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Nyssa's City Government Outlined; Personnel Listed by Title, Salary Now Received, Proposed Increases

The Jan. 4, 1945, issue of the Gate City Journal carried a copy of legal advertising to acquaint the people of Nyssa with a new charter proposing city manager form of government. This was adopted and became effective in 1946, and the city has operated under this charter continuously since that time.

Retail Gasoline Prices Lowered At Nyssa Outlets

Gasoline prices have been reduced in Nyssa by all major stations since last Thursday. Posted prices show regular at .34.9, three cents lower, and premium at .37.9, four cents lower.

Prices were lowered in Ontario, Vale and Burns from two to three cents per gallon by Shell Oil company for their dealers and these have been passed on to the customers.

Shell declares it is not a price war but was done in five western states to meet competition. Idaho was not one of the five states.

For the motorist driving 12,000 miles per year and averaging 15 miles per gallon, this would mean a savings of \$24 per year, if he used regular grade gasoline, and \$32 per year using premium.

Flower Display Termed Success By Club Members

Members of Town and Country Garden club have reported that they were well pleased with the reception given their recent flower show held in downtown Nyssa.

Registered guests numbered 237 and many more attended the show but did not sign the guest book. There were 32 entrants, each furnishing from two to 12 arrangements or flower specimens.

Door prize winners during the two-day display were Mrs. Gladys Feik and Mrs. Myrtle Raymond. Mrs. Feik was winner of a planter of petunias and lobelia. A planter of pansies was presented to Mrs. Raymond.

Following the show, many of the flowers were taken to Malheur Memorial hospital for patients to enjoy.

Members of the garden club state that they plan another show next year and have asked the Journal to express their appreciation to exhibitors, guests and all who helped in any way to make the first annual Town and Country Garden club show a success.

Weiser to Fete Northwest Fliers

The second annual All-You-Can-Eat Flying Breakfast will be served at the Weiser, Idaho, municipal airport from 7 a.m. to noon Sunday, May 28, by the sponsoring Weiser Lions club.

Bob Nieland, general chairman, said all fliers of the northwest have been extended an invitation. Motor travelers and nearby residents also are invited, he said. Nieland said the Weiser area is surrounded by some of the nation's top scenery, including Hells canyon, deepest river gorge in the western hemisphere. The breakfast will give visitors an early morning start on any tour they may have in mind. Boat enthusiasts may attend the annual regatta to start on Snake river at 2 p.m. under sponsorship of the Weiser Boat club.

Flags and flowers will be placed on all known graves of veterans. A wreath will be placed at the veterans' memorial when tribute will be paid to all deceased veterans of all wars.

The firing squad will be comprised of men from the Engineers' group and color guard will be made up of Legion and auxiliary members.

Main speaker will be Judge Don M. Graham and a brief talk will be given by the Rev. W. S. Lowrance.

County Sheriff's posse to select queen June 4. Roy Holmes, chief of Malheur County Sheriff's posse, has announced that the posse's queen will be selected at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, June 4, at the Vale rodeo grounds.

Vie for Dairy Princess Title



THIS GROUP of young ladies, all candidates for the title of Malheur Dairy Princess, were special guests of Nyssa Lions at their Monday luncheon meeting. They are (left to right) Anna Jean McCarver, route 2, Ontario; Billie Dianne Fifer, route 1, Ontario; Sharon Albertson, route 2, Vale; Dorothy Houston, route 1, Ontario; Min Nettie Woodard, route 1, Ontario; and Sally Irene Griffin, route 2, Vale. —Staff Photo.

To Direct Lions Club 1961-62 Activities



NEWLY ELECTED Lions club officers are (left to right) Lloyd Wilson, president; Ray Larson, first vice president; Stan Thompson, secretary; Lauren Wright, treasurer; Gene Chester, Lion tamer; Art Colby, tail twister; Charles J. Smith, second vice president; and Tom Jones, third vice president. This photo was taken following the club's noon luncheon meeting Monday at Brownie's cafe. These officers will be installed in the near future. —Journal Photo.

Contract on Park Avenue Paving Let

According to an unofficial report by telephone to City Manager Art Colby, Ontario Asphalt company, Ontario, was successful bidder on the paving contract for Park avenue with a bid of \$19,100 at Salem this week.

Nyssa's portion of the cost will be \$1487, which is considerably below the \$2800 estimate set by the state as the city's part of the project. The remainder will be paid from state highway funds.

Colby was authorized by the city council Tuesday night to pay this amount upon demand from the state highway commission.

The portion of Park avenue to be paved extends from the highway on the west to Fourth street.

