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## LUNCHERS TALK ON IRRIGATION

Judge Will R. King of Reclamation Service, Ralph Schneelock and Others Speak at Luncheon

Some mighty interesting talks, a big enthusiastic attendance, an exceptional menu and a most profitable time characterized the Tuesday Businessmen's luncheon this week.

Room was made for over fifty diners and every plate was emptied. Chairman John Boswell first called on A. W. Reed who outlined plans of the Chamber of Commerce for entertaining the La Grande D. O. K. K. delegation who will be in Vale Saturday. The Chamber rooms will be open all afternoon and businessmen are expected to drop in from time to time to help entertain the visitors.

C. C. Mueller spoke of planning a big reception for the returned soldiers as soon as arrangements can be perfected. W. J. Pinney of Ontario was asked to report the meeting of the Ontario Commercial Club held Monday evening and he said that 100 men had signed up to support the club, that a paid secretary would be hired. Also the club passed a unanimous resolution in favor of organizing a Malheur County Development League. Mr. Pinney expressed the hope that Vale, Nyssa and the other commercial organizations of the county would follow suit and that some cooperative boosting and development would result.

Will R. King, Chief Counsel for the United States Reclamation Service encouraged the local people in their efforts for irrigation development, and praised their enterprise in going ahead with the Warm Springs project. He said that while the government should have built the Warm Springs, he did not question but that even yet the reclamation department will be able to assist in future units and other projects in Malheur county. Judge King paid a splendid tribute to Engineer-manager John Lewis and said that as soon as he heard that the district had secured his services he felt confident that the people would get a square deal and a good system. He said that either this or the next congress would pass the \$100,000,000 appropriation bill for reclamation work. That also three hundred million acres needed reclaiming in the United States and it would require much more funds to accomplish any large part of such a program the immediate future would see a great expansion along this line.

John Lewis outlined for the lunchers the system of ditches and diversions that have been practically decided upon by the engineers which was very interesting to all present. Ralph H. Schneelock, of Clark, Kendall & Company, purchasers of the Warm Springs District Bonds spoke of some of the reconstruction measures now before the legislature. He especially favored House Bill 292 introduced by Representative Gallagher of Malheur and Harney counties as a

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## LAND SETTLEMENT AND RANGE IS DISCUSSED

Future Range Will Be In Private Hands—Better for Stockmen and Country.

5,000,000 acres of public land, and its relation to the future of the cattle and sheep industry of south eastern Oregon is clearly discussed in the following article by Tom Jones, register of the U. S. Land Office at Vale. It will pay you to read this article and think about this subject—Editor's Note.

There is at this time, approximately 5,000,000 acres of vacant public land in the Vale district, 95 per cent of which is, in my opinion, properly subject to entry under the grazing or stock-raising homestead law.

## NETHERLANDS FURNISH A GRACIOUS HOSTESS



The arrival of Jonkheer J. T. Cremer, minister from the Netherlands to the United States, meant the addition of another charming hostess in the diplomatic circles of Washington. Mme. Cremer has already made a place for herself in social affairs.

## LEAGUE COVENANT READ BY WILSON

President Wilson Sails For Home—French Premier Shot—League Covenant Framed.

President Wilson sailed February 15 from Brest for the United States. On board the George Washington with the presidential party were 2,000 returning soldiers. When leaving, the president addressed the French people saying he would be happy to return to France to assist in completing the just settlements of the peace conference.

Attempt to Murder Premier—George Clemenceau, French Premier received three wounds at the hands of a would be assassin, Emile Cottin of Valenciennes. X-ray examination shows one bullet pierced his lung.

Owing to the fact that M. Clemenceau had in his hand personally several subjects under negotiation by the peace conference, it follows that so far as these were concerned there must be a suspension of activity for the time being.

Wilson Reads Covenant. President Wilson was the center figure of the peace conference February 14 when he read the report of the committee for the establishment of the league of Nations, which provides for a union of nations to settle future difficulties. The outstanding point of the agreement as framed were:

The executive council to consist of nine nations, and to meet at least once a year. A permanent international secretary to be appointed. The President of the United States is to call the first meeting. A majority of the states represented at meetings will decide all problems. Munitions making is to be curtailed, arbitration is made compulsory and a permanent court of international justice is provided. All treaties shall be made public by registration with secretary-general. The small nations would be protected. Amendments to the covenant to be made by three quarters vote.

