

Days Gone By in Nyssa Community

From the Journal Files

10 Years Ago—Dec. 20, 1945

Sixty tracts of county-owned land were sold at auction at the Vale courthouse Monday morning. Forty-five tracts were re-deemed by the owner. The total from the sale amounted to \$13,000. The mercury sank to 2 above zero Wednesday night, the coldest weather of this season. The prisoner of war camp at Nyssa was closed last week and the 500 German prisoners were sent to Pittsburgh, Calif., for embarkation. Principally because of the "harvest vacation" during the fall, the high school students will take only a 2-day vacation at Christmas time and New Year's.

10 Years Ago—Dec. 27, 1945

The Harris-Voeller company has installed new lenses in the picture projectors in its Nyssa Theatre. Pfc. James Willis, discharged from the army at Fort Lewis after many months overseas, arrived home Christmas eve, just in time to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Willis. Unable to secure regular transportation here before Christmas, Willis and three other eastern Oregon youths hired a taxi and driver for \$100 to make the trip. The name Malheur Memorial hospital was selected by the committee at a meeting Thursday night. The hospital will be dedicated to dead veterans and the names of local men who died in the service of their country will be placed on a plaque at the hospital.

15 Years Ago—Dec. 19, 1940

While working at the factory Wayne Morris received severe burns on his neck and back which necessitates him spending several days in the hospital. The NYA project workers comprising Nyssa and vicinity youths, put up markers on all streets south of Main, Mayor Thompson reported. The city furnished the material. Other streets will be marked later. Dr. K. E. Kerby, lieutenant in the U. S. Medical Reserve Corps, has received orders to report at Fort George Wright, Wash., Dec. 30. The Nyssa and Adrian schools were closed when influenza caused 43 percent of the students to be absent. Fire caused from an overheated stove, did serious damage to the office of the Stunz Lumber Co., Wednesday.

15 Years Ago—Dec. 26, 1940

The annual Santa Claus party held in Nyssa last Saturday was attended by 600 children. The McClure-Manser Motor company of Payette will open a Ford agency in Nyssa next month. The agency will occupy a building to be erected next to the Texaco station on Main street. The Nyssa high and grade schools will re-open Dec. 30 after being closed since Dec. 16 due to flu.

20 Years Ago—Dec. 19, 1935

The reclamation force which has been active in Malheur county for the past 10 years, has begun to break up and scatter to the four winds. Key men will be sent to the Black Canyon and Arrow Rock projects in Idaho and others to California and Central Valley. The Union Pacific Scholarship which is awarded annually to the outstanding 4-H club members in Malheur county, was won this year by Evelyn Haworth of Big Bend with Viola

Pullen of Owyhee named as alternate. Mrs. Ray Emmott was re-elected president of the Nyssa Civic club. A rich gold strike was reported on the ranch of Mrs. Florence Chase 8 miles southwest of Nyssa. An assay was made of the pay dirt, and the outlook was so favorable that capital was readily made available for a thorough test.

20 Years Ago—Dec. 26, 1935

Seven men were put to work on the PWA project at the Nyssa school, building a playground at the rear of the building. PWA funds to the amount of \$2200 has been allotted for the project. Night marauders attempted to enter the office of the Jackson Lbr. Co., by boring a hole in the door, but were unsuccessful. They were successful at The Smoke Shop when they broke a rear window, reached through, unlocked the door and made away with a slot machine. The Nyssa CCC camp which was scheduled to be closed Jan. 1, will remain open according to a telegram from Sen. McNary to Dr. J. J. Sarazin.

25 Years Ago—Dec. 19, 1930

George Phillips sold the dry land 160 acres known as the Claybourn place to Bob Cornett who will build a house and improve the land. Some \$40,000 will be spent in the county and towns of Nyssa, Ontario and Vale by the Malheur Home Telephone Co. according to J. A. Davenport, Mgr. Chas. Short, Sid Burbridge and Allen Wilson represented the Gun club at the duck dinner at Vale Friday. The Malheur County Clubs went on record as endorsing the one mule tail deer and split season for pheasants.

25 Years Ago—Dec. 26, 1930

Mr. and Mrs. Groot returned this week from a ten month's trip visiting with relatives in Holland. Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Stam returned last week from several months' visit with relatives in Holland. Less Earneston heard someone trying to steal his poultry Monday night, and investigated with his trusty shot gun. The thief ran for a pile of brush, Less took a pot shot at the brush and the man came out with his hands up. In that position he was marched across the railroad bridge and kept going into Idaho where chickens are as plentiful as in Oregon.

30 Years Ago—Dec. 18, 1925

The Al Thompson family moved back to their farm this week. Under the terms of a will written in 1923 by Harry W. Jones, Acacia lodge of Ontario is to receive \$5000. Sheriff C. W. Glenn will sell at public auction in Vale, Saturday, subject to redemption, delinquent tax property in Malheur county valued at \$482,000. Leonard Smith of the Kingman Colony district, was thrown into a wire fence while riding his pony and was badly bruised. Malheur county led for November in coyotes killed by government hunters, W. C. Snyder of Vale and C. B. Brown. 43 coyotes and 3 bobcats were taken.

