

# The Gate City Journal

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INDEPENDENT IN POLITICS AND RELIGION, OPTIMISTIC IN DISPOSITION—WITH NO INTERESTS TO SERVE EXCEPT THOSE OF MALHEUR COUNTY

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## PEOPLE AGAINST TAX SPENDING—

**O**Bservers of press comment and public opinion throughout the nation are forcibly impressed with two facts: First, the desire of the people to maintain the neutrality of this nation and avoid war and foreign entanglements, and second, the growing demand for balanced budgets and reduced taxation.

Congressmen who have just returned to Washington after some months at home among their constituents, have felt this sentiment. They know that nothing causes greater worry to millions of citizens—Republicans and Democrats alike—than the soaring national debt and the menace of new and higher taxes. They know that the general thinking public is beginning to understand that eventual tax reduction is essential to permanent prosperity.

It is a rare Congressman who doesn't keep his ear to the ground, and it's also a rare Congressman who hasn't heard from his constituents that an economy program in Federal government is now desired, and is indispensable to increased employment, industrial expansion, building activity and relief for the land owner.

The trend of public opinion was well demonstrated by the general approval of the President's recent statement on neutrality and his expressed belief that new or higher taxes were neither necessary nor desirable.

## AAA WAS CONERSTONE OF THE NEW DEAL—

**T**HE Supreme Court's sweeping AAA decision is of extraordinary political importance. The two cornerstones of the New Deal structure were the AAA and NRA. Now both are gone, being unconstitutional.

It is likewise of extraordinary economic importance. Both the major parties are committed to "farm relief." As a result, a dozen new farm relief programs—including one of Administration origin—will be in the limelight soon. There is agitation for the enactment of the old McNary-Haugen bill, vetoed by Coolidge, which is believed constitutional.

The decision has also caused agitation in certain quarters for a constitutional amendment to broaden the federal power. President Green of the A. F. and L. has intimated he might back such an amendment as have heads of the big farm groups. And some commentators are of the opinion that Mr. Roosevelt, whether he wants to or not, may have to campaign for the amendment unless he is willing to let his past policies go by the board. Opposed to the interests seeking constitutional amendments are those citizens who afraid of any tampering with the fundamental character of the constitution, that might weaken states' rights, individual liberties and property rights.

## QUESTION OF STUDENT FEES TO COME BEFORE VOTERS—

**I**NDICATIONS are that the student bodies of the educational institutions of Oregon are very much in favor of the passage of the referendum authorizing student activity fees in state higher educational institutions. The bill provides that the state board of higher education will have the right to collect not more than \$5.00 per term for student activities and to be administered by such organization as the board may designate.

For 25 years this fee was collected and no thought was given as to its legality and students paid it willingly and without question. On March 5, 1934 Attorney-General Van Winkle ruled that the Board could not collect fees and turn the money over to the Associated Students. During the past year the fee has been collected on a voluntary basis and 82 per cent of the students enrolled during the fall term paid the fee to become members of the Associated Students of the University of Oregon. At a student meeting at Oregon State College, 91 per cent of the students voted in favor of the fee.

This policy of collecting a fee from each stud-

ent to help carry on student activities is a regular thing in most states. It is used to help pay the expenses of the student paper, which is distributed free to the students; to support orchestras, bands, glee clubs, choral and instrumental clubs, debating teams, lectures, concerts, athletics, self government among the students and various other privileges. Among the privileges is attendance at college functions at a reduced admission charge.

The writer has attended higher educational institutions in Washington and has paid the student fee; although working his way through college. It never seemed an imposition and was regarded as a good bargain, inasmuch as the ticket given in exchange admitted one to football, baseball and basketball games, track meets, boxing contests, debates, and other activities; as well as giving one an opportunity to work on student publications and take part in student self government.

