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THE SUGAR CITY

Potato, Corn Harvesting **Now Started**

Potato and sweet corn harvest is underway, on a limited scale, in the Nyssa area. The quality is reported as excellent on both crops to date with better than average yield. However the price on potatoes is sounstable at this time that sheds buying on the open market are shutting down for a few days.

J. C. Watson Co. shed started July 24 and expects to be going at capacity by next week. They have been the Norgold variety and running only one shift daily. J. R. Simplot Co. started Sun-

day on the crop of White Rose variety. These were contracted with the growers and are being hauled to processing plants in Caldwell and Burley, Idaho. Local manager Al Vogt says they are moving 30,000 sacks daily and for the first time in 30 years are supplying all the early potatoes for these plants. They will start the local shed operations Monday and be processing Norgolds.

Maylin Maxfield, manager of Treasure Valley Grower and Sales, Inc. says they made their first run Monday but will probably be closed until next Monday to let the market stabilize. He says he has never seen nicer potatoes as a whole than this present crop but that so many Washington state potatoes have been placed on the market that the price has fluctuated as much as \$1 per hundredweight from morning to night.

IDAHO CANNING OPENS

Both the Payette and Nyssa corn yesterday (Wednesday) be kept on a one-shift per day agencies. The canyon will carry a portion of the new highway basis until the first part of next week. It appears that the quality is again excellent but the Caldwell Rodeo season is too short to have any estimate on the yields.

Suspect Sought After Stabbing At Local Tavern

A man walked into a Nyssa tavern Sunday night and with no apparent reason stabbed Henry Lodermilk, 37, of Nyssa, and fled from the building, according to a police report.

Chief Alvin Allen said the victim was taken to Malheur Memorial hospital where he was treated for a stab wound in the abdomen. Lodermilk was released from the hospital Monday and was reported to be in satisfactory condition.

There were several eye-witnesses to the incident, a warrant has been issued, however, the suspect is still being sought, Chief Allen reported.



KAY FERRENBURG

He assumed duties, three months ago, as manager of the Eder Building & Supply, Plumbing and Heating plants in Nyssa. Ferrenburg came to Nyssa from Las Vegas, Nev., where he owned and operated a heating and air-conditioning firm. He worked for Eders in 1956-57 when Joe Chamberlain was plant manager. After leaving Nyssa, he worked for Hood Northwest Sheet Metal Co. at Pocatello and Idaho Falls. Later he owned and operated a heating, air-conditioning plant in Reno. Kay and his wife, Gloria have four children, Melodi, 12; Lori, 8; Kelly, 5 and Sandra, 1 1/2 years old. They are presently residing in Caldwell but are seeking rental property in Nyssa. The new Eder manager Nyssa. is a son of Alex Ferrenburg who was recently named sales manager of Owyhee Truck and Implement Co. in Nyssa.

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THUNDEREGG CAPITAL

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Nyssa Thunderegg Days Now In Progress



THIS PORTION OF SUCCOR CREEK CANYON is in the heart of the Thunderegg bed area to be visited by hundreds of rockhounds from throughout the U.S. and Canada during the factories started canning sweet next three days. It is recognized as one of the most scenic spots in Southeastern Oregon and in the near future probably morning. Both operations will be a part of a large park established by Federal and State

(Alternate U. S. # 95) when funds are available. The picture was shot from a point largely through the canyon about 35 visitors can travel on South just a few miles and drop into the beautiful Leslie Gulch known for it's unusual rock formations

Promises Top, Stock, 'Pokes'

Caldwell Night Rodeo officials announce that plans are in the final stages for the August 6-10, 1968 event, and the ticket sale drive began July 22.

Some of America's top rodeo producers, the Christiansen Brothers, will bring their famous stock to test the best of RCA professional cowboys for a full five nights of action. A tradeout agreement, recently negotiated by ex-rodeo star Jim Roeser of Caldwell, will allow even larger numbers of top

ALEX FERRENBURG

On July 16 Ferrenburg became

the Nyssa firm from Homedale.

He and his wife, Eunice plan

to move here as soon as housing

arrangements can be made.

They have a married son, Kay

Ferrenburg who recently

assumed duties as manager of

Eder's Building and Supply,

Nyssa. They also have a

married daughter, Mrs.

Glenna Halbert of Boise. Fer-

renburg worked 17 years for the

John Deere dealer in Homedale

and two years for the IHC

dealer in Nampa before joining

the staff at the local firm.

