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NOW OR NEVER

The people of the Malheur valley living under the water flow of the Malheur river have waited long enough for others to do something for them. While it is true that the government of the United States has not given them their just dues in the distribution of reclamation funds, that is a closed and past incident. It is now a question of economics for the people of the valley to settle for themselves and now is an opportune time for such settlement.

Money is available at a lower rate of interest than ever before for such work. While irrigation securities have usually been issued as 6 per cent bonds that interest has not told the story. Tremendous discounts have been demanded and hard terms made by the investor which added enormously to the cost of the enterprise.

Through the evolution of engineering and promotion of irrigation systems, has been created the "Irrigation District" which approaches perfection in such work. Given a sufficiency of water and rich land under the system and failure is impossible. Promotion expenses are completely eliminated. Heavy discount on bonds is no longer necessary nor in fact possible. The railroad is now within three miles of the dam site which cuts the cost of construction more than one half. Cement is now selling for less than ever before. Labor is plenty and contractors are ready to take hold with renewed vigor and will bid lower for such work than on any private system.

The entire business is compelled by law to be carried on in an open and fair manner. The district owners have at all times complete knowledge and control of their affairs. No money can be raised except by their consent and the books of the district are at all times open for examination.

The district has power of condemnation and therefore no one can hold them up or blackmail them as is frequently done in private enterprises.

C. C. MUELLER FOR COUNTY TREASURER

The announcement this week of C. C. Mueller, of this city, for the republican nomination for County Treasurer of Malheur county will meet with favor among a very considerable number of the republican voters of the county, who are acquainted with Mr. Mueller and know his ability and fitness for the office he seeks. The Treasurer's office is one of the smallest salaried offices in the county, though carrying the heaviest financial responsibility. Mr. Mueller being located at the county seat will be able to take care of the office without additional expense, and if nominated and elected will make a safe, reliable and efficient official.

WHY NOT FORGET THE PAST?

Whatever the cause, and notwithstanding the injustice, of our treatment by our bureaucratic government we will get nothing by complaining. We will never accomplish anything by talking about what might have been.

National matters and political necessities make our little affair of no moment in Washington. Great as it is to us they will give us never a thought nor will they cut off a single piece of pork for our benefit.

The reclamation fund is clean gone. There is not enough left to half take care of projects now in process of completion. They have plainly told us so. On the floor of the senate Senator Works stated that there would be no more funds for new work for seventeen years and stated that he received his information directly from the Secretary of the Interior.

They will give us their reports and estimates which will be of assistance after a district is formed and organized. They will furnish us a lot of good advice, have already done so, but we repeat with emphasis and through a knowledge of the situation, that we will get no financial assistance from the government except perhaps through the passage of the Jones bill by which the government may be permitted to guarantee our bonds. This has nothing to do with the organization of a district as that would have to be done in any event before we can get either government guarantee or sell privately.

The state will be asked to guarantee interest for a term or perhaps to guarantee bonds of worthy enterprises, but that requires a constitutional amendment taking time and being uncertain.

Neither the state nor the government would do more than to enable us to get a lower rate of interest. Our bonds if issued properly could be refunded if the state or government passed the enabling bills mentioned.

The fact is we are now on our own resources with the cheapest and best water storage opportunity in the whole country. This is neither boosting nor buncombe. The state engineer has so stated publicly as shown in last week's Enterprise. The government has published their preliminary report which makes the same comparison. They will later complete their report along the same lines. Let us forget the past and work out our own salvation.

C. M. CRANDALL FOR JOINT REPRESENTATIVE

The republicans of Malheur and Harney counties are presented with the name of C. M. Crandall, of Vale, as a candidate for the nomination as Joint Representative for these two counties, his announcement appearing in the Enterprise this week. Mr. Crandall is an attorney of well known ability, is a close student of the conditions and needs of the country embraced in the district he aspires to represent, and if nominated and elected would both ably and creditably represent his constituents in the law making body of Oregon.

