

J. J. Sarazin, Early-Day Physician Of Nyssa Area, Compiles Historical Resume for Owyhee Pioneer Picnic

Divides Story Into Three Eras Climaxed
By Irrigation Project's Aid to Farms in Area

(This story is one of history and was compiled by Dr. J. J. Sarazin, pioneer doctor of the Nyssa area. It was first told to Owyhee Pioneers and their families who met Sunday, Sept. 4, 1966, for their annual picnic in Nyssa south park. Dr. Sarazin presented it upon request of Audrey Ward, 1965-66 president of the Owyhee Pioneer organization.)

Except as they are related to historical events, I will try to omit personalities and human factors. We know human nature remains the same, history is ever-changing and repeating, sometimes contradicting, but always progressing.

GOP Philosophy Told by R. Smith At Nyssa Rally

Rep. Robert F. Smith led discussion at a Republican rally in Nyssa Tuesday night. Smith, a Republican, is running for reelection in the 26th legislative district comprised of Malheur and Harney counties.

Members of the Republican party gathered to fulfill their responsibilities to the philosophy of their party by urging those people who are disappointed with existing tight money, higher costs of living and federal intervention into both business and farming to recognize that Republicans stand for reduced governmental spending through cutting federal costs and allowing an individual to progress through his own initiative and ability.

Cites Work of Legislature

Rep. Smith noted that for the first time in 10 years the House of Representatives in the state of Oregon was controlled by Republicans. The fruits of the last session included property tax relief, inventory tax reduction, reduced costs during legislative session—all done without raising taxes.

There were inroads made into elimination of duplications and overlapping of government agencies through combination of several agencies under a department of corrections measure.

Smith stated that the only valid way to fight current inflation is to reduce government spending. He said small businessmen have the same thing in common—too much government and too many taxes. This, in essence, is why people in eastern Oregon and elsewhere are supporting the Republican cause in the November election.

Hospital Auxiliary Slates Style Revue

"Once Upon a Dream" is theme of this year's style revue sponsored by Malheur Memorial hospital auxiliary, it is announced by Mrs. Darwin (Julia) Jensen, general chairman.

The annual fashion display will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, Sept. 17, in the school cafeteria. Many Nyssa businesses will be represented at the revue with latest styles shown by local models.

Guidance Counselor Discusses Various Phases of Home-School Cooperation

(This is the first in a series of three articles on how parents can cooperate with the school, submitted for Journal publication by Charles Quinowski, new guidance counselor for Nyssa schools.)

The successful businessman selects a person who he believes capable of doing a certain task. Does he then stand aside and do nothing, or does he constantly interfere with suggestions and criticisms?

No, he follows neither of these courses of action, because he realizes that either one would lessen the value of results which his employee is expected to obtain. So he asks these questions:

Is the material which I am giving you satisfactory? Are the conditions under which I am expecting you to work all that they should be? Is there any other thing I can do to insure the success of your task?

In brief, he knows that although he has given the responsibility for the accomplishment of the task to his employee, he cannot shake off his own shoulders the greater responsibility of his own cooperation.

So it is with the parents' job of training children. While having transferred to the school the responsibility of teaching the children how to live, we have not and cannot shift the responsibility of cooperation.

Physical Life . . .

It is the parents' duty to see that children go to bed at a reasonable hour and have good physical conditions for growth, that

We find good and bad characters in Oregon history—courageous, ruthless, wicked and vile men. But for the most part they made history and took nothing with them, so all that is left for us is to do our best.

To simplify my ideas, I will divide Oregon history into three great eras: (1) The fur industry—British and American companies, (2) Mining—discovery of gold and other precious metals, (3) Agriculture—irrigation, livestock, lumber and general farming.

I don't mean to imply that one epoch disappeared and another took over completely.

British Claim Country

In the first era—the British, through trapping of furs by Hudson Bay company, claimed the country and gave the firm permission to establish and maintain forts and raise an army if necessary.

The Americans, by virtue of the Louisiana purchase, contested the claims. The British sent a party to erect a fort at the mouth of the Columbia river, but were dismayed to find the American flag flying over a fort already established under Astor of the American Fur company.

The Englishmen, I feel, thinking that the fur business was about through, made little fuss. Astor of the American company, in time, felt the same way and gave the fort to the English.

Both countries seemed to claim the territory, but neither had much interest, and as the saying goes, were about ready to "give it back to the Indians." So the first epoch is about ended.

