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LIVELY TIMES FOR NYSSA

Big Idanha Orchard Has Been Sold

Miles Cannon, Already Owner of Seventy Acres, Is the Lucky Purchaser—Harvesting Begins.

Miles Cannon Tuesday purchased the noted Idanha orchard, located two and one-half miles from Nyssa, for a cash consideration of \$10,000. The orchard consists of 70 acres of bearing prune trees and is in a high state of cultivation. This year's record-breaking crop and Mr. Sanderson's new automobile go to Mr. Cannon.

Mr. Cannon had previously bought 70 acres of the orchard and he could not resist the temptation to become the owner of the entire orchard and also secure the right to the use of the name "Idanha," which has become famous among prune growers. Mr. Sanderson retains extensive interests in this vicinity and will leave permanently, although he has in view an extended visit to England at some time in the distant future. Mr. Cannon is now in Nyssa to personally supervise the harvesting of the big crop, which it is estimated may reach 100 cars. The work is already under way but will not be in full swing before Monday, when fully 200 pickers and packers will be employed.

Water at Coal Mine.

A very dusty automobile rolled into Nyssa last Friday afternoon. The passengers were City attorney Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hicks, Mrs. Andrulla Storts and William Jenkins, who had just returned from an enjoyable outing in the fastnesses of Stein's mountain. They found the breezes of the mountain delightful and trout were large and plentiful, their piscatorial efforts being rewarded with well filled baskets, a good supply of the speckled beauties being brought home to prove to their friends that the big ones do not always get away. A side trip was made to the John Day valley, which was Mr. Field's home before he knew what a good town Nyssa is.

W. of W. Elect Officers.

The first election of officers of the newly organized camp of the Women of Woodcraft was held Tuesday and the following officers were elected to serve the first term: Mrs. Lena M. Cassidy, guardian neighbor; Mrs. Francis Bitter, captain of guards; Miss Elizabeth Thompson, clerk; Mrs. Clara Holmes, banker; Mrs. Myrtle Cowins, adviser. The new camp starts off with good membership and prospects for a prosperous future.

Mr. and Frank D. Hall returned Wednesday from the Yellowstone National park, where they spent a couple of weeks viewing the many phenomena of that most wonderful creation of nature's handiwork. Although enjoying themselves immensely, they express themselves as being glad to get back to Nyssa.

OWYHEE IN BRIEF

H. D. Birdsall was an Owyhee visitor last Friday.

Webb Otis is helping Mr. McCree with his plowing.

The Ladies Aid met with Mrs. J. S. Pinkston this week.

N. B. Matthiessen was over on a short visit last Thursday.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Putz was sick this week.

Mr. W. E. Edwards is over from New Plymouth to put up his clover.

Mrs. Walter Pinkston's sister, Miss Johnston of Caldwell, came last Sunday for a visit.

Mrs. Myra Parker and Herbert Walters were early Monday morning passengers for Ontario.

Miss Edna Blodgett of Nyssa has been secured as teacher by the board of directors of the Warren district.

Mrs. Overstreet entertained a number of guests Tuesday afternoon in honor of her mother, Mrs. E. C. Scott.

Rev. Carrick was out Sunday and held services in the Kolony. The Sunday school is doing nicely under the superintendency of young Mr. Sheldon.

Word has been received from Grandpa Bradley that about Unity and most Blue mountain localities the huckleberry crop is very short, owing to a late frost. He is well and hearty, and is now at Malheur.

Sylvester Pullen, the young son of D. P. Pullen, formerly foreman on the E. F. Pratt's ranch, came up on the Semi Annual to Kingman station, and is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Pratt until the next arrival of the modern leviathan.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Hicks of Ellensburg, Washington, arrived Wednesday morning on a visit to Mr. Hick's sisters, Mesdames Parker and Walters. Mr. and Mrs. Hicks are returning from an extended trip in Yellowstone Park, and have also been visiting kinspeople at Twin Falls and Parma.

Messrs. Kuppel and Kessl, of the Vale garage, brought several auto loads of land seekers from Vale to Huffman Basin, where is situated the arable land which the secretary of the interior will shortly throw open to settlement. The land is, and has for some time, been about all appropriated by squatters already.

Mrs. C. E. Scott, who has been living with her son, H. R. Scott, near Parma, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. R. Overstreet. Mrs. Scott leaves in a short time for eastern points to visit relatives, after which she expects to visit her home in California. H. R. Scott will precede her to San Francisco, where he will engage in business.

