

## Four New Classrooms And Use Of Oregon Trail School Asked

### Recommendations Offered At Meeting Of Committee

A recommendation that the school district add four classrooms and repair the present elementary school building and improve the Oregon Trail building for use of classes next fall was approved at a meeting of the Nyssa school building committee Tuesday night. The committee includes members of the school board, who asked for the appointment of the committee to assist in the formulation of plans for construction of additional school buildings, necessitated by the crowded conditions caused by the increase in local population.

The school board has already appointed an architect, Graham Smith of Eugene, to take charge of plans for the building program. Improvement of the present grade school structure will include repairing the outer walls that are deteriorating in places, covering the concrete floors and installing additional toilets.

The school board feels that by erecting four additional classrooms to the present building and using three or four rooms in the Oregon Trail schoolhouse sufficient space will be provided to accommodate the youngsters, but even with the additional rooms the Nyssa system will be crowded. The committee said that this additional classroom space must be provided if a "double shift" of school is to be avoided next fall. Because of the anticipated continued growth in population, these additions will probably only be sufficient for one year. After that the committee anticipates that additional buildings will have to be provided.

In order to finance the long-time program, the board expects to ask local residents to approve a bond issue sometime this year. With funds already on hand, the board expects to pay part of the cost of this year's improvements, but more funds will be needed.

Because of high costs, the committee and school board feel that only the work that is absolutely necessary be done this year, leaving the remainder to be started when conditions are more propitious. However, they feel that the financing should be undertaken within the next few months in order to take advantage of low interest rates and be ready to proceed with the program when conditions warrant.

## NAMPA MAN BUYS LOCAL DRUG STORE

Ralph Castator has sold the Owyhee drug company store to Hubert Perisoli of Nampa.

Mr. Castator, who has been engaged in the drug business for many years, has operated the Owyhee drug store since last fall. He will attend to his farming interests and other business.

Mr. Perisoli has spent the last 10 years in Nampa, where he was manager of the Save-More drug store. He and his wife will move to Nyssa Sunday.

### Visit Here—

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Stratton of Odell, Oregon, Mrs. Ida Caldeser and son, Glen, and Mrs. Bertha Covey of Parkdale, Oregon, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Parker and Lloyd and Janice of Kennewick, Washington, were week-end guests in the Frank and Donald Parker homes. Mrs. Covey remained for an indefinite stay to help care for her sister, Mrs. Parker, who is confined to her bed.

### Visit In Nyssa—

Mr. and Mrs. William DeGroff of Baker, former Nyssa residents, attended to business here Wednesday.

### School To Be Closed—

The Nyssa grade school will be closed Monday, March 17, to allow teachers to attend in-service training at Ontario. The course will be in charge of the state director of physical education. The high school will remain open.

### Visit Friends—

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams of Firth, Idaho, were guests at the H. R. Sherwood home a part of last week. Mr. Williams and Mr. Sherwood were friends more than 40 years ago.

### Refrigerator To Be Given—

A refrigerator will be given away at a dance to be sponsored by the Nyssa Veterans association in the gymnasium Saturday night, March 15. The proceeds will be placed in the association's building fund. Pond's orchestra will furnish the music.

## HOUSE IN APPLE VALLEY BURNED

A two-room residence owned by Raymond Pierce in the Apple valley area was destroyed by fire, along with all of the contents, Monday morning.

The fire is reported to have been started when an oil heater blew up. No insurance was carried on the new house and the contents. The loss included \$150 in cash.