ARTHUR MOODY FOR COUNTY CLERK

There is no one more competent to take care of the affairs of an important office than the man who has been placed in actual charge of the affairs of the office, and trained by constant service to perform the duties. In order that the taxpayers may get the best services for their money, it is a rule generally adopted throughout the country to select a deputy in the office to succeed the superior officer when his time expires, in all cases where such deputy is in other ways acceptable to the public. Arthur Moody, who has been the first deputy in the County Clerk's office under Mr. J. P. Houston, the retiring clerk, this week announces his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the office of County Clerk, and if nominated and elected, will certainly make a most competent and reliable official. Mr. Moody is capable, fair-minded and efficient and if elected will make a worthy successor to the retiring clerk.

CHEAP ADVICE EVEN IF TAKEN

It is an old saying that "advice is cheap if you do not take it." There are occasions, however, when the reverse is true. There are some veritable and apparently vindictive knockers residing less than three thousand miles from Chicago. They persistently and without right or reason, knock enterprises of any and all description which tend to help the country advance.

"There is no oil in this section" is a common expression. There is certainly no ground for that expression unless the speaker is well conversant with that branch of science and has investigated until satisfied as to the facts. Scientific men have said there is and, as a fact, indications have been found to warrant that conclusion. That no oil has been found is another question. Years of prospecting has been required in most oil fields. There has been very little prospecting done here and if men can be induced to prospect why not help them rather than owlshly prophesy failure.

Irrigation enterprises are also within the ban of the professional knocker. Yet these same knockers would be starving to death had not irrigation money been brought into the country. It has built Brogan and Jamieson; more than doubled the population of Vale and made possible an advance which would have taken years to accomplish without.

The inauguration of the Warm Springs project will again double the population of Vale within three years. Every line of business will more than double. Doctors, lawyers, traders and laborers depend on population for increased or any business.

This great and necessary enterprise can be hindered, has been hindered, by carping criticism and plain and damnable knocking. Our advice is—QUIT IT.

P. J. PHILLIPS FOR JOINT REPRESENTATIVE

P. J. Phillips, of Nyssa, has announced himself as candidate for the nomination of joint representative, on the republican ticket, to the Oregon legislature next term. Mr. Phillips is a prominent attorney and long resident of Nyssa. If elected Mr. Phillips will serve the counties of Harney and Malheur in a creditable manner.

"Charity covers a multitude of poor people with our second hand and worn out garments," warbles a society dame of national reputation. Too bad it can not extend to covering the nakedness prevalent in many high society circles.

Appearances indicate that the Nyssa-Arcadia Drainage District will soon be constructing. This will put 2000 acres of splendid land under the plow and will prevent the destruction of other thousands of acres.

Every time we break a leg trying to wriggle from under the crush of delinquent subscribers rushing in to pay up, we wish we had a dozen more legs to break.

When a self made man continually reminds you that he is self made it is time to keep your eye on him and your hand on your pocketbook.

"I only play cards for fun," is the excuse he gives his wife. Of course. That's all the loser ever gets out of it.

A dog and a dude make an interesting combination of something and nothing.

The new year brings us at least one relief. It is easier to make a 6 than a 5.

This is the season when the weather might be a little more seasonable.



Special Sale!

On Saturdays Only

The following prices will be made by the Vale Meat Market:

Beef Pot Roasts	12 1/2
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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY

To the Citizens of Malheur county I desire to announce that I will be a candidate for the Republican Nomination for District Attorney at the coming Primary Election and solicit your support. This office spends thousands of dollars of your money and I pledge myself to every economy consistent with good government. If elected I will devote my entire time and energy to the affairs of the office. Impartial enforcement of all laws, economy and suppression of useless litigation, my platform.

ROBT. M. DUNCAN.

To the Voters of Malheur county: I hereby announce my candidacy for the Republican Nomination for the office of District Attorney of this county. If nominated and elected I will endeavor to fulfill the duties of my office in a fair, fearless and efficient manner and to the best of my ability, keeping in mind at all times my duty to the taxpayers.

P. J. GALLAGHER.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for Assessor of Malheur County, subject to the will of the Republican electors at the coming Primary. If nominated and elected I promise to do my best.