The roose bone prophets say on the Owyhee that the winter will come early, last long and be a hard one. The crows are here a month early; the ducks came six weeks before the usual time; the doves left three weeks ago, at least a month earlier than usual. All the weeds are loaded with seed, particularly the salt bushes. One Owyheeite foretells the coming of winter by the reappearance of a pet cat which always comes home to winter late in September, but Master Thomas came home on the 15th of August this year. The little creatures of the sand and

Double-Tracking and Enlarging O. S. L. Bridges Begun.

Headquarters at Nyssa—150 Men Will Be Employed Many Months—Fat Payroll For Gate City Assured.

As we go press, eleven men, the advance guard of a construction crew that will enlarge and double track the O. S. L. bridges of this vicinity, are in Nyssa arranging camp and making ready for active work. The men state that at least 150 men will be employed on the work, which it will probably take a year to complete. This means a large and steady monthly payroll, which, injected into the arteries of trade in Nyssa, will keep things humming until the coming of the greater prosperity which will follow the commencement of construction work on the High Line.

RABBITS CRAWL IN HOLES AND DIE

That "finis" is being written on the tribe of jack rabbits is seen in the rapidly decreasing number of these animal pests in haunts that knew them in plethora but a short time ago, but which know them no more. Much speculation has been indulged in as to what has become of the horde of these once common "varmints." That they have not migrated to other localities is evidenced from the fact that throughout the valley the same condition of a rapidly disappearing race of varmints is noticeable. An investigation last Sunday resulted in the discovery that rabbitdom is afflicted with some fatal malady, contagious no doubt, that has thinned the ranks of the long-ears to a point that has resulted in its almost complete extinction in this immediate vicinity. It seems that when Mr. Rabbit discovers that he "has it" he hides himself to a badger hole and there in the peace and quiet of undisturbed meditation he passes in his checks for all time. The result is that in many of these holes there can be found several "deceased" rabbits, all apparently having died with the same disease.

In some sections of the state the depredations of these creatures has assumed alarming proportions, and the present epidemic may serve to put out of commission the whole tribe and solve a problem that has proven a tough nut to crack by the farmers and gardeners of the valley.

A flow of water too great for the pumps to handle has been encountered at the Nyssa coal mine and active work has been suspended temporarily. Larger pumps will be installed and work resumed as soon as possible. Captain Lyons deserves praise for his grit in staying with the development of the property under adverse circumstances, but he believes he has a great mine in the making and that it will yet be producing the black nuggets in abundance.

sagebrush, the squirrels, kangaroo rats and sand rats are all preparing for winter. For these and other reasons the weather prophets foretell deep snow this winter.

BIG WEINIE FRY WAS SOME EVENT

The big weinerwurst fry given by the members of Rev. Walker's Sunday school class is one of the events of the joyous past and Wilson Bros.' fat cat has come out of retirement and wears a happier smile than at any time since the announcement that the big feed was to take place. Camp was made on the west bank of the classic Snake and the best of cheer prevailed. Those present were:

Ernest Wilson, Bernie Wilson, Obie Wilson, Will Howard, Claire Gibson, Blaine Gibson, Gerhard Dorst, W. W. Foster, Harry Cosho, Will Teutsch, Arnold Cook, Sidney Burbidge, C. L. Walker, John Long, Elsie Gibson, Miss Lee, Laura Walker, Mattie Dennis, Beatrice Forbes, Maud Largent, Crete Childers, Mrs. W. W. Foster, Ella Birdsall, Myrtle Birdsall, Goldie Adams, Mrs. Christensen, Evelyn Cheeley, Ethel Clark, Lulu Harris, Osa Cooper, Clara Fleming.

Members of the Methodist church choir had a big picnic supper in Gibson's grove last Friday evening at which, so they all say, all previous attempts at having a good time were left in the dizzy distance. Besides the usual big supply of "eats," the party was furnished a liberal supply of the famous Nyssa watermelons by Mr. Gibson. After these were disposed of in the customary way, miniature yachts were made out of the rinds and some thrilling races were sailed on the Owyhee ditch. Dr. Sarazin's automobile furnished a comfortable means of transportation to and from the picnic grounds.

M. E. Church Notes.

Sunday, August 17.
Last Sunday before annual conference.
10:30 a. m.—Sunday School.
11:30 a. m.—Morning worship. Subject, "The Forward Vision." Text, Numbers 27:12.
8:00—"Soul Thirst." Text, Rev. 22:17.
Thursday at 8:00 p. m.—Prayer meeting.
You are invited to attend these services.
Strangers welcome.
Trade your wheat or oats or rolled barley to Hirsch. He pays market price.

