FINANCIAL PROBLEM. PUZZLES COUNCILMEN

MAYOR SUGGESTS REMEDY IN INCREASE OF BONDED INDEBT-EDNESS SO AS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO CONTINUE PAV-ING, BUY FIRE TRUCK.

POOL ROOMS GET CRITISIZED

Commercial Club, Too, Rebuked by Councilmen—Charged With Snap Judgment—Cemetery to Be Im-proved—Bids for Painting Tank Called For

How to fund the outstanding war-rants of the city, buy a fire truck, continue the paving asked for in petitions by citizens, and it possible provide for the construction of a low pressure irrigation system-these were the problems put up to the City were the problems put up to the City Council at its regular monthly meeting at the City Hall last Monday evening by Mayor R. W. Jones.

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Every phase of the city's prob-lem was discussed from all angles and it was evident that while all desire to solve the problem they were not agreed as to the best method to

The problem which is just another that has resulted from the fact that while the valuation for taxing pur-poses have remained the same while the cost of running the city has in-creased has reached a point where it is deemed assential that something be done. Ten years ago Ontario had a valuation of one million dollars. today it has a valuation of only eight hundred thousand wile the purchasing power of the taxes re-

ceived have been cut in two. And that is not all. Since the first taste of paving has been so good, everyone seems to want a paved street in front of his home. Petitions have been presented calling for a large increase in paving—but the city as a whole has to pay for the intersec-tions and that is the rub; there is no money available for that purpose; and no more bonds can be issued

On top of all this the city needs a new fire truck and new fire equipment; and the outstanding warrants are increasing; and many folks want a low pressure irrigation system. There you have the city's needs as outlined by the councilmen—but there is no eash to supply them. The Mayor's Plan.

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Mayor R. W. Jones would cut the tangle by the simple and direct method of voting to increase the bonded limit of the city to 40 per cent of its valuation. That would provide for all of these; if the people would later authorize the issuance of the bonds. sunnce of the bonds.

Councilman H. B. Cockrum de-clared it his belief that even tho the limit were increased and the bonds total dwindle.

holdings are not one-third of that Now the Edison company carries amount, and every month sees the total dwindle. authorized they could not be sold. On a trip thru the state with his the Mayor replied that for agent B. F. Johnson of Prineville, Turner, local representative of the contractors would take the issue.

While every sidelight of argument. contractors would take the issue. While every sidelight of argument was presented the Mayor urged that

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PARENT TEACHERS OF **COUNTY HOLD MEETING**

Mrs. J. B. Smith of Warren Elected Permanent President—Constitu-tion and By-Laws Adopted —Children Dance.

At the High School last Saturday the Malheur County Parent-Teachers ssociation held its first regular meeting. Delegates representing the various districts of the county to the number of 50 were present at the

Interest in the gathering was more marked in the upper end of the county than in the lower valley. There were six representatives each from Vale and Brogan while one or two delegates represented many of the other districts of the county. The next meeting of the association will

be held in Vale in September. Beside electing Mrs. J. B. Smith of the Warren school , which is down in the Big Bend region, the delegates approved of the constitution and by-laws presented by the committee consisting of Mrs. C. E. Secop, Mrs. C. E. Bingham of Ontario and Mrs. W.

J. Roberts of Arcadia. Having disposed of the business of the gathering the delegates enjoyed a delightful program which included a vocal solo by Miss Catherine Conway of Ontario; a duet by Mrs. H. E. Young and Mrs. A. W. Reed of Vale; a talk on "County Needs" by Miss Mazie Wilson, county club leader; Mazie Wilson, county club leader:
a paper on, "The Strength of ParentTeacher Co-operation." by Mrs.
Deahl; and a series of folk dances by
Ontario grade pupils under the direction of Miss Victoria Stanka. Girls
of the domestic science class of the

CATTLEMEN FACING CHANGE IN BUSINESS MEETING NOW

J. P. Smith of Ironside and Onthe respite between seasons for the catilemen. The stock are on the range now and there is no having to be done so Mr. Smith came down to enjoy himself and look after busi-ness matters too. Mr. 3mith is one of the cattlemen who recently old a large number of his cattle and is

large number of his cattle and is preparing for the change in the cattle business which he sees coming.

