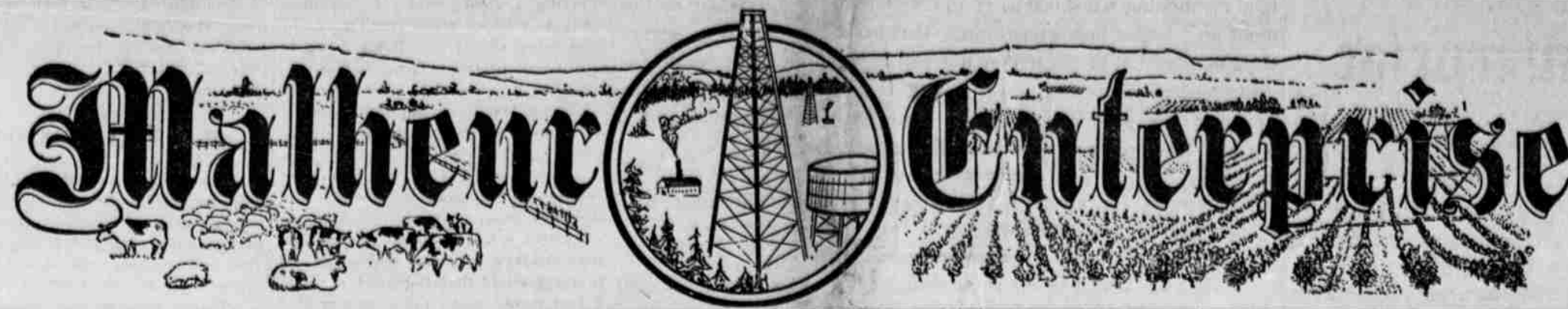


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27 MILES OF R. R. EXTENSION IS CALLED FOR

Construction Engineer Ashton Puts In Application to O. S. L. Directors

FROM VALE ON WEST

Application Said To Be Looked Upon as Favorable--Would Mean Road Building of Harriman trans-Oregon Line in Early Spring--Closing Right-of-way.

Railroad building at this time looks more promising than ever before. A few days ago Construction Engineer D. H. Ashton, of the local construction office, sent in to headquarters of the Oregon Short Line system at Salt Lake City an application for the construction of an extension of 27 miles of road bed and track from Vale on west.

This matter will be taken up shortly at the directors' meeting along with other proposed extensions to be made early next year. It will be remembered that last month the stockholders of the Oregon Short Line voted an increase of \$72,500,000 to the road's capital stock, making a total capitalization of \$100,000,000. It is the plans of the Short Line people to use a large part of this money in the construction of the proposed extension from Vale across the state.

When asked whether he thought the application for the extension would be granted, Engineer Ashton only smiled and replied that he was not allowed to say. But the smile was one of satisfaction and easily a reply that everything was most favorable for the beginning of construction work on the Harriman trans-Oregon line in the spring from this point. It was also gathered that as soon as the 27-mile extension was completed further appropriations would be made to carry on the road across the state to meet the Deschutes line.

All this is verified by the presence in Vale this week of Right-of-way Agent H. B. Thompson of the O. S. L. headquarters at Salt Lake City. Mr. Thompson, who secures and closes all titles to

right-of-way wherever the Short Line is to build extensions, has been working on right-of-way here and put in the past few days among the record books in the county clerk's office.

Mr. Thompson states that right-of-ways are being closed very satisfactorily in many cases but that a few ranchers are still bound to obstruct railroad construction by demanding exorbitant prices for their right-of-way. He has almost come to the conclusion that ranchers of this vicinity are not in favor of railroads.

NEW PROJECT PROMOTED IN THE FAMOUS OWYHEE DISTRICT

T. W. Clagget, of the Eastern Oregon Land Co., with headquarters in this city was over in the Owyhee district the past week, returning home on Wednesday. With a number of persons interested in the irrigation of the lands formerly under the Owyhee district, he expects to get plans under way for the construction of the project. They visited the reservoir site and it is now the intention to cut down the size of the former proposed project by using lower grades for the canals.

