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## TEN YEAR OLD GIRL IS ACCIDENT VICTIM

Little Beatrice Patheal Instantly Killed When Car Bound For Celebration Goes Into Ditch While Racing Near Washoe

While thousands were spending a joyous day celebrating the Nation's birthday, the Patheal family of Fruitland, well known in this section, was plunged into mourning as the result of the accident which resulted in the death of one member, Beatrice, aged 10, and the injury of several others.

The family had left Fruitland happy in the anticipation of a big day at Weiser. They were riding in a large car which was being driven by A. C. Patheal, grandfather of the children, and had almost reached Washoe when taunted by the number of small cars that had passed him, Mr. Patheal speeded up to prevent another car's effort to do so.

This started the race which ended in death for the little girl. As the two cars speeded on and approached, the little car held the center of the road and refused to give Mr. Patheal his share of the highway, and as the result his machine skidded in the loose gravel and plunged into the ditch and overturned. All the occupants save Miss Beatrice were thrown clear of the wreck, but she was pinned beneath, her head crushed, which resulted in her instant death.

Mrs. Alice Patheal, her mother, was injured about the back and shoulders; Lois, aged 8, was injured about the head, knee and left arm; while her three year old sister escaped injury as did Gladys Melcher who was with them. Mr. Patheal was badly injured too, his face being deeply cut, and was otherwise bruised and torn.

The car with which Mr. Patheal was racing did not stop to assist the injured, but another car soon came and Mrs. Patheal and the children were brought to Ontario and Dr. J. C. Bartlett was called. The injured were taken to the hospital, and all of them are reported to be recovering from their injuries.

## WEISER ATTRACTS BIG CROWD AT CELEBRATION

Ontario Loses Ball Game by One-sided Score—Local Team Divided Shows Results of Split—Many Stay For Evening Events

Many Ontarians went to Weiser Tuesday to witness their celebration and to see the ball game between the Ontario team of the Big Four league and the Weiser team of the Idaho league. The game was not a fair test of the relative strength of the two leagues for the Ontario force was divided between the teams which played at Weiser and Vale.

It was the errors of the supporting cast which gave Weiser the 12 to 1 victory.

After the game many Ontarians stayed at Weiser for the evening festivities.

## EPIDEMIC OF GRASSHOPPERS APPEARS TO BE IMPENDING

Reports reaching the office of County Agent L. R. Briethaupt, indicate that the farmers of Malheur county have another enemy to fight—the grasshopper. This pest made its appearance in several sections of the county, in greater numbers than common, but not in sufficient quantity to indicate a serious condition. However to forestall trouble Mr. Briethaupt is addressing a letter to all the community farm bureau leaders asking them to notify him if there is any increase and at the same time giving the leaders a formula for poisoning these ravenous insects. This is the wheat bran 100 lbs; white formula: arsenic 4 pounds; salt 2 lbs.; molasses cheap, 2 gallons; amy acetate 3 ounces; water to moisten. Apply 5 to 10 lbs. per acre and scatter in piles during early morning. Note: Calcium arsenate, lead arsenate or Paris green may be substituted for white arsenate.

## COYOTES TAKING AWFUL TOLL OF LAMBS ON SUMMER RANGES

Ranchers from the interior who have visited the city lately report an unprecedented activity on the part of the coyotes to satisfy whose voracious appetite thousands of lambs are being slain. Stockmen have an unusual, but entirely logical explanation for the extraordinary activity of the marauders of the plains. They declare that it is due to the campaigns which have been waged against the jack rabbits, hundreds of which have been poisoned the past few winters, with the result that the coyote has been deprived of his regular diet. Then, too, the deep snows of the past winter killed many rabbits, also further depleting the food rations of the coyote family.

Anyway, the coyotes are reported as being gaunter and bolder than in the history of this section. One rancher told of a coyote that followed his flock like a dog, picking off many strays before he was shot by a herder. As the result of the unusually hard winter which reduced the percentage of lambs saved, and the inroads of the coyotes on the range, the sheepmen have suffered severely this season. If the state is to urge the killing of the rabbits, and they must be killed to protect the farmers, then it follows that the coyotes must be killed too and hunters must be employed, to do so or the bounty system will wreck the county.

## TOURISTS FROM OKLAHOMA THINK OREGON FAIREST

Dr. and Mrs. Harp'r Wright of Grandfield Drive 3200 Miles to Visit Relatives—Columbia Highway Finest Road of the Nation

Dr. and Mrs. Harper Wright and their children arrived in Ontario this morning on No. 4, having left their car at North Powder for repairs. While here they will be the guests of Mrs. Wright's brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Gallagher. "We drove west through Texas, Arizona and New Mexico to Los Angeles and up the Pacific highway to Portland," said Dr. Wright, "but from Portland eastward, over the Columbia highway we found the best road of the entire trip, and the finest scenery, too. If Oregon were only advertised as is California it would far surpass that state in its tourist travel. Oregon roads are the best in the west, and that means the best anywhere. But you folks have not let the rest of the nation know much about what you have here."

