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Ore-Ida Pictures Show Development Of Skyline, World's Top Spud Patch

Dale McLane, public relations director for Ore-Ida Foods, Inc. showed a film of the development of Skyline farm at the Wednesday meeting of the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce.

The 10,000 acre tract northwest of Ontario has been classed as the world's largest potato patch. The film, made by the director over a period of many months, showed the land while still in sagebrush with a few abandoned homes and shacks that served as reminders that a lack of water had caused previous failures.

While enormous machines were rooting out the sage and piling it for burning, other equipment was preparing places for pump stations on the Snake and Malheur rivers. The film showed both in progressive stages up to the completion of both projects. Either one, the preparation of the land for tilling, or, getting the water pipes and power stations ready to deliver the water to land 500-600 feet higher than the water level of the feeding streams, would have been an enormous project for this rural area.

but like a lot of others in the area were of poorer than usual quality. He said one 1,500 acre portion of the tract, where watering was short had produced over 500 bags per acre. The company maintains a 40-acre test plot and has been experimenting with potatoes, tomatoes, corn, cucumbers and peppers. All these are utilized in Heinz (the parent company) products on a large scale.

In closing, McLane said the Northwest should be establishing and using water-rights in any manner possible before national legislation is passed giving some of it to our southern neighbors. He reminded those present that California alone could out-vote all the other states in the affected areas.

LABOR PROBLEMS

McLane told of the labor problems faced by the company in irrigating the current crop. He said, it seemed, there were always people seeking work but they were not available in sufficient forces when needed.

This, he stated, caused them to import Indians to move the aluminum pipe feeding the sprinklers. It seems the company was unaware of how well Indians (or at least those on the payroll) loved alcoholic beverages. To try to keep these problems at a minimum, they were paid only each two weeks at the start.

But about the middle of the summer, when temperatures were soaring above the 100 degree mark, the Indians demanded to be paid each Saturday and threatened to quit and go home otherwise. After calling in their tribal council, their demands were met. As a result they had money for drinks each week and were not always back on the job when needed.

Ontario Police Chief Jim Jones told company officials they were not trouble makers - they just kept drinking until they passed out and were carted off to jail.

YIELD GOOD-QUALITY POOR

The yield of the potatoes harvested this first year was especially good, McLane said,



These pictures are among those taken by a Journal photographer during Nyssa's Eighth Annual Crazy Days. The one on the left shows local barber Richard, "Dick", "Gus", "Slim" Gustavson butchering the hair of a spud inspector from Klamath Falls. In the center is Bob Hodges, part-time salesman and part-time bartender at the Twilight, embracing the likeable



Ruthie Howard, wife of Gate City Cleaners owner Harvey Howard. On the right is Kay Sage, wife of LeRoy Sage, a clerk in Wilson Brothers Department store. (The Journal has so many other good pictures of these off-beat characters, so don't be surprised if you continue seeing them in future issues of the Journal).



AMALGAMATED STARTS PROCESSING MONDAY ON \$10 MILLION CROP

Nyssa's Amalgamated sugar factory will start processing the 1967 crop of beets about midnight Monday, October 9. Harvesting will start that morning on a controlled basis, but the plant will have to wait until sufficient beets have been delivered to start a run.

Acres is up about 2,500 above that of last year for a total of 32,000 and with anticipated tonnage of 24 per acre, should produce a \$10 million crop.

The 500-600 man crew used in the plant and at receiving stations will generate a payroll of approximately \$2 million, tending to keep retail business at a high level during the five-month operation. Plant Manager Dick Forbess says the use of more migrant laborers was started last year and about the same number will be used again this year, with many of them the same men used last year. Approximately 100 were on the payroll at the peak period last year.

Policy of hiring is based on seniority, in that all who finished the campaign last year have first chance at jobs this season. Nationality, Forbess said, has no bearing on hiring. The migrants who work throughout the period ending about March 1, will be on hand for early spring work which usually begins in April. Growers will again be paid on their tonnage and sugar content, on an individual basis, and not on an average, such as used prior to last year.

Hunting Season Opens Saturday

The deer season definitely opens Saturday, after being delayed one week, due to extremely dangerous fire conditions.

Phil Schneider, state game director, said Friday of last week that the weather picture looks very encouraging. And, since that time, in Eastern Oregon, there has been considerable rainfall to alleviate fire conditions.

This moisture has been a help to the nimrods after the bucks, but has slowed down chances for those after chukars and partridges, as they will not have to leave their feeding ground for water.

GOV. TOM McCALL EXTOLLS ONTARIO

Governor Tom McCall, in the last of a series of 13 "Town Hall" meetings in Ontario, last Thursday was very lavish in his praises of the city.

The program, arranged by the Chamber of Commerce, started when the head of Oregon's government, was met by a delegation of city officials and well-wishers at the Ontario airport Thursday afternoon. With a parade and visit to several of the city's best highpoints, with children carrying placards and showering flowers on his shoulders to make him welcome, it was a thing a politician seldom gets except by those of his party.

