

Gate City JOURNAL SPORTS

Senior Softball Games Continue

In the last week's results of the Nyssa stake senior softball league Nyssa 1st drew an automatic win, when Ontario forfeited.

The second game of the evening saw Ontario 2nd defeat Owyhee Ward, in a free hitting slugfest by a score of 16 to 7. Heuter and Fellows were the batteries for the winners, with Laca and Field for the losers.

Vale and Parma were rained out, and will be played at a later date.

In Thursday night play, Owyhee will meet Parma in the first game, with Ontario 2nd vs Ontario in the 2nd game and Nyssa 1st vs Nyssa 2nd in the 3rd game, Vale draws a bye.

Jr. Legion Schedule

(Arrangements are being made to schedule additional games with teams in the area. Watch the Journal for dates.)

June 22—Vale at Nyssa, 8:15.
June 22 and 23—Baker at John Day, 8:15 and 1:30.

June 29 and 30—Nyssa at Baker, John Day at Vale, 8:15 and 1:30.

July 6 and 7—John Day at Baker, 8:15 and 1:30.

July 9—Nyssa at Vale, 8:15.
July 13 and 14—Nyssa at John Day, Baker at Vale, 8:15 and 1:30.

July 16—Nyssa at Vale, 1:30.
July 20—Vale at Nyssa, 8:15.

Weather . . .

	Max.	Min.	Prec.
June 12	81	58	—
June 13	71	42	—
June 14	68	40	.05
June 15	68	41	.02
June 16	76	43	—
June 17	83	44	—
June 18	92	42	—
June 19	—	50	—

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Nyssa Averages

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	AB	Hits	Ave.
Dick Wilson	25	13	.520
Ken Ackerman	2	1	.500
Fred Ballard	5	2	.400
Ron Heberger	23	7	.340
Garry Martyn	12	4	.333
Gene Bates	9	3	.333
Gale Fillmore	28	8	.286
John Simianer	26	7	.269
Larry Schenk	19	5	.263
Bob Perkins	12	3	.250
Dick Pounds	23	5	.217
Floyd Hale	15	3	.200
Rod Holcomb	8	1	.125
Joel Mitchell	2	0	.000
Ray Barnes	3	0	.000

Dinosaurs Lose Close Contest

The "Sinclair Dinosaurs" played their first Knot-hole league game Tuesday night with Notus on their ball field, losing the tight contest by a score of 5 to 4.

Their next league game will be here next Tuesday night at the Nyssa high school field at 6:30 with Lake Lowell furnishing the competition, Dale Bingham, manager-coach, announced.

Lineup for Nyssa was Dick Settles, short stop; Butch Bingham, pitcher; Butch McDonald, catcher; Frank Walker, third base; Jack Meyers, left field and pitcher; Marlan Sager and Jim Ostrom, first base; Chuck Phillips, center field; Dave Moore, right field, and Dave Walker, second base.

Karen McKinley Takes Training

Newell Heights—Karen McKinley left by bus Saturday night for a four week's summer course at Washington State college where she will receive training to help as a supervisor in the Camp Easter Seal at Coeur d'Alene lake following her studies.

The first month she will be working with handicapped children and the last three weeks with hard of hearing children and those with speech difficulties.

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Knot Hole Team Organized for Young Players

Something new in baseball has been added to fill a category of young ball players who "might be a little too old for the summer recreation program and a little too young for Junior Legion ball," it was announced this week.

A Knot Hole league, composed of boys from 12 to 18 has been organized with Dale Bingham serving as coach. Other teams organized this year are at Notus, Greenleaf and Lake Lowell, near Caldwell. A practice session with Notus last Friday saw the "Sinclair Dinosaurs" of Nyssa bowing to Notus 4-3 in a four-inning game called because of rain.

Although the age limit does somewhat overlap that of the Junior Legion, it gives those boys wanting to play ball to participate actively and improve their game, Bingham said. Many younger boys in the 12-to-16-year bracket desire handball instead of softball played in the summer recreation program. The team is being sponsored by Frank Morris with the VFW helping furnish equipment. Parents of the Knot Holes are arranging transportation for out-of-town games.

All games probably will be scheduled for 6:30 p.m. and efforts are being made to have some of the home games as preliminaries to regular Border league play.

Boys who have started practice include Dub Jones, Frank Walker, Dave Walker, Bob Pond, Jim Jameson, Chuck Phillips, Jerry Lesberg, Fred Sayre, Butch McDonald, Butch Bingham, Terry Thompson and Dave McCready.

Explorer Scouts Take Long Trip On Owyhee River

Adrian—Nine Explorer Scouts left Monday noon for Rome where they will start an expedition down the Owyhee river on a five-day trip that will end at the head of Owyhee reservoir. The Explorers are being accompanied by Ernest Seuell, advisor; Joe Witty, assistant advisor; Jack Peterson, Scout field executive, and Pud Long, government trapper.

Seven rubber rafts will be used for the jaunt down the river and each man was equipped with 50 pounds of equipment and food, including individual camping equipment, first aid material and bedding. Other emergency supplies include rope to portage the rafts around several rapids on the river proper.

The group expects to arrive at the head of the reservoir Friday and Saturday. Bill Looney, Vernon Parker and Athol Sayre will meet the rivermen to bring them the remaining 50 or more miles from the head of the lake to Owyhee dam in motor boats.

