

GEO. E. DAVIS TO BE NAMED ALASKA JUDGE

Former District Judge Now Resident of Vale To Go To Valdez According to Announcement From Washington

Geo. E. Davis, of Vale, formerly district judge of the ninth Oregon district will be appointed to a federal judgeship in Alaska according to an announcement made in Washington Saturday. The report said that his nomination will be sent in a few days.

Judge Davis was in Ontario Monday and Tuesday to assist in the trial of the Referee in Bankruptcy vs. A. Robinson which involves the property of the Fifer Cafe, and while he was naturally elated over the announcement which indicated his successful application for the position in Alaska, with the caution of long experience in public affairs he declared that the actual appointment and confirmation were still to be received.

The judge applied for appointment in the district which includes Valdez and Cordova the new town on the government railroad that leads from tide water on Prince William Sound to the interior of Alaska.

It is rumored in connection with Judge's appointment that Julian A. Hurley of Vale who was an applicant for the position of United States district attorney for Oregon has withdrawn and is seeking a similar position in one of the Alaska districts.

MOTHER OF TWO PROMINENT FRUITLAND WOMEN DROWNS

Aged Visitor From Iowa Loses Life In Main Canal of Farmer's Ditch Last Evening While Going to Visit Granddaughter

Mrs. Virginia Gorman, aged 71, of Clio, Iowa was drowned last evening in the main canal of the Farmer's ditch on the Fruitland bench where the ditch crosses the road near the packing plants in Fruitland. The tragedy occurred about 7:30 p. m. and the body was recovered from the ditch by C. H. Sargeant and his son Paul a half hour later, a half mile north from the point where it is believed the woman fell into its waters.

Mrs. Gorman came to Fruitland some three weeks ago to visit with her daughters, Mrs. Bert McConnell and Mrs. C. Shira and was at the McConnell home yesterday evening prior to her death. Just a few minutes before she left Mrs. McConnell in the yard and said she was going to the house.

When Mrs. McConnell entered the house and found no trace of her mother she thought that she had gone to visit a granddaughter, Mrs. Hubbell who lives across the ditch some 100 yards away and decided to follow her there. However Mrs. Gorman never reached the Hubbell home and immediately the thought that she might in her weakened condition have fallen into the creek, possessed the daughters. Aid was summoned and a search instituted. In less than half hour from the time she was missed, the body was found by the Sergeants and medical aid called but nothing could be done to restore life.

Both Mrs. McConnell and Mrs. Shira have been prostrated since the tragedy and plans once entertained for them taking the body back to Iowa have for the time been abandoned. Funeral arrangements have not been made pending the arrival of advice from sons and daughters in Iowa.

Mrs. C. T. Lackey of the Arcadia district is a granddaughter of Mrs. Gorman. Mr. and Mrs. Lackey were called to Fruitland last night.

HAUSER AND COMPANY GET CONTRACT FOR BRIDGES

According to the Oregonian of Wednesday the Hauser construction company of Portland was the successful bidder for the construction of the concrete bridges across the Malheur river and across Jacobson's gulch and across the drainage ditches between Ontario and the Malheur river. For the Malheur river bridge, which is one of the handsome type of bridges used on the Columbia river highway the successful bid was that of \$33,375 and for the other bridges the bid was \$12,296.

ONTARIO FOLKS NEGLECTING TO ORDER THEIR COAL SUPPLY

When it is cold next winter, and there is no coal to be had in Ontario, then perhaps, some of those who are not preparing for winter now will regret their negligence. That is what the local coal men are thinking. As yet there has been practically no coal stored by Ontario residents whereas last year by this time half of the year's supply was in the bins of the people. It would not be so had it this were a purely local condition, but it is not, the same fact being noted all over the country. The result of this is, that there will be a nation wide shortage this winter and that means real pricater and that means real privater they act promptly now.

HAY HARVEST ABOUT DONE GRAIN WILL BE READY SOON

Farmers Along Snake Have Prospects For Good Grain Crop Despite Poor Start

Most of the first crop of alfalfa hay in the territory bordering the Snake River is now in the stack, although a few are still harvesting. Some of the early grain is ripening and the harvest will soon be on. There is a considerably increased acreage of grain this season, particularly of spring wheat, owing to the move on the part of some of the alfalfa hay growers to cut down their acreage of that product and get the land into something which is more salable. Probably twice as much grain will be harvested as last year, at least if corn is taken into consideration.

A good deal of the grain got a bad start last spring on account of climatic conditions which were unfavorable. However the weather during May and June was very favorable to the crop and a great improvement has been made in condition. Judging by present appearances there are a number of wheat fields which should go around fifty bushels per acre, while barley and oats look proportionately good. The market for wheat is looking up in general and the growers should at least be able to look forward to getting cost of production out of the crop. The market for feed grains is not so promising and a good deal of this class of product may have to be fed on the farms.

