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## Sign-up For Soil Building Pay Is Being Completed

### County Agent's Office is Busy Completing Sign-up Before March 1 Deadline.

The Malheur County Agricultural Conservation Association is busily engaged in completing the sign-up of applications for payment under the 1936 Agricultural Conservation Program and the execution of work sheets for new signers for the 1937 program is being carried out.

The majority of the 819 farmers participating in the 1936 program should receive payment in the very near future as applications will be forwarded to the state office for payment within the next few days.

The sign-up for the 1937 program is being conducted by the community committees elected in the various communities and must be completed by March 1, 1937. The quota set for Malheur county is 800 new work sheets for the 1937 program. Those who signed a work sheet in 1936 will not be required to file another work sheet. Work sheets are being taken only from those who are coming into the program for the first time.

Any farmer in Malheur County who is interested in the program should get in touch with his community committee for the filing of work sheets. If this cannot be done, work sheets may be prepared at the county office in the city hall at Ontario.

It should be remembered that March 1, 1937 has been set as the closing date for the receiving of work sheets and there is no indication at the present time that this time limit will be extended.

### COMMERCIAL CLUB HOLDS REGULARLY MONTHLY MEET

An interesting meeting of the Commercial Club was held Thursday evening in the basement of the Eagles hall, with a good representation of business and professional men present. Financial report, sale yard, good roads and building prospects were interesting subjects discussed.

The board of directors met Monday night and worked out a system of monthly assessments to be paid by the various business houses in town to finance the activities of the Commercial Club. The matter of Owyhee Canyon Days was also discussed briefly, and it is likely the annual affair will be held sometime the latter part of May or first of June.

### AUXILIARY MEETING IS POSTPONED

President Mrs. Don M. Graham of the Legion Auxiliary announced that the regular Auxiliary meeting scheduled for tonight has been postponed on account of several members assisting in the preparation of the Father and Son Banquet tonight. Mrs. Graham also announced that a meeting will be held on the evening of March 4th at the Legion club house with Mesdames Howard Larson, C. L. McCoy and Wes Browne hostesses for the evening. All members are urged to be present.

W. C. T. U.

The W. C. T. U. meeting at Mrs. Rees Byrums was well attended, including Mrs. E. M. Carter, county president of Harper and two Ontario ladies. Mrs. Brooks read the scripture. In the absence of Mrs. Reberger, Mrs. D. Hawkins presided. The hostess served refreshments at the close of the meeting.

## 'ROUND TOWN

Roy Pounds worried about the arrangement of his fruit orchard. Art Norcott explaining why he can't raise his arms to put his coat on, he was in a skiing party above Weiser Sunday. Lloyd Millikin gains two days in his calculations and tries to buy a Thursday paper on Tuesday. Local fight fans enjoy card at Emmett Wednesday evening. Lotie Phillips sowing salt in front of post office. Tom Nordale gets a new pair of pockets in his pants.

## LOCAL FIGHTERS LOSE AT EMMETT WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Jake Green lost by KO route in the third round in his battle with Homer Pincher Wednesday evening at Emmett, although putting up a good battle against the Boise middle-weight. Danny Daniels was matched with a fast boy by the name of Dahlberg of Emmett, and dropped a close decision to the Idaho boy.

The Fighting Parson, who has appeared in the Nyssa ring several times was knocked out in the tenth and final round by the Fort Hall Indian, Vidal E. J. J. The Kikapoo Kid, who has also fought here several times lost a decision to Raymond Hicking, COC boy of Emmett. Quite a crowd of fans from Nyssa attended the fights.

## 4-H CLUB MEMBERS COMPETE FOR CORN GROWING HONORS

In order to provide some incentive for improvement of corn varieties and strains among the 4-H Club members carrying a corn project, the Ontario Branch of the U. S. National Bank has agreed to sponsor a Corn Improvement Contest during 1937.

