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COUNTY ELECTION DECEMBER 15

Petitions Filed and Election Ordered.

MALHEUR COUNTY FAIR Proposition for County to Take Over Ontario Fair Will Be Submitted.

Another election is set for the people of Malheur county, Dec. 15. This election is for the purpose of deciding the question of the county taking over the property of the Fair Association at Ontario and hereafter running the fair as a county institution.

A petition was circulated and the necessary number of signers obtained and was presented to the county board. The board ordered the election in compliance with the law on the subject and the election notices have been posted calling the election on the date named.

The levy necessary to purchase the land of the association and all improvements will be one mill on the assessed valuation making the amount to be paid on each \$1,000 the sum of one dollar.

A GREAT EXODUS from the farming communities to New York City is expected. Seats in the New York Stock Exchange are now selling for \$41,000 per.

WILLOW WOOD STOCK FARM

Mr. Creel, manager of Willow Wood Stock Farm, is pleased with the outlook for his stock. There is a demand in the Palouse country for more young pigs than he can possibly supply, though he has some 700 brood stock.

"The greatest trouble we will have," said Mr. Creel, "will be in always supplying the demand so that people who have large areas of grain can be sure that their order will be filled. The home market will improve later too, which will necessitate a great increase in our facilities."

This farm will bring a large amount of money into the country, and it is to be hoped that others will take hold of the business and make this section a center for young stock supplies.

LOS ANGELES HAS a \$30,000,000 water system which will furnish the city with 250,000,000 gallons each 24 hours. A supply sufficient for a population of 2,000,000.

OREGON EXHIBITS GONE EAST

Portland, Ore., Nov. 11 (Special)—C. C. Chapman, secretary of the Oregon Development League, who is to head the Oregon delegation at the United States Land Show in Chicago, November 20 to December 8, has gone east to install the exhibit. Oregon will occupy two booths in the Land Show and will also have lecture room privileges. From five to eight Oregon representatives will be in attendance at all times.

The exhibit will consist of agricultural products of every sort, contributed by commercial clubs in all parts of the state and is one of the most complete ever assembled in Oregon. All of the exhibits were shipped from Portland last Saturday in a special baggage car via the North Bank, Great Northern and Burlington roads.

Bank Deposit Interest is Not to be Taxed at Source

WASHINGTON—Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo has notified collectors of internal revenue that the income tax on the interest on bank deposits and bank certificates of deposit is not to be withheld at the source. Institutions receiving deposits of money are not required under the income tax regulations to withhold at the source the normal income tax of 1 per cent on the interest paid, or accrued to depositors. But all such interest, whether paid or accrued and not paid, must be included in his tax return by the person entitled to receive such interest, whether on an open account or on the certificate of deposit. The secretary likewise holds that the interest upon obligations of the United States or its possessions, or any state, county, city or any other political subdivision is not subject to the income

DAN KERFOOT GOT TWO MORE

A. G. Christie and Virgil Maupin in Jail

Dan Kerfoot has added a couple of inmates to his palatial hotel. A. G. Christie, convicted of petty larceny at Ontario, has taken a suite for thirty days and Virgil Maupin, indicted for larceny by bailee will remain at the resort until court week.

SIR THOMAS LIPTON has begun work on Shamrock IV, with which he will try again to lift the America's cup. If we lose it next summer to him we couldn't lose to a better sportsman.

There is now one sweet consolation for the great majority of us. We do not have to figure out how to "comply with the income tax" and so are saved from the danger of a brain fog.

PROF. FRENCH IS VALE VISITOR

Prof. French, of the Oregon Agricultural College, appeared before the board of county commissioners on the subject of demonstration farms or farming.

There was an act passed at the last legislature permitting the state to donate to each county a sum equal to such sum as the county may provide for the purpose of demonstrating methods of handling the various crops or of handling, raising and preparing for market, live stock and their products, including poultry.

It is not the intention of the act, or of the college, to create special demonstration farms, but to select, from farms already under cultivation, those best adapted for the purpose and make some arrangement with owner.

After listening to Prof. French the board concluded to make provision for this work in their budget to be made up in December.

EXPLOSION OF GAS IS HEARD

Twenty Acres of Ground is Disrupted and Huge Boulders Hurlled into the Air

Herbert Loy reports a tremendous gas explosion about 35 miles south of Vale. The ground over 20 acres was badly disrupted and huge boulders scattered about. Any person in the immediate vicinity would have been likely to have hard work dodging boulders.

