

## Ontarions Urge Ballot Defeat Courthouse Issue

Jim Leslie and Don Lynch of Ontario appeared at the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce Wednesday noon to appeal to the group to help defeat an initiative measure for purchase of Vale high school property for a court house and support a proposed plan to build an entirely new courthouse building.

Lynch, publisher of the Argus-Observer, stated that a new building should be constructed instead of purchasing and remodeling the school building. The cost would be substantially the same, he stated, although no definite figures on remodeling costs have been given. The price of the school building has been set at \$125,000 and estimates to remodel the structure have ranged from \$50,000 to \$151,000.

County Judge G. Y. Chester this week announced a less expensive remodeling plan, the Ontario publisher, said and went on to cite the fact that a remodeled building would not be fireproof and total costs are too indefinite.

He reported that Lake county had constructed a courthouse for \$281,970. Grant county has a new structure which cost \$288,097 and a new building costing \$321,123 is under construction in Lincoln county.

No action was taken by the Nyssa Chamber, but President Leonard Hewett stated that a delegation from Vale will be in Nyssa next Wednesday to urge a favorable vote for purchase of the school building. Residents of Vale have another set of figures disproving those submitted by the Ontario delegation, Hewett said.

## Onion Shipments Reach 325 Cars

Potato shipments from Nyssa during the past few days have been practically nil, indicating that most of the 1954 crop has been shipped, according to Tom Jones, Union Pacific agent.

Onion shipments have been much heavier than a year ago, however, with what is considered a good price. A total of 325 cars had been shipped from Nyssa through last Saturday, or 193 more cars than the number having left here at the same time a year ago.

## Camel Leg Bone Discovered Near Burns by Coreys

A leg bone of a camel that roamed Eastern Oregon a mere 20 or 30 million years ago was found recently by Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Corey, local amateur geologists who collect bones and fossils in addition to gems.

The odd-appearing bone was discovered about three weeks ago east of Burns and brought back to Nyssa. The bone had petrified and showed a split at the lower end, indicating it was not from any animals native to this part of the country in modern times. They sent their find to a collector at Rupert, Idaho, who identified it as a camel, which he said lived here long ago. Similar bones have been found in the American Falls area in Southern Idaho, Mr. and Mrs. Corey said.

## Flippence Freed On \$2500 Bail

Theo "Jack" Flippence, 33, Parma, who was charged with negligent homicide by a coroner's jury Tuesday of last week in the death of Lois Turner, 16, was arraigned in the Nyssa justice court Thursday and bound over to the grand jury. Bail in the amount of \$2,500 was furnished and Flippence was released.

The defendant was driver of a car that crashed into the back of another vehicle Oct. 10, fatally injuring Lois Turner.

## Nyssa Eyesore Goes —City Shop Gets Fixed and Painted

One of Nyssa's eyesores will soon be gone, said Robert Applegate, city manager, this week. He was referring to the City Shop which is undergoing a remodeling. The City Shop, the former railroad depot, will have repairs on the shake siding, a patched and painted roof, windows installed, doors at each end, and a concrete or asphalt floor, he said. The whole structure will be cleaned and painted.

"A budget of \$2000 was allocated to do the remodeling," Applegate commented.

The building, located below the water tower, was moved to Nyssa in the mid 1930s.

## New Cash Prize Offered for 8 Days In Journal Subscription Campaign

The Nyssa Gate City Journal today announces a second new subscription campaign in which it will give a prize of \$10 in cash. This is entirely different from the first new \$10 cash prize campaign which ended yesterday.

## Mystery Cloaks Operations At Nyssa Oil Well

A cloak of mystery surrounded operations at the oil or gas well three miles north of Nyssa, this week when rumors piled on top of rumors and H. K. Riddle, who reportedly is seeking oil could not be located for comment.

According to reports available, the well had been drilled to a depth of 1,936 feet Wednesday about noon. The bit was pulled from the well to "run a test" for what was reported to have been traces of gas. Several days ago a representative of J. R. Simplot of Boise, who is in the process of joining with Riddle in the oil exploration work, appeared at the Nyssa well with reports that, "We heard you struck gas."

Workmen at the well said they were instructed this week to refuse to make any comment whatsoever about the operations.

## 1955 Chevrolet Goes On Display Here Next Week

The first 1955 automobile to be shown in Nyssa will be the completely changed Chevrolet which will be unveiled to the public at Nyssa Motors, Inc. on Thursday of next week. Manager Wayne Chesnut announced Chesnut, who with Tony Richter and Ralph Curry, returned this week from Portland where they saw the new models, reported that changes in the new car were so sweeping that it was necessary to nearly double the engineering staff to accomplish the job in the allotted time of 28 months. "The 1955 models are the most completely changed Chevrolets ever introduced," Chesnut said.

Open house will be held at Nyssa Motors the day of the showing with free coffee and donuts and favors for men, women and children.

## Bond Issue For Class Rooms Will Be Voted Soon

Voters living within Nyssa school district 26-C will vote sometime in December on a school bond issue to construct eight new elementary class rooms and another bond issue for a cafeteria, shop and music room, it was decided Monday night at a special school board meeting.

