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Owyhee Spellers Win Five Places

Zone Spelling Contest Is Held Here Tuesday

A zone spelling contest was held Tuesday afternoon at the Nyssa school, with six schools competing for the right to go to Vale for the final contest. Schools taking part were Owyhee, Oregon Trail, Arcadia, Wade, Adrian-Kingman, Kolony and Nyssa.

Two winners were chosen from each grade, beginning with the 5th grade. Fifth grade winners were Keith Tallman of Kingman Kolony and Helen Schweizer of Owyhee. Sixth grade winners were Betty Jane Hite of Owyhee and Lois Patten of Owyhee. Seventh grade winners were Inza Fay Ulrey of Oregon Trail and Dorothy Wolfe of Owyhee. Eighth grade winners were Emily Otis of Adrian and Grace Kygar of Owyhee.

The Owyhee district was outstanding in the contest, capturing five places out of a total possible of eight.

WORD OF DEATH OF TOM CALDWELL PROVES FALSE

Tom Caldwell said in a letter to his brother, Chas. Caldwell of Nyssa that the reports of his death are very much exaggerated and that while he has been feeling poorly, is still very much alive.

Last week Mr. Caldwell received word, which he thought was authentic, that his brother had died in Los Angeles. In order to check up on the information he had received he wrote to Mrs. Caldwell at Los Angeles, and received the reassuring word that he was very much alive. The news that Tom Caldwell's death was false was welcome news to his friends and relatives here.

Halverson Sells To Gooding Man

A deal was made this week in which the Halverson Food Store was sold to Wm. Bullington of Gooding, possession to be given the first of May. Mr. Bullington was in Nyssa over the week end and expects to return next week.

Mr. Bullington is an experienced grocery man and has owned stores at Gooding, Wendell, King Hill, Hazelton and other cities of south Idaho. He will not take personal charge but expects to transfer a man from one of his other stores to help the present force in the management and operation of the store.

RECLAMATION WORKERS TO LEAVE NYSSA SOON

Men who have been employed by the government on engineering and other work connected with the Owyhee project, have been making plans to move to Caldwell about June 1st. Practically the entire crew will move and will work on the Homedale end of the Owyhee project. The only men who will remain in Nyssa will be the Maintenance and Operation men, working under George Haycock.

PARENTS OF SON

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Crawford are the parents of a baby boy born Thursday, April 15 at the Peterson Home in Parma. Both mother and son are getting along nicely. He has been named Malcolm Darrell and weighed about 8 1/2 pounds at birth.

The Al Thompsons, Mrs. Herschel Thompson and son and Gayle McCoy were Sunday guests at the J. T. Long home Sunday.

EVENT CALENDAR

April 27—Ontario H. S. game here.
May 2—Caldwell here, Idaho-Oregon league starts play.
May 4—Softball league opens.
May 14—Girl Scouts Mother-Daughter banquet.
May 14—Kingman ice cream social.

Committee Sets May 31 As Start of Daily Vacation Bible School

Plans were made Monday night at a committee meeting representing the various churches of the city, for Vacation Bible School. The plan is to start this annual affair on Monday, May 31st and run for two weeks. This school is rapidly growing in popularity and plans will be made for a large attendance this year. The various civic and fraternal organizations of the town will finance the school this year.

Those on the committee who met at the Methodist parsonage Monday night were Bishop Luther Fife, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Higginson, Rev. and Mrs. Ryckers, Mrs. C. A. Abbott, Mrs. John Poage and Rev. Floyd White.

Sunday School Enrollment Gains
The Sunday School of the Community Methodist Church has been growing so rapidly that plans are being made to take care of the increased attendance. About 180 are enrolled now. Half of this number belong to the Primary and Junior departments. Last Friday evening the men of the church put in a partition in the basement to care for two of the departments. Rev. White and Gilbert Klincenberg went to Sumpter Friday and brought back an organ to be used for the children. This had been a gift to the Nyssa church. New benches have been made to be used for the enlarged classes in the auditorium. Tuesday night the Sunday School board had a very interesting session. Among the plans made are new burlap screens for classes.

YOUNG VANDALS BREAK WINDOWS AROUND NYSSA

Malicious destruction of property is a serious offense, liable to mean a term in prison or reform school for those caught doing such things. Reports have come to our office that certain youngsters are making a practice to break out windows in some of the buildings around town, and if the practice continues, they are bound to be caught; and probably serious trouble will result.

One of the buildings to suffer at the hands of the vandals is the old Nyssa Produce building near the high school, and now belonging to A. M. Highsmith. Mr. Highsmith has had to replace windows to the value of around \$25 but it is doubtful if he will feel inclined to deal leniently with anyone caught breaking them again.

Make Plans To Destroy Weeds

An active campaign aimed against noxious weeds was planned last week by the county court and the members of the county weed control committee. Those on this committee are Pieter Tensen of Nyssa; C. E. Charles of Vale, vice chairman; Ray Larson, county agent, secretary; C. C. Cotton, Horace Joseph and Hans Ott. The meeting was attended by foremen of three CCC camps in the county engaged in noxious weed work.

The law is definite in regards to noxious weeds and the committee has sweeping powers to force land owners to control weeds. In the case of small patches, half the cost of eradication with chemicals will be shared with the land owners, where such land owners show a willingness to co-operate in the campaign. Failure to co-operate means the entire cost of cleaning up his noxious weeds will be assessed against the land.

Larger areas, which are badly infested at the present time, can only be controlled by preventing the weeds from going to seed. Chemicals are too expensive for use over large areas, and the cooperation of the land owners is vital toward control of the menace, the committee said. Should the land owner refuse to co-operate, the only alternative will be to quarantine the land and prevent movement of stock from the infested farm, and sale of hay.

