

First District 1 Hoop Tourney Is Successful

Money Divided Among 5 Schools; La Grande Wins Trophy

The first basketball jamboree held by Oregon district No. 1 staged in the Nyssa gymnasium last Friday and Saturday nights, brought basketball enjoyment to nearly 1200 persons each night and netted \$731.52 for the participating schools.

The total receipts were \$1015.52 and expenses were \$284, leaving a net profit of \$731.52, which was divided among the five schools, Nyssa, Ontario, Vale, Baker and La Grande, at the rate of \$146.30 each.

All of the teams shared equally in the profits, but not in the honors. The La Grande Tigers won the jamboree with an offensive margin of 11, calculated by subtracting the points scored against them from the points that they scored against their opponents.

Baker was second with a plus five, Nyssa third with a minus three, Ontario fourth with minus five and Vale fifth with minus eight. Each team played four six-minute quarters each night, so that it met all of the other teams twice. Scores Friday night were as follows: Ontario 6 and La Grande 7; Baker 7 and Nyssa 9; Vale 6 and Ontario 10; La Grande 9 and Baker 7; Nyssa 10 and Vale 3; Ontario 2 and Baker 9; Nyssa 6 and La Grande 11; Vale 9 and Baker 6; Nyssa 10 and Ontario 13; Baker 9, Nyssa 8 and La Grande 13; Saturday night's scores were as follows: Vale 8 and La Grande 9; Ontario 6 and Nyssa 9; Vale 10 and Baker 9; Nyssa 8 and La Grande 15; Ontario 10 and Baker 14; Nyssa 2 and Vale 7; La Grande 3 and Baker 6; Vale 8 and Ontario 4; Baker 8 and Nyssa 11 and Ontario 13 and La Grande 6.

During the two nights, band music was furnished by the Ontario high school band, directed by Gail Harris, the Nyssa school band directed by (Continued on Page 5)

Unemployment In County Increases

Seasonal conditions increased unemployment in many sections of Oregon in recent weeks, resulting in 31,140 active job seekers as of December 1 against 18,730 a month before, the state unemployment compensation commission announced today. Slightly more than 10,000 were women.

The number of persons without work was much lower than the 55,300 reported a year ago but the rise in unemployment during November was slightly greater than during the same period of 1949. Continued wet weather curtailed late harvests and slowed up construction, logging and food processing, officials said.

Little change in the employment picture was noted last month around Coos Bay, Freewater, Lakeview and McMinnville, but four of the commission's 26 local offices said unemployment more than doubled, while four others had increases of more than 80 per cent.

With apple picking cut short, Hood River sent in the biggest increase with 280 unemployed against 81 a month before. Bend, the only area with more job seekers than a year ago, reported 645 without work as compared with 201 last month and 600 last year.

The Marion-Polk county district has 3,750 persons out of jobs. The Salem office ascribed the month's increase of 2,285 to seasonal layoffs in the harvest fields and canneries, while logging also cut down somewhat. Astoria, Grants Pass and Ontario also reported growing unemployment, and Albany with 623 idle was close to last December's mark of 635.

The Portland Tri-county metropolitan area, including Hillsboro local office territory, had 10,900 idle against 6,850 a month ago and 22,900 last year.

Unfilled job openings declined slightly from November—1,535 to 1,400—but the number was materially below recent summer months when demand for skilled workers reached a four-year maximum.

Visits New Granddaughter—

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Smith returned Saturday evening from John Day, where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith and met their new granddaughter, Janet Lynn, who was born December 1 at the John Day hospital. The baby weighed 6 pounds, 10 ounces.

COMING EVENTS

Saturday, December 9—St. Paul's Bazaar at Eder's Hardware store. Adrian Community church sale. Benefit pinocle party at I. O. O. F. hall at 8 p. m.

Monday, December 11—St. Paul's Guild at the home of Mrs. Fred Savage.

Tuesday, December 12—Garden club at the home of Mrs. Bud Wilson.

Wednesday, December 13—Kingman Kolony Grange card party at Adrian grade school.

Thursday, December 14—Women's Fellowship of the Christian church meet at the church. Mary and Martha circle at the home of Mrs. W. W. Foster. P. T. A. at high school, little auditorium at 8 p. m.



These players represented Nyssa in the Oregon district No. 1 basketball jamboree held in Nyssa last weekend. They emerged from the jamboree in third place in the standings behind La Grande and Baker. The Bulldogs will start regular play Friday in the first league game ever played in the new gymnasium. Coach Harry McGinley is shown in the insert picture.



