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WOMAN'S CLUB GIVE GOOD ENTERTAINMENT

At Dreamland Last Monday Night--Proceeds Go to Library Fund

The vaudeville entertainment at Dreamland on Monday evening under the auspices of the Woman's club for the benefit of the library, proved a very enjoyable affair and a success in every way. The house was well filled with an appreciative audience, that applauded every number.

The folk dances given by the little ones, assisted by Charlotte Clagett, was heartily received, the costumes and marching being much admired.

The eight honey girls, assisted by Herschel Brown, won the audience by their beauty and singing.

R. W. Jones gave two violin solos that made the audience eager for more good music.

Mrs. McBratney scored a decided success with her solo.

The farce caused many hearty laughs by the local hits at Jake Gregg and the Smith family and the ability of the doctor to collect seven dollars on promising any desired result. The doctor capturing a widow, seemed quite natural.

NEWSPAPER MEN HOLD MEETING AT CAMBRIDGE

Members of Western Idaho Press Association Hold Regular Meeting

The Western Idaho Press association held a meeting at Cambridge on Saturday and was entertained by the good citizens of that section.

In the afternoon the session was devoted to the business of the association, papers and subjects being discussed tending to place the business of newspaper publishing on a higher and more profitable basis.

In the evening the association was tendered a banquet by the citizens and the speeches which followed were of a general character, with the possible exception of Judge Flenner, who spoke on "Newspaper Men I Have Met."

Mark Bates, of Parma, president, acted as toastmaster and Tom Nelson, of Cambridge, gave the address of welcome, which was responded to by L. I. Purcell, of Weiser. Mrs. Flenner was the only lady called on and though totally unprepared gave a pleasing recitation.

Joel Priest passed the local people many pleasantries for the Short Line and Mr. Kennedy represented Mr. Helibo, of the Pin. The meeting was voted a success and the Cambridge people royal entertainers.

Cambridge is located in a valley of some 60,000 acres of rich land, about half of which is irrigated and the balance dry farmed, the latter recently settled on by people from the eastern Oregon wheat fields and they are making good, the annual rainfall being about twenty inches, with plenty of moisture in June, assuring the maturing of all grain crops. Alfalfa does well on the dry lands, yielding a good hay and seed crop. Fruit has been grown there for many years with good success.

Many former Ontario people are located there and they are well pleased with the place and the people.

FORD AUTOMOBILES ARE SOLD TO INTERIOR PEOPLE

Four automobiles in a day is some business for a city the size of Ontario. The Ford people delivered four machines this week to buyers from the interior. Charles and Wilbur Haines, of the Narrows; A. O. Welcome, of Burns and Prestley Smyth, of Diamond, were the lucky buyers. George Smith, of Diamond came over with them to act as guide.

HUNTING LICENSES MAY NOW BE OBTAINED IN ONTARIO

Harry B. Grauel has been appointed deputy county clerk in order that he may issue hunting and fishing licenses to residents of Ontario and vicinity thereby removing the general inconvenience necessitated heretofore by a trip to Vale for such license. The state game department is carrying on an educational campaign in behalf of game birds and animals the object being to show the why and wherefore of game propagation and game preservation, for the department feels that hunting and fishing should be improved and made possible for many generations to come.

KING NICHOLAS



King Nicholas, of Montenegro, whose army captured Scutari in defiance of Austria, which may result in a European war.

PAYETTE TEAM WINS GAME IN FIRST INNING

Visitors Secure Big Lead Which the "Blues" Fail to Overcome.

Ontario was defeated by Payette in baseball game last Sunday by a score of 13 to 3. During the first two innings the home team was up in the air, while the visitors made seven runs.

The remainder of the game was a better contest, but Ontario's team was not able to overcome Payette's big lead. The local boys showed lack of practice and experience. They do not lack in enthusiasm.

Tuesday night two teams were out for practice game and new talent is showing up. Sometimes a team has to lose two or three games to stir up interest. Perhaps this is the case with Ontario.

The attendance was nearly 400 last Sunday. Next Sunday, May 11, the boys go to Weiser. Let's bring home a scalp.

The batteries in the game were Ensign and Darsel for Payette and Brunning and Smith for Ontario.

WORK ON THE PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL BE STARTED SOON

The library committee has the work of building a library sufficiently advanced so that it is expected actual construction work will start in a short time. With an institution of this kind there is necessarily a lot of red tape to unwind before all the plans are approved and the contract let.

GATHERING CREAM WITH AUTO

The creamery is now running a motor to collect the cream from the ranches and the result is a large increase in the amount of cream received.

THE CITY COUNCIL IS A "BUSY BODY"

Six Meetings Held During April Result in Many Improvements

Regular session of the city council was held Monday evening.

Minutes of the six meetings in April were read and approved.

Bills to the amount of about \$3,000 were ordered paid. About \$1,100 of this was for the new walks on Oregon street and first payment of \$900 on city hall.

Reports of officers read and filed.

A car of sewer pipes was reported here and referred to Finance committee.

