

# Something Nice About Nyssa

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Today, it seems, minority group integration is supposed to result from the pressures of street demonstrations. But all too often well-meant attempts to achieve integration result in further misunderstandings and the eruption of violence.

The eastern Oregon farming community of Nyssa offers a vivid contrast to such methods and results. In spite of a

## Malheur County Medicare Sign-Up Set October 19-22

Allan Rainsberry, field representative for the Social Security administration announced today that Malheur County Sign-Up Days for the new "medicare" provisions of the 1965 Social Security law have been established.

These special days will be Oct. 19 through 22. The Social Security office, located at 514 SW Fourth street in Ontario, will be open from 9 a.m. through 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 19, and Wednesday, Oct. 20, and from 9 a.m. through 5 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, Oct. 21-22.

This special sign-up period is for those people age 65 and over who have never filed for Social Security benefits, Railroad Retirement or Public Welfare payments.

Rainsberry stated, "While practically everyone over age 65 or who will reach that age by the end of the year will be entitled to hospital insurance benefits, they must sign an application to establish their eligibility. This includes people who are still working and also those people who have never worked under social security."

In addition to "medicare," the 1965 amendments provide payment of benefits to the following:

Unmarried students age 18 to 22 whose parent is deceased, disabled or retired.

Widows age 60 and 61.

Certain people over age 72 with at least three quarters of coverage who did not qualify for benefits before.

People who are confined at home by illness or in a hospital will be contacted at their residence if they will write to Social Security Administration, P.O. Box 927, La Grande, Ore., and explain their circumstances.

## Charles Sykes Named To District 61 Board

During a meeting of the Adrian school board held Tuesday evening, Charles Sykes was named to replace Emery Cameron who recently resigned. Sykes will serve as representative of the Big Bend area until May when a new board member will be elected.

According to Superintendent Glenn Ward, the board voted unanimously to dispense with graduation exercises for eighth grade students. Beginning with the 1964 class, an afternoon program will be held when graduates will be given recognition.

In other action district 61 board members instructed the architect to draw a new set of plans for the building program. All remodeling to the present structure is to be eliminated and basically the new addition will be about the same as previously submitted.

## GOLFER BANQUET SET

The Ontario Golf association's annual award banquet is set at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, Oct. 16, at the East Side cafe in Ontario.

## Appointment of New District Manager Announced by Cascade Gas Officials

Burl Snowden of Kennewick, Wash., has been named district manager of the Ontario-Nyssa area for Cascade Natural Gas corporation.

Announcement of the appointment was made recently by President O. Marshall Jones of the utility's Seattle office. Snowden had been head serviceman in the company's tri-

city district and has been with Cascade for the past six years. His experience in natural gas distribution totals 15 years, including service with the former Pacific Natural Gas company in Longview, Wash., and Southern Union Gas company at Albuquerque, N.M.

Mrs. Snowden (Mary) and daughter, Marian Kay, plan to join their husband and father in Ontario early in November. The latter will be a kindergarten student in the neighboring city. The Snowdens also have a son, Danny, who is stationed with the U.S. Air Force at Larson Base in Moses Lake, Wash.

They are members of and attend services at the Church of Christ, and the new district manager is a member of the Masonic lodge.

Working with Snowden as sales representative for the Ontario-Nyssa area is Fran Dols, who in July was appointed to that position by Cascade officials.

He and his family have been residents of the immediate area for over seven years and live in Ontario.



BURL SNOWDEN  
... From Kennewick Area

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## Nyssa City Council Actions Reported

At the regular October meeting Tuesday night, the Nyssa council approved payment of September accounts, ordered another street light installed, decided to consider bids on a police car from out-of-town dealers and study better fire protection.

The new street light is designated for the corner of Ninth and Locust and was approved as the result of a petition from Iona Greig. The city manager was instructed to advertise for bids on the police car. September bills totaled \$13,000.51.

Mutual fire fighting aid will be studied by officials of area towns in a meeting at Ontario Thursday, Oct. 21. Ontario, Vale, Nyssa, New Plymouth, Fruitland, Weiser and Payette are all expected to be represented at the meeting. City Manager Fred Koch and Fire Chief Frank Morris will represent Nyssa.

## Matters Deferred

A possible dog control ordinance and study of fire insurance were tabled for a later meeting.

The new evergreen planters on the walk in front of Peterson Furniture store came up for discussion and the matter was referred to the Planning commission (now in the process of reorganization).

## Additional Lectures Planned by Speaker On Alcohol Problems

Ralph Warren, director of research with the Oregon Council on Alcohol Problems (OCAP), has been in Malheur county this week speaking to various area organizations, according to Pastor Wallace Prowell, public relations director.

Warren's speaking schedule for the remainder of the week is as follows:

Tonight, 8 p.m. — Nyssa PTA meeting.

Friday, 10 a.m.—Treasure Valley Community college; 2 p.m., Tri-Valley Extension club at the home of Mrs. Earl Ward.