The proposed bill is not a tax on the public in any sense of the word and the \$5.00 figure is set as a maximum that can be collected. The State Board already has been given power by law to grant remission of fees to certain number of students who are worthy and needy so it looks like the bill is something the students and their parents want; and at the same time will not penalize those unable to pay the fee.

## LAND BANK SELLING MORE FARMS—

**A**n encouraging note is sounded by the Farm Credit Administration of Spokane who are authority for the report that the land department of the Federal Land bank reports that three all-time records were broken in 1935 in the sale of acquired farm property.

Land values are coming back as folks realize that after all the farms is something solid to tie to and that on the whole, agriculture is definitely on the upswing.

The three records mentioned by the Land Bank are: individual sales, numbering 1211, represented 25 per cent more buyers than in 1934; and the dollar volume of \$3,120,000—greatest in the 18 years of the Land banks operation—was approximately \$600,000 ahead of last years peak. Cash down payments totaled in excess of \$600,000 and were considerably higher than the year before.

Ward K. Newcomb, vice president of the bank feels "That a new high record in sales and dollar volume is due to the fact that many tenant farmers have been given an opportunity to buy places of their own at a reasonable price and on favorable terms of payment, enabling them to share in the upturn movement in agriculture which now seems steadily under way."

## OPINIONS BY OUR READERS

Submitted by readers of The Journal and the opinions may or may not agree with the policy of The Journal. You are invited to send in your ideas on current questions.

### HOW TO VOTE

Editor of Journal: If we continue to be a government "of the people, by the people," the people must vote. If we vote for the best interests of our state, we must study the proposed measures. I have spent much time studying the four proposed state measures to be voted on January 21st. I have read carefully the pamphlet sent out by the state, studied the arguments pro and con, read a great deal in our Portland dailies and county papers. I have decided that the Oregon state grant is about right and that we should vote "no" on all the measures. In other words vote all the odd numbers, 101, 103, 105 and 107.

When the ballot is handed to me I will just put a cross mark after each one of these odd numbers, which will take me about one minute, fold the ballot, hand to one of the judges and go out. Every voter should put a cross mark just after 305 and forever kill the Sales Tax bill, which now for the third time is being put over Oregon people by Big Business. Signed, A VOTER.

### THE TOWNSEND PLAN

Editor of Journal:— I should like very much to hear the Townsend plan discussed or even debate it with Mr. Pratt or someone, but for the present the weather and roads are so bad we will have to wait awhile.

A plan that is endorsed by thirty million people should be studied by every voter, whether we approve of it or not. So far, it seems to me that 8,000,000 pioneers, who for nearly three-fourths of a century have worked and made the wealth of our nation are better prepared to distribute and spend this wealth to build up our nation industrially, economically and socially than the impractical college-bred members of the

eastern brain trust club, who are so wastefully spending the wealth made by the pioneers. Signed, R. J. DAVIS

### YOUNG MEN WANTED TO ENLIST IN MARINE CORPS

Enlistments in the U. S. Marine Corps are again open to a limited number of young men, according to information received by Postmaster S. D. Goshert from Lieutenant Colonel Randolph Coyle, U. S. Marine Corps recruiting officer at Portland, Oregon.

Applications for immediate enlistment will be accepted by the U. S. Marine Corps recruiting station, 208 U. S. Court House, Portland, Oregon, where further detailed information may be obtained. Liberal selection quotas have been assigned all western states. Men enlisted from inland areas will be afforded an opportunity to serve with one of the Marine detachments on board Battleships and airplane carriers or at one of the many interesting foreign stations, including China, Philippines, Guam and Hawaii.

Applicants to be qualified for enlistment must be unmarried American citizens without dependents; between the ages of 18 and 25 years

## NEW SHOES



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Nyssa, Oregon

and of good moral character. Physical standards require a minimum height of sixty-six inches and the applicant be in sound physical condition. Previous attendance at high school will be considered in determining the applicant's mental qualifications.

