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BUSINESS MEN WANT MOUNTAIN TIME NOW

GO ON RECORD TO JOINING IDAHO IN ITS REQUEST FOR A TRANSFER FROM COAST BACK TO MOUNTAIN TIME OF PRE-WAR DAYS.

LEGION ASSURED ASSISTANCE

Committee Named to Determine Whether or Not Business Men Will Traverse Interior on Trade Mission—Listen to Visitors, Too.

By a decisive vote the business men at the Commercial club monthly meeting last night went on record in favor of joining with the Idaho towns who are asking the Interstate Commerce commission for a rehearing of the question of standardization of time zones, whereby they may be returned to Mountain instead of Pacific time.

The club also went on record in favor of spending \$50 in advertising in the Portland papers during Shrine week to tell the visitors to the coast what Ontario and this section of the Malheur valley has to offer them.

Will Help Legion Men.

Earl Blackaby and W. F. Boyer representing the American Legion, were present at the meeting and told of the struggle the boys are having to get their organization in shape to continue the work. The greatest handicap now facing them is a lack of suitable quarters for their meetings. They said that they could secure the rooms but had no funds with which to furnish them. They asked what the club could do to assure them of co-operation in solving the problem.

Several speakers addressed the meeting, including Mayor R. W. Jones, P. J. Gallagher, W. F. Homan, Paul Sellman and G. K. Aiken, and each declared his belief that the business men of Ontario would provide anything the Legion would ask that they could possibly secure. The committee was told to tell the Legion to prepare its plans and be assured that the business men would co-operate with them in keeping them fulfilled.

Favor Trade Excursion

The subject primarily discussed at the meeting was that of an auto trade excursion to the interior to require from a week to ten days' time. Many of the speakers favored such a plan while several did not believe it advisable at this time. However, prevailing sentiment was favorable and a committee consisting of H. C. Boyer, E. A. Fraser, O. H. Graham was appointed to canvass the business men to determine how many would go on such a trip.

Young Man Passes

Forrest Raymond Wilfong was born in Morrill, Kansas, August 9, 1903 and passed away at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh E. Wilfong, Friday noon, May 21, 1920, aged sixteen years, nine months and twelve days. His death was due to diabetes, pneumonia developing the last week. About three years ago Forrest became ill and every thing that could be done was done to restore him to health. He was a lovable young man and helped in every way he could to make a brave fight for life. The funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Brethren Church, Fruitland, and from there the body taken to the cemetery at New Plymouth for interment. Besides his parents he leaves a sister, Fern, a grandmother in California, a grandfather in Kansas, uncles and aunts and many friends.

BOY BUYS JERSEY CALF

DeWitt Kincaid of Oregon Slope paid \$450 for one of the pure bred Jersey heifers at the recent Jersey sale in Payette. DeWitt is a fifteen year old boy who recently came into the county from Twin Falls where he had been a Club member for some time. He has been raising pure bred stock for several years and owns half interest in a good herd of Hampshire hogs. He is the first boy in Malheur County to enroll in the Calif Club project.

Miss Mildred Copeland left Monday for her home at Skull Springs.

STOCKMEN VISIT CITY ON THEIR WAY TO CONVENTION

To and from the stockmen's convention there passed through Ontario scores of well known stockmen and authorities on many phases of the cattle business. They were loud in their praises of the hospitality of the Harney county metropolis and the manner in which the convention was handled in a town of Burns size.

Among the prominent men who passed thru the city and stopped for a time were: Mr. Standish of Drum & Standish of Kansas City; Robert Withcombe of Union; Professors Potter and Spillman of O. A. C.; Farmer Smith of the O. W. R. & N., and Walter Pierce of La Grande.

OREGON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EXPANDS

Committee Named to Assist in Directing Work for Drive for State Chamber of Commerce Campaign Fund.

The definite part Ontario is to play in a statewide campaign of the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce was outlined at the monthly meeting of the Members Forum of the Ontario Commercial club last evening by James G. Stafford, representing the State Chamber of Commerce, who visited Ontario in connection with a survey of the state that is now being made.

Mr. Stafford outlined the work already accomplished by the State Chamber of Commerce in the last year and a half and discussed the tentative program of work, outlined as a suggestion for the activities of the expanded state organization. These present at the meeting were deeply interested in entire discussion, and indicated the approval of the club in generous applause of the program of work as outlined.

As an executive committee to represent the Ontario Commercial club in fostering the campaign in this section, President E. C. Van Patten named the following five aggressive workers: W. H. Doolittle, chairman, George K. Aiken, vice-chairman, P. J. Gallagher, R. W. Jones and Earl Blackaby.