In entering this contest the 4-H club member agrees to plant and care for at least one acre of corn, to carry out certain improvement practices; to make an exhibit of 25 ears of corn and his completed record book, and to follow recommended practices in carrying on his project.

To encourage participation in this project the Bank has agreed to furnish enough seed corn of the best quality obtainable to plant an acre, to provide facilities for a display of the exhibits when the project is completed, and to award the following prizes for the best 25 ear exhibits: 1st, Scholarship to 4-H Summer School, 2nd, \$5.00, 3rd \$2.50, 4th \$1.50 and 5th \$1.

To help in making this contest a success the County Club Agent will secure a supply of the best quality seed corn available and distribute enough for one acre to each contestant; will conduct tours and demonstrations dealing with the educational phases of the project, and will arrange for placing the exhibits on display and for a competent judge.

Club members desiring to enter this contest may secure the necessary forms from the Club Agent's office in Ontario. This form is in the nature of a three-way agreement between the club master, the Bank, and the County Club Agent, each of whom agrees to do the things mentioned above. Malheur County can excel in the quality of corn produced in the state of Oregon, as has been amply demonstrated before, and it is felt that this contest will stimulate interest among 4-H Club members in the production of this crop, and, if carried on for a few years, will help considerably in improving the quality of locally grown corn.

## Release Water At Owyhee Dam

Water started pouring through the needle valve at the Owyhee Dam Wednesday as the bureau of Reclamation started releasing water from the dam. Some 500 second feet are being released at the present time in anticipation of a heavy spring run-off.

The storage level had reached 835,000 feet, and lacked 85,000 of being filled to capacity when it was decided to release some of the water. It is estimated that by the time the spring run-off starts, there will be approximately 100,000 feet of space to be filled.

The ring-gate spillway is so designed it can take care of practically any size run-off and no fears are held in this respect. The object of releasing the water in small quantities now is to get away from doing any damage to roads or farms below the dam when the heavy run-off starts. Heavy snow on the Owyhee watershed is expected to fill the dam to capacity again this year, and it is practically a certainty that considerable water will have to be wasted through the spillway.

### CHORAL CLUB TO MEET WITH EVA BOYDELL WED.

The Choral club will meet next Wednesday, February 24th, at the home of Eva Boydeell. Mr. Reid of Ontario will be present to direct practice on the Easter cantata the club is planning.

## Cleaning Up in the Wake of Raging Flood Waters



With shovels, brushes and pumps workmen clear ponds of water and heaps of gravel and dirt from the approach to Suspension bridge at Covington, Ky., as the flood waters of the Ohio river receded. This city was almost completely inundated during the flood.

## Baker Quintet Play Here Sat.

### Baker Wallops Locals 33 to 15 and Emmett Wins 25 to 15—Baker Here Saturday.

The Baker basketball team rolled up a 33 to 15 victory over Nyssa at their game played at Baker Friday night with the fast Baker team in the lead practically the entire distance. With the score 29 to 4, the Baker reserves took over at the start of the second half but were unable to continue scoring in varsity style.

Both teams started the game at a fast clip and Nyssa took a 4 to 3 lead early in the contest. However, on work-in shots, Baker forged ahead to a 11 to 4 score at the end of the quarter. The Baker quintet increased their lead to 29 to 4 at the end of the half but the Baker reserves, who were sent in to finish the game, only scored two baskets during the entire half, and both of these near the end of the game.

Nyssa players were Pierson, Wilson, Graham, Jackson, Johnston, Byram, Lloyd Wilson and Stanley Ray. Johnston was high for Nyssa with seven.

### Baker to Play Here

Baker will play in Nyssa Saturday evening, February 20th and the local team is determined to make a better showing. The teams seem to be in a slump but Coach Young has hopes the boys will again be hitting their stride by Saturday night.

