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## Malheur Potato Growers Association Reviews Last Season, Plans for 1960

Malheur County Potato Growers association members held their annual meeting Tuesday, Jan. 19, at Boulevard Grange hall. They elected new directors for the coming year, reviewed the 1959 season, heard an address on what is necessary to make a successful grower bargaining association, and made tentative plans for the advertising program for another year.

## Jaycees to Present Baby Resuscitator To Local Hospital

At a Jaycee executive meeting held Jan. 19, plans were formulated for a membership drive meeting slated for Jan. 28 in the community hall, according to W. A. Barton, president. Those interested in Jaycee activities are welcome and urged to attend, he said. Refreshments will be served. Harvey Springer will represent the local chamber of commerce and will present a proposal from the group regarding the care and display of the American and welcome flags belonging to that organization. Program for this meeting will be conducted by Charles J. Smith, Malheur Memorial hospital administrator, who will present a film and demonstration on resuscitation. The Jaycees will present Smith with a check for the purchase of a baby resuscitator for use at the hospital. The annual Easter egg hunt was discussed and local merchants will soon be hearing from the Jaycees about this project.

## District Skills Contest for FFA Slated Next Week

By Skipper Nakashima  
Next Wednesday and Thursday the Snake river district of Future Farmers of America will hold the annual district skills contest at Vale. Potential candidates for representing the Nyssa chapter are Norman Baker and Jim Farmer from the junior class. Candidates from the senior class have not yet been chosen.

Six or eight boys will be chosen to represent Nyssa from the freshman and sophomore classes. These boys will be in such contests as seed identification, soldering, etc. while the junior and senior boys will be busy timing a tractor, setting points, welding, etc. Dean Sisson, Andrew Child, Gene Jones, Dave Moore or Reed Child will represent Nyssa in the public speaking contest. The local chapter will have entries in the scrapbook, secretary's book, treasurer's book and record book tests. Also representing Nyssa will be a parliamentary procedure team consisting of six boys with Dean Sisson as the team captain.

## PTA Chili Dinner Is Well Attended

According to officers of the Nyssa PTA, approximately 500 persons were served Saturday night at the PTA chili supper held in the school cafeteria, and well over \$300 was taken in. A complete report of the event will be given by Mrs. Marion Glenn, chili supper chairman, at the next meeting of the PTA.

PTA president, Mrs. Max Urry and other officers have asked the Journal to express their thanks to Mrs. Glenn and her committee and to all those who contributed in any way to the success of the supper.

## Well-Known Resident Mrs. Nettie Bennett Dies Wednesday

Mrs. Nettie Bennett, long active in Nyssa fraternal and civic affairs, died at Malheur Memorial hospital yesterday noon, Jan. 20, following a lingering illness. For the past several months Mrs. Bennett had been living with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bennett, until last Friday morning when she became decidedly worse and was taken to the hospital. Arrangements were incomplete at press time but funeral services will be held from Lienkaemper funeral home in Nyssa at 2 p.m. Saturday.

### WEATHER . . .

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Jan. 13	30	11	—
Jan. 14	27	11	.02
Jan. 15	30	15	—
Jan. 16	22	9	.12
Jan. 17	29	14	—
Jan. 18	20	10	—
Jan. 19	22	4	—
Jan. 20	—	18	—

Owyhee Reservoir Storage  
Jan. 18, 1959 476,880 Acre Ft.  
Jan. 18, 1960 216,610 Acre Ft.

## M. Hartley Chosen To Represent Area In State JC Contest

The Jaycees of Malheur county have selected Mark Hartley, of the Oregon Trail community as the outstanding young farmer in the county.

Hartley will go to Seaside in February to compete with county nominees from all over the state for the Oregon title. He was nominated by the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce as its choice for this area.

The contest was limited to the ages of 21 through 35.

## Sen. Yturri Urges Voters to Resist Increases in Taxes

Senator Anthony Yturri addressed Nyssa Chamber of Commerce members at their Wednesday noon meeting. He discussed the tax situation in the state of Oregon.

He said that there were several plans that would probably be brought up for consideration by the next legislature, and that some of them would undoubtedly be for a sales tax of some sort. Others would be based on the net income.

The state senator said that there would be a number of strong groups bringing pressure for more money but that if the taxpayers were willing to economize and let it be known strong enough there would be no increases in present taxes.

## Highway Projects Slated for County

According to the Oregon State Highway commission report of Jan. 13, 1960, bids will be received on two Malheur road projects at the next bid opening in Salem, Jan. 21.

One project calls for grading and paving of 8.5 miles of the Central-Oregon highway between Namorf and Harper junction, approximately 27 miles west of Vale. Plans call for widening and minor grade improvements to the existing highway except for a 1.5 mile portion about three miles west of Harper junction that will be a new alignment to cut out several curves on the old road.