The Oregon State Chamber of Commerce has undertaken to play a large part in the future development of the state of Oregon. Funds will be collected to advance advertising, pointing out the opportunities to be found in Oregon, and to encourage land settlement; administration to promote irrigation; extension of railroads; refund on reclamation fund; extension of highways both for commercial purposes and through the national forests; cooperation with agricultural and lumbering interests and numerous other big projects, the development of which will be of incalculable value to Oregon.

Mr. Stafford was assured by the members of the local club and the special executive committee that Ontario could be relied upon to do her part along with the other communities of the state already organized for the big campaign. Other representatives of the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce will visit Ontario later and complete the organization for this statewide movement which it is declared will benefit every section of Oregon.

Following a conference with the executive committee this morning Mr. Stafford left for Vale, which will be organized in a similar way, as will also Burns and Baker in this district.

TIME TABLE CHANGE

Starting on Tuesday, June 1, the schedule of the Crane train, which heretofore has left Ontario at 9:45, will call for a departure at 10:30, or following the arrival of No. 4. The Brogan train will leave at 12:01, according to announcement of Passenger Agent Richardson.

Mrs. John Madden and son Carl of Cascade visited last week at the home of Mrs. Madden's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Purcell. They returned home Tuesday accompanied by Miss Mabel Madden, who has been attending school here.

DEBT LIMIT RAISED BY DECISIVE VOTE

Council Given Authority To Incur Indebtedness Up to 40 per cent of Valuation of City—Voters Must Approve Specific Issues.

By an overwhelming vote of 201 to 74 the voters at the special city election Tuesday amended the City charter so that the limit of indebtedness is now placed at 40 per cent instead of 25 per cent.

Before any bonds can be issued under the newly amended charter, however, the voters will have to pass on the specific issues.

There was not a great deal of interest manifested in the election during the early hours of the voting, but gradually the approving voters came to the polls and concluded the issue. On neither side was there much work done and there was no opposition organization.

The city council will canvass the vote at its regular meeting next Monday at which time it will also probably determine how it will present the matter of issuing bonds for the various purposes for which the amendment to the charter was sought. These include the following purposes: to fund the present warrant indebtedness; to pay for the paving of intersections in an enlarged paving district for which petitions have been before the council, but laid on the table because the city had no funds wherewith to proceed; to purchase a modern fire truck; and to build, if possible a low pressure water system for irrigation.

CULVER MAN, FORMER RESIDENT SEES MANY IMPROVEMENTS

C. E. Belden of Culver, Oregon, formerly of Ontario, and who still has many interests in and about the city arrived here Saturday for a week's visit. "It is two and a half years since I visited Ontario and I can see many changes in that time," said Mr. Belden. "I drove to Vale today to see the country and it was in the country that I noted the improvements that surprised me, for I had no idea that the work under the Warm Springs system had gone so far. It was not started when I was here last. And between here and Vale the betterments surprised me. The farms look fine. Then of course the improvements in Ontario with its paving and general improvement of appearance of the city make a fine impression. I am sure that Ontario is going ahead." Mr. Belden will be here the remainder of the week.

TRUCK TRAIN VISITS CITY SUNDAY NOON

Modern Transportation Possibilities of Auto Truck Shown by Trip of Boise Dealers Through-out Valley.

Bearing big signs and carrying various cargoes, the "Ship by Truck" train of the Boise auto dealers stopped in Ontario Sunday noon, coming here from Vale, where the train had spent the night.

The big trucks travelled on a schedule and maintained it all the way from Boise to Vale, Vale to Midvale and back to Boise again, showing that the internal combustion engine can do its work on time and get its load over the road.

GEORGIA MINSTRELS

For many years the country has been toured by the Famous Georgia Minstrels, a company of colored performers, who have established a clientele equal to none, and the announcement that this company will be at the Opra House, Wednesday, June 2nd, assures a crowded house, as this season they come with a bright new show with a few of the old favorites retained, but with a complete new olio of fifteen vaudeville acts, made up into a program that has plenty of "pep" and a lot of comedy. The wardrobe and scenery is as bright as a new silver dollar, and the peculiar harmony of the singers is always welcome, while the music is a distinct feature.

O. H. S. CLASS OF 1920 JOINS ALUMNI

Auditorium of High School Packed To 80% Class Receive Diplomas—Prof. Comish of O. A. C. Delivers Address.

After a strenuous week of commencement doings, the class of 1920 of the Ontario high school received its awards at the hands of the board of education when 25 diplomas certifying the completion of the various courses were given last Friday evening at the high school auditorium.