NYSSA OPERA HOUSE BURNS

Big Building Entirely Destroyed By Fire--Total Loss Estimated at \$6000

Fire, believed to have originated from a spark from a passing engine, completely destroyed the Nyssa opera house at an early hour Tuesday morning entailing a loss of approximately \$6000, the fire being the most damaging that ever visited the town of Nyssa.

The building was valued at \$3000 and was owned by Sidney Miller, who had leased the lower floor to the Nyssa Produce company for packing apples. The firm had a big shipment of fancy fruit in the building and sustained a loss of \$4000. The fruit had been ready for shipment for some time but as the railroad company had not furnished cars, shipment was delayed and the loss to the company was total.

The building burned was insured for \$2000 but the Nyssa Produce company which had been expecting to move its fruit daily, did not have the apples insured and will suffer heavily because of the loss.

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

When in Vale eat at the Arlington hotel.

WHY ODELL SHOULD BE RE-ELECTED

An officer of the law who has filled his office for two terms and during that time has won an enviable reputation and who has always accomplished what he started to do cannot always be found. Any county should be proud to have such a person consent to have his name used by the voters for re-election.

Sheriff Bob Odell is no doubt the most popular sheriff ever elected to that office in Malheur county. His record has indeed been an enviable one. Few sheriffs in the state have made such a record as Sheriff Odell's. His name is mentioned on every side, in every part of the county as the only man for the office. The record Bob has made in the hunt for the large number of lawbreakers in the recent epidemic of horse thievery as well as in other criminal cases, has few equals. In fact, Malheur county has never had such a man before in that position, that when he started on a lawbreakers' trail he always returned to the county seat with him.

Sheriff Bob Odell has been a faithful officer, and even during the past term when the office duties have increased 100 per cent and the outside work in criminal cases increased 200 per cent, he was always calm, cool, and ready for his work. At all times he has been on the job. The sheriff's office has always had a cordial welcome for all citizens and taxpayers who had business to transact. It has always been a pleasure to deal with Sheriff Odell, and his courteous manner and attention to duties has won him friends from every city and district in the county.

To make matters short Sheriff Bob Odell should be re-elected. He should succeed himself as Sheriff. Every voter will at once see the advantage of re-electing an officer--especially a sheriff--who has proven himself to possess such sterling qualities as Bob Odell possesses for that particular office. Abide by that old saying--"Let well enough alone."

Supt. Boyd makes no promises and thus will have none to keep.

RICH STRIKE CAUSES MUCH EXCITEMENT

At Humboldt Mine Over in the Famous Mormon Basin

HIGH GRADE ORE STRUCK

Another of Malheur Countys' Gold Mines Makes Good--Assays Show Six Inches of Ore--That Will Yield \$1350 per Ton--Mines Have Been Operated For Number of Years.

Last Saturday C. P. Loomis, Superintendent of the Humboldt mine in Mormon Basin, called up Fred B. Mellis, the president of the company, and informed him that he had finally cut into the ore body of the west end on the lower level and that his assays show six inches of ore that will go \$1350 per ton, and along side of it five feet of ore averaging \$30.12 per ton says the Baker City Democrat.

A similar grade of ore was demonstrated in this mine at different points during former developments, but owing to the floods of last season an entirely new drift had to be run, and while this last report was not entirely unexpected it is of course exceedingly gratifying to the management.

A letter received from S. Porter Colt states that the strike has caused great excitement in the Basin and is the only topic of conversation in the camp. Mr. Colt is operating the old Mormon Basin placer mines below the Humboldt, that have been constantly and profitably operated during the past forty years.

CHAMBER TO MEET ON NEXT MONDAY

A meeting of the Chamber of Commerce is called for Monday, Nov. 7th, at 8 o'clock p. m. to discuss important matters:--

Present electric light and power service and rates.

Endorsement of petition asking Oregon Short Line to stop trains 17 and 18 at Ontario.

Dr. Roberts guarantees his glasses to fit.

ONE-CENT POSTAGE RATE DISCUSSED

Inauguration of New Rate on First-Class Mail Matter Would Please All

In an Associated Press dispatch from Washington, D. C., it is stated that Postmaster-General Hitchcock makes the prophecy of a one-cent letter postage and a self-sustaining postal service.

