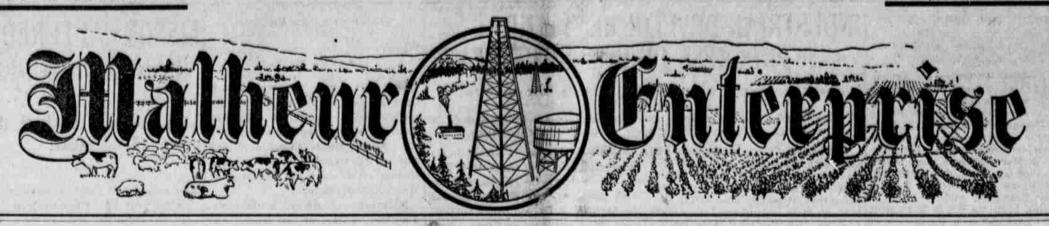
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BIG OIL MEN WATCH VALE OIL FIELDS

Says Prominent Visitor Who Purchases Pair of Shoes at By Oregon Short Line Rail-**Has Just Returned From** California Oil Belt

EXPECT HIGH GRADE OIL

California People Better Posted on This Field Than Local Peo-

"The big California oil men are all watching the Vale oil field" said I. P. watching the Vale oil field said i. P. Carr of Portland while in this city on last Wednesday. "In fact they are better posted than the majority of the residents of this city." Mr. Carr, who has large holdings in the Vale oil field, just returned from an extended visit to all of the California oil fields. He visited the Fulleton, the Kern River, the Coalinga and other fields. He saw the famous Lakeview oil well and hundreds of other paying wells.

While in Los Angeles, the head-quarters of the big oil companies, he came in contact with the oil men of the rich Calfornia oil belt. In talking to them he was surprised to find out how much those oil men really knew about the Vale oil field. "In fact they seemed to be better posted than many people right here in Vale, they are advised by men sent here at different times," said Mr. Carr, "and they are certain that a high grade oil will be struck very soon The oil men of Cal-ifornia are watching the Vale oil field all the time and when the news of a struck very soon The oil men of California are watching the Vale oil field all the time and when the news of a gusher reach there a general exodus to Vale will follow. In their offices I saw maps of the Vale oil field, those men know just how deep the drills will have to go down, they are certain that the to go down, they are certain that the Vale oil field will be a rich producer. They told me the Vale oil field had to go through the same experience as the California field on account of the dis-tance from oil machinery headquarters.

tance from oil machinery headquarters. However, they are confident that instead of the seven years' hard work in the California field, the two years in the Vale oil field will see paying wells."

Mr. Carr also made the statement that oil lands in California were worth from \$2500 to \$20,000 per acre according to elevation, the higher lands being the most valuable. The object of Mr. Carr's visit to Vale was to look after assessment work on his holdings as well as a business conference with T as well as a business conference with T W. Davidson who has charge of several companies here.

WILL DEDICATE **NEW GRANGE HALL**

The members of the Utopian Grange held a meeting at the White Star school house on last Sunday for the purpose of making preparations for the dedication of the new grange hall which is nearing completion.

The event will be a public affair and,

store presents a neat appearance, the building having been thoroughly renovated. The stock of grocery which has been placed on the shelves is the best to be had on the market and the residents of Vale and vicinity are asked to visit this place beginning today. W. G. Allen, son of Mrs. L. M. Bone, will manage the new store and will be as sisted by I. B. Quisenberry.

GREAT THINGS IN STORE FOR VALE SAYS MARVIN

Earl Marvin, western manager of the the Oregon & Western Col-onization Co. that recently pur-chased the Willamette Valley & Cascade Mountain road grant, was in Vale this week. From this point Marvin was taken out in one of H. N. Ford's big autos, with Harry Ellis as chauffeur, to the Harper ranch and vicinity where he inspected the cempany's hold-ings. On returning to Vale late Tuesday evening, little could be learned of Mr. Marvin's trip except that the lands must be visit-ed and priced before placed on

the market. Mr. Marvin expects to see rapid development work in Mal-heur county during the next few The company proposes to locate many eastern people on its lands in this county. He had nothing to say relative to rail-road construction so far as his company's holdings are concerned.

REECE MINK CAUGHT WITH FORGED CHECK

Vale Trading Co's. Store and Hands Over \$50 Check With Forged Name of S. F. Sutton---Placed MILES OF NEW TRACKS Under \$250. Bonds

ple—Representatives Keep Capitalists and Oil Promoters
Advised on all Movements in Vale Oil Field.

