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Set in Ontario November 10 Nine Water Quality Control River Downstream to Mouth

to Be Established by Oregon
Sanitary Authority on Pollution

To determine standards of water quality control for the Snake river from the Idaho-Oregon border north to the mouth, a public hearing will be held at 9 a.m. on Nov. 10, at East Side cafe, according to Representative Tom Bessouette, R-Ore. The hearing will start at 9 a.m.

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To Direct City Activities November 7



TAKING OVER DUTIES as city councilmen next Monday during Student Government Day will be NHS Seniors (front row, left to right) Teresa Elguezabal, Janet Nedry, Marie Elguezabal and Mary Danford; back row, Dick Finger, Mayor Tom Stringer and Jim Ableman. Also see photograph on page 7 showing other students holding city offices for the day.—Journal Photo.

NHS Seniors to Assume City Positions On Nov. 7 Student Government Day

By MARCIA JACKSON of the NHS Bulldog Staff

To promote student involvement in government affairs is purpose of the annual Student Government Day to be held Monday, Nov. 7, this year.

This work program is sponsored jointly by the Nyssa high school modern problems class and Nyssa city officials.

Those desiring to run for council positions filed petitions, were later chosen by a vote of all senior class students.

On Monday, Oct. 31, the councilmen met to select various student officials. Councilmen will be Mary Danford, Janet Nedry, Tom Stringer, Jim Ableman, Dick Finger, Teresa and Marie Elguezabal.

Student Officials Named

Tom Stringer will act as mayor and will also be a member of the council. City manager will be Brad Maxfield, while Renee Somers will serve as recorder. Student municipal judge, Roberta Breshears, will work until noon and then transfer to the police department.

Jim Anderson, student city attorney, will work with the real city attorney on a short orientation program. Cindy Bratton, named student health officer, will work with the police department. Bob Smit was selected as student police chief, while student street superintendent will be Royce Bair.

Student sewer superintendent for the day will be Trudy Olsen, and Pat Savage will fill the office of water superintendent. Gary Moss and Laurel Beck are to be fire chief and student park superintendent, respectively. Chosen as city engineer was Charles McConnell, while Kathy Dority will be city librarian.

Orientation Period Planned

Activities for student participation in "Government Day" will start at 8 a.m. with a welcome by Mayor Grant Rinehart and regular city council members. An orientation, by City Manager Fred Koch, will follow.

The students will then be introduced to various department heads and will be noon luncheon guests of city officials at Brownie's cafe.

They will then return to their respective posts until 3 p.m. when they will meet again at the city hall for a question and answer period.

Farmer of Ridgeview Area Dies in Mishap Involving Beet Trucks

Steve Hirai, a farmer in the Ridgeview area, route 1, Home-dale, was fatally injured Wednesday morning when his head was crushed between two beet trucks.

According to Malheur County Deputy Sheriff Dick Pounds, several friends were assisting with the harvest of his beets. One of the loaded trucks broke down and the men were in the process of repairing it.

Another truck was taken to the scene to get the maimed truck out of the way, and Hirai was accidentally caught between them.

Mr. Hirai was rushed to Caldwell Memorial hospital where he was pronounced dead on arrival. The accident occurred about one mile south of Napton siding, near the Hirai home.

Nyssa High Freshman Suffers Broken Ankle

Craig Lewis, NHS freshman and president of his class, sustained a broken ankle during a junior varsity football game Monday evening in Emmett.

The young athlete had just completed 11 quarters of play to receive his letter and was also filling in on the varsity squad.

Craig was treated at Malheur Memorial hospital Monday evening and released. According to his mother, Mrs. Dorothea Lewis Mitchell, it will probably be from six to eight weeks before he will be able to participate in athletics.

CORRECTION

In the sample ballot reprinted in the Journal last week the word "protest" should have read "pro-rect." The error occurred under Constitution Amendment No. 1 and would change the purpose entirely. The management regrets the mishap.

FFA LADS ENTER CONTEST

Seven Nyssa high FFA youths plan to participate in a state soil judging contest to be held Nov. 9-11 at Elsie, Ore. The youths are Craig Robbins, Dick Cooper, Danny Hiatt, Rick Phillips, Colby Strom, Alan and Don Cleaver.

