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Boulevard Hall, Contents Badly Damaged By Fire

Some Of Contents In Big Grange Hall Saved By Fighters

The Boulevard Grange hall located near Cairo junction between Nyssa and Ontario was almost destroyed by fire Monday evening. Ontario firemen rushed to the scene with the fire department's rural truck and immediately started pumping water onto the flames from a nearby ditch. With the help of many individuals, the firemen prevented complete loss of the building and contents.

Those fighting the fire were able to save one of the pianos, a loud speaker, a cupboard containing dishes, cooking utensils and the furnace. Insurance of \$3500 was reported to have been carried on the building.

The cause of the fire, starting on the upper floor, has not been definitely determined. Reports, not yet confirmed, indicated that the fire may have been deliberately set.

Nyssa Biggest Crops Shipper

Nyssa is the largest vegetable shipping point in the fourth district of the Union Pacific railroad, comprising southwestern Idaho and eastern Oregon, according to figures appearing in a recent bulletin of the Idaho-Oregon Shippers association.

The report covered the period from June 1, 1947 to March 31, 1948. During that time Nyssa shipped 180 carloads of spring lettuce, 446 carloads of fall lettuce, seven cars of celery, two cars of mixed vegetables, 1490 cars of potatoes and 40 cars of onions, for a total of 2497. Nyssa's nearest rival from the standpoint of shipments was Nampa with 2078 cars.

Ontario shipped 1771 cars and Vale 1031.

Nyssa was also the largest shipper in 1946-47, when it shipped 2789 cars of vegetables.

Fish Derby Is Started By Club

George Vaughn announced this week that the Olympic club of Nyssa will sponsor a fish derby, to be known as the Owyhee fish derby, for fishermen plying the waters of the Owyhee river and Owyhee reservoir.

Vaughn, owner of the club, stated that the derby will run for the duration of the fishing season. Three grand prizes will be awarded for the biggest trout and three grand prizes for the largest bass at the end of the season. In addition, one prize for the largest bass and one for the largest trout will be awarded each month.

All contestants must register at the Olympic club before they go fishing and must take their fish to the sporting goods store for weighing as soon as possible. The fish entered in the contest must have been caught in either the Owyhee reservoir or river.

NYSSA TRACKMEN DEFEAT VIKINGS

Showing great promise for future variety track teams, Coach K. E. Keveren's high school frosh-sophomore team walloped Vale's junior varsity Tuesday at Vale by a score of 83 to 38.

With score points counting: First place, 5 points; second place, 3 points; and third place, 1 point, the individual placements were as follows:

120 high hurdles—Jensen N, Holbrook V; 220 yard run, Hale N, Long N, and Garner V; 200-yard hurdles—Hale, Jensen, and Holbrook; 440-yard run, Koopman V, Bunn N, and Calvert N; mile run—Talman V, Jones V, and Diven N; 880-yard relay—Nyssa (Keek-Hale-R. Lowe-Long); 100-yard dash—Hale, Madison V, and Long; javelin—Keek, Long, and Holbrook; pole vault—Tomoyoshi V, Olson N, and W. Lowe N; shotput—Long, Mitchell N; discus—R. Lowe N, Long, and Clossen V; broadjump—Hale, Long, and Koopman; highjump—Williams N, Hale, and Lowe.

To Appear on Program— Miss Wilhelmina Hoffman, pianist and teacher, will appear Thursday evening of next week as guest pianist on the artists night program of Ontario's ninth annual music week observance, which will be held in that city from May 2 to May 6. Miss Hoffman will present compositions by Chopin, Rachmaninoff, and de Falla.

In Caldwell— Mr. and Mrs. William Coleman were Caldwell business visitors Saturday.

POSTER CONTEST WINNERS REVEALED

Winners in the annual poppy poster contest sponsored by the American Legion auxiliary have been announced for this year's contest.

