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ROBBERS VISIT ONTARIO AND SECURE \$200 IN GOODS

McBratney-McNulty Hardware Company Are the Losers.

Robbers entered and robbed the McBratney-McNulty Hardware Co. store sometime during Wednesday night and secured about \$200 worth of goods and something like \$5.00 in money. The goods taken consisted of a number of pistols, pocket knives, razors, etc.

Entrance to the building was gained by enlarging a hole in the roof of a shed in the rear and then cutting a hole through the door, near the lock, of the door leading to the store room.

Tuesday night the building occupied by the U. S. Plumbing Co. was entered and some of the tools taken. Although they have not been identified it is thought these tools were used to break into the McBratney-McNulty building the following night. The old Ford Garage was also entered Tuesday night and some of the tools were stolen.

NOTED ROAD MAKER STOPS OVER IN ONTARIO

E. L. Emery a noted good roads man, who claims the distinction of laying out and planning the state highway in Wyoming stopped over in this city during the week. Mr. Emery was also instrumental in planning and building Yellowstone park roads, which are doubtless the finest mountain roads in country.

BALKAN SITUATION IS NOT IMPROVED

London.—The Balkan States appear to be again in the melting pot. There is no sign of peace at present. Greece and Serbia have declined so far to agree to an armistice. The Turkish army is advancing by forced marches from Tebatalla and Bulair, apparently with the consent of Greece and Serbia, to attempt the recapture of Adrianople and Thrace.

Roumania is said to be proceeding to occupy a much larger extent of Bulgarian territory than she previously claimed, and Greece is burning to avenge the Bulgarian massacres, concerning which horrifying details continually appear in official reports issued from Athens and Saloniki. According to these reports, ears and fingers of Greek women still wearing earrings and rings were found in the pockets of Bulgarian prisoners.

Claim Put in, For Stratton Millions Denver, Colo.—Suit to recover one half of the \$10,000,000 estate left by Winfield Scott Stratton, the famous Colorado mining man, was filed in the district court here in the name of Mrs. Sophia Gertrude Stratton, who claims to be the multi-millionaire's widow.

The woman's petition alleges that she married Stratton on Henry's ranch, near St. Augustine, Texas, January 1, 1874—years before Stratton made his money and that some time after their marriage Stratton deserted her after she had given him \$10,000 with which to purchase a ranch. Instead of buying the ranch, she avers, he disappeared and later came to Colorado, where he made his colossal fortune.

BRYAN'S PAY INSUFFICIENT

Secretary Says He is Compelled to Lecture to Augment Income. Hendersonville, N. C.—While here Secretary Bryan declared he was compelled to deliver Chautauqua addresses to supplement his government salary, which he declared was not sufficient to meet his expenses.

"As this is my first Chautauqua lecture since becoming a member of the cabinet," said Secretary Bryan, "it may not be out of place to say that I find it necessary to lecture in order to supplement the salary which I receive from the government. As I have lectured for 13 years this method of adding to my income is the most natural one to which to turn and I regard it as extremely legitimate."

DAVID LAMAR



David Lamar, New York stock broker, who astonished the senate lobby committee by confessing to impersonation of public men in attempts to influence Wall street.

ONTARIO PULLS VALE FROM FIRST PLACE

By a 2 to 1 Score The Ontario Ball Team Defeats Leaders

The final game of the Oregon-Idaho league was played here last Sunday between the Vale and Ontario teams, which resulted in the defeat of Vale by a score of 2 to 1. Vale was holding first place in the per centage column but her defeat by the Ontario aggregation leaves Weiser and Vale tied for first place.

It was a fiercely fought game. It was in the main a battle between the best battery and the heaviest batting team of the Idaho-Oregon League. Alexander pitched with something like college spirit, tightening up several times to send his opponents to the field without scoring. He sent the visitors home with only two hits and an unearned run to their credit and with ten strike outs to figure in their batting averages. A great deal of credit is due Webb also for his head work and his ability to hold the runners to their bases. Vale tried to steal second several times, finally deciding it was unprofitable.

Vale scored their run in the second inning. Houston drove a long one to left field for which Kessler was given an error, and Houston stopped on third. Wheeler blew out. Glick grounded to second scoring Houston on Webb's fumble.

