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JITNEY BUS NOW READY FOR BUSINESS

New Car Arrives Sunday
Night After Overland
Trip From Dalles

SCHEDULE IS ANNOUNCED

Ontario Transportation Co.
is Name Under Which
it Will Operate

The jitney bus has arrived and by the end of the week will be operating between Ontario and New Plymouth and Ontario and Nysa on a regular schedule. E. D. Mowery arrived with the car Sunday night, having made the trip overland from The Dalles, coming by way of La Grande and Baker. The Ontario Transportation company will be the name under which the car will be operated.

Mr. Mowery states that he made good time from The Dalles with the exception of a delay in the Blue mountains between Pendleton and La Grande. He ran into a heavy rain storm, and the roads became so slick that it was necessary for him to stop and wait until they dried out a little. From La Grande on, however, the roads were good and he made good time.

The car has a seating capacity of fourteen people. It is a 38 horse power Jeffery car, and is built for heavy work. The chassis is of the truck type and the body and top were

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PAYETTE TRACK TEAM DEFEATED

Friday the Payette track team came over to this city to battle for honors with the local boys, but met decisive defeat, taking only 33 points out of a possible 134.

Payette was out classed throughout the event, the local boys were too much for the boys from across the river, the Idaho boys taking first place only in the high jump and the mile. Lowery of Payette nosed out ahead of Dearborn after a hard run. In the high jump Payette took first, second and third place. The feature of the event was the performance of Husted, who took first place in the 50-yard dash, first in pole vault, third in the javelin, first in the 100-yard dash and first in the broad jump. The boy hurdled himself through the air 19 feet and 9 inches and the jump was far out of the average. He also took first in the 220-yard dash, third in the discus, and was in the victorious relay team. H. Goodwin was the best man for Payette.

Payette took their defeat without a whimper. They were good losers and they did their best so that was all that could be expected from them. This was the last meet for the season and the local boys ended up with a good record, being defeated only by the Boise team.

Results of the meet are as follows: 50-yard dash—Husted, first, Goodwin (Payette), second, Koenig, third. Time, 5.2-5.

Mile—Lowery (Payette), first; Dearborn, second; Davis (Payette), third. Time, 5.23.

Pole Vault—Husted, first; H. Goodwin (Payette), second; Koenig, third. Height, 9 feet.

High Hurdles—Gramse, first; Weaver, second; Northup (Payette), third. Time, 19 1/4.

Javelin—Maddox, first; Goodwin (Payette), second; Husted, third. Distance, 120 feet 6 inches.

Were In Auto Accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Fisher returned home Saturday from Union where they went a week ago to attend the funeral of Mr. Fisher's father. They went to Wallowa from Union in an auto and were in a wreck of the machine in the suburbs of Wallowa. L. Couch, a brother-in-law of Mr. Fisher, was driving the machine and ran off of a bridge, throwing the party into an icy stream of water. They were badly shaken up, but no serious injuries were sustained.

GIRLS APPREHENDED BY MARSHAL KERFOOT

Local Official is Not Fooled
by Clever Ruse of
Boise Pair

Sixteen-year-old Mildred Pusinger and a woman said to be Hazel Clark, both of Boise, were apprehended through the efforts of City Marshal Dan Kerfoot last Friday after they had left Boise in the night headed for San Francisco. The pair arrived in Ontario on the early morning train and engaged a room in a local lodging house. They slept until about 10 o'clock Friday morning when they took their grips to the depot preparatory to leaving town.

In the mean time the aunt of the young girl at Boise started a hunt for her, and Chief of Police Robinson of that city sent out descriptions of the pair. Marshal Kerfoot was soon on their trail, and located their baggage at the depot. He placed a watch over it and started out to hunt for the girls.

Evidently they scented trouble, and leaving their grips in the depot, walked to Payette to take the train. The clever dodge did not fool the local officer, however, and he phoned to the town marshal of Payette who picked them up.

Probation Officer O'Conner of Boise came to Payette for them Friday night and took the younger girl back to Boise. It is said Hazel Clark has secured a position in Payette as a waitress, and she was left there.

CONKLIN DAIRY SOLD

L. Comstock Becomes New Owner of
Local Dairy Business.

Sale of the E. B. Conklin dairy, which occurred the latter part of last week, came as a surprise to his many friends in Ontario and vicinity. L. Comstock, recently of Montpellier, Idaho, is the new owner and will take possession the first of the month. Mr. Comstock has rented the ranch and has purchased the dairy herd and all equipment. Mr. Conklin expects to move to town for the present, and has not decided just what he will do.

In speaking of the change, Mr. Conklin stated that he wished to bespeak for his successor the same patronage that had heretofore been enjoyed by the dairy. He stated that Mr. Comstock would employ the same sanitary methods as in the past and would give his patrons the best of service.

100-yard Dash—Husted, first; H. Goodwin (Payette), second; Koenig, third. Time 10.5 seconds.

Broad Jump—Husted, first; Michel (Payette), second; Northup (Payette), third. Distance, 19 feet 9 inches.

220-yard Low Hurdle—Husted, first; H. Goodwin (Payette), second; Weaver, third. Time, 28 4-5.

