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LOOK FOR US AT OUR New Home

The Hand Building Opposite the Depot After The First of May

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GOOD ROADS

Judge Webster of Portland will be in Nyssa on Saturday, April 30 and will address the citizens on the interests of "The good roads movement", and will organize a branch of the Good Roads Asso.

Everything Going Smoothly

What's the ditch news? Is the question we are asked and asked all times. We neither give or give because there is "nothing wrong". We are all waiting for the 14th and 21st after which things will be "stirring". It is the duty of every voter to turn out on election dates and vote. Taking a pessimistic view, which editors sometimes do, of the progress in straightening out of the affairs is bright and shows only one side and that is that everything is going themselves to the views of the optimist.

The Arnold Company has its surveys completed and enough has been surveyed for the entire connecting crew to go to work on at a time this summer. This consists of 35 miles of the heavy work, both dams, the Owyhee Canyon Canal and 25 miles of the stakes are set on each of the north and South Canals.

COUNTY FAIR

The Ontario people started a movement for county fair last fall. They are still working to secure a proper location and to incorporate.

A subscription list is being circulated among the people of Malheur County for the purpose of purchasing a 40 acre tract, 1/2 mile west of Ontario, on which comfortable buildings will be erected. The buildings will be erected at once. The incorporation articles of the Malheur County Agricultural Association, call for \$10,000.

The fair is a good thing for the county and it should be supported by everyone.

Miss Ora D. Anderson

Public Stenographer

Located in the office of

The Owyhee Land Co.

NYSSA OREGON

Boys Win Game

Last Saturday the Ontario lads came to Nyssa to cross bats with the "Juniors". The game was called at 2 o'clock P. M. and went through with a whiz and a whirl. It is almost needless to say that it was an easy walkaway for the Nyssa lads, as the score is self-evident—21 to 5.

Nevertheless the Ontario boys put up a brave fight and were cheerful up to the fascinating end. After the game, the boys visited around and enjoyed themselves to their hearts content.

BUSINESS MEN MEET

Free Ferriage and Merchants Protective Association Main Object.

An aggregation of business men of Nyssa was held Tuesday evening and chief among the helpful subjects discussed was a plan to conduct, for the benefit of the tributary country in Idaho, a free ferry and, the organization of a Merchants Protective Association. It is evidently realized what the real significance of such a move would be. And especially the protection to the merchants of the town. "Crooks are discovered throughout all lines of business and how much more convenient would it be if some plan was instituted whereby the business man could keep himself and his firm posted as to every man's honesty and integrity.

In order to do business there must be trade and in order to secure trade there must be some inducement. Toward inducing more trade the business men have decided to extend free transportation over the ferry, to all who live on the Idaho side and who will come to Nyssa to trade.

This was very carefully discussed and many suggestions offered but the most feasible plan and the one that seemed to conform to all the requirements was the coupon system; a small book of coupons to be kept by each merchant and all business men to tear out and hand to every customer from across the river, a five cent coupon to every \$1.00 purchase.

Every business firm will have its name on each individual coupon handed out. All coupons will be acceptable at the ferry for transportation across the river and be redeemed by all the firms according to the number of its own individual coupons handed in by the ferryman at the end of each week, month or such other time as may be agreed upon.

I. I. I. Boys Take "a Day Off"

Saturday and Sunday was "A day off" for a number of boys from the Idaho Industrial Inst. at Weiser. They were, in the first place, bound for Baker City where they were scheduled for a Track meet, but somehow they lost their train. But still determined to "make a move", they came to Nyssa where they knew they would receive a royal welcome.

They were certainly a jolly bunch of students, eight in all: Guy Skaggs, Bill Downs, James Ware, E. L. Grady, Roy Marshall, Jewel Howd, Mr. Eddlemon and Roy Springer.

The boys were heard to say at times "I wonder what the faculty will say?" We take it for granted that all went well when they returned Monday morning.

Bought Rohde Ranch

Danielson & Peterson purchased the H. Rohde place last Saturday at a consideration of \$200 per acre. The ranch consists of 40 acres, some of the best Snake River Valley land. This ranch lies 2 miles south west of town and there is a good, substantial residence and a fair barn on it. The entire tract is in alfalfa. This is considered one of this season's best buys.

Wm. Danielson left Portland, where he has resided the past year, about 5 weeks ago looking for a desirable location. He traveled over the entire northern section of the northwest as far east as South Dakota and back before he came to Nyssa. He has seen the famous fruit raising sections of Washington, Oregon and Idaho. He is formerly from Kansas so he knows conditions there. Isn't it proof enough that he thinks Nyssa the best, to invest here. He has great expectation for Nyssa and surrounding country and if you are "blue" it would pay you to talk to him, if you are a pessimist you should see him. Mr. Danielson's family will be here some day this week.

A. P. Peterson, is an inhabitant of Saint Edward, Neb., at present and like his partner has been traveling for some time looking for a desirable place to locate. Mr. Peterson will be in Nyssa as soon as he can settle his affairs in Nebraska. Nyssa extends a cordial welcome to these men.

