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WORK HAS STARTED ON THE BIG SEWER

One Section of City Has Asked to Connect--Others Should do Likewise.

The work has been started on the trunk sewer and drainage ditch and will be rushed along as fast as possible as the contractor has but few weeks in which to complete the work. There are several carloads of the sewer pipe on the grounds and there will be no delay on that score. The big machine has not been started up as it is not adapted to the size ditch necessary for the main sewer, but it can be used to good advantage on the laterals.

One section of the city has started in for a connection with the big sewer and the others should get in line so that all can be connected up before another summer and all the cess pools and filth holes abolished. There will be no excuse for flies in Ontario when this sewer is finished and connections made and an effort will be made to have every person realize that he has no business to have a pest breeder on his premises. A little team work is all that will be necessary.

SUMMARY OF THE NEW TARIFF BILL

A brief summary of the new tariff law as prepared for the senate follows: Average percentage of tariff rates as compared with the value of all imported merchandise: Old law, 37 per cent; new law, 27 per cent. Value of annual imports added to the free list, \$147,000,000. Estimated revenues from all import rates: Old law, \$305,000,000; new law, \$249,000,000. Estimated revenue from corporation and income taxes: Old law, \$37,000,000; new law, \$122,000,000. Altogether, consumers in the United States probably will receive from abroad, free from all tariff, more than \$1,000,000,000 worth of merchandise during the next year. During 1912 the amount of "free imported" was more than \$880,000,000, and when the tariff is entirely removed from wool, sugar, iron ore and cheap iron and other important items, the total is expected to increase notably. Under the old law more than 53 per cent of all goods brought to the United States from all parts of the world paid no tariff, and that proportion will be increased by the new law. The free wool provision of the new law takes effect December 1, 1913, and the free sugar provision May 1, 1915.

Congress at Work Nine Months. The new tariff law, passed four years after President Taft signed the existing Payne-Aldrich law, is the result of more than nine months of work in congress. Hearings were started January 6 by the house ways and means committee. Chairman Underwood introduced the tariff bill April 7, immediately after President Wilson had convened the new congress. It passed the house May 8, and the senate September 9.

CANYON COUNTY FAIR DRAWS A WELL PLEASED CROWD

The Canyon County fair was held last week at Caldwell and they had great crowds there on Friday, the grounds being covered with the visitors. The display of stuff from Emmett took the community prize and there was a large display of cattle and dogs that would be a credit to any fair. The buckaroos who gave such a satisfactory program at the Ontario fair, were the principal entertainers and the race horses were about the same. Features were also introduced by the school children. Many people from Ontario attended. Probably double the number that went to Boise and they were all well pleased. Among those Friday were noticed Mr. and Mrs. L. Adam, E. A. Fraser, H. B. Grauel, Marshal Odell, Lee Noe and others.

WALLS OF THE NEW LIBRARY BUILDING ALMOST FINISHED

The contractors on the library building have the brick walls well under way and it will not be long now before the building will be under cover. The secretary has received a remittance from the library commission to cover the costs of the building up to date and as the building progresses other remittances will be received. The building is now assuming shape and gives some idea of the imposing structure it will be when completed.

NEW TRAIN SERVICE PROVES BENEFICIAL

Means Increased Trade for Ontario Merchants--Many Between Trains.

The new train service went into effect Monday morning and a good increase in the number of passengers from Vale is noticeable and about all of them have good sized bundles when they go home and there is a reason. The stores of Ontario are equal to those generally found in the larger cities and the prices are the lowest in this section by quite a large per cent and if the merchants will only go after the business and tell the people of the Malheur valley what they have to sell and the prices they will double the business they are at present doing with the outside people.

There is quite a mail order business being done from some of the stores, but others have not gone after it. Let those people know that they can get the narrow and wide lasts in shoes, the last word in millinery, coats and suits and they will be interested as they appreciate these things as well as our home people.

The grocers and hardware men can also serve them at a saving over what they are in the habit of paying, but you have got to show them before you can expect their business.

The Juntura people are entitled to a better train service than they are getting at present as no connection is made to the main line, it being necessary to lay over night in Vale or hire an auto to make the connection. At present the train is operated by the construction company department and it is known they are not friendly with the people of Ontario so we can do nothing to help the Juntura people, but when the operating department gets control then the railroad commission will be advised and the service changed for the benefit of the people living in the interior.

ONTARIO WOMAN'S CLUB HOLDS FIRST MEETING

The Woman's Club held its first meeting of the fall on October 2 at the home of Mrs. M. E. Newton, the president, Mrs. H. H. Whitney, in the chair.

Mrs. S. D. Dorman read a most interesting paper upon civic improvement, which contained many practical ideas of value in beautifying our city.

It was voted to send Mrs. Whitney as a delegate to the Federation of Women's clubs now in session at Hood River.