## County Council Of 4-H Meets

"Teaching responsibility is one of the most valuable 4-H club lessons," declared Cal Monroe, assistant state club leader, in addressing the annual 4-H leaders rally at Boulevard Grange hall Wednesday. Monroe emphasized the importance of giving the club member full ownership of his project and making him responsible for its success. Medals for achievement in the national contests were presented to county winners by Monroe. Club members receiving these awards were: Clothing, Rosemary Reed of Brogan; cleaning, Eleanor Reed of West Bend; food preparation, Arlene Percy of Kingman Kolony; meat animal, Kenneth Romans of Willowcreek; field crops, Anita Barnes of Star; poultry, Ardye Hurst and Ilea Kreager of Kingman Kolony; victory gardens, Nelora Reed of West Bend and Donald Newbill of Kingman Kolony. Nelora Reed and Ardye Hurst received \$25 war bonds for placing in the blue ribbon class in the state in the victory garden and poultry contest respectively.

Special awards were presented to Geraldine Dickey of Brogan and Kenneth Romans of Willowcreek. A. A. Atherton, county agricultural chairman of the Oregon Bankers association, presented Geraldine Dickey with a check for \$5 for placing in the blue ribbon class in the state style revue. Kenneth Romans received a scholarship to 4-H summer school for the outstanding livestock breeding project; this was awarded by Safeway stores and presented by Bob Clausen, local manager.

Mrs. Kathryn Claypool, county school superintendent, and Mrs. Edna Ferris, county nurse, talked briefly on the educational value of 4-H club work in training future citizens.

New officers of the Malheur 4-H leaders council were installed in a simple ceremony by Mrs. Thelma Elliot of Kingman Kolony. These new officers are Mrs. Nell Bowers, president; Harvey Holton, vice president, and Mrs. Clarice-Ross, secretary. Mrs. Elliot presented both the incoming and the retiring officers with corsages.

## Heating Concern Opening Plant

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Teske, who have moved to Nyssa from Homedale, have announced the organization of a new firm, the Nyssa Heating company, which has opened an office at Fourth street and Good avenue.

Mr. Teske, who has had 15 years of experience in the heating and sheet metal business, will be associated with L. McLaughlin and Art Zieg. Mr. Teske will manage the Nyssa plant and the three men will continue to operate the Owyhee Sheet Metal shop in Homedale.

Mr. Teske, who served in the merchant marines during the war, has worked in Denver, Minneapolis, and Oakland, California. His partners are also ex-service men.

The company, which is remodeling a residence at Fourth street and Good avenue for temporary quarters, will erect a new structure on the property as soon as possible. The fire-proof building, 40 by 70 feet, will be constructed of cinderblocks.

In addition to other work, the company will handle Lennox coal and oil furnaces.

## Firemen Called—

City firemen were called to the Nyssa Packing company market about 11 o'clock Tuesday night, but found only a compressor motor bearing smoking. No damage was caused.

## Helps Plan Meeting—

Mrs. Joe Brumbach went to LaGrande Monday to represent Malheur county in the planning of the regional teachers conference this fall. The institute will be held in Baker for all teachers of the 7 counties of eastern Oregon. The tentative date has been set for October 9 and 10.

## Here From Parkdale—

Mr. and Mrs. George Morgan and Frankie and Nancy of Parkdale, Oregon, visited from Sunday until Wednesday with their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Parker.

## Gladys' Defense Fails To Call Single Witness

### Williams Tells Of Illicit Love Affair With Doctor's Wife

Without warning, the defense rested its case in the trial of state of Oregon versus Mrs. Gladys Broadhurst, charged with the murder of her husband, Dr. W. D. Broadhurst, in Vale—Wednesday afternoon without calling even one witness.

The suddenness with which the defense closed its case left the state only two and one-half hours in which to prepare its argument to the jury and gave indication that the case would be given to the jury late today.

The defense rested soon after waiving further cross-examination of Alvin Lee Williams, who is alleged to have confessed the murder of Dr. Broadhurst and to have implicated Mrs. Broadhurst as a confederate.

Judge M. A. Biggs, presiding at the celebrated trial, denied a motion for a directed verdict of acquittal, offered by one of the defense attorneys, P. J. Gallagher, who said that the state failed to offer any evidence of conspiracy apart from Williams' own testimony, which the defense contended was not competent, and that Mrs. Broadhurst may have been an accessory after the fact, but was not on trial for that offense.