Chamber Hears Stunz on Legislative Highlights Affecting Malheur County

Emil Stunz, state representative, spoke briefly at the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce Wednesday on what he considered some of the highlights of the recent session of the Oregon legislature.

As to state legislation, he said probably the agreement with Boeing corporation on leasing of the Boardman industrial site was the most important. Approximately 1500 bills were introduced and almost one half of them passed, many in amended form. He said newspapers had referred to this legislature as a "do nothing" body but that he felt the interests of Malheur county had been taken care of as well as any other section of the state.

Some of the bills, affecting the local county, he named were: reapportionment, which remained the same, or is now, but the state supreme court could change it since the constitution states it shall be done solely on a population basis; watermasters for all counties having irrigation projects, with salaries paid by the state; cities getting a larger portion of revenues from the sale of liquor and the county getting 5 percent where in the past none had been received; farm picketing bill which makes it illegal for anyone other than an employee who had worked for three consecutive days to picket a farm.

He was asked what part lobbyists played in the legislature and how effective they were. His answer was that many people looked upon them as something obnoxious but that they were high caliber people and were mostly well-versed in their subjects. The most powerful in this session was labor, with education being second, he said.

In regular chamber business, Lloyd Mackrill reported that details had been worked out for the promotion of "Two Dollar Days" for next month. Paul Penrod reported on the Idaho-Eastern Oregon Industrial council meeting held in Weiser last week.

INSTRUCTORS ACCOMPANY TRACKMEN TO CORVALLIS. Five Nyssa trackmen will participate this weekend in state competition at Corvallis. Representing the Bulldogs will be Paige Zobell, pole vault; Don Arai, shot put; Mike Savage, 440-yard run; Norman Baker, 880-yard run; and Frank Walker, broad jump.

The athletes will be accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Kinsey Keever, Harry McGinley and W. L. McPartland. The latter will attend an Oregon School Activities association meeting which is being held at the same time as the track meet.

Other records that fell were the discus, thrown 150' 11 1/2" by Sherman's Ron Mobley; the 220 in 22.5, set by Gary Thompson of Sherman and Mark Sias of Mac-Hi tied the 100 mark at 10.0.

Sherman scored 66 1/2 points to take third place, while Mac-Hi had 59, Enterprize 24, Burns 20 1/2, Heppner 14, Elgin 13, Grant Union 5 and Vale 1.

State Sen. Anthony Yturri Discusses Accomplishments Of 1961 Oregon Legislature After Record 122-Day Session

By Senator Anthony Yturri

The effectiveness of the 1961 legislature of Oregon must be measured in terms of what it prevented from happening as well as its actual accomplishments. The following is a summary only and not intended as a detailed outline of all legislative activities.

Expenditures. The general fund budget was slightly in excess of \$366,000,000. This exceeded the governor's recommended budget by about \$7,500,000 and was about \$3,000,000 more than the 1959-61 budget.

Whether prudent or not, this was made possible by reason of a surplus of nearly \$39,000,000 anticipated to be on hand on July 1, 1961. (Similar budget increases in future sessions could spell disaster.)

Taxation. 1. No change was made in the income tax structure of the state. In this respect the will of the people as expressed in the November 1960 election was observed.

2. Changes which were sought by one element or another but which failed were:

a. Repeal of the personal property tax and substitution thereof by a 2.7 percent tax upon "business profits."

b. Imposition of a 1 percent tax upon "business profits" to replace nearly 40 percent of personal property taxes by the offset system.

c. Sales tax of not to exceed 3 percent, excluding food and drugs, with the proceeds to be used to offset school taxes on real property.

d. A 1 percent "net receipts" tax upon all income, combined with elimination of the usual deductions, including the federal tax, contributions, interest, etc. (This would have resulted in some reduction of rates.)

e. A 5-cent tax per package upon cigarettes. (Oregon is the only state which does not have such a tax.)

f. A "head tax" of \$5 on every single person filing a return but reflecting less than \$2,000 income, and a \$10 "head-tax" on husband and wife with income less than \$4,000.

Reorganization. Despite the repeated efforts of nearly every legislative session for 10 years, the legislature failed to enact any part of the reorganization program, which had been submitted to the legislature upon the demand of the 1959 session by the governor. This indicates that a majority of the legislators are satisfied with the 170 boards and

Malheur Memorial Board Approves Hospital Budget Increase of \$100,000; Tax Levy Remains Same as Last Year

Annual budget for Malheur Memorial Hospital district was approved last Wednesday by members of the budget board. It provides a tax levy of \$19,427.80 which is the same as the 1960-61 tax levy, according to Charles J. Smith, hospital administrator.

