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Only 2 Contests Are Developing In '46 Election

A. P. Goodell Of Nyssa Is Involved In One Of Contests

Only two contests are in prospect in Malheur county for the off-year primary election to be held in May. Three candidates have filed for the position of county commissioner, now held by C. A. Marshall of Nyssa, who is not a candidate for re-election.

W. S. Skinner of Jordan Valley and A. P. Goodell of Nyssa are seeking the republican nomination for county commissioner. G. C. Good of Ontario is unopposed for the democratic nomination.

The other contest in the county is developing between District Attorney Otis Smith of Ontario and Charles W. Swan of Vale, who are seeking the republican nomination for district attorney.

The only other position to be filled in the county is that of coroner and Dr. R. A. Tacke of Ontario has filed for re-election on the republican ticket. No other person has filed for the position.

Martin Gallagher of Ontario will be unopposed for the position of state representative from Malheur county.

In Nyssa, city officers will not be elected until November.

HAMLEY SADDLE TO BE GIVEN AT DANCE

A \$200 Hamley saddle will be given away at a dance to be held by the Owyhee Riding club Saturday night, March 30 in the Nyssa gymnasium.

The saddle will be displayed in the store windows between now and the time it is given away. The hand stamped saddle was made on special order of the Owyhee Riding club by Hamley and company of Pendleton.

WINEBRENNER WILL DO AERIAL DUSTING

Ralph Winebrenner will start aerial dusting service, starting May 15, he announced this week. Winebrenner will be able to dust any type of crop with the most modern equipment. He will spread DDT and commercial fertilizer and seed. The flier, who is now taking orders for dusting, said aerial dusting does a more thorough job than ground dusting.

The Winebrenner Flying service is now in the process of being approved to give flight training to returned veterans under the G.I. bill of rights. The government allows \$500 for flight training at an approved school. Anyone interested in making application should see Mr. Winebrenner or Don Graham.

Returns From Vacation—

George N. Bear returned Sunday after spending a three-weeks vacation at Spokane, Priest River and Sandpoint, Idaho.

Visit In New Plymouth—

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brant visited Sunday at the Floyd Hershey home in New Plymouth.

Visit Relatives—

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Nestrom and daughter, Ann, visited relatives Saturday afternoon at Nampa.

Here From New Plymouth—

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hershey of New Plymouth visited in Nyssa Tuesday. They are former Nyssa residents.

Return From Seattle—

Leslie Stoker and Wilford Bybee of Nyssa and Dewey Garner of Emmett returned Monday from a business trip to Seattle. Mr. Stoker went on to Ogden.

Here From Ogden—

Orson T. Berrett of Ogden visited here with his son, Wayne, and family. Wayne recently purchased one of the Bybee farms.

Employed By Reclamation—

Mrs. DarThe Pike has been employed as typist by the reclamation office here.

Here From Burley—

Mrs. Norma Pullman and brother Mark Anderson of Burley, spent several days here this week visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eldred Brower.

Visit In Boise—

Mrs. Sari Farr, Mrs. Henry Gannon and Mrs. Clyde Wakefield spent Monday in Boise.

ARTIE ROBERTSON FINISHES 25 YEARS AS RURAL CARRIER

Artie Robertson, who has completed 25 years of service as a regular rural carrier out of Nyssa has seen the territory covered by his route develop from a sagebrush-covered terrain to a productive area that is providing the farmers and other residents of this vicinity with an abundant living.

When Mr. Robertson started carrying mail March 7, 1921 all of the land north of the Owyhee dam road and west of the Shoestring ditch was covered with Sagebrush. At that time there was only one route out of Nyssa.

Robertson has driven an average of 15,000 miles a year or a total of 375,000 miles. The veteran carrier, who has covered the same route during all of the 25 years, will have earned his retirement in five more years.

Cinderella Ball Set For Mar. 22

The Nyssa high school Girls league announced that the net proceeds of the Cinderella ball to be held in the high school gymnasium Friday, March 22 will be given to the Malheur Memorial hospital fund.

The decorations and program will be based on the theme "Roses of Piccadilly."

The nine couples in the court were chosen by the high school students. They are Verla Jensen, Beverly Ure, Marie Seburn, Ellen Heriman, Patty Lorraine Eldred, Lorraine Farr, June Savage, Adrienne Peterson, Alene Ward, Laverie Toombs, Larry Dimmick, Tom Moore, Jerry Bellon, Don Herren, Bob Church, Mark Hartley, George Billings, and Ray Bybee. From these senior students the public will vote on who will be Cinderella and prince.

The junior prince and princess were selected by the Girls league.

