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LAST RITES HELD AT CHURCH MONDAY FOR P. M. BINKLEY

Resident Here Since 1910 Dies At His Home Early Friday Evening

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon for P. M. Binkley, 78, who passed away at his home Friday evening. His passing removed a man who had built many friendships during his 26 years residence here and although his health failed him in the past year or two, he lived an active life almost up to the end. During his active life he followed the carpenter trade and more recently he had the task of transporting mail from the trains to the post-office.

Rev. Boynton of the Adventist church of Caldwell had charge of the services at the Community church, assisted by Rev. Floyd White. Pall bearers were Claude Wilson, A. H. Wilson, Bobby Burns, Frank Edwards, John Reece and Wm. Nye. Interment was in the Nyssa cemetery with the Nyssa Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Due to the impassable condition of the roads to the cemetery the last part of the journey of Mr. Binkley to his final resting place was by hayrack.

Mr. Binkley was born in Coke County, Missouri on March 1, 1858 and had lived a few days longer would have been 79 years of age. He moved to Oklahoma during the early days there and later came to the Nyssa country in 1910 where he has since made his home.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. P. M. Binkley; two daughters, Mrs. B. F. Smith of Satsop, Washington and Mrs. W. A. Beck of Ahsahka, Idaho and a son, Allen Binkley of Grove, Oklahoma. Mrs. Binkley expects to go with Mrs. Beck to visit for a time at the home of her daughter.

Townsend Club To Hear Report

The next meeting of the Townsend club will be held Thursday, March 5th in the Community church at which time Eph Frost will give a report on the Townsend convention he attended last week end in The Dalles, Oregon. For the meeting March 19th, a box supper is planned.

An unusual offer has been made by the president, D. R. DeGross, in which he says any time the club has a three-fourths turnout of membership at any meeting except "feed night" he will give the club treasury \$10.00. The membership is expected to reach the 300 mark by next meeting and 290 are actually enrolled at the present time. Mr. DeGross says his offer expires after the first April meeting.

As soon as the weather improves, C. E. Hansen of Portland and state manager of the Townsend clubs expects to visit the local unit. A big meeting will be planned for Mr. Hansen's visit, according to Mrs. A. V. Pruyn, secretary. Mrs. Pruyn also says she would like to remind the members that prompt payment of dues helps the club to pay its bills promptly, keep the Townsend movement going strong, and she would appreciate having some of the members with back dues owing to put the money on the line.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE HOLDS MEETING SATURDAY

The education committee of the County Health Association held a meeting Saturday at Ontario with Mrs. Kathryn Claypool, chairman, presiding. Plans were prepared to be presented at the annual meeting of the Health Association to be held March 21.

Those present were Mrs. Kathryn Claypool, chairman; B. W. Shaver, Harper; Mrs. Vera Weaver, Miss Elsie Walter and Mrs. May Roberts all of Ontario.

ADLER LOW BIDDER ON CONTRACT LET THURSDAY, FEB. 26th

H. J. Adler of Nyssa was the low bidder on the contract let at the reclamation office in Ontario last Thursday, February 20, with the bid of \$6,712. The contract was for the placing of some small siphon pipe on the Kingman sub-laterals. Geo. Henly of Nyssa put in the next low bid.

SCHOOLMASTERS MET AT EMMETT THURSDAY NIGHT

The Snake River Valley School Masters met at Emmett, Idaho at their regular meeting Thursday, February 20. About 30 men were seated at the banquet table.

After the general meeting, superintendents, principals, coaches and grade men met in various departments.

Those who attended from Malheur county were Albert B. Hopkins of Oregon Trail, Owen Price of Nyssa, Eber Eldred and Alvin Boark of Harper.

The next meeting will be at Nyssa, Thursday, March 26.

Almost Loses Middle Finger

Dale Garrison had an accident Wednesday afternoon that nearly cost him a middle finger; and indeed if infection sets in, still has a chance of losing a finger. The accident happened on the hay chopper working at the Jim Farmer place when Dale got his hand caught in a chain. He was wearing a glove and before he could get his hand out of the glove his finger was cut through to the bone between the first and second joint.

He was rushed to Dr. Sarazin's office, who treated the finger, set the bone together and wrapped it up in splints. He expects to save the injured member unless infection sets in.

Masonic - Star Banquet Held Monday Night

One of the nicest banquets ever held in Nyssa was the third annual Masonic-Star Washington Birthday banquet held Monday night in the basement of the Eagles hall. Over 100 tickets were sold for the affair. Guests were present from several neighboring towns as well as members of the local lodge.

