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Local News.

Wilson-Duffy Drug Co. All kinds of drugs.

N. C. Kries took his departure Saturday for Seattle on business.

Attorney Soliss was a legal visitor to the county seat during the week.

L. F. S. Divin, the Vale merchant, arrived home from Seattle Saturday.

Attorney W. H. Brooke returned Friday from a trip to Canyon City on legal business.

Mrs. E. A. Rieger, of Boise, is visiting her parents and other relatives and friends in this city.

Fine, fresh milk cow for sale by B. W. Gove, on the Arcadia Boulevard, just south of the Boulevard school house.

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

The directors of the Ontario Independent Telephone Co. have ordered 150 telephones and two sections of switch boards of the latest pattern.

J. S. Millikin is now in charge of the Ontario opera house, and parties desiring to lease the same can secure dates and prices by consulting him.

F. B. Ball and wife came over from Ontario last Saturday. Mr. Ball was over to buy some cattle. He got some at Drewsey while on the road in.—Harney County News.

H. C. Whitworth left for Seattle on Saturday to visit the fair. Hank will devote most of his time on the Pay Streak watching the soubrettes trip the light fantastic.

Miss Georgia Harper, the actress, who will be kindly remembered in Ontario, died recently at Greeley, Colo. She was an excellent actress and most charming lady.

A. Venator, the prominent Harney county stockman, was in Ontario Saturday, having accompanied his wife this far on her way to Hot Lake, where she went to receive medical treatment.

Mrs. C. A. Martin, of Vale, arrived home Saturday from the fair and a visit to relatives in Wallowa county. Her husband, who accompanied her, returned last week while Mrs. Martin stopped off at LaGrande to visit relatives.

Health is too precious to be tampered with by incompetent vendors of drugs. Try the Wilson Duffy Drug Co. for clean drugs, and expert service.

A number of Ontario citizens enjoyed the excursion to Ox Bow on Sunday and report an enjoyable time. Jim Butler told us it was the longest railroad ride he ever had for the money and that Copperfield was the "hottest" town on earth.

W. H. Allison the first of the week sold his residence and four lots in the northern part of the city to J. T. Logan of Dell. Tom and his family have taken possession, to be in readiness to give their children the benefit of our excellent school facilities.

While on his recent trip to the Payette lakes, P. G. Osborn discovered what he considers a valuable mine. He brought home some specimens of the ore bearing rock, which contains molybdenum, a rare and valuable mineral used for polishing guns on battleship. The rock also contains gold and graphite.

ENTHUSIASTIC OVER ONTARIO'S GAS WELL

J. F. Walton, of Wichita, Kan., who with his wife, has been visiting with the latter's brothers, J. H. and G. A. Wright, in this city, inspected the Ontario oil well while here one day last week and is very enthusiastic over the prospects of oil and gas in this vicinity, and is surprised that the company does not attempt to utilize the present flow of gas from this well.

Mr. Walton lives 80 miles from the famous Kansas oil and gas belt and he says the people there prefer a good gas well to a flowing oil well, as it is a better paying property and not so expensive to utilize. An oil well cannot be made to pay without installing a refinery, while a gas pipe line can be put in at a much less expense and the well put on a paying basis at once. He says nearly all the manufacturing establishments of Wichita are run by gas, piped in 80 miles, and all the smaller towns are supplied with light and fuel from gas. He also said that the section of Kansas where he lives was practically dead, on account of scarcity of lumber and fuel, until the discovery of gas, which has made the country very prosperous, by furnishing cheap fuel which cheapened other necessities. Cement at Wichita can now be purchased at \$1.00 a barrel and before the discovery of gas cement sold for \$1.25 and

all the fine houses of Wichita are now built with gas heated pressed cement blocks.

Mr. Walton says the Kansas gas belt is from 40 to 80 miles wide, beginning about 100 miles south of Kansas City and running in a southwesterly direction in a quarter circle across the state, terminating in Oklahoma.

The gentleman lived about 80 miles of the burning gas well of Caneyville. This well took fire during a thunder storm, which came up suddenly before the well could be capped, and was ignited by the lightning. The burning well assumed the shape of a huge volcano and continued to burn for 90 days, resisting all efforts to put it out until the gas flow was exhausted. All other wells in that locality were weakened, causing great loss to the company. Many excursions were run in from over the state and thousands of people went to see the burning well. A large hole, 100 feet across, was burned in the earth and the ground for some distance around resembled lava.

Mr. Walton says the gas in the Ontario well cannot be utilized until the water is cased out and the well kept entirely dry, as the water greatly weakens the flow. In Kansas the wells are cased and kept entirely dry continually.

Local News.

Wilson-Duffy Co. for all kinds of drugs.

