautiful flowers and shrubs growing on the grounds and the place is a bank of flowers from early spring until late in the fall.

The ward chapel was built in 1885 and has been remodeled at frequent intervals.

The log school house mentioned above was burned and a brick one built in its stead in the years 1885 and 86. The community grew so rapidly that this school would not accommodate the children very long and another brick building was erected between 1898 and 1900. This one being on the south side of Maeser ward, immediately west of Rudge's store, now owned by the Relief society.

Community Grows Steadily.

More settlers were induced to come and with fine irrigating canals at their disposal soon great orchards and vineyards were thriving. Beautiful fields of corn, beans, barley, wheat and alfalfa.

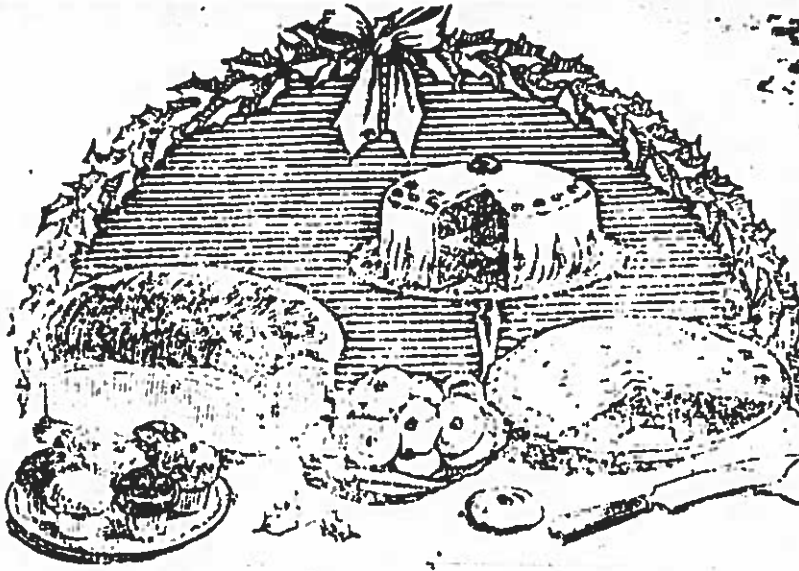
Maeser grew faster than the rest of the valley due to natural resources, good water, coal and wood so near; and 1908 it was deemed necessary to build another school. One that would suffice in years to come. In the spring of 1910 it was completed and called "Maeser Central." A monument to Ashley valley.

Telephone and Lights.

The telephone was brought to Vernal in 1907 and lines were immediately run to Maeser.

Electric lights were installed in Vernal during the year 1908. Within a year a line was taken to the coal mines west of Maeser and in a short time lights were in all the

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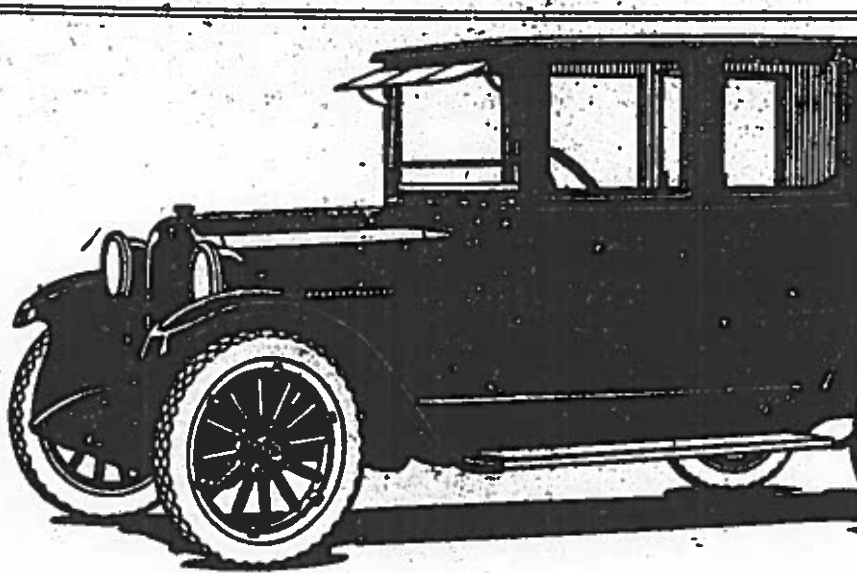
During the early part of the year 1914, a petition signed by a majority of citizens of Utah county, asking that the school districts be consolidated, was presented to the

county commissioners. The petition was considered favorably and the Utah school district was created.

### Dairy Started.

In 1915 Lester Bingham with five cows started a small dairy farm. Mr. Bingham had very little capital behind him and at first had no purebred cows. After ten years of

hard work has built up a business and now has a head of almost 100 cows. E. B. Bingham, Prop.



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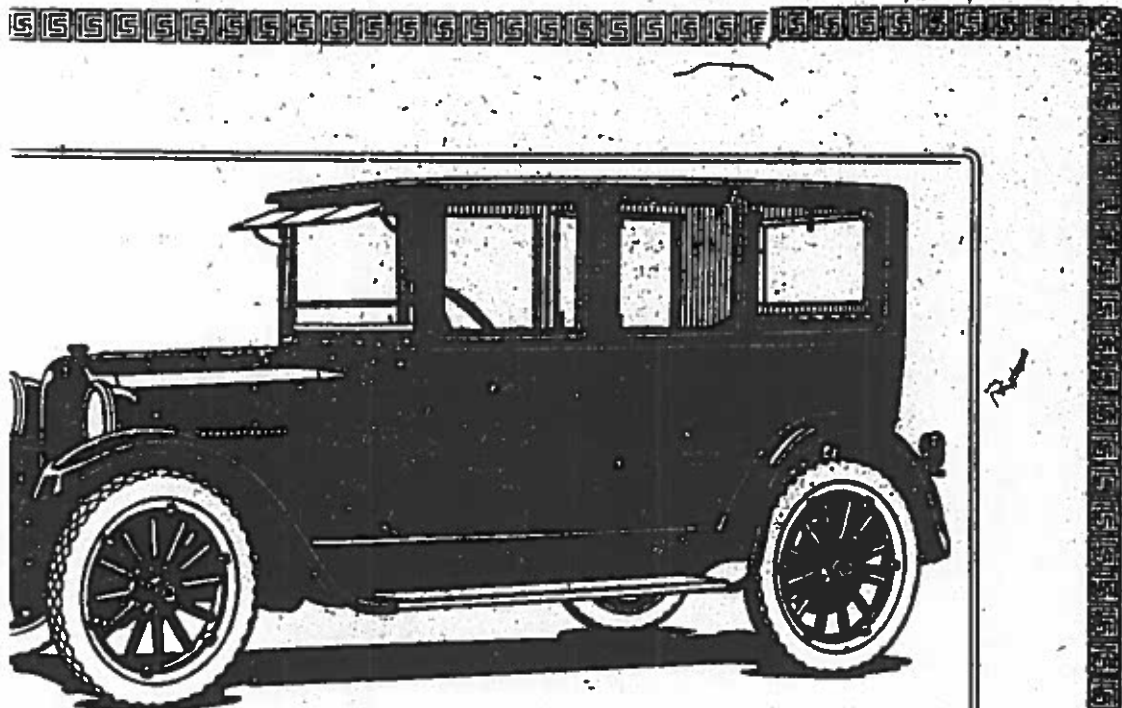
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## BRIEF HISTORY OF MAESER

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Water System Begun.

In 1916 found Maeser with a modern water system, the company being incorporated Sept. 28, 1915, and construction work beginning the following winter. Now almost every home is equipped with the water. Some have private systems.

## Other Improvements.

From 1914 to 1919 a canal taken from the Ashley creek and running at the head of Maeser ward was built. It is called the "High Line" canal and cost \$100,000. The officers of the company are George Slaugh, president; M. M. Batty, John

Hair, Jr., directors and W. S. Henderson, secretary-treasurer.

This year there are eight teachers with one hundred and ninety-two children enrolled.

Maeser is becoming more independent every year beside all the other advantages mentioned we have two carpet weavers in our midst, Mrs. Mary Brown and Mrs. Amanda Nichols who put out hundreds of yards of carpet and rugs each year for the residents all through the basin.

## Boys' and Girls' Club Work.

The club work in Maeser has been highly praised by county authorities as well as by state officials. Out of 300 club children in the county, Maeser has 70 enrolled. For three consecutive years the dairy club has taken first place at the county fair. This year Afton Bingham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester

Bingham, was awarded first place dairy project at the State Fair, the prize being a trip to Chicago to attend the International Convention held there Nov. 28. McConkie, Roy Oaks and Elmer Felts, who represented the M club as the "Stock Judging Team" won first prize at the county and carried away first honors at state fair. Roy was graded highest in the state on the ju of beef stock and Roy was highest in state on the judg pigs. The Maeser clubs carried 33 first prizes at the county in home economics and live and 33 prizes were awarded per people outside of club work Community Organization.

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## DELINQUENT NOTICE

ASHLEY UPPER IRRIGATION CO., Principal place of business, Vernal, Utah.

Notice is hereby given that there is delinquent upon the following described stock, on account of an assessment levied by the Board of Directors, on September 9, 1925, at the rate of \$5 per share for the outstanding capital stock of the company, payable on or before the 1st day of November, 1925, the amounts set opposite the names of the respective shareholders as follows:

NAME	Cert.	Shs.	Amt.
Chivers, Nathan C.	678	4.	\$23.25
Chivers, John J.	172, 679	2.6	15.50
Gregory, Retta	502	6.	30.50
Gillman, William and Kate	1068, 223	5.	25.50
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Lyons, Taylor C.	301	4.	20.50
McNaughton, L.	94	12.5	75.02
Murray, Samuel A.	646	2.	12.22
O'Neill, Estate, James	554	2.	15.50
Slaugh, Forest	606, 608	2. bal.	6.71
Williams, Willard	799	5.6	21.52

An in accordance with law and an order of the Board of Directors of this company, as many shares of stock or fraction thereof as may be necessary will be sold at public auction at the office of the Secretary, Uintah Stake office at 2 p. m., on the 23rd day of November, 1925, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with the cost of advertising, interest and cost of sale.

ASHLEY UPPER IRRIGATION COMPANY,

N. J. HANSEN, Secretary.

## NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ashley Upper Irrigation Co., held November 23, 1925, the above sale was ordered postponed until December 30, 1925, at 2 p. m. at the place above designated.

ASHLEY UPPER IRRIGATION COMPANY,

N. J. HANSEN, Secretary.

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## DELINQUENT NOTICE

UINTAH RIVER IRRIGATION COMPANY, Moffat, Utah.

Notice is hereby given that there is delinquent upon the following described stock, on account of an assessment levied by the Board of Directors, on Sept. 24, 1925, the several amounts set opposite the names of the respective stockholders as follows:

NAME	Cert. No.	Shs.	Amt.
M. W. Locke, Admx.	14	27	\$20.25
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After the obligations of the store are met, the remaining stock and business buildings will be offered for sale. The store has been car-ried on successfully for more than twenty-three years and there is ev-ery prospect of increased business in the years to come as the surrounding country is building up with a pro-gressive population. There is much

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### Fine Crops.

The community is still growing, no finer fruits, grains, vegetables can be found anywhere. This year more than 14,000 bushels of high grade apples alone were raised in Maeser. Pears, plums, apricots and other fruits thrive equally as well.

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### Ogden family visit the valley

Max and Connie Mott and family of Ogden spent the weekend with his mother, Doris Mott. They also visited other members of the Mott family living

in the valley.

John and Fredia Parker and children spent seven days in Phoenix recently with John's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Parker.

Lori Vernon of Payson spent the weekend with her grandparents, Alton and Edna Vernon. Lori's parents, Glen and Lorraine Vernon, and her seven brothers and sisters are in the procedure of moving to Craig, Alaska. Lori will join her family this summer. She is staying with friends of the family in Payson to finish the school year in Utah.

Evan and Norma Smith had company over the weekend, Evan's parents, Mr.

and Mrs. Tom Smith, and his great grandmother Eva Evans of Salt Lake City. They came to see their daughter-in-law Norma perform in "Man of La Mancha."

Ben and Sybil (Massey) Webb are staying with Theron and Leah (Massey) Abplanalp while they are trying to sell their home in Salt Lake City with plans to move to Vernal. Ben works for the Coalmine Construction Company building homes in the Painted Hills Estates.

Mrs. Beatrice Reed of Manila is spending a week with her daughter Fredia and John Parker and family.

Marvin and Gwendola Slade's son, Dale, and family of Blanding spent the weekend in Vernal visiting family and friends.

Mrs. Vilette Cann of Salt Lake City has been in Vernal taking care of her mother, Rowena Richens, for a month. She returned to her home Monday the

18th.

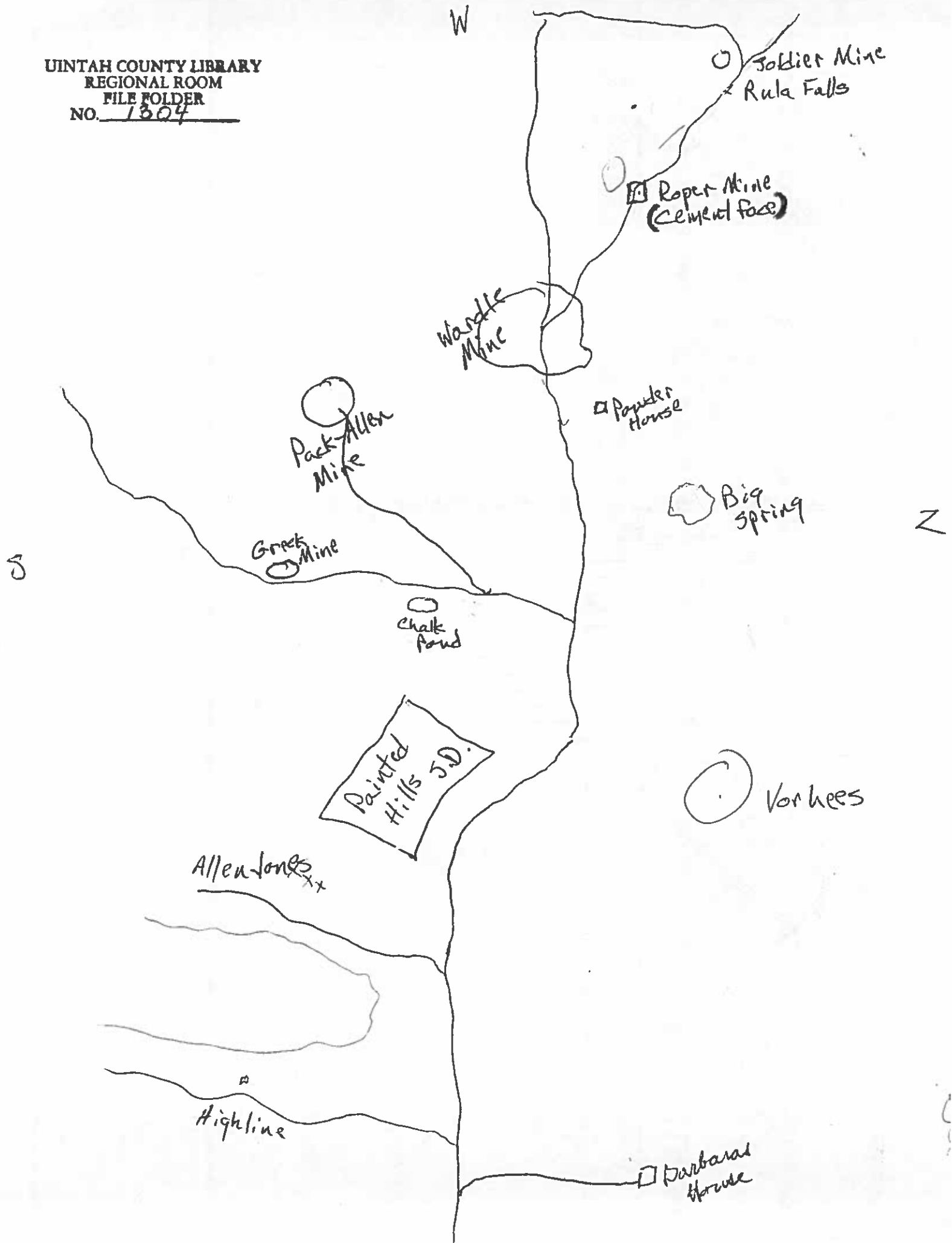
Cheryl Harrison, daughter of Doyle and Veva Harrison, is going on an LDS mission to Columbia, S.C. Her farewell was held April 10. She entered the MTC April 14.

