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NYSSA STEPPING OUT WITH MANY IMPROVEMENTS—

Now is a good time to point out the progress Nyssa is making in many ways, notably civic improvements. As is well known, the principal thing accomplished last summer was the building of a sewer system for the city. This was a long felt need and it has been in active operation for several months. Now extensions are contemplated to add to the usefulness of the system and the well being and progress of the city.

Sometime later this summer the qualified voters of Nyssa will likely be asked to pass their judgment on a bond issue for the construction of a city hall; another long felt need and rapidly becoming a strict necessity.

Action was taken this week leading toward the building of sidewalks in certain parts of town; and once started it is believed that a more adequate system of walks will likely be extended to many points over the city. A city must certainly have a sidewalk system as it emerges into small city class. Villages, you know, have one or two main sidewalks and over the rest of the town the resident wade in spring mud and summer dust.

There is also a strong sentiment in favor of improving the streets toward the end of dust control. Before very long we are apt to see a few streets treated with a dust-proof preparation as an experiment, and if successful; the treatment will likely be extended to many other parts of town. This is said to be relatively inexpensive and while not as effective as pavement; would be a vast improvement.

Extension of water and a more adequate system of domestic and fire protection water for the east side of town is also under serious consideration. This is a long needed improvement rapidly becoming a necessity with the construction of several new residence buildings on the east side of the tracks. Under the present conditions much of the section is totally without adequate city fire protection; and the domestic and irrigation water condition has long been a subject of complaint.

Another improvement contemplated, if the voters see fit, is the purchase of land and active work started on a park project for Nyssa. It is believed that a WPA labor project can be secured for this work and a start made which will lead to a permanent and lasting benefit to Nyssa and its surrounding territory.

The problem of cemetery improvement is being tackled by a responsible committee and this long neglected subject should be permanently improved by a water system, fencing, flowers, trees and grass.

With the city setting the pace in civic improvement, business interests are also awakening to the necessity of enlarging their quarters. The brick work on the new theatre is completed and the interior work will likely be completed by early fall. The past few days has seen a basement and forms made for a building to set next to the new theatre and being constructed by Bernard Frost. The Owyhee Irrigation office is being modernized and improved, and when ready for public inspection you will find that wonders have been accomplished. A vast increase in patronage has made it necessary to enlarge the post office quarters.

The example of these improvements might well be followed by others to the end that Nyssa business establishments will be equipped to handle the vast amount of trade belonging to Nyssa, but we must have the facilities to handle it. "Business goes where it is invited, and stays where it is well treated." Lets not forget this cardinal rule of business success.

CLARK WOOD COMMENTS

The man who pays his own way usually pays, in addition the way of somebody else.

It begins to look as though an administration that veers too far to the left just can't be right.

A Schenectady surgeon removed a quarter from a man's stomach. Any chap who tries to hoard money like that should be given no quarter.

It Happened In Nyssa Years Ago

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

Taken From The Gate City Journal July 23, 1920

A most enjoyable party was given at the home of Elizabeth and Margaret Carter on Friday July 16. Those present were Gertrude Tensen, Geneva Vaughn, Ruth and Jack Barrett, Gordon, Dwight and Bill McDonald, Dora Thompson, Edna Dennis, Charley Newbill, Robert James Kakebeck and Bliss Carter.

Claud H. Wilson and A. H. Wilson are building houses for themselves on lots which they recently purchased on Locust Avenue from George Green.

Aden Wilson and Pud Long left Wednesday on a roustabouting trip to the mountains.

Bill Peutz, good natured and smiling was in town from the Owyhee Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hunt returned Tuesday from an outing at Pine Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Davis will teach the Arcadia school this year.

P. M. Binkley and Ben Smith were in town after pump repairs Wednesday. They reported that water in the Owyhee canal is getting low.

W. W. Foster is preparing to take care of a big crop of honey this fall. Saturday he received 1000 five-gallon cans and hauled them to his apiary in two truck loads. Viewed from a distance they looked like a battle tank going into action.