Speaking about business conditions in the southwest, the Doctor who is also interested in banks as well as medicine says: "Business is gradually adjusting itself and the banks of Oklahoma are recovering from the inroads made by the operations of the bank guarantee act, many of them becoming national banks to escape its operations. The wheat crop has been pretty good and the expectation of good prices so far have been realized. The oil game, too is staging a comeback so our section of Oklahoma is improving." Dr. and Mrs. Wright expect to be here in Ontario a week or more before starting their return trip.

## LOCAL W. C. T. U. GIVES AID TO MOST WORTHY CAUSE

The W. C. T. U. met Tuesday of last week at the home of Mrs. Frank Draper, at which time they decided to buy an acre of ground on the Federal farm near Corvallis. This farm is to receive homeless children at the age they are dismissed from other charitable institutions of the state, and keeps them until they are 18 years of age. Unlike other institutions, this farm is made up of small cottages in each of which is a matron who has charge of three children. They are given all the advantages of home life and the privilege of attending the Corvallis school and college. The business men of Portland have donated \$15,000 to this worthy cause.

## HOT WEATHER FAILS TO CURB CELEBRATION SPIRIT AT VALE

Hundreds Attend Celebration at Vale—Ontario Loses Ball Game in First Inning—Vestal Pitches Well—Westfall Also Wins

Vale's two day celebration ended Tuesday night and was successful despite its competition with a heat wave, for hundreds of people were present to enjoy the barbecue and sport program and to dance in the evenings.

On Monday there were a number of events, including a ball game between Westfall and Ironside, won by the former, and in the evening there was a big dance at the pavilion. On Tuesday the patriotic parade featured the morning and the float of the Vale O. A. C. students was the winner of first place.

At noon the business men of Vale gave their big free barbecue and fed 1000 celebrants with succulent roast beef.

Following a program of races, the ball game between Vale and Ontario entertained the crowd. Aside from the first inning, the contest was interesting, but Ontario's ascension in that first round robbed the game of real thrills. However, in the seventh Ontario braced up and scored six times, but was unable to sustain the effort and Vale won by a score of 13 to 7. Nine of Vale's runs came in the first frame due to four walks furnished by Vestal, two hits and a flock of errors by the infield support. After that Ontario settled down, and due to Vestal's masterly hurling held the score down to the eighth.

The type of pitching furnished by the pitchers can be judged by the results: Vestal allowed but five hits, one home run by Hill of Westfall, playing for Vale; Vestal struck out 15 men and passed six. Woodward, Vale's hurler, allowed nine hits, but passed but one. He was given almost faultless support, in fact, two of Hill's catches in center were spectacular and robbed Art Moore and Stevens each of hits.

The Ontario line-up was: Gardner, c; Vestal, p; Moore, 1b; Lyell, 2b; Jenkins ss; Hutchinsonson, 3b; Philabaum lf; Sullivan and Dean, cf, and Stevens, rf. Vale: Parrott, c; Woodward, p; Robinette, 1b; Chester, 2b; Stiles, ss; Taylor, 3b; Moudy, lf; Hill, cf; Neely and McLee, rf.

The only accident of the game was that which Reese Jenkins suffered when he fell over Chester and was spiked on both his upper and lower lips. All three of Chester's spikes found lodgment, but after an application of adhesive tape Jenkins finished the game.

## TWO CONTESTS WON BY ONTARIO ESSAYS

Fred E. Lee's in Sixth Grade Contest and Mrs. Will J. Roberts in Teachers Win Right to Compete in National Contest

Ontario has two winners in the essay contests held this year by the W. C. T. U. of the state, and thus will be represented in the National contest for the best essays of the year on how to promote health.

Announcement was recently made of the state winners, naming Fred E. Lee's essay on, "Habits that Injure Health," as first in the Sixth Grade division; while Mrs. Will J. Roberts' essay on, "Methods of Teaching Health and Temperance," won first award in the Teachers' division.

Clatskanie also had two winners taking first in the Eighth grade section and in the Freshman-Sophomore High school section; while Enterprise, Oregon won the Junior-Senior High school section, and Willamette University won the college contest.

All the winning essays in the state contest will now be entered in the national contest and have the opportunity of bringing to their authors still further honors.

