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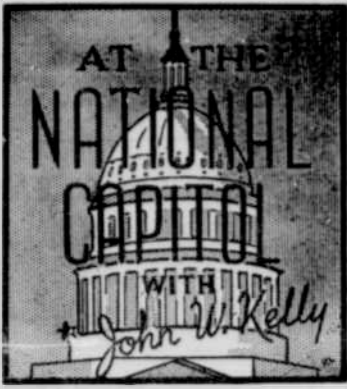
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WASHINGTON, D. C.—There was a scare in the agricultural areas of the Pacific Northwest when Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace issued his new farm program. One rule is that loans will not be allowed for farmers with one cash crop, this restriction being intended to encourage diversification. This is the rule to apply to FSA loans and was so declared, but wheat growers, hop growers and others who specialize in one crop (farmers not connected with FSA at all) had the idea it affected them. Telegrams and letters were rushed to members of the Oregon and Washington delegations in protest.

For Better Farm Prices
Among other matters affecting the northwest in the present congressional session is Wallace's plan for a certificate program to aid in parity payments. The plan has been meeting with objection from Secretary of Treasury Morgenthau, although it does not take a nickel out of the treasury. Farmers, says Wallace, are now getting only 75 per cent of parity and the certificate plan will materially aid in bridging the gap.

That the consumer need have no fear, Wallace explains that even at parity prices the average cost of wheat in an eight or ten cent loaf of bread is only 1.8 cents. This would be 0.7 cent more per loaf of bread than in October, 1939, when the average farm price of wheat was 70.3 cents. The certificate plan is needed, asserts Wallace, to protect farm income, the soil, the consumer and national income.

Private Money Finance P. U. D.
Reconstruction Finance Corporation received a shock a few days ago. The board was in session and about to approve a loan of \$275,000 to PUD No. 2, Pacific county, Washington, when a wire was handed the members thanking the board for its consideration but explaining that PUD No. 2 had closed a deal to obtain its finances from Wall Street. This is the first public utility district to reach the point of borrowing government money to function. Other districts may now make application.

Still a Nation of Free Men
Government officials have refused a request from religious groups that when the census is taken every person be asked if he or she believes in God. A second question, also rejected, was, "If you do not belong to a church, what church would you prefer if you joined any?" Statistics have been gathered by the census on the number belonging to the various denominations, but officials hold that it is not the government's business to inquire whether an individual is a Christian or pagan.

Who Said Good Neighbors?
Offered for the Congressional Record shortly will be a list of scores of items which have been on the embargo list by Britain and France, although they are in the reciprocal trade agreements between the United States and those nations. Included will be such Pacific Northwest products as apples, pears, prunes, wool, salmon. A British buying commission is now in the national capital arranging for using American vessels (changing registry to British Columbia) to transport several million feet of lumber to England. The lumber is to be supplied by British Columbia mills.

Trap Shoot Sunday

The Nyssa Gun club has scheduled another trap shoot Sunday at 2 p. m., provided the weather is favorable, according to Dr. E. D. Norcott.

The shoot scheduled for last Sunday was rained out.

Return From Trip
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newbill of Kingman Colony returned on Monday from an over the holiday visit with relatives and friends in Los Angeles.

Sister Visits
Miss Doris Koontz of Boise spent the Saturday and Sunday with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. George J. Mitchell.

President Asks Trade Agreement Continuance

President Roosevelt yesterday, at the opening session of congress, asked that congress continue the much belabored trade agreements when he said, "Our present trade agreement method provides a temporary flexibility and is therefore practical in the best sense. It should be kept alive to serve our trade interests—agricultural and industrial—in many valuable ways during the existing wars."

The President asked that his defense program be continued, and financed through additional taxes, at the same time scoring those who believe in isolation of the United States in world affairs.

An attitude of minding our own business (as a nation) is not enough to keep us out of war, "but we can strive with other nations to encourage the kind of peace that will lighten the troubles of the world," was another part of the President's speech.

The speech, throughout, was less antagonistic than any the President has yet delivered, both from a political angle and that of sizzling American business.

COMPLETE PROGRAM FOR CORN SHOW DINNER

All plans have been completed and the speakers selected for the dinner to be held tonight in the Nyssa high school, and sponsored by the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce, in honor of those contenders who displayed corn in the Malheur county show and the state and won awards with their exhibits.

