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WILL NYSSA BE MADE THE END OF R. R. DIVISION?

Visiting Delegation of Ontario Boosters.

Sixty-five of Ontario's business men and other citizens invaded Nyssa last Friday afternoon, accompanied by their brass band, and were received by the citizens of this place with a rousing welcome.

Tables were spread on Main street and a big supply of water-melons and cantaloupes cut for the visitors, who did full justice to the feast, declaring them the best that could be produced in Malheur county—and that's the best in the west.

W. Lee Blodgett, of the Nyssa commercial club, made a speech of welcome to the visitors, telling them that Nyssa was free to them, and inviting them to help themselves to anything they could eat, drink or carry away. President J. R. Blackaby of the Ontario Commercial club responded, and after thanking the Nyssa people for the bountiful feast of meals, invited Nyssa to the big Fair, hoping this community would repeat its performance of last year in carrying off all the prizes offered by the fair association. He said the keys would be thrown in the well and the town thrown wide open, with sports of every kind for all.

The get-acquainted visit was a success in particular, and every visitor interviewed expressed himself both pleased with the entertainment prepared, and more than pleased with the rapid development shown by this section of Malheur county. Those who had not visited Nyssa during the past few months were astonished to note the extent of the business transacted at this point, as evidenced by the big stocks carried and the number of business houses represented here.

G. H. Miller has sold his restaurant and moved to Emmett, where he will embark in the same line of business.

Lyceum Entertainment Course.

The following letter, received by Prof. R. G. White a few days ago, referring to the course of entertainments proposed to be put on at Nyssa this season, has the following:

Boise, Sept. 14.—Herewith we beg to hand you your list of dates for Lyceum Course. This schedule has been made up after very careful labor on the part of our office, and should insure your talent to arrive early and in good shape for their work. The dates are as follows:

Aller Trio, Oct. 26th.
Ernest J. Sias, Nov. 25th.
Virginia Jubilee Singers, Dec. 13th.
Alvah Green, Jan. 23d.
The Spaffords, Cartoonists, Feb. 5th.

Trusting that your course will prove a decided success, and assuring you that to this end you may depend upon our co-operation to the very fullest extent, we are, etc.—Britt Lyceum Bureau.

Mike O'Brien of Owyhee, and one of the old timers in this section of Eastern Oregon, dropped in Tuesday, to renew old acquaintance with the Journal man, and chat over the changes taking place in the dozen or more years since we last met.

Newt Minton made a business trip to Boise Tuesday.

Will Extend Big Prune Orchard.

Mrs. M. J. Jenkins has purchased 8,000 more prune trees to be set out next spring, on the Jenkins farm near Nyssa.

At present the Jenkins prune orchard is producing about twenty carloads of prunes annually, and the fruit from this place has been taking the top market price. The addition of 8,000 more prune trees to this orchard will make it one of the largest and most valuable in this section of the state.

Why the Gossips Get Their Tongues Wagging.

The mother who allows a 16-year old daughter to float around the community in a top buggy till 2 a. m., with a counterfeit sport of a weak jaw and weaker morals, simply opens the front door to grief and disgrace. If you don't know what company your girl keeps or what time of night she turns in, your roar when the gossips get busy will sound like the wheeze of a disabled Jewsharp—just about as touching and pathetic. The girl who insists on spooning with every male being in the corporate limits, ought to be backed into the woodshed and relieved of her overflow of affection with a No. 11 slipper laid across the hips. We had sooner see a girl kiss a blind shote through a barbed wire fence than to have her change partners six nights a week, in the front parlor with the lights turned low. It is harder to marry off a girl who has been pawed over by every yap in the community than it is to fatten a sheep on pineapple ice. You can't gold-brick a sharp-eyed suitor with second hand goods, any more than you can fit a bath robe on a goat. There are lots of weak minded parents that are going up against the judgment day with about as much chance as a cross-eyed girl at a beauty show, and we call them blessed with the enthusiasm of a one-legged man at a club dance.

Mrs. Stevens Gets Good Verdict.

Mrs. Minnie G. Stevens and Peter Stan, the former being the owner of the land and the latter having a lease upon it, were awarded \$2,017.25 for 3.51 acres of land condemned for a right for the O. S. L., the case having been tried before a jury in the district court at Vale Thursday.