The deficit of the previous fiscal year was \$17,500,000, so that in one year the deficit was reduced \$6,100,000. In commenting upon the saving of \$11,500,000 last year, Mr. Hitchcock said: "This tremendous saving was made without curtailment of the postal facilities in any direction. On the contrary, there were many important extensions."

The tables indicate that more than 1500 new postoffices were established in the last fiscal year. Great extensions were made in the rural delivery system. 515 new routes, with a total mileage of 12,235, being put into operation.

LOVE'S DREAM WAS OF SHORT DURATION

Couple Married in Vale Less Than a Year Ago--Cupid Sees Mistake

Mrs. Alice Montgomery awoke from love's young dream with a suddenness that jolted the sentimental sensibilities of John Montgomery soon after their marriage, and in less than a year she reigned absolutely, according to the recital of their marital woes set forth in a complaint filed by the sorrowing husband in the district court, through Attorney T. D. Cahalan, says the Boise Statesman.

married at Vale, Ore., August 28, 1906, and on August 15, 1907. Just a year lacking 13 days, the defendant, disregarding the solemnity of her marriage vow, wilfully and without cause deserted and abandoned the plaintiff, and ever since has lived separately and apart from him without his will, wish or consent.

Montgomery casts no serious reflection on his wife, but asks that the bonds of matrimony existing between them be dissolved.

MRS. HULL PASSES AWAY

BODY TAKEN TO KANSAS

Mrs. S. J. Hull of this city passed away last Saturday. She was born in Kansas in 1874 and came to Vale last February. Deceased leaves a husband and four children. The funeral was held Monday at the residence of Carey Hull. The body was taken to Kansas for burial.

TWO BIG FIRES AT ANNEX

"Near Beer" Halls Across River From Weiser, Destroyed by Fire Last Friday

Early last Saturday morning two "near-beer" saloons that were being operated at Annex, in this county, opposite Weiser, were burned to the ground with all their contents. No one was in either resort when the fire occurred and no fire had been in either for several hours.

One of the buildings destroyed belongs to a prominent Boise real estate firm and was valued at about \$1200.

The other was a smaller building, worth probably \$500. The buildings were on opposite sides of the street, probably 100 yards apart. The work is undoubtedly the same as that reported from that section that the saloons would not be allowed to operate.

The local opinion is strong in that section, and it is believed the radical "drys" have taken this means of getting rid of the saloons. In one of the buildings the owner had \$200 or more that was consumed; he also had a considerable stock of liquors.

The affair has created considerable talk in this section, and it is the consensus of opinion that the "drys" have not helped their cause by resorting to criminal actions.

The owners of the buildings propose to sift the matter to the bottom and if the person or persons who set fire to the buildings can be located charges of arson will be filed against them. Persons who have had "dry" tendencies spoke their mind freely and declaim their opposition to any such methods, saying if the saloons cannot be closed by lawful means they will vote to retain them. It is believed the affair will react on the "dry" element. A reward has been offered for the arrest of the perpetrator.

LARGE PLUMBING SHOP WITH EXPERT PLUMBERS FOR VALE

Pete DuFord has returned from a trip to Boise where he made arrangements to enlarge his plumbing plant by the addition of a full line of plumbing and heating supplies. Pete's work speaks for itself. Let anyone look at the plumbing work throughout the Nelson building, it cannot be any better. He will employ several first class plumbers, one of whom is considered the best in Boise and who now has charge of the "Acme Plumbing Co." of Boise.

ATTENTION LADIES!

Allen-Bone's store on Main St. has just received a fine line of fancy Ribbons, Embroidered Silks, Ruchings and all kinds of fancy work for the ladies. Call in and see this new stock.

BURNS-TO-BEND LINE SURVEYED

Lakeview, Ore., Nov. 4 (Special):--The Oregon Trunk Railway Company has filed in the local Federal Land Office railway right-of-way maps, covering a distance of 58.25 miles from a point in township 23 south, range 25 east, west of Riley, Or., to a point in township 20 south, range 17 east, Willamette meridian, east of the Pauline Mountains. This is supposed to be an extension of the proposed line from Burns to Bend and is undoubtedly intended to develop the large area of military road grant land along the route.

