

WEATHER PROPHETS CALL SNOWFALL RECORD BREAKER

CITY CREWS TRUCK SNOW OUT OF NYSSA MAIN STREET; BUSES RUN ON SCHEDULE BUT DARE NOT LEAVE HIGHWAY.

The Nyssa country has had snow—and plenty of it—enough to fill all the reservoirs it would appear from the surplus which piles the streets of town. More snow last night brought it to a depth of twelve inches on the level this morning. Drifts in town were three feet deep in many places while in the country snow is piled higher than a car in corners and lanes where the wind could frisk more freely.

The state has had 18 snow plows working in Malheur, Baker, Grant and Harney counties to keep the highways open. However, trains and stages have been running late.

Tuesday, it was necessary to pull cars from the R. J. Davis ranch to the Eastern Oregon Land company ranch. A tunnel opened the way through the road to the J. T. Long ranch in Arcadia with snow piled almost as high as the car on both sides of the road. Great drifts surrounded the Dave Hawkins home.

Being almost snowbound, the Kolony school closed Monday for a week's vacation.

Nyssa school buses have been running on schedule but since the first heavy snowfall the forepart of the week, they have been meeting pupils at the highway. The snow has blocked sidewalks and has caused the mail carrier and all motorists much trouble. Drifts have blocked driveways in town. In fact, tunnelling through the snow has become the winter theme song.

To dispose of some of the surplus in Nyssa, the city has had a crew of men shoveling the feather mass from the drains along each side of the street. Snow has been trucked out of the business district. If a quick thaw comes, it will be "just too bad," says Watermaster N. H. Pinkerton who has been directing the city crew.

It was around 10 below here Friday, before the storm, but much colder in other sections of the county. L. Y. Matthews of Arook reported 42 below.

BAKER TROUNCES NYSSA QUINTET

In a game that was a surprise and disappointment to local fans, Baker basket ball quintet romped over Nyssa last Saturday in Baker, 46 to 19. It must have been Nyssa's night off for the Baker team swept forward to a 26 to 10 lead at the end of the first quarter. Lahey took scoring honors for Nyssa with nine points. The line-up included: Schweizer, Lahey, Boor, Earl Sager and Hatch with Forbes, Williams, B. Sager and Seltz, substitutes. Ed Wilson, George Schweizer and Coach John Young accompanied the team.

Nyssa is planning a comeback when Baker motors to the Gate City for a return game next week.

Nyssa plays Ontario Friday night, Vale on Saturday.

Estis L. Merton made a trip to Boise yesterday.

The College of Idaho debate team left Caldwell yesterday for McMinnville, Or., where they will take part in a debate tournament with teams from nineteen colleges of the northwest. Ralph Boden, Nyssa student at O. S. C., will participate in the event.

House Votes to Legalize Beer in Oregon When Congress Gives O. K.

The Beckman beer bill, legalizing 3.2 per cent beer, if and when congress says it is O. K., and regulating the traffic in beer, passed the house late Tuesday by a vote of 40 to 20. The bill was written and introduced by Representative John Beckman of Multnomah county.

The bill declares beer of 3.2 per cent to be non-intoxicating and sets up regulations for the control of its manufacture and sale, with a scale of taxes on the industry to bring into the state treasury needed revenue.

Representative Staples voted for the bill.

Beckman began his speech in behalf of the bill by saying the mandate of the people was for a change in the prohibition laws, that congress was now working on a beer bill and that the state of Oregon should be ready to legalize beer just as soon as congress paves the way for beer.

He said the bill would control the manufacture and sale of beer, its importation to the state. Beckman laid special stress on the control feature of the bill. He said in 1931 1,520,000 quarts

COUNTY COURT NAMES CHIEFS, ROAD CHAIRMEN

The county court has appointed the following appointive officers for Malheur county for 1933: E. B. Nelson, Vale, bee inspector; W. J. Roberts, Ontario, truant officer; Dr. Anna Pritchett, Vale, county health officer.

