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## Study of Underachievers Reviewed by Nyssa Teachers

A special joint junior high and high school faculty meeting was held at 8 a.m. Wednesday. The purpose of this meeting was to review and discuss findings of a recent study on the underachievers in the junior high and high school.

This study was undertaken by the guidance department as an outgrowth of a previous high school faculty meeting. At that time the faculty felt the need to take a serious look at problems of various sorts that lead to underachievement. A particular emphasis was to be put on individuals who, according to test results and other positive criteria, demonstrate greater potential than their performance in the classroom indicates. The teachers were asked to list students from their various classes, who they felt were in this category. The guidance department then classified this group on the basis of information obtained from the student's guidance folder.

It was noted that underachievers are not unique to any one ability grouping. They can be found in the high ability groups as well as the low ability groups.

The meeting resulted in a worthwhile exchange of ideas on the part of faculty members. New ideas and approaches to the problem were discussed. Among ideas presented were:

(1) Special class scheduling for underachievers as a group, which would include counseling to determine individual needs, exploring individual strengths as well as weaknesses, and building interest through changing teaching techniques, as well as giving thought to a special program designed to fit the needs of this specific group.

(2) Since some of the problems a student has originate at home, the possibility of a series of adult sessions was discussed. These would be designed to make the parents aware of what they can do in the way of encouraging their child and helping him with his educational adjustment.

(3) More intensive counseling, both on the individual basis and in group guidance sessions.

(4) Helping the underachievers to develop better skills and study habits.

(5) Additional classroom assistance for the teachers to help meet the needs of these special students. The use of teacher aid was suggested.

(7) Developing a better understanding of both mental and physical problems as they pertain to educational adjustment.

On hand for this special session was Glen Weaver, supervisor of guidance services for the state of Oregon. Weaver came to this area to assess progress being made in the development of our local guidance program.

## Nyssa Takes Sweepstakes In FFA Test

Bob Ure, NHS senior, won the Master Mechanic Award and a tuition fee scholarship to Treasure Valley Community College as a result of his scores in the FFA district skills contest held Thursday, April 27 in Ontario. The Master Mechanic Award is given to the participant with the highest score in the six events of the upper division contest.

Nyssa's FFA team also won the sweepstakes trophy for the third consecutive year. The sweepstakes winner is decided through competition in nine categories throughout the year.

The contest was divided into two divisions with the upper division consisting of juniors and seniors and the lower section made up of freshmen and sophomores. Individuals receiving honors in the upper division were Bob Ure, second in Actylene Welding and third in electricity. Gary Moss placed first in carpentry and Brian Cleaver took the top award in the farm shop quiz. The Nyssa chapter placed second in the upper division in their events.

The young lads of NHS did equally well by winning in the lower division. Dick Cooper placed first in Actylene Welding, Craig Robbins received a second in carpentry and a third in tool conditioning. Harold Christensen took third in soldering. -- NHS Bulldog

## Chest X-Rays Due in County

The mobile chest x-ray unit will be available May 8-12 to residents of Nyssa, Adrian, Ontario and Vale.

Residents of Ontario are reminded that the unit will be at the Ontario labor camp May 8 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and at the Ore-Ida Food plant May 9 between the hours of 1 p.m. and 5 p.m., 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Facilities of the unit will be available to Nyssa and Adrian area residents May 11 in Nyssa in front of the Idaho Power office on Main St. It will be open between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

The unit will be at the Nyssa labor camp May 12 from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Vale will have the unit May 10 in front of the Flying Realty firm from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Chest x-rays are advisable to all adults at least once a year, in order to help detect tuberculosis, other lung and heart disorders before they become extremely serious.

## Top Students At AHS



BARRY FUJISHIN  
... AHS Top Student



TAMI KATHLEEN WINN  
... Co-Valedictorian



DIRK R. SIPES  
... Salutatorian Honors

Barry Fujishin and Tami Kathleen Winn have earned co-valedictorian honors at Adrian high school, with Dirk R. Sipes to give the salutatorian address at the forthcoming graduation rites.