Chairman of UNICEF Drive Reports Collections; Thanks Area Workers

More than \$255 was donated by Nyssa and Adrian residents to young people who called on Halloween night to "Trick or Treat for UNICEF." This was \$33 more than last year.

Gathering for age-group parties following the door-to-door collections, young people representing Catholic and Protestant churches met for games and refreshments organized by the interfaith UNICEF committee.

The Rev. Ralph A. Lawrence, chairman of the committee, expresses his thanks to all who made the drive a success, including those who provided transportation and other volunteer services.

Committee activity chairmen were Mrs. Wilton Jackson, refreshments; Mrs. Lloyd Wilson, money collections; Mrs. Archie Strom, fourth, fifth and sixth grade party; Mrs. Mervil Hutchinson, junior high party; the Rev. Orville Jacobson, high school party.

Churches Provide Facilities

Each chairman was assisted by a committee of workers from respective churches. Church facilities were provided by St. Paul's Episcopal, First Christian and St. Bridget's Catholic churches.

In addition, young people and adults from Faith Lutheran and First Methodist churches participated. Roger Watts of Adrian was head of the committee for activities there, with headquarters at Kingman Memorial Presbyterian church.

Area residents wishing to donate to UNICEF but were not called upon, may transmit their gifts either by giving through their churches or sending the fund directly to the Rev. Lawrence.

SWCD Delegates Plan to Attend Annual Meeting

Annual convention of the Oregon Association of Soil and Water Conservation districts will be held Nov. 9-11 in Seaside. Congressman Wendell Wyatt and State Senator Dan Thiel, both of Astoria, will be featured luncheon speakers.

Among highlights of the meeting will be a soil judging contest, tour of scenic and historic sites in Clatsop county, election of officers and directors, panel and group discussions, resolutions and presentation of awards.

Delegates will discuss broad new district responsibilities in water supply, resource development, pollution and other problems.

Attending from this area will be Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Chapin, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Salomon and Ralph Cleveland.

Chapin, chairman of the public land committee, will be in charge of the program from 11 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1:30 to 5 p.m. Thursday, during which speakers will be Howard Delano, BLM state range specialist; Walt G. Thompson, USFS; and Dr. Donald W. Hedrick, professor of range management at Oregon State University in Corvallis. The latter will review, with the public land committee, the study of state board lands in Eastern Oregon.

At the three-day meeting, annual reports will be given and during the awards banquet, entertainment will be provided by the Sea Tones, a Seaside singing group.

Total Taxes to Be Levied in County Reach Over \$4 Million for 1966-67; School Percentage Increases to 71.6

County Levy Climbs to \$559,264 on Total
Assessed Valuation of Over \$48 Million

According to the statement of taxes for Malheur county for the year 1966-67, prepared by County Assessor John Koopman, the total taxes to be assessed are \$4,051,775.64.

The net assessed value is \$48,631,715, and as in a number of recent years, the schools get the "lion's share" with 71.6 percentage of the total take. Next largest, percentage-wise, is the county with 8.0, followed by roads with 5.7; welfare, 2.4; special assessments, 1.0; cemetery, .7; and hospital with .7. Roads, special assessments and hospitals are voted on by districts and not on a county-wide basis.

The 71.6 percentage figure of the total reaches only \$30 less than \$3 million spent for total schools in the county, or an average of \$117-plus, taxes that would have to be spent by every man, woman and child of the 24,576 (Oregon Blue Book, 1965-66) residents of the county.

This figure seems to refute oft-heard statements that Malheur county falls low in spending for education.

Of this amount, Treasure Valley Community college commands \$308,410.65 with 7.1 mills per dollar valuation. And Nyssa ranks near the top with millage costs of 36.5 for School District No. 26, being surpassed only by small schools (Harper, Beulah and Westfall).

Nyssa Highest City

Millage for the city of Nyssa with 105.7 is the highest of any of the codes listed by the assessor. Next two highest are Vale with 104.4 and Ontario with 94.8. The lowest districts in the county in millage paid are: (1) McDermitt, 38.3; (2) Jordan Valley, 38.5; and the city of Jordan Valley, 45.3.

All districts get 5.3 mills off on the state relief for property taxes by an act of the 1965 legislature.

One of the things bringing Nyssa to the top is the 2.3 millage for Malheur Memorial hospital, and this has come down from 4.0 mills in the 1963-64 year.