First prize for class I, with entries from the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades, went to Laurence Patterson and second to Mino Itamura. First prize in the second division, with entries from the seventh, eighth and ninth grades, went to Doris Rigney and second to Carol Fife. The winning posters have been entered in the state contest. Some of the posters have been on display at the Graham realty office.

Judges for the contest were Mrs. L. Tobler, Mrs. Bernard Eastman and Miss Margery Nihart.

Farmers To Get More Telephones

At the regular meeting of the Oregon Trail Grange Tuesday evening, April 27, John Caldwell, Jr., of Vale, county commissioner, spoke on the 10 mill levy, which is to be voted on at the primary election and which the Pomona Grange favors. Money derived from this millage is to be used for county roads.

Lloyd Adams and Harlan Diven gave a report on a meeting with the telephone company. They reported that more rural telephones would be installed as soon as material was available.

A report was made on a letter to be sent to Oregon's senators complimenting them on the stand they had taken against repealing the oleomargarine tax. A discussion on the proposed park district was held.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dirksen received the obligation. Mr. Dirksen reported that the gopher district is very successful. A committee was appointed to work with the F.F.A. instructor in buying the gilt for the hog chain which will be conducted in the local high school.

Guests of the Grange, Miss Miriam Black, Mrs. Wendell Richmond and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cook presented a few remarks. Refreshments were furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holmes and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Parr and Janie.

The Idaho Power company will present a movie at the next meeting.

GOPHER CONTROL FARMERS TO MEET

A meeting of the farmers living in the Riverview gopher control area will be held at the Vest farm home, May 3 at 8 p.m.

All of the farmers are asked to attend as the committee desires information as to whether the program should be continued and also as to how successful it has been.

The farmers of other areas who may be interested are invited by Arthur A. Rouse, secretary-treasurer, to attend the Riverview meeting.

CANCER FUND DRIVE WILL CLOSE SOON

Mrs. Harry Miner, local chairman for the American cancer fund drive, has announced that May 1 is the closing date for contributions to be placed in containers in local business houses.

The continuance of cancer control work is an effective way of saving lives, and can be carried on only as people continue to support the cancer drive in their community, Mrs. Miner said. The proceeds for the drive go not only for research and education, but to cancer clinics in the various states so that persons may secure aid in cancer treatment nearer home.

Joe Dyer of Ontario is county chairman for the American cancer drive.

Parents of Girl— Mr. and Mrs. Earl Marshall are parents of a daughter born April 22 at the Holy Rosary hospital in Ontario. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces.

Here from Idaho— Mr. and Mrs. Sid C. Brown of Moscow, Idaho spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burnall Brown and Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Dorman.

Program Presented— The Eastern Oregon College of Education presented a program at an assembly of the Nyssa high school and junior high school in the gymnasium Friday. The entertainment included vocal numbers and readings. The Eastern Oregon college group of entertainers was accompanied by Nyssa by Mrs. Dorothy Winters, dean of women at the college.

From Is Planned— The annual junior-senior prom of the Nyssa high school will be held May 7. The banquet will be held in the home economics room and the dance in the gymnasium. Committees are now arranging the affair.

LIONS CLUB LADIES' NIGHT PROGRAM HILARIOUS CONGLOMERATION OF FUN

The Lions haven't been run out of town yet, but perhaps they should postpone any plans for holding another ladies' night program until about 1952.

However they presented an entertaining program of tomfoolery, by tomsopepp, at the annual ladies' night affair in the home economics room of the high school building. From the time Everett Held faced the music (with a red face) between Carlos Buchner's shotgun and Lohengren's wedding march, until Little Red Riding Hood Albert McKimmy chased the wolf (Harold Henigson) off the stage, there was not a dull moment.

The only serious faces in the crowd were those of the high school waitresses, who had to be serious to prepare and serve such a fine meal. Oh yes, in a serious vein the Lions and their ladies sang all four verses of "America", but they had the last three verses printed.