Boys making the trip are Johnny Foster, Jim Packwood, Jim Chaney, Fred Sayre, Clifford Looney, Ronnie Smith, Elvin Clubb, Steven Sayre and Benjamin Zamora.

Nyssa Births . . .

June 17—Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Greaves, Nyssa, boy, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Beus, Nyssa, girl.



Two main reasons for the Nyssa Border league's firm hold on first place may be attributed to the above ballplayers. On the left is John Simianer, flashy shortstop of the Beetmen. John, a Nyssa high graduate, played for the University of Oregon for a year before returning to his home town. Last year John batted .273 and is close to that average this year. On the right is Dick Wilson, a man who can pitch when he has to, but is an excellent center fielder. Dick managed to hit .467 last year but has improved as figures on this page will attest. Dick was



a baseball, football and basketball star when at Nyssa high. He made, with ease, the frosh baseball team at OSC before departing for the service. He returned and went to the College of Idaho where he was an all-conference outfielder. It might be of interest to the above gentlemen that at Tuesday's game two major league scouts were on hand. And they are looking not only at the above men but Fillmore, Bates, Martyn, Schenk, Ackerman, Heberger, Ballard, etc. In fact it was stated "too many good men to watch."—Journal Photos.

Delegates Return From Girls' State Session in Salem

Girls' state representatives from this vicinity, Barbara McPartland, Nyssa; Linda Costley, Adrian; Myrna Pershall, Vale, and Bolla Bezates, Ontario, returned home early Monday morning by bus from Salem where they had attended the week's Girls' state session, June 10 through 16.

There were 246 girls in attendance from all parts of the state. Purpose of the session was to teach youth more about Oregon government from the city organization through the state level.

Most of the meetings were held at Willamette university campus with some assemblies in the state house. The girls were elected to various governmental posts, held mock sessions of the legislature and studied the functions of all offices. They heard talks given by Gov. Robert Holmes, the attorney general, secretary of state, justice of the supreme court and assistant superintendent of public instruction.

Other highlights of the sessions were amateur talent hours, fashion shows and a stunt night. Girls were also selected to attend Girls' Nation in Maryland in July.

TRACY SKEEN UNDERGOES EMERGENCY SURGERY

Tracy Skeen, nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Skeen underwent an emergency appendectomy Tuesday morning at Malheur Memorial hospital. He is reported to be convalescing satisfactorily.

Washing Dishes Unsafe for Men

Larry Carstens, 19, Payette, was given emergency treatment at Malheur Memorial hospital Tuesday evening for a cut of his left wrist sustained while washing dishes.

He was released in good condition, the hospital reported.

Beetmen Win Seventh Straight! Tobler Crew Dumps Emmett 15-2

Tuesday night the Nyssa Beetmen disposed of Emmett 15-2 to win their third straight league game and seventh victory in a row.

The Nyssa team this week end moves to tougher, if not greener pastures when they tangle Friday with the Mountain Home Air Base in Idaho and then take on the equally high-flying Boise Merchants in a game that will definitely have a bearing on the ultimate league winner. The game will be played at Boise, but the capital city nine will be Nyssa visitors July 8 when a record crowd is anticipated at the local field.

The Emmett game was a repetition of past games — excellent pitching, good defensive work and timely hitting.

Ken Ackerman, making his first appearance since bashing a thumb in a practice game went seven innings, scattering five hits. Tobler then gave Fred Ballard a chance to warm up which he did by shutting out the visitors with no hits and breezing the ball past six of the nine men he faced for strikeouts.

There were really only two highlights of the game.

One was the play and the "guts" of Emmett's little second baseman, Smith, who faced Nyssa's fireballing pitchers, Ackerman and Ballard, without ever flinching no matter how close, high, hard and inside the toss might be. Smith, who must be the youngest player in Border league competition looks to have a future should he follow baseball.

The other OUTSTANDING incident was a call at second base by the ump. Nyssa's second baseman had the ball, wrote a letter home and waited for the Emmett runner to complete his tour from first to the middle sack. Pounds was both confused and amused at the call . . . which declared the base runner safe. The crowd had a chuckle also, but it wouldn't

have been quite so funny had it been a tight - anybody's - game against top opposition.

The whole Nyssa infield played at their consistent top form. Fillmore at third, Simianer at short, Pounds at second and Bates at first are still making the tough ones look easy.

Incidentally your reporter took Bates to the hospital when he hurt his ankle while sliding. X-rays showed there was nothing serious and Bates will be back in the lineup—if your reporter returns his glove and shoe.

Dick Wilson "rode the bench" until the sixth inning. With the bases loaded and one out Tobler decided to use him as a pinch hitter. Mighty wise decision. Dick slammed a double to drive in three runs!

The next home game will be Tuesday, July 25, against Nampa, a team that might cause trouble to any in the league.

Game time, 8:30 p.m.
Emmett . . . 002 000 000—2 5 6
Nyssa . . . 431 105 10x—15 9 2

Sustains Foot Injury When Sugar Topples

Taft Pett of Apple Valley, employee of the Amalgamated Sugar Co. at Nyssa, sustained injuries to his left foot last Wednesday morning when a sack of sugar fell on his leg.

Several bones of his foot were broken, it was reported, when sacks of sugar he was helping move in the warehouse toppled, resulting in the injury. He is convalescing satisfactorily at home.

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