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OREGON STATE FAIR STARTS AUGUST 24

Oregon's biggest "something-for-everyone" event, the Oregon State Fair, will provide excitement ranging from Hollywood stars to championship livestock when the 10-day showcase of events is held August 24-September 2.

The huge fairgrounds in northeast Salem are expected to attract 20,000 to 40,000 persons daily, according to Robert L. Stevens, state fair manager. The fair will again reflect the state's economic and social life, while presenting blue-ribbon samples of products, commerce, exhibits of government and culture, all mixed together with continuous entertainment.

BASICALLY AGRICULTURAL

Stevens pointed out that the fair maintains agriculture as its basic feature, just as it has for 103 years.

The entertainment aspect of the fair is always a major event and this year's attractions will include two of the best-known personalities in show-business, comedian Morey Amsterdam and singer Anita Bryant, who are featured in the free all-star revue each night. On the final three days, the revue switches to the thrills and costumes of production numbers of the famous Polack Bros. Circus, a two-hour spectacle of animals and daring performers.

RODEO AND HORSE SHOW

Two traditions of the State Fair, the rodeo and horse show, are again scheduled to bring a combination of rugged cowboys and untamed animals, mixed with the skills of brilliant horsemanship. The New All American Horse Show will feature 103 performance classes and 134 breeding classes for light and draft horses during the fair including 2 days of All Junior Show. Because the Show now carries National "A" ratings, leading stables from throughout the West have

assured new Horse Show Director William Turnquist of their intention to compete. Many of these stables show world champion horses.

On the Rodeo side a bonanza of talent and top cowboys is in the offing, including Nationally famous clown Wilbur Plaugher, the Leon Adams Family, and world champions Larry Mahan, Jack Roddy, Mark Schriener and Jackie Wright to name a few already pledged to the show. Oregon's multitude of fine products and skills will be displayed throughout the fairgrounds. The state and the nation's best will be judged to determine champions in livestock, horticulture, poultry, rabbits, pigeons, honey and bees, foods and textiles.

A completely remodeled poultry annex awaits the rabbit and pigeon show. Department reorganization, revisions in classifications and increased premiums are in store for livestock exhibitors. Increased livestock competition from out of state is also likely as new breeders and herds are attracted by the changes and increases. Total premiums offered in livestock will be \$56,979 compared to \$48,333 last year, Fair Manager Stevens said.

Horticulture and Agriculture Departments which also include Honey, Bees and County Booths came in for changes and improvements this year under new superintendents Helen Strausbaugh and Hazel Bartlett, according to Stevens.

1947-48 Adrian Class Reunion Set Aug. 24-25

Local members of the Adrian high school classes of 1947 and 1948 met August 19 at the Bill Hamilton in Ontario to complete plans for a reunion.

A banquet will be served Saturday evening, August 24 at East Side cafe in Ontario, with Emery Cameron serving as master of ceremonies.

On Sunday, August 25, an indoor picnic will be held in the Adrian school cafeteria. Those attending are asked to take a covered dish and own table service. Coffee and punch will be furnished. All Adrian school alumni and friends are invited to attend the Sunday affair.



WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE - INSIDE AND OUT

And this is desert country, but on Tuesday evening of this week, it was anything but that - at least in the Nyssa-Adrian area. These photos were snapped around 8 p. m. at the site of the underpass, going east out of Nyssa. The H2O was deep enough that at times, cars were stalled as the drivers attempted to go through. The top photo was taken by the Journal camera, after the 'big rain' and hail had ceased. The picture of the large truck was taken by Julian Jaramillo, owner-operator of the El Sombrero cafe in East Nyssa. Many of the intersections in town were covered with water, and at places it appeared to be knocking at doors, but the water-level at the underpass seemed to be causing the big trouble, at least on the outside. There is no way of determining just who was fighting the wet stuff on the inside of buildings and dwellings.



Many Students Are Eligible For SS Funds

Allan W. Rainsberry, Field Representative, for the Social Security Administration advised that the school year that begins this fall marks the fourth year of continued social security benefits for eligible students between the ages of 18 and 22. Many people are not aware of the terrific effect these payments have on continuing education of some of our young people.