Gallagher also said that "it appears from state evidence that there was not a murder by Williams. The most that was shown was an assault by Williams on the

## Cinderella Ball Plans Completed

Plans have been completed for the Cinderella ball to be held in the Nyssa gymnasium Friday night, March 14 at 8 o'clock under the sponsorship of the Girls League.

The theme of the program and dance will be "Rhapsody In Blue". The program will include selections by the girls glee club and individual numbers.

Members of the royal court will be Betty Chard, Lorraine Parr, Ellen Hertzman, June Savage, Alayne Wada, Adrienne Peterson, John Bartholoma, Spencer Beus, Jerry Bellon, Bob Church, George Jery and Don Herren. Selection of the Cinderella and prince will be announced the night of the ball.

Four couples are seeking the positions of duke and duchess. They are Elaine Peterson, Mardi Sallee, Mary Lou Schenk and Helen Warren and Frankie Anderson, Duane Holcomb, Robert Florea and Deane Sutherland.

Dianna Pfeiler will be the junior princess and Brent Hartley will be the junior prince.

## Growth Of Post Office Is Large

Postmaster Lloyd Lewis stated at a luncheon of the Nyssa chamber of commerce Wednesday noon that gross receipts of the Nyssa post office have increased 108 per cent since 1938.

The increase of the 1946 receipts over the figure of 1945 amounted to 13 per cent.

The figures by years are as follows: 1938, \$12,578.03; 1939, \$11,988.41; 1940, \$13,451.16; 1941, \$14,321.24; 1942, \$15,211.45; 1943, \$16,950.85; 1944, \$22,659.32; 1945, \$23,189.76; and 1946, \$26,204.55.

The length of the rural carrier routes has increased tremendously. Route 1 has increased from 36.1 miles in 1939 to 48.05 miles in 1946 and route 2 increased from 26.6 miles in 1939 to 70.8 miles in 1946.

In 1939 the office had three clerks and now has five. The office became a second class office in 1939 and now has two more brackets to go before becoming a first class office, or an increase of approximately \$14,000 a year.

City carrier service will not be possible until the official census shows a population of 2500 in the delivery area. The population is believed to be now well over 2500, but the last official census, taken in 1940, shows a population of 1800. A state census will be taken this month. Lack of sidewalks will be the greatest obstacle in the way of securing carrier service, Mr. Lewis said.

The department is desperately in need of relief from the mail box situation. All of the boxes in the post office are rented, with a waiting list of 60 families.

## NYSSA MAN HELD ON THEFT CHARGE

Edgar L. Magill of Nyssa, arrested on a charge of grand larceny, was bound over to the grand jury last week after waiving preliminary hearing in Thomas Jones' justice court in Ontario.

Magill, who was employed by the Union Pacific railroad, was charged with stealing property from Martin Olson, a fellow worker on a Nyssa extra gang. The property, including blankets, a watch, toilet and laundry soap powder, is alleged to have been stolen from a bunk car in which both lived. The property, valued at \$65, Magill was arrested in Ontario by H. C. Farmer, city marshal of Ontario.

## BRACKEN'S STORE INTERIOR CHANGED

The interior of Bracken's store located in the Atkeson building has been remodeled during the last few days.

The center partition was removed and the store was completely redecorated. The shoe department now extends across the back of the store.

Manager Fred Bracken stated that he will install new fixtures.

## EMMETT RESIDENT BUYS BARBER SHOP

Harold Martin of Emmett has purchased the Owyhee barber shop from M. J. Leach, who has operated the shop since last fall. Mr. Martin has been interested in the Sanford beauty and barber shop in Emmett with Charles Sanford for the last 10 years. Mr. Martin, who will take charge of the shop in the near future, said the interior of the building will be completely remodeled.

## Visiting Brother—

Miss Ulla Trummell of Hot Springs, New Mexico, arrived Monday to visit her brother, Jim Trummell.

