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Former NHS Students Gather for Reunion



MEMBERS of NHS graduating class of 1940, their husbands and wives who attended a two-day reunion held Saturday and Sunday in Nyssa are (left to right) front row: Harold Holmes, Mrs. Harold Holmes, Norris Wood, Mary Ruth (Latham) Wood, Frank Parr, teacher, Mrs. John Young, John Young, teachers, Mrs. George Turner, George Turner; second row: Delbert Malloy, Leola (Harris) Malloy, Joe Council, Martha (Smith) Council, Roy Sadamori, Joy (Atagi) Sadamori, Gerald Warren, Mrs. Gerald Warren, Regina (Marostica) Recla, Joe Recla; third row: Dean Wyckoff, Mrs. Dean Wyckoff, Floyd Hall, Elma (Nye) Hall, Jean (Johnson) Sweeney, Pat Sweeney, Louise (Tensen) Peterson, Bob Peterson, Mrs. Edward Topliff, Edward Topliff; back row: Everett Heldt, Roy Brady, Mrs. Roy Brady, Maxine (Shaw) Bingman, Dale Bingman, Mrs. Ken Lewis, Ken Lewis, Dwight Wyckoff, Aloha (Maw) Wyckoff, Burl Wyckoff. Reunion pictures of the 1941 and 1942 classes will be published in next week's Journal.

—Photo by Schoen.

Early 1940 NHS Graduating Classes Hold 2-Day Joint Reunion in Nyssa

Nyssa high school classes of 1940-1941 and 1942 held a combined class reunion Saturday and Sunday, June 24 and 25, 1961, with a large representation from each class. Some of those attending came from as far away as Minnesota, Illinois, Kansas and Arizona, with the majority from California, Washington, Idaho and Oregon.

Registration for the reunion started at 1 o'clock Saturday with Dale Bingman and Thelma (Root) Huffman in charge of registering guests and Everett Heldt acting as treasurer for all three classes. Marcella (Newell) Lowe made

name cards for each guest. They were silhouettes of the high school as these former students remembered it.

Signs directing former students where to register were made by Jack Church. Doris (Graham) Lawrence was in charge of the refreshment table from which iced tea and soda pop were served.

Banquet Held Saturday
A banquet, starting at 7 o'clock Saturday evening, was served in the Nyssa high school cafeteria by members of the Oregon Trail Grange and Owyhee Riding Club, under supervision of Mrs. Robert Holmes. Lucille (Sallee) Morgan was in charge of table decorations.

Toastmaster for the evening was Dale Bingman, president of the student body during his 1940 senior year. Following a welcome to each and everyone by Bingman, the Rev. Robert R. Dewey, minister of First Christian church in Homedale, Idaho, and member of the class of 1941, gave the invocation.

During the evening, members of all three classes introduced themselves, their husbands or wives, relating which class they were a member of, how many children they had, their occupation and home address.

Memorial Service Held
A candlelight memorial service, under direction of Maxine (Shaw) Bingman, was held to honor nine classmates who are no longer living. Frank Parr, a teacher during the school years of these alumni, read a poem written by Winona (Henderson) Robbins and then read obituaries of the deceased.

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County Welfare Load Shows Decrease; Foster Homes Needed for Children

At its regular monthly meeting May 17, the Malheur County Public Welfare commission reviewed figures on caseload and expenditures for April 1961. At that time there were 126 families receiving aid through general assistance program. For June this figure has dropped to 28, according to John C. Kerns, county administrator.

These 28 active cases include the temporarily disabled and applicants who are receiving temporary assistance pending approval of social security grants. Now there are no employable persons receiving general assistance. The administrator felt that the general assistance program will remain relatively inactive until after the fall harvest.

The commission also voted to remove all children over age 14 from the aid to dependent children grants for June, July and August. It was felt that these children would be able to earn sufficient money through summer employment to provide for their needs. Children with physical or emotional handicaps will not be removed.

Need for Foster Homes Stressed
The welfare commission is now in need of foster homes for children of all ages, Kerns declared. There are many children in the county who have lost their homes because of illness, parental neglect or other family tragedies. It is the responsibility of the commission to restore these families to normal function. This often takes considerable time.

While this family rehabilitation is being carried out the children

have to live away from their own homes. Some of these children are only a few months old, but most of them are older and many are teenagers. Some of them have physical and emotional problems; all of them are worried because of what has happened to them.

They come from many nationalities and religions. Most of them are Caucasian; some are Indian or Negro. Some will need a home for only a few weeks; others for a year or longer. Most cannot be considered for adoption because they have family ties and hope to return to their parents.