Weeds in Malheur county do not present a serious menace at the present time, but the committee expects to try to prevent these weeds from gaining a foothold. White top and puncture weed are among the worst offenders, and morning glory also presents a serious menace. In the discussion, it was brought out that educational work through 4-H clubs and schools would have a helpful effect in pointing out the dangers of letting noxious weeds gain a footing and the best methods of killing them.

PUPILS TAKE PART IN MUSIC FESTIVAL LAST FRIDAY AT ONTARIO

Among those taking part in the annual grade school Music Festival held last Friday in Ontario were several students from the districts near Nyssa. Students from Oregon Trail gave a number entitled, "Bear's Dance," while Arcadia's number was "Welcome Sweet Spring Time." Students of Wade school gave a French minuet while the Nyssa grade school gave a song and dance entitled, "The Wedding of Jack and Jill."

Hetty Medesker was a member of the committee in charge of the affair.

COMONA GRANGE TO MEET SATURDAY AT ANNEX

Malheur County Pomona Grange will meet Saturday at the Annex school house with the Snake River grange as hosts. The meeting will last all day with the business session held in the morning, presided over by Master J. Edwin Johnson.

Mrs. O. L. Lundell of Willows, Oregon, state home economics chairman will be present at this meeting and will be one of the speakers on the afternoon program, which will be open to the public. A special invitation is given to all women interested to attend. Musical selection and other numbers will complete the program.

SON OF LOCAL ATTORNEY GETS VALE PRINCIPAL POST

The new principal of the Vale Union High school was selected last week, and after interviewing several candidates, chose Audrey L. Fletcher, Jr., for the post. Mr. Fletcher is a son of A. L. Fletcher, Nyssa attorney.

Mr. Fletcher comes to Vale from Crane, where he has been head of the Crane school for the past several years. He received his higher education at Willamette university and the University of Oregon. He taught five years in Salem and was assistant to the principal of junior high in Eugene for two years.

FLOWER SHOW PRIZES TO BE DISTRIBUTED SOON

The gladioli bulbs, which were first prize awards at the fall flower show, will be shipped within the next ten days, according to word received this week. Further notice will be given when they can be distributed.

Don Graham is driving a new Chevrolet town sedan.

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High School Win League Opener

Vale Defeated 9 to 13; To Play Ontario Tuesday

Nyssa Box Score—	AB	H	R
Johnston, ss	6	1	3
Ray, 2nd b	2	1	1
Case, c	5	3	0
Graham, p	4	2	1
H. Choat, lf	3	0	0
Robertson, 3rd b	4	0	1
Hara, rf	2	0	0
Atari, cf	3	1	2
R. Wilson, 1st b	4	3	3
Enos, c	1	0	0
Zamora, lf	3	1	2
C. Choat	0	0	0
Total	12	13	

Nyssa won the first game of the high school league season when they defeated Vale handily on the local field Tuesday afternoon, 13 to 9. As to be expected in an early season game, and a diamond which is still rough in spots, both teams were charged with several errors but showed promise of real baseball ability.

Graham served on the mound for Nyssa and set Vale down with only 5 hits, although errors and misplays boosted their total to 9 runs. Vale played better in the field, being charged with five errors as against six for Nyssa. Graham also walked off with long hitting honors, getting a home run blow his first time up in the first inning and a triple in the 7th. In both cases there was one man aboard the bases. Enos hit one that would have gone for a homer, but he failed to touch first base. Walker, catcher for Vale also hit a circuit clout. Case and Wilson led the base hitting for Nyssa with three hits each.

Batteries for Nyssa were Graham and Case; for Vale, Carter, Camman, Bailey and Walker.

Play Ontario Tuesday

The next home game will be with Ontario next Tuesday in one of the traditional "big games" of the year. This Friday the local team will travel to Harper for a game with the upper river boys.

Defeat Huntington

The local team annexed a practice game last Friday afternoon when they defeated Huntington 8 to 4.

Small Crowd At Wrestling Show

The wrestling card at the Eagles hall Friday night was not quite up to the high standard of some of the other shows this winter, according to the verdict of the fans in attendance; and patronage was at a low ebb in spite of good sized delegations present from neighboring towns.

Contrary to most shows, the main event this time carried the show, with "Windmill" Pearce Omar Kourali, Turkish wrestler; using his fists to advantage on All and then after a short rest, taking on Hy Sharman in a wrestling match, which went to Sharman in two straight falls.

Toshi Kodlake, wiry Japanese wrestler, won from Hy Sharman in two straight falls, using Jui Juts jackets. The first fall went 14 minutes but the Japanese boy made shorter work of his opponent in the second fall, getting Japanese arm bar after being thrown all over the ring by his heavier opponent.

Lou Mueller, styled as a German champion threw Earl James in two straight falls in a rather indifferent match to start the show.

TOWNSEND CLUB TO MEET THURSDAY NIGHT

The Townsend club will hold their next regular meeting next Thursday night, April 28th at the C. W. Reberger home in Nyssa.

RECEIVES WORD OF NEPHEWS DEATH

Louis Recla received a wire Tuesday from Crystal Falls, Michigan, stating that his nephew, Joe Recla had died the previous night and that the funeral would be held Thursday.

GETS AUXILIARY QUILT

Mrs. Alice Prawitz was the winner of the quilt given by the American Legion Auxiliary.

Mrs. T. Barnes is now recovering from a recent illness. The Barnes' live at the Terteling camp.