

ALL SET FOR TENTH ANNUAL COUNTY FAIR

RECORD BREAKING CROWDS EXPECTED FROM ALL SECTIONS OF VALLEY—MANY RESERVATIONS ALREADY MADE BY VISITORS

AIRPLANE FLIGHT EVERY DAY

Greatest Race Program Ever Arranged for This Section—Exhibits of Wide Variety in Great Abundance to be Shown.

After weeks of strenuous work on the part of President H. H. Tunny and Directors E. B. Conklin and Mrs. Julien Hurley, and Secretary F. Leslie Body, each of whom has charge of the work of securing exhibits in various departments, the Tenth Annual Malheur County Fair will be ready next Tuesday for the biggest crowd ever assembled in Ontario.

In the meantime the other directors: P. J. Gallagher, W. H. Laxon and H. L. Poorman, are preparing for the work assigned them during Fair week, and thus assurance is doubly sure that the show will go with a whoop from start to finish. This will achieve the motto for this year, "The Best Yet," and the standing slogan, "Something Doing Every Minute."

With the unprecedented fruit crop of this year and excellent crops in every other line the Fair is certain to have the largest exhibits ever placed in the exhibition hall.

Beside this the demand for booths to display wares by manufacturing plants is treble that of previous years. Twelve booths have been set aside for this class of exhibits and had there been more room the number would have been doubled.

In fact the demand for space was so great that the educational display will be housed in a tent and the space formerly given the schools will be

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THIEVES AGAIN MAKE CALLS ON ONTARIO INSTITUTIONS

Some time last night thieves broke into the warehouse of the Cash Grain company and rifled a number of packages, but so far as can be learned nothing of value was taken.

During the same night, too, the cellar of the Prinzing residence was entered and several boxes stored there were opened and examined. These boxes however contained only empty fruit jars. It is believed that no booty was carried away by the thieves.

Reports of other attempts at house-breaking were reported and a sneak thief was said to have been seen in the home of Mrs. Mary Moss. No arrests have been made.

SCHOOL CHILDREN TO PARADE ON TUESDAY

Upper County School Children Coming Enmasse to Fair—Many Schools to Have Unique Floats—All Children Free.

Tuesday, the opening day of the Fair will be educational day. All the school children of the county will be the guests of the management of the Fair and will take part in a monster parade.

At Vale on Wednesday County Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. Julien Hurley arranged for the participation of all the schools of the county and many of them already have their floats in preparation for the big event.

All the children are expected to march in the parade, and are urged to be ready on time so that the teachers can line them up for the big event. There will be, too, a number of special events on the program for the boys and girls including horse races for boys and girls.

Dr. H. H. Whitney left this week for the hills near McCall, Idaho, to look after his sheep feeding in that territory.

CITY TO HAVE LATEST THING—GAS AND OIL SERVICE STATION

Breaking in ahead of the street paving, Ontario is to have one of the latest adjuncts of a city, an up-town corner, automobile service station, where gas and oil can be had while you wait, ah la soda fountain service. E. C. Propat is the backer of the latest wrinkle in city styles and this week has had a crew at work sinking the tank, laying concrete and erecting a little building to house the institution.

Permission was secured from the Council Monday evening and the work has proceeded so that it will be in working order for the Fair rush. Entrance to the station which is on the Boyer lots, cornering on westside of Oregon street and the south side of Nevada, will be gained from the latter street and the cars after being loaded will pass out onto Oregon street.

TO GET THE GOODS PROBLEM OF BUYERS

H. C. Boyer Returns From East on Shopping Trip and Proceeds to Get Summoned for Jury Duty.

To be forced to leave just at this season for a buying trip is bad enough, in the opinion of H. C. Boyer of Boyer Bros., who returned last Friday from New York—but when fate adds thereto a summons for jury duty, before a fellow gets a chance to "find out where he is at,"—then a fellow is out of luck. That's all there is about it, and that was Mr. Boyer's luck this week.

