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Street Lighting Proposal Given To City Council

City Will Issue Bonds For Shallow Well Installation

A new type of street lighting for Main street between First street and the "Y" was discussed by Bernard Frost of Nyssa at a meeting of the city council Tuesday night.

The council is considering the proposal, which calls for Mercury lighting, with ornamental fixtures. The system would provide better light than the present fixtures, which are more than 20 years old. Approximately ten 1000 lumen incandescent lights now in use will be increased to 2500 lumen. One candlepower is equal to about 10 lumens.

The council ordered proceedings started to issue bonds in the amount of approximately \$5,000 to make installations at the city's shallow well.

The Nyssa Public Safety council asked the city council to more rigidly enforce the bicycle ordinance. At the request of school officials, the city attorney and police will explain the ordinance to the school children.

The city officials approved a year's contract between the city and the rural fire protection district governing the use and control of the new rural fire truck.

The council ordered the parking ordinance as relating to Main street from First to Third streets be enforced. The ordinance provides general parking for one hour and 10 minute parking around the post office.

Deputy Assessor Hiring Is Asked

The Oregon Trail Grange, meeting Tuesday night, passed a resolution asking for the employment of deputy county assessors for assessing personal and real property. Deputies have not been employed for several years.

In answer to a letter, the Grange received an explanation from the secretary of state about the field office that has been established at Ontario.

Secretary of State Earl Newberry stated in his letter to the Grange that "The office we opened at Ontario is comparable to all of the other field offices we are opening throughout the state. It is my plan to have one of these offices in each county where the registration justifies. In my opinion, at the moment there are some 20 counties which meet the required registration to justify such an office."

"As to the functions of these offices, motor vehicles are registered, our driver license examiners work in the offices and it is also our plan to have the gas tax refund auditors work out of the offices. With reference to the buildings, they are constructed with private capital and leased to the state. We are paying rentals from \$120 to a maximum of \$150 per month. These offices are being set up as a permanent service and the leases are made on a 10-year basis. It is my hope that these field offices will embrace every segment of motor vehicle business and they are designed to handle the volume of business pertaining to motor vehicles which is steadily increasing."

The Grange voted to buy a record player for dances and for marches held at meetings.

Enzor Bush has been appointed as new fire insurance agent for the Grange.

Harlan Diven resigned as treasurer and Mrs. Diven as Flora. Those elected and installed were Harold Sisson as treasurer and Mrs. Alva Cleaver as Flora.

The Grange voted to commend the county court for the stand it has taken on the controversy between the court and state welfare commission.

Lloyd Adams gave a report on the new rural fire truck and Mrs. Charley Grider, Frank Sherwood, LeRoy Herrman and Garret Stew gave a report on the Brannan plan.

Mrs. Harold Sisson showed a display of new and old-style valentines.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Holmes and Bob Holmes served refreshments.

Polio Collections At Adrian \$194.75

Chairman Glenwood Pounds reported this week that \$194.75 was collected in the Adrian community in the March of Dimes.

Collections included Adrian grade school, \$63.38; collection at basketball game, \$36.25; Kingman Grange, \$14; cannisters, \$62.12, and miscellaneous contributions, \$19.

Mr. Pounds expressed thanks to those who contributed and those who assisted with the drive.



THE NEW TRUCK of the Nyssa Rural Fire Protection district is shown in the above lay-out, along with the members of the district's board of directors and about half of the Nyssa firemen. The directors (left to right) are Jake Fischer, president; Otis Bullard, Frank Sherwood and Lloyd Adams. Frank Parr, a fifth member of the board, is not shown. Members of the fire department appearing in the picture are Kenneth Renstrom, Tom Seppich, Ralph Lawrence, Fire Chief Frank Morris, Edward Boydell, Everett Heldt, Ernest Keiselhorst, Luray Trabert, Sonny Holmes and W. K. Wahlert and standing on the rear of the truck Robert Wilson and Charles Landreth. The pictures were taken in front of the enlarged fire station.