T. G. Jones Named Head Of Chamber

Thomas G. Jones was elected president of the Nyssa chamber of commerce during an election held at the weekly luncheon of the organization in Carl's Doll House Wednesday noon.

Wilton C. Jackson was elected vice president; Harold Henigson, secretary, and Elmer Cruson, William Lemon and Gene Stunz, members of the board of directors.

Mr. Jones is expected to take office following his return from California, where he is receiving treatment following a major operation. Mr. Jackson will act in the capacity of president, probably until about the first of the year, when the new officers will assume their duties.

Harold Hengison, presiding at Wednesday's luncheon, announced the committees that will handle the annual banquet, to be held some time after the first of the year. The program committee consists of W. K. Wahlert, Wilton Jackson and Gene Stunz. Henry Hartley, J. L. Herriman and Bernard Eastman will handle other details of the arrangements.

Senior Play Is Presented To 400

The problems confronting a typical senior English teacher were presented during the senior play, given in the new Nyssa gymnasium Monday night before approximately 400 persons.

The play takes place in the classroom as Miss Brooks tries to produce the play. She is faced with the problem of finding a place to practice, securing a cast and "keeping on the good side of the school board." The play was directed by Rollie Cox, David Mortimore and Dennis Patch.

Members of the cast were as follows: Shirley Nolan, Miss Brooks; Richard Diven, Hugh Longacre; Ronald Jensen, Mr. Wadsworth; Bonnie Ward, Miss Finch; Marilyn White, Miss Audubon; Delores Coffman, Mrs. Allen; Carlene Jones, Jane; Laura Schenk, Rhonda; Betty Fife, Elsie; Cleo Flinders, Elaine; Dorothea Bretz, Marge; Mary Anne Bumgardner, Sylvia; Harley Dues, Stanley; Keith Thomas, Martin; Evelyn Duddridge, Faith; Mary Joe Allmon, Doris, and Dick Pounds, a basketball player.

Missionary Nurse Leaves For Africa

Margery Benedict, who has been attending the Simpson Bible institute at Seattle, left Wednesday for New York City, where she will sail December 16 for Europe.

Miss Benedict, who visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Benedict of route 2, Nyssa for a week, will study in France for a year and then go to French equatorial Africa, where she will work as a missionary nurse for the Baptist church in her first assignment. Miss Benedict, who was graduated from Nyssa high school in 1942, will be in Africa for three years. She will work in a mission dispensary, located in the jungles of Africa.

Eagles Sponsor Musical Comedy

The Eagles lodge of Nyssa will sponsor a musical comedy, "The Girl Said No", December 16 at 8 p. m. in the Nyssa gymnasium.

The show, produced by N. S. Wood of Nampa, will be given for the benefit of the Malheur Memorial hospital. A cast of 40 persons will include a 12-piece orchestra.

Court Of Honor Held—

A court of honor for the L. D. S. second ward scout troop was held at the second ward church last Sunday evening. Tenderfoot badges were awarded to John and Joe Sanders, Earnest Payne, Dale Peterson, Floyd and James Hille, Jerry Wright, Garth Olsen and Gene Essex. Second class awards went to Bob Espin, Dick Espin, John Sanders, Garth and Vard Olsen and Rodney Beus. Carl Bair and West Beus received merit badges. The troop is under the leadership of Jerry Williams as scout leader, and Sam Lemon and Tren Jones, assistant leaders. A program of musical numbers and talks were presented.

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Decline Is Noted In School Census

Figures released this week by officials following completion of the school census revealed a decrease in the number of youngsters in the district since last year.

According to figures gathered by Grant Rinehart, there are 1706 children between the ages of 4 and 19, inclusive, in the district. This compares to last year's figure of 1822, including 941 boys and 881 girls.

Of the 1706 children counted this year, 890 are boys and 816 girls.

Fire District Directors Named

Lloyd Adams and Frank Sherwood were re-elected as directors of the Nyssa Rural Fire Protection district in an election held Monday, Adams for a five-year term and Sherwood for four years.

The hold-over directors are Otis Bullard, Frank Parr and Jake Fischer, with Fischer as president; Bullard, vice president, and Parr, secretary.

Fire Chief Frank Morris told the directors at a meeting held Monday night in the city hall that the value of property saved by the rural fire department during its first year of operation was equal to the price of the department equipment. The exact amount was not revealed, but he said a more detailed report would be given later.

Most of the equipment was purchased with a four mill levy. This year's millage is only 1.4 mills. John Pickett, representing the state fire marshal, attended the meeting.

