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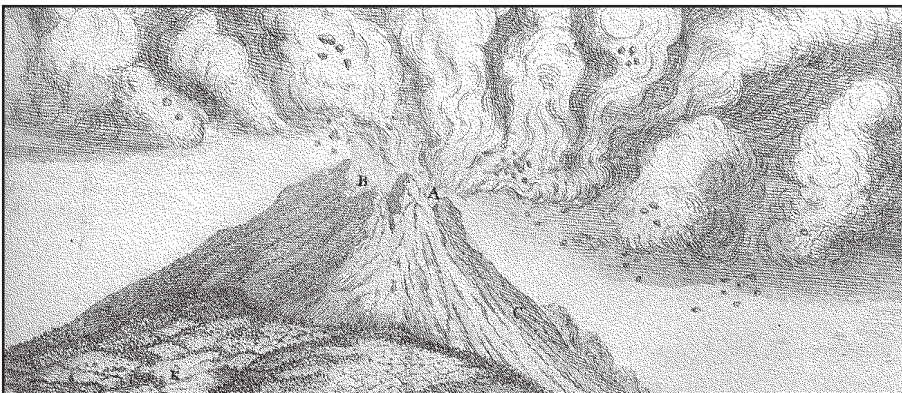
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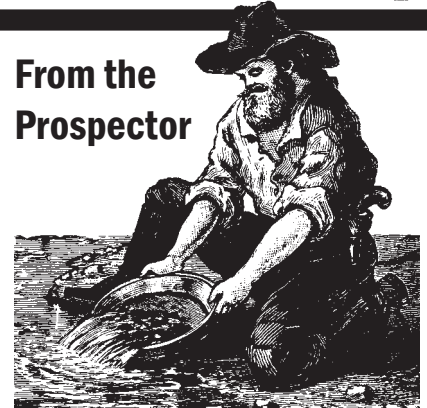
The Year in Review

Take the quiz to see how much Idaho history you learned from this year's newsletters

- 1) Which nearby National Park sits on the caldera of a huge active volcano? A) Glacier National Park B) Yellowstone National Park C) Grand Teton National Park D) Great Basin National Park



From the Prospector



Howdy Prospectors!

Well, this is it. You made it through a whole year of Idaho history and now you're ready for the 5th grade. My mule and I had a wonderful time talking with you about our great state and we hope you had fun too.

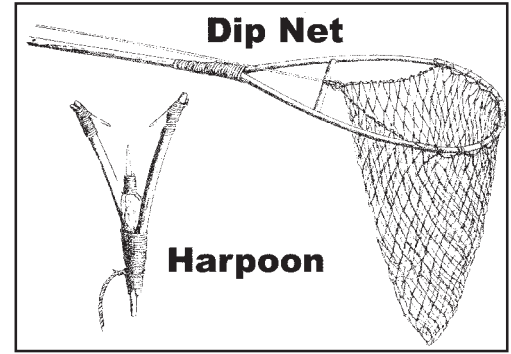
As a challenge, we thought we'd give you a review this month to see how close you were paying attention. Take the quiz and see if you can score a perfect. All of the answers were in this year's issues of the newsletter.

Good luck, and don't forget to visit us at the museum.

Lucky Noah

2) What is a weir? A) A frame used to stretch beaver pelts
B) A type of harpoon C) Another name for a Chinook
Salmon D) A clever Native American fish trap

3) When Lewis and Clark encountered the Shoshone
Indians they met with a chief named Cameahwait. Much
to their surprise they found out that Cameahwait was
related to Sacajawea. How were they related? A) Father and daughter B) Brother and sister
C) Cousins D) Uncle and niece



- 4) In the early 1800's, beaver fur was mostly used to make
A) Warm socks B) Scarves C) Blankets D) Top hats
- 5) What was the name of the fur trapping fort built in Eastern
Idaho A) Fort Boise B) Fort Hall C) Fort Clatsop D) Fort
Blackfoot
- 6) Before we became Idaho, another state was considering the
name. Which western state was it? A) Colorado B) Nevada
C) Oregon D) Montana