New Fire Truck Purchased By Rural Fire District Is Approved And Ready For Use

Triple Threat Athlete Of 40 Years Ago In Sweden Is Living In Nyssa

A great triple threat athlete of Swedish sports in the early part of the 20th century had hoped to use his beloved skis on the snowy slopes at McCall this winter, but an injury caused by a fall on an ordinary sheet of sidewalk ice prevented him from doing so.

John Ostrom, local lumberman, sent for his skis to Watford City, North Dakota, where he lived for eight years before coming to Nyssa and now has them on display at his lumber office, but his injury prevented him from displaying his ability on the skis.

Mr. Ostrom has many medals to show for his prowess on skis and skates and with the rifle.

The racing skis, brought to the United States by Mr. Ostrom in 1907, are much different from the skis made in the United States. They were made of weeping birch by the best ski manufacturer in Sweden. The skis are made from a three-inch strip of birch cut from the center of the tree and trimmed in an edge. When finished, the racing ski is nine feet long and about 2 3/4 inches wide.

Mr. Ostrom explained that ski clubs are in operation all over Sweden, with practically everyone participating in the sport. Of course, the skis are also used in certain types of work. The birch skis are the best for distance and the hickory skis for jumping.

The Norwegians specialize in jumping and the Swedes and Finns in distance racing, because of the general difference in the size of the people.

Mr. Ostrom explained that the Norwegians are better at jumping because they are smaller and do not have "so much to balance."

The Swedish people, skiing from December to April, have many inter-club contests, in which Ostrom won many medals. He received one bronze medal from the government for skiing and also won many medals in skating contests.

On a level road, a man on skis can beat a horse over a long distance, but not a short distance, Ostrom said.

One of the most prized possessions of the Nyssa man is a gold medal awarded to him by the Swedish government for rifle shooting. He was the only man "up the river" (on which he lived) who held a government gold medal. Using a 5 1/2 millimeter rifle, four years were required to win the gold medal. Competitors were graded on a point average for the first three years and if the averages were good the men were allowed to shoot addition to the gold medal, Ostrom in the fourth year competition. In also won a state silver medal for his third year competition. In one contest Ostrom made four bulletseyes and one four at a distance of 400 meters with a 5 1/2 millimeter rifle.

When he was 13 years old, Ostrom started working in a lumber mill, in which his father was general manager. He worked from 6 a. m. to 8 p. m. Later he began grading lumber, then went into the yard office and then took charge of a tugboat. In the winter he spent most of his time in the woods, where, of course, he used his skis extensively.

When the department was organized in 1913, Burbridge became fire marshal. For a few years 12 men, acting as horses, pulled a heavy chemical truck through the streets of Nyssa to reach fires, sometimes through mud and sometimes through fog of dust. Finally the city council bought two hose carts, which were used until the city purchased a truck in 1935.

During the hose cart era, Art Cook became fire chief, but he resigned when he was elected to the city council. He was succeeded as chief in 1922 by Burbridge, who served as head of the department until he was elected to the council in 1937. W. E. Schireman served as chief from the time Burbridge resigned until about 1944. Bob Thompson served as chief for a short time before the department was re-organized in 1945.

The first officers of the re-organized department were Harry Miner, president; Kenneth Renstrom, vice president; Everett Heldt, secretary; Olean Wells, treasurer; Al Kuehn, fire chief, and Glea Billings, assistant fire chief. Since that time officers have been elected each year. The presidents were Kenneth Renstrom, serving the unexpired term of Harry Miner; Vern Parson, Ralph Lawrence, Tom Seppich, and Gene Stunz.

In May, 1948, Al Kuehn resigned as chief to move to Colorado and Vern Parson succeeded him as chief. Parson was soon transferred to Vale by the Idaho Power company and Frank Morris was elected as chief.

