

THE GATE CITY JOURNAL

COVERS THE FAMOUS EASTERN OREGON FRUIT BELT

NYSSA, MALHEUR COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, JULY 17, 1913

\$1.50 PER YEAR, 5c PER COPY

ENGINEERS ARE WORKING

Figuring Out Probable Cost of Irrigating District Lands.

The Owyhee Irrigation project is rapidly whipping into shape to commence installing an irrigation system. The engineers are working out an outline of the system, which it is reported will consist of a diversion dam on the Owyhee river and a storage system. It is proposed to make a combination of gravity and pumping systems, the gravity canals to cover all the district lands under the 2320 or 2340 contour and all the land between this point and the 2500 contour by pumping. Thus making the pumping discharge very low.

Mr. Tallmadge, accompanied by F. Farmer, district engineer, P. J. Phillips, president of the board of directors, and Thomas Canham, today made an auto trip up to the Mitchell butte country for the purpose of viewing the dam site.

The main features to be worked out on the project, as

viewed by Mr. Tallmadge, is cheap storage and cheap power. He is confident that both features can be worked out on such a basis that the project can be made an assured success. The reports he has from his engineers indicate that the project will be mapped out in the very near future so that he will then be able to work out the cost of construction and enter into a contract with the district.

Last Tuesday Rex Marquis, Thos. Canham, Jr., P. J. Phillips, Thos. Claggett, S. D. Goshert and Thos. Coward met Mr. Tallmadge in Boise and discussed matters in connection with the project. At that time Mr. Tallmadge promised to make sufficient investigation of the project to be able to submit a contract at a stated price in the very near future. He hopes to have all these matters determined and a contract consummated before he returns to New York.

He Liked Nyssa.

H. R. Warner was in the city Monday looking the situation over as regards a business location. Mr. Warner is from Weiser and was unable to find a vacant building for the purpose. There being nothing vacant at this time is a good commentary on the trade here, though not an evidence of live property owning citizens.

Went His Way Rejoicing.

A young man named Tilton called into Dr. McReynold's office Wednesday to have a small piece of metal removed from his eye. It is perhaps unnecessary to add that the job was performed with neatness and dispatch by our worthy medico and the young man went on his way rejoicing.

ADJUDGED INSANE; TAKEN TO ASYLUM

Chas. Sweeting, formerly of Nebraska and lately employed at the Wade ranch in the Kingman Colony, was examined by Drs. McReynolds and Payne for insanity. He was found suffering from a mild form of that trouble and committed to the Pendleton asylum. The examination was conducted before Magistrate Boydell on Wednesday and the asylum authorities were notified.

In several ways Sweeting showed an unbalanced mind. An almost total lack of memory as to names of even those with whom he was well acquainted was noticeable, also the belief that he had been poisoned in some manner. A cure is expected.

Purchased Holsteins.

Smith and Canham have purchased the vanGijse herd of Holsteins and will care for them on their acreage near town. Mr. Smith is an expert cheese maker and knows the value of the dairy cow. About \$2000 is the value of the herd. Cheese will be made at the ranch in case the dairymen of this section do not furnish sufficient milk to run the big plant in town steadily. From 2 to 7 cents per pound for butter fat has been paid in excess of creamery prices.

Visiting at Nyssa.

N. J. Minton and family are down from Boise in their big auto, the family staying at the Brown home while Mr. Minton is looking after his last investment in Malheur City.

The Bodfish store was the latest purchase. Mr. Bodfish is now the owner of a two-thirds interest in the big opera house block on Main street in Nyssa and 80 acres of improved land adjoining the townsite on the north.

M. E. Church Notes.

Sunday, July 13.
10:30 a. m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship. Subject, "The Master Refiner." Text, Mal. 3:3.
8:00 p. m.—Evening service—Subject, "Your Introduction to the Devil." Text, Matt. 4:1.
Thursday at 8:00 p. m.—Prayer meeting.
You are invited to attend these services.
Strangers welcome.

The Misses Eva and Bessie Boydell left for Nahcotta Beach, Wash., on Thursday for a few weeks' outing.

WILL ENTERTAIN SOCIAL CIRCLE

Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. Spier to Be Hostesses at Meeting Next Thursday.

The Social Circle of the Presbyterian church will be entertained next Thursday, July 24, on the spacious lawn of the pleasant country home of Mrs. E. H. McDonald, by Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. L. Spier. The ladies extend a most cordial invitation to everyone to come and have a good time and Nyssa people are looking toward the event with pleasant anticipations.