Virgil Staples of Ontario was a Vale visitor Friday.

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states, Congress, on the 29th day of December 1916, enacted legislation which, in my opinion, will eventually prove to be more beneficial to our country generally and particularly to the stock-growing industry, than that which provides for the creation of forest reserves. I have reference to what is commonly known as the "grazing" or "stock-raising" homestead law, which provides for the entry, by a qualified homesteader, of 640 acres, or one section, of land which is chiefly valuable for grazing purposes and for raising forage crops.

This question had been before congress, for many years and owing to the strong opposition by the stock-raising interests, the law finally enacted, was a "make shift" but it is the law at present, will never be repealed, has been and will be amended, until it will become satisfactory to homestead entrants, generally. The law, as enacted, reserves to the United States, all coal and other minerals in the land, together with the right to prospect for, mine and remove the same. Requires that the land must not contain merchantable timber; that it must not be susceptible of irrigation from any known source of water; that it must not contain any water hole, or other body of water needed or used by the public for watering purposes and must be

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## ARMENIAN DRIVE DATES EXTENDED

Bad Weather Adds Weeks Time to Drive But Confident That County Will Go Over Top.

Altho rain and snow has put the roads of the county in bad condition and the dates of the Armenian drive February 17 to 24 have been extended to take in the coming week, workers are confident that the county will "Top the Top" with some to spare.

Chairman of the Vale district B. R. Kester has had splendid reports from the sections of this territory where work has been done this week and the local field is making a generous response where ever workers have been able to cover their portion of territory. At Ontario and Nyssa chairman D. M. Taggart and J. Boydell have their men combing the field working to finish up the job in a few days time.

## WANT STOCK SHOW HOME

Northwest Breeders and Dairymen Unite in Plan For Exhibition Building in Portland.

O. M. Plummer, general manager of the Pacific International Livestock Exposition announces that leading livestock breeders of Oregon, and all Northwest states have united in a plan to raise a quarter million dollars for the erection of an exhibition building at Portland.

Portland will match dollar for dollar with the outside points and Malheur county's quota is \$4000 and R. N. Stanfield has been appointed county director to raise the funds. Wm. Haney is director for Harney county and will raise \$6500 among the stockmen.

## TAX OFFICERS ASSIGNED

Income Officers in Vale March 3 to 6—Penalties For Those Who Fail in Response.

Messrs Schrader and Payne have been assigned to this territory from March 3 to 6 to assist citizens in making income tax reports and returns. Collector Milton A. Miller has extended the time for filing income tax returns to March 15 and as soon as possible there after an extensive "drive" will be made over the state and any who have failed to make reports will be liable for heavy penalties at this time. Any who are not familiar with the income tax law and their liabilities may write or call on the government representatives at the Land Office in Vale, March 3-6.

## DITCH CAMP TO MOVE WORK ON ESTIMATE

Engineers, Bond Purchasers and Directors, Discuss Future Plans and Estimates of Cost.

Ralph H. Schneelock, and Lester B. Wood of Clark, Kendall & Co., Portland buyers of the Warm Springs district bonds, Chief Engineer A. J. Wiley, Project Manager John H. Lewis and the Directors of the district have this week been checking over the plans and costs for the completion of the project. Definite plans, estimates etc will be determined as soon as possible.

Work is progressing rapidly in the construction camps and the ditch camp is scheduled to move in the next day or so to a new location just west of the Scott ranch from where they will continue the work on the Gellerman Froman ditch and extension.

Rolla Roberts Lands Mrs. C. L. Roberts received a telegram Thursday from her son Rolla Roberts, one of the first Vale boys to enlist stating that he had returned from France landing at Newport News. He expects to wend his way homeward soon.

Fined For Coal Theft. For pilfering coal from the Shattuck-Edinger company at Riverside, Deputy Sheriff D. W. Benedict of Riverside arrested and brought to Vale J. L. Newell and Ed Lee this week. The men were tried in county Judge Test's court and fined fifty dollars each, which fines were paid by Lees.

