

## Live News From Surrounding Towns And Country. Happenings of a Week

### NYSSA NEWS.

Mrs. Florence and Marion McDonald returned home Friday from Monmouth where Miss Florence attended school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Beam and two children attended the Chautauqua at Payette Friday.

A Twilight Baseball game between Fruitland and Nyssa was played at the Nyssa ball park Friday evening. The score was 9 to 6 in favor of the home team. The game was exceedingly enjoyable until the last inning when one of the visiting team was injured.

Mr. Nedry returned from Jordan Valley where he has been visiting the past week.

J. L. Largent and family left for Silverton, Oregon, Tuesday, where they will make their future home.

Mrs. Minton and children, of Seattle, arrived in Nyssa last week and expect to spend the summer here.

The ladies guild of the Episcopal church will give a Patriotic Social on the Boydell lawn Wednesday evening. A parade on Main street at 8 p. m. will be an interesting feature.

Otis Storta, of the Owyhee, was in Nyssa Friday.

Miss Josie Forbes is visiting in Parma this week.

Miss Naomi Parsons who has been visiting Mrs. M. Johnson, returned to Payette last week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Gohert are the proud parents of a baby daughter, which arrived last week.

C. C. Wilson and L. Spier were Boise visitors last week.

Miss Etta Stewart, who has been visiting Miss Lola Forbes, returned to Parma last week.

Mrs. E. H. McDonald and boys, who attended the Chautauqua at Caldwell, have returned home.

T. Odair and C. Lowell, of Big Bend, were Nyssa visitors last week.

H. Walters, of the Owyhee, was in Nyssa Thursday.

At the annual school election held Monday Mr. Pete Tensen was elected director to succeed Mr. W. L. Gibson and Mr. R. J. Davis was elected clerk to succeed Mr. H. R. Sherwood.

The Nyssa baseball team was defeated by the Payette players Sunday, the score being 17 to 0.

The children's day exercises of the Methodist church were held Sunday. Miss Evelyn Cheeley was an Ontario visitor last week.

Miss G. Eva Boydell went to Vale Tuesday morning where she will take the teachers' examination.

### FRUITLAND ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Holbrook, accompanied by Mrs. C. E. Deal, motored to Emmett Sunday afternoon and attended the services at the Methodist church in the evening. Rev. Deal returned home with them.

Many of the Fruitland people attended the Chautauqua at Payette last week, at least part of the time and were well pleased with the entertainments. There have already been enough pledges signed for tickets for next year to insure having a Chautauqua again next year.

The Fruit Growers Association has received returns for their first car of cherries shipped from here this season. The growers netted \$1.25 per crate. There is a large crop of all varieties of cherries and a big number are kept busy picking and packing. Large shipments are being made daily.

H. E. Hethenber left Monday to make a trip to the coast. He will visit Portland, San Francisco, Los Angeles and other points of interest.

Mrs. J. H. Boor left Wednesday for Oaccola, Iowa, for a visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Van Der Kar are the parents of a fine boy born June 21.

Mrs. C. E. Deal and daughter, Emma, delightfully entertained for dinner Sunday Irene Cotton, Velva Grime, Esther Russell and Rev. Walker, Emil Branthoover.

The sacred concert given Sunday evening at the Brethren church by the young people's class was well attended and enjoyed by all. This class deserves commendation for the work it is doing.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Whealdon and family were entertained Sunday at Supt. Cotton's home.

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Mr. Hieland, of Montana, was in this vicinity the first of the week visiting friends and looking at the country.

Rev. C. E. Deal and Rev. Walker, of Emmett, exchanged pulpits Sunday morning and evening.

It has been announced that July 4 at the Brethren church the local Sunday School convention will be held. The following program will be given:

Devotional.  
Song by Sunshine and Little Builders.

Report of State Sunday School Convention, Adah Baker.

Discussion.  
Mixed quartet.

Five minute talks on class organization: 1. What is the aim? G. G. Bollinger. 2. How keep the organized class in proper relation to the Sunday School. Grant Fisher. 3. How maintain a friendly spirit between classes? Emma Kesler.

Discussion.  
Recitation, Maggie Eldredge.  
Short intermission.  
Quartet from Elite class.  
Address, "A Nobler Patriotism," C. H. Shamberger.

Recitation, Wilma Bollinger.  
Round Table.  
1. Soul winning in the Sunday School.  
2. How can we vary the opening exercises?  
3. How can the Sunday School best observe the Nation's birthday?  
4. Is a teachers' meeting necessary for the success of the Sunday School?  
5. How can we get the spirit of worship in our music?  
Special music.