The land in controversy is on the Nyssa-Buhl extension, and of the amount awarded, the owner gets \$1817.25 and Mr. Stan \$200.

Another grand ball is scheduled for tomorrow evening at the opera house.

W. W. Smith took charge of the Oregon Idaho orchards, as superintendent, Monday.

Ham Kautzman, general salesman of the Fruitland Nursery, was in Nyssa Friday, looking after the interests of his firm, and did a thriving business here. The Fruitland Nursery being right here at our door, can be depended upon to make good any errors that may occur, without putting the purchaser to any unnecessary delay or trouble. And again, their stock being produced in a similar soil and climate, makes it the most desirable for the Nyssa orchardist. Read the Fruitland Nursery announcement in the Journal.

Enlargement of Railroad Yard Beyond any Indicated Present Needs, Double Tracking Nyssa-Buhl Extension Line Out of the City.

MODERN SIGNAL STANDS ADDED

Everything Points to a Most Important Future for Nyssa as a Railroad Center---Outsiders Getting "Wise" to the Facts, Investing in Property and Sending Friends to do Likewise

For a long time unconfirmed rumors have been rife here that it was the ultimate intention of the O. S. L. to make Nyssa the end of a division, but the Journal not being able to secure an official confirmation of these reports, has been holding the matter in obedience pending further developments.

However, the present action of the Short Line in double-tracking the new road of the Nyssa-Buhl Extension out of this place, the enlargement of the railroad yards here, the construction of miles of additional side tracking, the installation of modern signals and signal stations here, in addition to the perfectly equipped block signal system, and the usual station and switch signals already in operation, would indicate that there is something more doing in railroad construction at this point than the mere connecting of the Extension with the main line. The contention that the jump from Glenn's Ferry to Huntington for a division point is too great, and that eventually the railroad shops, round houses, etc., will be moved to Nyssa,

is being confirmed in the construction work now in progress rather than by verbal announcement.

Parties on the outside, who are in close touch with the inner circle of the O. S. L. official family, state without hesitation that Nyssa is to be made a division point, and as additional evidence of their belief in what they contend, they have purchased property in Nyssa, and are sending friends here to invest.

These insistent assertions, taken in connection with the unusually large amount of trackage now built and in process of construction in the Nyssa yards, not only gives color to the assertions, but greatly strengthens the belief long held by the citizens, who have carefully watched the trend of railroad maneuvers for the past few years, that Nyssa will eventually be one of the chief railroad points—the terminus of both a passenger and freight division, as well as the junction of a main line loop traversing over 300 miles of the richest section of Snake river valley.

J. H. Hill at Meadows.

The Meadows Valley Bank, at New Meadows, opened its doors to the public on Friday last and henceforth will be numbered among the important business establishments of the valley. It is a state bank with an authorized capital of \$15,000. Mr. J. H. Hill, formerly of Nyssa, the cashier, is an experienced, capable and courteous gentleman, who is fast gaining a host of friends. The new bank will be a help to the business men of the new town and a great convenience to the railroad townsite company. May it prosper and grow until it becomes, like Meadows valley, after which it was named, known throughout the state as the best in the west.—Meadows Eagle.

Mayor L. C. Pounds of Apple Valley was in the city Tuesday.

A Hot Shot.

A story is told of a newspaper editor in one of the Idaho villages who had the joke on a citizen of his own town not long since. The citizen and his family are great admirers of the mail order store, and buy all of their goods in the east. A few weeks ago a daughter of the house got married and the entire bridal paraphernalia, including the invitations, was purchased in the big cities. The day after the wedding the bride's father brought the newspaper office a long account of the event, but when the paper appeared it contained nothing about the wedding but an announcement of three or four lines. Next day the citizen called at the newspaper office to demand an explanation why the report of the wedding had not been printed. "Oh, that's all right," said the editor, "you'll probably find it in the Montgomery Ward spring catalogue."—Ex.

Nyssa Day Special for the Fair.

The special train to carry the Nyssa delegation to Ontario, on Friday, Sept. 29, "Nyssa Day" at the Malheur County Fair, will leave Nyssa at 9:05 a. m., for Ontario, and leave Ontario for Nyssa at 7 p. m.

The school board has set aside that day as a legal holiday, school will be dismissed and everybody and their families will go to the Fair, see the big pumpkins and fat pigs, the buckaroo sports and fine fruits, and all root for the Nyssa foot ball team.