RALPH WARREN  
... Talks to Area Groups

His schedule for speaking in churches of the area will be:

Sunday, Oct. 17, 9:45 a.m. — Adrian Kingman Memorial Christian church; 11 a.m., Nyssa Christian church; 5:30 p.m., Forty-Niners group of Faith Lutheran church; 8 p.m., Nyssa Methodist church.

Churches or community organizations interested in having Warren as a guest speaker next year may contact Pastor Prowell.



REPRESENTING NYSSA HIGH SCHOOL at the fifth annual Eastern Oregon Press conference held recently in Pendleton are (left to right) Teresa Elguenzabal, Jim Ableman, Patty Urry, Adviser Dale Schraufnagel, Janet and Judy Nedry. Theme of this year's meeting was "Journalism—A Key to the Future," with activities including general assembly sessions, group workshops on photography, advertising, editorials, cartoons and straight news reporting. These students and their journalism instructor, delegates from both the yearbook and Bulldog staffs, were among those attending from 27 Eastern Oregon schools.—Journal Photo.

## Photo Wins National Award



RON SCHOEN, a Nyssa photographer; Little "Lil" Moore, a local young lady; and Jorge Lawrence, a family pet, recently received first place honors in a color photo contest. The setting was a potato field, with Malheur Butte and surrounding hills in the background. Schoen is owner-operator of Schoen Studios; "Lil" a freckle-faced little redhead, is a daughter of Tom and Dottie Moore; and Jorge is a Dachshund pet belonging to Ralph and Ethel Lawrence. The winning photo (reproduced above) is entitled "Malheur Potatoes Make Friends Anywhere." A congratulatory letter was sent to Schoen, together with the cash award, by John E. Brady Jr. of the Henry McGrew Printing company in Kansas City, Mo. The correspondence read in part, "Winning photos for the 1965 third quarter will be reproduced on fourth-quarter calendars to be mailed to 18,000 dealers and photographers throughout the country." "Lil" was presented an identification bracelet by Schoen Studios. Jorge merely posed.

## Soil, Water Conservation Sponsors Student Speech Contest on Wildlife

Oregon students, high school age or younger, are eligible to participate in a speech contest sponsored by Oregon Association of Soil and Water Conservation districts and the State Soil and Water Conservation committee, it is announced by W. L. Chapin, local chairman.

Contestants have until Oct. 21 to enter the competition and will be required to give a seven-minute talk on "Wildlife Management in an Oregon Soil and Water Conservation District."

A penalty of five points will be given by each judge for a speech less than five or over eight minutes long. Reference notes will be permissible, but any speech read in text will be disqualified.

Students within the immediate district will give their speeches during an afternoon meeting to be held Thursday, Oct. 21, at Adrian. District awards of \$15, \$10 and \$5 will be given to first, second and third place winners.

Two district winners will then compete in an area contest slated on the afternoon of Oct. 27 at Unity and the top four (two from each area) will enter semifinal competition, with state finalists receiving trophies, plus \$50 and \$25 savings bonds, and a \$10 cash award for first, second and third place. Fourth and fifth place awards will be trophies.

Further information regarding the contest may be secured from Chapin, who will also accept names of participants.

## Activities Reported By Local Jay-C-Ettes; New Officers Named

Leona Anderson of the Idaho Power company spoke on wild game cooking and recipes at a recent Thursday evening meeting of the Nyssa Jay-C-Ettes.

Mrs. Jim Grunke became president of the organization, having been moved up from the position of vice president, due to the resignation of Mrs. Harvey Easton who recently moved from Nyssa to the New Plymouth area.

Mrs. Dick Walters was named vice president, replacing Mrs. Grunke; Mrs. Bob West was selected as chairman of the social committee, with Mrs. Mervil Hutchinson named as head of charity work.

Mrs. Larry Schenk was winner of the money-tree door prize and a report on a holiday candle-making project was given by Mrs. Ken Rosencrans. She announced that work on the candles will begin at the Oct. 28 meeting in the home of Mrs. Walters.

## ADRIAN SCHOOL RENAMED ON ACCREDITED LIST

Adrian school is on the approved list of the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools, according to an announcement by Superintendent Glenn Ward. The school's name has appeared on the list for the past four years and on the accredited list since 1954, Ward said.

## SENIOR CITIZENS HOLD DISCUSSION ON MEDICARE

Members of the Senior Citizens club met Friday at Faith Lutheran church, with the morning hours spent playing games and visiting.

Following the noon luncheon, a business meeting was held and the Medicare program was discussed. Prior to adjournment, a song session was held.

## Nyssa Amalgamated Plant Operating Round-the-Clock; Unlimited Digging To Start No Later Than October 21

50,000 Tons of Beets Now Harvested; Figure Represents About 7 Percent of Total Crop

Amalgamated Sugar company's Nyssa factory has been operating round-the-clock, starting Thursday of last week. Digging has been on a limited basis since it was started Wednesday of last week, due to unseasonably warm weather. Receiving stations have been closed on a rotating basis with stockpiling only at the Nyssa plant.

