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Patronize Your Home Merchants. Ontario Goods for Ontario and the People of Malheur County.

## Local News.

Read Harry B. Grauel's new adv. in this issue.

Harry Anderson and wife are registered at the Carter House from Skull Springs.

Cattle are still arriving from the interior and shipments both east and west are being made daily.

E. B. Tremain was a business visitor to Boise during the week. Ed says Idaho's metropolis is a beautiful city.

J. D. Billingsley and family left this week for Seattle to visit the fair, and will spend the heated term in Portland.

W. H. Brooke and Newt. Minton have purchased the D. T. Rigby farm on the Owyhee, one of the best ranches in that vicinity.

Kenneth Millikin is now "devil" of the Argus, and will make a good printer, being painstaking at the case and constructing the type without error.

Howard Boyer and bride have arrived home from their wedding trip and are at home to their friends at the residence formerly occupied by Bert Wales.

Len Morton sold his farm, consisting of 27 acres, adjoining the townsite on the southeast, to U. Alexander of Caldwell. Consideration, \$4050. The sale was made by the H. W. Clement real estate agency.

Owen Test is home from Corvallis, where he attended the Agricultural College the term just closed. Dr. Sharp Las Owen slated as shortstop for the Ontario baseball nine, better known as the Ontario "Tigers."

M. E. Bain, an old-time printer, but now a prosperous farmer at the Big Bend, was in the city on land business Monday. Twenty long years ago the gentleman and the Argus man worked side by side on the San Francisco Examiner.

J. A. Reed returned from Salt Lake on Monday, at which place he met his son, Calvin, of Norton, Kansas, who will make an extended visit here with his dad. The boys are betting five to one that Johnny will give the youngster a good time.

John Wood and wife arrived from Riverside on Tuesday. Johnny is in the best of health and will remain here 10 days attending to business matters before returning to his cozy home among the hills of Malheur County.

Chas. Becker, the well known cattleman, was in the city from his home near Westfall during the week. Charley tells us that he is tired losing money year after year on his cattle and will dispose of his bovines and let the beef trust do the worrying in the future.

At a meeting of the State Press Association of Idaho, held at Payette, last Saturday, the same was reorganized as the Western Idaho Press Association, and includes Canyon, Washington, Boise, Ada, Owyhee and Elmore counties in Idaho and Malheur county, Oregon.

A-Y-P Exposition Rates via Oregon Short Line Railroad. \$25.25 from Ontario to Seattle and return. On sale daily, commencing June 1st. Ask agents for further particulars.

## Local News.

Wilson-Duffy Drug Co. All kinds of drugs.

Did you say it was hot? Try Candland's ice cream.

Our wireless system will be in operation next week, maybe.

For Sale—5-horse power gasoline engine; \$200. Inquire at Argus office.

E. H. Test and E. M. Grieg will open a real estate office in Nyssa next week.

Dr. J. Prinzing performed two surgical operations at Payette this week for appendicitis.

O. P. Cresap, a pioneer of Eastern Oregon, of Canyon City, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Hickman Staples.

J. C. Nelson and wife are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Leuhr, being old Iowa acquaintances of the latter.

Ernest Staples, who has been critically ill the past week, we are pleased to state, is on the improve at this writing.

A. E. Rutherford and wife have left for Westfall. Dude will fill the position of foreman at the Charley Becker ranch.

We don't have to tell anybody how we stand on the Malheur government irrigation project. What we print tells the tale.

Any physician that knows the Wilson-Duffy Drug Co., will not hesitate to trust his patient's medicine to us for preparation.

Frank Reeder, agent of the Willamette Valley & Cascade Road Co., and wife, arrived from Portland on Tuesday and are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Biggs.

"Lend Me Your Wife" will be presented here the last of this month by home talent under the direction of Miss Ethel Tucker (Mrs. Brandon), the proceeds to be donated to the Ontario Encore Band. Watch for the date.

The ferry boat of John Bivins' broke from the cable last Sunday on account of high water in the Snake and floated down stream. The boat went under the railroad bridge and was secured on an island just below the structure.

The Argus under no consideration will accept an advertisement from outside of town merchants if the goods to be advertised are carried in stock by Ontario merchants. Patronize your home merchants and help build up Ontario.

Lyle Howard's billiard and pool room is just the place to spend an hour or two caroming the ivory sphere, and then when you are thirsty you can be served with any soft drink imaginable, from a swell lemonade to soda pop. And then when it is all over Lyle will tell you a story. That is going some.

The Idaho Pharmaceutical Association met at Boise the first of the week, and on Tuesday held a picnic at Pierce Park, where the addresses were made. Ontario was represented by Harry A. Duffy, who spoke on "The Power of Drugs and Criticism of Their Dispensers," and the Boise papers say it was an interesting address.