Supt. R. V. Wilson, who is also clerk of the board, said that final plans are now being drafted for the special election and they will be approved at the November school board meeting.

At the regular PTA meeting last Thursday night, a round-table discussion was held with a panel, composed of Arvel Child, moderator, Fred Bracken, Vern Garner and Architect Graham Smith, leading a questions and answers period.

It was brought out that 26 rooms are now in use for the elementary grades and 28 rooms will be required next year and will fill all facilities to their maximum capacity. The 28 rooms will include 20 in the old grade school, four at Arcadia, two in the junior high and two in the grade school library. By 1956, 29 rooms will be required and the following year there will be need for 31 rooms while 34 must be used in 1958, it was reported by Supt. Wilson.

All class room needs are based on birthrates for the past several years, together with averages derived from all school statistics, Wilson explained. No allowance has been made for an unexpected influx of people, he said.

By using only the most conservative estimates, an eight room addition to the present plant would be sufficient for at least eight years, it was pointed out.

## Nyssa Ministers Elect Officers

The Rev. Robert O. Jackson of the Nazarene church, was elected president of the Nyssa ministerial association at a meeting last Monday evening at the Christian church. Rev. Jackson succeeds the Rev. John Brielh of the Faith Lutheran church.

The Rev. Carl Gross of the Episcopal church was elected vice president and the Rev. H. H. Powell of the Christian church was elected secretary-treasurer.

## April In October... Apple Tree Can't Tell Seasons Well

Nyssa, Oregon, a lovely city situated on the banks of the Snake River in southeastern Oregon, is far from the teeming banana jungles of Central America—but it is still called part of the banana belt.

And justly so. Nyssa does have a generally warm winter climate. To prove it: Mrs. Lester Strawn and Mrs. Cleone Dougherty reported that, while picking apples last week at the Fred Stevens' orchard, they found an apple tree with blossoms on it, a lot of blossom buds, and some mature apples as well.

June in January? No. It's April in October in "the banana belt" of Oregon.

## \$650,000 Payment Wednesday Settles '53 Beet Purchase

Final payment on the 1953 sugar beet crop was made Wednesday of this week when checks totaling approximately \$650,000 were mailed to growers in the Nyssa-Nampa district, it was announced by Jed Lewis, district manager of the Amalgamated Sugar Co. With this payment growers will have received \$13.17 per ton for their last year's beets.

The 1953 yield set a new record with an average of 23.36 tons of beets to the acre in the Nyssa-Nampa district, making \$307.65 the average per acre returns to growers.

Lewis said that harvesting of the 1954 crop is progressing rapidly with 30 percent of the crop now dug and stockpiled for processing.

## Testimony Time Said to be Wrong

Testimony given by John P. Newell, member of the state police, at a coroner's inquest last Tuesday was inaccurate as to the time of arrival of an ambulance, Kermit Lienkaemper stated. Newell told the jury that the ambulance arrived at the scene of the accident at 4:40 a. m. and that time was recorded by the coroner in the county's records.

Lienkaemper said that he received the call at 3:40 and was at the scene of the accident within a few minutes. He had charge of the ambulance during the absence of Bert Lienkaemper.

The inquest was called by Coroner George C. Beechler following the death of Lois Turner Oct. 10 after she was injured when struck by a car driven by Theo Flippence of Parma. The jury charged Flippence with negligent homicide.

## Nyssa Council May Have New Agenda

The Nyssa city council may soon be working under a formal and permanent agenda system, said Robert Applegate, city manager.

Applegate said that Mayor Tom Jones has proposed that such a formal agenda, which will allow no deviation, be adopted and used at all meetings.

The tentative agenda which has been in use, he said, allowed such deviations and interruptions in the order of business.

## Sludge Dumping Out As Nyssa To Finish Its Sewer System

Work is scheduled to complete Nyssa's sewer system to meet requirements of the state of Oregon, Robert Applegate, city manager, said.

"We have been dumping our sludge about every three months," he said, "but by the time we are ready to dump again the drying beds and completion of the system should be ready. The state has objected to the sludge dumping into the Snake River."

The sewer plant was partially completed in 1937 by the W.P.A. Still to be completed, Applegate said, are the drying beds and recirculating lines.

## HAVE FUN DAY

Eleven girls of the GAA (Girls' Athletic Association) of Nyssa High school attended a play-day in Vale last Saturday.

Each participating town received an award; a luncheon was served.

## Six of These Youngsters Will Earn New Bicycles... Others To Get Cash Commissions

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Sandra Kobs  
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Pictured above are boys and girls competing for the six bicycles and the cash commissions in the Nyssa Gate City Journal subscription campaign. Wherever you live you can make one of these youngsters happy by paying him or her your new or renewal subscription.

On page 2 is a complete listing of the boys and girls who have stated their intention of being active workers in this campaign. The names listed on page 2 are in the order of their standings in their respective districts.

Choose a favorite from these fine boys and girls and pay your subscription before 9 p. m. Saturday, October 30, 1954. In this area \$3.00 for 1 year, or \$6.00 for 2 years. Elsewhere \$3.50 for each year.

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