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Water Meters May Be Installed In All Nyssa Homes; Council Studies Means to Reduce All Local Rates

A water meter system, to provide equitable rates for all water users, was strongly advocated at the regular monthly meeting of City Council Tuesday night.

The Council studied the problem of reaching a fair distribution of cost for water, on a comparative basis of homes versus motels, trailer courts and business establishments, and while no official decision was reached, it was generally agreed that the meter system would be in the best interest of the public.

Local Deposits, Loans Increased From Last Year

Both deposits and loans were greater on Sept. 30, 1955 at the Nyssa branch of the First National Bank of Portland than they were at the same time a year ago. It was announced Monday by Manager Leonard Hewett.

Semi-annual statement of condition figures for the Nyssa branch showed that deposits were \$4,012,998 for the quarter just ending as compared with \$4,052,911 a year ago at the same time. Loans amounted to \$2,073,008 on Sept. 30 this year and they were \$2,383,822 a year ago.

New all-time high deposit and loan totals have been recorded by the combined banking firm's Sept. 30 statement of condition which was released Tuesday by President C. B. Stephenson.

First National's deposits for its 70 statewide offices totaled \$809,887,55, which is a gain of \$87,042,914 over Sept. 30, last year. Loans and discounts totaled \$403,231,123, a gain of \$61,804,927 over loans a year ago.

27 Appear For Spanish Lessons, 7 For Typing

Interest in learning the Spanish language has proved great enough to necessitate two classes each week at Nyssa high school, it was reported following the first meeting of adult students and instructors Monday evening. A total of 27 persons enrolled for Spanish lessons to be taught by Mrs. Robert R. Riley, Caldwell, who lived for 15 years in Mexico.

One group of Spanish students will meet each Tuesday night in room 17 at the high school from 7 until 8 o'clock and the second group will meet from 8 until 9 o'clock. Spanish lessons will cost \$1.25 each.

Supt. R. V. Wilson said that if others are interested there still is time to enroll and enter the first actual class next Tuesday night. It is suggested that new enrollees plan to attend the 8 to 9 p. m. class which has the smallest enrollment.

Although between 30 and 35 persons indicated they were interested in typing, only seven appeared for lessons Monday. It is possible that there will be no typing classes unless there is an enrollment of at least 12 to prevent too high per lesson from being too costly. Miss Anna Harrell of Adrian is the instructor. Since those who have enrolled are anxious to take the complete course, others are urged to sign up for typing.

Wilson said there have been a few requests for bookkeeping and short hand lessons and that if enough people indicate their interest by calling his office, arrangements will be made for the classes.

Adrian PTSA Has Discussion Meet

Adrian—The Union high school PTSA met Monday of last week at the high school building with Mrs. Dyer Roberts, president in charge. The program consisted of a reading by Mrs. Horace Chaney followed by a "buzz session" in which nine different groups assembled for discussion of assigned topics, then joined for a general discussion.

Among the subjects were programs for PTSA. What should schools accomplish? How can we create more interest in the school band and chorus? How can we increase our school fund? How can schools help in character building? How can PTSA help relations between the school, school board and the people? What time should students go to bed on school nights and weekends? How can you improve the school spirit?

The sophomore class won the room count with 30 present.

CAN FOR HOSPITAL
Mrs. C. W. Knowlton, Mrs. Aliza Jones, Mrs. Frank Morrison and Mrs. Lamont Fife canned two bushels of beans for the Malheur Memorial hospital last Friday. The beans were donated by Mrs. John Wolf.

City Spruces Up; Weeds and Trash Being Removed

Weed removal from Nyssa's vacant lots and alleys is really going on in earnest, it is reported by City Manager Jack Middaugh.

The city was swiftly taking on a spruced-up look as two crews of men headed by Whitlock and Lowe, Newell and Weeks, scoured the city to get rid of weeds and trash.

The clean-up campaign started last Monday, and Middaugh said the whole job should be completed by Oct. 25.

It was reported at the City Council meeting Tuesday night that many residents have been commenting on the cleaner appearance of the city.

"We are doing everything we can for this clean-up campaign," Middaugh said. "But we likewise need full cooperation from all citizens, to clean up their own properties, so that Nyssa will be a city that everybody will be proud to look at."

