

# The Gate City Journal

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## MILLIONAIRES INCREASE

We read in the daily press that in 1932 there were 20 men who were fortunate enough to have incomes of a million dollars or more. In 1933 this number had increased to 46 while at the same time those with incomes of \$5,000 or less had decreased by 81,000. These figures were drawn from income tax reports, which do not take into consideration those in the low income brackets but it is fairly safe to say that there was an even greater decrease among those of lower incomes.

It clearly shows what is happening. The rich are getting richer, the poor are getting poorer. In general the figures showed a decrease in all incomes up to \$25,000 and an increase in the categories above that figure. Three individuals, whose names were not disclosed, had incomes over three million and the individual with the largest income had over five million.

The statement of Harry Hopkins, relief administrator, is encouraging. He said he would like to see the "two classes of the dole," the coupon clippers and those on relief, brought closer together. The figures, which were released this week, had served to concentrate attention upon the campaign for some redistribution of the nation's wealth and may lead to legislation in the coming session of congress to increase the tax on the higher incomes.

## CANNERY FOR NYSSA?

Right now is a good time to start taking steps leading toward the establishment of a canning factory at Nyssa. This question has been discussed here for a long time and several plans have been advanced, including a local stock company or trying to get a canning company to come in and establish a plant.

Practically everyone will admit the need of a canning factory. Peas, corn, tomatoes and other products suitable for canning can be successfully grown here. Farmers are soon going to begin to make plans and wonder what to plant next year that will show a profit. The next few years will see hundreds of acres of new land in this section put under cultivation. Taking all these things into consideration, it is easy to see why steps should be taken at once leading to the establishment of such a plant here. In addition to providing a market for vegetables, a cannery would provide a great amount of work for our people, but if we are to have a plant here for next season, work will have to start at once so growers can be contracted to grow products to keep the cannery humming.

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portion until one considers our politicians.

Huey Long seems to have the faculty of blowing away without drying up. Trying to control world wheat production evidently goes against the grain.

You don't need a lot of tools to change an internal combustion engine into an external combustion engine. A cigarette will do the trick.

## Church News

### NYSSA COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday School 10 o'clock.  
Worship 11:15. Theme: "P. K.'s of History."  
Junior League 5:30.  
Senior Epworth League 7 o'clock.  
Curtis Foster, leader.  
Evening Worship 8 o'clock.

### OREGON TRAIL

Sunday School 10:30.  
Worship 2:30 P. M.

## PUBLIC FORUM

We are glad to publish communications of general interest under this heading. The opinions expressed necessarily do not coincide with the editorial policy of The Journal and all letters must be signed. The Journal retains the right to refuse for publication any matter we see fit and will not be a party to a personal quarrel.

### "CHRIST OUR LIFE"

In last weeks issue of the Gate City Journal I saw an article entitled "Where was Christ from Crucifixion to Resurrection?" in which the writer criticizes our modern translators by assuming that they know nothing whatever of the true meaning of Christ's words on the cross spoken to the penitent thief in Luke 23-43.

Although he is liberal enough to admit that they did their best and therefore we should thank them for it. But he also states that they made a few mistakes in punctuating Holy writ. One of their mistakes recorded in Luke 23-43 in which our Lord replies to the request of the dying penitent thief "Lord remember me when Thou comest into thy kingdom—Luke 23-42.

Here in the next verse Christ manifests His great love for humanity in these memorable words, "Verily I say unto thee, today shalt Thou be with me in Paradise.—Luke 23-42. Now the writer of this article takes

the authority to correct, what he says is an error of our modern translators, by changing the punctuation from the word Thee to the word today, thereby changing the translators view of the words of our Saviour to an entirely different meaning.

Dear reader, does it seem logical to your mind that Jesus hanging there on that cruel cross, suffering agonies undecipherable, would waste unnecessary words by telling the thief something he already knew.

The words of the writer of this article are, "I would paraphrase Christ's words thus—I make you the promise this very day, as though the thief did not already know that. He attempts to prove his statement by referring the reader to 1 Peter 3-18 and then revising the scripture to suit the occasion.

Now dear reader, I will refer you to Paul's words of whom we are indebted for a large portion of the new testament. In the 21st verse of the first chapter of Paul's epistles to the Philippians he uses these words "for me to live is Christ and to die is gain." And how much would he gain dear reader by being confined in a narrow cell 3 by 6.

And we have positive proof of this in Philippians, 1-23 "For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and be (not in the narrow confines of the grave) but with Christ which is far better. And I thank God that I can trust my Heavenly Father to take care of me in any way that seems good in His sight. The question that concerns me most is "Be ye therefore ready also for the son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not." Luke 12-40.—A. J. Pinkston.

## VALLEY VIEW P-T-A GIVES PROGRAM

Valley View—The Valley View P-T-A met Friday evening and discussed plans for Christmas. The following program was presented by the program committee: harmonica and guitar duet, Mr. and Mrs. Huffman; poem, Paul Davis and Darrela Pickering; harmonica selection, Mrs. Lehman; reading, Mrs. Billups; song, Marlene Dyer and Wilma Brewer; "Bones and Jones on the radio," Jess Brown and Loy Belsie; piano and accordion duet, Lucy and Mrs. Calloway; story, Donald Brewer; poem, Donald Brown; harmonica duet, Doris Brown and Nadine Calloway; vocal duet, Mrs. Calloway and Mrs. Jess Brown, newspaper, Mr. Lehman.