THOUGHT OF RANCHERS NOW CENTERED ON WEEVIL FIGHT

Spring tooth harrowing, spraying and every known remedy is being applied by ranchers in the valley to fight the alfalfa weevil with varying results, dependent upon the thoroughness of the application, and its timeliness. Seymour Ross reports apparent success in helping his second crop by harrowing. George H. Ross reports that where he cut 240 tons of hay to the first cutting last year, he secured only 100 tons this year. Other ranchers have similar reports. As the result of this emphatic lesson all the ranchers in the valley are thinking more about the weevil fight than anything else. Under the direction of the County Agent L. R. Breithaupt spraying experiments are being made and hundreds of government pamphlets on the weevil are being distributed. The seriousness of the situation is realized and thus the first step in the fight has been taken.

FRUITLAND CHAUTAUQUA IS MAGNET FOR MANY ONTARIANS

The Fruitland Chautauqua which opens Monday will prove a magnet to many Ontarians as the result of the activity of the Fruitland committee and he fact that many stellar attractions are offered for the week at the big tent on the Bench so close to Ontario. Among the big events is that of the visit of Stefanson, the arctic explorer, Walter Jenkins the community singer and many other worthwhile numbers.

Nyssa too is having a Chautauqua which is being attended by a number of Ontarians. The Nyssa program opened this week, and Vale's Chautauqua is open for next week too, so that Ontarians have plenty of opportunity of attending the shows.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. Parrish, Sunday, June 25 a baby girl. Miss Nola DeArmond was a Sunday Ontario visitor.

POULTRY PRODUCERS HEAR UPSON SPEAK

Manager of Pacific Poultry Association Explains Terms of Co-operative Marketing Contract—Prices Low Here

That the price at which eggs sold in Ontario during the past spring was on an average between 8 and 10 cents per dozen less than that which was obtained for eggs sold by the Pacific Poultry association, was the statement made to a gathering of Malheur county poultry raisers last Friday by U. G. Upson, manager of the association at a picnic held at the Arcadia grove.

Mr. Upson who came here on the invitation of the marketing committee of the Farm Bureau devoted the greater portion of the afternoon session explaining in detail the provision of the associations' contract with its members, which is practically identical with the contracts used in California by the citrus fruit, apricot, and walnut growers and the Petaluma poultry association.

"Our association is not particularly anxious to extend its territory," said Mr. Upson. "The directors when I told them that I had promised to come here to explain the contract reluctantly consented with the distinct understanding that the organization was not to be asked to send organizers into the field or to be under any organization expense.

"Our feeling is that we have built up a successful organization. Something that is for your benefit. If you want it, we feel that it is up to you to come forward and seek it.

"We have sold eggs during the spring in Portland and netted our members an average of from 8 to 10 cents per dozen more than you people have received, beside this our producers have the advantage of the pool profits from increases received on eggs put in storage. We don't want to extend the territory unless we can get 100,000 eggs from this section of Oregon and Idaho," said Mr. Upson.

A. B. Cain and Graham Parks, two of the largest poultry raisers in this section are interesting themselves in signing up members for the association and have already secured the names of a number in this county. Canyon county in Idaho expects to enlist the owners of 30,000 chickens and it will be necessary to secure the other 70,000 in the other five counties in Idaho and Oregon. A. B. Cain presided at the meeting Friday.

ONTARIO FIRST STOP-OVER OF IMMIGRANT TOURISTS

Arrive Here At 2:30 P. M., July 21—Auto Tour To Nyssa and Vale—Dinner And Evening Here

Portland, Oregon., June 30th—(Special)—The route to be traveled through the state by the first trainload of settlers who are scheduled to arrive from the Middle West on July 21st for an inspection of the State's agricultural resources, was announced by the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce today.

The task of arranging an itinerary which would include the representative districts of the state in the limited time allowed under the homeseekers' ticket, Twenty-one days, was an exceedingly difficult one, according to Secretary Quayle. The matter has been under advisement since the Land Settlement Conference held in Portland June 7th, and every effort has been made to route the party over the state in the most effective way according to Quayle.

While the itinerary in general will be followed as outlined, it was announced that it was subject to change in some instances, inasmuch as the routing of the party through a few districts would be governed by the number of settlers who make up the party.

The itinerary follows:
July 20—Omaha, leave 1:20 A. M.
July 21—Ontario, arrive 2:30 P. M., leave midnight. (Auto trip visiting Nyssa Vale and over Warm-springs Irrigation Project, with dinner that evening at Ontario.)
July 22—Baker, arrive 3:30 A. M., leave 11:00 P. M. (Breakfast, luncheon and dinner at Baker.)