Type of Homes Needed
The children need foster families who will help them belong comfortably in the neighborhood and who will give them the affection and good experience in daily living they need in order to grow into responsible and mature adults. The foster home need not be lavish, but should provide these children with adequate space for sleeping and living. It also should be a home that is safe and clean.

It is the responsibility of the welfare commission to locate these foster homes, Kerns said, and if any person is interested he should call TUCKER 9-8369 and discuss this further with Mrs. Betty Marquina, child welfare worker.

The welfare commission pays for the children's room and board, clothing and school supplies, and also makes it possible for these children to receive necessary medical care.

Education Board Sets Boundaries For Junior College

The State Board of Education issued an order June 14 setting forth boundaries of the proposed Treasure Valley Area Education district of Malheur and Baker counties.

The district will include Huntington school district of Baker county and the following districts of Malheur county: Ontario No. 8, Vale 15, Nyssa 26, Adrian 61, Harper 66, Westfall 6, Brogan 1, Jamieson 10 and Annex 29.

According to a letter from O. I. Paulson, assistant superintendent of vocational and post high school education, the order will become final if no appeal is filed within 60 days of the June 14 order. In which event an election can be held within 30 to 60 days, following the order becoming final, for voters to determine if the district shall be created.

School districts of Malheur county not included in the proposed district are Rockville, Jordan Valley, Ironside, Beulah, Jun-tura, Willowcreek, McDermitt, Cow Creek and Arock. These districts have a combined valuation of \$5,353,073, or roughly 20 percent of the value of those to be included in the new junior college district.

Art Cartwright Wins \$10 Bank Day Award

Arthur Cartwright, 617 Park avenue, Nyssa, was winner of the \$10 second award at Nyssa Bank Days drawing Tuesday. Other names drawn were Sam Ralston, route 1, Fruitland, \$50 jackpot prize, and Julio L. Mancias, route 1, Nyssa, for third award of \$5.

Because of the July 4 holiday, next drawing will be held July 11 and jackpot prize will advance to \$100.

Emergency Cases Treated at Hospital

William Guthrie, 14, of rural Parma was treated and released June 24 from Malheur Memorial hospital for injuries he received in a tractor accident.

Tommy Church, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Church, was treated June 25 for fracture of the left arm. Gloria Medina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Medina, was also treated June 25 for laceration of the right knee. She was injured while getting out of a car.

Bloodmobile Visit Scheduled July 6; 200 Pint Quota Slated

According to Elmer Jaques, chairman for the Nyssa blood drawing, information received this week indicates that the amount of whole blood and gamma globulin used during the last year was in excess of the amount given at local drawings.

Nyssa has a quota of 200 pints of blood for the July drawing and it is necessary the quota be met, Jaques said. Individuals or those whose relatives have received blood are urged to make every effort to have replacement donors at the drawing.

The mobile unit will be in Nyssa July 6, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. at Eagles hall, located at Third and Bowler. Eagles auxiliary will be in charge of the canteen with refreshments provided by the Eagles.

Work Progresses On Park Avenue Projects in Nyssa

Paving project on Park avenue from Fourth street west to the highway was started Monday morning with C. E. Leseberg's crew doing the work under sub-contract with Ontario Asphalt company.

By Tuesday night most of the old pavement and base had been removed from the highway to Sixth street and pavement broken up on another block to Fifth street.

Gravel and dirt are being moved to the bowling alley site and to grounds around the new swimming pool. Work was not as rapid as had been expected due to hitting seepage spots. A caterpillar grader got stuck Tuesday afternoon in one of these spots at Sixth and it appeared then that additional equipment would be needed to go deep enough to solid ground for a road base.

Due to this trouble, residents along Park avenue are asked to keep irrigation water from running into the street where excavation has been made.

Other Park Avenue Projects

Swimming pool construction was still on schedule late Tuesday afternoon, according to L. M. Johnson, foreman. He said the "gunning" should start July 6 and be finished within three days.

The Henigson-Jackson sewer extension ditch was started Thursday of last week and late Tuesday was dug approximately 550 feet, or one-half completed. At that time about 450 feet of the eight-inch line was laid.

Migrant School Begins July 5 At Cairo Plant

By Josephine Rigney

Summer classes for approximately 100 migrant children of Malheur county will begin July 5 at 7 o'clock in the morning.

Starting at 6:30 a.m., three buses will pick up children at designated locations and deliver them to Cairo school house. Students from Vale, Ontario, Nyssa and Adrian labor camps will be participating in the program.

Instructors, who will make up the teaching staff, include Alvin Hicks, principal, Muriel McCutchin, May Markowa and Kenneth Johnson from Ontario; Emma Snyder, Harriet Brumbaugh and Josephine Rigney from Nyssa.