PTA Enrollment Month Observed; Proclamation

The Nyssa area Parent-Teachers association is giving special attention to Membership Enrollment Month all during October, according to Mrs. Wayne Chesnut, president of the PTA. Mrs. Don Humble, membership chairman, has charge of various phases of the special month in addition to soliciting new members, according to the president.

Mrs. Humble explained that it is not necessary to be a parent before becoming a PTA member. "The doors of PTA are never closed. The welcome mat is out all year long, but in October a special invitation goes out to everyone to add his talents and enthusiasms to make a better PTA for this community," Mrs. Humble said.

The membership chairman went on to explain that it is in PTA that many kinds of families with many occupations find a common meeting ground to work for the betterment of the schools, the communities and the homes.

In connection with October as Enrollment Month the following proclamation was issued by Mayor Paul House:

"To the end that our striving toward better homes, better schools, and better communities may be enriched by the contribution of every mother and father and teacher and friend in every kind of community, I, Paul House, mayor of Nyssa, do hereby designate the month of October 1955 as a Membership Enrollment Month."

Seal (Signed) Paul C. House.

Mrs. Bybee's Cousin Listed Among Victims Of Fatal Air Crash

Lovel Rackham, of Ogden, Utah, a cousin of Mrs. D. O. Bybee, was a victim of America's worst commercial air crash in history, when 66 persons died as their plane hit against Medicine Bow peak, in Wyoming last week.

Mrs. Bybee and her two daughters visited with her cousin this past summer, on their return from a trip to New York.

Rackham, who was a pilot ferrying planes for an airline company, was returning home from Florida as a passenger, when the airliner crashed.

When Mrs. Bybee and the girls visited with him, he was constructing a new plane for himself, but made arrangements for the Bybee girls to fly over Ogden.

New Money Order Being Used Here

A new money order system inaugurated recently by the postoffice department is working out satisfactorily and will eventually replace in considerable time saving, Postmaster Lloyd Lewis said.

The new system is designed for the patron to fill out the money order after a clerk writes in the amount of money. There are no application blanks and the new money order is "just like cash" until the patron has written in the essentials.

For rural routes it is necessary to use the old system, the postmaster said.

Two Nyssans Attend Bankers' Convention

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hewett and Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell returned Sunday evening from Portland where Mr. Hewett and Mr. Mitchell had attended a Bankers' management conference.

Launching Campaign For More Readers Bicycles, Cash Await Boys, Girls Who Work In Subscription Campaign

Rain Postpones Opening Sugar Factory Monday

Approximately one-third of an inch of rain Monday afternoon delayed opening of the Amalgamated Sugar Co. factory here on Monday as planned and starting date has been moved up to 4 p. m. today, according to Jed Lewis, manager of the company's Nyssa and Nampa plants.

Most of the farmers were unable to get into their fields the first three days of the week although a few truck loads were hauled to the plant and may be shifted to Nampa where slicing started Wednesday afternoon. Ordinarily between 30 and 40 thousand tons are on hand by this time, Lewis said.

Weather predictions for Wednesday afternoon were for another rain storm, but by late Wednesday morning the forecast had been revised and the rain was reported to have passed this area.

Lewis said that early deliveries of beets looked very good and all indications are that yields will be as good as had been anticipated.

The Nyssa factory operates each season until the latter part of February with a crew of approximately 400 persons employed in the operation.

Large Crowd Is Expected Tonight At PTA Meeting

One of the largest crowds of the season is expected tonight at the Nyssa PTA meeting since all PTA members in the county and all other interested persons are invited to hear a guest speaker and be entertained with music, according to Mrs. Wayne Chesnut, PTA president.

A. Wayne Durrell, director of admission at the University of Portland and juvenile protection chairman for the Oregon state congress of PTA, will speak to the group on juvenile problems and how they are being handled.

Entertainment will include a musical program staged by the Ontario Elks Gleemen. The Nyssa PTA will also hold a brief ceremony for United Nations week under the direction of Mrs. Harriet Brumbach and Dad's Night will be observed.