Leo Hollenberg presided at the banquet in the role of toastmaster and introduced the various numbers on the program. "An Old Fashioned Garden" sang by Claudena Crawford was acted out upstairs before the banquet, by a group of girls including Isabelle Sarazin, Evelyn Hawthorn, Ellen McConnell, Mary Lee Emmott, Louise Tensen, Helen Boydell and Marlene Hollenberg. The girls also served at the various tables.

"Treasure Island," a song by Helen Boydell and accompanied by Mrs. Boydell on the piano and Edward Boydell on the trumpet was the next number on the program and was followed by a toast given by Mrs. Dick Tensen. Dickie Schireman gave a violin solo which was followed by a toast given by Worthy Matron Miss Hettie Medesker.

Mrs. Harry Peterson, Associate Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star of Oregon gave a talk, followed by a piano solo by Mrs. W. C. Jackson, Wm. W. Walker, of Ontario, district Deputy Grand Master, A. F. and A. M. of Oregon gave a talk, followed by a toast proposed by Chas. E. McConnell, Worshipful Master of the Golden Rule lodge.

A talk on Washington and the Washington Memorial was given by Geo. K. Aiken, Worshipful Master of Acacia lodge, followed by Heart Songs of Washington's Day by Miss Katherine Young and Mrs. John Young. The banquet closed by the group singing Auld Lang Syne and "Good Night Ladies." After the banquet, dancing was enjoyed in the hall above until a late hour.

Mrs. Frank Hall was in charge of table decorations, which were in George Washington motif, using red, white and blue streamers and candles. Favours were cleverly constructed of chopping block, hatchet and cherry, carrying out the well known George Washington story.

Eva Boydell was in charge of the programs, which had a cleverly produced picture of Washington on the frontpiece, in red and white colors. Mrs. Ernest Wilson, Mrs. Dick Tensen, Mrs. Wm. Schireman and Mrs. J. J. Sarazin were in charge of table arrangements with Mrs. Ray Emmott, Mrs. Ethel Crawford, Mrs. Hollenberg and Mrs. Arthur Boydell in charge of the food. The program was in charge of Mrs. John Young and Miss Hettie Medesker.

John Burman had an accident Monday night with his motorcycle near Payette and skidded on the slick highway. He received a badly skinned face and numerous bruises in the mishap.

BRAINARD DISTRICT MANAGER OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY

Carl Baldrige Transferred To Work In Power Office At Boise

K. M. Robinson, President and General Manager announced today the following changes in Idaho Power Company personnel, effective Wednesday, February 26, 1936.

J. C. Baldrige, Division Manager of the Payette Division, will be transferred to the General Office of the Company at Boise where he will be assigned special duties.

L. W. Brainard, Commercial Manager of the Company, will succeed Mr. Baldrige as Division Manager at Payette.

R. E. Gale, Division Superintendent of the Boise Division, will be transferred to the General Office and will succeed Mr. Brainard as Commercial Manager.

J. C. Baldrige became associated with the General Sales Department of the Idaho Power Company in 1925 and was transferred to Payette as Division Manager in 1929 and has served in that capacity since that time.

L. W. Brainard is the son of E. C. S. Brainard of Payette and spent his early years there, completing his grade and high school work at that place, later attending Whitman College. Brainard started work with the Idaho Power Company at Pocatello in 1919 filling various duties with the Company until he was transferred to the Sales Department in the Company's General Office. Since 1927 he has been Commercial Manager of the Company.

In his work as Commercial Manager, Brainard has made numerous trip to all the towns of the Payette Division and has many friends in these communities.

Mrs. C. A. Moore, who lives near Nyssa, has been quite sick with pneumonia, but is rapidly recovering.

Social Night Held At Eagles Hall

One of the most successful social nights held in many months was staged Wednesday night in the Eagle hall, with the Eagles and Auxiliary co-operating in putting on the affair. Claude Wilson was the chairman in charge of arrangements.

The evening started with an interesting program, including Margaret Sarazin in a soft shoe tap number entitled "Swanee River" and little Gladene Fisher in a tap dance called "The Park in Patee." Hinemoa Cloning entertained with a ballet-acrobatic dance. A recitation, "Little Gaffe Washington" was given by Lester Keizer.

Two dance orchestras were present and played during the program and later for the dance. One orchestra was composed of Archie Howell, Ed Warren, A. E. Wimp and Roy Shoemaker with the other was made up of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Glasgow and Mrs. Herbert Fisher.