"You can buy goods, back there in the East, but it is one thing to buy them, and another to get delivery," said Mr. Boyer in speaking of his experience on the Atlantic seaboard.

"The manufacturers apparently are keeping their plants running. The jobbers apparently are trying to keep up their stocks, but without a great deal of luck, for the demand for goods of all kinds is unprecedented."

UNDERTAKING DEPARTMENT ADDED TO McDOWELL'S STORE

A. L. McDowell has added an undertaking department to his business and has secured the services of W. C. Jones, formerly with a Caldwell firm. Mr. Jones is a licensed undertaker and embalmer with several years of experience.

Mr. McDowell has started the renovation of the old Democrat office on Nevada Avenue and Virtue street for a chapel, work on this has begun already and it will soon be completed for occupancy.

McCOY RANCH IS SCENE OF EVENING PICNIC ON FRIDAY

Watermelons and ice cream and lots of fun was the program uncorbed by the force of the Rader Bros. department store last Friday evening when they gathered at the Lee McCoy ranch west of the city for a "family picnic."

Everyone had a good time was the message brot back from the session and the way they said it left no doubt in the mind of the hearer.

CENTRAL DID NOT KNOW SO COULD NOT GIVE ALARM

No one had instructed the "night girl" at Central how to turn in a fire alarm with the new automatic system, that is why the system did not work when first called upon, early Wednesday morning. Marshal H. C. Farmer called for the alarm but finally had to resort to pulling the rope. The blaze was located under the range of the Boston Cafe. The floor of the building was slightly damaged.

ONTARIAN ON COMMITTEE TO WELCOME THE PRESIDENT

J. R. Blackaby received word last Saturday of his appointment to the committee which will welcome President Woodrow Wilson to Oregon on September 15 when he will speak in the metropolis on his tour of the West.

Of course Mr. Blackaby at once accepted the honor and with Mrs. Blackaby will go to Portland Saturday, September 13, to be on hand for the gala occasion.

ONTARIO-WINNEMUCCA HIGHWAY IS INDORSED

STATE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE READY TO AID IN GETTING OREGON-NEVADA HIGHWAY BUILT TO CONNECT WITH LINCOLN HIGHWAY

WINNEMUCCA TO CO-OPERATE

Information Sought as to Steps Already Taken Looking Toward Construction of Road—Must Have State and Government Aid to Complete.

From Winnemucca, Nevada, and from Portland, Oregon, have come boosters for the building of a highway from Ontario to Winnemucca to connect the Oregon and Idaho highways with the Lincoln Highway to California.

This is the dream that has been entertained by Malheur county good roads boosters for some time, and the ultimate object desired to be obtained when the Succor creek highway was first projected, and this unexpected support from outside sources is giving encouragement for ultimate realization of these hopes.

The following story taken from the Oregonian of August 29, tells of the activity of Nevada business men:

Activity of the Oregon state chamber of commerce for construction of a highway connecting Ontario and other Oregon centers with Jordan Valley and to open to tourist, and commercial traffic a road through to a connection with the Nevada highway to Winnemucca is supported by Nevada people.

E. M. Bosch, secretary of the business men's association of Winnemucca, has written to Secretary Quayle strongly indorsing the proposal. He says there will not be a large fund available this year for the Nevada end of the road, but that the association is anxious to push the project along.

The movement was originated by J. R. Blackaby of Ontario and T. T. Kahout of Jordan Valley. The road, it is said, would be of great value in linking up trade of a prosperous section with Oregon towns and diverting through Oregon a heavy tourist travel that now goes through Ogden to Nevada points.