Social security checks being paid to young people between the ages of 18 and 22 who are full time students amount to more than the scholarships at all colleges and universities in the United States, Rainsberry said. In the 1968-69 school year, the social security program will pay about \$479 million to approximately 466,000 students entitled to payments based on the earnings record of a disabled, deceased or retired parent. This will average more than \$1,000 per eligible student. Receipt of scholarships from other sources does not change the right to benefits.

A student eligible for benefits as a full time student can work part time and during the summer vacation. Earnings are not over \$1,680 in the calendar year, it does not effect payments, however, some loss of benefits will occur if the student earns over \$1,680, but only in the months that earnings exceed \$140.

Parents or students desiring more information about student benefits are urged to contact their nearest social security office. Malheur County residents can contact the Social Security Resident Station at 514 S. W. 4th Street in Ontario, any Monday or Tuesday.

Malheur Pioneers Set Aug. 30 Reunion

Members of the Malheur County Pioneers' association will hold their annual reunion on Friday, August 30, 1968 in the Vale city park.

On the agenda is a dinner to be served at noon, followed by a program, slated to begin at 2 o'clock. Beginning at 8 p. m., there will be an old-time dance in the Vale grange hall.

WEATHER

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PREC.
AUG. 14	65	58	.23
AUG. 15	70	53	---
AUG. 16	73	50	.18
AUG. 17	68	50	---
AUG. 18	67	53	.55
AUG. 19	62	50	.20
AUG. 20	68	50	1.19
AUG. 21	--	44	---
RESERVOIR STORAGE			
8/21/68	173,630	Acre Feet	
8/21/67	413,020	Acre Feet	

Grade Principal Gives Data, Lists Supplies

Mrs. Clarice L. Poor, Nyssa elementary principal, has asked the Journal to publish a list of school supplies needed at each grade level so that parents may purchase the items at their convenience before school convenes on Tuesday, Sept. 3.

All students, both boys and girls, must have tennis shoes for physical education classes to be held in the gymnasium. The child's name should be printed on each shoe for easy identification.

Zipper-type notebooks are not recommended for elementary students. Regulation pens will be available at school. Pupils are asked not to bring fountain pens.

NEEDED SUPPLIES LISTED

Grade 1 - The \$1.75 registration fee will pay for all school supplies except gym shoes.

Grade 2 - Two No. 2 pencils, wide-lined pencil tablet, pink pearl eraser, box of crayons (16 colors), 12-inch ruler, two wide-lined spiral notebooks, looseleaf notebook with wide-lined paper (no zipper), box of Prang watercolors.

Grade 3 - Two No. 2 pencils, pink pearl eraser, box of crayons (16 colors), 12-inch ruler, wide-lined pencil tablet and wide-lined spiral notebook.

Grade 4 - Two No. 2 pencils, red marking pencil, pink pearl eraser, box of crayons (16 colors), box of Prang watercolors, wide-lined spiral notebook.

Ontario Ousted From Babe Ruth World Series

The Ontario Elks Vandal Babe Ruth baseball team was eliminated from the World Series Tournament in Klamath Falls Tuesday afternoon. Last year's champion team of New Orleans walloped the local team by a 7-2 score.

Five of the winning runs came in the second inning when they sent 11 men to the batter's box. Ontario pitcher gave up three walks, three singles and was charged with a wild pitch. One score came on an infield out.

The locals had been beaten Sunday by Manchester, N. H. by a 2-1 score that went two extra innings. Losing pitcher was Nyssa Rick Wilson who allowed only two hits but was bothered by wildness and walked in the first run when he passed four batters. The winning run came on a walk, a stolen base and a single in the eighth inning.

The Vandals made it to the series the hard way by winning four straight games in the regional tourney after losing one game. Host team Klamath Falls was still in the running Wednesday after a 5-1 victory over Penns Grove, N.J.

The Ontario team composed of players from Ontario and surrounding towns, has brought credit to the entire area and the State of Oregon. Their final defeat was by a city whose population is over 100 times that of Ontario (the largest of any of the homes of local players).

