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## THRILLS FILL LAST DAY'S FAIR PROGRAM

MISS PAGE MEETS DEFEAT IN TWO EVENTS—AUTO RACE INTERESTING UNTIL CAR FAILS TO WORK ON EIGHTH LAP.

## WILD HORSE RACE FEATURE

Tom Logan's Race Gets a Happy End—Special Events Added to the Amusement of Fine Closing Day Gathering—Fair a Success.

Malheur County's eighth annual county fair closed Friday afternoon with one of the best programs ever given on any day of any fair. The fair was a success, from every viewpoint. The directors will be able to pay all bills and may have a small balance with which to start next year's work.

The closing day crowd helped materially to this result, and the crowd was repaid for its presence by one of the best programs ever staged. The wild horse race, the last event preceding the auto race proved the climax of that program. Pendleton, Cheyenne or any other "round-up" city never presented a wilder horse race. Every horse fought like an outlaw and not a single rider made the trip round the track without leaving his mount at least once.

Walter Shimp of Little Willow won the event after the gamest exhibition seen here in years. After his saddle came off, unaided, roped the horse, hogtied him, saddled him and finally got the cayuse under the wire a winner. In the meantime every one of the other three riders were entertaining the crowd with battles all round the track. The boys were until the finish.

The auto race was interesting while it lasted. Butler in his Saxon won and was in the lead all the way, tho at no time was the distance between the cars great. On the last lap the engine on Rambo's King car became overheated and stopped on the back stretch. The time was 9:35 for the five miles. Both cars skidded considerably.

Several added events were given for the benefit of the big crowd, including a race between the McWilliams and Haynes strings and this was won by the Haynes string, ridden by Miss Rose Haynes, who defeated Miss Alfretha Sage.

Kent's Little Dick defeated Tanny's Lightfoot. Quicksilver 2nd owned by Jim Blanton won the three-eighths for three year olds. Sage's Dora D won the three-eighths, free for all. The Haynes string won the Buckaroo relay. The harness race, the last day, was also interesting, the Hendrickson horses, Dibble's, Fayette Girl and Clark's Veda Sweet furnished cracking brushes to the wire.

Tom Logan's race around the stake, first for potatoes, the second where the riders took off chaps, rode to a second stake and took off saddles, returned to first stake and donned chaps, back to second stake and re-saddled and then rode to wire was a corker. Tom Logan won with Oliver King, second, Art McGill third and Joe Brosnan fourth. The potato race Tom Logan won, Joe Brosnan second, and Art McGill third.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Blackaby went to Boise to see the fair on Tuesday.

## Ontario Sends Youngest Undergraduate to U. of O.

When Robert E. Lees, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lees matriculates at the University of Oregon Monday he will be the youngest student ever to have registered at the State University. The young man who is only fifteen graduated from the Ontario High School with the class of '17. He will enter the college of liberal arts. Despite his youth the young man has been a valued member of the Ontario Concert Band and will continue his musical work in college.

## Gigantic Efforts Needed to Save Fruit Crops in this Section Ontario's Help is Needed.

Over on the Fruitland Bench hundreds of tons of peaches, pears, apples, prunes and other fruits will be lost unless the people of this section go to the assistance of the ranchers. In this great national crisis when one of the principal weapons of offense and defense possessed by the United States is its food crops, every effort should be put forth to save this great supply. The saving and conserving is the first duty of Americans, it is the first duty of Ontarians. The effects of a loss on the Fruitland Bench and about Nyssa and Ontario will be felt in the winter to come unless action is taken NOW. Ontario business men have started a movement to secure help from the interior. There are many young women in Ontario and some men who can serve their country in not better manner; who can show their patriotism; who can, at the same time, be well paid for their efforts by going to the Fruitland Bench for the next month or six weeks to help save the fruit crops. If necessary arrangements will be made to carry everyone from Ontario to and from the bench by auto. People from the outside are urged to bring bedding with them. The ranchers can supply places to sleep but have not enough bedding. Nearly 200 pickers are needed. The call is an insistent one. Delay will be fatal. The help is wanted now. Let those who can go at once to the Association Warehouse in Fruitland where they will be assigned work. At Nyssa too, there is needed 25 pickers. On the Fruitland Bench the wages are 35 cents per hour. At Nyssa the payment is by the box. The Argus is making this appeal after consultation with the leading fruit men on the Bench in the hope that the seriousness of the situation in this National crisis will appeal to every loyal American in this section who, if he or she can not go to the trenches is willing to go to the orchards to help save the food that may aid the boys at the front.

