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Edwin H. Peasley was born July 28, 1867, in Boise. Four years later, his family moved to San Francisco where his father, Stephen, worked as a shipbuilder. Peasley spent the rest of his childhood in Prairie City, Oregon, and Caldwell, Idaho. He worked as a store clerk in Prairie City, Caldwell, and Conant, Idaho. Then he spent several years mining, working as a range rider on a cattle ranch, driving the stage from Shoshone to Goose Creek, and working on the construction of the Oregon Shortline to Nampa.

In 1890 Peasley organized a delivery service for Boise stores and from that built a transfer and storage business. Peasley Transfer & Storage Company was incorporated in 1910 and by 1920 was called the largest transfer business in Idaho. In addition to moving and storage, the company was the distributing and forwarding agent for over 100 stores and manufacturers. Peasley sold the company in 1940 to Mobray Davidson and founded the Boise Investment Corporation, of which he was president and manager until his death. Peasley was a director of the Bank of Commerce and the Pacific National Bank, he served a term as Boise city treasurer, and was a president of the Idaho State Historical Society.

Peasley married Henrietta Butler on December 27, 1891, and they had two daughters: Sophia E. And Henrietta M. Mrs. Peasley died October 17, 1946; Edwin Peasley died April 2, 1948, in Boise.

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