During the program, Mrs. Herbert Fisher played a violin solo, accompanied by Mrs. W. C. Jackson and Claude Wilson gave a clog dance. Following the program, refreshments were served in the basement and the balance of the evening was spent dancing. The affair brought out one of the largest crowds ever to attend a social night.

ANOTHER DANCE SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY NIGHT

The dance crowd at the Eagles hall has been increasing and another dance will be held Saturday night with music by the Cactus Kids dance orchestra. The orchestra also expects to play for a dance Friday night at the Roswell hall. This same musical aggregation expects to play after the fights Tuesday night for a dance.

All drivers who are interested in taking the examination for drivers or chauffeurs license, or who wish to renew their licenses are reminded that the examiner will be at the city hall next Thursday, March 5th from 1 p. m. to 5 p. m. for the purpose of examining applicants.

SPORTSMEN'S MEETING TO BE HELD FRIDAY

Sportsmen of the Nyssa section have been cordially invited to attend a banquet and meeting of the Malheur County Fish and Game Club to be held this Friday evening, February 28 in the banquet room of the Moore Hotel in Ontario. The banquet will start at 7:00 and those sponsoring the affair are anxious to have the co-operation of as many Nyssa sportsmen as possible.

After the banquet, George Aiken will tell about recent developments as discovered in the Wild Life Conference he attended in Washington, D. C. in the early part of this month. Plans will also be made for the activities of the club for the coming year; stocking of the Owyhee dam, the Dunaway bass pond, and other topics of interest to sportsmen of the county. Everyone is invited to come and a good time is promised.

FIGHTS TO BE HELD TUESDAY

Another good fight card is in prospect for fans on Tuesday March 3rd at the Eagles hall with Clyde Hoxwood of Boise signed to meet Kenny Keech of Homedale in the main event. Both boys have good reputations and are apparently evenly matched. Keech has appeared in the local ring several times, knocking out Pat Rafferty last summer and more recently going six rounds to a draw with Guy Nelson of Twin Falls. Hoxwood has built up quite a reputation as a fighter around Boise but this will be his first appearance in a Nyssa ring.

Don Bentley, a favorite with the local fight fans is matched with Elly Mathews in the semi-finals. These boys have fought before and each time the fans saw a real close fight. Both are in good shape and can go the six round route at top speed.

A real grudge fight will be dished up as a special event. Dean Starr of Caldwell and Hugh Trelletson of Wilder seemingly had some difficulties at a dance not long ago and friends separated them before they could see who really was the best man. They expect to decide that in the ring Tuesday night before the Nyssa fight crowd.

Rocky Vincent of Meridian, who has fought here several times and each time put up a whirl-wind of a battle will take on Eddie Kane of Caldwell in one of the preliminaries. "Battling" Nelson and Red Baird both of Nyssa, will fight the curtain raiser.

GLENN IS NOT A CANDIDATE FOR JUDGE OFFICE

A communication from C. W. Glenn, sheriff of Malheur county was received today in which he stated he was not a candidate for the office of county judge. He said several people had talked to him on the subject but in every instance he had immediately advised them that he was not interested and would not consider being a candidate for the office of County Judge.

OFFICERS MAKE ARRESTS FOR LIQUOR VIOLATIONS

Officers swept down on the Rex Rooms and Raymond Hotel early this morning and arrested the owners for violation of the liquor laws. They appeared in court Thursday morning before Judge Williams who assessed them a fine of \$50 and costs each.

Cliff Parrish was arrested Wednesday night and lodged overnight in the city lockup for drunkenness and fighting. He was released this morning on his own recognition.

LOSES SHEEP FROM RABBIT POISON

John Stringer moved a band of sheep from the Rex Marquis ranch to the lambing shed Sunday and lost 45 head from rabbit poisoning that had been put out in the hills to kill rabbits.

'ROUND TOWN

Dirt starting to fly on new service station . . . Four Nyssa young men dashing down the street in undies . . . Art and Ed Norcott looking for excuse to go to fight in Boise (and finding it) . . . Mrs. Edwards mislaying her pocketbook . . . Edna Burt diving into a mud puddle . . .

RAY MULL BURIED ALIVE WHEN BANK CAVES IN MONDAY

Four Fail To Escape When Gravel Comes Tumbling Down At Pit Monday

Being buried alive was the experience of Ray Mull Monday morning when a bank at the gravel pit west of Nyssa caved away and literally buried him alive. Only his hand was sticking out and others at the pit came to his rescue and dug him out. He received a broken foot in the experience.

