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TWO SECTIONS—TEN PAGES

Malheur Pioneers Gather At Picnic

E. A. Boyd of Oakland, California was elected president of the Malheur County Pioneers association at the annual picnic held by the organization in the Vale park last Friday.

G. Y. Chester of Harper was elected vice president, and Mrs. Nellie T. Carroll of Vale was re-elected

secretary. Clarence Howard of Ironside is the retiring president. Following a picnic dinner, a program was presented.

A large crowd attended an old-time dance held Friday evening in the community hall.

Returns From Coast Trip—Mr. and Mrs. Ron Whitaker and daughters returned last Thursday from a trip that took them down the coast as far as San Francisco.



Queen Florence Webb of Ontario will preside over the 40th annual Malheur County fair. Miss Webb was chosen as queen two years ago but did not reign over the fair because the event was cancelled because of the threatened polio epidemic.

South Dakota Visitors Here—

Visitors last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miner were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Burki and daughter, Lois, of Hymore, South Dakota and Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Taylor, and Mr. and Mrs. Reedy of Madison, South Dakota.

To Spokane—

Mrs. Ed Warren is visiting in Spokane with her two daughters and their families, Mr. and Mrs. PJim Peachy and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Ross King and family.

COUPLES RETURN FROM TRIP INTO PRIMITIVE AREA OF WALLOWA CO.

Mr. and Mrs. Dimmick and Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Pomeroy of Sunset valley arrived home Thursday with their truck, jeep, and saddle stock from a vacation spent in the Eagle Cap primitive area of the Wallowa National forest.

Leaving the highway at Wallowa, and packing with two mules, Isabel and Maybel, a burro Archie, two colts, and four saddle horses from Lapover on the Lostine River, the complete trip consumed 10 days. The group traveled up the west fork of the Lostine river to Copper creek, viewing Steamboat and Long lakes, and camping at Cheval lake. Dropping from Cheval lake south down to Elk creek, the party followed up the Minam river through timbered trails that showed the havoc of the winter avalanches, and then rode on through Grassy Minam meadows and north to Minam lake, the headwaters of both the Minam and Lostine rivers.

Climbing eastward to the base of Eagle Cap mountain, the travelers came to a paradise called 'the little Switzerland of America,' a region of towering peaks, rocky crags, alpine meadows and glacier-fed lakes. Here were found lakes, Mirror, Moccasin, Sunshine, Lee, Douglas, Craig, Crescent and many others. Surrounding these lakes were tiers of granite terraced alpine meadows teeming with wild flowers interspersed with pine, fir and spruce. In one small area, 27 varieties of flowers were seen.

In the trees were tree-squirrels, tiny rock rabbits in the rocky area; chipmunks in camp, cat-birds in

the air, and footprints of the deer seen in the moist ground.

A trail-ride to the peak of Eagle cap, crossing a glacier, and eating lunch on the crest, was one of the highlights of the trip. Viewing this area from an elevation of 9,635 feet, one could see that this was the headwaters of the Imnaha river and Eagle creek on the south, and on the north the Lostine and Minam rivers, and Hurricane creek. To the far west were the Blue mountains, and to the east the seven Devils mountains in Idaho.

While in the lake basin the group met people from many areas. Some were interested in fishing and some in the riding, while other parties had come a foot and were interested only in mountain-climbing. The Dimmick party completed a loop by returning to Lapover down the east fork of the Lostine river.

After coming out of the wilderness area, the group left their stock at Enterprise and "jeeped" out to Hat point, which overlooks Hell's canyon in the Snake river canyon. The gorge's depth at this point is almost 6000 feet. This gorge is the deepest in the North American continent, exceeding the depth of the Grand Canyon by 1000 feet.

Nationally-noted forest fires somewhat obscured the scenic grandeur of this area. The rough character of the terrain of this country makes it practically impossible to supply the firefighters other than by airplane. It was the good fortune of this party visiting the lookout tower to overhear the radio conversation between the pilot of the supply plane and the ground radio operator discussing the difficulties of landing bedrolls and other articles for the use of the men engaged in fighting fire. Men from the Oregon side were still being recruited to assist in fighting the blaze.

Mr. and Mrs. Dimmick and Mr. and Mrs. Pomeroy also visited one evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill De Groft, former Nyssa residents at Wallowa.

Paulist Mission To Be Held Here

A Paulist mission, conducted by Father John Whalen, CS. P. of Portland, will be held in the Catholic church in Nyssa, beginning September 18 and closing September 23, according to Father P. J. Gaire, pastor of the local church. During the mission the Paulist missionaries will be pleased to answer any written question on religious matters through the use of the question box. No names need be signed and the questions will receive courteous consideration, Father Gaire said.

From past experience the missionaries have found that questions arousing most attention have dealt with the following: Is the Atheist Right? Why Does God Permit War? Does Death End All? Can I Find Certain Guide? Why Should Marriage Be for Keeps? Why Be a Catholic? Confessional or Psychiatry? Should the Family Be Limited? God and My Soul?

The Paulist Fathers are the first American community of priests to be formed in the United States. Under the leadership of Father Isaac Hecker they were banded together in New York City in 1858 to explain the Catholic belief and practice to inquiring non-Catholics. Hence an invitation to both Catholics and non-Catholics is extended to attend the series.

The evening services will open each night at 8 o'clock and the morning masses will be celebrated at 8 o'clock.

Here From Corvallis—

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Paradis returned last week to their home in Corvallis after visiting with friends in this vicinity.

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To Enterprise—J. L. Herriman spent the week-end at the Herschel Thompson home at Enterprise. He returned had spent last week visiting at the

To Baker—Mr. and Mrs. Dale Garrison and Joanne visited in Baker Sunday and Monday.

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Visit In California—Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Tobler and Mrs. H. J. Holmes left Sunday morning for a visit at Napa and Oakland, California.

Here From Palo Alto—

Professor and Mrs. Don Mason of Palo Alto arrived Wednesday for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Tobler. Mr. Mason, a nephew of Mrs. Tobler, is a professor at Stanford university.

At Lakes—Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sallee are at Payette lakes this week.

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