

## Final Report Pessimistic

### Water Outlook Declared as Critical In Some Areas of Malheur County

Water supplies have already become critically short for farmers and ranchers in Malheur county except where adequate stored water is available or where it can be pumped, according to a report released last week by A. J. Webber, state conservationist for the USDA - Soil Conservation Service, and prepared by W. T. Frost, state snow survey supervisor, representing cooperating federal, state and private agencies.

### City and Hospital Proposed Budgets Receive Approval

Budget hearings were held at the same hour Tuesday night by board members of Malheur Memorial Hospital district and the city of Nyssa.

John Stam, budget chairman for the hospital district, reported that no one appeared to discuss or question the budget and it was adopted as set up by the budget committee and as it appeared in the May 26 - June 2 issues of the Journal.

City Manager Fred O. Koch also reported that no one appeared to discuss the city budget with council members as they met in regular session. The document was approved as proposed and published.

### Other Council Action Noted

In other business, councilmen adopted a resolution to purchase the property located at 319 Main street (known as the Taylor building) for the new library facility.

Holcomb Construction company, with a bid of \$3,431, was awarded a contract to construct public rest rooms at north park, located between Fourth and Fifth streets and bordered by Locust avenue on the north. Only one other bid was submitted for the project, that being by Main Construction in the amount of \$3,525.40.

Council members discussed and decided to make Bower avenue a through street from First street west to the highway. This avenue parallels Main, one block north.

### Chairman Urges All To Attend Meeting

An open planning meeting for Thunderegg Days, Aug. 4-5-6, will be held Monday, June 20, at 10 a.m. in Brownie's cafe. Chairman Harold Brendle urges all businessmen in Nyssa to attend, especially those who cater to tourists.

It is stressed that this is not a meeting for those on the special committee, but is open to all merchants.

Brendle also stated that it is one of the most important meetings of the year to discuss the forthcoming Thunderegg Days event.

### Ralph Carter Qualifies as Member Of Oregon Exchange Wrestling Team

Nyssa's Ralph Carter has qualified as a member of the Oregon Cultural Exchange wrestling team and on Tuesday, June 21, will be winging his way toward Tokyo via Pan-American Airlines jet.

On Friday of last week Ralph, Rudy Vendrell, Bob Church and Coach Mel Calhoun went to Hillsboro where the Oregon high school AAU freestyle tournament was being held. Ralph was matched against Gary Onchi of Benson high school in Portland and lost the contest by an 11-4 decision.

The Nyssans arrived home at 6 o'clock Sunday morning and at 12:30 p.m. Ralph received a telephone call from one of the tournament coaches. He was informed that the first place winner had dislocated his shoulder and would be unable to participate with the team.

The coach requested that Ralph return to Hillsboro for a rematch with Onchi, so it was down to the bus station and an all-night ride back to the Oregon city.



RALPH CARTER  
... Leaves Tuesday for Tokyo

Precipitation has been extremely short for the past six months and cold weather has added to the problems.

For all practical purposes, the snowpack has completely disappeared from watersheds of Malheur county. A few drifts remain at very high elevations.

Moisture in the soil mantle throughout the county is depleted by the cold winds and the lack of precipitation.

Stored water supplies provide the only bright spot in the water supply picture this year.

Jordan Valley Irrigation district had 19,300 acre feet in Antelope reservoir. This is a short supply for usual irrigation.

### Owyhee Holds Ample Water

Lake Owyhee holds 516,690 acre feet which will provide satisfactory water for this season. There is hope for a sizable carry-over supply for next year.

On the Malheur river, Warm-springs reservoir has 141,450 acre feet in storage; the average as of June 1 is usually 124,000 AF. Agency Valley reservoir has 34,800 acre feet on hand, compared with an average of 50,000 acre feet. Bully Creek reservoir has 16,000 acre feet which will help make up the shortage in Agency.

Net inflow to Lake Owyhee in May was only 15,185 acre feet, or only 14 percent of average, according to preliminary data from North Board of Control at Nyssa.

