

A Time for Reminiscing

Reunions Termed More Interesting Each Year for Pupils of Early Days

The annual reunion picnic for Nyssa students of many years ago is over for another year as it was held Sunday, June 26, 1966, in Nyssa south park. And according to those attending, the session seems to get more interesting each year.

There seems to be a lack of interest on the part of local residents who are eligible to attend. However, more and more are appearing from far-away places.

Premium Prices Paid for Lambs At 4-H, FFA Sale

Over 50 head of 4-H and FFA lambs were exhibited and sold at the annual Market Lamb show and sale held at Malheur county fairgrounds Monday, June 27. The sale was held at the regular auction Tuesday, June 28, at Ontario Livestock Commission company.

Grand champion in the lamb classes went to Dale Amick of Harper, with Dorothy McKay, also of Harper, showing the reserve champion.

Blue ribbon winners in other 4-H classes included Ralph DeLong of Jamieson, Michael Amick and Penny Amick, both of Harper. Tim Holly of Adrian had the top lamb in the FFA classes and also took first place in the FFA showmanship contest.

In 4-H showmanship, Cheryl Coleman of Harper placed first in the senior division, Penny Amick in the intermediate and Pat Erstrom took top honors in the junior division.

At the sale, the 40 head sold as singles brought a total of \$1,186.88. This was an average of over 28 cents per pound, which is about seven cents above the top market.

Top price was 38 cents per pound paid by Farmers Feed and Seed of Nyssa to Diana Blanks of Cairo for her 92-pound lamb.

Injured Man Taken To Nampa Hospital By Local Ambulance

The Nyssa ambulance, driven by Police Chief F. E. Petrie, was summoned to Cherry Creek resort Sunday afternoon to transport 45-year-old Glen Ivey to Mercy hospital in Nampa.

A resident of Nampa, Ivey was reportedly injured earlier in the day in a shooting accident near the upper end of Lake Owyhee in Leslie Gulch.

Chief Petrie said the wounded man told him that he picked up a .22 caliber automatic to shoot a rattlesnake when the firearm discharged and the bullet penetrated his leg.

Early this week, hospital authorities reported that he was listed in good condition.

A REMINDER

Citizens are again reminded that Bower avenue is now a through street from North First to North Main. The change was made at the last regular meeting of the city council to alleviate heavy traffic on Main street and to correspond with the traffic pattern on Good avenue paralleling Main street on the south.

20th Annual Nyssa Nite Rodeo Slated For Friday and Saturday, July 8-9

Lynn Snodgrass, chairman for the 20th annual Nyssa Nite Rodeo, announced Wednesday that planning was on schedule and everything would be ready for the first showing Friday evening, July 8.

The place is the rodeo grounds in the southwest part of Nyssa (just south of the Adrian highway); time for the rodeo is 8:15 o'clock both nights following the big downtown parades at 7:30 leading into the grounds.

Mayor Proclaims Nyssa Rodeo Week

WHEREAS, the dates of July 8 and 9 have been set for Nyssa's 20th Annual Nite Rodeo, and

WHEREAS, this is a national western sport enjoyed by millions of people, and

WHEREAS, the sponsors are a group of local people acting without any selfish, profit motives,

I, GRANT H. RINEHART, Mayor of the City of Nyssa, hereby proclaim and declare the week starting Monday, July 4, as Nyssa Rodeo week and feel it would be fitting for all citizens of the city to dress in western garb, as far as possible, to advertise the affair.

GRANT H. RINEHART Mayor For the City of Nyssa

Among those attending this year were Dave and Lulu Canham who studied in the Nyssa schools, were married here and left in 1915.

Lulu is the daughter of the late Bob Harris, an Owyhee pioneer. Most of those present at the reunion had not seen the couple for over 50 years.

One man, Roy Tietzort, did recall having seen Dave in 1918 when they met in a chow line in France. Until last Sunday they had not seen each other since. They both agreed that the picnic dinner was a great improvement over the meal in France.

Sylvester Morris and his wife came for the reunion from Washington state and most of those attending had not seen Syl for over half a century.

