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Harriman System Heading Off Proposed Invasion of the Big-Four Combination by Present Railroad Building Activity

NEW DAM TO BRING WATER INTO PIPE LINE

City Council Orders Estimates To Be Made At by Engineer

WILL INCREASE FLOW

Council To Provide Sidewalk Grade for Property Owners But Will Not Locate Corners of Private Property--Permit for Tent Show Refused

At last Tuesday meeting of the city council it was decided to place Vale's city water in good working condition and City Engineer Oakes was ordered to make tests in the surrounding strata of the ground at the Willow Springs for the purpose of making an estimate on the building of a bedrock concrete dam to impound all of the waters of the springs and thus turn all of the flow into the pipe line feeding the water system of the city.

Among other things of importance taken up at the meeting was the matter of sprinkling the city street. Several bids were read and finally all were placed in the hands of the fire and water committee because none of the bidders specified any special terms or agreement as to the territory to be sprinkled and also the time that the sprinkling work was to be carried on. The bids varied from \$115 to \$150 per month.

An application for a permit to put up a tent on the Hadley property across the street from the First National Bank was turned down because of the fire ordinance which prohibits the erection of any building except fireproof structures. The applicant stated that he wanted to operate a moving picture show in the tent.

Considerable discussion was given to the matter of running grades along Cottage street for a number of people who wanted to put down some cement sidewalks. The city council was willing to have the city engineer provide the property owner with the sidewalk grade but decided that it was up to the property owner to locate his own property corners. The latter phase had been brought up indirectly by Mr. Tipton who wanted the city to go to the expense of locating the right corners of his property. The grade will be furnished by the city engineers as soon as the walks are to be laid down.

QUALITY OF WOOL WILL BE SUPERIOR

This Year's Crop Will Surpass Those of The Past Two Years Says Tom Turnbull--Lambing Season Is On Big Returns Are Expected

Tom Turnbull, one of Malheur County's biggest and most successful sheepmen, while in the city the fore part of the week corroborated all the statements of other sheepmen from various sections in stating that the crop of wool would not only be larger this year but would be of better quality than that of the past two years. The range is picking up in great shape and there is plenty of greenfeed in the Barren Valley country. The lambing season is on and Mr. Turnbull stated that with the continuance of the fine weather the lambing season would prove to be a most successful one. Shearing in the Crowley country will not commence until about the 10th of May.

Although all of the registration books have not yet been received at the county clerk's office, it is learned from Registration Clerk Sackett that there will be 1800 registered voters, a much larger number than at the last general election.

VALE HAS LOYAL BOOSTER AMONG THE FAIRER SEX

Copies of The Enterprise Sent By Miss Mayte Harland Furnish All Required Information

That Vale has some loyal boosters among the fairer sex has been brought to light through letter handed the Enterprise today. The communication was written to Miss Matye Harland of this city by R. E. Dawdy, cashier of the Lumberman's bank of Hoquiam, Wash., an institution capitalized at \$100,000. The Mr. W. E. Ferree referred to as reading the Malheur Enterprise is president of the bank. The letter in part reads: "Both Mr. Ferree and myself wish to thank you for the papers received last evening. The writer devoured them last evening and Mr. Ferree will go through them today. A place should be found for you on the boosting committee of your commercial club. The papers covered all the ground of the inquiry and more too. Eastern Oregon is considered by most people that we talk with as a desolate waste and but few take the time or trouble to learn anything about it. Your banks show a good healthy condition and judging from the papers received it will only be a short time until you will have as good a country as the Yakima belt."

BALLOTS FOR PRIMARIES ARE BEING SENT OUT

Clerk Morfitt Sees Big Job Completed and Turns Election Matter to Sheriff Kerfoot for Distribution to the Various Voting Precincts of the County

County Clerk Frank Morfitt has been the busiest man in the county the past week on account of the vast amount of work required of that official in getting out the data for the ballots to be used at the primary election. Although handicapped by shortness of time, provided by law, Clerk Morfitt who has the reputation of doing his office work in the most satisfactory manner as well as always attending to duties required of that most exacting office, saw that the ballots were placed in the hands of the printer and completed in due time in order that all the primary election matter be sent out by the sheriff to each voting precinct as prescribed by law.

The ballot to be voted at the coming election is nothing small for it measures 15x22 inches, the Republican containing the names of 76 candidates as well as space for names to be written in, if desired, for the different national, state, district and county offices. The Democratic ballot contains the names of 60 candidates.

ALL ABOARD FOR ONTARIO

A Special Train Will Be Run To First Ball Game of The League Series

Get aboard of the special excursion train on next Sunday bound for Ontario where will be played the first game of the series of the Idaho-Oregon baseball association. Vale and Ontario will cross bats that day on the fair grounds diamond at Ontario and from reports a vast crowd will accompany the local team. The special will leave this city about noon and will return after the game. Special round trip rates will be in effect for the occasion and every resident of this city and tributary territory should avail themselves of this splendid opportunity to show their loyalty to the home team. The game promises to be better than last Sunday's fine exhibition, and the support given the Vale team will have a great influence in making tomorrow's game a victory for Vale. Be one of Vale's boosters at Ontario and cheer the home team to victory.

