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## SEATTLE LAND MAN LIKES VALE COUNTRY

Says It is Far Superior to North Yakima, and will be so Recognized when Facts are Known.

### HIGH PRICE OF WHEAT WILL REMAIN

Malheur Lands will Produce Millions of Dollars More if Utilized --- Homesteads are Here in Abundance.

Wheat is going up by leaps and unds, the price having reached the ghest point that has ever been nown in the country. Those in a position to see furthest into the future and make the most rational estimates of conditions to come, are firm in the elief that this staple grain will not ome down in price for many years. hat the United States will begin proucing wheat in a more liberal quantifrom now on. The great war in lurope being responsible for the ineased demand and consequent inreased price, it is safe to say that ven were the war to cease at this ime, those countries could not get ack to their fermer production for any years. Hence, the planting of heat as a good seller is a safe busiess proposition now and will be for

Malheur county has a million idle heat would be worth a dollar or etter, net. This is not taking into ers."

In answer to the query as to what ken as homesteads.

say 25 per cent, or one million res, is good agricultural land.

It has been demonstrated that good

the vast fertile benches of Malheur unty, upon which no water for irriation has yet been secured, were inastriously farmed by dry land methis, a million dollars a year could be ided to the income of the tillers of e soil through wheat crops alone. Mr. B. Krackenberger, of the firm f Trenholme & Easter of Seattle, is Vale in the interest of his company, nich deals in agricultural lands of kinds. Mr. Krackenberger is or wheat raising in this vast undeown on the outside as to the wonerful resources of this country, as it considered only a "range" country

those who have not personally in-When told that corn was raised in his county, and that 121 bushels to lation. he acre was produced last year, with nany crops going over the 90 bushel al. He visited Jamieson, and without going further up the great Wil-River Valley, he returned to Vale nalf of the real truth about this won-

For the past fortnight Mr. Krackberger has been investigating more management. oroughly into the resources of the at Seattle will be one of the best rechas ever had sent out by a disinter-

sted person prise to me," said Mr. Krackenber- prove a great success. er, "that there is no concerted effort being made in Malheur county to let the outside world know what a nderful country you have here. The North Yakima country is not to be mpared with the Malheur country a producer. One acre of this land orked like they work the North Yakma land will produce twice as much

275 per acre. "You will have the flower of the of \$30,000 for building this bridge. en what this country is like."

### St. Valentine's Day

The Good Old Customs Honored in Vale by Large Numbers

The good old custom of sending valentines to your sweetheart, your friend or your loved ones has not been forgotten in Vale, and if one may judge by the class of valentines on display, the practical joker, who burdens the mails with the comic supplement variety, is still in the swim.

-Poking fun at a friend by sending him a valentine of the comic variety, enlarging upon some frailty, is by some considered good form, even in It is therefore not difficult to see civilized communities; but the intentional insult hurled at an enemythe use of good old St. Valentine's privilege for getting even for some real or fancied grievance-is not only bad form, but is positively cowardly.

One of the most attractive windows in the city is the display of valentines at Jim Rogers' store on Main street. Jim has made a specialty of valentines this year, and states that the customers in this line include nearly ererybody in the city. "I covered every class this year," said Jim, my valentines running from the peneres that could be made to produce ny kind to the dollar class. I don't everage of from 40 to 60 bushels go much on the comic supplement vaer acre of the best wheat in the Uni- riety, but I cater to all kinds of buyd States. Every bushel of this ers, and there is quite a large demand

we refer to the va- kind of valentines have the prefer int lands, the lands that may be ence in Vale, Jim said: "I have only had my window decorated a couple of There are four millions of acres of days now, and I have sold and laid nd in Malheur county open for the away a large number of the big ones," mesteaders, and of this it is safe taking out a big beauty in a box about two feet square, "and I believe the best trade in Vale is in the best quality of goods, although these ugly felops may be raised on dry lands, and lows and the little pretty ones will practically all be chared out the evening before Valentine's day."