They are Kay Hammon and Phillip Tucker. The other junior court members are Sharon Fox, Billy Russell, Nancy Ross, Frankie Morris, Gerry De Rock, Patricia Nickelson, Delbert Toombs, Margaret Dodd, Bob Espin, Irene Taylor, Stanley Byers and Kay Ballentine.

Each ticket will entitle the holder to vote for Cinderella and the prince.

Visit Here—

Mrs. C. E. West of Salina, Utah, Mrs. Carl Robbins of Seip, Utah, and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Gould and sons of Buhl, Idaho were guests at the J. C. Olsen home over the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Al Schomburg and daughters of Nampa were Sunday dinner guests at the Olsen home.

Dancers To Demonstrate—

All married persons are invited to attend a social and dance exhibition to be held Friday night at 8 o'clock in the L.D.S. church. Refreshments will be served. Mrs. Irvin T. Duffin is the director. Mrs. Mildred Williams and Mrs. D. O. Bybee will assist with the music.

Returns From Washington—

Rev. P. H. Reiman of Adrian has returned home from Seattle, where he attended a reunion of his wife's immediate family. Mrs. Reiman became seriously ill while in Seattle and was taken to a hospital. She will probably not return to Adrian for at least six weeks. The four Reiman boys are staying with relatives in Cloverland, Washington and Plummer, Idaho.

Attend Meeting—

Albert Heidt, Don Graham and Mr. Heidt's sons, Albert, Jr., and Paul, went to Elgin Monday to attend a celebration of the American Legion's anniversary. Albert Heidt, Sr., participated in the program, which was presented to 500 persons. Entertainment features were given by La Grande grade school children.

Here From Moscow—

Mrs. Sid Brown returned from Moscow Saturday for a two weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Dorman.

From Utah—

Mr. and Mrs. Ersal Fagan of American Falls and Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Brown of Lehi spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Fagan. Ersal Fagan and Mrs. Brown are brother and sister of Mrs. Anderson and Mr. Fagan.

Civic Club To Meet—

The Civic club will meet March 20 at 2 p. m. at the parish hall. The public is invited to attend.

Nyssa Hospital Building Fund Reaches \$14,000

Contributions Made By H.E.C. And Worthwhile Club

A total of \$14,000 has been collected in the drive for construction funds for the Malheur Memorial hospital, Treasurer Olean Wells reported this week.

Included in this amount was \$105 contributed by the Home Economics club of the Oregon Trail Grange from the proceeds of a series of card parties.

A total of \$218.83 was collected at the auction held on Main street Saturday night by the Worthwhile club. The produce sold at the auction was donated by the club members and other residents of Sunset valley. A Swift premium ham was also donated by the Nyssa Packing company. Bill Lane donated his services as auctioneer.

Members of the Worthwhile club expressed thanks to those who helped with the sale.

An entertainment committee was appointed at the Monday meeting of the Nyssa Lions club to arrange for a carnival dance to be held for the benefit of the hospital May 4, when a jeep and an inboard motorboat will be given away. Members of the committee are Glen Billings, Robert McCurdy and Al Kuehn.

SENATE APPROVES SCHOOL RESOLUTION

A telegram was received a few days ago by C. C. Harvey of Nyssa from Senator Wayne Morse of Oregon, stating that the resolution to make April 19 of this year a special day to honor students and teachers for their services connected with the war has been passed by the senate.

The resolution has been sent to the house of representatives, where it is expected to receive consideration immediately. The resolution calls upon the President to issue a proclamation proclaiming April 19 this year Students and Teachers day. If the resolution is passed by the house, each community in the country will be expected to hold appropriate programs honoring their teachers and students for their work which helped to bring about victory. The National Education association and the U.S. office of education are making some tentative plans for Students and Teachers day. It has been announced.

RED CROSS DRIVE STARTS IN NYSSA

Mrs. Bernard Frost and her committee have mailed letters on behalf of the Nyssa chapter of the American Red Cross asking for contributions to the 1946 campaign.

Contributions will be sought entirely by mail, so that contributors are asked to mail their money to Mrs. Frost.

Here From Florida—

Mrs. Leo Lorenz of Miami, Florida is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell.

Return Monday—

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morgan returned Monday evening from San Francisco. They also visited a few days at Eugene.

Week-End Guests—

Mrs. William Smith and son, Arthur, of Jerome were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Saljee.

Visit In Boise—

Mardi Sallee and Doris Beers spent the week-end in Boise with Shirley Andrew.

From New York—

Mrs. Lincoln Bishop of New York is visiting in Nyssa with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Bishop.