He stated that he is going to be a regular attendant from now on as he now realizes the fun to be derived by the association.

Among others attending and who have been present at the reunions for one or more years are Maude (Largent) Cosh of Arizona; Sadie (Peer) Doherty, Baker, Ore.; Gilder and Myrtle Watson, Seattle.

Vera (Green) Hansen and Olive (Megorden) Ainsworth, California; Doug and Julia McDonald, Ham and Mrs. Crosswhite, Caldwell; Villa (Tietzort) Cooper of Emmett; Lulu (Megorden) Childers, Washington.

Attending from Boise were Jess and Georgia Whittaker, Cassie Goshert, Ellen and Mary (Largent) Forbes.

Paul and Lulu Childers were among those anxious for the school reunions to become a reality and insisted that they be kept going.

Paul died two years ago, shortly after attending one of the annual gatherings. Lulu has continued to appear at the reunions and says she will do so as long as she is able.

Her home is at Olympia, Wash., and it is felt by many that she deserves much praise for her effort to attend each year—and again this year she was among the 45 former Nyssa students at the annual picnic.

R. Young Injured In Vietnam Action

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Young received a telegram Tuesday from United States officials informing them that their son, Richard, had suffered a hip injury on June 25 in Vietnam.

Richard is serving with the 101st Airborne division. He was taken to an Army hospital where he was listed in "not serious" condition.



THESE MEN ARE NEW OFFICERS of the Nyssa Jaycees and were installed by Bob Harrod of Vale during a banquet meeting held Saturday evening at Brownie's cafe. Seated (left to right) are Dick Walters, external vice president; and John Marsh, president. Standing behind them are Dick Burns, internal vice president; Richard Gustavson, director and immediate past president; and Stu Haun, treasurer. Jim Armstrong, now secretary, was not on hand when the photo was taken. The installation meeting was held jointly with Nyssa Jay-C-Ettes, and guest speaker was Larry Stevens, biology instructor, football and wrestling coach at Treasure Valley Community college.—Staff Photo.

Thunderegg Commemorative Stamp Requested by Nyssa Civic Leaders

Nyssa Mayor Grant H. Rinehart and Ray Tarter, president of the Chamber of Commerce, this week submitted requests to the Post Office department asking that a special commemorative rockhound stamp be issued at the Nyssa post office.

The Thunderegg Days committee of the C of C urges citizens of Nyssa to obtain the official Thunderegg post card and send one to each of Oregon's United States congressmen requesting them to do their utmost in obtaining a postage stamp bearing the official picture.

The government officials are Representatives Al Ullman, Edith Green, Robert Duncan and Walter Norblad; Senators Maurine Neuberger and Wayne Morse.

The local committee feels that if each Nyssan would send a card to the above individuals that the commemorative stamp can be a reality by next summer.

The Thunderegg picture post cards can be purchased at Arrowhead Motel, Brownie's Cafe, M and W Market, Harry's Rock Shop, Michael's Pharmacy, Nyssa Pharmacy, Wally's Dress Shop and Wilson's Market.

Former Nyssa Youth To Study in Holland

Royce Zobel, former NHS student, was selected by the American Field Service to participate in the American Abroad program which allows him to attend school in a foreign country.

Royce recently departed from Ogden by plane for New York City where he boarded the Seven Seas for an ocean voyage to Europe. He will make his home for the coming three months with the Emmo van der Deen family in Emmeloord, The Netherlands. His foster father is an agriculturist and has eight children.

Parents of the exchange are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zobel who reside at 1336 31st street in Ogden.

Royce was accompanied to Europe by Dennis Groberg who is also an exchange and will be living with the Johann Kogler family in Ternberg, Austria.

Permits Required To Use City Dump

City Manager Fred Koch announced Wednesday that new permits are required for use of the city dump grounds. They are available Friday and must be secured no later than July 11.

They are available for all Nyssa residents without charge, are not transferable and can be revoked for abuse of the privilege. The latter is the cause for issuing new permits, Koch said.

Fee charges are posted at the dump for use of non-Nyssa residents.