Mrs. Dal (Helen Mar) Martinsen has returned to Vernal after spending the winter in Salt Lake City taking care of her mother, Clara Nelson. Her sister, Miriam, has returned from California. She is taking care of their mother now.

Johnny and Eloise Parker spent two days in Salt Lake City recently for doctor appointments. Eloise returned with good reports from both her orthopedic surgeon and her neurologist.



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# MIA girls honor past APW president

theme song was sung by the Mia Maid class and a film was presented. "New Beginnings" was sung by Ruth Hatch, accompanied on the violin by Miriam Crofts. The Laurels presented their new leader a workbook. New Bee Hive girls and mothers were guests. Refreshments were served. The music was under the direction of Dana Dee Smith, Laura Hacking, Arleigh Peltier and Kathy McConkie. Stake visitors were Vee Taylor, Maxine Tingey, and Nadine Seager.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hall and Patrick of Orem visited over the weekend with Clyde and Clara Hall.

Vickie Hessell of Southern California is doing her student teaching at Ashley Elementary and Patsy Blatter of Bountiful is student teaching at Maeser Elementary School. They are living at the Rodney Porter home.

Sam and Ann Poff have purchased the John McConkie home from Lew Timothy. They are moving there now.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Jenkins went to Salt Lake City Friday on business for the Federal Land Bank.

**LINDA HASUIKE** and children have moved to Crown Point, New Mexico, where Jim Hasuike is stationed with the Army.



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## Sacra Vista Bites

Quite a large party from our corner started overland for Wyoming, Thursday. It consisted of Mrs. Mary Hall, daughter Mrs. Don B. Colton, Tommie and little girl, Mrs. Nancy Colton and son Lewis, all of whom are bound for the mineral springs at Thermopolis for their health. David Bingham and son and William Marler are loading out with honey which they expect to dispose of in the Big Horn country and will then go to South Pass and work at the tie camp this summer. Those who are going to the Thermopolis springs will remain there about a month.

\*Our merchant, Mr. Gerber, has added a small millinery department to his store.

Edward Oaks, Sr., and son have been down at Jensen this week.

O. V. Harris has returned from a trip to southern Utah, and a visit to his parents in Provo.

## The New Mill.

Our mill is now running every day and fully equipped to do all custom work. We give 33 1/2 pounds of flour to one bushel of clean wheat. We solicit a share of the patronage of the public. Yours for business,  
REYNOLDS & FLETCHER.

## Episcopal Church.

Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. at 7:30 p. m. in Odd Fellows Hall, and Sunday school at 10 a. m. The people are invited.  
O. E. OSTENBERG, Pastor.

## Notice For Publication.

No. 4820.  
Last Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, May 1, 1901.  
Notice is hereby given that the following

## Notice For Bids

Vernal, Utah, May 22, 1901.

Sealed bids for the delivery of (2,000,000) two million, ten thousand tons of sand asphaltum at Vernal City, between the first day of July and the first day of September, 1901, will be received by the undersigned at Ashley Co-op, up to and including Wednesday, June 20, 1901.

All bids will be opened and read in open meeting of the City Council on Wednesday, June 20th, at 8:30 o'clock p. m., 1901, and the contract awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.

The City Council reserves the right to increase or diminish the above named amount of asphaltum 25 per cent and also to reject any and all bids.

Bids must be accompanied by a certified check payable to Vernal City for 10 per cent of the amount of bid.

All proposals shall be sealed and marked "Bid for sand asphalt."

By order of City Council.

J. H. HARDY, Recorder.

## Bicyclists Take Notice.

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Vernal City:

That from and after June 1st, 1901, the sidewalks of the district between 1st South and 1st North on Vernal Avenue and between 1st East and 1st West on Uintah Avenue, be called for the use of bicycles, and the riding of bicycles on the sidewalks within said district is hereby prohibited.

The Marshal is directed to enforce the ordinances with reference to riding on sidewalks within said district.

By order of the City Council.

H. J. HARDY, Recorder.

Section 185 of the Revised Ordinances of Vernal City provides a maximum penalty of \$25 fine and twenty-five days imprisonment for

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The Young Ladies Mutual Improvement Association of the Vernal First Ward extended its compliments to Express this week in the shape of a big box of choice candles.

Mrs. M. B. Pope and two children came in from Fruita Sunday. She has been visiting relatives there. Mr. and Mrs. Pope returned to their home at Theodore today.

Haley Bros. lost three valuable horses and two bulls while crossing Diamond Mountain this week. It is supposed that they were poisoned in some unaccountable manner.

Dr. A. M. Glover of the Alexander Optical Company of Salt Lake City who has been in Vernal for some time left his home this week and will return here about Christmas time.

The improvements that have been going on at the First Ward Meeting house have been completed, and the building presents a very neat appearance since the work has been finished.

John P. Hand, who has been here from South Dakota looking up his land interests left on Sunday for Salt Lake City the first of the week. He will return in a few weeks to make further land investments here.

Next Wednesday evening in his regular Prof. Nelson will read "Tam

On Wednesday night at the home of Heber Carrol a surprise was given to Winifred Payne. Everyone reports a good time. The evening was spent in the good old way, everyone feeling good towards his neighbor. \*Moroni Gerber & Co. are closing out their mercantile business here. It is hoped someone will start another store soon.

The Y. M. I. A. and Y. L. I. A. officers gave a party on Thanksgiving night and had a good time. There was dancing in the other wards, but our young folks stayed at home and had a good time.

John L. McConkie will soon have his home ready to occupy.

Our new school house will soon be completed. One half of school is now held in the meeting house and the other half in the school house.

Ward conference will be held Sunday, December 11.

#### FORT DUCHESNE NEWS NOTES

Quartermaster Sergt. Reeves and First Sergt. Wells went over to Vernal this week on a business and pleasure trip.

L. C. Thorne, the Vernal photographer came over to the post last Sunday to take the picture of Troop "M" First Cavalry. He also succeeded in getting some nice views of the post and its surroundings.

Capt. H. J. Brees made a trip to Whiterocks during the week on business matters.

Cook Glendon returned from Vernal Monday, where he has been visiting

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Reese Larsen surveys the five campers lining the street and driveway of his home.

## Neighborhood helps bereaved family

Reese Larsen lost his wife June 18 and planned her funeral for June 23, giving family members time to arrive from out of state. He attempted to make hotel or motel reservations for many of them since his house is not big enough to accommodate his entire extended family.

Larsen was unable to find a single room in town. The Harley Owners Group rally had filled every vacancy. Larsen's Maeser neighbors stepped forward with a helping hand, bringing their camping trailers for the family to use. With five large campers, Larsen had enough bed

space for everyone to sleep comfortably.

Larsen said this type of community spirit should be recognized and he wants his neighbors to know how grateful he and his family are.



A meeting of the stockholders of the Union Canal company will be held at the home of Joseph Paulson, Riverdale Precinct Jensen, Utah, at 1 o'clock p. m. on Monday February 2, 1914 for the purpose of changing the "Articles of Incorporation" of the said company to provide for an increase in the capitalization of said corporation.

By order of the board of directors, Union Canal Co. By 16-30. RAY PAULSON, Sec.

OUR stock of shoes is much to large, therefore we are giving big reduction in prices.

### New Grocery Store

H. Elmer & Son. Everything in the grocery line. Maeser, Utah. Phone No. 119 Maeser, Utah. Phone No. 119x. 4-7p.

WHY pay full price when you can get the same thing at a big reduction on Acorn's Bargain counter.

### Kingsbury Congregational Church

Sunday school 10 a. m.; preaching services 11 a. m. Subject of sermon "The Lordship of Jesus Christ." Young Peoples meeting at 7:30 p. m. This will be a temperance meeting and Rev. George A. Downey will be the leader. Mr. Downey is well informed on this subject and will deliver a most instructive and interesting talk.

YOU can buy the reliable Buckingham shoes at the

scarlet fever and the quarantine has been lifted.

During a recent cold snap the thermometer registered 30 below at Rangely and 24 below at Meeker.

Mrs. Albert Johnson, of Maeser, is recovering rapidly from the operation last Saturday, at the Vernal hospital.

Mrs. Robert Nickell left last Saturday morning for Ceaderview, from which place she will go to Oregon.

The Rebekahs and Odd Fellows enjoyed a social card party and luncheon at the hall last night.

A correspondent writes that the store at Taft is about to be sold to the new townspeople.

L. H. Ewell and wife and Vin Oakley and wife, of Mountain Home, have been visiting friends and relatives in the Ashley valley.

Ed. Sumner and John Pope have an ad in this issue calling attention to Ford cars, for which they are the agents. They have cars in stock.

Joe Holder, of Myton, is planning to establish an auto service in the spring, to make various points on the reservation and the Ashley valley.

The federal building and the federal appointments are still hanging fire. Information one way or the other is soon expected.

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## NEW SIGN FOR MAESER

Myke Hall (third from left) and the staff of the Regional History Center—Susan Merrell, Ellen Kiever, Elaine Carr and Michelle Fuller—are pictured at the unveiling of the new Welcome to Maeser sign on Aug. 26. The group decided to acknowledge the historic township of Maeser, formerly known as the Mill Ward community, established in 1877. By 1879 locals named the township Maeser after Karl Gottfried Maeser, who founded the Brigham Young Academy (now Brigham Young University) in Provo. The site for the Maeser sign, near Uintah High School, was donated by businessman Russ Vernon. (Mary Bernard/Vernal Express)

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were the first soldiers in this section. In the spring of 1882 the Indian Dept. issued instructions that they could not establish a fort on Indian Territory, so the camp was moved to the mouth of Ashley canyon on the Green homestead and Ft. Thornburg was definitely located. During the summer the soldiers were engaged in making adobes for the Fort. Part of the men were assigned to build a road over Taylor Mountain. The road from the Fort north to Government park was constructed by these soldiers. Men from Fort Bridger built the road from the park north to Fort Bridger and Carter Creek station as the nearest point to a railroad. The country over which this road was constructed, which is so dry and dusty today in summer, was then so wet and swampy that it was necessary to build what they called corduroy roads which had to be done mostly with pick and shovel. During this road construction military camps were established along the way, one being at Devil Hollow.

In about the center of Government Park, a saw-mill was established for the purpose of sawing lumber for Camp Thornburg. This mill was operated by the soldiers with Henry Ruple as their sawyer. While they were here their freight supplies of all kinds were brought in by team over Taylor Mountain. One of the contractors of that day, hauling freight, was Wm. Richmond who used eight horses and mules and two wagons. They were frequently mired during the rainy season and oftentimes three weeks were required to make the trip. Very high wagonboxes were used. These wagons also had an elevated spring seat. One of the boxes actually used at this time can be seen twenty feet northwest from the old home of Joseph McKee in Glines ward and now owned by Ernest Johnson.

Just east of Green's pond were the officers' headquarters which consisted of four buildings, also the barracks which were three buildings. These were all made of adobies. Capt. Day was in charge of the soldiers while they were here.

After the officials had been established they decided that Philip Stringham, Ted Wilkins, Pete Dillman, who transferred to Nathan Davis, and a Mr. Downing, whom they said had what they called a squatter's right, but had not filed and who were living on the land including the reservation, should move off. Captain Dodds, an early settler in the valley, and Captain Day of Ft. Thornburg went to see Philip Stringham. Mr. Stringham told them he had a legal claim on the land and held legal papers. His daughter, Mrs. Winnie Collett, said she remembered how frightened she became when she knew these men were coming and how her father told her she would not be harmed. Capt. Day told the men they would have to treat Mr. String-

ham like a white man if he held legal claims on the land.

During the time Fort Thornburg was established in the canyon, a military cemetery was located just south of where George Perry's house now stands in the canyon. After the fort was taken away the bodies were all removed. During the construction of the roads spoken of in this history, a soldier was accidentally killed and his body was buried in this cemetery.

Uncle Tommy Bingham lived in Dry Fork during part of the time Fort Thornburg was established in the canyon. He would oftentimes follow the old road that followed the river and directly down by the fort and there he would market his eggs and butter. Upon one occasion Uncle Tommy remembers after returning home that he had been paid 25 cents too much for his eggs and butter. The next trip he made he brought an extra 25 cents and told them of the mistake. They told Uncle Tommy that it was too late now to make any changes and that it was all right for him to keep the money.

Authorities differ in their opinion as to the date Fort Thornburg was abandoned. It was about 1883 or 1884 when the soldiers left, with the exception of caretakers who remained. Michael Gallagher was one of the government officials who remained. After the soldiers had gone this Mr. Gallagher served papers and a notice on Philip Stringham and others to move off their land. The following words are the actual words and were copied from the original copy belonging to Philip Stringham: "I, Michael Gallagher, custodian at Ft. Thornburg, give notice to all land pirates or intruders upon this reservation to vacate the same before the 10th of November (no year was given) next or I shall therefore from time to time clear off the reservation all such intruders by burning down and destroying everything on this reservation. If you call yourself gentlemen you will quit this reservation without further notice."

MICHAEL GALLAGHER,

Custodian.

Mr. Stringham went to Wm. Ashton, county attorney, and explained the situation to him. Within two weeks, Mr. Gallagher was released as caretaker and a man called Sargent Luder, his wife and baby, came to act as caretaker and stayed until the Fort was completely abandoned in 1883 or 1884, after which time the people went on as usual. It was not until about 1894 that it was released as a military reserve and people received their titles. A Mr. Trout was sent here by the government to make final survey before this tract of land was turned back to the public domain. Mr. Trout boarded with Philip Stringham. Wm. Oaks and Robert Carroll also



vested on the capital stock of the corporation held by shareholders within the "Lateral" area payable on or before 22, 1907, to the secretary at the company, Roosevelt, Utah.

Work upon which this assessment may be made on July 1st, 1907, will be at and advertised for sale at public and unless payment is made before the 28th day of July 1907, to delinquent assessment together with of advertising and expense of sale.

