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

## Local News.

Wilson-Duffy Co. for all kinds of drugs.

H. C. Whitworth and wife visited Boise during the week.

G. W. Long and family have left for Seattle to attend the exposition.

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

F. B. Ball and wife departed yesterday to take in the sights at the exposition.

Attorney A. N. Soliss returned the first of the week from a legal visit to Mountain Home.

When you want to enjoy a pleasant hour or so, drop around to the Pastime billiard hall and carom the ivories.

J. A. Reed and wife left Tuesday for Seattle to visit the fair. Johnny will devote most of his time visiting the Pay Streak.

Dr. H. Leiser, who has been visiting in Ontario the past month, left for Vancouver, Wash., on Tuesday to practice his profession. The young gentleman made many friends here, who will wish success at his new home.

Chelsey Boyer has purchased the Frank Brown interest in the Electric Maze, and the firm will now be known as Williams & Boyer. This popular little theater is pleasing large audiences nightly, and securing the best films to be obtained.

At a meeting of the Ontario Encore band Tuesday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: President, H. O. Drane; vice president, Harry Brown; secretary-treasurer, Dr. J. E. Sharp; manager, Harry B. Grauel.

O. E. Blair the first of the week bought of Morg. Carlisle his interest in the City Meat Market. The new firm will be known as Rickard & Blair and will have on hand at all times the very best of meat of all kinds. Phone orders given immediate attention.

Mrs. A. N. Soliss has left for Portland to spend the heated term and visit friends. A. N. will follow later, and take Mrs. Soliss and his million-dollar kid to the beach. If a bathing suit large enough to fit the senior Soliss cannot be found, he will use a fig leaf.

The telephone line from Drewsey to Harney City has been completed, and the company expects to finish the line to Ontario this year. This line has been badly needed for some time, as the one from Canyon City to Burns give poor service. There is a private line to Prineville. With a line to Ontario all the towns in Harney county will have communication with the outside world.

"Dad," said the country youth who had just graduated from the agricultural college, "I have long cherished a desire to go on the stage and have at last decided, with your permission to—"  
"My boy," interrupted the old man, "all the world's a stage. You hitch the mules to the big red plow and transfer the outfit to the ten acre lot behind the barn, where you can enact the star role in the beautiful drama, entitled, 'Down on the Farm.'"

## Government Facts.

Oregon stands today as a bright sample, and advance agent, for our American institutions. Our public land has been sold and the money accredited to the much-needed irrigation of our arid lands. We expect something for this loyalty and financial support to the great combine of human intelligence we hail as the United States of America. We expect protection from insidious organization of capital to our detriment, who without adequate examination, which so large an enterprise certainly demands, seek to interfere with the earnest desire of the people who have existed some way on this dry land fully expecting that the government would sometime use the money that this and other public lands of Oregon have paid into the U. S. treasury, and which has been set aside for the purpose of reclaiming lands that would otherwise be worthless.

The land of this country, and the contingent water should be united in the holy bonds of matrimony, suitable congenial bride and bridegroom. Our relation to these highly competent parties demand that. We want to attend the wedding feast, and are willing to pay admission fee sufficient to reimburse for all the cost, but we do not want any obsequious doorkeeper to interfere in our family affairs. Uncle Sam is the head of our family, and he has much to do, and if some few things are not done brown it is not because of partiality. We are his blood relatives and as such we make all due allowance for the overtime he puts in for our benefit. There are many things to consider, and the most important is, the water will run to the sea unless we use it.

The past exploits of the United States confirm our faith that the nation can do things better than some other agency interested only in piling up wealth to satisfy personal wealth. The nation has been successful in all military enterprises. The Ambrose canal, out to sea from New York, was an international need supplied by national push. The Panama canal, uniting two great oceans, is under government management, as are also the weather bureau, the department of agriculture with its many experimental stations; the civil service examination enables the authorities to select the very best to be had for government employ. Examples are too numerous to doubt the ability of the government to do things better than anybody else.

With the opportunities afforded and long enjoyed by the American republic, we, as citizens, can do no otherwise than have abiding faith that our government has the ability and will do right, and build the Malheur Irrigation project.

J. S. MILLIKIN.

## Don't Kick.

Don't kick because you have to button your wife's waist. Be glad your wife has a waist, and doubly glad you have a wife to button a waist for. Some men's wives have no buttons on to button. Some men's wives who have no waists with buttons on to button don't care a continental whether they are buttoned or not. Some men don't have any wives with waists with buttons on to button any more than a rabbit. And then there are men who would much rather button the buttons on a buttonless waist of some other man's—but what's the use? You may have been there.

## CARD OF THANKS.

I desire to thank the many friends for their kindness during the sickness and at the funeral of my beloved father and mother, and the same will always be cherished in my memory. ERNEST E. ADAMS.

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

## Local News.

Man is made of dust. Dust settles. Be a man.

Attorney Soliss was in Boise Thursday on legal business.

J. D. Billingsley and wife have returned from the Seattle fair.

Ike Blayne and wife of Barren Valley visited in Ontario during the week.

