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CHALLENGES NYSSA TO WATER CONTEST

VALE FIREMEN KEEN TO RUN UP AGAINST WINNERS OF LAST YEAR'S DUEL.

WILL BE IN PARADE JULY 4

Invitation Issued to Brogan-Jamieson and Ironside-Bonita to Have Water Fight.

(From the Malheur Enterprise.)

The chief discussions at the regular monthly meeting of Vale's volunteer fire department Monday evening centered around the possibility of Nyssa's chances for winning the coming water fight which the two towns are expected to stage as part of the big annual celebration the fourth of next month. The fact that Nyssa has hardly received the invitation of the firemen to participate in the contest, yet alone find time to reply, did not dampen the enthusiasm of the different companies for they are sure that the winners of last year's bout will again welcome a chance to meet the local boys.

Teams From Brogan and Ironside.

An invitation is also being issued to the men of Jamieson and Brogan to form a hose team to go up against men from Ironside and Bonita and northern communities. This will enable the staging of a double header event for this part of the program, which will indeed be one of the most popular features. In spite of the rigid clearing of the streets by the marshals of the day, the crowds will surge up to see how the combatants are coming on and as a result the firemen aren't the only wet ones when the winners are acknowledged, but this only adds to the fun and general good humor of the day.

Also in Parade.

The members of the fire department are also making arrangements to be in the parade of the morning and are promising something novel as well as interesting. For the teams mentioned above, the captains of each company have been instructed to select one man from the hose companies and one from the hook and ladder will make up the team of five.

Another feature of Monday evening's meeting was the challenge of the hook and ladder company to all the rest of the department to cross bats with them on the local diamond at the ball park in a game of twilight baseball Friday evening. The blackboard in the postoffice has been causing much amusement through the suggestion of a probable line-up on the two sides and a good crowd will witness the affair.

Every company whose duty it is to furnish the eats stages a menu that each time is voted the best one yet, but the decision on the summer time luncheon dished out at this meeting by Hose Company No. 2 under the direction of its captain, C. B. Woodward, was a unanimous vote of approval. Sandwiches, cake, ice cream and lemonade were the main popular features and made a hit with everyone.

CRESTON

SNOW STORM FRIDAY

Takes Band of Sheep To Mountains—Goes To Nyssa—To Finish Shearing—Returns Home Saturday

The Misses Jennie, Elenora, and Delva Beers spent last Sunday afternoon with Mrs. E. Rogers.

J. C. Yost was an all night visitor at the Rogers home Thursday of this week.

Creston had a belated snow storm Friday of this week.

T. R. Beers went to the Warm Springs the first of this week.

Mrs. Ben Jones visited her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shumway, this week.

John Steward passed through Creston with a band of sheep on the way to the mountains.

Frank Shumway was a Crowley caller the first of the week.

J. C. Wattenberge, Mr. Oliver, A. V. Clark stopped for a short stay at Creston last Tuesday on their way to Crowley to finish shearing for the season. Rain did not delay the shearing.

Charlie McConnell went to Nyssa last Sunday.

David Rogers went to Ontario the first of the week to have some dental work done.

Frankie Shumway, Jr., called for his mail Monday.

Miss Jennie Beers returned home Saturday.

ONTARIO MAN IS ELECTED CHAIRMAN

J. D. BILLINGSLEY WILL GUIDE DESTINIES OF REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Robt. D. Lytle and I. W. Hope of Vale Will Hold Other Two Offices—Meeting Held Thursday.

J. D. Billingsley of Ontario was elected chairman of the county organization of the Republican Central Committee at the regular post-primary meeting held in Vale in the court house Thursday afternoon, and Mrs. Robt. D. Lytle of Vale was elected vice-chairman. R. D. Lytle was elected secretary and I. W. Hope, also of Vale, was elected treasurer for the ensuing term of office.

