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## Memorial Day Services at Cemetery Impressive



Memorial day, May 30, was the occasion for impressive services held at the Nyssa cemetery. Members of the American Legion and VFW honored their departed comrades and all who rest at that spot. Father Rembert Ahles was the speaker. He

is shown addressing the gathering. Eddie Taylor is seen in the other photo acting as honor guard at the memorial. In the background is Don Moss who played taps at the conclusion of the service.

## Migrant Children's Summer Program To Start Under Different System

A different organizational set-up for the annual summer recreation program at the Nyssa labor camp is being instigated this year, according to Miss Betty Whitaker of the Oregon Council of Churches.

Miss Sarah Goodwin is expected to arrive this week from Texas to serve as an area supervisor for all camps in Malheur county, Canyon county and the Magic Valley in Idaho. Under her supervision will be five trained workers assigned to various localities in the above areas. Definite assignments have not been

made, Miss Whitaker said.

For the past two years a summer program has been jointly sponsored by the Oregon Council of Churches and the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce with the Rev. and Mrs. Frank Reyes stationed at Nyssa where they supervised recreation and various crafts for children and young people.

This year's program will be more closely related to various churches at all camps and children of migrant workers will be encouraged to attend individual church schools.

The change of procedure started several months ago through the OCC and the Nyssa Ministerial association, although the latter group is not sponsoring the program at Nyssa. The Rev. Paul Ludlow, pastor of the Nyssa Methodist church, has been named chairman for Malheur county.

Because of indications of some denominational instructions pending for this year's program, the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce will this year confine its participation to furnishing such materials as playground equipment for youngsters at the Nyssa camp. Harold Henigson, chairman of the chamber's committee working with the OCC, said the chamber in the past has furnished funds to help defray expenses of the recreational director.

## Sunday Battles Keep Officers Busy on Arrests

Main street was a battle ground Sunday night when two different fights involving five transient workers occurred, but the city coffers were enriched by \$175.

At 11:45 police reported the arrest of Benjamin F. Chacon, Manuel C. Valero and Santana Salazar, all on disorderly conduct charges. The trio allegedly started a free-for-all in the Ace Pastime and Chacon was reported to have thrown a bottle at one of the other two. The target ducked and the bottle went through a plate glass window. Each was fined \$35 by Police Judge J. C. Smith Monday.

Earlier in the evening, at 9:35, Gene D. Badhawk and Cristobal Apadaca were arrested on disorderly conduct charges for allegedly fighting on the street in front of the same tavern. Badhawk forfeited \$35 bail and Apadaca paid \$35 fine in police court Monday morning.

## Morris Leaves For Officer School

Leland Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morris, left last Tuesday for Ft. Benning, Ga. where he will spend the summer attending officers training school.

He is a student at OSC and will return there in the fall.

## Nyssa Art League Takes Field Trip

The Gate City Art league spent Monday on a field trip to the entrance of the Owyhee canyon. The day was devoted to sketching scenery under the guidance of Mrs. Anna Marcum, instructor from Ontario, Mrs. Grant Lewis, publicity chairman for the league reported.

Members of the Ontario and Weiser art clubs were invited guests.

A picnic lunch was enjoyed at noon.

## Nyssa Graduates Get OSC Letters

Three Nyssa high school graduates were listed among the 43 students to receive letters in men's athletics at Oregon State college, Corvallis, for the spring term.

Jack Bowen, 1951 Nyssa high graduate, and Dan Lovejoy, 1953, were awarded basketball letters and Bob Hartley, also a 1953 graduate, received one in track.

The youths all participated in the same sports at Nyssa high school. Lovejoy was also captain of his college basketball team.

## Local Tumblers Entertain Lions At Sun Valley

A group of youngsters from the local elementary school who have become very adept as tumblers, gave a good account of themselves when they performed at the annual convention of the Lions clubs, of District 39-E, and 39-W, which was held Friday through Sunday of last week in Sun Valley, according to Walter McPartland, who has instructed them in the tumbling art during the past year.

Delegates to the convention from the local club were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Tobler, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Newman, and Mr. and Mrs. McPartland. While the men attended meetings with the other club delegates from throughout western and eastern Idaho and eastern Oregon, the women were guests at luncheons and other activities planned in their honor.

