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## SCHOOL HOUSING SERIOUS PROBLEM HERE—

ONE of the serious problems facing the Nyssa school district at the present time is housing facilities for the great many new students. Many new students entered school all during the present school year, all the way from one or two up to 13 per week. Most of these students were the children of new settlers who came to make their home on the Owyhee project.

The new school building, first used in January 1935, was built to replace the plant destroyed by fire in the summer of 1934. The equipment and housing facilities is designed for a student body of approximately 350 students. At the close of school this year the enrollment had reached a figure of 560 and every room was over crowded, with teachers unable to handle larger classes. If the present rate of increase in enrollment keeps up, and there is every evidence that it will, the enrollment when school starts next fall may reach 1,000 students. This is an immense enrollment for a town the size of Nyssa and is a heavy burden for the taxpayers.

School board members are wrestling with the problem now. With the large enrollment expected this fall, the housing facilities will be far short. Extra teachers will have to be hired and with the present facilities it is going to be difficult, perhaps impossible, to maintain the present high standards of scholarship.

This increase in enrollment is not a natural condition; but is brought on entirely through the rapid settlement of the Owyhee project. This we are glad to see and every child has a right to the very best education available. No child will be, nor can be denied the right to attend school. It is their right as Americans and it is up to someone to provide the facilities.

An effort has been made to get help from the federal government in meeting this problem, but up to date very little encouragement has been received. Nevertheless it would seem that the only possible solution is either help from the federal relief funds or from the reclamation department.

What makes it a particularly knotty problem is the fact the new lands will not be assessed for a period of four years, and all that time the old land, established farmers and business men are expected to shoulder the burden of educating the children of the new settlers. This they would be glad to do if they were able, but conditions have not been too smooth in the past few years and to add to the tax levy would be intolerable in many cases.

Our only hope seems to lay with the federal government. District No. 26 must have help in housing these new students, equipping a building and carrying on the expense of the school. The district asks no help in educating and caring for its own students, but to double the enrollment of the school in less than a year, with no addition to the assessed valuation of the district means that outside help must be secured. It is hoped that some way will be worked out so that the Nyssa school can grow and expand as it normally should under the impetus of the settlement of the Owyhee Project.

### COMMENTS BY CLARK WOOD

And if you reap where you do not sow, Uncle Sam will get our dough.

A hick town is one wherein the stewed rube sobers up on stewed rhubarb.

Even Nebraska's one-house legislature probably seems at times to consist of one house too many.

Women, more and more, are going into politics. One can't be sure whether politics will be purified or the women corrupted.

One is getting pretty well along in the sere and yellow if he recalls the time when motor casualties were unknown.

## Squirts FROM THE LINOTYPE

By John E. Public

Friends of Lot Brown, former Nyssa attorney, will be sorry to learn that he lost the Democratic nomination for District Attorney over in Baker county by the narrow margin of 37 votes. The successful candidate was Howard Bergman.

We are glad to see so much clean-up and painting work being done. However, there is more needed, and Nyssa will especially want to put their best foot forward when the Land Seekers tour arrives here June 23rd for a three-day stay. Let's have the town shining like a new dime when these folks from the middle west arrive to judge us and our land.

Last Friday was National Straw Hat day, the day when every man was supposed to put the felt hat in moth balls and blossom out in a new straw bonnet. Mayors of several southern Idaho towns issued a proclamation and everyone had a lot of fun ceremoniously putting away the old felt chapeaux and donning a new straw.

Prune producers of this section don't know whether to laugh or cry. Trees bloomed heavily but the fruit dropped heavily a few days after setting. The crop is expected to be not more than 25 per cent of normal; and other prune districts are in the same fix. This will probably result in high prices, but with a short crop; prune growers are uncertain as to how they will fare this year.

## CHARGE LABOR LEADERS WITH EXPLOITATION

Ontario May 21—Hundreds of thousands of dollars are wrung every year from the working men and women of Oregon in order that their paid business agents and salaried leaders might live and travel in luxury, according to officials of the Oregon Producers and Shippers Association, who are sponsoring a campaign to strip this arrogant labor leadership from the false glamour which surrounds it.

Not only have the working people paid by their bitter toil for the countless luxuries enjoyed by their leaders, but their dollars likewise have been employed to further acts of violence, including murderous assaults, according to the report of W. H. Perkins, manager of the labor situation as it exists in Oregon today.

"We need to refer only to court records to disclose the damnable type of labor leadership which has been prevalent in this state during recent months," he stated. "Every citizen of Oregon should recall the employment of hired gunmen by the

business agent of the woodworkers' union in Portland to beat up and maim for life a woodworker who refused to join that particular union. The business agent is now serving a long term in the state penitentiary as a result of his conviction, and yet there has never been one word of reprobation of that labor thug from the labor leaders of Portland or Oregon.