When completed it will make the roadway four feet wider than the old and increase the width of the shoulder two feet.

The other project calls for removal of old signs and erection of new ones on the Olds Ferry-Idaho line section of the Old Oregon Trail highway, the Olds Ferry interchange, north Ontario interchange and the Idaho avenue interchange.

## Malheur Education Association to Hear Visitor of Soviet Union

The Malheur County Education Association will hold their winter meeting at the East Side Cafe in Ontario tonight (Thursday).

It is a dinner meeting starting at 7 p.m. with Jim King, superintendent of Lebanon schools, as the featured speaker. Mr. King was one of the Oregon educators privileged to go to Russia this past fall. His subject will be "Russian Schools."

There are more than 200 in the county association and as this is their public relations meeting they will have quite a number of guests.

## Willis Named Head Of Nyssa Democrats

William Willis was elected president of the Nyssa Democratic club for 1960 at a meeting of the group Jan. 20. Mrs. Nettie Bennett was named vice president and Mrs. Grover Vest was chosen secretary-treasurer. New directors are Gene Pratt and Ernest Seuell.

Harold Newman, Adrian elementary school principal, announced that he is a candidate for county judge. The local Democrats discussed prospects for the campaign and primary election, Friday, May 20.

## Adrian Grade PTA Meeting Set Thursday

The Adrian grade school PTA will meet Thursday, Jan. 21, at 8 p.m. in the Adrian grade school building. Dr. David Sarazin will speak on "Infectious Hepatitis," with a business meeting following. Room mothers of the fifth grade will serve refreshments.

## Burglars Loot Nyssa Eagles Hall Tuesday

Burglars broke into the Nyssa Eagles hall Tuesday morning some time between closing time at 12 midnight and 7 a.m., according to Lee Hansen, chief of police.

An undetermined amount of money was taken from a cash register, pin ball machine, juke box and bowling game. Also missing were some bottles of whiskey in holiday decanters and a three-piece luggage set. Entry was gained by working the night latch on the rear door, and the sheriff made a check for fingerprints. No arrests had been made at press time.

## County Grand Jury To Investigate Death of J. Marez

The Malheur county grand jury will be given the task of inquiring into the death of Jimmie Marez when it convenes at Vale Monday.

Marez was killed this past Christmas eve on Nyssa's Main street by a car driven by Guy William "Buzz" Blunck, 23, of Nyssa.

Since the last report made by the Journal, Lt. Beers of the Oregon State Police has given lie detector tests to the driver of the death car, Blunck, and two of the passengers at the time of the accident, Roger Morris and Ronald Woodie. The third passenger, Vernon O. Dove, was questioned again and this was recorded on tape.

Results of these investigations have not been made public but will be presented to the grand jury.

## State to Conduct Cairo Summer School For Malheur County Migrant Children

According to Walter McPartland, Nyssa school superintendent, one of the migrant worker bills passed by the 1959 Oregon legislature provided for funds to set up a training program for the children of migrant workers where needed in the state.

It was determined last week that Malheur county should have such a school established for a period of from six to eight weeks next summer. Ronald Petrie, State department of agriculture education administrator for migrant children finished the survey and decided there might be as many as 300 children that would be attending such a school.

Tentative plans call for the school to be held at Cairo center due to it being nearer the center of the area represented by Vale, Ontario, Nyssa and Adrian than any other school. It is probable that each of the above named districts will furnish a bus for transportation.

McPartland said that the school would be entirely free to the migrant children, with the state supplying the funds the first year. Attendance will be on a voluntary basis and will replace the schooling carried on by the Migrant Ministry last summer.

Members of the county committee other than McPartland, are Emery Skinner, county school superintendent, Tom Calkins, Ontario superintendent, Frank Ellis, Vale school principal, Mike Irons, Ontario teacher, Mrs. Dorothy Groves, Ontario teacher and Harold Newman, Adrian grade school principal.

## Meeting to Organize Adult Farmer Classes Set Tonight at 7:30

An organizational meeting for adult farmer classes in advanced welding and in soils and fertilizers will be held at the Nyssa high school agriculture room tonight at 7:30, according to Carl Devlin, NHS ag instructor.

Anyone interested in either of these two classes are asked to attend this meeting. At least 10 are needed for the welding class and 12 or more are needed for the soils and fertilizers class.

Devlin states that for additional information, interested parties may call him at 2-2444 or FR 2-2565.

## MR. AND MRS. H. L. PACE RETURN FROM HAWAII VISIT

APPLE VALLEY—Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Pace have just returned from a two-week vacation spent touring the four major islands of Hawaii from Jan. 1 to 15. They left by jet plane from Portland and made the crossing in 4 hours and 55 minutes.