# DRY LANDS

Steve Dombey, of upper Willow river, was in the city last week and renost enthusiastic over the prospects ported plenty of snew in that section to assure a good crop on the dry oped Malheur domain. He state3 lands. Last sea on many dry farms hat there is absolutely nothing produced fair crops of oats and wheat. The farmers in the main have not as yet been able to procure the necessary achinery for scientific dry farming. When they do, this country is destined to become well and favorably known, and to support a large popu-

Mr. Dombey has been mainly instrumental in bringing a number of Holnark, Mr. Kratkenberger was skepti- lander families into that section, and they are all confident of final success. Some of the lands in the valley have a partial water right, but their main lly convinced that he had not heard reliance is upor dry farming. The entire section of Malheur and Harney counties above a certain elevation will produce fair crops under scientific

In the Barren Valley district, Rush inty, and his report to his company McHargue produced splendid crops and a good garden, and reports come recendations the Malheur country from many others that there is no question but dry farming under the enlarged homestead act, permitting "It is a source of continual sur- 160 acres to be summer fallowed, will

# BEND BRIDGE

The first movement in the preparaany product raised in Washington, tor work for the construction of the ture. et you cannot purchase raw land in Big Bend bridge, in conformity with hat country for less than \$400 to the desire of the people of the coun-500 per acre, and the land in Mal- ty as expressed at the last election, enty may be had for the taking began this week, when County Judge sestender, and deeded and McKnight made an order for the pubented land may be bought for \$20 lication of notice looking to the issuance and sale of bonds to the amount

rth here in the Malheur country as The Big Bend country is one of the a get the class of people most fertile spots in Malheur county, day evening, the girls of the eighth est bunt will soon exterminate them. prking it that they have in the and the connection of this section terih. Yakima country, and you will with its home county by the construct delightful impromptu lunch to the dishonest men raising them is groundthat class here as soon as they tion of a bridge across Snake river members of the two teams and their less as the bounty in for one year Pasteur treatment. will bring the products of that por- coaches. There were a few invited only, man is every manager's stead of going to the Idaho markets once pronounced the girls of that rad no one in the country seems asfe go mad at their ranch within the past present pronounced the affair one of young ladies returned home Tuesday

# Returns

Wes Caviness returned Thurday, from an extended visit to Portland and Salem. Mr. Caviness attended the Oregon Irrigation Congress, Jan. 7-8-9, and his renewal of old acquaintance among the delegates was indicated by the great favors shown the Vale and Malheur delegation.

Upon the close of the congress Mr. Caviness visited the legi-lative bodies at Salem and renewed his old time Willamette valley friendships.

"The present legislature," said Mr. Caviness, "is a splendid one, backed by a splendid chief executive, and will accomplish much for the state. While economy is the cry, it is apparent that the members realize the difference between true economy and parsimonious saving. The members from the Willamette valley sections are beginning to understand the great economic value of the arid lands of castern Oregon and the example of good methods and honest dealing shown in the Tumalo project work has gone far towards bringing about a favorable opinion in regard to reclamation.

"I am confident," continued Mr. Caviness, "that our irrigation measures will have fair consideration and just treatment. There is not a dissenting voice as regards the value and necessity of this work being carried forward. There may be different opinion, it is certain that something will be done and that something law. will be the best that the legislators can devise. Having gotten from under the cloud of fear of antagonism for political purposes only, the entire body is working as harmoniously as possible. There seems to be a determination to do what is best for the state as a whole and Oregon will be well taken care of at the 1915 assem-

We noted in an exchange that at an exhibition of corn at a contest in one of the middle west corn raising states, eight boys with an acre showing each, produced an average of 106 bushels per acre with a high acre of 128 bush-

Malheur county, in its third year of attempted corn production, in the vi- kis ... cinity of Nyssa and Big Bend, produced an average of over 100 bushels with a high acre of 121.8 bushels.

The boys were doing their best for county raisers were raising corn commercially, certainly under inducements of a premium, but were not confined to one acre. The showing is a marvelous one for this county and its ultimate result will be far reaching and profitable. Many districts in our arid regions under the stimulus of irrigation will soon be feeding thousands of bushels of corn to thousands of hogs.