Mrs. John Brieihl Is Polio Victim

Mrs. John Brieihl is confined to the Xavier Hospital in Dubuque, Iowa, convalescing from an attack of polio. The Brieihls and their family had left Nyssa for Wisconsin to visit relatives and Mrs. Brieihl had supposedly contracted the disease before she left here.

She was entered in the hospital there on Sept. 23 and hospital attendants said that she will be confined another two or three weeks, depending on her progress, before she is allowed to come home. She was stricken in her lower limbs with a shortening of the cords in her legs and a general stiffness in her back. Rev. Brieihl said that medical attendants say that if there are no unforeseen difficulties, she will recover completely.

Each day, she receives physiotherapy treatments and Kenny hot packs.

Rev. Brieihl and three children and his mother, Mrs. John H. Brieihl arrived in Nyssa last Friday evening.

Oregon Game Dept. Announces Plan For Assistance On Owyhee Boat Ramp

Easy access to the Owyhee reservoir will soon be available to boatmen is the word from George Kernan, chief of engineering, Oregon Game commission.

Final agreements were recently executed with the Bureau of Reclamation under which the game commission was granted a license to make improvements on an existing dirt ramp built by local sportsmen on lands owned by the government.

Earlier this year, the boat launching area was visited by local sportsmen headed by E. E. Cloninger and commissioner Gildersleeve, game director Schneider, regional supervisor Bill Lightfoot, and engineer Kernan

Big Banner Year Is Predicted For Local Onion Crop

Tom Jones, agent of the Union Pacific railroad, who has his car pretty close to the ground, told the Chamber of Commerce members that Nyssa will ship more onions this year than ever before in its history, during the weekly luncheon meeting at Brownie's Wednesday.

Jones was giving a summary of crop shipments this year and expectations for the future.

He painted an optimistic picture for a year that he believes will end up in good profits for all growers, with his finger on the pulse of Northwest commodities, he has been in intimate connection with crop production.

He stressed the point that while many other prices are going up, railroad rates are going down.

"And service is better," he said. "We can now get the freight to you from Portland, for example, more quickly than you can get your invoice."

Also on the program was Hal Henigson, who gave a report on the chamber's project of aid to migrant workers at the Labor Camp this season. He stated that \$1353.78 was contributed by local business firms to improve conditions for the migrants and assist in their recreational and educational requirements.

12-Year-Old Girl Nyssa's Second Polio Fatality

Nyssa's second polio death of this season came Saturday evening when Beverly Ann Brown, 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn A. Brown of Nyssa, route 1, died at a Boise hospital.

The youngster became ill Thursday afternoon and did not attend school Friday. By Saturday the attending physician tentatively diagnosed the case as bulbar polio and ordered the child sent to Boise. According to the doctor, the child had suffered a strep infection a few days before, but there was reported to be no connection between the first illness and polio.

In an effort to correct restricted breathing, surgery was performed at the Boise hospital where the polio diagnosis was confirmed.

The child died immediately following surgery.

Beverly Ann Lucas was born Dec. 20, 1942 in Lucas, Kas. She was in the seventh grade at Nyssa grade school.

Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn A. Brown; two sisters, Colleen Kay and Glenda Lou, and a brother, Eugene, all living at home; and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown of Lucas, Kas. and Mr. and Mrs. Jered Conant of Nebraska.

Rosary was Tuesday night at 8 p. m. at St. Hubert's church and Father Rembert Ahles, O. F. M., offered requiem masses at 9 a. m. Wednesday morning. Interment was in the Nyssa cemetery.

Jean Moeller, 15, of the Arcadia community died of bulbar polio Aug. 29, the first death this year in Malheur county.

According to Dr. Grant B. Hughes, county health officer, there have been 27 polio cases this season and 17 of them in the Nyssa community.

An average of one new case a week was reported for three or four weeks, but since Sept. 15, the incidence has been reduced from 300 to 100 percent, Dr. Hughes said.

Principals Attend Meeting In Eugene

Jack Jenkins, high school principal and Murl Lancaster, junior high principal, were in Eugene Monday and Tuesday attending a secondary school principals association conference. They were accompanied by Eugene by Athol Sayre, Adrian principal, and Robert McConaha and Wallace Tidwell Ontario principals.

