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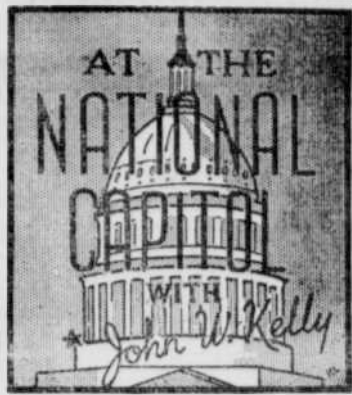
GATEWAY TO THE OWYHEE AND BLACK CANYON IRRIGATION PROJECTS
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WASHINGTON, D. C.—Both political parties (the headmen) realize that the battle for success in November depends on the farmers and the livestock men. It is the opinion of party strategists that neither the Roosevelt-Wallace ticket nor the Wilkie-McNary ticket can win without the farm vote and that balance of power rests between the Mississippi river and the Pacific coast.

There is no more astute politician in the country than Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and because Mr. Roosevelt recognized the potency and importance of the farm vote he directed the Democratic convention to name as vice-president his secretary of agriculture, Henry A. Wallace. Mr. Roosevelt swept aside all other aspirants seeking a place with him on the ticket when the Republicans designated Oregon's Charley McNary for vice-president.

Mr. Roosevelt had no apprehension about Wilkie and his ability to dispose of him, but the president knew that McNary and the latter's standing with the farmers of the nation had to be checked somewhat. The answer to this was the selection of Secretary Wallace. It is no secret in the national capital that Mr. Roosevelt and the secretary had not been "speaking" for months and that Wallace was in disfavor with the White House advisers of the president. But politics is politics, and such trivial matters as personal likes and dislikes have no place when there is a presidential campaign to be won. Hence Wallace was designated as the best bet the Democrats had to reach the farm vote.

The farm vote represents millions of votes. The farm vote was Democratic in 1932 and 1936, but Mr. Roosevelt is taking no chances on the farmers returning to the Republican ranks. If anyone can hold them in line it is Henry Wallace, whose benefit checks have found their way into the pockets of farmers everywhere. There will be another distribution of benefit checks next October, on the eve of the election—and that will have its effect too.

One attack McNary will make on the farm program policy of the new deal is what he regards as the discrimination against the majority of the farming industry. Of the millions distributed in payments for cotton, wheat, tobacco and rice—just four commodities—80 percent goes to the cotton planters of the south. Tobacco payments, of course, also go to the southern states. Senator McNary will point out that the greatest farming industry of all—dairying—gets nothing; that cattlemen get nothing, nor the fruit growers, nut growers nor producers of vegetables.

Another disagreement between Wallace and McNary which will carry to the farmland is the administration's policy of reciprocal trade agreements. These agreements (all knocked galley-west by the war—were seriously injuring agriculture as they were designed principally to aid the heavy industries, the manufacturing plants of the eastern states. The western states are particularly opposed to the trade treaties and it will be McNary's endeavor to capitalize this sentiment and swing those states to the Republican ticket.

It is the first time in political history that the rival candidates for vice-president will be useful instead of ornamental in a campaign; that their fight will be as important as that of the presidential nominees.

Personally, Wallace and McNary are very friendly. In the senate, as Republican leader, McNary has materially assisted Wallace in much of his legislation and each has a high regard for the other, as was shown by the nice things they said in the press. Then, too, Mr. Roosevelt is very fond of McNary, respects his judgment, has invited his advice, but when it comes to Wilkie Mr. Roosevelt is prepared to give him both barrels. Between Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Wilkie no quarter will be asked or given.

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Electric Co-op Hears Discussion

Members of the Malheur Electric Co-operative heard Chester Lake, assistant director of the Rural Electrification Administration, and E. J. Strike, president of the Idaho Power Company discuss their respective views on electric co-operatives.

Lake advised members of the co-operative "not to get mad about this situation", that clear thinking was the only assurance of a successful venture. He promised the members success in their efforts to own their own electric power because, he said "the farmers in this co-operative will have the backing of the United States Government".

Lake said that the local R. E. A. project had already cost the government too much money, due to cost of administration and necessary research, and that there was little likelihood of the government backing out now. He said that the co-operative was being built by federal funds, and that any attempt to "scuttle" the project would be a dangerous undertaking, saying that "during peace time we (the R. E. A.) have turned our cheek on spite lines, but are not so sure that we will continue this policy". The assistant director paid a compliment to the Idaho Power company in doing the job (rural electrification) better than most companies in the United States.

