

VISITOR FROM VALE SEES BRIGHT FUTURE FOR MALHEUR CO.

George S. Mills Points Out Possibilities in Development of Resources.

Convinced that the next three years will find Vale, Ontario and Brogan the center of thriving industry...

D. M. Brogan, founder of the town of Brogan, and one of the promoters of the Willow Creek and Bully Creek irrigation projects...

Willow Creek irrigation project has made Brogan the leading town in Malheur county in point of shipping...

The possibility of so much new land under cultivation and the development of the oil and natural gas resources...

"Several companies will be operating in the oil fields this spring," said Mr. Mills. "The four boom building rigs are now under option to Franklin Wiley, who is in New York, perfecting the details of the financing of his scheme..."

"The Ontario Oil & Gas company has leased its holdings to the Mason of Tampico, Mexico. This natural gas well is 4100 feet deep, and has a pressure capable of putting out 3,000,000 feet of natural gas every 24 hours..."

"With the fuel problem solved, I believe that the cement edge in Malheur county can be opened up. We hope to be able to start a cement factory there in the near future..."

"Today our country looks better than it has ever looked before. The hills are covered with a foot and a half of snow, insuring plenty of moisture for the crops..."

COUNTY COURT NEWS

The Portland Quarry company requested a letter to show that it had completed its contract to furnish rock for the Patton road...

Commissioner Dieck, of the department of public works of the city, reported that surveys of Montgomery street from the head of Montgomery street to Vista avenue, vary, and requested that County Surveyor Holbrook check over his notes on the survey...

The commissioners approved rules for the governing of the city, Raymond Muttonah farm, submitted by Superintendent Jackson, and authorized Mr. Jackson to take measures he deemed fit to maintain order and discipline at the farm...

Eger Brothers petitioned for \$25 indemnity for a cow slaughtered on account of tuberculosis infection, and on the hearing of the petition was set for January 28 at 10 o'clock.

CUPID LEADS TWO VANCOUVER SWAINS ACROSS COLUMBIA

Since last June the papers have daily told of Portland couples married in Vancouver because of the Oregon medical examining law, but yesterday was the first appearance of any Vancouver swains in Portland for marriage licenses...

PENDLETON CLUB MAY GET NEW QUARTERS

Pendleton, Or., Jan. 21.—Pendleton's Commercial club may have new quarters, which have long been needed. W. Matlock, president of the Pendleton Hotel company, has taken out two stories to the Hotel Pendleton this spring, offered to add a sixth story for use by the club, providing it raises the necessary money...

WRECK OF BALBOA IS MOVING INSHORE

(Special to The Journal.) Aberdeen, Wash., Jan. 21.—Storms of the past few days have taken out an additional 100 feet of the false work of the north jetty. The wreck of the schooner Balboa has broken from its anchors and has been driven 100 feet farther inshore.

COMMITTEE INVITES THEATRE MEN TO AID IN SOLVING PROBLEM

First Definite Step Taken Towards Elevation of Commercial Amusements.

The committee appointed by Mayor Albee to investigate and recommend some action looking toward the censorship of commercial amusements, met yesterday afternoon in the Central Library building...

With Dr. W. T. Foster, as chairman, the committee early in the meeting adopted a policy of "construction." It believes the committee should seek to devise some positive method to improve the character of vaudeville shows...

"The fact was brought out that only one or two of the committee ever attended vaudeville shows, and few visit the motion picture houses. Dr. Foster stated this made little difference, for the reason that the committee would undertake a full investigation before making any recommendations to the mayor..."

Mrs. Elmer B. Colwell, of the local moving picture censorship board, said that virtually all the motion pictures exhibited in Portland are viewed by members of the board in the exchanges before they are released for the public. She expressed the opinion that the censoring of vaudeville houses would not be easy for the reason that the bookings are made in the local and local managers have no control in the selection of acts...

Others, however, declared that the local managers probably could order objectionable acts or suggestive acting eliminated. And then it was decided to call in the theatre managers themselves to talk over the matter with the committee.

Miss Mary Isom was elected secretary of the committee. She was also appointed chairman of a sub-committee to proceed to a preliminary study of the work of censoring local motion pictures and to ascertain how the work is carried on in other communities...

ELK STEAK EXPENSIVE TO GEORGE FORREST

Pendleton, Or., Jan. 21.—George Forrest, the young Athena rancher who was convicted late Saturday night of killing an elk, has been sentenced by Judge Phelps to pay a \$500 fine and costs, which will amount to several hundred dollars more. This, with his attorney fees, will make the elk steak he ate cost him about \$3 a pound. Forrest's attorneys served notice that they would enter a motion to set aside the verdict and judgment on the grounds that the trial was not fair and impartial. Their contention is that Seth Haworth, the principal witness for the prosecution, had "double-crossed" them before the trial by declaring that he knew nothing of the case and, by his deception, had prevented them from opposing his testimony with a proper defense...