Both groups joined together for a barbecue Friday night at Trail Creek, above Sun Valley, and for the governor's banquet and ball Saturday night. A joint breakfast Sunday morning concluded the events. Around 650 people took part in the convention proceedings, according to the local delegates.

The tumblers enjoyed the hospitality of the resort during their stay and were treated royally, according to their report. The group making the trip were Bonnie House, Sharon Tobler, Karen Hunt, Vicki Newman, Kathleen McPartland, Sylvia, Evelyn and Alva Ann Cleaver, Marsha Savage, Joyce Morinaka and Vernon Maulding.

Newman is the new president of the local Lions club for the 1957-58 year.

## First U. S. Onion Market Agreement Set in This Area

The Idaho-Eastern Oregon Onion Control committee which will administer marketing order No. 177, the first marketing agreement order for onions in the United States, held an organizational and planning meeting in Ontario Monday and elected Earl M. Winegar, Ontario onion grower, chairman.

Other officers are R. H. Young, Parma, vice chairman, and Tom Isleri, Ontario, secretary and treasurer.

With the marketing of onions from southwestern Idaho - Malheur county due to start with set onions in about six weeks, the committee made plans to activate the order approved in a referendum last year.

Major discussion at the meeting centered on by-laws, the preparation of a budget, assessments, hiring a manager, selecting an office and the other household functions of a new organization. Practically all measures were referred to subcommittees for further study. Allan Henry of the Portland office of USDA reviewed the legal basis for marketing agreements under federal law.

Winegar appointed a by-laws committee of Joe Komoto, Ontario, chairman, Harold Hart, Ontario, and W. B. Russell, Nyssa, to study the organization of similar marketing order committees existing in similar fields, such as potatoes, filberts and tomatoes.

The group will hold its next meeting June 24 to act on the various proposals and study reports from special assignments made to members.

## Nyssa Teachers To Attend Conference

Two members of the Nyssa high school staff, Mrs. Virginia Steffens, home economics instructor and Leroy Pulliam, vocational ag teacher, plan to attend the vocational summer conference scheduled for June 10-14 at Newport, Ore.

Other vocational ag teachers reported to be planning to attend are Joe Witte, Adrian, Larry Grover, Ontario and Everett Cornett, Vale.

Earl Paulson, head of the state vocational education staff at Salem, is in charge of the all-service conference.

## Jerry Matsunaga To Attend Boys' State

Jerry Matsunaga, one of Nyssa's outstanding high school students, as both a scholar and athlete, will be a Malheur county representative at the annual Boys' State which will be held in Corvallis June 8-14.

Jerry is being sponsored by the Japanese - American Citizens league, the first time that a Nyssa boy has been so honored.

Matsunaga, one of the top FFA members, received warm praise from high school officials for his contribution to the community and the school. He will be a senior this fall.

## CLIFFORD FOXES VISIT IN KLAMATH FALLS

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Fox are spending this week visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Fox at Klamath Falls and on fishing trips. Before returning home they plan to travel to Corvallis to bring their daughter, Phyllis, a student at OSC, home for the summer vacation.

## "Hunch" Leads To Recovery Of Stolen Car

A "hunch" on the part of Police Chief E. L. Hansen Tuesday led to the recovery of a stolen Boise car and arrest of the alleged car thief who is now in custody of Idaho officers.

Donal D. Babbitt, 24, Carson City, Nev., was arrested by city police at 3:45 p.m. Tuesday while he was attempting to trade a suitcase for gasoline at a local service station. Chief Hansen had spotted the car earlier in the day and became "suspicious" by the actions of Babbitt and two companions. Hansen parked the police car at its regular stand on Main street and from the car witnessed the attempted transaction for gasoline at Powell's Service Station.

The car proved to be the property of Leland S. Heller, Boise, and was stolen there earlier in the day. Babbitt was confined to the city jail and was picked up by Idaho officers Tuesday night. His two companions, who were held on suspicion, were released.

## Aerial Spraying Program to Start

If a plane dives at your house this afternoon, it's not an enemy attack, but an attack on another enemy - flies, mosquitoes and some types of bugs.

The city's aerial spraying program will start about 4:30 this afternoon as the first of three applications of dusting for insect control. City officials said the first application will be completed by evening.

Although no toxic materials are used, residents are advised to close their windows, especially those near caged birds or small pets.

The dusting program is entirely for health measures and is not for disease control in trees and plants, which must be treated individually, it was reported.