Mr. and Mrs. John Woods are down from Riverside.

OREGON SLOPE READY FOR PICNIC PROGRAM

Plenty of Variety Offered In Series of Events Scheduled for Patriotic Program at Grace's Grove On Nation's Birthday

Over on Dead Ox Flat the people are going to properly celebrate the nation's birthday with a community picnic and patriotic program celebration. An invitation is extended to the people from bridge to bridge on Dead Ox Flat and their friends from the nearby communities to join with them.

The events will start at Grace's grove, one and one half miles west of the Park school house at 9 a. m., and for variety will rival that of any celebration being held in the valley anywhere. Everyone is to bring a picnic dinner and aside from the formal program enjoy the fellowship of a community dinner.

Among the athletic events which will amuse the gathering will be a series of foot races for men, women, boys and girls; a number of horse races and a big wrestling match.

Will Throw Three Men

Ed Christiansen who lives on the Flat has agreed to furnish the stellar attraction by offering to throw any three men the committee can find in 30 minutes. There will also be a ball game between the men of the Park district against the Wood-spur men on the Idaho side.

F. M. Northrup to Speak

The oration of the day will be delivered by F. M. Northrup, one of the most impressive of the county's speakers. This portion of the program will take place immediately after the dinner, or about 1:30 p. m.

A bowery platform has been prepared so that with the good music to be furnished dancing will divert the time of many during the late afternoon and evening. Thus the program is rounded out to make it enjoyable to everyone.

The committee in charge of the program arrangements include S. J. Simpson, I. L. Culbertson, F. M. Northrup, L. L. Culbertson, Mr. Frost and Mr. Tomlin.

LOCAL ATTORNEY TO DELIVER ORATION AT BEND THE FOURTH

Attorney P. J. Gallagher of this city has accepted the honor of delivering the Fourth of July oration at the celebration of the Nation's birthday at Bend next Monday. Mr. Gallagher will leave Saturday for the Central Oregon metropolis.

WELL KNOWN ONTARIO MAN PASSES AWAY

Frank Winston Dies At Vale Following Long Illness—Lived Here For Nearly Quarter of Century

Frank Winston, aged 62 years, died last night at the Sears sanitarium at Vale following a lingering illness from a complication of disease. No arrangements have been made for the funeral services pending the receipt of advice from his only relatives, his mother, Mrs. Sarah Winston and his sister, Mrs. John Payne of Brush Prairie, Washington.

Mr. Winston came to Ontario 24 years ago from North Dakota and purchased soon after he came, a home on the East side where he lived continuously until four years ago when he went to the Ironside country on a ranch. He came back to Ontario a year ago during an illness and has not been well since that time. He was a prominent member of the Knights of Pythias here, and was well known to a large circle of friends.

INJURED MAN RECOVERING

A. N. Jockes who has been ill at his home on the Boulevard for the past two weeks from an injury the nature of which the attending physicians have not been able to determine, is slowly recovering. He has not yet sufficiently recovered to tell what happened.

Mrs. Bradford, who has been caring for her daughter Mrs. J. T. Hanafin who was recently operated upon, left Wednesday for Boise where she will visit with another daughter before returning to her home in Gooding Idaho.

BOOZE IN THERMOS BOTTLE GETS AUTOIST IN TROUBLE

He said his name was George Palmer, his address, "everywhere," though the officers personally doubted both statements when he appeared before Judge C. M. Stearns last Friday to explain just why he could not drive his car on a straight line.

As a matter of fact George did not have much of an explanation ready, for when confronted with the fact that the concoction he carried in a thermos bottle, found in the car, was guaranteed to kill at forty rods, George just admitted that he was, "plain drunk." The Judge slipped him a \$50 plaster and some additional costs, and George admitted that "they had it over him like a tent," and paid the fine. Officer Gordon made the arrest.

POTATO GROWERS EXPECT GREATLY INCREASED OUTPUT

Preliminary Estimates Indicate Yield of More Than Two Hundred Carloads Worth Around One Hundred Thousand—Growers To Cooperate

Potato growing though yet in its infancy in the county, has made great progress during the past two years. The amount of this farm product which will be turned off in 1921 will probably be five times that of 1920 and about ten times as much as in 1919. A census was recently completed by county agricultural agent Breithaupt who has been cooperating with the potato men in securing good seed and promoting the industry during the last two years, which shows the names of the principal growers and the acreage each has. According to this census, there is between 600 and 800 acres of potatoes in commercial fields in the county and as the crop looks good, the yield should not be less than 200 carloads.

