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NYSSA REPRESENTED AT STATE TRACK MEET

In a field meet at La Grande last Saturday, two Nyssa boys succeeded in winning fourth place for their school by amassing a total of 16½ points including first place in the pole vault, second in the 220 yard dash, a tie for second in the high jump, and fourth in the low hurdles and broad jump. The two boys were Raymond Holly and Oather Lankford.

In this comment we have no thought of sermonizing when we call to mind that one of the foremost reasons why youngsters, in school and out, should be encouraged in competitive athletics is that to succeed—or having a fighting chance to succeed—they must maintain exemplary habits. The youth who fails to realize that cigarettes, liquor and late nights do not fit into the athletic picture, soon drops out in tough competition.

Our country is, in athletics as well as in other lines of endeavor, overcrowded with fair starters, but good finishers are few. Youth, the maturing age—comes but once; ground that is lost cannot be fully regained. And the body that a youngster builds, or fails to build, during his maturing years is the body that he must take with him throughout all his years and the more serious battles of life.

Wednesday the two boys, their coach, Owen Price, and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Ray left for Eugene to compete in the state track meet. Whether they win or lose, it is a credit to Nyssa to have athletics good enough to be eligible for state competition.

CAPITOL WILL STAY AT SALEM

The whispering campaign that was started last week about moving the capitol of Oregon to Portland, is not getting much support from the newspapers of the state. Nor do we think it would receive much consideration from the voters of the state, if such a matter ever was considered seriously enough to be put to a vote. It is to the credit of Portland that they not pushed the matter, and it is doubtful if thinking people in Portland would try to rob Salem of the capitol.

The principal question now seems to be whether to tear down the old walls and build anew, or to utilize the old walls for the new structure. Politicians are sticking in their oars and trying to say what should be done. In our mind there is but one way to settle this, and it is not within the province of the lay mind to do so. Competent engineers are the only ones qualified to say what should be done in such a technical matter.

ANOTHER CANYON DAY SHOW PASSES INTO HISTORY

The third annual Owyhee Canyon Days has passed into history with one of the best attendances in the history of the celebration, and the most orderly crowd. Every business man in Nyssa worked hard to put the show over and have the satisfaction of knowing that they succeeded in the undertaking and that everyone in attendance enjoyed the show. If anyone failed to enjoy the affair, they have not made their complaints vocally.

Aside from the monetary benefits accruing to the Nyssa Commercial Club, there is another benefit that should not be overlooked. It cannot be measured in dollars and cents nor can you put your finger on it and say, "This is it." We refer to the benefit to a town when every business man puts his shoulder to the wheel and pushes; the spirit of friendliness and fellowship that is fostered by such community affairs.

BUY A POPPY MAY 25th

It is no credit to our civilization that we forget the good and brave deeds so quickly. In 1917 and 1918 we saw hundreds of thousands of our best men marching off to war, leaving family and friends and sacrificing themselves that our nation might live. Many failed to return and their loss has been felt by their family and friends to this day. Others returned, only to become hospital patients, ruined in body and mind.

We cannot pay the debt by buying a poppy on Poppy Day, which is Saturday May 25th; but

it will help. Mere money will not repay those boys who gave their all for their country nor will it bring back loved ones to their family. The ladies of the Nyssa Legion Auxiliary are planning now for their poppy day next week; poppies made by hand by veterans in the Portland hospital; and they deserve the support of every loyal American citizen.

EDITORIALS

Articles under this heading do not necessarily express the editorial policy of this paper but are other editor's opinions on current topics.

WHY CONDEMN IT?

Why all the condemnation of the dime chain letter idea? What is wrong about it? What harm can it do? Can it injure anybody? If so, who and how?

It has been blatantly condemned by newspapers and radio announcers as a "racket," but they fail to specify wherein it has any of the characteristics of a racket, or whose racket it is, or who is to benefit by it that is not entitled to do so. The fact is that nobody can be defrauded in the least by the dime chain letter. On the contrary he is bound to benefit to some small extent, at least.