## TREES AVAILABLE FOR PLANTING

The State Forest Nursery will again have trees available at a very low cost. The cost of these trees is two dollars and fifty cents per thousand, plus express, which brings the cost here to about six dollars per thousand. The varieties available are Ash, Chinese Elm, Black Locust, Russian Olive, Mulberry and a number of others. If you want any of these trees, you should get an application from the County Agent's office. Trees should be ordered early in February as usually after that time, the supply is exhausted. These trees are intended to be used for wood lot, shelter belt and wind-break plantings.

For the convenience of farmers in the county, assistant county agent L. E. Harris, is located at Vale at the County Court House. One service which the Vale office has been giving, and which can also be supplied from the office in Ontario, is assistance in laying out irrigation systems for the new farms.

## 4-H CLUBS START WORK FOR 1936

A number of 4-H Clubs have already started their year's work and others are being organized as rapidly as possible. Many of the home economic clubs plan to complete their clothing, cooking, and home-making projects by the end of school, in order to take up canning during the summer months.

There is considerable interest in the baby beef work this year, and most of the members carrying this project will have their beef calves on feed within the next few days. As this project consists of fattening out one or more beef calves on a ration of grain and hay, the work must be started soon, in order to have the animals in top condition by fall. Other livestock clubs, including dairy, pig, and sheep clubs, will be organized later. The crop work, home garden clubs

## Church News

### METHODIST CHURCH

Floyd E. White, pastor  
Sunday School 10 o'clock. Lesson Title: "Jesus Declares His Purpose." Luke 4: 16-30.  
Epworth League 7 o'clock.  
Evening Worship 8 o'clock.  
We are glad to welcome you to any or all of our services!

and corn clubs are being emphasized and particular emphasis placed on improved seed production for the corn club members.

Miscellaneous 4-H club projects being carried this year include the health clubs, farm accounting clubs and marketing clubs.

### Merchants Should File Relief Claims By 28th of Month

The County Relief Office has received word that CCC enrollment period formerly announced for January 2 to 16 has been cancelled. It is not known when another enrollment period will be announced. The Malheur County Relief Committee requests that all merchants and others having any claim of any nature for care, services, or commodities, given to relief cases or county indigents, be submitted to the County Relief Office at Vale so as to reach there not later than January 28. This request is made as all January bills must be paid during that month, in accordance with instructions received from the State Relief Committee. It is imperative that this procedure be followed each month if bills are to be paid.

### Court House Filings

Real Estate Transfers Recorded  
Roy Daley, Registrar to The Public. Certificate of withdrawal of title from Registry System. Lots 2 and 3, Blk 8, Teusch's Addn. Nyssa. 1-13-36.  
Ben Q. Pettengill to Mary G. Spier, West 30 ft. Lot 2, Blk 8, Teusch's Addn. Nyssa. 4-18-1914. \$250.  
Ontario National Bank to City of Ontario. Lot 5, Blk 15, Ontario. 1-2-36. \$1.  
United States of America to Dennis W. Hon, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 35-26-44.

Lots 1 and 22 and S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 2; Lots 2, 3 and 4, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 1-27-44, cont. 653.31 acres. 6-10-27.

Glenwood Pounds et ux to Tay Wade Zutz, All Blk 32, Orig. Townsite of Vale 5-11-33. \$1.

Estelle Campbell et vir to C. M. Caldwell, All Lot 7, Blk 64, Green's Addn. Nyssa. 10-2-35. \$10.

R. J. Davis et ux to C. M. Caldwell, All Lots 24 to 28 incl Blk 61, Green's Addn. Nyssa. 4-27-35. \$1.

Emil A. Johnson et ux to C. M. Caldwell, Lots 1 to 7 inc. Blk 13; All of Blk 14 and Lot 14, Blk 4, Village of Arcadia, cont. 6.83 acres, excepting 20 ft off East side. Also 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  shares stock of the Owyhee Ditch Co. 10-3-35. \$10.