30 Years Ago—Dec. 25, 1925

Mrs. Will Crocker, who is teaching at Rigby, Ida., is home for the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller spent Monday in Payette to witness the dedication of the "New White Way" of that city. The county agent's office of Malheur county will

Boy Scout Troop 419 Committee Elects Officers

Committee members of Boy Scout Troop 419 held a meeting and election of officers Friday evening. This troop is sponsored by the Nyssa Lions' Club.

Officers elected for the coming year were Harry Nakashima, chairman and Stan Newman, secretary-treasurer. Committee chairmen were also appointed including Claude Crisp, advancement; Art Cartwright, property; Ray Huffman, outdoors and Dale Bingman, publicity.

The next committee meeting will be Wednesday evening.

close Dec. 31, as a result of the recent action of the county court eliminating the expense item from the budget for 1926. L. R. Breithaupt, county agent expresses appreciation for cooperation. Davis & Lytle, law firm, moved to the First National Bank building this week. An Indian skeleton, together with all things usually buried with an Indian warrior, was given to the College of Idaho last week by Wm. Schnabel, pioneer and student of early history. The grave was found in the Succor Creek area. In excavating the body Mr. Schnabel uncovered 3 scorpions, a rattlesnake and a lizard, all comfortably hibernated for the winter.

35 Years Ago—Dec. 24, 1920

Bob Newby was painfully injured while cranking the trencher engine which was operating on the Kingman Colony drainage ditch. Hot lunch was served at the Kingman Colony school Monday for the first time. Miss Neeb is chairman of the committee. Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Roberts of the Owl Grocery, have purchased the store and merchandise of the store in Apple Valley. They will move their stock and equipment here to their new location. Jerry Hurley of Nyssa who left for Grangeville, Ida., last spring to have charge of grading teams on work there, started home in July and has never reached here. Sheriff Noe is trying to trace the missing man.

35 Years Ago—Dec. 31, 1920

Jerry Hurley, of Nyssa, missing since July and object of a search by Sheriff Noe, returned home this week unaware he had been reported missing. Mr. Hurley had been a patient in a Spokane hospital for several weeks with the flu. He was known to be carrying a large sum of money and foul play was feared. Charles Toomb started to Homedale by auto one day last week and got stuck in the mud. He completed the last 10 miles of the journey on foot. County Agent Breithaupt reported two carloads of good grade Jersey cows purchased in the Willamette valley by C. M. Beaumont and E. Frost, purchasing agents for Kingman Colony and Oregon Slope. The cattle will be unloaded at Payette and Adrian and auction sales will be held.

45 Years Ago—Dec. 15, 1910

C. L. Cook of Baker, co-partner of A. Cook, arrived Saturday to take up his new duties as village smithy. Walter Rutledge, Harry Goshert and Charley Crawford were tardy to school Tuesday and consequently got into trouble with Mr. Allen. S. N. Emison is putting in a heating and water system in his residence. Oregon has a population of 672,765 according to the census, an increase of 62.7 percent in a ten year period. One hundred and twenty-five guests surprised Mr. and Mrs. Boydell on their 25th wedding anniversary. The group met at the Nyssa Pharmacy where they formed double lines and marched

COUNTY LIBRARY

Alaska, the desert, and John Brown are subjects of books at the top of the list going into circulation at the Malheur County Library Saturday, Jan. 7.

"A definite history of America's northernmost frontier" describes Ernest Gruening's book, "The State of Alaska." The author was governor of Alaska from 1939 to 1953.

"The Voice of the Desert" by Joseph Wood Krutch is a naturalist's interpretation of the variety of life to be found in the desert of the American Southwest.

Delight Ansel writes of the life of John Brown, hero of the Harper's Ferry raid, in "The Sword and the Spirit."

This is Goggle, or "The Education of Father," by Bentz Plagemann is a book about the growing pains of father and son.

The Lion's Skin by Darwin Teilhet is a novel concerning a young man who threw in his lot with that of the famous adventurer, William Walker, who attempted to win Nicaragua for the South in 1855.

Missouri Traveler by John Burrell tells the story of a runaway from a children's home who takes refuge in a small town under the protection of the town marshal.

Maid of Israel by Tolbert Ingram is a Biblical story about Miriam.

Jet Aircraft Simplified by Charles Chapel explains basic principles of jet propulsion, types of jet planes, guided missiles, and rocket-powered aircraft.

A mystery novel by Ruth Fenison called Widows Plight concerns the sleuthing of two elderly ladies whose families have become involved in blackmail.

Two western novels are Man of the West by Phillip Yordan and High Grass Valley, begun by William MacLeod Raine and completed after his death by Wayne Overholser.