CONSOLIDATION PLAN OF RAILROAD CONTINUES

With the retirement of A. C. Adams, superintendent of motive power of the North Bank road, that office after February 1 will be abolished and the work of the department will be consolidated with the general shop system of the company. Elison, show master mechanic at Vancouver, Wash., is to be placed in charge with the title of general master mechanic. This change follows the policy of General Manager W. D. Scott of consolidating so far as possible the different branches of the mechanical department for the sake of economy and simplification. The plan contemplated the operation of the Oregon Electric, United Railways and the Astoria division of the steam lines under Superintendent A. J. Davidson, with J. McKelvie, now superintendent of the Astoria line, as assistant superintendent. Under the new arrangement Samuel R. Clark displaces J. E. McManey as purchasing agent.

FEEDING GOOD, WILD FOWL STAY IN NORTH

Pendleton, Or., Jan. 21.—According to reports coming from Echo, geese and ducks are causing considerable damage to grain in that vicinity. The government reservoir on the Umatilla project is a game reserve and there the birds roost in large numbers. In the day time it is said they fly to the grain fields to feed. Owing to the mild weather and the abundance of feed, the birds have not gone south as is customary at this time of the year. The season has advanced the grain fields for the young grain. This condition has grown especially bad since the close of the game season, January 15, before which the hunters kept them on the move. One farmer reports that he will have to reseed a 20-acre field.

Detention Home Repairs.

In answer to a request by Judge Gatens, of the juvenile court, for funds for repairs needed at the Fraser Detention Home, the county commission-ers last night sent a letter stating that the county departments are now on a budget basis and the money must be taken from funds allowed the juvenile court.

May Change Division.

Klickitat, Wash., Jan. 21.—It is reported that the S. R. & S. Railroad company is contemplating changing its route from the present location at Fallbridge to Lyle.

Hotel at Lyle. Klickitat, Wash., Jan. 21.—The Hotel Lyle is again to be reopened under the management of D. C. Dillabaugh.

Undermuslins Bearing Consumers' League Label Enter January White Sale!

THE WILLAMETTE SEWING MACHINE, J. & T. COUSINS' SHOES, FREE RENTAL BUREAU, LUNCHEON AT MEIER & FRANK'S, NEW VICTROLA AND GRAMOPHONE PARLORS, FREE NURSERY FOR THE BABIES.

Final Three Days of Clearance at Meier & Frank's!

Every Article Reduced Excepting Contract Goods and Groceries

85 SUITS FOR CLEARANCE AT ONLY \$5!

The Cat Show Opens Tomorrow! continuing Friday and Saturday. This year's Show promises to be the most interesting event of the kind yet held in Portland.

The Original Prices Were \$12.50, \$15.00 and \$17.50. It is scarcely believable that such excellent Suits can be sold at so low a price. Misses' and Women's plain and fancy tailored Suits, 14 year-old to 44 bust size.

\$3.50 and \$4.50 Shoes for Women, Pair \$2.89. Gunmetal calf, with gray or black cloth tops; tan Russia leather with cloth tops; patent calf, with mat or cravenette tops, and velour calf, with mat or calf tops.

Women's \$1.50 Juliets Reduced to, Pair, \$1.09. Fur-trimmed, felt Juliets, with hand-turned soles, and low heels are the offering for tomorrow at this Final Clearance price of \$1.09.

Cover-All Aprons, 67c. Attractively Made of Seersucker. These Seersucker Cover-All Aprons are as attractive as they are practical, for they're made of pretty blue and white or pink and white striped seersucker.

Phenomenal! Clearance Sale \$3.00 and \$3.50 Sweaters at \$1.39

Some Books That Are Reduced for Clearance. 35c Cloth Edition "Everyman's Library," 500 volumes, slightly hurt from handling. Special 25c. To \$2 odd gift books, "She Loves Me," etc., 500 volumes in the assortment, special 75c.

Suitable for Men and Women. These are Men's and Women's Sweaters, all made in the strictly Coat Sweater style, Shaker knit and plain weave. Included in this lot at this deep reduction are the famous "Knitright" Sweaters and other equally as popular garments.

5000 Rich, Beautiful Felt Pennants 15c

Choice of five styles, including Oregon, California, Washington, Princeton and Army-Navy—and the number of selections you may make is unrestricted. Thursday is the day—5000 to choose from, but don't delay too long; indications point to a quick disposal.

2000 Pieces "Wearever" Aluminum Specially Priced for This Three Days' Sale

It's the practical and right-up-to-date Housewife who is going to be vitally interested in this timely event. Aluminum Ware is widely recognized and established as a strong factor in modernizing the average kitchen—and the name "Wearever" on a piece is its stamp of sterling quality.

Meier & Frank Co. THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND. Fifth, Sixth, Morrison, Alder Sts. "Wearever" Cast Waffle Irons—low—each \$3.00. "Wearever" Preserving Kettles—4 quart size—each \$1.15.