School sessions will be held from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. each week day and the curriculum will emphasize language arts comprised of speaking, reading, writing and spelling of the English language.

An added feature of this year's school will be regularly scheduled swimming session at the Ontario pool. These will take place each Monday morning.

During the past two weeks, instructors have been making regular visits to the campsites to take applications. They have noted that interest in the school is very good. Many of the children remember last year's session and are quick to explain about the school to those who will be enrolling for the first time.

Children from age 5 through 12 will be accepted this year. This means that children who will be starting in first grade in the fall will have an opportunity to learn adjustment to school functions.

Local Pilot Dies In Plane Crash While Crop Dusting

Kenneth D. Klapstein, 707 Emison, Nyssa, was killed instantly at 8:12 p.m. Saturday when the wing of a crop dusting plane hooked on a telephone line at the William E. Nelson farm, about seven miles south of Adrian.

According to information furnished the Journal by Ron Zerbel, owner of the plane, Klapstein made a pass over the field and pulled up to avoid power lines when a wing of the biplane hooked under the telephone lines running parallel to the field.

Klapstein, a long-time friend of Zerbel, came from Manson, Wash., about two months ago to pilot one of his planes. He had been flying since 1952 but had only about 300 hours experience as a crop duster pilot.

Survivors include his widow, Sharon; two children, Jeff, 4, and Susan, 2; his mother, Celia Klapstein; and one brother, Don of Manson, Wash.

Funeral services and interment will be held Friday in nearby Chelan, Wash.

Promotion Plans Told at Chamber Meet Wednesday

Lynn Snodgrass spoke on behalf of the Nyssa Nite Rodeo at the chamber of commerce meeting Wednesday noon. He said plans had been made for stock, announcer and clown and that Davis Amusement company would again have the carnival concessions.

He told chamber members that they could help by all merchants and clerks wearing some western attire for a period before the rodeo dates of July 14-15 and he would appreciate the group underwriting prizes for the queen to be selected from riders in the parade. The chamber voted to approve the latter request through gift certificates good at the stores of any chamber member.

Other promotions were discussed and tentative dates set for Back-to-School day in August, Krazy day in September and band festival in October.

Guests were Ray Dickman, Oregon Concrete company, Nampa, and Al Garceau, Garceau Steel Structures company, Spokane.

Ex-Nyssa Resident Succumbs Friday From Bullet Shot

Joseph R. Robertson, 40, son of Mr. and Mrs. Artie Robertson, 806 King avenue, Nyssa, died Friday afternoon in Boise Veterans hospital from a self-inflicted bullet wound.

According to information furnished the Journal by father of the victim, Joe was visiting in his home when local police made a pick-up call in connection with parole violation stemming from a 1952 charge. He asked to be excused to put on a shirt before accompanying the officers. Immediately after going into the bedroom a shot was heard and Joe was found with a bullet wound in his head.

He was rushed to the local hospital where he was given transfusions before starting the trip to the Boise hospital.

Mr. Robertson was born in Nyssa April 2, 1921, graduated from high school here in 1939 and was attending Oregon State college when he entered the Navy Air corps in 1942.

He served as a pilot in the South Pacific theater during the war and was a first lieutenant when it ended. He elected to spend another year in the service and since that time had lived in California and western Oregon.

Besides his parents he is survived by his widow, Pearl M. Robertson.

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Farm Labor Hearing Scheduled Tonight

According to State Labor Commissioner Norman O. Wilson, a public hearing on proposed administrative rules regulating farm labor contractors has been set for Thursday (today) at 7:30 p.m. in the Ontario city hall.

Rules now in effect have been amended by the 1961 state legislature through House Bill 1647. Some of these changes are nullifying the requirement that crew leaders be registered, clarifying exemptions and detailed requirements for the filing of job information by farm labor contractors.

The intent is to reduce administrative difficulties experienced under present rules. Copies of these proposed changes have been sent to individuals and farm organizations who have previously expressed an interest.

The hearing will be conducted by Thomas Y. Higashi, assistant attorney general, assigned to the bureau of labor.

Council Approves Budget of \$276,258 For 1961-62 and Chlorinator Purchase; Inspects New Sewage Disposal Plant

At a called meeting Tuesday night the Nyssa city council approved the 1961-62 budget for \$276,258, as printed, granted Nyssa Sanitation service the privilege of adjusting rates upward, opened bids for purchase of a chlorinator for the water system and made a tour of the new sewage disposal plant following the formal meeting.

No one appeared to discuss or question any of the items set up in the budget and motion to approve met unanimous approval.

The operator of the sanitation truck had submitted a schedule previous to the meeting and this was approved within the limits of the schedule. Individual adjustments would be made by the operator and the firm served.

