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Money Is Made Available For Owyhee Project

Bureau Will Construct Wasteway For North Canal

BOISE, IDAHO—With a \$20,000,000 supplemental appropriation and unexpended balances of \$17,000,000 in regular appropriations available, the bureau of reclamation plans immediately to launch an accelerated construction program on irrigation and multiple-purpose projects in the Pacific northwest. Regional Director R. J. Newell announced.

Construction will be resumed or stepped up on nine projects in Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and western Montana, and investigations will be rapidly advanced to make early construction possible on two other major authorized projects, he declared.

The projects on which construction will be intensified are: Deschutes in central Oregon, Vale in southern Oregon, Owyhee in southern Oregon and southwestern Idaho, Anderson Ranch and Cascade dams in southwestern Idaho, Minidoka in southeastern Idaho, Post Falls unit of the Rathdrum Prairie project in northern Idaho, Roza division of the Yakima project in south central Washington, and the Columbia Basin project in eastern Washington. The approved projects on which investigations will be pushed are Palisades in southeastern Idaho and Hungry Horse in western Montana.

The funds provided by Congress for the expanded reclamation activity consist of a supplemental appropriation of \$20,263,000 for the current fiscal year, made available late in December, a regular appropriation of \$10,425,000, granted last summer, and an unexpended balance on June 30, 1945, of \$6,511,452.

The work contemplated under the bureau's immediate postwar program for the Pacific northwest includes: Owyhee Project—

On the Owyhee Project (Oregon-Idaho), the bureau will construct a wasteway for the north canal. Two wasteways were approved for in the original construction, but one was destroyed in an earth slide and the other cannot be operated at full capacity because of developments along the channel to the river. Rehabilitation of pumping plans originally installed by the Gem and Ontario-Nyssa irrigation districts and of laterals constructed by these districts is also planned. A supplemental appropriation of \$190,000 is available for this work and the unexpended balance on June 30, 1945, was \$59,145.

Vale Project—
The supplemental appropriation of \$3,000 made available for the Vale project in eastern Oregon will be expended in the construction of laterals to serve an additional 1,000 acres of land and in constructing drains to relieve water-logging in a small area.

IOOF OFFICERS OF NYSSA INSTALLED

Officers were installed by Gate City lodge of the I. O. O. F. at the regular meeting held January 8.

The officers include Warren F. Graves, noble grand; James Kirkland, vice grand; Owen Gann, secretary; Lee Miller, treasurer, and Al Thompson, warden.

John Thomson was the installing officer.

First 1946 Baby Arrives—
The first baby born in the Nyssa Nursing home in 1946 arrived January 6, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Martinez of Nyssa. The girl, weighing 6 pounds, 5 ounces, was named Rosie.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Greig are parents of a son born January 7. The baby, named Michael Gene, weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces.

A girl, Betty Jo, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graham today. She weighed 7 pounds.

Bowling Tourney Set—
The winter tournament to be held at the Nyssa bowling center has been scheduled for January 13. Play will start at 2 p. m. Singles and doubles will be played.

Go To Corvallis—
Mr. and Mrs. Ira Ure and daughter, Doris Jean, and son, Ira, Jr., went to Corvallis last week, when Ira, Jr., entered Oregon State college as a freshman. Mrs. Ure and Doris Jean stopped at Richland Washington to visit at the home of Mrs. George Karren over New Year's.

INFANT HAROLDSSEN DAUGHTER DIES

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the L. D. S. chapel for Linda Diane, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arlan Haroldsen, who died Thursday morning.

The speakers were President Luther Fife and Bishop Arvel Child. Nathaniel Ashby of the Owyhee branch of the L. D. S. church, had charge of the service in the Nyssa chapel. Invocation was given by Richard Maw. Vocal numbers were "In the Garden of Tomorrow," sung by Vivian Fife and Helen Anderson, "Your Sweet Little Rosebud," sung by Mrs. Ruth Bybee and Mrs. Ruth Sessions, and "The Lullaby," sung by Mrs. T. Carol Bybee. Wilford Bybee gave the closing prayer and John Savage dedicated the grave.

