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Council Acts On Strict City Building Ordinance

Permits Required For Re-modeling, New Building or Repair of Buildings

Every person who contemplates building, enlarging or repairing any building within the corporate limits of Nyssa will first have to secure a building permit, according to the terms of an ordinance adopted at the city council meeting Monday evening.

The ordinance provides that before construction is started on any improvement within the city limits, duplicate plans, description of property, specifications and description must be filed with the city recorder and a permit to build may be issued with the council's permission.

Any legal voter in the city can object to granting of a permit and can file objections with the recorder. In such case a hearing must be held, giving ten days notice, at which time the council can either grant or refuse the permit. In case of refusal, the aggrieved party has the right to appeal to the district court.

Incorporated into the new building ordinance is a provision whereby the council can require a building to be set back at least 20 feet from the street if found necessary to promote public health, safety and welfare.

Outdoor privies were given considerable attention in the ordinance, which provides for an inventory and regular inspection. It is not kept in clean and sanitary condition, or for other good reasons, the council can order removal upon 48 hour notice. No additional outside toilets can be constructed within the city limits without special permission of the city council.

Penalties for violation of the ordinance were set at fines ranging from \$10 up to \$250.

The council also provided for the bonding of the city recorder, ordering him to purchase a bond in the amount of \$1,000. Dean Smith was appointed inspector of sewer connections for the year and three judges for the May 11th election were selected. They were Bert Hoxie, Ethel Crawford and Mrs. Fred Marshall.

Carl Coad appeared before the council, asking for a creation of a sewer improvement district to run north up Third Avenue. This will be drawn up in formal form and presented to the council at an adjourned session called for Friday evening. Before sewer extensions can be made, with resultant charge to abutting property, a hearing will have to be arranged and the consent of the property owners will be necessary before work can be started.

Dr. J. J. Sarazin appeared before the council, explaining the need for regulations and health examination of all persons engaged in personal service work, to detect social diseases. Those particularly affected would be food handlers, doctors, dentists, barbers, beauty operators, etc.

A building permit was issued to Ed Dilly for the construction of a dwelling house and Mr. Nate Leigh of Parma appeared to get instructions for presenting plans and specifications leading toward a building permit for a new theatre building. There being several other matters of importance to come before the council, the session was adjourned until Friday evening, April 9th, when the council will continue with their work.

OREGON TRAIL PLAN PLAY FOR APRIL 16

"Aunt Emma Sees It Through", a lively farce in three acts will be presented by the Oregon Trail Grange Friday, April 16th at the Oregon Trail schoolhouse. The play will begin at 8:30 and the admission 10, 15 and 25 cents will be used for grange benefit.

Louise and Kathryn Adair live with strait-laced old Aunt Emma. Time is passing and neither girl is married, so Lou advertises for a husband. They tell Aunt Emma the applicants are for a butler's job when the truth is known there is some scene.

The characters include Aunt Emma, Mrs. Albert Hopkins; Louise Adair, Iva Adams; Kathryn Adair, Mrs. John Bowen; Dick Christianson, Albert Hopkins; Jack Norris, John Stam; and Joe Sparks, Lloyd Adams.

The production is under the direction of Mrs. Glen Holmes.

Interest Keen In Softball Play

Pre-season softball gossip is spreading around town and many prospective players can be seen daily scanning the sky to see if the weather will permit starting practice. Following the announcement of the organization of a league last week, there has been a grand rush to sign players, with the result that three or four teams are certain to be in the league, and possibly more.

The newest development is the organization of a girls softball team to play in the league this summer, and already a list of prospective feminine players have been secured. Mrs. Henry "Jackie" Carl started organizing the team and has secured Artie Robertson as team coach, manager and chaplain. Players have until April 20th to sign as league players, paying a sum of 25c to be used to buy league equipment. Each team will be outfitted in colorful soft-ball sweaters with the prospect being plenty of good clean fun this summer on the soft ball lot.

STATE LIQUOR OFFICERS MAKE RAIDS IN COUNTY

Five proprietors of rooming houses in Malheur county appeared before Judge Williams in Nyssa Monday morning, charged by officers of the State Liquor Commission with violation of the state liquor law. Each paid a fine of \$100 and costs. Those hauled up before the judge were proprietors of the Farley Rooms, Multnomah Hotel and Colonial Hotel in Ontario; and the Nyssa and Rex Rooms in Nyssa.

