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Preparations Complete for Nite Rodeo Friday and Saturday

Rodeo Grounds Ready for Two-Night Show

Malheur One of Two Oregon Counties To Have Increase in Tax Assessment Valuation Ratios for All Utilities

Malheur and Multnomah were the only two of Oregon's 36 counties to show an increase in assigned tax assessment valuation for ratios of their utility properties' true cash value, according to C. W. Chambers, state tax commission chairman in Salem.

County Budget Of \$858,745 Gets Approval

Four elected and one appointed county officials received salary increases last week when the total Malheur county budget of \$858,745 was approved by the county court at the regularly scheduled hearing.

Salary increases from \$5000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, to \$5,500 a year went to the sheriff, clerk and assessor, all elected officials, and to the county auditor, who is appointed by the county court. The county treasurer received an increase from last year's \$3,960 to \$4,370. Actually, the increase allowed at the hearing totaled only \$1,630 since the budget board on May 22 had allowed a \$200 increase for the sheriff, assessor and auditor and (Continued on Page 4)

Mrs. Poor Fills Local Elementary Principal Post

The appointments of Mrs. Clarice Notheis Poor as principal of the Nyssa elementary schools, and Mrs. Donna Lee Connors as third grade teacher were announced Tuesday by the board of directors of school district 26C. Mrs. Poor, a former Nyssa teacher, succeeds Walter McPartland who served as grade school principal for 15 years until accepting the position as superintendent of Nyssa schools following the June 3 resignation of Richard V. Wilson.

Nyssa's new grade school principal holds a B.S. degree from Eastern Oregon College at La-Grande and masters degree from Greeley, Colo.

Mrs. Poor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Notheis of Nyssa, is well qualified for her new position. She taught in Portland schools for three years before joining the Nyssa teaching staff in 1946 where she was employed (Continued on Page 4)

Daughter Calls From Guam Base

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pounds were awakened at 2:30 Sunday morning with a radio-telephone call from their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Norman on Guam. Norman, who is stationed with the Air Force on Guam, and his wife called her parents by short wave radio and the message was picked up by a ham operator in Washington state.

The message was relayed by telephone from Washington to Nyssa, allowing the Pounds to visit with their daughter and her husband.

Nyssa City Council Adopts New Budget of \$162,777.25 for 1958-59 Year

Nyssa's city council adopted the city's \$162,777.25 budget with only minor changes at a Tuesday night budget hearing this week. This was a figure \$475 above the budget committee approved and published budget, an increase accounted for by a revised estimate in income from the 5-mill street levy. No one appeared at the public hearing to protest the 1958-59 budget.

The slight increase in the budget occurred with a revised estimated amount to be derived by the city from the 5-mill street levy, approved by voters June 17 on the basis of information regarding city property valuation just received from the county assessor.

Estimated revenue from the levy to be received in the coming fiscal year was increased to \$10,500.

Traffic Light Included

This added revenue was more than offset in the budget by the inclusion of the city's share of the cost of the traffic light to be installed by the state at the intersection of Second and Main.

The council also included some

This county's new ratio is 33 percent, or one point higher than the assigned ratio for 1957 when the same increase over the previous year was made by the commission. Posted ratio for Malheur county is 28 percent this year, allowing the one point increase for all utilities, according to John Koopman, county assessor.

Koopman said that true cash value of all utility property in Malheur county last year was \$15,460,053 and that this year's true cash value has not been ascertained by the tax commission. If the true cash value remains the same, the additional assessed valuation of utility property will be approximately \$154,000. All figures at the present time are purely speculative, the assessor emphasized, because utility valuations and assigned ratios are handled entirely by the state tax commission.

It is more than probable that utility true cash values will be greater than a year ago and it is also possible that some new utility property can be added to the rolls, Koopman said. A year ago additional property for the Northwest Pipeline increased the valuation, but only part of it had been completed when the commission made its assessments early in the year. Utility values are figured on all railroad, electric, telephone and natural gas facilities within the county.

Until all tax commission work is completed on utilities, it will be impossible to assign tax levies for the various taxing districts within the county, Koopman said. All other property valuations, handled by the county assessor's office, have been completed and in most taxing districts increases have been shown to indicate probability of some reduction in mill levies.