This eruption emphasizes the fact that this section is a good one to bore for oil.

SOCIETY LEADERS ENTERTAIN

Mesdames Thos. Jones and Virgil Staples continued the gay festivities which ushered in the season by giving a delightful whist party to a large number of their friends at the home of Mrs. Staples.

A most enjoyable afternoon was spent and the ladies were profuse in their encomiums on the elegance of their entertainment.

The entertainment was given in honor of Mrs. Henry Huppnich, of John Day. The rooms were artistically decorated with beautiful cut flowers.

Mrs. O. S. Osborn carried away the first prize and Mrs. E. Hayes obtained the booby prize.

The hostesses were assisted by the Misses Sasser, Edwards and Jones.

We note the headline, "Yale Gets Secret Practice." Colgate is probably practicing in public with many admiring spectators present.

AFTER MALHEUR LANDS

State of Washington Sends Desirable Citizens

The Enterprise received a call from A. L. Bozarth, of Woodland Wash., who has been looking the country over in company with Wes Caviness.

Mr. Bozarth finds much that pleases him in this section and will return some time in the spring.

Mr. Bozarth is a native of Washington, and is still living on the donation land claim taken by his father who located in Washington in 1852.

"You have a fine looking country," said Mr. Bozarth, "and it will make itself heard in the near future."

Beloit college yesterday celebrated the eightieth birthday of the janitor who has been in charge of its buildings for the last fifty years. A good janitor is worth celebrating.

SETTLERS HAPPY ON BULLY LAND

Money at Hand to Finish Work on Project

WATER IN AMPLE TIME

Work is Progressing Rapidly and Water will be Furnished for All Ready

Financial matters have been finally arranged which will insure the completion of the Bully creek project the coming season. Those who have land ready will likely get water enough to put in a crop next season.

As the Enterprise has never indicated that there would be any other result there is nothing in the present news that any more than confirms former statements.

Work is going forward on the diversion dam and that structure will be completed this fall and winter.

Those who have been holding desert claims will feel relieved when they see water flowing in the ditch.

"Star Mountain will likely be the next irrigation project started," said Wes Caviness, "and that project will be another indication that the Enterprise knows what is going on in the country, as that paper has consistently claimed that both of these projects would give settlers water before 1915."

NONE OF THIS IS FOR VALE

It is currently reported that the steamship Vestris is bringing to New York on its present northward trip 6000 quarters of beef consigned to Swift & Co. There is no beef on this boat for any of the independent companies, it is stated. According to present sailing arrangements the next steamer with a beef cargo for New York will be the Vanduyck, due to arrive there Dec. 5. It is expected that between 10,000 and 12,000 quarters of beef will be sent out on the Vanduyck, and that the independents will ship about one third of this quantity, and the packers two thirds. The boat to follow is the Zinal, also with a cargo of 12,000 quarters, and the proportion of shipment by independents and trust interests is similar to that on the Vanduyck. There is another boat, the Alcala, which is scheduled to take beef to the United States early the coming year, but the exact amount has not been decided on.

THE OFFICIAL RETURNS

Of Malheur County, Oregon, Special Referendum Election, Held November 4, 1913.

Complete returns from all precincts in Malheur county show that only two bills carried: The University Repair Bill and Workman's Compensation Act, the other three being lost.

PRECINCTS	REPAIR		NEW B'LD		STERIL		CO. ATT Y		WKM COM	
	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
Vale	71	33	66	36	60	43	57	46	60	42
Ontario	95	43	89	48	74	59	79	55	94	38
Barren Valley	1	10	8	11	3	8	5	6	3	10
Big Bend	7	6	7	5	8	5	8	5	3	10
Bully	5	21	6	20	3	24	11	16	17	9
Grange	8	23	6	23	8	23	3	27	11	19
Nyssa	42	27	42	23	47	21	43	23	43	22
Owyhee	24	18	21	21	24	18	28	13	22	18
Red Butte	2	9	1	10	9	2	1	9	2	8
Snake River	15	21	9	25	19	17	13	22	21	13
Star	3	2	3	1	7	3	7	2	2	8
Swallow	2	8	3	7	1	8	5	5	7	3
Three Forks	4	1	2	2	2	6	4	2	5	1
Westfall	5	12	5	12	7	10	10	6	10	7
Brogan	26	24	3	14	14	19	5	22	6	10
Carlie	5	21	4	22	1	25	3	25	4	21
Castle Rock	13	8	14	8	2	20	11	8	13	8
Basin	10	1	9	2	6	4	5	6	11	1
Chukleville	12	57	10	59	29	49	17	49	29	38
Cairo	1	12	1	12	14	11	13	4	10	10
Harper	14	1	14	2	12	11	3	9	4	9
Jamieson	13	10	12	10	16	6	9	15	14	9
Jordan Valley	3	7	4	6	3	7	3	7	2	8
Junction	9	13	4	13	1	12	1	12	6	7
Juniper	16	14	15	15	8	22	7	23	17	13
Malheur	3	7	1	9	2	8	7	2	7	1
Summit	20	11	21	11	17	15	12	18	18	12
Arcadia	3	7	1	9	2	8	7	2	7	1
Total	434	397	403	418	374	452	380	421	470	339