After the Emmet club had been presented with a five cent mouse trap with rubber mouse by Nyssa President Olean Wells for having the largest delegation in attendance "Old Man" Buchner with long black, bushy hair strode into the room with a shotgun over his arm and escorted Held, Lions club chairman, to the door, where they met the "daughter", played by Hugh Tobler.

Pinley Shuster gave the crowd the only scare of the evening when he threw a bottle of milk that turned into rice before it hit some of the 100 diners. The men and women had a popping good time in a balloon-breaking contest, which table No. 5 won in the face of windy opposition.

Vern Farson and Ralph Lawrence, inappropriately dressed, represented themselves as the parents of District Governor Serpa, who paid an official visit to the Nyssa club Monday. Mr. Serpa thanked the club for its hospitality and invited the members and their wives to attend the Idaho state convention to be held at Sun Valley May 28 and 29.

Glea Billings and Co. presented the story of Little Red Riding Hood with variations. In fact the pervasions were so great, Little Red Riding Hood developed into the "wolf" and the wolf became a shrinking lamb. The characters were A. E. McKimmy, Red Riding Hood; Edward Boydell, the mother; Eldon Ulmer, the grandmother, and Harold Henigson, the wolf. Olean Wells was property man and Glea Billings, narrator.

A quartet consisting of Cynthia Whitaker, Amelia Patch, Annalusa Wieneke and Annabelle Frost, were such poor singers they were called back for an encore.

In a truth and consequences stunt directed by Vern Farson and Ralph Lawrence, there was plenty of truth, but the consequences were bad for Dr. K. E. Kerby, Kenneth Cottle, Calvin Wilson, Everett Michaelson, Max Jones and Olean Wells.

OFFICIAL STATES JERSEY SHOW WILL BE OUTSTANDING

Irvin Slater, fieldman for the American Jersey Cattle club, predicted another successful show for the Malheur County Jersey breeders after a tour of the country this week.

Mr. Slater said that the quality of the Jerseys to be shown and the interest of the breeders and local businessmen indicated that the third annual spring show to be held in Nyssa next month will be one of the outstanding shows of its kind in the west.

Malheur county breeders will meet in the Nyssa city hall Saturday night at 8:30 to complete plans for the show.

DEWEY WILL STOP FOR NYSSA VISIT

Thomas E. Dewey of New York, candidate for the republican nomination for president, is expected to stop in Nyssa early next month, but details of the visit have not been announced.

Preliminary arrangements have been made for Dewey to stop here sometime between the first and 10th. The candidate, traveling by private bus, desires to inspect the Nyssa factory of the Amalgamated Sugar company.

BULLDOGS FINISH SEASON NEXT WEEK

The Nyssa high school baseball team will play its last two games of the season Friday of this week and Tuesday of next week.

The Bulldogs will meet Ontario on the Ontario field Friday at 3:15 and will play Vale here Tuesday at 3:15. If they take both games they will win the Oregon title of the Snake River Valley league. Nyssa has lost one league game and won one, Vale has won two and lost two.

LIONS FURNISHING DONKEY BALL TEAMS

The Nyssa Lions club is selecting teams to be entered in the donkey softball game that the club will sponsor Sunday, May 9.

The game will be called at 2:30 p. m. A traveling concern will furnish the donkeys and equipment and the Lions club will provide the manpower. At least part of the proceeds will be used to help pay the Lions contribution to the summer recreation program fund.

Fireman Called— Firemen were called Monday noon to the office of the bureau of reclamation on First street and Good avenue, where someone had set fire to a bird's nest on the metal roof of the building. No damage was incurred.

Here from Portland— Miss Twila Crawford has arrived from Portland to visit her mother, Mrs. Ethel Crawford Miss Crawford, who graduated from Nyssa high school in 1946, is employed by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company of Portland. Miss Crawford will be in Nyssa for about three weeks.

Former Nyssa Residents Here— Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Donahue and Beverly, of Grass Valley, California were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Frost. Mr. and Mrs. Donahue formerly lived in Nyssa.