The postoffice department has been trying for some time to condemn it and now declares it unfit for mail transmission. Why? Every time anybody gets a dime by this means, Uncle Sam sells 18 cents worth of postage stamps. The postoffice department has been yelping for more revenue. If it will keep its nose out of this matter it will soon be able to restore 2-cent postage. The kicks have come from postoffices where the letters containing dimes have been rolling in in unusual quantities. Does the postoffice department think that it should be enabled to merely sell hundreds of thousands of extra postage stamps and not have to handle the letters to which they are affixed? Trying to make the matter appear as a deep dark plot is silly. Of course there are people who would make the passing of the collection basket in church a racket, but they don't get very far. When these greedy goofs get names and addresses of strangers and send them letters the result does not amount to much. The thing that makes people write the requested letters is that the request comes from a friend whom they know and like and whom they are willing to help—especially as it gives them a chance to be similarly helped by others without imposing hardships on anybody. It is utterly useless to send letters to strangers.

As an instance of the warped ideas of what is proper and what isn't the Capital Journal this week published an editorial denouncing the chain letter as a racket and characterizing all who participate in it as "gullible." And in the same column the CJ printed a longer editorial strongly advocating the establishment of a state lottery to raise money for government expenses. A lottery is admittedly unlawful and is barred from the mails because only about one person out of ten thousand can win, while the other 9999 are simply suckers who are robbed of their savings. The

chain letter is not a lottery, is not a racket nor in any way immoral. Everyone who participates in it will get at least a small reward, and possibly a large one. There are no blanks. Yet the CJ urges a lottery, in defiance of both state and national law, while condemning the harmless and cheering chain letter.

If allowed to pursue its course the chain letter fad will prove to be one of the things the country sorely needs—a redistribution of money. It will enable poor devils who have only one dime to get a few more of them without robbing anybody. But our crazy postoffice department will probably stop it arbitrarily without any logical reason for doing so. This gives credence to a growing suspicion that there is a determination among those of the controlling class to keep poor people poor and helpless. Really, it looks that way. The overlords continually declare that they want to "help people to help themselves," but every time the people figure out some way of doing it they get squashed and slapped down. —Capital Press.

OPPOSE DIVERSION OF HIGHWAY FUNDS

Organized motorists in Oregon are strongly behind Governor Martin in his announced stand against tapping highway funds for use in constructing a new capitol building, according to Dr. E. B. McDaniel, president of the Oregon State Motor Association.

"Automobile owners in this state have always opposed any attempt to utilize gasoline tax money, or other funds paid out by the motorist, for anything that would not directly benefit the motorist himself," said Dr. McDaniel.

"If the time ever comes that the motorists' funds are diverted into other channels the motor association will consider it an indication that the heavy levies now imposed upon motor vehicle owners are not needed, and immediately start action to have the tax burden lessened."

The head of organized motorists declared that the additional one-cent gasoline tax was sanctioned two years ago when \$5 license fee went into effect only on the ground that the money was needed for construction and maintenance of highways.

"The association in behalf of all motorists, commends Governor Martin for putting his foot down on the suggestion recently made that the automobile owner bear a great share of the burden in building a new statehouse in Salem," Dr. McDaniel said. He has always been a firm opponent of attempts to divert the funds.

"Some state officials have a tendency to eye highway money whenever a situation demanding additional funds presents itself. This, I believe, is because highway funds

are easily collected and at present are in a healthy condition.

"The reason motorists have not objected strenuously to their burden is because they believe the money is needed to build and maintain better roads, providing unemployment relief. They will object if they learn the money is not needed."

FIRE SCHOOL WILL BE HELD IN CORVALLIS

Salem, Oregon, May 6—(Special)—Following a meeting of the program committee of the Oregon Fire Chiefs Association, President Percy E. Tallman announces the annual Fireman's School will be held in Corvallis, June 12, 13, and 14.

It is planned for the School to be opened with addresses by Governor Charles H. Martin, State Fire Marshal Hugh E. Earle and a representative of the League of Oregon Cities.

