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NYSSA SETS THE PACE

Of interest to Salem in its contemplated drive for adequate hospital facilities is the result of a similar drive in the little eastern Oregon city of Nyssa, Malheur county, "gateway to southeastern Oregon, the fastest growing community in the famous Snake river valley, with all streets paved and curbed" as its Chamber of Commerce proudly proclaims.

Nyssa claims a population of 2900 and raised in the campaign for a new hospital \$262,309, with pledges for \$5000 more. Greater Salem's population is estimated in the 1948 Polk's directory as 46,000. But for purposes of comparison, will take the more conservative figure of 43,500, or 15 times the population of Nyssa. If Salem citizens contributed to a hospital drive in proportion to those of Nyssa, the amount raised would be \$3,934,635. There is no reason why they shouldn't for our industries, resources and wealth are far greater proportionately than those of Nyssa.

Donors to the hospital fund in Nyssa numbered 1650. If Salemites contributed proportionately to those of Nyssa there would be 24,750 contributors. Donations per capita in Nyssa are \$89.75, the average per donor \$158. There was one \$12,500 donation, three of \$5000, two of \$3000, three of \$2500, four of \$2000, seven of \$1500, 27 of \$1000, 116 of \$500, 18 of \$300, 18 of \$250, 59 of \$200, 682 of \$100, 295 of \$50, 225 of \$25, 98 of \$10, and 558 of \$5. Other contributors made up the total.

Nyssa has reason to be proud of the enterprise and vision of its citizens, but there is no reason why Salem should not make a comparative showing in a hospital campaign for the most needed institution in the valley—unless it is because of traditional inertia and parsimony. We can't expect much of a future unless we adequately prepare for it—and adequate care of the sick and injured is an inescapable obligation of the entire population. We can attain any goal we desire if we exercise our latent initiative and driving force in a carefully planned

and conducted co-operative effort.—Salem Capital Journal.

The Idaho Statesman published an editorial written in a similar vein. It stated in part:

"Such an accomplishment indicates a combination of highly desirable factors are indigenous to Nyssa. It must be a town where business is booming, where people are generous and civic spirited and where the sky is the only limit its inhabitants recognize when they set out to do right by their community.

"Nyssa's self-confident motto is that it is a place where self-reliant farmers and townsmen join hands and do things . . . a place for those who care'.

"Judging from its record, we'd say Nyssa practices what it preaches—and to a commendable faretheewell'.

Residents of the Nyssa community appreciate the kind words of the editors of the Idaho and state capitals, but the writers left the inference that Nyssa residents raised all of the money for the hospital and that is far from true. Probably more money was contributed and more soliciting done by rural residents than by townspeople. Rural residents on both the Idaho and Oregon sides of Snake river did their share of work and the townspeople do not have any intention of detracting from the credit that is due the farmers, who really form the economic backbone of our community.

ELECTION IS HELD BY SUNSET Y. G. A.

SUNSET VALLEY, Feb. 19—The Y.G.A. held its annual election last Monday night at the Chalk Butte hall. Officers for the new year are Jim Reed, president; Don Share, vice president; Florence Niccum, secretary; Marian Niccum, treasurer and Hubert Parker, as steward.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Tolman of Boise were week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Cooper.

The benefit dance held at the Sunset hall Saturday night was a complete success. The entire proceeds of \$100 will be contributed for the polo ward of the memorial hospital. A beautiful wool afghan made by the Sunset auxiliary members was won by Ruth Bybee.

A pink and blue shower honoring Mrs. Melvin Pendarvis was given at the home of Mrs. Ira Chadd last Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Ed Steiner and Mrs. Lewis Mitchell were hostesses. Twenty-three guests were present. Each guest presented Mrs. Pendarvis with personal advice and instructions in sealed envelopes to be opened later. Mrs. Bud Charland was asked at the gift table, which was decorated with the traditional stork carrying a child. A luncheon of salad, sandwiches, cake and coffee was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Newgen were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nishitani Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Rataezky

and sons, Alle and Wallace, left Wednesday morning for Yakima to help move Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rataezky and their household goods to Sunset valley. Frank Rataezky will live on the John Grottvelt place and farm it.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Hobson and Mary Jane Wilde were Nampa visitors Thursday.

All young people are invited to attend the open meeting to be held the evening of February 23 at the Chalk Butte hall. It is sponsored by the Young Grangers association.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Steiner and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Mitchell were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Pendarvis.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Chapin and Beth Chapin were Nampa shoppers Saturday.

Harold Snyder's hay was destroyed by fire on the former Ed Price ranch on the river. The cause of the fire was unknown.

W. T. Cannon returned last Friday after spending several weeks on the west coast.

Mrs. Fred Mitchell entertained the Pleasant Hour club last Thursday afternoon. Two guests and nine members were present. Ritz sandwiches, fruit salad and dessert were served.

