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## Heating Concern Plant, Residence Swept By Fires

### Air Conditioners Included In Property Damaged In Plant

The Nyssa Heating company plant and office on Good avenue and a residence on north First street were swept by costly fires this week.

The heating plant blaze, starting during the noon hour Tuesday when attendants were at lunch, caused considerable damage to the inside of the building, converted from a residential property, and damaged merchandise, including a shipment of air conditioners. Some of the loss was caused by water damage.

Martin Teske of the heating company said the damage, partly covered by insurance, would reach \$5000. As the blaze started at noon, its cause has not been determined.

Mr. Teske said he expects to erect a fireproof building on the site of the damaged structure.

The residence destroyed by fire on First street this morning shortly after midnight was owned by Mrs. Emerald Spencer. A neighbor discovered the fire and by the time he reached a telephone the residence was enveloped in flames. As Mr. Spencer was reported to have been working on a farm near Ontario, the house had not been occupied for a month, although the blaze is believed to have started in an inside corner of the building. Loss of the building, containing one or two rooms, was estimated by Fire Chief Frank Morris at approximately \$1500.

## CURE DISCOVERED FOR BABY AILMENT ON TRIP TO DOCTOR

A manhole cover and a pile of concrete, one of the many traffic hazards resulting from Nyssa's long-time street construction program, proved to be an effective remedy for a child's ailment last Friday evening.

As Mr. and Mrs. Leo Campbell of Nyssa were rushing west on Ehrwood avenue to take their infant boy to Dr. K. E. Kerby for treatment for a choking spell their car crashed against a pile of concrete over a manhole between Third and Fourth streets after Campbell had swerved the machine into the center of the street to avoid collision with a school bus parked at the curb.

After the crash, the parents ran with the baby to Dr. Kerby's home two blocks away, but there found that the impact had caused the child to cough up the object in its throat.

Campbell returned to look at his damaged automobile, reached in his pocket and transferred the doctor's fee to the automobile repair fund.

## Owyhee Riding Club Preparing For Nyssa Rodeo

### Improvements Made At Grounds For Only RCA Show In County

Plans are developing nicely for the Nyssa night rodeo to be held at the local grounds July 23 and 24, according to Roy Holmes, president of the Owyhee Riding club, which will jointly sponsor the event with the Nyssa merchants.

The new grandstand will be painted white, additional corrals for livestock will be installed, a new pressure water system will be erected, new rest rooms will be erected. New lighting fixtures will also be installed.

The two night programs will include calf roping, flag racing, saddle bronc riding, bareback riding, bulldogging, brahma bull riding, children's calf riding, acrobatic stunts by LaMar Eltes and drill team demonstrations. The Midwest shows will be on the rodeo grounds beginning July 21.

Drill teams of Vale, Emmett and Weiser and the Boise Equestrian club will participate in the rodeo. Queen Bette Pett, with Bette Domenico and Betty Culbertson as attendants, will reign over the show. The girls will visit several towns in the Snake river valley next week to advertise the rodeo and will attend the buckaroo breakfast to be held in Nampa Sunday.

As the Owyhee Riding club is a member of the Rodeo Cowboys association, points of contestants will be recorded with the International Rodeo association. In addition to regular purses provided by Nyssa merchants, the winning cowboys will be presented with Levi Strauss overalls.

The bucking stock will be furnished by Harley Tucker of Joseph for the rodeo the only R.C.A. show in Malheur county. All participants must file their entries by 8 p.m. July 22 with the chamber of commerce. The rodeo headquarters will be maintained in the city hall.

## QUEEN BETTE AND RIDING CLUB WILL APPEAR AT NAMPA

Owyhee Riding club members and Bette Pett, 1948 Nyssa rodeo queen, will go to Nampa Sunday to attend the annual buckaroo breakfast given by the sponsors of the Snake River Valley stampee.

At that time the drill team, participating in a field day program, will be notified as to which night they will appear in drill competition at the stampee, to be held July 14 to 17.

At the end of the year the Western Riding Clubs association will give a cash prize to the club having the greatest number appearing in various events during the season.