P. L. S. CO. SHIPS CATTLE

The P. L. S. Co. shipped 1650 head of four and five year old steers from Malheur and Harney county ranges to Echo last week where they will be fed during the winter. The shipment was made from Huntington, and Walter Glenn was in charge of the stock.

This was the finest bunch of steers ever shipped out of Malheur county, the average value being over \$100 per head.

Walter Glenn will have charge of the feeding corrals at Echo this winter for the P. L. S. Co.

EXTEND THANKS TO ENTERPRISE

Eugene, Ore., Nov. 8—Editor of Malheur Enterprise, Vale, Oregon, Dear Sir: The University of Oregon wishes to thank you for your interest and help in regard to the appropriations.

All here are very much elated over the victory and we hope that in the future we shall never have to contend with such difficulties again.

Sincerely,
FLORENCE MOFFET.

WASHINGTONIANS TAKE LAND

Western Washington has heard of the splendid lands of Malheur county and is sending numbers of their citizens over to Vale to secure them before it is too late.

Tuesday brought the following gentlemen from Bellingham: C. F. Anderson, B. S. Worthly, H. Cedergrey, E. W. Dickerson, and A. J. Prettyman.

These men have all taken lands and some of them will make their home in or near Vale.

DILEMMA WITH 2 HORNS

Judge McKnight Discusses Action of the Malheur County Board of Equalization.

Editor, Malheur Enterprise, Vale, Oregon, Dear Sir: It is with regret that I am forced to ask space in your paper to answer that part of County Assessor Hill's last letter, where he asks Mr. Houston to explain why he and Judge McKnight lowered the valuation of sheep to \$2.67 per head.

As I am a tax payer on sheep and Chairman of the Board of Equalization, if I did what the Assessor's letter infers, it would be wrong on my part to use my official position to place upon other property taxes my own should bear. I can't allow myself to believe that Mr. Hill would willfully misrepresent or misconstrue the actions of his fellow officials, therefore, the only explanation that I can deduct is that he really does not know. Then, with this apology to the public, I will explain: Mr. Hill as assessor fixed the classifications and the relative valuations on all property interests to suit himself. He had all the year to consider and rearrange these classifications and valuations, and as the assessor was absolutely responsible for the same, they were his own creation. He fixed the different classifications and relative valuations on sheep, so that, in his judgment, they would bear their just and proportionate share of the taxes.

as with all other property interests. When the Board of Equalization took from his office the tax roll, responsibility then shifted from the assessor to board, but not from Mr. Hill, as he became an ex-officio member of it. The Board throughout maintained the assessor's classifications and relative valuations—Mr. Hill of course concurring.—Endeavoring to equalize the roll, all changes made were individual, such as the change of one piece of land to correspond with another of same class, or one stock of merchandise to other stocks of merchandise, etc. There came from the people a universal demand for lowering the entire tax roll. We accordingly investigated valuations of all assessors throughout the state, and it appeared that we were the only one applying Mr. Hill's rule that many heads are better than one, we lowered his extreme valuation to about the average of the state, by putting a plane of twenty per cent downward to the entire roll. Mr. Hill, of course, dissenting. All property on the roll shared alike in the reduction, leaving the relative valuations undisturbed. Sheep shared of course with the other property, but will still bear exactly the proportion of taxes the assessor maintained they should, figure as he may.

CORN EXPERT IN NEW CONTRACTOR COUNTY

Prof. Holden, the great corn expert has been visiting Ontario and Nyssa and will go to the Owyhee country. The live and wide awake farmers of those communities, realizing the value of such talk as this greatest of all corn experts would give, made concerted effort to get him to visit them.