Frank Parker Is Robbed, Beaten

Frank Parker, former resident of Cow Hollow, was beaten and robbed November 25 at Roseburg, according to information received.

Parker, who was attending a dance, offered to take a stranger to his home. However upon stopping the car, Parker was assaulted and beaten severely, receiving a rib fracture, black eye, injuries to the head and bruises. The assailant, whose name is unknown, escaped with Parker's purse, containing \$13. The state police have been unable to locate the man.

Parker, brother of U. E. Parker of Cow Hollow, has been carpentering in Roseburg.

Wolverines Will Play Nyssa Fri.

The Weiser Wolverines will come to Nyssa to play the Bulldogs Friday night in one of the three Snake River valley league games to be staged this week-end. Both teams will be playing their first league contest of the season.

Coach Harry McGinley said his probable starting lineup will be as follows: Pounds, Holcomb, R. Wilson, Andrews and Bowen.

The height of the Weiser team is expected to give the smaller Bulldogs trouble, as all of the Wolverine first stringers are over six feet tall.

Baker Residents Visit Sugar Plant

Twenty-five Baker county residents came to Nyssa Wednesday because of interest in the production of sugar beets.

A group of farmers and businessmen and the wives of some of the men were escorted through the sugar factory and familiarized with the process of making sugar. Some of the visitors also inspected the livestock feeding yards near the factory.

The Baker residents are interested in sugar beets because of the possibility of raising beets in that locality, where experimental plots were tried this year.

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Civil Defense Plan Outlined By Local Head

Herriman Says Success Depends Largely On Individuals

The part that Nyssa will play in the civil defense program in case of war was discussed by J. L. Herriman, the local civil defense director, at a luncheon of the Nyssa Lions club last week.

Mr. Herriman announced that representatives of the defense council will also appear before other groups in an effort to inform local residents about the program. Mr. Herriman, who will be assisted by Fred W. Bracken as chief deputy director, said the organization will be divided into five departments, as recommended by the state, as follows: Administration deputy, Wilton Jackson; services deputy, Richard V. Wilson; security deputy, William Lemon; medical deputy, George Vaughn and aid and welfare deputy, W. L. Atherton.

"With an adequate civil defense program," Mr. Herriman said, "we can, in case of trouble or sudden attack, reduce our casualties by more than 50 per cent, continue to maintain our industrial plants and carry on to final victory."

"The purpose of the civil defense program is to insure that the military forces and all civil departments and agencies of the state and all communities within the state, their personnel and equipment, by proper planning in advance, will be in constant readiness to perform their duty to the state in the event that an enemy strikes without warning, which is highly probable, should war come."

"The plan proposes to utilize the entire resources of the state where required, and to minimize the effects of enemy action directed against people, communities, industrial plants, facilities and other installations."

Pointing to the responsibilities of the individual the state and the federal government, Mr. Herriman said the state of Oregon is divided into seven areas under the supervision of the state director of civil defense, Louis E. Starr, who serves under direct supervision of the governor. Malheur county is included in area No. 7. The responsibility of the city is to operate its civil defense system under the guidance of the state, and make such mutual aid pacts with neighboring communities as are considered necessary. The facilities of the city, such as fire and police departments, will be utilized and as the program is expanded more individuals will be asked to serve.

"Malheur county is not considered a critical target area," Mr. Herriman said. "Hence our first problem for evacuation will be that of caring for evacuees from critical target areas. It is not hard to see that this in itself will require considerable planning. The whole program resolves itself down to the fact that each community, with the facilities at hand, can and must provide its own protection against the results of an attack and to render assistance to neighboring communities should the need arise. The time to start is now. We hope that we may never be called upon to defend and protect our nation, but with the world situation as it is today we cannot afford to take any chance on being caught unprepared."

Committee Heads Named By Grange

Three committee chairmen were appointed by Master Frank Parr at the regular meeting of the Oregon Trail Grange last week.

Robert Holmes was appointed agriculture chairman and Garret Stam, legislative chairman. They are to select their own assistants. Mrs. Alva Goodell was named publicity chairman.

Mr. Holmes told of price support being listed from eggs and the embargo being lifted on fats and oils. A booster night program and potluck dinner will be arranged for the next regular meeting. Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Jamison and daughter will furnish music. Members and friends are invited to attend.

Refreshments were furnished by Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Cheldelin.

Primary Carnival Is Set For Dec. 14

A carnival will be sponsored by the Nyssa Second Ward Primary association Thursday, December 14, beginning at 7:30 p. m. in the recreation hall on Alberta avenue.