At the opening of the meeting Tom Donahue, chairman of the Malheur Electric Co-operative said that the R. E. A. had held a meeting in Washington, D. C. with the Idaho Power company, and that the company had offered to buy the co-operative lines, but that the local board had voted unanimously to reject any offer by the company.

E. J. Strike, president of the company recited the expansion policy of the Idaho Power company, citing that when the Idaho Power company was formed, there were some 53 power companies operating in the field now served by the Idaho Power. In 1931, the beginning of the expansion program of the Idaho Power, strike said, there were 8,721 farms in the territory that were electrified, and at the end of 1939 there were 14,362 farms enjoying the use of electricity. Malheur county shows a larger percentage of gain in electrified farms according to Strike. In 1932 there were 408 electrified farms while at the end of 1939 there were 1167.

Farmers, served by the Idaho Power company pay the same rate for their electricity as do the city dwellers. Strike said. At the beginning of the expansion program of the Idaho Power company, Strike said the ratio on which the company would extend lines was 1 to 1 (\$1 to be spent for lines for every dollar that would be received for electricity), while today the company spends \$4.50 in construction of lines to each anticipated dollar of revenue.

The Idaho Power company, according to Strike is the highest taxed public utility in the United States, paying in taxes almost 25 cents out of every dollar received from its customers. Strike said that the charge that company had built spite lines was not true, that the company was building lines as rapidly as the demand occasioned. The matter of whether or not the co-operative should be continued, Strike said, is a matter for the members to arrive at by their own conclusions, not influenced by the power company "or any other influence." The Idaho Power company will defend the right of its customers to buy electricity from whom ever they see fit, Strike said.

Tom Donahue closed the meeting, after an open forum had been held. During this forum Donahue made the charge that the Idaho Power company had a bonded indebted-

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From Salt Lake

Miss Mary Rudlick arrived on Wednesday from Salt Lake for a visit with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Rudlick and will remain in Nyssa until the first of September when Mr. and Mrs. Rudlick hope to take a vacation and will return with her to Salt Lake.

MARKETS

By Wiley Clowers	
CASH PRICE	
Cream, Premium	26c
Cream, 1st grade	25c
Cream, 2nd grade	23c
Hens, heavy colored	11c
Hens, light and Leghorn	97c
Springs, heavy	12c-14c
Springs and Leghorns	11c
Cocks	9c
Trade-In Eggs	
Large	13c

L.D.S. Church Holds Pioneer Celebration

On Wednesday the members of the Nyssa Ward of the L. D. S. church and many friends assembled at the Big Bend park for an all day picnic and program celebrating the ninety third anniversary of the establishment of the church at Salt Lake City. Although the number present was not as large as had been hoped for, due to the press of business and the harvest season there still was a large crowd.

A short program was under the direction of George Poulsen. Games began at 10 o'clock when Isaac Cooper retold the old story so well known to every Mormon and student of Pioneer American history of the year and a half trek across the central United States, then mostly Indian country to the sight of the present day Salt Lake of the first Mormons.

There the caravan halted and before they rested, the sight for their temple was selected, a dam was built across City creek and irrigating waters turned into the desert. Brigham Young, the leader had guided his people across an almost unknown land from Nauvoo, Ill. and they had been on the road one and a half years when on July 24, 1847 they found their abiding place.

Following the program a picnic lunch was served and competitive games were enjoyed during the afternoon.

In the evening a dance was held in Nyssa at the new Eder building at which both church members and townspeople enjoyed the good music provided.

Post Office Shows Gain

The Nyssa Post office continues to show a progressive increase in receipts according to Postmaster Ves Goshert.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1940, the local office shows an increase of \$394.36 over the same period in 1939. The total receipts, exclusive of money orders amounted to \$12,602.47. The quarter period, ending the last day of March 1940 showed the largest gain. During that quarter a gain of \$650 was shown. The quarter ending December 31, 1939, was the only blot on the calendar for the local office, during that quarter an actual loss of \$370.58 was recorded, under the same quarter of 1938.

MARGARET HUNT IS AIR STUDENT

Miss Mary Margaret Hunt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hunt of Nyssa, is among the 30 students, 28 of them men, now taking a flight training course under the Civil Aeronautics Authority at the University of Idaho, Southern Branch at Pocatello.

