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## GARBAGE COLLECTION ORDER BY ORDINANCE

CITY COUNCIL TO MAKE EFFORT TO ENFORCE PERMANENTLY CLEAN ONTARIO—NOMINAL FEE FOR WEEKLY COLLECTION OF REFUSE.

## JOB TO BE WORTH WHILE

More Paving Petitions Considered and Hearing Date Set—Expect Further Petition Relative to Second Street, S. W.

With the passage by the City Council of an ordinance establishing the position of Sanitary officers, and prescribing the regulations under which refuse of any nature shall be permitted to accumulate within the city limits of Ontario, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof, the first progressive step toward improving the healthiness and sanitation of the city was taken last Monday night.

The ordinance is in its terms a drastic one. Under its provisions, no person will be permitted to allow garbage, manure, dirt, filth of any kind to be kept in anything but a covered receptacle, such receptacle must be emptied every seven days.

The ordinance further provides for periodic collection of such refuse by an officer to be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council, who will be permitted to charge not more than 50 cents per month for four cans of garbage to be collected four times during the month, and at a rate of 12½ cents per can for all over the minimum four. Ashes and other refuse shall be carted away from any point in the city for \$1 per load.

This ordinance did not pass until the matter had been thoroughly discussed. Mayor R. W. Jones observed that there was plenty of ordinances now but that the enforcement of them was lacking. Councilman W. H. Laxson agreed with the Mayor and declared that it was not the refuse alone that needed the attention of the sanitary officer. He cited the lack of sewerage connections permitted and urged that this ordinance be enforced. To secure this it was insisted that corral pits be filed by citizens.

**More Paving Petitions**  
A petition for the paving of First street, N. W., from Third avenue, N. W., to Seventh avenue, N. W., was presented signed by residents on the street in Riverside. The date for hearing on this petition was set for March 15. No action was taken on the petition for paving Second avenue, S. W., pending the receipt of another petition extending the boundaries of the district. It is the desire of the Council to have all of the petitions presented to the Council at the same time so that details of handling the transaction may be expedited.

Walter Glenn and other property owners on Second street, N. W., requested the Council by letter to consider the matter of establishing a parkway in the center of Second street. No action was taken on this request at the meeting but it was discussed at length and lead over for further consideration.

Requests for the extension of the water mains in Villa Park addition were received from C. E. Secoy, from A. Gramse, Hugh Allen, R. D. Brecken and others. These were referred to the water committee.

A petition for a sidewalk on the

Nathan Alexander of the Alexander company, was an Ontario business visitor yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Briethaupt and Mrs. Briethaupt's sister, Miss Elsie Elliott, have taken apartments at the J. R. Gregg residence on the East side.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Blackaby returned Wednesday night from Long Beach where they spent the past two months, playing golf and otherwise enjoying the sunny south.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Boyer returned to Ontario Monday after an extended visit on the coast.

Master John Oakes is to celebrate his seventh birthday on Saturday of this week and has invited a company of his little friends to a party in honor of that event.

## SALES COMPANY TO HAVE CORRALS ON EASTSIDE

H. H. Tunny is completing arrangements for the construction of corrals for the Ontario Sales company on six lots recently purchased on the Eastside of the track near Idaho street. With this permanent location for cattle sales, centrally located and easily accessible, Mr. Tunny expects to mark the growth of the Ontario auction sales.

## SHIPPING SYSTEM IS APPROVED BY RANCHER

F. M. Northrup of Oregon Slope declares Initial Trial of Co-operative Shipping Nets Grower \$1.00 Per Lamb

As a result of the first trial shipment made by members of the Oregon Slope farm bureau in co-operation with members of the Payette County farm bureau, F. M. Northrup, committeeman on marketing for the Oregon Slope bureau, reports that "one of the hog shippers is much pleased, he figures he is \$1 a hundred to the 'good.'" The shipment was made up of two cars of cattle and one of cattle and hogs mixed. County Agent Partner of Payette County accompanied the trial shipment to the Portland yards.

Mr. Northrup says concerning this method of shipping live stock: "I feel little doubt as to the results when it is well understood, this is unquestionably the best method for the small shipper and equally as good for the large one. We expect to have about 200 lambs about June 1st. This will give us an opportunity to test our ability to reach the eastern markets. It looks now as if lambs will be the best of any livestock for a time at least."