From returns on invitations sent out from the office of the Chamber's secretary, Frank Morgan, between 75 and 80 are expected to attend.

The speakers for the evening will be a Mr. Smith from Corvallis, R. M. McKennon, Malheur county agent, William DeGroff, master of Oregon Trail Grange, Chester Davenport, representative of the Michael-Leonard Seed company, J. W. Bushong, principal of the Nyssa high school and Robert Sawyer, instructor in agriculture of the Nyssa high school and club advisor for the local chapter of the Future Farmers of America.

Hershel Thompson has been in charge of arrangements for the dinner.

Indictment Returned By Grand Jury

The Malheur county grand jury ended its session Wednesday with 5 indictments, 3 open and 2 secret. The jury found true bills against San Juan Earl for larceny in a store. Otis Buchner was indicted for assault and battery growing out of an altercation in which Claude Powell was knifed at an Ironside dance. Ross Smead was also indicted on a charge of threatening to commit a felony. No dates have as yet been set for the trials by the new circuit court judge Robert Duncan, who took up his official duties Tuesday.

W. J. MEGORDEN VISITING HERE

W. J. Megorden, former city marshal and city councilman, and Mrs. Megorden, was in Nyssa the first part of the week renewing old acquaintances. Megorden, who has lived in Yakima, Wash., for the past 17 years, expressed surprise at the growth of Nyssa. The Megordens are visiting Mrs. Megorden's parents, the L. C. Pounds, in Caldwell.

Receives Appointment

Dr. J. W. Bowman of Baker, brother of Dr. J. C. Bowman of Nyssa, has received an appointment in the governmental veterinarian work and will leave for Oklahoma to assume his new duties some time this week. He is expected to make a short visit here enroute.

House Guests

Week-end house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Stunz were Mr. and Mrs. Harland Conyer of Cascade, Idaho, and on Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Oral Harshman of Horseshoe Bend, Idaho, visited.

Returns To Duty

On Saturday Don Willson left for Camp Stevens where he is enlisted in the U. S. Army.

NORCOTT NAMED HUDSON DEALER

A. C. (Art) Norcott has been named as Hudson automobile dealer for this district, with an announcement released last week.

In describing the new Hudsons, Norcott said, "Sweeping improvements occur throughout the entire 1940 line. Particular emphasis is placed on a new entry in the lowest price field, the new Hudson six in which new features such as engineering advancements in performance, front-end spring suspension, riding comfort and roadability appeared, but never before in this price class."

Norcott, who operates the local Shell service station, said that he would welcome any of his friends to see the new 1940 Hudsons.

Oregon Wool Growers To Convene

The annual convention of the Oregon Woolgrowers Association convenes in Burns on Monday and Tuesday, January 8 and 9, according to Walter A. Holt, secretary of the organization. Committees for the organization will gather at Burns on Sunday noon, January 7, to discuss and prepare recommendations to be presented to the general convention.

R. M. McKennon, Malheur county agricultural agent, is secretary of the convention committee on general resolutions and organization.

During the convention the wool growers will hear reports or talks on such subjects as "Wild Life and Predatory Animals," "Oregon Land Use Problems," "The Sheep Business in the Immediate Future," "The Federal Range," and "National Parks and Livestock."

The convention will be closed with the election of officers for the new term. Leo Hahn, Antelope, is the incumbent president.

NYSSA BULLDOGS TO PLAY EMMETT

The Nyssa Bulldogs will open the 1940 season of basketball when they play the Emmett quint in the local gym Saturday.

Sickness has dogged the path of the Bulldogs during the current season but all of the regulars are now back to health and working out in their regular positions, and the outlook from the viewpoint of the coaches is much better than it has been for the first part of the season.

FORMER NYSSAN DIES WEDNESDAY

Word was received here today of the death Wednesday of B. C. (Brady) Fowler, a well known former resident of Nyssa. Death was due to a heart attack, according to the reports.

Fowler came to Nyssa about 1915 where he made his home until 1934, when he moved to Payette to enter the motorcycle sales field. Funeral services will be held in Payette with interment in the New Plymouth cemetery.