Gus Goldberg, the saddler, returned Tuesday from an extended business visit to Sacramento, Calif.

Change of program three times a week at the Electric Maze, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Joe Waddell of Baker City was in Ontario yesterday on his way to Vale where he is interested in the oil proposition.

Charley Helms, who several years ago was engaged in business in Ontario with J. A. Reedy, died at Meadows last Sunday of typhoid fever.

One and two gallon jugs, five pint and one gallon bottles for sale cheap at Candlands.

Mrs. J. R. Blackaby entertained her Sunday school scholars at her home on Tuesday and all of the little tots had an enjoyable time.

L. B. Frye and bride (nee Emma Fiser) have returned from an extended honeymoon trip to eastern states, and Ontario's ever obliging chief telegraph operator is again at his desk at the O. S. L. depot.

Mayor Pogue and H. I. Husted enjoyed a hunting and fishing trip to Cottonwood the latter part of last week. The doctor told us that Holden killed 87 grouse at one shot on the trip, but we think he was only joshing.

A special school election of Ontario district will be held at the schoolhouse on Sept. 18 at 2 p. m. to submit to the legal voters of the district the question whether a district high school for District No. 8 be established at Ontario, Ore.

J. A. Lackey will soon commence the construction of an addition to his business block on Main street. The same will be 20x50 feet, two stories high. The upper portion will be occupied by the Ontario Independent Telephone Co.

Married—At Jordan Valley, Wednesday, Sept. 1, 1909, Harry Looney to Mrs. Mona Parks. Both the bride and groom are highly respected young people and their numerous friends extend best wishes and a prosperous married life.

Postmaster Sprout has the following unclaimed letters on hand: C. A. Brown, E. B. Long, Fred C. Marshall, Harold McCurdy, John Monroe, Rev. P. J. O'Rourke, B. F. Rice, E. F. Surface, Ralph Tharp, Mrs. Bertha E. Ackerman, Miss Gertrude Johnson.

D. B. Tuttle has opened a second-hand store, two doors north of the Argus office and will buy and sell all kinds of your patronage and guarantees his patrons a square deal.

W. T. Lampkin has received word from Mrs. Lampkin, who is at Mt. Tabor sanitarium, Portland, receiving treatment for acute rheumatism, that she is recovering rapidly. This will be glad tidings to the estimable lady's many Ontario friends—and also makes Bill carry a smile that won't come off.

"The Points of Paul's Preaching" will be the topic at the United Presbyterian morning service next Sabbath. As usual on the first Sabbath of the month there will be no evening service in town, but the pastor, Rev. G. W. Morrison, will preach at the White Settlement school house at 8 p. m.

Local News.

Ontario will show wonderful improvements in 1909.

Mrs. O. T. Steward of Boise was a guest of Mrs. G. L. King during the week.

Lewis Zotto, who was well known in Ontario, died at his home near Westfall last week. He was highly respected by a large circle of acquaintances.

The Electric Maze is open every night. Drop in and spend a pleasant hour. The moving pictures are both amusing and instructive.

Mrs. G. W. Lyells and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Jane Petterson, of Florence, Col., returned Monday from a visit to the Seattle fair.

Blue Prints of any Township in the Burns Land District, showing names of entrymen, kinds of entry, dates, etc., and topography. Price \$1.00. J. C. Turney, Burns, Oregon.

Miss Mae Cadden, who was in Ontario last week, will shortly form a music class, either piano or organ, here. She is a graduate of the Lundsberg Conservatory of Lundsberg, Kansas.

Hon. W. H. Broeke has been appointed by Governor Benson a delegate to the twelfth annual session of the American Mining Congress, to be held at Goldfield, Nevada, September 27 to October 2, 1909.

Attention is called to the advertisement of J. S. Clark. He is conducting an auto livery in Ontario and passengers will be transferred to any point desired. He also deals in auto supplies and oils. Give him a call.

Miss Lola Davis took her departure yesterday for Baker City where she will visit friends for awhile before going to McMinnville, where she will attend school. Her sister and mother will go to McMinnville later.

\$16,000 for a 60-Acre Farm

Frank Davis the first of the week sold to A. E. Brown, of Cord, his farm one mile south of Ontario for \$16,000. The same consists of 60 acres and the improvements on the place are the best in Malheur county. Mr. Brown will take possession Oct. 1. The sale was made through the Burbridge & Doolittle Real Estate agency.

Local News.

Circuit court convenes next Monday, and county court is in session at present.

Louis Bartoni of Westfall was renewing acquaintances in Ontario during the week.

Everett Trousdale left yesterday for Seattle, Wash., where he will attend the Seattle seminary.

O. E. Blair, proprietor of the City Meat Market, returned home from Boise during the week much improved in health.

G. W. Thomas is home from his cattle-gathering trip. He reports his bovines in fine condition. Johnny Landingham went along with G. W. as foreman of the cook wagon.