Barrett pitched a good game to the seventh inning when he was relieved by Woodard. Then the fireworks started. A pass, a two-bagger by Lackey and a fielder's choice filled the bases. What followed is claimed to have driven some of the most loyal fans from the grand stand. The next two men fanned and the third man hit an easy grounder.

The boys came back stronger in the eighth. Snookums walked, Jones bunted, sending Snookums to second. Webb hit for two bases, but Snookums was held at third. Snookums was caught at home on Brunnings grounder. Webb started home in an attempt to catch Brunning at second and scored on the catcher's error. Brunning also came home during the mixup, but the umpire claimed their were too many joyous boys in blue near home plate, so Brunning was sent back to third. Lackey touched the ball for two bases scoring Brunning. The next man grounded to first making the third out. Vale was unable to score in the ninth.

Ontario is quite proud to have been able to win from the champions of the league after playing a losing game so long. There is not likely to be any baseball poetry in the Malheur Enterprise this week.

Lackey's batting was a feature. He was credited with two two-base hits, a single and a walk.

Weiser and Vale will play the championship game at the fair grounds in Ontario next Sunday. It will be a game worth seeing. Admission, 25 cents. Grand stand, 25 cents.

The standing of the teams:

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Weiser	8	4	.667
Vale	8	4	.667
Payette	6	6	.500
Ontario	2	10	.170

Malheur County Fair Dates Announced.

Earlier this Year--The Last Week in September Between Boise Fair and Pendleton Round-Up.

The dates for the Malheur County Fair has been fixed on the third week in September. This will bring it between the Pendleton Round-up and the Boise Fair. The management is now busy working out plans and getting up new features to make it bigger than any show yet pulled off. Many novel features are under consideration that will amuse and entertain the people. Particular attention is being given to several educational features along agricultural and stock breeding lines. The directors hope to make the Fair a week of agricultural demonstration; a convenient place for the farmers to exchange ideas; a farm school for a week; a stock breeders getting together; a place for the man that raises full blooded stock to bring his animals to the attention of those who are building up better herds and flocks.

A large number of the Agricultural College faculty will be invited to be present during the entire week and a plan is under consideration to have the prizes given out in front of the grandstand during the forenoon and the judges will then explain why the premiums go to certain animals and exhibitions. If a feature of this kind can be worked out it will be wonderfully educational. It will be worth as much to every farmer who attends as a short course in the Agricultural College.

The motto of the management is "something doing all the time," from nine o'clock in the morning until five o'clock at night." The forenoon to be strictly educational in all its program, while in the afternoon the amusement lover in the grandstand can see something doing every minute from one to five o'clock.

The local horsemen from the Idaho side of the river are already training their colts for the race track. Payette, in particular, will be here with a large string of colts, two-year-olds and three year olds. Payette can put on some of the best trotters in the Northwest, especially among the colt class.

Several of the interior localities are arranging community exhibits which will be, from all indications, more elaborate and more attractive

EVERETT STAPLES HAS FACE BABY POWDER BURNED

Everett Staples was quite severely burned about the face Wednesday morning while he and Earl Landingham were investigating some blasting powder. The boys had found the powder at the V. P. Staples place just north of town, where Everett has been working, it having been left there by a former tenant. At first it was thought that his eye sight was injured but it has since been determined that the eyes were not permanently impaired.

IDAHO BANKERS SET FREE

Kettenbach and Kester Pardoned by President.

Washington.—President Wilson has granted unconditional pardon to William F. Kettenbach and George H. Kester, Lewiston, Idaho, bankers, convicted on the charge of having falsified records of the First National Bank of Lewiston, Idaho. The pardon was granted after the president had conferred with Senators Borah, of Idaho; Lane, of Oregon, and Kern, of Indiana, and after they had strongly appealed to the president to do justice to men, who, they showed, were martyrs to abuse of privilege by government prosecutors formerly employed by the department of justice.

But for this pardon Kettenbach and Kester would each have been required to serve five years in the penitentiary.

COL. M. M. MULHALL



Colonel M. M. Mulhall, former lobbyist for National Association of Manufacturers, star witness in the Senate lobby inquiry.

