

## COUNTY INSTITUTE IS DECLARED SUCCESSFUL

E. J. Klemme of Bellingham Delivers Public Address—Pleasing Reception Given by Women's Federation—Resolutions Adopted

Ontario this week entertained the teachers of the county at the annual teachers' institute there being gathered 108 of the pedagogs of the county who work under the direction of County Superintendent Mrs. E. M. Crail who arranged the program of the gathering. The institute was declared one of the most successful held in recent years.

Two features of the gathering took place on Monday night, the first, the reception which was arranged by the Federation of Women's clubs was most pleasing and unique. The movie pantomime given by the male members of the Ontario High school faculty proved a decided hit. Piano numbers were presented by Miss Lucille Biggs, Miss Helen Dunstone, and vocal solos by Mrs. H. L. Peterson, Mrs. David F. Graham and Mrs. F. P. Ryan. Mrs. E. M. Greig presided.

Following the reception Prof. E. J. Klemme of the Bellingham, Washington State Normal, one of the institute lecturers, delivered a public lecture at the High school auditorium to a crowd which filled the room. The lecture was thought-provoking and eloquently delivered.

At the last session of the institute the following resolutions were adopted by the assembled pedagogs:

We, the teachers of Malheur county assembled in the Annual Teachers' Institute held at Ontario, Oregon, in October 1922, do hereby resolve:

1. To express our sorrow over the loss of our friend and fellow-teacher, Mrs. Amy Odell Stingle, who was well known throughout the county and who was this year a teacher in the Nyssa Public schools. We also wish to express our sympathy with her family and relatives in this time of their bereavement.

2. To go on record as emphasizing the importance and advisability of every teacher's support of membership in both the State Teachers' association and the National Teachers' association.

3. To express ourselves as favoring the strict enforcement of the Oregon state law prohibiting the smoking of cigarettes by minors. We also favor the inclusion in the Oregon school law of a specific statement of the teacher's authority to prohibit such smoking, and we desire our representative at the State Teachers' association this year to obtain the support of other counties in this state in regard to this matter.

4. To express our interest in the Boys' and Girls' club work of the county and to recommend that every teacher loyally support the efforts of the county club leader in his attempts to build up this work.

5. To go on record as favoring an increase in the salary of our county superintendent and the funds with which she carries on her work, in order that she may not be handicapped as at present. We desire, especially that sufficient funds should be provided to enable the County Institute to obtain and keep the instructors during the full session of the Institute. We further recommend that a committee be appointed to wait on the County Court in order to secure such funds.

6. To express to those instructors who have so willingly given of their time and experience our thanks for their helpfulness and cooperation. We especially wish to thank Mr. Klemme for his willingness to give his excellent address Monday evening.

7. To express to the faculty of the Ontario schools, the Associated clubs, the Commercial club, and the people of Ontario our appreciation of the courtesies and hospitality they have shown us during the 1922 session of the County Teachers' Institute.

8. To express to Mrs. E. M. Crail, our superintendent, our appreciation of her unflinching interest in our schools and her efforts to make our work a success.

Ivan Oakes left the first of the week for Harney county where he will spend the next few weeks visiting the C. L. S. ranches.

Jean Aiken is confined to her home by illness.

## POWDER PUFF WELDED BY FAIR AUTOIST AFTER WRECK

Calmly powdering her nose just a few seconds after she climbed from under the car which had rolled over twice, Miss Loughrey of Oregon Slope, who was one of the teachers attending the institute here this week, on Wednesday demonstrated that the expression, "the frail sex" is most inaccurate.

Miss Loughrey was a passenger in the car being driven by Paul McCulloch, who was returning from Payette accompanied by M. C. Marver of Jordan Valley, and James Atterbury of the Park School about 4:30 Wednesday afternoon, and had just reached the approach to the Payette river bridge, coming this way, when a big car passed them at a terrific speed, and so close that Mr. McCulloch swung his car to the edge of the road to avoid being run down and in doing so went off the grade. Fortunately he was driving slowly and though the car was badly wrecked, windshield and top and fenders were smashed, but none of the occupants hurt. The young lady's nerves were so calm that she thought of her powder puff the first thing.

## LITTLE FRUITLAND LAD KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE

Lee Riggins Until Recently a Resident of Prairie City Dies in Hospital Here of Result of Accident

Lee Riggins, the six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Riggins of Fruitland, died at the Holy Rosary hospital here Monday afternoon as the result of an auto accident which occurred in Fruitland Saturday night. The little chap was following his father crossing the street when Henry Williams bore down upon him, hitting him and throwing him underneath the car. The radiator struck the boy cutting his scalp and fracturing his skull near the base of the brain. He was unconscious when picked up and never recovered. Many people saw the accident and declared it to have been unavoidable. The Riggins family were until a few weeks ago, residents of Prairie City, Oregon.