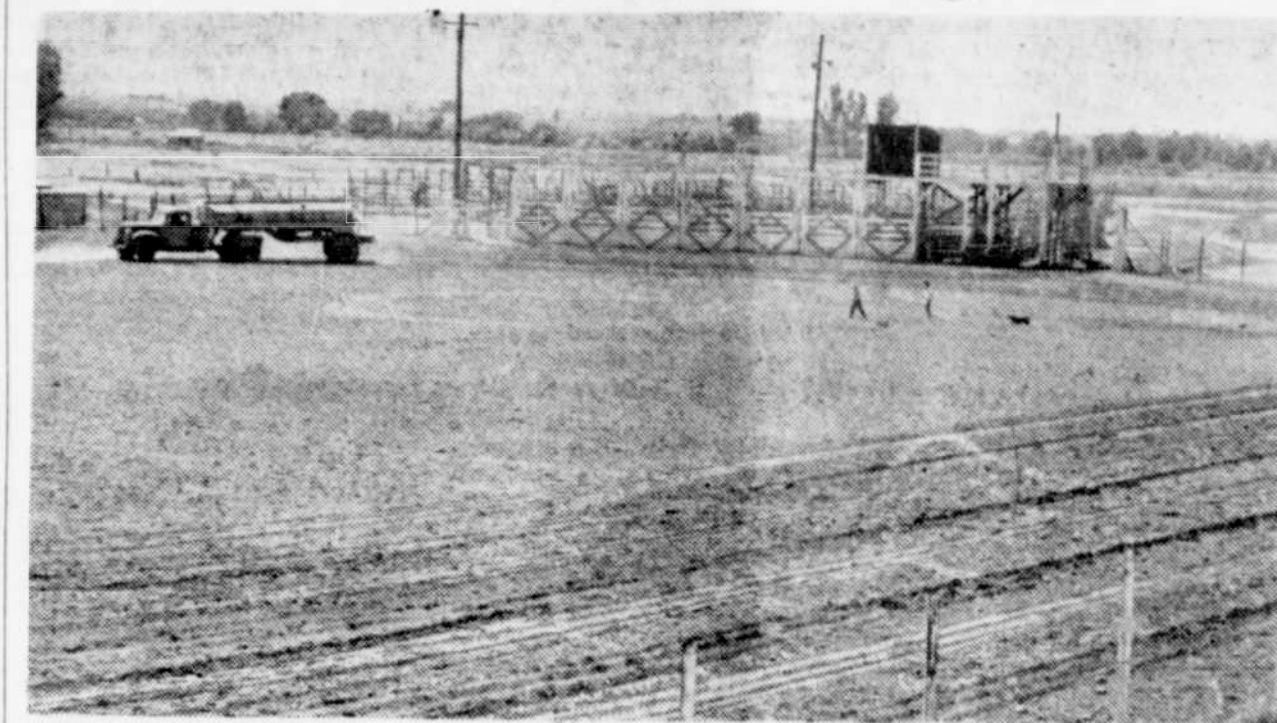
R. V. Wilsons Leave For North Bend Home

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Wilson and daughters moved from Nyssa Tuesday to make their home in North Bend, Ore. where Wilson has accepted the position as principal of the high school.

He served as superintendent of Nyssa schools the past four years and prior to that was principal and instructor. A past president of the Nyssa Lions' club, Wilson was active in many community functions.

Brownies and Scouts Will March in Parade

All Girl Scouts and Brownies who wish to march in the Nyssa Nite rodeo parade will meet at 7:15 Friday evening, July 11, in front of the Ideal Gas and Appliance on North 1st St., their leaders announced. They are all requested to wear their uniforms. Parents are asked to meet the children at the rodeo grounds following the parade.



FUTURE COWBOYS, or at least rodeo fans with their dog, are following the sprinkler wagon around the Nyssa rodeo arena where members of the Owyhee Riding club have been making preparations for the

11th annual Nyssa Nite Rodeo Friday and Saturday. The arena has been completely leveled and harrowed and, after the picture was taken, was packed down by riding club members and their horses. The corrals in the

background are now being filled with Frank Prunty's stock that includes some of the wildest, buckingest horses in the west, Brahma bulls and high spirited calves for the two-night event. —Journal Photo.

Senate Tribute Paid Mrs. Foster

The Gate City Journal and Mrs. Wilber W. Foster received letters this week from Washington, D.C. informing them that U.S. Senator Richard Neuberger from Oregon had paid tribute to Mrs. Foster on the floor of the senate June 30, as 1958 Oregon Mother of the year.

Also, through his recommendation, her article summarizing her trip to New York City for the national Mother of the year contest, which was published in the Gate City Journal, was reprinted in the appendix of the Congressional Record for June 30.