220-yard Dash—Husted, first; Koenig, second; Reiger (Payette), third. Time, 23 seconds.

440-yard Dash—Koenig, first; Brown, second; F. Goodwin (Payette), third. Time, 57 seconds. High jump, Shamberger (Payette), first; Northup (Payette), second; Goodwin, third. Height, 5 feet.

Discus—Maddox, first; Koenig, second; Husted, third. Distance, 102 feet 3 inches. Half-mile—Van Patten, first; Duncan, second; Lowery (Payette), third. Time, 2 minutes 18 seconds.

Celebrate 60th Wedding Anniversary



MR. AND MRS. G. W. BLANTON CELEBRATE

Pioneer Family of Ontario Have Fifty-eight Living
Descendants--Married in Kentucky in
1855--Hale and Hearty

The Honorable and Mrs. G. W. Blanton celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at their home in this city Sunday, April 25. A sumptuous wedding feast was prepared by the children and grandchildren of this estimable couple, who for the past 60 years have journeyed life's road together and shared in each other's joys and sorrows. They received many useful and beautiful presents as a token of their wedding anniversary and the high esteem in which they are held by their relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Blanton were married in Hazel Green, Morgan county, Kentucky, April 26, 1855. Twelve children were born to this union, eight of whom are living. Their daughter, Mrs. Ida Hulery, died near Ontario about four years ago. The other three deceased children died in infancy.

The eldest son, Frank Blanton, and one son, John, living near Ontario, were the only children who were not able to be present at this reunion. The children present were: Mrs. S. E. Leavitt, James M. Blanton, Mrs. Emma Smith, George Blanton, Jr., Mrs. Dora Herron, and Mrs. Belle Redsell. The grand children were: Manuel Smith, Mrs. Florence Breswell, E. W. Leavitt, E. A. Leavitt, W. B. Leavitt, Francis Leavitt, Bessie Blanton, Paulina Blanton, William Blanton, Mabel Blanton, Carl Blanton, Bert Herron, Ruby Redsell, George Blanton, Ellery Herron, Bert

Herron, Joe Blanton, Effie Blanton, Wesley Blanton, Lucile Blanton and Charles Leavitt, Manuel Smith. Great grand children: Nona Cammann, Mad Cammann, Earl Breswell, Lester Breswell, Wesley Blanton, Lucile Blanton and Bert Breswell. Other guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Dick Rutherford, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hullery and Mrs. Welsh.

Mr. Blanton is 82 years of age and Mrs. Blanton is 76. Both are hale and hearty and will probably live to celebrate many more wedding anniversaries. That is certainly the wish of the friends of this worthy pair. Mr. Blanton was born in Tennessee in 1832 and his wife was born in Kentucky in 1838. The year after their marriage in 1856 they moved from Kentucky to Illinois, where they lived for four years, emigrating to Kansas in 1860. When the war broke out in 1861 Mr. Blanton joined the Union army and served throughout the rebellion. In 1881, after a residence of 21 years in Kansas, with his wife and family, he crossed the plains overland to Oregon, and was among the first settlers in Malheur valley under the Nevada ditch, and for the past 34 years have been constant residents of Ontario and vicinity. They are among the highly honored and respected citizens.

Mr. and Mrs. Blanton have 58 living descendants, eight children, 37 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

RAMBLES OF A VISITOR THROUGH THE MODERN GARDEN OF EDEN

Being One of a Series of Articles Telling of a Visit to Each of
The Many Farms And Places of Interest in This Section.

(Article No. 2.)

On the main road from Ontario to Fruitland, one turns south into Fruitland avenue shortly after crossing the Snake river bridge. In the Fruitland section there are many such "avenues." They are country roads which have been named, but certainly they have lost many of the "earmarks" of the typical "country road." On nearly every one of them you will find a home every few rods, and to ride through the section reminds one of a ride through the rural sections of a great city. For the homes are many and the farms are small in acreage. And certainly the "avenues" are deserving of the name. As much care is taken to keep them looking beautiful, as you will find on the average city street, and it can be truthfully said to their credit that there are many city streets that fall far short of these "country roads" in

the matter of care and beauty.

But on the trip from Ontario to Fruitland, the first home you come to on Fruitland Avenue belongs to D. Magnuson, and is on the left hand side of the avenue. Mr. Magnuson owns twenty-four highly productive acres, and bears the distinction of having reclaimed this land from its natural sage brush state. Moving to the place in the fall of 1903, there was little there that could be termed beautiful. There wasn't a stick of vegetation of any kind on the land but sage brush. He erected his dwelling house and his barn and out buildings and started in with his sturdy western spirit to hew out a home in the wilderness.

No one can deny that success has crowned his efforts. To look at his place today, one has to stretch his imagination considerable to conceive a picture of sage brush instead of

Another Death at Fruitland.

