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OREGON IDAHO ORCHARD COMPANY CROP TESTS

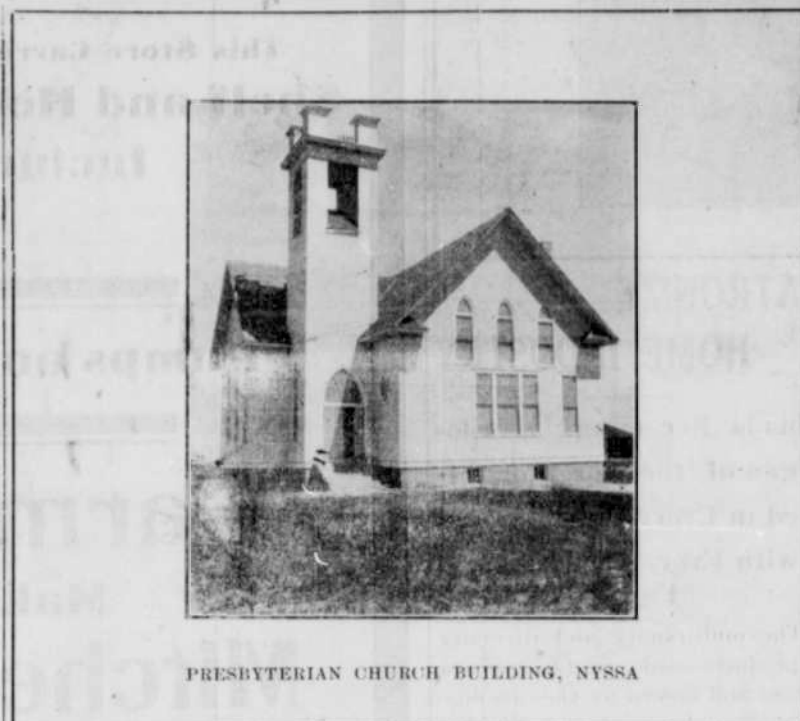
Planting Between the Rows of Trees in their Orchard Tract, and Producing Valuable Yields.---Larger Crops this Year.

In conversation with J. H. Ainsworth, who has charge of the orchard work of the Oregon Idaho orchards across the river from Nyssa and who, by the way, is an expert and experienced horticulturist, he gave us some very interesting data with reference to the work he is doing for his company, which is in the way of raising test crops and revenue producers. Having tested the cantaloupe crop last year and found it to be a success, he has planted ten acres of this luscious melon this season. This land produces an average of one dollar per acre, which sells for one dollar per crate, net, making the crop average \$300 clear per acre. The shipping rate from Nyssa is the same as from Payson.

He has also planted 40 acres to potatoes, which will produce an average of ten tons to the acre, and for which there is a ready market. This year he will put in an experimental corn crop of ten to fifteen acres. This crop produces 50 bushels to the acre on lands in the surrounding territory, and sells readily at 85c per bushel.

The cultivation of these crops between the rows of fruit trees cultivates the trees at the same time, and the bumper crops produced demonstrates the excellent quality of the land, illustrating how easily the home builder may make a nice piece of money while growing his orchard on these lands.

Mr. Ainsworth states that he planted for his company last year 4500 apple trees of the Jonathan, Rome Beauty, Winesap, Yellow Newtown and Winter Banana varieties, and 6500 this year. That contiguous to these orchards are 2000 acres planted to the same varieties of apples, divided into five and ten acre tracts, all of which have been bought by settlers from the East.



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BUILDING, NYSSA

D. R. Ehrgood, one of the oldest settlers of the Nyssa country, and one of this city's most highly respected citizens, has been sent by the Presbyterian church of Nyssa as a commissioner to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church to be held at Atlantic City, New Jersey, from the 18th to the 28th of May. Mr. Ehrgood representing this unit of the Grand Ronde Presbytery.

