

Wellsville City Oldest Settlement In Cache Valley

One of the Wealthiest Communities in the County.
Boasts of over 1500 Population. Dairy Industry is Source of Much Wealth.

WELLSVILLE, Dec. 17.—The first home builders came to Cache Valley in the latter part of September, 1856. The honored ones were: Peter Maughan, John Maughan, W. H. Maughan, Zial Riggs, Bryan Stringham, John Wyatt and Mr. Thompson. They with their families chose the present site of Wellsville as their home, and set about to build "Maughan's Fort." They returned to Tooele for the winter; but, when spring came they began anew the conquest of Cache Valley.

With them came many more old reliable pioneers, Timothy Parkinson and family; John Thirkle and family; W. F. Darley and family; James Cooper and family; Joseph Woodward and family; W. Gardner and family; Cooper Cummings and family; Frank Gunnell and family; John Reese and family; Thomas Obrey and family, and George and Elias Edwards. They finished building the Fort and their cluster of real American style homes 16 feet square built of logs with dirt floors and dirt roofs.

The great emigration to Wellsville took place in 1860 and "Maughan's Fort" became a town called Wellsville in honor of the great pioneer General Daniel H. Wells. From this humble beginning Wellsville, has grown and developed into a beautiful industrious, prosperous little city of 1500 population.

Peter Maughan acted as bishop of Wellsville from the spring of 1857 until November 1859, when he was called to Logan, and his son W. H. Maughan was appointed to be Wellsville's first ordained bishop. He served in this position until 1900, when E. R. Owen became bishop. Brother Owen was succeeded by Bishop F. L. Gunnell.

Wellsville is one of the largest wards in the Church and has one of the most beautiful tabernacles found in the State. A short time ago the old meeting house which has been used as an opera house, burned to the ground. It only took Wellsville a short time to awaken to the fact that they needed a new opera house, and with excellent boosters she has one in now under construction.

Wellsville also has a Sunday School of 560 members, M. I. A. of 150 members and a choir of 70 members, which is the pier of any ward choir in the church.

Wellsville does not grow much in population, but it is growing in beauty and wealth. It has everything that goes to make an ideal place for a home, paved sidewalks, electric lights and a water system excelled by none in the world. The young folks have every educational advantage and have access to plenty of good wholesome amusement.

The railroad accommodations are all that any like community could ask for and the state road places the automobile owner very close to Logan, Ogden or Salt Lake City.

Many new homes have gone up this summer and the business section of the city has taken on new growth.

The dairy industry stimulated by the new \$15,000 dairy and the able and enthusiastic work of Mr. Leroy Hillam as tester for the Wellsville Cow Testing Association, has developed as never before. Wellsville sells over 20,000 pounds of milk each day which at present, brings a monthly payroll of about \$17,000. Many new barns have been built and 21 herds are using pure bred bulls. The average production of the Cow Testing Association figured on a twelve month basis, was 299.2 pounds of fat per cow. This is a remarkable showing when we consider that the average Utah cow produces only 160

pounds of fat per year. One cow in the Association this year produced 622.4 pounds of fat and one herd of twenty cows averaged 466. pounds of fat per cow during the year. Wellsville claims this to be the highest average of any grade herd in the United States and the owner of this herd, Mr. John Darley would appreciate any information in regard to a better herd of a better Jersey cow than his, because he desires to continue to improve his choice collection if he can possibly do so.

Because of the very late spring, the sugar beet crop this year has been exceptionally light. There were 1266 acres planted with a yield of 13,530 tons of about 11 tons to the acre. This is about four tons per acre short of the normal yields. The dairy and sugar beet farming work exceptionally well together, and give the farmers of this section a reliable money making, permanent system of crop rotation.

The dry farms haven't done so well this year, but the extra high price for the products has at least partly made up for the poor season.

Wellsville is located in a district where a rich, heavy, black inexhaustible loam soil lies from five to thirty feet deep. During the year dry farm land has sold for \$250 and \$300 an acre.

The excellent railroad accommodations make it easy to go to Logan to trade, yet we have three good live general merchandise stores, a butcher shop, a bank, an up-to-date candy kitchen, a drug store, a garage, a barber shop, a millinery store, a harness shop, a blacksmith shop, and a lumber yard, all doing active, prosperous business.

Dr. Brooking as dentist, and Dr. Christensen as physician, are doing Wellsville very satisfactory and commendable work.

