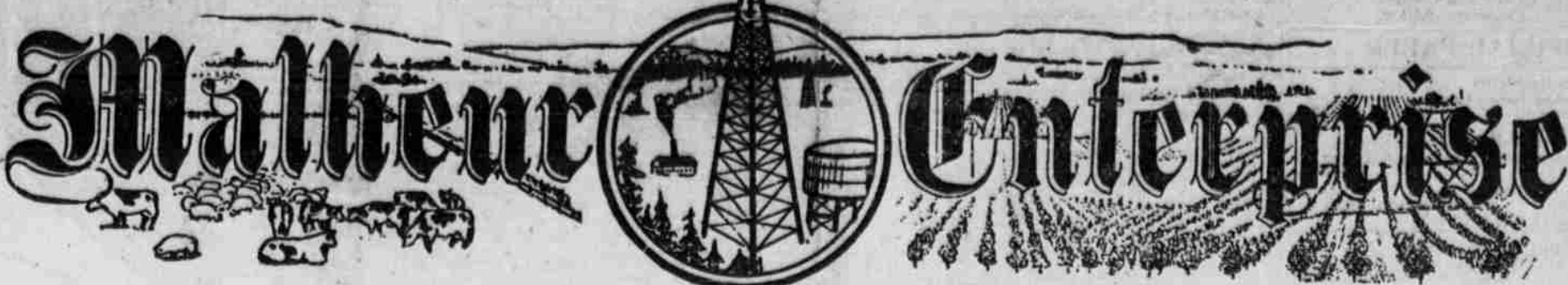


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ROYAL WELCOME ARRANGED FOR

Chairman Selects Heads of Committees—Celebration to be Biggest Ever Planned in County

A special meeting will be held Monday evening in Vale Chamber of Commerce by the Fourth of July celebration committee at which time definite plans will be decided upon for the big celebration. C. M. Robinette has called to his assistance the following who will act as chairman of the committees: H. H. Wagoner, grounds and decoration; Saxon Humphrey, soldiers' banquet and feeding arrangements; A. G. Means, sports games and amusements; Leo Schmidt, street parade; T. T. Nelson, fireworks; George Huntington, publicity and program; C. M. Robinette, finances.

Every community in Malheur county is invited to cooperate and to help enjoy and participate in an "honest to goodness" Welcome to the returned soldiers, sailors and marines of Malheur county. Every service flag is invited and expected to attend in uniform. The committee plans that everything from sets of dancing will be free and open to all uniformed men. It is suggested any community wishing to show their special appreciation and to help make the day one that their particular heroes will remember, should plan an entry for the big street parade illustrating in some manner the loyalty of their boys and the appreciation of their service.

CONCERT ENJOYED

Local Singers Present Varied Program For Benefit of War Orphans

A good attendance enjoyed the concert for the war relief given by local musicians at the Rex Theater Monday evening and the program as given again demonstrated that Vale people do not have to leave their own town to listen to the best in musical entertainment. The parts taken by those who gave of their time and talent to make the concert a success, were artistically and finely rendered and each participant gave a graceful encore number. Solos were given by W. Reid, Mrs. H. E. Young, Mrs. George Curry and R. H. Sidway, a piano duet by Misses Vina and Helen Mueller. Mrs. L. J. Hadley gave humorous musical readings and Miss Evelyn Brown of Ontario gave two songs. Mrs. A. M. Moody accompanied through the program in her usual brilliant style at the piano. As a closing number the audience and singers joined in the National Anthem while Hershel Brown in Scott's uniform brought "Old Glory" to the platform. In connection with the concert it was gratifying to the singers to note that a large attendance was present, and that the people of Vale appreciated their efforts to present the better class of music in concert recital.

Mueller in Portland

C. C. Mueller is in Portland this week attending to matters pertaining to his duties as treasurer of the Warm Springs Irrigation District and will also visit the Ellison and White Chautauque Bureau in order to bring home first hand information regarding the program that will be given in Vale the last of the coming month.