Miss Hunt, a popular and active student at the University of Oregon, from which she recently graduated in business administration, just last week took to the air for the first time at dual controls. Ground school is conducted at the university airport and flight training is taken at the municipal airport. The course, one of a number which is being offered free this summer at universities over the country, will conclude in September. It is a part of the national campaign to train 50,000 pilots for any eventuality. A number of the enrollees at Idaho, South, have indicated a desire to enter army and navy corps when civil training is completed.

Sunday at McCall

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert H. Fisher and Mrs. Emma Quinby spent the week end at McCall and the Payette Lakes.

In Ontario

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garrison spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Garrison in Ontario. Another guest visiting there was Mrs. Ira Hetrick of Homedale.

At Jamieson

Mrs. Charles Garrison was a guest at the Ray Garrison family at Jamieson on Friday.

On Vacation

Miss Sabina Caldwell left Wednesday for a two weeks vacation at Silver City.

Week End In Boise

Mrs. C. L. McCoy was a week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Nixon Treteing of Boise, returning to Nyssa on Monday.

PHARMACY MOVES TO NEW STORE QUARTERS

Nyssa's pioneer drug store, the Nyssa Pharmacy will move to its new quarters by August 1, according to Mrs. C. L. McCoy, president of the firm. The new location will be in the Morgan building, at Second and Main Streets, the store is now undergoing a complete remodeling inside and a modernistic front is being put on.

In commenting on the move to the new quarters, Mrs. McCoy recalled that she and her husband Clem who died December 22, 1937, came to Nyssa on January 1, 1923 after having purchased the drug store from S. F. Foster. Nyssa at that time Mrs. McCoy said had a population of only 500 persons. On January 1, 1937, the company was incorporated taking in as a member of the firm, Omer L. Adkinson, with Clem and Laura McCoy being the other members of the firm. In September of the same year the company opened the Owyhee Drug store in Nyssa, selling it to the present owner, Sid Smith in July of last year.

As a prelude to the removal to the new location the Nyssa Pharmacy is putting on one of the biggest sales of its long career, a more detailed account of which will be found in an advertisement in this issue of the Nyssa Journal.

GRADE TEACHERS RESIGN POSITIONS

Mrs. Nettie Medesker and Mrs. Walsh, grade school teachers in Nyssa for the past 13 and 12 years respectively, handed their resignations to the board of school district 26. The board considered the resignations at a special meeting held Wednesday night and accepted them. No new teachers have been named to fill the vacancies, although the board has several teachers' applications under consideration.

The vacancy made by the resignation of Mrs. Doris Dorrfler, who resigned to accept a position in the Tillamook schools, has been filled by Miss Ladell Shaw, who has been teaching in North Powder.

Queen Contest Pepping Up

Increased interest is being shown in the race for queen of the Malheur County Fair by merchants, patrons and the candidates themselves, according to Walter Thompson, in charge of the contest.

In Nyssa district Margaret Howell is still in the lead with 40,000 votes with Ann Johnson following second with 15,000 votes. Votes for the other candidates are for Josephine Burke, 5250 votes; Twilla Latham, 5,000 votes and Margaret Toombs 5,000 votes.

In the Adrian district Erma Points still leads with 32,900 votes; Dona Ashcraft 28,300; Louise Hinton, 4,500 and Eleanor Haworth, 400.

Return From Trip

Returning from a vacation trip on Saturday was Mrs. Clarence Brewster who has spent several weeks visiting her parents in the middle west. With Mrs. Brewster was her sister-in-law Miss Margaret Brewster.

Week End Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kroner of Salem, with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Holmes of Silverton, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Beutler. On Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Beutler with their guests and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Thompson enjoyed a steak dinner at Fruitland.

From Emmett

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thompson of Emmett with their son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Stevens spent Friday evening in Nyssa visiting at the R. A. Thompson and Jesse Thompson homes. The visitors were breaking in a new car, preparatory to leaving for a vacation to be spent in Seattle.

'ROUND TOWN

Dwight Smith advising Wes Browne on how to get cool, "Just stand in the sun," says Dwight, "then when you get a sun stroke they pack you in ice" . . . hear ye Mayor asking a three cent ransom for a ladies purse . . . nice to see Bert Hoxie out again . . . what's happened to Dad Burroughs knotty cane . . . Pete Boydell no help on this news business.

Doug MacDonald Victim Of Explosion

Doug MacDonald, well known Bureau of Reclamation employee suffered severe injuries to his eyes, when a can of carbide he was handling exploded in his face. MacDonald was cleaning a carbide lamp and a can which he was handling in some way not known to him exploded. He was alone at the time, the rest of his crew being down the ditch at a distance of some 500 yards. When the explosion occurred MacDonald groped his way to the ditch on his hands and knees and splashed water into his eyes to wash the effect of the active carbide away.