Eleven of the precincts of the county were represented at the meeting, a large percentage considering the miles that some had to travel to be present. An executive committee was named and the filling of some of the precinct vacancies was discussed. Plans for the selection of a committeewoman for each precinct were formulated, the names of which will probably be forthcoming in the near future.

Outgoing officers for the organization were Geo. W. Hayes of Vale, who has served as chairman for the past four years, and E. M. Blodgett of Nyssa, who has held the secretary's office.

MARKING THE ROADS.

With the campaign to remove unsightly advertising signs from America's roads well under way, attention may well be turned to the character of signs and sign posts marking roads to show their destination and distances.

The historic "sign post" is of wood, with a board nailed to the side, ending in a rude representation of a pointing hand. The board bears upon its face, usually in weather-obliterated letters, the name of the next town.

Such a marker was all right for a trail, or a wagon road, but as much out of place on a fine, hard road as an ex cart among automobiles. Modern practice dictates that roads signs and posts should be permanent, slightly, plain as to information conveyed, sturdy, and artistic.

For national highways, a beautiful bronze sign post has already been designed by famous sculptor. Road associations interested in some particular road have adopted distinctive markers, in many cases of a high degree of art and beauty, as well as utility. The Old Oregon Trail, for instance, which it is proposed to improve from the Missouri to the Columbia, is now in process of being marked with signs of real beauty and significance. Professor Fairbanks, of the University of Oregon, designed the marker, showing a typical covered wagon and pioneer family of early western days. Such a sign is particularly appropriate for this trail, which is the route followed by early-day pioneers in their ex-team emigration from the Eastern States to Oregon and Washington in the late forties and early fifties.

It is not necessary to wait for some large association to design or place markers. Every town can help by seeing to it that the sign posts along its entering and leaving roads are plain as to intent, yet handsome and distinctive. Placing such markers embodies the spirit of welcome to the tourist, which is "good business" for any town, and is most excellent work for local civic organizations to take up and follow through.

10-MILLIONTH FORD WILL MAKE COAST TO COAST TRIP

Detroit, Mich., June 4.—A new and outstanding achievement in the automobile industry of America was attained here today when the ten-millionth Model "T" Ford car left the final assembly in the Highland Park plant of the Ford Motor Company.

The motor, bearing the number 10,000,000 was completed this morning, and reached the car assembly line early this afternoon, and was assembled into a touring car, the most popular of all Ford body types.

In celebration of having attained a 10,000,000 production record, the company announces that Ford Car No. 10,000,000 will make a coast to coast trip as signifying the nationwide popularity of the Ford car and its appeal to every class of driver.

The car will be shipped to New York within a day or two and leaving there will be driven across the country to San Francisco. The Lincoln Highway has been selected as the official route of travel and stops will be made at most all the towns along the line. Frank Kuliek, who years ago attained fame and broke many records as the pilot of Ford racing cars, will be at the wheel of the ten-millionth Ford, during the trans-continental trip.

Cities Join In Health Crusade Through Clean-up Activities



"Brighten the corner where you are!" This is the message being broadcast by cities and towns in the United States and Canada, in an effort to have dirt attacked as a community problem to promote health.

Sanitarians declare a city is only as clean as its homes, and that mothers should remember that the immaculateness of their nurseries may be made dangerous for their babies by vagrant dirt from unclean places. It is pointed out that diseases bred in dirt are no respecters of persons.

Revival of the venerable, but slightly obsolete, custom of spring house-cleaning, and the extension of the ancient rite outside the walls of the house to back alleys and vacant lots, until there is a vast succession of Spotless Towns, is no mean undertaking.

Municipalities, women's clubs, civic and industrial organizations everywhere are preparing for clean-up activities. The Mayor of St. Louis once summarized the lasting benefits of such efforts by saying: "Paint a neglected back yard or vacant lot with the green of grass or shrubbery or a thrift garden or publicly commit to any other useful purpose and it will not revert to its former disorderliness. Otherwise it inevitably and speedily will do so."

