

## County Health Officer Expresses Thanks for Efforts of General Public

DR. GRANT B. HUGHES  
Malheur County Health Officer

In the undertaking of a mass inoculation of such magnitude it has been necessary for your health officials, state and local, to call upon the services of public spirited individuals. This response has been most gratifying and I am certain I speak for all the recipients of this service when I express a measure of thanks to them.

It would be impossible to enumerate them all, but certainly we might acknowledge a few. The Oregon State Board of Health has sent qualified personnel, headed by Dr. S. B. Osgood. Our neighboring state, Idaho, has offered invaluable assistance through the State Board of Health; also the U. S. Public Health Service in Boise has responded. Last evening a call was received offering help from the Mountain Home Air Force Base. In addition, as a public service, to assist in dissemination of information to our citizenry, radio station KSRV, Ontario, relinquished time and by the time you read this copy, station KBOI-TV will likewise have rendered a service to this area. The services of the ARC are likewise acknowledged.

Often we make assumptions with little afterthought. This remark I make with special reference to the efforts of your loyal local news editor and the Gate City Journal staff. It is through their efforts that you received this special edition.

One most important aspect is the use of gamma globulin, with which we may offer a measure of immediate though short lived protection to the problem of polio in our county, more especially the Nyssa area.

The cost of this protection would be prohibitive should the individual families foot the bill. Commercially this substance, gamma globulin, costs approximately \$33.70 for a 10cc vial. The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis has furnished for our use 33,000cc. You figure the cost! Certainly then, this should rate more than just your thanks. It is hoped that with the March of Dimes campaign your purses will open wide. An expression by letter to the foundation might likewise indicate your feelings at this time.

Now, with more specific reference to the subject of the current problem of polio: There have, unfortunately, been many misinterpretations attached to the remarks made by your health officer. All sources of information available to you as the lay public and to the medical profession as well does in no way presumptuously claim to have the answer to the polio problem.

There have been those among you who would suppose that a citizens committee as such would serve no purpose. Perhaps not, although in this connection may it be said that it is hoped that the voice of the people will be heard in this connection. It goes without saying, that all communities are faced with the problems of sanitation, water supply, sewage disposal, garbage dumps and the like. Our intent, then, at this time was to call certain possible needs to your attention. I feel I have not only a public health responsibility in this connection but a deep seated personal interest as well. We should all like to see our community accepted as a place of cleanliness and beauty.

For your information, two separate and entirely independent sanitary reports will be made of this area. One report will represent the services of a loaned sanitarian from the state of Idaho. The second report will be from our own state. We shall pass on to you, for your consideration, any recommendations which they as experienced observers may make.

Any pointed remarks made with reference to sanitary measures were made with the thought specifically: The correction of undesirable conditions might curb or lessen the incidence not only of polio but of other disease conditions in the area.

In the end analysis, I feel certain we will serve through the present emergency in a united fashion. It is the end results that will speak the loudest with respect to all our efforts. As community minded citizens I commend and thank you all for your support.



**BIGGEST BEET** in the Nyssa-Nampa district is this 26 pound, 3 ounces grown by Noble Morinaka, above, whose farm is south of Nyssa on Klamath avenue. Morinaka said he made one error when he sliced too much of the top off to reduce

its actual weight. The official record of this beet has been entered in the national contest sponsored by the Idaho Farm Bureau which will give a \$1000 trip to Hawaii to the winner and his wife.

—Journal Photo

### Coming Events . . .

Nov. 4 — Rebekah Sunshine meeting at the IOOF hall, 2 p.m.

Nov. 5 — Episcopal rummage sale Saturday in the old Peterson Furniture building.

Nov. 10 — Turkey dinner served at St. Hubert's Catholic church from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Nov. 17 — Daughters of Utah Pioneers, Nyssa Camp, meet at home of Mrs. Teresa Bingham at 8 p.m.

### CARD OF THANKS

We sincerely express our thanks and appreciation to all those who offered assistance, who sent flowers and cards, brought covered dishes or helped in any other way at the time of the illness and death of our daughter, sister and granddaughter, JoAnn Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Tren Jones and family.  
Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Christensen.

Mrs. Vanderdam was giving a grudge party when the pitter of tiny feet was heard from the head of the stair.

"Hush," she said, softly, "The children are going to give their goodnight message. It always gives me such a sentimental feeling to hear them."

There was a moment of tense silence; then, shrilly: "Mama! Percy has found a bedbug!"

### Too Late To Classify

WANTED — Corn picking. Call Nyssa 2742. 43-tfc.

FOR SALE Baby Buggy, excellent condition. 207 Ennis Ave. 43-3tc.

WANTED — Clean, white cotton rags, 7 cents per pound. Gate City Journal. 37-tfc.

Mrs. Leon Roberts has been convalescing at home since Monday after being confined at the Malheur Memorial hospital for surgery. Mrs. J. B. Roberts is assisting at the Roberts home.

### COLOR CLINIC

By CAROLEE

We at Peterson Furniture try to advance with time and the community. We are offering a new and free service to the residents of this area. A complete Interior Decorating Service is now available to you. No matter what your problem may be we are here to serve you. Each week we will tell you about new ideas and tips on decorating.

