

# The Gate City Journal

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## MAY FIRST IS CHILD HEALTH DAY

THOSE people blessed with healthful bodies and economic security have every reason to live happy lives. Of the two, a healthy body is the most important, and no amount of wealth can bring true happiness unless coupled with health. This is a fact well known to everyone but sometimes overlooked in the mad scramble for dollars.

May 1st then, as Child Health Day, is a splendid time to pause and consider the importance of health. A strong constitution, started in early childhood, is a priceless asset. Let us honor those people in our community who are giving their time and energy conducting clinics and other health work. By pointing the way toward improved health of our youngsters, they are performing a service which will pay dividends more precious than gold.

## IMPORTANT CITY ELECTION COMING MAY 11th

FIFTEEN proposed charter amendments will be put to the voters at a special election called for May 11th and a careful study of these reforms will enable the informed electorate to go to the polls and cast an intelligent vote. These propositions are outlined in this issue of the paper and time should be taken to study and weigh the merits of each proposition before voting time on May 11th.

Many of the charter amendments are minor in nature, but are necessary to comply with certain laws on the statute books. The voters must realize that the city is now operating under the original charter of 1903, and that vast changes in the social, economic and political life of the city have taken place since the original charter was adopted. The election May 11th, at which time it is hoped all the propositions will be adopted, will do much toward putting the charter in a workable condition.

In accordance with law on the subject, the various measures to be put before the public will be published in booklet form and distributed to the voters of the city. In the booklet there is an opportunity to include arguments both for and against the proposed changes. We suggest that the voters study the proposed amendments included in this issue, and when the booklet is issued, to read it carefully and then go to the polls prepared to vote for the best interests of Nyssa.

## FIRE RESISTING CONSTRUCTION IS OF VITAL IMPORTANCE

THE fire which wiped out part of the business section of Canyon City last Monday will not have been in vain if it will serve as a warning to other cities. While the damage was heavy, running from 75 to 100 thousand dollars; a new water system recently installed at Canyon City is credited with having prevented the destruction of the entire town.

In the case of the Canyon City fire, the blaze started in a hotel room and spread rapidly. It consumed the drug store, then jumped across the street to a service station and soon destroyed this and a large mercantile establishment. A total of eight to 10 buildings in the business section were destroyed as the firemen battled to prevent loss of the entire town. Among the business establishments destroyed was The Blue Mountain Eagle, the town's newspaper.

The importance of fireproof buildings and adequate fire fighting equipment is obvious. The need for strict regulation in new building construction, is thus exemplified in this terrible fire which destroyed so many of the possessions of Canyon City.

Canyon City may never be rebuilt. The neighboring town of John Day, only two miles away, may be enlarged to include the business establishments of the destroyed city and thus Canyon City will be only a ghost of its former self.

Other municipalities can learn a lesson at Canyon City's expense. No doubt more attention will be paid to building in such a manner that a fire in one building cannot spread to the entire town. More interest will be manifest in having modern, efficient fire apparatus, and well-practiced firemen, wise in the ways of fighting the red demon.

## It Happened In Nyssa Years Ago

Interesting bits of history gleaned from the files of years ago.

Taken From the Gate City Journal April 30, 1920

While Clyde Long and Al Thompson were burning straw near the Pete Tensen farm on Thursday, the wind changed blowing sparks into the hay nearby, burning the feed racks and fence posts and also burning 25 double stands of bees belonging to W. W. Foster. Being unable to check the flames, they managed to save 40 of the bee stands.

Mrs. Bud Anderson returned from Vale this week where she had been visiting home folks. Mrs. Addie Wilson and daughter Gertrude were Baker visitors this week.

A party consisting of Barney Wilson, Harry Goshert, Marlin Wilson, Albert Cook, C. H. Prettyman, Geo. Green, S. Burbridge and Con Wilson were out to Cottonwood last Sunday. They report good fishing and trout in fine shape, with George Green the acknowledged champion fisherman.

Jack McConnell made a trip this week to his camp at Dry creek.

The baseball game, Nyssa vs. Fruitland played last Sunday was marked by many good plays and gives an optimistic idea that we have some of the most promising material for games can produce. The lineup for Nyssa included Tom Newby, Aden Wilson, F. E. Young, Hank Teutsch, Mr. Keene, Jack Teutsch, Felton Duncan, Artie Robertson. Keene pitched five innings and "Fan 'em out" Charlie Newbill the last four. The results of the game were 12 to 5 in favor of Nyssa.