On Friday night the team will go to Weiser to play the strong Weiser five, and next Friday night, February 26th, Nyssa will have the opportunity of entertaining Vale here. While Vale lost to Nyssa in tournament play, they made a name for themselves by immediately knocking over Ontario after the tournament by a count of 22 to 12. Ontario was the tournament champion, but Coach Brown of Vale shifted four men from his second team up to varsity rating and seems to have hit a winning combination.

### Emmett Wins 25 to 15

The Nyssa team took another defeat Saturday night when they played Emmett on the Emmett floor, the final score being 25 to 15. The second team lost their game, 30 to 15. In a game played earlier in the season, the local team took the measure of Emmett but the fast breaking Emmett offense was too much Saturday night. Johnston was high for Nyssa with five points, while Wilson was high point man in the second team game, gathering 11 for Nyssa.

### MRS. DEAN JOHNSTON SHOWS SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT

Mrs. Dean Worley Johnston, who has been ill in the Dixon nursing home is showing slight improvement, but flu and infection have complicated her case. Her young daughter is getting along nicely. Mrs. Dixon has requested that instead of friends calling the home to inquire about the condition of Mrs. Johnston, that they call Mrs. Sid Burbridge instead, as the phone ringing is an annoyance to the patient.

## JOHN KLUG LOW BIDDER ON BIG CALIFORNIA JOB

Word was received here Tuesday evening by wire from John Klug that he was low bidder on two schedules on work connected with the building of the All-American canal in Arizona and California. Bids were opened Tuesday at Yuma, Arizona. Mr. Klug expects to return Saturday. The work includes four power drops, and run from \$300,000 to \$250,000 each. Quantities involve 10,000 yards of concrete for each drop, pile driving, 100,000 yards of excavation and other large quantities. While Mr. Klug was low bidder no formal contract has been awarded yet, and it will likely be 30 days before the actual winner of the contract is announced.

## Names Sought For Districts

### New Settlers Want to Pick Suitable Name For Project Districts.

Discussion and probably the naming of several new districts on the Owyhee project will be the principal order of business at a meeting called for Saturday evening, February 27th in the city hall at Nyssa. The meeting is scheduled to start at eight o'clock and all persons interested in having their district receiving a suitable name are invited to attend.

In many districts the names just naturally take that of some nearby river, creek, mountain or other physical feature. Once named, the district usually is known by that title forever.

The different districts could be classified as follows: 1. From Sheep creek north along the high line and down to the old lands.

2. Between Sheep creek and Lockett Gulch. This land lays directly west of Nyssa.

3. From Lockett Gulch to Lyle Boulevard road running up Cow Hollow.

4. A smaller district, but distinct, between Lyle Boulevard and running west to the high line canal.

5. A big district running from the CCC camp up Cow Hollow.

6. That district in the valley just east of Chalk Butte.

7. The settlement of new people west of Adrian and east of Mitchell Butte.

These various districts seem to be the natural divisions, and the meeting February 27th will attempt to name each district with a suitable appellation. Every settler has a right to help in naming their district, and should be at the meeting so that they can express their viewpoint as to what their district should be named. This naming movement is being started by the settlers themselves, and is being done so that people can better identify where they live. Some name is going to be stuck on these various districts, and the people living out there feel they should have a name indicative of their district rather than just any old name given to the district.

## Saturday Sale Planned Feb. 27

### Management Expects To Conduct Sales in Nyssa Every Saturday.

Nyssa is to have a regular Saturday sale, beginning Saturday, February 27th, and continue regularly every week. The new enterprise is being started by D. W. McGinnis, who came here this fall from North Dakota and Walt Fox, who operates the Fox tourist cabins and service station in the north part of town.

The site for the sale grounds will be just east of the railroad tracks, with adequate pens, chutes, and other equipment constructed to take care of livestock, poultry, farm machinery, produce, furniture and all sorts of articles. The two operators of the Nyssa Sale Yard will not only personally arrange to have articles brought for sale, but are providing this market place for exchange of products among the farmers and towns people of Nyssa.