Byron Turner was called to Baker Monday on business.

Mrs. H. B. Paul is visiting friends in Vale this week.

Miss Elsie Morris of the Morris Millinery, left for Los Angeles Friday for a six weeks visit with relatives and friends.

E. C. Van Petten left Sunday on a business trip to Sunnyside and other Washington points.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Canfield returned Saturday from Pando, Colo. where they spent the summer in the interests of the Stanfield Sheep Co.

Miss Nellie Morris returned Sunday from Boise where she attended buyers' week.

Among the Ontario visitors this week is Mrs. E. L. Griffith of Boise, who is visiting her son Harold.

Mrs. Fred Curry of Juntura brought her little son Orrin to the hospital Monday to undergo treatment for an injured eye. He had the misfortune to be struck in the eye by a peach stone thrown by a playmate. Although his condition is serious, attending physicians hope to save the little fellow's eyesight.

Mrs. Hedges of Juntura, was an Ontario visitor the first of the week. From crane came A. E. Brown, yell konw stockman of the interior this week. He arrived Monday.

Mrs. J. R. Rasmussen and son Boyd went to Emmett on Tuesday to spend the day with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cayou, formerly of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Cayou drove over that evening to bring them home.

Geo. J. Myers of Brogan was registered at the Carter house on Monday.

From Payette to spend a day or two came Geo. Vanderhoof on Monday.

C. H. Oxman who is the only candidate for county commissioner was in Ontario the first of the week on business. Mr. Oxman registered at the Moore.

J. F. Bostic who hails from Riverside, registered at the Moore Saturday.

## IRRIGATED LANDS TO BE REDUCED ON ROLL

Board of Equalization Determines On a Twenty Per Cent Reduction—Follows Cut Made on Livestock Last Year

At a meeting of the Board of Equalization Monday was determined to cut the assessment on irrigated farm lands of the county twenty per cent, bringing down the valuation for taxable purposes of the Owyhee lands for example from \$100 per acre to \$80 and other districts in proportion.

This adjustment was made by the unanimous decision of the board after a thorough consideration of the petition presented by a number of land owners under the Owyhee Ditch in the Nyssa territory, and is in line with the reduction in personal property such as sheep and cattle which was made last year following the slump in livestock values.

### Tax Delinquency \$600,000

The last half of the taxes collected this year was due on the last Thursday, and according to the reports of the officials in the sheriff's office, about one half of the installment was paid. This will make the total of delinquent taxes in the county total \$600,000, but despite this big delinquency taxes while apparently had is not reflected in the condition of finances of the county government itself. For example, in spite of this large delinquency the county itself is still upon a cash basis, this is true in spite of the fact that to pay the county's proportion of the state taxes the officials have had to draw upon the general fund of the county for \$25,000 for last year, and may have to do so for the last half of this year.

While the county itself has no outstanding warrants there are few of the taxing subdivisions whose delinquencies in payment of taxes accounts for most of the large total can boast of such a record. In other words the County Court is almost alone among the taxing divisions of the county that has so trimmed its expenses that it has kept within the sum that the people have paid, though to do this work contemplated has not been done.

## DELEGATES LEAVE TO ATTEND I. O. N. MEETING

Three States to Join in Considering Short Cut From Boise to California—Session to be Held for Three Days

County Judge E. H. Test headed the vanguard of delegates from this end of the county to attend the meeting of the I-O-N road boosters to be held in Jordan Valley the last three days of the week. Today James A. Lackey, R. W. Swagler, Earl Blackaby and G. K. Aiken are leaving, while P. J. Gallagher is understood will represent the Oregon Highway commission.

Boise, Caldwell, Nampa and Winnemucca, Nevada, and according to reports reaching here, one or two California cities will be represented.

When Luther W. (Bill) Lowry, who calls on the buyers of paper in this section for the Zellerbach Paper company, with headquarters at Boise, reached this city Tuesday he was not alone. Just a half hour before he drove into Ontario Bill signed papers in a matrimonial excursion before Judge Will Wells of Payette, wherein he named Miss Frances Katherine Marlin, of Cour de Alene, Idaho, formerly of Tampa, Florida, as his traveling companion for life. Bill was so happy when he reached Ontario that he could hardly wait for an order and rambled on his honeymoon trip which will take Mr. and Mrs. Lowry to the western end of the territory before their return to Boise where they will make their home.

Jordan Valley was represented by a number of teachers this week at the institute, among whom were, Miss Helen McCormick, Mrs. E. F. Whelan, Miss Gladys Jory, Miss Lorna Powell and N. C. Marver.