Overall anticipated expenditures and revenues, however, were increased by about \$100,000 over the previous year's budget. Actual tax levy for the district remains the same as last year's figure.

Since Oregon law requires that districts, such as the local hospital district, can only expend funds not exceeding those stated in the annual budget, the budget board believes it is advisable to establish a budget sufficiently large to provide for any foreseeable increase in business. This does not affect the tax levy, Smith said, since the additional revenues and expenditures would come from hospital business and not from tax money.

Prepared for Disaster. The projected figure is not unrealistic. Should the local hospital suddenly receive a heavy load due to a disaster similar to the one encountered by the Roseburg, Ore., hospital at the time of that city's terrible explosion some months ago, the funds would not otherwise be available.

Chairman of the budget board is Eugene Pratt of Adrian, with Glen Peterson, secretary. Members are George Folkman, Delbert Garner of Nyssa and Bob Webster of Adrian. Regular hospital board members also on the budget group are John Stam, chairman; Everett Heldt, secretary; Frank Morgan, Jr., treasurer; and D. H. Christensen of Nyssa and Bill Willis of Adrian, members.

The hearing is scheduled for June 20, 1961, at the hospital at 8 p.m. Following the hearing, a film will be shown, entitled "Decision," which will illustrate the responsibilities of the hospital and budget board in their obligations to provide the best they can in hospital and medical care to the community.

The award in engineering and science was given by the National Science foundation and includes cost of schooling and transportation. The course begins June 12, continuing to July 21.

Scholarship winners were selected by a board at the university from submitted applications. Basic qualifications are academic achievement, leadership in the community, citizenship and outside interests.

Students Receive Scholarship Awards From Nyssa Eagles. Alice Sakana of Ontario and James Shurtliff of Vale are recipients of \$250 scholarships presented to them by Nyssa Eagles.

Frank Walker of Nyssa and Karen Mitchell of Adrian each received \$25 awards.

The awards were presented at the May 17 meeting of the Eagles by Bob Thompson, chairman of the scholarship committee. Other committee members were Charles Browning of Ontario, J. Homer Schnell of Vale, Dudley Kurtz and Dick G. Tensen of Nyssa.

Scholarship winners were selected for academic ability, leadership, citizenship, personality and need, after a study of brochures submitted by candidates.

The \$250 scholarship awards will be given to the college of the recipients' choice and the \$25 grants were presented in actual cash to the winners.

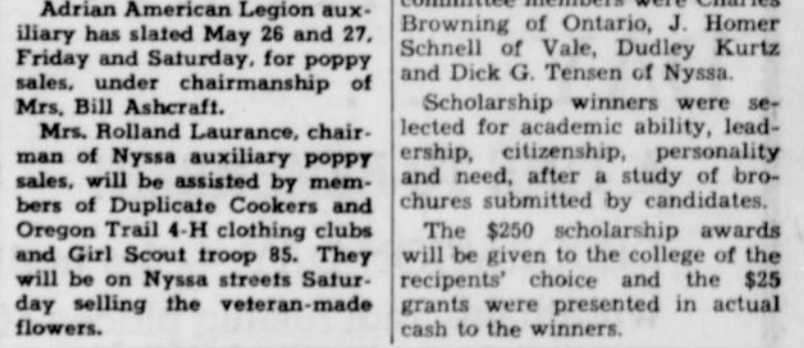
Other bids received and examined were submitted by U. S. National Bank of Portland with a net effective rate of 4.2407 percent and interest charges of \$30,279, and Blythe and company, Portland, with a net rate of 4.454 and interest of \$31,804.50.

Next Wednesday, May 31, is the date reset for pool construction bids to be opened.

Poppy Days Slated At Nyssa and Adrian. Adrian American Legion auxiliary has slated May 26 and 27, Friday and Saturday, for poppy sales, under chairmanship of Mrs. Bill Ashcraft.

Mrs. Rolland Laurance, chairman of Nyssa auxiliary poppy sales, will be assisted by members of Duplicate Cookers and Oregon Trail 4-H clothing clubs and Girl Scout troop 85. They will be on Nyssa streets Saturday selling the veteran-made flowers.

Free Parking Space? A CAR DRIVEN by Gerardo Manriquez of Caldwell is shown after it became wedged under a loading platform at Muir-Roberts packing company. Manriquez was arrested Monday evening by local police officers on charges of leaving the scene of an accident. Police said he first struck a telephone pole in the alley at the rear of the Journal office, shearing it off. —Staff Photo.



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