C. M. Morehouse et ux to Bernard Eastman, East 15 acres of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 7-16-37. 1-9-36. \$1.

Pacific Live Stock Co. to Emma Book, All that portion of N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 36-19-42, lying S and E of the RR, r-w, cont. 77.38 acres. 12-9-35.

United States of America to Minnie A. Fgty, Lots 1 and 5, Sec. 1-27-44, cont. 88.85 acres. 8-22-23.

T. J. Caldwell et al to C. W. Caldwell, Lot 7, Blk 11 Orig Townsite of Nyssa. 1-4-33. \$10.

Summers J. Smith to F. W. Smith NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 30; W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 29; NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 31-13--39, cont. 640 acres. SE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 15-14-49, cont. 160 acres. 1-15-36. \$1.

Jennie Wilson to Mowatt Cox NW $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , 11-17-47. 4-17-34. 950.

Mrs. Harley J. Jones et vir to E. C. MacFarland, Lots 2 and 3 Blk 73, Green's Addn. Nyssa. 12-14-35. \$200.

Coast Land Company Ltd. to Dave O. Saul NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 27-31-41, cont. 40 acres. 7-27-35. \$118.

Madora Jane Stephenson et al to F. B. Zutz, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 22-16-43. 1-14-35. \$10.

Jasper N. Woodcock to Rosa Woodcock, All of Sec. 35-14-38, cont. 640 acres. 8-23-34. \$100.

Jordan Valley Irrigation District to L. Y. Matthews et ux, Lots 1 to 12, Blk 1; Lots 1 and 2 and West 39 ft Lot 3 and West 39 ft Lot 10; also Lots 11 and 12, Blk 2, all in unincorporated city of Arock. 77-30-35.

Marriage Licenses Issued  
Woodford Paul Stone to Laura Elizabeth McCurdy. 1-16-36.

Kenneth Clifton Bronson and Lydia Jean Reimers. 1-17-36.

Chester Lyle Harris and Melba Alice Ward. 1-18-36.

## NYSSA BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY

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### CARL H. COAD

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW  
NYSSA : OREGON

### FACTS ABOUT NYSSA

Population, (1930) 821  
Recent estimates 1000  
Elevation 2186

### City Officers

Mayor Don Graham  
Councilmen Art Norcott, Al Thompson, Dick Tensen, Dean Smith.  
City Clerk A. R. Millar  
City Treasurer Arthur Boydell  
Marshall A. V. Cook  
Watermaster N. H. Pinkerton  
Health Officer Dr. J. J. Sarazin

### County Officers

County Judge David F. Graham  
Commissioners Ora Clark, E. H. Brumbaugh.  
Sheriff C. W. Glenn  
Clerk Roy Daley  
Assessor Murray Morton  
Treasurer Mrs. Ora Hope

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  
7 $\frac{1}{2}$  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  
Principal products hay, corn, dairying, stock raising, grains, potatoes, clover seed, peas, lettuce, onions and carrots.

### Distances to Other Points

—Eastbound—  
Caldwell 28  
Nampa 37  
Boise 57  
Pocatello 328  
Salt Lake City 516

—Westbound—  
Ontario 13  
Vale 20  
Baker 96  
La Grande 146  
Pendleton 192  
The Dalles 343  
Portland 435  
Burns 153

### A. L. FLETCHER

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### DR. E. D. NORCOTT

DENTIST  
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Visiting Eagles Welcome  
WARREN McHARGUE, Pres.  
DON M. GRAHAM, Secretary

### CITY TRANSFER

TRUCKING  
and  
TRANSFERRING  
Phone 15 and Phone 28  
C. Klinkenberg

### TOWNSEND CLUB MEETINGS

Meetings of the Townsend Club are held the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.  
The Public is Invited  
D. R. DeGross Pres.  
Mrs. A. V. Prunyn Sec.

### ON THE OLD JOB

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