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To escape comment or criticism, do nothing, be nothing, say nothing.

The City Has a Big Obligation

A front-page news story released this week by the city tells of excessive water usage and dangers of a shortage if the excessive use continues.

Nyssa has been going through this "scare" period for several years—before and after its citizens approved construction of a \$183,000 water system three years ago. When the new Ranney collector and pumping system were installed, facts were made clear that Nyssa had a problem unlike that of most other cities primarily because the domestic source must supply water for irrigation.

The public was made well aware of these facts and so was the entire city administration, but both apparently have forgotten the innumerable obligations involved.

One fact made clear in 1955 was that 42 percent of the water pumped during peak irrigation seasons went for domestic purposes and 58 percent was used for irrigation and for air conditioning.

The water system is supplying enough water even at peak loads to take care of Nyssa's needs if the population were 3,085—just as was promised by the engineering firm making an intensive study of the problem. Therefore, the unexpected probably has happened—an abnormally large number of additional air conditioning systems have been installed and a minority of the population has become more careless of irrigation wastage this summer.

It is obvious that a minority is causing a big problem for the majority. Contrary to many sidewalk experts, Nyssans were never promised an "unlimited supply of water if they approved the \$183,000 bond issue" back in 1955.

The records are clear that the new water system "would not solve all the problems" unless some regulations were adopted and some common sense used. A new car, regardless of its price, will not operate efficiently and economically without some care on the part of its owner.

We believe a vast majority of Nyssa water users are fulfilling their obligation in attempting not to waste water, but it is probable that the city is not fulfilling its obligation in regulating that small minority that is causing the so-called current shortage. There is no ordinance about irrigating hours and there has been no effort to control the tremendous wastage through air-conditioning systems. We were informed two years ago that there is an ordinance prohibiting dumping of waste water into the sewer system, which also is a problem, but only feeble efforts are made to enforce the city law. Now,

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.

BEWARE OF THE GROUP

We must use more vigilance in regard to the group. Sometimes and often times a few swell heads will get control of a minority group and cause havoc for all concerned. Group organizations have one positive aim and that is to get something for themselves at the expense of the other fellow.

It makes no difference who or what the nature of the group organization may be, it may be a union of some kind demanding and unyielding in their efforts to the world's goods.

Or it may be a political group get far more than their share of who want to hang something on the people, say for example, the sales tax. Or it may be a group of promoters who like to see a lot of public work going on that the public work going on—public cannot afford, street improvements or unneeded public buildings or super duper highways.

Or it may be petty groups vying for small gains such as a church or lodge wanting to conduct a raffle or game of chance and expect the law to keep "eyes closed" for their benefit.

Watch all group organizations large or small for they may get the power to change your entire community. These groups are spawned at times where you would least expect. But it is a deplorable thing when a church sets forth to take over the economic and political management of a community and the people. For a church to usurp the rights and will of the people by infiltration or otherwise, is, to say the least, a vile thing.

By far most churches are innocent of such innuendo.

Beware of the group for they may be economic cannibals.

Yours a reader of the Gate City Journal the past 45 years.
A. D. Moses

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Zittercob and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moore and family in Caldwell.

there is a question about existence of such an ordinance.

Those who remember the problems of sand and silt from the once abandoned wells, will share in the objection to use of any of these wells for a supplemental supply. It has taken three years to clear water mains and lateral lines of only part of the silt and there is no reason to go back to a temporary relief system that could well undo all the progress that has been made.

The city has an obligation that goes far beyond the "scare headlines" that may or may not be a means of sampling public opinion.

Day Camp Slated For Girl Scouts Of Malheur County

All Brownie and Girl Scouts from the age of eight through 14 in Malheur County are eligible to attend a Girl Scout Day camp scheduled for July 21 through July 26 at the Ontario city park, Mrs. Max Urry, Nyssa publicity chairman announced.

Activities included in the six-day camp are baton twirling, soft ball, tumbling, archery, folk dancing, camp craft, hand craft and ballet. The last day will feature a cook-out.

Registration date for the camp will be announced by Mrs. Walter McPartland, chairman of that phase of the program. A fee of \$1 per Girl Scout for the week's activities will be assessed and each girl is to take a sack lunch. Milk will be furnished.

Anyone interested in serving as an adult advisor or any high school girls wishing to assist as junior advisors are requested to contact Mrs. J. R. Cundall or Mrs. Urry. Transportation to and from the park will be furnished by private cars.

According to Mrs. Urry, proceeds from the recent cookie sale conducted by the Brownies and Girl Scouts made it possible to arrange the camp for Malheur county.

