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## NYSSA-BUHL EXTENSION UNITED RAILWAYS

### CONSTRUCTION IS PROGRESSING VERY SATISFACTORILY.

Most of the Contractors Now have on Full Crews, and Some will have the Grade Complete and Ready for Steel in Sixty Days.--Splendid Country to be Opened by the New Road.

Nearly 250 Miles of Snake River's Choicest Lands to be put in Touch with Nyssa within a Few Months.

Construction work on the Nyssa-Buhl extension is progressing rapidly, an much of the grading between this city and Homedale is now being completed.

The construction crews of Bird & Bird and of Crandall & Condie who are working on points 11 to 17 out of Nyssa, and expect to have their section of the work all graded and ready for the steel by the middle of August.

Lou Goldsmith, who has a contract from the 17 point south 7 miles, is moving along steadily with a full crew of men and teams and will complete his grade in ninety days.

The Hill crew, working from points 5 to 11, out of Nyssa, is receiving additional tools, machinery and equipment every few days, and is now full stocked for the prosecution of the work with a complete outfit.

Reports from further up the road are to the effect that the last contractor will have completed his grade before September 15, and the roadbed will be ready for the rails from Nyssa to Homedale, a distance of 29 miles.

From Homedale south and from Buhl north, the grading equipments are nearly all in, and most of the contractors at work. The Buhl end of the work began prior to that at Nyssa, hence much of the grading at that end is finished.

Two hundred and sixty-five men have been put on the Nyssa-Homedale work within the past few weeks, but most came with the contractors or were employed prior to coming.

At the present time the prospects are flattering for the grading to be done and the steel laid from Nyssa to Buhl before the first of the year.

This will connect Nyssa, by the direct railroad route, with the best section of the great Snake river valley, from Minadoka north, including the noted Twin Falls will be opened by the Nyssa-Buhl extension that will develop into one of the best producers along the river, as soon as marketing facilities are provided.

#### Delegates Return.

Rev. and Mrs. Bush, Miss Mattie Dennis and F. L. Lockwood, delegates to the District Epworth League at Union, returned home Monday evening.

They report a successful Institute. There was an increase in the number of delegates over

last year of fifty-two, and all but three of the Epworth Leagues on the La Grande district were represented.

The leading features of the Institute were the departmental conferences, in session each forenoon for two hours, at which the different lines of work were handled by specialists. The delegates report these conferences highly profitable.

The two great lectures of the Institute, the one on Enoch Arden by Rev. E. B. Fyke, D. D., of Boise, and the other on World Citizenship by Rev. Edwin H. Todd, D. D., vice president of Willamette University, well delivered, and brought enjoyment, instruction and information to all who heard them.

Mr. Lockwood returns home as district treasurer for the ensuing year. Thus was Nyssa recognized. The Nyssa League had the distinction of sending their delegates the greatest distance to the Institute, and of contributing the largest fund toward traveling expenses.

Rev. and Mrs. Bush left Union a day ahead, and stopped off at Baker, where the Reverend occupied the pulpit of the large Methodist church in the evening, at the request of the pastor.

J. H. Farley, the furniture man of Ontario, was in Nyssa this week, looking after a location, for the establishment of a branch house in his line here.

D. P. Dearborn, deputy assessor for Malheur county, has been in Nyssa the past week, registering valuations in this city and the surrounding rural districts.

Sherm Tharp has established an automobile livery in Nyssa. He sold his harness shop last week, and he will hereafter devote his time exclusively to his new line of work.

Be sure to attend the Strawberry Festival at the Emison home, in Nyssa, on the 23rd of this month. The Odd Fellows extend a cordial invitation to everyone.

Mr. Williams, the Payette contractor, who is building the new school house at Apple Valley, tried to turn his automobile around, near the Wilson ditch at the corner of Main and Second streets Friday night, and upset the car with its four occupants in the ditch, Mr. Williams being caught under the car and nearly drowning before he could be rescued. The car was pulled out next day, without sustaining much injury.

#### M. E. CHURCH

##### DEDICATION.

New Edifice at Caldwell to be Dedicated Sunday, and Excursion Rates put on by Short Line.

The Oregon Short Line has granted excursion rates of a fare and a third, from Nampa, Nyssa, Ontario, Payette, Weiser, Meridian and Boise, to Caldwell, Idaho, on June 17 and 18, good to return on the 19th.

