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City Police In Gun Battle With Three Yeggs Saturday

Escaped Amid Exchange of Bullets

Kennebuckton, night policeman of Nyssa, in making his usual rounds, came upon three men in the rear of the Owyhee Drug store, who were attempting to gain entrance early Saturday morning. The men escaped in the heavy fog that shrouded the city, after an exchange of several shots.

Langton, upon seeing the men asked them what they were about, and was answered with the men running away. Langton shouted for them to stop, and when they failed to heed his warning shot at them. One of the men fell and when getting up shot at least twice at Langton. On seeing no possibility of possibility of catching the men Langton phoned the state officers and other police departments in the valley.

Monday word came from Ontario that the had in custody, two suspicious characters, these two men, Rex Harkness and Lyle Harkness, brothers, were booked at the local police station, and when their description was broadcast, Bremerton, Wash., police said they wanted the two on a narcotics charge. They were taken over by the Bremerton police when they waived extradition proceedings to the state of Washington, Tuesday.

The third man of the trio, it is the consensus of opinion, escaped in an automobile, parked near the scene of the attempted burglary.

Chief of Police A. V. Cook commended Langton for his coolness, in the shooting affair, in the monthly statement from the City Police to the city council.

NYSSA C. OF C. WILL HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

NEW OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED NEXT THURSDAY

The Nyssa Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual meeting next Thursday at 8 p. m. in the council chambers of the city hall, according to an announcement from Bernard Frost, president.

At this meeting the members will elect a president, a secretary-treasurer, and a board of directors consisting of four members. Officers who have served during the current year are Bernard Frost, president; Frank T. Morgan, secretary-treasurer; and as directors, George J. Mitchell, Dr. E. D. Norcott, Taylor Gudmundsen and L. P. Thomas.

FIRE AT NORDALE HOME FRIDAY

NEWLY PURCHASED FIRE TRUCK GETS FIRST CALL

Fire, from an overheated stovepipe at the Tom Nordale residence brought the fire department out last Friday. The damage was small, the fire being put out with a hand extinguisher.

This is the first fire that the new fire truck has been called out on. The change over of the fire truck bodies has not yet been completed, but enough work has been done to enable the volunteer department to efficiently handle fires.

Recovers From Accident—

R. T. Ellabee is recovering from painful injuries sustained last Sunday when he was inspecting a pumping plant. He is able to be at home and is under the care of Dr. L. A. Maulding, but it will be several weeks before he is able to return to his duties.

'ROUND TOWN

Nomination for Oregon's most handsome mayor—Al Thompson of Nyssa. . . Old councilmen turning over the city's business to the new council with a sigh of relief. . . Kenneth Langton must have been holding a rabbits foot last Saturday morning. . . The whistle at the factory giving an extra toot of welcome to the new year. . . Junior traffic police doing their job in a big way, the town surely did need them. . . And its June in January, sure 'nough.

OFFICIALS INSPECT LOCAL FACTORY

UTAH-IDAHO MEN HERE TODAY ON TRIP

Nine members of the operating organization of the Utah-Idaho sugar plant at Sugar City, Idaho, completed a tour of inspection of the Amalgamated Sugar company plant in Nyssa this afternoon and left for Boise where they are spending the night.

In the group of Sugar City plant officials, who arrived late yesterday afternoon, were: Ed Hart, Abe Hodge, L. P. Gowerman, Charles Mortenson, Robert Wright, Jess Johnson, Lee Curtis, Ernest Wadsworth and Harry Camphouse.

The fact that the Amalgamated company's \$2,500,000 plant in Nyssa is the newest in the Pacific west is assigned as the reason for the visit of Sugar City plant officials. Inspection of the local plant began shortly after their arrival last night and was concluded upon their departure this afternoon.

Relief, Revenue Problems Face Legislators

FIGHT EXPECTED ON ANTI-PICKETING BILL

SALEM—Relief and revenue will constitute the major issues before the state legislature which convenes in biennial session here next Monday. In addition there will be many minor problems clamoring for attention, some of which might easily develop into major proportions. Among these might be listed the highly controversial anti-picketing act which will undoubtedly be up for attention, revision of the state parole system and the ever present fish fights.

The interim commission on state and local revenues has let it be known that it will probably recommend that the counties be relieved of any responsibility for relief financing. That will mean an increase of the burden carried by the state and the necessity for the state to find just that much more revenue. In connection with this recommendation the same commission will probably sponsor a gross income revenue measure, approval of which would be expected to provide adequate funds for all present state needs.