Snell Not To Oppose Pierce

SALEM—Secretary of State Earl Snell does not choose to run for Congress in the forthcoming campaign he let it be known during the past week. Snell was being mentioned as a possible Republican candidate against Congressman Walter M. Pierce of La Grande. Having just been returned to a second term in his state job Snell feels that he should complete his term before turning his attention to other political honors, he said.

ADRIAN FARMER DIES TODAY

George Smith, age about 78 years, well known Adrian farmer, died at the Nyssa hospital this afternoon.

Smith leaves no near relatives so far as can be learned. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Funeral arrangements have not yet been completed. The body is at the Nyssa Funeral Home.

Returns To Nyssa

High School Principal James W. Bushong returned Sunday from a vacation spent with Mrs. Bushong's parents at Forest Grove. Mrs. Bushong and their small daughter remained for a longer stay.

Night School For Farmers To Start

A farmers' night school will be held Monday evening, at 8 p. m., January 8, 1940 at the Nyssa Union High school.

The primary purpose of this meeting will be to organize the program of night school work for the following nine weeks. In general, the school will deal with such subjects as soils, fertilizers and potato diseases. This school is sponsored by the vocational agriculture department of the Nyssa Union high school.

A visit to the potato improvement train, which is being brought by the Union Pacific railroad, January 24 1:30 to 5 p. m., will be part of the work.

The school will be held on the conference method.

MAY FORM NEW COMMERCIAL CLUB

Rumors are current, and seem well established, that a group of business men, property owners, and farmers will meet Friday noon at the city hall for the purpose of organizing a new club, similar to that of the Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Tom Rust Dies Monday

After five years of invalidism, Mrs. Mary Rust of Owyhee passed away at the family home following a short illness of pneumonia on the first day of the new year.

Born Mary Elizabeth Huffman, in Missouri on June 3, 1870, she married when quite young and moved to this community in 1892. Since then this has been the family residence.

Funeral services are in charge of the Nyssa Funeral home and will be held at the Owyhee school house with Bishop A. L. Anderson of the L. D. S. church presiding, on Friday afternoon at 2 p. m.

C. Of C. Arranges Meeting On Subway

The Nyssa Chamber of Commerce, through its secretary, Frank T. Morgan, has arranged for a meeting between officials of the Oregon State Highway commission, the Amalgamated Sugar company and the Union Pacific, for the purpose of arriving at a satisfactory solution to the matter of acquiring land lying between the railway right-of-way and the sugar company property, as well as matters that may affect the operations of the railroad during the construction of the subway.

The meeting will be held Saturday, January 13, in Nyssa.

DRIVERS EXAMINER HERE JANUARY 10

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs is scheduled to arrive in Nyssa, Wednesday, January 10, and will be on duty at the city hall between the hours of 10 a. m. and 5 p. m.

All those wishing permits or licenses to drive cars are asked to get in touch with the examiner during these hours.

On Short Vacation

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Henne-man, owners of the Nyssa Gamble Store agency, are visiting friends in Pasco, Washington, having left Sunday and expecting to return before the end of the week.

House Guests

Holiday house guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Sarazin were their daughter Isabell from Boise, Warren Larsen from Twin Falls and Clare Petersen of Portland.

In Boise

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie McClure motored to Boise on New Years to visit with Mrs. McClure's sister, who is a patient at a hospital there.

'ROUND TOWN

Lots of pale people in town on January 1st. . . . Charley Thomason pulling 'em out of the mire on Wednesday. . . . Dutch Schultz getting the advice of the Main street gang on how to wash a window. . . . where is the guy that was yelling for rain? . . . hope he's satisfied.

4-H MEMBERS START BABY BEEF PROJECTS

Nearly thirty 4-H Club members who will take the baby beef project for 1940 now have their calves on feed, a number of these animals being secured over the past week-end. A total of 33 calves are now on feed, and most of these animals are well-bred stock that have been purchased from various breeders in Malheur and adjacent counties.

Over half of the club members carrying this project this year are taking up the baby beef feeding for the first time.

Both the Ontario Branch of the U. S. National Bank of Portland, and the Nyssa Branch of the First National Bank of Portland are helping the club members finance the purchase of their animals.

PRINCIPAL RETURNS FROM CONVENTION

On Sunday Principal Leo Hollenberg returned from the 40th annual Oregon State Teachers Association held December 27, 28 and 29 at the Lincoln high school in Portland, which he attended as delegate from the Malheur county association.

