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FALL FAIR TO BE ONE OF MERIT

Malheur County Association Specifies Prize Awards for School Children.

CO-OPERATION IS URGED

Intention is to Have Educational Display on Exhibit at Annual Event in September; Complete List of Premiums Will be Published Later in County Papers

It is the intention of the Fair Association of this county to have an educational display on exhibit at the next annual county fair.

Later it is expected to get out a full list of premiums offered for work done by both the grades and the high schools of the county. The rural schools will have special consideration in premiums offered, thus enabling them to compete for prizes along with the larger schools.

Co-operation is asked in this effort and any suggestion anyone may offer will be highly appreciated and used in making this a beginning for one of the best features of an already successful county fair.

The school premium list for Malheur county is as follows:

- Display of agriculture products, any one pupil of any school, \$3.
- Display of agriculture products, any room of any school, diploma.
- Display of agricultural products, any club of any school, \$3.
- Best general display of school work of any school room, diploma.
- Best composition on History and Resources of Malheur County, written by any pupil of any school, special prize by Mrs. Griffin, \$5.
- Composition winning prize will be published in local papers.
- Best display of geography work, any one room of any school, diploma.
- Best display of primary work, any

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SUICIDE DUE TO PETTY ILLS

Ontario Man, Despondent Over Fancied Grievances, Flings a Shrouded Sheet Around Body, Then Leaps Madly Into Boise River.

BOISE, IDAHO, Feb. 20.—Suffering from an attack of melancholia which is believed to have affected his mind and caused temporary insanity, Franklin H. Lackey, aged 24, of Ontario, jumped from the Ninth street bridge Monday night and committed suicide by drowning in the waters of the Boise river. For some time Lackey believed himself to be a failure, and when he did not advance rapidly enough in the many works which he undertook, melancholia seized him and he would give up and brood over his troubles.

Leaving High school at an early age to take up the study of art with a view to becoming a cartoonist, he in turn gave up that study and was engaged in many vocations, the last being employment with the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph company, where he was learning the business of an electrical engineer.

Had No Money Troubles. Money troubles did not enter into the broodings of young Lackey, as at the time of his death he owned seven lots in Ontario, held a mortgage of \$4000 upon real estate in Malheur county, Oregon, and held a note calling for \$3000 upon a business man in Ontario. He planned his death, it is believed, calmly, as on Monday night he sent a messenger to Miss Lacey, a relative by marriage, at 1017 Jefferson street, with an envelope which contained a letter stating that he was tired of living and that he was a failure. The envelope also contained Lackey's will, disposing of the prop-

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MARTHA WASHINGTON.

MADERO LOSES LIBERTY, QUILTS

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 18.—Francisco I. Madero, arrested in the national palace this afternoon by General Blanquet, one of his own commanders, was forced to sign his resignation from the presidency.

General Victoriano Huerta, commander of the federal troops which have been fighting Diaz, has been proclaimed provisional president.

Gustavo Madero and all the cabinet ministers with the exception of Ernesto Madero, are under arrest. Jose Dino Suarez, still is at liberty, but in hiding. Gustavo Madero was later shot.

The American ambassador and other foreign diplomats held a conference at the American embassy tonight to discuss the reestablishment of order and the protection of foreign residents.

The Zocolo, the great plaza in front of the palace was jammed tonight with a delirious crowd, with banners inscribed "Peace," "Liberty," shouting for Diaz, Huerta, Blanquet and Mondragon.

The women members of the Madero family who were in Chapultepec castle were whisked away in an automobile by friends who had learned of

the coup at the national palace.

Telegrams have been sent to the growers of the states notifying them of the proclamation of Huerta as provisional president, and also to the military commanders assuring that general elections will be held for president.

It is fully believed that definite agreement will be reached between the rebel forces and General Huerta. The negotiations will be conducted through the American embassy.

Huerta received a delegation from the diplomatic corps. He said he had assumed the provisional presidency and would deliver it to whom-ever congress designated.

North Not Satisfied.