BUSY LUNCHEON HOUR HOLDS ATTENTION

Farm Loan Appraiser Coming—Civic Problems Discussed by Lunchers

Chairman A. H. Chester presided at the Tuesday lunch on the 16th. The usual good attendance was present and Representative P. J. Gallagher was called upon to start off the program. He told of the development through Eastern Oregon that will be greatly encouraged by the adoption of the irrigation interest guarantee measure. Several million acres of arid lands will be much more readily financed and the bill also will assist the drainage of millions of acres in swampy sections of the state. Mr. Gallagher spoke in favor of the Roosevelt Highway as of equal importance to the people of the Coast counties.

Attorney H. C. Eastman read a letter from the Farm Loan bank at Spokane saying that the Malheur Farm Loan Association would soon be visited by an appraiser and the organization perfected so that the Government money may be secured by the ranchers of the county.

Dr. F. Brown reviewed several matters of Civic importance and recommended that the businessmen request the Council to prevent the running at large of stock, which has become a common nuisance in the residence portion of town.

George Huntington Curry spoke of the special city election to be held on June fourth, the same time as the state and county elections and told the only possible way the Council could provide for improving the streets and making other needed improvements was for the people to vote the proposed special tax and provide sufficient revenue to operate the city on a business basis. The Robinette assured everyone that there was going to be a real fourth of July celebration. Bruce R. Kester was appointed Chairman for the luncheon the coming week.

SOLDIER CELEBRATION MONDAY

Ontario Women Will Honor Service Men May 19th With Big Celebration

At a public reception to be held in Ontario Monday afternoon fitting tribute will be paid men who donned the khaki at their country's call. The Ontario ladies, backed by the civic bodies and businessmen will stage the celebration in honor especially of their own local boys but extend a welcome and invitation to every service man of Malheur county to enjoy their hospitality on that day.

A parade will start the evening program and will be followed by a picnic dinner in the park. Families are urged to bring lunches and join the crowd and the service men will be special guests at the big table spread by the ladies. The ladies of Ontario wish it thoroughly understood that their Reception Welcome is not to interfere with the county-wide gathering to be held in Vale on July fourth and that they thoroughly endorse this idea and especially urge every soldier, sailor or marine in Ontario Monday to be present for the big reunion of the fourth.

SECRETARY FAVORS OREGON'S PROJECTS

Secretary Laie Replies to Senator McNary Regarding Reclamation Fund Distribution

In reply to a letter from Senator Chas. L. McNary regarding the distribution of reclamation funds, which letter was published in the Enterprise of May 3rd, Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane replies to Senator McNary in the following letter: A copy of which was forwarded to George Huntington Curry, Editor of the Enterprise by the Senator: My Dear Senator: I have your letter of April 10, 1919, regarding the distribution of the reclamation fund and can only say that I am heartily in favor of the development and construction of all feasible irrigation projects in the State of Oregon and will be glad to undertake the construction of projects which authority and funds are provided by Congress. You are of course familiar with the act of Congress of June 25, 1910 (36 Stat. 835), repealing section 9 of the reclamation act, and with the act of August 19, 1914 (38 Stat. 656), providing that expenditures from the reclamation fund may only be made as authorized annually by Congress.

HERDER SUICIDES

Sheepherd Commits Suicide Near Crowley—Reported by Deputy Sheriff Benedit.

Deputy sheriff Benedit of Riverside reported to the Sheriff's office at Vale the death of a middle aged man by the name of Perry who had apparently shot and killed himself. From the best information obtainable the man had no relatives in this county and had been employed but a short time by the Malheur Land and Livestock company as a shepherd near Crowley.

Land Sales Active

F. S. Rieder, of the Oregon Western Colonization Company's office at Vale reports a number of land sales under the Warm Springs project the past week and many inquiries and investigations are being made. Mr. Rieder is new in the office but not to the work of the people of this section. For several years he was employed by the former Land Grant company and has gone over nearly every foot of the Company's holdings in Malheur county. He came from the John Day Valley and had been employed but a short time by the Malheur Land and Livestock company as a shepherd near Crowley.

S. DAK. SENATOR GUNS FOR BOLSHEVIKS

Senator Thomas Sterling of South Dakota is gunning for bolsheviks. He will introduce a bill in the next congress asking that an loyal aliens be deported without trial if caught participating in revolutionary acts to prohibit the red flag, and censorship literature which preaches disloyalty.