"We will have to get inside," is the way Mr. Smith describes conditions. "The herds will be smaller, for the cattlemen will not have an open range. In the Ironside country the 640 homesteads, the fencing of the road lands, and the gradual settlement mean that by next year the stock man will have to have his own stock. We have saved enough heiter: to build up our herds again but we are getting ready to meet the new conditions as we see them comnew conditions as we see them com-

ing."
Mr. Smith retained a bunch of Aberdeen Angus cattle whose introduction to the range in Malheur

GRIFFITH ELECTRIC IS

A. D. Griffith, who for many years was with the Idaho Power company, has opened an electric to Ontario last week from Boise and is getting his shop in shape to enter the local field, doing a general electrical contracting business, selling fixtures, etc. At the present time Mr. Griffith has not been able to a home into which to move his family.

VAST RANGE AREA SOLD TO STOCKMEN

Oregon-Western . Colonization Company Disposes of 13,221 Acres of Its Holdings—Irrigated Lands Included in Total.

As steadily as the tide tears down the shore line, so has the desire for range land reduced the vast domain of open range which the Oregon-Western Colonization company once owned. Where the company years ago owned one million acres of feeding ground for cattle, today its total for days.

of the Oregon Western Colonization company, disposed of 13,221 acres to the following:

	HOY Brown	- 0
	Noah Floyd	6
	P. J. Connelly	7,1
	Ira Mahan	2
	A. A. Powell	6
	G. M. Cornett	6
	Cornett & Co.	- 1
l	Jesse Bain	- 4
	J. L. Slaton	- 9
	Dave Brown	-9
	Melvin R. Evarts	
	Dr. E. S. Fortner	- 3
	Geo. E. Duffield	- 1
	Bertha E. Johnson	- 8
	F. B. Glenn	-
	Geneveve W. Byrns	- 1
	G. W. and G. S. Dean	- 1
	Frank V. Smith	1:
	Jay Gould	- 3
	Frank Foiles	. 4
	Jno. F. Miller	4
	Irvin G. Frizzetl	- 1
	David Robertson	- 3
	Hazel McCarthy	- 3
	Roy A. Judd	16
ı	Alfred Vogue	31
1	J. L. Lowe	4.5
	Claude G. Woosters	
j	F. S. Reider	- 8
J	Cleveland Hill	16
J	N. E. Milton	6.4
	C. C. Floyd	40
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13,221 While most of this is range land in Crook, Harney and the upper Mal-heur country there is also included several sales of land under the Warmsprings system and a few tracts near Ontario which the com-pany has arranged to develop by the use of a pumping system from the Snake river.

POINTER WINNER IN MEET

University of Oregon. May 3 .-

SHRINERS ENJOY BIG HIGH SCHOOL ANNUAL CEREMONIAL AT BAKER FOR 1920 IS ON SALE

to Oasis of El Rader at Baker.

Boise.

That Malbeur and Harney county candidates figured prominently in the gathering was indicated by the election of W. H. Brooke of this city to the presidency of the class. Among those who traveled the route.

Among those who traveled the route. These members of the guidance of Prof. M. D. Thomas, their advisor.

Thruout the 150 pages of the book there prevails evidence of the many sides activities of the pupils in the schools. The profession of the city. INTRODUCED TO ONTARIO

On the presidency of the class and the serious of the presidence of the serious in the serious of the serious of the serious in the serious of the serious of the serious of the serious in the s Boswell, and his two brothers; from Vale Dr. C. C. Burrow, Dr. Frank J. Brown, and C. M. Cole; from Drewsey, C. W. Drinkwater and S. S. Williams; from Burns Leon M. Brown, and from Crane Sam Tim-brell and W. S. Allen.

GRAND OPERA STAR TO SING HERE MAY 14

Miss Marie Morrisey of New York to Feautre Exquisite Program in of Edison Company.

Just a few years ago when the Edison company first initiated its famous demonstration of the won-derful ability of a machine to repro-duce the human voice such events took place only in the largest cities and were the subject of music critics

test to be given at Dreamland next association which is urging the mill-Friday evening. May 14, when On-age tax by which the work of the tario will hear Miss Marie Morrisey higher educational institutions may of the Metropolitan Opera company be continued will be in Ontario Sat-

in competition with her own records played on an Edison.