June 29 WARD E. PACK, JR., Secretary.

## Application For Patent.

NOTICE M. A. NO. 4201.

United States Land Office, Salt Lake City, April 27, 1907.

It is hereby given that the Castle Peak Mining Company, a corporation, by and attorney in fact, H. Culvert of Wasatch County, Utah, has made application for a United States patent for a Lode Claim A. Lode mining claim, Asphaltum, Flateite and other minerals situated in the Castle Peak Mining, Wasatch County, Utah, consisting of linear feet of the lode and surface 200 feet wide, being mineral survey 6, and described in the field notes and the official survey on file in this office with the variation at 16 deg. 40 min. follows, to-wit:

Beginning at post No. 1 in corner of the on which the 41 mile stone on west side of former Uncompaghe Indian Reservation bears S. 71 deg. 24 Min. W. 5 feet and from said corner No. 1 U. S. thence S. 37 deg. 05 Min. W. 20 feet thence running from corner No. 1 to post No. 2 S. 27 Min. E. 200.5 feet to corner No. 3 S. 40 deg. 18 Min. E. 735.4 feet to corner No. 4 S. 12 deg. 34 Min. W. 100 feet to corner No. 5, thence S. 28 Min. W. 746.4 feet to corner No. 6 being the place of beginning. Said being located in unsurveyed township 28, Range 17 east Salt Lake Base and containing a total and net of 3.401 acres. Said Baxter Lode A. mining claim being of record in the county recorder at Heber City, Utah. The nearest known lode or mining claims being the Reming-

It is that this notice be published in the Express at Vernal, County of Uintah, Utah, for the period of nine consecutive weeks.

W. D. R. THOMPSON, Register.

Application dated May 4, 1907, last publication dated May 4, 1907, last publication.

## Application For Patent.

NOTICE M. A. NO. 4202.

United States Land Office Salt Lake City, April 27, 1907.

It is hereby given that the Castle Peak Mining Company, a corporation by and attorney in fact, H. Culvert of Wasatch County, Utah, made application for a United States patent for the

the claim for the continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz:

Charles Milne, William Luke, John A. Palmer, and Lydia N. Nallion, all of Myton, Utah.

CHARLES DEMOINT, Register.

June 1—July 8

## Notice For Publication.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Vernal, Utah, May 20, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that George W. Perry of Vernal, Utah, R. F. D. No. 1, has filed notice of his intention to make final five year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 14074 Salt Lake Base, made June 18, 1900, for the Lots 8 and 9, and SW 1/4, NW 1/4, Section 5, Township 4 N., Range 21 E., S. L. M. and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver, at U. S. Land Office, Vernal, Utah, on Saturday, July 13, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz:

Joseph P. Hacking, Ephraim Maret, Thomas J. Caldwell, and Vertus McConkie, all of Meser, Utah.

CHARLES DEMOINT, Register.

June 1—July 8 1902-1907

## Notice For Publication.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Vernal, Utah, June 1, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Edgar F. Harmonson, of Roosevelt, Utah, has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 1117, U. S. made Nov. 7, 1905, for the SW 1/4, and NE 1/4, NW 1/4, Section 22, Township 28, Range 1 W., U. S. M. and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver, at U. S. Land Office, Vernal, Utah, on Wednesday, July 17, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz:

Ward E. Pack, Jr., Henry Guckert, John E. Strain, and Charles Shurtleff, all of Roosevelt, Utah.

CHARLES DEMOINT, Register.

June 1—July 8

## Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Vernal, Utah, May 14, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that Thomas Brandon of Myton, Utah, has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 788, U. S. made Sept. 19, 1905, for the SW 1/4, SE 1/4, Sec. 84, T. 18, R. 4 W., Lot 2, SW 1/4, NE 1/4, SE 1/4, NW 1/4, Section 8, Township 28, Range 4 W., U. S. M. and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver, at U. S. Land Office, Vernal, Utah, on Tuesday, June 25, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz:

John W. Mott, Wallace R. Mott, Peter O. Madison, and Taylor Tidwell, all of Theodore, Utah.

CHARLES DEMOINT, Register.

May 18—June 22

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## Do You Remember?

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Old Ft. Thornburgh was first located at Ouray on the Green River. The soldiers came in via Rawlins, Wyoming, nearly 70 years ago and traveled south over the Iron Springs divide, thence on to the Bear River where they built a bridge, later called Maybell, Colo., thence south and east of Blue Mountain and finally down the Dead Man Bench onto the Green River bottoms. Much of their freight was hauled over this road by ox-teams. About fifteen years ago your writer unearthed an old

ox bow on the Dead Man Bench which was in the near stages of decay. It was a hickory bow.

No one seems to know just what year the soldiers came to Ft. Thornburgh or to Ouray, nor just how long they remained there, but they left Ouray near 1880 and moved to a place in North Mill ward of the grounds now owned by Leon Christensen. Here they built quite a substantial fort. Most all of their buildings were made of adobes except the officers' quarters which were built of lumber, and

running in crescent shape across the north end of the fort. The barracks, mess hall, warehouses and big mule barn was constructed of adobes.

They made their own adobes and hauled their lumber from Government Park on Taylor Mountain where they had their own mill. Henry Ruppel was their sawyer. The fort provided the farmers of the valley a good market for their oats, hay, potatoes, butter, milk and vegetables.

The soldiers herded their mules in the daytime in the meadows north near where the highline canal headgate is. Their target range was about 1-2 mile west of the fort banked by a small hill where the bullets would lodge, and many times we boys would dig out great quantities of lead, and our fathers would re-melt it, and mold

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bullets for re-loading their empty shells.

A few were discharged and a few deserted. I remember of only one who preferred to remain in this valley after discharge, and he joined the church and was adopted by Bishop Wm. Shaffer and wife who were childless. He helped clear the brush off the old farm, which now is the Ackhurst farm.

Another who was a soldier here at the time was John Lambert Sr. who is father of John Lambert, husband of Mrs. Grace Lambert the nurse. He left with the soldiers, but within 40 or 50 years returned to this valley and may be living here with his son John at Lapoint.

About 1884 orders came to abandon Ft. Thornburgh. It was a common sight then to see soldiers marching toward Ft. Douglas. Only a few were left for a while to guard the property and wreck the buildings. We boys used to herd our milk cows around those buildings and each take a hammer and a sack and pull nails from the lumber and carry them home.

The abode barracks were not wrecked then, they remained standing and were occupied by many destitute families who were suffering from cold in tents and over crowded homes. In 1885 much of this wrecked material was hauled to Ft. Duchesne for building new quarters. The Ft. Thornburgh Mil-

itary Reservation encompassed a large territory, bounded on the east by the S. D. Colton farms, and on the west by the top of West Mountain. In the year 1900 the government sent a surveyor by the name of A. Jessen to survey the reserve. I was a member of his crew and was installed as flag man. Before closing I must mention another character who was employed at Ft. Thornburgh as blacksmith, A Mr. David Ellis, a veteran of Civil War days. He was known as one of the best mule-shoers in the west. At the time of the abandonment of Thornburgh he took up farming, and kept his blacksmith shop going on what is now the Frank Smith home in Maeser.

One thing I forgot to mention was that the south military line ran down the Taylor Bird street to the road leading to the Frank Smith home. This involved the Phil Stringham, Dell Colton and Ted Watkins property. These settlers protested through a local attorney, Mr. Wm. Ashton who took the matter up with our Washington delegates who were at that time George Q. Cannon and Bernhiesel. They went to some trouble and expense, but finally got the government to withdraw this farm land.

Some have asked why were these soldiers sent here, and what good did they do while here?

I can only guess why they were sent here. Uncle Sam "keeps a standing army, and it would be dangerous to their morale to keep them too long in one place. The policy was to rotate, and go in and build new Forts.

What did they do? They built a road over the Taylor Mountain which gave us access to the timber lands.

J. Wm. WORKMAN

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con- you it tasted good although it was rather dark color and as I have said before not a complaint and right here I want to say its where a good partner comes in for what could ~~pppp~~ I have done without the support and aid and encouragement that came from that good woman who stood shoulder to shoulder with me through all these trying days

Well after the flour came in a little while some of the heifers that was left over had calves then we had a little milk then a little butter and things began to look a little brighter, we were still at work getting the water out and fencing with brush for a fence then putting what little seed we had into the ground for wheat I plowed as well as I could which was not very good and sowed the wheat and in planting the corn and potatoes we would scratch a furrow then drop the corn or potatoes and cover them up and leave the balance between the rows to be plowed later.

Well the time finally came when we had the water out on the land so I commenced to water it would come right through it would cut a little gutter right down and come out below and lodge in some low place it was here I had the trial of my life for it seemed that after all our troubles and hardships that it was all to naught, and I was wondering whether to give it up or not and while I was pondering these things over so seriously I was sitting on the ground with my feet in one of these little gulches when I heard a rustling sound behind me and in looking up I saw my wife right there she asked me what was the matter for she could see I was troubled by my looks so I told her of my troubles she sat down and we talked it all over and she encouraged me to keep on, says she it wont always be like this and these come on us to try us and if we continue faithful all w come out well. After we talked it over I felt different and went at it with determinat to make success of it and I have often thought since how those few kind encouraging words helped me out of that trouble and as I have said before what could I have done alone with the comforting influence of that good woman. Well I went at it with a will and got the wa over the wheat the best I could then I run the water down the furrows left in planting corn and potatoes and in a few days everything was coming up nicely and I had been fencir all times when I could so by July 4th, 1880 I had 20 acres fenced with brush fence and sown to something among the rest were a few pounds of lucern seed it was coming up too.

At this time part of the country was Wasatch County was cut off and organized and an election was held. And the country seat was at old Ashley. In the fall we came out with 45 bushels of wheat, some nice corn and potatoes and things began to look a little better, we had two or three cows giving milk and during the summer I hitched up the horses and hauled a load of wood, or two of freight for James Gibson, keeping store at Old Ashley and that helped us to some clothing and such things for the coming winter which proved to be quite mild.

Now the next problem was schooling for the children and as the school was at Old Ashley we had to send our children through the brush and over those streams, the idea, the idea did not appeal to me. I shall have to retrace a little during the winter of 1879 and 1880 I took up that 40 acres where the farmers mill now stands and in the spring of 1880 Wm G. Reynolds came up from Vernal where he had wintered and wanted that piece of ground to build a mill on it so I let him have it and that summer they built the mill which was a great blessing to the people as before the people had to go over to White Rocks on the reservation to the government mill to get their grinding done.

So one day we were talking about sending our children through that brush and we decided to draw up a petition to the county court for a school district after it was drawn up it was taken to the court by Wm P. Reynolds William G.'s father and he presented it. they laughed at him out of it, saying what do they want a school district for Bodily is the only one having children when he returned I noticed he looked sorta of sheepish and told what they said, so I said to him and me that paper and I will go and see what I can do with them fellows I took it and loand behold I got the district grant with Philip Stringham, myself and Wm G. Reynolds as trustees but we could get no aid in building house so we used private residences for school, first one, then another.

Somewhere about this time our ward was organized with William Shaffer as bishop, myself first councillor and George Glines second councillor, Philip Stringham as superintendent of sunday schools, Mary Ann Shaffer President of the relief society with Mrs Harriet Ann Bodily as first assistant, As trustees of the school district brother Stringham and myself began to get material together for the purpose of building a school house it took a lot of energy to do this. In getting lumber we had to go over to the head of

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the head of Deep Creek there Alma Johnson had set up a small steam mill and at this time the snow was waist deep over there so we had a hard time in getting the lumber out over that hill but persevering we finally succeeded in getting on to the piece of ground we had secured of bro S.D. Colton we already had the logs on the ground so everything was ready to commence building the snow was quite deep which made it look like a tough proposition to commence and most of those wanted to put it off until spring and I finally prevailed on them to continue until finished so in a little while we had a house to meet in and hold school in.

One winter scarlet fever broke out and our family took it so we had seven down with it at one time it was a trying time and we had not sufficient room which made it worse, but I had logs hauled the fall before to build a better house and in fact had already commenced to build when the disease broke out I had bro Stringham help me I would work as much of the time during the day all I could and at night set up and take care of the children together with anxiety we were almost worn out when it was over but the Lord blessed us for all recovered although some were very sick, in the spring by the time ground was ready to put in crops we had the house three rooms below and two rooms upstairs that made things much better and each year I had plowed more ground so now we were getting along. After putting in the crops I would go after freight and Levi would attend the crops and it was astonishing how well he succeeded for a small boy, of his age for it was sure a hard job to control the water. In February 21st, 1882 Isabell Miranda was born and about that time or before the soldiers came to Ouray and camped and that brought sale for what people had to sell, and made things better and the Indians were allowed annuities every year and that created quite a lot of money and there were quite a number coming in all the time and after a while John Blythe and Tom Mitchell built a store where the Bank of Vernal now stands and people began to settle around it and old valley began to settle around it and they wanted the County seat moved there for old Ashley was no place for it some claimed the county commissioners had the right to move it but we could not see the point we however moved the county jail for we had a right to move it anywhere in the district and there being only one district we moved it although we were threatened by some who objected to it, being moved but nothing came of the threats and after a while we were ordered by the State or territorial legislature to hold an election whether to move it or not, with the result it was moved and then all business moved to Vernal from Old Ashley.

The Co-op started where it now stands, as a county there was great trouble outlaws for this and surroundings country was a fine place for them to locate, Brown's Park and other places was ideal for their purpose, with no railroad, no telegraph line at the time it was a hard job to control them it was about all the county could do to keep going but they were finally overcome. The soldiers did not stay long at Ouray but were moved into the valley up east of brother Stringham's place this made lots of work and a good market for all the people had to sell right at our doors but this did not last many years before they were moved to Ft Bridger I hauled some government material over the mountain myself. I do not recollect what year it was when we rented some sheep of T. Caldwell but did not do well with them they were scabby and no place to dip them in now we only kept them one year but soon after this the sheep men to come in and of course they commenced to build dipping vats so the sheep could be dipped.

I used to haul wool to Wyoming year after year and then apples and honey to sell. It became quite notorious so I and W.G. Reynolds took some of Densleys and Butterfield sheep those sheep were old and had been picked out of their herds and a good many were strays and were claimed by other parties so at every turn and move it was a loss instead of profit so nothing was gained only expense I forgot the time of the above, in 1883 or 1884 I believe but not sure.

In January 20th 1884 Christopher William was born another incident happened mother that is my wife had a severe case of erysipelas all over her head and it poisoned her blood, if she would work over a hot stove it would show large spots on her face it wore on her eyes quite visibly but she did not give up but kept going.

After Densley and Butterfield got their sheep, we started again and got a nice little bunch of about 500 and it came about time I sold them to E.C. Caldwell and never got all the pay, that ended that but after a while we got a few more and kept adding



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PRESIDENT HEBER J. GRANT OF SALT LAKE SPEAKS AT A

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26, May 1970.

### **Maeser Celebrates 24th in Grand Style Monday; President Grant Speaks**

**MAESER** (Special) — Monday morning at eleven o'clock the chapel and amusement hall were filled to capacity for the pioneer program which was given as follows: band selection; song, "Utah, We Love Thee"; prayer, Thomas Bingham; selections "A and B", by band led by Lloyd Winn; musical trio by Floyd and Merle Allen, Herman Bingham, accompanied by Neva Allen; vocal duet, "This is the Place," by Mrs. Mae and Mrs. Lucille Calder.

