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## 1968 BEET CONTRACT GIVES GROWERS CHANCE FOR INCREASED INCOME

Sugarbeet grower and processor officials Feb. 17 announced agreement on a 1968 contract for southern Idaho, eastern Oregon and northern Utah. An estimated 4,000 farmers in the three states are affected by the settlement.

The new pact, subject to routine ratification by some local beet grower associations, introduces the raw price concept into the beet contract for the first time.

Negotiations were completed in Boise February 15 between the Amalgamated Sugar company and representatives of 11 grower groups.

In the new agreement, beet prices will be determined as before on a scale which reflects both sugar content and the company's net returns from refined sugar sales. However, the contract will contain a lower limit.

Amalgamated has agreed that, for price-calculating purposes, it's net return will be at least 78 points, less storage charges, above average New York raw sugarcane prices for the settlement year.

For example, if New York raws average 730 points for the 1968 beet settlement, the company could not compute beet payments on a net return of less than \$8.08 per 100 pounds of sugar sold, less actual storage costs.

### GROWERS' INSURANCE

It's anticipated, of course, that net returns will be much higher than this. The raw price provision would act as a kind of insurance policy for the farmer in the event of depressed sugar market conditions.

Harold Thompson, president of the Weber county (Utah) beet growers' association and chief negotiator for the farm organizations, said the Amalgamated contract differs from those of most other beet processors. "Most raw price agreements contain both a floor and a ceiling on prices," Thompson explained. "However, our agreement contains only a lower limit. Growers will continue to share in every advance of refined beet sugar prices, without limitation."

Presidents of all 11 associations contracting with the company were present in Boise. They included Jack Claiborn of Twin Falls; William Beck and Ray Freymiller, Burley; Clyde Greenwell, Rupert; William Carson, Weiser; Leon Fickett, Murtaugh; Dale DePew, Wendell; Carl Steiner, Mt. Home; Cyril Munk, Smithfield, and Eldon Bingham, Preston. Including a number of directors from each group, more than half a hundred listened in on the talks.

Keith M. Orme, Amalgamated's executive vice president, said the associations approved a company plan to accelerate development of special beet seed varieties.

They also agreed to join forces with the company in a study of dirt-handling methods at beet receiving stations. A special committee of growers and company personnel was organized for this purpose.

Amalgamated will contribute \$10,000 to finance technical and experimental work.

The company accepted a grower request for some modification in payment practices. Heretofore, all farmers have received an estimated 85 per cent of the total beet price in the fall, with the balance divided between payments made the following spring and fall.

Now, Magic Valley and Utah growers will receive an estimated 90 percent first payment, in lieu of a spring check. Treasure valley growers asked to remain on the three-payment system.

Orme said the company will have more opportunity to develop additional bulk and liquid storage facilities, and to reduce per bag storage costs, under the new agreement.

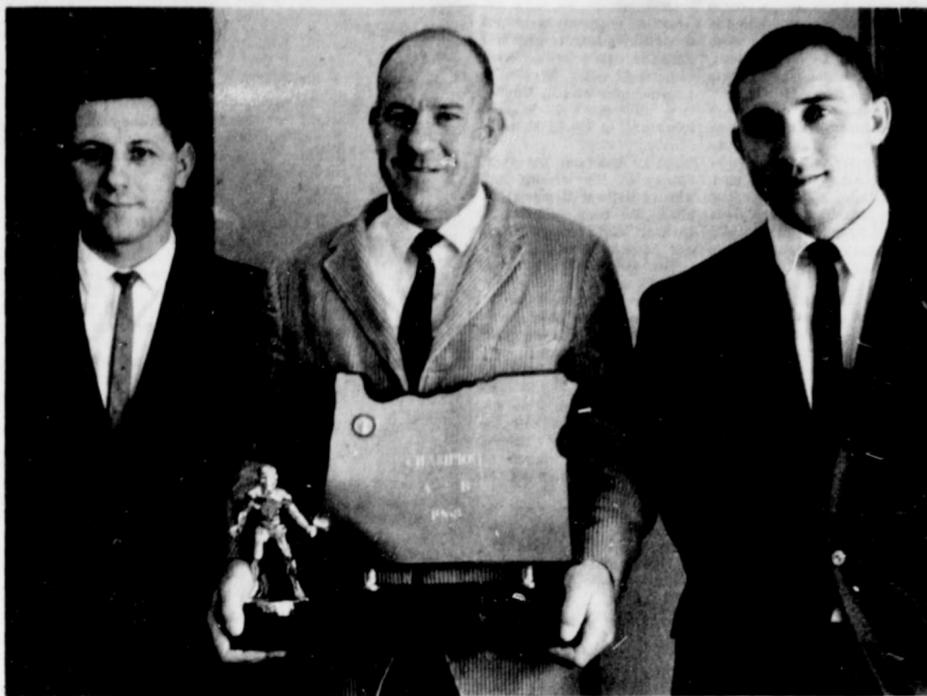
### SHERIFF ANNOUNCES PERSONNEL CHANGES

Malheur County Sheriff Robert Ingram announced last week that Deputy Sheriff Tom Edmondson, Ontario, has resigned to accept a position with the police department at Burns.