Manager to Select Chlorinator

Three bids were received on the water chlorinator, all by non-resident firms. Two of these were identical in the amount of \$2748 and the other was for \$2405. City Manager Art Colby was authorized to make a study of these, together with the service that would be offered, and to purchase the one he felt best.

Colby asked for permission to make salary adjustments as of July 1 and was authorized to do so since they had been included in the budget that had been approved.

The water storage shortage was discussed and Colby said the situation had improved greatly during the past week. He said the two storage tanks were now filled during the night and lasting through most of the day, giving sufficient pressures to fight fires that might occur. He asked the Journal to express his and the council's thanks to the people for their care in conserving water.

Inspect City Facilities

Following an early adjournment the council, together with City Attorney Hal Henigson and Editor Ted Brammer, made a tour of

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Growers, Shippers Agree on Potato Marketing Rules

At a June 19 Parma meeting to discuss shipping regulations for 1961, potato growers of Malheur county and western Idaho agreed to retain existing conditions with minor changes.

Maturity changes for the long white varieties were changed from "slightly skinned" to "moderately skinned" by vote of the group, according to Fred Hagelstein, Malheur county extension agent.

These recommendations were passed on to the committee of growers and shippers who met in Boise the following day. The group approved this change and sent the committee recommendations to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C., for final action.

R. K. Hart, Pocatello, manager of the grower-shipper group, said it was agreed that all potatoes going out of the state from this section must be U.S. No. 2 or better, that round red varieties must be a minimum of 1 1/2 inches in diameter, and that cleanliness of the potatoes would range from "slightly dirty" for the Kennebec variety to all others being "generally fairly clean."

Hart said the recommendations of the group would probably become final in about 10 days when the U.S. agricultural department had given approval.

Brownie and Girl Scout Day Camps Conclude With Friday Ceremonies

A week of day camp activities concluded Friday for 30 Brownie and young Girl Scouts at Nyssa school grounds. Theme of the program was "Our Heritage."

Brownies were divided into four patrols and named Flaming Stars, Black Eagles, Pocatontas and Sacajawea. Arts and crafts consisted of making bug zoos, canteens, ditty bags, marikars and drums.

Wednesday activities for Brownies consisted of a cook-out and hike to the Maurice Corey ranch. Corey demonstrated how rocks are cut and polished and also showed the girls his rock and gem collection.

Approximately 43 Intermediate Scouts attended day camp on Beck's island. The girls were transported across the river by ferry each day for primitive camping. Older scouts were divided into five patrols and each group decided what goals they would accomplish during the week.

Ceremony Opens Daily Program

Activities started each day with a flag raising ceremony and patriotic song and concluded with taps and lowering the colors.

Mrs. Mel Beck's troop planned a treasure hunt for their sister scouts and accompanied them Thursday around the island. With Mrs. Cecil Richards as leader, troop 4 taught scout songs to younger girls.

Troop 99, with Mrs. Dick Tensen as leader, visited the camp Thursday and remained for sup-

per. Each patrol presented a skit or song and all joined in campfire singing. Mrs. Bob McKinney and Mrs. Fred Alexander accompanied troop 99 to the island.

Brownies presented a program Friday afternoon which included a dramatized ballad entitled "O, Soldier, Soldier," an original drama, "The Wicked Witch and the Princess," written, narrated and dramatized by two patrols, Flaming Stars and Black Eagles. Intermediate Scouts hiked in from the island to attend the program.

Repeat World Scout Pledge

The Friday meeting was concluded with all Scouts and Brownies forming a circle and repeating a world scout pledge—"I am a link in the golden chain of friendship, scouting, and I must keep my link strong and bright."

Assisting with activities at the school grounds were Patricia Dority, Mrs. Carl Grunke, Mrs. Frank Shelton and Mrs. Helen Mitchell, arts and crafts; Mrs. Clarence Clapp and Mrs. George Rush, dramatics; Mrs. Max Urry, music; Sylvia Holly, Mrs. Jack Simpson and Mrs. Dick Tensen, cooking; Mrs. Hal Henigson, Mrs. William Wahlert and Mrs. Bob McKinney, transportation.

Those helping with Girl Scout activities were Mmes. David Sarazin, Cecil Richards, Wilton Jackson, Bill Hamilton, K. A. Danford, Mel Beck and the Misses Barbara Beck and Edith Pounds. Mrs. Victor Haburchak served as registrar for both groups.



THIS GROUP of Brownies and Girl Scouts gathered at the old gym Friday afternoon for a program which climaxed a week of day camp activities. Here they are seated on the school lawn in front of the grade building where they were entertained with a skit and group singing led by Mrs. Max Urry. Other program selections and activities were held in the gym during the closing session.

—Staff Photo.