Mr. Ehrgood, after attending the general assembly will visit his old home in Pennsylvania, after an absence of 35 years, and Mrs. Ehrgood, who accompanies her husband, will take a trip to the southland to visit her folks in Texas, and in this way the good old couple will enjoy a splendid two months outing in the land of their childhood.

In an interview with Rev. A. R. Carrick, who was installed as pastor of the Nyssa Presbyterian church on April 13, 1911, the following interesting facts were secured, both in relation to the growth of the local church and the work of the national organization:



REV. A. R. CARRICK, PASTOR FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, NYSSA.

The First Presbyterian church of Nyssa was organized June 14, 1908, with 32 members. A substantial and commodious building was erected, richly and tastefully furnished, during the year 1909, at a cost of over \$6,000. A neat cottage, to serve as a parsonage together with two lots adjoining the church were recently purchased. This property, which is free from debt, speaks for itself as to interest which is taken by the congregation in the work committed to them in this growing community.

There has been and is a vigorous and healthy growth in membership, which now numbers 93, there having been 41 new members added on Easter Sunday this year. There is also a bright prospect for a large increase in the near future. The Sunday school has over 100 members.

The other organizations of the church are also enjoying a healthy interest and growth.

The Presbytery of Grand Ronde has 15 churches with over 1400 members within its bounds. There was an increase of over 25 percent in membership last year. The Synod of Oregon has 5 Presbyteries, 139 Churches, with nearly 15,000 members. There are 293 Presbyteries represented in the General Assembly which are divided into 37 Synods, with 10,011 churches, all doing splendid work. There were 1,339,000 members reported to the General Assembly of 1910, 9073 ministers, 1152 candidates for the ministry.

The number received into the church during 1910 was 81,345.

There were \$1,497,271 contributed by the churches on the roll of the assembly to home missions; \$1,311,430 to foreign missions; \$149,537 to education. (to aid students); \$205,197 to Sunday school missionary work; \$211,786 to aid weak churches in erecting church



R. G. WHITE, SUP. PRESBYTERIAN SUNDAY SCHOOL.

buildings; \$172,988 ministerial relief; \$238,352 to freedmen; \$460,203 to colleges; \$135,181 to temperance; \$151,725.89 toward the miscellaneous work of the Assembly; \$1,777,074 to miscellaneous benevolence, making a total of over \$4,710,717 toward the benevolences of the church. This is exclusive of all bequests, etc. There were \$16,648,360 contributed toward congregational expenses.

The Presbyterian church in United States has taken the lead in nearly all the modern forward movements for the uplift of the nations. the men's missionary movement, the movement among working men, worldwide evangelization and many other movements of national and international importance.

Other Religious Denominations.

A brief history of the Methodist Episcopal church:

Ten years ago a Methodist circuit rider came into Nyssa and preached the first sermon in this community that was ever preached

SYNDICATE HERE TO PURCHASE BODY OF LAND

Deal Embraces 2000 Acres of Land in Kingman Colony District, Including the Big Tracts of E. P. Pratt and Hub Walters.

Representatives of a syndicate of eastern capitalists visited Nyssa this week to make arrangements for the taking over of 2000 acres of land in the Kingman Colony.

The land for which these people are dealing includes the rich tracts owned by E. P. Pratt and Hub Walters, some of the best in this territory. The purchasers, we are informed, are in a position to put in pumping plants to furnish water for the irrigation of lands

on either side of the river.

The invasion of this territory by the capital represented by this syndicate means the bringing into cultivation of an immense body of land outside of the holdings of the syndicate itself, for there is a vast body of land, both on the Oregon and Idaho sides of the river, that is only awaiting the necessary capital to furnish water for its irrigation.