Three others narrowly escaped the same fate, and indeed were covered up to the waist in the cave-in. They were Dave Duggr, Howard Greenup and Herb Lythgoe. Harold Long, who was also shoveling with the gang, was the only one who escaped when the bank caved in without warning.

The men were getting out gravel for the county and had only seven more loads to finish the job when a bank, only about nine feet high, slid down. Mull, who was closest to the bank, was completely covered while the others were able to extricate themselves with a little aid from the others at the pit. A Chadwick and one of the Swam boys were at the pit getting out a load of gravel and helped in getting the men out of the pile of gravel; as did Archie Howell and Jack Keizer. All of the tools used by the men were lost beneath the pile of dirt and gravel.

AUCTION SALE NEXT WEDNESDAY

An auction sale of farm equipment and other personal property will be held next Wednesday by A. D. Moses at the farm a half mile east of the Kingman Colony school. The date is March 4 and Mr. Moses plans for Col. Miller of Caldwell to cry the sale.

Capt. H. Lee Noe Funeral Today

Captain H. Lee Noe, head of the Oregon state police in eastern Oregon for the last four and one-half years, died at his home in Baker Sunday night at 6:20 following an illness extending over the past five months. He was operated on in St. Vincent's hospital in Portland in September and one month later returned to his home in Baker.

Mr. Noe was prominent in Malheur county for many years. He was married in Ontario for six years, deputy sheriff of Malheur county for eight years, sheriff for eight years and county judge for six years. Mr. Noe was appointed captain in charge of the Baker district when the Oregon state police force was organized.

Captain Noe was a son of Margaret E. and M. H. Noe, who was a Baptist minister in Iowa and a first cousin of Abraham Lincoln. Following the death of his first wife by three years, Captain Noe was married to Daisy Howell of Canyon City eight years ago. The captain was a member of Acacia lodge of Masons at Ontario.

The deceased is survived by his widow; his mother Mrs. Margaret E. Noe of Des Moines, Iowa; a brother, Len Noe of Belvidere, Nebraska and a sister, Mrs. Nellie Hays of Hamilton, Iowa; and a step son, L. K. Bullock at Vale.

Funeral services were held this afternoon at 2 p. m. in the West and Company chapel in Baker. The Masonic lodge of Baker was in charge of the services and interment was in the Masonic section of Mt. Hope cemetery.

NEW TEACHER FOR LOCAL 2nd GRADE

Due to the unusually large enrollment in the second grade at the local school this year, the school authorities found it necessary to divide the class, giving half to Miss Hettie Medesker and a new teacher, Miss Margaret Galley has been hired to take the other division. Miss Galley is from Hubbard, Oregon and is a graduate of the Bellingham Normal. Before coming to Nyssa she had five years of experience teaching. She is staying at the Eva Boydell home.

Winning Dot Contest Pleases W. L. Schaffer

Editor Gate City Journal
Dear Sir:
I have experienced many surprises through life, but you handed me the first and only pleasant surprise emanating from a contest that I have ever received when you sent me a \$15.00 check for first prize in your recent dot counting contest.
Thanking you very much,
I remain most sincerely,
W. L. SCHAFER

Birthday Party Planned Sun.

Members of the Community church are planning a genuine old fashioned "feed" for Sunday, honoring the 80th birthday of O. F. Bacon. Mr. Bacon has taught the Bible class in the church for the past 13 years and although he lives in Boise, drives over every Sunday and is one of the most regular in attendance.

During the 13 years, Mr. Bacon has made scores of friends and is much beloved by the many members of his Bible class. A special invitation is extended to members of his class and friends to be present at the class period and later at the birthday dinner. The dinner will start at one o'clock and will be held in the church dining room.

Nyssa Wins Two Ball Games Over Week End

The Nyssa basketball team staged a come back this week end that resulted in a victory Friday night over Emmett and another win Saturday night with Baker the victim. The last game of the season before the tournament at La Grande will be played here Friday night against Nampa.

Nyssa 27, Emmett 17
Nyssa started out strong in their game against Emmett and took an early lead that was never threatened. At the end of the half the score stood 18 to 6 for Nyssa. Holly was high point scorer with 8, and Bigler of Emmett scored 4 for his team to cop scoring honors. The Emmett second team had little trouble in subduing the local seconds, the score reading 37 to 8.