And, to show that he felt it deeply the Governor is reported to have said, "Gosh, this has never happened before. All the other welcomes I have received in all other 'Town Hall' meetings would not match the one given me in Ontario."

But there is a possibility that McCall did not help himself politically. There are two other towns in the county and there are a number who attended the meeting who felt he ignored them, what they had accomplished, and what their problems might be. To many of them it was a mutual "Admiration Society" with the governor making a very weak speech at the \$2.50 per ticket banquet at East Side cafe that evening.

To those unhappy, because their towns had been ignored, it was a repeating of all the good things Ontario enjoyed, that had been told to him at a previous meeting at the Moore hotel in the afternoon.

At this informal meeting 10 men were heard on various phases of business, plans, schools, industry, etc.

Of these there were two outsiders, Bill Moore, chairman Malheur Water Resources committee; and Fred Jackson, president of the Vale Chamber of Commerce, who asked that more of the government and state offices be located in Vale as the seat of the county government.

UNLIKE HATFIELD'S VISIT

While the present governor's visit was supposedly unpolitical, it has been compared critically by a number of people. They have compared it with that of Former Governor Mark Hatfield who also visited Malheur county almost on the same date one year ago.

Hatfield spoke at a noon luncheon in Vale on Wednesday, addressed students of Ontario high and TVC college in a joint assembly that afternoon, made a talk at an evening dinner at East Side cafe. Then the following morning he addressed students at Nyssa high school with all visitors welcomed.

There was one similarity between the two meetings. Ontario Mayor Morgan Beck was chairman of both and Senator Anthony Yturri Master Of Ceremonies at both.

Lad Breaks Arm

SUNSET VALLEY - Steve Glenn, three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Glenn suffered a broken right arm Saturday afternoon.

For while he will have to wear a cast, extending from his wrist to his shoulder.

UNITED FUND SEEKS \$13,000 IN COUNTY

According to Bob Dye, publicity chairman, Malheur county's United Fund drive for 1968 opens officially Monday, Oct. 9 at 8 p.m. at the Moore hotel in Ontario.

This is an organizational for all chairmen, co-chairmen and workers where films and other aids will be presented to help each person to do his part more easily and effectively. Ray Larson of Nyssa, head of the local UF organization, intends to stage a quick, concentrated campaign during the month of October to realize this year's goal of about \$13,000.

This is the third year for United Fund in the county, and depending upon results, may be the last. The first drive was quite successful, peaking at near \$20,000, but last year's campaign fell to the \$13,000 mark, which has been set as the 1968 goal.

Although not every charity or fund-raising organization belongs to United Fund in Malheur county, the following do participate: Red Cross, Boy and Girl Scouts, Salvation Army with participation on a statewide basis in Oregon United Appeal, another organization that contributes heavily to many independent, worthwhile charities throughout the state such as children's homes, nurseries, the Council on Crime and Delinquency, all YMCA and YWCA activities, USO for servicemen and others.

Other major organizations have been invited to join United Fund, but have preferred to conduct their own campaigns so far, which might explain the omission of someone's favorite charity. Although UF does not encompass all needy causes, the results of its efforts in Malheur county are very apparent in the work of the Boy and Girl Scout organizations, both of

LIONS POSTPONE SALE TO OCT. 28

Dale Adams, chairman of the Nyssa Lions club auction which was originally slated on Saturday, Oct. 7, has asked the Journal to announce that the sale has been postponed until Saturday, Oct. 28.

Area residents having any items to donate for the sale are asked to contact Adams by dialing 372-3583.

Proceeds from the event will be used to pay for the 'doghouse' building on the NHS athletic field.

THE WEATHER

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PREC.
Sept. 27	85	48	---
Sept. 28	86	46	---
Sept. 29	85	47	---
Sept. 30	68	54	.13
Oct. 1	66	46	.14
Oct. 2	54	42	.07
Oct. 3	68	44	.32
Oct. 4	--	39	---

RESERVOIR STORAGE
10-4-67 - 328,300 Acre Feet
10-4-66 - 266,840 Acre Feet

Nyssa Man Wins Life Sales Award

John F. Marsh, 525 North 2nd street, Nyssa, has qualified for the 1967 National Sales Achievement award of the National Association of Life Underwriters.

Marsh is an agent for the Boise district agency of the Prudential Insurance company. The award is presented to highly successful life insurance agents, who, during the calendar year, sell a substantial amount of life insurance to a large number of people.

The National Association of Life Underwriters is a trade association of over 100,000 career life insurance agents, general agents and managers.

Ranchers Plan Range Improvements

Malheur county ranchers plan extensive range improvements over the next few years, according to a survey conducted this spring by George Bain, county extension agent.

As indicated by the survey, Bain says ranchers show they intend to reseed over 2,000 acres of range this fall or next year and spray over 7,000 acres to control sagebrush which competes with more desirable plants for soil moisture and nutrients.

By improving areas of range by these methods, ranchers intend to use the improved area as management tools to improve adjoining range through improved use management practices.

Some operators intend to use reseeded areas for yearling pasture and others for breeding pastures, in an effort to get a more uniform calf crop dropped in a shorter period during the calving season, Bain says.