Furnishes Bonds Mrs. E. R. Schutter arrested for illegal sale of wood alcohol, in connection with the Riverside case of a few days ago when four men died from drinking the denatured product, has given bonds, to appear for preliminary hearing before Judge E. H. Test on March 4.

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## CONVICT HANLON SENTENCE GIVEN

Assault of District Attorney Found Guilty—April Grand Jury Drawn—Other Court News

John Hanlon was this week tried convicted and sentenced for five to ten years in the state penitentiary for an attempt on the life of District Attorney R. W. Swaggler, January 7 while the grand jury was in session in Vale.

The trial opened Monday and closed Tuesday morning and Deputy Sheriff Ben Brown left Wednesday evening for Salem with the prisoner. The prisoner was on the stand in his own behalf about two hours pleading temporary insanity. Witnesses for the plaintiff were Ben Jones of Juntura, Lena Pinkston of Nyssa, Wm. Jones Juntura, Dr. Brown Vale, Sheriff Lee Nye Vale, John Wroten Jordan Valley, Attorney R. W. Swaggler, Ontario, R. B. Terry Emmett, A. A. Wright, Ontario; For the defendant, Frank Brittle Malta Idaho, Thos. Taylor Burley Idaho, Mrs. Ella Dombey, Malheur, Dr. Sater, Malta, and the defendant John Hanlon.

The jurors Ernest E. Adams, J. M. Duncan, J. T. McNulty, J. W. McGerick, Cleve Cammann, Jerry Brozman, Mark Rutherford, E. M. Moore, J. M. Randleman, J. D. Fahy, E. H. McDonald and Ernest Locey, were out but a short time before returning the verdict of guilty.

## New Grand Jury Drawn

The Grand Jurors for the April term are C. C. Hunt, foreman, A. R. Van-Buren, J. M. Duncan, E. M. Moore, G. R. Dickson, A. C. Palmer, J. T. McNulty, George Green, Jerry Brozman, Harry Edwards and Ernest E. Adams were also held to appear for the April term.

## HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS WILL STAGE PLAY

High School Girls Will Present "Miss Fearless and Company" at Rex Theatre

Next Saturday evening March 1 the Vale High School girls will present "Miss Fearless and Company" at the Rex Theatre. The play will be given by the girls of the Domestic Science and Art classes and the proceeds will go to buy new equipment for their departments. Work for the play has been done under direction of instructor Mrs. Norton and a rounded and finished product is assured by those who have attended rehearsals. Admission will be fifty cents with half rate for grade students. The cast of characters for the play follows:

- Margaret Henley, an heiress.....Bernice Hope
- Euphemia Addison, Her chaperone.....Inez Palmer
- Sarah Jane Lovejoy, From the Lost Nation.....Myrtle Wann
- Katie O'Connor, Miss Henley's Servant.....Elsie O'Neill
- Barbara Livingstone.....Marie Smith
- Bettie Cameron, Miss Henley's Guest.....Dollie Laurence
- Marion Reynolds.....Myrtle Griffith
- Lizzie, the ghost.....Rose Jensen
- Alias and Alibi, "The Silent Sisters" supposed to be Jack Eggleston and James Reading.....Frankie Edwards and Lois King

## DOKIES PROMISE BIGGEST "DOIN'S"

La Grande Lodge Members Will Invade Local Territory With Big Promises of Fateful Happenings

What promises to be by far the most important happening in the history of the local Advance Lodge K of P, will be the initiation of about fifty candidates into the mysteries of the D. O. K. K. Saturday evening February 22, Knights from La Grande, Baker, Huntington, Weiser Payette and Ontario will be guests of the local lodge on this evening. The candidates of the evening are members of the Ontario, Weiser, Payette and Vale lodges.

Members of La Grande Khaled Temple will leave their home city Friday afternoon February 21 at four o'clock and will put on the work for Baker candidates that evening, coming on to Vale the following day. They will arrive here about two and will be guests of the city until six o'clock when a banquet will be served in the Drexel Grill and immediately afterward the lodge work will begin. The visiting team will leave Vale in the "we sma" hours to catch the two o'clock train at Ontario and the work will have to begin early in the evening in order to be finished by the midnight hour.

The visiting Knights will leave Vale about one o'clock in the morning via special train which will get into Ontario to catch number 17 for the west. Grand Chancellor Fred Johnson who is making official visits in Eastern Oregon will be in Vale for Saturday evening.