### KINGMAN COLONY NEWS.

Work on the new Big Bend bridge is progressing rapidly. B. A. McClain, the superintendent expects it to be completed about July 15. The Bend people are planning a big celebration in honor of the event.

An open meeting of the Grange was held at the Colony school house Saturday night. Mr. Howard was expected to be present and make a talk, but he was detained unexpectedly and therefore the meeting was very informal. Mr. Kingman told of his trip to the state grange and the meeting ended with a "sing" in which every one joined.

Miss Florence Kingman entertained a party of eighteen young people the evening of June 19th in honor of Miss Martha Overstreet. The lawn was lighted by lanterns with rose-colored shades and the decorations in the house were of pink clover blossoms. The refreshments of cherry ice and cake also helped to carry out the pink color scheme.

The dance given by Kendrick Blodgett at Adrian was well attended. The Colony orchestra furnished the music, and a delicious lunch was served by Mrs. McCreary and Mrs. Pomeroy.

Mr. and Mrs. Waltz, of Cleveland, Ohio, arrived here Saturday and will make an extended visit with their son, W. C. Waltz and wife.

Mrs. A. E. Wade entertained the Kingman and Peck families Thursday evening in honor of Mr. Kingman's birthday anniversary.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. N. Smith on June 17.

Oscar Selle, who formerly lived here, but who is at present on a big cattle ranch near Drewsey, was a guest of the Overstreet family Monday.

### BOULEVARD ITEMS.

Mrs. Amidon, from Michigan, is visiting at the home of her son, C. E. Amidon, and her granddaughter, Mrs. Ed. Ingram and expects to remain all summer.

Mrs. J. O. Scritchfield visited Saturday with Mrs. Sam Sealey.

Mrs. C. U. Stover returned Saturday from Payette and Gay Stover left for a week's visit with relatives near Payette.

Miss Teressa Cox returned last Monday from Eugene where she has been attending the University of Oregon the last year. Miss Cox will remain this summer with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Coustell Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacques, of the Boulevard were Sunday visitors at the home of Ed. Berry in Ontario.

much worse Thursday that he was removed to the hospital where he underwent an operation. For awhile little hopes were given for his recovery but at this writing he is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith, of the Boulevard, visited Sunday at the home of Marion Jones in Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Butler and Miss Jean Conklin visited Wednesday evening with Elbert Butler Sr. near Arcadia.

Mr. and Mrs. Connell Cox had a runaway Saturday afternoon. The horses became frightened at an automobile and threw Mr. Cox from the wagon injuring his leg. Mrs. Cox jumped from the wagon and though not hurt very much was very badly shaken up.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. McCarty were Sunday visitors at the Capron home near Fruitland.

Mrs. A. E. Sargent, of Fruitland, is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Oliver Bingham, and Mrs. Eldredge, returned to her home in Fruitland Tuesday.

Ira Dale and family, of Arcadia, visited Monday at the home of O. F. Neece on the Boulevard.

J. M. Butler and family visited Sunday at Vale, guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. Dell.

Don Conklin returned Tuesday from Birch Creek after a three months' absence.

Charlie Harris, of Ontario, is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. Andy McGregor and Miss Annie Harris returned to her home in Ontario.

Mr. Sam Sealey and family, Mr. J. E. Rose and family visited Sunday evening with J. M. Butler.

Mrs. Wylie Frakes and Mrs. Ben Rose called Monday evening at the home of John Richardson.

Mrs. John Weaver left last Saturday for a week's visit near Huntington.

Mrs. Bell, of Payette, was again a visitor at the home of Mrs. Aug. Senkbeil last week. Mr. Bell is a miner and owns some mines in the mountains east of Boise on which he expects fine results the coming season. Mrs. Bell expects to join him at the mines as soon as the snow is gone, which will be about the last of July.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Langley were business callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. McDonald the early part of last week.

Dry land grain is not going to be the success we "hollered" so loud about during the "rainy season." The rain was immediately followed by strong cold winds which continued day and night for a number of days, just as rye was blooming, which sapped the ground of its moisture and the grain that was thick enough to have made a big crop began to "fire" before natural time for ripening. This is the complaint coming from all directions. The thin rye weathered through and will fill good.

Mrs. Aug. Senkbeil called on Mrs. McDonald Monday.

A serious accident happened at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Senkbeil early Sunday morning, June 20th. They had been to Payette Saturday evening remaining quite late and on returning home, as the little boy, about 18 months old had been ailing, they thought to give him some medicine, and by mistake in the dim light, Mr. Senkbeil got the wrong bottle and gave the child a dose of "Lice-O." Fortunately the child did not swallow much if any of it but spat it out over his face and neck causing severe burns. They rushed him to the doctor with all dispatch after administering home first aid remedies and the little fellow is getting on as well as could be expected. Mr. and Mrs. Senkbeil felt quite broken up over the accident and they have the sympathy of their friends.