Ontario Hospital

The Commercial Club of Ontario is working on a campaign to secure \$10,000 to be donated towards the erection of a hospital, which will be thoroughly modern in every respect. This hospital will be the only public institution of its kind between Baker City and Boise, and will be a valuable asset to Malheur County. It is to cost \$40,000 and will be equipped with all the modern life saving appliances. It is an institution that deserves the support of every portion of the county as it places the public in close proximity with it. It is conceded by all medical men that the Catholic Sisters are the most successful hospital managers and it is proposed to make this one, as good as any in the Northwest. The location is considered ideal by Bishop O'Reilly, of Baker City, who has investigated a number of sites before recommending this section of the state. The hospital is to be entirely public and every physician in the county, also Harny county will be invited to freedom of the institution.

by a minister of that denomination. Nyssa was then included in a circuit of 5 preaching places, all of which now have pastors of their own. From that time Nyssa has never been without regular preaching by a Methodist with the exception of one winter. Ten men have followed each other in this pulpit. The First Methodist Episcopal church of Nyssa was organized in June, 1901, by the Rev. Kendle, pastor at that time and living in Ontario. The church started with thirteen members. It has had a continuous and steady growth ever since. In 1908 the corner-stone of its edifice was laid and the building was dedicated on Thanksgiving Day, 1909 and is one of many beautiful and 'churchy' Methodist churches in Eastern Oregon, with a seating capacity of 400.

KINGMAN TOWNSITE CO. ORGANIZED.

New City on the Nyssa-Buhl Extension will Make a Bid For Public Favor.

The Kingman Townsite Company is completing its organization work this week, and the embryo city on the new railroad will soon make its bow to the public.

The new town will be located on the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section one, and the railroad company has already granted a siding there, the townsite company having secured a right of way for the railroad through the Kingman Colony.

The new townsite location is on one of the highest and best situated pieces of land in the whole Colony tract, and is right in the center of the Colony.

The "made in Oregon" movement inaugurated by the Manufacturers' Association of Portland, will do much to stimulate the manufacture and sale of goods made in Oregon.

BRIDGE BOND VOTE Nyssa Votes \$7,000 Bonds Without a Negative Vote

The bond election Tuesday reflected the sentiment of development that is rife in Nyssa, when \$7,000 bonds were voted by the taxpayers of the city without a single dissenting vote.

MERRYMEN FIGHTING THE NYSSA BRIDGE

Ask for Injunction to Prevent the State from Paying Appropriation.

The Boise Statesman this morning says that application will be filed in the circuit court for an injunction to restrain the secretary of state from paying a warrant of \$30,000 appropriated by the last legislature to aid in the construction of a bridge over Snake river at Nyssa. This will be done by ferrying interests on the stream, and the action probably will be based upon the decision in the Crater Lake road case. The bridge was to be constructed at the cost of \$30,000, the legislature of Oregon paying \$10,000, Malheur county \$13,000 and Nyssa \$7,000.

Stabbing Affray.

City Marshal Geo. Green was called by phone this morning, and informed that two men had been seriously injured in a fight at the Hill construction camp six miles from Nyssa, and in company with Dr. Sarazin the officer left for the scene of the trouble.

Arriving at the camp they found Joe Dow, an American, in a serious condition, the result of a beating with a shovel, a singletree and divers and sundry other implements, while Peter Kadevis, one of his Greek adversaries, was suffering from a knife wound in his digestive apparatus.

There are three Americans and twelve Greeks in this particular gang, and at breakfast this morning Pete is alleged to have intentionally, premeditatedly and with malice aforethought, mopped the syrup off Joe's plate of hotcakes with the elbow of his dirty shirt—hence the scrap—one American against a dozen Greasers, or rather Greeks.

Joe was brought to town but Pete was too bad hurt to be moved. The sheriff was notified, and Deputy Ben Brown came over by auto, arrested two Greeks and took them to Vale. The matter will be thrashed out in court soon as the principals die or recover.



Street scene in Nyssa last Tuesday, showing the railroad grading outfits loaded and starting for the construction camp of the Nyssa-Buhl extension, which is now looking down both ends of the line.



A MANUFACTURER'S NYSSA HOME