## To Hold Service—

The Episcopal Lenten service for this week will be held Friday evening at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Hilda Tensen.

## Nursing Home News—

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn McGinnis of Nyssa are parents of a boy born Sunday, March 9 in the nursing home. The baby weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces.

Those receiving medical treatment at the nursing home are Mrs. Addie Parker, Tommy Cecil of Nyssa and Charlie Burke of Brogan.

## Visits Parents—

Mrs. Art Sykes of Ontario visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ernest, last Thursday.

## MRS. WILLIAM JONES MOTHER OF CHILD, IS DECLARED SANE

County Judge Irwin Troxell announced Monday that Dr. Ralph Davis, Boise psychiatrist, issued the opinion that Mrs. William Jones of Big Bend, mother of Norma Jean Jones, who died several days ago, was sane, normal and responsible for her actions.

Mrs. Jones had been held in the McKenzie nursing home in Ontario on a warrant calling for a sanity hearing. Since her daughter's death, Judge Troxell said that since she had been declared sane and normal, his court no longer had jurisdiction and that any further inquiry into the death of the girl would be the business of the district attorney.

District Attorney Charles W. Swan, busy with the Broadhurst murder trial, has not decided what action to take, if any, in the Jones case.

## ATTORNEY OPENING OFFICE IN NYSSA

Harold Henigson of Portland has made arrangements to open a law office in Ken Renstrom's real estate office in the Atkeson building at Main and Third streets.

Mr. Henigson has practiced law in New York and Oregon for the last 13 years. He has resided in Portland since 1944. Mr. Henigson served in the army from February, 1943 to May, 1946.

Mrs. Henigson and two children will move to Nyssa as soon as living quarters can be secured.

## VETERANS WILL GET DOUBLE TAX BREAK

World War II veterans who have obtained loans under the G. I. bill will get a double break on any federal income tax they may have to pay, William M. Black, Jr., veterans administration representative in this area, explained.

The four per cent gratuity payment which the VA credits to an ex-serviceman on the guaranteed portion of a G. I. loan is exempt from the federal tax, under an internal revenue bureau ruling. In addition, all interest which the veteran pays on his loan may be deducted from income, whether or not the VA gratuity actually paid any of the interest.

In Oregon, 5472 veterans have received \$499,500 credited to their G. I. loan accounts by the VA, Black pointed out.

Through January, the VA had approved for guarantee or insurance loans totaling \$24,789,762 in this state, with government guarantees amounting to \$11,750,251. Of the approved loans, 4248 were for homes, 339 for farms and 885 for businesses.

## Eagles Record Fine Showing

The first Nyssa Eagles basketball team sponsored by the Nyssa Eagles (F. O. E.) Lodge completed a very successful season by winning 16 out of 21 games played during the season.

The Eagles had a grand total of 1110 points against their opponents 782 points. Taking high scoring honors for the season was Guard Tommy Halman with a total of 352 points in 21 games, or a game average of approximately 17 points. Next in line was the Eagles' center, Dale Willson, with 252 points. Other players and their total for the season were:

Gene Bellon, 127; Calvin Willson, 119; Robert Wilson, 99; Leon Bailey, 57; Lloyd Wilson, 38; Blair Hendricks, 35; Darrell Stienke, 32; Harold Wilson, 14; Robert Root, 6; Lloyd Lewis, 5.

The Nyssa Eagles "B" team won nine out of 10 games played during the season running up 388 points against the opposition's 225. Players who played with the team were: Blair Hendricks, Leon Bailey, Lloyd Wilson, Darrell Stienke, Harold Wilson, Robert Root, Lloyd Lewis, Jay Bybee, Bob Eldredge, Glen Weeks, Laverle Toombs, Vern Beasley and Roy Pierce.

## Sale Postponed—

The American Legion auxiliary cooked food sale planned for March 15 has been postponed until April 5. The sale will be held in Don Graham's office.