Another Fruitland home was stricken Wednesday about noon, when Mrs. A. A. Branthoover quietly departed this life while taking a few hours' rest. She has been a sufferer from dropsy and Bright's disease for the past two years, but lately had seemed better. While resting during the morning hours, the family had dropped in and she seemed so peacefully quiet she was not disturbed until noon, when she was called for lunch. They found death had preceded them.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR J. M. ROYSTON

Well Known Fruitland Man
Laid to Rest--Large
Funeral

An impressive and largely attended funeral service was held last Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at the home on Pennsylvania avenue of the late John M. Royston, whose tragic death on Friday evening so shocked the entire community. The beautiful service, full of sympathy and understanding, was conducted by Rev. H. G. Barnes, of the Methodist church of Payette.

Deceased was born April 1, 1855, in Baltimore, Md., and was 60 years of age. He was married to Lily Etta Eaton, who survives him, Feb. 28, 1882, and they went to Nebraska to establish their home, where a large family of 13 children were born, two of whom are now dead. One son, John Royston, of Prosser, Neb., could not be present for the funeral. The rest of the bereaved family, five sons, Edward, Charles, Schuyler, Earl and Lafayette, and five daughters, Mrs. Harry Hart, Mrs. Edward Williams, Clara, Irma and Josephine, were present. His aged mother, Mary E. Royston, of the advanced age of 84, survives him, two sisters, Mrs. Kizzie Waltermeyer and Mrs. Anna Bossom and four brothers, Charles, Wesley, William and Robert, all of Baltimore, Md., the two latter, in company of Samuel Miller, a brother-in-law, making the long journey for a last look at the beloved brother's face.

Mr. Royston, with his family, came to Payette Valley in 1906 and settled on their ranch south of Fruitland, where they have since lived, closely identified with everything for the promotion of the community's best interests. He was a director of the Canyon county fair since 1907, president of the Idaho Swine Breeders' association, an active member of the local state grange and one of the most prominent stockmen in the state also a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

Many beautiful floral offerings were bestowed by friends and associates in the business world, a tribute to his sterling worth and integrity and the high esteem in which he was held by all who knew him. Burial was in Riverside cemetery, Payette.—Boise Capital News.

That beautiful blue grass lawn and shady poplar trees in the front yard. Or to believe that the green alfalfa field and the blossoming orchard were once a barren sagebrush waste inhabited only by jack rabbits and coyotes. The transformation that a few years have brought about is wonderful, and again we marvel at the work of the Creator.

Mr. Magnuson has an apple orchard that will bear this season for the first time. There are ten acres of the place devoted to fruit, and about nine acres of the orchard are devoted to apples. The varieties are Jonathan and Winesaps, about half and half of each, and the other acre is devoted to pears, plums, cherries and apricots.

The Jonathan trees produced some apples last year, but they were not old enough to give a good crop. But this year they will bear heavy. The Winesaps will probably not produce their first crop until next year. Between the trees in the orchard is

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TAKE INTEREST IN BIG CORN SHOW

'First National' Corn Show
in St. Paul Attracts
Attention Here

IN MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1915

Bankers and Farmers of
Northwest Co-Operate
to Show Progress

Corn growers of Malheur and Canyon counties have become interested recently in the big "First National" Corn Show to be held under the auspices of the First National bank of St. Paul, in this city, December 1 to 31, 1915.

The show will be an open competition for Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Montana, Washington, Oregon and Idaho. The states will not compete with each other, but the entire territory is divided into thirty districts, the competition being confined to districts. The following is the manner in which the states have been divided:

North Dakota.....6 districts
South Dakota.....6 districts
Montana.....6 districts
Washington.....3 districts
Oregon.....2 districts
Idaho.....1 district

The geographical divisions for the two districts in Oregon are as follows:

District No. 1—Counties of Hood River, Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Baker, Grant, Wheeler, Crook, Malheur, Harney, Lake and Klamath.

District No. 2—Counties of Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Washington, Multnomah, Clackamas, Yamhill, Polk, Marion, Lincoln, Benton, Linn, Douglas, Coos, Curry, Josephine, Jackson and Lane.

This "First National" Corn Show will be the largest exclusive corn show ever held in the northwest. A total of 120 attractive loving cups will be offered as prizes at the show. Thirty large silver loving cups will be offered as first prizes to farmers displaying the finest collection of ten ears of any variety of corn grown within each district. The second prize will consist of golden bronze cups.

In line with James J. Hill's well known sentiments regarding the importance of the part taken by farmers' sons in the development of farm lands in the northwest, a special feature of the show will be the Boys' Corn Raising Competition.

Farmer boys from each district in the states named will be awarded for first prize the same valuable silver cups as are offered the adult exhibitor. The second prize will consist of handsome golden bronze cups beautifully engraved.

There will be sent out to all bankers throughout the states named printed matter giving detailed information regarding the terms and conditions of the contest. These the local bankers will place in the hands of farmers in their district who desire to compete. Full particulars regarding this Mammoth Corn Show and the prize competition can be procured from any local banker in the states named.

"Corn and cattle contribute capital for bigger bank balances" is a slogan that has been adopted by the First National bank of St. Paul in its laudable efforts to aid in the development of corn raising in the states named, and this show is a part of the extensive livestock raising campaign that has been outlined by James J. Hill. Realizing the necessity for corn to the growing of the livestock industry of the northwest it has been decided to make corn growing one of the features of the campaign.