In urging every municipality to proclaim its annual Clean-up week, the Welfare Division of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company is instructing its twenty-thousand agents and its visiting nurses in 355 cities and towns to lend a hand. It is educating its policyholders which comprise one-seventh of the combined population of the United States and Canada just how they can help to

make their home towns a safer place to live in and a healthier place for their children.

If the suggestions are followed, the rats will find that many happy homesites under the rubbish heaps will be unavailable. The malarial mosquitoes will wander far from their erstwhile habitations to find an undrained puddle in which to breed. The house-flies will find many manure heaps missing when they come to lay their eggs and there will be far less danger of disastrous conflagrations starting in the waste and refuse heaped in the forgotten corners.

Here are the eight outstanding things suggested by the Metropolitan as a foundation for a clean-up crusade:

1. Have all rubbish removed from your cellar, back-yard and arca-way, and placed in barrels or boxes for removal. Arrange to have it taken away.
2. Clean hallways of all obstructions. Ventilate damp cellars and closets.
3. Beat all carpets and hangings. Scrub floors and wash all wood-work.
4. Clean all windows and keep them open to fresh air and sunlight.
5. Ask your landlord to repair leaky roofs and plumbing, broken walls and ceilings.
6. Report stagnant pools, refuse and other nearby nuisances to the Health Department.
7. Do what you can to see that vacant lots are cleaned of all refuse, tin cans, boxes and other litter.
8. Compliance with these suggestions and with efforts of the Health Department will make your city a healthy and pleasant place for your children to grow up in.

FACTS OF INTEREST

The people of the United States saved during 1923 more than they earned during 1890.

The total levies of general property taxes over the United States have increased 160 per cent in the ten year period extending from 1912 to 1922.

Mine fields have been discovered in the Eastern Baltic off Finland. The are of Russian origin, dating from the world war.

On May 4, 1888, the first commercially successful overhead trolley car appeared in this country. It was in Richmond, Virginia.

The River Shannon is the longest and largest river in the Irish Free State. It is navigable for thirty-five miles for all classes of ocean-going vessels.

The United States Department of Commerce is about to issue a "glossary of business" English for Americans advertising in England.

More than one million boys and girls attend the Sunday schools of Canada.

According to Stanley Baldwin, ex-Premier of Great Britain, the Englishman does not worry. Other nations, he declared, worry without grumbling; the Englishman grumbles without worrying.

An official report shows that there was one American visitor to Shakespeare's birthplace last year, to four British.

To a spectator on our nearest star, the sun and earth would represent a close double star, so comparatively near are the sun and the earth.

"Nations are only united as a rule when they are in conflict with other nations. If there is no foreign danger the natural pugnacity of people is excited by the mismanagement of their own internal affairs."—The Irish Statesman.

More than twenty-five thousand women have been fined or sentenced to imprisonment for violating the National Prohibition law.

Magnets are used to clean clover seed at Cambridge, England. Magnetic powder is used mixed with the dodder and seed a metal sticks to the dodder which is lifted away from the clean seed.

American marines in Haiti are making intensive use of airplanes in carrying medicine, supplies, animals and mail points difficult of access by highway and by sea.

Ten of the eleven state legislatures meeting this year have passed more than 4,000 new state laws.

The Liberty Bell has been placed on wheels to facilitate its quick removal from Independence Hall in case of fire.

The German Government discourages radio to a great extent. Listeners-in must have a license for which they pay six dollars a year. Sets can serve but one wave length and it is forbidden to tune in on foreign broadcasting stations. No one may build his own and no one under twenty-one may have a set.

The imam of the mosque at Working in London, addressing a meeting of Muslims, said: "You will become once again rulers of the world if you act according to the advice of the Holy Prophet, and 'trust in God, but tie your camel.'"