The railroads will soon be hauling our surplus to the coast rather than to Nebraska and our county will fill the stockyards of Portland with prospective hams and bacon.

### VALE LAUNDRY **SECURES EXPERT**

J. A. Smith, who has been with the American Steam Laundry in Boise, for the last six years, arrived in Vale Monday, and will assist I. B. Quisenberry in the management of the Vale

Ever since the opening of the launen the hot wells of this place, its patronage has steadily gained throughout the county, until now it draws a good patronage from many of the interior points. There has been very little dissatisfaction with the work teed a still better service in the fu-

### **RECEPTION TO PAYETTE TEAM**

grade exceptional entertainers.

## Wes. Caviness BOUNTY ON **COYOTES**

The Amount Doubled by the Legislature

### **IDENTIFICATION WILL BE** THE SAME

Malheur County Will Begin Paying Bounties as Soon

The coyote bounty bill, introduced by Mr. Davey, joint representative for Malheur and Harney counties, has been passed by the legislature and will become a law upon receiving the or's endorsement.

McKnight said yesterday: bounty of \$3 placed on coyotes by the legislature will be effective as soon as signed by the governor, as the bill carries an emergency clause.

"You may tell the people of Malheur county to begin killing coyotes opinions as to the best and most feas- and saving the hides, for Malheur ible manner of operation, but, in my county will begin cashing them as soon as the governor signs the new

"The legislature will make an appropriation to cover this expense. The identification is the same as heretofore, so it will be necessary to skin the animal the same as in the past."

desert claim three miles west of Vale ease. under the Bully Creek Project.

Mr. Poland also owns a tract of fine land under the Tumalo Project at Redmond, where the cost of water is less than half the cost under the Bully Creek project, yet he is confident that the land here will excel that at Redmond in every respect. The deal was con ummated by Johnson & Tregas-

Johnson & Tregaskis also report a deal made by them whereby L. R.Tilley, of Jamieson exchanged 200 acres for a 138 acre farm at Kelso, Washa high premium while the Malheur ington, belonging to Mr. B. Mathews.

### THE OIL WELLS **CONTINUE WORK**

At the Columbia well the Independent company have succeeded in shutting off the water and commenced the insertion of another string of piping.

The Alaska well continues to gain in depth with the same showing of petroleum with each bailing reported last week.

# BITTEN BY **COYOTE**

Melvin Davis, son of Box Davis, residing a short distance from Vale, was leading a horse to water and a coyote had him by the leg before the young dry in this city, and the publicity giv- man knew there was a live animal in the field.

completely over several times, but it hoped success will attend his efforts, would immediately get up and renew its attacks. Finally a passing calf attracted the attention of the coyote RABID DOG and it left the man to attack the calf.

Mr. Davis will take the Pasteur treatment at once. It is well that the state has put a large bounty on these animals as it will stimulate After the basket ball game last Fri- hunters to go after them. An earn-

from the attack of ratid animals.

# Advises

For the information of those desiring to know whether or not rabies ing together, or whether a dog may be inoculated by eating the carcass of an animal that has died of rabies, the Enterprise publishes the following letter received by J. O. Thomson, of Vale, from the State Health Officer, in reply to the above queries:

Portland, Ore., Feb. 3 .- Mr. J. O. Thomson, Vale, Ore., Dear Sir: Under separate cover I am sending you s number of copies of a bulletin gotten as Governor Signs the Bill out by us two years ago, dealing with the problem of rabies. This gives in detail the whole management of cases in both men and animals. The only way the disease can be contracted IS BY INOCULATION DURING THE TIME THE ANIMAL IS ALIVE, and so far as I know, there would be no signature of the governor. There is danger in dogs eating the carcass of no doubt of its receiving the govern- an animal that has died of the disease. Little or no danger would re-In speaking of this matter, Judge sult from the eating of hay or sleep-"The ing in the same stalls, or anything of

that kind.