"There is a heavy traffic into and from that section," says Secretary Quayle, "that at present is largely diverted to Idaho points because of existing road conditions. More than 5,000,000 pounds of traffic is the

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MERCHANTS HANG UP BIG PURSE FOR RACE

ONTARIO MERCHANTS DERBY WILL HAVE ITS INITIAL PRESENTATION AT FAIR NEXT WEEK—WILL BE AN ANNUAL EVENT

MERCHANTS SUBSCRIBE \$400

Original Effort was to Solicit \$200 from Merchants with Fair Board Matching Merchants' Efforts—Board Will However Add to Amount Subscribed.

The Ontario Merchants Derby, the biggest and best running race event ever staged in this section will have its initial start next week. A purse of not less than \$500 will be hung up for the race, of which \$400 has been subscribed by the merchants of the city. This will be annual event that it is expected will draw the fastest ponies in this section of the west.

The idea of running this race was first presented to the Commercial club last night by P. J. Gallagher of the Fair Board, and a committee consisting of Frank Rader and L. Hirsch was appointed to call on the business men to see what they would give for such an event. The committee was so successful that in a short time \$400 was subscribed.

Wednesday night the proposition was made that the Fair Board would duplicate any sum the merchants would give, but now it is believed that this would make the program disproportionate and that the board will add probably \$100 or \$200 to the merchants' purse, and have an added race on some other day of the Fair.

Will be Mile or Longer. The race will be at least a mile, or probably the full Derby length of a mile and a furlong and there will be a big list of starters so that the crowd will have a real run for its money, and the horse men will have

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C. H. Helmer, the contractor who put in the water system and several of the district sewers during the past year came to Ontario Wednesday from Jerome to ship the big steam shovel he purchased from the J. A. Hoskins company to Twin Falls, where he has recently secured a big sewer construction contract.

Mrs. Elmo Pearson of Weiser came over today to visit with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rader.

BUNCH GRASS VEAL AND BEEF COMES OVER DIVIDE TO CITY

While waiting for the contractors to get busy on his new packing plant Andrew Robinson made a trip over to the John Day country to buy a bunch of cattle. This week he returned with two carloads, one of veal the other of beef steers all from the bunch grass country.

On his way over and back Mr. Robinson carried the message of the Malheur county Fair and declares that all up thru the Willow river valley folks are coming. Also the folks in the John Day know all about the Fair and some will be here, especially to see the flying machine.

The contractors this week poured the foundation for the new building Mr. Robinson is having erected for the Independent Market and he expects to put the old cold storage plant which he has moved, onto the foundation right after the Fair.

START LAYING PAVING OCTOBER FIFTEENTH

Warren Construction Company Superintendent Gives Cause of Delay—Council Hears Many Petitions—Would Condemn Old Buildings.

M. W. Woodard, superintendent of the Warren Construction company, told the City Council at the meeting Tuesday evening that he expected to start laying paving in Ontario by October 15, and that Oregon street would be finished this fall and the balance in the spring, if cold weather interfered. The reason for the delay was he said the company's inability to secure paving plants for the many jobs now under way.

The council, at the suggestion of City Engineer O. A. Kratz, ordered the radius of curbs on street corners to be 10 feet and alleys, five, and ordered off the street all scale platforms and posts that will obstruct pavements and drainage.

The Warren company will start work on the curb and drainage portions of the contract immediately after the Fair so that the streets will not be torn up next week. This work will all be finished before the paving plant arrives.

Want Gravel Paving. Residents on both Virtue and Morfitt streets petitioned the Council for the use of gravel taken from the business district to improve their streets. W. F. Homan and others asked for the improvement of Virtue street from Nebraska avenue to California, while John Wood and J. D. Billingsly and others sought the improvement of Morfitt street.

A. L. Cockrum petitioned the Council for a cement sidewalk on the north side of Nevada from King to Virtue streets, and C. C. Defrees and others asked for a cement sidewalk on Smith street from Wyoming to Colorado avenues.

The Council confirmed action taken by the water committee to hire Robert Burkhardt as pump man at the pumping station at \$150 per month until the city can erect a residence there when the salary will be \$100 with free house, fuel and light.