Married—At Vale, Sept. 2, 1909, John A. Kennedy to Miss Arena Moody. The happy couple have left for Seattle and other points on their honeymoon. The Argus extends congratulations.

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.

NEW GOODS

Our new fall goods are arriving daily and we have some of the best lines ever shown in Ontario. Among the latest are the new Tailored waists, a full line of Boy's, Children's and Ladies' shoes.

HOSE

A new line of hose we are selling at 15c for boys and girls. Beats anything ever shown in the town, see them in our window, examine them, they are winners.

CLOTHING

We are showing the swellest line of Men and Boy's Clothing for the money you ever saw, we beat them all when it comes to selling good clothes cheap. That's our Motto "Good Clothes Cheap."

Drop in and let us show you.

It pays to trade with

RADER BROS. & LAMPKIN

ONTARIO, OREGON.

Push and Energy.

People of our neighboring towns wonder why it is that the people who visit Ontario go away with the feeling that this town is to be one of the most progressive cities in Oregon in a few years. The solution to this seemingly puzzling problem might be given this way. The people of our town are energetic, progressive, always doing things, everybody on the jump. A stranger stops here and sees the push and hurry; he gets the same spirit and in a few days is pushing just as hard and hurrying just as fast as the next one. We tell people what we are going to do in the next few years and they have only to look back a few years to judge whether or not the change will take place. "Progressiveness" is contagious and conditions here are very favorable to its spreading and a newcomer once exposed to the bad cases we have here, stands little chance of escaping, and continuous exposure is almost sure to make an incurable case. Of course there may be people who may escape—vaccinated perhaps—but after they are run over a few times they stand back out of sight. It takes push and resources to build up a town and more push to build a city. We have plenty of both.

NOTICE.

To the people of Ontario and vicinity, I wish to say to those desiring to take music lessons on piano or organ that I will be in Ontario about Sept. 1. I expect to make Ontario my home and would be pleased to meet all those interested.

Miss Mae Cadden.
Graduate Lundsberg Conservatory, Lundsberg, Kansas.

Would Use Electricity.

A meeting was held by land owners of the Dead Ox and several residents of Weiser at the Jefferson school house for the purpose of discussing the proposition of installing a pumping plant there to be operated by electricity, the water to be pumped from Snake river. Two propositions were discussed. One was that by raising the water a distance of 85 feet, about 2500 acres of land could be covered. By a raise of a few feet higher 8500 more acres can be placed under water. A committee consisting of two land owners and an engineer was appointed by the meeting to look into the question, ascertain the probable cost and whether the power can be procured from the Idaho-Oregon Light and Power company to operate the plant. The main power line of the company crosses the land that is sought to be watered. The land is under the route of the proposed Malheur Irrigation ditch, the land owners are all in favor of the government taking over the proposition, but it looks as though nothing will be done for some time. They think they can get the water themselves and by the time the government is ready to turn on the water they will have made sufficient to discard their plan and join hands with the government.

Scheduled for Today

The senate irrigation committee is scheduled to arrive in Ontario today.

The object of the visit west of the committee is to inspect various government irrigation projects.

LATER—President Trow of the commercial club received a dispatch this morning that the visit of the senators had been definitely postponed.

New Train Schedule.

The new O. S. L. train schedule went into effect Sunday, including a new through train, which makes four trains each way daily. The westbound trains arrive in Ontario as follows:

- No. 7, Chicago-Portland special, does not stop, 5:35 a. m.
- No. 9, Salt Lake-Portland express, 3:27 p. m.
- No. 11, Pacific express, 1:08 a. m.
- No. 21, Pony express, 9:16 a. m.
- No. 5, Oregon-Washington limited, does not stop, 6:17 p. m.
- East bound trains arrive:
- No. 8, Chicago-Portland special, does not stop, 2:48 a. m.
- No. 12, Atlantic express, 4:24 a. m.
- No. 10, Portland-Salt Lake express, 2:40 p. m.
- No. 22, Pony, 5:07 p. m.
- No. 6, Oregon-Washington limited, does not stop, 11:10 a. m.
- The Vale train leaves Ontario at 9:30 a. m. and arrives at 2:25 p. m.

Notice.

A good position can be had by ambitious young men and ladies in the field of "Wireless" and Railroad telegraphy. Since the 8-hour law became effective, and since the Wireless companies are establishing stations throughout the country there is a great shortage of telegraphers. Positions pay beginners from \$70 to \$90 per month, with good chance for advancement. The National Telegraph Institute of Portland, Ore., operates six official institutes in America, under supervision of R. R. and Wireless Officials and places all graduates into positions. It will pay you to write them for full details.