Town Ball Hawks To Hold Practice Sunday

The first baseball practice for the town team has been called for Sunday afternoon at 2:30. All ball players interested in playing on the Nyssa team this coming summer are urged to be out. The first game of the season will be May 2nd with Caldwell here.

ELECTED SECRETARY OF DELTA ZETA SORORITY

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Garrison that their daughter Vera has been elected secretary of her sorority, Chi of Delta Zeta at Oregon State College. Miss Garrison is majoring in secretarial science at OSC.

EXPECT TO RE-MODEL DEPOT THIS SUMMER

Word was received Wednesday by Frank Morgan, secretary of the Commercial Club, that the Union Pacific railroad had plans drawn for re-modeling the local depot and expected to do the work sometime this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Del Taylor moved this week to the house formerly occupied by the Frank Phillips family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kyles and children of Buhl, Idaho, spent Saturday evening at the Rees Byram home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bunny Schweizer who have been living in Ontario moved Monday to Nampa.

Mrs. Doug McDonald and youngest son spent Friday in Caldwell where she visited with her mother and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ramsey moved last week to Boise where Mr. Ramsey was transferred by the Bureau of Reclamation. The Lewis Wilshires have moved into the house formerly occupied by the Ramseys.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rinehart and daughter Lucille of Enterprise spent Saturday and Sunday visiting with their son Grant and his wife and their new daughter, Kristen Anne.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence "Red" Kregger of the Owyhee Dam are parents of a son born April 3 at the Brittingham home in Ontario. The newcomer has been named Lawrence LaVerne.

Miss Ruth Warnock spent Saturday night and Sunday in Nampa where she visited friends and attended a reunion of her classmates of the class graduating from Drake's Beauty school.

Beet Acreage To Be Over 7,000

Beet Company To Pay 50c Ton Payment April 10 On 1936 Beet Crop

The Amalgamated Sugar Company has contracted, as of last Saturday, approximately 7400 acres, which farmers in the Eastern Oregon and Western Idaho territory will plant to sugar beets. Of this acreage about 200 has been planted at this time. Rains of the past week, although delaying planting to considerable extent, has been beneficial for the beets already planted and will help those to be planted. Fieldmen are busy urging preparation of firmer seed beds.

The Amalgamated Sugar Company will make a fifty cent per ton payment about April 10th, on beets produced last year. This payment, coupled with the initial payment of \$5.50 last fall, brings the total to \$6.00 per ton which farmers have received for their beets. In addition there are two subsequent payments to follow.

The personnel of the districts' organization has been completed, and consists of: R. G. Whitaker, cashier; George Daley, field man, Nyssa and vicinity; William Baugh, Jr., fieldman, Vale and vicinity; E. Q. Marsing, Parma, Caldwell, Marsing and vicinity; Leo J. Kreider, Payette, Emmett and vicinity; H. V. Musser, Weiser and vicinity; E. J. Sheneberger, warehouse foreman; Harvey Hunt, dump and mechanical foreman; A. E. Benning, local manager. The above organization is under the direction of Mr. R. H. Tallman, Idaho District Manager, of Twin Falls, Idaho.

County P. T. A. Council To Meet

The Malheur County Council of Parents and Teachers will meet at the Annex School near Weiser Saturday, April 10th. Mrs. M. M. Greeling, county president, wishes to call the business meeting punctually at 10:00 A. M. A covered dish luncheon will be served at the noon hour.

Plans for the county council were made by the County Board of Managers at their regular meeting in Ontario Saturday at the high school building. Election of county officers are planned for Saturday at the council meeting.

Interesting speakers are scheduled for the afternoon session beginning at 1:30 P. M. Musical numbers are also being arranged by the program committee. The public is invited to attend.

ROXY STEPS INTO "BIG-TIME" CLASS

Howard Matthews, manager of the Roxy Theatre in Ontario was in Nyssa Monday and was jubilant over the signing of the Cushman road show circuit for his theatre. The first show will be staged on the evening of April 14th and if the public approves, the Cushman unit will be at the Roxy on alternate Wednesday evenings.

The Wilbur Cushman stage show is big-time stuff, and Ontario is one of the smallest cities on their circuit. The units made two stops in Idaho, one at Boise and one at Pocatello. Artists on the first show include Joe Christy, one of America's foremost dancing comedians. The program also includes acrobatic comedians, dancing girls and a dance band.

OPENS BEAUTY SHOP

Miss Florence Wirta, who arrived here recently from Portland opened a new beauty shop this week in the rear of the Owyhe Barber Shop. Miss Wirta has had wide experience as a beauty operator and has installed new equipment to adequately take care of her customers.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Thompson left Saturday morning for Salem, Oregon to visit with their daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Beutler. During their absence Herschel Thompson is caring for the feed and seed business.

