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ECONOMY RUN WINNERS in the heavy car division include the four youths in the top picture. From left to right are Terry Flanagan, first place with a 1953 Cadillac, 49.79 ton-mile average and 19.85 miles per gallon; Gary Bybee, second with 1954 Olds, 47.33 ton-mile average and 21.4 miles per gallon; Kenneth Cottle, fifth place with 1952 Chrysler, 45 ton-mile average and 20.12 miles per gallon; Wayne Chesnut, third place with 1954 Chevrolet, 47.14 ton-mile average and 23.06 miles per gallon. Dallas Simpson, not

pictured, won fourth place with 1953 Chevrolet with 46.81 ton-mile average and 22.4 miles per gallon. In the light car division, four winners are pictured in the bottom picture and from left to right are Eugene Maw, fifth place, 1954 Ford, 41.91 ton-mile average, 21.03 miles per gallon; Lyle Wilson, second, 1954 Studebaker, 49.48 ton-mile, 25.5 miles per gallon; Dee Shuster, first, 1952 Ford, 49.9 ton-mile, 25 miles per gallon; Gary Fife, third, 1946 Chevrolet, 47.1 ton-mile, 23.89 miles per gallon.

Neil Tensen, not in picture, won fourth place with a 1948 Chevrolet, 42.47 ton-mile average and 22.22 miles per gallon. Other entries in the heavy car division were Larry Bauman, Rodney Beus, Harland Fox and Lois Wilson. Others in the light car division were Stanley Bybee, Ronald Buchner, Carl Tyler, Gerry Leseberg, Lynette Hickman and Virgil Krause. Sponsors of the economy run were the Nyssa Junior Chamber of Commerce and the PTA. —Photo by Schoen

Jury Finds Clerk Guilty of Driving Under Influence

A six-man Ontario justice court jury found Harry S. Sackett, Malheur county clerk, guilty of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor, following a day-long trial last Friday. Sackett had been arrested about 11:50 p. m. March 6 about two miles west of Cairo Junction on the Vale highway and cited by Andrew J. Barry, state police officer, for allegedly driving a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor. He entered an innocent plea when arraigned and through his attorney, Robert E. Lees, asked for a jury trial. His wife was arrested at the same time and charged with being drunk on a public highway, but she pleaded not guilty and is awaiting a trial date. Justice of the Peace Thomas Jones levied a fine of \$100 and costs against Sackett.

Adrian Scout Court Of Honor Held Mon.

Adrian Boy Scout troop 436 held a court of honor Monday evening at the United Presbyterian church in Adrian. Scout Merit badges were awarded to Joe Mackey and Fred Sayer, second class and Bill Looney, Gerry Smith and Russell Bassett, first class. Bill Looney also received his Life badge and pin. A special patrol award was given Wallace Butler, new patrol leader. A short scout meeting was held following the Court of Honor in the church basement.

1st CinemaScope Film in Nyssa Sun.

The stage of the Nyssa theater is undergoing a renovation to accommodate the large screen used in CinemaScope productions, reported Rex Voeller, theater owner and manager. According to Voeller, the regular screen, which is 16 feet wide, must be enlarged to a width of 26 feet.

The first CinemaScope production to come to Nyssa will be "The Command," which is scheduled for April 4, 5 and 6. "The Command" is also the first CinemaScope picture to be produced by Warner Bros.

The film is based on the Saturday Evening Post story, "The White Invader" by J. W. Bellah. It takes place on the battleground of the Western plains and depicts the war which resolved the possession of Wyoming. The story centers about the activities of a cavalry command led by a young medical officer played by Guy Madison.



With a grade point average of 1.09, Phyllis Cheldelin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Cheldelin, was announced valedictorian of the class of 1954. The highest possible average is 1.

During her high school career, Miss Cheldelin has been active in many activities, including student body public relations chairman, freshman Tupelo editor, sophomore and junior class secretaries, speech class secretary, Orchestra accompanist and secretary, Harvest ball princess, member of F.H.A., G.A.A., Girls League, Thespian, Speech club, band, orchestra, Bulldog staff and a member of the Cinderella Ball court. Miss Cheldelin was Job's Daughters Honored Queen and has been very active in the Methodist church.