WEISER BALL TEAM MAKES DISBURSEMENT

Players Get Equal Division of \$475.05 at End of Season.

The management of the Weiser baseball team divided the money on hand at the end of the season last week, which was quite a tidy sum. After all expenses had been paid it was found that a balance of \$475.05 was on hand, which was promptly divided between the players, making a check of \$48 each. Practically every game during the season more than paid expenses.

In the beginning a subscription was taken up among the fans in Weiser and money necessary to start the season was spent in fitting the grounds, building a grand stand and the purchase of suits, balls, bats, masks and other necessary expenses of that kind.

It is likely that Weiser will make the best financial showing of any other team in the league.

CONSIDERABLE WOOL IS STILL ARRIVING FROM THE INTERIOR.

Wool Market Here Fairly Active and Some Big Lots Arrive.

Wool still comes in from the outlying interior sections. The majority of the wool arriving now is from the Wild Horse section, some one hundred and ninety miles from Ontario.

Formerly this wool went to Winnemucca, but the last few years the growers in that part of the country have begun to recognize Ontario as a better market for their wool and that they are able to buy their supplies to better advantage here than at Winnemucca. This year practically all of their wool has either come to Ontario or will before the season is over.

Last Monday Mr. J. Yoakem came in with 21,790 pounds belonging to J. E. Carlson. There is considerable wool yet so come from the Steu Mountain country.

The last of the Connolly wool has arrived and is being shipped this week.

A number of buyers have been in town several times, closing up settlements for wool already bought and figuring on purchasing the new wools that are just being unloaded.

EXCURSION TO SMITH'S FERRY FROM ONTARIO SUNDAY JULY 27

A Short Scenic Trip Along New Line of the Upper Payette River.

The first excursion up the Payette Valley railroad to Emmett, thence over the Idaho Northern to Smith's Ferry will be run from Ontario, July 27. The train will leave Ontario at 7:30 in the morning and arrive at Smith's Ferry at noon, leaving there at 5 o'clock in the afternoon and reaching Ontario at 9 o'clock in the evening.

A fare of \$3.00, only, is to be charged for the round trip which totals up 180 miles and takes one into the heart of the mountains over one of the most scenic short lines in the inter-mountain country. The section surrounding Smith's Ferry affords splendid opportunities for a days outing as there are many shady nooks which furnish ideal locations for picnic parties and the fishing is good along the river in that vicinity.

JACK STOUT ARRESTED FOR WIFE DESERTION

Ben Brown, deputy sheriff, arrived Wednesday morning with Jack Stout, who was arrested at Starbuck, Wash., charged with wife desertion. He had been married less than a week to Miss Lola Allen, whose parents operate the White Cafe in this city. Stout claims to be from Delaware, Penn., and seems to be much older than his wife who is quite young.

The prisoner was given a preliminary hearing before Judge Grauel and placed under a \$500 bond pending action by the grand jury which meets in August. Not being able to give the required bond he was lodged in the county jail at Vale.

HARDWARE SOLD AT A SACRIFICE

The McBratney-McNulty Hardware Co. are offering some very attractive prices for the next two weeks. They are giving 10 to 25 per cent discount on their entire stock to reduce it. This sale is strictly for cash, their object being to reduce their large stock of hardware, paints, crockery, guns and ammunition. The least discount you get on any purchase is 10 per cent and from that up to 25 per cent. (paid advertisement)

FOURTH OF JULY COMMITTEE MAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For the information of contributors and the public, the committee in charge of the Fourth of July celebration, herewith submit report of receipts and expenditures:

Receipts.

Subscriptions	\$ 756.25
Concessions	65.00
Fair grounds	418.25
Total	\$1239.50

Expenses.

Advertising	\$ 133.75
Fireworks	53.25
Amusements	478.19
Decorations	41.35
Music	235.00
Miscellaneous	41.75
To Fair association	100.00
Total	\$1123.29
Balance on hand	116.20

There are unpaid bills of some amount but there is likely to be a small balance when all accounts are paid.

W. F. HOMAN, Chairman Committee.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS HOLD THEIR ANNUAL PICNIC

The Knights of Pythias held their annual picnic at the McGregor grove last Sunday. It was a splendid day, and all enjoyed themselves. Many of them came back for the ball game.