Leo Hollenberg, superintendent of Nyssa schools, Coach John Young and Mr. Fred Koopman left Tuesday for Spokane where the two school men will attend the meeting of the Inland Empire Teachers Association being held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week.

VETERANS FOREIGN WARS TO HOLD OPEN MEETING ON FRIDAY, APRIL 16

The local post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars are planning an open meeting on Friday evening, April 16 at which time all ex-service men and their wives are invited to the party at the Legion hall. An interesting meeting is planned, including refreshments.

A lively meeting was held last Friday, including the initiation of several new members by Commander L. R. Miller of the Payette Valley Post No. 2738 at Payette. Special guests included Henry Hubert, Ray Christensen, Lloyd Brundage and Henry Sheppard, all of Payette Valley post.

Water Spills Over Glory Hole

Water started spilling over the ring gate at the Owyhee dam on Tuesday, assuring a full two-seasons water supply for all lands under the Owyhee project. Last year the water filled the reservoir and overflowed through the ring gate on March 26th. This year the overflow came on April 6th.

Wednesday morning the storage in the reservoir totaled 712,700 feet; and this could be increased to capacity by closing the needle valve for less than 24 hours. The limit of storage in the dam is 715,000 feet.

Several weeks ago reclamation officials decided that in order to prepare for a heavy spring runoff some water should be released early, and the needle valve was opened and water started spilling down the Owyhee river. Last week the flow of the river increased considerably and on Saturday the needle valve was opened to capacity, allowing a flow of 2,800 second feet. In spite of this, the water level kept coming up steadily and water was expected to overflow the ring gate on Monday but cooler weather cut down the run-off some and the actual overflow did not come until Tuesday.

Spring rains has made it unnecessary to turn water into the irrigation ditches at present, but it is likely that a head of water will be put in the canals soon, possibly within a week or ten days. Painting work at the Owyhee and Snively siphons is complete, and work at the Malheur siphon nearly finished, the big structures being ready to take up their task of carrying live-giving water from the Owyhee reservoir to the thirsty acres under the project.

HIGH SCHOOL SCORES HIT WITH THEIR PLAY

A full house greeted the presentation of the high school play Thursday night, "Romance in a Boarding House," given in the high school gym. The four-act comedy moved swiftly and smoothly; to the credit of both players and teachers.

Those taking part in the production, Eleanor Haworth, Dean tion included Luella Leuck, Willard Byram, Anne Haroldsen Loren Earnest, Frank Pierson, Flora Prosser, Jo Burke, Ted Morgan and Eileen McCannell. The play was directed by Mrs. Haworth.

HIGH SCHOOL BALL TEAM TO OPEN SEASON WITH EMMETT TUESDAY

The umpire will call "Play Ball" on the local lot Tuesday for the opening game of the season when Emmett will come here to open the high school season. Cold rainy weather, coupled with spring vacation this week has hampered practice, but the Emmett game does not count in league standings and is more in the nature of a practice game.

'ROUND TOWN

Kenneth Pond gets new tudor Ford sedan and plans to leave for Nampa job Ward's tire dept. . . I. "Beeler" Allen denies story that he ran his new two-cylinder tractor for a week on one cylinder before he could tell the difference. . . Report is that while Frank Rambaud isn't on strike, it didn't prevent him from sitting down in Emmett lumber mill. . . We expect to hear about the first dandelion any day now. . . Dick Tensen hurts leg loading stock, but refuses to follow his wife's advice and stay off it. . . Maria McElroy refuses to be quoted on matrimonial subject.

William Jensen Dies Suddenly

Funeral Services Held At Ontario Today From L. D. S. Church

Heart disease claimed the life of William Jensen, 46, Saturday while he was pruning trees at the Ed Ingraham orchard between Nyssa and Ontario. His death was a distinct shock to his family and friends, as he was apparently in good health, although he had been ill during the winter with the flu and was bothered some with heart trouble. Mr. Jensen and his family were living on the Shaw farm on the Nyssa-Ontario highway.

Funeral services were conducted this afternoon at two o'clock from the L.D.S. church in Ontario with interment in the Nampa cemetery.