MORE LAND IS THROWN OPEN TO SETTLERS

New Tract Situated near Jordan Valley--Whole Township

IS DRY FARMING LAND

Records of Vale United States Land Office Show that Many Homeseekers Are Taking Advantage of the 1,250,000 Acres of Dry Farming Land Open to Entry.

In addition to the 1,250,000 acres of government land in this county which were opened to entry a few weeks ago in the United States land office of this city, the entire township 29 range 45 east was placed on the records last Tuesday as subject to entry by homesteaders.

This township, situated near Jordan Valley, is said to be especially adapted to dry farming, and comes under the enlarged homestead land act. The elevation of this tract of land is about the same as the famous wheat belt of the state of Washington, and as large returns will be harvested from this land by ranchers who will follow out Prof. Shaw, the Great Northern soil experts' dry farming methods which were printed exclusively in The Enterprise a few weeks ago.

The large number of Vale U. S. land office records printed in this issue will give an idea how homeseekers are flocking to Vale in order to take advantage of this opportunity of making new homes for themselves.

J. F. MILLER FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR

J. F. Miller, republican nominee for County Surveyor, is a Civil Engineer of wide experience. Voters can't go wrong by casting their ballot for him. Since coming to Malheur County Mr. Miller has bought and built himself a home at Vale and is a tax payer and has the interest of the Malheur County at heart. His last work was in running of surveys and working out an estimate for the Malheur Irrigation project.

Do not forget to cast your ballot for him next Tuesday.

HOBGOBLINS AND SPOOK HIGH-JINKS

Large Crowd Makes Merry Hal-lowe'n at Episcopal Club Social Last Monday

Hobgoblins and spooks held high-jinks in the opera house last Monday night at the Hallowe'en party given under the auspices of the Episcopal Club. The hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion and all those present report a jolly good time.

The program of the evening consisted of solos by Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Mueller and Mr. E. B. Fulton. Miss Nellie Bradley recited an appropriate recitation, and the Spook Orchestra was there with "the goods."

The affair was a benefit for the Episcopal church and \$20 was added to the building fund.

Stop at the Arlington hotel when in Vale.

Finest and complicated watch repairing done on short notice at Propet's Jewelry store.

CAPITALISTS LOOK OVER PROJECT

In Jordan Valley and Are Well Pleased--May Mean Immediate Construction

The Palmer-Parks irrigation project, which the State engineer of Oregon has pronounced as the most feasible project in the state is being inspected this week by capitalists with a view of furnishing the money for construction, says the Jordan Valley Express. Yesterday they visited the reservoir site, and were very much pleased with it.

Nowhere in the west can a better or cheaper dam be constructed to reser-

voir a greater amount of water for the cost of construction.

The supply of water is abundant, and the lands coming under this project could easily be supplied with more water than required.

Today they are looking over the lands coming under this irrigation system, and will probably take several days for this part of their inspection.

Judge Allison and Captain Carter, of Boise, accompanied by Fred Rickerson and another engineer, are among those looking over the project.

MALHEUR RANCHERS JOIN NEW VALLEY IRRIGATION PROJECT

Ranchers of the Malheur Valley are signing up daily on the \$1,500,000 corporation for the watering of their ranches, and the list has now grown to 45 signatures. The meeting of last Saturday evening at the White Star school house resulted in the securing of five new names to the association.

Everything now looks most favorable and definite steps may be taken at the meeting of the valley ranchers to be held in the Chamber of Commerce today.

\$50,000 HAUL FROM IDITAROD

Vale Carpenter and Partner Sell Their Claim in Alaska for Good Sum

James W. Orr arrived last Sunday in Vale from the famous Iditarod mining district of Alaska where he and his partner Dan Brown, of this city who has been doing carpenter work for Bayles & McDonald, recently sold their rich claim for \$50,000.

Mr. Orr was favorably impressed with Vale, and although he and Mr. Brown left on Wednesday for Coos Bay it is very probable that they will return here to invest some of their newly-found riches.