7) In what year was gold discovered in Idaho?
A) 1860 B) 1863 C) 1890 D) 1805

8) Which tool is not used for gold mining? A) Sluice
box B) Cradle rocker C) A Harpoon D) A Gold
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9) Influenza is another name for what disease?
A) Chicken Pox B) Measles C) Flu D) Scarlet Fever



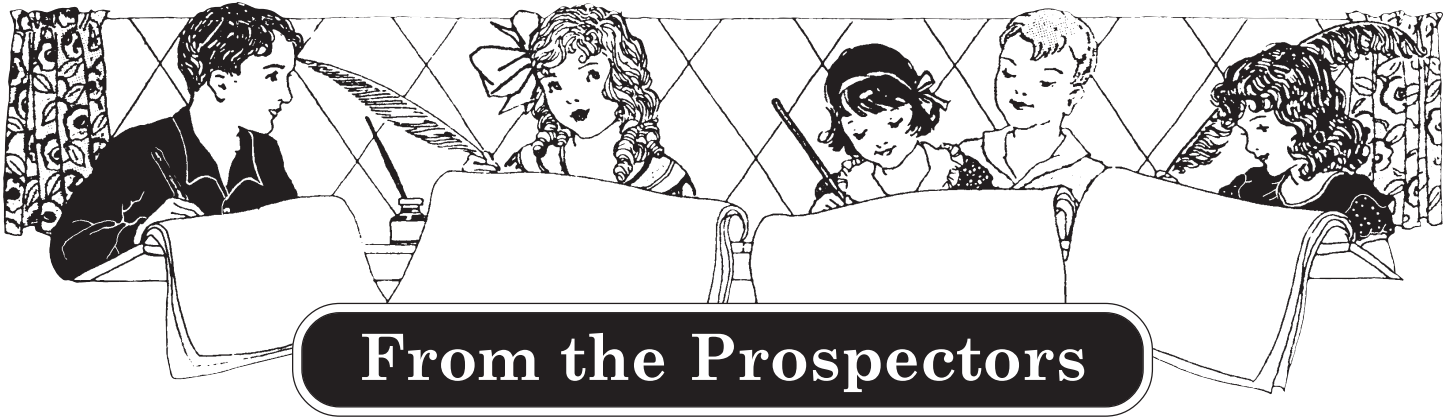
Bonus Question: Who was the first territorial Governor of Idaho?

Answers

1) A-Yellowstone National Park 2) D-A clever Native American fish trap
3) B-Brother and Sister 4) D-Top Hats 5) B-Fort Hall 6) A-Colorado 7) A-
1860 8) C-Harpoon 9) C-Flu Bonus-William Henson Wallace

How Many Did You Get Correct?

- 0 Needs Work** Did you just move here from another state?
- 1-3 Poor** My mule says you need to hit the books.
- 4-6 Good** Learning all of Idaho History takes time; you've got a good start.
- 7-8 Great** You made the Prospector proud.
- 9 Excellent Job** You have a knack for history
- 9 Plus Bonus** You're a true Idaho Historian, maybe you could come to work at the Historical Society



From the Prospectors

Local History

Here are two places in Boise that we thought were very interesting. First there is the Bown House and the Capitol Building.

The Bown House was built in 1865 by Joseph Temperance Bown. It has six different rooms used to teach people about the past. They are the parlor, schoolroom, kitchen, farm room, history newsroom, and the geography room. When the Boise Pioneer School burnt down in 1889, the Bown family volunteered to hold the schoolroom in their house. The Bown House is a very interesting place to visit. Riverside is very

fortunate to have the Bown House on school grounds.

The Capitol Building was built in 1905-1920. Four different types of marble were used for the Capitol's interior. They were red from Georgia, gray from Alaska, green from Vermont, and black from Italy. The eagle on top of the dome stands five feet seven inches and is made of copper with bronze plating. The original cost to construct the Capitol was 2.1 million dollars. The capitol is an interesting and fascinating place to visit.

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