FIGHT FOR SUPREMACY OF NEW TERRITORY IS ON

Harriman Forces Pushing Work on Extension beyond Emmett as Well as on the Oregon Eastern Here

That the Harriman system is to take no chances on the proposed invasion of its territory by the north to south transcontinental line of the big-four combination backed by James J. Hill, as exclusively given out in last week's issue of the Malheur Enterprise, is now plain by the rushing of forces on the Emmett extension of the Idaho Northern to the Payette Lakes.

As was learned last week, it is the plan of the Hill-Rock Island-Chicago Northwestern-and-Canadian Pacific combination to rush a line at once from British Columbia to San Francisco and thus invade a Harriman stronghold. Fearing this move the Harriman people have been getting busy by not only ordering rush work on the Oregon Eastern but also on the Emmett extension for the supremacy of central and Eastern Oregon country as well as the central Idaho territory.

CHANGE IN SCHEDULE OF BROGAN TRAIN STIRS PEOPLE OF THE WILLOW VALLEY

The people of Brogan and Jamieson have been up in arms since the train service to the Willow River valley points has been cut down to three times per week. They say that they are entitled to better service than is now being given and are taking steps to have the six-trips a week schedule resumed. Petitions have been circulated during the past week and have already been sent to the railroad company and the railroad commission as well as to Congressman Lafferty who is being asked to secure a better mail service for the people of that growing section.

That the people of Willow River are entitled to better service than the present tri-weekly schedule gives them is the opinion of every resident of this section, especially at this time of the year

DITCHES ARE CHANGED BY RAILROAD CREWS

A. W. Glenn, of this city, who made a trip to his ranch near the mouth of the Malheur canyon on Monday reports railroad grading progressing rapidly in the upper valley. The Healin Brothers crews were working on the Malheur Farmers irrigation ditch whose course had to be changed on account of the throwing up of the roadbed grade of the Oregon Eastern railroad. They had about a mile of the new ditch completed running from the upper part of the Glenn ranch to ward the mouth of the canyon.

OLD-TIME FRONTIER 4TH OF JULY

Will be Held on Vale's Business Streets--With the Exception of Ball Games To Be Played at The Ball Park --- Promises to be Biggest Celebration Held

Vale is assured of an old-time Frontier Fourth of July, the committee having on last Tuesday evening secured a permit from the city council to use, the street and collect the money from the numerous carnival attractions that are to be placed on all the side streets.

According to W. G. Norton, of the Fourth of July committee, the only streets that will not be crowded with attractions will be Main and A Streets. All the other streets will make room for carnival shows and other attractions but will have a travel passage way during the two days of the celebration, July 4th and 5th.

Chairman Norton states that some public spirited citizens are willing to donate the use of vacant lots for the erection of tents and arbors to provide shade for the vast crowd expected. It is the intention to send for a carload of evergreens for the erection of the arbors and rest places. He also reports that the committee has already written to a number of carnival companies.

Advertising pays. Don't forget it.

MORE ORCHARDS TO REPLACE THE ARID SAGE BRUSH TRACTS

In order to develop large tracts of land into orchards, S. D. Dorman, Florence B. Dorman and Frederick S. Bailey have filed with County Clerk Morfitt during the past week articles of incorporation for the St. Paul Orchards Company. The articles state that the capitalization of the company will be \$75,000 divided up into 750 shares of the par value of \$100. The land is located between Ontario and Nyssa and lies east of the city.

OIL DRILLING TO RESUME AT MALHEUR

J. D. Miles Returns With Good News and Operations Will Continue Until Oil Is Found or Company Satisfied--Well Now 2200 Feet Deep

That drilling operations are to be resumed at the Malheur oil well, in the south Vale oil field is the information brought to this city last Saturday by J. D. Miles, who returned from a few months' visit at his home in Baker. The news will be well received in this city for Mr. Miles, who is well-known here, having had charge of the operations at the Malheur well for two years, states that his company is going out to win. By this he means that drilling operations will be continued until oil is found or until the time when they are satisfied that their efforts have been well spent in the development of this new oil field.

Mr. Miles went out to the Malheur well Monday in order to take charge of things while George Nyquist, who has been taking care of the rig, makes a ten days' visit to his parents in Cambridge, Idaho. During that time Mr. Miles will get the rig in shape for pumping the water out of the well preparatory to casing and cementing to the bottom of the present hole which is down to a depth of 2200 feet. A new cable 3000 feet long and a new underreamer have been ordered, and work will begin in earnest in about ten days or two weeks. A 7 5-8 casing will be dropped to the bottom of the present hole so that the cementing can be done and the water shut off. A 5 5-8 casing will be used in the new work.

