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THE I. O. N.

The Oregon highway commission heard the strongest appeal ever made for a highway when Malheur county and senators and governors of Idaho and Nevada asked for the designation of the Idaho-Oregon-Nevada highway from Nyssa to McDermitt.

The request was supported by facts that without question impressed the commission of the importance of the road as a market route for eastern Malheur county and the Snake river valley. In addition the road is a connecting link in a great continental highway. There is no substitute route for the I. O. N.

Being the most feasible and shortest route from Fort Boise to Winnemucca and California in the early days, the I. O. N. was used as a military route. Regardless of the fact that railroad lines and highways have been built in all sections of the state and the I. O. N. has been rudely neglected, it is still a most important link in the highway system of the northwest and should be built.

Facts were brought out which dispute statements in opposition to the road. The road would be shorter than any other route to Los Angeles markets. It would be an all winter route and would connect with a great transcontinental highway, the Lincoln highway, at Winnemucca. This factor alone assures better winter highway facilities than the Yellowstone Cut-Off would enjoy as the road through Harney and Lake counties will not connect with a major highway until it joins the Pacific highway at Redding, California.

The entire link, unconstructed, runs through Malheur county. Senator Oddie of Nevada assured the highway commission that federal funds would be utilized to **not only build the road but maintain it**, according to the provisions of the Oddie-Colton bill.

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WHOLESALE MORATORIUM OPPOSED

While federal relief for individual farmers in meritorious cases will be sought, the plan of a three year moratorium on all irrigation projects is being discounted by western congressmen on the theory that it will antagonize eastern senators and representatives against the reclamation policy and thereby make it difficult to secure funds from the federal treasury for additional water in districts where the present supply is not adequate. This was revealed by dispatches from the national capitol last week.

Since the reclamation fund is depleted, the money to supply additional water must, to a large extent, come from the treasury and the western congressmen believe that the harmony necessary to secure such appropriations will be jeopardized by a request for a general moratorium. It was likewise intimated that much of the impetus for a general moratorium is coming from professional money lenders and banks that find themselves in possession of or faced with the prospect of foreclosing on farms in quantity rather than from bona fide farmers.

Legislation to protect the individual settler who is unable to meet his reclamation payments because of drought or water shortage will be favored however, and a meeting of western congressmen to consider legislation of this kind will be held as soon as a sufficient number of them arrive in Washington.

This program is in line with the stand of the Owyhee district board.

GOLDEN JUBILEE OF RED CROSS

It is only fitting that the American people should on this 50th anniversary of the American Red Cross, honor its noble founder Clara Barton. The zeal and indomitable courage of this woman organized a society which has given 50 years of service to humanity.

At the outbreak of the Civil war she was a clerk in the Patent Office. When her home state regiment the 6th Massachusetts, came to the scene, Miss Barton, with her own funds and a few that she collected cared for and aided the men. It was only after much pleading that she obtained permission to go to the battlefield of Cedar Mountains in 1862. From that time on she was in constant service of the wounded. It was said she worked constantly and with great presence of mind, but always with a tenderness that made her known as "The Angel of the Battlefield."

After the war she began to lecture on programs for the purpose of a society of the nature of the Red Cross. Her health breaking she went to Europe for rest and recovery. In Switzerland she became acquainted with the Red Cross society there which was formed out of the Treaty of Geneva. Against her better judgement she yielded to the pleas of the officers of the Red Cross and went to the scene of the Franco-Russian War. There she was in the endless cares of the wounded. She saw from this experience what the Red Cross could do for humanity. This led her to champion its cause in America. But it was not until 1881 that President Garfield advised her to form an American Red Cross and insisted that she become its president.

With this encouragement she formed the first chapter in Danville, N. Y. And her life from that date, 1881, until her resignation of the presidency in 1904 is in all essentials the history of the organization. From Michigan forest fires to the Galveston flood and beyond, it is an amazing record of relief and activity. Hardly a year passed without some major disaster from flood, tornado, famine, earthquake and pestilence—and in 1898 came the Spanish-American War, which brought Miss Barton at the age of eighty to Cuba. In almost every instance she went to the battlefield in person. Where she went was order, efficiency, sympathy and comfort for the wounded and stricken men.

She died at Glen Echo on Easter Sunday 1912. Her grave is near her birthplace at North Oxford, Mass. Her old home and the surrounding lands are now a camp for little girls to spend a summer vacation. It is her monument to humanity. And as President Hoover said, "Clara Barton was in her own person and her own life all that the Red Cross has since become."

It's a good idea to pay as you go—if you don't go so far that you can't pay.

The addition of the bar rail to the political fence has made it much harder for politicians to straddle.

A good thing for motorists to remember is that the tank the makers put on the car is the only one that is needed.

The man who doesn't believe that women are hard losers never had to live with one who is trying to reduce.