Miss Morrisey was to have visited Ontario several months ago but tooks ill in San Francisco and the tour had to be delayed. Besides Miss Morrisey, whose records are already known to many residents. Harold Lyman, a flutist of marked ability, will take part in this exceptional residence.

In competition with her own records a meday afternoon. May 15, to address a meeting to be held at the City Hall.

Following the address here Mrs.

Outring the next two weeks a series of meetings will be held in various sections of the country where the needs of the state's educational intitutions will be discussed. will take part in this exceptional re-

One of the features of this recital is that it is free. Those who desire to hear these two artists have but to secure a ticket at Turner's music store which will admit them to the privilege of a rare evening of good music, so elevated that every one will enjoy the program.

FIRST AUTO TOURIST OF YEAR REGISTERS

Many Repairs Being Made for Convenience of Cross Country Travelers-Stoves and Bench Being Made.

Florenceville, Michigan, furnished the first auto tourist to use the Ontario auto park for the 1920 season. The Commercial club committee which has the care of the park in charge has arranged to add eight camp stoves, many new benches and other conveniences for the travellers.

The park is so arranged that it can care for 12 to 16 auto parties every night and every reasonable convenience will be provided. The club has placed a register at the park convenience will be provided. The club has placed a register at the park to list those who stop here so that they can be placed on the club's advertising mailing list.

Color in various costume continues and little dancers will wear.

Of course there will be a number of songs and the crowning of the May Queen, who this year will be Miss Zelda McHaiey. The program will close with the singing of the national statements and the continues and the continues and the color in various costumes.

Deahl; and a series of folk dances by Ontar's grade pupils under the direction of Miss Victoria Stanka. Girls of the domestic science class of the High School directed by Miss Christine Abbott served dainty refreshments.

May 1, and won the trophy cup with a score of 13½ points. He won first in the broad lumbar, arrived Saturday from Long Beach. Calif., where they spent the Schools is looked forward to not only by the Bainbridge's note the improvement which each program has shown over its predecessor.

Mrs. David Dunbar and her daughters, Mrs. C. F. Trow and Miss Helen Dunbar, arrived Saturday from Long as a nanual event of the Ontario schools is looked forward to not only by the Bainbridge's note the improvement which each program has shown over its predecessor. Mrs. David Dunbar and her daugh-rs, Mrs. C. F. Trow and Miss Helen The May Fete which has become

W. H. Brooke of Ontario Elected Second Edition of Owaches Shows President of Shrine Class Which Travels Across Burning Sands Versatility of Students of High School—All Work Done Here in Ontario.

> High School on Tuesday was due to the arrival for distribution of the 1920 edition of the High School an-

they all came home happy.

Maiheur and Harney counties were well represented in the class of 179 candidates who held onto a rope crossing the hot sands to the mysteries of the red fez, etc. Zem Zem and camels' milk and all that sort of thing was plentiful.

A special train bearing 300 Portland and Umatilla Shriners came for the ceremonial, and were joined in Baker by a gathering of Nobles from Boise.

That Malbeur and Harney county staff worked under the guidance of the custom has been established the ringing of the church bell of the Work and with him were associated the following: Homer Maddux, associate editor; Charles Homan, business manager; Cody Butler, advertising manager; Miss Mary Messee, circulation manager; Derce Dearborn, literary editor; Miss Etta McCreight, and Aubrey Dean, athletic editors; and Miss Lola Rees, art editor. These members of the ringing of the church bell of the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, for they did ont know that since May 1, Fr. P. J. Stack has had The Angelus observed and now the faithful are awakened by the clear tones of the bells at 6 a. m.; pause to listen at 12 m., and cease their labor with the rythmical eadence of their notes at 6 p. m.

Now that the custom has been established the ringing of the bells

preciation of the co-operation of the business men in all of the student undertakings during the past year the book was dedicated to them by the staff.