Conveyances for taking participants to the gathering will leave from the Presbyterian church and L. Spier's store at 2:30 in the afternoon. Don't forget the date, and remember a special invitation is extended to you.

Lockwood Will Inspect.

Civil Engineer Lockwood has received the appointment of inspector on the settling basin being constructed as part of the city waterworks. The concrete work will be started the coming week, the excavation having been completed. Only a small amount of water interferes with the work. This is being removed.

The increasing amount of Men's and Boy's Shoes sold by Hinseh speaks well for Mayer's Quality Shoes.

W. OF W. TO HAVE BIG CAMP HERE

Meeting to Organize Will Be Held at Hotel Western Parlors Friday.

The work of organizing a local circle of the Women of Woodcraft in Nyssa is progressing very satisfactorily. More than twenty have agreed to join the order and the preliminary meeting will be held Friday afternoon in the Hotel Western parlors.

The Women of Woodcraft, with headquarters at Portland, is an up-to-date fraternal insurance association, admitting both men and women on equal terms. While the principles of fraternity are not lost sight of, it is strictly a business order, applying the latest rules of economy and efficiency in its management. Dr. Minnie C. T. Love of Denver is in charge of the organization work here. A cordial invitation is extended to any one interested to attend the meeting at the hotel. Dr. Love will give a short talk on the principles of fraternal insurance.

Harry Is Proud.

Harry McGregor is about the proudest man in the Snake valley these days, the reason for which is a wee daughter which the stork left at his home early Wednesday morning. The little lady weighs just seven and a quarter pounds in her Eye costume, and gives every evidence of growing up to be an honor to her proud parents and the whole Snake valley.

\$425 Carload for Prunes.

The Westlake fruit farm, owned by Arthur Richard, has sold its entire crop of prunes to the Earl Fruit Co. of New York at a minimum price of \$425 per carload, f. o. b. Emmett. This is an advance of \$25 per car over last year from the same firm. This advance, however, is contingent upon the freight rate of \$25 per car charged between Emmett and Nampa being eliminated.

Mr. Richards estimates his crop this year at about 30 carloads, although he has received boxing material for 45 carloads, which would make the total consideration \$12,750. He may receive more than that, as the contract of sale provides that if the fruit shall sell at an advance of the price agreed upon Mr. Richards is to receive 10 per cent of the advance. The output of the orchard last year was 30 carloads.—Emmett Index.

TURNER TRADES NYSSA PROPERTY

W. J. Turner traded his Nyssa property, consisting of his fine home and some vacant lots, for a 20-acre tract near Nampa. He recently traded a 200-acre ranch on the Owyhee for Seattle property and will remove there, temporarily at least, to look after the rentals.

By the trade N. J. Minton becomes the owner again of the residence in which he resided during the winter. Mr. Minton has made many large deals in Nyssa real estate during the year past and is firmly of the opinion that Nyssa is the best point in the intermountain section, barring only Malheur City, in which he has made heavy investments recently.

Chinaman Runs Amuck.

District Attorney W. H. Brooke held a preliminary examination before Justice Z. G. Wilson at Vale Tuesday of Fred Huffman, a Chinaman, charged with shooting John W. Brinkerhuff of Ontario at Vale on July 7. Hoffman, through his attorney George E. Davis, waived examination and was bound over to await the action of the grand jury under \$1500 bonds, which he was unable to furnish, and he was remanded to jail. The affair occurred in the Thompson restaurant where a little girl called Hoffman a "Chink," whereupon he threatened to kill her, but she managed to get away from him. He then ran out, got his gun and returning met Brinkerhuff in the doorway and drew the gun on him, snapping it several times and shooting him once in the thigh. The gun was a center fire gun and was loaded partly with rim fire cartridges, otherwise the affair would probably have resulted more seriously, as only the center fire cartridges exploded. Hoffman, who has an American name, is an American born Chinaman, "A native son of the Golden West," his birthplace being San Francisco.—Ontario Democrat.

NOTICED ABROAD.

Wm. Sexton, the Nyssa real estate man, made a business visit to the county seat Thursday.—Vale Enterprise.

Engene Sharp, formerly a Nampa resident, who has been visiting his parents in Nyssa, Oregon, is spending a few days with friends in Nampa.—Leader-Herald.

War Veteran Back From Battlefield

George Skinner, Pioneer of Snake Valley, Meets Former Comrades at Historic Gettysburg.

One of the survivors of Co. I, First Vermont cavalry, in the person of George Skinner, a pioneer resident of this valley, has returned from Gettysburg, Pa., where a reunion of veterans of both the union and confederate armies was held.