Sage Couple Moves

After Selling Motel

Mr. and Mrs. (Chet and Mar

garet) Sage recently sold their

motel and beauty shop property

on East Main street to Frank

at 407 North Sixth street in

The Sages are now residing

After closing the beauty shop,

Margaret joined the staff at the

Beauty Nook located at 11 South

Arbogast of Union, Ore.

participants and spectators. "We are really happy that we can bring this high quality show to the Boise Valley," said Rodeo President Howard Olson. "Fans can look forward to one of the Nation's finest old-West type

rodeos." Advanced ticket chairman, Bob Collins, announced that tickets could be found in booths and Western stores in Caldwell, Nampa, Boise and Ontario.

pokes to appear than in the past.

to compete in three events

simultaneously, in Caldwell, at

Idaho Falls and Omak, Wash. Pokes competing for the \$4,500

A new event, not seen in Cald-

will be a wild horse race. And

their skill in the wildest and one

of the most difficult of rodeo

events. Stock for this new con-

test will be provided locally,

providing surprises for both

The tradeout allows cowboys

The Caldwell Night Rodeo is slated to run five nights, August

Nyssa Lad Lisited In Fair Condition Following Mishap

A five-year-old Nyssa boy, Raul Gomez Jr. was listed in fair condition Wednesday aftersales manager of Owyhee Truck noon at Malheur Memorial hosand Implement Co. He comes to pital.

The lad, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raul Gomez Sr. suffered head injuries and body scratches in a pedestrian-auto mishap around 4:10 p.m., Friday.

Police Chief Alvin Allen reported that the youth darted from behind a parked car in front of a pickup driven by Melvin Feik.

The accident happened at the intersection of Park avenue and Highway 20-26 on North Main. No citations were issued, Allen

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	July	29	102	64
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215,070

miles Southwest of Nyssa, looking Northeast. From this point

Property Tax Limitation Measure To Be On Ballot

plus entry fees at Caldwell, can Al Gildemeister and the Oregon United Taxpayers, Inc. have now compete for an additional \$8,700 at the same time. This finally succeeded in their attempts to put the 1 1/2 percent limitation property tax on Oregon's November ballot. arrangement, along with the

The group and its president, Gildemeister, filed over 70,000 North Star Circuit awards, will signatures with the Elections Division of the Office of Secretary help to bring the best cowboys of State on July 3, one day before the deadline to submit initiain the world to this year's show.

Two years of effort was required by the group to get their well for a number of years, measure on the 1968 ballot after a misinterpretation of law overcame their bid to put the proposal before Oregon voters cowboys have been invited to try

As of July 11, 68,085 signatures had been certified, well over the 55,000 required to put the issue on the ballot, according to Jack Thompson, Director of Elections Division of the Secretary of State's Office. An additional 4,000 uncertified signatures were returned to their respective counties for certification by county clerks. Deadline for certification of these signatures was July 19.

According to Thompson, the proposed bill was expected to be certified as measure No. 7 in the November election upon the return of the signatures from the counties. However, the additional signatures have no bearing on the certification of the measure but is merely a formality.

Multnomah County residents signing the initiative petition numbered 48,487. Lane County signers totaled 6,495, followed by Clackamas (3294) and Washington (2568). Signatures were reportedly collected in all counties with the exception of Wallowa, Wheeler, Lake and Crook.

In answer to many queries from the public as to how the present measure differs from the one offered two years ago, the following comparisons are listed:

FIRST PETITION: 1 1/2% of market value limitation on

Limitation could be exceeded for financing a public improvement or for the support of schools by a favorable vote of 33% of the registered voters at the primary or general election.

Authorized the State Tax Commission to revise, allocate and adjust budgets so that the aggregate tax levy did not exceed the limitation. SECOND PETITION: 1 1/2%

of market value limitation on all tax levies except those levied for principal and interest on existing bonded indebtedness. Limitation may be exceeded

for any purpose by a favorable vote of 20% of the registered voters on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of any year. Authorizes legislature to

implement the Act. (The Oregon Homeowners Association, led by President Emmet Rogers of Salem, failed in its attempt to qualify for the Acre Feet November election a proposal Acre Feet to limit property taxes to one

percent of true cash value. The association had advocated an increase in the state gasoline tax former classes will make an to replace revenue lost in the lowering of property tax rates.) (Oregon Tax Commission)

Rodeo Royalty Contest Slated At Vale Arena

Plans are progressing for the Miss Oregon contest to be held in Vale, Oregon August 17 and 18. It is the first time in several years that Oregon has had such a contest.

Girls who are current queens of rodeos and horse shows in Oregon and between the ages of 18 and 24 years are eligible to compete, with the winner competing in the Miss Rodeo America contest in Las Vegas, Nevada in November.

Rodeo and horse show officials were contacted about the contest. However, any girl qualifying and wishing to compete may do so by contacting Bill Evins, contest director, Vale Oregon before August 10. A \$25 entry fee is being charged to offset the cost of sending the queen to the national con-

Several beautiful prizes and trophies will be awarded the queen and her court with the queen receiving a saddle.

Along with the contest, in which the girls will be judged on personality, personal appearance and horsemanship, there will be an all-girl rodeo Saturday and Sunday nights in Shamrock arena. This rodeo is an official Girls' International Rodeo League (GIRL) rodeo, with girls competing for international championship points. Contestants will be coming from the Western US and Canada. It promises to be a big weekend for contestants and spectators alike.

Daily Guided Tours Lead To Other Types Of Stones

Nyssa's Third Annual Canadian Rockhound. These areas. Visitors had a choice of going after Thundereggs in the ccor creek area southwest of Nyssa, to the Jasper beds approximately 26 miles SW of Nyssa (near Owyhee reservoir) or into the Agate field near Jamieson north of Vale. The same schedule is carried Thursday through Saturday that those desiring may go after all three types of rock.