## CONTRACT IS AWARDED FOR NEW FORD GARAGE

J. A. Draper to Build Structure—Lot Cleared and Stakes Driven This Week—Building to Be Finished in 60 Days.

J. R. Blackaby on Monday awarded the contract for the erection of the new garage which will occupy the corner of Oregon and Colorado streets to J. A. Draper. The building when it is finished 60 days from now will be occupied by Erbie Hayes and his Ford cars.

According to the plans and specifications the building which is to be 75 feet on Oregon street and 120 on Colorado street will represent, with the cost of the ground, an investment of \$15,000.

## NYSSA FLOUR MILL OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Saturday was the big day at the Nyssa flour mill. P. M. Warren finished all preparations and called them good, and turned on the electricity that set the machinery in motion. This starts our citizen upon the career of becoming the flour and milling center of this section of the county.

The mill is a modern and complete set of machinery, capable of turning out 12 1-2 barrels of flour daily. Custom grinding will also be done for the farmers. Mr. P. M. Warren, the owner and miller, is a man of capability and experience. In this line of work and can be fully depended upon to give the right kind of service in making good flour. The land around Nyssa produces from 50 to 60 bushels of wheat to the acre, and we can now at bread and biscuits made from our excellent wheat. Samples of flour were given to visitors, so that all who called proved the fine quality of this flour by actual test. This project merits the support of the people of this section so that it will be a success.—Nyssa Journal.

## Honor Guard to Meet.

There will be a meeting of the Honor Guard at the Public Library Friday evening. All of the members are urged to be present. The members of the first aid class have taken their examinations after completing the text book work and the practical dressings and are awaiting their diplomas.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Adam went to Boise Wednesday to see the Idaho State fair.

## H. C. WHITWORTH TO LEAVE LOCAL HOTEL

Purnishings and Furniture of Carter House Will Be Sold at Auction—To Confine Attention to Weiser Interests.

H. C. Whitworth who has been the lessee of the Carter House for several years and who left here two years ago to take over the management of the Hotel Washington at Weiser is to sell out his local holdings. With his auctioneer, Walter H. Spiker, Mr. Whitworth had an inventory of the property made on Wednesday and will sell everything in the building a week from Saturday.

Mr. Whitworth will in the future direct his attention to his Weiser interests which have grown to a large degree since he first went to the Idaho city.

## NYSSA PREPARING FOR RED CROSS BENEFIT

Base Ball Game, Concert and Dance is On the Program—Ontario is Asked to Help.

Nyssa is going to have a big Red Cross Benefit Friday. In the afternoon there will be a ball game between the Nyssa team and one made up from the Montana soldier boys who are guarding the bridges. In the evening there will be a concert, followed by a dance. A special orchestra of 16 pieces will furnish the music.

Nyssa wants to aid the Red Cross cause and wants Ontarians to come to the big time and help, too. The program will be enough to guarantee a big time. The Nyssa Red Cross society recently withdrew from the abaker chapter to join with Ontario in the work.

## Town Topics Tersely Told

There was a general readjustment of engineers on the local runs this week due to the changes recently made in the pony schedules. Charles Straight formerly on the pony took the Crane run, with the Sunday lay-over in Ontario formerly held by John Rasmussen, the later in turn bumped Al Rose who had the layover in Crane. Mr. Rose moved to Nampa where he continued the bumping process on an engineer there who, no doubt, has kept the game going.

Miss Martha Lambert of Jordan Valley arrived in Ontario on Sunday to register as a sophomore at the High School. She is staying at the home of Miss Lavine Smith.

Marcus Pinney son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Pinney left with Paul Van Petten for Seattle to enter the University of Washington. They stopped off in Pendleton for a visit before going on to the Sound City.

Miss Marie Pinney came down from Boise to see her brother, Marcus off for college. She returned to Boise Monday.

Miss Irene Rader left Thursday for Eugene to enter the University of Oregon. She will register for the college of fine arts.

After spending the summer irrigating Malheur county lands, Palmer Trow returns Sunday night to Seattle to continue his work at the University of Washington.

E. G. Batley, formerly superintendent of schools here, now a resident of Elgin, Oregon, saw the events of the closing day at the fair Saturday and judged the races for the day. He reports an extremely dry season in that section of the state.

Mayor C. C. Wilson was numbered among the Nyssa folks that took in the events of the Midway Friday evening.

Miss Alpha Orcutt went to Portland and other Willamette valley cities this week on a business trip.

M. H. Rawling of Central City, Nebraska is here the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Seacy.

Mrs. Kelso Newman of Jerome, Idaho, is in Ontario this week the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Vanderhoof.

Misses Rosa Adam and Grace Sage left Monday for Eugene to prepare their society house for the opening of the University next week.

Miss Nettie Peterson is among the members of the Ontario High school class of '17 who will register next week at O. A. C. She leaves for Corvallis Monday.

Paul Van Petten who graduated with the class of '17 O. H. S. leaves Sunday evening for Seattle to enter the University of Washington College of Commerce.