Roadmasters for the various districts, follow: Ontario, Ora E. Clark; Nyssa, Archie Howell; Vale, David F. Graham county judge; Westfall, Cleve Cammann; Big Bend, H. R. Hatch; Adrian, Merrit M. Greeling; Jordan Valley, T. Skinner; McDermitt, Archie Myers; Crowley, Gran Walters; Juntura, Sam Lyons; Ironside, C. E. Boor; Malheur, Elmer Powell; Annex, C. H. Spicer; Brogan, W. B. Eaton; Owyhee, Virgil Maupin; Beulah, Donald M. McKenzie; Rockville, Andrew Cunningham; Dead Ox Flat, A. H. Sonner; Arook, A. F. Hill; Harper, Claude Blackburn; Riverside, Jim McEwen.

NYSSA MINSTREL ON MARCH 1ST

EAGLES TURN DARRIES FOR MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT COMING SOON; 22 TAKE PART.

Fun and frolic will prevail at the Liberty theatre in Nyssa Wednesday night, March 1, when a minstrel troupe from the sunny southland will present the Eagles' Minstrel Show. Rehearsals have been in progress for six weeks and according to Tom Burton, director, the public is assured two hours of side-splitting fun for the admission prices of 20 and 35 cents. Assisting Tom Burton in making arrangements for the presentation is Don M. Graham, business manager.

The first act will consist of hilarious crossfire, harmony and dancing. Bernard Frost is intercomer. End men are Art Cook, Warren McHargue, Rock Shelton and Jake Fischer. In the olio Pelton Duncan, Rock Shelton, Claude and Donald Wilson will entertain with stunts, clogging and vaudeville. Leads in the second act are Wesley Brown, Kermit Lienkaemper, Arthur Norcott, Hugh Glasgow, Howard Larsen, Archie Howell and Tom Burton. Musicians are Mrs. Glasgow, pianist, Elmer Huffman, Claude Smith, Elmer Stradley and Mr. Howell.

LYLLE SPONSORS DRAINAGE BILL

At present drainage districts can only issue general liability bonds under the Oregon statute. Attorney R. D. Lytle spent last week in Salem in the interest of a bill which would provide that drainage districts refinance their outstanding obligations and issue either funding or refunding bonds.

The house highway revenue committee reported favorable Tuesday on a bill providing a \$5 license fee.

Saturday the senate passed a bill providing for advertising for bids for board of county prisoners.

Senator Duncan introduced S. B. 294 authorizing creation of grazing districts.

The senate passed Senator Duncan's S. B. 120, appropriating \$10,000 to defray expense of litigation surrounding title to bed of Malheur lake and other Oregon lakes. Malheur lake is in Harney county.

of home brew, of an alcoholic content of as high as 10 per cent were made in Oregon. In 1932 this total jumped to 18,720,000 quarts.

The bill puts a 50 cent tax on a 31-gallon barrel of beer. It prohibits the sale of beer to persons under 21 years of age. A restaurant is defined as a place where food is served to not less than 30 guests. This provision is designed to put a stop to speakeasies. No intoxicating liquor may be kept in a place where beer is sold.

A brewer shall pay a license fee of \$250, wholesaler \$350, hotels \$50, restaurants \$25, retailer \$10 and common carriers \$5.

OREGON HAS BIRTHDAY

Tuesday Oregon entered her 75th year as a state. Admitted to the union seventy-four years ago, February 14, 1859, Oregon has carried on until today she is one of the foremost states of the west.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Patterson were in town Saturday from Owyhee dam.

SENATE PASSES BILL DIVIDING OWYHEE DISTRICT

REVERSE STAND IS TAKEN AFTER LOCAL DELEGATES LEAVE SALEM; ACREAGE AMENDMENT IS MADE, DUNCAN REPORTS.

The fate of House Bill 118, providing for the division of an irrigation district containing over 50,000 acres into three divisions for the election of directors, may lie with Governor Meier. Yesterday the bill passed the senate, according to a telephone message Frank T. Morgan received today from Senator Robert M. Duncan. The senator also reported that he had voted for the bill.

