

Nyssa Gate City Journal

Nyssa Nite Rodeo Plans Complete For Activity Scheduled July 14-15; Queen Selection Set at Friday Parade

Chairman Lynn Snodgrass Lists Program Slated for Annual Two-Night Entertainment Friday and Saturday, July 14 and 15, at 8:15 p.m. are the dates and time set for the annual Nyssa Nite Rodeo, sponsored by Owyhee Riding Club.

License Dealers Have 1961 Big Game Regulations

Oregon big game hunters are advised by the game commission that big game regulations are now available at all license agencies throughout the state. The regulation synopsis are similar to those provided hunters last year, listing all big game seasons, tag and permit requirements and other rules pertaining to the 1961 hunts.

M. Wilson Receives Appointment to State, County Law Offices

Marvin Wilson, former Nyssa patrolman, was appointed effective July 1 as county deputy sheriff and state livestock brand inspector for the Jordan Valley-McDermitt area, it has been announced by Sheriff Bob Ingram.

Two Traffic Deaths Recorded in County

The state police office in Ontario recorded two traffic deaths in the county during the long July 4 weekend. Both occurred Saturday as a result of a one-car accident near Juntura.

ELLIS HORN AND SON INJURED IN ACCIDENT

Ellis Horn and son, Eugene, were injured June 30 in a one-car accident near Richfield, Idaho. Horn suffered a cracked shoulder and bruises while his son received a pulled arm ligament. A blow-out caused the car to leave the highway. The 1952 Ford station wagon in which they were riding was a total loss.

Variety Events Scheduled

In addition to regular events including saddle bronc riding, bareback bronc riding, bulldogging, bull riding and calf roping, this year's rodeo will include youngsters' calf riding, greased pig scramble and possible other entertainment, it was announced by Lynn Snodgrass, rodeo chairman.

Cowboys desiring to enter rodeo competition are asked to contact Dick Tensen, rodeo secretary, at 207 North Fourth in Nyssa before 8 p.m. July 13.

Those entered to date are Bob Hogg, Weiser, bull riding; Harold Tews, bareback and bull riding; Jim Siebel, Caldwell, bareback and bull riding; Dan Gorrell, bulldogging and calf roping; George Juker, Bull, bulldogging and calf roping; Sam Hutchins, bulldogging.

Bullfighting Clowns Engaged

Livestock will be furnished by Stephens and Thomas of Midvale and rodeo announcer will be Vern Ryan of Winnemucca. Don Barnberry of Lewiston and Curt Bartholomew of Jerome will be bullfighting clowns.

Another attraction will be the Davis Amusement carnival which features concessions, rides and an elephant to provide rides for the children.

Riding club members plan to work Saturday and Sunday, July 8 and 9, to prepare the grounds for the two-night event. Clifford Fox is ticket chairman.

On rodeo night, Snodgrass said, the street on the west side of the grounds will be blocked off to eliminate congested traffic conditions as have existed in past years. Cars will be parked on the school grounds and east of the arena.

WEATHER ...

Date	Max.	Min.
June 28	89	61
June 29	83	60
June 30	82	52
July 1	87	52
July 2	94	53
July 3	89	64
July 4	89	59
July 5	—	61

22 rain was recorded July 5.

Owyhee Lake Storage

July 5, 1961	202,580 Acre Ft.
July 5, 1960	385,590 Acre Ft.

Three Forks Site Studied for Water Storage to Supply Owyhee Reservoir; Less Costly Than Duncan Ferry Plan

Oregon Congressman Al Ullman announced recently that the Bureau of Reclamation has indicated a possible speed-up in the study of the Three Forks site as a source of supplemental storage for Owyhee project. Ullman said that although earlier planning was for this study to be carried out in fiscal year 1963, he has been advised by the regional director of reclamation in Boise that preliminary work can be done prior to that time and "we will do all we can in this direction."

Ullman said that he has been conferring with bureau officials regarding this study and had urged "beginning preliminary work in the coming fiscal year under general funds or through interdepartmental transfers."

In a letter to Ullman, Regional Director Nelson stated that, "It may be possible to process a program change later in this fiscal year if it appears that surplus funds can be made available from some other project."