The new sale yard will be looked upon with favor by those people who have livestock, poultry, produce, furniture, tools machinery or other articles they wish to dispose of. At the same time there are people who can use these very things, and the Nyssa Sale Yard will provide a convenient and easy way to buy or sell.

Sales in neighboring towns are running with conspicuous success and it is the hope of the management that the people here will support the new venture and make it profitable for everyone concerned. A good auctioneer has been secured, Col. Bert Anderson of Ontario, and people need have no fear of their products not bringing the high dollar. There are sales now at Caldwell, Meridian, Vale, Ontario, Payette and other towns. The management here expects to have the Nyssa Sale Yard running close competition to these places in a short time.

## Founder's Day Observed by Kingman Kolony P. T. A.

Founders Day was observed at the regular February meeting of Kingman Kolony P. T. A. This year terminates 40 years of service since the first Congress of Mothers was assembled in Washington, D. C. This service was the subject of a pamphlet read by Mrs. M. M. Greeling as part of the program Friday.

The National P. T. A. has a membership of nearly two million of which Oregon has 24,655. The Kolony unit has been in service for over half of the 40 years and has grown from a membership of very few to 40.

The work has been varied including study and many activities. One service the Kolony unit has to its credit is the help given 4-H Clubs, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. Through the years the organization has tried to substantiate the statement that "membership dues are an investment in child welfare."

Carl Coad returned Tuesday evening from Salem where he went on legislative business.

## IRRIGATION FILMS TO BE SHOWN HERE TUESDAY NIGHT

The illustrated lecture, "New Ideas in Irrigated Agriculture," which was to have been held Monday night in the high school gym had to be postponed due to conflicting dates, and a new date for the showing of the lecture has been set for Tuesday evening, February 23rd. The lecture will start at eight o'clock and will be illustrated with 56 colored slides prepared by the bureau of reclamation, besides a three reel motion picture showing irrigation picture. County Agent Larson is co-operating in putting the show on.

## CIVIC CLUB HOLDS BENEFIT TEA FOR HOSPITAL FUND

A good sized crowd was present Wednesday afternoon at the regular Civic club meeting, which was in the nature of a benefit tea for Doernbecher Children's hospital in Portland. A total of \$10 was raised by the club and it is estimated that if the 135 clubs of the state did as well, an ample sum will be available for carrying on the work of the hospital.

Mrs. Ray Emmott spoke on the beginning and early history of the Doernbecher hospital and Mrs. Frank Morgan gave a talk on her personal visit to the institution.

An interesting musical program was given, consisting of three solos by Master Donald Wilson, accompanied on the piano by his sister, June Marie. He dedicated his songs to the children in the Doernbecher hospital. June Marie Wilson entertained with a piano solo and Miss Hettie Medesker gave a musical reading, accompanied by Mrs. W. C. Jackson at the piano.

Tea was served by Mrs. Dick Tennessen as hostess, assisted by Mesdames Elmer Cloninger and N. H. Pinkerton.

### ELECTRICAL DEMONSTRATION HELD AT HIGH SCHOOL GYM

An electrical demonstration, put on by the National School Assemblies held the attention of some 200 students and their parents at the high school gym Monday evening. The educational program presented electricity in simple and understandable form, and the different actions and re-actions of charged bodies. The lecture was part of the school's program of presenting educational lectures by experts sent out by the National School Assemblies, a national organization.

### NYSSA RECLAMATION TEAM LOSE PAIR OF GAMES

The Nyssa Reclamation basketball team, made up of former high school and college players now working for the Bureau of Reclamation, went down to defeat Monday night in a game with Nampa. The score was 80 to 38.

Wednesday night the same local team played a team from Vale, and again were defeated, this time by a score of 56 to 22.

## Vale Show Will Provide Sport

According to reports, the Vale Firemen are making extensive plans for this year's El Campo Rugiente, their annual winter carnival which is to be held next week end, February 26 and 27.