Aug. Senkbeil has purchased a new engine and separator and the same have arrived in Payette and he is quite busy of late getting them in running order. He will run two threshing outfits this season.

Many people on the flat began cutting rye Monday. About a week earlier than harvest was expected to begin.

Guy Morgan has received a well drilling outfit for Mr. Carroll, of Portland, who has a desert claim consisting of the S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 10-17-46, and after drilling a well for himself will begin a well for Mr. Carroll.

The directors of school district No. 58 met at the school house Sunday and overhauled the desks. It seems the desks were put up with out using screws and were getting rickety.

## POLITICAL AGITATORS

### POLITICIANS WHO CAPITALIZE STRIFE A MENACE TO GOVERNMENT.

#### Neglect of Agricultural and Industrial Opportunities a National Crime.

By Peter Radford.

There never was a time in the history of this nation when we needed statesmen more or agitators less than at the present moment. The opportunities now afforded us on land and sea demand the best there is in statecraft and the possibilities that are confronting us call for national issues that unite the people, build industry and expand trade. The agricultural and industrial development of this nation has suffered severely at the hands of agitators who have sent torpedoes crashing into the port side of business and whose neglect of the interests of the farmer makes them little less than political criminals. We want no more of these evil spirits to predominate in government. Too long their hysterical cry has sent a shiver down the spinal column of industry. Too long have the political agitators capitalized strife, pillaged progress and murdered opportunity. An industrial corpse is not a desirable thing, a crippled business an achievement or neglect an accomplishment about which any representative of the government has a right to boast.

#### Issues that Breed Agitators Should be Eliminated.

The political agitator must be eliminated from public life before thoughtful consideration can be given to a constructive program in government. The liquor question is the most prolific breeding ground for agitators and whether pro or anti, the hatch is equally as undesirable. This article is in no sense a discussion of the liquor question but deals solely and by way of illustration with the political products of that issue. Other subjects will be dealt with in the order of their importance.

In the history of our government the liquor issue has never produced a constructive statesman worth mentioning and it never will. It has sent more freaks to Congress, Lilliputians to the Senate and incompetents to office than any other political issue under the sun.

The recent experience of the English Parliament which lashed itself into a fury over the liquor question has a lesson that it is well for the farmers of this nation to observe; for the subject in some form or other is constantly before the public for solution and oftentimes to the exclusion of more important problems to the American plowmen.

#### Too Many Political Drunkards.

Lloyd-George, the Prohibition leader of Europe who led the prohibition fight in England, has declared that he will never again take a drink politically and there are many American politicians—pro and anti—who would render their country a service by climbing on the water wagon or signing a pledge of political temperance. Too often our legislative halls are turned into political bar-rooms and many of the members become intoxicated on liquor discussions. We have too many political drunkards—pro and anti—in our public affairs. No one who is a slave to the political liquor habit is quite so capable of dealing with the business affairs of government as the sober and industrious. We have few public men in this day who are strong enough to resist the temptation of strong drink politically and when the demon Rum once becomes firmly entrenched in the mind of a politician, he is less capable of meeting the demands for constructive statesmanship now confronting this nation.

We have in this country too many red-nosed politicians—both pro and anti. A candidate with political delirium tremens, a preacher with political snakes in his boots and an agitator drunk on the liquor question are the saddest sights in civilization and they should all be forced to take the political Keeley Cure.

It is far more important in government to make it easier for those who toil to eat than to make it more difficult for a few toppers to drink. There is not one person in one hundred of our rural population that ever touches liquor but we all eat three times a day.

#### THE LAYMAN'S DUTY

There never was a time when preachers and politicians formed an unholy alliance that civilization did not shriek out and Christianity cry aloud. Since the beginning of government, politicians have sought to decoy the ministry into the meshes of politics and make them carry banners in political processions. They have taken the ministry to the mountaintop of power and offered to make them monarch of all they surveyed, and while most of them have said, "Get thee behind me Satan," a few have fallen with a crash that has shaken every pulpit in Christendom.

## CHANGE MADE IN LOCAL FORD AGENCY

A change in the Ford agency in Ontario was made this week when Chas. L. Dunham and A. A. Bailey, Jr., both of Portland, took over the agency, Wright & Coward retiring. Whether or not the headquarters of the agency will continue at the old place has not yet been announced, but will probably be determined within the next few days.

Both Mr. Dunham and Mr. Bailey are well experienced in the automobile business, and Mr. Bailey comes with the reputation of a fine machinist. The Ford agency in Ontario, which includes all of Malheur county, has always been considered valuable, as the field here for automobiles is extensive, and the Ford is a very popular car.