Barry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fujishin of Homedale, earned a grade point average of 3.98. He served as student body president this year and has been active in other school organizations.

His extra-curricular activities include membership in Eagle Scouts and Boise Valley Judo club in which he holds a brown belt. He is master counselor and winner of the Chevalier degree in his local Demolay chapter. He was a former state star farmer in FFA and will serve as state president of the Oregon association for the 1967-68 term.

## NHS Coaches To Be Honored At 1967 State Track Event



The two men probably most responsible for sports trophies in the case behind them which graces the corridor of the Nyssa high school building. They are Kinsey Keveren, (on left) a NHS coach for 35 years; and Harry McGinley, a member of the coaching staff for 30 years. -- NHS photo.

Harry McGinley, Nyssa high school athletic director and assistant football coach; and Kinsey Keveren, assistant track coach, will be honored and awarded certificates for outstanding services as Oregon high school coaches during the May 27 state track meet at Corvallis.

Keveren will receive his award for 35 years of coaching service, and McGinley will be honored for 30 years of high school coaching.

Keveren attended Idaho State university, Southern Branch, now Idaho State university at Pocatello. He was graduated from Utah State university, and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Arts and Sciences. While in college, he participated in track as a miler and two-miler.

Keveren began his coaching career in 1928 at the Kimberly, Idaho high school where he served as football and track coach. He also coached in Lander, Wyo., and has been a Nyssa high school coach for 21 years, prior to 1967.

He stated that his greatest rewards in the coaching field have been the good will of the kids and watching them develop. He says, he has enjoyed every minute of coaching--that he enjoys recalling some of the funny things that happened during some of the contests.

When asked how he met his wife, Keveren said "She was a high school senior in Wyoming. When I went to her dad's cattle ranch to get her for our first date, I found her out in the corral saddling a 'half-broke' bronc which she had snubbed to a pole in the center of the corral."

McGinley attended St. Benedict's college and Peru state teacher's college in Nebraska where he received his degree in education with a mathematics-science major. He participated in football, playing in the backfield, while in college. He began coaching at Filley, Nebra., in 1936. His coaching tenure includes Grants, N.M.; Fruitland, Idaho; Redmond, Weston and Nyssa, Oregon. He

has coached at Nyssa for 17 years in football, basketball, baseball and track.

While coaching in Nebraska, McGinley's football teams won 21 of 22 games during a two-year period. His New Mexico basketball team took second place in the state basketball tournament.

While at Fruitland, he coached district championship basketball teams for two years, placing third and fourth in the Idaho state basketball tourney. McGinley commented that he has never regretted coaching and has always enjoyed it in spite of some tough years.

## Thieves Nabbed In Stolen Car Within Minutes

A late model Plymouth car belonging to Rex Voeller was stolen from in front of the Nyssa theatre on Main street of Nyssa about 9:30 Sunday night but recovered within minutes.

Nyssa policeman Ron Rookstool apprehended the car about two miles north of town on the Ontario highway and arrested Hector Ramirez of the Wilder labor camp and Julian Garza of the Nampa labor camp. Both are migrants and 18 years of age.

Both are being held in the county jail at Vale in lieu of \$1500 bail.

Voeller said the keys were left in the switch and the doors unlocked.

## Jaycees To See Fast-Car Films

Nyssa Jaycees held a car wash Saturday and funds will be used to assist Dave Green of Madras. He is a candidate for JC National president. The local group has asked the Journal to thank Nyssans for their support of this project.

Next meeting of the Nyssa Jaycees will be at 8 p.m. Monday, May 8 at 15 Bower avenue. Following the regular business (Continued on Page 7)

## Thunderegg Days Info Sent For Aug. Event

Kay Brendle, secretary of Thunderegg committee, reported this week that 1118 letters had been sent out to Rock and Gem clubs of the U. S. and Canada for the 1967 event. Also that more than 3500 programs had been mailed to persons indicating interest in the event.