DEAN STRAUB SPEAKS

Dean of State University Visits Vale and Ontario Schools This Week End. Dr. John Straub, dean of the University of Oregon was in Vale Friday morning to speak to the students of the high school and seventh and eighth grades. Dr. Straub gave a very interesting talk to the students impressing upon them the need of higher education and its constantly increasing value to the younger men and women of America. Spending a few hours in the city to visit old friends and university students Dr. Straub left on the afternoon train for Ontario where he spoke Friday evening to the graduates.

NEARING WORK ON DAM'S ARCH

Ditch Camp Working Full Crew—Camp At Dam Nearly Ready To Begin Steady Construction

Engineer-Manager John H. Lewis reports that for the past several weeks full crews have been busy making rapid progress completing the Gellerman-Froman ditch West of Vale and Plans are now under way to move the camp in about a week just North of town to begin work on the new ditch covering Willow Creek pumping unit. The new road built in place of the county road for a couple of miles past the Free Street ranch up the valley has been completed and opened for travel, the old road location being occupied by the Gellerman-Froman extension.

At the Riverside camp sufficient concrete has been poured to test out all machinery and arrangements and it is hoped to begin work on the big arch in earnest by the first of the month. Tests made thru the sand rolls have disclosed the necessity of making the sand of gravel in the foot of the canyon, which material is making a splendid concrete mixture. It is planned to build the dam entirely across the canyon in horizontal layers instead of erecting the two abutments first. The river will be flumed thru the center of the dam during construction and will be ample to care for any anticipated high water during the summer.

OBEY TRAFFIC LAWS

Stock and Traffic Ordinances Must Be Obeyed, Marshall Instructed To Enforce.

City Marshall George Horton has been instructed by the city council to enforce the impounding ordinance and to take up all stock found running at large within the city limits. This week about forty head of cattle and horses have been taken up and put in the city pound, most of which have been taken out by the owners. For some time considerable nuisance has been occasioned by loose stock. People who have lawns, gardens, etc. have made numerous complaints. The ordinance requires that a fine of \$1.00 per head be charged on all animals taken up in addition to a fee charge of fifty cents per day.

The city traffic ordinances must also be observed and it will pay drivers to bear in mind the regulations regarding parking on the right side of the street, never in the intersections, also not to cut corners when turning to the left, to keep to the right side of the street, and to observe the speed limit of twelve miles per hour. In this connection also comes the prohibition of riding bicycles on the side walks. All of these matters are in the interests and protection of the general public and everyone will be expected to observe the ordinances. City Recorder C. M. Robinette gives assurance that there will be little leniency shown in the city court.

VALE BOY HOME

Homer Roberts Returns After Winter Spent in National Capitol During War Period

Homer Roberts, who has been in Washington, D. C., the past winter attending school and working in the Post-Department, returned home Monday to spend the vacation with his mother and brothers. He visited with relatives in Cannel City, Kentucky on his return trip. Mr. Roberts reports an improvement in business conditions on the eastern coast, with the addition of soldier labor, of which there is an over supply. He states that the middle west and western states are still in need of much unskilled labor. Mr. Roberts was for a number of years a member of the Enterprise force and will resume his connections with this paper.

MANY ATTEND PICNIC

Bad Weather Forces Picnicers Indoors But Fun Not Dampened On Fun

The bad weather of Sunday afternoon interfered with the Socialist picnic being held in Chesters grove as was planned the picnicers betook themselves to the Old Chamber of Commerce rooms and there spread the big picnic feast and had their planned program and games last Sunday. A number of out of town members of the Vale local and friends were present during the day and all report the event one of the biggest of the year in a social and practical way.

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WANT QUAKE DATA

What Do You Know About Earthquakes In Oregon—U. of O. Wants Information.

Warren D. Smith, head of the department of Geology of the University of Oregon, is making a search of the state to collect all available data regarding earthquake phenomena. He urgently requests that any one knowing anything of any quakes in Oregon or of breaking out of new springs, drying up of streams, shifting of channels, fractures in the earth, unusual rumblings, etc., kindly send in the best report they can either direct to him at Eugene, Oregon or to the Malheur Enterprise, Vale Oregon; who will forward it to him. A part of his letter follows:

"I am making some research along the line of earthquake phenomena in the State of Oregon. I find that no one has ever kept any accurate records of these things in the state, and it is highly important for correlation with work going on in Washington and California that we make a study of these things in our own state even though they have not been of any serious consequence to us."