While attempting to pass a forged check at the Vale Trading Co's. store on Tuesday, Reece Mink, a young man of about 21 years of age, of Ontario, was caught with the goods and arrested by Sheriff Odell. Mink had gone into the store to buy a pair of shoes and in payment presented a check for \$50 bearing the name of Sam Sutton of Barren Valley. Just as Mink handed over the check.

Just as Mink handed over the check, J. P. Dunaway of the United States National bank happened into the store, and the clerk asked him if the check was good. On looking at the check Mr. Dunaway noticed at once that Sutton's signature had been forged. The officers were called and Mink was placed under arrest.

Mink's record as a forger goes back to last July when he went into the Malheur Clothing Co. store in this city, where he gave a check to Ed Hamilton Malheur Clothing Co. store in this city, where he gave a check to Ed Hamilton for \$57 in payment for clothes that he just had purchased. The check also bore the signature of S. F. Suttun but it was not known until several days later when it was returned from the bank without payment that it had been forged. Hamilton was out \$57 but Mink's father came to the rescue and Mink's father came to the rescue and the affair was quietly arranged and the

matter dropped.
On Wednesday morning Reece Mink waived examination upon appearing before County Judge Rishardson on

GOLD SAMPLES GO

Brought in From Properties of Myrtle Creek Gold Mining Co. by Local Men

Philip Francis, C. K. Mills and A. B. Pomeroy, stockholders and officers of the Myrtle Creek Gold Mining Co. whose main office is located in this city but whose properties are situated over in Grant county near the Harney county line, returned Tuesday from a two weeks inspection trip of their holdings. Samples of gold brought back created much excitement when shown on the street Wednesday morning. The splendid nuggets, running \$19 to the ounce, had been taken from the rock on the ridge just above the old creek bed. It it said that from 15 to 20 colors can be picked up any place on

which is nearing completion.

The event will be a public affair and, although it will not be held until late in November, the grangers expect to lose no time in preparing an excellent program. The exact date will be announced later.

Electric Irons dispose of the dredgery of ironing day. Let electricty do your work.

Vale Light & Water Co. Nelsen Bldg.

NEW GROCERY STORE WILL

OPEN FOR BUSINESS TODAY

The Allen-Bone grocery which has been installed in the building north of the Business today. The new store presents a neat appearance, the building having been thoroughly represented and proper and the property.

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NEW GROCERY STORE WILL

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The Allen-Bone grocery which has been taken out in that vicinity for the past twenty years but work could not be carried on advantageously on account of the water problem, which makes it necessary to lift the water 90 feet above the creek. With the use of modern machinery implications and store buildings. Vale today is mentioned on every side as one of the best business towns in the northwest. The trip of the officers was for the ground with the view of putting in the needed machinery is capitalization. The company is capitalization and preventions are being machinery. The company is capitalization and preventions are being machinery. The company is capitalization and preventions are being machinery. The company is capitalization and preventions are propertions are prouded machinery. The company is capitalization and prevent

With the use of modern machinery im-mense streams of water with pressure will now be available and the gold bearing gravel will easily be reached and washed and be made to pay in large quantities.

See Dr. Roberts about your glasses.

\$50,000 TO BE SPENT IN LOCAL YARDS

road to Improve Switching Facilities

Filling in of Yards, Erection of Main Line Water Tank, Completion of Big Freight Depot and Building Brick Passenger Depot Indicates that Vale Will Be Important Point.

Fifty thousand dollars of improvements are to be made in the local Oregon Short Line railroad yards during the next few months. The expenditure the next few months. The expenditure calls for the filling of the entire yards with two and a half feet of gravel, the building of two and a half miles of new tracks for switching facilities, a main line water tank and also many other additions that will make the local yards the best equipped in the Inter-Mountain country.

On Thursday morning Assistant Sup-erintendents Wead and Harer, of the building and bridge department with headquarters at Pocatello, rushed to Vale from the main line on a gasoline speeder for a business conference with Construction Engineer Ashton of this city. As these men belong to the department which has supervision of the erection of new depots, the conference no doubt settled many points toward the building of the new passenger brick depot. While here the assistant uperintendents advised the telegra

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Superintendents advised the telegraph line crew to run the permanent line of poles only as far as the new depot site and to run only a temporary line from that point to the present temporary depot office.

