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**795,000 Acres of Beets Harvested
Without Loss; Will Set New Sugar
Production Record for Nyssa-Nampa**
Beets Storing Well; Sugar Market Steady;
Same Acreage in Area Planned for 1964

The 1963 sugar beet harvest was completed again this year without any loss of the 795,000 acres contracted by Amalgamated Sugar company. This took place in spite of a late start and rain and some freezing late in November and early December. The last year any loss occurred was in 1956 when some beets froze in, according to Henry Zobel, district manager.

**Old Santa Claus
Makes Last Trip
Here Saturday**

Old Santa Claus will make his last 1963 trip to Nyssa this Saturday. All the kids who missed seeing him the first time are alerted to be on hand for this final visit. He will appear here from 2 to 5 p.m. and will be at the Taylor market building immediately after a ride on Main street.

He will listen to the wishes of the kiddies, have candy gifts for all of them and see some lucky children leave as happy possessors of a brand new bicycle and tricycle. Tickets will be given out at the door for those present and a drawing held at 4 p.m. to determine the winners.

Turkeys for Adults

In addition to the party for the kiddies, 15 adults will each win a dressed turkey, ready for the oven. This drawing will also be held at 4 p.m. with the winners being those whose names are drawn from a list of prior registration at one of the Nyssa stores. There is no limit to the number of places or times of registering up to time of delivery of boxes before drawing.

The Christmas party is sponsored by Nyssa Chamber of Commerce. The turkeys were furnished by a group of merchants and paid for through their collecting a special fund for this and street lighting.

Turkey Winners Listed

Winners of the 15 turkeys given by the group last Saturday were Paul Klinkenberg, Gilbert Main, Orland Dimmitt, Melvin Crocker, Sid Kelley, Lillian Cannon, Mrs. A. S. Bishop, Ernestine Clark, Sylvia Smith, Mrs. Vear Haile, Mrs. Owen Gann, Golden Draper and Mrs. Jack Bowen, all of Nyssa or rural routes.

Other winners were Mrs. Kenneth M. Saunders, Apple Valley, and Molly Jakl, address not listed.

**School Bands, Choruses to Perform
In PTA-Sponsored Christmas Concert**

"Program for Christmas 1963" is title of a presentation to be staged at 8 o'clock this evening in the Nyssa high school gymnasium, according to Mrs. Leonard Hewett, PTA publicity chairman. Sponsored by the local PTA chapter, the program will feature bands and choruses from sixth grade through high school.

A selection of Christmas carols will be presented by the sixth grade band and chorus with the seventh and eighth grade groups playing and

**Sly Hen Pheasants
Defy Nyssa Hunters**

Pheasant hunters are well aware of the fact that those "birds" are the sly ones and to prove that point, here's what happened last week in Nyssa.

A call to the Journal office from the residence of Dr. K. E. Kerby stated that five hen pheasants had just landed on the lawn.

Upon arrival of a Journal photographer, the fast-traveling birds were on the Mural Lewis lawn, one block east of the Kerby home. When they saw the photographer's car, over the rooftops they soared to places unknown.

What they were doing in Nyssa and how they knew that both Oregon and Idaho seasons had ended are facts known only by the five hen pheasants.

Sugar content is the lowest in history for the Nyssa-Nampa districts but the increase in tonnage will still make it the biggest year ever for the production of sugar. Average yield per acre was slightly less than 28 tons with several growers getting over 40 tons per acre.

The Nyssa-Nampa plants will contract about the same acreage for 1964 as was grown in 1963. Zobel said, as they have now reached capacity. There is clamoring for additional acreage in various parts of the country but until a larger quota is assigned to the beet growing industry on a long-range basis the plants will not be erected.

Only two years ago company officials were concerned about the decrease in acreage in the Nyssa area. It appeared then that so much land was going into alfalfa seed production that the company might not operate at full capacity. But since the past season was not profitable to a lot of these seed growers it is thought now there will be no trouble filling the beet acreage.

Zobel said the processing was continuing in an efficient manner, the beets are keeping well in the stockpiles and the present sugar market is steady.

**GI Forum Schedules
Sunday Election Meet**

New officers for the American GI Forum will be elected at a meeting to be held at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon in the office of Louis Vendrell at the labor camp, according to officers of the group.

Outgoing officers are Frank Loera, chairman; Gilbert J. Gallegos, vice chairman; Mike Montoya, secretary; Tony Martinez, treasurer; Louis Vendrell, legal adviser; Trenceno Martinez, chaplain; Jesus Rodriguez, sergeant-at-arms, state headquarters.

**SENIOR CITIZENS HOLD
PRE-CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Members of the Nyssa area Senior Citizens' club met last Friday for their Christmas party at the Catholic parish hall.

Next meeting of the club will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 27, at the parish hall.

To Direct 1964 Nyssa Chamber Activities

THESE NYSSA BUSINESS and professional men will assume duties Jan. 8 as board of directors for Nyssa Chamber of Commerce. They are (seated left to right) Walt Ford, President Dellin Erickson and Vic Haburchak. Standing are Reed Ray, John Milbrath, David Sarazin and Floyd Rhoades. Men and committees they have tentatively been selected to head include Ford, attendance, parks and recreation; Haburchak, education, legislation and highways; Ray, merchants' promotion, public events and publicity; Milbrath, agriculture, farm workers and new business; Sarazin, city council and junior chamber of commerce; Rhoades, Malheur Industrial Development, Eastern Oregon Chamber of Commerce and Christmas decorations.

—Journal Photo.

