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## High Beet Price, Large Payroll At Sugar Factory

A payroll estimated at \$35,000 a week will start flowing into Nyssa and surrounding communities this week-end as the annual sugar campaign got underway Tuesday at the Amalgamated Sugar Co. plant here. This year's crop for the entire district served by the Nyssa and Nampa plants is valued from \$12,000,000 to \$13,000,000, District Manager Jed Lewis said Wednesday.

The Nyssa plant employs approximately 400 persons during the sugar beet harvest season when sugar is being manufactured from the beets. The number on the payroll at one time includes the men at the receiving plant, Lewis said.

Although operations are on a controlled basis this week and next to prevent an over supply of beets before cold weather sets in, farmers are anxious to harvest their crops this year. Last year unexpected and early freezing temperatures resulted in the loss of a small part of the crop when beets were frozen in the ground and could not be dug. Lewis said that earlier predictions of an out-standing crop with better-than-average yield per acre and high sugar content are proving correct. Beets are being delivered at the Nyssa plant in excellent condition, but only enough are arriving for day-to-day operations. A stockpile of 4000 tons lasts only a short time and there is no danger of damage from the warm weather, the manager commented. It is expected that the entire crop can be handled this year with a minimum of loss and indications are that farmers will continue to rush them to the plant as soon as possible.

This year's crop is expected to surpass last year's average yield of 22 tons to the acre. The five year average from 1947 to 1951 was 20 tons. The district manager predicted several days ago that the price will be \$15 a ton to result in a gross profit of about \$330 and a net of \$230 an acre after expenses of approximately \$100 an acre are deducted.

## American Legion Plans Armistice Day Program

Plans for an Armistice Day program Tuesday, Nov. 11, were discussed Thursday night at the regular meeting of the American Legion, Commander Dale Bingman appointed John Reflett, Don Graham and Albert Heldt as a committee to make arrangements and report at the next meeting Thursday of next week.

The first and second vice commanders of the Nyssa post, Albert Heldt and Donald Lytle, respectively, were appointed team captains for a membership drive. Members of the 10 teams will be picked at random from the membership roll.

It was announced at the meeting that the American Legion will lead the fight in the opening session of the 83rd congress to secure legislation and funds for an effective job counseling and employment service for all veterans of the Korean war.

The Legion will also urge the department of defense to expedite the early assembly and return of essential records from the Korean theater of war to eliminate the long delays now occurring in the adjudication of claims of disabled veterans due to the present inability of the Veterans Administration to secure such records promptly from the armed forces.

The 1953 objectives on behalf of Korean veterans were announced by Commander Bingman, who stated, "The American Legion is determined to get a square deal for the Korean war veteran. Never have so many owed so much to so few."

## Camporee Opens Friday At Vale

A two-day Boy Scout Camporee is slated for this Friday and Saturday for the Malheur district at Vale, according to announcement by Jerry Thorne, field executive for the Malheur and Snake River district of Boy Scouts.

Vale city park will be the site of the camporee, with the formal opening set for 5 p.m. Friday with a flag raising ceremony.

Camporee events include knot relay, rescue race using firemen's carry water boiling, flapjack flipping, Morse code signalling, balloon busting, tent pitching, first aid relay, height judging, knots in use, and troop campfire skit or stunt.

Camp break-up comes at 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

**CIVIC CLUB WEDNESDAY**  
Women's Civic club members, meeting next Wednesday, will hear Mrs. Frank Morgan tell of her trip this summer to Europe.

## 19 Polio Victims Now Under Treatment At Nyssa Hospital; 7 New Admissions

Seven more polio cases have been admitted to the Malheur Memorial hospital during the past week to bring total admissions to 51, with a total of 19 remaining in the hospital. Only two of the patients are in isolation, three are in respirators and the remaining 14, as well as the respirator cases, are in the convalescent ward.

Last Thursday Sandra Dearborn was readmitted after having been discharged and Friday Shirley Kinney of Vale was readmitted. Marie Hansen, 2, Vale was a new case Friday and is a sister of Dee Hansen, four-year-old admitted two weeks ago. Saturday, Garry Tropf, 3 1/2, Vale, and Robert Kelley, Burns, convalescent from Portland, were admitted. Monday Sandra Goetz, 4, Baker, was brought to Nyssa and Richard Logan, 3 1/2, Vale, was admitted Wednesday.