One can take the figures presented by Assessor Koopman and prove almost any point comparing size of towns, assessed valuations of districts and personal property—but it all adds up to the increase of taxes in most every instance.

Historical Fund An 'Investment' Chamber Told

Mary Graham, Vale justice of the peace, spoke in behalf of the Malheur County Historical fund at the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce meeting Wednesday.

She explained that it was not to be a monument for Vale but included historical markers and possibly other buildings in other locations at a later date. As a tourist attraction for the area, she felt it would be an investment in the long run and not an expense. It appears as amendment number four on the Nov. 8 ballot.

Judge Graham explained how under Oregon law an historical fund can be established by petition of eight percent of the registered voters to the county court which, in turn, places the measure on the ballot.

The amount to be raised cannot exceed one-fortieth of one percent annually and the budget projected by the historical board must be approved, as any other political subdivision, by the county budget board at the spring budget hearing.

Mrs. Marie Van Horn of Vale, Republican candidate for Malheur county clerk, spoke briefly, giving experience and qualifications for the position.

MONEY, LIQUOR STOLEN FROM RURAL AREA HOME

The home of Byron Gillingham, in the Sunset Valley area southwest of Nyssa, was burglarized during the weekend with reports of \$2,700 missing.

According to the Malheur County Sheriff's department, the money was taken from a dresser drawer, and also missing were several bottles of liquor.

General Election Tuesday, Nov. 8 Provides Choice for Most Offices

The general election to be held Tuesday, Nov. 8, will offer a choice of at least two candidates in most offices ranging from those seeking national positions to local councilmen.

A check of the ballot carried in the Journal last week will show competition for U.S. senator and congressman. State offices are all contested other than for labor commissioner

in who will represent them in the coming years by staying away from the polls, they have no "gripe" coming and fail in helping a democracy operate the way it should. It is not too late to study the candidates and issues and cast a vote—it could have a great deal of importance by keeping a minority from ruling a majority.

The only uncontested county office is that of surveyor where W. E. Gillespie, Republican, apparently has clear sailing.

There are three amendments to be voted upon in this election. Two are statewide, and for pro and con arguments on the merits of these read pages 8-9, 12-13 in the Voters' Pamphlet mailed to every eligible voter. The other is local and pertains to the establishment of an historical fund and the tax to support same.

Four Councilmen to Be Named

On the local level there are four councilman positions to be filled with five listed on the ballot to choose from. They are William Fitzsimmons, Ernie B. Metcalf, Raymond L. Tarter, Charles O. Zinn, Larry Bauman and Glade J. Chadwick.

If voters fail to have a voice

AREA YOUTHS INJURED IN ONE-CAR ACCIDENT

According to Oregon State Police, Robert Proctor of Nyssa and Norman Murphy of Payette, both 18, sustained injuries Sunday when their auto went out of control on wet pavement about four miles south of Nyssa.

The officers reported that the vehicle, driven by Proctor, was demolished.

The youths were taken to Malheur Memorial hospital and are reported to be recovering satisfactorily.

THIS PHOTO will introduce Miss Gail Reese, who on Oct. 24 began working in the front office of the Gate City Journal. Gail is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Reese of the Apple Valley community. She is a 1966 graduate of Fruitland high school and during the summer months took nurse's aide training at Holy Rosary hospital in Ontario. She is now assisting the publishers with numerous tasks formerly performed by Mrs. Earl (Earlene) Jennings, who on Oct. 31 began working in the Nyssa junior high school office. Mrs. Jennings joined the Journal staff in mid-May 1960 and during those nearly 6½ years had been a trustworthy and faithful employee. The publishers regret losing her, but feel that within a very short time, Gail too will be a co-worker of the same fine caliber.



(JOE) MOLLAHAN, new superintendent of Eder's and Mrs. Emil (Mariam) Wohlcke, a seven-year emman Pettin - Eder firm. In the front office of the re-ed Eder building. Mollahan, a native of Ontario, all operations. For the past eight years he has been servicing company in Ontario and three years prior vicepresman for IBM company in Chicago. The new announces plans for expansion to offer a wider andise, as well as better service to customers. He, his children plan to move to Nyssa at a later date. Mrs. ed to the Nyssa office in June this year after working in the Van Pettin general office in Ontario.