The annual event continues to grow with visitors coming from more states and farther distances. Registrations through Wednesday of last week showed 23 states and nine Canadian provinces represented. These compared with 13 states and one province last year when the figures were given for one week later. Bernard Eastman, a member of the committee, said shortly after noon yesterday that about 60 parties (representing approximately 180 people) had been signed in at the South Park headquarters.

WIDELY ADVERTISED

The event has been advertised in the Lapidary Journal, Gems and Minerals (both having wide national circulation) and the

AHS 1947-48 **GRADUATES** PLAN REUNION

The 1947-1948 graduating classes of Adrian High School are planning a reunion banquet and picnic. Efforts are being made to contact all members of the two classes and their instructors.

Plans are for a banquet to be held August 24 at 8:30 p.m. at East Side cafe in Ontario. On Sunday, August 25 an allschool alumni picnic will be held at 1 o'clock p.m. in the Adrian park, adjoining the school grounds.

Committee members are hoping that students from all effort to attend this picnic. Anyone desiring more in-

formation may contact Mrs. Bill Hamilton, Ontario; Mrs. Ilea Hall, route 1, Nyssa; Mrs. Dick Stam, Adrian; or Mrs. James Phifer, route 1, Nyssa.

Thunderegg Days got underway have reached a wide segment officially today at 7:00 A.M. with of rock-hunting enthusiasts. the guided tours to three rock And not to be discounted as an advertising method are the hundreds of satisfied visitors to the Thunderegg Capital of Oregon in the past two years who have spread the good tidings by word-of-mouth to their friends and club associates. The in the event. This will enable many letters received by the committee following the two previous events testify to that. The Journal is again blanketing otherwise. the area (Courtesy of the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce). This will draw few rock hunters but it will let our neighbors know that they can see a wonderful ious hobbies.

COMMUNITY BARBECUE

The Nyssa Jaycees have planned a community barbecue for the first day of the event. Nyssa Man for the first day of the event. park starting at 7:00 p.m. and continuing until visitors have all had a chance to be fed. Bill Sues Firm Wahlert will be in charge of cooking the 300 pounds of beef while the Jaycees and Jaycettes For Mishap will handle the cooking and serving of the 'trimmins'. Tickets are \$1 for adults, 50 cents from those aged 12-16 with those under 12 being free.

big outside screen erected in the open park. These will be resented by Robert Kindschy, be a song fest.

ROCK SHOW FOUR DAYS

FIRE CALLS!

Nyssa volunteers answered three calls this past week. One was July 25 to the Damon Savage ranch, where a farm truck was destroyed by fire.

A July 29 call was made to Chestnut avenue, north of town, to control a weed fire that was burning some poles.

Farmer's Feed and Seed company put in a call July 30 for control of a blaze in the grain warehouse, Estimated damage is around \$500.

p.m. Thursday, Friday and Sat-urday is expected to draw thousands of people from the area.
It will be implemented with hobbies of area people, including an art exhibit by local

painters and a model railroad exhibit by Bill Wilt of Nyssa. Tail-gating (the buying, selling and trading of rocks) will be permitted for the first time visitors to accumulate rocks from areas where they might never be able to secure them

The local committee is composed of Wayne Moncur, chairman, Bernard Eastman, Lloyd Mackrill, Ray Huffman, Lloyd Bone, Dick Wilson and W. L. display of rocks along with var- Mc Partland. In addition the Jaycees and Chamber of Commerce have aided materially, with the latter being official sponsor.

A \$22,000 complaint was filed Tuesday in the Malheur County clerk's office against under-Following the banquet colored slides will be projected on a injured in 1965 when struck by

Plaintiff in the action is Harry Love, Defendants are under-BLM specialist of Vale, and will writers at Lloyd's; Scottish be of scenes and wildlife of Lion Insurance Co., Ltd; Edin-Malheur county. Then there will burgh Assurance Co., Ltd; Nationwide General Insurance Co., Per Internation; and Aviation Insurance (Agencies) Lts.

In the civil action, Love stated The rock and gem display to he was employed as a spray be held in the high school cafe-torium from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 Hardman and was struck and injured by a spray plane being operated by Hardman. He stated that as an employe he was covered by the company's liability

> Later Sidney F. Hardman was killed and his widow, Jeanne, was named administratrix of the

> A previous lawsuit favored Love and a judgment was or-dered by Malheur County Circuit Judge Jeff D. Dorroh, but Love stated that the London firm had ignored and refused to pay the \$18,000 judgment.

The plaintiff seeks payment of the \$18,000 judgment plus six per cent interest and \$5,000 attorney's fees. - Idaho Daily Statesman.





SCENES OF PARKED CAMPERS and digging gem-hunters are typical as rockhounds gather from far and near for Nyssa's annual Thunderegg Days event. These photos were snapped Ray Huffman while accompanying some of the visitors on one of last year's guided tours

to the rock beds. The pictures were taken at one of the main 'Egg' beds in the Succor Creek area southwest of Nyssa. This is the spot where the gem-hunting guests are being taken today (Thursday).