April 29, 1927

The Misses Elizabeth and Jessie Carter and brother George of Boise visited their sister Mrs. Pud Long Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Foster, father of "Honey" Foster arrived in Nyssa Friday to spend some time with his son and family.

Dr. J. J. Sarazin and wife were Ontario visitors Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. Barney Wilson is entertaining today for Mrs. Chap Williams of Fruitland, Mrs. Ross Clement of Caldwell, Mrs. E. D. Stafford and Mrs. Beulah Clement of Notus. The two former ladies are aunts and the two latter cousins of Mrs. Wilson.

W. B. Hoxie was a business visitor in Vale Thursday.

Monday morning work started on the new blacksmith shop on Main street which is being erected by Frank Leuck just west of his present location. The building will be a cement block structure. This will be an added improvement to Nyssa's Main street. Joe Meyers has the contract for construction.

## W. C. T. U. INSTITUTE

The Malheur County W. C. T. U. held their institute of April 20 at Harper. The morning business session and citizenship lecture was held in the Nazarene church at which time Mrs. W. G. Greene of Nyssa was elected vice president. At noon an elaborate covered luncheon was served in the high school building.

In the afternoon Rev. Perry of Harper lead the devotionals. Mrs. Poage of Nyssa sang a solo and Vivian Higby of Nyssa gave an oration on the Economic Situation. Then Miss Hartzell and Miss Speicher from the Nazarene College in Nampa sang two duets.

Mrs. Magnus, nurse from Nampa, gave a fine discourse in the interests of the Social Welfare Department. Rev. Floyd White then gave a talk on the Consequences of War; Mrs. Troxell of Ontario a talk on Marijuana Addicts.

Mrs. E. M. Carter, president, led all sessions. About fifty men, women and children were present, with three car loads attending from Nyssa.

## Mayor's May Day Proclamation

WHEREAS, the youth of Nyssa are its future citizens,

WHEREAS, the efficiency and wealth of a community are dependent upon the health of its citizens,

WHEREAS, the basis of child welfare is child health, sound minds clothed in sound bodies,

WHEREAS, May Day has through the ages been dedicated to joyous health and happiness in the great out of doors.

THEREFORE, I, DON M. GRAHAM, Mayor of the City of Nyssa, do hereby designate May 1st, as May Day in 1937, and call upon the people of Nyssa to celebrate this day in honor of the health and welfare of our children.

DON M. GRAHAM, Mayor

## Malheur County To Observe "National Child Health Day"

### IMPORTANCE OF CHILD HEALTH STRESSED IN PROGRAMS OVER COUNTY

Mr. J. L. Turnbull, President of the Malheur County Public Health Association has at the request of the civic organizations of Vale, Nyssa and Ontario appointed Mrs. Chas. P. Fiegel as County Chairman of May Day—Child Health Day.

May Day has been designated by congress and by proclamation of the President of the United States as "National Child Health Day." Therefore, the civic clubs and organizations of Malheur County with the teachers, school children and school superintendent of the county in cooperation with the Child Welfare Agencies, Family Welfare Agencies, National, state and local Health Departments, Health and Medical groups, Educational Groups, American Red Cross, National and Civic Groups, and the United States Children's Bureau, will stage a National Demonstration for the Children of America with the accent on "Health Protection for Every Child."

Katherine F. Lenroot, Chief, United States Children's Bureau, is the National May Day-Child Health Day chairman. Miss Lenroot is leading the country in a wide celebration to arouse the interests of the people to this non-controversial subject, "Health Protection for Every Child." To this end the organizations of Malheur County, asks your assistance.

Mrs. Fiegel as County Chairman will announce later programs and accomplishments of Malheur County and is using May Day-Child Health Day 1937 to begin a program rather than to summarize one. She hopes that through the year each organization will definitely interest its membership in some special project to bring about in Malheur County "Health Protection for Every Child," progress made during the basis of reports and programs for May Day-Child Health Day in 1938.



## DIGNIFIED SERVICE

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## THE NYSSA FUNERAL HOME

## CARL H. COAD

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

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## TOWNSEND CLUB MEETINGS

Meetings of the Townsend Club are held once a month in homes of members.

The Public is Invited  
D. R. DeGross - President  
Mrs. A. V. Pruy - Sec

## NYSSA LIBRARY OPEN SATURDAY

Town Patrons 2:30 to 5:30  
Out-of-town patrons 2:30 to 7:30

ALL PATRONS WELCOME  
Mrs. Fred Marshall, Librarian

## ON THE OLD JOB

H. D. Holmes

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City Limits

NYSSA, OREGON Phone 6



See Nyssa AS OTHERS SEE IT.

