

LOCAL NEWS

Miss Hazel Evans, of Baker, is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Ed Huffman. The power at the Ox Bow plant has been turned on.

A. F. Boyer is building a barn on his place in the south end of town.

Miss Cummings, of Boise, was visiting with her parents over Sunday.

Henry Blackwell made a shipment of cattle to Chicago this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hill made a trip to Hamedale this week.

Duncan McRae came in this week from Riverside.

A. E. Brown is in from Barren Valley for a few days.

Ralph Weaver was down from Vale Tuesday.

Frank Miller, the Big Bend rancher, had to go over to Vale this week.

Tom McGivern was here from Adrian the first of the week.

Mr. Downs, of Boise, is visiting with his daughter, Mrs. Ed Neese.

Miss Carter, of VanWyck, was visiting her sister, Mrs. Grove, this week.

R. W. Swagler returned today from an extended eastern trip.

Fong Wong, who spent the summer at Newport, has returned.

Miss Margaret Blackaby entertained Tuesday evening, that being her birthday.

The meeting of the Owyhee ditch directors failed to get a quorum this week.

Misses Estelle and Wilmoth Curry are home from Indiana, where they spent the summer with relatives.

Miss Vivian Grauel entertained about 20 of her club friends one afternoon last week.

Harry Looney came over from Jordan Valley to act as juror before the Circuit Court. The distance is 115 miles.

Charles Atherton is having some improvements made in his home in the south part of town.

Miss Allie Bonning returned to her home in Idaho last week after a six months visit with her sister, Mrs. O. Nicely.

Master Max Taggart celebrated the second anniversary of his birth by entertaining a number of his young friends.

Mayor Hodges, of Boise, was here Saturday, calling on many of his old time friends that he knew when a resident of Harney county.

J. W. Brewer, who is manager of the Farm Land Bureau, connected with the Oregon State Immigration Bureau, will be in Ontario next week and would be pleased to meet with farmers and others having lands for sale.

Miss Katherine Hall, of Cleveland, Ohio, has taken a position as trimmer with Mrs. Letson.

While attending the Fair at Ontario, don't fail to visit the Variety Store, both for pleasure and profit.—The Variety Store, Ontario, Oregon.

Virgil Staples, the Vale postmaster, was calling on Ontario relatives Tuesday. He says it is quite a relief in the office at Vale since the mail is routed to Juntura.

Our store is not a 5c and 10c store although we carry a large line of 5c and 10c articles, but is truly a Variety Store and a visit will certainly be worth your time.—The Variety Store, Ontario, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kenyon were up from Welsler Monday calling on some of their many friends here. They have sold their home here to W. W. Letson, the jeweler, who is arranging to move in at once.

Judge Biggs and a number of the attorneys went to Vale, the frontier town where they will hold a term of the Circuit Court. The judge stated that he hoped to be through with the work by Wednesday evening so the jurors could get to the county fair. The docket does not contain any very important cases.

Malheur County Fair and Round Up.

Ontario, Oregon, September 15-19. Excursions via Oregon Short Line. Tickets on sale September 14 to 19 inclusive; limited to September 21st. See agents for rates and further particulars.

Rest Room for Fair Week.

The ladies of Ontario have fitted up the corner room of the Wilson building for the benefit of the women and children during fair week. Everyone welcome.

Loan Office Opened.

In the large cities it is quite common to see loan offices, where one may go and get a loan on clothing, jewelry or in fact anything of value, but seldom one finds them in small cities. Two men came here last week, looked the city and surrounding country over carefully and concluded that the large business done here would justify the establishment of a loan office, they leased the room vacated by the Ontario National Bank, and are now ready to make you a loan of any size, provided you have the security to leave with them.

These men, Breznik and Watson, are familiar with their business, have quite a stock of unredeemed pledges on hand and will be glad to have you call when in need of a loan or looking for a bargain in second hand clothing at your own price, as they have a large stock on hand.

Look for the sign of the three balls.