Nyssa 22, Baker 20
A thrilling game Saturday night kept a large crowd of fans on edge that saw Nyssa eke out a two point victory over Baker. Both teams put up a good brand of basketball and the score stood 7 to 11 at the end of the half with Nyssa leading. Nyssa's big quarter was the third frame in which they boosted their total to 20 while holding Baker to four points.

Baker staged a last quarter rally that threatened to grasp victory at the last moment. Point by point they came up while Nyssa checked fiercely and waited for the gun to end the game, which came in time to save the game for the locals.

The combination of Pierson and Johnston at forward, Holly at Center and Graham and Cook at guard worked well and the boys seemingly have come out of the lump that hit them about the time of the Snake River Valley Tournament. Jackson played part of each game and Pogue also got into the game for a time.

The Baker second team defeated the Nyssa second team in a listless game, 40 to 12 to start the evenings entertainment. Between halves the girls gym class did some acrobatic stunts that made quite a hit with the crowd.

Leave Tuesday
The squad will leave Tuesday for La Grande where they will play Baker in the second game of the evening Tuesday. Other games for Tuesday night are Vale vs Wallowa in the first game; Ontario vs Enterprise in the third and La Grande vs Union in the last game of the evening. The tournament is being conducted on a double elimination basis.

TWIN BOYS BORN

Twin boys were born Saturday evening to Mrs. Chan Warner; both little fellows being healthy specimens. Mr. Warner died last fall from pneumonia.

W. L. SCHAFFER IS WINNER OF DOT COUNTING CONTEST

Other Prize Winners Are Picked By Judges At Close of Contest Sat.

W. L. Schaffer won first prize of \$15.00 in the dot counting contest which closed Saturday night, turning in the correct answer of 2137. After the contest closed, the judges started on their task of selecting the winners. They opened the sealed envelope containing the correct answer and then went through the coupons and records to determine who was entitled to prizes. Judges were Louis Wiltshire, Don Graham and Dr. C. A. Abbott.

Second prize of \$7.50 went to Allen White, third prize of \$5.00 to J. N. Thomason of Big Bend and fourth prize of \$2.50 to Horace Chaney of Big Bend. Years subscriptions were won by Chas. Toombs, N. H. Pinkerton and Mrs. C. H. Hoffman. Six months subscription prizes went to Malcolm Crawford, Louis DeBord and June Wilson.

Winners were selected according to the rule which stated: "In any case of tie counts, preference will be given to the entry first received at the Journal office."

The Journal wishes to congratulate all the prize winners and thank each and everyone for entering the contest. We would like to give prizes to all, but this was one contest in which the entrants could not lose as their payment of a years subscription entitled them to receive the Journal for 52 weeks at the regular rate.

There were dozens of answers very close to the correct count. The lowest number turned in was 2014 and the highest, 2289. The contestant turning in the highest count used a strong magnifying glass to count the dots and must have seen more than the manufacturers of the plate intended.

The contest proved a popular feature and we wish to express grateful appreciation to everyone who entered the contest. The competition was close and the winners deserve commendation for their skill in accurate counting.

Firemen Called To Blaze Friday

Firemen were called out Friday when a fire broke out in the Fred Woods house back of the Journal and occupied by the Beers family. The fire started back of the stove from a defective flue and neighbors had the fire pretty much under control before the fire truck arrived. While there was considerable smoke, the fire was a small one and very little actual damage was done.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY CHILD WELFARE CONFERENCE

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold a Child Welfare Conference at Boise, Idaho on March 6 and 7th. There will be seven departments represented. The State officers from Oregon and the other states represented will be in attendance. Several of the unit members are expected to go from Nyssa to take advantage of this fine opportunity to learn the National Child Welfare program.

DIES SUDDENLY WEDNESDAY EVE

Mrs. Anna Sophia Johnson, 60, passed away suddenly about nine o'clock Wednesday night at the C. J. Ashcraft home in Nyssa. Mrs. Johnson is the mother of Mrs. Ashcraft. She went to sleep last night while eating, the family laid her down on the bed to sleep; and a short time later she had passed away.

She was born July 17, 1875 at Vinding, Denmark and is survived by five children; four of whom live at Rexburg, Idaho. Funeral arrangements are being held up pending the arrival of the children.

AUTO EXAMINER TO BE HERE THURS., MARCH 5th

Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Greeling, Jr. left Thursday morning for their home in Yakima after spending their two weeks vacation here visiting at the parental M. M. Greeling and C. C. Hunt homes.