### Streamflow Estimates Drop

Forecasts of summer streamflow in Malheur county have dropped heavily again and are now in the 20 to 36 percent average category.

Inflow to Lake Owyhee, May through September, is forecast at 45,000 acre feet or 24 percent of the 1947-62 average. Flow of Jordan creek is expected to drop to 20 percent average or 20,000 acre feet, April through July.

The Malheur near Drewsey is forecast to flow 7,500 acre feet or only 21 percent average, May through September. For the same period, flow of the North Fork at Beulah is forecast at 13,500 acre feet or 36 percent of average.

### Statewide Picture Dim

Statewide, crop failure looms on the horizon for much of the (Continued on Page 4)

### Wins Two Contests, 7-5

In order to qualify for a spot on the team, the Nyssa youth had to defeat his opponent in two successive matches. This he did, winning both contests by 7-5 decisions.

Members of the exchange team will be in training until June 21 when they will begin their tour. They will depart from Portland and upon their arrival in Hawaii during the early afternoon will be given a four-hour tour of the islands.

The local youth, who is competing in the 115-pound class, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carter.

The young wrestler's record for the 1965-66 school year is 23 wins and no losses in scheduled matches. He was also winner in his weight class in the Boise Invitational tournament and 7 A-2 Greater Oregon league.

### Earns Other Wrestling Honors

He earned championship honors in district competition at Madras and went on to win first place trophy at the Oregon State A-2 tournament held in Corvallis.

Coach Calhoun has stated that \$200 is needed to help defray expenses of the young athlete's trip to the Orient. Area residents desiring to assist with this project may leave donations with Bob Thompson at Thompson Agency or with Bob Wilson at Wilson's Department store before the first of next week.

Dirick Nedry of the Nyssa Lions club reported that the organization voted at their Tuesday meeting to start the fund with a \$50 contribution.

# JoAnn Durfee Named Dairy Princess

## Nyssa's Only Contestant Selected Over Four Other County Candidates



APPROPRIATE FOR FATHER'S DAY is the above picture of the Irvin W. Durfee family. Father is King, Mother is Queen and Daughter JoAnn was recently selected as Malheur Dairy Princess. Shown standing (left to right) are Marie, 13; Marie, 16; Princess JoAnn, 18; Mrs. Durfee. Seated are Ross, 7; Proud Papa Durfee; and Linda, 5. In keeping with June Dairy month, Ross and Linda are holding glasses of milk. The Durfee family has lived for 17 years on a dairy farm, 15 miles southwest of Nyssa.

AT RIGHT are the young contestants for Malheur Dairy Princess as they appeared for a Journal photo after they spoke at a Nyssa C of C meeting Wednesday, June 8. They are (left to right) JoAnn Durfee, Nyssa; Judy Faw, Carolyn Jantzen, Linda Fleming, Vale; and Gloria Walz of Ontario.—Journal Photos.



JoAnn Durfee, 18-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin W. Durfee of Nyssa, was chosen to reign as Malheur County Dairy Princess at a banquet held Saturday evening, June 11, in the Lions Den of East Side cafe at Ontario. Judy Faw of Vale was selected as alternate princess.

The event climaxed four weeks of public appearances for JoAnn and four other contestants. The girls spoke at Chamber of Commerce meetings in Vale, Ontario and Nyssa and the Ontario Lions club.

They participated in the Ontario Dairy show by handing out milk and at the 4-H Spring show by selling dairy products. Saturday, June 11, they distributed dairy products during East Side Promotion Days in Ontario.

### Committee Members Named

Mrs. Hugh Kennington of Ontario served as contest chairman with Mrs. Earl Faw, Vale; Mrs. Don DeLong, Willow Creek; Mrs. Harold Kurtz, Nyssa; and Mrs. Klaas Laan, Adrian, as members of the committee.

At the banquet Saturday evening, Clint Bellows served as master of ceremonies. Darwin Jensen of Nyssa gave the invocation and Melva Morcom, 1965 Malheur Dairy Princess, described her experiences at the state contest in Portland last year and performed the coronation ceremonies.