FAMOUS HORSES

Pendleton, Or., Aug. 18.—At the Pendleton Round-Up, September 11, 12 and 13, will be seen in action one hundred head of the most famous bucking horses in the world, including Angel, Long Tom, Rambling Sam, Whistling Annie, Hotfoot, Whirlwind and others; Sharkey, the famous Belgrade bucking bull that has never been ridden to exceed seven seconds. Loving Louise, the unpurged original bucking milch cow, two bucking buffaloes and other Round-Up stock. These are the property of the Round-Up and represent an investment of more than \$12,000 and are used no place in the world except at the Pendleton Round-Up. Other places giving wild west shows advertise that they have secured some or all of the Pendleton stock. But they have not and cannot. Even the long-horn Texas steers are not sold for beef until they are too old to give the bull-dogger and roper a run for their money, and in the meantime they wax fat in the Round-Up pastures.

Opportunity For Young Men Is in Agriculture

Luther Burbank, by experience and accomplishment doubtless the best qualified man in the world today to make such a statement, says the great opportunity for our boys and young men is in agriculture. He points out that after the young man has spent eight years at hard study of medicine, the law or engineering, he has not made a success; he is only prepared to commence the battle for it. Whereas, to add but one kernel of corn to each ear grown in this country in a single year would increase the supply 5,000,000 bushels. One improvement in the potato is already paying back \$17,000,000 a year. Everything we eat and wear comes out of the ground. With less than half our population raising things, should there be any wonder that the cost of living has increased 58 per cent in 15 years? To quote from Mr. Burbank:

"What the world needs, urgently and now, is men who can increase the forage from our present acreage so that 16 cents will buy a pound of the choicest sirloin, as of old, instead of a pound of rump, as now.

"What the world needs is not theory, or agitation, or college lore; there are plenty of these, and at a cost of one hundred and eighty million dollars per annum in money and who knows how much time, they have succeeded in increasing our crop yield only three per cent.

"What the world needs is men who can do to agriculture and to horticulture what Edison did to electricity, Carnegie to steel, and the Vanderbilts, Hills and Harrimans, to transportation—develop their efficiency."—H. H. Windsor in the September Popular Mechanics Magazine.

A fine, big boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Justin S. Lageson on August 20th.

Old Pioneer Joins Silent Majority

J. J. Thomason, Dies at His Home Near Nyssa After a Lingering Illness—Leaves Many Friends

James Jasper Thomason, a well known and highly esteemed pioneer of this section, died at his home near Nyssa Wednesday after an illness of several weeks. Deceased was a father of Mrs. W. B. Hoxie of this city. Although advanced in years, being at the time of his death 72 years, 5 months and 18 days old, and but small hope for his recovery being entertained for some time past, his death was a distinct shock to his relatives and a large circle of friends in the Snake and Owyhee valleys, among whom he had a high reputation as a neighbor and a man of sterling integrity. Besides the widow, six children are left to mourn their loss. At the time of his death Charles Thomason was the only one of the children still living at the old home.

Funeral services were conducted at the deceased's late home under the auspices of the Masonic lodge of Ontario. Rev. A. R. Carrick of the Presbyterian church at Nyssa, delivered the funeral sermon. Interment was made in the Nyssa cemetery.

Mr. Thomason was born in Georgia May 2, 1841, and at an early age went to Missouri, where in 1866 he was married to Mary Elizabeth Stevenson. Six children were born to them, one of whom died in childhood. The wife of his youth died, and at a later date he was married to Mattie Annie Norton, who survives him. Of this union two children were born, of which Charles Thomason is the only one now living.

GROWING HOGS.

Last week C. M. Gillette sold a carload of hogs at the yards here in Burley for \$8.25 per hundred, the highest price ever reached for a carload lot in this section. It is useless to say the hogs were first-class. The 102 head averaged 181 pounds each, and brought Mr. Gillette \$1522.21.

The whole lot were last fall pigs. They were wintered on alfalfa and grain and were pastured on alfalfa and clover and given a light feed of grain during the spring and summer. Four weeks previous to placing the hogs on the bags on market Mr. Gillette fed them on grain, averaging 900 pounds per day for the whole herd.

Eight acres, five of clover and three of alfalfa, were all that were required to pasture the 120 hogs on Mr. Gillette's farm, and after taking them off he cut several loads of hay from the land. Not only is this price a record for the Minidaka project, but the cost of producing this pork is probably a record for the United States. The Gillette farm is handled on a careful business basis. During the past two years it has turned off at a good profit finished mutton and pork.—Burley Bulletin.