## Minor Injuries From Accidents Over Holidays

Eight minor accidents were reported by Malheur Memorial hospital during the past week, five of them occurring on Memorial day.

Donna Fehiman, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fehiman, route 2, Nyssa, was admitted to the hospital Thursday for treatment of a fractured collar bone sustained in a fall from a horse she was riding. She is reported to be recovering satisfactorily.

Lon Roberts, 10, route 2, Parma, received emergency treatment for a fractured left ankle suffered when a car ran over his foot while he was at his neighbor's place Memorial day.

Mrs. Ellen Sparks, Boise, was treated for lacerations of her right hand sustained when a car door slammed on her hand. She was released in good condition, according to reports.

Also treated Memorial day at the hospital was Gilbert Parra, 43, Nyssa, who had fallen in his home with a milk bottle in his hand. He was treated for lacerations of the hand and released.

Howard Dunbar, 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dunbar, route 2, Parma, caught a fish hook in the ring finger of his left hand while fishing in the Snake river, requiring emergency treatment.

Monday Lois Patterson, 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patterson of Adrian received emergency treatment after she swallowed an unknown amount of nitroglycerin tablets at the home of a neighbor. She was reportedly released in good condition.

Mrs. George Paxton, 47, of Vale was admitted to the hospital Monday after she caught her heel on stairs in her home and fell to the bottom. She sustained lacerations and abrasions of her head and eye. She is confined for observation and treatment and according to hospital attendants, is in satisfactory condition.

David Bennett, 37, route 1, Parma, sustained first, second and third degree burns of his left hand Tuesday when gasoline he was pouring into his tractor ignited. He was released after emergency treatment at the hospital.

## Portland Position

Miss Ann House who graduated this weekend from OSC, Corvallis, left from there Tuesday for Portland where she will be in charge of recreational therapy at the Shriner's Children's hospital.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul House and grandmother, Mrs. Daniel Shuts of Colorado Springs attended the baccalaureate and commencement exercises, returning home early Tuesday.

## BURNING RUBBER DUST BRINGS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Firemen were called shortly before noon Friday to O.K. Rubber Welders where a spark set off a smudge in a container of rubber dust on a buffing machine. The fire was put out with chemicals and no damage was reported other than heavy smoke throughout the plant.

## Chamber Prexy Reveals Hotel Study Underway With Many Long-Range Aspects, Investigations Considered

Possibility of building a "horizontal hotel" at or adjacent to Nyssa is being investigated, together with pending feasibility reports, Wilton Jackson, president, told members of the Chamber of Commerce Wednesday.

A group of individuals has been considering the project for several months and has obtained an estimated cost as well as tentative architect's plans that are now being studied by the industrial department of the First National Bank of Portland.

Jackson described the tentative proposal as a 30 or 40 unit motel with a central building for a hotel lobby, lounge, dining facilities and sufficient parking space for not less than 500 cars. Even a

large swimming pool has been included in the tentative plans which are designed for additional motel units and other facilities as the need arises. Cost of such a project has been estimated at approximately \$490,000 and a survey completed several months ago indicated that a large part of that sum could be raised by investment subscription.

Jackson said that if such a project is started here, it would not be sponsored by the Chamber, but that the organization and individual members would lend encouragement.

Numerous investigations are now being made and many of them will not be completed in less than one year, Jackson said, in emphasizing that the project is still in the planning stage and the public announcement is to quell rumors that might be current.

Bridge, Highway Report

Elmer Cruson, chairman of the highway committee, confirmed the Journal's announcement of May 16 that the new Snake river bridge at Nyssa will be open for traffic sometime this fall. Cruson announced that he received a letter from the Idaho highway department stating that Idaho's approach to the bridge will be completed in September.

From the Oregon state highway department came a report that eight cities in Oregon have expressed approval of a plan to redesignate highway 26 as highway 84 for a transcontinental route from the Oregon coast through Nyssa and southern states to Texas, Cruson said. The Oregon department announced it had notified the Fort Worth, Tex. Chamber, which in turn will transmit the information to the American Association of Highway officials.

Cruson also reported that plans to construct a lawn in the "Y" at the west end of Main street have been delayed because the state highway department has sprayed the area for weeds and announced there is possibility grass will not thrive unless the soil is treated or changed. Water to irrigate the proposed area has been made available by the city, Cruson said.