Shooting gallery license was made \$15 a quarter, payable in advance.

Cut in Morton street between Washington and Dakota avenues was referred to street committee.

Light committee was instructed to look after electric light pole at Carter house corner.

Water and Light committee was instructed to investigate the seeping of water into the Wilson block cellar from park.

Payment for tile and sewer construction referred to Finance committee.

Delivery of bonds for city hall and sewer reported ready and referred to Finance committee.

The purchase of a vault door for the recorder's room in city hall referred to Finance committee.

Mr. Zimmerman, of the Light and Water committee reported the necessity of some 30 additional lights for the new territory to be taken into the city and it was referred to Light committee to get prices for same.

The indemnity of laborers in the sewer construction was referred to the Finance committee.

The city election to take in the new territory will be held on May 27 and the Light committee are arranging for lighting that section and the Street committee is arranging for the cross walks.

FRIEDMANN CASES NOT DOING WELL

New York.—The Friedmann patients in New York are not doing well. In fact, some of them are decidedly ill. This fact, combined with a knowledge of the nature of the sale Friedmann has recently accomplished, has made all physicians connected with the Friedmann tests anxious not only for their own patients but for the welfare of the public in general.

Before the week is out it is most probable that three, and perhaps four, public statements will be made from public institutions, none of which will be favorable to Dr. Friedmann or his treatment.

This information has been placed in the hands of the New York health department, telling of the poor showing which the Friedmann patients, all of whom have been watched for the department, have made.

The statements made are strong. One of them is supposed to be that some of the cases treated would have been better off if they had not had the Friedmann injection and that the presence of the culture in their systems seems to have given the bacilli a chance to work in places which they might not otherwise have attacked.

Rich Lazale Fought as Man Quinoy, Ill.—Now an Irish lassie, regarded as a man, enlisted in the Union army, fought bravely under General Grant, and later spent nearly a year in the state Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Quincy without her sex being detected, was revealed by Colonel J. O. Anderson, superintendent of the home, when she was committed to the insane asylum at Jacksonville.

PROMINENT JORDAN VALLEY STOCKMAN PASSES AWAY

Henry C. Lambert, a prominent stockman of Jordan Valley, died there last week. He was born in Iowa in 1865 and left two brothers.

BAKER CARRIES OFF HONORS IN FIELD MEET

With 66 Points to Her Credit And Wins Over All Contestants

In the Eastern Oregon Track and Field meet held at Pendleton last Saturday, Baker, Wallowa, Athena, LaGrande, Pendleton, Union, and Ontario were represented. Baker had about 35 men, of the 76 entered, Wallowa had 9, Ontario 8 and Union 1.

The Ontario team left Friday morning feeling that while we could not win the meet we would give the others a good run for their honors. Wallowa felt the same way while Baker was confident of winning easily.

On Saturday night when everything was over Baker had 66 points, Wallowa 18, Pendleton 12, LaGrande 9, Athena 9, Ontario 7, and Union 1.

Baker had won 11 firsts out of a possible 14 and a great many seconds. On Saturday had two seconds and one third, John Ruth winning second in the 440 yard dash after a magnificent run. Fred Lackey got second in the pole vault at 10 feet and lost first only by accidents over which he had no control, as he cleared the bar at 10:7 at least six inches.

Robert Maddox won third in the hammer throw.

Alex McPherson startled the crowd by winning the preliminaries and finals in the 50 yard dash and getting good place in the preliminaries of the 100 yard dash, defeating Herbert, of Baker, who was claimed to be the fastest dash man in Eastern Oregon. However the start in the 50-yard dash was claimed to be bad and it had to be run over again. This time Mac failed to get off his marks and we failed to get place.

On the whole the coach feels well satisfied with the work done as every man tried his very best. The meet showed that next year we will have the best team in eastern Oregon and will win the meet. Beginning next fall every effort will be made to prepare the strongest and best balanced team Ontario high school ever had.

Of the eight men who went to Pendleton, Ruth and Lackey earned trips to Eugene to the University meet next Saturday. McPherson did such good work that the high school has taken up a subscription to send him. Lackey is almost certain to win first in pole vault, while Ruth and McPherson will win points in the dashes.

Providing there are no mishaps we will take more points than were obtained at Pendleton.

BEAVER RIVER PEOPLE GIVEN A FRANCHISE IN PAYETTE

A 25-year franchise was granted to the Beaver River Power company by the Payette council. The franchise provides that the new company is to build into Payette by January 1, 1914. The highest rates stipulated in the franchise for residence lighting is 12 cents per hour for the first 20 kilowatt hours. The new company also agrees to furnish free light for the city hall, for the city electric sign and the pumping and fire stations as well as other public works and parks.

GEM IRRIGATION DISTRICT NOW HAS WATER AVAILABLE

G. F. Redman, the Idaho-Oregon construction man, was here Monday looking over the local lines. He stated the company had finished up 30 miles of transmission lines Saturday to the Gem Irrigation district and that section is now receiving water.