Terry Thompson, former Nyssa and Ontario police officer, has been hired to fill the vacancy, Sheriff Ingram said.

### SEEKS JP POSITION

It was announced late last week by Robert Morcom, Malheur county clerk, that Mrs. Cling (Nita) Bellows has filed for the position of Justice of the Peace in the Ontario district.



NHS WRESTLING COACH MEL CALHOUN, flanked by Assistant Coaches Paul Schaffeld on his right and Henry Mendazona, displays the Oregon state A B-2 championship trophy which his five Bulldog grapplers brought home from Corvallis Sunday.

Pictures of the winning matmen have appeared on the front page of the last two issues of the Journal. The champs will be honored at a public rally at 9:45 Friday morning on Thunderegg Mall. - Staff photo.

## A FIRST FOR NYSSA - AS MATMEN TAKE STATE CROWN; RALLY PLANNED

Led by Rudy Vendrell, three-time 'State Champion', the Nyssa high school Bulldogs won the Oregon State A 2-B wrestling crown at a tournament staged last weekend in Corvallis. This is the first state championship Nyssa has ever won in any sport.

Vendrell won his first state championship at 123-pounds, then 130 and again this year at 136-pounds.

Darr Jensen, who was runner-up at 148-pounds in 1966-67, won his first state championship title this year.

Fred Esplin also won his first state title this year at 157-pounds, Richard Parra, who placed fourth at 106 in 1966-67, placed fourth again this year at 115-pounds.

This was Chipper Burningham's first trip to state and he took third-place over Paul Okita, former state champion, of Burns. Chip defeated Okita 8-1 in the state consolation matches.

Together the Nyssa grapplers scored 63 team points to oust Reedsport, perennial A-2 power and defending team champion, with 59 points.

### FRIDAY RALLY TO HONOR CHAMPS

A public rally, honoring the state wrestling champions, is planned at 9:45 a.m. Friday, March 1 on Thunderegg mall at the southwest corner of Nyssa's Main and Second street intersection.

It is announced by school officials, that in case of inclement weather the rally will be held in the NHS gymnasium.

All area residents are urged to assist Nyssa school personnel and students in paying tribute to Coach Mel Calhoun, his assistants and the triumphant grapplers. Individual and team trophies will be awarded at this rally.

## Munn Selected State Finalist In OYF Contest

Robert Munn, 1968 recipient of the Nyssa Jaycees' Outstanding Young Farmer (OYF) award, has been selected as one of three finalists in the JC sponsored state contest, it was announced early this week by Alvin Allen Jaycee publicity chairman.

Munn's photo, with his local award and a story of his civic and farming activities appeared on page one of the Feb. 15 issue of the Journal.

The state contestants will be honored at a meeting to be held March 2 at Newport, and the winner will receive a three-day all-expense-trip to Des Moines, Iowa, to compete for the title of National Outstanding Young Farmer.

The other Oregon finalists are from Wallowa county and the Newport area.

Guest speaker at the Oregon meeting will be National Junior Chamber of Commerce President Jim Antell of Vermont.

The contest is sponsored annually by the National Liquid Petroleum-Gas association, with headquarters in Chicago, Ill.

## Chapins Travel Widely For Conservation Meets

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Chapin of Nyssa returned home last week from an extended trip to several important meetings. Chapin, who is vice-president of the Oregon Association of Conservation Districts and chairman of its Public Lands Committee, and Mrs. Chapin, who is vice-president of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Oregon Association of Conservation Districts, began their trip by attending the OACD State directors meeting in Salem, January 13. From there they drove to Phoenix, Arizona to attend the National Association of Conservation Districts Public Lands meeting the week of January 15. They then attended the NACD annual convention in Dallas, Texas the week of February 5. They were among 23 other Oregonians to attend this meeting. On their return trip they attended the National Meeting of the American Society of Range Management in Albuquerque, New Mexico the week of February 12.

Of interest to the local area, Chapin said that the National Association of Conservation Districts supported the following resolution -- "If users fees (for range grazing) are increased all monies derived from such increases shall be put back into range improvement in the area from which they came."

At the NACD annual convention in Dallas, some 2200 delegates heard Bernard Hillenbrand, Executive Director, National Association of Counties, Washington, tell them that local governments' role in conservation action programs must be strengthened if the needs of local people for resource development are to be met.