He is survived by his wife and three children, Vera, Miller and Lyle and also by his father, Miller Jensen, who also lives on a farm between Nyssa and Ontario. He leaves six sisters, Mrs. Wilbur Sewell, Nampa; Mrs. Ben Ives, Nampa; Mrs. Henry Kendell, Caldwell; Mrs. Robert Armstrong, Moore, Idaho; Mrs. Gordon Vaughn, Pingree, Idaho and Mrs. William Edison of La Grande. He also leaves four brothers, Elden and Clayton Jensen of Nyssa; Ira of Oakland, California and Gerald of Salt Lake City. All immediate relatives were present for the services today.

Larry Prawitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Prawitz of Nyssa arrived last week for a visit with his parents. Larry is in the U. S. Navy, and reports he enjoys the work very much.

Golfers To Test Prowess Sunday

Windy, cold weather drove golfers to cover Sunday and the planned tournament was postponed until this Sunday. In spite of unfavorable weather conditions, quite a few hardy divot diggers were out, and all have promised to return for the big affair Sunday.

The local course is now in very good shape and the club is planning to make the Sunday affair enjoyable to all. All golfers are invited to take part in the tournament, whether members of the local club or not, and should be on hand by 9:30 in the morning to get in the first round of play. Besides prizes for low score, there will be driving, putting and approach contests; besides novelty handicap affairs guaranteed to provide fun for those taking part.

CCC CELEBRATES 4th ANNIVERSARY

All the CCC camps in the United States are holding open house this week from April 4th until 11th in celebration of the fourth anniversary of the Civilian Conservation Corps. The local camp has been visited by several interested citizens the past few days and are shown a royal welcome at the camp.

The local camp is very much improved over a year ago, with grass and trees now adding to the beauty of the camp. Visitors invariably are struck by the cleanliness, utility and comfort of the camp. Anyone who has not taken advantage of the CCC invitation to visit the camp, have lunch with them and inspect the camp; should do so on or before Sunday, April 11th.

VISITS BROTHER

Mrs. H. S. Wetherell of Post Falls, Idaho arrived Monday evening for a visit with her brother and family, A. V. Pruyn. She will also visit for a time with the Ed Pruyn family. Mrs. Wetherell was associated in the publication of the Post Falls newspaper before selling out several months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pfeiler arrived Tuesday evening from Oxnard California and immediately took up their duties at the Pfeiler ranch on the new project. The Pfeilers left here last fall to spend the winter in California.

Miss Eva Boydell and Owen Price accompanied the 7th and 8th grade entrants in the declamatory contest, Margie Howell and Eris Jamison to Vale Friday evening. They report that both Nyssa pupils made a satisfactory showing.

Homestead Land Thrown Open For Ex-Service Men

Roamers Told To Leave Quick

A band of gypsies ran into difficulties with state and local police Wednesday night when they boldly appropriated \$400 belonging to the aged Mr. Ferrel of Adrian. The band had been around here a few days earlier, attempting to get some cash from Dr. Sarazin while in his office; but the Doctor was on their tricks and made them return the money they had picked from his pockets.

They spent a day or two in Idaho, but were chased out of that state when they lifted \$82 from a Mr. Alvord near Boise. Idaho police made them return the money and ordered them out of the state.

Oregon state police caught up with them near the high school Wednesday evening, and secured Mr. Ferrel's four dollars and warned them that any further reports of thieving would lead to filing of criminal charges. They camped near Adrian last night and just what their present plans might be is known only to themselves. There were 14 cars in the caravan, all new machines, carrying Nebraska licenses; and indications were that they had been doing pretty well financially.

HIGH SCHOOL SMOKER PROVIDES THRILLS

The lettermen club of the local high school gave a real show Friday night when they presented a program of wrestling and boxing bouts. The boys went after each other in earnest, with plenty of action in every bout.

SCHOOL ENJOYS SPRING VACATION

Teachers as well as pupils are enjoying the annual spring vacation, with most of the teachers spending the time out of town. Miss Galley, whose home is in Hubbard drove her car and was accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Jones, who will spend the vacation at Richland; Miss Clara Rette will be at Fossil; Miss Reta Fuqua and Miss McDonald went on to Portland; Mrs. Elta Benson who went to Monmouth to visit with her daughter Doris a student at the Normal there. The Medeskers are also spending the vacation out of town. Owen Price went to his home in La Grande and Warren Bailey took a plane from Boise, flying to Portland and from there went on to Corvallis to visit his parents.

BUSINESS MEN ASKED TO ATTEND BASEBALL MEETING MONDAY NIGHT

A baseball meeting has been called Monday night by Manager Dewey Ray, to be held in the city hall, and all business men are urged to attend. In two previous meetings the business men failed to turn out very strong, and it is hoped a good representation will be present Monday night.