MARRIAGE OF H. B. CREEL

H. B. Creel, of Jamieson, was married in Vale Monday evening and Mrs. Creel will make their home on the Willow Wood Stock Farm.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. L. Cook at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Davis.

State Tax Levy will be 5 Mills Malheur \$284,000 Over Average

Salem, Oregon, Nov. 10—The assessable property in Oregon, exclusive of the property of the public service corporations, shows a decided increase this year over last, according to reports made by the county boards of equalization to the state tax commission. The reports aggregate \$85,308,527, which is an increase for 1913 of \$42,173,346.

Of this increase Malheur county furnishes a goodly proportion. The assessed value of taxable property in Malheur last year, exclusive of public service corporations, was \$9,872,920, while this year it is \$11,397,835, an increase of more than a snug million and a half, or to be exact, an increase of \$1,524,915.

The state tax levy will be made in December. The state tax commission estimates that the levy will be close to 5 mills, while last year it was 4.2 mills, the lowest levy in the history of the state. This large increase in the rate will be due to the heavy appropriations of the last legislature, as the December levy will have to provide for them.

This necessity of having a low state tax levy one year and a high one the next year, following a legislative session, will be obviated hereafter by a new law which will permit the state tax commission to have more leeway in equalizing the levies so they will be more nearly uniform every year. In other words the tax commission has authority to anticipate the legislative appropriations by raising some of the money in the off years, instead of raising

A NEW DRUGGIST MORE CATTLE FOR IN TOWN MARKET

William Mockler returned last week from his second trip into the cattle country of southern Malheur and Harney county.

Mr. Mockler brought 100 head of fine steers with him and is feeding them in the McLaughlin ranch leased by Mr. Reed.

A VALE GIRL IS HONORED

Lois Cook, daughter of Rev. F. L. Cook, who is attending Washington High School in Portland has been elected vice president of her class.

Miss Cook will graduate from the high school February next.

A Great Lecturer Visits Vale

A. E. NICHOL BUYS FARM

A. E. Nichol has purchased the farm owned by Harry Edwards at Ironside. The farm is one of the old landmarks of that section and has at all times been noted as a great producer. Mr. Edwards has been raising considerable grain but Mr. Nichol proposes to put it all into alfalfa and feed cattle.

The ranch has no waste land and a perfect water right long since adjudicated. Mr. Nichol owns a homestead in the same county. During the winter Mr. and Mrs. Nichol will reside in Ontario, where they are sending their son to school.

STOCKHOLDERS MEET IN VALE

There was a meeting of the stockholders of the Malheur Home Telephone Co. this week in Vale. Those present were, F. P. Jones, of Salt Lake; R. W. Gardner, of Ontario; M. G. Hope, T. W. Halliday and A. V. Robison of Vale.

The old officers were all re-elected.

CHANCELLOR GEORGE H. BRADFORD

Teaches Lesson of Pure Citizenship that Leaves Lasting Effect upon People.

The first number of the Vale Entertainment Course was presented at the Bungalow Theatre Saturday evening, a lecture by Chancellor George H. Bradford, of Oklahoma.

A large and appreciative audience greeted the speaker and all were highly pleased with the lecture.

Mr. Bradford comes from the poor, uneducated class of American citizens, worked his way through college, and under the management of the Redpath Lyceum Bureau, is now on the lecture platform pointing the way to the coming generation, to nobler deeds and better things, to a life of activity, patriotism, purity and true manhood and womanhood. Every parent and every young man and young woman who heard Chancellor Bradford's splendid, manly lecture, was made better by the hearing.

Through the efforts to Manager F. L. Cook of the Entertainment Course, Chancellor Bradford was induced to speak at the Christian Church Sunday morning, and was again greeted by an

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A HARD TRIP FOR AUTOS

Lost in the wilds of Idaho and Southern Malheur county is the party of Western Pacific officials making the trip over the proposed route of the Winnemucca branch which is projected to touch Jordan Valley and connect Boise and San Francisco.

They are making the trip in automobiles and there are spots in beautiful Idaho and lovely Malheur where autos might have hard wheeling after a rain. Teams have been sent out for them.

In case of real trouble with Mexico it is pleasing to know that THEODORE ROOSEVELT is no further away than Buenos Ayres.

A MONTANA MAN IN VALE

J. W. Logan, of Kalispel, has moved to Vale and will look the country over with the intention of taking a homestead or purchasing a relinquishment.

Mr. Logan is favorably impressed with the country surrounding Vale and expects to make his home here.