Labor leaders are expected to carry their fight against the anti-picketing measure into the legislature either to secure its repeal or at least to eliminate some of the features which labor finds so objectionable. Agricultural interests which sponsored the bill can be depended upon to oppose any tampering with the measure and in this stand they will probably have the support of the state grange which has always taken the position that measures passed by the people should only be amended by the people.

Two bills proposed by Governor Martin's special committee on parole and probation problems are even now ready for introduction into the legislative hopper. One would take the parole power out of the hands of the governor and vest it in a parole board of three members. The other would liberalize and modernize Oregon's parole system.

The Oregon Wild Life association has announced its intention to seek legislation closing all coast streams to commercial fishing, a proposal that will meet with the united opposition of coast fishermen, fish-buyers and packers.

OREGON TRAIL 4-H CLUB

Nine members met at the home of their leader, Mrs. Viola Adams and worked on their garments.

This being an organization meeting they voted on officers as follows: president, Mary June Rookstool; vice president, Betty Chard; secretary, Helen Shoup; treasurer, Elsie Keck; news reporter, Betty Rookstool and social leader, Ione Benson.

The president took charge of the meeting and it was decided to meet at Mrs. Viola Adams on January 21. Mildred Adams will be hostess.

A delicious lunch was served and the meeting adjourned.

New Years Dinner—

Guests at a New Years dinner Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Al Thompson included Mr. and Mrs. Robert Long and daughter of Jordan Valley, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Long, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Long and children and Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Thompson and son.

—OVER A MILLION FOR CLEAN AIR



W. H. JEFFERS
President of Union Pacific Railroad

A \$1,480,000 project to air condition and modernize 74 Union Pacific passenger cars during the forepart of 1939 has just been announced by W. M. Jeffers, president of the railroad.

The majority of the work, it was announced, will be handled in the Omaha shops, thus providing employment for a large number of men. The cars must be in readiness for the unprecedented travel anticipated next year due to the two world expositions.

The program consists of: Air conditioning and modernizing 13 chair cars with new seats, light fixtures, parcel racks and interior treatment.

Complete interior modernization of 52 chair cars heretofore air conditioned.

Air condition and modernize four diners as coffeshop diners.

Convert one diner to cafe-lounge car by air conditioning and modernization.

Modernize four observation cars to limousine type with enclosed rear end and with complete new furnishings and interior decorations.

Nyssa Post Office Exceeds \$1000 Monthly Cash

LOCAL OFFICE MOVES FROM THIRD TO SECOND CLASS

With the Nyssa postoffice doing a total business of \$12,579.38 during the year 1938 ending December 31, the local office moves up from third to postoffices of the second class, according to figures given the Nyssa Gate City Journal this week. In 1937 the postoffice was several hundred dollars short of the second class rating, doing but \$9,078.98 of business, \$921.02 short of the required \$10,000.

All through 1938 there was a substantial increase in revenues at the end of each quarter over that of the same three months in 1937. The quarter ending April 1, 1937, was \$1,963.78, April 1, 1938, \$2,652.47; July 1, 1937, \$2,086.80, July 1, 1938, \$2,992.57; September 1, 1937, \$2,026.85, September 1, 1938, \$2,891.81; December 31, 1937, \$3,001.55, December 31, 1938, \$4,043.63.

Nyssa is badly in need of a new federal postoffice building, outgrowing its present quarters two or three years ago, Postmaster S. D. Goshert asserts.

Whether Nyssa will be given a new federal building depends entirely on Congressman Walter M. Pierce, who is the Democratic patronage dispenser in this, the second congressional district. Two other cities have put in their bids for federal buildings, they being Vale and Madras.

A new rural delivery route has been added to the local office, in the past year. That route consists of that previously served by the Ontario postoffice in addition to added territory south and west of the old route. Harold Hoxie is the temporary appointee on this route.

THE TEMPERATURES

Twenty-seven hundredths of an inch of moisture was the precipitation in Nyssa during the week, according to the weather reports as read by the U. S. Reclamation office. A mild temperature also prevailed throughout the week.

Following is the report:

Date	Low	High	Prec.
Dec. 30	23	43	.00
Dec. 31	21	35	.04
Jan. 1	22	34	.00
Jan. 2	28	37	.00
Jan. 3	29	48	.06
Jan. 4	19	47	.00
Jan. 5	32	43	.17

4-H LEADER COUNCIL MEETING POSTPONED

HOPE OF STATE OFFICERS VISIT RESULTS IN DECISION

The regular meeting of the Malheur 4-H Leaders council, originally set for Saturday, January 7, has been postponed one week, to Saturday, January 14.

The possibility that Helen Cowgill, assistant state 4-H leader and in charge of the girls' work will be present for the meeting is given as the reason for the postponement.