The plans of the Short Line people in this city all point out that it is their intention to make Vale the principal relation to the country.

Leave your laundry at Arlington

CAPITALIST WOULD START DRY GOODS STORE IN VALE

That Vale is daily attrating the at-tention of capitalists of this and other states is seen through correspondence received this week from one of the large mercantile firms of this state which is anxious to put in a modern store with a \$10,000 stock of dry goods and shoes.

Other people have also been looking toward the building of a large hotel and store buildings. Vale today is mentioned on every side as one of the

with her mother, Mrs. Mary E. Leland for some time and the bridegroom went to Boise the first of the week. He is a son of Dr. Jamieson of Chicago, a retired naval officer, who is interested in Willow River lands, and who arrived in Boise Wednesday to attend the wedding. A wedding dinner was served at the Owyhee at six o'clock Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson will visit in Boise until the rainy weather sets in and then will take a honeymoon trip to Honolulu, after which they will make their home at Jamieson, Ora.

The Title Abstract Co. is now occupying office rooms in the Odd Fellows building, having secured part of the Odd Fellows building, having secured part of the Offices of C. O. Thomas, the real estate man. E. C. Smith, the manager of the Title Abstract Co., states that his company is now ready to do all kinds of abstract work.

The records kept at the company's office are complete and accurate as they were copied and photographed by the famous cameragraph machine right from the record books. Don't fail to look for the company's ad in this issue.

LIGHT SYSTEM IS SCORED AT COUNCIL MEETING

At the meeting of the city council on last Saturday the date of election, for the bonding of the city in the sum of \$35,000 to install a flow line from the Willow Springs to this city, was set for Wednesday, Oct. 19th. The matter of annexing the Nelsen addition was also taken up and is to be voted on. Many property owners in that addition would come within the city limits in order to receive the benefits of the water and sewer system.

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Manager Carter, of the light company, asked the council to consider a contract from his company for furnishing electric power if the pumping system were installed. After Mr. Carter had fluently and glowingly pictured the advantages of electric power, T. W. Davidson and others advised the council to enter into no contract with the light company unless radical improvements be unless radical improvements be made in the light and power sys

made in the light and power system. This created much excitement and nearly everyone present expressed some opinion against the present light service.

T. W. Davidson said in part, "Vale is today the poorest lighted city in the country. Tonight 18 lamps are burned out on the four strings lighting the husiness second strings lighting the business sec-tion. The franchise calls for a tion. The franchise calls for a good service, are we getting it? It also calls for five lights in this council room, and there is only one light. The taxpayers have a right to know why they are not getting their money's worth. Lights on the streets are constantly burning out and are not replaced for days. It looks like this city is being furnished with inferior lamps. The plant gets out of order, repairs are made at the expense of flat-rate patrons, and no warning is given.

and no warning is given. From others it was learned that unless better service was given, the council should take steps to revoke the franchise on the grounds that nearly every resident has been damaged.

TELEGRAPH LINE

ONTARIO LADIES ARE ENTERTAINED

One of the most pleasant social events of the season was the reception and luncheon given by the Civic Improvement Club to the Work and Win Club of Ontario on Thursday. A committee met the visitors at the train Club of Ontario on Thursday. A committee met the visitors at the train and escorted them to the Chamber of Commerce rooms where some time was pleasantly spent in conversation and games. The music furnished by Mrs. Taylor and Mr. Powell was especially enjoyed.

At 1:30 an elaborate luncheon was served in the Drexel Grill, covers bester that the vork of the Willow creek and is claiming the right to make a beneficial use of it.

It is presumed that the visit of Mr. Hibbard to this section at this time has something to do with the legal controversy which will probably not restard the work of the Willow creek.

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At 1:30 an elaborate luncheon was served in the Drexel Grill, covers being laid for 33—The President Mrs. Claggett proposed the toast "Our Guests" which was responded to by Mrs. Dodge of the visiting Club. Those present from Ontario were:—Mesdames Dodge, Trow, Gruel, Drane. Mesdames Dodge, Trow, Gruel, Drane Thomas, Blackaby and Miss Smith.