They report many beautiful sights and were surprised one morning when having breakfast at Woody's by a phone call from the daughter of the Rev. A. P. Henthorn of Parma. She is living in Hawaii and had heard a radio announcement that the Paces of Parma were there visiting and immediately called to greet them and to receive news from home.

## Annual City of Nyssa Activity Report By Departments Given by A. Colby

The 1959 departmental reports of the city of Nyssa, as presented at the Jan. 12 meeting of the council by City Manager Art Colby are listed below:

- DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY  
Fire Division (Ralph Lawrence, Fire Chief)  
Total city alarms this year—20.  
Property loss in 1959—To be reported by fire department upon promulgation of figures by state fire marshal.  
Fire department personnel—25 volunteers.  
Inspection Division—  
Residential building permits—20 with total valuation of \$246,100.  
Commercial building permits—3 with \$6,500 valuation.  
Residential remodeling permits—25; total, \$35,835.  
Non-residential remodeling—11; valuation, \$129,677.  
Total permits issued—59 with a valuation of \$420,112.  
San inspections in 1959—25.  
Gas inspections for year—76.  
Police Department (Lee Hansen, Police Chief)  
Prisoner meals served in 1959—1927; no record for 1958 and 1957.  
Days served in jail—1959, 683; 1958, 587; 1957, 372.  
Total cases in 1959—420; 1958, 340; 1957, 380.  
Escorts and special services in 1959—83.  
Fatal traffic accidents—2.

## Various Local Activities Under Way For March of Dimes to Aid in Fight Against Polio, Birth Defects, Arthritis

It is the time of year for the annual March of Dimes drive throughout the entire nation. This year the program will be the most ambitious ever undertaken by a voluntary health organization, according to officers of the national foundation.

This year's campaign aim is to prevent crippling diseases that directly affect one in every four U.S. families. These targets are birth defects and arthritis as well as polio. The weapons are the same as have been so successful against polio in the past—research, patient aid, training for more badly needed professionals to fight disease.

## Adrian Growers Plan Seed Meeting Saturday, Jan. 23

Alfalfa seed growers will meet in Adrian Saturday, Jan. 23, to hear a report on alkali bee research by W. P. Stephen, Oregon State college entomologist, according to Leeds Bailey, county extension agent.

The meeting will start at 1 p.m. in the grade school cafeteria.

Other speakers include Ritchie Cowan, head of the farm crops department at Oregon state who will discuss plant breeding, and Dr. Ralph Davis who will speak about new alfalfa varieties and their development.

All persons interested in the seed industry are invited to attend, Bailey said.

## Nyssa Co-op Sets Annual Meeting Next Wednesday

The Nyssa Co-op Supply will hold their annual meeting at the Oregon Trail hall on Wednesday, Jan. 27, 1960. Lunch will be served at 12 noon and the business meeting will start at 1:30 p.m.

The patrons will hear two guest speakers from the Pacific Co-operative at Walla Walla, Washington. One will speak on fertilizers and the other on some subject of vital interest to the farmers of the area.

At the business meeting, the officers will review the 1959 operations of the co-op, make plans for the present year, elect two new directors and transact any other business that may need attention.

Co-op manager, Ed Mason, said he anticipated a good meeting with information available that would help every member.

## Miss Roth Winner Of Betty Crocker Homemaker Title

The 1960 Betty Crocker homemaker of tomorrow in Nyssa high school is Miss Joy Gay Roth, a senior enrolled in homemaking 3, according to Mrs. Virginia Steffens, NHS home economics instructor. Miss Roth is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Roth.

She received the highest score in a 50 minute examination on home-making knowledge and aptitude, taken by senior girls in home-making 3.

Joy Gay was presented an award by Mrs. Steffens at the regular Future Homemakers of America meeting held Tuesday evening.

Her examination paper will be submitted for competition with other high school winners to name the state Betty Crocker homemaker of tomorrow. The test was prepared and judged by Science Research association of Chicago, and was taken by a record number of 379,018 girls in 12,597 high schools across the country.

Scholarships and tours will be awarded to state winners.

## Woodworking Course For Adults to Begin Saturday at School

Individuals interested in taking a course in machine woodworking will attend the first session at the industrial arts shop (next to the school cafeteria), this Saturday, Jan. 23, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, as announced by W. A. Barton, industrial arts instructor.

The course will consist of 10 sessions and it is planned that they will be from 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturdays. Cost of the course will be \$12.50 per project or per person, Barton stated.

## Hust Is Only Winner In Bank Days Event

Names drawn this week at the Tuesday Bank Days event were J. I. Brady of route 2, Nyssa, for the \$50 jackpot prize; Ray Dennett of route 1, New Plymouth, for the \$10 second prize; and G. W. Hust of route 1, Ontario, for third prize of \$5.

Hust was in a participating store to claim \$5. The others were not present. Jackpot prize will be \$100 next Tuesday.