Besides her parents, Linda Diane, who was two weeks old, is survived by her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Hartley and Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Haroldsen.

Lunch Counter Will Be Opened

Roy Davis of Ontario has leased the building formerly occupied by the Hollingsworth Hardware and Implement company from Frank T. Morgan and will open a confectionery store and lunch counter in the building.

Mr. Morgan has employed workmen who are now remodeling the building for the accommodation of the new business. A false ceiling will be installed, a partition will be erected toward the rear of the building and the interior will be redecorated.

A small addition will be erected to house a heating plant that will be used to heat the offices of Mr. Morgan and Attorney A. L. Fletcher and the new "shake" shop.

The Hollingsworth store has been moved to its new location in the Chadwick building on west Main street. The opening date of the hardware store and Chadwick's grocery in the new building built by A. Chadwick will be announced later.

BANQUET IS HELD BY LOCAL FIREMEN

A banquet was held Monday night by the Nyssa firemen in Brownie's cafe, with 22 in attendance.

City councilmen were special guests at the steak dinner. R. G. Whitaker, council chairman, was master of ceremonies.

New badges were present to the firemen.

Daughter Arrives—

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Sulter have received word of the birth of a daughter January 5 to Mr. and Mrs. John C. Wade of Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. Wade is the former Norma Sulter.

Returns From Seattle—

W. F. Jahn, dealer in hay and grain, returned Monday after a three-week business trip to Seattle.

Attends Funeral—

Mrs. Lettie Alford returned Friday from Baker, where she attended the funeral of her brother-in-law, Edwin Burlingame, who died as a result of an automobile accident, which occurred four miles east of Huntington on highway No. 30. Mr. Burlingame was well known in Nyssa, having visited here a number of times. He was buried Wednesday in Mount Hope cemetery at Baker.

Undergoes Operation—

Mrs. A. H. Boydell underwent a major operation Monday in the Holy Rosary hospital at Ontario.

To Give Parties—

The Oregon Trail Grange will give the first of a series of pinole parties at the Oregon Trail schoolhouse, January 19 at 8 p. m.

Has Broken Leg—

Lawrence Cleverly sustained a leg fracture at his farm home Monday and was taken to the Holy Rosary hospital in Ontario for treatment. He attempted to lead a horse into a trailer, but the animal refused to lead. Cleverly started to ride the horse into the trailer and it reared and fell backwards onto him.

Return From Portland—

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Emery returned home Monday from Portland. They were accompanied home by their son, Carl, who has been receiving medical treatment in Portland for several months.

Teachers Give Hartley Support

Teachers of the Nyssa public school system have signed a statement endorsing the administration of Superintendent Henry H. Hartley.

The paper, signed by all of the teachers except the three new teachers, was submitted to the Gate City Journal for publication.

The statement reads as follows: "To the citizens of Nyssa and the surrounding community:

"We, the undersigned, teachers of the Nyssa public school, with our knowledge of the administration, wish to publicly state that we believe the recent criticism of the administration to be unjust and we wish to go on record as approving their general policies."

Those signing the paper were Harriet Cole, Victoria Schweizer, Theresa Gehmert, Eva Chadwick, Hazel Lane, June McKinney, Eulah McConnell, Eva Boydell, Lillie May Greeling, C. C. Harvey, Mamie Bostrack, Nelda Schenk, Josephine Rigney, Eloise Herold, M. L. Spitzer, Lynn J. Lawrence, Doris Betty, Pae Pedrick, Spencer Lane, Margery Nihart, Virginia Van Slyke, Howard Lovejoy and K. E. Keever.