A. A. ROBERTS.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for County Clerk of Malheur County, Oregon, subject to the will of the Republican electors at the coming primaries.

V. B. STAPLES.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for County Clerk of Malheur County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the primaries.

ARTHUR MOODY.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the Democratic Nomination for County School Superintendent of Malheur County in the coming Primary Election. If nominated and elected I will continue to work to the best of my ability to further the educational interests of the county.

FAY CLARK.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of County Treasurer of Malheur County, Oregon, subject to the will of the Republican electors at the coming primaries.

C. C. MUELLER.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the choice of the Republican voters of Malheur and Harney Counties, Oregon, to be expressed at the coming primary election. I hereby announce myself a candidate for the Republican Nomination as Joint Representative to the legislature from this representative district.

CHAS. M. CRANDALL.

I hereby announce that I will be a candidate for the nomination of Joint Representative at the coming primary election, subject to the will of the Republican electors.

P. J. PHILLIPS.

SOCIAL FEATURES OF FARMERS' WEEK PROVIDED

Entertainment features of the Farmers' and Home Makers' Week have not been overlooked. The week is indeed a strenuous search after the useful and vital things of life, but recreation is one of these things. Consequently this week will offer a feast of pleasant things as well as a feast of substantial things. At the daily convocations, which will occur this year from 1 to 2, following the lunch hour, musical features, provided through the courtesy of Professor Gaskins of the School of Music, will form an important part of the exercises. A few readings by students and members of the faculty will also add interest to these daily events.

An attractive feature of the week will be a number of luncheons and banquets. Informal luncheons are being arranged for several of the conferences and others will doubtless be brought about as the number in attendance warrants the arrangement. A banquet served by the senior students of the Dairy department will be a feature of Tuesday evening as an honor to the breeders of dairy cattle. On Thursday evening the School of Home Economics will serve a College Products banquet at Waldo Hall, at which only products of the College farms will be served. For this event a nominal fee will be charged.

On Tuesday evening a lecture program will be offered in the Women's Gymnasium, at which Miss Ravenhill, a charming and most effective speaker, will be one of the entertainers. On Wednesday evening, which is called Get-together Night, a social entertainment at the Gymnasium will take the form of a combined musical and dramatic program, and a contest game in which the representatives of different sections of the State will elect a spokesman whose duty it will be to uphold the worth of his particular region. This event is expected to produce a splendid fund of entertainment and a wealth of un-exploited data.

There will be a number of educational shows. On Wednesday the ham and bacon show will start the nostrils and palate to inquiring for more; the corn show will next take the Johnnie cake; the poultry show will then be in fine feather; and the dairy show will stay till the cows go home at the end of the week's engagement, no matter how many records are broken—and these cows are the record-breaking kind. Then the horse show will come

on the stage in a blaze of red, white, and blue ribbons on Friday night, and nothing more will be left for the seeker-after-a-good-time but a long season in which to remember the glories of this rollicking Farmers' Week. Nor should the Boys' and Girls' judging contest on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning be overlooked. A big meeting for these young agriculturists and home-makers will be held in the lecture room of Dairy Hall. They will have their own keen work in the contests, and their good time afterward.

THE JACKRABBIT PEST.

BROGAN, Oreg., Jan. 18, 1916.—Malheur Enterprise, Vale, Oregon. Editor: In your last week's issue there was an article written by a man from "CORD" in the southern part of this county about the jackrabbit. We people of Brogan, would like to join with this gentleman in this discussion and hope that many other sections may join in as well.

It will be remembered that over a year ago, through our commercial club here we prepared and circulated a petition to the County Court asking for a bounty on the rabbits equal to that in Harney County. The same was presented to the Court with the signatures of some fourteen hundred citizens of the county. In view of this the court advertised an amount in the budget for this purpose, to be included in the levy, if on a final consideration they decided to grant it. We found good support in Vale and all of the farming districts with the exception of Cairo and Ontario where, in our judgment, there was a scheme hatched up among a few of the figure-heads including the leaders of the Pomona Grange to defeat the movement, which in our judgment was of vital interest to the county at large and would have acted as well here as it has in Harney County as stated in the article above referred to.