President Heber J. Grant of Salt Lake sang, "The Flag Without a Stain", followed by his oration. He spoke on the early pioneer life of Brigham Young, Heber C. Kimball, Daniel H. Wells and others. Band selection by the U. H. S. Band was followed by the benediction by Phillip Stringham.

Immediately following the program, the immense crowd assembled under the spacious bowery and were served delicious barbecued meat.

The afternoon was well spent in all kinds of sports, ladies ball game, single boys game of indoor baseball, ladies contest in hammering nails, 30 inch dash, baseball game between Maeser and Gilnes, with the score 11-6 in favor of Maeser, potato race, tug-of-war, kick ball between 2nd ward boys and Maeser, with Maeser winning, races for the children of all ages. During the afternoon a dance was held for the kiddies, with a dance for everybody in the evening, which was well attended.

Several hundred people were present and enjoyed the entire day and feel well paid for attending.

Congressman Don B. Colton was master of ceremonies, with Harden Bennion, Judge A. V. Watkins and Attorney Hugh W. Colton also present.

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VERNAL, UTAH COUNTY, UTAH, THURSDAY

## All Men Working on State Highway Systems will be Kept Employed all Winter

Information has reached Vernal that maintenance of the state road system will be pushed ahead in 1930 in cooperation with the request of President Herbert Hoover and Governor George H. Dern in insuring work for employees of the state during the fall, winter and spring months prior to the inauguration of the 1930 construction program.

District engineers have received instructions throughout the state that all men are to be kept on the payrolls of the state as far as economically possible and that all maintenance work, such as building shoulders on finished road work and all other maintenance will be pushed forward.

It is believed by Chairman Blood that practically all the men now employed by the department, many of whom have previously been temporarily laid off, will continue working throughout the year, early maintenance work being substituted by snow clearance work later and again reverting back to normal maintenance in the spring.

The total amount to be expended by the state road commission in maintenance work in 1930 was announced Saturday at \$916,706, to be divided in five districts. This amount is an increase over the past year of 13.9 per cent, the money of which is derived from the gasoline tax.

While the amount spent for maintenance in the state has increased since 1924 from \$296,640 to \$916,706, chairman Blood said Saturday that the amount is actually 25 per cent less than needed. To maintain the state's highways in 1930 up to the federal aid standards it would be necessary to spend more than \$1,250,000, he said.

Maintenance of the roads has increased by leaps and bounds since 1924, the chairman pointed out, a table of which follows: 1924, \$296,640; 1925, \$410,097; 1926, \$466,654; 1927, \$624,898; 1928, \$721,957; 1929, \$804,904; and 1930, \$916,706.

The amounts to be spent in the road districts of the state the counties included in the district and the increase in expenditures for 1930 show the following: District No. 1, Bexley, Cach, Rich, Morgan, Weber, Summit and Daggett, \$181,014, increase of 10.2 per cent; District No. 2, Tooele, Salt Lake, Utah, western Juab, Wasatch, Park City section of

## "Penrod" Aply Present ed by Talented Students of Uintah High School

The school play, "Penrod," a four act comedy, directed by Miss Katherine Taylor, was presented last Thursday and Friday nights at the high school auditorium to a large and appreciative audience each night. The stage settings were very unique and the costumes gorgeous. Too much praise cannot be given these young people who rendered their parts with exceptional ability, some of the parts being very difficult ones. The cast was as follows: Penrod, Thurman Merkley; Sam, Victor Bingham; Margaret, Schofield; Miss Sydney Goodrich; her lover, Robert Williams, Wilson, Duke; Mr. Dade a crook, Howard Calder; Tim, another crook, Carlos Roberts; Henry, Schofield, Dallas Hatch; his wife, Mary Schofield, Miss Lamar Cook; Della, an Irish cook, Miss Louise Cook, Mrs. Bassett, Miss Helen Calder; her son George, Wallace Winder; Mr. Jones, Louis Roberts; his daughter, Miss Merle Jensen; Jarge, Della's nephew, Weldon Bastian; two negro boys, Herman and Berman.

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Mrs. William H. Siddo, nightfully entertained 11 of the Pioneers and a guests at her home, last afternoon. As a very Mrs. Ernest Winn of B organizer and first pre camp, was present. ing program was rec Christmas carols, by Winn, Mrs. M. M. Cooneth Spiers, Mrs. W. Mrs. Haller Witbeck w Pitchforth as accompan mas story, Mrs. Charle saxophone solo, Ralph companied by Mrs. short talk by Mrs. Ern piano solo, Mrs. Kenna the close of the afterno two course hot lunch to forty ladies. The g voting Mrs. Siddoway hostess. The next me held at the home of Bension, Friday, Janua Ernest Henderson and son.

## Interesting Meetings on Bean Campaign at

All the meetings scheduled in Ash-ley Valley in the interests of the bean campaign, have been held, the closing meeting at Maeser Monday night resulting in the signing up of contracts by every one present. The meetings have been fairly well attended. Among those speaking at these meetings have been E. Peterson, county agent, Ernest Eaton of the Uintah County Farm Bureau, J. A. Cheney, B. H. Stringham and Bishop James H. Wallis of the Lions club, Geo. W. Cahoon and C. H. Wilkinson of the J. G. Peppard Seed Co., and Ray Paulson. Much interest has been shown at all these meetings, and many who have raised beans gave their experiences as very satisfactory, so much so that they have signed up contracts.

Dr. William Peterson, Director of the U. S. Extension Station at Logan, communicated with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., and received the following reply. "The striking thing about the letter is that in the face of a two million bushel increase in bean pro-

one million to one and lion bushels.

"The revision of estimation this year in the for the United States on the 18 of this month make some difference. It is not thought that in the final report in November will be very.

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A "Wrecker's Daughter," given at the Workman Opera House last Saturday and Monday nights, was well attended. The local talent putting it on made some money out of it. Willie Hansen has purchased a lot just north of Dr. Hullinger from Cornelius Carhart for \$325. Mr. Carhart purchased the lot a few months ago. It is known as the Rich lot.

Charles Carter returned from a business trip to the reservation. While absent he visited many parts of the growing country and was pleased at the signs of progress everywhere. He is of the opinion that the Duchesne valley has a bright, if not brighter future than any other section.

The bazar and concert given yesterday and last night at the social hall under the auspices of the Congregational Church, was such a delightful affair that the many present would like to see it repeated. The program last night was just simply fine. Vernal certainly has the best musical and literary talent of any town of its size in the west.

The electric light people announce that they will soon be ready to serve the residents of Mill and Fourth wards. The gangs of men are now at work stringing wire.

Two legged and four legged predatory beasts have been destroying many chickens and turkeys the past few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Meagher entertained the "500" club last Tuesday night. The members and visitors had an unusually good time. Dr. and Mrs. Martin announced that they will issue the pills next time.

Local merchants are enjoying better Christmas business than ever. One reason for that is that the people are more prosperous and another reason is that the merchants are doing a little more advertising than usual. Some of the stores will sell all their holiday goods long before the end of next week. Better hurry or the present you intended to get for her will be gone.

News comes from Whiterocks of the serious accident of Lorin Ross, son of Steve Ross, east of that place. Young Ross went out to catch a horse and the animal kicked him in the mouth. John Merkley conveyed him to Whiterocks for surgical treatment. It required fourteen stitches to sew up the ugly gash.

The coldest weather at Jensen so far has been 16 degrees below zero.

A little girl came to the home of Ira Gardiner, December 8th. Ira has been nurse and attending to the home work.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Timothy were made glad on the 7th with the arrival of a baby boy.

## President Heber J. Grant to Dedicate Maeser Ward Chapel on December 29

We understand that arrangements have been definitely completed to dedicate the new Maeser chapel on Sunday evening, December 29, and that President Heber J. Grant will be here to offer the dedicatory prayer.

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UNITAH STAKE 1906

Pres: Samuel Bennion  
1st Coun: Reuben S. Collet  
2nd Coun: James Hecking  
Pres: William H. Smart  
1st Coun: Herman Bennion (1907 rel.)  
1st Coun: Don B. Cotton (1907 rel.)  
2nd Coun: Thomas Smith (1907 rel.)  
2nd Coun: Joseph H. Harty (1907 sus.)

UNITAH STAKE 1920

Pres: Don B. Cotton  
1st Coun: David Bennion (1919 rel.)  
1st Coun: Ernest Eaton (1919 sus.)  
2nd Coun: Ernest Eaton (1919 rel.)  
2nd Coun: Albert G. Goodrich (1919 sus.)

UNITAH STAKE 1922

Pres: Wallace Calder  
1st Coun: Ernest Eaton  
2nd Coun: Albert Goodrich

UNITAH STAKE 1931

Pres: Hyram B. Calder  
1st Coun: Archie Johnson  
2nd Coun: Hugh W. Cotton

UNITAH STAKE 1943

Pres: Archie Johnson  
1st Coun: Byron Goodrich ( rel.)  
1st Coun: Lynn N. Munrook ( rel.)  
2nd Coun: H. Grant Vest (1942 rel.)  
2nd Coun: Jesse A. Harris (1942 sus.)

UNITAH STAKE 1956

Pres: William Budge Walls  
1st Coun: C. Laurence Fox  
2nd Coun: Franklin R. Walker

UNITAH STAKE - SPLIT IN 1956

ASHLEY STAKE 1956

Pres: William Budge Walls  
1st Coun: C. Laurence Fox (1969 rel.)  
1st Coun: W. Lamond Tullis (1969 sus.)  
2nd Coun: Ernest Lee Caldwell (1956 rel.)  
2nd Coun: (1958 sus.) W. Lamond Tullis (1969 rel.)  
ASHLEY STAKE 1970 2nd Coun: Thomas Howells (1969 sus.)  
Pres: Jack A. Seitz  
1st Coun: Garth B. Barry  
2nd Coun: Bert L. Angus

UNITAH STAKE 1958

Pres: Franklin R. Walker  
1st Coun: C. Brian O'Neil  
2nd Coun: Clyde R. Anderson (1960 rel.)  
2nd Coun: Ross Merrill (1960 sus.)

UNITAH STAKE 1978

Pres: Vernil P. Johnson  
1st Coun: Garde W. Anderson  
2nd Coun: D. Roger Hecking

MAESER STAKE 1978

Pres: Vernil P. Johnson  
1st Coun: Garde W. Anderson  
2nd Coun: D. Roger Hecking  
Pres: Ivan Hays  
1st Coun: J. Harvey Madson  
2nd Coun: David H. Jolley

UNITAH STAKE & ASHLEY STAKE - SPLIT IN 1978

ASHLEY STAKE 1978

Pres: Jack A. Seitz  
1st Coun: Merrill B. Meacham  
2nd Coun: Garde Warkins

ASHLEY STAKE 1989

Pres: Kenneth G. Anderson  
1st Coun: Grant Drolinger  
2nd Coun: Deakman Barry  
Robert L. Jolley (1993 sus.)

MAESER STAKE 1989

Pres: Deakman Barry  
1st Coun: Norman S. Nielson  
2nd Coun: Robert K. Jolley

UNITAH STAKE - SPLIT IN 1920

DUCHESNE STAKE 1920

Pres: William H. Smart  
1st Coun: Ephraim Lambert (1916 rel.)  
(1916 sus.) 1st Coun: Paul S. Hanson (1918 rel.)  
1st Coun: Ephraim Lambert (1918 sus.)  
2nd Coun: Joseph H. Harty (1918 rel.)  
2nd Coun: Owen Bennion (1918 sus.)

DUCHESNE STAKE 1920

Pres: Owen Bennion  
1st Coun: George V. Briggs  
2nd Coun: Ira B. Carlson

DUCHESNE STAKE - SPLIT IN 1936

DUCHESNE STAKE 1936

Pres: Heber Moon  
1st Coun: Leo Bennion  
2nd Coun: Golden L. Bennett

DUCHESNE STAKE 1952

Pres: Ardel Hale Hoigale  
1st Coun: Elmer Moon  
2nd Coun: Deem C. Christensen (1954 rel.)  
2nd Coun: Monroe Michle (1954 sus.)

DUCHESNE STAKE - 1957

Pres: Elmer R. Moon  
1st Coun: Porter L. Merrill (1970 released)  
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2nd Coun: Glen E. Mohman

DUCHESNE STAKE 1972

Pres: David Sam  
1st Coun: Howard G. Todd  
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1st Coun: Thomas Fierchio  
2nd Coun: Fernon J. Peterson

DUCHESNE STAKE - SPLIT IN 1985

DUCHESNE UT STAKE 1985

Pres: Leland Wright  
1st Coun: Fernon J. Peterson (1991 rel.)  
1st Coun: Dennis L. Eganorbeck (1991 sus.)  
2nd Coun: Neil C. Jensen (1996 rel.)  
2nd Coun: Dennis L. Eganorbeck (1996 sus.)  
2nd Coun: Richard D. Fredrickson (1991 sus.)

DUCHESNE UT STAKE 1993

Pres: Lamont W. Moon  
1st Coun: Jerry D. Allred  
2nd Coun: Dale W. Thomas

DUCHESNE STAKE - SPLIT IN 1920

ROOSEVELT STAKE 1920

Pres: William H. Smart  
1st Coun: Byron O. Cotton  
2nd Coun: Ephraim Lambert  
ROOSEVELT STAKE 1922  
Pres: Byron O. Cotton  
1st Coun: Ephraim Lambert (1924 rel.)  
1st Coun: Ray E. Dillman (1924 sus.)  
2nd Coun: Fredrick S. Mueser (1924 rel.)  
(1924 sus.) 2nd Coun: Fernon J. Williams (1925 rel.)  
2nd Coun: William R. Todd (1925 sus.)

ROOSEVELT STAKE 1941

Pres: Ray E. Dillman  
1st Coun: William R. Todd  
2nd Coun: Joseph T. Beatty (1942 rel.)  
2nd Coun: Leihard M. Angus (1942 sus.)

ROOSEVELT STAKE 1949

Pres: Hollis G. Mullinger  
1st Coun: W. Russel Todd  
2nd Coun: R. Vernon Larsen

ROOSEVELT STAKE 1956

Pres: Ezra J. Niron  
1st Coun: Paul Murphy  
2nd Coun: Ermo D. Buchanan

ROOSEVELT STAKE 1966

Pres: Ayle C. Snow  
1st Coun: Merrill J. Millett  
2nd Coun: Arvin L. Beilon

ROOSEVELT STAKE - SPLIT IN 1975

ROOSEVELT STAKE 1975

Pres: Calvin R. Kowallis  
1st Coun: Max Todd  
2nd Coun: Dennis A. Mower

ROOSEVELT WEST STAKE 1975

Pres: Arvin L. Beilon  
1st Coun: Merrill J. Millett (1978 rel.)  
1st Coun: Ronald L. Johnson (1978 sus.)  
2nd Coun: Ronald L. Johnson (1978 rel.)  
(1978 sus.) 2nd Coun: Lynn W. Milton (1980 rel.)  
2nd Coun: Lionel L. Jensen (1980 sus.)