"We all remember the more recent attack on working men of a timber workers' and loggers' union at Seaside, in which several persons were killed and numerous others seriously wounded. The attacking party of rival union members was led that bloody morning by the business agent of the union, who was shot and seriously wounded in the resultant gunplay.

"For many weeks last summer, non-union timber and sawmill workers were beaten up and maimed by thugs during a prolonged labor disturbance. Many times during the year state police were required to suppress these labor riots.

"When the state police law was enacted five years ago, the labor lobby at Salem was powerful enough to coerce the legislators into inserting a clause denying state police the right to protect life and property in time of labor disorders. It was not until the last regular session that the law was amended, and it was due largely to the splendid manner in which state police have since functioned during labor disorders that there has been less loss of life and property.

"Organized labor could and should be a vital force in improving the employment conditions of working men and women. It could and should be a force that could command the respect and confidence of the public generally. But organized labor has fallen into ill repute and will continue in that lowly estate until there is regeneration of its present leadership.

"If the working men and women are powerless to remove these false leaders, the time has come for the people, through their lawmakers, to place reasonable restrictions on these radical labor leaders in order that organized labor—a great and good movement for the betterment of the working class—might survive. "A labor leader who refers to all police officers as "cossacks" is not a fit person to direct the activities of the labor movement."

## APPLE VALLEY

Miss Genevieve Dixon left Saturday for her home in Oregon where she plans to spend the vacation.

Henry Otani has a crew of nineteen weeding onions for him on the Nelson ranch. The work started Monday.

C. D. Vertrees also has a crew of ten weeding onions on his ranch. Mrs. Stanley Stout and Marvin and Norma were visitors in Nampa Wednesday afternoon.

A large crowd attended the last day of school picnic Friday. The program was exceptionally well given, especially good was the dance performed by Duane Johnson and Anna Fritts. They were dressed in quaint Dutch costumes. Games were enjoyed in the afternoon.

## ROXY - Saturday Midnite Sun. Mon. Tues. Wed.



1935's Academy Award winner, VICTOR McLAGLEN, again plays a magnificent warrior in 20th Century's "Under Two Flags", a picture of flaming conflict and tumultuous love under Sahara stars.

## LINCOLN NEWS

School closed Thursday with a picnic on the school grounds. In the afternoon a short P. T. A. meeting was held, followed by a ball game with the farmers winning 11 to 9. Several high school pupils attended.

Friday after a ball game with White Settlement with them winning a victory of 8 to 2, all the pupils from the 4th grade up enjoyed a swim at the Vale natatorium, a treat of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Marshall. The pupils also received their report cards Friday with everyone passing.

The high school pupils are taking exams Wednesday and Thursday. Those on Willis's bus plan a picnic

on Birdings' Island Friday. A number of farmers are putting out poison for ground squirrels.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Nielson and family enjoyed a picnic at Owyhee dam Sunday.

Miss Ruth Chindgren, Home Economics Teacher, called at the Chamberlain home Monday evening. Mrs. Mae Chapman and David Rees were dinner guests at the Archie Hawkins home Sunday.

## ROCKVILLE NEWS

Emil John has been in this neighborhood the past week.

Miss Edna Snyder has returned to her home in Davenport, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Emiel Claude were Rockville visitors the last of the week.

Mrs. Angus McIvor and small daughter Betty were in Rockville Friday. Mrs. McIvor was clerk on the election board.

The school picnic was greatly enjoyed Thursday at Sullivan Springs and there were about twenty-one present.

Mrs. Mary Strode is slowly recovering from an attack of quinsy. She is with her mother Mrs. Robert McConnell at Cow Creek.

Mrs. Bud Mattingly visited at the Andrew Greeley home Friday. Mrs. Essie Nichols and Nora Wise called on Mrs. Henry Masonholder Wednesday.

Otis Nichols and family motored to Nyssa Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Masonholder visited at the parental Andrew Masonholder home Friday.

Otis Nichols family made a trip to Nampa and Caldwell Sunday.

Normand McKenzie is expected home from the hospital at Nampa the last of this week. He is recover-

ing from an appendix operation.

The Andrew Greeley family attended the circus in Caldwell Saturday.

Ianthia Green returned to her home Tuesday after a month's work at Mrs. Chan Warner's home.

Sidney Boren and Ray Ashcraft visited in Nampa Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Newt Thomason will spend this week end at Goding, Ida., visiting Mrs. Gamble and family.

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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  
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E. H. Brumbach,  
Sheriff . . . . . C. W. Glenn  
Clerk . . . . . Roy Daley  
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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  
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.

#### Distances to Other Points

##### —Eastbound—

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

##### —Westbound—

Ontario . . . . . 12  
Vale . . . . . 20  
Baker . . . . . 96  
La Grande . . . . . 146  
Pendleton . . . . . 192  
The Dalles . . . . . 343  
Portland . . . . . 435  
Burns . . . . . 155

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