Ruth Herrman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Herrman, has been named salutatorian. Her grade point average is 1.17. Among Miss Herrman's accomplishments are Freshman activity chairman, F.H.A. point checker, F.H.A. secretary, Girls League senior representative and secretary and Junior class president. She was in the junior 3-act and 1-act plays, on the Tupelo staff, on the Cinderella Court, student body treasurer and has been a member of the student council for two years. Miss Herrman was Girl's state representative from Nyssa last year, and is an active member of the Methodist church.

Boat Commodore Urges Cooperation In Developing Owyhee Reservoir

After 20 years of work on the part of outdoor enthusiasts, a road is finally being built into Owyhee reservoir and extensive development is under way for a large recreational area adjacent to Nyssa. Bernard Frost, commodore of the Nyssa Boat club, told members of the Business Men's association Tuesday. Frost stated that the cooperation of Nyssa business firms in developing the area near the reservoir will mean a lot to everyone concerned, both from the standpoint of tourist trade and for the convenience of local residents.

The transfer of a lease on Cherry Creek property, under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior, from the original lessees, the Nyssa Boat club, to H. H. Woods of Seneca and Orris Crisp of John Day was announced last January.

Jones Experience California Quake

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jones returned Saturday from a 17-day vacation trip that took them to Salt Lake City and several California points. At Palm Springs, Calif., where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Morrow, who have visited Nyssa and were among a group shooting Hells Canyon rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Jones experienced an earthquake reported there March 18. They reported they were "shaken up" and that water in a swimming pool at the Morrow home splashed violently during the main shock. No damage was reported.

They reported a "big boom" in California, reported to be due to recent oil strikes in the San Fernando valley. Jones said that they saw literally thousands of new homes, ranging from modest \$10,000 structures to \$70,000 homes under construction in vast, newly opened residential sections.

New Merit Badge Books at Library

Boy Scouts and all others interested in Scouting will have access to complete information about studies and tests for merit badges following the donation of new books to the Nyssa library. A set of merit badge books for Scouting was donated to the Nyssa library by Ralph Lawrence. Merit tests cover almost every known vocation and avocation and the new books give Scouts an opportunity to study more details of subjects in which they are interested.

NYSSA MAN GETS WEEK LEAVE FROM ARMY DUTY

Pfc. Minard Hart, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kias Hart, route 1, Nyssa, recently spent a seven-day rest and recuperation leave in Korea, Japan, and the Philippines. Hart is stationed in Korea as a pole lineman with Co. C, of the 4th Signal battalion.

Voters Asked to Approve School's Bid For Permission to Exceed Tax Limit, Expansion Plans to Meet Needs Cited

Registered voters in school district 26C will decide Monday whether the school board shall be permitted to go beyond the six percent limitation set by law to help make up the 1954-55 budget. It will be necessary for the district to raise \$105,587.85 outside the six percent limitation for the 1954-55 budget. This amount compares with \$110,157.73 needed for 1953-54 and is \$4,569.88 less than the special amount in the current budget. Voters approved the action of the school board 207 to 107 at the special election a year ago. Estimated expenditures for the 1954-55 term are \$395,961 or \$12,107 more than the estimated expenditures of \$383,854 for the current year. The 1954-55 tax levy will raise \$255,196, or \$1,497 more than the amount raised in 1953-54. School Board Chairman J. L. Herriman explained that the 1954-55 budget makes provision for three more teachers than did the 1953-54 budget. One of the three teachers was added on an emergency basis last fall when the first grade enrollment exceeded expectations and incurred the need for two additional teachers rather than one that had been provided. Two additional teachers will be added next fall in anticipation of a similar situation.

Milk Dealers Say Prices Too High

There are indications that milk prices in Malheur county may drop, it was reported last week by the Argus-Observer following a hearing of the Oregon milk marketing administration in Ontario.

Among distributors testifying was Don Engstrom, operator of the Nyssa Cloverlawn Dairy, who said he thought the retail price of milk in the county should be reduced. Engstrom said some Nyssans are driving across the Snake river to buy milk at a cheaper price in Idaho and several raw milk dealers are selling milk.

Refugee Speaker At PTA Meeting

Ladis Kristof, formerly of Cernanti, Romania which is now in Russian hands, will speak Thursday night of next week at the regular April meeting of the PTA. Kristof fled from the Russians in 1948 and went to Yugoslavia, and later went to Paris before coming to the United States and settling at Valsey, Oreg. in 1952. There he obtained work in lumbering operations, similar to that for which he was trained in Romania. He is now a student majoring in political science at Reed College. The speaker is provided by the Institute of International Affairs and the Oregon Commission of UNESCO through the Oregon System of Higher Education.