Features will include two fish ponds, doll bazaar, ring toss, dart games, bingo table, target games and fortune telling booth. Refreshments will consist of "hot dogs", popcorn, candy and ice cream.

The public is invited to attend the carnival, which will be given for the benefit of the primary department of the L. D. S. church. Part of the proceeds will go to the primary hospital in Salt Lake City.

Booth Seal Sale Started In Nyssa

The annual Christmas seal booth sale was opened in Nyssa Tuesday in the Nyssa Insurance agency office and will be continued until December 16.

Volunteer workers are selling seals from 2 to 5 p. m. each day. Mrs. Edward Boydell is in charge of the booth sale, under the direction of Mrs. Kermit Lienkaemper, Nyssa seal sale chairman.

Boys Get Awards—Boy Scout troop No. 45 held a court of honor Sunday, December 3 at the L. D. S. church with tenderfoot badges going to Jim Montague, Donald Nolan, Jerry Leneburg and Melvin Telford. Billy Low received a second class badge and Carl Tyler and Vernon Toombs, first class badges. A star award was presented to Kenneth Cottle and merit badges to Carlos Telford, Vernon Toombs and Kenneth Cottle. Present at the court of honor were Ken Ubbelohde, who heads the Ida-Ore scout council and Harold Rhodes, advancement chairman of the Malheur scout district.

Attend Drama Convention—Three Nyssa high school students attended the northwest Thespians conference held in Seattle November 17 and 18. The students attending were Leland Morris, Cleo Flinders, and Colleen Bybee. The Mount Vernon troupe and the school of drama at the University of Washington were co-hosts for the conference, which included delegates from Idaho, Washington, Oregon and Montana. The students were accompanied on the trip by Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Bybee.

Firms Offering 180 Prizes To Residents Of This Area In Extensive Treasure Hunt

Four Hunters Find Electrocuted Bird

Four Nyssa men hunting in southern Malheur county found an electrocuted golden eagle between Jordan Valley and Rome Sunday.

The bird, which was still warm when found, was hanging from an electric line. It apparently touched one leg and one wing to separate wires, forming a circuit from phase to phase.

The eagle, which had an eight-foot wing spread, was found by Bernard Frost, Dr. K. E. Kerby, Dr. Glen Kenaston and Artie Robertson. Golden eagles are seldom seen in this area.

Boise Gleemen Concert Enjoyed

Another outstanding musical attraction was enjoyed by Nyssa residents because of the availability of the new gymnasium Tuesday night, when the Boise Elks Gleemen presented a two-hour program under the auspices of the Malheur Memorial Hospital auxiliary.

With the Gleemen standing in a semi-circle around the school district's grand piano, the program was opened with the men singing in a dim light, that was gradually increased until the full force of the stage lights were turned upon the singers, clad in white coats and black trousers.

The voices of the Gleemen, directed by Gordon Eichmann, were nicely blended. The singers showed splendid control from the subdued tones of "Celtic Hymn" to the powerful expressions and fast tempo of "Who Sails With Drake?"

The first part of the program consisted of "Prayer of Thanksgiving," a folk song arranged by Edward Kremer; "Emmett Spiritum Tuum," a classic especially arranged by Andre Dotevsky for male choruses; "Vale of Tuoni" by Sibellus and "Lift Thine Eyes," an arrangement written by Ralph Baldwin from Frederic Knight Logan's love song.

Elaine and Earle Boyes, Boise duo-pianists, presented a musical treat in two series of piano selections. With Mr. Boyes playing the grand piano and Mrs. Boyes playing a Spinnet, the pianists played "Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring" by Bach and "Fantasie-Improptu" by Chopin. Later in the program, they played "Ritual Fire Dance" by Debussy, "Romance" by Rubenstein and Gregory Stone's arrangement of "Dark Eyes." Local musicians consider their technique superb. Certainly their artistry was well recovered by the large crowd in attendance.

One of the favorite numbers of the Gleemen before intermission was "Climbin' Up the Mountain," one of the true spirituals emanating from the deep south, as arranged by Wilton Jackson.

Miss Jennie Patch Passes At Weiser

Miss Jennie Patch, pioneer resident of Malheur county and aunt of Dennis Patch of Nyssa, died in the Weiser Memorial hospital Monday morning after a short illness.

Funeral services were held in the Northern-Jones chapel in Weiser Wednesday afternoon. Interment was in Fairview cemetery north of Ontario.