## Many Prizes To Be Awarded In Kid Celebration

### Plans Are About Completed For Annual Nyssa Event

Committeemen in charge of the Kid day celebration to be held Wednesday, July 21 announced yesterday that they have completed plans for the event.

The committee consists of Fred Brackeen, chairman; G. H. Petros, Robert Wilson and Edward Boydell. A. O. Wells has been appointed to act with Henry Crowley in helping with the parade and activities at the park.

The committeemen urge that all children up to the age of 14 participate in the celebration, which will start with a parade at 1:30 p.m. at Main and First streets. The parade, followed by games at the park, will be divided into the following groups: Pet, costume, float, bicycle and group. Prizes, awarded for each section, will be presented at the Nyssa theater during a free show to be held after the park activities. Members of the Nyssa Civic club will be parade judges.

The games at the park will be so arranged that every child will have an opportunity to participate in the program. Prize money will be given to winners of each event.

Edward Boydell and his committee will give treats to the children after the games.

Olean Wells will be in charge of the program at the theater, where a picture from the P.T.A. child library of films will be shown. The main picture will feature Mickey Rooney in "The Human Comedy."

The children of Nyssa and surrounding territory should start making their plans now to attend this celebration," committee members said. "Enter the parade, take part in the games and contest at the city park and enjoy a show. It will all be free to the youngsters."

## Street And Water Bonds Of Nyssa Approved By Attorney

### Work of Finishing Streets Will Be Resumed Immediately

Work will be resumed immediately on the paving of Nyssa's streets by Contractor C. E. Leseberg as a result of the approval of the bond issue by John W. Shuler of Portland, bond attorney.

City Manager E. K. Burton and City Attorney Tony Yturi were notified of the approval late Wednesday.

Tom McCorkle of Boise, owner of street oiling machinery, is said to have his equipment ready for the oiling now. However, Leseberg will apply a leveling course of rock before the oil mat surface is laid.

Leslie W. Stoker, who is in charge of the curb construction, has practically finished that phase of the street improvement project.

The bonds approved by Shuler amount to \$90,000 for water improvement, \$35,000 for street intersections and \$36,500 for streets.

## Growers Asked To Join Group

A "call to arms" for all Malheur county potato and onion growers was issued this week by Klaus Tensen, president of the Malheur County Potato and Onion Growers association. The association has started its membership drive and plans to sign as nearly all of the potato and onion growers in the county as possible.

When asked what benefits farmers would derive from the organization, Tensen pointed out the success that the Klamath and central Oregon association have had in expanding the demand for their type of potato by advertising. He explained that the produce growers in this county have no organized group to uphold the farmer's side of the picture in dealing with freight rates, produce grades, acreage allotments and government purchase programs. The organization will give the farmer a voice in many issues concerning his crop which he never had before, the association president stated.

At the present time the association is working with a cooperative study to determine the extent of quality break-down of potatoes from the time they leave the county until they reach the consumer in Chicago. A representative will be sent back to Chicago to get a first hand picture of the competitive quality of Malheur county potatoes as compared with produce from other areas.

The association was organized last December at a farmers meeting held in Ontario. Members of the board of directors are Klaus Tensen of Nyssa, Arch Russell of Vale, Sid Flanagan of Nyssa, Floyd Schlemmer of Adrian, Fred Trenkel of Ontario, and Sam Hartley of Nyssa.

## Vale Defeats Nyssa 10 to 1

The Vale entry in the Idaho-Oregon Baseball league defeated the Nyssa aggregation on the Nyssa diamond last Friday night by a score of 11 to 1.

Ray Graham, starting in the pitcher's box for Nyssa, hurled through the fifth inning, and was then relieved by Wohlske, who pitched the last four frames.

Nyssa made its only run in the first inning. Rambaud reached the initial sack on the first baseman's error. Koyano walked and Graham went to first on an error when he hit the second baseman. The short sacker threw to shortstop, catching Koyano at second, but the shortstop made a wild throw to first, making Graham safe. Hartley reached first on an error, leading the bases. Frank Wilson walked scoring Rambaud.