Tongue in cheek, he also proposed that all real estate and income taxes be collected by county governments with grants made to states and national government "when they meet adequate local specifications" -- rather than to have it the other way.

Congressman, Jim Wright told the group that "Twentieth century American, like the prodigal son, has drawn heavily upon the bank account of its native endowment and squandered the substance in riotous misuse. More bountifully endowed than any nation in history, we've adopted the rather casual assumption that Providence protects America. We've extracted the riches of our natural legacy, exploited them to build a shining society, and wasted them in capricious quantities."

He said that the cost of 2 days fighting in Viet Nam would pay the yearly cost of our national conservation program. He felt that our country should spend more to "preserve the basic wealth without which our international commitments would be impossible."

Spud Growers OK Contract With Simplot  
Potato growers of Southwestern Idaho and Eastern Oregon Tuesday accepted a contract for the 1968 crop russet potatoes offered by the food processing division of the J.R. Simplot Co.

The contract for 1968 is identical to that between the growers and the Simplot firm in 1967, with the base price of \$1.20 per hundredweight, according to Robert Skyles, Route 3, Nampa, chairman of the bargaining committee for the Treasure Valley Potato Growers Bargaining Association.

Also in attendance were Richard Stiehl, Route 4, Nampa, president of the Treasure Valley group, Dwayne Skogberg, Route 4, Nampa, and James Klahr of Parma.

Attending from the Malheur Potato Growers Potato Bargaining Association were Abe Saito of Weiser, and George Sadamori and Farrell Peterson, both of Ontario.

Applications for signing up acreage with the Simplot company will be accepted Thursday, Skyles said. The company officials indicated that the acreage will be about the same as in 1967, he said.

COACH NOMINATED FOR STATE HONORS  
Roger Watts, Adrian high school baseball coach, was one of three coaches nominated for the "Oregon State High School Coach of the Year" in their respective classification.

The Adrian baseball boys won the Class 'B' State championship in 1967.

## Jaycees Offer Scholarship To NHS Senior

The Nyssa Junior Chamber of Commerce is offering a cash scholarship to interested students in the 1968 graduating class of Nyssa high school. This scholarship will be paid directly to the recipient to attend the college of his or her choice.

All applicants will be judged on information submitted on forms provided by the sponsoring organization, and no other form may be used.

The seniors will be judged primarily on the basis of need, however, scholastic ability, activities and evidence of a strong desire to obtain further education will also be considered.

Applications must be typewritten and delivered to Scholarship Committee Chairman Steve Fonda, 106 Main Street, Nyssa, on or before April 15. The successful applicant will be notified by May 1, 1968.

This program is made possible through the sale of oranges during the Christmas season, and it is hoped that in future years both the amount of the scholarship and number of recipients can be enlarged.

Forms may be obtained from the high school guidance counselor or from the Jaycee committee chairman.

## FILER SALE FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 1968

Over two hundred head of Hereford and Shorthorn bulls have been consigned to the Idaho Cattlemen's Association Filer Spring Range Bull Sale, Friday, March 8, according to Pat Allen, Cascade, Chairman of the Association Bull Sale Committee.

Big, rugged bulls, showing tremendous improvement each year, are being bred by purebred breeders in Idaho for commercial cattle herds and as a consequence, Idaho has become one of the top producing states of exceptional feeder cattle.

An important factor in the overall improvement of quality in Idaho cattle is the grading program developed by the I.C.A. Bull Committee at the beginning of the sales in 1939.

Allen stated there will be both horned and polled bulls 18 to 30 months of age graded and sold at the Filer Sale. All of the bulls will be graded into classes of A, A minus, B plus, and B by Noy Brackett, Roger, a commercial cattle producer and President of the Idaho Cattlemen's Association; Ernest Olsen, Logan, Utah, a purebred Hereford breeder; and Dr. Joe Dahmen, Superintendent, Caldwell Experiment Station, University of Idaho, Dr. D. A. Jackson, Deputy State Veterinarian, Twin Falls, will inspect the bulls for visual defects during the grading at the Fairgrounds.

Auctioneers will be Clayton Tschirgi, Fruitland and Si Williams, Walla Walla.

## Nyssa Chamber Members Observe Third Graders In Classroom Programs

Following the noon luncheon at Brownie's Cafe Wednesday, members of the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce retired to the Multi-Purpose room of the Elementary building to observe third-grade students in action.

They were students in the third grade, taught by Mrs. Oscar (Tavie) Hendricks at the Arcadia building. Their program consisted of additional work of their own choosing to fill in time after filling regular classroom assignments.

Mrs. Hendricks explained that they are at level 'II' and are doing what is called "Enrichment Work" consisting largely of reading, writing and spelling.

Brenda Brower announced the various programs and introduced the students throughout the thirty minute period.