Miss Patch, who was 82 years old, moved to Malheur county in 1900 and in 1921 moved from her home on Dead Ox flat to Annex. She is survived by her sister, Miss Kistie Patch, with whom she made her home.

Woman Receives Polio Treatment

A Nyssa woman is the newest polio patient receiving treatment in the Malheur Memorial hospital. She entered the isolation ward November 29 and is still there.

The woman has the bulbar type of infantile paralysis. The cause is comparatively slight, but is the type that affects the throat and chest.

Babies Arrive—Six babies were born during the last week at the Malheur Memorial hospital. The parents and babies are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rebe, Nyssa, girl, December 6, 8 pounds; Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Booth, Parma, girl, 6 pounds, 11 ounces, December 2; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Roberts, Nyssa, boy, 7 pounds, 11 ounces, December 3; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Fife, Nyssa, girl, 8 pounds, 2 ounces, December 5; Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Cates, route 2, Nyssa, girl, December 1, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Enriquez, Nyssa, boy December 1.

Here From Boise—Mrs. Clara Davis of Boise is visiting this week with her daughter, Mrs. Clyde Snider.

Merchants Report Santa Will Arrive Here In Helicopter

The Eagles lodge and Nyssa chamber of commerce have made arrangements to have Santa Claus visit Nyssa in a helicopter Saturday, December 9 in connection with a treasure hunt to be conducted during the next three weeks.

For the enjoyment of the kiddies, Santa Claus will arrive in Nyssa at 2:30 p. m. in a helicopter, providing weather permits. If the weather is bad, Santa will arrange to arrive here by some other means. He will distribute free treats to all of the assembled youngsters and will then send them to the Nyssa theater to see a free picture show featuring "The Big Sombrero." He will then go to the old high school gymnasium, where he will talk to the smaller youngsters.

For mother and dad, the merchants are planning on giving away 180 prizes during the next three Saturdays. Sixty prizes will be given away each Saturday.

The merchants are mailing to residents of this area numbered cards, which will be used as the basis of determining the prize winners. If he desires to participate in the treasure hunt, each person receiving a card will inspect the prizes to be found in each participating store and compare the number thereon with his card number. If his number corresponds to the number on the number on the prize he may claim the merchandise. Each card will be good for the three Saturdays and should not be destroyed or lost by the holder. To be eligible for prizes, card holders must be 16 years of age or older. Prizes must be claimed on the Saturday on which they are offered.

The names of the firms participating in the treasure hunt are listed in an advertisement appearing on page five of this issue of the Gate City Journal.

Farmers To Vote On Soil District

Owners of land in the northern third of Malheur county were mailed ballots last week for voting on the proposed soil conservation district, according to Don Anderson, Malheur county extension agent. Final date for voting is Saturday, December 9, when polling places will be open from 2 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Land owners with more than 10 acres of land are invited to cast ballots in this election and referendum. Anderson said a land owner may mail his ballot, or may take it to one of the polling places located in the following places:

Grange hall at Harper. Quonset hut at Vale high school. Agriculture building at Adrian high school. City hall at Nyssa. City hall at Ontario. Oregon slope district hall.

Ballots that are returned by mail must include the land owner's name, address, and acreage owned in the place indicated on the envelope. Voters going to the polls must sign the polling register giving the same information in order to have his ballot accepted as an eligible voter. According to Oregon law, only land owners with more than 10 acres of land are eligible to vote on the referendum.

Anyone who is buying land of more than 10 acres on contract is eligible to vote. There may be some land owners of more than 10 acres who did not receive a ballot. Absentee ballots may be requested from Howard Manning at Vale, or those land owners may vote in person at one of the polling places listed above. One or more members of the polling board will be in attendance at each of those locations during the hours indicated.

Annual Church Sale Set—

The annual Adrian Community church sale will be held at the Adrian Community church Saturday, December 9. The day's activities will begin with a chicken dinner. Serving of the dinner will start at 11:30. The auction sale will follow the dinner and will include livestock, poultry, grain, farm implements and household goods. There will also be fancy work and bazaar items on sale. A drawing will be held for eight turkeys that are to be given away. Auctioneers for the sale will be Colons Bert Anderson and Joe Church, who are donating their services for the sale. The sale, which is one of the outstanding community events of the year, is held each fall to aid in paying off the debt on the church building.

Christmas Play Scheduled—At the regular meeting of the Nyssa P. T. A., which will be held at the little auditorium at the high school Thursday, December 14, the Christmas drama, "Why the Chimes Rang," will be presented. Mr. Mortimore of the high school faculty will be reader for the production, which will include numbers by the school choir.