COUNTY DISTRIBUTES SCHOOL FUND

Mrs. Kathryn Claypool, Malheur county school superintendent, announced last week the apportionment of the county school fund of \$38,127.49 among the various schools of the county, on a basis of school population. Ontario's share of the fund amounted to \$7753; Nyssa's, \$6523, and Vale's \$4668.

The four largest rural districts with their school census and share of the fund are Owyhee, 236 children, \$1361; Pioneer, 219, \$1237; Willowcreek, 195, \$1147.

Other schools noted among the larger apportionments were Harper, \$903; Jordan Valley, \$612; and Juntura, \$371.

This is the last half of the 1945 apportionment. The first half was distributed in May.

First National Biggest Gainer

The First National bank of Portland, which the Nyssa bank is a branch, made the greatest gain in deposits of any of the Portland banking groups, according to statements of condition published during the last few days.

The First National also showed the greatest gain in loans. Its deposits gained a total of \$109,022,564 since the last controller's call or nearly half the deposit gain made by all the Portland banks and banking groups. The increase in the First National's loans amounted to \$31,938,851.

Since the June 30, 1945 call, deposit gains of all Portland banking groups amount to \$236,782,992. The United States National bank made a deposit gain of \$71,521,674, and an increase in loans of \$22,045,530.

TAXI LINE MAY BE ESTABLISHED

Two applications for establishment of a taxi line in Nyssa were approved by the city council at the regular council meeting Tuesday night.

However, the city refused to grant permission to establishment of a stand on Main street between First and Third streets.

The applicants were Norman and Orin Moyes, and Viri Ritenbaug. Officials announced that the residence at the airport has been completed to a habitable condition.

Visits Parents—

Miss Dorothy Coffman left last week for La Grande, where she is attending Eastern Oregon College of Education, after spending a two-week vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur R. Coffman.

Plumber Returns—

J. C. Smith has returned to Nyssa and has resumed his plumbing service. His son, Roy, recently discharged from the army, will assist Mr. Smith.

Go On Vacation—

Mr. and Mrs. Al Kuehn left this week for a three-week vacation in Nebraska. They will visit friends at North Platte and Corning, Nebraska, and will visit his parents at Crofton, Nebraska. Mr. and Mrs. Kuehn were accompanied by Mrs. Gies Billings, who will visit in Cheyenne.

FUNERAL HELD FOR DEPUTY ASSESSOR

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church in Vale, Saturday afternoon, December 29, for David W. Laurance, 46, deputy assessor of Malheur county, who died at his home in Vale, the day after Christmas.

Mr. Laurance was born April 9, 1899 at Prairie City and at the age of 18 went to Ironside to live with his sister, Mrs. Elmer Motham. He was married September 11, 1922 to Miss Ora Bell Lawrence of Ironside. They moved from Ironside to Vale in 1925 and have lived there since that time. Mr. Laurance was employed by the Home Lumber company for many years. For the past five years he has been deputy assessor. He had been an active member of the Vale Masonic lodge for 16 years, and a past master and for many years served as secretary of the organization. He also served as associate patron of the Eastern Star and was chairman of the advisory board for the Order of the Rainbow.

Survivors include his wife and their daughter, his mother, Mrs. Anna Laurance, Prairie City, four sisters, Mrs. Hazel Cochran, Mrs. Sylvia Boor, Mrs. Addie Preston, all of Prairie City, Mrs. Molthan, of Ironside; three brothers, Clyde and Walter of Prairie City and Fred of Ironside.

The Rev. C. L. Callahan officiated at the funeral services, which were conducted by the Masonic lodge with interment in the Ironside cemetery.

Seed Growers To Hold Gathering

Word has been received by Harry Sandquist, county agricultural agent, that the Oregon Seed Growers league will hold its annual meeting at the Multnomah hotel in Portland January 15 and 16. The group will include this year as follows: Field seeds outlook and development, weed control, legislation and taxation, seed potato, and vegetable seeds.