NEW ABSTRACT COMPANY IS LOCATED IN ODD FELLOWS BLOCK

The Title Abstract Co. is now oc-

BIG EASTERN FINANCIER ON WILLOW CREEK

J. D. Hibbard, of Chicago, Pays Vale a Visit---Interested in

IRRIGATION PROJECT

President of American Security Company of Chicago Goes to Brogan with Other Capitalists -- Legal Tangle Involving Three Companies Brought Up Again in Court.

J. D. Hibbard, president of the American Security Company of Chicago, was in Vale Wednesday while on his way to Brogan on a business trip in connection with the promotion of the Willow River project. With Mr. Hibbard were W. F. Day and James Green of Brogan who had gone to Boise to meet him.

Mr. Hibbard is one of the principal factors in the Chicago and Eastern financial world, money from which is being extensively used in the developof the valuable arid sections of the northwest country. He is particularly interested at this time in the Willow River project.

River project.

The relations of the Eastern Oregon Land company, the Willow River Land & Irrigation company and the Malheur Valley Railroad company are said to have been complicated through the filing of two additional suits in the United States court at Portland Saturday, upon transcripts from Malheur county.

Five law suits were previously on the records of the federal court and in a number of them the evidence has been taken. Each of them involves the right to construct ditches or rail-

IS COMPLETED Dalles military wagon road grant, running from The Dalles to Vale, and Vale now has telegrant connection with the outside world, the Western Union line having been completed yesterday. The instruments were installed in the depot yesterday and messages can now be sent from that office. Agent Manes states that people will be given day and night rate services although the office will not be open nights. All messages will have to be filed before six o'clock.

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Bank in Good Condition

The Malheur Valley railroad is a branch of the Oregon Railway & Navigation company's road, which has been built from Vale to Brogan on Willow Creek.

The recent suits filed pertain to the condemnation of rights-of-way over the lands of the Eastern Oregon Land company for the ditches of the irrigation company, as well as the roadbed of the

The Eastern Oregon Land company is standing upon the theory of riparian rights for the use of water from Willow river for irrigation purposes,

company.

CHARLES BUYS PARTNER'S INTEREST IN THE VALE TRANSFER COMPANY

C. E. Charles is now the sole propri-etor of the Vale Transfer Co. having recently purchased the interests of his partner, Mr. Gay. Mr. Charles is pre-pared to do all kinds of transfer work to and from the depot as well as any kind of work in the city. If you have orders phone to the Vale Saddlery or to Mr. Charles residence.

COUNTY JUDGE GOOD ROADS ENTHUSIAST

Is the Only Method by Which Malheur County Can Build Good Permanent Roads-Amendment

to be Voted On.

County Judge B. C. Richardson has become a Good Roads booster during the past week and has been scattering a large amount of "Good Roads" literature to the voters of this county, which had been sent to him by the Oregon Good Roads Association of Portland.

The pamphlet tells why the "good

Portland.

The pamphlet tells why the "good roads" amendment to the Constitution should be adopted and Judge Richardson believes that if passed the county as a whole would be greatly benefitted.

It is proposed to amend Section 10 so as to read as follows:

"Section 10: Article XI: No county shall create any debts or liabilities which shall singly or in the aggregate exceed the sum of five thousand dollars, except to suppress insurrection or re-

exceed the sum or five thousand dollars, except to suppress insurrection or re-pel invasion, or to build permanent roads shall be incurred only on approv-al of a majority of those voting on the

of interest as they may determine; in short, this amendment is but additional grant of power to the people of each county to manage their own business.

The Eastern Oregon Land company is the successor to the title of the old grant, IN FEDERAL COURT

Elwood L. Clark, former cashier of the United States National Bank of this city, was placed under \$10,000 bonds this week to appear before the Federal court the latter part of this month Clark furnished bonds and promised United States Marshal Hammersly to be in Portland at the stated time.

LOST Two saddle horses, one a buckskin, branded on left shoulder with U T E letters all connected. The other a blue roan, black mane and tail, branded on left shoulder L F letters connected. Reward of ten dollars each. Return to C. A. Stout, Riverside.

The Oregon-Idaho Lumber Co. can save you money on your material.

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SHORT LINE CHIEF OVER **NEW ROUTE**

Believes Bonding of County Of Proposed Extension of Malheur Valley Railroad from Brogan

STRADLEY AFTER DATA

Visit of Consulting Engineer From Salt Lake City Indicates That New Railroad Construction Will be Taken up at Stockholders Meeting on Wed-

The hurried visit in this city on Wednesday of Carl Stradley, consulting engineer of the Oregon Short Line, who was returning to headquarters at Salt Lake City, after a flying trip through John Day Valley, Brogan and over the Malheur Valley railroad, again verifies the report of the proposed extension of the Brogan railroad which appeared exclusively in the Enterprise on August 20th.

pel invasion, or to build permanent roads shall be incurred only on approval of a majority of those voting on the question."