LAREDO, Feb. 18.—When confirmed by a report of the Associated Press that the Madero government had been overthrown and General Huerta named provisional president Colonel Pascual Orozco, sr., and Colonel Andreas Garza Gallau, revolutionary leaders in the north of Mexico, declared the revolutionists in that section would not approve the selection of Huerta and would continue the rebellion unless another is chosen to manage the affair of Mexico, preferably Senor De la Barra or General Geronimo de Trevino.

CITY ELECTION ON MARCH 4 WEAK MAGNET

Of the First Hundred Voters Registered Five Only Are Local Women.

JUDGES, CLERKS, NAMED

Council Takes Due Cognizance of Woman Suffrage and Appoints Mrs. R. M. Humphreys and Mrs. Mabel Judd Kester to Positions on Election Board.

City election, to be held March 4, 1913, draweth nigh, and the City Council, at a called meeting Monday night of this week named the following electors to conduct the polling and count the ballots. Judges of Election—W. W. Caviness, H. H. High, Mrs. R. M. Humphreys.

Clerks of Election—H. C. Eastham, Mrs. Mabel Judd Kester.

The Council, it appears, has taken due cognizance of the wishes of the majority, as recorded at the November election, and given women as well as men positions of honor and responsibility in the city electorate. But while this action has been taken, after due consideration by the Honorable City Council, it is the fact that when registration started for the forthcoming battle of the ballots, of the first 100 voters who registered five only were women. Here they are:

Mrs. M. E. Osborne, first woman elector who ever registered in Vale, and No. 32 on this year's poll book.

Mrs. M. E. Hart, No. 42.

Mrs. Cora K. Edwards, No. 50.

Miss Fay Clark, school teacher, No. 54.

Miss Laurel Inman, school teacher, No. 55.

Each of the ladies was asked the questions propounded to all persons who registered: (1) name, (2) address, (3) length of residence in state and city, (4) place of nativity, (5) age. City Recorder Rogers, in view of the possibility of war with Mexico, insisted on every man who registered telling his age, for military reasons, but was more lenient in the case of the women, whom he only required to say they were over 21.

A. W. Glenn was the first man to register this year.

Registration on Tuesday, February 18, resulted in seven more names being added to the list, and of these one was a woman, Miss Mary M. Glenn, No. 110, which was the total up to Tuesday night.

The books were first opened last week, and up to Saturday night, Feb. 15, the five ladies mentioned and 79 men had placed their names on the registration books as qualified electors. Monday, the number increased to 108, all of them men.

The registrar, James Rogers, will register electors until 9 o'clock Saturday night, March 1. It costs nothing to register, but one must tell his age.

Voting on March 4 will be at the courthouse, the polls remaining open from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m.

OIL MEN HERE; WORK IS BEGUN

Quietly, and without any pretension, two prominent persons directly interested in and connected with The Great Western Oil Co arrived this week in Vale, visited the holdings of the company near here, and have made all preliminary arrangements to begin work in this field. They are Capt. Frank Barrett, of California, and M. E. Daggett, of Portland. M. E. Daggett returned to Portland in two days, but the Captain will remain in Vale during the spring and perhaps longer.

The Great Western Oil Co. has been reorganized, new blood has taken hold of it and actual work will be commenced in a few days and pushed vigorously, says Capt. Barrett. The personnel of the new company consists of the two persons mentioned, together with Governor Boggs, of West Virginia; Thomas G. Green, of the law firm of Bauer & Green, Portland and T. W. Davidson of Portland but now in Vale.

Capt. Barrett has had 48 years' experience in nearly every oil field in the United States.

PROPOSED BROGAN-MALHEUR STAR ROUTE NOW PROBABLE

The postoffice department at Washington, D. C., under date of Feb. 15, wrote H. P. Osborne, acting secretary of the Vale Chamber of Commerce, that an investigation has been ordered relative to the establishment of a star post route between Brogan and Malheur. The communication is in response to a petition recently forwarded to the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General by the residents of Malheur, Brogan and Vale, acting through the Vale Chamber of Commerce.

In another column will be found an article showing distances of post routes extant, and it will be seen therein how absurd it is for the government longer to withhold the privilege asked from the residents of Malheur City, which is only a short distance north of Brogan, but which now receives its mail from Baker.