The old German stork, with his black wings, white breast and red bill—the colors of the old German empire—is reported to be disappearing. They return in numbers from Egypt to Germany each year, but since the war their numbers have decreased.

In the absolute absence of light a cat could not see at all, no more than human beings, but her whiskers would enable her to feel her way about, while we use our hands in such circumstances.

Vilhjalmur Stefansson has sailed for Australia where he expects to explore by airplane the "Never-Never Land" in the barren interior of that continent. He expects to find rich resources in the Great Australian Desert with a possibility of discovering a place fit for human habitation.

Rollin Lynde Hart, writing in the World's Work, has this to say on the migration of the Negro north: "His children put on shoes. Instead of going to school three months in the year, they go nine months, and to a better school. Besides, there is 'freedom'—a wretched enough substitute for actual freedom, but nevertheless exhilarating. . . . Now they think principally of their less fortunate brethren. To bring them north, to teach them, to civilize and uplift them is their ambition."

DAYLIGHT RAID MADE AT JORDAN VALLEY

MANAGER OF AMUSEMENT PLACE NOT A CITIZEN; TAKEN FOR SECOND TIME.

Two Rooming Houses Found to Contain Illicit Liquor—One Case to Go Before Circuit Court.

(From the Malheur Enterprise.)

A second overlooking of the fact that he is not a citizen once more brought Fernando Madariaga to Vale as one of the three prisoners taken in an early morning raid in Jordan Valley last Thursday. He has been acting as the manager of a pool hall and dance hall in Jordan Valley which he owned jointly with Rufino Arritola, although the same place was closed by officers of the law a year ago because he was not a citizen of the United States and therefore could not lawfully run such a place of amusement. Madariaga plead guilty to his oversight and was charged as penalty a fine of \$200 and given a jail sentence of 30 days to be suspended upon good behavior.

A rooming house operated by Eulogio Madariaga was also searched and one quart of liquor, some homemade beer, and some moonshine were confiscated. When brought to Vale he plead guilty to the charge of possessing intoxicating liquor and was fined \$350 with a jail sentence of 60 days also to be suspended upon good behavior. Both Fernando and Eulogio Madariaga were arraigned before Judge Rogers, justice of the peace of this city.

A third prisoner from the same city was Ambrose Eloraga, proprietor of a Basque rooming house. The raid upon his place revealed a four gallon keg of moonshine, and a jar which also contained liquor. Eloraga plead not guilty but was fined \$500 and given four months imprisonment. His sentence was heavier as this was his second offense. The prisoner was tried in the justice court under Justice J. D. Rogers but his attorney, R. W. Swagler, gave notice of appeal, announcing that the case would be carried to the circuit court.

The daylight raid was made last Thursday in Jordan Valley at 4 a. m. by a searching party consisting of Marshal H. C. Farmer, Dick Robinson, both of Ontario, Marshal John Barkley, District Attorney R. D. Lytle, both of Vale, C. W. Glenn, deputy sheriff, and Lloyd Linville, federal prohibition agent. The party returned Thursday night with the prisoners taken in the southern town.

ELECTING THE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD.

The election of one or more members of each of the district school boards will take place in the next two or three weeks in many of the communities. So much of the success especially of the small school depends on the board that the people of the district need to be very careful in selecting it. One unworthy member may so interfere with the school that it will be almost worthless for a number of years. A great deal has been written and said about just what kind of person makes a good board member. Certainly the usual characteristics of a good citizen such as honesty, fairness, kindness, and public spirit are necessary. There is the teacher to be selected. The board needs to know where to go or to whom to write in order to find teachers, what personal qualities make for successful classroom work, and what salary must be offered to secure a competent teacher.

The board ought to know how to attend to the affairs of the district in a business-like way. This means that it will be able to make up a budget, know how much money there is for the year, where the money comes from, how it should be spent, and will keep careful accounts. Moreover, school trustees should get men and women wise enough to leave professional teaching matters to the teacher. Finally they must be the kind of folk that the children of the community can respect.

