

Days Gone By in Nyssa Community

From the Journal Files

5 Years Ago—April 13, 1950

Water was turned into the north canal of the Owyhee project Sunday for the 1950 irrigation. Most farmers have their grain and beets in. — J. R. Child of Utah has purchased the Accounting Service company of Nyssa from Tom Seppich and R. G. Whitaker. — With establishment of a state park at the Owyhee reservoir assured, the Nyssa Boat club and the Malheur Game League are developing plans for a county-wide organization to promote the project. — Miss Janice Campbell of Nyssa was chosen as princess of the Payette Blossom festival to be held May 6. — Jesse Asumenda of Adrian received the Adrian Lions club award for outstanding athletic ability, citizenship and scholarship. — Thirty eight men equipped with plenty of machinery, did the spring work on the Cecil Riddle farm in Nu Acres Tuesday. The grocers of Nyssa donated the food for the dinner served the workers and the Nu Acres women prepared the meal. Mr. Riddle is in a hospital recovering from a major operation.

10 Years Ago April 12, 1945

President Franklin D. Roosevelt died this afternoon in Warm Springs, Ga. — A little water in the Owyhee reservoir will be released to allow space in the dam for a late run-off. Prospects indicate considerable water will be wasted down the river this year due to the surplus condition. — T/3 Merle Kygar of Nyssa, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kygar, who spent 3 years in Billabid prison in the Philippines as a war prisoner of the Japanese, spoke on his experiences at the Chamber of Commerce meeting Wednesday. The Adrian Chamber of Commerce voted to promote the purchase of fire fighting equipment. — George N. Bear was elected commander of Owyhee Post No. 3506 of the VFW.

15 Years Ago—April 11, 1940

April 20th has been set as the date for turning the water into the irrigation ditches according to George Haycock in charge of the Nyssa Reclamation office. — The Eder Hardware company has

purchased the McConnell corner at Main and Second streets and will erect a glazed tile one story building for their implement, hardware and groceries. — Henry H. Hartley, who for the past 4 years has been superintendent of schools at Bandon, has been elected principal of the union high school here to succeed J. W. Bushong, according to Wm. De Groff, chairman of the board of education. — Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Burke of Jerome sold their residence here to Mr. and Mrs. George Henneman. — Many hours labor with horses and tractors were accomplished between showers by the Morgan Park Garden club at the park where land was surveyed, leveled and planted to grass, trees and shrubs.

20 Years Ago—April 11, 1935

The first water to go through the tunnel onto the new project will start its journey Friday morning of this week, according to R. J. Newell, project engineer, which marks an event waited for many years. 15,000 acres of new land will be irrigated this spring. — Anna Marie Toombs and Luella Leuck won two of the first declamatory contest held at the Methodist church for the city schools. — Surplus hay in this part of the state is now practically cleaned up according to County Agent Larsen. Shipments have been made to the middle west states. — Tick serum treatment for the prevention of spotted fever has been given to 125 patients by Dr. Sarazin. — The city purchased a new tractor with a built-in grader and a Ford truck which they expect to make into a water sprinkler for use on the city streets. Mayor Don Graham and Art Cook made a trip to Idaho Falls over the week end to inspect the machinery.

25 Years Ago—April 11, 1930

Miss Thompson and Mrs. Abbott will begin a six-weeks term of kindergarten about the middle of May to be held in the basement of the Methodist church. — A picture of the Owyhee dam as it will look when completed was on exhibition at the Commercial club meeting. The country surrounding the dam was an actual

1st National Bank Releases Deposit, Loan Figures

Quarterly statement of condition figures released by the Nyssa branch of the First National Bank of Portland show that on March 31 of this year, deposits at the branch were \$4,024,937 and loans were \$2,597,167, according to Manager George J. Mitchell.

Released at the same time were comparable totals for the branch for March 31, 1954. On that date, deposits were \$3,810,530, or \$214,407 less than 1955 and loans totaled \$2,520,980 or \$76,187 less.

Further figures show that on March 31, 1955, deposits at the First National Bank and its 70 statewide banking offices were \$755,133,833, loans were \$372,221,722 and resources were \$832,319,336.