The new First Methodist Episcopal church at Caldwell is to be dedicated on Sunday, June 18, and as requests came in from the above named towns, application was made for excursion rates.

Bishop Smith, resident bishop of the M. E. church of this territory, will be present. He is a great preacher and administrator. Doctor Montgomery, pastor of Fowler M. E. church, of Minneapolis, Minn., is to be present also. Dr. Montgomery is one of the most eloquent and ablest preachers in America. The new pipe organ, the largest in the state, will be played for the first time in public.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

Owing to the dedication of the M. E. church at Caldwell next Sunday, there will be no preaching service at the Methodist church in Nyssa, in the morning, but the other services of the day will be as usual. The pastor will occupy the pulpit in the evening. It has also been found necessary to postpone the Children's Day program for one week.

#### HAS PLAYED MUCH CRIBBAGE

New Yorker Claims to Hold Record in Number of Games He Has Participated In.

Capt. Charles H. Fitts of 107 West Eighty-ninth street, a retired broker, holds the record in the number of games of cribbage played. He has 10,000 to his credit now, with one series of 5,000 in which he leads as winner by 700 games. During all these games he never has seen the 29-hand held and has held the 28 but once himself.

"Cribbage won me a trip (and a most delightful one at that) to Japan," said the captain the other day. "At a San Francisco hotel I made the acquaintance of a captain on a Pacific liner who was as fond as I of the game. When the day for sailing came he insisted on having me make the trip, too. We played early and late. The Pacific ocean is admirably adapted to card games. It was all smooth sailing, so the captain had little to do but to join me pegging runs, combinations and flushes."--N. Y. Press.

Birds Roused the Police. The hammering of woodpeckers on a tin sign, near King's bridge, New York city, was mistaken for pistol shots and caused two holes in the sign by the police.

#### Mr. M. A. Bates is a Hot Promoter

Mr. Bates, editor of the Parma Herald, is a good promoter. Last week he was in the office trying to tell bigger stories about black bass than Dad could, but he didn't, and his friends, Mr. Castater and Mr. Smith were with him, and were trying to get in the game, but they couldn't, for Dad and Mr. Bates held the floor all the time, and were wound up like Waterbury watches. Just as Dad was telling about snagging a speckled beauty with a mouth as big as a barn door, we butted in with our spiel for The Printer's Devil, and went after the whole bunch for a subscription, and Mr. Bates reached down in his pocket and rattled some silver and said, "Yes, of course, we've all got the price, haven't we, boys?" And Mr. Castater and Mr. Smith came through with the mazzuma, but Mr. Bates was busy telling how the black bass bite, and when we murmured that it was his time to come in, he said, "Yes, of course, but I'm on the exchange list, you know."

Mr. Bates must have been a printer's devil once himself, for when it comes to boys and fish and promoting he is there with bells.--Printer's Devil.

Harry Butler has purchased the Nyssa Harness shop from Sherm Tharp, and took charge Monday. Mr. Butler has grown to manhood in this section of the country, and is therefore well acquainted with the needs of the people whom he will serve. He is a steady, industrious and popular young man, and will command a large patronage from the start.

Too Great In Volume. The importance of art as a vehicle of knowledge is less appreciated because its results are so common.

Fitting Gift. Literary Mistress--"Bridget, I want to make you a present. Er--which is your favorite poet?"--Harper's Bazar.

Form and Color First. As compared with form and color, words, in the mind's infancy are but an imperfect means of conveying adequate notions of things.

Excursions to Pocatello. June 20, 21, 22 and 23 Via Oregon Short Line for Inter-mountain Good Roads convention; tickets limited to June 26th. See agents for rates and further particulars.

#### ALMOST ENDED IN A FIGHT

Similarity in Pronunciation That Threatened to Cause a Breach of the Peace.

The angular chap who had been jotting down notes on the margin of a newspaper approached the stern-faced man in the waterproof collar.

"Beg pardon, sir, but could I ask you a question?"

"If it isn't nonsensical."

"Well, my memory isn't good of late. Who invented the sewing machine?"

"Howe?"

"H'm. He must be a little deaf. Who invented the sewing machine?"

"Howe!"

"Great Scott! I'd better get a trumpet. The old geezer is as deaf as he can be. Hey, there, who invented the sewing machine?"

"Howe!"

The angular chap leaned over and curbed his hands. Then he whooped: "For the last time, who invented the sewing machine?"

"H-o-w-e--Howe. Mr. Howe. And now if you ask me again blamed if I don't thrash you within an inch of your life. Now, get!"