Baby Given Treatment—

The small son of Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Maulding was taken to St. Alphonse hospital in Boise Tuesday for treatment.

Son Arrives In Seattle—

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Larson received word that their son, Raymond, arrived in Seattle Sunday on the ship, General Blackford. They expect him home the last of the week.

To Give Party—

The Odd Fellows and members of the Rebekah lodge will give a benefit card party in the Odd Fellows hall Friday night, March 16.

MELVIN MELOW IS ORATORY CONTEST WINNER IN COUNTY

An oratorical contest sponsored by the American Legion posts of Malheur county in the Nyssa high school building last week was won by Melvin Melow of Nyssa.

Clifford Wise of Ontario was the other contestant in the contest, which was conducted by John Combsky of the Ontario schools. The judges were Mrs. Edith Shumacker, Miss Lucille Jones and Peter O'Toole of the Vale schools.

Both boys brought out many good points in their orations and Melow won by only a small margin, he judges said.

The Nyssa post presented Mr. Melow with an oratorical medal in appreciation of his splendid work in preparing his oratorical speech.

Stoker Begins Local Building

Leslie W. Stoker of Ogden, a general contractor, has moved to Nyssa and has already started a construction program.

Mr. Stoker, who has bought the Robert Overstreet farm between Nyssa and Adrian because of inability to secure residence here, has started building a warehouse for the Owyhee Produce company on the Homedale railroad branch near the Saunders alfalfa mill. The building, 75 by 208 feet, will be of concrete and brick construction.

W. O. Bybee and Mr. Stoker have organized the Stoker-Bybee Lumber company and will start operations as soon as possible. They will establish a yard at the Owyhee corner between Nyssa and Adrian. Mr. Stoker's son, Gene, will manage the lumber business after he is discharged from the navy.

Mr. Stoker has been engaged in the contracting business for 23 years.

ADRIAN INTERESTED IN ESTABLISHMENT OF PLANT IN NYSSA

Road improvement and possible industrial development of the Adrian section was discussed at a meeting of the Adrian chamber of commerce last Thursday evening.

With 40 members present, several topics of interest were discussed, including betterment of the roads in the Adrian section, possibility of an Avostet corporation plant at Nyssa and an alfalfa mill in the Adrian district.

Mr. Chase of Nampa gave a talk on planting more small seed crops and beans near Adrian. Possibility of raising broom corn there was also discussed.

After the business session doughnuts and coffee were served.

Youth Discharged—

T/Sgt. Charles L. Toombs has been discharged from the army today at the Fort Douglas separation center.

T/Sgt. Toombs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Klass Tensen of Nyssa, served 24 months overseas. He is authorized to wear the European theatre ribbon, good conduct medal, victory ribbon and meritorious service unit insignia. Prior to entering the army July 14, 1943, Toombs was a student at the Nyssa union high school.

Visit At Halfway—

Mrs. Klass Powell and son, Keith, left Saturday for a two-weeks visit with Mrs. Powell's sister, Mrs. W. W. Evans, at Halfway, Oregon.

Legion Meets—

The American Legion held its business meeting Thursday evening of last week. Lunch was served at the E. K. Burton home after the meeting.

Dinner Guests—

Mr. and Mrs. Glea Billings were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Al Kuehn Tuesday evening.

Have Party—

Members of the American Legion, and auxiliary from surrounding districts will hold their dinner and dance birthday anniversary at Vale Friday evening.

Going On Trip—

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Stunz will leave Friday on a three-weeks vacation trip to Mexico City. They will be accompanied home by their daughter, Greta, who has been visiting in Mexico.

Discharged From Navy—

John J. Smith of Nyssa, fireman first class in the navy, has been discharged and has returned home.

Nyssa Accepts Land for Street

An offer of H. G. Johnson of Nyssa to deed a parcel of land to the city for a street was accepted at a meeting of the city council Tuesday night.

Mr. Johnson had petitioned the council to accept what would be a continuation of Walnut avenue between the highway and Eighth street as a street. The city accepted the property and under the agreement will grade and gravel the street.

H. E. Collins applied to the council for permission to install a modern, sanitary trailer camp on east Fourth street and Ehrgood avenue. He will build a utility building at the camp at a cost of \$1800.

C. D. Gentry and John Yates made application for a license to operate a taxi in Nyssa. The license was granted.

A group of Boy Scouts, accompanied by Scoutmaster Leo Child, met with the council to secure their civic merit badges. They also discussed possible ways of securing construction of a swimming pool in Nyssa.

HEALTH GROUP PLAN DINNER IN ONTARIO

Verl Dowers, president of the Malheur County Public Health association, announces the annual meeting set for Tuesday, March 26 will be a dinner meeting at 7:30 p. m. in the Moore hotel in Ontario.

