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Higher Budget, Less State Aid Up Property Tax Valuation Decrease Also Adds to Burden

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Every property owner has received his tax statement by now and is aware that taxes have increased. We feel that perhaps you would like to know why.

The increase in school costs came about because (1) the budget was increased by \$43,318 above last year, (2) the valuation of the school district dropped approximately \$500,000 because of a lower inventory of sugar on hand at the sugar factory (This reflects a higher millage on the rest of the property), (3) loss of equalization from the basic school fund.

The total tax difference of \$152,234 reflects the above costs.

Money to operate our schools comes mainly from two sources:

1. Taxes levied by the county on all real property.
2. Basic school support money from income taxes, distributed by the state of Oregon in two ways.

Basic school money comes to the district on the basis of the number of children registered in school. Additional basic money is distributed to each district in relationship to the dollars of valuation in the district for each child. This is called equalization.

From 'Poor' to 'Rich' District
After property in our district was re-evaluated two years ago, we jumped from a so-called "poor" district to a "rich" district. In other words, in 1958-59 there were only nine first class school districts out of 50 in Oregon having less valuation than Nyssa's \$14,633 per child, so about 50 percent of our money came from the state for that year.

After the re-evaluation there were only 18 districts out of 74 having more assessed dollars per child. We now have \$26,259 for each child. Consequently, we lost about \$80,000 in equalization money from the state—money that had to be raised by taxes levied against local property.

This tax year, prior to the tax referendum, it was estimated that the district would receive only \$19,500 equalization money, compared to \$104,000 received in 1961-62.

Local School Tax Increased
This loss of basic school funds means that the money must be made up by increase in the local school tax. As our property value increases, the equalization money that we were receiving from the state goes to districts having more children in relation to the dollar of valuation than ours.

This year our valuation has dropped \$500,000. This means that one mill raised \$9,217 last year and this year will only raise \$8,783.

What this means is that as our percentage of state aid decreases, the property tax increases if we are to maintain the same high standards of education that the Nyssa community has had for many years.

Height of Silos Dwarfs Man-Made Beet Mountains



THE TWO BEET PILES (left foreground) don't look very large from the top of the 160-foot-high silos at Nyssa's Amalgamated Sugar factory, but they are 800 feet long, 140 feet wide at the base, 80 at the top and 22 feet high. There is another the same size to the left of these and the fourth pile was being started when a Journal photographer took this picture Monday afternoon.

These will grow in length to 1500 feet before harvest is completed. These mountains of beets have grown more rapidly this year than in the history of the plant. Sixteen hundred trucks were unloaded here in one 14-hour day and in one week 78,000 tons were brought in by truck. The factory set another processing record recently—over 7200 tons in a day.

City Leaf Clean-Up Starts Tuesday; Pick-Ups Scheduled for All Sections

City crews will begin leaf clean-up on Tuesday, Nov. 12, at 8 a.m., according to City Manager Art Colby. Pick-up will be made north of Main street on paved streets through Wednesday. Thursday and Friday pick-up will be made south of Main on paved streets. Beginning Monday, Nov. 18, pick-up will be made on dirt streets north of Main, including the east side. Thursday, Nov. 21, dirt street pick-up will be made on streets south of Main.

Leaves must be placed in piles so that crews can pick them up. The leaf pick-up program will continue until all leaves are removed.
Colby issued a word of caution on burning. He said that fires on asphalt streets damage the paving. Burning further pollutes the air as well as inviting serious fire damage to property. City crews appreciate cooperation of citizens, Colby said, and will do all possible to assist them in this program.

Plans are being made to renew meetings, times and places on Nyssa's civic organization signs at the city entrances. If a civic group is not listed or incorrectly listed, a member should call Mrs. Betty Wilt at city hall (372-3915) and give her the correct information before Nov. 14, Colby reported. This list applies to civic clubs only.

City offices will be closed Monday, Veterans' Day.

Local Artists' Work Accepted for Display at Boise Art Gallery

Pictures by two Nyssa artists, Mrs. Virginia Brandt and Carlos Parra, have been selected for showing during the 28th annual "Artists of Idaho" display in Boise.

Mrs. Brandt's oil landscape of "Mitchell Butte" was accepted and judges have announced that it is among the top five chosen as the best from 75 pictures selected for hanging.

Carlos' charcoal portrait, "Little Old Lady," is also among the 75 pictures selected from 271 entries submitted by Idaho and Eastern Oregon artists.

Works of 49 artists were accepted and hung Saturday, Nov. 2, in the Boise art gallery and will remain there until Sunday, Dec. 1.