Prunes for sale by John McGivern.

ALLIES AGREE TO STAND TOGETHER

London.—Foreign minister Sir Edward Grey and the French and Russian ambassadors signed an agreement binding their three respective countries to continue the European war to the end unitedly—that is, no one of them may make peace on its own account.

When peace is finally concluded, it was also arranged, the allies "undertake not to make individual demands without previous mutual agreement."

The belief here was that it will enable the British and French to have the final word in the peace negotiations if Germany is crushed and it was thought that, by playing France against Russia, the British might be able to effect a settlement which would not upset the future European balance of power.

Messages from Petrograd expressed the Russian conviction that the czar's troops will be within striking distance of Berlin within a month.

Jews May Be Russian Officers.
Copenhagen.—A decree by the czar permitting Jews to become army officers was announced by the Russian legation here.

Confession Clears Murder Mystery.
Klamath Falls.—With a bullet hole in his head and the lower part of his face crushed as if with an ax, the body of Allan McLeod, a Scotchman, was found buried in a shallow grave about 60 feet from the cabin on his homestead, near Tule Lake. Frank Williams, an ex-prizefighter, is being held, and is said to have made a complete confession to the officers. The body was found by Homer Deputy.

Salmon Men Raise Fund.
Astoria.—As a result of the offer of the United States bureau of fisheries to give the state of Oregon 5,000,000 Alaska salmon eggs taken at the Yes Bay hatchery, the Columbia river salmon packers have undertaken to raise a fund to care for the eggs when they arrive and keep the young fry until they are ready to be released. The improvements will cost approximately \$5000.

CUSTOMS LOSS OFFSET

Beer and Wines to Bear Brunt of New War Revenue Tax.

Washington.—Democratic members of the ways and means committee have agreed virtually on a list of commodities susceptible to special taxation to raise the \$100,000,000 requested by President Wilson to offset the loss in customs receipts caused by the conflict in Europe.

Although no announcement was made, it is certain that beer and wines shall raise the greater portion of the needed revenue and that there shall be no tax on railroad tickets and gasoline.

Strenuous opposition met the Underwood proposition for a tax on railroad tickets, the argument being that such a tax would antagonize the traveling public.

Members are now seriously considering a proposal to tax magazines and Sunday magazine supplements of newspapers. It was settled that motion picture films, rather than tickets to "movie" theatres, shall be assessed.

New Pope is Crowned.

Rome.—Pope Benedict XV, formerly Cardinal Giacomo Della Chiesa, Archbishop of Bologna, who was elected supreme pontiff to succeed the late Pope Pius X, was crowned Sunday. Accompanied by the cardinals now here he was escorted to the great basilica of St. Peter's, where with all the pomp and glory demanded by the traditions of centuries, he was formally acclaimed as the supreme head of the Catholic church.

Loaded Liner Hits Mine.

London.—The Wilson passenger liner Runo, with 600 passengers on board struck a mine in the North Sea and was sunk. All of the crew and passengers, with the exception of about 20 Russian refugees, were saved.

RUSSIAN TROOPS REACH FRANCE

New York.—Russian troops to the number of 150,000 have passed through England and are now at the rear of the German army in France, according to Vance Thompson, an American writer who arrived on the Red Star liner Kroonland, which sailed from Liverpool August 28.

On that day, Mr. Thompson said, he saw detachments of Cossacks on their way to the Channel ports, and learned that the British government had suspended the regular train service in order to give the Russians the right of way. He added that he could say from reliable authorities that 150,000 Russians had already crossed the Channel and were now probably attacking the German rear, while it was understood that thousands more were on their way from Archangel by the Arctic route to England.

Passengers on steamers from England recently have reported a movement of Russian troops through the British Isles to the Continent.

Belgian King Wounded.

London.—A dispatch to the Central News from Amsterdam says that King Albert of Belgium was slightly wounded by a shrapnel splinter while he was heading the retreat of Belgian troops to Antwerp.

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