Council Urges Less Water Use By Townspeople

Nyssa's city council at their regular monthly meeting Tuesday night, urged city water users to voluntarily restrict excessive use of water, pointing out that reasonable limitation of use by individual water customers probably would make unnecessary the imposition of restrictions upon water usage by the city.

The council studied information concerning the high use of water in Nyssa during recent weeks and a water department report showing the demand for water exceeded the capacity of the Ranney collector on Monday and Tuesday. The city supplemented the water by use of one of the city's old deep wells on those days.

Restrictions Considered

Immediate restriction of lawn sprinkling was considered by the council, but they expressed the opinion that water customers should first be given an opportunity to limit their use of water voluntarily. The council concluded that much of the excessive demand upon the city's water supply is due to wasteful practices such as operating sprinklers, hoses and air conditioners overnight, allowing leaks in faucets and water closets to go unrepaired and running water taps and fountains constantly during the day.

Regulations Still Possible

The council indicated that, if a reduction of water use is not experienced within a short time, it "intends to meet with the express purpose of putting strict regulations for such use into effect, with appropriate penalties for non-compliance with the provisions of the regulations.

Also the feasibility of water meter installation will be one of the matters to be studied further by the council when they hold a special meeting July 22 to consider the recommendations of the Utilities committee report.

Nyssa's citizens' utility committee, appointed last summer by Mayor Cliff Main, issued a report of their study of water and sewer rates in the city and their recommendations to the council in February.

Grasty Appointed

Gene Grasty has been appointed by Gov. Robert Holmes to the Malheur county public welfare commission, succeeding Mrs. William Schireman whose term expired June 30.

The governor's office reported new commissioners were appointed for 21 counties and reappointments were made in 10 others.

Urgent Appeal Made for Blood Donors For Semi-Annual Visit of Mobile Unit Monday at Nyssa High School Gym

Organizations and individuals are cooperating in efforts to obtain donors for the semi-annual bloodmobile visit to Nyssa next Monday, July 14, not only to meet the great need for whole blood and plasma but to maintain Nyssa's enviable record for recruitment, Bob Wilson, chairman of recruiting emphasized Wednesday. The bloodmobile will be at Nyssa high school gym from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

He stressed the importance of

Nyssans to Hills, Deer to Nyssa During Holiday

No, that wasn't an optical illusion or hallucinations from dreaming of that nice cool camping trip to the mountains, it was the true-to-life happenstance when a deer was reported ambulating down Nyssa streets early Sunday morning.

Mrs. M. Peterson of 502 Good Ave. reported that a doe came down South 5th St. and turned onto Good Ave. at 5:50 a.m. Sunday. To verify the sight, she called her husband who also witnessed the unusual incident as the doe continued down Good to Tobler's Feed Store.

The Journal has been unable to uncover any corroborating reports as to the animal's route after reaching the intersection of South Second and Good Ave., but it is supposed that the quiet Nyssa at that early hour began to come to life a little later, she must have taken out for more secluded ground.

Nyssa Explorer Scouts Embark on Tour to Canada



FOUR NYSSA EXPLORER Scouts left Monday morning by bus for an extended tour to include Idaho and Canada. The boys will join 22 other Explorer Scouts from the Ore-Ida council. On their itinerary are visits at Moscow, Ida. Glacier National park, Banff, Canada, and boat ride on Fraser river to

Vancouver, British Columbia. Pictured above, left to right, are Forrest Huffman, Scout Leader, Walter McPartland, Skip Nakashima, Dick McPartland and Bill Wahlert with their camping equipment at 9 o'clock Monday morning as they were awaiting the arrival of a chartered school bus from Caldwell

"Biggest and Best" Rodeo Ever Promised as City-Wide Events Planned and Cowboys Flock In

Preparations are nearing completion for one of Nyssa's "biggest and best" Nite Rodeo celebrations tomorrow and Saturday, according to Lynn Snodgrass, general chairman, who said that by yesterday noon dozens of top cowboys were registering from near and far to vie for the big \$1,000 purse.

By yesterday morning approximately 175 head of spirited bucking horses, steers, calves and Brahma bulls were already at the rodeo grounds. And, Frank Prunty of Elko, Nev., who is furnishing the stock for the gala western event, had gone back for another bunch. Snodgrass said there would be at least 200 head on hand by Friday night.