The excellent photographic work of the book was done by the Selig-man studio and the printing and binding was all done in The Argus office during the month of April. Five hundred copies of the book were printed, and it is indeed a book of which the staff may well be proud and one that Ontarians can send to their friends back East, out West or anywhere to show what sort of a high school Ontario pos-

STATE PRESIDENT OF **ALUMNI COMING HERE**

Meeting to Be Held Here Saturday, May 15, to Discuss Millage Tax
—Brogan and Vale to Be Visited

Mrs. C. E. Hayhurst of Portland, in competition with her own records urday afternoon. May 15, to address played on an Edison.

the needs of the state's educational intitutions will be discussed.

MAY FETE SCHEDULED WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

Public Schools to Present Pictursque Program of Fairyland and Dances of Every Land on High School Lawn.

In a program of pretty dances of the mythical dances of Fairyland as well as the national dances of the peoples of many lands, the boys and girls of the Ontario schools from the High School down to the little tots of the School down to the little tots of the School down to the little tots of the school schools. The Two Innings. School down to the little loss of the primary school will take part in a game. Only three men faced Malloy cellor Smith. W. W. Wood of Onson. May Fete on Wednesday afternoon, in the first inning. Weisbrod, the tario also delivered an address.

May 12. The program is given under the direction of Miss Victoria Stanks and the direction of Miss Victoria Stanks and the direction of the department of physical education.

There is not much to tell of the cellor Smith. W. W. Wood of Onson.

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Besides the music furnished by the band Mrs. C. F. Cox presented a number of violin solos accompanied by Miss Dollie Rollins.

In the evening session four estimates the control of the department of physical education.

This year the program is even

LEGION TO GIVE DANCE MEMORIAL FUND BENEFIT

Members of the American Legion Members of the American Legion Post Ontario will give a benefit jazz dance to assist the post in filling its quota for funds to be applied to the Monument Fund, to be erceted and dedicated to the Malheur County boys who died while in the service. An earnest appeal is made to the public to assist the boys of the post to put this quota over the top. Real jazz music will be furnished by an out of town orchestra, and the com-

out of town orchestra, and the committee, Messrs. Mordan, Berkheim and Vickery assure everybody a good time.

ANGELUS TOLLS THE COMING AND DEPARTURE OF THE DAY

INTERESTING GAME IS SPOILED BY DISPUTE

Weiser Team Leaves Field After Second Inning Charging Ontario Twirler With Using "Shine" Twirler With Using "Shi Ball—Ontario Leaves Protest League,

What would have been an inter-sting game of ball was ruined last Sunday afternoon at the Fair grounds when the Weiser team left the field after the second inning was played, because it alleged that Malproper; J. A. Lakness is disposing of loy. Ontario's pitcher, was using a 'shine' ball. A crowd of nearly 500 fans was bitterly disappointed at the exhibition of sportsmanship given by the visitors.

When the squabble started the score was 1 to 0 in favor of Ontario and the crowd had settled back anticipating a good exhibition of the squable started the score was 1 to 0 in favor of Ontario and the crowd had settled back anticipating a good exhibition of the squable started the score was 1 to 0 in favor of Ontario and the crowd had settled back anticipating a good exhibition of the likets.

The music for the gathering will be furnished by the High School orchestra led by Prof. M. D. Thomas and a number of solo numbers will be introduced to describe the score that the same of the control of t

national pastime, for it was evident be intrduced to demonstrate the ver-that the teams were evenly matched satility of Ontario young folks as enand both were playing good bush league ball, with honors fairly even.

cordingly.
This feature of the game will not be repeated in Ontario. Manager Probst outhorizes The Argus to make the statement that betting will not be allowed and the crowd will be kept from in front of the stand

Next Game Free. Also the Ontario team will have

Also the Ontario team will have a good game here at which the gates will e wide open and no ad usasion charged, so that those who puid to see Sunday's game will be given facir money's worth.

Ontario was not responsible for Weiser leaving the field. According to the rules of some of the leagues the "shine" ball is not barred, but even if it were, the local twirler would have been exempt, for he was not using it. As a matter of fact there are only two or three pitchers in base ball who can use the ball, and any man who can use it would and any man who can use it would

for the fact that Weiser pulled out.