New Livestock Sales Pavilion To Be Erected

Bill Lane And Son Start Work On Plant North Of Nyssa

Construction has been started on the new Nyssa Livestock Commission company auction pavilion and yards to be erected near the Union Pacific railroad stockyards north of Nyssa. The new building will be located about one mile north of Main street.

The main pavilion will be 40 by 70 feet inside, with walls 18 feet high. The seats will be so arranged that farmers and buyers can see the livestock from any seat in the pavilion.

A lunch room, in which meals will be served on sales day, will be 18 by 40 feet. The office will be 18 by 36 feet and the lobby 18 by 30 feet. The building will be built of Oregon Trail cedar blocks. H. H. Kingrey is in charge of the carpenter work. A new set of Fairbanks-Morse scales has been ordered and will be installed when the building is completed.

The yards, with a capacity of 50 carloads of cattle, will include space for feeding during the winter. Water will be pumped to the yards from the company's new deep well, which has already been drilled.

The plant, erected by Bill Lane and his son, will be only 100 yards from the railroad stockyards, so that livestock will be driven between the two yards, instead of being hauled by truck. The owners will have three acres of parking space for the plant, which will be located on the old Reese place.

Bill Lane, who has been engaged in auctioneering and in the livestock commission business in Nyssa for seven years, said: "We have great confidence in the future of this community or we would not be spending money to build such a plant."

RADIATOR CONCERN PLANT TO OPEN NEW BUSINESS MONDAY

Bus Ball and Howard Myrick will open the Oregon Radiator company shop north of the Polar Cold Storage plant on highway 20 Monday, May 3.

The two men, who are living at the plant, operated the Ball Radiator and Welding company in Salt Lake City for 20 years. They will clean, repair, re-core and rebuild radiators for all types of automobiles, trucks and farm equipment. They will handle three different kinds of cores, McCord, Harrison, and Lake.

Ball and Myrick have taken a lease on a building owned by H. G. Johnson and formerly occupied by a welding and fabricating concern. They are now completing installation of modern machinery in the plant.

7 SOFTBALL TEAMS ENTERED IN LEAGUE

Seven teams were formally entered in the city league at a meeting of the Nyssa Softball association held Wednesday night, April 28 at Carl's Doll House, with Dr. L. A. Maulding presiding.

Teams entered include Triple A, Nipponese of Adrian CCC camp, Adrian Merchants, Waggoner Motor company, Owyhee Truck and Implement company, L.D.S. M.I.A. and Hartley Produce of Nyssa.

The available schedule is as follows: Tuesday, May 4, Hartley Produce vs. Owyhee Truck and Implement at Nyssa; Wednesday, May 5, L.D.S. vs. Triple A; Thursday, May 6, Adrian Merchants vs. Waggoner Motor at Adrian. The games will be started at 6:30 p. m.

A complete schedule for the first half season has been drawn up and will be announced at a later date.

CHAMBER TO ERECT TRAVEL-AID SIGN

The Nyssa chamber of commerce voted at a luncheon Wednesday night to erect a travel-aid sign at the Nyssa-Parma junction.

Under the contract with the Maxwell Advertising company of Nampa, signed for three years, the sign is to be erected by June 1. It will be 10 by 20 feet. The painting will all be in Scotch light, so that it will show at night when car lights are flashed upon it. The company will maintain the sign for three years.

The words on the sign are as follows: "Nyssa, Oregon two miles, on highway 20 to Portland's most progressive city in eastern Oregon."

Make Honor Roll— Yoshio Teshima and Angela H. Herrman, both of Nyssa, were among the 535 students who were on the honor roll for winter term. They averaged 3.5 or better. Miss Herrman is a senior in home economics and Teshima a sophomore in engineering.

200 ATTEND CLINIC FOR LITTLE TOTS

More than 200 children attended the pre-school clinic held Tuesday morning at the grade school building and received inoculation for diphtheria and smallpox.