Mrs. Brandt, her daughter, Mrs. Dale Haney and Carlos attended a party staged Saturday evening at the gallery for exhibiting artists.

ADRIAN HIGH STUDENTS SEE FILM ON 'DROP OUTS'
"When I'm Old Enough, Good Bye" was title of a film shown this week to Adrian high school students by Roger Watts, guidance counselor. Theme of the picture was high school drop-outs. The film was furnished through courtesy of the Oregon Employment Service.

Watts attended a state guidance meeting Tuesday in Vale together with other counselors from Malheur county schools.

VISIT NYSSA MOTHER
Chief Warrant Officer and Mrs. E. B. Brady and family of Mountain Home, Idaho, spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. J. I. Brady.

1963 'Career Night' For NHS Seniors Set This Evening

The second annual "Career Night" session will be held for Nyssa high school seniors and their parents at 8 o'clock this evening in the high school little theater.

Featured speaker will be Miss Helen Wilson, dean of women at Northwest Nazarene college in Nampa. Theme of her talk will be "What to Do After High School."

Representatives from Boise Junior college, College of Idaho in Caldwell, NNC, Treasure Valley Community college, beauty and business schools, the Army, Navy and Marine corps will also be on hand to answer questions.

Mrs. Lois Peterson of the Oregon Employment Service will be present to interview parents in regard to vocational tests given by the U. S. Department of Labor.

Jim Benedict, senior class president, will preside during the session and refreshments will be served.

E. Otis Smith to Establish Law Office in Nyssa; Buys Herriman Residence

A new attorney for the city of Nyssa, but a well-known figure in Malheur county, was revealed this week. The private law practice of E. Otis Smith, former district attorney of Malheur county, will be resumed this coming week in the sugar community at 20 North Third street.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith have purchased the Lou Herriman residence at 311 North Fourth street.

In commenting on entering the field of law at Nyssa, Smith said he had confidence in this stable community and has wide acquaintance in the area which induced him to remain in Malheur county, his home since 1929.

The veteran attorney is a graduate of the University of Idaho where he obtained his bachelor of arts and bachelor of law degrees. He practiced in Orofino shortly after graduation, later moving to Boise for a few years.

NHS Band to Get Carnival Funds From Local Lions

The annual carnival sponsored by Nyssa Lions club will be staged Nov. 23 in the grade school gymnasium, according to Dick Tensen, overall chairman.

Activities will begin at 8 p.m. and will include many booths operated by members of the civic organization.

To be eligible for three door prizes, advance tickets must be purchased from any Lions club member. First prize will be a two-piece matched set of Samsonite luggage; second award, a hair dryer and third prize will be an eight-transistor portable radio.

One-half of the net proceeds will be given to the Nyssa high school band fund for the trip to Pasadena.

Suspense Runs High for 45 Candidates As Subscription Campaign Nears End

Excitement and enthusiasm are running high today as the last few hours of the subscription campaign are slipping by and the deadline draws near.

Saturday, Nov. 9, marks the end of the Gate City Journal subscription drive in which nine boys and/or girls will earn bicycles. Scores of subscribers are calling at the Journal office to get their subscriptions renewed while they can secure credit for their favorite candidate.

All persons who have promised their subscriptions to one of the 45 boys or girls in the campaign are urged to pay at once.

Subscribers may either bring, send or mail their remittance to the Journal office and have the votes credited to the candidate of their choice.

Elsewhere in today's paper is a large advertisement which gives complete details of just how the final reports and the judging will be made. All entries and interested subscribers are urged to acquaint themselves with just how the final count is to be made.

There are only two more days, candidates... Don't be sorry, when it's too late, that you didn't do your very best.

Vale Project Tour By BLM Directors Cut Short by Rain

The national Bureau of Land Management three-day meeting and tour of lands in Malheur county was cut short one day due to rain, wind and muddy roads in the area to be inspected.

The business session in Ontario Monday was attended by the 42-member advisory council and approximately 80 other persons interested in some phase of use of the public lands involved.

Major address was given by Charles H. Stoddard of Washington, D.C., national director. He stressed the need for multiple use of the land with specific emphasis on the need of water conservation through improvements of watersheds.

The meeting was the first of this type held outside the national capitol and was set in this area to make a first-hand study of the Vale project lands which have been considered a "pilot" project in use of BLM land.

The group toured part of the Vale project in the Jordan Valley area and discussed what was being done in other parts of the area.

Paul Penrod and Lloyd Mackrill, representatives of the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce, appeared before the advisory board and reported that the Succor creek area was receiving heavy use by rock hounds, photographers and picnickers, even though at present there are no basic recreation facilities for camping.