The program is sponsored by the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce, along with the Treasure Valley Rock and Gem Club who will have an exhibit in the local cafeteria at the same time.

Mrs. Brendle says there have been 58 direct inquiries for information on the vent from 12 states and the Canadian province of British Columbia. Inquiries were from the states as follows: Wash, Idaho, Calif., Ore., Conn., Neb., Maine, Mo., Ariz., and New York. Reservations have been requested from parties in three states to-date.

The secretary says there has been a request to guide a group of 12 students of high school age from New York State on a rock hunt later in August. Harold Brendle, chairman of the event, says the local chamber of commerce will assist the girls during their western tour.

## Nyssa's Amalgamated Factory Wins First Place in 1966-'67 For Efficiency Operations

### Now Tied With Nampa For Over-All Record With Each Winning 8 Times

The Amalgamated Sugar company announced last week that its big, Nyssa, Oregon sugarbeet processing plant won top honors for 1966-67 in the company's 43-year-old factory efficiency competition.

The Nyssa factory, constructed in 1938, outperformed four other White Satin sugar factories during the beet processing campaign, which started last fall and continued through the winter.

Amalgamated's operating superintendent Burnell Brown said the Nyssa plant, which employs over 650 people during campaign, has now captured the company's "premium factory" pennant eight times. Nyssa's Treasure Valley rival, the Amalgamated factory at Nampa, Idaho, also has been rated tops eight times, and finished third in the 1966-67 contest.

## The Weather

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
April 26	54	36	.17
April 27	56	40	.02
April 28	48	38	.23
April 29	54	30	—
April 30	52	36	—
May 1	62	35	—
May 2	67	36	—
May 3	—	35	—

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Date	459,370	Acre	Ft.
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The White Satin factory at Twin Falls, Idaho, was ranked second best this year, and last year's competition winner, the Amalgamated plant at Lewiston, Utah, was fourth in the standings.

Brown said Nyssa's victory was assisted by a brand new ion exchange system, which improves sugar extraction. The system was developed and is widely used in Europe, but Nyssa is believed to have the only one in the United States.

What ion exchanges does, in simplest terms, is to replace certain molasses-forming impurities in sugarbeet juice with magnesium, which is less "melassigenic." The beet syrup becomes easier to process, and yields more sugar.

Nyssa has a veteran operating crew, and most key personnel have 20 years of service or more with Amalgamated. The factory's manager is R. A. Forbes of Nyssa. His principal assistants include superintendent J. S. Newman, master mechanic Solon B. Lewis, and assistant superintendent Lorin Goates, Desmond Jones and Mural Lewis. Accounting and office functions are supervised by Lloyd Wilson and Everett Heldt, and Paul Kunkel is the plant's chief chemist.

The factory draws most of its beets in Malheur county, and in some years contracts acreage as far away as Baker, Oregon. It also takes in most of Payette county, Idaho, across the Snake river, and has beet receiving stations as far north as Weiser, Idaho. Agricultural operations in the area are supervised by company district manager Raymond Larson.

Plant personnel will celebrate their victory at a dinner in Ontario Thursday night, April 27.

The factory processed over 8000,000 tons of beets this winter, more than any other company plant, and operated steadily for 124 days. Nyssa's pioneering effort with ion exchange was so successful that company officials say a second such unit is now being considered for Amalgamated's Mini-Cassia factory (between Burley and Rupert, Idaho) this summer.

Amalgamated's first pennant-winning factory back in 1923, was in Smithfield, Utah, in the Cache valley. That facility is a swiss cheese factory today. Other early winners, all smaller plants that have since been closed or consolidated into larger facilities, included Ogden, Logan, and Cornish, Utah; Rupert and Burley, Idaho; Missoula, Montana; and Clarksburg, California.

The pennant competition was introduced to Amalgamated by vice president Roy Cottrell, who remains active in management today. Cottrell says the idea of sugarbeet factory contests originated with the Great Western Sugar company, where he worked before joining White Satin in 1917.