The other members of Mr. Skinner's company, Jonah Stevens and Albert Cole, still residents of the Green Mountain state, were found after a day of search through the big camp where 70,000 old soldiers of the North and South were assembled, and after Mr. Skinner had about given over hopes of finding any of his old comrades in arms. Their meeting was a source of intense satisfaction to each individual. The battleground was tramped and rode over in company and the happenings of 50 years ago retold. Mr. Skinner was one of the youngest men enlisted in the war, being only 18 years of age in 1861 and is still active and thoroughly enjoyed his trip. All ordinary expenses were paid by the government and the Boy Scouts of the United States furnished willing and active service to the old regulars in camp.

Attention, Rebekah's.

You are hereby cordially invited to attend the installation ceremony of Yellow Rose Rebekah Lodge No. 202, I. O. O. F., on Thursday night, July 24th, in Odd Fellows' hall. The D. D. President of the Assembly of Oregon will be the installing officer.

Will Organize W. H. M.

Mrs. Cotton Mather, a representative of the Woman's Home Missionary society of the M. E. church, spoke at the M. E. church Thursday. She will organize a Woman's Home Missionary society here.

STEEL LAID TO MILE POST 50

D. E. Rivers, superintendent of construction work on the Oregon & Eastern railroad out of Vale, states that the steel is laid on the Oregon & Eastern as far as milepost 50 and that the steel gang will reach Riverside or mile 81, the end of the present contract, in a short time. Between the big tunnel and the end of the line there will be 15 big bridge structures over the Malheur river for which contracts will be let in a few days. The river will be crossed on temporary false work in the meantime.

Harry Webb, a popular young man of Boise, will return home tomorrow. He will be accompanied by a special guard of honor consisting of Everett Turner and J. C. Whiteaker. The trip will be made overland in Mr. Turner's big touring car.

Rabbit Drive on East Side Next Sunday

People Invited to Turn out and Help Exterminate the Long Ears—Fun Commencences at 2 O'Clock.

A pressing invitation is extended to Nyssa people to take part in the big rabbit drive on East Side next Sunday, commencing at 2 o'clock. The feared pests have multiplied to such an extent they are a serious menace to the crops of the settlers of one of Nyssa's rapidly developing tributary sections and the people are anxious for a big drive so that the whole bunny can be exterminated, if possible. Lots of fun for everybody but the rabbits is promised and refreshments will be served at the corral immediately after the drive.

Operations will commence at the Crigar homestead; two and one-half miles from Nyssa, and cover Whitley Bottom. The migration of East Siders will be invited to instruct the city in the gentle art of knocking a jack rabbit in the head. The fun will commence. This is a splendid opportunity for Nyssa people to show their friendliness to their neighbors and at the same time do themselves a good turn by helping to wipe out a pest which is destroying crops in one of the best sections of the Snake valley, entailing a consequent loss of trade to Nyssa business.

Working on Oil Well.

Work will be resumed on the oil well, some enterprising citizens of that town having contributed \$1000 toward the expense. Sixty thousand dollars have been sunk in the enterprise, which was started five years ago. The Democrat says the indications are some will keep digging until the long looked for oil is found.

ORCHARD ON EAST SIDE SOLD

A big real estate deal was closed today. E. G. Johnson purchased 280 acres south of Nyssa near Apple Valley of W. C. Beckburn. Nearly the entire acreage is in apple trees and will be subdivided into small lots and sold to home builders. The tract was originally part of the Lannon farm, one of the first approved places on the east side of the river.

Mr. Johnson is very successful in the investments made in this part of the valley and has materially helped this section by his methods in developing orchard

VERY... my prices for... be treated alike... guarantee the best... LSON... n... ADMINISTRATOR'S... County Court of... Oregon for the... he matter of the... T. Hatfield, deceased... ice is hereby given... signed has been by... court appointed... with the Will... ove entitled Estate... administration... him. All persons... against said estate... t them, with the... rs, within six months... of this notice to... rator at Nyssa, O... Oregon... and dated at Nyssa... is 4th day of June... EMANUEL I. HAY... Adm... loch & Eckhardt... rneys for Administr... For Sale... head of Lincoln... (bred); four buck... 7-year old bo... uree to 4 years; good... \$12.50 per head... Owyhee, Or... NYSSA... D. Hall, Cashier... Nelson, Asst. Cash... GARAGE... STUDEBAKER... Car... Electric Wiring... Repairing, all kind... Marke... Meats... here's a Reason... booklets on "Alf... 'otatoes." They... nds of this section... NE... Bank... ice... The Jour... d the mon...