It may be hoped that Gandhi's visit to France will not start any new movement in French fashions.

The average man may get tired of putting sweet things in his mouth but he never gets tired of having them poured into his ears.

Henry Ford says he is in favor of the old dances, but he didn't put the same old shimmy into his new cars.

The auto may be putting a few railroad trains out of business—but not when they meet at grade-crossings.

The net income of one chewing gum magnate last year was seven million dollars—and yet we yell about paying taxes.

Beauty parlors can make elderly women look like flappers but they can't make them remember where they put their spectacles.

This is the time women buy their new winter coats—after they've decided their husband can make last year's do.

A scientist says there'll be nothing but standing room in the world in 3000. That'll make it hard on those with fallen arches.

Voice of the Press

FOUR ONIONS OF BULLY CREEK

A thoughtful friend sent Phil Metschan four onions, very personable ones, alike for auld lang syne, for soups, and as proof that appropriations should be continued for the irrigation of eastern Oregon land. The garland, for so we may speak of it poetically, was grown on the Bully creek bench of the Vale-Owyhee government irrigation projects. Each onion in its perfection and poundage was ununsurpassable. As the four reposed on Phil Metschan's desk doubtless he felt the pleasant progress of conviction. For an onion is the most convincing of vegetables. An onion is itself the strongest of arguments.

Phil Metschan's office was pervaded by a gentle fragrance, the lightest breath of a fond, familiar perfume. And this was the aspiration of the four pedigreed Vale-Owyhee onions, grown in the fertile soil of the Bully creek bench, where once the antelope rambled and the antlered wapti challenged his rival. It needs but little meat, and any other vegetable, if you have an onion ready to hand. Oftentimes the onion has been salvation to a frugal repast, for by its necromancy an otherwise mean and slender fare is translated to rich and savory living. There are now many dishes, whether prepared in great hostilities or over fires of driftwood fagots, the pastries excepted, that cannot be improved by the judicious introduction of the onion. And there is the theme-song. Give a good cook but an onion, and he is never at loss. He will cast around for the remainder of the dish, at sea or on land, and the fare will be stout enough for any honest man. Phil Metschan sighed again, and happily. The Bully creek onions seemed to sigh with him.

Many and many a man, his head bent to the storm, his weary body aching for rest and refreshment, has been made glad by the nearness of shelter and succor, the good proximity of home, by a fragrance other than that which the huckleberry or the rose distill for the weary. At half of a country mile, or all of a city block, the returning wayfarer sniffs the scented gale, and quickens his lagging stride. Onions. And he is home again.

No. We shouldn't know how to get along without onions. As a argument for the increase of eastern Oregon's irrigation acreage, nothing surpasses them—not even the ponderous potatoes that run two to the peck. For the onion will speak for itself.—Oregonian.

WANT ADS

FOR RENT—Five room modern house with furniture \$25 per month; without furniture \$20 per month. Eulah Kelley, City. Sept. 17th.

FOR SALE—Hay and oats at Quinby ranch, Nyssa, Sept. 10th.

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Get your order in for Thanksgiving geese and ducks. Sam Playford, Nyssa, Nov. 19 Pd.

FOR RENT—Housekeeping rooms. See Mrs. Thomas B. Nordale, City.

LOST—Pack containing blanket and few clothes near track north of town. Douglas Benton, City or call Journal office.

FOR SALE—40 acre farm 11 miles from Nyssa under Owyhee Ditch with Owyhee water right. \$1500 cash, balance in payments over 5 years. Stock and equipment for sale. B. H. Kerr, Nyssa, Oregon.

Orders for gift box orders for Christmas cards must be in by Dec. 1. Unless you find the quality unsurpassed for the price do not take them. Special prices on indestructible rubber gloves for 30 days. See me at home during week, at Popcorn stand Saturday night. Hazel D. Gildea, City.

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FRIDAY EVENING

Owyhee—The play, "The Wild Oats Boy," sponsored by Owyhee P.-T. A. is ready for presentation Friday night, November 20. Don't miss it. The drawing for the rug will also be a feature of the evening.

Edna Griffith and Willie McGinnis were united in marriage at Vale, Monday, November 9.

The John Jarvis family moved from the McGinnis home to the Sid Skinner ranch the first of the week.

Mrs. Lynn Kygar and her mother Mrs. E. R. Huffman visited the new boy and his mother, Mrs. Earl Patterson in Ontario Saturday. He has been named Dwight.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Greeing were visitors at the T. M. Lowe home Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jean Burdette of Seattle are visiting Mrs. Burdette's parents Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cantrill.

FRANCIS FRACTURES RIB

H. T. Francis, former mayor of Nyssa, fractured a rib when he fell from a tree while trimming limbs at his new home in Depoe Bay. He is recovering.

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