Their observations showed that eight out of ten cars stopping in that area were from out of state.

PTA EXECUTIVE BOARD TO MEET THIS EVENING

A meeting of the Nyssa PTA executive board will be held this evening, it has been announced by Mrs. Leonard Hewett, publicity chairman.

The group will meet at 7 o'clock in Mrs. Mildred Renstrom's room in the junior high wing of the high school building.

ARRIVES HOME ON LEAVE

Terry Thompson, stationed with the U.S. Navy at Long Beach, arrived in Nyssa Nov. 2 to spend a two-week leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Thompson and other relatives. He will leave Nov. 14 to return to his base in California.

Whooping Cough Cases Show Increase In Nyssa; Preventive Measures Told

The number of whooping cough cases in the Nyssa schools continue to increase, according to Dr. E. J. Wainscott, Malheur county health officer. This can be expected since the early stage of the disease is its most infectious period. The early stage closely resembles a mild cold and may go undiagnosed until the disease has progressed, Dr. Wainscott said.

Preventive measures given by Dr. Wainscott include (1) adequate immunization of all children of pre-school age. Parents should contact their physician for immediate immunizations or booster doses of vaccine unless this has been recently done. Whooping cough is especially dangerous to babies under one year of age.

(2) Isolation of those having the disease is important as stated in the official communicable disease manuals and reaffirmed by Dr. Richard Wilcox, Oregon state health officer.

Long Isolation Indicated
Isolation should be carried out from onset of the disease to three weeks after the onset of typical whooping cough paroxysms.
Children having symptoms will be excluded from school until written permission to attend is

Christmas Seal Campaign Begins Friday, Nov. 15

The 1963 Christmas Seal campaign will open Friday, Nov. 15, with the mailing of the seals to Malheur county residents. Volunteers have been busy obtaining the mailing list, typing labels and putting them on the envelopes.

Members of the National Secretaries association from Nyssa, Vale and Ontario and members of the Emblem club have been doing the typing. Girl Scouts are doing the label sticking. Next week, groups from various women's clubs will stuff the envelopes.

Steve Cox, president of the local TB association, stated that he hopes everyone will welcome the arrival of the Christmas Seals by sending his contribution and by using the seals on all Christmas mail.

"Many lives have been saved since the first contribution was made for a Christmas Seal, but the saving of lives is not enough," Cox added.

"We are also continuing to wage a relentless fight against the suffering, tragedy, loss of time and money that result from TB and other diseases that affect breathing. Many of these other respiratory diseases are not only gravely harmful in themselves, but increase susceptibility to TB."

Clyde Swisher Offers Discussion Series On Modern Novels

Clyde Swisher, senior English instructor at Nyssa high school, has offered to hold a series of discussions on the modern novel for interested persons in the community. No definite plans have been made other than suggesting the possibility of having occasional week-day evening sessions to discuss several selected contemporary novels.

Each participant would read and have on hand a copy of the particular novel under discussion. Swisher has suggested that those interested meet with him at 7 o'clock next Wednesday evening, Nov. 13, at St. Paul's Episcopal church.

SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB MEETING SLATED FRIDAY

Members of the Senior Citizens' club will meet at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow in St. Bridget's parish hall at Third street and Park avenue.

On the entertainment agenda will be colored slides of the Alamo in Texas and also scenes of the Oregon coast. The pictures will be shown by Mrs. Elmo Chadd.

Those planning to attend are asked to take sack lunches. All residents of the area, 55 years of age or older, are invited to attend these meetings.

FIREMEN ANSWER ALARM

Nyssa firemen were called Saturday at 2:05 a.m. to extinguish a blaze in debris at the site of the old ice plant. The fire was reported to be in the foundation of the plant which was destroyed by flames several years ago.



E. OTIS SMITH
... Former District Attorney

before finally settling in Ontario. He also attended the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis during his preparatory schooling.

Active in Politics, Civic Affairs
Smith has been active in the civic and political life of this county for more than 30 years. He served in the navy in World War I. He served two terms as district attorney including one appointment for two years in 1944. He was later elected in 1954 and served eight years until defeated in the fall of 1962 by John Hutchens, present prosecutor.

Smith has been active in the Ontario Elks, Knight of Columbus, American Legion, 40 et 8 and the Ontario Kiwanis club. He was county GOP chairman for several years and was also Ontario city attorney under the late Mayor George Eakin.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Smith have been active in the Catholic church at Ontario. They have one son, Kenneth, who is attending college in San Francisco, Calif.