Erosion Small In Canal Break West of Ontario

A break in a canal lateral west of Malheur Butte about 8 a.m. Saturday has been repaired and water restored Monday night and Tuesday morning, according to Paul House, manager of the North Board of Control.

House said five or six acres of crop land was heavily damaged and lesser damage occurred to some hay and pasture land as a result of the break caused by part of a hill sliding.

Land damage was confined to the Monce and Hurst ranches and approximately 2500 acres was without water for three days. House estimated about 2100 inches of water was lost during the break before it was shut off at the main canal.

Repairs were made by North Board crews using only their equipment while working around-the-clock.

Four-Cent Cigarette Tax Effective Friday, July 1, Throughout Oregon

Purchasers of cigarettes in Oregon will pay a four-cent per package tax effective tomorrow, Friday, July 1. The levy was passed by the 1965 legislature and approved by voters at the May statewide primary election after suffering six previous defeats.

The new law differs from the previous proposals in that the net revenue is all dedicated rather than going into the state general fund. One-half the receipts will go to the state's local property tax relief account for the benefit of all taxing districts in the state.

One-quarter will go to cities and the remaining one-fourth to counties, with both allocations based on population.

Beginning at 8 a.m. Pacific Standard time, all legal packs of 20 will have the stamp affixed or a meter-imprinted impression plainly visible on the wrapper. A contract has been awarded to the U.S. National Bank of Oregon for statewide distribution of the stamps and for facilities for setting meters.

To Yield \$10 Million Yearly

Oregon's new tax is expected to yield approximately \$10 million per year based on an estimated sales of 260 million packages annually.

Cities and counties will receive their share from the office of the secretary of state quarterly, with the state funds being distributed annually.

This leaves only North Carolina without a cigarette tax and it has a retail sales tax on tobacco products.

Marshall Dana, Oregon Journal Editor And Reporter for 42 Years, Succumbs Friday; Was Owyhee Plan 'Saviour'

Went to Washington in Drouth Years and Got Appropriations Restored to Complete

Marshall Dana, a reporter and editor for the Oregon Journal, died in Oregon City Friday of last week at the age of 80 years. He retired in 1951 after spending the last 13 years as editor of the editorial page for the paper and was well-known nationally as a writer as well as an able editor.

But in Malheur county he was much better known by older citizens for his work in securing the completion of the Owyhee project back in the depression and drouth years of the early "thirties."

Dana came to Oregon in 1909 after serving on a number of newspapers in several states, and while not an accomplished authority on reclamation projects, he became interested in the possibilities of areas rich in potential but lacking in water.

No one knows when this phase of Western life became attractive to him but it became very important at the time the Owyhee project, which is the very life blood of Malheur county, was in the process of developing.

According to J. J. Sarazin, a retired physician in Nyssa (age unknown to most people and still a young man in spirit), it was about 1932 that Dana became so important to this area.

Sometime between 1925 and 1930, through his writings and interests manifested at meetings, Dana was elected the first president of the National Reclamation association. Shortly thereafter he wrote many articles favorable to Franklin D. Roosevelt who became president in 1932.

Before this time, appropriations had been made for a start on the Owyhee dam and appropriations set up in congress on a term basis for the money necessary to keep the project moving.

The dam was completed with previous appropriations but no funds were allowed for distribution of the water—the canals were not constructed, no tunnels built.

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Motorists Warned Of Traffic Risks Over Fourth of July

Every 7.4 minutes, an accident occurred in Oregon during 1965. Every 18.7 minutes, an accident resulting in serious injury occurred and once every 12.9 hours, someone was killed on highways in the state.

The Traffic Safety division of the Department of Motor Vehicles said that mixing "fire-works" and "fire-water" on the Fourth of July is "just asking for trouble." The division pointed out that last Fourth of July weekend, five motorists lost their lives on the highways and another 263 received serious injuries from 392 accidents.

"We can cut the total number of accidents and subsequent injuries down by driving in a safe and defensive manner," stated the division. A few basic suggestions for a safer holiday trip were that all motorists should drive alert and be aware of what is going on around their own vehicle as well as what others are doing.