E. M. Dean and family went to Oregon Slope Sunday to visit the A. M. Johnson family who until recently lived near Nyssa.

Taken From The Gate City Journal July 15, 1927

Friends of Reta Beam and Warren Blodgett and Hazel Beam and Roy Pounds were surprised to learn that they had stolen off with "Dan Cupid" as chauffeur and were married at Baker last Friday night.

Reta Beam is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Beam, formerly of Nyssa but now of Alberson, Oregon, and Warren Blodgett is the eldest son of Attorney and Mrs. E. M. Blodgett.

Hazel Beam is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Beam of Nyssa and Roy Pounds is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Pounds and is the owner of the Nyssa Barber Shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Boydell and children left Tuesday morning for Vera Cruz, California to visit with the Delno Gibson family. They will be gone two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis P. Thomas of Oakland, California accompanied by Win Brown of Vale visited H. F. Brown Tuesday. Mrs. Thomas is the daughter of Win Brown.

Geo. Green and Daddy Powell and John Moore formed a party of fishermen bound for Logan Valley. They enjoyed their outing from Saturday until Tuesday.

Miss Fay Swan entertained several of her girl friends at her home Monday afternoon the occasion being her birthday.

NEWS OF RECORD

Real Estate Transfers Recorded
 Gottfrid Johanson et al to Paul E. Van Patten Trustee, Lots 14 and 15, Block 1 Adrian, 7, 2, 37, \$800.

R. C. Enos et ux to Paul E. Van Patten, Trustee, Lots 14 and 15, Block 1; Lots 8, 9, and 10, Block 10 Adrian, 7, 2, 37, \$100.

R. J. Davis et ux to N. E. Leigh, Lots 13 and 14, Block 9, Nyssa 10, 2, 36, \$10.

Undivided 1/2 interest in E 1/2 SW 1/4 L. Adam et ux to Thea Emison, and all of SE 1/4 west of Oregon Street Line R. R. right of way in 6, 22, 37, \$1. (Q C Deed)

Malheur County to John Holly,

Blocks 16 and 17, Adrian 7, 2, 37, \$42.84.
 Lennie Thayer to Ida B. Gordon S 1/2 SE 1/4 and NW 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec. 4-19-44, 1, 25, 35, \$1. (Q C Deed).
 C. W. Glenn, Sheriff to State of Oregon SE 1/4 NW 1/4, S 1/2 SW 1/4 NW 1/4, and part of NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec 36-19-46, 7, 2, 37, \$6,719.35.

Malheur County to Owyhee Irrigation District W 1/2 SW 1/4 and SE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 36-20-45, 4, 7, 37, \$206.11.

N. E. Leigh to Bernard T. Frost East 9 1/2 feet of Lot 14, Block 9, Nyssa 6, 28, 37, \$700.

Mrs. Roy James et vir to N. E. Leigh Lots 13 and 14, Block 9, Nyssa, 7, 1, 37, \$1. (Q C Deed)

O. E. Feldman et ux to Orville M. Feldman NW 1/4 SW 1/4 and N 1/2 NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec 27-18-4, 7, 8, 37, \$10.

O. T. Feldman et ux to William L. Griffiths SE 1/4 SW 1/4 and S 1/4 NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 27-18-4, 7, 8, 37, \$10.

C. W. Glenn Sheriff to Gladys M. Dillon, Lots 1 and 2, Block 11, Kelleys Add. to Vale, 1, 2, 37, \$18.90.

United States to Gladys M. Dillon SW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec 20-18-44, 12, 18, 36.

Louise Johnson to Dorothy Case Lots 29 and 30, Block 10, Riverside Add to Ontario, 7, 7, 36, \$10.

James H. Stofiel et ux I. B. Allen SE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec 34-18-46, 6, 29, 37, \$10.

C. J. Northrup et ux to I. B. Allen NE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec 34-18-46, 7, 2, 37, \$10

John D. Oxman et ux to State of Oregon Jamieson Acreage Tract No. 191, 4, 19, 37, \$2,500.