The amendment grants to the people of each county the power to pledge the credit of their coounty for money to build permanent public roads. The question whether or not a county should pledge its credit to raise money for building any permanent road would be submitted to a vote of the people of that county and would be decided by a majority vote. The people of any county may issue bonds or warrants, or any form of obligation they desire, for such length of time and at such rate of interest as they may determine; in short, this amendment is but addition.

Engineer Stardley was only in Vale a short time but it was learned that he was pleased with the proposed cut-off of the main line to join the O. R. & N. railroad near the mouth of the John Day river. In fact Stradley stated that he had the data in his pocket and that everything was alright. It is now believed that he was rushing back to Salt Lake City to be present at the meeting of the stockholders of the Oregon Short Line to be held next Wednesday when the stockholders will be asked to approve a proposition to increase the capital stock of the company from \$27,500,000 to \$100,000,000.

The increase of \$72,500,000 if granted. Wednesday when the stockholders will be asked to approve a proposition to increase the capital stock of the company from \$27,500,000 to \$100,000,000. The increase of \$72,500,000, if granted, it is understood is to be used for new construction work on the Oregon Short Line next year. The hurried trip of this Short Line engineer shows that there is something in the air in railroad circles which will be decided upon at the stockholders meeting.

> Longer evenings demand electric light. In the Fall and Winter its use is greater and the cheery convenience make the long hours at home pass pleasantly. Vale Light & Water Co. Nelsen Bldg.

NEW DRILL FOR OIL ASSESSMENT WORK

Another rotary oil well drilling rig arrived in Vale this week from Fort Worth, Kansas. It is the property of George Hart of this city who will begin at once on the assessment of his oil holdings. The machine will drill a hole one thousand feet deep.

mersly to be in Portland at the stated time.

Bank officers caused Clark's arrest for exceeding his authority as cashier. The bank is holding Clark's stock to secure it from loss. Special Inspector Goodhart had this placed in the hands of President Thebaud for security. Clark has now filed suit against the bank for recovery of his property alleging that \$20,000 of accounts are charged to him as bank accounts.

L. J. Hadley, former president, has also filed suit against the old officers, and since then J. M. P. Corson, who had purchased bank stock amounting to \$5000, paying \$180 per share which really was only worth \$125, sues to recover \$2,750.

These suits are all against the old officers. The bank under the new management is said to be in the best condition.

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C. H. OXMAN QUITS

THE HARPER PROJECT

On account of large amount of other business, C. H. Oxman of this city, has severed his connections with the Harper Basin irrigation project. Interested in this project with Mr. Oxman were W. W. Caviness and Geo. W. Hayes, who will carry on the proposition. The Harper Basin project has been reported by the assistant state engineer, on his last visit, as the most feasible in the country on account of its location, water rights and elevation.

CALDWELL YOUNG LADY. WELL KNOWN HERE, DIES

Mrs. B. J. McLaughlin was called to Caldwell on Tucaday by the death of her neice, Miss Minnie Froman. Con-sumption was the cause of death. Deceased was the daughter or I. S. Fro-man and was 20 years of age. Miss Froman was well known in this city, having visited here with relatives and friends many times.

1,250,000 ACRES NEAR VALE OPEN TO HOMESEEKERS

One million and a quarter acres of land tributary to Vale has been placed on record in the local United States land office as subject to entry. In last week's issue of the Enterprise appeared the exact designation of this vast tract of land as to township and section. The north boundary of this tract lies due west of Vale, the nearest section being 25 miles west of this city and the tract extends to the Harney county line or the west boundary of this land district. The lands extends south for a distance of 75 miles. This tract is designated by the land office department as non-irrigable land and the larger part is said to be especially adapted to dry-farming. Homesteads are obtainable under the enlarged homestead act of February 19, 1909, which in part states that 320 acres can be taken up. Five years residence must be made and entrymen must show that part of the land has been cultivated. Commutation is not allowed under this act.



Mutt and Jeff in Vale----Jeff Springs a Surprise on His Old Pal.

[With apologies to Bud Fisher