District Prize Winning Essay Written By Irene Jayo Is Published by Journal

Without question one of the most crucial and difficult problems of our era is the problem of world organization. Among thoughtful people everywhere, other social evils. To enumerate all the problems and aspirations of the United Nations would be almost as impossible as to discover the philosopher's stone. Hence, I will discuss the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, one of the variety of specialized agencies directed by the Economic and Social Council, a chief governing body of the U. N. UNESCO was established in 1946 in accordance with provision of the United Nations Charter. The only major power not represented on the membership list is Russia. According to the UNESCO constitution, the prime purpose is "... to contribute to peace and security by promoting collaboration among the nations thru education, science, and culture. ..." This task of creating international good-will and cooperation might be called the worldwide humanitarian problem. Based on these principals, UNESCO is successfully mastering many of the ills of the world. The first task of UNESCO was to (Continued on page 12)

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JCs, Merchants Join in Plans for Big Easter Event

The Junior Chamber of Commerce-sponsored Easter Egg hunt scheduled for Saturday, April 17, will be greatly expanded from the Jaycees first event staged last year, it was announced this week by Kenneth Chard, chairman of the committee making arrangements.

An order has been placed for eight cases of eggs that will be colored with innumerable prizes to be awarded for certain eggs. Details of the prize contests will be announced later.

One of the big changes, in addition to more eggs, will be division of youngsters into two age groups to give the younger children an opportunity to search for and find the colored eggs.

When the Jaycee project was announced by Chard at Tuesday's luncheon meeting of the Business Men's association, an offer was made to furnish prizes by individual business firms. Plans are now being made to have even more special markings on some of the eggs to make it possible for the children to call at certain stores for prizes. The store prizes will be in addition to awards being offered by the Jaycees. The Business Men's association voted to further assist the Junior Chamber by sponsoring a special sales event the Saturday before Easter.

Hugh Tobler, announced that he is planning a promotion and will feature it on the same day and give a large number of colored chicks and colored rabbits as prizes.

Wayne Chesnut, who presided at the luncheon meeting Tuesday, said that the BMA will also take an active part in the annual Jersey show to be held in May and efforts will be made to stage a bigger and better auto and implement show, held in conjunction with the Jersey Show last year.

Unwilling Guest Back In Bastile

Vernon Lowtrip has been a frequent guest of Nyssa and on at least two occasions has found it "inconvenient" to fulfill some of his obligations to the city—especially those meted out by the police judge.

Lowtrip was arrested last September on a public intoxication charge, but was unable to pay the fine and was confined and placed on a work crew. On Sept. 13, he walked away from his job and was not seen for six months. He was arrested March 13 by city police and ordered to pay a fine of \$50 on the old charge, but was released on his own recognizance and given time to pay.

Early last Sunday morning, Lowtrip was arrested again for public intoxication, but he still had no money to pay the old fine or any new fine that might be levied for the new charge.

According to Chief of Police E. L. Hansen, Lowtrip will be a guest of the city for at least 50 days.

Dr. Sarazin Gives Chairs to Hospital

The Malheur Memorial hospital was the recipient of a special chair presented to the hospital last week by Dr. J. J. Sarazin. The mobile, reclining chair is adjustable to suit the needs of any patient and can be used as a lounge chair or as an emergency bed.

Donated at the same time by Dr. Sarazin was a smaller chair to be used at the nurses' station near the entrance to the hospital.

Cattle Club to Meet

A meeting of the Malheur county Jersey cattle club, will be held at the Adrian grade school Saturday, Apr. 3 at 8 p. m.

Phil Badger, manager of Idaho creameries, will be present to discuss the All-Jersey program which is being carried on by his company.

Ed Mason Appointed Oil Co-op Manager

Ed Mason, who has been employed as truck driver by the Nyssa Cooperative Supply for the past several years, was named manager this week following the resignation of Al Moses, who was appointed manager the forepart of this year.

O. E. Cheldelin, president of the Nyssa Co-op which was organized last winter after the Nyssa branch of the Farmers Supply Cooperative separated from the Ontario group, stated that efforts are being made to iron out numerous minor difficulties that have been encountered since the new co-op was formed.