## MRS. THOMAS T. KOHOUT PASSES AFTER OPERATION

The many friends of Mrs. Thomas T. Kohout of Jordan Valley were grieved to learn Sunday of her death Saturday night in Boise from the effects of an operation which she underwent on Wednesday at a hospital there.

The news of her death spread rapidly over the city, and was a shock to her many friends, who had understood that she was in no serious danger. Complications manifested themselves on Saturday and that afternoon it was realized that her life could be prolonged but a few hours. With her at the time of her death were her husband, and little daughter, Katherine, and her sister, Miss Lavine Smith of this city. Beside these she leaves to mourn her departure her brother, J. R. Blackaby of this city, and two brothers in her old home in Iowa.

Mr. Blackaby, who was in California, was notified of her death and left immediately for Ontario, but did not reach here until last night. Owing to uncertainty of his arrival arrangements for the funeral services were made for Tuesday, and took place at the Blackaby home, under the direction of H. L. Peterson, Rev. W. J. Luscombe of the Methodist Episcopal church read the service of that church. Interment was made in the Ontario cemetery.

A sad feature of the gathering of family and friends at the service was the absence of Miss Katherine Kohout, who took ill in Boise on Sunday following her mother's death and could not come here with her father and Miss Smith, who brought the body here. They returned to Boise on the evening train following the service to care for the little sick girl.

Mrs. Kohout was well known in Malheur county, for she had lived for many years in Ontario and Jordan valley, where her husband is manager of the Blackaby Commercial company.

## AMERICAN LEGION DANCE PROVES A HUMMER

Ontario Post No. 67 of the American Legion realized \$161 from their dance Monday evening—\$59.00 clear. Music was furnished by the Tusner's six piece orchestra.

Mrs. L. Adam went to Boise Sunday, having been called there by the death of Mrs. T. T. Kohout.

## FILE FINDINGS OF FACT IN WATER CASE

Nevada Water Right Reduced as Announced Some Time Since—Water Users in Upper Country Deemed Successful in Issue.

Attorneys of record in the trial of the Malheur Water rights adjudication received copies of the finding of the Water Commissioner this week. These findings, which are extremely voluminous bear out the statement of the findings first published in the Argus three months ago.

In general terms the water commissioner rules that the water users in the upper country have established their right to the water of the Malheur thru their possession, tho the users in the lower valley, such as the Nevada ditch company users had earlier filings.

The record now goes to the District Court for confirmation, and it is probable will later find its way into the Supreme Court.

## LAMP EXPLOSION CAUSES DEATH OF MRS. D. HOXIE

Word was received in Ontario yesterday of the death of Mrs. Dewey Hoxie of Crane, Oregon, who was until two weeks ago Miss Pounds of Nyssa, a daughter of L. C. Pounds of that city and a sister of Mrs. Robert Madden of Ontario.

The details of Mrs. Hoxie's death had not been learned here, but it is understood that she died as the result of burns caused by the explosion of a kerosene lamp. The body was expected from Crane today.

## JUNIOR FARM BUREAU TO HAVE LEADERSHIP

County Court Grants Request For Appropriation of \$500 to Which State Adds Equal Amount And Government \$1150

On the presentation of the Farm Bureau's request by Chairman E. M. Dean of the Community Betterment committee, President V. V. Hickox, the County Court granted an appropriation of \$500 for the use of the Junior Farm Bureau, the new name for Boys and Girls' club work.

To this sum the State adds \$500 and the U. S. Department of Agriculture completes the quota by adding \$1150. This sum secures the services of a trained leader, and pays all expenses. In a county as large as Malheur that sum will have to be used judiciously to all the work planned.

While this work is more or less new in its present form, Malheur county has furnished the state several champion boy and girl farmers, and with more complete direction and advice by specialists exceptional results should be obtained.

The work that has been done in the past has been that accomplished by the County Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. Julien Hurley assisted by a few enthusiasts. On several occasions the County Fair Board, the Ontario Commercial club and the Nyssa Commercial club have furnished the funds to send the local champions to the State Fair.