Outstanding address on the program, according to Mr. Hollenberg, was that made by Dr. Carl Sumner Knopf from the University of Southern California.

Two others of special merit was that given by Truman G. Reed of Spokane on "Education and Democracy" and that given on "Lost Horizons" by Dr. Knopf.

On Tuesday Mr. Hollenberg was present at the Oregon high school athletic association and was on the committee submitting new regulations for high school football teams. The only drastic change made was that of the age limit of the players, which was lowered from twenty to nineteen.

This latter will make no difference to teams playing within the state as all schools will be affected by the ruling, but those playing Idaho teams may suffer a slight disadvantage as in that state the twenty year age limit is still used.

Others on this committee were W. J. Maxwell and Fred Patton of St. Helens.

Seed Growers To Hold Meeting

The Snake River Valley Co-operative Seed Growers association will hold a meeting in Boulevard Grange Hall, Cairo Junction, at 2 p. m., Tuesday, January 9.

The meeting will be in the nature of a general discussion on the views and experiences of farmers in seed organizations, and is open to all farmers interested in growing seeds.

4H Leaders To Elect Officers

The Malheur 4-H Leaders Council will hold their January meeting at the high school building in Ontario on Saturday, January 6, at 2:00 p. m. Election of officers for 1940, committee reports on an activity program for the coming year, and a round-table discussion of recreation for 4-H club meetings will constitute the business of the day.

Officers that have been nominated for the various offices are: President, Mrs. A. H. Conner and Mrs. C. E. Elliott; vice-president, Mrs. Neil Dimmick and Mrs. Bernice Russell; secretary, W. O. Roehr and James Nichols.

P. W. A. ENGINEER MAKING SURVEY

A survey now being made by P. W. A. Engineer C. E. Beeman, Nyssa, for the regional offices at San Francisco, California, discloses that the new high school project at Adrian, produced for local men, 13,945 man hours of work, which equals 1743 days of work of 8 hours each, and for which was paid the sum of \$10,878.23.

It is known that for each day of work produced at the project, two and one half days of work are produced in the preparation of the materials before they reach the project, thus in the case of the Adrian high school a total of 32,862 man hours of work was produced and the sum of \$27,195.57 was expended for labor alone.

MR. AND MRS. CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. George J. Mitchell entertained the Mr. and Mrs. club on Wednesday evening at dinner and contract. Mrs. R. G. Larson was a guest player.

High scores at cards were won by Mr. A. H. Boydell and Mr. Mitchell.

Coad Announces For Senatorship

Carl Coad, local attorney, at a meeting of the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce, Wednesday, announced that he would stand for election as state senator at the primaries next spring.

Coad's announcement came about when he advised those present that a vacancy now exists in the state senatorship from this district, and asked that the county court be advised as to the wishes of those in Nyssa as to who they prefer to fill the position.

The vacancy occurred when Governor Sprague appointed Robert Duncan, senator and president of the senate to fill the circuit court judgeship left vacant on the death of Charles W. Ellis.

The vacancy is to be filled by the selection by the three county courts, Malheur, Grant and Harney counties, in the 22nd state senatorial district. Upon the agreement of the courts, the selection will be forwarded to the governor.

The appointment, in any event, will simply mean an honorary one, inasmuch as the state legislature will not meet this year, unless the unexpected happens, a special session, which seems more than unlikely. The appointee will have to stand for reelection at the coming elections, if he desires to continue in office and sit in the session when it convenes a year hence.

Annual Livestock Feeders Tour Announced

ONTARIO—The second annual Malheur county livestock feeders tour will be held on Tuesday, January 16, according to announcement made this week by R. M. McKennon, county agent.

The general plan for the tour will include visits to seven or eight feed yards scattered throughout the valley, a noon-day lunch probably at the Boulevard Grange hall, where a short program will be presented. Appearing on the program and attending the tour will be D. E. Richards, superintendent of the Eastern Oregon Livestock Experiment Station at Union, R. L. Clarke, livestock commission man, Portland, and H. A. Lindgren, extension livestock specialist.

This is another activity to provide information to feeders and prospective feeders with information on management and possibilities of winter fattening of cattle and lambs in Malheur county, says McKennon.