## ENDORSE COUNTY LEAGUE

Ontario Commercial Club Favors County Development League—Elect Officers

By unanimous vote the members of the Ontario Commercial Club at a meeting Monday evening endorsed the formation of a County Development League for the purpose of promoting the general welfare of Malheur county. B. F. Johnson of the Oregon Western Colonization company offices at Vale was present at the meeting and gave a rousing talk. The following officers were elected for the coming year: W. W. Wood, President; Frank Rader, T. W. Claggett, H. C. Boyer, Hugh Allen, D. M. Taggart and H. R. Douglass, directors.

## WAR WORK GIRL FUND CAMPAIGN UNDERWAY

Honor Guard Girls Will Raise Quota for War Workers Thrown Out Of Employment

Beginning Saturday February 22 the Vale Honor Guard girls will operate a booth in the Post Office from which headquarters under direction of their leader, Mrs. Wildhaber, they will carry on a campaign to raise a quota of \$25 for the Y. W. C. A. This money is to be used in helping girl war workers who have been left destitute in the larger cities by the closing down of war activities. Altho the quota is a small one compared with the thousands of the Liberty Loan Drives etc. the girls will make it just as thorough for it is the aim of the workers that every person share in the fund by a small donation. Individual cash subscriptions will be the basis of the work.

The Honor Guards will take subscriptions at the Post Office all day Saturday and each evening of the following week from five until six.

## NEW GARAGE OPENS

Harvey Garage Ready For Business Vale Is Developing Into Recognized Automobile Center.

With the opening of the Harvey Garage here this week Vale has four large, modern Automobile garages each of which handle a number of the best quality cars and all equipped to do first class repairing. In addition we have a rapidly growing vulcanizing plant, all of which demonstrates the value of Vale as an automobile center for distribution and maintenance. The Harvey garage is located on the corner of main and B streets. Jim Harvey and G. H. Ricker, the proprietors announce the agency of the Hupmobile cars and G. M. C. Trucks. They have secured the services of Glenn Allender, formerly of Nebraska, as head mechanic and Everett Hotchkiss, well known in Vale as office manager and salesman.

## PALMER LOOMS NEXT ATTORNEY GENERAL



A. Mitchell Palmer, former congressman from Pennsylvania, looms the strongest candidate for appointment to the Wilson cabinet as attorney general to fill the place vacated by the resignation of Thomas W. Gregory. Palmer was alien property custodian during the war.

## RETURNED SOLDIERS FED BY RED CROSS

Huntington Canteen Serves 65th Artillery—Vale Boy Listed Among Those on Train

The 65th Coast Artillery made up mostly of men from Oregon Washington and Idaho passed thru Oregon early Sunday bound for Camp Lewis where the men will be discharged. From the time the train entered Idaho the line was one long line of welcome, all the towns turning out to feed and cheer the returned heroes. Portland staged a grand finale to the cross country journey with a big celebration there Monday. Many boys from nearby points are members of the returning troops and Ray Johnson of Vale is a member of the headquarter company.

The following letter was received by the Vale Chapter Red Cross this week from Huntington and tells of the work the Huntington Canteen did in welcoming back the 65th Coast Artillery. Vale chapter contributes \$40 per month toward maintaining this canteen. Huntington, Oregon, Feb. 17th 1919. Vale Chapter, A. R. C., Vale, Oregon. The Sixty fifth Coast Artillery boys are home, we entertained them last night, one train with 460 officers and men at midnight, the second section with 470, including the band came in an hour later. This unit is made up entirely of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington boys, they will be discharged from Camp Lewis and will soon be home. HOME! They didn't talk of anything else, there wasn't a chance to ask them a question about what they did, so we let it go and handed them out two thousand chicken sandwiches, one thousand pieces of perfectly good cake, with oranges, apples and coffee. Every town they visited during Monday gave them a boost.

More Knitting Arrives Fifty pounds of yarn will be knit into childrens stockings and childrens sweaters and mufflers by the local chapter. Part of the wool allotment and instructions arrived this week and those wishing to take out knitting can secure material at the work rooms in the court house.

## MALHEUR SOLONS MAKE HOME DISTRICT KNOWN

Malheur County Representatives Make Known Their End of State Says Robert D. Lytle.