## Youthful Tenor Takes Top Honors At State Contest

Earnie Lewis, an Adrian high school junior, returned home with first place honors in the tenor vocal division in the State's Solo Music contest at Monmouth.

The youth sang Schubert's "Serenade" before a panel of three judges, all from Washington state. There were five tenors in vying for the title. Earnie is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lewis. He was accompanied to Monmouth by his mother; a sister, Bonnie, a student at Treasure Valley Community college; and Mrs. Ben Denman, his music teacher and accompanist.

## Thunderegg Seal to Aid Exchange Student Program



This Thunderegg seal has been adopted by Malheur county for the purpose of promoting and assisting in the support of the foreign exchange student program. In proclaiming the week of May 8 for this purpose, County Judge Ellis White said, "Malheur being the Thunderegg County of Oregon, it is well that we adopt this seal." Students of Vale, Ontario and Nyssa will be selling the seals. Judge White added, "It is with pleasure that I ask the people of Malheur County

to purchase and use these seals. Not only will it help foreign exchange students to know our country, but by using the seals on items of mail they will advertise Malheur county--bring visitors and tourists to see the area's wonders--Owyhee Lake, Painted Canyon, The Lava Craters, Leslie Gulch, Succor Creek and other places of interest. Judge White concluded, "Again I ask my fellow citizens to buy and use Malheur County Thunderegg seals."

## NHS 1967 Graduating Senior Earns Activity Scholarship



KAREN MAIN  
... Scholarship to NNC

It was announced to high school seniors attending the recent senior day event at Northwest Nazarene college that Miss Karen Main has been selected to receive an activity scholarship to NNC in Nampa.

This honor was given in recognition of Karen's participation in activities during her high school career, and in hopes that she will continue these activities while seeking higher training.

High school organizations to which the NHS senior has belonged include GAA, Pep club, drill team, Science and German clubs. She has also been a member of the band, a major-ette for four years and served as librarian.

Miss Main has also devoted her attention to activities outside of the school. She is a member of the Methodist Youth Fellowship and Girl Scout organizations.

She has served in several capacities in Job's Daughters of Bethel 33, while also holding the highest office in her 4-H club.

Karen received special honors while attending NHS, as she was selected to attend Junior Engineers' and Scientists' summer institute (JESSI) in 1966; and she was Grand Bethel representative in 1965 to the state of Missouri for Job's Daughters.

She plans to pursue a college course in education, specializing in the field of science. Karen is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Main of Nyssa.



Miss Judy Martinez, 18-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tobias Martinez was administered the oath of Job Corps trainee, a first in the Nyssa area. The swearing-in ceremony was held Tuesday afternoon in the office of U. S. Commissioner E. Otis Smith, local attorney, pictured with Miss Martinez. Present for the ceremony were several local WICS (Women in Community Service). Judy left at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday by plane from Boise for the Albuquerque, New Mexico center. Miss Martinez attended schools in New Mexico prior to 1964 when her family came to Nyssa and she enrolled as a student here. On Tuesday evening the Job Corps trainee, members of her family, close friends and local WICS were guests at a farewell party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Rinehart.

## Thunderegg Mall Owners Plan Anniversary Celebration May 13

The Thunderegg parking mall owners will be observing the first anniversary of the opening Saturday of next week by offering \$500 free merchandise at a drawing at 2 P.M.

The project was the brain-child of eight local firms who also financed the construction without any aid from the state or federal government. It has proven to be one of the best moves made in many years to better serve the buying public.

Registration for the free merchandise may be made at any one of the eight firms owning the parking mall. They are Bracken's Dept. Store, Nyssa Rexall Pharmacy, Coast-to-Coast Store, Paulus Jewelry, Wilson's Dept. Store, Wilson's Market, Inc. and Michael's Pharmacy. There is no cost for registration, nothing to buy to win, and one may sign as many times as he desires.

Watch for details in next week's Journal.