Miss Vada Morfitt visited friends in Ontario for a few days on her day home to Malheur City from the Coast.

## ONTARIO WINS FIRST GAME WITH PAYETTE

Shay's Goal Following Touchdown in Second Half Gives Ontario Victory—Teams Are Evenly Matched—Play Boise Saturday

By a score of 7 to 6 Ontario High won the first real football game of the season Friday afternoon at Payette. Shay's goal kick in the new try-for-point system brought the victory after a series of off tackle plays and two line smashes put over the tying touchdown.

Payette started like a winner and scored the first touchdown of the game in the first half when two Ontario fumbles gave the Apple Pickers the ball near the Ontario goal. Failing to negotiate the point after the touchdown the fellows from across the river lost the hard fight. Again in the second half due to the excessive penalties handed Ontario and a thirty yard run around Scott's end on a fake play, Payette was put in a position to score and win, but lost through poor generalship. After two line bucks failed to gain they tried another fake around Scott's end, but the lanky end was not caught twice in the same way and threw the runner for a ten yard loss. Again the play was tried with equally disastrous results for Payette, and Scott retrieved himself for his first mistake, and Ontario was out of danger.

In the second half Ontario was penalized 75 yards all told and that led to some hard feeling between officials and spectators who criticized, uselessly of course the decisions. Prof. Walker of the Payette High and G. K. Aiken of the Argus exchanged compliments and blows when both lost their tempers temporarily. No damage was done either.

This week Ontario journeys to Boise to meet Coach Keane's braves at Cody Park in one of the crucial games of the season.

## PUBLIC CALLED UPON TO IMPROVE CEMETERY

Hold Tree Planting Day at Cemetery on October 19—Public Urged to Effort

One of the very first steps of the forward program adopted by the women of the Federation of Women's clubs is that of aiding in the beautifying of the Ontario cemetery. To this end the federation has appointed Thursday, October 19th as Tree Planting Day, and has arranged a fitting program for that occasion.

Not only are the women themselves to further this work, but they are requesting and urging the public generally to unite in the effort. The following is the program for the day has been arranged by the committee:

### OCTOBER NINETEENTH

#### Tree Planting Day at City Cemetery

##### The Heart of the Tree

"What does he plant who plants a tree?"

He plants the friend of sun and sky;

He plants the flag of breezes free,

The shaft of beauty towering high;

He plants a home to heaven anigh,

For song and mother croon of bird,

In hushed and happy twilight heard,

The treble of heaven's harmony

For these things he plants who plants a tree.

Song ..... Music Department

Dedication of Trees ..... Rev. Blom

Recitation ..... To be Supplied

#### Tree Planting

Song ..... Music Department

Mrs. E. C. Van Petten, Mrs.

Ivan Oakes, Mrs. D. W. Powers,

Committee.

Mrs. W. E. Hedges and Mrs. Jennie Upson were Ontario visitors from Juntura Monday.

Among the Brogan residents who visited Ontario this week were listed, Mrs. Axtel Reed, Misses Louis Baker, Mae Murphy, and W. Capps.

Miss Beatrice Brown of Rockville attended the Institute this week.

Frank Vines and A. M. Moody were business visitors the first of the week.

## GOVERNOR OLCOTT GOING TO ATTEND JORDAN GATHERING

According to a wire received by P. J. Gallagher today, Governor Ben Olcott with representatives of the Oregonian and Telegram will reach Ontario Friday morning enroute to Jordan Valley to attend the meeting to discuss the I-O-N road to California. No details of the length of the Governor's stay in this section were given.

## WATER PERMITS TAKEN OUT BY RESIDENTS OF COUNTY

According to a bulletin from the office of the State Engineer the following permits for the use of water have been taken out recently by citizens of Malheur county:

To W. S. Darrow of Eaton, Idaho, for the appropriation of water from Snake river for irrigation of 25 acres, at an estimated cost of \$1000.

To A. L. Holland, of Ontario, for the appropriation of water from Snake river for irrigation of forty acres.

To R. E. Barney of Brogan, covering the appropriation of water from Pole Creek for irrigation of twenty acres.

To O. L. Ashcraft of Parma Idaho, covering the appropriation of water from Snake river for irrigation of forty acres.

## WILL SEEK TO RECALL OFFICIALS IS RUMOR

W. L. Thompson of Vale Said to be Preparing to Seek Removal of County Judge E. H. Test and Commissioner Frank Vines

Rumors were circulated in the county on Wednesday of this week to the effect that the proponents of the recall who have been at work for three years in an effort to secure enough names to start a recall election against County Judge E. H. Test and County Commissioner Frank M. Vines, that they will file the petition on Friday of this week.