After the first inning Vale played errorless ball. However, Nyssa almost scored again in the sixth, when Hartley singled and F. Wilson doubled, but Hartley went out on home plate.

Short Score:	H	R	E
Nyssa	7	1	7
Vale	15	11	4

A. Chadwick, club president, said the club may schedule some exhibition games for next week and will go to Homedale July 18. The next home league game, set for July 23, will be changed to another date because of the Nyssa rodeo.

## Nyssa Pet Show Staged by Cubs

Children and their pets were featured attractions in the city park last Friday night, when a Cub Scout pet show was held. The show, sponsored by the den mothers, was in charge of Mrs. Finley Shuster and Mrs. Ward Tyler.

Dale Wertz won a pair of overalls given as first prize by Brackeen for the most nicely decorated bicycle. Richard Sweet won second place in the bicycle division.

All pets entered in the competition were dogs and cats. The winners were Richard Sweet, flattest cat; Jerry Dority, dog with the most spots; Carolyn Cooper, pet with the curliest tail, a cat; Dee Shuster and Carl Tyler, blackest paws; Dirk Rinehart, dog with the longest ears; Billy Cooper, best trained dog; Keith Powell, puppy with the sleepest eyes; Johnny Lienkaemper, the longest pet; Aaron Cutler, whitest dog, and Donald Poent, best-cared-for dog.

Judges of the pets were Mrs. K. E. Kerby and Olean Wells.

## Committee Of Spudmen Formed

The organization meeting of the 1948 administrative committee of potato marketing order No. 27 was held at the Bannock hotel in Pocatello June 24.

This committee administers the order regulating the handling of Irish potatoes grown in Idaho, and in Malheur county, Oregon. The committee consists of five producer members and three handler members. All members of the committee were present at the meeting, including the following: Producers: Charles Reed and Wesley Roberts of Idaho Falls; N. E. George of Homedale; Ralph Faulkner of Gooding, and George Mitchell of Burley; Handlers: L. E. Stephens of Blackfoot, George A. Wells of Caldwell, and Frank S. Campbell of Rupert. Alternate members present at the meeting were Sam Hartley of Nyssa, Fred Nelson of Jerome, and Ernest Craig of Jerome. Also present at the meeting were M. O. Stratford of the Idaho Potato and Onion Shippers association, Worden A. Davis of Parma, representing the Idaho-Oregon Shippers association; C. O. Youngstrom of the state extension service, C. G. Rice and Lee Heller of the Idaho advertising commission; Boyd Baxter of the Union Pacific railroad company; Frank Westfall, Aberdeen grower; Clark Davis of the state P and MA office, Pocatello; H. C. Hess of the Denver USDA fruit and vegetable branch, and W. J. Broadhead of the Portland USDA fruit and vegetable branch.

The committee elected L. E. Stephens as chairman; Charles Reed as vice chairman; and Frank S. Campbell as secretary-treasurer. These three officers were also named as an executive committee.

The basic provisions of order No. 27 provides that no potatoes which do not meet the requirements of U.S. No. 2 or better grade shall be shipped in interstate commerce. The order also requires that all potatoes, including both rail and truck lots, shall be inspected by the state representative of the basic requirement, the committee recommended to the secretary of agriculture that he issue an order prohibiting the shipment, in interstate commerce of any netted gem or russet Burbank variety of potatoes below a minimum diameter of two inches.

An operating budget and assessment rate were adopted by the committee. Plans were made for the employment of a manager and for setting up an office. Tentative plans include the establishment of a branch office in western Idaho to handle the early "deal," with the main office to be established at some central point in the late shipping area.

If the two-inch minimum requirement is approved by the secretary of agriculture, the industry will be notified of the effective date of the regulation. The committee feels that the adoption of a two-inch minimum on russets will be beneficial alike to the producers, shippers, and the consuming public. This minimum size would apply to all grades of potatoes.

## Motor Lodge Will Be Opened

D. W. Moncur and his son, Vern L. Moncur, will open their new Arrowhead Motor lodge on highway 20 at Emison avenue Sunday, July 11. The public is invited to attend open house on that day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The new building, constructed of pumice stone blocks, includes 10 complete units with private baths. It is 32 by 103 feet. Each room is accessible from both the inside and the outside.