Croy & DeBas of the Pastime billiard and pool rooms, one of the finest in the northwest, invites your patronage. The firm also carries cigars, tobacco, fine confectionery, etc. The fruit and confectionery store is separate from the billiard room, and the ladies of Ontario are especially invited to make their purchases at the Pastime, just south of Boyer Bros. & Co.

## UNCLE SAM WILL KEEP HIS PROMISE



## PRIVATE CAPITAL TURNED DOWN.

### It Will Be Likewise in Malheur County When Secretary Ballinger Renders His Decision.

The government has declined to permit private capital to build the Grand Junction, Colorado, high line ditch, according to a decision of Secretary of the Interior Ballinger, and Uncle Sam will proceed with the work at a reasonable rate of speed with funds available under the reclamation act. The preliminary work on the Grand Junction project, which had been suspended, will be resumed at once by the government.

The above decision by Secretary Ballinger dispels all doubts regarding the Malheur project, and shows that Uncle Sam will keep faith with the people after making a promise and that the Colorado decision conclusively shows that the government will also construct the Malheur Irrigation Project.

## DEVELOPMENT CONGRESS AT BURNS, OREGON

Some of the best orators and ablest lawyers in the state are going to Burns, Harney county, Oregon, on July 1, 2.

All Central Oregon will be at the Burns Oregon-Idaho Development round-up.

Some of the biggest capitalists at Portland are interested and will be at the congress.

Study the interesting program of the Oregon-Idaho Development Congress to be held at Burns.

This will be the ninth session of this development organization held since its organization at Marshfield in August, 1908.

The entertainment, musical and local features of the program will be provided by the Burns Commercial club.

The sessions of the congress will be held Thursday and Friday, and on Saturday (July 3) there will be an old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration.

Governor Benson of Oregon and Governor Brady of Idaho have been officially invited and will attend, provided they have no conflicting dates of an official character.

Prominent speakers who will be present and deliver addresses are as follows:

Judge Stephen A. Lowell of Pendleton on "Land Monopoly."

Col. C. E. S. Wood of Portland, on the "Need of Self Help in Railroad Construction."

Col. Edgar M. Heigh of Weiser, Idaho, on the "Idaho-District Railroad Law."

Ex-Secretary of State Will H. Gibson of Idaho, on "Irrigation by Pumping."

Addison Bennett of Irrigon on the "Importance of Coos Bay Harbor to Central Oregon."

President Homan of the Willamette University will discuss "Educational Development in Oregon."

Col. L. K. Page of Salem on "Investment in Central Oregon Lands."

Jas. J. Hill has just announced at Portland that he has no intention of building railroads in Oregon.

Harriman has gone to Europe to spend the summer.

This puts it up to the people of Oregon whether they want to do anything to help themselves.

The people of Idaho through the legislature have enacted a district railroad law.

Hill and Harriman, having settled all their differences, have both withdrawn from the state of Oregon.

The railroad question will be the greatest living development issue at the Burns congress.

## Warning!

To Land Owners on Dead Ox Flat.

Here is how the Weiser Signal talks about two of the High Line solicitors.

"Certain private interests that would steal an irrigating ditch from a dead steer are trying a new scheme on Dead Ox Flat.

Two plausible solicitors are going about trying by every means to get the home-makers to sign away their right to government irrigation.

No matter what these men say, do not sign.

This paper is fighting policies, not individuals, but to remove all chance of mistake, the Signal wishes to say that A. W. Bond, recently manager of this paper, is no longer connected with it, and that the paper is opposed to what Mr. Bond at this time represents.

A. W. Bond is one of the solicitors. Robert van Gilse is another.

The Signal is in favor of the United States government and of United States government irrigation. There is patriotism in business as well as in war. Have faith in your government and support it on the wheat field as you would on the battle field.

Sign no papers presented by Bond or Van Gilse or your government water rights are gone forever."

## Circus Time Again.

The Sells-Floto aggregation of renowned features will be in Payette on Tuesday, June 29.

Acrobats from the old world and the new, giants, pugilists, beasts of the wildest forests of the world, strange birds and daring bareback riders are the features of the circus.

Circus day comes around about right. A fellow gets old during the winter. Notes fall due, things must be attended to, life looks serious any way you look at it, a thousand things press down upon the mind until the head aches, wrinkles grow deep during the winter and the hair borrows a tinge from the frost. It is different circus day. You are a boy again—or ought to be.

The \$25,000 Armour prize horses are also with the Sells-Floto this season. Beauties say the critics everywhere.

Payette, on Tuesday, June 29.

## Back From Nebraska.

R. D. Greer arrived home from a two-weeks' visit to his parents at Lincoln, Neb. He states that his mother, who is well known in Ontario, is in feeble health but was convalescing when he left the old home. Mr. Greer says that the people of Nebraska are interested in this section and that he was kept busy answering numerous inquiries regarding Ontario and near-by vicinity, and Malheur county can expect a delegation from Nebraska this summer, people of means looking for investment.

