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...T BIDS FOR WORK ...NDS ORDERED SOLD

...l Takes Real Action Monday ...t—New Site Sought for In... Directly East of City—Only One Marshal Now.

...ering the bonds voted by the ... to be sold on March 25 and at ...me time declaring that the ...l will receive bids for the con... of the water works on ... 28, the City Council at its ...g Monday evening set the ma...y in motion for the early con... of the new municipal water ...

...council also received the peti... signed by the Eastside property ... asking for a sewer system in ... section of the city and ordered ...eer Louis C. Kelsey, who was ...t, to prepare plans.

... council discussed various ... of the sewer and water prob... and adjourned to meet Tuesday ... inspect sites for the location of a ...g plant, it being found that ...ation near the bridge was in...ate. On Tuesday a site up ..., near the Dunbar and Kress ... was examined and declared ...tory if a reasonable figure was ... upon it.

...CROSS AUCTION QUALIFIED SUCCESS

...Chapter is $1400 Better Off as ...ult of Sale—Everyone has ...ood Time, too, as well as Bargains.

... weather conditions ... a big crowd present, ... auction last Saturday ... unqualified success. ... of the effort the local ... relieved and pro... made for the work this sum... until the funds from the annual ... are available. Approximate...00 was netted at the sale.

... crowds started to gather for ... before lunch time and people ... present from all the Eastern ... the country. The Boulevard ...ry whose members started the ... was out in force as well ... the Big Bend and Kingman ... Nyssa too was well repre... among the buyers present.

... crowd enjoyed the sale. Many ... fine offerings were secured at ... prices, while of course the ... was true in some other cases ... all round everything went ... a good time resulted for ...

...Dickens of Dickens & Miller, ... principal auctioneer and was ..., his running fire of repar... the crown in good humor ... until the last article ... Assisting him were P. J. ..., H. H. Tunny, E. M. Greig, ..., Mrs. E. M Greig, and ... Brown; while C. R. Emison ...

... single item sold was ... horse which H. H. ... paid ... for, of course bunch ... sold for a larger cum; while ... in some sases for 15 cents ...

...O SACKS ALFALFA SEED ...WITH TRIFLE OF $85

...J. Pinney, local represen... of the Oregon-Western ... company, has some ... alfalfa seed in his ... these days. It is as ... your substitute, and ... more refined. This alfalfa ... has a perfect pedigree. It ... 99.8 per cent pure, thus ... a well-known soap ... degree of excellence.

This high toned seed was not ... result of an accident, for in ... get the best kind of ... the lands which are be... by his firm, that ... of germ life wanted ... was located the ... was made.

J. T. MAHAN OF HARNEY THINKS GEORGE WENT TOO FAR

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mahan of Harney county came in from the interior on Friday and returned to teir home Monday morning. Mr. Mahan spent Saturday with the implement dealers while Mrs. Mahan interviewed the dry goods merchants, milliners, etc. While hurrying from one businem house to another Mr. Mahan stopped to admit that he regretted that Senator Chamberlain had "gone too far with his criticism of the administration.

TOWNSITE COMPANY TO BE PLACED IN TRUST

Directors Determine to 9wait War's End Before Disposing of Local Holdings—Plans Incomplete.

At a meeting of the directors of the Ontario Townsite company Saturday afternoon it was determined to place the holdings of the company with a trustee until conditions nationally and internationally are more setted. J. W. McCulloch attorney for the company was enpowered to prepare plans for the trusteeship and no further action was taken by the directors.

C. E. Kenyon and H. C. Whitworth of Weiser who with C. A. Trow of this city are directors, were in attendance at the meeting. The presence of Mr. Whitworth was a distinct surprise to his Ontario friends for they had been under the impression that he was still ill from the effects of an auto accident of a week ago.

C. H. & M. CO. HAS BIG YEAR AND GROWS

Two New Members in Firm Which Buys More Horses and Mules Than any Market West of the Missouri.

J. A. Haley of the Caldwell Horse & Mule company was in Ontario last week wearing a new "measuring cane" of which he is very proud. It is strange stick with its concealed steed rod which removes the necessity of guessing how many hands high a real "hoss" is. Of course horse buyers never guess.

After displaying his stick Mr. Haley talked about the C. H. & M. Co. which is represented here by A. McWilliams and which has purchased so many animals in this section on war contracts. The company received a U. S. contract last week for 500 head and had it filled it three days.

"That is not all" said Mr. Haley, "we handled 25,380 head of horses and mules which were purchased at an average price of $125."