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### Letters to Editor

Signed letters to the editor are welcomed and will be printed if they do not contain comments of a libelous nature or attacks on religious and racial groups. Publication of the letters does not signify the agreement of this newspaper with opinions expressed.

Dear Sir:

A great many people pay very little attention to their health until they lose it, then they get interested. In the city one's health is guarded; milk is pasteurized, water is tested, sanitation is cared for, children are immunized against contagious diseases. Doctors and nurses visit the schools, and when sick children are found they are cared for promptly.

In the country many people pay no attention to testing their drinking water, the milk is not pasteurized, little attention is paid to sanitation, and often immunization is neglected.

In Malheur County one nurse has spent many active years to keep our county healthy. She has practically been health officer, sanitarian, and general health supervisor. She has seen to the immunization against smallpox,

tuberculosis, whooping cough, diphtheria, checked the eyes, tested the hearing; traveled from house to house checking on contagious diseases—sometimes as many as 20 calls in one day, working all day and part of the night. It has been conceded that she has done more work than has been accomplished in some counties having a health unit.

In spite of all that good health means, our health department has been dragging its feet. Attempts have been made to cut shorter and shorter the funds we need to support good health and disease preventing a few men pennywise and pound foolish have not recognized that good health should stand high in our economy.

For 68 cents per capita our budgeters think they can buy good health for 25,000 people, many of them are scattered for miles around, when \$2.00 per capita would be cheap when it comes to active work in disease prevention.

Good health is the first essential to success in life; one sore throat, one scarlet fever, one infected ear may mar the life of a youngster beyond any source of relief.

Do our officers want to turn

the clock of health back 50 years, and again live in filth and contagion? Fifty years ago the average life was 48 years, now it is near 70. Why? More healthful living and protection against infectious diseases.

W. J. Weese, M. D.

October 31, 1955

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is our renewal for the Nyssa Gate City Journal to be dated one year from time of expiration.

A very interesting paper to read, relating the advancements of things in and around Nyssa. We think it a very nice country, having visited in that vicinity a year ago last June, at our daughter's home, (Mrs. Wilson Winter) on Route 2, out of Nyssa.

Not knowing any of the campaign workers, have written my daughter to contact you and give a choice for us as we wish to help some one out in this subscription campaign.

Sincerely

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis A. Right-Meier, P. O. Box 104, Montrose, Kansas.

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— to thank each and every one, my friends and customers of so many years, for the wonderful friendships and business relations we have had.

I have found it necessary to accept another position — as a Partner with Larry Barnes in the Chevrolet Dealership in Moscow, Idaho.

I have attempted to make it profitable for people to purchase their transportation needs at Nyssa Motors, Inc. during my tenure of operation by a volume operation. Being restricted in this, I have joined hands with the Largest Volume Operator in Eastern Oregon or in Idaho.

For additional experience in the field of volume operation, I will, for the next few months, be the Assistant Sales Manager at the Larry Barnes Chevrolet Co. in Boise, Idaho.

For any of you who would like to contact me for any purpose, I can be reached the balance of 1955 at Boise Phone 3-5404, or evenings at my home in Nyssa, Phone 3061.

**Wayne Chesnut**

### Sunset Valley

Lois Council  
Phone 2439

Mr. and Mrs. John Price and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Price were supper guests at the Harold Snyder home honoring their daughter, Helen on her birthday.

Mrs. Ira Price attended the meeting of the Newell Heights extension unit Thursday at the home of Mrs. Roger Norland. A corsage making demonstration was given by Mrs. Morris Hoffman of the Owyhee Dam.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hartman and son of Nu Acres were guests at the Albert Notheis home Sunday. The dinner was in honor of Mr. Hartman's and Mr. Notheis' birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Pomeroy of Middleton, Ida., visited briefly Friday with Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Council.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Council and Gordy of Yakima, Wash., spent Saturday evening at the O. P. Council home.

John Knottingham and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Keller and son of Fruitland, visited at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Council.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Howard, Patty and Jerry of Bates called at the

Clarence Reed home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Simpson hunted with Mr. and Mrs. Neil Dimmick Sunday and were dinner guests that evening.

Mrs. John Reffett and Mrs. E. Cloninger called at the O. P. Council home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McAlister of Portland who have been staying at the John Reffett home left for their home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Reffett and her mother, Mrs. Ella Adkins, went to Huntington Thursday to meet Mrs. Lorin Hite of Haines and to bring their grandchildren, Shorty and Larry Hite home for a few days visit. Sunday they met Mrs. Hite in Ontario and she took the boys home with her.

Mr. and Mrs. John Reffett and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McAlister and Mrs. Ella Adkins attended the smorgasbord at the Legion hall in Nyssa Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary Taylor of Vancouver arrived Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hobson for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Saunders and family and his parents all of Kansas, were dinner guests Sunday at the E. J. Hobson home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Newgen and Mrs. Sally Mosely of Vale and her grandson, Neil McManus left for Pasco, Wash. to visit Mrs. Mosely's son, Carl and family at Rich- turned Sunday.

### TURKEY DINNER

Thursday, Nov. 10

From 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**St. Hubert's Catholic Church**

\$1.50 Per Plate or \$7.00 Per Family