## In Hospital—

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

## Baby Arrives—

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Mitchell of Flushing, New York, are parents of a girl, born March 6. The baby, who has been named Nancy Norma, is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell.

## Here From Seattle—

Mrs. A. C. Norcott, a former Nyssa resident, visited at the home of Dr. and Mrs. K. E. Kerby Tuesday. Mrs. Norcott was en route to Caldwell, where she will visit relatives for two weeks.

## Visit From Utah—

Mr. and Mrs. Prell Blair and son, and Mr. and Mrs. Norvell Leavitt and daughter of Lewiston, Utah, spent from Friday until Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cottle.

## Visits Parents—

Miss Frances Foster was a guest last week in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Foster. She left for Winchester, Idaho to continue her home missionary work.

## Improvement Of Nyssa Streets By City And State Scheduled

### State Calls For Main St. Bids; Water System To Be Improved

Plans for extensive improvement of the streets in the city of Nyssa during 1947 were discussed at a meeting of the city council Tuesday night.

City Manager E. K. Burton has been notified that the state highway commission will open bids on surfacing Nyssa's Main street from First street to Seventh street March 25.

The state highway department specifications include the following information: "Malheur county, Nyssa (1st street-7th street) section of the old Oregon Trail, Federal aid project No. 3-70 (2), 1.40 mile of grading and paving. Requires approximately 6300 cubic yards excavation; 180 cubic yards concrete in curbs, drive-ways and walks; 6500 cubic yards rock or gravel base materials; 20 tons liquid asphaltic material, and 2540 tons asphaltic concrete pavement. This project may be bid in combination with the Ontario pavement widening project in Malheur county."

The project will include construction of curbs, a storm sewer which will drain water from a block on each side of Main street and directional barriers at the schoolhouse, designed to direct traffic into the highways running between Ontario, Adrian and Nyssa.

The city council also discussed a proposed project of improving other streets in Nyssa and additional water main installations and a high elevation tank. The street improvements will cost approximately \$100,000. Out of that amount the city will pay \$30,000 for surfacing the intersections. The property owners will pay the remainder of the cost under the Bancroft act. The city expects to retire the intersection improvement bond, which the people will be asked to vote on, with money allotted to the city from the state gasoline tax fund. As a result the program will not cause an increase in taxes.

Expansion of the water system, which city officials said is inadequate, will cost approximately \$90,000 dollars, which will be paid from water revenues.

The council will hold a special meeting March 21 to start the necessary proceedings for the improvements.

## CENSUS WILL BE COMPLETED SOON

Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, Jr. has notified City Manager E. K. Burton that a new state census of Nyssa will be completed by March 31.

The census will be conducted under the supervision of the state by local enumerators. A state representative will be here during the census taking.

The census will be taken now because another government census will not be taken until 1950 and the rapid growth of the city makes a current population figure desirable.

## SENIORS PLAN TO ENTER COLLEGES

Ten seniors of the Nyssa high school, about one-fourth of the class, have, through filing of transcripts, indicated that they intend to enter colleges and universities.

The students are Donald Low and John Bartholoma, Oregon State college; David Sarazin and Doris Beers, University of Oregon; Dorothy Bartholoma and Ellen Ann Herrman, Eastern Oregon College of Education; Bob Flarsoh, Colorado State college; Jerry Bellon, University of Idaho, Southern Branch; June Savage, Pacific university; and Patsy Gwynn, Colorado Women's college.

## Returns From Coast—

Mrs. C. F. Hansen returned last week from a week's vacation spent at Portland and other coast cities.

## Go To Spokane—

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McKee and son, Terry, and Mrs. George McKee motored to Spokane Thursday evening, returning Monday. They visited at the home of Mrs. McKee's daughter, Mrs. M. x Schweizer, and family.

## Civic Club To Meet—

The Nyssa Civic club will hold its next meeting Wednesday, March 26, at 2:30 in the Parish hall. The meeting has been postponed from the regular meeting date, Wednesday, March 19.