In the winter of 1949 a movement was started to form a rural fire protection district and in late spring a board of directors was elected after the organization had

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As a part of the observance of Boy Scout week in Nyssa, badges were presented to 14 Boy Scouts at a court of honor held Sunday evening by the second ward of the L. D. S. church for members of troops 45 and 58.

Scout officials of the Ore-Idaho council present were Gordon Mueller of Payette, Harold Rhodes of Ontario and Elden Yergensen of Nyssa. Scoutmaster Leslie Lewis of troop 58 conducted the meeting. Scoutmaster Reed Ray of troop 45 gave an accordion selection. He added color to the occasion with his Eagle neckerchief and merit badge sash bearing over 40 merit badges. Boyd and Floyd Leavitt, twins, played an electric guitar selection.

Gordon Mueller presented the tenderfoot awards and Harold Rhodes presented the second class badges before a crowd of 300 persons.

Sugar Firm Is Closing 1949-50 Nyssa Operation

Campaign Lasting 131 Days Called Very Successful

The Amalgamated Sugar company completed slicing beets Tuesday and will complete manufacture of sugar from the 1949 crop of beets this week-end.

Production will amount to approximately 1,250,000 bags, as compared to 1,500,000 bags of sugar manufactured from the 1948 crop of beets, according to Jed Lewis, district manager of the company, who said the campaign lasted for 131 days.

During the campaign, considered by Mr. Lewis as very successful, the factory sliced approximately 460,000 tons of beets, which stored unusually well.

Operations at the Nampa factory of the Amalgamated Sugar company were completed two weeks ago, giving rise to the belief that the campaign in Nyssa was probably longer than that of any other sugar factory in the Rocky mountain territory.

The campaign will be the last for Superintendent Burnell Brown at the Nyssa factory, as he will leave soon for Ogden to become assistant general superintendent of the company. He will be succeeded here by Richard Forbess, who has already moved to Nyssa.

\$600 Collected For Boy Scouts

Up to Wednesday evening, solicitors had secured approximately \$600 in the Boy Scout financial campaign currently underway in this community, according to Robert P. Thompson, financial chairman of the group.

The chairman pointed out that slightly over half of the drive had been finished in Nyssa.

Fifty-two business and professional men, comprising eight teams of workers, met at an "early bird" breakfast in Brownie's cafe Tuesday to map plans for the drive. The men selected names at the breakfast and some completed their solicitations during the day. Call backs will be made the remainder of this week. No quota was placed on the campaign, but it is expected to produce approximately \$1000, according to Del Hanks of Nampa, scout executive, and Gordon Mueller of Payette, field executive, who were here for the breakfast.

The Boy Scout drive in the rural areas was started today and will be continued for a week. Team captains met in the Doll House Tuesday noon. The captains are Melvin Jensen, Mel Beck, Vern Beesley and Leslie Burbank. Other workers include Leslie Lewis, O. P. Williams, C. R. Kesler, Sr., C. R. Kesler, Jr., Ed Larsen, Lawrence Cleverly, Wilford Bybee, Henry Espin, Howard Blair, Jerry Williams, Leon Child, Roy Bair, Thurn Baker, Ersel Beus, Sam Lemon, Orville Olson and Newbern Glenn. Three other workers will be chosen later, according to District Chairman Elden Yergensen, who is in charge of the rural campaign.

Nyssa Defeats Grizzlies 47-46

The Nyssa Bulldogs edged ahead by one point in a three-minute overtime period to defeat the Fruitland Grizzlies by a score of 47 to 46 in a Snake River Valley league basketball game Tuesday night on the Fruitland floor.

The Bulldogs were leading 10 to 7 at the end of the first quarter, but fell behind 16 to 21 at half-time. In the third quarter Nyssa scored 17 points while holding the Grizzlies to two points and the fourth canto by gaining 16 points to 6 for Nyssa. As a result the Grizzlies tied the count 39 to 39 five seconds before the end of the regular period.