Again the local management urged the Weiser team to play after urging the backers of Ontario to call bets off, and to forfelt the game if an il. legal delivery were to the same from Vale, lead by Grand Chancellor Commander of Idaho Smith.

In the afternoon the contraction of the same from Vale, lead by Past Grand Chancellor Commander of Idaho Smith.

School down to the little tots of the There is not much to tell of the

In Ontario's half Cizoria lead off This year the program is even more diverse than those of previous years and calls for a veritable riot of color in various costumes which the little dancers will wear.

with a long hard drive to left center which Tincher captured after a pretty run. Bainbridge waited for four wide ones and walked. Eddie forced wide ones and walked. Eddie forced Hainbridge at second when he grounded to Mandrell, who threw to second; Harry Chapman did the same to Eddie by grounding to Waters at short.

Waters at short. For Weiser the second was a dupli-

SALT LAKE BUSINESS MISSIONARIES COMING

COMMERCIAL CLUB COMMITTEES PREPARING TO SHOW MEN FROM MORMON CAPITAL BIG TIME MONDAY AFTER-NOON AND EVENING,

PRODUCTS OF VALLEY TO FORE

Auto Trip Over Rural Section-Banquet in Evening Part of Program
—High School Band and Orchestra to Furnish Music.

When the special train bearing the 100 or more business mission-aries from Salt Lake reach Ontario

next Morday afternoon it will be welcome: in proper style by the business men of this city.

At the train will be automobiles a pienty to carry the visitors over the Malheur and Snake river valleys tributary to this to let them see just how much alter. how much alfalfa can be grown to feed Utah slock when they run short down in the Wasatch country. Then too they will learn of the wonders of the fruit growing possibilities of this section and in many other fields they will know that the trade of this section is desirable even if they do

have to compete with Portland and Boise to secure their share.

To do all these things committees from the Commercial club have been busy for several days. Secretary F. Leslie Body is superintending ar-rangements for the banquet, and is going to use this as one of the means of advertising the resourcesthe decorations will be of alfalfa and fruit blossoms, with a handsome calf and a lamb for center pieces-

probably.

W. J. Pinney, H. H. Tunny and C. C. Carter are arranging for the auto excursion; Mrs. O. G. Pinney of the Bluebird is in charge of the banquet proper; J. A. Lakness is disposing of the tickets.

The music for the gathering will be furnished by the High School or-chestra led by Prof. M. D. Thomas and a number of solo numbers will be intrduced to demonstrate the vertertainers.

The source of the trouble is probably to be found in the fact that there was too much money wagered on the game. A betting ring in front of the grandstand was conspicuous and the betters had considerable to do with the attitude of the Weiser players. In fact during the wrangling the visiting players consulted with those who had placed money on the game and acter accordingly.

Parade at 3 P. M.

The visitors will arrive at 3 p. m. on their special train and will be met with placarded cars so that each grounp of visitors will be entertained by local men in corresponding business. The visitors have an electriphone, whatever that is; and they have requested that a truck he provided for it. This instrument, they deciare, can be heard for 12 miles, so that everyone in the councircles. Parade at 3 P. M. tryside will be aware that they are in

ARMOR LODGE IS HOST FOR VISITING K. OF P.

More Than 150 Followers of Damon and Pythias Foregather in On-tario to Witness Exemplifica-tion of Degree—High Officials Present.

Ontario was captured yesterday by an invading host. The beseigers were betitled officials of the army of Knights of Pythias and their retinue not be pitching in a city of this size.

The public ought to recognize this fact and in doing so absolve the Ontario management from any blame for the fact that Weiser pulled out. Julien A. Hulrey, from Weiser lead by Wast Grand Chancellor Commander for the fact that weiser pulled out. Julien A. Hulrey, from Weiser lead by Past Grand Chancellor Commander of the Weiser teachers of the Weiser for the Weiser fo

cellor Hurley and Past Grand Chan-cellor Smith. W. W. Wood of On-

In the evening session four es-quires were initiated into the ranks of knighthood and a banquet served which required the filling of the

chosen to put on the work

Clarence Crouter of Alexander's, who some two months ago suffered a compound fracture of his ankle when he fell from a ladder at the store, is able to be about again, the still un-able to walk without a cane.