In releasing the figures, C. B. Stephenson, president of the bank, reported that all three totals represented large increases over a year ago, and are record highs for the bank on March 31. Over March 31, 1954, deposits at First National have increased \$65,843,216, loans are up \$18,434,159 and resources increased \$86,435,919.

Compared to December 31, 1954, loans are up \$3,976,639 and deposits are off \$29,597,593. Stephenson pointed out that this is an established trend in the state's economic activity, since in mid-winter and early spring First National normally is called upon for maximum funds to be used for building inventories, expanding production of manufactured items, planting of crops and other agriculture needs.

Nyssans On Ore. Tech Honor Roll

Announcement of the winter term honor roll achievement by students at Oregon Technical Institute at Klamath Falls was made today by the registrar's office. The following students secured recognition of scholastic accomplishments for the term which ended March 18.

Dale Faries, electrical repair, 3.75; Donald Bullard, farm technology, 3.60; Dick Hart, farm technology, 3.64; Melvin Marcum, surveying technology, 4.0; Glenn Marcum, gunsmithing, 4.0 and Tony Van Twisk, electronics technology, 3.75.

Scholarship grades at Oregon Tech are based on the student's demonstrated ability in practical work, and classroom work in related technical subjects. Honor roll grades indicate work which is outstanding or of better than average achievement. A grade point of 4.0 shows work far above minimum standards of the Institute and is the highest grade given, according to the registrar's office.

LICENSES TO BE GIVEN

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Nyssa, Friday, April 22, at the city hall between the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 p. m., according to an announcement received from the Secretary of State's office.

Persons wishing original licenses or permits to drive are asked to file applications well ahead of the scheduled closing hour in order to assure time for completion of the required license test.

photograph and the dam proper was drawn by C. A. Betts, a government engineer. — Work has started on the outlet of No. 5 tunnel by the S. S. McGaffin Co. Many people are visiting the damsite due to the improvement in the road. — Congress passed a \$2,000,000 appropriation bill for the continuation of work on the Owyhee project.

30 Years Ago—April 10, 1925

A. V. Cook had a narrow escape from electrocution when he was throwing sticks into a pond at the low pressure pumping station for his dog to retrieve. A stick came in contact with a live wire causing the accident. J. P. Baxter who was nearby released him from the mysterious juice pull. — Warm weather having arrived at last, water was turned into the public drinking fountain. — Wm. Klinsenberg left for Alaska to enter the employ of the U. S. in coast patrol service.

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Readable non-fiction will go into circulation at the Malheur County Library on Saturday, April 16.

The hazardous crossing of more than two thousand miles of the Sahara made by Joan and Wilson MacArthur in a new but unreliable car is the venture described in The Desert Watches.

Underwater Hunting by Gilbert Doukan concerns the fascinating sport of hunting fish under water.

Show me a hero by Melvin Voorhees is a novel about the Korean War and a general who is caught in a physical and moral conflict.

A thirteen-year-old girl sustained by a dream of a safe, respectable haven guides a party of refugees through wild border country into Greece in the story Devices and Desires by Eileen Robertson.

The Twelfth Physician by Willa Gibbs is a novel about a physician who dared to remain in Paris during the French Revolution when teaching medicine was prohibited.

A play by Christopher Fry, The Dark is Light Enough, is based upon an incident in the Hungarian revolution of 1848-1849.

The Science Book of Wonder Drugs by Donald Cooley tells the story of sulfas, antibiotics, vitamins and hormones, and other drugs for treating specific illness.

Frank Stuart writes of the first three years in the life of the harp seal as it migrates from the White Sea to a Seal's World.

H. Shirley Smith tells of distinguished bridges throughout history to the present day in The World's Great Bridges.

Views of Sport by Walter ("Red") Smith is a collection of the author's sports reporting taken from daily columns in the "New York Herald Tribune."

Mexico's struggle for independence from Spain is told through the stories of three great leaders, Hidalgo, Morelos, and Iturbide in The Liberators of Mexico by John Caruso.