There was some danger of losing the sight of one eye, but Dr. Kerby, who has been administering treatments now reports that MacDonald is well on the road to recovery.

FFA Advisor At Corvallis

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis, (Special)—Robert Sawyer, vocational agriculture teacher in the Nyssa high school, and John Johnson of Adrian, are two of 57 such teachers now attending a three-weeks conference for the entire state staff being held at Oregon State college as part of the summer session.

The group is carrying out a definite daily program of seminars and reading and conference periods in which they are working out latest procedures in organization and instructional work for their agricultural classes. Such problems as the organization of advanced courses in vocational agriculture, selection and use of agricultural teaching equipment, organization of farm mechanics work, as well as other items are on the list of conference topics.

Total of 52 high schools now have vocational agriculture classes with a total enrollment of 2324. In this total registration, 2120 are members of the Future Farmers of America chapters. In the Nyssa high school 56 are enrolled in the F. F. A. chapter. In addition to his regular work Sawyer has in the past year conducted an evening school dealing with farm management.

EQUALIZATION BOARD TO MEET

According to an announcement from Murray Morton, county assessor of the Malheur County Board of Equalization will meet on Monday August 12 at the court house in Vale and will continue through Monday August 26.

During the time of the session of the board of equalization, any taxpayer may appear and examine the assessment rolls for 1940, and confer on the correction of any errors in valuations, description or qualities of lands.

Sunday at Wallowa

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Thompson enjoyed the cool weather in the higher altitudes and timber of the Lake Wallowa on Sunday.

Purchase House

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Keizer have purchased the house on Ennis near Fourth formerly owned by the late Mrs. L. A. Cunningham and will occupy it after remodeling and redecorating it.

From California

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Westie and Albert Sprouse of San Jose, Calif., spent the week end at the Tom Goodier home in Kingman Colony. On Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whipple visited with Mr. and Mrs. Goodier and their guests and brought ice cream for treats.

From Nebraska

Mrs. Gilbert Hasty and her two children arrive on Wednesday from Nebraska to join her husband and his brother Jesse. They have leased the Cottahy Court auto camp and are renovating and reconditioning the cottages.

Daughter Visits

Mrs. J. Wall and her family of Creston are visiting at the Tom Lowe home in Mitchell Butt.

Undergoes Operation

Mrs. M. W. Goldman underwent a minor operation at the Holy Rosary hospital in Ontario the first of the week. Dr. K. E. Kerby was the attending surgeon.

Bids Opened On Nyssa Underpass

Bids for the Nyssa underpass, were opened by the Oregon State Highway Commission last Thursday at its meeting in Portland, but no award of the contract has yet been made.

The low bidder for the project was Henry L. Horn, contractor of Caldwell, Idaho, with a bid of \$205,704, the next lowest bid being that of the Clifford Dunne company of Klamath Falls with \$206,550.

The awarding of the bids was held up until the matter of a credit for the project from the federal government has been established. It was expected last Thursday that this matter could be finally disposed of within a few days, but in a telephonic conversation with Mr. Horn this morning, he said that the award had not yet been made, but that he had been informed that he would receive word Friday of this week from the commission.

Horn was not positive as to the date he would start his preliminary work but thought that his company could get under way sometime "around the first of August."

As much local labor as possible will be used on the project Horn said. He said that such labor as was used must be employed through the state employment office, and that those who wished to have a chance to work on the underpass should see that their registration in the State Employment office is up to date and in order. Only men who have been registered with the Oregon State Employment Service, six months prior to July 18 will be eligible for work on the project, according to Charles W. Paradis, manager of the Ontario office.

The local office of the employment service having no files of registrants, will not handle the employment for the project, all such employment must go through the Ontario office, Paradis said. No action has actually been taken yet on the part of Mrs. J. E. Long, in her claim for damages, according to City Attorney A. L. Fletcher.

Commission Sets Deer, Elk, Season

Sportsmen wishing cow elk or antelope tags should make application at once at the office of the Oregon State Game Commission, in Portland.

A total of 2000 cow elk tags will be issued and 1500 antelope tags. Should less than the quota be applied for by August 1, the tags will be issued in the order in which applications are received. Otherwise, a drawing will be held.