NEW PEOPLE ARE LOCATING HERE

Bert Dunnuck arrived in Vale from Nampa last week and will open a first-class tailoring establishment in the new Boswell block, one door east of the Swan barber shop. E. Davis, an expert veterinary surgeon arrived from Kansas City some days ago and will make Vale his home. Mr. Davis has his office at the Schumers & Davies stables.

IMPORTANT MATTERS UP FOR DISCUSSION AT WEEKLY SESSION OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The four delegates to the Northwest Development league convention to be held in Seattle in June were not appointed at the last session of the Chamber of Commerce as expected. The reason for this was the fact that President George E. Davis was most anxious to secure as delegates to that important convention persons who would really be sure to make the trip and attend the meetings. For that reason the appointments were left over for next Monday evening. Among other matters that were taken up last Monday evening was the Fourth of July celebration, and H. K. Dunlop of the committee reported that they were locally engaged in securing some carnival attractions. Nothing was done in the matter of raising a

GRAND JURY TO CONVENE NEXT MONDAY

Circuit Court Term Slated To Commence on April 22nd

DOCKET IS LARGE ONE

Many Civil and Criminal Cases To Be Taken Up--One Oregon Eastern Railroad Construction Suit To Be Up For Trial--First Part of Week

The grand jury will convene in this city on next Monday, April 15, to take up its work before the regular April term of the circuit court for this county which will commence on the 22nd.

The docket for this term will be a large one on account of the numerous cases, both criminal and civil, which piled up since the last regular term. Judge Biggs, district Attorney McCulloch and a number of the attorneys of this county, have been attending court during the past week at Burns.

FLYNN RETURNS FROM EAST AND SEES PROGRESS

Vale Resident is Astonished at Wonderful Improvements --- Reports Read While in the East Are Corroborated when He Sees Real Development

"Every time I come back to Vale I notice great improvements have been made," said John F. Flynn a few days ago on his return from a several months' business visit at Worthington, Minnesota, where he still has large property interests.

"The improvements in Vale during my last trip east have been wonderful. Many new business blocks have been erected, new residences have been built, new depots have been constructed, and cement walks have been laid down in the business district, all giving the town a more metropolitan appearance. Vale is surely growing and a person who goes away for a few months certainly notices the great changes on his return."

Mr. Flynn was also pleased to see that actual railroad work was under way and that the work had proceeded so far. The erection of railroad offices, bunk houses and warehouses for the construction department of the Oregon Eastern railroad building west across the state from this city, proved to him that all the reports of railroad progress as well as of other development work, while he was away on this trip had been correctly reported.

Friday Chosen as 'Clean-Up Day' by Vale City Council

All Property, Streets and Alleys Must Be Thoroughly Cleaned on that Day--Edict to Be Strictly Enforced

WILL GIVE COUNTY THOROUGH BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Of all the candidates out for the position of County Judge, George W. McKnight is undoubtedly the best known because of the important places he has filled in years past as a delegate to most all district and state conventions where he helped nominate representatives and governors who have served creditably. He was president of the Taft club of Vale at the last presidential campaign, he organized the Malheur and Harney county wool growers association and is now serving the fifth term as president of that organization; and since he has lived in this city he has served two years as president of the Oregon state wool growers association. In all these capacities he has made good and has worked indefatigably for the best interest of the county, state and nation. He knows the county's needs, and if elected to the office of County Judge, George W. McKnight will give this county a thorough business administration and will make a success of the county's business affairs.

Next Friday has been named by the city council as "Clean-up Day". On that day every property owner and renter will be expected to clean up his yard, alleys and streets fronting the property, and place the rubbish in places where the garbage wagon can easily pick it up.

The council on last Tuesday evening decided not only to select a special day for a grand housecleaning of the city but went so far as to hire two teams and wagons whose purpose it will be to haul away free of charge to any of the property owners all of the rubbish that has either been piled up in the streets or alleys. The wagons will start on their routes at 10 o'clock next Friday and the clean-up crusade should start early. Better start today in the clean-up of the property so that the rubbish piles will be ready for the garbage man. After Friday property owners will have to haul away all the rubbish at their own expense.

It is hoped this grand crusade of the city's housecleaning will be taken up by every resident of the city early this week and that a grand finish will take place on Friday. However, it is the intention of the council to enforce the order, and those who have not heeded the edict will after Friday be served with written notices to clean up. If it is done by the city, the bill will have to be paid by the property owner.

LIFT WATER FROM RIVER TO WATER GLENN ORCHARD

For the irrigation of his large orchard acreage adjoining this city on the northeast, Frank Glenn this week installed a water-lifter operated by a gasoline engine whereby he will be able to lift water of the Malheur river to a height of 16 feet onto his tract of land recently planted to fruit trees.

Jacob Mussell, of Caldwell, representing the Idaho Water Lifter Co., arrived in town Thursday to install the plant. Similar water lifters have been used successfully in Idaho and a number of them were installed along the river below town last year. A number of residents of this city residing along the river are contemplating installing similar plants.

County Clerk Morfitt on yesterday granted a marriage license to J. W. Boushower of Weiser and Nora Krumm of Ontario.