ROOSEVELT WEST STAKE 1980

Pres: Lionel L. Jensen  
1st Coun: William V. Townbridge  
2nd Coun: David C. Adamson

ROOSEVELT UT WEST STAKE 1983

Pres: Dennis A. Mower  
1st Coun: Lee E. Nelson  
2nd Coun: Boyd R. Lemmon

ROOSEVELT UT WEST STAKE 1989

Pres: Dennis L. Draney  
1st Coun: Vern J. Osmond  
2nd Coun: S. Paul Chambers

ROOSEVELT UT WEST STAKE 1992

Pres: Vern J. Osmond  
1st Coun: Ralph Eganorbeck  
2nd Coun: Mark Dennis

ROOSEVELT & ROOSEVELT WEST STAKE - SPLIT IN 1983

ROOSEVELT UT EAST STAKE 1983

Pres: Earl V. Allred  
1st Coun: H. Ormon Sullivan  
2nd Coun: Garth L. Sorenson

ROOSEVELT UT EAST STAKE 1993

Pres: Sheldon R. Robb  
1st Coun: Clark F. Miller  
2nd Coun: Jerry W. Goodrich

ALAMONT UT STAKE 1994

Pres: L. Robert Marshall III  
1st Coun: Curtis L. Walker  
2nd Coun: Tommy C. Thacker

# State Road Starts Work On Paved Highway From Vernal to Maeser

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County Road Supervisor Fuller Remington reports several road projects either completed or well underway. The highway from Vernal to Lapoint is being pushed as rapidly as possible. Already about seven miles of gravel have been laid from Lapoint east toward Vernal and work on this end will start soon.

In conjunction with Vernal city it is planned to make an ideal drive to the Vernal Memorial Park from the center of town. A paved road will be made to the Ashton corner by the city. From there on the county will build a paved road to the entrance of the Park. To make a good road bed from the Ashton corner past the Bingham place there was constructed the first French drain made in this county. The project has proved to be a success and has resulted in a well drained highway.

Vernal Express 1939-06-08

At Silver Gate in Ashley can you much improvement has been made in changing the course of the Upper canal and also the road traversing that section. Then with cuts and fills from there on to Dry Fork the road has been shortened and made much more passable. Eventually the road will be finished over the pass to Deep Creek.

"The paving of a road to Maeser is now in the course of becoming a reality," so said W D Core, state road resident engineer. Brush and rushes have been cut away on either side of the road from Marshall L. Richardson's place north. Great effort is to be made to make a substantial road bed. Adequate drains have been made all along the swampy section. The rock crusher has been taken from the asphalt quarry and set up on the Ashley creek where tons of rock will be crushed preparatory to having a six inch sub base surmounted by a four inch topping over which one and one half inches of oil will be spread.

The curve turning west will be widened under the direction of Stan L. Robbins as foreman. State forces will be put on the job at once and work move steadily on until the project is completed. Old residents here will remember the difficulties of boggy roads in early days and will welcome a change.



ing up the city. He has the large lamp in front of his stable burning all night.

Have you seen the Favorite stoves and ranges? Money back if they do not prove the equal of any other in every respect. See them at Mill Ward Store.

About the loveliest girl whom we have heard of lately took up her abode at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Julious some time last week. All concerned were doing well at last accounts.

The beautiful walking cane made by Jim McKee will not be ruffled off as reported in our last issue. It was purchased by James Walse, commonly called "Bish," and presented to the genial proprietor of the East End Saloon. Mr. Peironnot is very proud of his handsome present.

The Express staff are quite elated over the neatly printed ballots that they have put out for the coming election. The work is equal to any that could be obtained from the outside. The work in the office has been going ahead night and day in order that the work could be completed in time.

The census bureau has made public the following figures: The total population of the United States as shown by the census of 1900 is 76,295,220. The census of 1890 placed the population at 63,069,756. The population of Utah is 276,565 and 1,472 Indians, making a total for Utah of 278,037.

Agent Myton and wife and Mr. Owen, who acted as teamster, re-

ter, Germain socks and rubber goods. We can fit you in anything you may want in that line.

W. P. COLTHARP CO.

There will be a dance at the Social Hall Tuesday night, Nov. 6th. The managers have made arrangements to receive the election returns over the wire and will put up a bulletin board in the hall on which the returns will be announced during the evening.

Yes, we have them. Mens suits, boy's long pants suits, boy's knee pants suits. Ladie's waists in flannel, brilliantine, satine and satin. Ladie's wrappers. Childerns coats and cloaks. No shelf worn goods. All spick span new. The quality is way up and the prices way down. MEASE BROS.

Try a steak that Sammie cut, Try a chop that Sammie chopped, at the People's.

If you would live to be old, buy yourself a suit of that heavy underwear for 25 percent less than you can buy it elsewhere, at the Chicago Store.

J. H. Decker and Mark Collet have started up a first class short order house in the room one door west of the Antler saloon. The house will be run in modern style and will be open day and night for the benefit of all who are belated or hungry. As both the gentlemen are genial and popular with their prospective customers, we predict for them a successful business career.

Last night Mrs. Taylor sprung a genuine surprise upon the people of Naples as well as upon the professional campaigners who accompanied

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# Teen receives Governor response on intersection



Lariah Bodily's serious concerns regarding traffic hazards on 500 North (Maeser Highway) where it intersects 2500 West, has brought a comforting reply from Governor Michael Leavitt's office.

Lariah will be driving next year, and she expressed her concerns over the corner that she considers a peril to pedestrians and drivers in a letter sent to Leavitt the last part of May as part of a school writing assignment using "persuasive" techniques.

In the letter she says, "Over the past years, I have found the number of car accidents to be extremely high in the area. I would strongly recommend a stoplight be installed with the essential sidewalks and crosswalks around the intersection."

The Bodily's live on 2500 West, and since they live too close to the high school for her to ride the bus, she will need to walk, be driven, or drive through that intersection to attend school.

"It is nearly impossible to go

through the intersection during peak traffic times," she said. "Traffic travels through the intersection at high speeds. The telephone poles and trees obstruct the view of traffic. There are no designated crosswalks; so there have been several pedestrians killed or seriously injured in accidents within the boundaries of the intersection."

Lariah included businesses, industries, nearby towns, recreational and agricultural traffic, school, Maeser area and hospital traffic as all contributing to the problem.

She even "put her money where her mouth" was and offered to help spearhead a funding drive to pay for the improvements.

"To have proper stoplights and crosswalks installed at this intersection," she concluded, "would be a great improvement to the area, worthy of everyone's contribution to the cause."

In response to her finely drafted concerns, the Governor's office responded that the intersection had

already been warranted for a traffic signal, an engineering firm has been hired to design the signal, and the design was underway.

"We anticipate construction next summer (2004) because of utility and right-of-way issues involved in the project. The project also includes the design of a traffic signal at SR-121 and 1500 West Maeser, and one in Roosevelt."

Crosswalks on as many legs of each intersection, as feasible, were also included.

The Governor's office recommended that the Utah Highway Patrol and/or Uintah County Sheriff's offices be contacted to request additional law enforcement of speed laws in the area.

In addition to a response to her concerns, Lariah also received a letter on a paper that she had written about her observations of this dangerous intersection.

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sects promises to put to shame our boasted enthusiasm and pride, if the greatest care is not taken to spray and the keenest vigilance kept to discover the encroachments of the wily intruder.

\*The new enterprises that are being launched, viz: The Telephone Company, Electric Light, Milling and Railroad Company and the Maeser Co-operative Store are all presumably institutions for the good of the county and all whom they may interest as instrumental of social service. It can only be hoped that they will be actually supported by every citizen and managed as public utilities for the common good.

The new bounty law went into effect Wednesday May 15th. Instead of the County Clerk's removing all feet and scalp, as was required by the older law, he will but remove the right front paw and leg below the body. The bones in these parts must accompany the pelt. This will make it possible for those obtaining pelts to get the bounty and sell them to furriers at a much larger price than could be obtained when they were so badly disfigured in accordance with former laws.

The Express force has been laboring under difficulties the last few weeks. We are short of help, and correspondence so far has failed to bring us a printer. Two of the old force went to the promised land—the reservation—and our typist Nina has taken a jump from single blessedness into double cussedness, which leaves Hart Holdaway and your Uncle Daniel as the star performers in the shop, and Monroe Shepard doing the "devil" act. Thos. Wolf and Geo. A. Davis have kindly assisted us in gathering news items, and yesterday Mrs. Alice Walker throwed together a couple columns of

cuse me."

"Why, Jack! you know I'm terribly interested in science, and especially in what you accomplish. Oh, I know we're all going to be proud of you."

They walked out of the laboratory together.

There were two other occupants of the laboratory. The doctor and his fair visitor had not been unconscious of their presence—merely oblivious to it. Perhaps they might have been less self-sufficiently comfortable had they observed the attention with which their dialogue had been noted.

Penton, a junior house physician, was the first to speak. "Conceded fool, that man Young. It's more luck than sense that has given him his advancement. He never did anything wonderful at college when I was in his class. Humph! I never had to give way to him then. But he had the cash and could go right on and I had to drop out a year and work. Now, I'm taking orders from him! Making discoveries! Just his luck to fall into something new. They'll all pat him on the back, whether it amounts to anything or not. Then there'll be no living with him."

Penton looked bitterly envious, but Heller, the pharmacist, evidently harbored a deeper feeling. His face bore the picture of jealousy and hatred. Yet he spoke lightly.

"She's a mighty pretty girl, that Miss Alden. He seems to stand very well with her. But there's many a slip—"

"Well, I must be going," said Penton. He glanced back furtively at the incubator as he left the laboratory.

Heller paced nervously up and down the room. "Ten years ago Young whipped me for something I said to that same little Alden girl," he muttered. "He has crossed me a dozen times since that. She and I got along well enough as schoolmates until he became acquainted with her; then he made a good deal of her business his own. The last few years she has not even bowed to me. I can see whose influence that is. And that other deal

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## A HISTORY OF MAESER LOCALITY

Written by Grace McConkie, historian for Camp Thornburg of the DUP, Maeser

Those contributing information, as authority were: Thomas Bingham Jr., Philip Stringham Sr., Mary B. Stringham, John L. McConkie, William Oaks, George Reynolds and others. --written in 1936.

DEDICATION: To our pioneer parents of Maeser, temples of courage, high of ideal and diligent of purpose; who builded our standards and to you Daughters of the Utah Pioneers whose noble efforts open for others the way for greater opportunities: we humbly dedicate this history.

In this history I have attempted to link the present with the past. We should pause in memory of those great souls of yesterday, who have gone before us; and pay our sincerest respects for they who have builded better than they knew, who built down the stony path that we so easily tread today. We should ever prize the treasures from the past and seek for the inspiration that prompted the early settlers of this ward.

If only we could keep intact the memory of the pioneers of Maeser and lay away the heirlooms which could more completely, than written records, tell the story of their lives. Some of the older people of this locality can stand by and think too, that "the desert has been made to blossom as the rose."

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Fifty-nine years ago, some of the first pioneers came to Ashley Valley, some of them locating in this locality. They came in the fall of 1877 and those settling in this vicinity were: Mrs. and Mrs. Downing, Mr. and Mrs. Mason, who settled about where Frank Smith's home now stands; (1847 north 3000 west, with the present numbering system) Mr. and Mrs. Roch Gill, Mr. Rich Gill, William Britt, Finn Britt also came in 1877. The Britts took up some land on the creek where Ed Colton now lives. (2131 north 2500 west) G. W. Van Gundy, father of Cora VanGundy McAndrews, also came at this time. In the fall of 1878 Philip Stringham, Sr. and family moved here from Salt Lake City and settled close to the Old Fort Thornburg headquarters and on a tract of land later taken up as a military reserve. In June 1878 Thomas Bingham Jr. came and settled in Dry Fork, later moving to Mill Ward in the spring of 1886. His father, Thomas Bingham Sr. came also and located at Jensen in 1877 and moved to Dry Fork, March 1878 and then in 1885 located in Mill Ward.

Ashley Valley, including this part, was surveyed in 1878. Some of the people coming in the fall of 1879, just before the hard winter were: William Shaffer, Robert Bodily and family, W. G. Reynolds and Bob Reynolds who came from Heber City, December 7, 1879. Heber Timothy, who was residing in Wallsburg, Utah before he came here, went to Heber City with his brother John's own team and assisted W. G. B. Reynolds to move his family and household goods to Hatch-town, later known as Vernal. Martin Oaks and family, Ben Green and Eph Green came in the same company. On November 14, 1879 this company

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started, yoking their oxen, which consisted of three yokes, one hitched to the one wagon and two yokes to another wagon. Bob Reynolds drove four oxen and Heber Timothy drove two oxen to the mouth of Daniel's Canyon. That night they stayed at Martin Oak's home. The next morning they were joined by Martin Oaks, his wife, Abigail, sons William and Edwin and daughter Sarah M. In Daniel's Canyon this party crossed the road seventy-two times in fifteen miles. Because of the extremely cold weather, traveling was very slow. On November 19 they reached the head of Strawberry Valley, the snow being fifteen inches deep. Here they were joined by Eph Green and others having ox teams and loose cattle and saddle horses. On November 25, they traveled up Red Creek Hill. Because of the steepness of the hill and the icy, slick trail, it was necessary to have fifteen yoke of oxen to draw one wagon up the hill. They moved about one-half mile a day. From there they went north out to the Duchesne where Tabiona now stands and for the first time since they started, were without snow. They arrived at Hatch Town, now Vernal, December 4, 1879.

✓ In one-room log cabin, with a dirt roof and a dirt floor, nineteen people lived, including W. G. Reynolds and family, Martin Oaks and family, George Brown and family, Bob Reynolds, Otto Peterson and Heber Timothy. This was the hard winter of 1879. During this winter and spring, flour became very scarce. This valley, at that time, was in Wasatch Stake and Jeremiah Hatch was presiding elder over this branch of that stake. Israel J. Clark and father Hadlock were his counselors.

At the suggestion of W. G. Reynolds, who became our pioneer miller, they advised that he prepare a pair of burrs to grind flour for the settlers. W. G. Reynolds and Moroni "Rone" Taylor went near what is now Maeser Cemetery and got two large boulders. Rone Taylor was a stone cutter and under his direction, with stone chisels, two burrs were cut. W. G. Reynolds faced the burrs, put them in a frame, one stationary, with their faces together. They attached them to a horse power and the other burr would turn with the same velocity as a cylinder in a threshing machine. The horses were very poor and their strength was not sufficient to do this work and so about a dozen men would take hold and assist. This milling was done in Ashley Center, now Vernal, in a place just north of the old Co-op, now J. C. Penneys. In 1880 William P. Reynolds, the father of W. G. and Bob Reynolds, came and assisted with the building of the Reynolds mill which was completed with one room by Christmas 1880. This flour mill was located in the Mill Ward (Maeser) until it was destroyed by fire during the summer of 1934.

✓ Martin Oaks, father of William Oaks, hauled all of the logs for the first mill. Jesse McCarrel and G. W. Van Gundy were two of the carpenters on the mill. The two burrs which were chiseled from two large boulders and which had been used at Ashley Center the previous winter by W. G. Reynolds, were moved to the Reynolds mill and were used there during the winter of 1880.