The government, politics and planning of twenty large cities is a comparative study by William Robson of Great Cities of the World.

The New Decade includes the work of thirty-five American painters and sculptors and is the result of an exhibition at the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, in the spring of 1955.

William Crouse gives details of construction, operation, and maintenance in Automotive Chassis and Body.

The second world war in fact and fiction provides material for several writers among those whose books go into circulation on Saturday, Jan. 14, at the Malheur County Library.

"We Die Alone by David Howard is the narrative of Jan

to the Boydell home to the beat of tin cans.

45 Years Ago—Dec. 22, 1910
Mr. Hillkriss, foreman of the KS & D beet ranch has moved to Colorado and the new foreman in charge will seed the old beet fields to grain and alfalfa, and the raising of beets will be discontinued.

The Independent Telephone Company have phones installed between Arcadia and Nyssa now. C. E. Peck, E. M. Blodgett and A. E. Wade met with representatives of the Idaho-Oregon Light & Power Co. in Ontario to make arrangements for the company to furnish power for Nyssa. One of the growing towns is Stephens, 3 miles east of Nyssa. It is to have a \$10,000 school building and the town-site company will put up a \$25,000 building. At present there are three houses and a store. Two of the houses are occupied by the merchants, Pounds & Himler.

45 Years Ago—Dec. 29, 1910

Mrs. McConnell went to Caldwell to meet her brother and sister. The sisters hadn't met for 30 years. Mr. Shainwald, teacher in the Owyhee district, is boarding at the Silas Bigelow home. Twenty six people were present at the C. C. Hunt home Wednesday evening when the Tennis Club entertained members and friends, Mistletoe was in evidence.

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Mr. and Mrs. Grant Sasser of Wallawa were holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miner.

Baalsrud's escape route in 1943 when, as the sole survivor of a party of Norwegian saboteurs, he eluded the Nazis and endured unbelievable hardships.

The words of more than 250 American, English, and Scottish ballads with variants and notes may be found in "The Ballad Book" edited by Mac Edward Leach.

"Flying is My Life" is the autobiography of Hanna Reitsch, aviator of the Luftwaffe.

"Wings" by Blanche Stillson is a different type of book on flying; it is a history of flight, giving facts about the flight of insects and birds as well as men.

"Chains of Command" by Thomas Goethals is a novel of World War II in which a lieutenant, disturbed by the complacency of his fellow officers, has responsibility suddenly thrust upon him calling for momentous decision.

"The Man Called Lenz" by George Young tells a story of police efforts to thwart an extremist leader posing as a liberator in the days before Israel became independent.

A novel of Texas is "Wine of Youth" by Robert Wilder in which Kevin Costello inherits not only his father's empire but also the feud with Fitzgerald, owner of a vast ranch.

"Far Flies the Eagle" is a historical novel by Eve Stephens of two mighty opponents, Alexander, Emperor of Russia, and Napoleon.

"The Story of Medicine" by M. M. Zimmerman describes the revolution in distribution brought about by efforts to reduce the number of intermediaries between producer and consumer.

Short stories concerning life aboard ship during the war are included in William Coleman's book, "Ship's Company."

"Search the Dark Woods" by Myrick Land tells of a sleuth on the trail of an embezzler, whose search also leads him closer to himself.

"Dairy Production" by Ronald Diggins and Clarence Bundy is a handbook organized to help farmers with managerial problems of their dairy enterprises. It discusses opportunities in dairying, selecting foundation stock, feeding, reproduction, housing, and marketing.

"Destination, Donald" by William Colt MacDonald is a combination mystery-western in which a railroad detective comes to a Texas town to clear up a murder.

CARS ARE MY Line

by: Boyd Wilson

It's sometimes a good idea, before you start shopping around, to figure out in a general way what kind of a car would suit you best, a big car, a small car, a 6 or 8-cylinder, a sedan, coupe or two-door.

Coupees are ideal for young married people with no family to load up. They're good for the young fellow who does a lot of weekend driving. They have lots of room for packing things around, if that's one of the reasons you want a car.

A two-door sedan is a good idea for a family with children. There are no door handles in the back seat for inquisitive hands to tinker with. Some police departments buy nothing but two-door sedans with the same thing in mind. The prisoner can't suddenly drop out of sight.

Then you have to make the decision between a 6 or 8 cylinder car. The more power and weight, the less economy. The more economy, the less power and weight.

In long drives, it's actually the steady, tiny vibrations from engine and road that tire you out, not big jolts and bumps. Eight-cylinder engines vibrate less than sixes, so if you make a lot of long trips, you should seriously consider a big car.

Besides showing you the tried and tested used cars we have on our lot, our men are ready to help you find out what kind of car you need most. They know their cars, and they know what their cars are made for. Even if you're not in the market yet, drop around and you can soak up a lot of free advice.

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