The group started with a song, followed by a display of character puppets, designed and made by themselves. Two small girls also demonstrated them with a dialogue and appropriate movements.

Three boys showed a number of poetry books used by the class and named the authors.

This was followed by a study of American Author Carl Sandburg. This included pictures, drawings, spelling used in his works, background of the man, poems he wrote and words he used depicted in drawings.

Poems of Robert Louis Stevenson and Henry Wadsworth Longfellow used by the class, were covered. Background of the latter was given with concentration on his noted "Hiawatha".

## Vale BLM Sets Tours For Bidders

The Bureau of Land Management will conduct a series of tours for contractors wishing to bid on 69.8 miles of fence construction and two water wells to be installed in various parts of Malheur County.

A tour to the two well sites is scheduled next Tuesday and will leave the Vale BLM Office at 8:30 a.m.

The well sites are located along the Owyhee River and below Owyhee Dam. They will be used for drinking water at two campgrounds planned for future construction in the area.

A tour for fences in the Vale area will leave the BLM office at 8 a.m. on March 11 and March 12 for another group. In the McDermitt, Nev., area the tour will leave the Stateline Cafe at 9 a.m. on March 13.

Tours in the Jordan Valley area will depart from the Chevron Station at 8 a.m. on March 14-15.

Contractors may secure additional information by contacting the Vale District office.

tha'. This was illustrated by a home-made movie with the students moving drawings of scenes across the screen with boys narrating.

From Stevenson's work they chose the "Gingham Dog and Calico Cat" to further illustrate, with drawings and readings, how it appeared to them as individuals.

The program ended with the group singing "Stars and Stripes Forever."

### SECOND GRADE SHOWS

After 1 p.m., when most of the chamber members had returned to work the second grade group, taught by Mrs. Eggert (Betty) Oft, demonstrated a little of what they had been doing on their "Enrichment" work.

The class was divided into groups of four with team captains. Two of the groups competed at a time with the instructor naming a book and asking for the name of the author and asking for the name of one of his works.

This brief program ended with Mrs. Oft offering quotes or partial quotes and asking for the name of the author and the name of the works from which it was taken.

(Editor's note - The programs were not only entertaining to us but were a revelation as to the progress that can be made by a group of children this far down in the grades.)

While being aware that they had practiced for the program, the confidence and poise displayed was a pleasure to see. And the quiet respect shown by all those not immediately in the forefront was something to see after reading so many adverse accounts of students in colleges and high schools.

We only wish every patron in the district could have had the privilege of seeing these second and third graders in action.)

### Houston Arrives In San Francisco; Expected Home Soon

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Houston of the Arcadia area received a telephone call Feb. 21 from their son, Jim, who was injured during the previous Sunday during a Communist raid on an airport in Saigon, Vietnam.

Jim was in a hospital at San Francisco when he called his parents. He was hospitalized for removal of shrapnel from his neck.

He stated that he would have to remain in the hospital for several days. And then he would be enroute home. No further word had been received by presstime Wednesday afternoon.

## PLAN PROGRAM FOR GIRL SCOUT MEETING



THIS TRIO OF GIRL SCOUT LEADERS (1 to 3) the Misses Christine McPike, Carol Greig and Linda Meham are serving as coordinators for a Girl Scout meeting to be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 5 in the Nyssa school cafeteria. In addition to honoring area Scouters, the session is being planned to create more public interest in the program. A highlight of the evening will be a talk by Miss McPike, who has been to Europe with a group of Girl Scouts. Her portion of the program will be entitled, "Experiment On International Living", with emphasis on Ireland. Miss Greig, a member of the Nyssa elementary school faculty, has been active in the Scouting program for a number of years and has worked with senior girls in primitive camps, canoeing, roundup activities and inter-

national travel. Also on the program will be a talk by Mrs. Wanda Randall of the Scout office in Ontario. She will speak on "Scouting Opportunities and the Need for Community Support". There will also be capping ceremonies for two new Senior Scouts, Margaret Dority and Leah Henigson. In charge of the flag ceremony will be members of Mrs. Ray Larson's troop; and refreshments will be served by Cadets of Mrs. Dick G. Tensen's troop No. 91. Senior Scouts Linda and Carol, are not only serving as program coordinators, but Miss Greig will act as mistress of ceremonies for the Tuesday evening roundup. All area Girl Scouts, their parents and others interested in the program are urged to attend the March 5 evening session.

### WEATHER

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PREC.
Feb. 21	54	43	.28
Feb. 22	50	40	.05
Feb. 23	58	40	.10
Feb. 24	60	34	--
Feb. 25	55	29	--
Feb. 26	56	30	--
Feb. 27	59	31	--
Feb. 28	--	29	--

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2/27/68	432,990	Acre	Feet
2/27/67	360,820	Acre	Feet