Because of their crudeness and inefficiency, dirt, wheat and all was ground into the flour. During this winter, because of the slowness of grinding, it was necessary to operate the mill both night and day in order to supply the needs of the customers. The mill was run by water power which was flumed to the building with about a fifteen-foot drop or fall.

The following year this mill was enlarged with another large room being built on the north. This large room was also used for dances that winter there being no other place. Some of the people who attended dances at the mill were: Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bodily, William Oaks, William Clark, John Harper, Dick Blakey, William Henry and William "Billy" Bradshaw. Some of the musicians who played for their dances were: Martin Oaks, David Timothy, Alma Timothy, Peter Petersen. George Brown did most of the calling for the dances at the mill. William Shaffer was bishop at that time.

Some of the men who would bring grist to the mill at that time or in 1886 were: Bishop Hatch from Vernal, President S. R. Bennion, Arthur Gardiner, David Timothy, David Workman, I. N. Jacobs, John Caldwell, (brother to Wash Caldwell,) Peter Shirts, Isaac M. Jones, W. W. Seymour, James Griffin, Henry Griffin, John Harper, John Worsley, L. Packett, Wm. McKeon, Joseph Howard, Ed French, Teancum Taylor, Mat Thomas, Jed Roby, Robert Bodily, Dr. Hullinger, William Shaffer, Taylor Bird, (father of Clarence Bird,) Philip Stringham Sr., Otto Petersen, (brother of Mrs. Lizzie Reynolds,) David Bills, Thomas Bingham Jr., Thomas Bingham Sr., William Henry Brady, Dick Blakey and others. Mr. Reynolds operated this mill from 1880 to 1905 with the exception of about eight or ten years which time not very much was done. Between 1900 - 1905 the milling site was purchased by Mr. W. D. Fletcher. All new machinery was purchased and installed at this time. The output of flour then was about fifty barrells per day. After Mr. Fletcher became owner of the mill it was known as the Farmer's Mill. Mr. W. G. Reynolds still worked in this mill with Mr. Fletcher until 1920 when his health became so poor it was necessary for him to quit. Mr. Reynolds died April 29, 1920.

Some years later Mr. Fletcher sold the mill to the Farmer's Milling Company and later it was purchased by David Ellis who operated it until it was destroyed by fire during the summer of 1934. At this time one of the old landmarks of this locality was lost forever but the service it gave to the people would never be forgotten. The native burrs, chiseled from the two huge boulders are now being preserved by the Daughters of Utah Pioneers where they rest on the lawn in front of their museum building. It will be interesting to know that the Reynolds family lived in a log house near the mill for four years and then moved to their homestead which included the tract of land running one-half mile west of their home and then south to the Bingham Street and east to the Rudge store. Mrs. Lizzie Reynolds, wife of W. G. Reynolds, attended her first school along with her two oldest children, George Reynolds and Rose Reynolds Hardy. They attended this school in 1879 in the old fort located at Ashley Center. ✓

In 1880 Mr. Gill, father of Roch and Rich Gill, came here and filed on the dark vein that we can still see in the big hill west of Maeser, thinking it was coal, but later found that it was asphaltum. He filed on a forty-acre tract of land west of the Maeser Cemetery. Mr. Vest was also an early settler of this locality. He located about where Lloyd Richard's home now stands. (1600 west 1500 north).

Eph and Ben Green were also early settlers of this place. Ben Green located in the corner just north of the Frank Smith home (1847 north 3000 west) and Eph Green located near Green's Pond, which was named for this man.

In the year about 1888, Lycurgus Johnson, who was in the mercantile

business in Old Ashley town, located three or four miles north of J. C. Penneys, erected a flour mill which was located in Section 16, or one-fourth mile west of John Hacking's residence. G. F. Culmer, whose interest was in the mercantile business at Salt Lake City, advanced the capital to Mr. Johnson for the erection of this mill and this flour mill operated for over twenty years. George A. Goodrich built the mill and also the stone house for the Johnson family and was also the first miller hired by "Curg" Johnson, as he was commonly called. The Goodrich families later settled in Naples. In about 1920 the mill was torn down and sold to N. J. Meagher and later sold to a Mr. Petersen at Duchesne.

Patrick Henry also erected a sawmill in this locality. It was located in the southwest corner of Section 15. The mill was just off the old military reserve, Fort Thornburg. The remainder of Patrick Henry's land was a part of the reservation east. This sawmill was made at this particular place that it might be supplied with water power to saw timber to accommodate the early settlers of this entire valley. William Oaks now owns the field, near Glen Oak's home, (2190 north 2500 west) where part of the old millrace is still intact.

This ward was called Mill Ward for a good many years and was named for the several mills operated here.

Later a postoffice was established here and was located about one-fourth mile east of the Reynolds mill, on the opposite side of the road from the Joseph Hardy place and now owned by Eph Pitt. While this postoffice was here, this ward was known as Buena Vista as that was the name of the postoffice. Some people have said that R. L. Woodard named the ward Buena Vista. The first postmaster, while the postoffice was here was Lewis Allen. This postoffice was later moved to the spot where the Rudge's store was located and Moroni Gerber was the postmaster. Under the window north of the door in the Rudge store, you can still see the slot where letters were posted. An advertisement is nailed over the slot at this time, however. (Note: at this time, May, 1978, the old Rudge store has become the Dun Broke Feed and Seed store (2510 west 500 north) and the Buena Vista postoffice, complete with letter slot, is located on the Linford Batty property in Ashley, where it has been marked by the Daughters of Utah Pioneers and is also a State Historical marker.)

There was also a postoffice in Vernal at this time, having been moved from Old Ashley townsite to that location. In a short time Buena Vista was again known as Mill Ward. Later Joseph H. Bodily, a community worker and also a great admirer of Dr. Karl G. Maeser, suggested that the name be changed to Maeser Ward in honor of the memory of Dr. Karl G. Maeser, which is a fitting and unique name for this ward. (There are now Maeser 1st, 2nd and 3rd wards, and a Vernal Utah, Maeser Stake, created April 30, 1978, with a new stake center to commence building in Maeser, across from the new Maeser Elementary School.)

The early settlers of Maeser did indeed sacrifice much for the meager education provided for their children at that time. The first school held at Maeser was held in a private dwelling which had been vacated and was located north of where Frank Smith's home now stands. It was the first shingled roof house in this area.

\* The Ashley postoffice which is on Linford Batty property at about 1370 W 2500 North was created on Dec 27 1878 & was discontinued on Nov. 17 1899. This old building is still there & taken care of by the Buena Vista DHP. The Buena Vista post office was established Oct 4, 1900<sup>4</sup> in Maeser at 2510 W 500 N. It discontinued on Nov 2 1903 and the Mercer (formerly Buena Vista) was opened discontinued Mar 15, 1910. They have been discontinued & a separate post office in Trachsel DB. (Check out from many references)

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In 1899 a brick building was erected just west of the Maeser store to be used for school. For some time previous to the building of the new church house in 1929, this brick building was the War Relief Society home and when the new church was erected, this building was torn down and part of the material was used in the construction of the new chapel. In 1899 R. N. Lyddiard, a brick mason, was in charge of the construction of this building. Later, when the grading of schools occurred, the two school houses in Maeser, one on the north and one on the south, proved very unsatisfactory, as students on either side of the ward, in some cases, had to pass the school on one side to attend their grade on the other side. This condition led to the erection of the school house now being used. It was erected in 1910. It was done by local help. John L. McConkie, Tillie Young and B. O. Colton were the trustees. Moroni Gerber brought the first brick for the school. It was delivered on January 19, 1910. John L. McConkie checked all brick and lumber that came in. Frank Smith and Lige Campbell were the two main carpenters. Len Mitchell, an expert stone cutter, cut all of the rock for the foundation, windows, etc. Mr. A. G. Anderson went to the mountain and got out the long timber which was used. The cost of the building was about \$22,000 and was built through local taxation in this district and was all paid for when the schools consolidated. A few years later, a modern heating plant was installed, also running water which made possible inside lavatories. William Oaks was president of the Board of Education at that time. Joseph Bodily, now of Maeser, was a member of the board, representing Moffat.

At the present time the Maeser School engages eight teachers. A special music teacher is also hired. The school building at this time is one of the two best elementary school buildings in the district. It is equipped with steam heat, electric lights, a water system, asphalt walks, lawns, trees, shrubs of all kinds and is well furnished with playground apparatus. This school has a very high rating in the district. After consolidation, the enrollment for this year, 1936, is about 300, including all students from the first to the eighth grade, inclusive, with students from Glines Ward and Dry Fork. Hot lunches are being served daily at the school.

Shortly after Billy Bradshaw, who located where Frank Caldwell now lives, and Robert Bodily, Philip Stringham, Sr., Martin Oaks, William Shaffer and others settled in this locality, it of course, became necessary to construct a ditch for the purpose of running water to their land. The ditch which was then constructed is now known as the Ashley Upper Canal. This was started in about 1880 by these men. The work went forward under very inconvenient circumstances. The only means of surveying at first was with the eye. It was done this way until they reached Philip Stringham Sr.'s farm, just about where his house now stands. They would build for awhile and then run some water in to test its efficiency. (Now 2063 north 3500 west) So after reaching the Stringham's, Martin Oaks did the surveying with a tripod made from a long log and which was no small load to carry. A spirit level was placed in this tripod and this was their means of surveying the remaining part of the ditch.

Scrapers such as used today were unknown implements at that time and so for scrapers they used slabs which they called, "go devils". About two furrows were plowed first and then were followed up by these "go devils". Oxen teams



were used on these scrapers as horses were very scarce. At first this canal extended only to the Bingham corner and was not completed until years later when Billy Powell and others did some work. You will notice, however, that this canal was made just after the hard winter of 1879 and food was very scarce. Philip Stringham was one man who ground wheat or corn in a coffee mill for his family before going to work. Some of the wheat after being ground was so musty it was impossible to eat it and so was fed to the chickens.

In the earlier days Philip Stringham Sr., planted two acres of the very choicest grapes, about six varieties in all. This vineyard included the land where his house now stands. For sometime this vineyard yielded abundantly, but later it winter killed. This was the largest vineyard in Maeser and perhaps the first one. Others who had vineyards were: Sterling Colton and Taylor Bird, father of Clarence Bird. Mr. Stringham also produced the first fruit in Maeser. Taylor Bird also had one of the first fruit orchards and William Murray's father also had a very nice orchard at this time.

Maeser was also noted at this time for its sheep and wool industry which has gradually increased. Some of the larger sheep owners were: Joseph P. Hacking, John S. Hacking, George D. Merkley, S. D. Colton, Philip Stringham, Sr., and also some owners of smaller flocks.

Some of the very early prominent stockmen were: S. D. Colton, Philip Stringham Sr., "Curg" Johnson and others. In the early days of Maeser, S. D. Colton and "Curg" Johnson fenced what is known as the "V" on Brush Creek Mountain. Philip Stringham brought the first bees to Maeser, bringing in four stands. Some other early honey producers at that time or perhaps later were: Mr. William Rudge, James Hacking, William Richens, Thomas Bingham Jr., and maybe others.

Some of the very first trees planted in Maeser are still standing. On Philip Stringham's old farm are trees that he planted. The large cottonwood trees still growing along the banks of the canal running past the old home of Nelson Merkley, now owned by Asher Merkley, (about 226 north 1500 west) were planted there before the canal was made and were planted by early settlers. William Oaks, who was a very young man at that time, helped with the planting and stated that when these trees were put there they were nothing then but poles, not having any roots at all.

Harris Workman was the first person to be buried in the Maeser Cemetery. This was about 1887. This man and Berto Bird were working to rescue John Wimmer Sr. They were working below a pond when the walls gave way and these two men were drowned. Berto Bird was buried in the Vernal Cemetery.

D. H. Workman constructed the first lime kiln in Maeser. This was for the purpose of burning lime for plaster. This kiln was located one-fourth mile west of the Glen Oaks residence. C. P. Reynolds made the first plaster of paris in Maeser. This plaster of paris was ground in the old burr mill and was used as the hard finish on the old original co-op building which was located just back of the Ashley Co-op, now J. C. Penney store. William Oaks was one of the first men in Maeser to burn gypsum. Maeser furnished gypsum to the late Dr. Earl Douglass for plaster used in plastering the Carnegie Museum as well as many

other places.

Al Johnson brought the first threshing machine to Ashley Valley. This machine was run by horse power.

There were three blacksmith shops located in this ward at the same time. There was one located where George Bowden now lives and was owned by Mr. Hatch. This shop was operating in about the year 1895. Robert Bodily owned a blacksmith shop located on the corner of the old home owned by Robert Bodily. Joe Ritter who lived on the spot where the William Akhurst home now stands, also owned a blacksmith shop, (2993 west 1500 north) mostly a private shop. In 1897 Mr. William Rudge came here from England and after a few months he located where Mark Hall now lives. (2630 west 1500 north) He built that house and also a blacksmith shop just west of the house. Mr. Joe Ritter gave Mr. Rudge his anvil, blacksmith bellows, vise and other things thus discontinuing his business. Mr. Robert Bodily also discontinued his blacksmithing, leaving Mr. Rudge and perhaps Mr. Hatch as the only blacksmiths.

In the year about 1903-04 Charles Glines, who lived where William P. Vernon now lives, constructed a horse-race track on that farm. His first intentions were to make a park. Mr. Glines made the race track, planted trees, shrubs, etc. This place provided much amusement for the public, such as rodeos, races and other sports. This project was urged by some of the men especially interested in horses. Mr. Glines operated this park for about two years, after which time it was abandoned.

Before the military force came to Maeser and established old Fort Thornburg, which was about 1878, William G. Reynolds, Otto Petersen, George Brown, B.M. Reynolds opened up the first coal mine. This coal mine is located west of Maeser and is known as the Pack-Allen mine.

The first store in Maeser was operated by Moroni Gerber and was located where Mrs. Rudge's store now stands. The next owner was Mr. Elmer. Mr. Wiley Collett purchased the store from Mr. Elmer and later sold it to Mr. Hadlock, who eventually sold to William Rudge. Mrs. Sarah Rudge now owns and operates this store.

The very first church meeting held in the western part of Ashley Valley was held in G. W. Van Gundy's house. The first dance ever held in the western part of this valley was held at Dry Fork, now a branch of Maeser Ward. It was held in Mark M. and Mary B. Hall's house (now Aunt Mary Stringham.) This dance was held on Christmas 1878. The floor they danced on was a "puncheon floor". It was made from split poles, split by hand, and laid with the round side down and fastened to cross poles with wooden pegs, as nails were not to be had. Harv Meeks from Midway was the only music for the dance and played the "fiddle". Thomas Bingham, Jr., known as "Uncle Tommy" did the calling at this dance.

Thomas Bingham Sr., father of Thomas Bingham Jr., was the first ordained bishop of Ashley Valley and was bishop of Dry Fork.

The second meeting ever held after Uintah County was made a county was held August 5, 1880, at church time the Reynolds people asked for water to operate a

mill. Theirs was the second part of the business transaction. This part was copied from the original record, which should be recorded in the court house but so far as is known, is not. It is as follows:

"Petition of Reynolds and Reynolds vs the right of using one third of the water of Ashley Stream for milling purposes to be conveyed down the Ashley Center Canal to a point forty or fifty rods north of Robert Bodily house, there to be taken out by throwing a dam across the canal and thence conveyed south on section line to a point near the present canal bridge, thence to be emptied back into the canal." This petition was granted and thus furnished power to operate Reynolds mill spoken of in this history.