A. E. MacKenzie of Portland is here this week looking after business interests of the Eastern Oregon Land company with which he is connected.

## ONTARIO WALKS ALL OVER WINNERS OF LEAGUE FLAG

Vestal Pitches Beautifully and Is Given Air-Tight Support—Woodruff, Hoxie and Newbill All Hit Hard—Jenkins Makes Debut

In the most one-sided game of the season Ontario trumped all over Nyssa, the winners of the Eastern Oregon Big Four league gonfalon, at Nyssa last Sunday. The score was 23 to 6, and four of those six were gifts handed the champions when Ontario had the game cinched and let down to let the fans have a slight run for their money.

Vestal, the Fruitland high twirler, pitched stellar ball until he was taken out so that he could save his energy for the game at Vale Tuesday. Only two runs were scored on him, and one of those was a gift. After the first inning he was not in danger at any time and hurled head ball with his craves breaking well.

Woodruff, erstwhile star of the Nyssa team, did not shine brilliantly, but in truth it was not altogether his fault. His teammates displayed the worst case of slovenly fielding seen this year. In the first inning alone they made five errors which, combined with two hits and one batter hit by Woodruff, netted six runs. That put Nyssa up in the air right and they never got back to earth again. In every inning save the 7th Ontario added to its big lead and won in a walk.

The feature of the game, aside from Vestal's pitching, was the support given the Ontario hurler, especially by the infield, Lackey, Chapman, Casiday and Husted. They played classy ball all the way. The outfield handled flies well, but unfortunately marred their record by letting ground balls get away from them. Thus three times singles were converted into triples and thus Nyssa scored when she should not.

Reese Jenkins, manager of the locals, made his debut as a pitcher in the seventh and got out of a bad hole when Casiday called for a throw to second and then caught a runner at the plate on the play which made three out. The bases were filled when the stunt was pulled. It was Nyssa's best chance to make a showing but smart base ball by the locals cut them down.

After Jenkins hurled to frames, Laurel Wells came in from center-field and hurled the last stanza. He was aided by two sparkling catches, one each by Casiday and Chapman. Newbill, who relieved Woodruff in the sixth inning, was hit and had no opportunity while Dewey Hoxie tried for an inning or two, but the locals murdered his offerings.

The alibi offered by the Nyssa players for their showing was that they had been ragging among themselves before the game, and the truth of that statement was evident for they certainly played away below their standard.

## THOUSANDS GATHER AT BIG BEND FOURTH

Judge Dalton Biggs Delivers Oration—Parma Defeats Nyssa in Past Ball Game 3 to 0—Newbill Pitches Well—Errors Lose Game

Nearly 2000 people gathered at the Big Bend Grove Tuesday to enjoy the picnic and program there provided. Aside from the patriotic exercises which centered around the oration delivered by Judge Dalton Biggs, the big feature of the day was the baseball game between Nyssa and Parma which was won by the latter by a score of 3 to 0.

The game was a pitchers' battle between Newbill and Penson with honors about even. Nyssa lost the game through errors for Newbill held for Parmatans to one real hit and one scratch hit up to the seventh, the three runs resulting from combinations of errors and the two safe blows.

During the afternoon and evening despite the heat, hundreds of picnickers danced in the pavilion to the music furnished by the Entertainers orchestra of Ontario.

## VALUABLE SEED STORED IN VAULT OF FIRST NATIONAL

What is undoubtedly the most valuable consignment of seed ever sent into Malheur county, is stored in the vaults of the First National bank. No, the First National bank has not gone into the seed business as some might hastily conclude from the above statement—but the marketing committee of the Malheur County Farm Bureau is playing safe with this valuable consignment.

The six sacks in which the seed is stored arrived this week and since the 600 pounds of precious germination is insured for \$2650, and would retail on the open market at nearly twice that sum, the custodians want it perfectly guarded, so it rests beside, and is classed with the bonds and other valuables which the bank and its patrons have stored in the concrete box.

An idea of the value of the seed; which it is hoped will, when matured, increase the wealth of the ranchers; may be gained from the following figures: Retail price \$7.50 per pound, wholesale price \$5.50 per pound—but, here is the result of early buying on a large scale, the price to the Malheur county farmers is \$2.75 per pound.

## FIRE ON BRIDGE CAUGHT BEFORE MUCH DAMAGE DONE

Passing Autoist Uses His Own Pyrene Supply in Fighting Blaze—Truck Driver Continues Fight Until Department Arrives

When George Hotchkiss of the Union Oil Company was returning to town over the interstate bridge about 5:40 yesterday afternoon he discovered a fire near the Oregon side. He first thought he could put it out with the supply of distinguisher he carried in his car. This did avail, but about that time Wilbur Kelso who drives a Union Oil truck arrived and he used the truck's distinguisher while Mr. Hotchkiss came to town and summoned the fire department.