With one minute to go, Fruitland enjoyed a four-point lead, 46 to 42, but Holcomb hit for a basket and was fouled while in the act of shooting. Holcomb converted on the foul shot, making the count 46 to 45 and with eight seconds to go Williams recovered the ball off the backboard and dumped it in for a basket.

Moore of Fruitland led his crew with 24 points, followed by Williams of Nyssa with 21.

Nyssa players were Pounds 6, Pecka 5, Williams 21, Holcomb 7, Hale 1, and Bowen 7.

Nyssa won the soph-fresh preliminary game 38 to 25.

Return From Hawaii—Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Sherwood returned last Friday from a visit in the Hawaiian islands. Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood arrived in San Francisco Monday and visited there and in Oakland until Thursday.

Fertilizer Plant Scheduled To Be Established Here

A firm planning to establish a chemical fertilizer plant in Nyssa has made application to the Union Pacific Railroad company for a lease on ground along the Homedale branch right-of-way.

The ground, 30 by 160 feet, is part of the site formerly occupied by the U. P. stockyards south of town.

The firm, which is expected to start construction of a building in the spring or early summer, is now operating a plant at Burley, Idaho.

The partners, Anderson and Newcomb, will mix their fertilizers here and ship to various markets.

Health Expert Heard By PTA

Mrs. Jennelle Moorehead, associate professor of health education of the general extension division of the University of Oregon, told members of the Nyssa Parent-Teacher association in the high school building last Thursday night that "When the child goes to school he takes his home training to school."

It is imperative that the teacher understands the home and that the parents understand the teaching. If the parents do not know what is going on in the school, they are apt to believe their offspring's version and defend him to the last ditch. Teacher understanding of the home takes time; it is not easy. Education is going to have to be an individual problem. That means elimination of crowded rooms. It is the duty and privilege of the parents to know the kind of education we have in our schools."

Mrs. Moorehead, mother of two sons and vice president of the Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers, said "There must be co-operation in the matter of health education. It does no good to try to teach health and change food habits without the co-operation of the parents."

Speaking of the modern equipment used in schools, such as electric ranges, Mrs. Moorehead said "I don't think children should leave the school totally dissatisfied with what they have at home. I don't think we should set our standards too high. It might be better to have our living standards a little lower and have more contentment and happiness."

"Health education now is the only way left to reduce our major causes of death. They are degenerative diseases, such as heart disease and cancer, and can only be reduced when individuals learn more about health education."

Mrs. Moorehead discussed briefly a new study that is being conducted into the causes of accidents, which she said, happen to 20 per cent of the people. Certain persons are prone to have accidents, which occur, usually after a person has become emotionally upset.

In observance of the 53rd anniversary of the parent-teacher movement, Mrs. Walter McPartland read excerpts from the minutes of the meetings of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers. She read the excerpts to show that the problems of 50 years ago are the problems of today.

"The 20th century has brought much progress in science, business, economics and health, so we feel we are far removed from the problems of the founders," Mrs. McPartland said, but she added that the values stressed 50 years ago are still important today, such as child welfare, social hygiene, better teachers and better pay and comic books.

Mrs. McPartland quoted from talks of Mrs. Alice McClellan Birney, who served as first president of the national organization; Mrs. Phoebe Apperson Hearst, who gave financial assistance to the organization; Theodore Roosevelt and others.

Mrs. John Schenk presiding at the meeting, announced the executive committee had advanced \$50 for Cub Scouts.

After the business meeting, a musical program was given. Mrs. Carlos Buchner and Mrs. K. E. Kevren played two piano duets, "Trepak" from the "Nutcracker Suite" by Tchaikovsky and "Russian Dance" by Grieg. Mrs. Mark Hartley, Mrs. Lynn Lawrence and Mrs. Vernon Chadwick sang "Lucky Old Sun" and "Apple Blossom Time."