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**HOW TO FIND**  
COUNTY AGENT  
County Agent L. R. Briethaupt has arranged the following schedule so that he can be located at any time:  
Monday, Vale.  
Tuesday, 1st, Adrian; 2nd, Brogan; 4th, Harper.  
Wednesday, 1st, Nyssa; 2nd, Cow Valley; 3rd, Nyssa; 4th, Creston.  
Thursday, 1st, Oregon Slope; 3rd, Riverdale; 4th, Jordan Valley.  
Friday, call President Hickox, Ontario.  
Saturday, Ontario.  
If you forget the dates, the chairman of your community bureau will have an itinerant and can tell you when and where to find the county agricultural agent.  
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## HIGH SCHOOL PLAYERS PLEASE IN CLASS PLAY

Blinking of Lights Does not Deter Presentation of "January 15"—Chorus Work Well Presented—Actors Do Well.

With every seat occupied at the Dreamland Tuesday evening the presentation of the Senior class play, January 15, was a pronounced success.

The play, a modern college drama with complicated love plots and interesting situations, enhanced with foot ball interest and a medley of college events, proved an adequate vehicle for the abilities of the players and since it permitted the introduction of many specialties and frequent appearances of choruses served to entertain the gathering delightfully.

The youthful actors and actresses did well, the crowd liked them for their work and the chorus singing was most enjoyable. The play was well staged and carefully supervised showing careful work on the part of the faculty members in charge. Miss Katherine Conway drilled the players while Miss Edith Griffith coached the choruses.

The one untoward event of the evening was the fact that the lights went out just as the play was to start, but Prof. M. D. Thomas and the High School Orchestra proved equal to the occasion and presented a number of selections which were approved by the crowd.

## PLEASURES OF HIGH FINANCE COME TO END

L. I. Hirsch Whole Donations Surprised City During Past Few Months Leaves Ontario for Eastern States.

L. I. Hirsch has left Ontario, and his leaving was the one subject of conversation most prominent since it took place, Saturday night.

Mr. Hirsch started Ontario some time back by his generosity. He gave the Commercial club a check for \$1,000, followed by an offer of a fire truck worth \$4,500, later by an offer of \$5,000 to improve a city park.

Beside these unusual gifts he started two residences, a manufacturing building and a down town business structure, and entertained, at times in a lavish manner, unique at least for a community such as Ontario.

It was generally believed that Mr. Hirsch was the son of a wealthy St. Louis family whose allowance to him was so liberal that only passing attention was given the evidences of prodigal wealth, until the "gift" of the fire truck became known.

There are many rumors regarding various financial matters with which he was connected it appears that most of his transactions

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Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Boyer returned Wednesday night from Long Beach, California where they have spent the winter.

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**JULIAN LOWE POST WILL ERECT MEMORIAL TABLET**  
In honor of the Malheur County boys paid the supreme sacrifice while in the service, the members of the Julian Lowe Post, American Legion of Vale are to erect a memorial tablet of bronze on a granite base at the Court yard at Vale. The boys are raising the funds now.  
Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Lowe of Owyhee whose son was one of the first to fall have given one-fifth of the total cost, and the boys, while not soliciting funds will appreciate the donations of patriotic citizens to the fund.  
Since there are five Ontario boys on the roll, more than any other town in the county has, Ontario should do its part in their commemoration and assist liberally. A check sent to the Julian Lowe Post at Vale will be appreciated.  
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## EASTSIDE PROPERTY FOR WAREHOUSE SITES

A. Robinson of the Independent Market this week purchased ten lots on the Eastside of the track from the Van Petten Lumber company, where the old Oregon-Idaho lumber yard used to be located. Mr. Robinson is to make a warehouse of the old office building and otherwise improve the property.

## OREGON SLOPE FARM BUREAU BOOSTS FAIR

Elect A. A. Guttridge Chairman and Jonas Brown Secretary-Treasurer—Ask Women to Become Members.

The Oregon Slope community Farm Bureau met on Wednesday night, March 3rd. The election of officers resulted in the choice of A. A. Guttridge for chairman and Jonas Brown for secretary-treasurer. A vote on the matter if a name for the community bureau resulted in the choice of "Oregon Slope," the sentiment seeming to prevail that the south and north portions of the Dead Ox Flat could best be distinguished by giving names other than Dead Ox Flat.

A large amount of business was transacted. An assessment of one dollar per member was levied to defray local expenses. The matter of making a community exhibit at the County Fair was discussed and Lee Brown was named as a committee of one to make the arrangements. Mrs. W. L. Davis, who represents the women on the committee, was instructed to prepare a community program for the year so that meetings might be arranged without conflict and well announced. A committee composed of Messrs. Sloecker, Coats and Thomas was appointed to increase the membership, the ladies to be asked to join the Farm Bureau so that their problems may receive attention from the organization. Upon motion, the Junior Farm Bureau work, or Boys and Girls' club work, as it is more commonly called, was heartily endorsed. The members went on record as decidedly in favor of enforced control of the pocket gophers.