The building was packed with relatives and friends of the young graduates, to enjoy not only the addresses but the excellent program of musical numbers by members of the faculty and students. The program opened with a piano solo by Miss Edith Griffith of the faculty, followed by the invocation by Rev. W. F. Cochran. The high school mixed chorus then sang "Lovely June." The other musical numbers were: Lullaby from Jocelyn, sung by the Senior girls, and a trio, "Day is at Last Departing," sung by Misses Griffith, Messee and Wherry. College Education Pays.

Prof. Comish in his address to the class dwelt at length on the purpose and aims to be attained in securing a college education. From his viewpoint the title of his address, "Be a Self Starter," requires the training through education, and to sustain his argument cited numerous examples of the success which the college graduates as a whole have achieved in the various walks of life.

The class was presented to the board by Superintendent H. P. Lewis and Dr. W. J. Weese, president of the board in a short talk reviewed the work of the school and of the class in giving to each graduate his or her diploma.

Besides the graduation exercises, the class had a busy week for its last in the high school. On Tuesday the Juniors were the hosts for one of the most elaborate commencement week receptions, and on Thursday the Alumni had its dinner to welcome the new class and elect officers. This took place on McPherson's island at a wicker roast that was novel in the history of the class. The following were the officers selected: Wilmer F. Boyer, president; Jack Peterson, first vice-president; Crul Orcutt, second vice-president; Mrs. Dorothy Paul, third vice-president; Miss Rosina Clement, secretary, and Miss Joyce Turner, treasurer.

The members who joined the alumni through the graduation of the class of 1920 were:

Minnie Vella Cronin, Charlotte Clagett, Laura V. J. Wherry, Etta McCreight, Doree L. Dearborn, Pearl Agnes Dall, Agnes Amidon, Lois E. Neese, Mary L. Springer, La Verne Keller, Helen Anderson, Mary A. Bervin, Robert Smith, Wallace Strane, Ethel Laing, Eldon Madden, Jack D. Peterson, Edmund G. Butler, Vernon M. Butler, Aubrey Z. Dean, Earl Waters, Charles K. Homan, Frank B. Dorman, Francis G. Zimmerman.

REV. MARRABELLA A. MARANGEOPA

The M. R. Church building was filled to standing room capacity last Sunday evening to hear the life story of Rev. Marangeopa. The large audience listened with closest interest for an hour and a half to a story more interesting than they had ever before heard a man tell.

Rev. Marangeopa was born on the Island Mauritius, of savage parents. He was educated in England and is a graduate of a theological school. He can speak 29 different languages and can preach the Gospel in 19 languages. Rev. Marangeopa is making a tour of the world, on foot, and has been in nearly every country on the globe in the more than 22 years he has spent in his travels. He is not out after "missionary money," primarily, but his great purpose is to preach the Gospel around the world, which he will have done when he reaches San Francisco, when he will go to Africa and spend the balance of his days out of civilization in his chosen work of telling the "good News" to his kindred people.

CARNIVAL SECURED FOR FOURTH OF JULY WEEK

While they have not announced all the plans which are under consideration for the proper observance of the Nation's birthday, the Commercial club's committee is not resting these days.

Right now the committee has reached the financial stage. It has its program outlined, it knows what it wants and it is going to learn soon where the funds are coming to meet the bills.

But the committee is ready to announce that the Greater Boulder Consolidated Shows, a carnival company that is well known in this section, will be in Ontario to assist in furnishing a Jazz time during the week.

FIRST DEFEAT OF ONTARIO EXPERIENCED AT BOISE

In a one sided game Ontario lost to Boise last Thursday at Boise. The score was 13 to 1 in favor of the Idaho ball tossers. The game was good save in one inning, that the second, when Ontario took an air ride and did not come down until nine Boise batters spiked the pan.

Ontario got its lone score in the first stanza and Boise followed suit, then came the ascension, Malloy and Kelley heaved for Ontario and Wells twirled for Boise.

GOOD-PURCELL

Word was received in Ontario this week of the marriage at Arling, Idaho, of Miss Ruth Purcell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Purcell of this city, to Clarence Good of Arling, where they will make their future home.

Her bride is one of the best known of Ontario girls, having long been prominent in the younger set during her high school days later when she was a member of the faculty of the grade schools. She resigned her position in the schools here two years ago and taught at Arling this last year.