Mrs. Elliott, president of the Malheur council issued a statement asking that all leaders have any questions, concerning their work, have them ready to ask Miss Cowgill at the round table discussion.

County Triple A Committeemen Re-elected

COUNTY AGENT MCKENNON RENAMED AS SECRETARY

With the re-election by the county committee on January 3, of R. M. McKennon as secretary and Virginia Du Pre as treasurer, the organization of the Malheur county agricultural conservation association was completed for 1939.

All three members of the 1938 county committee were previously re-elected for 1939 at a meeting held on December 28. These members are: P. Tensen, Nyssa as chairman; N. S. Phelan, Big Bend as vice chairman and C. M. Beaumont, Kingman Colony, C. P. Yundt, Oregon Slope, was elected alternate.

County committeemen were elected at meetings held in each district December 7, and are as follows:

Ontario community—T. H. Brewer, chairman; Earl Weaver, vice chairman; John McLenear, regular member; I. J. Mann, first alternate; J. D. Fairman, second alternate.

Nyssa Community—P. Tensen, chairman; Walter M. Thompson, vice chairman; Clarence Barrett, regular member; Ed Nielson, first alternate; C. C. Wyckoff, second alternate.

Big Bend community—N. S. Phelan, chairman; B. L. Johnson, vice chairman; E. E. Parker, regular member; Claude Eachus, first alternate; C. R. Purdy, second alternate.

Kingman Colony community—C. M. Beaumont, chairman; M. L. Korte, vice chairman; G. W. Kaylor, regular member; C. W. Wilson, first alternate; K. I. Peterson, second alternate.

Vale community—Harry D. Wells, chairman; Glen Hutchinson, vice chairman; Chas. Fas, regular member; Thos. Donahue, first alternate; Roy Donahue, second alternate.

Harper community—E. M. Carter, chairman; Frank Phillips, vice chairman; Frank Marcheck, regular member; Jas. Lahe, first alternate; Homer Knott, second alternate.

Payette-Oregon Slope community—Donald Joseph, chairman; R. H. Woods, vice chairman; C. P. Yundt, regular member; B. C. Blakesley, first alternate; M. D. Clough, second alternate.

Ontario Visitor—

E. H. Curry, Nyssa druggist, made a business trip to Ontario Sunday.

In Boise—

Mrs. Quinby left on Monday for Boise where she will remain for the time with her sister whose husband recently underwent an operation.

Return From Salt Lake—

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Haycock and children of the Owyhee dam returned Wednesday from a week's visit with her parents in Salt Lake.

Returned from California—

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. DeGroot returned on Wednesday from a two weeks' visit in southern California. While there they saw the Rose carnival.

Attend Festival—

Mr. and Mrs. John Ostrom were among those present at a Scandinavian Christmas festival in Nampa last Thursday night.

Brother Visits—

Fred Haskett of Boise was a Sunday overnight guest of his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Toombs.

New City Council, Officers, Take Over City Government

SEND C. P. YUNDT ON HAY SELLING TRIP TO VALLEY

EUGENE FARMERS PROTEST ATTEMPTED HAY SHIPMENTS

The Malheur County Hay Association, at a meeting of its executive board, on Ontario last Friday made a final decision to send C. P. Yundt, Dead Ox Flat farmer, and another man of his selection, probably Dyer Bennett, of Ontario, to the Willamette valley, and in the vicinity of Chehalis, Wash., as well as to Portland, to attempt to dispose of some of the excess hay now on the hands of Malheur county farmers. The expense of the trip will be borne by the association.

County Agent R. M. McKennon, was present and told the farmers that competition in the Willamette valley was keen, that truckers were hauling hay from farm to farm giving each buyer spot delivery. Price would be a big factor in disposing of Malheur hay the county agent said. In Portland, as an example it was brought out, baled hay was bringing only \$16 per ton baled and shipped in, in carload lots, while in the Willamette valley, loose hay was being sold for from \$15 to \$15.50 per ton. Baled hay in this latter area was quoted at an advance of \$1.50 per ton over the loose hay.

That selling Malheur hay will not only have to compete in price but will also have to overcome the weevil quarantine, was shown when it was said that farmers in the region near Eugene had protested to the state department of agriculture the moving of any Malheur hay into that section as long as it was infested with weevil, despite the fact that the U. S. department of agriculture permits moving of hay from infested areas if it has passed through a hammermill turning over at least 2100 r. p. m. This protest was lodged the morning after the second meeting of the association was held, on December 16, 1938.

Nyssa, Emmett Meet Saturday On Hoop Court

BOTH TEAMS HAVE VETS BACK IN LINEUP

The Nyssa Bulldogs will attempt to score their fifth victory of the basketball season here Saturday night when they meet the undefeated Emmett high school Huskies.