Snodgrass emphasized that this year the specialty acts will be shortened from preceding years to bring on more bucking horses and rodeo events.

Five Events Featured

The two nights of the rodeo will feature five major events—saddle bronc, bareback and Brahma bull riding, bulldogging and calf roping. Kids' calf roping will also be featured with Neil Dimmick as chairman of this event.

Troy Nabors of Albany will be highlighted as clown and bull-fighter and will entertain with his trained horse and mule, specialty acts, etc. Friday night the Caldwell junior drill team will perform and Saturday night the Malheur county Sheriff's posse will take their place on the agenda.

Both nights, a big parade starting in downtown Nyssa at 7:45 will precede the rodeo. The parade route both Friday and Saturday evenings will begin at Main and North First, with the parade traveling west down Main to Fifth, then south to Reece and continuing on to the rodeo grounds.

Parades Will Be Big
Jim Clayton, parade chairman, says there will be numerous floats entered in the nightly parades with Nyssa high school students organized into a band by Roger Bergam, Adrian's grade school band on Saturday night, Nyssa Nite Rodeo Queen Susan Stringer and Princesses Judy Gorrel and Shirley Decker, Ontario's Diamond Jubilee Queen Beverly Hoffman and her princesses (invitations have also been extended to other rodeo royalty of the valley), riders and their horses, Emblem club drill team, Eagles drill team, possibly the Royal Neighbors, National Guard color guard and equipment, the American Legion color guard, representatives of Nyssa's Job's Daughters, Girl Scouts, Brownies and many others.

More Floats Urged
Clayton urged local businesses and organizations to enter their floats in the two parades, pointing out that it was still not too late to do so. He has obtained overnight storage space for the floats in the parade at Tobler's warehouse to protect them from the

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Slow Movement, Good Prices Seen for Spuds

Actual potato shipping failed to get underway from Nyssa until Wednesday to allow the local crop to mature, although some small shipments by truck were reported here Tuesday, according to Tom Jones, Union Pacific agent.

The market Wednesday morning was reported good with reports of \$1.50 net to the grower being paid and the Chicago market quoting from \$3.75 to \$4.00 for round reds.

First rail shipments are a day earlier than a year ago when shipping started on July 10. During July, 1957, 429 cars left the Nyssa rail terminal and Jones said this month's output is expected to exceed that of 1957.

There were more carryovers from the previous year's crop this year, or a total of 16 cars shipped in March while in March, 1957, only eight cars of storage potatoes were shipped.

All packing houses were expected to be at near-capacity operation by the end of the week or the first of next when early potato harvesting will near its peak.

Nyssa Jaycees Install Officers At Monday Event

New officers of the Nyssa Junior Chamber of Commerce were installed Monday night at a banquet and program at the Community hall where A. J. Seitz, Union Pacific Railroad Co. vice president, was the principal speaker.

Cork Corbett of Burns, national Jaycee director and former state vice president, installed Robert Church as president of the Nyssa Jaycees and Harlan Hiess, Ontario, state vice president for district 9, installed Bert Huff, vice president; Bill Fagan, secretary, and Fred Mitchell, treasurer.

Gene Timms, Burns, president of the Harney county Junior Chamber, was a visiting dignitary, as was Joe Saito, Ontario, who presented "exhausted rooster" pins to the Rev. John Briel, Dale Overstake and Bob Sherbert, Dale Bingman, who was unable to attend, was honored in the same capacity. Briel, Overstake and Bingman have received outstanding young men awards for their work in the community and were picked three different years in the past by committees from organizations other than the Jaycees. "Exhausted roosters" are Jaycees who have passed the age of 35 and can remain members but have no voting privileges.

Saito, an "exhausted rooster" at Ontario, spoke on the value of leadership training derived from the organization and paid tribute to award winners as well as to outgoing president Duane Holcomb.

Seitz, who came from Portland to address the group, spoke on transportation and the vast changes and progress now being made. Freight rates and how they affect communities were discussed by the speaker.

Jeredee Wilson Hurt In Fall Down Stairs

Jeredee Wilson, 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Wilson of Nyssa, was treated and released from Malheur Memorial hospital July 5 for a cerebral concussion.

She received the injury when she fell down a flight of stairs at her home.

Gallegos Boy Cuts Foot on Bottle

Davis Gallegos, age 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Gallegos of Nyssa, was treated at Malheur Memorial hospital Tuesday for lacerations of the left heel.

The injury was sustained when he stepped on a broken bottle at his home.

—Journal Photo.