The Christmas program for the Valley View school will be given Friday evening December 21. The Camp Cookery club met Friday noon and cooked their lunch over a camp fire. Miss Myra Noah has resumed studies at the College of Idaho. Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Williams returned from a visit in Portland. Mrs. Harry Billups and Elsie Walter were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Brown Wednesday evening. Darrela Pickering has been elected the new librarian for the coming month. Blaine May has been hauling wood from Unity the past week. Boys and girls of the school are making toys to be given to some little folks of the community for Christmas. Mrs. Frank Melcher is much improved from her illness caused by an accident on the highway near Ontario sometime ago.

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## DR. MEAD FAVORS THE OWYHEE PROJECT

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more is needed to take care of those victims of drouth stricken regions into which the federal and state governments have poured millions of dollars at the expense of taxpayers.

John W. Haw, of St. Paul, Minn., member of the committee on federal reclamation policy, said, "Salvage of existing projects, completion of those under way, to say nothing of new projects, will require appropriations from general funds.

"The drouth in the great plains area has been intensified, not relieved, this fall. . . This country is facing another short crop year.

"The movement of farm people from this territory westward in search of opportunity is steadily increasing and will continue, in my belief, for many years if a place can be found for a means of living in some degree of security.

"The east has little to offer them. Some refuge must be provided for them out here. That would seem only to mean on new irrigation projects, for how else can they be absorbed?"

**Mead Defends Irrigation**  
Defending the federal reclamation commissioner, struck back Sunday at critics of further construction of irrigation projects.

"It took the great drouth to show the nation the service which reservoirs already completed are rendering and the need for early completion of those under way," Mead said in his annual report.

"Recently the opinion as prevailed in some sections that further construction of irrigation works is uneconomic and injurious," said Mead. "It arose out of an exaggerated conception of the area irrigated under federal works, which is less than 1 per cent of the total farmed area of the United States."

The commissioner said critics of irrigation have not realized how necessary the works being built are to the prosperity of the cities and towns and industries located in the irrigated regions.

Irrigable land was described by Mead as the "new frontier" of the United States.

**Dry Land Abandoned**  
"Furthermore, where farmers are transferred from submarginal dry areas to farms under irrigation, for every acre of irrigated land that they cultivate two or more acres of dry land will go out of production and the net result will be the elimination of acres that are adding to the troublesome agricultural surplus especially wheat, and increase in the production of crops needed locally," the commissioner said.

**Urges More Projects**  
Mead urged that additional projects be built and power plants in connection with them operated as permanent government works.

The commission reviewed projects now under construction in the Pacific northwest, among them the Vale project in eastern Oregon and the Agency Valley dam and reservoir on the north fork of the Malheur river near Beulah; the Owyhee project in Oregon-Idaho, for which a five million dollar allotment was made available for continuing the work; the four Salt Lake basin projects in Utah, financed with PWA funds; the Grand Coulee in central Washington, which, under present plans, will cost about sixty-three million dollars.

The report showed that in 1933 there were 2,828,787 acres of land irrigated, while 2,797,815 acres were cropped, an increase of 22,535 acres over the previous year. The crops were valued in the report at \$82,191,733, an increase of \$34,033,352 over 1932.

## Farmer Brown's Observations

Nyssa, Oregon, Dec. 13, 1934.

dear editor:  
I wuz in town tother day and seed dock marshul on the street. dock wuz wearin a brand nue set of stoar teeth. they lookt fine, and dock sez they don't interfere with his eatin, nor drinkin.

a awlso heer that don gram that he otter hev sum nue teeth two to go along with the nue deel fer nyssie, so he also bot him a set of uppers; but it took a lotta preparin afore he got up his nerve to see dock norkot; when he went into dock's ofise don sez, sez he "dock, be you a paneless dentist?" dock sez, sez he, "shure don; its paneless to me."

speekin about don, it reminds me that it won't be long now til nyssie gets its nue deel. i am dependen on don to keep his word and appint me privy inspektor; i hev ordered a band nue kap, with big letters "P. I." on the front. won't i hev fun the goin around inspektor? i may hafter put in a order for a gas mask tew.

hear is a nue i fer you: whut wud happen if may west and santy klaws were set up togetheer in i room? and the ancer is nuthin, kore there ain't no santy klaws.

gosh, i wish santy klaws wud bring me that inspektor kap, so i wudn't hev to pay fer it.

Yores trulle, Farmer Brown.

## FARM CENSUS WILL BE STARTED EARLY IN JANUARY

One of the important governmental activities undertaken primarily for the benefit of the farmer is the census of agriculture, which will be taken beginning January 2, 1935. This census will answer many questions of great importance to the various agencies now formulating programs for the benefit of the agricultural industry.

In order to expedite the taking of the census an effort is being made to place a sample copy of the Farm Census Schedule in the hands of every farmer prior to the time of enumeration. An army of 25,000 enumerators will canvass every farm and ranch in the United States. The cooperation of all farmers and ranchers is necessary to the success of this census, and it will do much toward speeding tabulation and enumeration of these statistics by procuring and studying the sample copy of the schedule in advance of the enumeration. These sample schedules may be secured from the county agent's office in Malheur county.

The census enumerators who make the canvass will be "selected from the rural districts where the farms are located. In every instance the enumerator must be a legal resident of his enumeration district, and every effort will be made to appoint for these positions, as far as possible, farmers, farmers wives, sons and daughters. A census test as to qualifications, character, standing in the community, organization and administrative ability and tact, will be required before any appointment is made.

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Dated at Nyssa, Oregon, this 24th day of November 1934. First publication, November 29, 1934; date of last publication Dec. 27, 1934.  
G. Eva Boydell,  
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