A baby girl was born to Dr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Davis Tuesday at New Plymouth. Dr. Davis formerly practiced in Parma and was well known here and Mrs. Davis is a sister of Mrs. Laura Fisher, who was formerly in business here.

Chas Caldwell returned Tuesday on the Rose from a business trip to Kent and Seattle, Wash. He reports lots of rain in that vicinity while away.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Mortenson returned last Friday from Salt Lake where they had been called by the death of Mr. Mortenson's father.

Mrs. W. C. Jackson returned on Thursday from a short business trip to Portland. She went down Tuesday evening.

RETURNS FROM TRIP

E. C. McFarland returned on No. 17 Thursday evening from an extended visit in Iowa Falls and De Moines, Iowa, Kansas City and Kirksville, Missouri, Omaha, Neb., Ottawa, Kansas and Red Wolf Falls Minnesota, visiting relatives he had not seen for 32 years. His brother Walter is in a paralyzed condition, having suffered the second stroke while E. C. was there.

Mr. McFarland left 10 foot snow banks in Minnesota and at least 4 inches on the level. Mr. McFarland says Oregon is still his favorite state and looks better to him than ever. He expects to return to work with the reclamation soon.

Can File Now On 34 Farm Units Under Owyhee Project

The United States government is throwing open 34 farm units for homestead entry on the Owyhee project, starting immediately. This news was just received by Engineer R. J. Newell on Wednesday and immediate preparations were made to take care of homeseekers expected to swarm in and snap the land up.

Thirteen of the farm units are under the Mitchell Butte division and 21 units are in the Dead Ox division of the project. The 34 farm units include a total of 1,550 acres of irrigable land.

As in the homesteading done last year, ex-service men will have first preference for 60 days. Application can be made at once, and all applications made up until April 15th will be considered as being made simultaneously. After April 15th, if there is any homestead land remaining, the applications will be cared for in the order received. After 60 days, if there is any land remaining; the general public will be allowed to make application. A committee made up of County Agent Larsen, Frank Morgan and R. J. Newell will pass on the qualifications of applicants.

Applicants for any of these lands must meet the requirements made by law for settlers on Federal reclamation projects. These requirements include good health, at least two years actual farming experience and capital of \$2,000 or its equivalent in farm equipment.

Full information regarding this land, along with plats showing its location may be obtained at the reclamation offices in Nyssa or Ontario or at the Owyhee Irrigation office in Nyssa.

The opening now is very similar to last year when 107 farm units were thrown open for homestead entry on the Owyhee project. These lands were in big demand and the present offering of homestead land is expected to be taken up within a short time. Anyone interested, who can qualify, should make application at once, reclamation officials say.

EAGLES AUXILIARY PLAN SATURDAY DANCE

The Ladies Auxiliary of the local Eagles lodge are planning a public dance for Saturday night in the Eagles hall. They have arranged for a good orchestra and invite the public to attend.

RT. REV. REMINGTON TO SPEAK AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH SUNDAY MORN

The Rt. Rev. W. P. Remington of Pendleton will speak at the St. Paul's Episcopal church this Sunday morning, April 11 at 9:30. Rev. Remington is a frequent visitor here and needs no introduction to Nyssa people. Everyone is invited to attend and hear his message. The Sunday School will meet at their regular time, 10:30.

JAMES GRAHAM IS MARRIED AT VALE TUESDAY

James M. Graham, son of Judge and Mrs. David P. Graham, and Miss Eunice Leona Childs of Huntington were married in Vale Tuesday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by the groom's father in the latter's chambers in the court house. Following the ceremony they left on a wedding trip to Portland and Eugene.

The bride attended Oregon State College and the bridegroom the University of Oregon. For the past eight years Mr. Graham has been on the engineering staff of the reclamation bureau. He is now stationed at Emmett, Idaho, where the young couple will reside.

Mrs. Rena Schweizer underwent a major operation at the Mercy hospital in Nampa Monday. She is reported to be recovering nicely. Mr. and Mrs. Max Schweizer, Mrs. Barr Doolittle and Miss Nellie Jean Schweizer spent most of the day in Nampa with her.

BRIEF SERVICES HELD SATURDAY FOR TWINS

Brief graveside services were held Saturday afternoon for the infant sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Burke. The twin boys were born Friday, but one lived only about three hours and the other nine hours. Rev. White was in charge of the services. Mrs. Mae Keizer Burke is at the Dixon Home and is making a nice recovery.