Ontario was introduced last Saturday evening to the class of bouts that the Ontario Athletic club proposes to furnish regularly, and the crowd liked what it received. The main event of the card was the handicap match between Curley Eastley of Ontario and the Masked Marvel, who agreed to throw the local man twice in one hour, he failed. Eastley went out to win this event and after a half hour of struggling fell victim to the Masked Marvel's skill. Eastley then fought defensively and succeeded in staying the remainder of the time.

## WRESTLING CARD IS APPROVED BY CROWD

Masked Marvel Fails to Throw Curley Eastley Twice in Hour—Baker Wrestler Wins From Camp of Boise.

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In the semi final event Ad Gustavo proved the superior of Chester Champ of Boise securing two falls in 28 and 30 minutes respectfully.

## Next Card Good One

At the Opera House next Friday night the club will stage another good card with the Masked Marvel of Montana and George Prime of Burns as the main attraction. Prime is said to be a nifty wrestler and able to hold his own with the best of them. The Masked Marvel demonstrated his ability to the satisfaction of the local fans last week. Curley Eastley will wrestle Walter Leavitt of Ontario and there will be a number of good preliminary events. Curley Eastley declares that in this as in any other attraction staged by the club that the public will be given the privilege of declaring its satisfaction with the entertainment or getting their money back.

Attorney P. J. Gallagher made a trip to Nyssa Tuesday.

## VAN PETTEN ELECTED PRESIDENT OF CLUB

D. M. TAGGART, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT; H. H. TUNNY, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT; R. W. JONES, TREASURER; F. L. BODY, SECRETARY.

## WEEKLY LUNCHEON ABANDONED

Club Endorses Increased Limits of Indebtedness for Highways, and Millage Tax for Education—Approves Council's Garbage Disposal Plans.

After having had weekly luncheons for the past eight months the Commercial club determined to abandon that idea at its regular meeting last night. There were only fifteen of the 125 members of the club present when this action was taken, it having been recommended by the board of directors who meet at luncheon each Tuesday.

At the meeting of the directors Tuesday E. C. Van Petten was elected president of the club for the ensuing year; D. M. Taggart was elected first vice president; and H. H. Tunny was named second vice president, a new office created; R. W. Jones was named treasurer and F. Leslie Body, who has been secretary, was named managing secretary.

The name of the office was changed by the board the salary of the office was not changed, Mr. Body continuing in his position under the terms of the original contract made with the old board last year when the salary for the position was placed at \$250 per month.

**Council Commended**  
At the meeting of the club last night, Vice President Tunny presided and in a brief statement urged the members to give the officers their co-operation. He further urged that to make the meetings interesting that long discussions be eschewed and that business be done with a snap.

Secretary Body outlined the directors' plans for abandoning the weekly luncheon, declaring that the frequency of the meetings militated against the success of the work and argued that monthly meetings would result in a larger attendance.

No objection was voiced to the proposal and a motion carried to make the fourth Wednesday of each month the date for the meetings.

On a motion by Paul Selligman the City Council was commended for its action in instituting a garbage collection system and for providing that the streets by the school grounds be roped off during the play hours of the children.

## Endorse Roads and Schools

The club after a short discussion of the road situation passed a resolution offered by G. K. Aiken endorsing the proposed increase in the limit of indebtedness for highway construction, and also the proposed millage tax for institutions of higher education.

Vice President Tunny speaking on this matter declared that the club members should stand behind every movement to provide for better roads and better schools, the best of either of these advantages is not too good for Oregon, he said.

Mr. Tunny also reported progress in the matter of securing irrigation water for the city this year, but declared that he believed that he would be able to report a definite arrangement to the next meeting of the directors.

## LEONARD WOOD CLUB TO BE LAUNCHED NEXT MONDAY NIGHT

Local Republicans who favor the nominations of Leonard Wood will meet to organize a Leonard Wood club at the Commercial club rooms on Monday night. Sentiment for Wood has been pronounced among Ontario Republicans for some time and they plan on getting into the campaign for his nomination.

H. C. Secoy has purchased the E. G. Fouts house and lots in Riverside and moved into them on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Fouts have rented the Aldridge house on the Eastside for occupation this summer.