"SKINNERS" AT "THE FRONT" HAVE GROTESQUE TROUBLES

Skidders who have been hauling freight through the winter between Juntura and the tunnel, a distance of about 22 miles, for the crews at work on the Oregon Eastern grades, have had all kinds of trying experiences, not the least of which has been the necessity of constantly fording the icebound Malheur river some 20 times each way going and coming. The river has not been frozen hard enough for the teams to cross it on the ice, and not free enough of ice to permit them to cross the stream with any degree of ease or certainty that they would attain the far side without mishap.

Nearly always, in the morning, during the cold weather, with the thermometer near zero, between three and six inches of new ice would form above the current by night, so that when a team started across the next morning the ice was almost invariably strong enough to support the weight of the horses. Not so with the wagon, however, which, especially when loaded on the westward trips, would crush through the ice, dragging the horses into the water by its superior weight.

And then the struggle royal began. First one wheel, or one pair of wheels, with their comparatively narrow tires, would break through, sinking suddenly anywhere from six inches to three or four feet, and sousing things up in general. The horses would rear and plunge, the driver more often than not would swear, and the whole outfit within a minute or two would be wallowing in the icy slough of despond. Likely as not, it became necessary for the driver to jump down on the tongue, run out before the current by night, so that when a team started across the next

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YEAR'S TAXES BECOME DUE; NOTICES MAILED BY SHERIFF

Taxes for the year 1912, in Malheur county, Oregon, are now due and payable, and if paid in full by March 15, 1913, a rebate of 3 percent will be allowed on the full amount of the taxes levied. The Sheriff's deputies are busy mailing out notices to the taxpayers.

One-half of the taxes may be paid on or before the first Monday in April, and the remainder on or before the first Monday in October. A penalty of 10 percent on the full amount of delinquent or half taxes, together with interest at the rate of 12 percent per annum from the first Monday in April must be added.

Taxes include the State, County and General funds, special school tax, district road tax; and, in the four incorporated towns of Vale, Ontario, Nyssa and Jordan Valley, the city tax. These are as follows:

- County General Fund, 7.2 mills.
- County School Fund, 1.9 mills.
- State and Normal School, .8 mill.
- County School Library, .1 mill.
- Total State, County, School, etc., 10 mills.
- General road tax, 4 mills.
- Total county taxes, 14 mills.
- School district taxes for each of the districts in Malheur county have already been enumerated in a previous issue of the Enterprise. The municipal taxes are as follows:
- City of Vale, 25 mills.
- City of Ontario, 9 mills.
- City of Nyssa, 13 mills.
- City of Jordan Valley, 5 mills.

SHETLAND PONY OFFER TO BOYS AND GIRLS

Portland Union Stock Yards Again Puts up Inducement to Those With State Fair Exhibits

Every school boy and girl in the state will be delighted to know that they are going to have an opportunity again this year to win a Shetland pony at the state fair. The Portland Union Stock Yards is giving the pony, and it will be a nice one. Nothing in all the prize list at the State Fair last year attracted anything like the attention the Shetland ponies did.

This pony will be given to the boy or girl who makes the best exhibit of livestock at the State Fair next fall. That exhibit must consist of at least one trio or pen of chickens or ducks, two pigs and a sheep. The boys and girls who compete for the pony will have an opportunity to compete for several other prizes also. In the poultry contest there will be good prizes for the winning trio of each breed. J. M. Garrison offers \$5 cash to the boy or girl making the largest and best exhibit of poultry. The State Poultry Association gives a fine cup for the best pen of birds (one male and four females) "Poultry Life" also gives a fine cup for which they can compete; Hauser Bros. give an air gun to the child raising the most poultry by June 1; and the prize winner in the poultry department; the boy who fits and shows the best sheep

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BANKHEAD FLAYS PROGRESSIVES IN SENATE

Conservation of Water Powers is Causing Mental Perturbation, Precedent May Ensnare