LIBRARY RECEIVES GIFT.

Grounds of County Library at Ontario Improved by Choice Canned Gift of Mr. Boyer.

The grounds of the County Library at Ontario have been greatly improved by the recent gift of some very choice cannas from Mr. Boyer. The generosity of Mr. Boyer and the cooperation of Mr. Aldridge, janitor of the library, rapidly transformed the vacant space next to the building into two very handsome beds of cannas, edged by sweet allysum with a background of sweet.

At the last meeting of the library board the appreciation of the board and the librarian for Mr. Boyer's generosity was expressed in the form of a resolution to be incorporated into the minutes.

EFFECT OF SERVICE CUT STARTS MONDAY

TWO CARS OF STOCK HOLD UP PUTTING ORDER INTO ACTION THIS WEEK.

INSTRUCTIONS OF JUNE 5TH

Commercial Club Discusses Reduction at Special Luncheon Meeting Thursday; Last Until Sep.

According to instructions received Thursday by W. T. Posey, local agent of the Oregon Short Line, the cut in the Brogan train service took effect on that date. June 5th, instead of June 1st, as the order from the public service commission gave them the privilege of doing the latter part of May. Trains ran as per schedule on Friday and Saturday as, according to terms of the contract, stock or perishable articles must be sent at once. Two cars of stock were to be shipped this week end which were ordered before the curtailment of train service.

After this week train service on the Brogan branch will be reduced to three trains a week, in spite of the efforts made by the people affected by this service to hold the daily train into their territory at the hearing in Ontario May 14th before H. H. Corey, chairman of the Public Service Commission of Oregon.

Three Trains a Week.

The new schedule will provide train service on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, round trips each day, from June 1st to September 30, 1924, and will take care of perishable freight and livestock. The railroad company alleges that the amount and volume of business, both passenger and freight, transported and handled by trains operated on each of the branches indicated in their report or petition, namely, the Brogan and Homedale lines, has been steadily and heavily diminishing, resulting in a substantial loss in operating revenue and that a continuance and maintenance of present train service would be unprofitable and unjustifiable.

Homedale Cut.

In the same telegram received by Mr. Posey it was announced that the Homedale branch would be cut to semi-weekly service. The train will travel from Ontario to Erb and return on Monday and Friday of each week. This cut will also be in effect until September 30, 1924.

The company further alleged that the proposed train service would probably and reasonably accommodate the business, both passenger and freight, required or offered to be transported and handled, and expressed a willingness to restore the train service, previously practiced on these branches at such a time as business increased over what it is at the present time, to warrant additional service.

Testimony was made by the company to the effect that while six-day train service had been furnished on the Oregon Eastern and the Brogan branch, and three days a week on the Homedale branch the lines in question were operated at a substantial loss and that the shipments handled averaged less than a carload per day during the year 1923. It was stated that the service formerly afforded was in excess of the reasonable demands of the communities served and that a just, adequate and reasonable service is to operate the train service between Ontario and Brogan via Vale tri-weekly and on the Homedale branch bi-weekly.

The order granting the railroad company their application was signed by H. H. Corey, chairman, and Newton McCoy, Thomas K. Campbell, commissioners. It provided that the application of the Oregon Short Line Railroad Company to reduce mixed train service between Ontario and Brogan via Vale to tri-weekly, making round trips Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday and to reduce Homedale branch service to two trips per week, making a round trip on Monday and Friday be granted. It also ordered that whenever one or more carloads of perishable freight, or one or more carloads of livestock be offered for transportation or handling on days other than the designated train service days, the Oregon Short Line Railroad Company should accept, handle and transport such carload or carloads of perishable freight or livestock.

As indication that they are not merely "immigrant, itinerant laborers, a non-assimilable unsocial lot," Japanese in the United States may establish the "First Japanese University of America," which is to be co-educational in San Francisco.