Students Attend Special Music Camp at U of O

Ten Nyssa high school students are attending the two week's summer band camp being held on the campus of the University of Oregon at Eugene. Nine of the young people are attending on scholarships financed by proceeds from a music concert presented by the local high school music department and by donations, according to Mrs. Robert Q. Smith, Nyssa.

The group left Sunday, June 22 with transportation furnished by R. V. Wilson and Mrs. Beth Ellis. Attending are Bobby Pond, Roger Bergam, Phillip Kent, Jim Jamieson, Clarinda Ashley, Karen Ellis, Kathy Klunkenberg, Mary Lou Lancaster, Mildred Staples and Pat McWilliams.

Quasts Take Vacation To California Points

A visit to Disneyland and many other places of interest in California highlighted the one week's vacation trip of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Quast and daughters who returned home Thursday night.

They also visited at the home of Mrs. Quast's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Phippen at Alhambra, Calif. John Phippen accompanied them to Nyssa for several day's visit.

Miss Katie Hawks Attends 4-H Club Congress Recently

Katie Hawks from the Do-More 4-H club in Nu Acres attended a 4-H club congress in Moscow, Ida., from June 15 to 21. Miss Hawks received a scholarship from Wilson's Super Market in Nyssa, which enabled her to attend.

Miss Hawks attended classes on the campus with 608 other 4-Hers. The purpose of this congress is to encourage the 4-H members to attend the University of Idaho.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth C. Hawks, Nu Acres.

Church News Adrian Community

Mariner's club will meet Sunday, July 13, at 2 p.m. at the home of Dudley and Meta Kurtz for a picnic dinner. Please bring your own table service.

Don't forget the articles needed for the Migrant Bible school. Bring the items to the parsonage or to the church before the school begins July 30.

The Teen-Age Girls' Missionary society groups of the Presbyterian churches in the Idaho Presbytery will meet Wednesday, July 9, at 11:30 a.m. in Julia Davis park in Boise. Each one attending is to take a covered dish for the picnic lunch. There will be a program and fun time following the lunch. Keep this date in mind if you belong to the local Fidelae Amicae society.

The Women's Bible study group met with Mrs. John Steiner for a covered dish lunch Wednesday afternoon, June 25. The fifth chapter of Luke was the subject for study under the leadership of Mrs. Henry Moore. Eleven women were in attendance. Next meeting will be with Mrs. Scheimer, with Mrs. Lynn Hurst as study group leader.

The daily Vacation Bible school concluded Friday morning, June 27. That evening a program was given by the children to show some of the things they had learned during the two weeks' school. Refreshments were served and a social time was enjoyed at the conclusion of the program.

MONCURS VACATION IN BURLEY, IDAHO

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Moncur and family returned home recently following a week's vacation to Burley, where they visited with friends and relatives. Laura Marie remained for the summer months.

Owyhee Community Church Notes

Awake to righteousness and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame. I Corinthians 15-24.

Sunday afternoon Mrs. Elver Nielsen had a swimming party at Snivelys pool for her Sunday school class.

Wednesday night prayer meeting was held at the Ed Corfield home. Lesson 5 of the Home Bible course was studied.

July 6, the young people will have complete charge of the evening services from 8:00 to 9:00.

Young people get your registration cards for Bible camp at McCall Junior camp will be Aug. 4th through 8th and includes ages from 9 through 12. Senior camp will be for those 13 years and up and will be held Aug. 11 through 18. There is also to be a week end adult retreat this year from Aug. 8-11. Obtain the details from Rev. Smithwick.

METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

The Rev. Paul Ludlow, Pastor Thursday, July 3, 2 p.m. (today) —Woman's Society of Christian Service general meeting in the church social hall. Mrs. Foster will present the program. Mesdames Herrman, Broughton and Eyan Tobler will be hostesses. Every woman in the church is invited to come and bring a friend.

Sunday, July 6, 9:45 a.m. — Church school for all ages. 11 a.m.—Worship service. 7 p.m.—MYF and MIF meetings.

Monday, July 7—July 12 — Christian adventure camp.

Monday, July 14, 8 p.m.—Official board meeting at the church.

Wednesday, July 16—Ma-Pa ice cream social. Everyone in the church and community invited.

Thursday, July 17—Woman's society circle meetings.

Thursday, July 12-19 — Senior high youth camp.

Family camps—Sawtooth, Aug. 8-10. Register by July 25. Wallowa, Aug. 15-17. Register by Aug. 1.

Older youth camp for college, Aug. 30-Sept. 1.

Leadership workshop for MYF leaders and counselors—Sawtooth, Aug. 10-15.

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