Allowing plenty of driving time as well as adjusting driving habits to meet the conditions was urged by traffic officials.

"Sometimes, the heavy amount of traffic on our highways requires that motorists slow down and take more time before arriving at their destination. Drivers who are operating their cars in an unsafe and reckless manner do not save time but build up tension and cause accidents," concluded the division.

Rockhound Says Volcanic Areas Produce 'T-Eggs'

Oscar Elliott, president of the Snake River Valley Gem club, told Nyssa businessmen at a meeting last Thursday evening that there will be approximately \$1.5 million worth of gems, minerals and rocks on display during Thunderegg Days, Aug. 4, 5 and 6 in the Nyssa school cafeteria.

Elliott and other members of the club met with the local men at Brownie's cafe. The president talked on the Thunderegg and explained that it is a spherical mass of silicified claystone and rhyolite filled with agate. Thundereggs are found near extinct volcanic action areas.

He and other members of the club gave the definition of a rockhound, told the group what to expect during Thunderegg Days and told them the probable types of questions that will be asked.

The speaker emphasized that friendliness will be the most important factor of all, and it will undoubtedly bring the rockhounds back each year as the materials they will be searching for are plentiful in this area.

Elliott also stated that an estimated 5000 people will view the rock exhibit. Members of the Snake River Gem club will sponsor the cafeteria gem display and during Thunderegg Days it will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 4, and from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Gene LaFay Remains In Boise Hospital; Improves Slowly

Gene LaFay, owner-operator of Nyssa Rexall Pharmacy, is slowly improving in the Veterans' hospital at Boise. Mrs. LaFay (Kay) said Wednesday that he hoped to be able to return home within two weeks.

He was hospitalized May 18, underwent back surgery on June 8 and later suffered complications, delaying his release. Many friends have called on him during his confinement and can still do so at room 225 in the Veterans' hospital.

Harvey Wilhite of Ontario has served as pharmacist during most of LaFay's absence.

Medicare Benefits Available July 1 At Local Hospital

It is announced by Pheral Dodson, Malheur Memorial hospital administrator, that the local hospital has been approved for participation in the Medicare program which will go into effect Friday, July 1.

Malheur Memorial was one of the first hospitals in the area to be approved, Dodson said.

All patrons over 65 years of age are eligible for the hospital benefits; however, the medical portion of the program is optional and those qualified had to sign up prior to May 1.

Nyssa's Little League Team Wins First Nine Games of Baseball Season

Nyssa's Major Little League baseball team, coached by Chuck Michaels and Terry Thompson, has won nine straight games without a loss since the season opened May 31.

They will go to Caldwell Saturday to play in a tournament of 10 of the better teams in the valley. Time of play and their first opponent were not yet known at press time.

Scores of previous games won by the small fry are (Nyssa given first): 13, Adrian 0; 8, New Plymouth 0; 15, Ontario (No. 1) 11; 6, Fruitland 5; 4, Vale 3; 6, Ontario (No. 2) 2; 6, Adrian 5; 13, New Plymouth 3; and Tuesday night of this week, Nyssa 5 and Ontario (No. 1) 4.

Two games are played each week and the next on tap for the locals is at Fruitland tomorrow night (Friday). All games are scheduled at 6:30 p.m. with four remaining after this week.

Nyssa Weather ...

Date	Max.	Min.
June 23	69	54
June 24	68	46
June 25	78	36
June 26	90	40
June 27	93	57
June 28	97	58

Owyhee Reservoir Storage
June 29, 1965.....694,750 Acre Ft.
June 29, 1966.....480,900 Acre Ft.



THESE LADS ARE MEMBERS of Nyssa's undefeated Little League Major baseball team. In the front row (left to right) are Greg Michael, Arthur Strom, Bat Boy Kirt Michael, Dwayne Ulrey and John Tensen. Standing behind them are Scott Ableman, Roy Belveal, Ronnie Wilson, Tony DeMinnck, Ronnie Moffis, Greg Perdue, Kenny Vandewall and Bryan Feik. These boys, together with others, will participate in the Little League tournament to be held at Nyssa early in August.