The immunization was done by Dr. L. A. Maulding, assisted by Mrs. Edna Farris, county health nurse. The arrangements for the clinic were made by Mrs. Earl Alexander, P. T. A. round-up chairman. Assisting with the clinic were Mrs. Henry Hartley, Mrs. Frank Parr, Mrs. R. V. Wilson, Mrs. Bud Wilson and Mrs. Alexander.

BODY OF DONALD D. GARDNER IS TAKEN FROM SNAKE RIVER

The body of Donald Dale Gardner of Nyssa, who is believed to have jumped from the Ontario bridge April 7, was recovered from the Snake river near the Payette bridge Wednesday afternoon.

The body was fastened to a fence protruding into the river a few miles down stream from the Ontario bridge.

Gardner, who was never married, was born May 28, 1926. He was a veteran of world war II. His mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. Buckingham, live in Nyssa.

The body, now at the Nyssa funeral home, will be taken to Pendleton for funeral services and interment.

Hospital Aid Projects Cited

The regular monthly meeting of the Malheur Memorial Hospital association, women's auxiliary, was held Monday afternoon at the parish hall.

Dr. Kenneth Kerby of Nyssa spoke to the group on some of the projects that might be undertaken by the hospital auxiliary. Other numbers on the program announced by Mrs. LaMont Pife, program chairman, were two solos by Miss June Savage, "Rose Marie" and "The Man I Love", accompanied by Mrs. Charles Buchner, and a reading by Mrs. Elwood Flinders.

Following the program, Mrs. Ed Frost presided over the business meeting. A report of the by-laws committee was given by Mrs. K. E. Keveren, who read the proposed charter and by-laws, which the members voted to accept. Mrs. Sherman Guttridge of Prairie City, president of the Oregon Cattle and Horse Raisers association, discussed briefly the annual convention to be held in Baker next month.

All women who wish to become charter members are asked to pay their annual dues of \$3 and to sign the charter before May 12.

Graders Plan May Day Event

The first four grades of the Nyssa schools will hold their annual spring program under the title "Spring Frolic" Friday, May 7 on the high school lawn.

The numbers to be presented are: Organ Hop, Miss Boydell, third grade; Schottische, Mrs. Younger, first grade; Pop Goes the Weasel, Miss Lober, second grade; The Swedish Dance, Mrs. Ballantyne, third grade; Dance of the Gypsies, Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Bumgarner and Mrs. Taylor, Arcadia first, second and third grades; Mexican Song and Dance, Mrs. Chadwick, Miss Gehmert and Miss Crandall, fourth grade; Dance of the Sun Fairies, Miss Fothergill, first grade; The Rainbow, Mrs. Pennick, third grade; Dutch Holiday, Mrs. Judd and Miss Notheis, second grade, and May pole dance, fourth grades.

The rhythm band, under the direction of Miss Zwemke, first grade teacher, will present "La Czarina" by Louis Gann, "The Old Music Box" by Charley H. Maskell, "Playing Ball" by Louise Robe and "On Parade" by Leslie Lacey.

NYSSA WILL PLAY EXHIBITION GAME

The Nyssa city baseball club will play its first exhibition game here Sunday, May 2 at 2:30 p. m. with the Ontario nine.

Both teams are entered in the Idaho-Oregon league, which was formed last spring. Club President A. L. Chadwick stated that all pitchers and catchers will probably be used, since the game will be an exhibition affair.

The first scheduled league game will be played May 16, with Nyssa meeting the Vale nine in Vale.

YOUNGSTERS URGED TO SHOW ANIMALS

Mrs. Fred E. Burgess of Vale has issued an invitation to 4-H club members with jersey projects in Malheur county to enter animals in the third annual Malheur Jersey Cattle club spring show to be held on the Nyssa school grounds May 15.

Ribbons and a grand championship trophy will be awarded, as well as three medals, gold, silver and bronze, for showmanship and fitting.

The animals must be T.B. and bang's tested within 30 days prior to the show, if over six months old.