House Bill 118 carries an amendment which was added in the senate last week, after the senate committee on irrigation and drainage had returned an adverse report. The amendment provides that the bill effect only an irrigation district containing more than 50,000 acres of land. Mr. Morgan stated today that the Owyhee is the only district in Oregon of such size at the present time. Because the amendment was attached in the senate, House Bill 118 now returns to the house for another vote.

Unknown to the present Owyhee board of directors, composed of Nyssa men, Senator V. B. Staples introduced the bill two weeks ago. It passed the house February 1 and went to the senate. The Nyssa Commercial club sent a delegation to Salem which secured an adverse committee report after the following objections to the bill had been set forth: (1) At present directors of the Owyhee district are elected from the district at large and land owners have repeatedly re-elected members of the board who have served for many years; (2) The present system is representative, satisfactory and less costly as the proposed change would require three elections instead of one; (3) The provision of the bill which would permit 20 per cent of the electors to petition and secure the division permits the minority to overrule the majority.

BIG CROWD ENJOYS COMEDY AT KOLONY

A packed house greeted, "The Romance Hunters," when they presented a play Friday night at the Kinsman Kolony schoolhouse for the Parent-Teacher association. The play was splendid, according to all reports, and the event was a success in every way.

Mrs. Maurice Judd directed the cast which included Mrs. Bruce Hare, Geraldine Nickens, Jeanette Martin, Dorothy Kaylor, Mrs. Mary Nichols, Mrs. Victoria Schweizer, Clarence E. Winters Paul Nickens, Lee Baldwin, Leslie Young, Leonard Smith and Oscar Shaffer.

Mrs. C. C. Cotton and Mrs. Conrad Martin had charge of a candy booth.

Tomorrow night (Friday), the Kolony P.-T.A. will give a benefit card party at the Cotton home.

Livestock Takes Drop on County Assessment Roll

Believe it or not, livestock took a drop this week which the farmers won't object to. Assessed valuations of sheep, cattle and horses have decreased on the assessment roll being completed this week in the office of Murray Morton, county assessor. Lowering of the valuation ranges from about 25 to 50 per cent on most stock.

Sheep will be valued at \$2 and \$1 on the tax roll, while last year the average valuation was \$2.93. Cattle will be valued at \$10, \$15 and \$20, while last year the average valuation was \$25. Range horses for 1933 will be listed at \$5 while last year they were assessed at \$10. Hogs will be assessed at 3 cents a pound, showing little change.

Real estate assessments have not been changed. Last year a decrease in valuation in farm properties, ranging from 10 per cent upwards, was effected.

MAYOR RETAINS CITY OFFICERS

COUNCIL ORDERS PROMPT PAYMENT OF MONTHLY WATER BILLS.

At an adjourned meeting of the city council Saturday night, Mayor E. M. Blodgett re-appointed Art Cook city marshal for the ensuing year and N. H. Pinkerton, watermaster and street commissioner.

After some discussion, the council ordered J. R. Hunter, recorder, to enforce the ordinance which provides that water charges must be paid on or before the 10th of each and every month. In the event the charge is not paid city water will be turned off and an extra charge of \$1 will accrue when the water is again turned on.

Mr. Hunter also reported that safe deposit boxes at the city hall will be rented at the fee of \$1.50 per year, payable in advance, plus the tax.

GUNMAN TRIES TO KILL ROOSEVELT

A gunman made an attempt last night to assassinate President-elect Roosevelt but his shots instead seriously wounded Anton Cermak, mayor of Chicago, and four others. The assassin said he was Joe Zangara of New York and declared, "I want to kill all presidents—all officers." Cermak is in a serious condition in a Miami, Fla., hospital. Police believe Zangara was acting alone.

JORDAN VALLEY JOB OPEN

The Jordan Valley postmastership is the only one that is open to "deserving" Democrats in Malheur county immediately after inauguration March 4. The latest volume of the McKeller "Job list" lists it as a \$1300 job.