THE RIGHT MAN FOR RIGHT PLACE

The most important of the county offices for which the electors will cast their ballot on November 8th is the office of County Clerk. For such an office the requirements are many and few office seekers can fill it as it should be. The county clerk must first be an office man of unquestionable character, one who will treat all persons calling into that department equally, fairly and squarely. The county clerk must be of a pleasing personality, a person who will always do his best to answer all questions put to him by the many people calling on business affairs; he must be courteous, prompt, accurate and especially careful. His whole heart must be in his work--that of serving the best interests of the county and of the taxpayers.

Frank L. Morfitt, the Republican nominee for County Clerk is just such a man. That he will fill all the requirements of the office The Enterprise does not hesitate to vouch. Frank Morfitt, during his service as deputy sheriff, in whose hands have been all the work and records of the tax department of Malheur county during the past several years, has proven his ability, his conscientiousness in his work, his accuracy, and a number of other qualities rarely to be found.

The office of county clerk should be turned over to Mr. Morfitt at the November election. The voters cannot go wrong in voting for Frank Morfitt on next Tuesday for that important office will then be in safe hands.

WANTED--A good organ for school use. Write or send price, description etc. to L. J. Caldwell, teacher, White Star school.

Lucerne butter costs your merchant a little more, but it is worth the money. See that he gives it to you.

MINERS WILL DO DEVELOPMENT WORK

Van Curtis of near this city has gone to Silver City, Nevada, with two practical miners where for the next 40 days they will do development work on the Village Blacksmith mine. They will continue the driving of the main tunnel which is now 600 feet into the mountainside. It is learned that they are drifting on a body of low grade ore which was struck last fall.

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

Highest cash prices paid for all kinds of Furs--Apply F. B. Glenn, Vale.

O. S. L. OFFICE MOVES IN NEW FREIGHT DEPOT

To Be Temporary Quarters of Ticket and Telegraph Offices

BRICK DEPOT GOES UP

In Thirty Days Says Ashton--Building Department of Oregon Short Line Ready to Commence Work on Beautiful \$20,000 Brick Union Passenger Station.

Construction work on the proposed \$20,000 brick passenger depot in the local yards will now probably be started within 30 days, stated Engineer Ashton yesterday afternoon. All the work in the local yards, mainly the erection of the large freight depot, is now completed and it is understood that the passenger depot is next in order. A large part of the wood work, such as doors and window sash, has already been turned out at the carpenter shops of the company at Pocatello.

The filling in of the yards, announced some time ago in the Enterprise, has been postponed as additional right-of-ways across the irrigation ditch for the railroad yards have not been settled pending the securing of proper titles from the road land grant owners in St. Paul. The big steam shovel to be used in this enormous job was to have been shipped a few weeks ago but the order was cancelled indefinitely until proper deed titles can be secured for the additional right-of-way. According to maps a number of switching tracks are to be put down in the yards and the present temporary tracks raised two and a half feet.

Wiring is now being completed in the office of the freight depot for electric lights, telegraph instruments, and in a day or two the ticket, express and baggage offices will be moved into temporary quarters until the erection of the new passenger depot.

The main track of the O. S. L. extension, better known as the Oregon and Eastern track has been raised several feet and ballasted as far as the freight depot and the passenger platform has already been moved near the freight depot.

MORMON BOY MINE GOES TO NEW OWNERS

Development Work Will Be Carried On in Earnest From Now On

Another producing gold mine is promised for this district within the next year, in the Mormon Boy property in Cable Cove. The sale of the mine has just been made to Sidney C. Lowe, who has taken charge, and is making preparations for development work during the winter.

The property has heretofore shown rich ore, which has been treated in the reduction plants. There is now considerable ore blocked out in the workings, with conditions favorable for greatly increasing the ore reserves by a small amount of additional development.

LET THE PEOPLE RULE

Vote to Keep the Direct Primary, the Referendum, Statement No. 1, and other laws which make it possible for the People to Rule in Oregon, on the Statute Books.

The Assembly and the Corporations wish to elect men who will Nullify these laws, or what is more to their liking, do away with them altogether.

Principle is above party--above all parties. Vote your honest sentiments and keep on good terms with your conscience.

You will make no mistake if you will vote for men who are known to be friendly to the people's rule.

West is for the Primary and Statement No. 1. Bowerman was nominated by the Assembly and is secretly opposed to the people's rule. Elect West and defeat Bowerman, if you are opposed to the old convention hoodlump system.