Mrs. Charles P. Flegel, secretary of the association, has just received word from Harold M. Erickson, M. D., secretary and state health officer of the Oregon state board of health, Portland, that he will be the guest speaker. The Malheur County Public Health association has since its organization on July 10, 1935 worked toward promoting for the citizens of the county an adequate public health service. During the war and even now it would be almost impossible to secure the services of the professional personnel. This picture will change, however, and with this in mind Dr. Erickson has chosen for the title of his speech "Is It Worth It."

The annual meeting for the dinner and meeting are under the direction of Mrs. Jessie M. Fraser of Ontario, the 1945 county Christmas seal sale chairman.

Mrs. Jessie Fraser of Ontario, county Christmas seal sale chairman, reported that seal sales this year exceeded those of last year, reaching \$4759.55.

TWO FAIR BOARD MEMBERS CHOSEN

Blaine Girvin of Vale and Neil Dimmick of Nyssa were appointed as members of the Malheur county fair board last week by the county court, to serve with William G. Ross, holdover member, who will be president of the board this year. Girvin was appointed for a two-year term and Dimmick for three years.

The court conferred with several delegations on road matters, and with a representative of the U.S. veterinarian service concerning the county veterinarian work.

Farmers To Sign Up—

Farmers of this vicinity will sign up for the government subsidy on sugar beets in the high school building Saturday, March 16. The government will make a benefit payment of \$2.50 a ton.

Toxoids To Be Given—

County Health Nurse Edna Farria will give the second toxoid for diphtheria immunization in the grade school building next Monday morning, March 18. Those who took the first toxoid February 19 should attend.

Cattlemen To Meet—

The Jersey Cattle club will meet in the Oregon Trail schoolhouse at 8 p. m. March 21.

Goes To Nebraska—

Mrs. Ed Steinke left Wednesday for Red Cloud, Nebraska to visit her father, G. W. Hasty, and her brother, who has been discharged from the army.

From Vale—

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Dilley of Vale spent Saturday evening at the Bernard Frost home.

Go To Payette Lakes—

Mr. and Mrs. John Olsen spent four days last week at Payette Lakes.

Teaching At Owyhee—

Mrs. Julia McDonald is teaching at Owyhee school for Mrs. John Bumgarner, whose small daughter is ill.

MORGAN AND HIS GROUP CHALLENGED TO DEBATE ON PUD

The Malheur county PUD sponsors have issued a challenge to Frank T. Morgan and his Malheur County Committee for the Protection of Taxpayers and Private Enterprise to a public debate on the question of a people's utility district.

The Vale REA manager charge that Mr. Morgan's statement about the Vale REA "having financially defaulted is untrue" and pointed out that the books are open to the public.

"The sponsors want the people to hear both sides. They promise to spring several surprises that will be of paramount interest to the public," according to Irvin Callahan, chairman of the Nyssa Electrical Education club.

Grange To Give Hospital Money

The Oregon Trail Grange has voted to set aside its silver march fund each meeting for six months for the Malheur Memorial hospital fund.

Approximately \$50 was contributed Tuesday night, according to Loyd Adams, master of the Grange.

The program was presented by the Home Economics club under the direction of Mrs. Frank Parr and Mrs. Loyd Adams. A supper march was led by Mrs. Willis Bertram.

The program for the next meeting will be provided by the Vale Grange under the supervision of Nina Walker.

Boxing Tourney Opens Tonight

Plans have been completed for the Malheur county boxing tournament to be held in the Nyssa gymnasium tonight and Friday night.

Adrian is expected to enter two fighters, Nyssa six, Ontario six and Vale about the same number, for a total of about 14 bouts each night.

Mr. Sugai of Ontario, former professional Japanese wrestler, will referee the bouts.

NYSSA YOUTH, FORMER PRISONER OF JAPANESE, TELLS OF EXPERIENCES

Cpl. Valentine Santillanes of Nyssa, who was a prisoner of the Japanese for three and one-half years, has returned home to spend a furlough until May 13, when he will go to Fort Lewis for discharge. Cpl. Santillanes, son of Joe Santillanes of Nyssa, has been in the states since September 24, 1945.

Telling about his experiences, Santillanes said:

"I left Camp O'Donnell 30 May 1942 and arrived at Camp Cabanatuan, prison camp No. 1, on 1 June. I went to the hospital on 6 June and stayed in the hospital from 6 June to 9 April 1943. I went to duty and stayed on the duty side of the camp from 9 April 1943 to 19 September 1943. I then went on detail to a camp, Las Pinas. I stayed in Las Pinas from 19 September 1943 to 1 October 1944.