The proponents of the effort have been working so long that most of the people have forgotten all about it, but the deep seated feeling which animated Mr. Thompson apparently has not waned and the county will probably witness the effort unless legal action forestalls them. Only twenty-five per cent of the voters are needed for this petition.

## MRS. ELSIE FAIRCHILD PASSES

Lived for Years in Ontario and West Fall and Was Well Known to Old Time Residents of This Section

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Methodist Episcopal church for Mrs. Elsie A. Fairchild formerly a resident of Ontario who died last Saturday at Nampa where for the past two years she made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Grace M. Rodgers.

Mrs. Fairchild was for many years a resident of Malheur county. She came to this section in 1890, settling at Westfall where she lived until 1906, moving then to this city where she made her home until 1920 when she moved to Nampa.

She is survived by four daughters Mrs. Lilly A. Gates of Winnemucca, Nevada; Mrs. Rosa O. Goodrich of Portland, Oregon; Mrs. Jesse A. Allen of Corvallis, N. Y., and Grace M. Rodgers of Nampa, Idaho. Mrs. Fairchild has been a Christian from her childhood. She has been identified with the Methodist Episcopal church here since 1916.

Monday afternoon the funeral sermon was preached by Rev. A. W. James, and interment was made in the Ontario cemetery. The presence of a large company of old neighbors and friends of former years was an expression of regard as well as fitting tribute of respect. Two daughters were present at the funeral, Mrs. Rosa O. Goodrich and Mrs. Grace M. Rodgers.

Among the Vale representatives at the institute were Mrs. E. M. Crail, county superintendent, Mrs. Robt. Crummett, Misses Lois Van Devanter, Madge Bailey, Hazel Daley, Grace Daley, Anna Watkins, Burgess F. Ford and Theodore Forcier.

## SCHOOL DISTRICT TO WORK ON LOW BUDGET

Budget Board Reduces Salary of City School Superintendent to \$2700—Other Cuts Made—On Cash Basis Still

The budget board for School District No. 8 at its meeting last Friday evening reduced the salary to be paid the Superintendent of the City Schools from \$3500 to \$2700 for next year in its recommendations to the voters of the district.

Prior to the opening of the meeting Superintendent J. M. McDonald announced that he would not be a candidate for the position of superintendent of schools next year, so that the budget makers would be able to proceed without considering that element in determining its position in the question of salary for the head of the system.

The members of the budget board who worked with the school board were H. L. Peterson and C. P. Skow representing the business men, and Seymour Ross, representing the farmers. The board also cut a number of the other items in the budget which will be lower than in several years despite the continued growth of the schools.

So far this year, and judging by the relative amount of taxes paid in the district, which is estimated at 80 per cent, sufficient funds are on hand to keep the district on a cash basis.

## COUNCIL DECIDES TO TAKE PROPERTY ON TAX TITLES

At a special meeting of the Council Monday evening the city fathers decided to protect the city's interests by bidding in some of the property within the city on which state and county taxes have not been paid. If the city did not do this the bidders who purchased the property when the county sells it for taxes would escape the payment for local improvement districts. The council decided to buy only such property as is worth the assessments against it.

## OIL RIG BEING HAULED TO LITTLE WILLOW FROM VALE

The rig of the Western Pacific company which was in operation above Vale for some time since was hauled in sections through the city during the past week to the site of its new location on Little Willow over in Idaho. The Idaho company is erecting residences and substantial work preparing for operations, said W. A. Bartlett who was in Ontario Wednesday. It is believed that the rig will start drilling on Little Willow within two weeks.

Acting in the capacity of appraisers for the Oregon Soldiers' Loan, S. D. Goshert of Nyssa, and I. M. Hope of Vale, were busy Wednesday looking over several claims in Ontario. Along with C. R. Emison of Ontario, they expect to leave today for Jordan Valley where they have a number of appraisals to make.

John Keane of New Meadows, registered at the Moore Wednesday.

D. W. Powers went to Steins Mountain for the week end and brought back a fine young buck.

The Monday Bridge club met this week with Mrs. O. M. Castleman.

Mrs. O. G. Luehrs was hostess this week to the Wednesday Bridge club.

The Episcopal Guild met this afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. W. Wood.

The Wednesday Bridge club met this week with Earl Blackaby, Mr. and Mrs. Blackaby also entertained the Monday Bridge club.

The Fortnightly club met Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Rasmussen.

The Tuesday Evening club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Jones.

The Imperial club is meeting this evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McDonald.

On the hotel registers this week appear the names of many out of town visitors. Among them are, Bert Simonson, Harper; Blanche Jarvis, Jamieson; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Archibald, Jordan Valley; Violet M. Olson, McDermott; Anna D. A. Pratt, Ironside; Mrs. R. J. Davis, Nyssa, and Mr. and Mrs. Drinkwater of Drowsey.