COURT RULES ON PAYMENT OF SCHOOL MONEY

SUPREME COURT SETTLES OLD QUESTION FOR ONTARIO, VALE AND NYSSA HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Shall the county school superintendent apportion the monies in the high school tuition fund regardless of collection?

Settling a long debated question and reversing the opinion of the attorney general, the Oregon supreme court has ruled that the superintendent shall apportion only such funds as were collected, reported Attorney R. D. Lytle, a visitor in Nyssa Saturday. Mr. Lytle had been employed to write an opinion for the county and held that Mrs. E. M. Crall, then superintendent, had authority only to apportion such funds as were collected and in the county treasury.

The question arose when the Ontario school district showed they had not received all of their high school tuition fund. They claimed it the duty of the superintendent to apportion the money regardless of collection. The attorney general held the same.

Much interest resulted in Malheur county as the Nyssa and Vale districts also reported that they had not received their high school tuition fund in full.

Reversing the opinion of the attorney general and concurring with the opinion rendered by Mr. Lytle, the supreme court on January 24, in the case of School District No. 9, Tillamook county, held that the superintendent in making the apportionment of—

"the total cost to each of such high school districts of educating high school pupils who reside in each county outside of any high school districts, as shown in its report for the preceding year" should not apportion the full amount of the cost unless it had been paid into the county treasury.

In that connection, the court held: "We believe, however, that the words just quoted require payment to the school district of the total cost only to the extent that the county has been able to effect collection. To hold otherwise would make the county a guarantor to each school district that it would receive the full amount of its budget; in fact, the county would become a debtor and the size of the debt would be the amount of the school district's needs, together with 6 per cent interest upon any unpaid balance.

We are of the opinion that the school superintendent's right to apportion applies only to the "fund in the county treasury." Supt. Leo D. Hollenberg told The Journal today that the ruling would not seriously effect the Nyssa high school district for the reason that the county had only issued warrants to this district and they do not represent full payment of the high school tuition fund due in this district.

STARVING DUCKS RECEIVE WELCOME RATIONS OF CORN

The thousands of ducks which thrive along the rivers and streams in other seasons of the year in this vicinity are now finding the search for food increasingly difficult on account of the heavy snowfall. Curtis Townsend, Malheur county game warden, and J. A. Davenport heard their S. O. S. and Monday left corn for starving ducks in many localities.

For over a week, J. T. Long has been feeding the ducks at his ranch in Arcadia. Some of them were so weak they could scarcely fly when he noticed their plight. Only a handful of ducks were present for the first handout but now Mr. Long's flock has grown to large proportions.

The more fortunate pheasant, that can scratch through the snow, is wintering in better shape, Townsend said.

GAME BOARD GETS POWER

COMMISSION MAY CHANGE SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS; SCRIPT SYSTEM SET UP.

The house Tuesday passed the new game code which would give the Oregon game commission far more power than it has enjoyed in the past. The bill went to the senate. It has the endorsement of the Malheur game league, according to J. A. Davenport, chairman, who was here Monday.

Among the principal changes are the provisions which give the commission the power to open as well as close seasons and to increase as well as decrease bag limits.

The 6-inch limit on fish will be removed and fishermen catching them will be permitted to keep and count them in their day's catch. It was explained that small fish die when tossed back into the stream, despite the utmost care of fisherman.

Pay for Pheasants?

The bill also sets up the new scrip under which landowners later into contract with the game commission for use of their land for hunting. Hunters would pay these landowners in scrip for the game they bagged, the landowners to cash the scrip at the game commission, obtaining 90 cents on the dollar, the commission holding out 10 cents as a handling charge.

Mr. Davenport invited Nyssa sportsmen to attend a game meeting in Ontario last night. The new game code was discussed.

PURSE LIFTER TAKES CASH, LEAVES PURSE

Miss Betty Tensen's purse was lost or stolen from Saturday until Monday, when it was left in the Liberty theatre with keys and valued articles intact but \$2.50 in change missing. However, Miss Tensen was glad to get the purse back as the keys belonged to the Red Cross chapter and much inconvenience would have resulted had they not been found. The purse was taken from the city library Saturday.