"I would be glad if you would make some mention of this in your paper so that old residents of southeastern Oregon will send in such information as they might have from personal recollection. I shall appreciate very much any trouble that you take in this matter, and I assure you that the matter is of greater importance than it would at first seem to be to the layman."

GRADUATING CLASS READY FOR DIPLOMAS

Reverend Helman Former Local Pastor Will Address Graduating Class of 1919.

Commencement exercises of the class of 1919 Vale High School will be held at the High School Auditorium Friday evening May 23 at eight thirty o'clock. Reverend C. E. Helman of Baker formerly pastor of the local Methodist church will be present to give the address to the graduating class and Superintendent D. W. Hammock will present the diplomas to the members of the graduating class, who are Lillian Davis, Helen Mueller, Myrtle Wann, Mazie Hope, Myrtle Griffith, Lois Jensen, Walter Taylor, Robert Ridgley, William Purvis and Alma Propst.

The following program has been prepared for the evening: Selection..... Vale Orchestra Invocation..... Reverend Clower Fluno Solo..... Helen Mueller Selection..... Vale Orchestra Address..... Reverend Helman Selection..... Vale Orchestra Presentation of Diplomas..... Baccalaureate Service

Sunday evening May 18 the baccalaureate service will be held at the Methodist church with Reverend Clower giving the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class. The Junior class will have charge of the church arrangements and flowers and special music will be given.

From Jordan Valley I. O. Hanson came up from Jordan Valley the latter part of last week and has joined the employees of the Enterprise office. Mr. Hanson is a printer of many years experience and has been in Malheur county sometime.

PICKING THE PRESIDENT



If precedent in any way rules the political affairs of the nation then the United States will have a "war" president following the election of 1920, say those of the Enterprise office. Already both big parties are looking over the lists of men available on such a platform. In the Democratic ranks, Secretary of War Newton Baker is mentioned as a logical candidate to give a good race to any opponent put forward, while the great personal friendship which existed between the ward, while the great personal friendship which existed between the late Colonel Roosevelt and Major General Leonard S. Wood, makes the latter a candidate who might be acceptable to both wings of the Republican party and at the same time furnish all the military timber needed to win.

CIRCUIT COURT ENDS BUSY TERM

April Term Court Adjourns—New Grand Jury Selected—Judge To Grant County.

With the verdict of not guilty in the trial of Hugh Maxwell and Martha Schuster of Riverside charged with Manslaughter in connection with selling wood alcohol which resulted in the death of four men, the April term of the Circuit court for Malheur county adjourned Tuesday after disposing of the largest number of cases for several terms.

Last Saturday in the trial of Ralph Webster and Silas Shelton charged with the larceny of cattle the jury convicted Webster and released Shelton. The new Grand Jury drawn at the close of the court for the September term is as follows: A. L. Cochran of Ontario foreman, A. C. Lockett of Haines clerk, Rex Marquis Ontario, J. C. Spaulding Westfall, A. W. Glenn Vale, Alfred Vague, Vale, Orin Bull of Ontario, Jurymen; and Charles Leavitt of Vale, John Norwood of Jamieson, A. A. Derrick of Jamieson and Fred W. Dacey of Vale alternate jurymen.

Judge Dalton Biggs left the last of the week to open court at Canyon City for Grant county. He will return the early part of June to take up the equity docket here.

RETURNS FROM ITALY

Malheur County Pioneer Arrives Home After Absence of Six Years

For six years Signor Bartoni of Novara Comignia, Italy, has been trying to persuade the Italian and French governments to let him return to his home in Malheur county. Last month, when he was just beginning to give his task up as hopeless, he was given his passports and arrived in Vale Tuesday, having made the trip from Italy in sixteen days. He spent a number of days in Malheur county. The Peace Conference was at its height.

Left Six Years Ago On May 12, 1913, Bartoni, thought he would like to return to Italy to see his old mother, and start his life in America, and Malheur county is the best place in the world. I came to Westfall in 1888, when Ontario was but a bunch of shacks, and the only building in Vale was the old stone house in Malheur county. Last month, and brought most of the settlers there, so can you blame me for wanting to come back?"