The Commercial Club of 107 members, with C. N. Maughan as president, are active and are largely responsible for the many city improvements of the past year. Judging the future by the past, we can look for the Commercial Club to start many new projects for the coming year.

Wellsville now has nineteen soldier boys in the government service and she has willingly done her part with Liberty Bonds. The Soldier's Welfare Fund and the Red Cross contributions. There are no war lovers there, but there are 1500 Americans.

WELLSVILLE CO-OP IS WELL MANAGED BY LOCAL MEN

The Wellsville Co-op Mercantile Institution is one of the oldest merchandising concerns in Cache Valley. It was organized a short time after the town was named, and has been doing business ever since. It has been in the hands of members of the Peter Maughan family since it was organized.

At the present time Brigham Maughan is president and Lamont Allen is vice-president, of the Wellsville Co-op. These two young men are live wires in the community and are well liked by their patrons for the service they render and by their business associates for the fair competition.

Besides a large stock of dry goods, this firm is headquarters for groceries of all kinds.

KING of THE CHRISTMAS SEASON



Richmond Rejoices In Rehearsing Her Riches

Tillers of the Soil as well as the Business Interests have Been Abundantly Blessed during the season now closing. Milk Condensery a Source of much Wealth to Dairymen.

RICHMOND, Dec. 17.—The close of 1917 finds us healthy, thrifty and full of "pep" for the future. We have had a satisfactory substantial growth in all departments. Our hay crops were good, our grain crops fair, our beet crop above the average, our livestock industry on the increase and our dairying still to the front. These, with high prices for all, we have produced and higher prices for all we consume seems to put the "go" into everybody.

The terrors of this cruel war, the atrocities of a brutal Kaiser that have been thrust upon a peace-loving, law abiding, thrifty, happy fraternal people, as we are, is a burden we were unprepared to even expect, a calamity we had hoped against but now it is here we are going to resist it with all of the power of true Americans and all the patriotism that noble descendants of true Americans can possibly rally. To a people cradled in freedom for a century and a half even the thoughts of autocracy and Kaiser Vandalism are unbearable and all that is left us in this world today is to resist it, and resist it we will, even to the last cent, the last loaf and the last man.

Thank heaven, our farmers, dairymen, stockmen, have money this year its a blessing we appreciate, a blessing we need in this hour of action and stress. The calls of our country so far have been satisfactorily met by our citizens. The calls of our country for 1918 will be many. We shall endeavor to meet them nobly and if God shall again bless us with plenty in 1918 we shall think not of self and self indulgence, but of our country and our country's needs, until this war for our freedom and

the freedom of the world shall have been won.

A resume of our business affairs for 1917, shows favorable healthy conditions.

The volume of business at our State Bank of Richmond shows a nice increase both our individual deposits, and savings deposits show up fine considering the size of our town. Cashier George G. Hendricks, and the executive board consisting of J. W. Funk, C. Z. Harris, and J. W. Hendricks have reason to be proud of the showing they are making as bankers.

The Utah Condensed Milk Company under the able management of Lockhart, Hendricks and Merrill continues to make an enviable record. The volume of business continues better, and the stream of gold they pour monthly into the pockets of our dairymen goes on without interruption.

The People's Mercantile Co., the Richmond Co-op, and the Golden Rule, J. C. Penny & Co., (as the leading mercantile institutions report business good although extreme high prices on many articles and the continual advance make profit making very difficult as each is always reluctant to advance for fear the other will not. However, when it comes to careful economical management, up to date well kept, well chosen stocks of modern merchandise, and the value they give for the money they receive these stores are not afraid of comparison with any mercantile house in the country.

The Lumber Co., B. Monson, Manager, has been selling more building material than usual.

Everton & Sons Hardware and Furniture; H. F. Olsen, Meats and Groceries; The Hendricks Confectionery and Cafe; Griffiths and Cantwell, Implements; H. F. Christensen, and M. J. Harrison, Millinery; Greening Auto Co.; Ute E. Griffin Auto, Repairs and Blacksmith; Joe Peart, and Mike White, Blacksmiths; A. A. Olsen Cafe; Richmond Opera House; S. F. Thomas, Groceries. All are doing well and very hopeful for the future.

Dr. H. A. Adams is on the go all the time. Dr. Munk, Dentist, is working up a nice business.