R. D. Greer was a business visitor to the Owyhee during the week.

Lost—A bunch of keys. Return to Argus office and receive reward.

J. C. Blood was over from Boise on Wednesday on a business visit.

Roy Davis, court stenographer of the ninth judicial district, is in the city.

John Wood left for Riverside last week to look after his business interests there.

Sam V. Smith, a prosperous farmer of near Vale, was in the city the first of the week.

Thoroughbred white Pekin ducks to trade for young chickens. Inquire at Argus office.

Mrs. H. W. Clement has returned home from Boise, where she visited friends during the week.

When your watch needs repairing you know where to take it. To Harry B. Grauel, of course.

Frank Smith Kibler, formerly of Ontario, but now of Nampa, lost his stock of goods in the big fire at the Junction City last week.

Sheriff Robt. Odell of Malheur County, Oregon, was in Silver last Saturday and Sunday, on business connected with the sheriff's office.

Col. E. Hofer, president of the Idaho-Oregon Development league, was in the city Saturday, enroute to Burns to preside over a meeting of that organization.

County Judge Richardson, with a big bunch of firecrackers and a Chinese punk in his hand was seen at the depot on Monday on his way to Payette to explode his little bombs.

J. E. Lawrence came down from Vale on Sunday, the first time in many moons. Jim is looking a whole lot better since he quit politics, but you don't know what will happen next election.

Married—In Ontario, July 6, 1909, Ernest E. Adams, to Miss Alice Wann. Both the bride and groom are well known in this vicinity, and all join in extending congratulations to the happy couple.

Fred J. Palmer, the Jordan Valley banker, was in the city yesterday. Fred was here to take home his Buick auto, which he recently ordered. The rich can ride in chaiges and the poor can walk by jusus.

Burbridge & Doolittle this week sold to R. H. Hart of Jordan Valley, 10 acres of the Belding tract. Mr. Hart looked over Caldwell and other towns and decided to locate here. He will build a home on the property this fall. We are all glad to welcome Dick to Ontario.

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.

## Those Electric Fans.

The electric fans purchased from the Inter-State Light & Water Co., are useless on the circuit of the Idaho-Oregon Light & Power Co. Upon request of Argus subscribers the editor took the case up with General Manager Markhus, as to what arrangements the company intended to take in the matter and received the following reply:

Boise, Ida., July 3, 1909.  
Wm. Plughoff—Dear Sir: In answer to your favor of a recent date I will state that Mr. Rockwell was here recently and I took the matter of fans up with him and arranged what we think would be a very fair exchange basis. I understand that the majority of these fans were very much second when sold in the first place. If you will see Mr. Rockwell I believe you will agree that we propose to be fair in the matter. Very truly,  
O. G. F. MARKHUS,  
General Manager.

## Another Pioneer Gone.

Mrs. I. H. Adam died at her home near Vale last Friday and was buried in the Ontario cemetery beside her husband on Sunday.

Deceased was a pioneer of Malheur county and was highly esteemed by a large circle of acquaintances.

Her illness was of long duration, and the death of her husband recently was a great shock to her, and in her feeble state hurried her passing to the other shore. May she rest in peace.

## Try This.

An eastern exchange says: "Bore a quarter-inch hole into the heart of a fruit tree or any other kind of a tree that is infested with insects and fill the hole full of dry sulphur and plug up the hole. It will cure the blight, make the tree strong and healthy and in no way injure to fruit growers, as the sulphur goes through all parts of the tree, being absorbed from the heart and makes a good healthy color."

## New Irrigation Project

George S. Parks of Jordan Valley was in the city yesterday. He is awaiting the engineers' estimates on the probable expense of constructing a dam and ditches for the Jordan Valley irrigation project. The surveys have been made and as soon as the cost can be determined work on the project will be commenced. The project will cover about 60,000 acres. It is believed that the cost per acre will not exceed \$10.

## Baseball.

The Ontario baseball club wandered over to Payette last Saturday and defeated the invincible Payette nine by a score of 3 to 1.

On Monday the team crossed bats again, the Idaho boys winning by a score of 6 to 2. It could not have been otherwise, as the umpire wouldn't let the Ontario boys win if they could. His first-base decisions were bad, very bad.

Dissolution of Copartnership.  
The copartnership heretofore existing between L. J. Rickard and R. M. Carlisle has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All bills due the City Meat Market will be collected by Rickard & Blair, and who will pay all bills against the late firm of Rickard & Carlisle.  
L. J. RICKARD,  
R. M. CARLISLE.  
Dated, Ontario, Ore., July 3, 1909.

And it's government irrigation.

## Local News.

Mrs. C. E. Belding left Sunday for Seattle to visit the big fair.

Judge G. L. King left for Seattle last evening.

A better and a bigger Ontario is close at hand. Get in and boost.

Ontario has reached the parting of the ways—and gone forward.

Mrs. G. L. King will leave Monday for Nelson, B. C., to visit her son Ira.

Mrs. C. E. Williams of Minneapolis, is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Porter Osborn.