Bitter Sage by Frank Gruber and Powder Valley Stampede by Peter Field are western stories. Two mysteries by Kathleen Moore Knight are Valse Macabre and Death Goes to a Reunion.

4-H SEWING CLUB MEETS

The newly organized Sew and Sew 4-H sewing club held their weekly meeting at the home of Gladys Stephens, April 5. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting. The next meeting will be held at the home of Annabel Arai, on April 12.

Ways to Stretch Water Supplies Tested on Owyhee

Oregon farmers in areas that may be hit with below normal supplies of irrigation water this year can "stretch" the supply by cutting down field losses from runoff and excessive seepage, report Oregon State college and U. S. department of agriculture scientists.

OSC soils scientist A. W. Marsh says only 54 percent of water delivered by furrows was crop-used during trials on 16 Owyhee project farms. About one-third of the water turned down the furrows ran off the lower end of the field, never reaching plant roots. About one-sixth "percolated" or seeped below crop roots, draining to the water table below the soil.

These losses can be reduced tremendously, the scientists believe, by shortening irrigation time, by reducing amount of water in each furrow and by increasing the soil's water intake rate.

A sample of soil from the root zone is one way to tell when enough water has been applied. On 13 of the 16 test farms, irrigation time could have been reduced from an average of 52 hours down to 41 hours.

Another water-saver, say the scientists, is to apply plenty of water at first—enough to reach the end of the furrow in one-fourth the irrigation time. Then cut the flow down to maintain just a trickle off the lower end. Water flow can best be regulated through use of syphon tubes from the feeder ditch to furrows. These plastic or aluminum "spiles" can be varied in size or number per furrow for accurate water control, such control is difficult with shovel-controlled irrigation.

The soil's water intake can be increased by reducing the width between furrows and flattening the slope of the furrow. These steps, says Marsh, increase the amount of soil surface exposed to water, decrease irrigation time, and save water.

Others cooperating in the trials included F. M. Tilston, Ontario, USDA agricultural research service, and L. R. Swanner, Boise, bureau of reclamation.

Phyllis Cheldelin on OSC Honor Roll

Phyllis Cheldelin of Nyssa has been recognized for her outstanding scholarship by being listed on the winter term scholastic honor roll at Oregon State college.

A freshman in education, she earned a grade average of 3.5 points or better on the basis of an A equaling 4 points.

NEW GRANDSON

Mr. and Mrs. Lamont Fife received word Saturday morning that they have a new grandson.

The new arrival, which weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Fife of Denver and was born April 8.

CARS ARE MY LINE



by: Boyd Wilson

You may have read of the drunkometer test they use in some cities for drivers suspected of having a few too many. The driver breathes into a balloon and the police test his breath for alcohol. A certain percentage of alcohol and . . . you've had it. And no chlorophyll gum can help you.

Most people know about a similar test you can try on a used car (not that our cars look drunk, mind you, but it's a similar idea). Almost everybody watches for smoke from the exhaust, but I find a lot of people really don't know what they're looking for, or why.

When you're browsing around a used car, race the engine a few times and watch the exhaust fumes for blue smoke. It's the blue you want to look for, not gray or black.

What does it all mean? The car that billows blue smoke is burning oil. Eventually, it will require a ring job, as all cars do sooner or later.

It's not a sign of anything fundamentally wrong (the driver in the breath test can be sobered up pretty quickly. If you like the car in other ways it will still be a good buy).

We didn't have any blue-smokers on the lot the last time I looked. When you're shopping around, though, I hope you'll ask to shown everything you want to see, ask the things you want to know—poke around a little yourself to make sure.

Take a car out on the road and drive it the way you'll be driving you own. You do that much for a new pair of shoes, we want you to get the "feel" of your new-used car, too.

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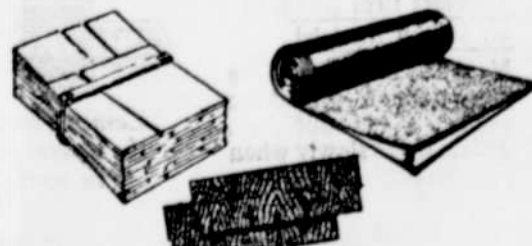
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