INTER-MOUNTAIN FOUR STATE FAIR

Ogden, Utah, Sept. 22-30. Reduced rates via Oregon Short Line. Tickets on sale from Utah points, Sept. 22nd, to 30th, inclusive; from all other points except in Montana, September 21st, to 26th, limited to October 3rd. Limit of Utah tickets, October 1st. See agents for rates and further particulars.

George Durell, an old timer in the newspaper profession, arrived in Nyssa the latter part of last week from Illinois, and remained in the city several days, endeavoring to make a trade in the mercantile line and get located here, but being unable to do so, went to Boise Tuesday. He was well pleased with the Nyssa country, and may return here and invest in some other line.

Dave Chenoweth and W. R. Smith returned a few days ago from a trip up the Malheur river, over through the Cord country, and back by way of Jordan Valley. They were unable to locate any vacant lands where water was accessible.

T. N. Nelson went to Boise Tuesday for a brief business visit.

New Policeman Now on Guard.

Jack Ellithorp has been appointed a police officer by the city council, to succeed W. W. Smith, resigned.

Mr. Ellithorp went on duty the first of the week.

W. B. Hoxie, who was out with the B. F. Farmer surveying crew, to make a preliminary survey of the lands south of Kingman colony for the purpose of establishing another pumping plant for the irrigation of those lands, states that it is evident that a sufficient number of acres can be secured for the proposed system, and even more is within the prescribed level than was at first estimated, for it is proposed to cover lands within a raise of 150 feet and lower. All the lands in that section are taken up, some of the settlers having gone back from the river to a point that would require a raise of 250 feet to reach the lowest portions. The preliminary survey just made will enable the engineer to make a map of the lands to be embraced within the proposed system, and to show the character of country through which the canal would be built.

F. L. Lockwood threshed 100 sacks of alfalfa seed from his 50 acres near town this season. The seed is worth \$20 a sack, and this amount added to the value of the hay and pasture of the land, bring the net product up to nearly \$60 per acre.

OWYHEE NEWS NOTES

Matters of Interest Occurring in the Nearby Neighborhood.

The Owyhee people have repaired and repainted their school house till it appears nearly new. They intend to supplement these improvements by putting in a wind mill and planting trees on the school lawn: Miss Eva Boydell of Nyssa is teaching the Owyhee school this year.

Rev. Homer E. Bush of Nyssa preaches at Owyhee the first and third Sundays of each month, the Methodist churches of Nyssa and Owyhee having consolidated since the death of Rev. Shippen, Rev. Bush assuming the pastorate of both the churches.

John Gregory has gone back to Iowa to settle up some business affairs. He intends to dispose of two farms he owns back there and invest the proceeds in more Owyhee property.

Miss Belva St. Clair is teaching the school at Kingman Colony this year.

Julian Lowe is attending the Nyssa high school this year.

Joseph F. Reed, the government agricultural expert, visited at Tom Lowe's Saturday, Sunday and Monday last.

It is reported that the stork visited the home of Hans Vogts last Sunday morning and left a 12-pound boy.

Wm. Smith and family start for California October 1st, making the trip overland, for their health. John Vanderpool will have charge of the Smith ranch, having rented it for the coming year, and the girls are wondering who will do the cooking for his haying hands.

Basket Social by Foot Ball Team.

The foot ball team of the high school will give a basket social in the school house Friday night, Sept. 22, at 8 o'clock.

A splendid musical and literary program will be rendered, consisting of speeches by coaches and players, recitations, songs and instrumental music by Mrs. Lafrenz, Mrs. Arnold, Miss Baker, Miss Lafrenz and other artists. Miss Calkins, Pansy Johnson and others will speak. Everybody will yell.

The public is cordially invited to attend. Bring your friends, your baskets and your pocket books and help the boys out in their manly efforts.

Program will be free and everybody will be there.

A special session of the Legislature to enact good roads legislation has been recommended by Governor West's commission, which has just met and outlined several bills. These provide for state aid, a state highway commissioner, and for enabling counties to avail themselves of the bonding act for road purposes passed at the last general election. The commissioners, who represent all parts of the state, are hopeful that much will be accomplished in good roads movement by the enactment of these measures.