A radiant hot water system was installed by Fred Braun, who also installed the plumbing contract. Clint Olson was the general contractor and Morrison Electric company was the electrical contractor.

A parking ramp has been installed on each side of the building.

The owners have erected a large neon sign on the highway and have decorated the front of the building with neon tubing, including an outline of a large arrowhead.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern L. Moncur have purchased the A. C. Newsom home on north Sixth street. They will maintain an office in the lodge.

## Writ is Filed Against County

An alternative writ of mandamus was filed last week against the Malheur county court by Attorney General George Neuner at the request of the state public welfare commission following a decision of the county court not to increase the county welfare budget as demanded by the state.

District Attorney Charles Swan filed a demurrer July 6, but the case is not expected to be argued before the state supreme court until September.

The writ issued by the state reads as follows: "This proceeding is initiated by the state public welfare commission for the purpose of compelling local compliance by Malheur county with the federal and state laws applicable to the administration of a public assistance program in Oregon, and pursuant to the provisions of section 126-103, O.C.L.A. as amended by section 6, chapter 545, Oregon laws 1947."

District Attorney Swan and Robert Lytle, Vale attorney, have questioned the constitutionality of the law allowing the state to set a county budget for public welfare. The county court notified the state welfare commission that it would not appropriate for welfare during the 1948-49 year any sum other than that included in the budget at the time of the budget meeting.

The federal government, which provides 46 per cent of welfare funds expended in Oregon counties, notified the state welfare commission that it would withhold its share of matching funds for Malheur county pending conclusion of the suit.

## LOAN VOLUME OF FIRST NATIONAL IN NYSSA CLIMBS

Deposits of \$3,461,508.07 and loans of \$1,450,810.59 in the Nyssa branch of First National bank of Portland are shown by the June 30 report which answers the mid-year call of the comptroller of currency, according to G. I. Mitchell, branch manager.

The figures of the financial statement show gains in both deposits and loans over the June report of a year ago. The increase in loan volume is substantial, up \$408,416.42, or 39 per cent during the twelve month period, Mitchell said. Large deposits are in contrast to a national trend which is also common in the northwest.

A corresponding rise in the total loan volume for First National bank of Portland, including all 44 branches throughout Oregon, is reported in the current financial statement. This is the third consecutive quarterly report in which the First National group has set a new Oregon banking record for volume of loans and discounts, according to word sent to Mitchell by Frank N. Belgrano, Jr., president of First National. The June 30 figures are, loans \$146,626,427.93 and deposits, \$480,910,106.10. Loan figures a year ago were \$108,146,998.98.

Mitchell quotes Belgrano as saying that these increased loans not only reflect generally higher price levels, but also represent added investment in the resources and economic expansion of Oregon. They are therefore an indication of the state's prosperity.

## POSTAL RECEIPTS HERE CONTINUE TO SHOW BIG INCREASE

According to information released by Postmaster Lloyd W. Lewis this week, postal revenues for the last six months have shown an increase of 16.5 per cent over the same period last year.

In keeping with the trend for the last 12 years, the postal revenues reached an all-time high for the calendar year of 1947 with a total of \$27,343.22. This represents an increase of 137 per cent over the receipts of 1939.

If the present rate of increase continues as is expected, the total receipts for the calendar year 1948 will be over \$31,500. An additional increase of \$8,500 will put the office in the first class category.

## REMINDER ISSUED TO POTATO GROWERS

A reminder to potato growers who have paid their fee and have been issued a certificate of eligibility for potato price support, was issued by Glen L. Hutchinson, chairman of the county AAA committee, today.

Growers must sell all U.S. No. 1-B's, U.S. No. 2's or field-run potatoes to the government purchase representative or he will lose all future eligibility rights for price support during 1948.

U.S. No. 1 potatoes may be sold to anyone at any price, Mr. Hutchinson stated.

## Leave for Coast—

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smith left the first of the week for a two-months visit on the coast for the benefit of Mrs. Smith's health.