Although membership in the seed league is light in Malheur county the league has represented the interests of seed growers here for years and Malheur county ranks second among Oregon's 36 counties in volume of seed produced. It is the leading county in the United States in production of red clover seed and leads all other Oregon counties in vegetable seeds and alfalfa seed. The annual value of the seed crop in the county is about two and one-half million dollars.

All Malheur county seed growers are asked to attend the seed league meeting. O. D. Dearborn of Ontario will serve on the field seeds outlook and development committee and Burton Burroughs of Ontario is vice-chairman of the weed control committee.

GEOKAN ARRESTED ON LIQUOR CHARGE

Alex Geokan, operator of the local night club, was arrested this week by state officers on a charge of illegal sale of intoxicating liquor.

Geokan was released on \$250 bail. His hearing, scheduled to have been held in justice court Wednesday, was postponed until this afternoon.

Two women, Mrs. Long and Mrs. Turley, pleaded guilty to selling liquor while employed by Geokan and were fined \$50 each by Judge Frank D. Hall, justice of the peace.

Discharged From Army—

Pfc. Donald L. Wilson arrived home Monday after receiving his discharge at Fort Lewis, Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Wilson, served overseas for two years with the anti-aircraft artillery.

Going To California—

Lt. Col. and Mrs. John Beckham and children left Wednesday by auto for Stockton, California to visit Colonel Beckham's parents before he leaves February 13 for Germany for further service in the army. Mrs. Beckham and children will return to Nyssa.

Visits Friend—

Miss Carol Blair of Nyssa spent the week-end at the home of Miss Beverly Ann Ure.

Buys Drug Store—

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Applegate, former Nyssa residents, have purchased a drug store at Hubbard, Oregon. Their son, Lt. Robert Applegate, was recently discharged from the air corps. Lt. Applegate, reported missing during the war, was picked up by a submarine crew off the coast of Japan.

E. P. Hendricks Named President Of Game League

Recommendations On Fishing Made To State Commission

E. P. Hendricks of Vale, county assessor, was elected president of the Malheur Game league at a meeting of the organization in the Boulevard Grange hall Tuesday night.

Gene Clark of Vale was elected secretary-treasurer and Charles Newbill, Dale Garrison and Aden Wilson were elected directors representing Nyssa.

The members discussed several proposals on fishing laws which will be sent to the state game commission for consideration.

The league asked the game commission to open the Owyhee reservoir to fishing for trout February 15. Bass fishing is allowed in the reservoir the entire year.

The league also recommended that the commission build fish ladders at Beulah dam, Warm Springs and Unity dam in Burnt river and re-stock the middle fork of the Malheur river with salmon.

New membership cards may be secured from any one of the Nyssa directors.

A directors meeting will be held at the courthouse in Vale Wednesday, January 16.

CREW IS IMPROVING CITY DUMP GROUNDS

The city is making changes at the dump grounds north of town so that it can be used to better advantage.

The city is building a dirt platform, 12 feet high, 120 feet from the county road, and is building a ramp roadway to the platform. Both the platform and ramp will be gravelled.

All refuse material will be dumped off the platform and as the pile is extended it will be gravelled. The process may be continued indefinitely on the 40-acre tract comprising the dump grounds.

Solicitors Ask Hospital Money

Lists of possible rural contributors to the Malheur Memorial hospital fund have been given to members of the Lions club for solicitation. The Lions are expected to contact the prospects within the next two weeks.

The money collected in the campaign will be deposited in the bank under the name of Malheur Memorial Hospital association fund.

The hospital committee has received a booklet on planning and operating a hospital from the American Hospital association.

Solicitation in the city is expected to be started in the near future.

Study Club Meets—

The Catholic Study club met at the home of Mrs. Herman Towne last Monday night. The next meeting will be held at the John Doherty home next Monday evening. Interested persons are invited to attend.