The farm bureau organization has cooperated with the agent in urging the planting of a larger acreage of potatoes for the early market to be shipped direct from the field to market in refrigerator cars. A large number of growers have listened to this argument and have taken advantage of the combined orders made up to get good seed from seed growing sections in Idaho, Oregon and Minnesota. As a result a considerable part of the crop will move early in August, bringing some early cash to the growers as well as enabling them to market the crop when average prices are at the top and without the expense incident to storage and rehandling as with late potatoes. It is believed that the growers of late potatoes will usually be up against too stiff competition from sections nearer to market and capable of high production, while the area suitable for early potatoes to come on in August is rather limited.

About twenty of the principal growers representing the Nyssa, Cairo, Ontario, Deadox and Vale districts met recently at the Cairo grange hall and took steps to organize an association of potato growers. By joining together in an association, the growers expect to cooperate in securing information on markets, car supply, and such other matters as may be to their interest. They may also cooperate in buying seed and supplies and in the sale of the crop. The standardization of varieties and grades, disease free seed, good production methods etc, is only part of the game. In order for the industry to thrive, these early potatoes must move promptly—just as much so as early fruits, and for that reason the necessary details must be attended to.

ONTARIO TO CELEBRATE IN NEIGHBORING TOWNS

Since Ontario is not formally celebrating the nation's birthday its citizens will scatter as the individual taste will dictate to the celebrations of the neighboring communities. Many will go to Dead Ox Flat to visit friends and enjoy their program, others will be found at Vale and Weiser while still others will go to Caldwell with the base ball team to enjoy the day. There is no lack of opportunity for Ontarians to enjoy the day.

LACK OF ALFALFA BLOSSOMS FORCE THE FEEDING OF BEES

Beside hitting the alfalfa growers and injuring their crop, the alfalfa weevil has attacked the industry of bee culture and honey production seriously. So scarce has food from the alfalfa blossoms become that local beekeepers have been forced to resort to artificial feeding of the colonies.

MASS OF TESTIMONY TAKEN IN FIFER CASE

Judge Dalton Biggs Hearing Testimony on Case Concerning Validity of Mortgage Given To A. Robinson

After listening to testimony for two days in the case of Henry Doolittle, referee in bankruptcy vs. A. Robinson, Judge Dalton Biggs ordered a recess to be taken Wednesday evening and the case will be concluded Friday.

The issue involved in the case is the determination of the validity of the mortgage given by Ed Fifer to Mr. Robinson in February 1921, under the terms of which Mr. Robinson took over the restaurant when it was closed by an order secured by W. E. Lees, for non payment of rent.

The determination of this issue according to the testimony produced hinges on the solvency of Mr. Fifer at the time the mortgage was made, and a mass of conflicting testimony was presented to the court. P. J. Gallagher is representing the referee and W. W. Wood and George E. Davis are representing Mr. Robinson. A comparatively large number of persons has been present at the hearings which were held at the city hall.

PEEVISH PENSIONER'S WILD HEAVES THROWS GAME AWAY

Newbill Pitches Great Game After Believing Wells in Second Inning and Deserved Shut Out—Locals Field Beautifully

Despite the fact that they are not receiving the support from the public to which they are entitled, the boys of the Ontario ball team are playing good baseball and giving the faithful few who go to see them the best brand of the national game which the city has enjoyed in years and years. Less than 200 people saw the game here last Sunday in which the locals defeated Emmett by a score of 8 to 1.

Really Charlie Newbill who relieved Lowell Wells after the first inning was entitled to a shut out. His own wild pitch and an overthrow of second cost the one run that Emmett was able to put over.

Newbill pitched the best kind of base ball. In the eight innings he held the Emmett men helpless. He gave only four hits in that time, and only once were there two in one inning, and then Emmett did not score on those. Beside this Charlie was given glidedged support from the field, both in and out.

Chapman, Darnell and Husted handled many hot chances with only one skip, that of Husted in the second, which did no damage. In the outer garden Jenkins, Smith and Hamman played faultless ball.

Oliver behind the bat was the hero of the day. The first ball Wells pitched hit his second finger on his right hand, splitting the nail and bruising it badly. Despite this he caught for eight innings until a foul tip caught the first joint on his third finger and dislocated it. That put him out of the game. Manager Clemo surprised his friends by going and finishing.

In reality Pension, Emmett's pitcher was responsible for most of the local runs. He threw the game

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RECEPTION THIS EVENING IN HONOR OF MRS. LETSON

At the Masonic Hall this evening there will be held a reception in honor of Mrs. W. W. Letson of this city who was recently elected to the position of worthy grand matron of the Eastern Star of Oregon. The members of Star chapter are the hostesses for the evening and have invited besides the members of the chapter here, those of Nyssa, Vale and Payette and the local members of the Masonic fraternity and their wives. The function will be one of the largest of its kind ever held in the valley, for this is the first time that an Ontarian has been so highly honored by one of the leading fraternities of the state.