That did not freaze the interviewer until he took his pencil and Burroughs the result and found that it meant that little old Caldwell had been the center of a buying concern that handled $3,172,500 inone year. year.

And then Mr. Haley just kept right on handing out the dope and started talking about big additions and the fact that the company is going into sheep and cattle now and has buyers in nine Western states and is the biggest horse and mule buyer west of Kansas City. We believe him when we that of the figures. While handing out the dope, Mr. Haley also added that Bob Cavan the famous rider and Bob Sumheim, who has been with the firm for some years hace been added to the stockholders and entered the firm directly.

NYSSA IS ENGULFED IN A GREAT WAVE OF REFORM

At a meeting of the Nyssa city council this week a war time ban was placed on the public dance hall; a $100 per month licinse was provided for the poopl hall and a general declaration made by the city dads that it was time for the boys all to be good. That they have been otherwise, it is said, is the cause of the enactment of drastic blue laws of 1620. The pool hall closed the day following the passage of the ordinance.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SINGING APPRECIATED

Large Crowd Out to Hear Operetta —Red Cross Benefits by Proceeds.

In theatrical parlance the High School Girls' Glee Club staged the event of the season in their operetta, "The feast of the Red Corn," to a packed house at the Dreamland Monday night. Solos, chorus and dancers received lavish encores and deserved praise. The entire seating capacity was sold out before the doors were opened and many bought standing room. The proceeds amounting to about $200, after expenses have been deducted, will be presented to the local Red Cross.

Miss Viola Husted sang the leading role. Her solos brought forth particularly favorable comment from all who heard her. Misses Mary Messee and Erma Von Readon, as Impee Light and Old Squaw, made the most of their parts. Those who sang the minor parts gave the principals excellent suport.

The Flaming Arrow, the Fairy and the Ghost dances were among the features particularly pleasing.

The accompanying orchestra, composed of Miss Luella Callin, piano, R. W. Jones, violin, and L. V. Shimik, drums, was in excellent form and deserved the unusual amount of commendation they received.

Miss Mame Benge, supervisor of music in our public schools, directed and trained the youthful performers and should be congratulated on the successof the production. This is a feature of our schools that should be continued and encouraged.

The following characters in addition to those metioned above took part:

Pudgee, Wudgee and Fudgee—Eunice Foster, Elinor Wood and Helen Thomas.

Flaming Arrow Dancers—Rose Bender, Opal Rawls, Vella Cronin, Gladys Overstreet, Ethel McWilliams and Mary Bervin.

Ghosts — Helen Dunbar, Helen Anderson, Mary Lackey, Cressa Wells, Laverne Keller and Derce Dearborn.

Fairies—Margaret Blackaby, Ruth Homan, Alice Dorman, Alice Bervin, Evelyn Hagans.

Indian Chief—Paul McCuloch.

Sopranos—Gladys Emison, Delta Hill, Ruth McCulloch, Margaret Oram, Lucile Hagans, Dorothy Turner.

Altos—Opal Farley, Myrl Bingham, Helen Blom, Marie Keller, Lola Howser and Helen Caldwell.

the Junior Red Cross

ONE SON IN FRANCE AND ANOTHER ENROUTE THISWEEK

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Millikin of this city have received word this week that their son Kenneth who is in an engineer regiment landed in France. They learned, too, that another son, Damon, who was for a time at American Lake passed thru Ontario on one of the many troop trains which went Eastward last week.

EASTERN OREGON LAND CO. STARTS WORK NEAR NYSSA

Work has been started on the development of the 1000 acre ranch which the Eastern Oregon Land company is to put under cultivation near Nyssa this year. The company has secured the services of Langley Brookes, formerly in charge of a big ranch in the Sacramento valley, and whose agricultural experience was first gained in Australia, and has put him in sharge of the work. A residence is to be built on the ranch for the superintendent and with the addition of the powerful machinery which the company bought last fall the work of completing the ground for crops will be speeded up.

When the entire 1000 is added to the company's holdings near Nyssa it will be the biggest single piece of developed land in the valley with the possible exception of the Wood holdings.

WILL PREPARE PLANS FOR THIRD LOAN DRIVE

J. R. Blackaby .Names .Committees for Various Precincts—Will Gather at Vale March 13.

J. R. Blackaby, chairman of the County Liberty Loan committee, issued the following statement:

"A telegram from the Liberty Loan headquarters at Portland, of this date advises me that a general conference of all committes named in Malheur County will be held at Vale, Oregon, on Wednesday, March 13, at two o'clock, p. m.. One of Oregon's biggest men will be here from Portland to address this conference and make general arrangements for the drive which is to take place on the 6th of April. It is desired that all committeemen be present and the public in general is invited to this conference.