Duncan Ferry Costs High

Initial studies seeking supplemental storage for the Owyhee project centered on the Duncan Ferry site near Rome, Ore., but the Bureau of Reclamation has reported that the relatively high costs of such a project indicate the desirability of investigating possible alternatives. The upstream Three Forks site has been selected for such a study and Ullman has urged that this be explored as expeditiously as possible.

He said that aerial reconnaissance of this site has been carried out and that the Bureau of Reclamation hopes to make hydrologic studies at an early date on the basis of data already available. "Local interest in the supplemental storage problem is strong," Ullman said, "and I am continuing to keep in close touch with the bureau in its work on this."

(Editor's Note: The Duncan Ferry dam would have created a reservoir extending south across U.S. highway 35, causing relocation of part of the road and adding an expensive bridge. Three Forks site, almost due south of Jordan Valley, would create a reservoir above the present highway.)

To Cool Hospital Patients



MRS. CLIFFORD FOX, Mrs. Bob Fangen and Mrs. Robert Heldt, hospital auxiliary president, are shown with a 3/4-ton portable air conditioning unit which is identical to those they hope may be purchased for individual rooms in Malheur Memorial hospital. Auxiliary members recently purchased a 3-ton unit to be installed this week in the nursing home wing. The women began yesterday to solicit donations in the business district and some residential areas of Nyssa, under direction of a committee comprised of the above three auxiliary members. These funds will be used to purchase the small coolers which will supplement the large unit paid for by auxiliary funds. Area residents wishing to contribute funds to be used for this hospital-cooling project may leave donations at the hospital or contact one of the committee members. —Staff Photo.

L. Vendrell Awarded \$25,000 Damages In Suit Against Nyssa School District

Damages against Nyssa school district in the full amount of \$25,000 sued for, were awarded Friday to Louis Vendrell for injuries suffered in a football game in 1953.

Vendrell was awarded \$20,000 general and \$5,000 special damages by a Malheur county circuit court jury which returned the verdict in his favor following a 3 1/2-day trial.

Vendrell charged that the Nyssa school district was negligent in allowing him to play without sufficient instruction and failed to furnish him with the necessary and proper protective equipment.

Former Coach Testifies

Howard Lovejoy, now of Idaho Falls and Nyssa coach at the time of injury, testified that the equipment entered for evidence was not that used by Vendrell but was similar to the type he was wearing.

School districts were held immune from such suits until the State Supreme court earlier this year issued a ruling that school districts could be sued if they carried insurance. The Nyssa district had liability insurance at the time of injury and was one of the few Oregon districts that did.

The Vendrell judgment is believed to be the first to hold that an Oregon school district could be made liable for damages suffered in an athletic activity.

Injuries Result in Paralysis

Vendrell's injuries, suffered in a game with Vale, were a fractured vertebra and severely injured spinal cord, causing him to be paralyzed from the shoulders down and partially paralyzed arms and hands, the evidence brought out.

Attorney for the defendant was James A. Cox of the Yturri and O'Kief law firm in Ontario. Wendell Gonso of Burns represented Vendrell.

Members of the jury were Marguerite Curry of Juntura, foreman; Clarice Clancy of Vale; Virginia Corrigan of Westfall; Vage Flock, Elmer Newton and Frank Phillips, all of Ontario; Larry N. Fujii, Ellen Gardner, Dewey L. Garner, Fred D. Guthrie and Cora Shane, all of Nyssa.

Beulah Reservoir To Go Dry Soon; Bag Limit Raised

Anglers are advised that effective immediately bag limit for trout in Beulah reservoir has been increased to 30 fish per day with no size limit.

Phil Schneider, state game director, ordered this emergency measure when it was learned that the reservoir will be subject to complete drawdown this year. At the present rate of drawdown the reservoir is expected to be dry by mid-August. This condition will completely eliminate the fish population in the reservoir. The increased bag limit will give anglers a chance to catch as many trout as possible before the reservoir goes dry.

The increased bag limit includes the main reservoir and an area in the Malheur river extending 300 yards below the reservoir.