## Ontario Oil Well.

The Ontario Co-Operative Oil & Gas Co. are making arrangements to resume work on the oil well, which is now down 3600 feet. The citizens of Ontario will subscribe \$10,000 toward continuing to the depth of 4500 feet, and if oil is not encountered at that depth, work on Well No. 2 will commence as soon as proper arrangements can be made.

It is surely government irrigation.

## Election Notice.

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, the 28th day of June, 1909, at the city council chambers, in the City of Ontario, Malheur county, state of Oregon, a special election will be held for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the said City of Ontario, Oregon, the question of the issuance and sale of Municipal Coupon Bonds of the said City of Ontario, Oregon, in denominations of Five Hundred Dollars each, payable in Twenty (20) years from date of issuance, redeemable at the pleasure of the said City of Ontario, Oregon, at any time after the expiration of Ten (10) years from the date of issuance, bearing interest at not to exceed Five (5) per cent per annum, payable semi-annually and shall not be sold for less than par value, nor otherwise than for cash, said bonds not to exceed \$22,000.00; said bonds to be issued and sold to constitute a fund to be expended for the following purposes, to-wit: To the extent of \$8000.00 for the purpose of taking up the outstanding warrants of the City of Ontario, Oregon; to the extent of \$4000.00 to provide revenue until taxpaying time in 1910; and to the extent of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of aiding in the construction of a bridge across Snake River near the City of Ontario, Oregon, which election will be held at 9 o'clock in the morning, and will continue until 5 o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

Dated at Ontario, Oregon, this 9th day of June, 1909.  
H. W. CLEMENT,  
City Recorder of the City of Ontario, Oregon.

## Credit to Ontario.

C. C. Payne now has the finest and most up-to-date jewelry store in Malheur county or Eastern Oregon. Mr. Payne carries by far the largest stock of jewelry, cut glass and hand painted china in Ontario. He has over one hundred watches in his show cases, comprising all the best American makes, such as the Hamilton, Illinois, South Bend, Rockford, Waltham and Elgin. Mr. Payne has had fifteen years experience at the bench and is an expert watchmaker and engraver, having worked at his profession in some of the best known stores of Chicago, Omaha, San Francisco and Los Angeles. He gives a written guarantee with all his watch work, also with every new watch purchased of him. He carries a beautiful line of cut glass, hand painted china and sterling silver deposit ware. A complete line of diamond rings and brooches. Mr. Payne prides himself in the fact that his prices are right and that he treats all his customers fairly and honestly and gives them the very best values for their money. His repair shop is the finest in this section and being the skilled workman that he is, all repair work entrusted to him goes out of his shop in first-class condition. Mr. Payne enjoys a large mail order patronage which he attends to with the least possible delay.

## New Land Regulations.

July 1, a new order affecting the testimony to be taken when final proofs is offered will go into effect at all United States land offices. Claimants and witnesses will both be required to particularize concerning the absence of the claimant for the land from time to time, giving much more detail than heretofore. Each legal subdivision, together with improvements thereon, will have to be described fully and separately, together with evidence showing how much of the area under the entry was cultivated, with reference to each, and the amount of a crop harvested. The blank for transcribing testimony will constitute three pages instead of one as heretofore.

That ice cream at Cortright's is the finest of the fine. Try our delicious cones in 5 cent and 10 cent sizes.

## BIG REDUCTION

—IN—

## Baseball Goods.

Beginning...  
**SATURDAY, June 19**  
I will give one-fourth off on all BASE BALL goods in stock.

Geo. Candland.  
LEADING DRUGGIST.  
Ontario, Oregon

## F. L. Helfrich.

EXPERT  
Shoe Repairing.

Shop—In E. W. Allen's Harness Store.

## CLOCKS

See our fine line of CLOCKS  
Just in and going at very

Moderate Prices.

The very latest in Hat Pins and new Designs in Jewelry.

A complete line of Strings, Sheet Music and Instruments.

Guaranteed Watch Repairing.

## HARRY B. GRAUEL

The Jewelry and Musical House of Ontario, Oregon.

## PHARMACY

Is our main interest, and we do not go into outside lines. Hence we are able to give you a fine stock of

## DRUGS

AND SKILLED SERVICE.

Leading Prescriptionists of the County.

## Wilson-Duffy Drug Co.

CALIFORNIA EXCURSIONS via Oregon Short Line.

Daily for tickets one way via Portland. Frequent dates for other routes. See Oregon Short Line agents for further details.

EXCURSIONS EAST via Oregon Short Line.

To Denver, Omaha, Kansas City, Chicago, St. Louis and other points, June 4, 5, 11, 12, 16 and 20th. See agents for later dates, rates and further particulars.