The following, which is incomplete is a portion of the committees named from the various sections of the county.

Brogan—J. A. Kennedy, Chairman, Jas. Morfitt, Tom Logan, Melvin Kelley, Committeemen.

Crowley, C. Cook, Chairman, J. K. Venator, K. N. Dhale, J. M. Orell, J. S. McCumsey, Committeemen.

Ironside—Ernest Locey, Chairman, W. J. Hinten, G. E. Rutherford, Eli Rose, James Weaver, Committeemen.

Juntura—David Graham, Chairman, William P. Allen, Daniel Gallagher, William Jones, A. F. Masterson, Committeemen.

Nyssa—Frank D. Hall, Chairman, J. Boydell, Thos. F. Coward, Dr. J. J. Sarazin, S. D. Goshert, Committeemen

Jordan Valley—F. J. Palmer, Chairman, T. T. Kahout, W. R. Helm, Fred L. Johnson, J. B. Duncan, George S. Parkes, Committeemen

Ontario—L. Adam, Chairman, H B Cockram, Frank Rader, E. A. Fraser, A. L. McDowell, Committeemen.

Parma, Idaho (Big Bend Country and Kingman Colony.)—Guy Johnson, Chairman.

Riverside—Duncan McRae, Chairman.

Rockville and Sucker—Lee Strode Chairman, Finaly McKenzie, Andrew Greely, Alvin S. Moss, Richard King, Committeemen.

Vale—G. F. Wildharber, Chairman, R. H. Dearmond, C. C. Mueller, Bruce R. Kester, John Houston, Committeemen.

Watson—Frank Palmer, Chairman. Westfall—Jack Fairman, Chairman, Andrew Graham, Chas. Bush, J. L. Lamberson, Stewart Hanna, John Zimmerman, Committeemen.

J. R. Blackaby, County chairman.

SAVE YOUR TRINKETS BOYS ARE COLLECTING

Boys in Sixth and Seventh Grades to Start Drive for Old Jewels on Saturday.

If you have any old jewelry, old silver or even heavy plate, that is not in use, and which will probably not be used again, there is a way in which you can make it do good service for your country.

It can be added to the "Treasures aind Trinket Fund," which is being created by the boys of Mrs. Fox and Mrs. Homan's rooms in the Grade school. The goods which they collect, and they will start their drive Saturday will be sent to a manufacturing jeweler and the money received will be given to aid the Junior Red Cross, to be used in the purchase of materials for the Belgian relief work which the girls of these rooms are doing.

SERGEANT FRED CANFIELD HOME ON SHORT FURLOUGH

Fred Canfield, who now wears the chevrons of the sergeant in the signal corps U. S. A., is here this week on a furlough to see his family. The he has been in the service but a short time he has traveled high in the noncom ranks and expects to see service abroad over-seas before long.

ABILITY OF STUDENTS IS SHOWN IN EXHIBIT OF WORK

Refugee garments for Belgian refugees, sweaters, hospital shirts and other evidences of the activities of the girls of the Domestic Arts class of the high chool were on exhibition this week at Rader Bros. The work not only shows what the girls can do but shows that they are putting their time to good use under the direction of their instructor.

WALLOWA COMES HERE AFTER CHAMPIONSHIP

Winners in Northeastern and Southeastern Oregon to Meet for Eastern Oregon Championship, March 5.

Next Friday evening at the High School auditorium Wallowa High school's debating team and the team representing Ontario will battle for the forensic championship of Eastern Oregon. With that honor goes the privilege of entering the finals in the State High School Debating League and to debate the winner in Western Oregon for the Grand State Championship.

Ontario has been awarded the championship of Southeastern and Wallowa by defeating Joseph, Enterprise and LaGrande, won the championship of Northeastern Oregon.

Miss Clara Craig and Wesley Glenn will represent Ontario and uphold the affirmative of the question: Resolved: that at the end of the present war the United States should enter a league of nations with power to enforce the decisions of its International court.

Atorney Frank D. Ryan of Weiser, Superintendent of Schools J.E. Turner of Payette and Superintendent of Schools Miller of Fruitland will be the judges. A musical program will be presented and a charge will be made to assist in defraying expenses. The local team has been coached by Prof. L. L. Culbettson and Miss Catherine Conway.