We have called the attention of the legislature to the seriousness of the situation, and the scalp bounty law has passed in this state, and I think Idaho and Washington, and possibly Nevada, will take similar steps. It is going to be a grave problem and one that will be some years in stamping out. I would urge you not to allow children to walk to school. They should be taken in a conveyance of some kind, and caution them about handling or paying any attention to strange dogs, or even your own dog, if it shows any symptoms of being ill. Rabid animals almost always die in danger of infection is minimized. For men traveling, a cluo or fork is better than a pistol, for the reason that a Oregon, arrived in Vale this week and persistent in their attacks as animals has purchased the Elmer Wicklund that are not infected with the dis-

If this office can be of any service to you, you have only to advise us. Yours very truly,

CALVIN S. WHITE, State Health Officer.

### JUDGE M'KNIGHT **RETURNS HOME**

County Judge George McKnight returned from a business trip to Baker, Portland and Salem, Thursday, and immediately took up the work with the county commissioners. The Judge met the members of the committee of counties in re the Panama Pacific exposition and arranged some details with them. Mr. J. A. Lackey, of Ontario, Malheur county fruit inspector met with the committee at Baker.

Judge McKnight reports matters CITY ELECTION as going on smoothly at Salem. "The Oregon Assembly," said the

Judge, "is doing good work. A bill may be crude when it starts on its journey but before it reaches the Governor it will either be killed or whipped into proper shape.

"Malheur and Harney counties," continued the Judge, "are well repreerything possible to make a record for his constituents. He is an indefati- next, must register. gable worker and will get results."

### NYSSA SENDS REPRESENTATIVE

It is reported that arrangements have been perfected for P J. Phillips, wading up the creek, and when it of Nyssa, to represent that section of made an attack upon Mr. Davis, he the country supplied by the waters of lum at Salem. became entangled in some barbed wire the Warm Springs reservoir project in trying to escape. The animal sank at Washington, D. C., before the Returned out by the company, and with its fangs in his leg, and Mr. Davis had clamation Board in an endeavor to sethe addition of another experienced great difficulty in making it release cure the commencement of work on laundryman its customers are guaran- its hold. He afterward kicked the an- that project, which means so much imal with his heavy boots, turning it to this end of the county. It is to be

A dog believed to be afflicted with next train for Portland to take the the dainty refreshments.

for weeks.

## Health Officer UNION HIGH SCHOOLS FOR RURAL DISTRICTS

may be transmitted by animals eat- Big Bend, Owyhee and Kingman Districts Holding Public Meetings to Discuss Proposed Union

### Irrigation Congress

Committee is Busy Assisting in Securing Needed Laws

The Legislative Committee of the Irrigation Congress has introduced all of the bills recommended by the congress into the Oregon Legislature, and it is to be hoped that they will pass, or at least those that will start the state on the work of reclaiming arid lands in earnest.

In the strenuous efforts of this legislature to introduce economy into the state's affairs, some may fail to understand the laws and oppose them.

The congress has asked for no donations. As in the Tumalo project matter, the money asked is only a loan, and the state invests the money at a good rate of interest, with absolute certainty of its return.

The bill for \$450,000 to match like amount from the government, is one that is introduced. A second bill asks for \$450,000 to be available one lish a union high school and which year hence. Both of these items are to be loans. The irrigation congress showed its good faith in this matter by passing a resolution asking that the money derived from the Tumalo project be placed in the general fund three days after biting anyone, so the of the state. This gives the state a large profit on their investment.

Money spent for irrigation adds to throughout Malheur county. the taxable value of the state and furnished for lumber, our railroads school is established. are helped, industry is stimulated,

The legislature is cutting appropriations wisely in the interest of the public interest.