The area has long been a mecca for local sportsmen and the game commission indicated the reservoir would be restocked next year.

Wanted—Blood! 200 Pints Today At Eagles Hall

The Red Cross bloodmobile is in Nyssa today from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Eagles hall. A quota of 200 pints is needed to meet whole blood and gamma globulin requirements for the Nyssa-Adrian area.

The Journal joins Chairman Elmer Jaques in urging all eligible donors to give their share of the "life saving fluid." "Fear seems to be the reason for many potential donors not participating in the program," Jaques said. "I am afraid to give" and "I need all my blood" are remarks heard every day as requisition blanks are distributed around town, the chairman added.

Actually there is no need for fear as donors are checked thoroughly by a staff of nurses before allowed to participate in the drawing. If a nurse is in doubt, she will refer the donor to an attending physician. Many donors will state that they feel better both mentally and physically after giving a pint of blood, knowing that they have helped in saving someone's life, perhaps a member of the family, a friend or neighbor, Jaques concluded.

Senior Life Saver Water Safety Course Scheduled in Ontario

A Red Cross instruction course on water safety will be conducted for one week beginning July 17 at the Ontario pool, it was announced recently by Jim Attebery, Malheur county Red Cross water safety chairman.

Persons taking the course will be required to have a senior life saving certificate and when the course is completed will be eligible to teach water safety.

Ray Cronk of the Red Cross area office in San Francisco will be instructor. Those who are interested but do not have a senior certificate may earn one the week prior to the instruction course.

Kathleen Keck Is 4-H Delegate To Club Congress

Miss Kathleen Keck was among 15 4-H club members from Payette county attending 4-H congress in Moscow. Sessions were



Miss Kathleen Keck conducted June 18-24 on the campus at University of Idaho under supervision of university professors.

Miss Keck is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Keck of the Nu Acres community and was sponsored by Wilson's Super Market of Nyssa.

Activities included election of state and dormitory officers. Miss Keck was chosen song leader of her living group consisting of 125 members.

Approximately 650 4-H members were in attendance, giving them an opportunity to learn of other club activities.

Games, swimming, tennis, tours of the campus and university experiment farms were offered for recreation.

Miss Keck is a junior at Fruitland high school, staff member of the school paper, "Grizzly Gazette," and also honor society member. She is president of the M.Y.F. of Fruitland Methodist church.

Qualifications which earned her the right to attend the 4-H congress include six years in 4-H work and seven projects.

Miss Keck has asked the Journal to express her appreciation to Wilson's Super Market for making it possible for her to attend the Moscow session.

Amalgamated's Importing Laborers Into County Prompts Welfare Official To Ask Study of State Labor Supply

Local Manager Explains Company Views, Gives Background Information on Problem Editor's Note: A recent issue of the Portland Reporter carried a report of Amalgamated Sugar company's practice of importing Mexican labor into Malheur county in connection with requests for welfare assistance while here. The Journal checked with the Welfare department to learn what number of these 1400 laborers asked for assistance, what number were given help and the total dollar cost. County Welfare Commissioner John C. Kerns was on vacation and his assistant was unable to give us the information.

We are carrying the report printed in the Portland paper and following with the explanation of the company viewpoint as given by Henry Zobell, local plant manager.

WELFARE OFFICIAL WANTS 'LOOK' AT MIGRANT WORKER

By Gene Briggs A member of the state public welfare commission called Thursday for a "high-level" examination of the practice of importing migrant seasonal workers for farm work.

Commissioner Gerson Goldsmith made the request after noting a report from Malheur county that 1,400 Mexican workers were brought into that county by the Amalgamated Sugar Co. to block and thin beets, at a time when many persons in Oregon were drawing unemployment compensation.

Some of the migrants applied for general welfare assistance and John C. Kerns, county welfare administrator, said the company disclaimed responsibility for them.

Goldsmith said it is "imperative" to have a high-level look at such practices, and study whether the state can provide workers from its own pool of unemployed persons.

Commissioner Raymond Lathrop said more information is needed before a decision can be made on whether any state action is advisable.