Most of the inhabitants were on the Columbia and Willamette rivers. Americans were arriving to establish homes and soon felt that they should have a voice in establishing a government.

Both countries, it appeared, took a hand to govern the territory, but no definite laws or boundaries were designated. So they had an election in which the Americans were victorious.

The United States, wanting to learn more, had Lewis and Clark make a complete survey from the Missouri river to the Pacific coast and reported their findings to the President.

Gold Brings Thousands

Gold and other valuable minerals were discovered, greatly increasing the trend to the west.

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Tanker Presents Maneuvering Problem



"AROUND THE CORNER—AND 'CROSS THE TRACKS'" went this 69-foot long propane tank—finally. The operation, taking place on the road leading to the Idaho Canning company plant, took two 10-wheeler diesel trucks, several workmen, a lot of bosses and approximately two hours. In fact there were 40 fires touching the ground including those on the trucks and trailer on which the 90,000-pound tank was resting. As reflected in the above photo, obstacles included a square corner, a steep bank, telephone pole, railroad crossing sign and raised railroad tracks. By placing timbers on the pavement to elevate the left side of the trailer and tilting the tank away from the pole, and by inching their way along, the truck drivers and other members of the crew managed to get the rigs around the corner, across the tracks and the tank in place at Idaho street and Locust avenue, site of Ideal Gas company's storage plant. The "little" man in the upper photo is Dale Adams, manager of Idaho Power company's Nyssa operations. He appears to be either giving instructions or guarding the telephone pole. In the photo on right is Wilton Jackson, owner-operator of Ideal Gas company. He told a Journal reporter that the large tank holds 45,000 gallons of propane and that Nyssa will be the wholesale distribution point for gas going to McCall, John Day, Baker, Weiser, Emmett, Ontario, Homedale and Meridian. This huge tank was transported from Boise. Jackson says that the large one which now stands at the rear of the gas company office will be moved in the near future.—Journal Photos.

Nyssa Police Chief F. Petrie Resigns As of Sept. 15; Replaced by A. Allen

Francis E. Petrie, police chief in Nyssa the past few years, submitted his resignation Tuesday, effective Sept. 15.

It was accepted by City Manager Fred Koch as tendered and he was relieved from active duty Tuesday, Sept. 6, with the announcement that Sergeant Alvin Allen had been appointed acting chief effective Wednesday, Sept. 7.

Petrie's letter, dated Sept. 15 and addressed to the city manager, Mayor Grant Rinehart, council members and citizens of Nyssa, read as follows:

Gentlemen and Friends:

I hereby as of the above date tender my resignation as Chief of Police for the City of Nyssa, Oregon.

This is not of my own design or wishes, but, for what I have been led to believe in recent days, is of the best interests of the citizens of Nyssa.

I would like at this time to thank all of you citizens of Nyssa for the confidence, friendship and trust that you have placed in me the past five and one-half (5½) years. If in any way I have abused, misused or been disloyal to my office, may I offer my sincere sorrow and apology to all of you.

Respectfully yours,
(Signed)
Francis E. Petrie

To Give Leave of Absence

Mayor Grant Rinehart said that at a special meeting Friday noon to award the library bonds to the low bidder, the council voted to give Petrie a leave of absence, with pay, through October 1966.

Petrie, who came to the Nyssa force about 5½ years ago, was previously chief of police at McCall, Idaho. He said he had no immediate plans but hoped to get a position whereby his family could continue to live in Nyssa.

All Officers Promoted

The new acting chief joined the local force in 1963 following discharge from the U.S. Army in which he had two years' duty as a military policeman. He married Ruth Burbank of Nyssa in August 1963. They have two children.

Patrolman Darrel Zinn who joined the force in 1963 has been promoted to acting sergeant and Terry Thompson has been placed on full-time duty as a patrolman. Allen is accepting applications now for a reserve officer to replace Thompson.

A regular meeting of the council will be held next Tuesday night, Sept. 13, and is open to the public for questions, as usual.

REP. DUNCAN TO APPEAR AT MEETING IN ONTARIO

U.S. Representative Robert B. Duncan will be present at an open meeting to be held Friday, Sept. 9, beginning at 8 p.m. in Moore hotel at Ontario.

The public is invited to hear Duncan, Democratic candidate for the U.S. Senate. A party spokesman reported that all county Democratic candidates appearing on the November general election ballot will also be in attendance.