**Area Churches Plan Yule Observance
With Special Services and Programs**

Through special Christmas activities, all churches of the Nyssa-Adrian area have again taken the lead in observances of the holiday season. Programs depicting the first Christmas, special services and parties for all ages are all a part of this joyous time of year. Some of the churches have already had

a part of their activities while others to come are as follows:

OWYHEE COMMUNITY CHURCH
A Christmas program will be presented at 8 o'clock Sunday evening, Dec. 22, at Owyhee Community church. Other services will be conducted at the regular hours, including Sunday school at 10 a.m. and worship service at 11 o'clock.

ADRIAN COMMUNITY CHURCH
Regular services are planned Sunday morning, Dec. 22, at Adrian Community church, according to the Rev. Elmer Rosenkilde. A children's Christmas program is planned at 7:30 Sunday evening. A choir cantata will be presented at 8 o'clock Monday evening.

A communion service will be held at 10 a.m. Christmas day, the Rev. Rosenkilde said.

ST. BRIDGET'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Father John Baumgartner of St. Bridget's church in Nyssa announces the following schedule of services for Christmas: Midnight, (Continued on Page 4)

Plans Return Visit Saturday

THIS IS SANTA as he appeared in person Saturday, Dec. 7, in the Taylor building located at Fourth and Main streets. A small lad is telling the Jolly Old Gentleman what he wants for Christmas as others wait their turn. Kids of the area will have the privilege of seeing him again this Saturday between the hours of 2 and 5 p.m. at the same location, as he plans to make a return visit and will distribute candy to his friends while listening to their desires.

**Plans Being Prepared for Giant Rally
As Send-Off for Nyssa High School
88-Member Rose Bowl Parade Band**

C of C to Sponsor Event Set for 4:30 p.m.
December 29 at M & W Market Parking Lot

A giant rally is being planned as a send-off for Nyssa high school's band immediately preceding its leaving for Pasadena and the Rose Bowl parade on New Year's day.

It will be held on the M and W market parking lot, 424 Main street, at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29. The event will be open to the general public and all band boosters and music lovers are urged to be there to show their appreciation for the achievements of this group of students.

Present plans call for Mayor Grant Rinehart to address the group, giving background on the time and effort necessary on the part of the students and instructors to be selected as the only such band from the northwest states. The band will play the numbers that will be played during the parade in Pasadena. Bob Humphreys of KSRV, Ontario, will act as master of ceremonies.

To Leave Following Rally

The 88 students, their instructor, Frank Turner, and 10 chaperones are due to leave the Nyssa bus station on three chartered buses at 6 p.m. following the rally.

Much of the credit for the honor of being selected goes to Bob Q. Smith, former band director who initiated the move in 1961 and trained the students until this school year. He moved to Milwaukie (Ore.) high school this fall and was replaced in Nyssa by Turner.

**Idaho Cannery Mails
\$150,000 in Payments
To Growers Monday**

Final payment was made Monday to Idaho Canning company sweet corn growers for the 1963 crop. Checks totaling \$150,000 were mailed from the Payette office to the 225 growers serving the plants at Nyssa and Payette.

According to Dave Stohr, company fieldman, this payment made a total of \$450,000 paid out for the current year crop. Of the 225 growers, approximately 100 are in the Nyssa area and delivered to the local plant.

TREATED AT HOSPITAL

Mrs. Irvin Duffee was admitted Friday evening, Dec. 13, to Malheur Memorial hospital suffering from knee injuries and lacerations sustained in a two-car accident at the Nyssa-Parma junction. She was released Sunday.

Receiving treatment Wednesday for hand injuries was Richard Fresorger of Ontario who was hurt while working at Amalgamated sugar company plant.

**Nine Plaques to Be Awarded Winners
In C of C-Sponsored Lighting Contest**

Nyssa Chamber of Commerce is new sponsor this year for the area's residential and church lighting contest with the committee headed by Glade Chadwick.

Nine plaques will be given in various categories instead of the usual cash prizes, Chadwick said.

The awards will be given for first and second place Nativity scenes; first and second place lighting exhibits in the rural area. Identical awards will be given for displays within the city of Nyssa. One plaque will also be given to the church having the most outstanding scene.

Members of Town and Country Garden club will be judges and they plan to tour the community on Sunday evening, Dec. 22. Residents planning to compete are asked to have their lights on all evening.

Phone Registration Planned

There will be no registration blanks to fill out, but those desiring to compete are asked to call the Idaho Power company office or city hall. This applies especially to rural residents so that their displays will not be missed by the judges.

The chamber committee feels that the plaques will be something that winners may retain and cherish for years to come, Chadwick stated.

The group in charge also urges all residents to tour the city and

WEATHER . . .

Date	Max.	Min.
Dec. 11	24	11
Dec. 12	27	13
Dec. 13	33	19
Dec. 14	30	22
Dec. 15	33	25
Dec. 16	35	28
Dec. 17	39	25
Dec. 18	39	23

Owyhee Reservoir Storage
Dec. 16, 1963 257,980 Acre Ft.
Dec. 16, 1962 193,590 Acre Ft.

**Nyssa Schools Close
Friday; Resume Jan. 6**

With the Nyssa schools closing for the holidays tomorrow (Friday) and resuming Jan. 6, students and faculty will have three weekends during the 16-day period. Band students will continue their daily practice in preparation for their leaving for Pasadena and the Rose Bowl parade on New Year's day.

BUDGET BOARD CHANGES

At the Dec. 9 meeting the school board appointed Henry Esplin and Vic Haburchak as new members of the budget board. They replaced Marian Danford and Tom Moore whose terms expired. Holdover members are Clarence Lancaster, D. H. Christensen, Kayno Saito, John Stam and Roy Holmes.



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