Councilman Allen told the Council that L. C. Kelsey, had notified him as member of that body, that he was ready to proceed with the engineering work. This was interpreted to be a step Mr. Kelsey is taking to lay a basis for a suit for fees in connection with the engineering controversy of sometime since.

AERIAL CABLE CIRCUS ACT BRINGS YOUNG MAN TO GRIEF

Edgar Fortier, Ralph McCulloch and Ronald McCreight arranged this week to stage a circus act on the McCulloch lawn. They erected a "slide for life," by attaching a wire 50 feet long high in one of the poplars in the yard and anchored it with a stake. At its highest point, the "slide" was 20 or more feet from the ground.

For a time all went well and no circus acrobat ever had more fun than the kids, but alas the wire broke, right next to the high end, and at the time Edgar Fortier was making a grand slide, which turned into a drop. When the little chap fell he broke the large bone in his right arm just above the wrist. Now the circus is all off.

CALL FOR BIDS FOR GRAVELING BOULEVARD

HIGHWAY COMMISSION ORDERS PLANS COMPLETED SO THAT WORK CAN BE LET AT SPECIAL MEETING THIS MONTH.

TEST SEES COMMISSIONER

District Engineer C. A. Herrington Arrives Here Wednesday—Will Call for Cow Valley Work Also—Other Work Contemplated in County.

Contrary to rumors that started following a statement made in Portland papers that the Highway Commission would let no more contracts for work this fall, bids will be called for the graveling the Boulevard from Nyasa to Cairo at a special meeting of the State Highway Commission in Portland on September 20.

This was the definite message which County Judge E. H. That brought back from Pendleton Tuesday following a conference he held with Commissioner W. L. Thompson on Sunday. It is also probable that at the same meeting bids will be called for on the construction of the Brogan-Cow Valley section of the John Day Highway.

Confirming the message of the County Judge, was the statement made on Wednesday by C. A. Herrington, district engineer with headquarters at Baker who arrived here Wednesday to complete the necessary work preliminary to an examination of the highways by the engineers of the federal post roads bureau from whose funds aid on this work will be received.

There has been delay on both these road projects due to changes in the original routes. The road to Nyasa will leave the Boulevard a quarter of a mile from the present corner and angle across fields to the city. To get this right-of-way condemned may slightly delay the work at that end of the road. On the Vale to Brogan road there have been changes in the original plans to get away from several railroad crossings, but all these difficulties are expected to be overcome in time for calling for bids this fall.

While he could not make a definite statement Mr. Herrington expressed the opinion that it is possible that surveys of the Old Oregon Trail from Ontario to Huntington will be made this fall.

GRAYS HARBOR POLICE CHIEF VISITING RELATIVES HERE

George Dean, who when he is at work is chief of the police department at Aberdeen, the big town on Grays Harbor, is here now visiting his brother, G. W. Dean, of the Boulevard district. Mrs. Dean and family are with him.

The visiting chief has just passed thru two strenuous years on the Harbor where the Wobblies have given the officials no end of trouble, but never succeeded in putting anything over on Dean and his men. Recently Mr. Dean with Capt. Fitzgerald escorted some 30 of the worst Wobblies to New York where they were sent back to their home countries. Under Chief Dean these varmint found life anything but congenial on the Harbor anyway, so probably were glad to see the statue of Liberty fade away.

Mrs. B. F. Oliver of Malheur City is the house guest of Miss Lavina Smith and will stay to witness the Tenth Annual Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Graham and son Robert returned Tuesday evening from an extended auto trip thru Oregon and Washington which took them as far north and west as their former home in Port Angeles, Washington.

Fr. J. H. Maloney returned Saturday evening from Portland and Baker where he spent several days. "The business men of Portland know that Ontario is in Oregon, now," said Fr. Maloney. "I found that they are keeping track of the progress this section of the state is making."