She is presently a freshman in radiological technology at Oregon Technical Institute at Klamath Falls. Elder Grant Fry of Chicago played and sang various folk song selections.

### Other Contestants Named

Each contestant gave a brief talk on the dairy industry. Gloria Walz of Ontario and Carolyn Jantzen of Vale stressed three points for dairy producers to follow: (1) Maintain the highest quality possible. (2) Speak out for milk and milk products. (3) Support organizations promoting the use of milk and milk products.

Linda Fleming of Vale suggested that city children be taught the wonders of milk because many of them think that milk comes from bottles.

Judy Faw of Vale took each letter in "milk" to stand for its importance. M—May I have more milk, please, pointing out that milk is an important food; I—Ice cream, which is an example of the many varieties of foods produced from milk. L—Learn to speak up for milk and all dairy products. K—Keep your refrigerator shelves stocked with milk and other dairy products.

### Father's Role Acknowledged

In recognition of Father's Day, Judy also thanked her father for giving her the opportunity of being raised on a dairy farm.

In her speech, Princess JoAnn stressed the nutritional value of milk and used one of Nero's wives as an example. She pointed out that if she had taken the 15 gallons of milk internally each day, instead of bathing in it, the nutritional value would have lasted for many days.

JoAnn stated that milk had had a tremendous past but was destined for a greater future, regarding its medicinal value.

To conclude her talk, JoAnn stated, "No, you don't have to drink 15 gallons of milk a day to maintain a healthy body—just four glasses for children, three for teenagers and two for adults."

Serving as judges for the contest were Mrs. Dale Scheer, Vale; Mrs. Darwin Jensen and Ron Schoen, Nyssa; Jack Williams and Dr. John Easley, Ontario.

Champion exhibitor in foods went to Pam Hamilton, who received a 4-H Summer school scholarship given by the Malheur County Fair board.

Wilson Brothers Department store of Nyssa donated mohair yarn to the champion exhibitor in knitting, who was Marcella Guernant.

Gift certificates from Idaho Department store went to Becky Wenke, Jeanette Phifer and Susan Kitamura for champion style revue. The girls were winners in the senior division.

Champion bread baker in the senior category is Jeanette Phifer, who received a \$7.50 cash award from the Oregon Wheat commission.

### Saturday Installation Planned by Officers Of Local Lions Club

Nyssa Lions club members will hold their annual ladies' night and installation of new officers Saturday evening, June 18, at the Payette Golf club house. Robert McCannaha of Ontario, past district governor of Lions, will be installing officer. Music will be provided by the Rev. and Mrs. John Bullock.

Outgoing President Gene Chester will turn over his gavel to Floyd Rhoades; and other officers to be installed are Dick Ferbest, first vice president; Gerald Simmantel, second vice president; Dale Adams, third vice president.

Don Oldemeyer, tail twister; Jim Grunke, Lion tamer; Dirick Nedry, secretary; and Lauren Wright, treasurer. Directors to be installed are Otis Smith, Rulon Trost, Fred Koch, Lloyd Wilson.

### VACATION IN OREGON

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Quinowski and family vacationed last week in southern Oregon and visited in Medford and Eugene with relatives and friends.

### TVCC Registration Open Until Friday

Dean M. McDonald, dean of students at Treasure Valley Community college, has announced that late registration will be accepted for the summer quarter at the college through Friday, June 17.

He emphasized that the college offers a wide and varied late afternoon and evening program as well as a daytime schedule in air-conditioned classrooms.

### Summer Courses Listed

Of special interest for the summer quarter are courses in American literature, English literature, Shakespeare, applied art, mathematics, physical science survey, history of western civilization, American government, remedial mathematics, corrective reading, music, band, chorus, firearms for women from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday as well as driver training and farm records.

Further information about enrollment may be obtained from the college office or by telephone at 889-6493.