The Huskies who were runners-up in the Snake River Valley tournament and who later won the Idaho district title and went on to place third in the state last year have ten seniors back on the squad.

So far the local team has defeated Pama, Weiser, Homedale and Wilder. With Ray Graham, Harold Holmes and Houston Wilson back, Coach Young will match the visitors with full strength. A team of substitutes defeated Weiser in the last game played before Christmas, 18-17.

Coach Young announced that he will probably start Stanley Ray and Dudley Mausing at forwards, Graham at center, and Wilson and Ken Lewis at guards. Bill Wilson and Wren Ensminger are working for the position vacated by Gene Futrell who withdrew from school. Other members of the squad include Holmes, Milton Schmeiter, Frank Pompe and Herb Boren.

The B team game will start at 8 o'clock and the regular A team game will start at 9 o'clock Saturday night. No games will be played here until the following Saturday when an outside game with Joseph high school is scheduled.

Returns to Salem—

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Beutler left Wednesday night on the Portland Rose for Salem, following a holiday of two weeks spent at the home of Mrs. Beutler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Thompson.

Child Convalescing—

Patty Ann, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Foreman, is convalescing at the home of her parents from an attack of double pneumonia. She was brought home Monday from the Holy Rosary hospital in Ontario, following 13 days' treatment. She is under the care of Dr. K. E. Kerby.

Mayor Thompson Makes Official Appointments

The newly elected city council took over the city government Tuesday night after the retiring council had concluded its regular order of business.

First to take the oath of office was M. F. Solomon, who was sworn into office by City Attorney A. L. Fletcher, in turn Solomon administered the oath of office to Mayor Thompson and Councilmen Leslie McClure, J. C. Olsen, C. W. Buchner and R. G. Whitaker.

Upon officially assuming office Thompson made the following appointments, as chairmen of the various official city committees, Street, Cemetery and Public Improvement, J. C. Olsen; Public Safety and Fire, C. W. Buchner; Welfare and Public Property, Leslie McClure; Accounting and Finance, R. G. Whitaker.

Most of the appointive offices were filled by those now serving in the various offices. Attorney A. L. Fletcher was re-appointed as City Attorney; Fire Chief W. E. Schireman was re-appointed, as was Chief of Police A. V. Cook and Mrs. S. B. Davis, Librarian. The office of City Health officer was not acted on, Mayor Thompson saying that he would make this appointment at a later date.

All of the present city employees were re-employed, on a yearly rather than monthly basis. Those re-employed were, J. C. Greer Water and Sewer Superintendent; Kenneth Langton, Night Police; and N. A. Pinkerton, Janitor of the City Hall.

In relinquishing his office Mayor Graham expressed his appreciation for the co-operation of the council and city employees during his four year term of office. The first official act of the new council was the passage of an ordinance for condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of Lot 1 in Block 140, Wards Addition, for the location of a sewerage disposal plant. A committee of three viewers, who will appraise the value of the land, will consist of Don M. Graham, Bernard Frost and Sidney Burbridge.

A resolution was passed, authorizing the city attorney to collect unpaid assessments in Sewer Improvement Districts 1 and 2, and Sidewalk Improvement District 1. The council was unanimous in its favorable voting despite a protest of passage by Don Graham. The resolution will now make possible for owners in the three districts to make arrangements for the payment of the assessments, or failing that, for the city attorney, at the request of the council, to proceed with necessary steps to make the collections.

The city books will again be audited by Clarence Van Dusen, who has had the contract every year since 1912. Van Dusen and City Recorder Solomon started this morning on the audit which will take about five or six days, according to Van Dusen.

The council has called an informal meeting for Friday night, at which time the planning commission will meet with the council and take up the matter of laying out plans for the location of the new sewer extensions.

START BUILDING NAPTON SCHOOL

SCHOOL BOARD HELPS ON CONSTRUCTION

NAPTON SIDING—Construction of school building number 2, in district 47 was started last Thursday. The building is located on the south side of Snake river.

The school board of district 47, consisting of Cecil Case, Harry Russell and William Teter helped the contractor, George Kanrich, Ontario, the first day.

NYSSA MARKETS

Wheat, cwt.	70
Oats, cwt.	80
Barley, cwt.	70
Clover Seed, cwt.	\$14.00
Alfalfa Seed, cwt.	\$20.00
Hay per ton	No sales reported
Eggs, large	20
Eggs, small	17
Hogs, choice	\$7.25
Cows, cwt.	\$3.75 @ \$5.00
Heifers, cwt.	\$7.27