

Days Gone By in Nyssa Community

From the Journal Files

10 Years Ago—September 7, 1944

Mrs. O. E. Cheldelin was seriously burned when a can of oil with which she was starting a fire exploded. — The M & H Sales Co. of Nyssa expect to start operation of its alfalfa meal plant south of town by Sept. 20. — Carl Burningham of Salt Lake City arrived in Nyssa Monday to complete purchase of the building occupied by Curry's produce on the west end of Main street. He will conduct a cafe and drive-in lunch service. — Pete Merrick was seriously injured when a horse he was riding was struck by a hay truck. He was en route to the Eason ranch to practice with the Owyhee Riding club drill team, of which he is a member. — Sugar production will start at the Nyssa factory about Sept. 25. — Miss Louise Tensen left for Corning, Calif., where she will teach home economics in the high school. Everett Heldt has taken her position in the recorder's office.

15 Years Ago—September 7, 1939

Aden Wilson looked through the old Journal files and found that coffee had sold for 68 cents per pound during the last war. — A delegation of 5 members of The Nyssa Chamber of Commerce, Mayor R. A. Thompson, Bernard Frost, Frank T. Morgan, A. C. Norcutt and Louis P. Thomas, met with the Oregon State Highway commission last week to discuss the construction of the underpass in Nyssa. — The Owyhee school opened with Lowell McMillan, as principal; Mrs. Adelyn Buckland, intermediate and Mrs. Ruth McMillan as primary teachers. — Marion Chard, who is to drive the school bus in the Oregon Trail district, returned from Indiana with the new bus which has been purchased by the district. — Howard Hatch and John Enos are the bus drivers for Adrian high school. — The County Court opened the section of road leading from the old condemned bridge on the Owyhee river to the new highway which crossed the McEwen place. The road had been closed for 3 years.

20 Years Ago—September 6, 1934

Rev. Floyd E. White, pastor of the Nyssa Community church, is attending the annual conference this week. Nyssa people have asked that Rev. White return as he is well liked in this field. — Mrs. Laura Fisher of Fruitland has rented a room in the Blackman building for the early opening of a ladies dress shop. — Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fox of Gettysburg, S. D., have leased the Seburn auto park. John and Cecil Seburn who have been operating the park plan to return to mining. — W. C. Jackson of Beaverton, has leased the grounds of the former Nyssa Lumber Co. from E. B. Butler and has opened a new yard in this vicinity. — Henry Terra, newcomer from California, has purchased an Owyhee project tract near Chalk Butte. He has completed the drilling of a well and started construction of a residence. — Howard Hatch is driving a roomy new bus on the Big Bend school route this year. — Pete Tensen is enthusiastic over the success of the drainage well recently completed near his place.

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30 Years Ago—September 5, 1924

The Wind Jammers opened a fine program when Speis 100-piece band marched from the depot and gave an open air concert on Main street. Other numbers on the program was Mrs. Stubb's music class which drew a full house. Sports and races and a water fight were featured. The program was concluded with two dance halls overflowing. Along with the fun the band netted \$112. — Rev. Freeman who has been in charge of the local Methodist church departed for Missouri to make his home. — Under the leadership of Mrs. A. V. Cook assisted by Mrs. J. P. Baxter, the Nyssa Progressive Cooking club met for the purpose of choosing the best team to exhibit at the Malheur County Fair. Judges selected were Mrs. Mattie Thomason, Mrs. H. R. Sherwood and Mrs. Joe Ewing. — A delegation from Nyssa, including R. J. Davis, John Forbes and Al Thompson, attended a reclamation meeting on Dead Ox Flat. Government reclamation officials addressed the meeting.

35 Years Ago—September 5, 1919

Tressie Lackie and Violet Cox left for Baker where they will attend school. — Henry Fields has doubled his capacity in the truck business—he has purchased a brand new truck. — The Nyssa draymen are keeping the roads hot these days, hauling fruit and other farm produce to the city. — Robert Vanquist, former mayor of Nyssa, was in the city from Boise. — Dr. J. Sarazin reports the sale of 15 tons of Elberta peaches to the Sargeant fruit company of Payette. — Rev. Trueblood and family will depart in a few days for Alicel, Ore., where he has been assigned by the M. E. Conference which was held in Weiser. — Mrs. Fred Klingback is the owner of a nice new washing machine run by a gasoline motor. Mr. Klingback also runs his grindstone with the aforesaid engine. — C. C. Hunt has sold his home 1½ miles west of Nyssa to Harry Groot.

40 Years Ago—September 4, 1914

Ontario formally filed the petition for the calling of an election to ascertain the wishes of the people of Malheur county regarding the removal of the county seat from its present location in Vale to Ontario. — Orders were received this week from Washington, D. C., to discontinue the postoffice at Owyhee. Bruce Duncan, temporary rural carrier, will distribute the mail in that area. Mrs. L. C. Skinner postmaster will be relieved of her commission. — W. W. Smith resigned his office as city marshal this week to resume his old position as foreman of the Idaho Oregon orchards. — A drove

Remember When - - ?



NEARLY A THIRD century ago the Nyssa high school football squad posed for this picture in front of the old building formerly serving for all 12 grades. A record of the team's

actions that year was not available. Standing, left to right, are Pud Long, Jack Barnett, Jim Kakabecke, Charles Newbill, Bill Klinkenberg and Frank Reberger. In the front

row are Warren Blodgett, Charles Thompson, Jim Duncan, Lawrence Blodgett, Paul Davis, Bob Peck and Charles Peck. This is another photo from the Bob Thompson collection.