Farmers and their wives and businessmen of the county are urged to attend. A complete itinerary for the trip will be available next week.

C. OF C. BACKS FALL FESTIVAL

The new board of directors of the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce at a meeting held Tuesday night earmarked \$100 to help finance the 1940 Nyssa Fall Festival. Last year the Chamber donated \$20.

Dues for the members in 1940 will remain the same as during the past year, the board decided.

The income of the Chamber of Commerce will not be budgeted, it was also decided, due to contingencies that might arise. Working without a budget would leave the Chamber more free to act, in a financial way, to meet any emergency that might arise.

Explosion Sets House Afire

An explosion Wednesday afternoon, caused when a housewife used kerosene to start a fire in the kitchen range, did considerable damage to a residence owned by C. C. Bates and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Clark.

Mrs. Clark and her children fortunately escaped being burned. Mr. Bates, an employee of the Amalgamated Sugar company, was on duty when the fire occurred.

The loss was not covered by insurance.

Recovering From Operation

Gerald Seburn, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Seburn, who underwent an operation recently, is now at home and reported as recovering.

Returns From Portland

Mrs. Willard Jackson returned on Sunday from a visit with Mr. Jackson and their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Jackson in Portland.

Frost Re-elected President Of Chamber

Bernard Frost was re-elected to his third term as president of the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce at an evening meeting held last Thursday.

A new office, that of vice-president, was created at the meeting and will be filled by Louis P. Thomas.

Elected to the board of directors were George J. Mitchell, J. B. Glezentauner and Hershel Thompson.

Frank Morgan was unanimously re-elected as secretary.

In his report to the members, Morgan recited that in the past year the Chamber of Commerce was instrumental in bringing about action for the construction of a subway under the Union Pacific railroad, had supported local beet growers in their demand for an increased quota of sugar beet acreage, had maintained directional signs in Idaho directing attention of tourists to Nyssa over Highway 30 south, had co-operated with the Associated Chambers of Commerce of Southwestern Idaho and Eastern Oregon in the completion of Oregon's portion of the I-O-N highway.

That the Chamber of Commerce is working for the location of new industries in the city was brought out when it was shown that the Chamber of Commerce has been working on the establishment in Nyssa of a creamery, cheese factory or condenser during the past year. Negotiations had been completed with an alfalfa meal mill the company of which failed. The Chamber of Commerce expressed a desire for a change in the parking limit ordinance which is now in the course of being amended by the city council to conform to the wishes of the Chamber.

The Malheur County Annual Corn show was one of the major undertakings of the Chamber, with this year show being the largest yet held. Plans are now under way for the 1940 Corn Show in which the Union Pacific and the Chamber will be co-sponsors. Another activity in which the Chamber is taking part is the arrival in Nyssa of the Union Pacific Potato train, which will bring to local farmers the latest method of the planting, growing, and harvesting of potatoes. This train is due to arrive in Nyssa on January 24 at 1:30 p. m.

County Courts To Select Senator

Secretary of State Earl Snell, this week advised the Malheur county court of a meeting of the three county courts in the 22nd state senatorial district, composed of Malheur, Grant and Harney counties, for the selection of a state senator to fill the vacancy left when the president of the state senate, Senator Robert Duncan, Burns, was appointed as circuit court judge for the ninth judicial district.

The meeting is to be held in Burns, Wednesday, January 10, with Nelson Hicks, county court judge of Harney county as chairman.

Frank Porter, of the John Day county is known to have been in the county laying the groundwork for his appointment and, it is understood, unofficially, that he has the support of the courts of Grant and Harney counties, leaving little chance for Malheur county's wishes to have any weight, despite the fact that Malheur has at least 50 per cent of the voting population of the senatorial district.

With this situation facing the Malheur court, at least one member, Charles Marshall, is opposed to having the court take any part in the meeting in Burns. However, no official action has been taken on the matter yet.

Returns To Office

George Jensen returned to his desk at the irrigation offices on Tuesday after a three weeks absence while having an eye operated upon.

MARKETS

Thursday Quotations By Wiley Clowers	
Cream, Grade A	28
Cream, Grade B	26
CASH PRICE	
Hens, heavy	89
Hens, light and Leghorn	85
Springs	89
Stags	85
Cockerels	83
Trade-In Eggs	
Large	15
Medium	12