Contractors For Workers Must Be Bonded, Licensed

Farm labor contractors in Malheur county will be under license and bonding regulations in 1954, but cooperation of labor users will be necessary to insure the full benefits from new legislation regulating contractors. Charles Swan, district attorney, told representatives of the county labor sponsoring association and representatives of the three major row crop associations at Nyssa Friday that the machinery is available to eliminate some of the abuses brought about in the past by irresponsible labor contractors.

Labor laws passed in the last legislature which became effective Jan. 1 of this year, according to Swan, require that any person who receives pay as a labor contractor must secure a license from the State Labor Commissioner, and as a condition of securing the license must post a surety bond of \$1000. He pointed out that such licensing allows for screening of persons who can serve as contractors, by reason of local people being consulted on license applications. He pointed out that bonding protects the farmer employing labor against the possibility of double wage claims where he might pay the contractor and the contractor not pay the workers. In such case the workers could also claim payment from the farmer and he would be required to pay. Posting of bond makes possible. (Continued on page 12)

NHS Students To Attend Meet

Ten Nyssa High School students will participate in the Eastern Oregon district speech tournament to be held Friday and Saturday in La Grande, according to Soren Cox, speech teacher and district director of the meet. Seven counties will be represented.

To be entered are poetry reading, Lois Wilson, and Kay Ballantyne; impromptu, Ned Snider, who will also enter extemporaneous speaking; humorous reading, Carlee Kessler and Pat Nicholson; radio, Ruth Herrman and Shirley Kohl; oratory, June Peterson and Irene Jayo; serious reading, Ballantyne and Kohl; panel discussion, June Peterson and the debate team, Janice Williams, Ruth Herrman, Ned Snider and Carlee Kessler.

Mr. Cox is being assisted by Alvin Kaiser, head of the speech department of Eastern Oregon College of Education.

Heart Fund Drive Surpasses Quota

A total of \$162.08 was collected in the annual heart fund drive in Nyssa to exceed their quota set at \$150, according to Dr. K. A. Danford, chairman for the campaign in Nyssa. The drive was sponsored by the Nyssa Civic club in cooperation with the Job's Daughters who assisted in the canvassing.

Marilyn Oden was awarded a prize of \$20 for the largest amount collected by one individual. The award was presented by Dr. W. J. Weese, Malheur county Heart Fund chairman, who announced the prize to be given if the quota was attained.

Total collections for Ontario and Vale were not available for publication this week.

Hospital Caught Between Obligation To Humanity and Poor Credit Risks

The Malheur Memorial hospital has some credit problems not unlike those of most private business firms, only that private business can sever all connections with the poor credit risks and refuses to accept their patronage, while the hospital must take 'em as they come.

The hospital has to take all cases, care for them, foot the bill for medicants administered and feed them according to the doctors' orders, regardless of whether the patient pays in advance, has an insurance or hasn't a dime to his name and no intention of ever getting one.

John O'Toole, manager of the hospital, said the total "charged off" bill for service since the institution opened four years ago is \$10,888.00. He hastened to add that the percentage of loss on the bad accounts is only 2.77 and members of the hospital board have frequently challenged private business in general to match that kind of collection record.

"Our good record can't be flaunted when the fact remains that the rest of the people of this community are having to dig up that \$10,888 in one way or another," O'Toole said. Although eastern Oregon hospitals have the lowest rates in the state with overhead just as high as any of

the rest, room rates could be reduced if there were some way to collect more of the accounts, the hospital manager went on to say. O'Toole estimates that about half the bad accounts are those of transients while the other half are indigent patients who are more or less established residents.

Comes the problems of welfare funds from the county—the transients aren't eligible because they haven't established a legal residence here and most of the indigent cases from the ranks of local citizens were emergencies and not referred to the hospital by the county welfare board so the hospital is left holding the sack.

The most common cases for which the hospital never receives any pay are severe injuries and delivery of babies. "After all, the hospital was built by the people of the community and we've never yet turned down a legitimate case," O'Toole said. "Even if some transient worker has a knife wound or two as the result of a drunken brawl, he's considered as a human being whose life might be in danger so we take him in and ask questions about his financial status later. The same goes for the delivery of babies—we are not going to have any babies born out on the hospital (Continued on page 12)