#### STORES TO CLOSE.

We, the undersigned, hereby agree to close our respective places of business at 11 a. m. July the 5th, and remain closed for the remainder of the day.

(Signed) W. T. Lampkin  
Ontario Hardware Co.  
McCoy Bros.  
Rader Bros. Co.  
Boyer Bros. & Co.  
Toggerly Bill  
Golden Rule  
Wilson Bros. & Co.  
Ontario Furniture Co.  
M. M. Company  
Alexander Co.  
McNulty & Co.  
C. P. Cummings  
Wm. McBratney  
A. L. McDowell  
Newton Shoe Store

## Pete's Bargains

For Sale—One 1914 Ford; Bash magento, leak-proof rings, lots of extras. \$350.00. Terms.

For Sale—One 1914 Indian twin cylinder motorcycle with side car, electric headlight, fully equipped, cost over \$400.00. With extras, goes at \$275.00. Terms.

For Sale—One 1914 twin cylinder Indian motorcycle, fully equipped, at nearly half price, as good as new. \$150.00.

These were taken in exchange on cars and we are cleaning up the 1915 season. Some one will get bargains. Come in.

Ontario Auto Co. The Argus, \$1.00 the year.

## DR. MEYER-GERHARD



Dr. Meyer-Gerhard, who was sent by the German Embassy at Washington to Berlin with information about the German-American situation.

## WAR ORDERS TOTAL BILLION IN AMERICA

New York.—Within the past few weeks gold coin to the amount of \$32,500,000 has been moved from Ottawa to New York and deposited in the treasury for the account of J. P. Morgan & Co. This is only a small installment on Great Britain's war debt, whose purchases of ammunition and other supplies in the United States already amounts into hundreds of millions.

It is estimated that American manufacturers have contracted for something like 25,000,000 shrapnel shells, at a total cost of about \$400,000,000. A portion of this enormous amount of shrapnel has been delivered, and orders are now pending for \$100,000,000 worth of shells, both shrapnel and high explosive.

Authorities in a position to have first-hand information say that the requirements of the allies have resulted in orders being placed with American manufacturers for not less than \$1,000,000,000.

Office Force of School Head Quits. Olympia, Wash.—The tranquility of the administration of Mrs. Josephine Preston, state superintendent of public instruction, was marred Saturday by announcement of the resignation en masse of the major portion of her office force. Those who have resigned are C. A. Sprague, assistant superintendent; Miss Martha A. Sherwood, deputy superintendent; Miss Hannah Cordy, chief clerk; Miss Edith Roe, Mrs. Preston's secretary, and Mrs. Viola French, clerk.

Villa's Artillery Chief Leaves Him. Washington.—General Felipe Angeles, artillery expert and right-hand man of General Francisco Villa, has left his chief and is now in the United States en route to Boston to visit his family.

## Telephone Company

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guaranteed, and the rental for rural telephones was fixed.

When an attempt was made last April to enforce a toll charge to Nyssa and Fruitland, the Ontario Commercial club took up the matter at a mass meeting and took preliminary steps toward a legal attempt to force the company to follow out the letter of its old contract. Brooke & Swagler were the attorneys appointed to handle the matter, and it was decided to first prefer charges with the Oregon Railroad Commission, believing it was possible to secure an adjustment of the rates along the lines desired by the residents of Nyssa, Fruitland and Ontario.

The commission took up the matter, held a preliminary hearing in Ontario, and ordered inventories of the property taken, after which it would be possible for the commission to hold its final hearing in the matter and then render a decision. And until the final hearing could be held, the commission ordered that the old rates be put back into effect, which was done, and which allows for free tolls with Nyssa and with Fruitland. The final hearing was to have been held in May, but was postponed. And now the telephone company asks that a further postponement be granted.

If the postponement is granted, there will be no further change in the telephone situation until the latter part of 1916. And it is the local opinion that now there is a probability of settling the matter with the telephone company in such a manner that the case can be entirely dismissed, and that the tolls will remain as at present.

## CELEBRATE IN ONTARIO - MONDAY, JULY 5TH -

### Tog Yourself Out at Our

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### Suit Sale and you'll Celebrate Right and Economically.

Our complete stocks of Summer suits for men and young men at the above price. Former prices \$20.00 \$25.00 and \$30.00

## Panama Hats \$5.00

A new shipment just opened---a little late getting here and to close them out before the Fifth of July celebration, they all go at \$5.00. Values from \$6 to \$7.50

Eclipse Shirts 85c. to \$1.15. The largest stock of shirts for men in town, without a doubt. Values \$1.25 to \$2.00.

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