INTRODUCING Jack D. Hunt, new band director for the Nyssa schools. He has taught music in public schools for six years, with his last teaching position, being music instructor at Melba, Idaho. He is a resident of Caldwell, having graduated from high school and the College of Idaho there. He earned his bachelor of arts degree in music education in 1959 at C of I. The new band instructor served two years on active duty with the Twenty-Fifth Army band at Caldwell and played semi-professionally with the Idahoans, directed by Don Roblyer.

RETURNS FROM ALASKA

Miss Florene Kygar arrived home Friday by plane from Alaska where she had been visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Kygar and family at Ft. Wainwright. Miss Kygar began working Tuesday at the Amalgamated Sugar company office. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kygar, remained in Alaska for a longer visit.

Groups Asked to Call City Hall for Park Use

City Manager Fred Koch has asked the Journal to announce that larger groups planning to use city parks for meetings should contact the city hall beforehand to see if any other large groups have asked for use at the same time.

He stressed they are available to any and all in the area for legitimate use, but that with limited facilities, planning should be made ahead.

Krazy Day Event Planned Sept. 24

Nyssa's Seventh Annual Krazy Days has been set for the weekend of Sept. 22-23-24, with the latter climaxing the big sales event, and merchants, clerks and citizens vying with each other for the "goofiest" costumes.

The date was verified at a called meeting of the Merchants Promotion committee at Brownie's cafe Friday morning of last week.

Marlene Michael, chairman of the event, is preparing a special letter to all merchants telling of some of the things planned and asking for other ideas that will add to the fun and entertainment of visitors during the event. If residents have any "goofy" ideas that can be used, they are asked to get in touch with the chairman at the earliest possible date.

Merchants are on their own and can do almost anything they care to do, but if they plan anything unusual the chairman and the Journal are anxious to publicize it.

Early copy is needed from merchants who plan to have an ad in this special issue of the Journal that will be sent to over 4,000 area families. If help is needed, call 372-2233.

School Official Lists Instructors For 1966-67 Term

The following list of Nyssa teachers for the 1966-67 school year was secured for Journal publication from Superintendent Walter L. McPartland.

Elementary School—Mrs. Clarice Poor, principal; Don Bishop, vice principal.

First Grade—Mrs. Opal Alcorn, Mrs. Gladys Engelhardt, Mrs. Lucille Cary, Mrs. Berniece Fisher, Mrs. Marguerite Leslie.

Second Grade—Mrs. Eulah McConnell, Mrs. Beverly Aldrich, Mrs. Mildred Elliot, Mrs. Lucille Pett.

Third Grade—Mrs. Tavie Hendricks, Mrs. Helen Gonyer, Mrs. Vale Hagey, Mrs. Betty Oft, Virgil Seward.

Fourth Grade—Mrs. Zette Bumgarner, Mrs. Pat Skeen, Mrs. Gladys Spitz, Mrs. Madge Thomson, Mrs. Marjorie Mitchell.

Fifth Grade—Mrs. Elaine Nelson, Mrs. Joy McPartland, Mrs. Nelda Schenk, LaVerne Shell.

Sixth Grade—Mrs. Dorothy Wilson, Mrs. Mary Hatt, Mrs. Janice Wilson, Mrs. Hazel Lane.

Special Education—Mrs. Naomi May, Mrs. Josephine Rigney, Mrs. Frances Bates.

Junior High School—Muri Lancaster, principal; Miss Nelle Hayes, special education.

Seventh Grade—Dan Martin, Mrs. Dorothy Nolen, Mrs. Mildred Renstrom, James Skeen.

Eighth Grade—Miss Marie Coate, Irl Nolen, Elvin Ballou, Frank Parr.

High School Personnel Listed
Gene Chester, principal; Ralph Aldrich, boys' physical education, health, basketball coach; Don Bates, English, speech I and II;

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Malheur Designated Disaster Area; Aid Limited to Grazing Land Seen As Little Help by State Stockmen

Release of Stored Feed Grains in Addition
To Emergency Loans Asked by Cattlemen

Malheur county has been declared a "disaster area" due to the worst drought conditions in history in areas of unstored water. But according to stockmen, it is coming "too little and too late" to keep the beef industry on an even keel in eastern Oregon.

The Journal was informed of the action by the U.S. Department of Agriculture in a long distance call Thursday of last week from Democratic Congressman Al Ullman's office.

The proposal will divert the use of 7,200 acres of land for grazing (provided the applicants meet requirements of the county Agricultural Stabilization committee—ASCS) but does not provide release of federally stored grain necessary to carry foundation herds through the winter.