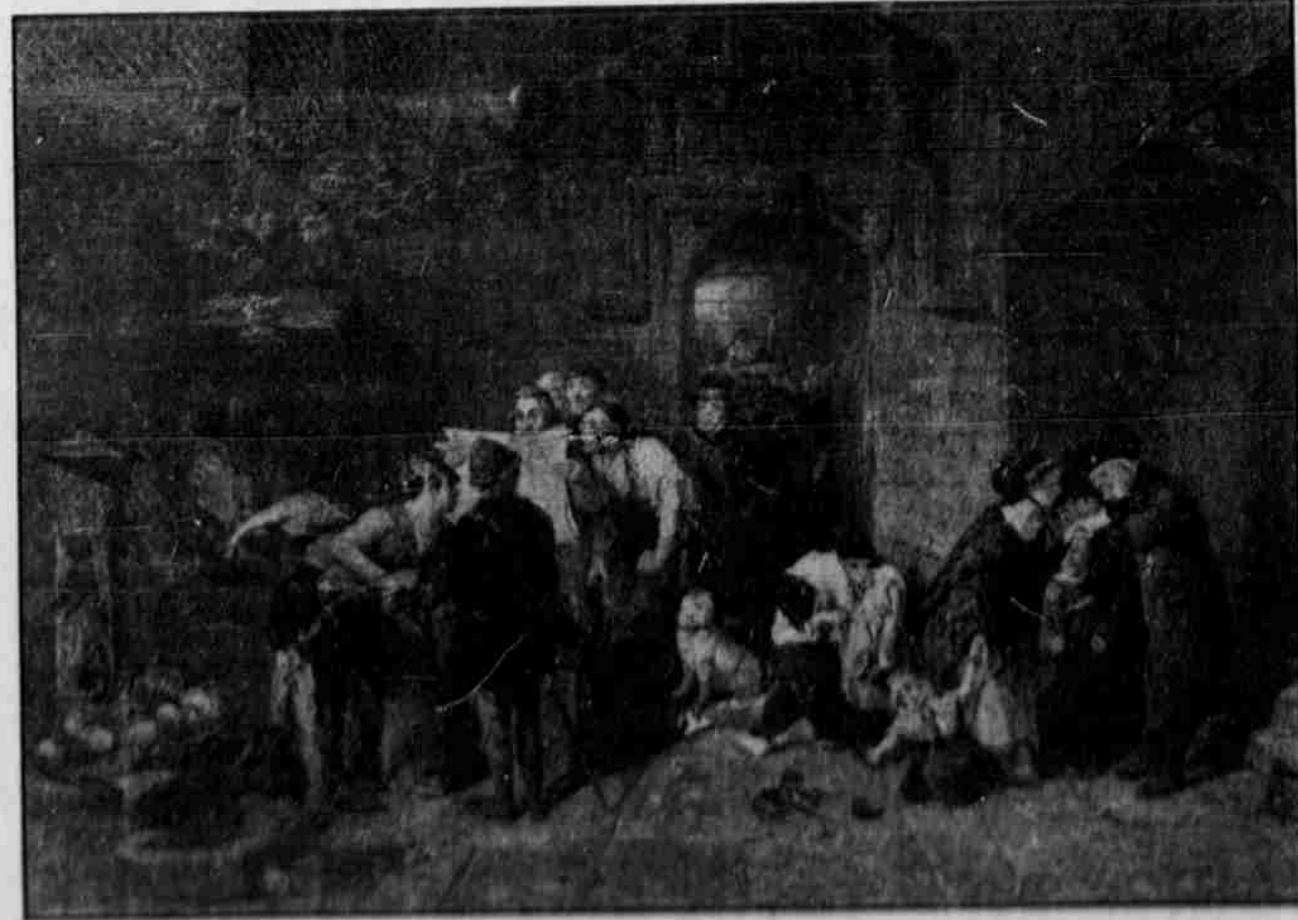
Conservation—not reservation—of natural resources of the United States, as the terms relate directly to water powers, have caused numerous discussions in Congress during the last week or two. The matter was brought to a head by an effort to "conserve" certain water power known as the Connecticut River Project, to which Senator Borah, of Idaho, entered strenuous objection on the ground that such action would establish a national precedent of incalculable injury to every natural water power in the West.