However, under grower contract, all limitations will be removed no later than Thursday, Oct. 21, and beets will be received at all company stations.

District Manager Ray Larson estimated about 50,000 tons had been harvested through yesterday, or approximately 7 percent of the 700,000-ton total for the district.

Testing Proves Slow Operation  
There are still some "bugs" in the new sugar-content beet testing laboratory. Samples have been taken of all growers' beets but have had to be tested in the company research lab by hand, and this has proven such a slow operation that no growers have been informed as to the sugar content of their beets.

Factory tests on all beets processed to date show an increase of one-half of one percent above last year, Larson said.

The manager said he had been informed that the new lab would be in full operation by the time harvest restrictions have been removed on Oct. 21.

## Alcohol-Teenage Topic to Be Heard By Nyssa PTA Group

Patrons attending the 8 o'clock Nyssa PTA meeting this evening will hear Ralph Warren, director of the Oregon Council on Alcohol Problems.

He is in the area this week, speaking to students at Adrian, Vale, Ontario, Nyssa and Treasure Valley Community college, as well as at organizational meetings and in the various churches.

PTA officials invite all adults of the surrounding area to hear Warren's talk on "Alcohol and Teenage Drinking Problems." A film being shown to the students will also be viewed at this meeting.

This is National PTA Membership week, and Mrs. Gene DeMinck, membership chairman of the local unit, will be present to welcome all new members.

## Friday Meeting Set By Adrian PTA Unit

Adrian PTA patrons are reminded that a meeting will be held at 8:15 Friday evening, Oct. 22, in the high school building.

According to an announcement by Mrs. Vern Parker, publicity chairman, speaker of the evening will be a boy who is named winner in the soil conservation contest.

Also included on the program will be a film entitled "The World Is One."

## Malheur Leads State in Shipments Of Fresh Produce During September

Onions and potatoes continued to dominate Oregon's fresh produce moving to market last month.

Of the 2,867 cars of fresh fruits and vegetables checked by federal-state shipping point inspectors in September, 1,020 were onions and 956 cars potatoes.

Malheur county shipped 943 cars of onions and Salem 77 cars, while two-fifths of a car moved from Medford. In addition to this 10,515 tons of onions in Malheur were inspected for processing.

Malheur county was also the heaviest potato shipper, having 527 cars and, in addition to this, had 24,566 tons of processing potatoes inspected.

Redmond shipped 108 cars of potatoes, Salem 51 cars, Merrill 201, Hermiston 56.8 cars and Portland 12.1 cars.

Pears began moving in volume, with Medford shipping 439 cars, Hood River 299 cars and Portland 11 cars.

Apple Shipments Slow  
Only small amounts of apples had begun to move and there was indication of a shortage of storage space in the Hood River area. One large grower and shipper sold all of their apples to a Yakima firm and they will be packed and shipped from there.

Milton-Freewater was the biggest shipper of apples during the month, but had only 28 cars moving. Malheur county had five cars, Portland three and Hood River four.

Other fresh produce inspected included 18 cars of plums, 63 cars

## Latest Equipment In Telephones To Be Shown Here

"Communications Unlimited," Malheur Home Telephone company's display trailer, will be in Nyssa Tuesday, Oct. 26, for a free public showing.

Inside the 42-foot trailer are seven displays of the latest communication equipment and services available in modern America. Special features of the display are the new "tap-and-talk" Touch-Tone telephones and the various communications facilities specially designed for business use. Other displays range from a model of the Telstar satellite to the farm interphone, which allows instant communications anywhere on the farm.

Touch-Tone sets, included in the "Telephones of the Future" display, are operated by pushing buttons instead of dialing. A timer is provided to allow visitors to compare the two methods of reaching a number.

A wide variety of phones now available to the public are included in the display, including automatic dialers which dial telephone numbers when a button is pushed.

Displays explaining direct distance dialing (DDD) and long distance calling are highlighted by animated effects.

Panel phones that inset into the wall, attractive wall phones and the musical Bell Chime are included in the "Home Services" display. The speaker-phone, Call Director, home interphone and Princess phone are also featured. The display will be in front of the Idaho Power company office at 210 Main street from 2 to 4 p.m. Oct. 26.

## Valley Flower Show Draws Many Visitors

Over 500 visitors registered at the floral exhibit held Saturday and Sunday in Ontario, sponsored by the Treasure Valley Chrysanthemum society.

Entries, totaling 415, were featured at the mum show, "Nature's Royalty." Among 47 entries in the artistic division was one called "Queen's Jewels" shown by Mrs. E. T. Gillispie of Weiser who won the tri-color champion ribbon, with Nyssa Mrs. M. L. Judd taking "best of show" honors in the horticultural division.

A list of other winners will be published in next week's issue of the Journal.



EMIL STUNZ ... Chairman of advanced gifts for the United Fund drive. He is already contacting individuals regarding the UF campaign, according to the Rev. John Bullock, area chairman for Malheur county.