Since the question is so timely and the fact that Wallowa has come so far the school authorities feel that a large audience should greet them and thus encourage debating in the local schools.

ONTARIO MEN HELD ON BENCH WARRANTS

Indictments Returned by Federal Grand Jury at Portland—Princeton and Crane Men Also Held.

United States Deputy Marshal F. B. Tichnor came down from Crane Wednesday with William H. Grant of Princeton and C. A. Varian of Crane, against whom federal bench warrants were issued in Portland by the Federal Grand Jury. Here he served similar summons on W. A. Benson and W. H. Mullen, brakeman and mail clerk respectively on the Crane run.

Messrs. Varian, Benson and Mullen are held for hunting with'n the Federal Game reserve on Malheur Lake and sportsmen of Ontario and Crane who likewise have hunted in that vicinity are deeply interested in the outcome of their case, there existing a difference of opinion concerning the boundarylines of the reserve.

Grant is held on a far more serious charge, so it is said, tho the details are not known. It is believed he is to be tried on charges growing out of his possession of a relinquishment of a claim of a man named Olaf Wick, whose whereabouts is now unknown.

Thru their attorneys, Brooke & Gallagher, all of the men appeared before United States Commissioner Stearns and gave bail for appearance in the Federal Court.

BOOTLEGGER DRAWS $300 AND THIRTY DAYS, TOO

Charles McCarty, who broke two bottles of "something" on the wheel of his auto when Marshal Farmer hailed him a month ago, drew $300 and thirty days when tried by a jury in Judge C. M. Stearns' court today. The case was appealed.

COMMERCIAL CLUB HAS ITS FIRST LUNCHEON

Succor Creek Road, New Water System, Stockmen's Convention and Other Matters Discussed—Gus Moser Speaks.

Thirty Ontario businem men met this noon at a hurriedly arranged luncheon at the Carter House for the first of a series of noonday meetings. The directors determined on the meeting at a session on Wednesday for the purpose of arousing interest in the building of the Succor creek road to Jordan valley, which was promised by the county court last year, but which was not started.

The people of that section asked the club to cooperate and to urge action by the court and since that body is now in session at Vale action had to be taken at once.

At the same time it was deemed advisable to secure reports relative to the progress being made toward entertainilg the Cattle & Horse Raiser's association next month, and to take advantage of the presence of Engineer Louis C. Kelsey to present to the businem men the proposed water works plans.

C. C. Wilson, chairman of the County Good Roads association, was present and a resolution he had prepared urging the State Highway commissioners to spend Eastern Oregon's portion of available funds was passed.

Gus Moser, who is a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor, was present and in a five minute address discussed the state road situation. Short talks were made by J. R. Blackaby, who reviewed the history of the Succor creek road; C. C. Wilson, who spoke on the general resolution, P. J. Gallagher, who told what is being done toward the entertainment of thestockmen, Mr. Kelsey, who tild what the new water system will accomplish, Walter Glenn, who told of the cooperation oc county stocmen in the coming convention, and Judge Biggs, who discussed the Chautauqua program and the city's duty to provide entertainment for its citizens and its neighbors.

Those present declared themselves in favor of making the luncheon a regular feature of the club's activity and the details of the plan will be discussed at the next regular session.

The committee appointed to see County Court and to cooperate with a similar committee from Nyssa and Vale on the Cuccor creek road is J. R. Blackaby, H. C. Boyer, E. A. Fraser, Sam Creem and A. Jaquish.

MANY BROS. CO. IS READY TO GIVE HELP

Offers to GiveState $15 from Each Acre Sold to Build Road to Reach 46,000 Acre Project.

State Engineer John A. Lewis has approved the plans of the Many Bros. & Wells company for the development of the Jordan Valley project, which is already partially constructed. Under the terms of the agreement the company is to set aside $15 from each acre sold up to $8000 acres and $10 from the balance of 38,000 acres to build a road to the project.

The company has declared its desire for the road up Succor creek so that its lands will be open for settlement. Already the canals have been built and the company has reservoirs completed to care for 8,000 acres of land this season, and all of this has been sold.

The addition of that body of land to the irriated area of Malheur county is the biggest piece of development undertaken in years anl it is for that reason that Ontario and Nyssa are anxious that the County Court provide a means of reaching that section without compelling travelers to go over into Idaho.

The regular montly business meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. Church held this afternoon. The society voted to discontinue the circles.