Robt. Martin left Sunday night for Minidoka, Ida., where he will resume work with the Western Union. That day he and his family were guests at an informal little farewell dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Wesley J. Browne.

Judge Purvis Marries Many, Sees No Need for Gin Marriage Law

Reasons for the "gin marriage law" are few, according to Judge Percy Purvis of Vale who has performed the majority of the marriages for the many Idaho couples who have come across the line into Oregon since the Idaho gin marriage law, requiring five days notice of intention to wed has been in effect. Mr. Purvis thinks the gin marriage law is uniformly vile slander upon young men and women.

Idaho has repealed the law but the Oregon legislature has passed a bill requiring three days notice of intention to wed. Mr. Purvis and citizens of Vale, Ontario and Nyssa have requested Governor Meier to veto the bill.

Mr. Purvis stated while in Boise Monday that in not a single instance were the "provisions of the notorious law justified. I have had the privilege of officiating at the marriage of a great many couples from Idaho and Oregon during the past two years and they were uniformly a very high class lot of young people. I have talked with the ministers of our various towns in Malheur county and County Judge David F. Graham and they tell me their experience has been the same.

BOISE SPEAKER WILL ADDRESS FATHERS, SONS

BANQUET FOR BOYS IS SLATED FOR MONDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 20th, AT METHODIST COMMUNITY CHURCH; PLAN FOR 200.

Monday night, February 20, is set aside for boys, old and young, as that is the date of the first Father and Son banquet held in Nyssa in some years and promises to be a very gala occasion—for the boys. One of Boise's best speakers, Edward G. Rosenheim, is coming for the event and Mayor E. M. Blodgett will preside.

The boys have their part on the program, arranged by Rev. Floyd E. White to include the following numbers: group singing, "America," prayer, Rev. White; vocal solo Paul Hatch; reading, Robert Gehr; toast, "Boys in Education," Supt. Leo D. Hollenberg; toast, "Sand Lots, Athletics and Boys," Coach John Young; piano solo, Dwight Johnston; toast, "Scouting," Scoutmaster Howard J. Larsen; "Father and Son," Bert Lienkaemper, assistant scoutmaster; toast "Our Dads," Kenneth Williams; toast "Just Boys," Dr. E. D. Norcott; reading, Russell Patton; main address, Edward G. Rosenheim.

For twenty years, Mr. Rosenheim has been interested in boys. He is closely identified with helpful civic and social movements in Idaho. In religious faith, he is a reformed and "fighting Jew," fighting for the ideals which promote better boys, said Rev. White. Formerly an attorney in Baltimore, he came west and for many years has been advertising manager for C. C. Anderson Company stores. At the present time he is president of the Fraternal Congress of Idaho.

The ladies aid will serve the banquet in the basement of the Methodist Community church and preparations will be made to take care of 200 guests. Cover charge is 35 cents. Tickets will be sold in Nyssa, Arcadia, Oregon Trail, Kingman Kolony and Apple Valley. At a meeting at the parsonage today, Mrs. J. T. Long, president of the aid, will appoint her various committees.

After the banquet, Rev. White has arranged for Mr. Rosenheim to address business men and the public on the topic, "What Can We Expect in Business?" The second meeting will be held in the church. Everyone is invited.

MOTORISTS CAN BUY LICENSE FOR \$2.50

Governor Meier late Friday signed the Snell-Winslow bill for a \$2.50 license fee for motor cars between now and June 30, 1933. The bill carried the emergency clause and became effective upon the governor's signature.

As soon as the act became effective Hal E. Hoss, secretary of state, sent a message to all sheriffs in the state, advising them they were now authorized to issue stickers for the balance of the current year for private passenger cars.

There is to be no refund to persons who have bought half-year plates in the last several days.

MASONS ELECT SECRETARY

At the regular meeting of Golden Rule Lodge No. 147 A. F. and A. M., Monday evening, Don M. Graham was elected secretary to fill the vacancy caused by the departure of Merrit M. Greeling, Jr.