"On 1 October 1944 we started on our boat trip to Japan. We left Manila 1 October 1944. Instead of going straight across from Manila to Formosa, we went from Manila to Hong Kong, China and then to Formosa. By the way, we stayed in Hong Kong harbor for eleven days and on one of these days we witnessed an American bombing of Hong Kong. We pulled out of the harbor about 25 October heading for Formosa, Japan. We got to Formosa 9 November 1944. We stayed in Formosa nearly three months in a camp named Toroka. One day they put us on a train and took us up to the north end of the island. We boarded a boat which remained on the docks three days. On one of these three days while we were docked (I don't remember which one) we were bombed and strafed but not hit.

"Finally we pulled out to sea, thank God. We were on our way to Japan itself. We landed on Kyushu, one of the Japanese southern islands, on 10 or 11 February 1945. We stayed there for a few hours awaiting transportation. On our way again, we headed north towards Tokyo.

"It was a twenty-four hour trip by train. We got to a city named Kobe. You probably have heard about it. Kobe happens to be one of Japan's biggest cities. We stayed in Kobe from 12 February 1945 until 20 May 1945 and then pulled out of

More Buildings To Be Erected By Nyssa Folk

Gordon Ray To Erect Big Building; Herman Towne To Enlarge Plant

Plans for construction of two more business houses as well as a number of smaller building projects were revealed at the city hall Wednesday.

Gordon F. Ray, operator of Gordon's drive-in, was issued a permit to erect a grocery building on west Main street east of the present drive-in market.

Mr. Ray will move his store to the new building and the Firestone people will use the building now occupied by the grocery.

The building, of masonry construction, will be 50 by 60 feet.

Herman Towne will start work of enlarging his garage building at Main and Third streets at a cost of \$3000. An addition will be built on the rear of the lot and the present building improved.

George M. Wilson will remodel a grocery store and service station on Bower avenue and highway 20 at a cost of \$400.

L. H. Tuttle will alter a frame building, 12 by 20, on north Seventh street.

H. E. Collins announced plans for construction of a utility building to be erected at a trailer camp that he will establish east of the railroad tracks.

Work is expected to be started soon on construction of the Idaho Canning company plant north of Nyssa.

Erection of the walls for the Owyhee Truck and Implement company building now under construction at Main and Fourth streets has been about completed.

Pouring of concrete for the Western Corrugator company building at First street and Good avenue has been started.

Iris Growers Here—

Robert Schreiner and his brother, Bernard of St. Paul, Minnesota called on Mrs. Glen Suiter Monday. The Schreiner brothers own and operate the nationally-known Schreiner's iris gardens at St. Paul. Mrs. Suiter is growing an extensive planting of their iris.

Kobe to a city north of Kobe. The name of this little city is Maibara. They pulled us out of Kobe because of the bombing of the surrounding areas. In fact, they came close to hitting us. We stayed in Maibara until our liberation 19 September 1945.

We were put on a train on the same day on which we were liberated. We then went north from Maibara towards Tokyo. We got as far as Yokohama. Yokohama is about thirty or forty miles south of Tokyo if I am not mistaken. We got there on 11 September 1945 about 3:30 in the morning. Incidentally, Yokohama is another of Japan's big cities. It must have been about 9 o'clock on the eleventh when they started to put us on naval transports and hospital ships.

On the eleventh I was put on a transport, but unfortunately I got sick. I ran a high temperature and then was transferred to a hospital ship called the Marigold. I stayed on the hospital ship from the eleventh to the fifteenth and then on the fifteenth was taken to an airfield and put on a C-54 Army Transport.

I started from Yokohama at 1:30 in the afternoon on 15 September and landed on Saipan at 10:30 that night. I stayed on Saipan for seven days. I left on 22nd at 3:30 in the morning and landed on Kwajalein Island at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day. I left there at 3:30 that afternoon and landed on Johnston Island about 1:30 the following morning, which was 23 September 1945. I stayed there for forty minutes or so, and then started towards Hawaii. I left Johnston Island about 2:45 a. m. and landed at Hickham field about 8 a. m. the same morning. I stayed at Hickham Field for fourteen hours and took off for San Francisco at 10:30 that night. We landed at Hamilton Field next morning about 11 o'clock San Francisco time. They took me to Letterman general hospital as soon as we landed. I stayed at Letterman for five or six days. We pulled out at 2:30 in the afternoon of 29 September 1945, and I got to Gallup, New Mexico on 1 October about 1:30 in the morning. I took a ten day delay en route from Letterman general hospital to my home on the way to Burns general hospital.