Committees were appointed to make arrangements for the annual library ball. Great enthusiasm is being manifested in the affair and no effort will be spared to make it the most brilliant event of the social season.

These efforts deserve the support of everyone as the proceeds of the ball will be used to the benefit of the new Carnegie library now being erected. This splendid structure will be a source of pleasure and profit to the city of Ontario and everyone should be interested in making it the best equipped of any library for a town of its size in the state.

La Grande Chooses Seen. La Grande.—The charter election provided for an election of commissioners within 20 days. October 20 has been set as the time for the election of three commissioners, the sole elective body under new government.

PROF. SHAW SPEAKS ON AGRICULTURE

Together With Prof. French and D. C. Freeman at High School Building

The meeting in the school house Friday evening for the reception of the teachers and to hear remarks from Prof. Thos. Shaw, Prof. French and D. C. Freeman was well attended.

After the reception for the teachers the students gave an interesting program and then Mr. Shaw gave a talk along agricultural lines. He is a very conservative speaker and thoroughly posted, having been an expert in that line for many years.

He is familiar with this section, having visited here several times and each visit he is more impressed with the possibilities here for the man who will raise corn, alfalfa, cattle and hogs. There is no section of the world where they can be raised to better advantage. Here are a few things he gave the people to think about:

"The area devoted to grazing land has been reduced 300,000,000 acres during the past ten years. The number of cattle is eight million less, of sheep ten million less and of people there are twenty million more," which shows what can be expected of the cattle market.

Alfalfa is worth at least \$12.50 a ton when fed to beef or dairy cows and it is a crime to sell it for \$5 or \$6 a ton. The dual purpose animal is the one for the best results. In England 80 per cent of the milk is produced by these cows and a fair average is 6000 pounds of milk a year, which will make 250 pounds of butter, making the owner over \$100 a year, besides a calf that is worth \$100 when a year old.

This is a wonderful fruit section, there is no better, but the most prosperous communities are those who are in diversified farming, as they always have something to market at fair price.

Prof. French, who has been here a number of times, spoke of the teaching of domestic science and agriculture in the public schools and of the small per cent of the pupils who ever attend any college and must get their education in the public schools and the object of the schools to fit the boys and girls for practical work when they start in life.

There will be 500,000 immigrants

landed on the Pacific coast in 1915, when the canal will open and those people will be joined annually by many more, all of whom will have to have homes. This means that all the millions of acres of land that are now idle will be brought into use.

The Corvallis school is divided into three classes of work, teaching, investigation and extension. The extension work is carried to the people through institutes and the experiment stations and there should be a demonstrator in this county to gather information from the men who are successful in their lines and carry it to the less informed ones, so that all may have the best methods. The state will pay for half of this work and the rest can be met by the county court.

D. C. Freeman, publicity man for the Hill system, told of the growth of the interior of the state and how the people are making good and it will be up to Mr. Hill to redeem his pledges and give them transportation for their crops in the very near future.

One of the party stated that one farmer in the Harney valley had ten thousand bushels of grain and no way of disposing of it and Mr. Hill will not long allow such a condition to exist when it is through his efforts that these men raised this grain.

The gentlemen were taken over the country around Ontario and were free to admit they had never seen a better fruit or dairy section.

MURDERS VICTIM AND IS ARRESTED AT NYSSA

Another murder was committed at one of the construction camps on the railroad west of here last Wednesday.

This was a coldblooded affair, the murderer shooting his victim as he lay in his cot, over some trivial matter. The victim's name was Jake Zupan, the murderer's Louis Ovich.

After the shooting Ovich rode off on a horse and showed up at Nyssa on Monday, where he was recognized and later confessed to the murder. He was taken to Vale.

This county is paying heavily for the building of the railroad.

CHRISTY MATHEWSON



Christy Mathewson, veteran pitcher of the New York Giants, a prominent factor in the world's baseball championship games which opened in New York Tuesday.

CONNIE MACK



Connie Mack, manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, whose team is contesting for the world's baseball championship.

PHILADELPHIA HAS BEST OF THE WORLD SERIES

By winning to-day the Philadelphia team now has the best of New York in the world's series. In Tuesday's game Philadelphia won 4 to 6. Wednesday, with Mathewson in the box New York won a hard fought victory in the tenth--neither team scoring up to that time, when the Giants drove in two runs. Today Philadelphia fairly swamped New York 8 to 2.

KINGMAN KOLONY SECTION IS PROSPEROUS THIS YEAR

Ed Blodgett, of the Kingman Kolony section, was here Monday, returning from a trip to Pendleton. The Kolony has been successful this year with their crops and irrigation plant. The water has cost about \$2 an acre and many of the farmers have raised extensive fields of beans, one having five, another ten and another thirty acres and all report net yields better than \$50 an acre. The alfalfa seed was only a fair crop. Many more acres were cultivated than the previous year.

FIRE AND BLIZZARD DEVASTATING NOME

Fire Fighting Apparatus Destroyed and Water Works Out of Commission.