INSURE YOUR CROP

Now is the time to insure your fruit crop. Prospects for a large crop of all kinds except peaches never were better than they are today and everyone is rejoicing over the brilliant outlook. The trees are in full bloom and to one that never saw the picture of a blooming orchard it seems to be a paradise and to those accustomed to this beautiful sight it is a promise of a bountiful crop.

The unusual warm spring is developing the fruit rather unexpectedly and from all indications there has been no wind, the absence of the customary chilly and disagreeable weather has been appreciated but it might put the fruit a little too far ahead.

At any rate it is up to you to insure your crop. Jack Frost might come along some night and you won't be prepared to meet him and last year's history might repeat itself. No one knows this better than the people that experienced that plight. The smudges pots are the best but there are very few if any in the country. Then there is the next best thing—the sage brush pile, or the better still, the straw pile. This is the only practical way of insuring your crop against frost. Get busy and have the piles ready in case of frost some night.

The fruit crop of the south has been killed for this year and you will receive a better price. This is selfishness but enjoy prosperity when you can. Every country is susceptible to frost in the budding season and later and it is only a business proposition and not a draw back to your country to heat your orchard.

EXCURSIONS EAST

VIA OREGON SHORT LINE R. R.

To Cheyenne, Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Kansas City, St. Louis, Omaha, Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, and other points. Tickets on sale May 6th, and 14th, June 4th, 11th 18th, and 27th, July 7th, and 29th, August 4th, and September 14th, and 23rd. Limit, October 31st.

SEE AGENTS FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS.

**GO TO THE
CHURCH
Saturday evening and
hear Judge Webster on
Good Roads**

Pleased With Nyssa

I have finished the census enumeration of the town of Nyssa. I have been in every house, tent, and other places of abode and have counted a few on the fly. I desire to compliment the people of Nyssa for good sense, loyalty, and the ability to answer questions.

Besides the courtesy and kindness shown me, there has been a desire to aid in the work.

This has made the work more thorough and pleasant. These favors I shall not forget and for the same I desire to thank the people of Nyssa.

A. H. Perryman
Enumerator Dist. 99

INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM.

Students of political economy on every hand are coming to acknowledge the potency of the principles of the initiative and referendum as a cure for many of the defects existing in our constitutional system. That inherent in the people is the power of initiative is not to be denied. That the people have transferred this right to their elected representatives, surrendering their prerogatives, only emphasizes the fact that the sovereign power remains in the people to resume the reins at their pleasure. Sentiment is gradually but surely crystallizing in favor of such resumption of sovereignty by the masses. Year by year one section of the country after another adopts the principle in more or less modified form. Our own neighboring state of Oregon now grants to the people both the initiative and referendum as well as direct election of its senators and by the operation of the initiative has secured a measure permitting the recall of unfaithful or inefficient public officers. The time is not far distant when to the people will belong the prerogative of not only initiating legislation but also of having all the acts of its representatives submitted for ratification to this court of last resort before they can become effective. In this chain of reform measures on behalf of the people not the least is the power of recall. This principle merely gives to the elective power the right to undo its own mistakes of judgement. Having put into office a man who proves unworthy of the great trust reposed in him, the recall gives to the people the right by vote to oust him and give his office to someone more worthy. The recall has been tried in various parts of the country and in no instance has it been found wanting.

Some High-Line History.

The May number of the Pacific monthly has a very good article on the irrigation project known to us as the High-Line. In part it is:

"This will become the largest reclamation scheme undertaken in the state, and will include the land selected for the Malheur Government project and given up last year by the Reclamation Service because of lack of funds. This large project is to be carried through by Chicago and Eastern capitalists who have successfully completed some of the largest of the Carey-Act projects of the West. This reclamation scheme was first promoted several years ago, a part of the land having been withdrawn at that time by the Reclamation Service. The Government work was brought to a standstill, however because of the failure of some of the large land-holders to agree to the regular terms demanded by the Reclamation Service under all of its projects. The land holders later reconsidered and used every effort to persuade the Government to revive their proposed project. Department of Interior officials, however, decided that the project should be entirely abandoned because of lack of funds. Then, following the passage of Oregon's excellent water code by the last session of the Legislature private capitalists were encouraged to enter the field. The last obstacle to the great development scheme was removed with the recently reported agreement of practically all of the land-holders concerned, to the terms of the promoters. * * * A part of the land to be benefited is just across the Snake River in Idaho. [This is a mistake as the river does not divide the Gem District from the Oregon districts. The State line is the division] It is the plan of the company to build an immense reservoir on Owyhee River, sixty miles above its confluence with Snake River. The reservoir will store enough water for approximately 200,000 acres of land. The section is especially adapted to the growing of alfalfa and certain fruits, and it is estimated that the 200,000 acre tract when irrigated and devoted to intensified farming will support not less than 50,000 persons."

The initiative, the referendum and the recall are not or should not be, political issues as the term is generally understood. They are measures for the common weal that should receive and are receiving support from men of all shades of political opinion. The president and officers of the Referendum League are representative of all parties and while members of the Democratic party as a rule are the most enthusiastic in favor of the principle, the best minds of the Republican party favor it also.—Caldwell News.