Here From Burley—

Mr. and Mrs. Newell P. Baker of Burley are spending part of their vacation here. They were Wednesday dinner guests at the D. O. Bybee home.

Return From Utah—

Mr. and Mrs. Eral Beus arrived home from a combined business and pleasure trip to Ogden and Salt Lake City.

Accepts Position—

Eldon Bibee recently released from the army has accepted a position with the Inland Oil company here. Mr. Bibee formerly operated the station.

Class Will Meet—

The special interest adult class of the M. I. A. will meet at President Ann Beus' home Saturday at 7:30 for a party. Members are requested to provide a covered dish lunch.

Here From Utah—

Angus Bishop and son, Wayne, of Payson, Utah arrived in Nyssa Sunday to attend to business.

Club Will Meet—

The Nyssa Business Women's club will meet Tuesday, January 15 in the home economics room of the high school building.

STATE POLICEMAN ATTACKED BY DRIVER

Charles W. Murphy of Huntington pleaded guilty in circuit court in Vale Monday to a charge of assaulting H. C. Snider, state police officer, with a flashlight and was fined \$500 and sentenced to six months in jail by Circuit Judge M. A. Biggs.

District Attorney C. Otis Smith said Murphy was riding with another man Friday night when Patrolman H. C. Snider stopped them for alleged reckless driving. Snider placed Murphy in the rear seat and the other man beside him and after he had attained a speed of about 40 miles an hour Murphy struck Snider on the head with the flashlight, which he found in the car.

Badly dazed, Snider stopped the car and placed handcuffs on Murphy. The prisoner was charged with assault with a deadly weapon. The jail term was suspended on condition that he pay the fine.

Adrian Chamber Holds Meeting

ADRIAN (Special)—Possibility of the establishment of a hay dehydrating plant in this vicinity was discussed at a meeting of the Adrian chamber of commerce Thursday evening, January 3.

Bert Wentworth, manager of the Saunders Mills, Inc. at Nyssa, spoke on hay dehydrating plants.

The chamber members also discussed street lighting for Adrian, plans for the hospital to be constructed in Nyssa and the freight depot, which has been established in Adrian.

Refreshments of home-made doughnuts and coffee were served by Ralph Emery, who will assume responsibility for serving refreshments at all chamber meetings.

The new officers, President Glen Brown and secretary Henry Reuter were in charge of the meeting.

Expected Home From Philippines—

Staff Sgt. Alvin Nye telephoned his parents from San Francisco that he would soon be on his way to Fort Lewis for his release papers. He has served overseas for the past two years.

Guests Here—

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Fischer have as house guests Mr. Fischer's mother, Mary E. Fischer of Hillsboro and his brother, Laurence, who was recently discharged from the army after five years of service. The brothers will conduct farming operations together this year. Miss Pauline Fischer of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Baldwin of Hillsboro were guests at the Fischer home during the holiday season.

Oil Officials Here—

Officials of the Inland Empire oil refineries of Washington were here Monday holding conferences with the Bybee brothers, operators of the Inland Oil service station here.

In Nampa—

Mrs. Gordon Ray, Mrs. Mary E. Bybee and Mr. and Mrs. Dart Bybee were in Nampa Friday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Jordan. The Jordans left the next day for a vacation with relatives in Utah. Mary E. Bybee accompanied them.

Former Nyssa Girl Ill—

Miss Doris Aston, daughter of Clarence Aston, former Nyssa resident, is seriously ill with pneumonia and has been confined to her bed the past two weeks. They now live in Emmett, where Mr. Aston is in the automobile business.

Scout Executive Here—

Delworth Young, scout executive and high official of the L. D. S. church headquarters of Salt Lake City, was the main speaker at conferences held in the Weiser Stake last Sunday. He was a guest at the Luther Fife home.

Flag Pole Erected—

A new steel flag pole was placed in front of the American Legion hall on Fourth street by Legionnaires last Friday. The pole replaces an old wooden pole that had rotted.