Chairman Joseph Harvey pointed out that the law sets up a one-year residence requirement before general assistance is given, but it allows aid in hardship cases. He also said labor contractors bring in similar crews, although usually not so large, all over the state.

Andrew Juras, assistant administrator of the state commission, who will become acting administrator Saturday, said the importation of labor crews is dependent upon a report from the state employment service that the migrants are needed to preserve the crops.

Goldsmith, who suggested an investigation by the governor, said that the involvement of more than one state agency in the problem made it even more necessary to have an investigation.

Malheur county work force was imported in April and since has moved into other states.

Amalgamated's Program Of Supplying Field Laborers

A Journal reporter checked the above story with Henry D. Zobell, manager of Amalgamated company's Nyssa factory, and got his explanation of their migrant labor program and how it was carried out step-by-step.

Zobell said that his company was the only agency that recruited.

John I. Young of Owyhee Lake state park, a state highway department employee of the parks division, received a service award July 27 at La Grande for long service with the department.

Walter N. Green, district parks supervisor of La Grande, made the presentation to Young for 15 years of service.

Young was employed by the state in May 1945 with the highway department. He was transferred to the parks division in March 1957 and has been park custodian at Owyhee Lake since March 1958.

County Agent Reports Satisfactory Participation in Market Lamb Show

Participation in the market lamb show and sale at Malheur county fairgrounds last week was quite satisfactory, according to E. M. Hauser, county extension agent.

Over 90 lambs were shown in 4-H, FFA and open classes. Fifteen of these were in the FFA division, 75 in 4-H and one pen of five in open class.

In the FFA division, Fred Trenchel of Ontario had the champion single lamb, Dean Peterson of Nyssa had the top pen of three and Pete Sather of Cairo showed the first place pen of five. Pete also had the top fleece and placed first in showmanship.

4-H Division Winners Listed

There were four classes of single lambs in the 4-H division, divided according to weight of the animals. John Taylor of Bully creek took blue ribbon in the lightweight class, David Girvin of Grove took first in the second class, Carolyn Hendricks of Grove had top animal in the third class and Joyce Steele of Harper had the high-scoring lamb in the heavy division. This lamb was

selected as champion 4-H lamb and went on to win as grand champion single lamb of the entire show.

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Showmanship Honors Told

In showmanship contest, Randy Davis of Cairo scored highest in the junior division, Joyce Steele took first in intermediate and Beth Sather was named winner in the senior division.

There were 43 head of lambs sold through the junior auction Thursday evening. Support was exceptionally good, with average for the entire sale amounting to 35 cents per pound, almost double top open market price.

Top price of \$80 per hundred-weight was paid Joyce Steele for her champion lamb by Boston's Beef House of Ontario. Several other sales of over 40 cents were made, with none of the lambs selling for less than 30 cents per pound.

Flock Discusses Juvenile Work, Future Planning

Vern Flock, county juvenile officer, told Nyssa chamber of commerce members at the Wednesday meeting what some of the problems were that faced him and the county court and what they hoped to do about them.

He said the juvenile problem was growing in the county and that unless a preventive program could be formed the problem would continue to grow and become more expensive to operate each year without offering any solution.

Parents Should Be "Rapped"

He said that all juveniles coming before the court were not delinquents but were victims of desertion, broken homes or unhappy home lives. "If a kid comes before the juvenile court, it is the parents who should be rapped," he said.

Present plans call for trying to increase the number of foster homes from the present 15 to care for more children under 12 years of age.

McLaren home and Hillcrest (for girls) was not the answer and approximately 90 percent of those sent to McLaren wind up as criminals, he said.

Seeks Cooperative Program

It is his hope that an honor system farm program can be established, possibly in conjunction with Baker and Harney counties, with professional care so that those children between the ages of 12 and 18 might be rehabilitated. He said this would take considerable money and he was not sure that people of the county had been sufficiently educated to see the need for this program at this time.

Other guests at the chamber meet were Fred Conely, contractor of the municipal swimming pool, and L. M. Johnson, foreman of the job.

Owyhee State Park Custodian Given Service Award Pin

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