Enter now the Bull Moose. In the U. S. Senate, Feb. 11, as shown by the Congressional Record, Senator Bankhead, of Alabama, a-keed and secured permission to have read a lengthy item of news originating at Progressive Headquarters in Washington, to which were affixed the names of William Draper Lewis, chairman; Gifford P. hot, Jane Adams, Jam a R. Garfield, Francis J. Heney, Charles E. Merriam, Herbert Knox Smith, Ben B. Lindsey, Walter E. Woyl and Henry Coehens, comprising the "Legislative Reference Committee of the Progressive Party". The Progressive flat holds.

As soon as the Clerk of the Senate had read this communication, Mr.

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BEFORE THE PARCEL POST WAS THOUGHT OF



In Washington's Day, and For Years Afterward, the Post Office Was Quite Archaic, as Viewed by Twentieth Century Eyes.

MASS MEETING NOMINATES A CITY TICKET

I. W. Hope Is Unanimous Choice For Mayor to Succeed Himself.

67 CITIZENS ATTEND

H. G. Guild, Mrs. R. E. Weant and M. E. Thayer Chosen to Run For Councilmen; Andrew Graham For Treasurer; and C. C. Mueller For Recorder.

Sixty-seven citizens of Vale met in mass meeting at the court house Thursday night, and placed in nomination the following ticket for the coming city election, by majority ballot of those present:

For Mayor—I. W. Hope.
For Councilmen—H. G. Guild, Mrs. R. E. Weant, M. E. Thayer.
For City Treasurer—Andrew Graham.

For City Recorder—C. C. Mueller. The voting in each instance resulted as follows:

For Mayor—I. W. Hope; nominated by W. G. Norton; elected by acclamation; nomination made unanimous.

For Councilmen—H. G. Guild, 40; M. E. Thayer, 36; Mrs. R. E. Weant, 21; John S. Edwards, 20; Mrs. C. C. Mueller, 15; Paul G. Freeman, 14; Mrs. H. R. Dunlop, 10; James Harvey, 1; J. P. Dube, 1. On motion, nominations of three highest were made unanimous.

For City Treasurer—B. W. Mulkev, 28; Andrew Graham, 32. On motion, nomination of Graham made unanimous.

For City Recorder—C. C. Mueller, 23; James Rogers, 15; Harry Sackett, 15; H. E. Young, 8. On motion, nomination of Mueller made unanimous.

George W. Hayes called the meeting to order as temporary chairman; R. M. Duncan was selected as temporary secretary. After the meeting was called to order by Chairman Hayes, on motion, H. R. Dunlop was chosen permanent chairman, and R. M. Duncan permanent secretary. James Harvey and Harry Flynn were appointed tellers. No set speeches were made, but Colonel Wheeler said it was time to take the municipal situation seriously and "get down to business."

C. C. Mueller and Mrs. R. E. Weant both wanted to withdraw, but were finally persuaded to run for the Council.

After the meeting, James Rogers reiterated his declaration that he would be, and still is, a candidate for re-election as City Recorder. B. W. Mulkev, who circulated a petition earlier in the week, is likewise a candidate for re-election as City Treasurer.

The nomination of those elected at the mass meeting will be duly certified by R. M. Duncan, as secretary of the meeting.

HIGH SCHOOL TRY-OUT CONTESTANTS

Vale high school contestants in the contest to be held at Nyssa will hold their tryout Feb. 28, having at the same time a good musical program. The contestants will be Nita Pollock, Elwin Turner, Helen Mueller and Frances High.

YANKEE SHIPS NEED NOT PAY CANAL TOLLS

Root's Proposed Amendment to Panama Law, Toadying to British Wish That American Vessels be Taxed in Their Own Waterway Defeated, 7 to 3

Washington, Feb. 17.—Senator Root's proposed amendment to the Panama canal law, to repeal the provision giving free passage to American coastwise ships, was today rejected by the committee on Inter-oceanic canals. The motion to table it was carried, seven to three, Brandegee, Page and Percy opposing.

It is believed the decision of the committee will prevent action at this session. No report will be made and no opportunity for the supporters of the Root amendment to put in a minority finding.