# MARCH 2ND

ing city election are now open at the there is any point connected with the office of the City Recorder. All vot- subject that is not clear, take it up sented and Frank Davey is doing ev- ers of the city who desire to vote at with the county superintendent's ofthe city election, to be held Murch 2nd fice. Miss Clark is conversant with

# **INSANE MAN**

tion, Thursday, on W. B. Brown, of The Keeler Brothers are financial Dead Ox Flat, for insanity, resulting agents for the purchase of city, counin committing the patient to the asy- ty and school bonds, and their repre-

### YOUNG LADIES **ENTERTAIN**

scene of a delightful party on Mon- bridge construction. day evening, when the S. S. S. and Mr. Ireland represents the Hodson-

The room was prettily decorated supplies. with cut flowers, and tables arranged rabies, bit George Murray and his son for whist. The game was thorough-

### OTHER DISTRICTS MAY FOLLOW LEAD

**ADVERTISING** 

Many Advantages Accruing to Rural Districts Thro' Advantages of the Union High School

A Union high school will be established at Adrian, if the people of Big Bend, Owyhee and Kingman Colony can get together upon a plan of cooperation. Public meetings are being held in these districts for the discussion of the subject, and as will be seen in a note in the School Department this week, the school patrons are becoming quite enthusiastic in favoring the movement.

The laws provide for the establishment of a union high school for the benefit of the students in the smaller districts that are unable to maintain high schools separately. Two or more districts may unite and estabthey will be able to maintain jointly.

Miss Clark, county superintendent, in speaking of the proposed union high school at Adrian, said: "I am heartily in favor of the establishment of these union high schools in the rural districts, and hope there will be a general movement in this direction

"Many branches are taught in the rabid animal has all of its normal makes homes out of waste land. The city high schools that are of little or senses destroyed and is very easily Tumalo project, built by the state, no benefit to the people of the farmhas set a fine precedent. Money has ing communities, and these may be been well spent and the returns are eliminated and such lines of study already coming back into the state substituted as will be of greater adtreasury. Labor is employed on a vantage to the students of the comconstructive enterprise, markets are munities in which the union high

> "There are many communities in and homes are created. Once comple- Malheur county in which two or more ted, an irrigation project is a perpet- communities could unite and establish ual asset, furnishing an annual yield a union high school to good advanof crops which otherwise would never tage, and with the rapidly increasing population of the county, such schools would be easily maintained." There is another point connected

> taxpayer. However, people from all with the establishment of a high parts of the state are working for school of easy access to the people of these appropriations on the broad a neighborhood; it would be a strong principle that even if their own sec- drawing card for inducing the better tions receive no direct benefit there class of homeseekers to locate in such will be sufficient indirect benefit to communities. One of the first quesmore than make up the amount of this tions the prospective home buyer will annual loan. Many of the heaviest ask is in regard to school facilities. If taxpayers of Oregon take this view of a community is in a position to say, the case and are supporting irriga- "We have a high school in connection tion appropriations as being in the with our district schools, where your children may complete their education up to the point of entering the university or college," the best class of settlers will make it a point to locate there.

School patrons of Malheur county should look into this matter, hold meetings as they are doing at Owy hee, Kingman and Eig Bend, and dis-The registration books for the com- cuss the subject thoroughly, and if every phase of the subject, and will be pleased to assist in the work in every way possible.

#### Looking After Bonds

George E. Keeler, of the firm of Keeler Brothers of Denver, was in the city several days this week in the in-The county court held an examina- terest of his firm.

sentative was in the city for the purpose of looking into the matter of the sale by the county of the Big Bend bridge bonds.

#### Boise Man Here

H. W. Ireland was in the city from Boise a few days this week, taking The Chamber of Commerce was the notes in regard to the Big Bend

their husbands were entertained by Feenaughty company, of Portland, at Misses tilenn, McLaughlin and Coff- their Boise branch, that company furnishing construction machinery and

Miss Leis Jones entertained the rrade of the public school, gave a The fear of the state being robbed by Virgil, Monday, and they took the ly enjoyed by all present, as was also Misses Billingsley, P. Billingsley, Test, Vanderhoof, Orcutt from Onta-As favors each lady was given a rio Monday evening, Cards and danc-The Murrays live a few miles west bunch of carnations and each gentle- ing was enjoyed until a late hourtion of the county into Malheur, in- vicitors, and all who were in attend- The coyote depredations continue of Vale, and this is the second dog to man had one for his button wie. All A buffet tunchess was served. The