The Nyssa hospital now has the largest number of polio cases since it opened two years ago, although County Health Officer Dr. L. A. Maulding reported that none of the cases are serious.

Four registered nurses are on duty in the polio ward at all times and members of the Hospital auxiliary are assisting in caring for the patients. Each day, members of the auxiliary feed the respirator cases and assist with other work at the hospital to relieve the load being carried by regular personal hospital officials reported.

## Firemen's Ball Is Saturday, Oct. 25

The seventh annual Firemen's Ball is scheduled for Saturday night, Oct. 25, it was announced this week as members of the department started advance ticket sales and preparations for the event. General chairman of the affair are Earl Purvis and Kenneth Renstrom, who stated that the dance has become the outstanding event of its kind to be held annually.

Proceeds are used for the firemen's fund which is set up for recreational purposes and for any emergency.

## NYSSA SETS MEETING

The Nyssa Education association will meet at 4 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 15, it was announced by Dwight Wyckoff, president. Membership of the group comprises teachers of the Nyssa schools.

## Nyssa Girl Takes Nursing Course

Miss Kleo Wight, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Wight, of Nyssa, has registered at Ricks College, Rexburg, Idaho, this year, according to Registrar Eldred C. Stephenson.

Miss Wight is majoring in nursing and is one of 43 pre-nursing students at Ricks this year.

The enrollment at the Idaho L. D. S. college is 17 percent larger this year and the freshman class alone shows an increase of 20 percent over last year.

## Bulldogs Set To Trim Sails Of Vikings

Coach Howard Lovejoy has his Bulldogs in fine fettle for "the big one" with Vales Pirates Friday on the Nyssa field.

In his usual reticent manner, the coach said that if his boys could maintain the same drive and knack of "getting the jump" on the opposition displayed in the Ontario game "we'll try to see to it that we have a ball game."

But this is the big one—the one that every player on the squad knows a blue chip rides on every play. If the Bulldogs top Vale, not only will it be their fifth win in a row, but it puts them in the district playoffs in the Oregon conference.

## Boy Scout Fund Drive Set For Next Wednesday

A 6:30 a.m. kickoff breakfast will open the one-day Boy Scout fund campaign in Nyssa next Wednesday to coincide with the same date and time as other districts of the Ore-Ida council.

Mel Beck, general solicitations chairman, said that conductors, or sub-chairmen for various parts of the city are John Palmer, Bob Thompson, Monty Fraser, Elmer Crispin, Chuck Landreth and Cal Wilson. Hugh Tabler has charge of the rural area and will name his conductors prior to the day of solicitation. All will meet at Brownie's Cafe for the kickoff breakfast.

"A telephone committee of girls will call the residence of each of the solicitors early Wednesday morning so the wives won't be disturbed," Beck commented.

Jerry Thorne, Ontario, district field executive, said the theme of this year's campaign is "railroading" and persons solicited will be asked to buy a ticket for a Scout down the track of adventure to citizenship. The goal for this year's solicitations has been set at \$40,000, Thorne said.

## City Ballot Has Ten Candidates

Total candidates for four city council posts climbed to ten last Friday with the filing of the name of Dale Bingman, Idaho Power Co. service man and local Legion commander. Deadline for filing names was last Saturday evening and nine had entered the race by last Thursday.

The complete list of candidates from whom Nyssa voters will select four councilmen are Emil Stunz and George Sallee, incumbents; Dick Forbess, Dale Garrison, John Dority, Tom Jones, Clifford Mink, Jim Elkins, Ken Renstrom and Bingman. Members with two more years to serve are Lloyd Wilson, Hugh Tobler and Bob Thompson.

## Plans Underway For Police, Fire Calls

City officials met Tuesday night with Gene Grasty, Nyssa manager of the Malheur Home Telephone Co. and representatives of the Mountain States Telephone Co. from Boise, to discuss an alarm system for fire and police calls when dial telephones are installed.