Marriage Licenses Issued
 Ernest Alonzo Trueax and Mercedes Ellen Jones, 7, 6, 37.
 David Charles Shurtliff and Helyn Margaret Robinette, 7, 6, 37.
 Wendell Robert Neff and Ruth Ardis Hawkins, 7, 7, 37.

Wesley Harp and Marble Harp, 7, 9, 37.

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.

Your editorial concerning black widow spider was read with interest and the Doctor's failure to get spider bit was so touching that I immediately decided to come to his aid.

Being a close observer of any phase of nature which comes within my environment, I happen to have a first hand knowledge of black widow spiders which I am only too glad to be able to put to practical use. If the Doctor really pines for a caress from a black widow I think I can put him wise to a procedure that will bring gratifying results, at least to himself.

The black widow, whose mandibles are very small compared to those of most other species, bites only to obtain nourishment and not for offence or defence. As she is a shy home loving body she depends entirely upon her web for protection and provender. Therefore if forcefully removed from it she immediately loses appetite thru fear accounted for no doubt by the fact that she has an ardent admirer in the person of the large webbed, gray spider, a love by the way that is entirely unrequited, and when he catches her away from her web, he presses his suit to her complete undoing.

From these observations, I deduce, the Doctor may accomplish his purpose by gently inserting his hand within the web and allowing it to tremble slightly. If I were doing it the trembling would not require the slightest effort. Probably a greater effort would be needed to prevent overacting the part and frighten away the object of my desire. Also it might be necessary to try different webs in order to find an occupant sufficiently hungry to take the chance.

It was once my good luck to see a marauding gray spider, misled by his hunger into climbing onto the

web of a Black Widow. The reason for his mistake came from the unusual position of the web, close to the ground, it being constructed under a building which stood on blocks a foot or two in height. The Widows demonstration of welcome certainly lacked nothing in effusiveness. She circled around her visitor or so fast that it must have made him dizzy and in less time than it takes to tell it, he was all wrapped up in the strands of her attractions and was forced to prolong his intended call to a life time of duress. Though the Widows attentions made that lifetime a very short one. It is peeps such as this into dramas of the animal kingdom which so richly repay the naturalist for his patient observation.

A. D. GILBERT

ADRIAN NEWS BY MRS. TED NEWTON

Sid Flanigan started sorting and packing potatoes Friday afternoon. R. C. Enos and Lois drove through Adrian Tuesday en route to Boise.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lunte of Buhl, Idaho were Monday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ashcraft and Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Ashcraft and families.

John Enos and Charles Weir returned Sunday from a weeks fishing trip in the Malheur National forest near Burns.

Mrs. W. W. Smith visited with Mrs. James McGinnis Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hatch and son returned to their home in Adrian this week after a visit with Mrs. Hatch's relatives in Idaho Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Marker of Boise were Sunday dinner guests in the Charles McConnell home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Ashcraft called on Mrs. Floyd Zeisger and infant daughter in Weiser Wednesday.

Mrs. Haworth, Harvey Otis, Claude Eachus and John Holly motor edot Boise Friday on business concerning the new high school building.

Mr. and Mrs. Duke Rohland and sons visited with friends in Vale, Oregon Sunday.

Earl Spark returned Thursday from Cascade, Idaho, and left Sunday for Yakima, Wash., on business.

Mr. Hummel of Boise was in Adrian Sunday to look over the new high school building site and to submit preliminary sketches for a suitable building.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerrt Muntjewerff returned Saturday from a successful fishing trip in the Idaho hills.

Misses Betty Nelson, Joyce Ashcraft and Clarence Enos were visitors in Adrian Sunday.

Regular Sunday services are being held at the Kingman Colony school house. A reception will be given July 19 for the new minister Rev. Kermit Echlberger.

Many Nice Farms Found On The Owyhee Project

By R. J. DAVIS

A trip over the project is a pleasant experience, and with a great deal of anticipation, the writer and Mr. Watt Williams started on a 40 mile jaunt over the Owyhee project this week.