The first bishop of Maeser was William Shaffer. The first president of the primary was Mrs. Caroline Stringham. The first president of the young Ladies Mutual Improvement Association was Elizabeth M. Reynolds. She was set apart for this office on October 19, 1884. Melva Glines was first counselor, Cora Hardy was second counselor and Isabelle Shirts was secretary. The first president of the Young Mens Mutual Improvement Association was Philip Stringham Sr., Henry Glines and David Bingham were his counselors.

On October 4, 1882 the first Relief Society was organized in Maeser, with Mary Ann Shaffer president, Harriet Bodily as first counselor and Melissa Reynolds as second counselor. Ella Reynolds was secretary and Melva Glines as assistant secretary. Caroline Stringham was treasurer.

The first Sunday School superintendency was chosen in 1879. Philip Stringham Sr., was superintendent with Charles Glines as first assistant and Isaac M. Jones as second assistant. Melva Glines was secretary and Ella Reynolds, choirister.

Maeser at this time is an ideal place in which to live. The spiritual contribution given through these church organizations has meant much in the lives of her children. Maeser can now boast of a recently completed church of rich architecture with every modern convenience. This church was erected in 1929 under the able direction of Bishop Carl R. Richens, with Leroy Carroll and Edwin Bodily as his counselors. William McConkie was ward clerk. L. Elmer Lind, also on the Uintah Stake High Council, was the financial clerk for the building. The first meeting of importance in connection with the building of the new church was held on February 12, 1929. The grounds were broken on May 7, 1929. On the evening of December 29, 1929 this church house was dedicated by Apostle Melvin J. Ballard with some 1200 people who attended the dedication.

During the period of time this church was being erected the people worked together very unitedly under the divine inspiration of God. The building was finished with a cost of about \$50,000.00. Anderson and Young were the architects. H. J. Kean was the contractor. These men were from Salt Lake City and worked together in a very harmonious way.

There have been clubs of various nature organized in Maeser at various times, which have been profitable in an educational way as well as other ways. One organization of this kind in every respect, and for which this history is

written, is the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, of Camp Thornburg. The first meeting of this organization with recorded minutes, was held February 27, 1931 at the home of Mrs. Minnie Wilson. The officers were: Mrs. Minnie Wilson, Captain; Ambrosine Hacking Ashby, first lieutenant; Mary F. Stringham Hall, second lieutenant; Jessie Oaks, secretary and treasurer; with Thora Ashby as an assistant; Mamie Carpenter Price was historian with Matilda Nelson Jones as assistant; Ethelwynne Stringham Collett as registrar; custodian of relics, Beatrice Stringham, with Lola Smith as assistant; chaplain, Maud Harder Carpenter; chorister, Stella Markham Carroll; organist, Violet Peters Caldwell.

Today Maeser has about 3600 acres of the choicest irrigated land to be found in any part of the Uintah Basin, producing farm commodities in abundance. Maeser leads the Basin in beef and dairy stock and produces immense quantities of butterfat, honey, turkeys, poultry and eggs.

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May, 1978 -- This history has been retyped, edited and corrected by Mildred L. Mansfield, historian of the other Maeser DUP camp Buena Vista, which was organized and divided from Camp Thornburg on September 13, 1957 at the home of Mildred L. Mansfield.

Note: The old Maeser School which was erected in 1910 was replaced by a new school building and for a time was used as a school center for the "New Life Training Center". In the summer of 1977 it was torn down and a new building built to house the "New Life Training Center". Such is progress. Many new homes are springing up all over Maeser and it is no longer a quiet little farming community.

--Mildred L. Mansfield, historian  
Camp Buena Vista



and the offices of the company are in the Johnson block.

Two marriage licenses have been issued by the county clerk since the last number of this paper was published. February 8, George O'Neil and Miss Amanda Abplanalp, of Maeser. February 12, Ramsey Stewart and Miss Ada Woodward, of Jensen.

Tom Birchell and Ray Dillman were acquitted before Justice Nebeker last Saturday of the charge of disturbing the peace. Joe Gurr, the night marshal who arrested them, claimed that they were making too much noise while out sleigh riding Friday night with a party of young ladies.

\* The Maeser Mercantile company has been incorporated with a capitalization of \$20,000. The following officers were elected: W. L. Fletcher, president; William H. Richens, vice-president; Andrew Vernon, secretary and treasurer. The above named gentlemen, with Moroni Gerber and W. P. Vernon are the directors. The company took over the Gerber store at Maeser.

Ralph Roseberry came in on the stage last Friday night from Nevada where he has been for about a year. He says most of the mining camps of the state which suffered on account of the recent panic will soon be flourishing again. He thinks the legislature will knock out the iniquitous card system which has caused so much friction between employees and employers throughout the west for the past two or three years.

have been reported with the Indians in the southern part of the state by arranging to give the Indians homestead embracing the lands they are now occupying in Montezuma canyon. It is believed that if the Indians are given permanent tenure of the lands they have been using disagreements between them and neighboring white settlers will cease.

A young lady of this city went into a dry goods store the other day and blushing asked the head clerk if he "had any of those elastic bands, capable of being elongated and adjusted at pleasure, and used by the feminine portion of mankind for putting around the lower extremities of their locomotive members to keep in the proper position and the required altitude habilaments of their tibias." The clerk is now on a sheep ranch.—Washington County News.

The poverty ball given by the Rebekahs last Monday night at the Social hall was one of the interesting social events of the season. With a few exceptions those present were dressed up in clothes that indicated poverty indeed. Those who violated the rules by wearing shined shoes and white collars were fined and there were some fines imposed for other misconduct. The fines, which amounted to \$10, were donated to the free public library fund. There was a neat sum taken in at the door. Clarence Bird was awarded the prize offered for the most poverty stricken man and Mrs. B. P. Kelly carried off the prize for the most poverty stricken woman. Mrs. Kelly's prize was a pair of overalls and Mr. Bird's prize was a skirt.

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The Mud Temple

The first public building in Maeser was a school house build on land donated by Sterling D. Colton. The lumber was obtained from Al Johnstun's sawmill and the logs from Taylor Mountain. The building was completed in the fall of 1882, just in time for school to begin. The next year the building was enlarged almost to double its size to approximately 20 x 50 feet.

Since this was a typical dirt roof log building and the roof being somewhat flat, it required quite a thick layer of dirt. Whenever there was a rainstorm, it was almost sure to leak somewhere, which meant that more dirt had to be put on. Hence the name the Mud Temple.

As time passed and more dirt was added to the roof, the great weight caused the roof to sag and the walls to buckle. Where the two sections came together the wall on the east side of the building bulged outward making it necessary to put in some props and braces. For the first few years, the furniture and fixtures were truly an example of pioneer improvisation.

The heating system consisted of one of the old style pot bellied stoves located in the center of the room. The lighting system consisted of a few tin kerosene lamps hooked onto nails driven in the wall. The students paid their own tuition and brought all their school equipment except for the recitation benches which were made of slabs with the smooth side up which were furnished by the school district. Over the years the inside of the building changed but the outside remained the same.

For eight years this building served Maeser as school, church, amusement hall and social center until it finally burned down in 1890. But for years after the first settlers remembered using the old Mud Temple.

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nents and every body had a nice time.

In our rambles about town we observed the following sentence decorating the front of a carpenter and paint shop. Poles for sale. When they will sail, or their destination is not stated.

The post office at Mill Ward has been abolished. The people of that ward were anxious to have an office of their own where it would be more convenient than coming to Vernal or going to Ashley for their mail, but it was a white elephant on their hands.

J. H. Murray received a telegram from his son John at Lander Wyo. who had his leg amputated a short time ago. The telegram stated that he was doing well, the doctor

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\*The Webster School of Mill Ward gives an exhibition and dance tomorrow night. Tickets of admission 50 cents, or for us a phrase more to the understanding of the natives of these rocky mountains, four bits.

High Meeks came over from the K ranch Tuesday evening, bringing Jas. Harrison, with him. Jim had a severe attack of mountain fever and was brought over to get medical attendance. The good cheer at the Uintah house, and pure fresh air of Vernal is bringing him around alright.

The artesian well has been abandoned and the machine moved. They went nearly 1,000 feet in the blue clay and found no water, they lost their sand pump and nearly all of their rope connected with it. No one would have believed that there was that thickness in the clay formation, but it is nevertheless a fact and is quite a disappointment to the people in not finding flowing water.

\*The concert given by the Adams Band was a success. The music was fine and well rendered by the band and others who took part in the program. The band is improving wonderfully and is a credit to the town as well as themselves. The leader G. E. Adams is an accomplished cornetist and he is ably assisted by P. Hansen, the assistant leader. If the boys improve in the future as they have done in the past they will be able to take their place among the lead-

The repeal bill has passed and received the Presidents signature. Now we will see what effect it will have on the prosperity of the country. There will be no silver purchased by the United States and it remains to be seen whether the silver dollar becomee relegated to ancient history or whether some bill may be passed making it one of the principal items of interest in the current events of the future.

#### Program for M. I. A. Conference.

Nov. 12, 1893. Fourth Ward will prepare, Bible Lecture subj. The Fall. New Testament, Calling of John the Baptist, Bapthism of our Savior and etc.

#### VERNAL WARD.

New Testament, subj, The Attonment of Christ. Lecture 16, Civil Government.

#### MERRILLS WARD.

Theology, subj. General Salvation, Church Hist. Proclamation of the gospel.

#### MILL WARE

Theology subj. Salvation for the Dead. Civil Government Powers of Congress. Quartett.

#### PLEASANT-VIEW

Book of Mormon subj. Nephis Vision. Bible Cain and Abel.

#### RIVER DALE.

Church Hist. Subj. Ordiance of Gospel. Book of Mormon, The Ocean Journal.

#### MT. DELL.

Science subj. Parasite Plants. Theology, Individial Salvation.

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TERMS.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

Cash paid for wheat at L. Johnson's Mill.

Hay, wheat, and oats taken on  
 subscriptions at this office.

The Indians are on their way  
 back from their annual hunt.

Thanksgiving Ball at Social  
 Hall Nov. 30th. Don't forget it.

Supper for the Thanksgiving  
 ball can be had at the White res-  
 taurant.

\* The Adams Cornet Band are go-  
 ing to give a minstrel performance  
 soon.

The new addition to the Uintah  
 Stake Academy will be dedicated  
 to-day.

The second term of the Uintah  
 Stake Acedemy will start next  
 Monday.

The Republicans have made a  
 sweeping victory in the eastern  
 states.

Now is the time to subscribe for  
 the EXPRESS. The balance of this  
 month and December free to all  
 new subscribers.

Alfred Johnson who was shot  
 some time ago is improving nice-  
 ly and is able to ride out in a car-

you smell.

\* We are requested to announce  
 there will be a meeting held at  
 Workman's Hall Thursday even-  
 ing Nov. 23d, for the purpose of  
 reorganizing the Vernal Literary  
 Society.

J. D. Powers, is in town from  
 Oregon where he has been inter-  
 ested in mining the past year. He  
 is now looking up matters connect-  
 ed with the damage suit, which is  
 the outcome of the famous dope  
 case. The case should come be-  
 fore the next term of court.

\* The Webster School exhibition  
 and dance at Mill Ward was quite  
 a sociable event, those present  
 seemed to enjoy themselves both  
 in dancing and listening to the ex-  
 cellent program that was rendered  
 by the scholars and their assistants.

\* One of the ways of traveling was  
 witnessed by our scribe a few eve-  
 nings ago. He met a road cart  
 drawn by an old mare, the cart—  
 not the mare—was loaded to its  
 fullest capacity with girls and one  
 young lady was clinging to the  
 back of the mare. They were evi-  
 dently going to a ball and did not  
 propose to walk.

WANTED.—30 or 40 bushel of  
 good clean wheat wanted by C. W.  
 Henry. Cash paid on delivery.

Notice

The next session of the County  
 Court will be held at the residence  
 of Isaac Burton, Sr., at Ashley.

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Friends and relatives of Thomas E. Hall gathered at his home Wednesday evening to honor him on his birthday. Games were enjoyed by the crowd and refreshments were served.

Vera Rogers of Leota, who has been employed by Mrs. Verdin R. Johnson since last August, and Heber Harrison of Naples were married in the Salt Lake temple on March 20. They will make their home at Naples.

Carl R. Richens attended the 4th District convention for the Board of Education at Provo Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Christensen made a trip to Sale Lake, returning Friday.

The students of the Second, Third and Fourth grades of the Maeser School and their teachers, Stella Richards, Maysie Hall and Ruth Steinaker, went on an Easter and nature study trip Friday.

Earl Bingham, a student at the BYU, spent the week end at home.

Miss Ruth Steinaker left for Salt Lake Friday to spend Easter and to visit her father on his birthday.

Mrs. Howard Williams visited at Dead Man on Easter where Mr. Williams is employed with the sheep.

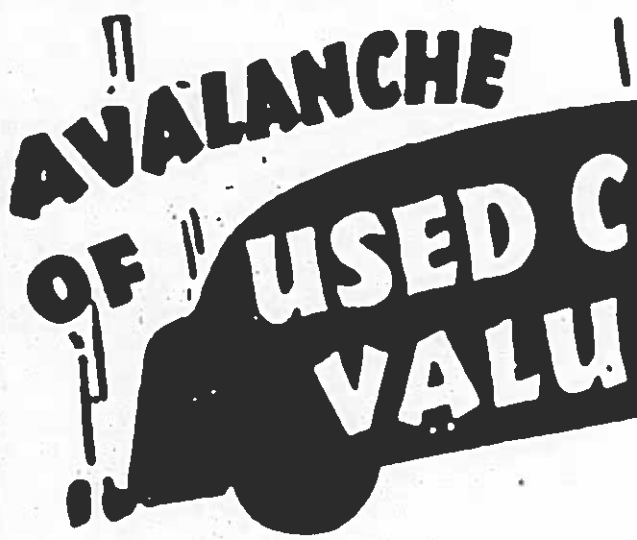
Alson Remington of Farmington visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Oaks.

Erma Fletcher is remodeling and enlarging the Maeser Store. Plate glass windows are being installed and it is anticipated work will be completed in about ten days at which time she will open up an I. G. A. Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Burke have moved to the Warren Jones home recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Bigler.

The members of Camp Thornburg, Daughters of the Pioneers, held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Wallace Oaks, Friday afternoon. The rooms were decorated in an Easter theme. Mrs. Iowa Hacking, first vice president, presided and gave the lesson on Indian history of Utah. The host-

court house Monday  
Mr. and Mrs. Mary Caldwell  
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urday where Mr. Caldwell will be  
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to the building.**

## TIMOTHY STORE

L. A. TIMOTHY, Prop.  
Maeser, Utah

vice supervisor and Elmer Smith, family of Ogden, commercial sales manager, both the home former representing the Utah Power & John H. Clark Light company, with headquarters at the J. C. in Provo, were in Vernal Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Broome of Willow Creek came to Vernal Monday to bring their son, Marvin, Jr., for medical attention. Young Mr. Broome is fast regaining his health.