No formal application blanks are being issued. Those desiring the tags should send in their names and addresses and the kind and number of the hunting license they hold, together with a check or money order for \$5.00 for each tag.

The elk season for this year will be from November 1 to 6, inclusive; the deer season from September 20 to October 25; the bull elk season in Clatsop County alone, from August 24 to September 2, inclusive; and the antelope season from September 29 to October 6, inclusive.

Scouts To Camp

The Girl Scout Troop of Adrian, under the leadership of Mrs. Maurice Judd, will leave for their annual encampment at Payette Lakes on Saturday morning. Many of the girls are looking forward to this year's camp with unusual eagerness as they hope to qualify for their life saving badges.

Vale Man Joins Foreign Forces

Word was received this week by Mr. and Mrs. Percy Purvis of Vale that their son, Pete, who ostensibly had left home about three weeks ago for a vacation at the coast had signed up with the Canadian army and is in a training station at Victoria, B. C. He is a brother of Mrs. Audrey L. Fletcher of Nyssa.

Mrs. Beam Improves

Mrs. J. C. Beam who has been ill at her home for the past few weeks is considerably better again and is enjoying the visiting of her many friends.

Among those who called on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Marshall and their son Jack of Oregon Trail, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Webster of Nyssa Heights, Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Beam, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pounds and their daughter Peggy and Mr. and Mrs. Lon Fry of Nyssa, Mr. and Mrs. Quinn and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Quinn and Mrs. Hazel Hall and daughter all of Boise.

YOUTH DROWNS IN OWYHEE RIVER

A swimming party, Wednesday afternoon turned into stark tragedy when Troy W. Roberts, 20 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Roberts of Chalk Butte was drowned in the Owyhee River near the Willie McGinnis farm.

Young Roberts, in company with Harley Wilson, Ellis Cooper and Harold Snyder had gone in swimming and as near as can be ascertained was seized with cramps. Repeated efforts on the part of Harley Wilson to locate the body, by diving, were unsuccessful. Ellis Cooper on seeing the plight of his companion ran for aid and managed to locate Willie McGinnis who, with the help of others located the body. Ward was telephoned into Nyssa to Doctor Kerby, who took Clifford Main along to help in giving artificial respiration, but the long attempt to revive the victim failed.

Church services will be held in the Nyssa Methodist Church at 10 a. m. Friday, with committal services to be held in the Christian Church in Jerome, Idaho at 2:30 p. m. on Saturday. Troy W. Roberts is survived by his mother and father one brother and three sisters. Funeral arrangements are in charge of the Nyssa Funeral Home. The Roberts, former residents of Jerome, Idaho, came here about four years ago to take up farming near Chalk Butte.

Swastika Flags Fly In Nyssa

Some individual or individuals with either a distorted sense of humor or misplaced sense of allegiance ran up two Nazi Swastika flags in Nyssa sometime during Wednesday night of this week.

One of the banners of class hatred and persecution was hoisted on the flag pole at the Nyssa grade school building, the other on the pole in front of the Legion hall.

Members of the American Legion that could be contacted here today were greatly incensed over the outrage. One member said that "of course we, as members of the Legion cannot take the law into our own hands, but I would like to catch the skunk that did that trick." The police department is investigating, with little hope of finding out the responsible parties.

NEW TYPE LICENSE PLATES FOR OREGON

Oregon motorists will receive a license plate in 1941 that is entirely different in appearance from any plate used in the past. The figures on the plate are of a new design that is both pleasing and more legible, new style lettering is used for the word "Oregon", which is placed between the "19" and the "41" at the bottom of the plate. The colors, dark green background with white numerals and figures.

While these colors are the same as on the Washington plate, it is thought that they will not lead to the slightest confusion, as the characters on the two plates are entirely different, on Washington's plate the state name and year date will be above the figures while Oregon's will carry this information below. In addition, the Washington plates all bear an alphabetical prefix to the numerals, this prefix being in bold type, and the Washington plates are larger than Oregon's.

People who have seen samples of Oregon's 1941 plates are unanimous in pronouncing it a distinct improvement over anything used in the past.

On Vacation

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Buchner are enjoying a two weeks outing at the Oregon beaches.

WEATHER

Following is the weather report for the past week as given at the U. S. Reclamation office at Nyssa.

	Low	High
July 18	60	99
July 19	62	97
July 20	58	93
July 21	54	97
July 22	58	102
July 23	64	102
July 24	58	96
Acres feet of water impounded at the Owyhee reservoir measure 543,840.		