CHARTER DAY SET AT OSU

Oregon State university's two biggest events of the fall term, Charter Day and Homecoming, will fall on the same week-end this year, according to a OSU news release.

Charter Day, "birthday" of the university is Oct. 27, with Homecoming activities slated to begin that day and continue through Saturday, Oct. 28.

As the state's oldest public-supported institution of higher learning, OSU dates back to Oct. 27, 1868, with the centennial year observance to be held next year.

Reunions of the classes of 1957 and 1962 are planned during homecoming, and the featured football game will be with Washington State university.

Mortgage Burned

Mrs. Dorothy Russell and Mrs. Ellen Jones were among area residents attending the dedication ceremony held Sept. 24 at Ontario Heights grange hall. State Master Allen P. Wheeler officiated at the burning of the mortgage rife.

The deceased's widow is a daughter of Mrs. Freda Miner and Harry's sister.

Relative Succumbs

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miner and Mrs. Freda Miner went to Lebanon, Ore., Sept. 27 to attend funeral services for Fred Schaefer.

The deceased's widow is a daughter of Mrs. Freda Miner and Harry's sister.

Accident Claims Life Of Bank Employee

Her tragic death early Monday morning brought sadness to many friends of Jimmie Ann Hatch, who will long be remembered by many for her mischievous, sparkling eyes, her grand sense of humor and musical laughter.

The 29-year-old Nyssa was riding in a small foreign-made car which struck a horse about one-half mile from Nyssa on the Adrian highway. The automobile was driven by Oscar William (Butch) Conklin of the Big Bend community near Adrian.

He suffered injuries and was taken to Malheur Memorial hospital where he remained until released Tuesday.

It was reported by Oregon State police officers that the animal went through the windshield, shearing off the top of the vehicle. The horse sustained only minor injuries.



JIMMIE ANN HATCH

MEMORIAL SERVICES HELD

A memorial service for Jimmie Ann was held Monday evening at the Sugar Bowl in Nyssa. Conducting the service was Eris Bertram, Nyssa Woman's Bowling association president. The charter was draped by Betty Marostica, first vice president of the association, and it will remain draped for 30 days.

Following remarks made by Mrs. Bertram about the good sportsmanship ever displayed by the deceased bowler, the Lord's Prayer was repeated in unison, led by Mable Fangen, an association director.

Another service in memory of Jimmie Ann, was conducted

Tuesday evening at Lienkaemper chapel by members of the Nyssa Eagles auxiliary. In charge of the rites were Elaine Olsen, past madam president; and Isal Reece, acting chaplain.

The auxiliary charter was also draped in memory of the deceased auxiliary official who in 1963-64 served as president. A complete obituary appears on page 2 of this issue of the Journal.

Oct. 13 Date Set For Water Cut-Off

At the regular meeting of the board of directors of the North Board of Control, Owyhee project, Tuesday evening, the date of Oct. 13 was set to turn off the water for the season.

Adam Focht, manager of the North Board, said that it is estimated that there will be around 316,000 acre feet in the reservoir at time of cut-off. In comparison, there were 255,000 acre feet on the Oct. 15 cutoff date last year. He said the officials feel that the amount of carry-over is very favorable.

Literature Study Slated For Adults

Clyde Swisher, head of the English department at Nyssa high school, has asked the Journal publishers to announce that those interested in an adult discussion group on literature are urged to be present at a meeting scheduled at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 10 in room 4 of the high school building.

Area adults, interested in this discussion series but are unable to attend the Tuesday evening meeting, are asked to contact Swisher, either by phone or in person.



MISS LEILA ALAMPAY

An American Field Service exchange student from the Philippines, who attended Nyssa high school in 1961-62 and made her home with the Paul House family, was a Friday visitor in Nyssa. She is the first NHS-AFS exchange to return to her hometown, away from home. An assembly was held Friday morning to honor Miss Alampay, with many of her former friends invited. Leila arrived in the United States on Sept. 2 at San Francisco. She visited AFS headquarters in New York where she saw many friends whom she met at AFS international conference in Manila. She visited friends in New Jersey, New York, Ohio and Wisconsin. Then she went to Seattle where she was met by Mr. and Mrs. Paul House who now reside at Quincy, Wash. Mrs. House brought Leila to Nyssa. They arrived Thursday evening and were guests of Mrs. House's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Marcum, Billy and Sara. After leaving Nyssa, they planned to visit Paul (Butch) House Jr. who is a freshman at Washington State university in Pullman; and Bonnie House who is now teaching in Hermiston. Leila was to leave Seattle Monday for San Francisco, and after visiting friends in Los Angeles, Bakersfield and Whittier, she will leave Frisco on Oct. 9, bound for her home in Manila. Miss Alampay is now serving as AFS Overseas representative in the Philippines and has two assistants working under her.



AN OUTSTANDING FEATURE OF THE Automotive Parts sales program at Treasure Valley Community college is the classroom set-up with catalogues, complete and current, at the fingertips of each student. Among those completing at least two of the three terms of study are Jerry McCain of Adrian and Bruce Spelman of Nyssa.