Committee Asks for Relief

It has been approximately six weeks since application was made for the relief by the County Disaster committee, composed of Paul Bunch, chairman of the committee as well as of the ASCS; Harry Sandquist, county agricultural agent; and Don Kudrna, supervisor of Farmers Home administration.

If approved, as sent to the governor for forwarding to the USDA and following their tour of the county upon which their recommendation was made, ranchers would have been permitted to graze the reserves and diverted acres as well as have access to the feed grain program.

At that time the committee noted that range grass was gone at lower elevations and rapidly deteriorating at upper levels—that some ranchers had been hauling water for livestock and the price of hay was up considerably from normal years. That was the latter part of July.

Big Cattle Loss Expected

But apparently, the story didn't go over too big with the Johnson administration's Orville Freeman (cabinet head of the agriculture department) and a big loss is seen in the cattle that will be carried through the winter.

Larry Williams of Canyon City, president of the Oregon Cattlemen's association, is quoted as saying, "If we don't get a commitment of help from the government for feed grains and access to emergency loans by Nov. 1, there will be a wholesale selling of cattle from eastern Oregon."

The same conditions and the same limited form of relief applies to Union and Harney counties. Baker and Umatilla counties are awaiting replies to their requests of aid for suffering stockmen.

Boat Races Slated Sunday Afternoon Near River Bridge

Boat races, the first this year, are scheduled at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Sept. 11, on Snake river just above the highway bridge, according to members of the sponsoring Jaycees. Entries will include hydroplane, skimmer, pleasure craft and unlimited classes.

In addition to the races, super-fast dragster boats will be on display.

Refreshments will be available, free parking is provided and admission entitles one to a bleacher seat.

The races are being conducted by Treasure Valley Boat Racing association.

Records Reveal Enrollment Down For Area Schools

Nyssa Superintendent of Schools W. L. McPartland reports enrollment figures at local schools reveal there are 1310 students registered in grades one through 12 and the special education classes. This is nine less than was reported for the corresponding time last year.

In the elementary department, pupils in the first grade number 134; second, 113; third, 136; fourth, 126; fifth, 110; sixth, 101—making a total of 720 students.

In junior high school, 215 youngsters are registered, including 104 seventh graders and 111 in the eighth grade.

Records reveal there are 352 students registered in the high school department. By classes, there are 77 seniors, 86 juniors, 92 sophomores and 97 freshmen. It is interesting to note that 99 eighth grade students were graduated in May 1966.

There are 23 youngsters enrolled in special education classes.

Figures Listed at Adrian

Regular full day classes began Tuesday at Adrian schools, according to Superintendent Glenn Ward. Registration in the high school department is 145 students, the same as was recorded on opening day last year. By classes, there are 31 seniors, 35 juniors, 43 sophomores and 36 freshmen.

Eugene Harper, elementary school principal, reports that there are 325 students registered in grades one through eight, with 90 of those in the junior high department. This year's enrollment figures reveal a decrease of 16 students from last year for the first eight grades.

School officials report they hope the new cafeteria will be completed so that hot lunches may be prepared and served beginning next Monday; however, it is not definite whether the new facility will be ready for use. Students are taking sack lunches this week.

Out-of-Area Visitors Call at C of C Office

As recorded at the office of the Chamber of Commerce secretary, visitors in Nyssa this week included Californians Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Strick of Berkeley, Rollin Edwards of Visalia.

From England were C. F. Betts of London, C. Hale of Liechester and Jackie Betts of Bristol. Other visitors included Rob and Pam Douglas from New Zealand; Dalton M. Johnston of El Paso, Texas; Dale Blackman of Saginaw, Mich.; Margaret Willits, Haswell, Colo.

Idaho visitors included Bill Brooks of Hailey, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Baker of Mountain Home, From Washington state were Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Russell, Spokane.

Others who signed the visitors' list included Mr. and Mrs. Julius Sather of Woodburn, Ore.; Messrs. and Mmes. F. M. Randolph and Wade Randall of Portland.



ANOTHER ENTRY IN THE "BIG SPUD" CONTEST. This unusual specimen was brought to the Journal office last Thursday by LaVern Cleaver and Don Brewer. It is many small potatoes, all grown together and is actually just one tuber which weighed 82 ounces when first dug on Monday, Aug. 29. Three days later it was put on the Farmers Feed and Seed scale, the official one being used for the contest. It still weighed 75 ounces, even with loss of moisture. As for measurements, there is really no place to begin. It outweighs the previous top entry by nearly 14 ounces.