We turned in at the E. G. Gonnlison place, five miles north west of Nyssa where Mr. Gonnlison has 80 acres of some of the finest land under the project. He has a good home, an abundant garden and a bumper crop of grain. His grain will be the first crop harvested from his new farm, and it is freely estimated that it will yield at least 30 bushels to the acre; a very fine record for a first crop.

The starting of a model farm can be seen at the James Malloy place. He lives five miles west of Nyssa, near his good neighbor, J. Wesley Browne.

Wes Browne, the genial farmer and implement dealer has a home-stand place which he is getting in good shape. He is a good farmer and his crops look like they would yield very well. His home and barnyard are rapidly taking on a home-like atmosphere, with flowers, garden and a recently completed trellis fence.

Glen Suiter believes in a comfortable home to go with his productive acres and has built a very pleasant home mostly below the surface. The walls are fully insulated, making it warm in winter and cool in summer; and every room is in apple-pie order. His basement home is an especially fine retreat for the past few weeks and during the winter he can roast his shins during the cold winter evening in snug comfort.

E. R. Anderson and Mrs. Anderson have a splendid reputation as farmers. The amount of work they have accomplished in the short time they have been there is nothing short of astounding; and his crops show the results of careful tending.

Ed Henderson has one of the larger farms, having 350 acres of fine soil planted to alfalfa, corn grain and other crops.

F. A. Powell, Nazarene minister who is now developing a farm on the project is making great headway. He has 65 acres in alfalfa and grain.

John Ridder is busy clearing and leveling, getting ready to put in crop on the new land. He wants things in good shape before planting and many of the best farmers will tell you that his policy is sound.

O. E. Cheldelin is developing 160 acres that is a treat to the eye. He is getting it in good shape, putting a good share of it in crop and boasts one of the finest wells in the neighborhood.

Walter Benson has a new 80 acre farm and already has 65 acres of it in cultivation and is developing a fine place. In this day and age, it doesn't take long for a farm to change from raw sagebrush to productive acres.

Fred Province has 40 acres of choice land he bought from the Eastern Oregon Land Co. Half of it is in cultivation and he has a good crop this year; along with a fine garden just 60 days from sagebrush. He is one of the country's best booster's and we enjoyed visiting with him. He says he will never go back to his home state of Nebraska to live.

S. B. Hoffman has 80 acres, half of it in grain and other crops and when he gets it all under cultivation; he will have one of the prize places on the project. Those who are puzzled about the finer points of irrigation should see the work Mr. Hoffman is doing and study his methods.

A. L. Nothers, who came here from South Dakota has 80 acres which he is working on and expects to have it in good shape for some fall planting.

Ira Chadd, who calls Nebraska his home state but is now thoroughly sold on Oregon has 80 acres of fine land, with wheat, alfalfa, general crops and a well built house.

We were pleased to note that most of the farmers on the project are doing well. With a rich volcanic soil, plenty of water, an ideal climate and with the application of elbow grease and energy, big crops can be produced. Truly we are living in one of the finest sections in the country, and we have the men and women here to develop this project into a wonderful empire.

CHAS. H. CHRISTESON CHRISTMAS SEAL CHAIRMAN

J. L. Turnbull county president of the Malheur County Public Health Association has announced the appointment of Chas. H. Christeson of Ontario as chairman of the Christmas Seal sale in this county for 1937.

While it is still several months until the sale actually gets underway, Mr. Christeson expects to start right in appointing his committee helpers and make the 1937 sale the largest in history.

Past successful sales have been under the chairmanship of Mrs. M. C. Imbler of the Payette-Oregon Slope district, but she has moved to Evergreen, Idaho for the summer and was not available to conduct the sale again this year.

Phone your news items to the Journal.

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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

Recorder M. F. Solomon
 City Treasurer Lewis Wiltshire
 Marshall A. V. Cook
 Watermaster N. H. Pinkerton
 Fire Chief Wm. Shireman
 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

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 \$6,000,000
 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, 100,000 acres
 Principal products hay, corn, dairying, stock raising, grains, potatoes, clover seed, peas, lettuce, onions and carrots.

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