Was in Germany in 1870 Bartoni was in Germany in 1870, when Alsace-Lorraine was taken from France, and he was in France in 1919 when it was officially given back again. He believes the Fiume will eventually be an open port, but controlled by Italy. The war has not affected America as it has Italy," said the Signor, telling of devastated France and portions of Italy. "Italy lost 900,000 men, and four years of war has seriously handicapped her. I spent the most of my life in America, and now I am here, I never want to return."

Killed By Flying Block Last week a Hungarian by the name of Cyril Martik was killed by a block of falling wood at Warm Springs camp at Riverside. Doctor Hedges was called to make out the death certificate. The only known relative of the man is a brother living in Hungary who if able to be located will receive \$800 insurance.

Myrtle Point—Roseburg highway soon to undergo extensive improvements.

GAME WARDEN VISITS

District Game Warden Hazeltine Checks Up On Eleven Anglers Along River

District Game Warden I. D. Hazeltine visited the county this week and incidentally made eleven arrests among the Salmon fishermen along the Malheur river. They were all brought before Justice of Peace, R. D. Lytle. R. E. and R. D. Jones of Idaho were each fined \$25.00 for fishing without a license. W. D. Williams was fined a like amount on the same charge. J. P. Schall was fined \$75.00 dollars for using an unlawful device for catching salmon. J. O. Barnard and J. F. Rasmussen were each fined \$50.00 for using seines. L. D. Gordon pleaded not guilty to using fish traps unlawfully and the case has been set for Saturday, R. W. Powers and O. W. Parker who claim Nyssa as their residence have been charged with fishing without a license but have not been served, with the complaint as yet.

PEACE PACT WORKERS AWAIT GERMAN REPLY

Italian Question Still in Balance—Big Seaplanes Attempt "Hop off" and Return.

The Rumanian delegation may possibly withdraw from the peace conference, according to advices from Paris which say that the trouble arose from the decision of the council of ten to Divide Bonat between Serbin and Rumania.

The Italian Premier Orlando was received by premier Clemenceau at the French war ministry Thursday. M. Trumbitch, head of the Jugoslav mission in Paris had a conference Thursday with Col. E. M. House of the American peace mission, and Thomas Nelson Page, American ambassador to Italy. It is understood that the conference discussed the formula of a proposed compromise regarding Fiume.

Propaganda Charged Conviction seems to be growing in allied circles that most of the German protests against the peace treaty so far received were written before the reading of the treaty and are designed as propaganda. The conference however is referring all protests to committees which will consider them on their merits.

U. S. Casualties 286,044 Revised figures made public Thursday by the war department showed that the total casualties of the American expeditionary forces during the war was 286,044. Battle deaths numbered 48,909 and the total of wounded was placed at 237,135 with the explanation that this represented a duplication of about 7000 by reason of the fact that many men were wounded more than once.

Seaplanes Still Wait After an apparent effort to "hop off" on their trans-Atlantic flight Thursday, the NC-1 and NC-3 seaplanes are still at Trepassey, N. F., awaiting a favorable opportunity to get under way.

It was confidently expected that the planes, possibly accompanied by the NC-4 which dropped out of the initial leg of the journey for repairs and which arrived at Trepassey bay during the day, would get under way just before sundown Friday and reach the Azores sometime Saturday afternoon.

Big Dirigible Escapes The big dirigible C-5 broke from its mooring in the navy yard at St. Johns N. F. on Thursday. The runaway dropped into the sea 85 miles off shore and an unidentified Bureau ship sent a wireless it was standing by the wrecked machine. The giant escaped during a high wind and started its flight without its crew. The wrecking of the dirigible somewhat "crimply" the plans of the navy for a trans-Atlantic trip.

DEATH OF MRS. WOOD

Aged Lady Dies Few Weeks Following Accident When Hip is Broken.

Mrs. Ruth A. Wood mother of Mrs. M. N. Fegly who has made her home with her son in Vale for some time died Sunday morning May 11 about seven o'clock after a few weeks illness following an accident in which she broke her hip. The funeral was held from the Methodist church Monday morning at ten o'clock with Reverend Clower preaching the service, and members of the choir singing favorite songs of the deceased.