The following communication is written especially for the Malheur Enterprise by Robert D. Lytle of Vale who is now chief clerk of the Judicial committee of the Senate. Salem Oregon, February 18—(Special to the Enterprise.) As the writer is pushing his pen along in the privacy of the large room off the Senate Chamber, set aside for the Clerk of the Judicial Committee, the melodious voice of our Senator from Malheur, Harney, and Grant is wafted thru the doorway, and I pause to listen. The subject is "Oleomargarine" (Senate Bill No. 236) and the question is whether or not it shall be subject to a tax. Senator Walter Pierce of Union county, by his bill, proposes to tax dealers in this substitute of the concentrated essence of the gentle "bobby" and Senator Hurley feels that "butter of the poor" should not be levied upon. A lively debate is ensuing. And thus I was along thru the routine of the day, stopping from time to time to listen to the views (as expressed in debate) of different men upon different subjects; and as I listen comes the query—"does he really believe what he says, or is all that camaflogue?"

In all the debates in which Senator Hurley has taken part I have yet to hear him make a statement that did not seem, to me at least, to express his honest conviction in the matter. The people of Malheur county are no doubt interested to know if their representatives to the legislature bear any weight or carry any influence. I can best answer that by sighting the committees which our men have been assigned. Senator Hurley is chairman of the Irrigation Committee and member of Enrolled Bills, Judiciary, Mining, Public Lands and Roads and Highways. Representative Gallagher is on the Irrigation, Mining and Revision of Laws committees. You will see by this that our men are well placed as Irrigation, Judiciary, Revision of Laws, Roads and Highways and Public Lands are some of the most important standing committees and of special interest to south Eastern Oregon. I have not had the opportunity of hearing Representative Gallagher on the floor of the house but he has the reputation of being one of the best fighters in the lower house and is recognized as a power not to be reckoned with and a power not to be ignored. Our representatives are working in perfect harmony and are accomplishing some real, genuine, constructive

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## CONSIDER ROAD AND LAND LAWS

Malheur County Men Take Prominent Position in Closing Days of Legislative Session.

The Road Bond bill and P. J. Gallagher's program for Irrigation and drainage development in Oregon are occupying the closing days of the 30th legislature. Representative Gallagher sent the following special report to the Enterprise on Wednesday.

"We are, at this present moment, in the midst of the debate on the ten million road bond bill. In all likelihood this bill will pass, in fact it is almost certain. My constitutional amendment guaranteeing the payment of the interest on irrigation and drainage bonds will also very likely pass as its on its way thru the house at the present time. These two measures are the only ones so far looking towards reconstruction which have the serious consideration of the members of the Legislature. There are a lot of other schemes proposed, but all call for large appropriations or the appointment of commissions and are more or less fanciful. There has been very little, if any, vicious legislation passed, altho there have been a great many bills of that nature introduced. "I have several important bills still in the ways and means committee, upon which I am assured of a favorable report, and if they pass they will be important aids in the carrying out of drainage and reclamation work and in the biological survey in the killing off of coyotes or predatory animals."

Senator Julian A. Hurley reports under date of February 20th: "There is no question but what the \$10,000,000 bond will pass; that the tax on automobiles will be doubled; that a tax of 1c per gallon will be put on gasoline; that a tax of 4c per gallon will be put on distillate; and that the property tax will be increased to 1 mill. This will provide more than enough money to take care of the \$10,000,000 bond bill; and the additional fund will be used on market roads and other roads designated in the bond bill of two years ago. I believe that the commission will complete all of the roads in Malheur County designated in the bond bill of two years ago. "I was able to get my bill through the Senate today appropriating \$500 a year for two years for the Malheur County Fair and there is no question but what this will pass the House.

## New Millinery Opens

Tuesday of this week Mrs. P. G. Eberly opened her new millinery parlors in the Arlington hotel block one door west of the First National Bank. Mrs. Eberly will carry a large line of pattern hats and untrimmed shapes and is equipped to do all kinds of millinery work. This adds another business house to Vale's list which will take its place in serving the growing business of the city.

## At Sanatorium

Mr. and Mrs. E. Ross of Fargo S. D. are at the Vale Hot Springs Sanatorium this week enjoying the helpful benefits of the Springs.