REED-CALLIN

At Halley, Idaho, two weeks ago, Miss Reba Callin, sister of Miss Luella Callin of this city, and who was a member of the public school faculty last year, was married to Mr. Thomas Good, a mining engineer at Halley, where they will make their future home in a new log bungalow that they have built.

While in Ontario but one year, Miss Callin made many friends among the young people and took a prominent part in the social events of that set.

ONTARIO MEN AID IN FIGHT AGAINST FIRE AT FRUITLAND

Sunday evening the Ontario fire department answered a call for aid from Fruitland to assist in saving the association packing house which was in the path of the fire that destroyed the O. S. L. station there. As a result of the response of the Ontario men, the following expression of appreciation was sent to the Argus from Fruitland:

"We wish to express our appreciation of the timely assistance of the Ontario fire department in answer to our call for help in fighting the fire and thus saving the association packing plant. We also feel similarly indebted to the people of Fruitland, who worked valiantly carrying water and doing everything they could so effectively."

Fruitland Fruit Association.
D. L. Ingard,
H. G. Gardner,
Jas. H. Smith,
E. R. Hunt,
Fred C. Ahlstrand,
Directors.

That the board appreciates the work of the Ontario men and the Fruitland men, too, is certain for at a meeting held this week they passed resolutions of thanks and started plans to show their feeling substantially in some sort of a treat for those who answered the call.

DREAMLAND TIME CHANGES

Patrons of Dreamland need not rush thru their dinner these days to be in time to get the first show. The ticket office does not open until 7:45 now and the first flicker of the pictures hits the screen at 8 o'clock. The second canto starts at 9:30.

WOOD CARRIES COUNTY JOHNSON TAKES STATE

PRIMARIES OF FRIDAY SHOW A LARGER VOTE THAN EXPECTED IN MANY PRECINCTS—ONTARIO SECURES ONLY FRACTION OF NORMAL VOTE

ELLIS LEADING FOR SENATE

All State Measures Carry By Large Majorities in County—Road and Educational Bills Especially Favored—Graham Wins for Assessor.

With a larger vote than was anticipated, the only a fraction of the voters went to the polls, the primary of last Friday showed some surprising results. For president, Leonard Wood carried the county, but Hiram Johnson apparently has a plurality in the state of about 1500.

All of the state measures carried in both the county and state with the education and road bond amendment leading the way. The voters were emphatic in their approval of the various measures in practically every county in the state. Marion county alone, so far as the press reports show, was the only one to vote adversely on the educational bills, by its repudiation of the millage tax for the university and state college, and state normal. Marion has practically every other public institution in the state save these within its borders, and lived up to its reputation as the most consistently reactionary county in the state.

Ellis Wins by Narrow Margin

The closest fight in this section was that for republican nomination for state senator from the 22nd district which includes Malheur, Grant and Harney counties. It was a three cornered fight between Julien A. Hurley and C. M. Crandall of Vale, and Charles W. Ellis of Burns. Mr. Ellis won the nomination by 30 votes over his closest competitor, Mr. Hurley, with Mr. Crandall third.

Mr. Ellis won through the remarkable vote received in his home county which gave him 494 majority over Mr. Hurley, and proved sufficient to overcome the great vote Mr. Hurley received in Grant, where he lead by 427 votes; and the 37 vote lead he secured in Malheur county.

Crandall developed more strength than the political forecasters gave him and won several precincts in Malheur county which have hitherto been Hurley's.

Graham Wins Easily

The only other contest on the republican ticket, and there were none on the democratic ticket; was that for the nomination for assessor which was won easily by Andrew Graham of Juntura who secured more votes than both of his competitors combined.

Brooke Goes to Chicago

Among the state contests there was interest in Ontario in the candidacy of W. H. Brooke for delegate from this district to the republican national convention. Mr. Brooke led the field for the second district by over 500 votes. Donnell of The Dalles is the other delegate from this district.

The delegates at large are Wallace McCamant, Conrad P. Olson, Judge Carey of Portland and John Rand of Baker, with Stanfield McDonald running close to Rand.

The vote in the state was in doubt for several days with Wood creeping closer to Johnson all the time. The surprise of the campaign was the vote in eastern Oregon, where it was thought Wood would carry by a large majority, but which in some counties, returned Johnson a winner.

Democrats Write In Names

With only a few candidates seeking places on the democratic ticket voters of that party wrote in names with the result that W. F. Homan was nominated for the senate; Harry Looney for the house; C. T. Lackey for commissioner; Mrs. Julian Hurley for county superintendent of schools, etc.

The following is the vote in the county for the measures and for the places in which there were contests:

For president:
Hoover 189
Johnson 318
Lowden 113

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