The School is to be a departure from the methods of previous schools being designed to be of particular benefit to the smaller chiefs and the firemen. All in attendance will have an opportunity to take part in the actual, practical evolutions which will be directed by some of the best authorities in the state. These evolutions will cover the different phases of the firemen's work from the time the alarm is received and the apparatus leaves the station on through the best methods of hose laying and handling, use of ladders, fire escapes, standpipes, rescue, first aid, and salvage work.

These drills and practices will be performed by all who wish to gain knowledge from actual practice, and will be followed by open, directed discussions on all phases of the work.

Court House Filings

Real Estate Transfers Recorded
Week of May 4 to 11, 1935

C. W. Glenn, Sheriff to June High W½SW¼, Sec. 5-18-45, 4-13-35, \$46.
William T. Schultz to W. J. Schultz SE¼SE¼, Sec. 31-16-40; Lot 4 and SW¼NW¼, Sec. 5, Lot 1, Sec. 6-17-40, cont. 163.09 acres, 3-11-35, \$100.

Fay S. Hurley et vir to Chas. W. Cornwell et al NW¼SW¼, Sec. 24-18-44, 4-9-35, \$1.

E. M. Moore et ux to Sarah I. Corliss, Lots 18, 19, and 20 Bk. 81, Ontario, 4-25-35, \$500.00.

John Norwood et ux to James Minnougham, Lot 10, Bk. 30, Eldredge Add. Vale, 5-7-35, \$10.

H. Hayden to John M. Pryse, S½SW¼, Sec. 7-18-46, 10-27-34, \$1.

Coast Land Co. Ltd., to David M. Myers, N½SW¼SE¼, Sec. 7-33-41, cont. 20 acres, 2-5-35, \$59.

C. W. Glenn, Sheriff to A. F. Hill NE¼NE¼, Sec. 25, NW¼, Sec. 27-30-42; all Sec. 19-30-43, 4-13-35, \$90.50.

Malheur County to City of Ontario, Lots 9 and 10, Bk. 35, Lots 11 and 12, Bk. 107; Lots 19 and 20, Bk. 77; Lots 1 to 5 incl. Bk. 85, Orig. townsite, Ontario, 5-1-35, \$655.

Federal Land Bank of Spokane to Frank B. Wilcox, Metes and

bounds in NW¼NW¼, Sec. 36-16-47, cont. 12.25 acres, 4-26-35, \$1.

Lalla Bissett to Austin Bissett, Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, Sec. 36-32-46, cont. 165.24 acres, 5-9-35, \$10.

Marriage Licenses Issued
George Alvin Allen and Martha Ann Ready, 5-6-35.

Peter DeBoer and Betty Recla, 5-8-35.

Joe Crummett and Muriel Walter, 5-9-35.

Joe Daniel Eisan and Winnie Nelson, 5-11-35.

Petition Filed in the County Court

In the Matter of the Adoption of Barnett Carter Stureman, 5-9-35.

Petition Filed in the Probate Court

In the Matter of the Guardianship of Daniel W. Merritt, 5-10-35.

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Population, (1930) 821
Recent estimates 1000
Elevation 2186

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City Clerk A. R. Miller
City Treasurer Arthur Boydell
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County Attorney M. A. Biggs
County Surveyor, J. Edwin Johnson
County Physician, Dr. Anna B.
Pritchett.
Coroner R. A. Tacke
Superintendent, Kathryn Claypool

Nyssa Public Schools

Superintendent Leo Hollenberg

FACTS ABOUT OWYHEE PROJECT

Cost of Owyhee Dam \$6,000,000
7½ miles of Tunnel \$4,000,000
Siphons, canals, etc. \$3,000,000
Owyhee dam storage capacity
..... 715,000 acre feet
Height of dam 520 feet
From lowest point of foundation
to top.
Leading project city, Nyssa, Oregon
Elevation of land 2,250 to 2,500
Acres in Owyhee project, 100,000 acres
Principal products hay,
corn, dairying, stock raising,
grains, potatoes, clover seed, peas,
lettuce, onions and carrots.

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