Riding Club to Meet— A meeting of the Owyhee Riding club will be held Friday, April 30, at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Dimmick.

Feeder Program At Station Is Attended By 200

Dr. Fred McKenzie And E. N. Hoffman Are Principal Speakers

Before a crowd of 200 persons attending the annual feeders day program at the Malheur experiment station Wednesday afternoon, Dr. Fred P. McKenzie of Corvallis emphasized the difference that exists between a high meat producing steer and a low producer.

Dr. McKenzie, head of the animal husbandry department of Oregon State college, said that it has only been in the last few years that "we have had a yardstick by which to measure the progress of beef cattle. One livestockman said 'We may not be able to stay in business unless we develop good beef to convert our feed and other resources into money.'"

"Don't pick out a bull older than two years unless he has produced a type of cattle that you want. The yearling weight and the weight of an animal at 15 months is due largely to the bull. Seventy-five per cent of the difference in cattle is hereditary. If you will use the high sires you can speed the time when you get the kind of herd you want. If you short-change a heifer of bull their first winter they will be handicapped the rest of their lives. Bulls shipped into another area may not do so well. We are experimenting on this problem now. We are hoping to bring some stabilization into the cattle industry."

E. N. Hoffman, superintendent of the station, discussed some feeding trials that were conducted at the station over a period of 114 days. There were eight here I was fed chopped alfalfa, corn and bonemeal; lot 2, chopped alfalfa and corn; lot 3, chopped alfalfa, barley and bonemeal, and lot 4, chopped alfalfa and barley.

The average daily gain in lot one was 2.06 pounds; lot two, 2.08 pounds; lot three, 2.23 pounds and lot four, 1.97 pounds. The total feed cost was as follows: Lot one, \$56.83; lot two, \$55.93; lot three, \$52.21; lot four, \$50.26.

The feed cost per pound gain was 241 for lot one, 234 for lot two, 204 for lot three and 223 for lot four. Feed prices were as follows: Chopped alfalfa hay, \$20 per ton; corn, \$75 per ton; barley, \$65 per ton, and steamed bonemeal \$5 per cwt.

Hoffman said "We don't draw any conclusions one one feeder trial. The poorest ration in one year may be the best over a period of years."

Later the superintendent said most of the bloat during the experiments occurred in the barley lot. The station operators have lost only one steer from bloat in the feed lots in six years. The low mortality rate has resulted from close watching of the animals.

Sherman Guttridge of Prairie City, president of the Oregon Cattle and Horse Raisers association, discussed briefly the annual convention to be held in Baker next month.

Larry Swarner of the bureau of reclamation, Boise, discussed the field crop trials.

Prior to the speaking program, the Ontario chamber of commerce served lunch to the visitors.

ANNUAL MEETING OF HEALTH GROUP SET

The annual meeting of the Malheur County Tuberculosis and Health association will be held Monday, May 3 at 8:30 p. m. at the Moore hotel in Ontario. All members and friends of the health association are invited to attend, as well as representatives from all clubs, granges and P. T. A. groups in the county.

Although some written invitations have been issued, it is not necessary to have an invitation to be admitted to the meeting, which will be open to the public.

The principal speaker will be Dr. J. M. Odell, superintendent of the Eastern Oregon State Tuberculosis hospital at The Dalles. Dr. Odell will speak about the hospital set-up especially in regard to the new rehabilitation program being carried on there.

Visit in Washington— Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nielsen and Jill of the Richland district and Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Nielsen of Ontario visited over the weekend in Toledo, Washington at the parental Edward Nielsen home. Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Nielsen and Clifford Nielsen returned to their respective homes, while Mrs. Clifford Nielsen and Jill remained in Portland for a longer visit with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Zimmerman and family.

Daughter Arrives— Mr. and Mrs. William Mazuch of Leigh, Nebraska are the parents of a daughter born April 12. The baby has been named Judith Meryln. Mr. and Mrs. Mazuch are former Nyssa residents.