The show is headlined by this year's Beano Table which will be a great deal larger than the previous ones used and the prizes are better than ever.

All the gambling games found on the old frontier will be taken out of their archives and dusted off to re-enact the old west. Among the games are Chuck-A-Luck, Roulette, Black Jack, Dice and Wheels. Fun money is purchased for use in the games.

A Big Dance both nights will furnish entertainment for those who do not care for the "heavy" gambling. We have been advised by the committee that the streets of Nyssa will be safe for women and children all next week; for it was decided not to stage the annual booster trip this year.

### PARENTS OF SON

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Toombs, Jr., who are now living in Emmett, are announcing the birth of an 8 1/2 pound son born February 11. He has been named Kenneth Irwin.

## Dern Headlines Wrestling Show Here Thursday

### Champion Lady Wrestler To Appear on Eagles Card Feb. 25th—Big Crowd Expected.

The wrestling card lined up by the Eagles for Thursday evening, February 25th is probably the finest lineup of talent ever assembled in the ring at Nyssa. Headlining the card will be the famous Ira Dern Salt Lake City bone twister who weighs 212 pounds. A worthy opponent has been signed in the person of "Gentleman Jack" Connelly, who hales from Boston and tips the beam at 255 pounds.

In the wrestling card held here January 18th when Dern threw Don Stone in two straight falls, he asked the management to find a heavy boy for him and he would be glad to come back. Matchmaker Garde acted on that suggestion and was successful this week in signing Connelly, who will outweigh Dern over 40 pounds.

Dern has never wrestled Connelly, and in fact Connelly has had but few matches west of the Mississippi river. Advance dope indicates he would like to win a victory over Dern, which would automatically put him in line for lucrative engagements in coast city wrestling auditoriums. Dern may have made a bad guess when he agreed to meet Connelly, who is as well known in the Atlantic states as Dern is in the Intermountain country.

### Lady to Wrestle

Something absolutely new to wrestling fans in this part of the country will be the match between Betty Bushay and "Young" Taylor. Betty Bushay has been billed as the world's champion lady wrestler everywhere she appears and up to date no member of the fairer sex has been able to successfully dispute that title. She weighs 140 pounds and her opponent, a young wrestler from Portland is ten pounds lighter. Her home is in Hollywood, California and fans who have listened to wrestling matches over the radio will likely remember the name and the enthusiasm she has received there. This attraction alone is expected to pack the house Thursday night.

### Keener and Mathews Back

Fans who attended the wrestling matches January 18th here will remember the fine show put on by "Bull" Keener and Don Mathews. These boys weigh in the light-heavy weight class and their efforts stole the show the last time they were here. Mathews won the match in their previous encounter, two falls out of three, fans will agree that both boys extended themselves in a determined effort to win.

The boxing part of the show will be taken care of by a four round curtain raiser match between "Battling" Kujcar of Portland and "The Missouri Kid," of Pocatello. These boys both weigh 140 pounds and are new comers to the Nyssa ring.

The show will be held in the Eagles hall in Nyssa, Thursday February 25th starting at 8 o'clock and if weather conditions are even halfway decent, a capacity house should be on hand to witness the show.

### MASONIC BANQUET MONDAY EVENING

The annual Masonic Banquet for members of the order and of the Eastern Star will be held Monday night in the basement of the Eagles hall. The banquet and program will be followed with an evening of dancing.

## EVENT CALENDAR

Tonight—Father-Son Banquet  
Saturday, Feb. 20—Baker plays here.  
Monday, Feb. 22—Masonic Banquet  
Tuesday, Feb. 23—Irrigation films at gym.  
Thursday, Feb. 25—Eagles Wrestling card.  
Friday, Feb. 26—Vale plays here.  
Fri.-Sat., Feb. 26-27—El Campo days at Vale.  
Saturday, Feb. 27—New Settler meeting at City Hall.  
Saturday, P. M., Feb. 27—Saturday Sale.