And the angular chap "got."

City Air Destructive to Wire. A telegraph wire strung through the country will last about four times as long as one passing through the city.

### TO ADVERTISE FOR THE WEST

Special Exhibit Train, Carrying Products of the Western States, to be Run Throughout Eastern and Southern Territory this Fall.

The Nyssa consolidated Sunday school base ball team journeyed to Ontario last evening, and played a game with the Ontario Methodists, having accepted their challenge. The game began at 7 p. m. with Mr. Acer in the umpire's box. It was a great game and had only one fault, the Ontario team had too many scores at the finish, the result being 9 to 4. But they made up for their contrariness by inviting the Nyssa team to the church, where it was discovered that the Epworth League girls were preparing the tables and all sat down to an excellent lunch with an "indoor track meet" as an aftermath. The local team concluded that after all the Ontario bunch can sure use a fellow right socially though they are a trifle hard on him in a game.

#### Teachers' Examinations

Will be held at Vale beginning Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, June 21, '11 and continue until Saturday afternoon, for five-year and life certificates. Applicants for one year certificates will be able to complete the work in three days.

Following is the schedule for one-year, five-year, and life, state certificates:

Wednesday forenoon, arithmetic, civil government, and English literature.

Wednesday afternoon, geography, grammar, and physics.

Thursday forenoon, orthography, theory and practice, bookkeeping.

Thursday afternoon, writing, physiology and geology.

Friday forenoon, U. S. history, physical geography and botany.

Friday afternoon, school law, psychology and geometry.

Saturday forenoon, reading, algebra, and general history.

Saturday afternoon, composition, American literature and history of education.

For Primary Five-year State Certificates:

Wednesday forenoon, Methods in reading and arithmetic.

Wednesday afternoon, methods in language and geography.

Thursday forenoon, writing and physiology.

Thursday forenoon, orthography, theory and practice.

Friday forenoon, THESIS.

Friday afternoon, Psychology.

Subject for Thesis: Lessons by Stories, Language Work in primary grades, number work in primary grades, busy work in primary grades, possibilities of nature study in primary grades; child study. (Applicant chooses one subject from the foregoing list.)

#### One of Many Kinds.

There are various kinds of fools, but the one who neglects his work in the interest of the other fellow gets the least out of his craft.--Atheist's Globe.

Nyssa in Particular and Malheur County Generally Should Utilize this Opportunity of Showing the Easterners What We Can Produce Without Rain.

The united railway systems of the country have reached an agreement, whereby they will co-operate to advertise the west in the eastern states this fall, and for that purpose a special train, carrying all kinds of western products will run through the east and south this fall.

Here is where Nyssa can get in with a beautiful line of advertising. Put on a bumper exhibit at the Malheur county fair, and then select all the prize winners for an exhibit to go on the special western exhibit train to the east.

Literature concerning the sections sending exhibits will be carried on the train and distributed gratis.

In connection with this train, it is proposed that the governors of all the western states follow in a special car, stopping at all the eastern centers of population, getting acquainted and acquainting the people with the Greater West.

#### WHY IT FAILED.

The Doctor's Wife--Well, Jane, so your poor husband's gone at last. Didn't you give him his medicine properly?"

Jane--Ah, poor dear! How could I? Doctor said as how it was to be took in a recumbent position and as I hadn't one I asked Mrs. Green to lend me one. She said she had one, but it was broke. So it wasn't any good.--Harper's Weekly.

#### CHOKERS AND CHOKING.

"I hate the way I have to dress," said the woman. "I put on nightgown shoes that choke the life out of me, a collar that comes up to my ears and chokes me, a straight front corset that chokes me worse than the shoes and the collar, then I go out and feel like choking everybody I meet on the street."

#### PLAYING SAFE.

Biffkins--Say, I want to bring suit against Dr. Quackem for \$76 damages.

Lawyer--Certainly; but what for? Biffkins--I bought a bottle of his corn cure--paid him a dollar for it, and it didn't do a bit of good.

Lawyer--I see, but isn't \$76 damages rather excessive?

Biffkins--Yes, suppose it is, but I figured that your bill would be \$75 and I want to get my dollar back.

Run "Breakfast Trains." "Breakfast trains" to accommodate late sleeping suburbanites are being tried by some of the railroads entering London.

Water Tanks Last Long. Cypress water tanks have been known to defy decay for more than a quarter of a century.