As a police officer Dr. Prinzling takes the cake, and "Doc" Brown a worthy lieutenant.

Mrs. Holland has returned to Boise after a pleasant visit with her daughter, Mrs. E. A. Fraser.

Miss Libbie Warner of Montrose, South Dakota, a niece of A. J. Quackenbush, is visiting in Ontario.

Frank Rader and wife arrived home on Sunday from Seattle. Frank says the fair is all that is claimed for it.

With bumper hay and grain crops and fat cattle, Malheur county people will see no end of prosperity this fall.

State Water Commissioner F. M. Saxton was in Ontario today on route to Vale on business connected with his office.

Sam Creem is over from Caldwell assisting at the Long Clothing Co. Several young ladies in Ontario are all smiles.

The lawn fete at the city park last evening given by the Ontario Encore Band and Ladies' Orchestra was an enjoyable affair.

Harry Looney has left for Jordan Valley to accept a position in a merchandise store at that place. He will be greatly missed by the Ontario baseball nine.

M. W. Waring of Tulsa, Okla., has purchased 10 acres of the Belding tract, through Burbridge & Doolittle and will place the same in orchard. Mr. Waring is an experienced nurseryman.

Charley Carter and Walt Looney left Monday for Home-dale on a pleasure trip and to do a little prospecting. Report has it that they are in quest of the famous Blue Bucket mine—but that is only a report.

Manager Bob Rockwell stated to the Argus this morning that the light company will allow \$3 on the now worthless electric fans, caused by the change of current, on the purchase of a new one. These fans cost Ontario people from \$10 to \$15, and is a shade better than nothing.

## Silver City Also Sore.

The Ontario people are justly indignant at the R. M. Bell Tel. Co. for doing away with an exchange in their thriving city. The proper thing for the citizens of that place to do would be to get the Independent people to establish an office in Ontario, and all cut out the Bell system. Silver will be compelled to do this ere long. The poor old Bell company is getting so rich off the toll that they have been taking from their patrons that they think they have a cinch on the people, and are trying to imitate Harriman's methods. Cut out the phones and show this great corporation that you can get along without them.—Silver City Nugget.

## Brogan.

### Celebrated the Fourth in Grand Style.

The Fourth of July celebration at Brogan, the new town on Lower Willow Creek, last Saturday, was a decided success in every particular, and 300 people from the surrounding country attended the festivities.

Hon. W. H. Brooke was orator of the day and gave a splendid talk, reciting the notable events leading up to the signing of the Declaration of Independence and important happenings in the United States up to the present time.

The Ontario Encore Band furnished music for the occasion.

There is surely something doing at Brogan, and a large force of men employed constructing the huge canal, necessary laterals and beautifying the town-site.

In an interview with Mr. Brogan he said:

About 19 miles of the big ditch, which will cover 15,000 acres, and will be 35 miles in length, is completed. Three immense reservoirs will supply the canal with water, one holding 7000 acre feet of water, the second 12,700 feet and the third is now being built to hold 47,000 feet of water. At present 835 acres of orchard is in cultivation and the cost of the trees for this immense tract footed up \$7800. Recently 2600 acres were sold and now being placed in shape for orchard and cereal purposes.

Brick is already on the ground for the construction of a modern 30-room hotel, and a bank will be organized with a capital of \$50,000, the stock being subscribed by Mr. Brogan, Emory Cole and several farmers and stockmen near Brogan.

The site selected for the new town is an ideal one, plenty of shade and nesting among the hills of the beautiful valley on a level plain.

Brogan is destined to grow, and in a few years will be a town that Malheur county people can point to with pride.

### Johnson-Strobel.

Married—In Weiser, A. E. Johnson of Huber, Utah, to Miss Prudence Strobel of Dead Ox Flat, Rev. B. L. Milligan officiating. The bride is well known in Malheur county, and her many friends wish her happiness as she journeys through life with the man of her choice.

A notable incident in connection with the event is the fact that Rev. Milligan officiated at the wedding of the bride's parents 30 years ago.

### \$300 Each.

Pleas of guilty were entered at Portland in the federal court by Ed Stauffer and Wm. Manner, both of Lowry, Idaho, to a charge of maintaining illegal enclosures of land. The land comprises 50,000 acres in Malheur county, Ore., adjoining the Idaho-Oregon line. They were fined \$200 each.

### For Sale.

(MAN OR WOMAN)  
A 320-Acre South African Veteran Bounty Land Certificate. Issued by the Department of the Interior, Government of Canada, Ottawa, under the Volunter Bounty Act, 1908. Good for 320 acres of any Dominion land open for entry in Alberta, Saskatchewan or Manitoba. Any person over the age of 18 years, man or woman, can acquire this land with this certificate without further charge. For immediate sale, \$800.00. Write or wire, L. E. Telford, 131 Shuter Street, Toronto, Canada.

## BIG REDUCTION

### 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 F. 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 ticket, one way via Portland. Frequent dates for other routes. See Oregon Short Line agents for further details.

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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.