Painting of the new telephone building this week has brightened up the looks of that corner immensely. It was colored a pleasing shade of yellow and it will now be easy to direct strangers to the telephone office. We can say, "Its that yellow stucco building on the corner."

Sidewalks were also put in this week and it will now be easy to slip down that way and visit a moment with the genial operators. Now if some miracle would happen, and sidewalks be built westward from the phone office to complete the block, it would be the first block in Nyssa having sidewalks on all four sides. Some of the local cement workers were a little miffed that they didn't get the job.

Not to stray too far from the subject, but the lots west of the telephone office would be a pretty good location for a combination city hall-library-jail-fire house, etc.

A crew from Shell headquarters brightened up the Norcott Service in spots this week. Major improvement was the installation last week by Art of a new and modern gas pump, which the painting crew dolled up in the Shell colors.

Nyssa has some pretty good decorators and window sign painters, but among the top-notchers should be listed Mr. J. J. Chandler. He has been in Nyssa about a month and has painted some mighty pretty signs on the Eder window.

Have you noticed how a bright new floor covering can brighten up a store? Wilson Drygoods store recently put down brand new linoleum in a bright, colorful pattern and patrons have been heard commenting on the astounding difference it makes.

Want to buy a watch? ... one about two feet across, and about the right size and weight to carry around in a pickup? This is not an advertisement, but we noticed this jeweler's emblem in the window of Olson's second hand store and indicates the variety of merchandise one can find in a second hand establishment.

Spring days bring the urge to paint up and clean up; and the Kozy Cafe has done a nice job of redecorating their interior. Both The Owyhee and Vogue beauty shops have improved the inside of their places of business lately. The Smoke Shop also got the urge and is sporting a nice-scarlet and green front.

A reminder that summer's sun will soon be beating down is seen in the installation of new front window awnings installed at Wilsons. Ever notice that all the awnings in Nyssa are on the north side of the street?

A nippy little frost Friday night knocked the edges off some of the gardens around town, and also thinned out the strawberry blossoms. Most crops were unharmed, and usually these spring frosts don't cut the yield much at harvest time, but do look bad the next day.

We like to boast of our wheat crops, our beet crops and our hay crops, and unless certain steps are taken, we will probably be able to boast of our fly output this year.

SELL IT OR BUY IT THROUGH A CLASSIFIED AD.

## Building and Property Values ARE GOING UP

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Check your fire insurance policies ... Are you carrying enough insurance to adequately reimburse you in event of fire loss?

LET US ANALYZE YOUR INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS ... WE WRITE ALL KINDS OF INSURANCE

Frank T. Morgan

Nyssa, Oregon

Phone 31

## NYSSA BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY

WE RECOMMEND THEM

### FACTS ABOUT NYSSA

Population (1930) 821  
Recent Estimates 1400  
Elevation 2186

#### City Officers

Mayor Don M. Graham  
Councilmen Al Thompson  
Leslie McClure, Berwyn Burke,  
Sid Burbridge

City Clerk A. R. Millar  
City Treasurer Lewis Wiltshire  
Marshall A. V. Cook  
Watermaster N. H. Pinkerton  
Fire Chief Wm. Schreman  
Health Officer Dr. J. J. Sarazin

#### County Officers

County Judge David F. Graham  
Commissioners Ora Clark,  
L. P. Peterson

Sheriff C. W. Glenn  
County Clerk Harry Sackett  
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  
School board; Mrs. E. C. Wilson,  
chairman; C. L. McCoy, Fred  
Koopman, Dwight Smith, Clerk.

#### Facts About Owyhee Project

Principal Products—Hay, sugar  
beets, corn, dairying, stock raising,  
grains, clover seed, potatoes  
peas lettuce, onions, fruits and  
berries.

Cost of Owyhee Dam \$8,000,000  
7 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, 100,00 acres

Principal products hay,  
corn, dairying, stock raising,  
grains, potatoes, clover seed, peas,  
lettuce, onions and carrots.

## A. L. FLETCHER

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

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## DR. E. D. NORCOTT

DENTIST

Office Phone 35F2

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## Nyssa Aerie

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CLAUDE WILLSON, Pres.

KERMIT LIENKAEMPER  
Secretary

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and

TRANSFERRING

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## Powell Service Station

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