Census Taking Of All Children Gets Underway

The 1955 school census started this week with Grant Rinehart in charge of the "counting" of all youngsters from newborn babies to youths through 19 years of age. For actual school purposes, children from four through 19 are listed to serve as a basis for the county school fund as well as the state basic school support fund.

The county school fund is allocated on the basis of this census with the district receiving \$10 for each youngster from four to 19, inclusive. The same census figures are used for the state basic school support fund which amounts to \$80 per census child.

Supt. R. V. Wilson said that last year's census showed 1,710 youngsters in the census age group which resulted in \$17,100 from the county school fund. Three or four dollars are distributed on this basis. This money enters the general fund of the district and reduces local taxes by the amount collected, which was about 25 mills last year, Wilson said.

Special forms are being sent to all families with children in school to list all pre-school youngsters as well as those who are no longer in school, but who do not have reached the age of 20 by Oct. 25. Families who receive the special form are being urged to notify Rinehart of other families who have pre-school children or members of the family ranging from 16 to 20 years of age, but none in school.

This Campaign will not start until Saturday, Oct. 15, and no candidates will be allowed to start until that time. However, any boy or girl interested in being one of the workers in the campaign should call at The Journal office as soon as possible.

Under the campaign rules each entry may get one subscription before Saturday, but that is all. Any candidate who gets promises, or does any advance work on the campaign before Saturday (except getting the one subscription allowed by the rules) will be barred from the campaign. This rule is made in fairness to all candidates and it will be strictly enforced.

In the large campaign advertisement is also a nomination or entry coupon. If you are interested in being in the campaign see that your nomination coupon reaches the Journal office in Nyssa immediately. The campaign will not start until Saturday and no one will be allowed to begin active work until that time, but you should call for full details and a complete free working outfit at once.

To make it easier for you to secure information about this big prize-winning event The Journal office will be open each evening from 7 until 8 o'clock. Parents are urged to come to the office with their children so they will understand the many easy winning and educational features of this campaign.

300 Fine Neighbors Join to Assist the Brewers After Fire

Some 300 neighbors of the Donald Brewer family joined last Monday night in a "fire shower" held in the Owyhee Community church, in a good will gesture to aid the Brewers, whose house burned down the night of Oct. 4.

The event was sponsored by the Worthwhile club of Sunset Valley, the OK club of the Owyhee district, and the Community church.

Folks came with armloads of gifts for the family which had lost everything in the fire. Mrs. Essie Perko, Mrs. Homer Brewer, Mrs. Keith Tallman and Mrs. Jack Elliott were in charge of the gift tables.

Mrs. Wayne Robb, Mrs. Kenneth Himple and Mrs. Earl Kygar were in charge of refreshments served to all who came to the shower.

Two Police Officers Given Salary Raise For Outstanding Work

Two city police officers were given a rise in pay during the regular monthly meeting of City Council Tuesday night.

They are Marvin Wilson and Clem De Vinaspre, whose outstanding work on the force was recognized in a voluntary move by the council.

Both were given a \$25 per month increase in salary.

Most surprised of all were the officers themselves, who were not present at the council meeting and only learned about it through gossip Wednesday.

Irene Jayo Frosh Queen at College

Irene Jayo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jayo of Nyssa, was elected freshman Queen at Marylhurst college Sept. 30, and was crowned at the climax of Green Prelude, traditional welcome dance for new students.

Queenly honors are not new to Irene, who was Harvest Queen in Nyssa in 1954 while a senior at Nyssa high school. Her sister, Sylvia, now a Marylhurst college sophomore, was Nyssa's Harvest Queen in 1953.

Sylvia and Irene, with Dolores Echanis and Juanita Ybarzabal of Ontario and Beatrice Losabal of Boise, danced at a reception and tea held at Oswego Oct. 6.

Wearing Basque costumes, they demonstrated dances of the Basque people of Old Spain.

A 3/C PAYNE VISITS

A 3/C Ernest E. Payne returned Saturday to his base in Arizona after a week's visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest C. Payne and his fiancée, Miss Mary Merrick.