Chief J. B. Atherton and his crew made a run to the bridge and with the chemical squelched the flames. Several planks had to be ripped up to reach the fire which was running on the underdecking.

The blaze cost the city some \$25 for the fire department, to say nothing of the chemical used. It will cost at least \$15 to repair the bridge. Plans are being considered for locating barrels of water at convenient places on the structure with which to fight the fire. The bridge has a fire record of at least two each summer season.

## ONTARIANS HAVE RISE TO DIZZY HEIGHTS IN COLORADO

Instructions to send the Argus to them were received this week from Mr. and Mrs. Fred Canfield who are now located at Pando, Colorado, where Mr. Canfield is in charge of Stanfield interests. Pando is one of the highest towns in America, being near the summit of Tennessee pass, being 9209 feet above sea level and very cool. On a recent trip over to Battle Mountain Mrs. Canfield tried to get some pictures, but the grades were so steep and the canyons so deep that she was too dizzy to take the chance.

## WATER INJUNCTION SUIT TO BE TRIED HERE ON FRIDAY

Judge Dalton Biggs is to hold a session of court at the city hall Friday to hear the testimony in the injunction suit brought by Alva Springer against O. B. King. The allegations in the prayer for an injunction charges King with interfering with the Springer lateral and with flooding Springer's land. W. E. Lees and R. W. Swagler are the attorneys in the case, and a large number of witnesses have been summoned.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Peterson, accompanied by Miss Edith Peterson of Council Grove, Kansas, left Sunday for a short camping trip at Payette Lakes.

## ONTARIO INTERESTED IN RAILROAD TANGLE

Possibility of Development of Interior Hinges in Ownership of Central Pacific—Two Roads Promise Natron Cut-off

The realization of the hopes of Central Oregon for an east and west railroad hinges on the ultimate ownership of the Central Pacific which was ordered divorced from the Southern Pacific by the decision of the Supreme Court handed down May 29, according to the view of Mayor Doolittle, W. E. Lees, P. J. Gallagher and others here who have been giving this matter study.

In spite of the court's decision, the Southern Pacific has begun a concentrated fire of propaganda to secure an order from the interstate commerce commission to permit it to hold the Central Pacific under the recent railroad law allowing group ownership of roads. In the meantime, too, the Union Pacific is seeking to have the recent decision enforced which would permit it to buy the Central Pacific under the terms agreed to in 1912.

If the Union Pacific secures this line it will in the logic of the situation complete the Natron cut-off and in time will extend the road from Crane to Odell to connect with that road, thus furnishing a complete and direct connection with the Willamette valley from this section and throw the traffic originating from the lower valley to its main line system here.

If the Southern Pacific secures this the Central Pacific it will divert this traffic to the Central Pacific in Nevada and the object of ever building a road from Crane to Odell junction will be gone.

Plans are being considered for securing an organization of all the communities of Eastern and Central Oregon to impress the views of this section upon the Portland business interest so that they will at least assist in securing justice for this section.

## CROP PRODUCTION EXPERT IS HERE TO DISTRIBUTE SEED

California Vegetable Union Representative Holding Meetings and Giving Further Instructions to Lettuce Growers

George F. Prince, crop production expert of the California Vegetable Union, and G. W. Dean, director for this district of the Idaho Producers Union are holding meetings in the various communities distributing the lettuce seed contracted for by the company and the growers, and at the same time giving the growers added instructions relative to the planting and care of the crop.

The Vegetable Union has contracted for the crates, and paper and ice for the packing of the lettuce, and also some 300,000 sacks for the shipment of potatoes from association members in Snake river valley. One carload of these sacks will be distributed from this city to members in the county.

## RECORD FOR BIG TROUT FOR THIS SEASON CLAIMED HERE

J. A. (Dick) Robertson and Dr. R. O. Payne have well established reputations as disciples of Isaac Walton, as well as big game hunters. All the folk hereabout know that, so the Argus will not resort to the usual apologetic introductions for fish stories in telling of their record establishing catch of trout last week in Logan valley. They brought home the evidence so no measure of imagination is relied upon to substantiate the statement that a dozen or more of their catch measured from 19 to 21 inches and weighed in the vicinity of two pounds. They were beauties. Not all they caught were as big as the variety described above, but they do claim that they caught 90 in one 45 minute session one evening, all of which is at the rate of 2 a minute for three fishermen, for Rollo Mauls of Payette accompanied them and participated in the catch.