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## Under Doctor's Care—

Mrs. Mary E. Bybee is in Salt Lake City, taking special treatment at a hospital. She is suffering from complications about her head and face. She is staying at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Don Moss, Sr.

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## At Lakes—

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Boydell and son, Jimmy, and Mr. and Mrs. Gies Billings were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Farmer at their summer cabins at Payette lake over the holiday. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Horsey of Lovell, Wyoming, who are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Farmer, were also at the lakes.

## GIRL SCOUTS GO TO SUMMER CAMP

Girl Scouts of Nyssa and Adrian left early Tuesday morning by bus for Pilgrim cove near McCall, where they will attend summer camp, along with girls from Ontario and Jamieson.

The Nyssa and Adrian girls chartered a bus owned by Howard Haich of Adrian for the trip.

Nyssa girls attending the camp are Carolyn Vaughn, Patsy Selties, Keitha Strasbaugh, Kristin Rinehart, Joan Mitchell, Joanna Moore, Jolin Jordan, Mary Jean House, Phyllis Hadley, Joanne Hartley, Louise Gunnel, Patricia Grunck, LaVerne Farson, Kay Parson, Barbara Duncan, Phyllis Chedelin, Jerilyn Cleverly, Sherill Chadd, Colleen Bybee, Merle Birmingham, Beverly Burbridge and Ruth Ahlizer. The girls will return home July 16.

Outdoor cooking as well as swimming, hiking, arts and crafts and rowing will be emphasized.

A staff of from 15 to 18 adults will accompany the Scouts. Included are Mrs. Lees, director and waterfront instructor; Mrs. Floyd Christiansen, Ontario, dietitian and unit leader; Mrs. Joe Echanis, Ontario, unit leader and dormitory supervisor; Mrs. Charles Newbill, Adrian, unit leader; Mrs. Millie Harris, Adrian, assistant unit leader and Kaper supervisor; Mrs. W. M. Schireman, Nyssa, unit leader; Miss Ruth Toombs, Nyssa, assistant unit leader; Mrs. Ollie Berner, Ontario, assistant unit leader, and Mrs. Dan Murray, Ontario, assistant unit leader and dining hall.

In Baker—

Mr. and Mrs. Art Boydell and Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell spent the Fourth of July at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Thompson in Baker.

At McCall—

Wayne Green, Jehmar Schoen, Bob Wilson, Royce Chadwick and Glenn Schreman spent the three-day holiday fishing in Payette lakes.

## TWO DAIRY HERDS TO BE CLASSIFIED

H. P. Ewalt, assistant extension dairyman of Oregon State college, Corvallis, will classify the Clifford S. Wright and C. M. Beaumont herds of purebred Jerseys at 9 a.m. July 10.

The public is invited to attend. A basket lunch will be served at noon on the Beaumont lawn in Kingman Colony.

New Arrivals Announced—

Babies were born at the Nyssa Nursing home recently as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pharaoh, Nyssa, boy, July 7, 8 pounds, 15 ounces; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Sanders, Nyssa, July 1, girl, 7 pounds 1 1/2 ounces; Mr. and Mrs. Ronald McGrath, July 2, son, 6 pounds, 10 ounces, and Mr. and Mrs. Byron Lane, Nyssa, July 2, girl, 6 pounds 5 ounces. Larry, Garry and Buster Ahlizer sons of Mr. and Mrs. Will Ahlizer underwent tonsilectomies.

Fish in Idaho—

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Coons of Nyssa and Leland Crummett of Vale went fishing at Garden Valley, Idaho over the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Al Coons fished at Wild Horse over the Fourth.

Visit in Nampa—

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Renstrom spent the Fourth of July holidays with relatives at Nampa.

Visit in Ontario—

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Sherwood and Frank and their house guest, Mrs. Cora Sherwood, visited with Ontario friends the Fourth.

Here from Ogden—

Mrs. Richard West and granddaughter, Virginia Clifford, of Ogden are visiting at the homes of Mrs. West's daughters, Mrs. Ersel Beus and Mrs. Frank Skeen.

Spend Fourth Here—

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Cornell and children and Mrs. Mildred Buchanan and children were here from Boise to spend the Fourth with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Cornell.