Nome, Alaska.—Fire has completed the destruction of blizzard-wrecked Nome.

Following a night and day of terror, 24 hours of the worst Arctic storm that ever visited Alaska's most famous mining camp, flames started in the ruins of wrecked buildings and swept the city.

It was impossible to cope with the flames. All of the fire-fighting apparatus was destroyed by the storm and the waterworks also is out of commission. The firehouses and their contents were swept away by the gale. Hundreds of homeless persons struggled against wind and wave in an effort to collect enough food from the debris to sustain life for themselves and families for a day or two.

It is estimated that the loss will reach \$1,500,000. So great was the destruction of provisions that it is feared that a famine will follow.

NEW COMMISSION COMPANY LOCATED ON IDAHO STREET

The Cash Grain company has opened up for business in the room formerly occupied by the Poormen Plumbing shop, on Idaho street, a few doors east of the Ontario Furniture store. The new firm is H. A. McRoberts, for several years with T. H. Moore as manager of his business and E. W. Howland, for some time with the Ontario Commission company. These gentlemen will carry a stock of hay, bran, shorts mill feed, seeds and grain and make a specialty of car lots of grain. There is an opening for such a business and the new firm is entitled to your patronage.

WANN BROTHERS START UP THEIR FRUIT EVAPORATOR

The Wann evaporator on the bench has been started up for the run on apples. Emerson Wann is in charge this season. There is room for several evaporators on the bench and on this side of the river to care for the vegetables and fruit that have no market at present.

MUST DENUDE HATS OF FOREIGN PLUMAGE

New York.—With the passage of the new tariff, the customs officer has had thrust upon him a new and disagreeable office. He must tear out the aigrettes and plumage of foreign birds that women passengers are wearing in their hats when they arrive in American ports.

When the Underwood bill went into effect a score of women on the French liner Lorraine were subjected to this treatment. Their indignation was so great they could not contain themselves.

The plumage seized will be turned over to the appraisers, who will set a price of each piece and send word to the owners, who will be permitted to return them to the dealer from whom they were bought.

FIRST TRAIN OF CATTLE SHIPPED FROM JUNTURA

Last Saturday Entire Shipment Will Amount to About 100 Cars.

On Saturday J. D. Murphy shipped 4000 lambs to Buhl to feed. Charles Kenyon and Baker Ball shipped in 500 cattle to feed for the market.

The first train load of the Hanley cattle were shipped out Saturday from Juntura and was followed by others, the entire shipment amounting to about 100 cars. The price received for these cattle shows the trend of the cattle business. The yearlings brought \$40 and the others in proportion. They were shipped out to feed although they have over 3000 tons of old hay on the ranches but it would not pay to feed it as the drive to the railroad is too long and the shrinkage too heavy. When the railroad reaches Harney valley then they will be able to use their thousands of tons of hay and grain to better advantage. Three carloads of horses were shipped to Caldwell by McWilliams and others for the sale there.

COUNCIL HOLDS BUSINESS SESSION MONDAY NIGHT

Council meeting was held Monday night with all present but Mr. Kenyon.

Fire chief recommended drainage for hydrants be fixed.

Dr. Whitney and Mrs. L. Adam were appointed library trustees for two years.

A petition for the establishment of a lateral sewer district No. 1 was presented covering the lots from Moritt to Richardson streets and Indiana avenue to old south line of city. Petition granted and necessary ordinance ordered drawn.

Petition of Morgan Carlile for sidewalk on south side of block 127 was granted.

The bond of the sewer contractor was approved.

The usual liquor licenses were granted.

The regular grist of bills were presented and allowed. Ordinance No. 244 granting to the Western Union Telegraph company permission for poles on streets and alleys of Ontario was read first time.

APPLE GROWERS GETTING GOOD PRICES FOR CROP

J. O. Scritchfield, the Fruitland banker, was a passenger to Boise Monday. While here he stated that the apple market was satisfactory and many of the growers were selling their entire crop at good prices and all are selling on a cash basis, having had all the commission prices they care for. The prices range from \$1.25 to \$1.50. Sargent and Burnett are shipping a few carloads of extra fancy Jonathans from Ontario that are certainly fine, running about 120 to the box, well colored and smooth, for the south-eastern market.

PIONEER JUNTURA RESIDENT DIES AT ONTARIO HOSPITAL

M. A. Woodruff died at the hospital on Friday after a short illness. He came down to attend the fair and when his physician saw him he tried to induce him to go to the hospital, but it was several days before he would give up and then the fever could not be overcome.

Mr. Woodruff was a resident of the Juntura country for many years and was looked upon as among the substantial citizens of that section.

The funeral was held from the Methodist church here on Sunday, Rev. Johns conducting the services and the interment was in the local cemetery. There is a wife and son of the immediate family.

Mr. Woodruff was born in Indiana 53 years ago.