## Heavier Shipping In 1957 Expected By Union Pacific

Overall rail shipments to and from Nyssa during 1957 are expected to be from 5 to 8 percent greater than they were in 1956, Union Pacific Agent Tom Jones announced Wednesday. Estimates are based on surveys made by the railroad company in an effort to plan the year's activities, particularly in the fall when a major portion of farm products is handled.

With sugar beet acreage up and a heavier yield anticipated by the Amalgamated Sugar Co., 1957 beet shipments are expected to exceed 11,000 cars. During 1956, 10,740 cars were handled at the Nyssa station.

Potato shipments have been estimated by the U.P. at 2400 cars for this year as compared with 2210 during the 1956 calendar year. Nyssa's top record for spuds was set in 1954 when 2477 cars were handled here.

Onion shipments are expected to be down with an estimate of between 450 and 500 cars. Jones said that he and Joe Jarvis, U.P. agricultural agent from Omaha, had made surveys which indicated loss from diseases reported earlier this spring will not be as great as was first reported. In many instances, stands of good onions remain, with many fields far from a total loss. In 1956, 690 cars of onions left Nyssa.

Wheat and other grain shipments, as well as livestock are expected to be somewhat the same as last year.

So far this year, rail-trailer shipments have shown a terrific increase in the amount of sugar, canned goods and machinery handled, while there was a slight decline in some carloadings. Actual freight handled during the first five months has been heavier than a year ago, however, according to Jones.

## Councilmen Adopt 1957-58 Budget With Few Changes

Nyssa's final budget for the 1957-58 fiscal year beginning July 1 was drafted last Friday by the city council with a total of \$169,774.50 set for all expenditures and the same amount anticipated from all sources of revenue. Expenditures include all bonds and interest.

Only minor changes were made from those proposed by the budget board at its final meeting May 22 when several changes were made in various funds proposed by the city administration.

Total general fund expenditures are budgeted for \$56,393.50, an increase from \$53,168 budgeted a year ago. Street fund expenditures are set at \$33,155, a decrease from \$46,850 budgeted for the current year. The difference is partially due to an unencumbered balance of \$19,838.79 a year ago and only \$1,665 at the present time. Water fund expenditures for the coming year are set at \$35,527 as compared with \$37,137 this year and sewer fund expenditures have been reduced to \$10,125 from the current \$12,330.

Bond and interest payments will amount to \$34,544—\$25,500 for principal and \$9,044 for interest. This does not include \$11,000 principal and \$7,783.75 interest for water bonds which are included in that department's total expenditures.

The city's total bonded indebtedness is \$305,500.

A public budget hearing has been called for Wednesday evening, June 26, at the city hall, where taxpayers may appear and discuss any part or all of the budget.

A detailed notice of all expenditures and revenues, together with figures of the past three years, begins on page 9 of this issue of The Gate City Journal.

## CAMPBELLS TO LOGAN

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Campbell left May 29 for Logan where they will make their home. Mr. Campbell is recently retired as assistant superintendent at the Amalgamated Sugar Co. plant at Nyssa.

## Men About Nyssa



Everett D. Michaelson

Took a while to get over the shock of learning Everett's first name but away we go from here to Germany and back.

Mike—he'll be that throughout this column—was born June 3, 1916 in Draper, Nebr., where his father was in the grocery business.

At the age of four while still sweet and innocent Mike's folks moved to Page, Nebr., where he received both his grade and high school education. He didn't do much at that school. Just barely was elected president of the senior class and was an excellent player on the basketball team. (Some of this information was obtained from other sources.)

Mike graduated smack dab into the depression so took off for a stint with the CCC's. Until 1941 Mike, like a lot of other young men took jobs as they came but managed to keep the wolf away from the door.

Everett decided to play it smart and volunteered for service in the army in February of 1941. The deal was, of course, a one-year stint.

He got out five years later! Your reporter didn't believe it but Mike's first tour was with a (Continued on Page 12)

## Nyssa Students Receive Degrees

Miss Elizabeth Ann House and James H. Smiley of Nyssa received degrees Monday at the 88th annual commencement exercises at Oregon State college, Corvallis.

Miss House, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul House of Nyssa received her bachelor of arts degree in education and Smiley, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Smiley of Nyssa, a bachelor of science degree from the school of business and technology.

Both are graduates of Nyssa high school.