Fruit and Vegetable Inspections Increase

Fresh fruit and vegetable inspections under federal-state shipping point certification in Oregon during 1953-54 totaled 36,302.9 cars. This is the second highest movement out of the eight Oregon shipping districts in the 32 years of this service, according to the state department of agriculture. The 1950-51 inspections of 40,936 cars holds the record.

Certifications for the year closed July 1 were 95 cars ahead of 1952-53 season, which represented the 1952 crop harvest. The figures for last year do not include 443.6 carloads of brine cherries, handled under state inspection rather than under federal-state activity. This deal brings the total fresh commodity movement under inspection in Oregon the past year to 36,746.5 cars. These inspections largely represent outgoing shipments.

For the twenty-first year in a row, potatoes topped the list of commodities inspected for shipment.

Totals for the 1952-53 and 1953-54 shipping years, respectively, on the five high items were: potatoes, 20,876.4 and 19,865.8; pears, 6,980.3 and 5,844.7; onions, 4,949.1 and 6,162.2; apples, 1,323.7 and 1,991.7; and fresh prunes 964.8 and 829.

Other commodities on which more than 10 cars were certified for grade and condition the past year: corn, 133.4; lettuce 76; tomatoes, 10.2; fresh cherries, 195.5;

of 800 horses went through here this week, coming from the interior. They were purchased by the government for cavalry mounts. — Earl B. Nedry of Newport, Ore., who will teach the 7th and 8th grades in the local school is rusticiating with Prof. Davis on the latter's ranch until school takes up. — Blainey Boydell, Cecil Caldwell and several other young men gave a successful dance at the opera house.

Along The Oregon Trail

Mrs. Frank Byers
Phone 2325

The Merry Matrons met Aug. 18 at the home of Della Holmes. Eight members answered roll call with a favorite recipe or household hint. The afternoon was spent socially. Refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Alberta Bowen. The next meeting will be Sept. 1, at the Nyssa City Park. Each member is asked to bring their own glass. Pot holders will be exchanged.

Mrs. Roy Miller and family of Caney, Kan., visited Wednesday with Mrs. Miller's aunt, Mr. B. F. Rookstool and family.

Mr. and Mrs. William Keck and family of San Francisco are visiting at the parental Ab Keck home.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adams and Janice visited Sunday at the Robert Odems home in Weiser.

Miss Betty Byers of Nampa, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Byers.

Mrs. Leonard Olson and boys of Tule Lake, Calif., arrived Friday to visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Rookstool and other relatives here.

F. G. Holmes and Robert Holmes made a business trip to Council Monday morning.

Miss Reva Rookstool, who is taking nurses training at St. Lukes hospital in Boise, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rookstool.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic Swaty and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Cardwell of Lucas, Kan., and Mrs. John

cold pack strawberries, 27.6; strawberries for freezing, 21.8; walnuts, 219.1; filberts, 264.5; shelled filberts, 11.5; onion sets, 13; peaches, 30.2; cabbage, 126.6; carrots, 28.4; strawberry plants, 25 cars.

Your Library

A European tour and a fictional vacation represent the lighter vein while a more philosophical journey and a theatrical biography are more serious in tone among the books topping the list of those going into circulation Saturday, Aug. 28, at the Malheur County Library.

Emily Kimbrough's three weeks' whirlwind tour of Italy, with stopovers in Paris and London, is the background for her lively comments in Forty Plus and Fancy Free.

The Journey, is Lillian Smith's description of her spiritual journey through her memory of people and scenes, in an effort to find an image of the human being that she could be proud of.

Edward Streeter, author of Father of the Bride, tells the story of Mr. Hobbs' Vacation which turns out to be not quite what Mr. Hobbs had expected.

The Oliviers, written by Felix Barker, is the biography of Laurence Olivier and Vivien Leigh, for which the biographer had at his disposal theatrical records, diaries, and correspondence. Their theatrical experiences and their devotion to their profession are told in colorful detail, as well as their early lives, their first unsuccessful marriages, and their career together.

A new mystery by George Coxe, Focus on Murder, tells how Kent Murdock tries to learn the story behind the murder of one of his newspaper colleagues.

Editors of the magazine have selected outstanding novelettes and stories of the year for The Saturday Evening Post Stories: 1953.

Cowboy Say Your Prayers, by

R. Bybee Discharged; Enters University

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bybee and Kim arrived in Nyssa Wednesday from Spokane, Wash., where Mr. Bybee had recently received his discharge from the United States Air Force. Bybee had spent the past four years in the service as radar man on a B-36.

They left Sunday for Salt Lake City, where he will enter the University of Utah as a junior in electronics.

While here, the Bybees were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bingham and Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Bybee.

Harry Drago and Stage Road to Denver, by Allan Vaughan Elston add to the library's collection of western stories.

The Complete Book of Dog Care by Leon Whitney is a comprehensive guide including first aid, feeding, grooming, disease and canine physiology.

An explorer, Peter Freuchen, tells of his childhood in Denmark, years of Arctic exploration, exploits with the wartime underground, and movie-making in Hollywood in Vagant Viking.

From Lodestone to Gyro-Compass by Henry Hitchins is a comprehensive account of the development of the compass.

The story of building in relation to man's progress is seen in the new edition of Architecture through the Ages by Talbot Hamlin.

The Vermilion Boat by Sudhin Ghose tells of the author's student days in Calcutta. Digressions into legend and historic episode add to the book's appeal.

Fundamentals of Carpentry by Walter Durbahn is a two-volume work published by the American Technical Society.

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