Stolen Cars Recovered—

C. M. Wallace's automobile, stolen from the Amalgamated Sugar company parking lot about two months ago, has been recovered in Boise. Chief of Police J. R. Dolan said. The machine was left in a garage by a soldier for repair and was never called for. Paul Ransom's car was found Tuesday north of Nyssa along the railroad track. It had been standing in a ditch since December 26.

Bulldogs Beat Ontario 36-35; Lose To Baker

Unusually Good Game Is Played With Baker On Local Court

The strong Baker high school basketball team took a substantial lead over the Nyssa Bulldogs on the Nyssa court Tuesday night and held the lead throughout the contest, probably the best seen here in season. The final score was 30 to 48.

The visitors, hot in team play and scoring, gained a 13 to 22 lead in the first quarter, but never increased the margin very much as the Nyssa team applied the pressure.

The Baker Bulldogs, playing their 18th game of the season, held a lead of 33 to 20 at the half and 39 to 33 at three-quarter time.

Nyssa's Tom Moore was high scorer with 22 points. Calderwood registered 18 for Baker.

The lineups were as follows: Nyssa—Billings 8, Moore 22, Church 8, Toombs 6, Root 4, and Bellon; Baker—Calderwood 18, Johnson 10, Borgen 11, Gerry 8, Callaway 6, Lemon 4, Eardley, Dague and French.

Nyssa Beats Ontario
The Nyssa Bulldogs nosed out the Ontario quintet on the Ontario floor last Friday night by one point, 36 to 35.

The Bulldogs led throughout the first three quarters, but the Tigers tied the count with only four minutes to go at 31 and then gained a four-point margin. Then Moore sank a free throw to make the score 35 to 32 and Billings registered a field goal. Church scored the winning basket just before the final whistle was blown.

Moore was high scorer with 15 points.

The Ontario B squad defeated the Nyssa B's in the preliminary game by a count of 28 to 22.

YOUTH SENTENCED FOR JAP'S DEATH

Floyd Martin Pousson, 18, pleaded guilty in the Malheur circuit court Monday to a charge of second degree murder in connection with the death of Nasufi Kuruso and was sentenced by Judge M. A. Biggs to a life term in the Oregon penitentiary.

Kuruso, a Japanese-American, was found shot to death in Jacobson gulch six miles north of Ontario October 16 after he had been missing from his home in La Grande for 10 days.

Pousson was arrested in Dalhart, Texas and was returned to Malheur county for prosecution.

Teacher Employed—

Miss Jean F. Davis has been employed to teach in the first grade of the Nyssa school. Miss Davis, who came here from Baggs, Wyoming, began teaching Monday of this week.

Republicans To Meet—

Mrs. A. L. Fletcher, Mrs. Douglas McDonald and Frank T. Morgan will attend an executive meeting of the Malheur county republican central committee in the Moore hotel in Ontario Friday evening, January 11 at 8 o'clock.

Returns From Trip—

Mrs. C. C. Cotton returned Sunday from a three-week trip to Twin Falls, Jerome and Wendall, Idaho. While in Idaho Mrs. Cotton visited friends and relatives.

Parents Of Son—

Captain and Mrs. Boyd Brown are parents of a son born last Thursday in Boise. The boy has been named Stephen Chandler. Captain Boyd is now serving with the army in Saipan.

Attending Meeting—

Mr. and Mrs. Murle Marcum left Tuesday for Portland to attend a John Deere dealers' meeting. They will return home Saturday.

Receives Discharge—

Cpl. Ira Ure, Jr., received an honorable discharge from the army December 5 at Fort Lewis. He spent three years in the service, including two years in the European theatre under the command of General Hodges.

Substitutes For Teacher—

Mrs. Douglas McDonald substituted last week in the fourth grade of the Parma school for Miss Jean Gardner, who was married last week.