### Red Cross Committee Plans Early Meeting At Brownie's Cafe

Monthly meeting of the Red Cross fund committee will be held at 7 a.m. Thursday, June 23, in Brownie's cafe. No-host breakfast will be served. Several officers and other outstanding persons will be present. All interested residents are invited to attend.

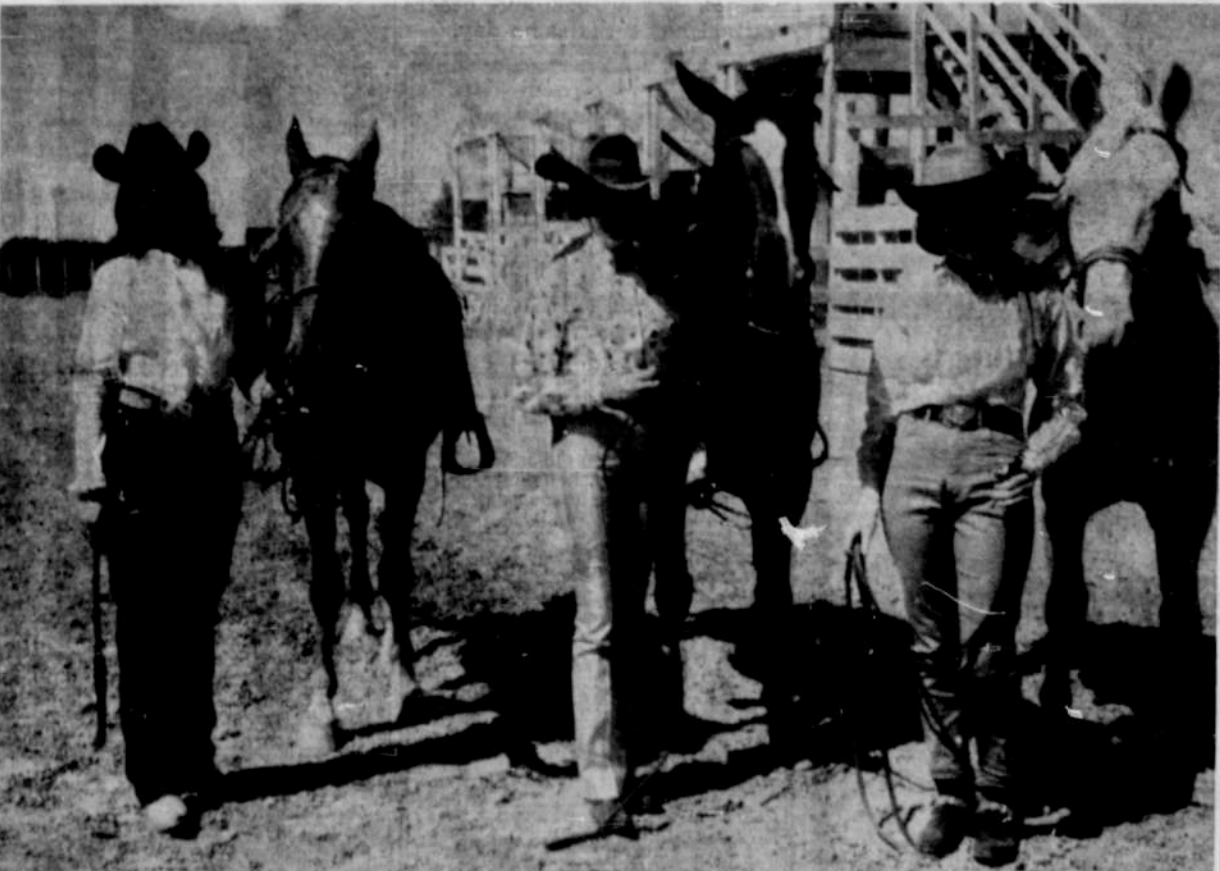
Al Peters of Ontario is Malheur county chairman for the United Fund campaign which includes the Red Cross drive.