Mrs. Sam Hatch is expected home this week, after being a patient at the LDS hospital in Salt Lake City for three weeks. She has been at the home of her sister, Mrs. Frank Olsen for a short time. Mrs. Hatch is much improved in health.

The operetta, "Polished Pebbles" will be presented by popular request at the Uintah high school auditorium Friday evening, May 13. The operetta, presented by the Junior High School, is under the direction of Miss Ida Scott.

Mrs. Pontha Calder returned on Monday night from a six weeks' vacation with her daughter, Ruth, Mrs. Bert C. Burkham, at Reno, Nev. She visited various points of interest at that place, and also spent some time at Salt Lake and Provo.

Mr. and Mrs. of Green Lakes, Vernal Monday, accompanied back Lybbert. They stay were fair.

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George H. Sou his 71st birthday visited during th fifty relatives w congratulations. I ley Valley Sept. 1. am has the dist one of the chart the Vernal Expre a subscriber to forerunner of the

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# RED HOT SPECIALS!

**Saturday and Monday Only**

**SUGAR** 10 Pound Bag For **59c**

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

# UINTAH COUNTY TRACT INDEX SCREEN

Serial Number: 04:089:0014

Acct Number: 60706

Taxing Unit: 3

Owner: SULLIVAN, MARCIE

Mailing Address: PO BOX 162

VERNAL, UT 84078-0162626

Property Address

2500 WEST 500 NORTH, VERNAL

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

BEG AT SW COR SEC 16, T4S, R21E, SLM, TH N 170.5 FT, E 141.7 FT S 1.21 FT W  
3.93 FT, S 169.29 FT, W 137.77 FT TO BEG ACRES 0.54

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93003886	552	802	15-JUL-93	01:13	ZIONS FIRST NATIONAL B	SULLIVAN, MARCIE
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92005202	535	634	29-SEP-92	04:15	ZIONS FIRST NATIONAL B	THE FURNITURE HOUSE IN ANDERSON, WALLACE R.
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92005172	535	556	29-SEP-92	12:12	WALKER BANK AND TRUST	ANDERSON, WALLACE R.
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## Wintak District Water Minutes

1936 - 31 Aug

met with <sup>county</sup> ~~city~~ commissioners & appointed 3 new board members

Andrew J. Vernon John L. McConkie William R. Vernon

met 31 Aug 1936

Commissioners appoint Leslie R. Johnson & Thomas E. Allwell  
to compile 5 member board -

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U. C. County Commission meeting June 29, 1935

A petition was presented asking ~~that~~ for the incorporation of the town of Maeser signed by 80 qualified electors of unincorporated town -

John L. McConkie appointed pres. of board.

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Harvey McKee <sup>retired</sup> president & Fernon Peterson; Tom Nelson  
past on board.

Proclamation - whenever any city ~~has~~ <sup>has</sup> reached a population of 100, ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> any town obtain population of 800 or more to be city of 3rd class by law.

Maeser had 929

Governor declared it a city 3rd July 1967

Harvey McKee then automatically became mayor

Reincorporation

July 9 1970

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voted on - 4 Day Nov 1969  
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Became Maeser water improvement District

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Andrew J. Clemens John L. McLambie William Olsen  
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Commissioners appoint Leslie R. Johnson & Thomas E. Bellwell  
to compile 5 member board -

## Report

U. C. County Commissioners meeting June 29, 1935

A petition was presented asking ~~that~~ for the incorporation of the town of Macon. Signed by 80 qualified electors of incorporated town.

John J. McCordie appointed pres. of board.

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Harvey McKee <sup>et al</sup> Plaintiff & Faxon Peterson & Jan Rieker  
vs. Board.

Proclamation - Whereas any city & second class city  
population of 100,000, ~~that~~ any town obtain population of 800 or more  
to be city of 3rd class by census -

## Witch District Water Minutes

1936 - 31 Aug

met with <sup>county</sup> ~~city~~ commissioners & appointed 2 more board members  
Andrew J. Vernon John L. McCordie William Olderman  
met 31 Aug 1936

Commissioners appoint Wendell Johnson & Thomas E. Caldwell  
to compile 5 member board -

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incorporation of the town of Meador agreed by 80 qualified  
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John J. McCordie appointed pres. of board.

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Harvey McKee <sup>presented</sup> ~~presented~~ & Fenton Peterson & John Kellum  
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Proclamation - whenever any city of second class or better

population of 100,000, <sup>and</sup> any town obtain population of 800 or more  
to be city of 3rd class by law.

Meador had 929



# Uintah District Water Minutes

1936 - 31 Aug

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Andrew J. Vernon John L. McConkie William R. Vernon

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Commissioners appoint Verdin R. Johnson + Thomas E. Caldwell

To complete 5 member board -

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Harvey McKee <sup>elected</sup> president + Ferron Peterson + Tom Richman put on board.

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Disincorporation

July 9 1970

<sup>municipal</sup>  
at election  
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Became Maeser water Improvement District

1963 north 2500 West  
Vernal Utah

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1916-12-15

The three weeks old baby boy of Mr and Mrs Mark Hall is gradually recovering from a severe illness

Mr and Mrs Knight, formerly of Denver, Colorado but now living in the Moroni Gerber place, are the proud parents of a baby boy, born Sunday night

Wiley Collett has started up a store in the place formerly owned by H. Elmer and son in Maeser

Horace

The Thanksgiving dinner given by the Relief Society was pronounced a success The afternoon dance was also well attended

George Merkley recently undertook to drive a bull out of his stack yard, when it attacked him and he barely escaped with his life He run a pitchfork in its nose several times but without effect after which he was mercilessly thrown around, causing severe bruises and a general shaking up He is able to get around now with the aid of crutches

# Wiley Collett Funeral Slated Here Friday

Vernal Express  
1962-05-10

Funeral services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. in Vernal Third Ward for Wiley S. Collett, 74, of Salt Lake City and formerly of Vernal. He died Monday at his home of natural causes.

Mr. Collett was born May 8, 1888 in Vernal, a son of

Sylvanus and Sarah Simpkins Collett. He married Erma A. Billings, June 3, 1914.

He ranched in Wyoming for 23 years. He was an active member of the LDS Church having served a mission to England from 1912-14.

Mr. Collett is survived by his widow; one son and five daughters, Vene B., Kaysville; Mrs. Burlin (Vella) Jackman, Mountain View, Wyo.; Mrs. Daniel (Anna) Smith, Manila; Mrs. E. A. (Beth) Sweatfield, Mrs. Arnold (Alicce) Kidd, Mrs. Bryce (LuRae) Caldwell, all of Vernal; and 26 grandchildren.

Also surviving are four brothers and three sisters, Orin, San Dimas, Calif.; Byron, Duchesne; Howard, Carl, Mrs. Adrian (Edna) Raines, all of Vernal; Mrs. Newell (Alicce) Snow, Jensen; Mrs. Clarence (Edith) Hatch, Farmington; Stepmother, Mrs. Ethelwynne Stringham Collett, Vernal.

Friends may call at the Vernal Mortuary today (Thursday) from 7 to 9 p.m. and Friday prior to services. Burial will be in the Vernal Memorial Park Cemetery.

# Maeser Store Being Razed; Has Long Story

The old Maeser store is being razed. Left standing will be the addition built to the original store in 1953.

This historic landmark will soon be a pile of old lumber, very old, dating back to the turn of the century.

L. A. TIMOTHY, the present owner, gathered the following information on the old structure.

William G. Reynolds originally homesteaded 160 acres. He then sold the south 80 acres to John G. Timothy on Dec. 6, 1887. The corner where the old store stood was sold to Jasper Holliday, he in turn sold it to Moroni Ger-

ber.

MORONI GERBER, in 1899, and Delores Merkley, Dec. 9, built the building now known 1949; Lloyd and Bertha Richards as the Maeser Store, and operated, July 21, 1951; Mark ated the store for 17 years. He Pope, Feb. 28, 1952; Lyle sold the store in 1916. Glines in September 1953; L.

Many people have owned A. and Inez R. Timothy, Jan. and operated the store in the 6, 1955.

MR. TIMOTHY, the current owner, recalls when a small Willey Collett who later sold boy, receiving a sack of candy it to Ellal D. Hadlock, June for services rendered or possibly to keep him busy eating 19, 1917; Sarah Rudge, Feb. 4, 1918; William and Erma candy and out of the way, he Warren, Sept. 24, 1936; Reva thinks.

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he chapel for Scouters and their wives, parents of Scouts, all Stake said, and ward officers, to hear a representative from the Utah National Parks council.

There will be outlined the preliminary training to be given for the summer camp of Boy Scouts to be held at Trout Creek on July 18-21.

## Commanding General Praises CCC Edition

The following letter was received from Fort Douglass, signed by Willard T. Douglass, assistant adjutant:

"Editor Vernal Express:

"On behalf of the Commanding General I wish to express respectfully the genuine gratification felt at this headquarters for the recognition you have given the Civilian Conservation Corps in your Vernal CCC Anniversary Edition. The dedication of an entire issue to the CCC is unique indeed. The spirit of the relationship which exists between a C. C. O. camp and a civilian community, as you have revealed it, is the best measure by which the value of such a camp may be judged.

"To you and to your staff, for the work and skill you have given so generously, sincerest thanks are extended."

## Work to Start Monday On Maeser Waterworks

Work on the Maeser Waterworks extension will commence Monday, with fifteen men working two shifts or thirty men. It was announced by John L. McConkie. Plans are made to either connect with the city mains at the William Murray corner or to run the line on up to the canal and take water from that source. A recent grant from the WPA has made the additional work possible.

also sent to state and national directors of the CCC, Governor Henry H. Blood, President Franklin D. Roosevelt and numerous other state and national officials.

An abundance of valuable information was contained in the issue and many have made the remark that one of the articles was worth a year's subscription to the paper.

The Express is appreciative of the splendid support given by the advertisers, the CCC staff, contributing writers and others who helped to make the issue a success.

## Safety Film to be Shown At UHS on Wednesday

On Wednesday a sound film, Highway Safety, will be shown at the Uintah high school free of charge, to students of the Central School and the Uintah high. The film is being brought to Vernal by Vern Davis, district commander of the American Legion. If possible, an evening show will be given.

## Golf Course to be Opened For Season on Easter

According to J. S. Neihelsel, proprietor of the Green Acres golf club, a formal opening will be held at the course on Easter Sunday, April 17th with driving contests and a match with the Fort Duchesne golf club.

## AMATEUR NIGHT WINNERS

Winners at last week's Amateur Hour were: Trumpet trio by Howard Lewis, Leland Carroll and Roy Horrocks, first; Pick and Pat by Ferrou Gregory and Hugh Caldwell, second; tap dance by Gwen Wardle, third; honorable mention went to Jack Klever of Vernal C. O., who sang a solo.

## Vernal Trap Top Honors in Tea

A return match Vernal Trap b chesne, Vernal Clubs. Vernal with a score of ond-202 and Ft 199.

High honors W. A. Banks with scores of 4 Vernal and Alb Duchesne tied o 47 each.

A match is next Sunday at the Lions Club. Gun Club at th An interesting shooting was th McCoy—one of bers of the Ver McCoy shot a 2 good score.

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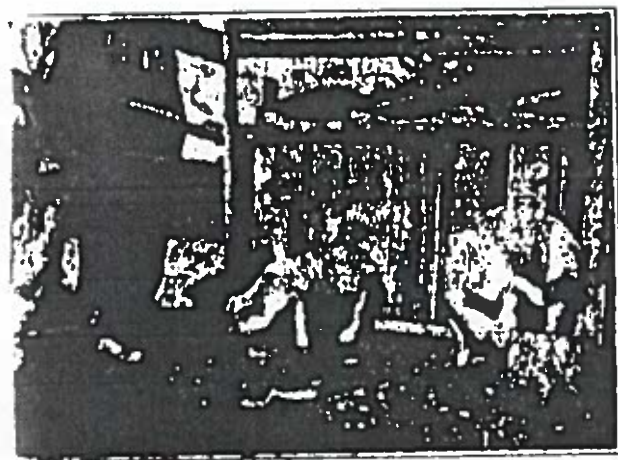
As in recent y be made to the a similar one to The finals will b ening at the chapel.

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# roes Early Fight Against

# Wonderful Results Boys' Club Work in Uintah County

The boys of the Express have produced prize winning plants and through the year, wholesome food. Albert Slaughter and  
 Uintah county has produced prize winning plants and through the year, wholesome food. Albert Slaughter and  
 Ronald Campbell each raised a garden and marketed over \$125 worth of stuff on 1.8 acre—this in addition to other projects and general farm work. The average for the whole 24 boys was \$87 each, and they all did a great deal of other work besides, so you can easily see it is not a case of singling out a special few. They all did wonderfully well when we know their average age was only 13 years.  
 Thirty-two boys stayed with the poultry business and raised 1920 chickens at a cost of \$98 and a net profit of \$862 and an average profit of \$27 each. Grant Morrill raised over 100 turkeys worth from \$4.00 to \$6.00 each. Quite an accomplishment for a youngster, don't you think? One hundred six finished the pig project with an average of a pig and a half each. The total value of this project was \$3,432 with a cost of \$2,028, leaving a profit of \$1,404, or \$13.25 profit per pig. One of the big things from this work is the fact that the boys demonstrated in every case that it pays to take good care of good pigs and not to have poor ones at all. Alton Morrill's club pigs and his father's pig out of the same litter at the fair was an object lesson that should long be remembered. The accompanying pic-



a pig and one of them had \$12.50 if it had not been for the average earn the half term we had just while the season. The father boys were ripening.  
 As the letter was published in the Express a few weeks ago indicated the boys of Uintah county have attracted attention and commendation from state and national leaders of club work. Last year the boys of the nation raised 178 fat hogs while the boys of this county raised 1,000. They did so well and

A GRAND ARRAY OF

## XMAS PRESENTS

### AT THE MAESER STORE

We have just received a shipment of Xmas Goods at our store, and they are now on display. There is substantial gifts for everyone. Why shop in Vernal, when you can come to our store and do your shopping, and incidentally save a little money.

### FOR THE LADIES

Silk Waists, Gloves, Silk Hose, Fur Caps, Skirts, of Good Material and Pattern; Chinaware, Cut Glass, Silverware, Handkerchiefs, Gift Boxes, Toilet Articles, Scarfs and Scarf Sets, Etc. Etc.

### FOR THE MEN

Neckties, separate and in Fancy Gift Boxes, Suspenders, Hose, Handkerchiefs, Fancy Dress Shirts, Gloves, Fur Caps with Silk Lining, Brushes, Shaving Sets, and Articles Too Numerous to Mention.

### FOR THE CHILDREN

We have everything that would appeal to the heart of any child—plenty of good things with candy and nuts in abundance—Toys of all kinds, and wearing apparel of serviceable quality.

## THE MAESER STORE

SARAH AND WM. RUDGE, Proprietors

# Christmas Gifts

### In Abundance at our Store

We have made special efforts for this Christmas, and we are prepared to help you make it the Christmas of Christmases. Other lines have been added too, insuring fresh goods, with the best of service.

CANDY, NUTS, AND FRUITS.

We will have Oranges, Bananas, Pears, Pine Apples, and other