No definite system has yet been agreed upon, although five proposals were discussed at length. City Manager E. K. Burton said, Grasty stated that whatever system is adopted, Nyssa will probably have better means of calling the police or fire departments with the dial telephones. The city will have the final decision in choosing the type of service to use, Grasty said.

## Train Time Change Brings Benefits

There has been a slight change in the time of incoming mail from both east and west Postmaster Lloyd Lewis announced Monday. The time change became effective when train 18, formerly due here at 10:49 a.m., was moved up to 10:33. Train 25, which carries parcel post from the east now arrives at 7:52 instead of 8:30.

The postmaster said the new schedules will have little or no effect on mail deliveries since the 16 minute additional time each morning will give more time for sorting and distributing the mail. Patrons receiving their mail in boxes will benefit to a certain extent by the change. Parcel post can be handled more rapidly, too, for those getting their mail at the post office early in the morning.

## APPEAL MADE FOR BEDS

The American Legion auxiliary this week made an urgent appeal for hospital beds, claiming that all beds on hand are in use. The organization is considering buying the beds from anyone who has one available, Mrs. Don Graham, president, stated.

## Supt. Henry Hartley Discusses Ballot Title Measures Affecting Oregon Schools; 14 Others Briefly Prevued

Explanation of the 18 initiative and referendum measures that will appear on the general election ballot Nov. 4, was given Monday noon at the Lions club meeting by School Supt. Henry Hartley. The school administrator said that the four measures referred to affects schools directly or indirectly.

In previewing the measures, Hartley revealed that Oregon was the first state to adopt the initiative and referendum system and that many others have copied the plan. In 1951 the law was changed and for the first time this year, explanation of every measure has been compiled by a special committee composed of a proponent of the measure, an opponent and a third member selected by the first two who are appointed by the governor.

## Adrian Dedicates Lighted Field; Team Shows Appreciation With Win

To the accompaniment of the rolling drums and the exploding of rockets, the Adrian high school's lighted athletic field was dedicated before several hundred people last Friday night.

Dedication ceremonies opened at 8 p. m. as a prelude to the Adrian-Middleton football game, first to be played under the lights on the Adrian field.

Athol Sayre, principal of the Adrian high school, gave the brief dedicatory speech which was phrased between the flash and boom of the rockets.

Sponsored by the Adrian Lions club, the field lighting project, which was completed entirely with volunteer labor and donations, covered a span of two years.

The field will be used for school and community affairs.

Following are Principal Sayre's dedicatory remarks:

"Ladies and gentlemen: We who are gathered here this evening join together in dedicating this lighted field to the past. To those pioneers who made this garden place to bloom from the desert—to those we dedicate this field.

"We dedicate this lighted field to the present—to you who make this a progressive, desirable community; to the Adrian Lions club which has made this lighted field possible—to you we dedicate this field.

"We dedicate this lighted field to the future—its hopes and dreams, formed on the firm foundation of the past and built on the sweat and toil of the present. To this we dedicate this field."

Adrian Downs Vikings  
In the smartly contested game between Adrian's Antelopes and the Middleton Vikings, the Adrianites lived up to their moniker with a 14-7

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## Lions Club Receives Traveling Gavel

Nyssa Lions club came into the keeping of the Lions Traveling Gavel Monday noon at the hands of a delegation from the Adrian Lions club.

Presenting the symbol of authority were Orville Gilbert and Vernon Parker, president and assistant tail-twister, respectively, of the visiting club.

In receiving the gavel, Ward Weneke, president, pointed out that the Nyssa club was the second in a chain of 11 clubs that will have short possession of it before it winds up at the Lions club district convention next spring at Sun Valley.

Gene Stunz, on leave from military service, visited the club, of which he is a member.

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Of the 18 measures on which the citizens of Oregon will vote, seven are constitutional amendments referred to the voters by the legislature, two are legislative acts referred by the legislature, three are measures passed by both houses of the legislature and referred to the voters by petitions, while of the six remaining, four are constitutional amendments and two are legislative

## Water Will Leave Owyhee Irrigation Canals Wednesday

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