### Chamber Views Film At Regular Meeting

Nyssa Chamber of Commerce met Wednesday, June 15, with Ron Young presiding. Postmaster Lee Dail reported that between 75 and 80 letters had already been received by the post office for the official Thunderegg Days cancellation.

A film issued by the Oregon Highway and Parks commission was viewed. It showed various locations and accommodations in Oregon.

### Nyssa Nite Rodeo Royalty Chosen Sunday



MISS MELDA KELLEY of Ontario (center) was selected to reign as queen of the July 8-9 Nyssa Nite Rodeo during competition held Sunday at the rodeo grounds. Princesses are Rena McKay of Harper (left) and Nyssan Ann Webb. Other contestants were Cheryl Wilson, Karen Main and

Anita Niccum, of Nyssa and Sandy Cutbirth of Emmett. Judging the performances were Al McConnell of Ontario, Marion Tracy and Russell Gressley. Lynn Snodgrass is general chairman for the two-night show and Ralph Stevens of Midvale will provide stock for the events.

### Dairy Princess Continues Chores Despite Honors

"I didn't sleep a wink Saturday night, but my Dad still got me up to do farm chores at 6 a.m. Sunday morning," stated Malheur County Dairy Princess JoAnn Durfee in a recent interview.

Miss Durfee was crowned Saturday night, June 11, during a June Dairy Month banquet in Ontario. However, this great honor she received didn't seem to make any difference the next morning when the Durfee dairy cows demanded attention.

JoAnn; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin W. Durfee, three sisters and one brother live 15 miles southwest of Nyssa. They milk 14 cows and own 280 acres of land, half of which is irrigated and planted in wheat. The other half is used as range.

### Becomes "Farm Boy"

As long as she can remember, JoAnn has followed her father around while he performed the daily chores. Since she is the oldest child and her only brother is just seven, it has been her job to take the place of a boy around the farm.

Her day starts at 6 o'clock each morning and she and her sister, Marie, 16, are responsible for the milking in the evening.

Miss Durfee plans to attend Brigham Young university in Provo, Utah, next year with a major in medical technology. She will represent Malheur county at the State Dairy Queen contest to be held June 26 in Portland.

### Class Opens Account For Injured Member

The Nyssa high school graduating class of 1966 had a western barbecue on the evening of May 23 at the Wilton Jackson residence. A roast pig was prepared and Mr. and Mrs. Neil Peterson taught the guests to square dance.

At the party the seniors overwhelmingly approved establishment of a college fund for classmate Larry Hirai. The group decided to contribute from their personal earnings as Larry will not be able to work this summer due to injuries he sustained in an auto accident.

Seniors and other friends who wish to do so may contribute to the account which has been opened at First National Bank of Oregon, Nyssa branch.

### Annual Art Exhibit Slated for Weekend

Third annual Malheur Art show will be held at Grace Lutheran church, Yakima and F streets in Vale, on Friday, June 17, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Mrs. Roger Barker reports exhibitors are welcome and further information may be obtained by calling her at 473-2105.

### Thunderegg Die-Hub Cancellation Desired By Stamp Collectors

According to reports from the local postoffice, the forthcoming Thunderegg Days event is appealing to stamp collectors as well as rockhounds. Postmaster Lee Dail states that 10 to 20 letters are being received daily with requests for enclosed envelopes to be stamped with the die-hub being used at the local office.

The die-hub was purchased by the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce to be used six months of the year (February through August) in promoting the Thunderegg Days event.

Requests were received during the past week from the following cities: Elizabethtown, Pa.; Lafayette, Ind.; Nashville, Tenn.; Parkersburg, W. Va.; Midwest City, Okla.; Omaha, Neb.; Pawtucket, R. I.; Virginia, Minn.; Bath, Me.; Pompano Beach, Fla.; Western Springs and Chicago, Ill.

Thorofare and Morganville, N. J.; Great Valley and Buffalo, N. Y.; Iowa Falls, Iowa; Appleton City, Mo.; Charlotte, N. C.; San Francisco and Auburn, Calif.