Mrs. Wood was born at Brockville, Province of Ontario Canada, July 1, 1826 and was 97 years of age and ten days old at the time of her death. In 1853 she was united in marriage to Rufus Wood at Ashton Illinois. Two sons and six daughters survive her and mourn the loss of a devoted and loving mother. At the age of 22 Mrs. Wood united with the Methodist Episcopal church and was a true member and worker in the church up to the time of her death. A few weeks ago when having a loss of the bones in her right hip and the injury seemed to be mending she gradually faded away. A large circle of friends in Vale who have come to affectionally know her as "Grandma Woods" mourn the loss of her cheery companionship.

Returns From France Floyd Harris one of the five sons of W. H. Harris who has been considerable service with the navy aviation returned this week from Charleston W. V.

COUNTY'S QUOTA IS UNCERTAIN

Question Whether County Has Reached Quota—Vale and Ontario Just Reach Mark.

County Chairman J. R. Blackaby reports that complete tabulations from all parts of the county are not yet available and he is still uncertain whether the county has gone over the top in the Victory Liberty Loan or not. The fancy German helmets prepared for the triumphal entry of the Prussian Guards into the city of Paris, but actually escorted thru that place by returning American heroes, were awarded to Tom Turnbull of Crowley and A. E. Nichols of Ironside as the two heaviest individual subscribers to the loan. The latest reports from several districts in the county show them more or less under the required quota. But other districts among them Brogan, Westfall, Dead Ox Flat, Crowley, Ironside and others are listed 100% or more.

The Oregon Life Insurance Company awarded \$1000 of its \$50,000 state subscription to Malheur county and is the only insurance company of the many doing business in this section that has ever contributed one cent to our credit. Morris Brothers well known bonding firm of Portland also contributed a large proportion of its subscription to Malheur county, taking a block of \$50,000. The state and nation has far exceeded the best expectations and altho the drive is over the final returns absolutely must show Malheur county over the top.

BARTLETT TO BAKER

Well Known Vale Surgeon Recently Returned From Service Will Be Member of Baker Clinic.

Dr. Carl J. Bartlett who returned a few months ago from the front line service in France and who has spent the past three months resting and recuperating from the effects of wounds and gas received while carrying medical aid to the men in shell holes at Chateau-Thierry and St. Mihiel left Friday for Baker where he will associate himself with a new clinic being formed there and where he will follow his profession of surgery. Dr. Bartlett is a Malheur county boy and has friends from one end of the county to the other who regretting to see him leave are looking forward to a bright future for him in the larger fields.

BUY RICH MINE

Crackerjack Group of Claims In Seven Devils District Purchased By Local Men

Julien A. Hurley and O. A. Mathews associated with E. R. Brack of Nampa have purchased a group of mining claims in the Seven Devils country known as the Crackerjack Group. Two tunnels have proven the merits of the mine which assays high in silver, copper and gold. The Idaho state assessor of mines pronounces the district to be one of the best in the Northwest. The mine is located across the Snake river from the famous Irondyke mine and is located but three miles from the Homestead railroad. Messrs Hurley and Mathews plan on leaving soon for the mine to have their property completely assayed and to work out plans for immediate development.

Wind Breaks Window The heavy wind and sand-storm at Ontario Wednesday afternoon broke the glass out of the front of the Oregon Western Colonization office. The sidewalk and street was covered with broken glass but no one was injured.

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS ON BOULEVARD SOON

Road From Ontario to Vale Receives Connecting Links to Make Complete Roadbed.

The past several weeks the big county engines and road machinery have put in several "shifts" on the road between Vale and Ontario and as a result the short links of dirt road between the graveled stretches which have long been the bugaboo of drivers are fast receiving their coating of gravel and becoming a part of the main graveled roadbed. The stretch lying along Mallett station has been completed and the gravel mixer this week has been spreading a surfacing on the road fronting the Standfield sheep camp which is the last patch left of the connecting links. It is the plan of the County Court according to Judge E. H. Test to begin graveled the Boulevard very soon. The work will begin at Nyssa and extend toward Carlin. The connecting links on the Vale Ontario road will have all been graveled during the coming week.

The court has made application for one of the big Government trucks that are being offered the various states and counties for road construction. This is a much needed addition to the county road equipment and will save the general road fund several thousand dollars if it can be secured.

Ellis King Home Ellis King who has been in France for some time returned to his former home at Vale this week after an absence of nearly four years.