A. L. Harris and P. N. Nelson, have been busy selling and shipping cattle quite extensively this fall.

Bert Danford is still buying, selling and shipping his "ten carload lots" of cattle.

Ballamore Farm, (Caine's) are more proud than ever of their Jersey dairy herd, and their purebred Berkshires.

Nelson Brothers are still pushing pure bred Holsteins, as also are C. L. Funk, J. L. McCarrey, Henry Christofferson, A. E. Harris, G. M. Thomson and several others.

Captain E. G. Woolley's Farm still supports a fine herd of Guernsey Dairy Cows.

All in all we are satisfied with 1917 and shall start out in 1918 with a firm determination to do our part, no matter how big, to feed the famishing world and finance the nation.

NEW MANAGER OF WELLSVILLE DRUG HAS GOOD TRADE

E. R. Harritt, for the past two years manager of the Wellsville Drug Company, is from Alma, Nebraska, having graduated from the Creighton University of his home state. In addition to enjoying an extensive drug patronage, this store is headquarters for choice confectionery and tobacco. An up-to-date soda fountain is found in the place which dispenses a good line of sodas and ice cream. A full line of Nyles' Remedies is to be had at the Wellsville Drug Store.

A number of modern improvements have been made in the store. The windows have been enlarged for display purposes and an up-to-date line of magazines and papers are found on display.

600 HUNDRED IS POPULATION OF NEWTON

Town Is Becoming Modern With Electricity, Both In The Homes And Streets

NEWTON, Dec. 17.—Newton is a growing town with a population of 600 happy and contented people. It is 16 miles northwest of Logan and 2 miles north of Cache Junction. The town has a board of directors consisting of a mayor and councilmen who direct and transact all of the public improvements.

The chief industries are farming, wheat, beets, hay, some cattle, sheep and pigs are the chief products.

The town has a modern up-to-date water system. The water is supplied by mountain springs, situated northwest of town. There is a large, supply, sufficient for all purposes.

There are many beautiful homes with modern conveniences. The town has street lights as well as electric lights in the homes, the electric juice being furnished by the Utah Power and Light Company.

The school building is modern in every respect, well equipped class rooms, library, gymnasium, that are used for basketball and other athletic sports. The building with its equipment cost about \$25,000.

The meeting house is a large and modern building that was completed about three years ago, at a cost of about \$8000. It is used for religious services, amusements, and socials.

During the year of 1917 there has been built on Bear River near Newton and Cache Junction a modern electric pumping plant by Mr. W. R. Ballard and other progressive farmers for the purpose of irrigating 1000 acres of land near Cache Junction and Newton, which will be planted in sugar beets and hay next spring.

There is about 2000 acres of land which is irrigated by the West Cache Canal and the Newton Reservoir.

We have an up-to-date store, The People's Mercantile, that is doing a good business under the able management of Andrew Peterson, where one can buy anything from a mouse trap to a thrashing machine. Mr. Peterson always has a kind, obliging and efficient clerks to wait on his many customers.

There is one confectionery store, managed by William J. Barker where hot or cold drinks are served, (strictly temperance) ice cream, and candy served by two smiling young ladies.

Next we have the barber shop, strictly modern, and up-to-date, where one can get a hair cut and a shave at popular prices. Where Mr. John Hanson is always ready with his razor or scissors. Don't forget to call on him.

Mr. William P. Hanson, the contractor and builder has had a very busy and prosperous year. He is putting the finishing touches on one of the most beautiful and convenient homes for Mr. M. J. Benson.

Mr. Ed. W. Fish has also had a very busy year building beautiful and comfortable homes, for the prosperous sugar beet growers at Cornish and Trenton.

Mr. Carl Johnson the bricklayer and plasterer has been very busy all summer.

The Larson Brothers Lumber Co., has had a very successful year, under the able management of H. M. Larson.

William Larson the city electrician and plumber, has been very busy connecting the people up with the water mains since the first of May.

Pearl Jenkins, the auto doctor, is a very busy man trying to keep his many customers supplied with gas and extras as there are about fifty automobiles and some Fords to be taken care of at his garage.

Mr. Eric Ecklund, contractor and builder, has been very busy this summer. He has built a nice modern store at Cache Junction for Mr. J. H. Barker, and is now finishing a nice resident for Mr. Ed Dahle at the same place.

Mr. Sidney Alvis, "The Town Cop" has had a very busy time keeping

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