There was also another enterprise which has considerable influence in this county that bowed their necks. This was the sheep industry. At the hearing before the court when the matter was up for consideration there were many theories set forth by which the rabbit was to be exterminated, the principal one being the poisoning system, but we people are unable to see where this has ever been put into effect with any degree of satisfaction.

At the above hearing our delegation advocated that money spent in bounties would return to the people in the county and in this way would aid our own people as well as materially aid in the extermination of the pest we were after. We have heard some of the old timers of this county wish for a hard winter as they said that in that event we would get rid of the rabbits, but it is the writer's opinion that in this we would be disappointed as the habits of the jackrabbits are changing as is evidenced at this time where we find them burrowing themselves into the ground and living in badger dens. This is a habit that a few years ago was not known of the jackrabbits, and for this reason alone we will never get rid of them in that way. I believe that it is safe to say that the rabbits have destroyed one hundred tons of hay in the Willow Creek Valley this winter and that before the present snow disappears they will likely have destroyed one hundred acres of orchard, to say nothing of the damage done during the summer, as was spoken of last week. It is still our opinion that the only way to combat this pest is by the bounty system.

CITIZEN.

WATER PERMITS ISSUED During the year ending December 31, 1915, the State Engineer issued 581 permits for the appropriation and storage of water. These permits call for the irrigation of 87,329 acres of land, the development of 30,756 horsepower and the storage of 285,669 acre feet of water, and cover municipal supply for Tillamook, Oregon City, Gaston, Amity, Falls City, Portland, Milton, Cove, Halfway, East Side, Marshfield, Lakeside, Newport and Reedsport. The total estimated cost of all works to be constructed under these permits is \$5,340,152. In addition to the permits for irrigation, power and municipal supply, a large number have been issued for individual domestic supply, manufacturing and numerous other uses to which water is applied.

Malheur County leads during the past year for the number of permits issued, there being 109. Josephine County follows with 47, Harney County 40, Crook County 34, Jackson County 42, Baker County 41, Grant County 34, Wallowa County 30, Hood River County 28, Coos County 23, Umatilla County 17, Tillamook County 12, Wasco County 14, Lake County 13, Wheeler County 11, Klamath County 11, Douglas County 10, Union County 9, Curry 8, Jefferson 7, Lane 7, Morrow 3, Clatsop 2, Lincoln 1, Sherman 1, Gilliam 1, while in the Willamette Valley 26 permits have been issued.

Of the above permits 117 were issued during the quarter ending December 31, 1915. These permits cover the irrigation of 26,849 acres, the development of 6,111 horsepower and the storage of 201,628 acre feet of water.

No anonymous letter ever won a hero medal.

Blood will tell—an old story. Gossip always tells first.

A man who is eternally giving advice usually deals in quantity and not quality.

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Trains due at Vale from Ontario and Riverside
No. 139 leaves Ontario 12:15 p. m., arrives Vale 1 p. m., leaves 1:10 p. m. for Riverside.
No. 140 leaves Riverside 7 a. m., arrives Vale 11 a. m., leaves 11:10 a. m. for Ontario.
Trains due at Vale from Ontario
No. 98 leaves Vale 8 a. m. for Ontario.
No. 142 leaves Vale 2:35 p. m. for Ontario.
No. 141 leaves Ontario 10 a. m., arrives Vale 10:40 a. m.
No. 97 leaves Ontario 7 p. m., arrives Vale 7:40 p. m.
Trains due at Vale from Brogan
No. 141 leaves Vale 11:15 a. m. for Brogan, arrives Brogan 12:20 p. m.
No. 142 leaves Brogan 12:50 p. m., arrives Vale 2 p. m.
Home Dale Branch
No. 140 from Vale, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays runs through to Home Dale.
Main Line Trains due at Ontario
West bound
No. 19 6:33 p. m.
No. 17 4:22 a. m.
No. 75 (Pony) to Huntington 9:35 a. m.
East bound
No. 6 6:33 p. m.
No. 18 2:51 a. m.
No. 4 12:12 p. m.
No. 76 (Pony) to Boise 8:50 a. m.

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