Mrs. Ode Schweizer, Mrs. Gertrude Jackson, Mrs. Ruth McConnell and Mr. and Mrs. Vic Marshall were visitors in Caldwell Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Reffert and children moved to Vale last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Nell Dimmick returned Wednesday after visiting in Yakima.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis and LeDora, Charlotte, and Lynette of Nampa spent Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cleaver.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fivecoat have been helping Gene Cleaver remodel his living quarters the past week.

Mrs. Robert Reffert accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gardner on a trip to Caldwell Monday.

W. T. Cannon was an Ontario visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Newgen returned Saturday morning after vacationing in Mexico.

Hawkins has just finished leveling job on the Tom Lowe and Mart Carlyle places, filling and leveling the bed of the railroad to the Owyhee dam. At present Hawkins is working on the Dunaway ranch.

Mrs. John Minke and her daughter, Linda, left Saturday after visiting in the Olaf Fyllingsness home. Mrs. Minke and daughter will leave San Francisco Sunday by plane to join her husband, John Minke in Honolulu, who is an employee of the Pan-American airlines.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lorenson were Boise visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Pendarvis shopped in Ontario last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Faries moved into the little house on the John Terra place last week.

Mrs. Jack Dudley of Burley, Idaho spent a week visiting her niece, Mrs. Walter Hillis.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fields entertained the Nolan Field and Nelson Field families at Sunday dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nishitani were Ontario visitors one day last week.

Beth Chapin, Shirley Price and Donald Bergam, all students at the Eastern Oregon College of Education, visited their parents in Sunset valley over the week-end, returning to school the first of the week.

Betty Jean Culbertson was a dinner guest at the Owen Council home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Pendarvis and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Mitchell were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Brewer.

Work is progressing on the building of the loading chutes and corral on the Neil Dimmick ranch. Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Council, Mrs. F. W. Knotttingham and Glenn Knotttingham attended the Frank Davis funeral services Tuesday at Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. James Langley and son took Mrs. Mary Jane Wilde

to Goldendale, Washington Saturday. Mrs. Wilde remained in Washington to visit her daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Langley visited in Madras on the return trip.

Mr. and Mrs. John Grottvelt and daughters are moving from the farm into their home in Nyssa.

Church Notes

THE METHODIST COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. H. J. Gernhardt, Pastor
Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.
Worship and sermon, 11 a.m.
Intermediate fellowship, 7 p.m.
Youth fellowship, 7 p.m.
Young adult fellowship, 7 p.m.
Worship and Bible lecture, 8 p.m.
Scripture forum, Wednesday, 8 p.m.
Members and friends of the church are urged to worship faithfully.

THE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

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10 a.m., Sunday school.
11 a.m., Song service and sermon.
7:15 p.m., Young people, teen age and junior services.
8 p.m., Evangelistic services.
8 p.m., Wednesdays, prayer meeting, excepting the first Wednesday of each month, when we have crusader and missionary meeting.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. C. L. Callahan, Rector
Liturgy will be read at 3:30 p.m. and church service will be held at 4 p.m.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sterl D. Splasz, Pastor
Sunday school, 10 a.m. Preaching at 11 a.m.
8 p.m., Revival services, with Rev. and Mrs. George Geesey.
Children remember the Junior Church each night at 7.

CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICES AT EPISCOPAL CHURCH PARISH HALL

Rev. P. J. Gaire, Pastor
Mass second Sunday at 8 a.m., other Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH 8th and Emma Sts.

George Whipple, Pastor
Bible school, 10 a.m.
Morning worship, 11 a.m.
Sermon by Brother Chamberlain. Evening services, 8 p.m.

Sermon by Brother Chamberlain. There will be special services in the church each week for three weeks on Sunday morning and Sunday night, and on Tuesday and Thursday night at 8 p.m., with Brother Gene Chamberlain, evangelist, and wife, who will lead the church in a month of visitation. All the members and friends of the church are invited to attend all of these services.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Roland G. West, Pastor
10 a.m., Sunday school. Classes

for all age groups.
11 a.m., Worship service. Sermon theme: "Rejoice More Over Heavenly Things Than Over Earthly Things", based on St. Luke 10:17-20.

3 p.m., Pacific time. A special meeting will be held at First Lutheran church in Baker for all church councilmen, Sunday School teachers, and officers of church organizations, as well as for all those interested in the work of

the church. Dr. Henry F. Schuh, director of Stewardship and Finance of the American Lutheran Church will be the chief speaker on "Christian Service and Citizenship".

8 p.m., Wednesday, February 25. Lenten vesper service. Sermon theme: "Behold Your King—With A Reed As His Scepter", based on St. Matthew 27: 29, 30. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.



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