Census Will Be Started April 1

Mrs. Gertrude M. Arnold of Bend, district supervisor of the census, announced here today that a census of Malheur county will be started the first of April. The field work is expected to be completed in a month.

Two crew leaders and 22 enumerators will be employed in Malheur county. In accordance with the policy of the census department, the workers will be employed through the employment service.

Each city will only be credited with the number of persons living within the corporate limits. The remainder will be credited to the county, according to Mrs. Arnold, who will be in charge of 11 crew leaders and 112 enumerators in six counties.

Beet Producing Mechanization Is Increasing

Company Officials And Growers Gather In Annual Session

From 25 to 50 per cent of the spring work in the beet fields in this area is expected to be done mechanically this year, according to reports issued in the Eagles hall Wednesday afternoon at one of a series of meetings held for beet growers by the Amalgamated Sugar company. Five per cent of the spring work was done mechanically last year.

Farmers are expected to receive more value for their labor dollar than at any time during the past 10 years.

Ted Gessel of the research department of the sugar company showed slides on spring mechanization and discussed the possibility of spring mechanization locally.

Henry Zobel, head of the company's agriculture department at Nyssa, spoke on fertilizer, labor and the current operations at the factory.

Vern Jensen of Ogden, head of the research department of the company, discussed seed, seed treatment, insect control and the latest developments in research as they pertain to the sugar industry.

Jed Lewis of Nyssa, district manager of the sugar company, spoke on the price outlook and the possibility of allotments. He said indications point to allotments for 1951. In speaking of the sugar act, Mr. Lewis stated that sugar is the only commodity that the government makes a profit on. The processing tax, which comes from the sugar dollar and thus is reflected in the final payment to the grower, is collected by the government and in turn is paid to the grower in the form of a benefit payment. In the process the government makes a profit.

The sugar company said it is issuing five bags of fertilizer per acre this year as compared to the one to two bags issued heretofore.

Several of the 150 growers in attendance at the meeting expressed opinion on spring mechanization equipment, such as the Dixie weeder, Winpower, tackle weeder and the harrow.

Joe Maughan of Nyssa, field man, was chairman of the meeting.

Dr. J. J. Sarazin Thanks Chamber For Association

At a luncheon of the Nyssa chamber of commerce Wednesday noon, Dr. J. J. Sarazin thanked the chamber for the watch that was presented to him at the annual meeting of the organization in recognition of his long service to the chamber and the community.

Dr. Sarazin said in a letter that "It gives me a warm and humble feeling that I have been so privileged as to see the fulfillment of the dream for Nyssa, formulated by a group of pioneers 40 or more years ago."

"The chamber of commerce started with a fight and has never ceased to be a fighting organization for the good of Nyssa. Through their efforts, irrigation has come to the whole valley and the sugar factory that has meant so much to us came into being."

"The reason we have such a fine progressive community today is because of the able and co-operative effort of each member of the chamber. I am proud to have the opportunity of being associated with such a grand group of people."

"I am also proud to be designated Nyssa's pioneer physician. Possibly as one trained in the treatment of human ills, I was able to understand a young town's growing pains. Now that Nyssa is achieving maturity, I feel like the proud father who has watched a cherished son grow to manhood."

"It is difficult to find words to express my deep appreciation of the chamber of commerce. Every glance at this beautiful watch will bring fond memories of our association."

Lions Club To Honor Athletes

The first athletic banquet to be sponsored by the Nyssa Lions club for the athletes of the high school will be held either February 28 or March 7, depending upon the convenience of the person who will deliver the principal address.

The banquet, replacing the annual football banquet given by the Lions club, will be given for the lettermen of all sports.

The chairman of the committee, Dennis W. Patch, is negotiating with the members of the Oregon state college coaching staff for a speaker.

A full program of entertainment will be arranged. R. G. Whitaker will be the toastmaster.