## YOUNG SPANARD WANTS CITIZENSHIP SO HE CAN FIGHT FOR UNCLE SAM

Ellis Garcia who for the past summer as worked with Emory Hill on the Harney county roads came to Ontario this week to attend school for the winter, or until he can enter the army. The young man has tried three times to volunteer but due to the fact that he has not yet been able to get his citizenship papers he was rejected. Mr. Garcia was born in Spain but lived until three years ago in Cuba. That he feels "right" in this great war was indicated by his statement, "I want to go with the other fellows and I do not want to be drafted."

## ONE GOOD TURN IS DESERVING ANOTHER

Weiser Folk Helped Make Malheur County Fair a Real Success—Good Neighborliness Tells for Response.

One of the most pleasing incidents of the fair last week was the presence of so many folks from Weiser. They came over for the day and had a good time. Ontario and all the county was glad to welcome them.

Next week Weiser is to have its big Oregon Trail Round-Up with John Spais, Mabel DeLong, Ruth Parton and all the celebrities from Pendleton. They are going to stage a real show and have a big time every day and every evening. A proper sense of neighborliness should prompt a large number of Ontarians to be present at the Ontario day at Weiser. That all who go will have a big time is assured by those who know Weiser.

## SECOND SON JOINS U. S. ARMY TO SERVE ABROAD

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Millikin received word this week that their son, Damon E. Millikin, of Stockton, California, had enlisted for service. Mr. Millikin who is a graduate of O. A. C., was first exempted by reason of his work in a tractor factory making war tractors and because of skill as a draughtsman, later he asked that the exemption be reversed and enlisted. He was assigned to take a party of Californians to American Lake. He is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Millikin to enlist.

## SPANISH NEW STUDY FOR HIGH SCHOOL

DELAYED SESSION OPENS WITH 400 ENROLLED IN ALL BRANCHES—130 IN HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES.

## EFFECTS OF WAR EVIDENT

Demand for Domestic Science, Manual Training and Commercial Subjects Show Where Interest Predominates.

Four hundred and sixty of Ontario's promising young people laid aside the pleasures and duties of a summer's vacation Monday morning and responded to the call of the school bell. Sixty-two of these are just entering their school career, and are rapidly acquiring wisdom from a source heretofore unknown to them. Of these beginners 45 have entered in the west side school and 17 at the east side.

In the grades 333 boys and girls took up the struggle with the multiplication table and the earth's anatomy while higher up in the high school 130 pupils registered for tutelage in the sciences and practical things of life.

Of these 130 high school students 53 are Freshmen ready for initiation into the social curriculum as well as the student body; 35 are Sophomores who accumulated much knowledge of the ways of high school students last year; 19 are in the Junior year and 19 in the Senior. Forty-one have taken up the commercial course, 30 the college preparatory, 21 the home economics, 26 scientific and agriculture and 9 the teachers' training. One student is taking up post graduate work.

Some of the new features in high school work that have been introduced this year is a class in the study of the Spanish language; an advanced class in domestic science and a class in manual training. This latter class has so large an enrollment that it has been necessary to form two divisions; one division having class hours in the morning, and the other in the afternoon. In the military department all the high school boys with the exception of one are enrolled.

The class in agriculture in the eighth grade are taking instructions under M. B. Thomas, professor of science and agriculture, at the high school.

If the present number of eighth graders complete the year's work, a splendid class of forty-one pupils will be headed their diplomas next spring when commencement programs are popular.

An unusual feature of the Ontario school as a whole is its absence of foreign pupils, the entire student body being all classed as Americans, of these, however, there are four little colored folks; two in the beginners' class; one in the third and one in the fourth grades.

Superintendent Douglass and his assistants are most optimistic for the year's work and have entered upon their duties with an enthusiasm that must instill the most dull with the spirit of ambition.

The faculty is made up of Superintendent, H. R. Douglass.

## High School.

Principal, F. M. Boucher, who also has charge of the manual training department.

History, L. L. Culbertson.

Science and agriculture, M. B. Thomas.

Commercial, R. A. Hiles.

Language and music, Miss Maude Bengt.

Household economics, Miss Leona Rader.

Mathematics, Mrs. Edna Griffin.

English, Miss Katherine Conway.

## Grades.

Miss Emma McGivern, 8th.

Mrs. Lucy B. Fox, 7th.

Miss Jennie Whitaker, 6th.

Miss Mae Platt, 6th and 5th.

Miss Rena Biggs, 5th and 4th.

Miss Eva Boydell, 4th.

Miss Ruth Purcell, 3rd.

Miss Cora McNulty, 2nd.

Miss Luella Callin, 1st.

East Side.

Mrs. Clement, 1st and 2nd.

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