The Gem lands are among the richest in this section and the contract with the Power company gives the district the use of water for the first three years free of all charge, with the additional item of no interest on the bonds for a like term. The water will cost \$27.00 per acre, with only the bare maintenance charges for the first three years.

WORK AND WIN CLUB CHANGES ORGANIZATION NAME

On Thursday, May 1, a called meeting of the Work and Win club was held at the library at 2:30 p. m. for the purpose of considering a change of name. It was voted to change the name of the club to the Ontario Woman's club. Some other necessary business was transacted, but on account of the unavoidable absence of some of the members, the regular annual meeting was adjourned to Wednesday, May 7.

The ladies are to be congratulated on the entertainment provided. The music by a special orchestra was quite a feature.

VICTOR MURDOCK



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ANTI-ALIEN BILL IN CALIFORNIA PASSED

Johnson Will Withhold Signature Until Bryan Confers With Wilson.

Sacramento.—The California anti-alien land holding act, which passed both houses of the legislature within 24 hours after bringing about one of the most unusual situations in the history of the nation, will lie on Governor Johnson's desk without his signature until Secretary of State Bryan can confer with President Wilson in Washington.

Defeated finally in his diplomatic effort to dissuade the California legislature from enacting an alien land bill affecting the Japanese, Secretary of State Bryan declared that he looked to the people of the state to express a final judgment through the referendum, before the act shall go into effect.

Secretary Bryan in his final address voiced the president's opinion that the words "eligible to citizenship," constituted in the California attorney general's redraft of the alien land measure for the words "ineligible to citizenship," are equally as discriminatory and, therefore, equally objectionable to Japan.

Until the final amendment was added permitting aliens ineligible to citizenship to lease agricultural lands for three years, the measure was the most drastic of any that had been proposed. Now, however, it is asserted by many that it will accomplish little, inasmuch as it does not stipulate that the leases may not be renewed again and again.

FIRST LOAD OF WOOL ARRIVES IN ONTARIO MONDAY

The first load of wool arrived at the warehouses here on the 5th. Last year there was some brought in on March 28, from the feed yards. The first from the range arrived on May 10.

The wool is of excellent quality this season, but the buyers are not offering much, taking advantage of the wool schedule now being passed by congress.

WORK ON SEWERS BEGUN THIS WEEK

To Be Constructed By Day Labor Supervised By City Engineer.

The work on the outlet to the city sewer system was started this week with a good sized crew, two car loads of sewer pipe having arrived for the ditch.

Engineer Jaquish is in charge of the work, which is being done by day labor.

This improvement will do more for Ontario than any other ever made here and will pave the way for a permanent sewer and water system to cover the entire city.

CLASS PLAYS DRAW CROWDED HOUSES

Both the 8th Grade and Senior Plays Prove to Be Popular Attraction.

The closing days of the schools have brought many entertainments among the pupils and for the public.

On Friday evening the operetta, Florida was presented at Dreamland by the pupils of the eighth grade. The theatre was crowded, standing room being at a premium and all enjoyed the singing and acting very much. Following was the cast:

- Florida, a little village maiden—Maybelle Caldwell.
- Fortunia, fairy queen—Opal Allen.
- Vain, queen of the witches—Pearl Youst.
- Yoroingal, brother of Florida—Fern Calvert.
- First witch—Bessie Morton.
- Second witch—Opal Johnson.
- First fairy—Hazel Record.
- Second fairy—Nettie Peterson.
- Pianist—Ethel Bishop.

On Tuesday evening the juniors held a reception in Wilson hall for the seniors.

On Wednesday evening the senior class presented the play "A College Town" at Dreamland to a crowded house, with the following cast:

- Jimmie Cavendish, a Bah-rah boy—Sprague Adam.
- Ted Chesedine, the college cut-up—Fred Lackey.
- Levitlens, the Ace of Spades—Alex McPherson.
- Major KHepper, head of military—Chauncey Shamberger.
- Prof. Senacherib Popp, Chair of Philology—Earl Purcell.
- Scotch McAlister, the football captain—Larue Blackaby.
- Shorty Lous, the freshman—Earl Thompson.
- Dr. Twiggs, on the faculty—Charles Gramse.

- Miss "Jim" Channing, the girl from Dixie—Leona Rader.
- Marjorie Haviland, the college widow—Eva Vanderhoor.
- Mrs. Baggsby "Ma", a popular landlady—Golds McGee.
- Miss Jane Cavendish, Wall street, N. Y.—Sheila Lackey.
- Mrs. Cleopatra Popp, a faculty type—Villa Butler.
- Mrs. Mollie Stiles, a honeymooner—Ruth Test.
- Miss Twiggs, a relic of other days—Villa Carter.
- Mrs. Twiggs, a motherly old soul—Ruth Dlane.

On Sunday evening the Baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Rev. Davidson in the Methodist church.

On May 14th class day exercises will be held in the auditorium.

On May 16th the Commencement exercises will be held in the auditorium.

The pupils have been busy for some time preparing for the several entertainments and in all of them have acquitted themselves very creditably.

The graduating class this year is the largest in the history of the Ontario high school.