NO FIRE CALLS!

Nyssa volunteers report that there were no fire calls during the past week.

When the whistles sounded on Tuesday evening of this week, it proved to be a short-circuit which set off the alarm system. And the Journal received no report of any fire this week in the Adrian area.

Nyssa Couple Killed In Auto Mishap Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Blanch of the Newell Heights area near Adrian were killed Sunday, August 18, 1968 in a two-car mishap four miles east of Othello, Wash.

The couple was enroute to Othello to attend their grandson's testimonial service prior to his leaving on a mission for the LDS church.

Washington State Police identified the driver of the other car to be Clair Fisher of Dayton, Ore. It is reported that he died the following day.

Obituary information for the Blanch couple is published on page two of this issue of the Journal.

MILK SERVED IN ROOMS

Afternoon milk will be served daily in the classrooms beginning Wednesday, Sept. 4. Tickets will be \$1 and are good for 33 half-pints of milk.

Each teacher will collect milk and lunch money every Monday morning at 9 o'clock. Students should take their money on Wednesday for the first week of school. Each child should pay his own teacher for lunches or milk. Parents are requested not to send one check to pay for several children's accounts.

If a child is absent, credit for lunches and milk will be carried forward on his or her account.

School insurance information and registration forms will be sent home with students on Tuesday. School insurance is not in effect until the \$2 fee and signed registration are received by the child's teacher.

County Agent Lists Armory Building Prizes

It is announced by Helen Dwell, Malheur county extension agent, that judging was completed on August 15 in the Armory building at the 1968 county fair.

Special award ribbons went to Karalee Faw of Vale, coat; Mrs. C. A. Reece, Nyssa, table cover; Hazel Sinclair, tating; Mrs. Plaza, Ontario, pillowcases and sheets; Rod Nicholson and Roger Ingebritsen, Ontario, model cars; Martha

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HARVESTS STOPPED BY RECORD RAINS; CROPS DAMAGED

BUT A BLESSING FOR SOME

Rain, Rain, Rain, and In August, too! A new record has been set at the Malheur Experiment station with a total of 2.2 inches to date - all in the last eight days - and with 10 more days left in the month and scattered showers predicted it can go even higher. In fact Nyssa has recorded 2.53 inches in the same period, as reported by the North Board of Control.

They have effected mixed blessings for the area farmers - depending upon their main crops to be harvested. But for people living in Nyssa they have been a mild headache. Basements have been flooded with surface water and some backing up of sewers into homes and the hard rain and hail that fell late Tuesday afternoon caused minor damage to stores where surface water ran in from alleys. The hail was soft but the weather cool enough that it remained on some lawns for several hours after falling. This one day accounted for 1.19 inches of precipitation in Nyssa, and, most of it came within a two-hour period.

CROP REPORTS

Alfalfa seed fields have suffered the most damage from rain of any major crops in the area. County Agent Leeds Bailey said he had no reports of hail damage, but that rain had started seeds in the pods to start sprouting and that damage had been estimated from 20 to 50 per cent by individual growers.

George Schiemer reported heavy hail damaged his crop extensively Tuesday afternoon. He lives in the Newell Heights community west of Adrian, about 2-3 miles. But Adrian had no hail, nor did the town have any rain that preceded the hail or rain late in the afternoon.

In Sunset Valley, Delbert Garner said they had some scattering hail in the area, but that it was soft and did little damage. However he said the rains had caused considerable sprouting. Damage, he said, could not yet be estimated, and he further stated that it would depend upon how soon winds came to dry the under-part of the plants. If it came soon, possibly 75 per cent of the crop could be saved, otherwise it might be only 25 per cent.

County Agent Bailey said what would be ideal weather now for alfalfa seed was cool weather, low humidity and drying winds.

Ore-Ida Foods Field Dept. Manager (for the Ontario plant) Leland Fife said they had lost about 150 acres of sweet corn that had become too hard for use due to the rains keeping equipment out of the fields. This could reach as much as 80 acres each day if rain continued, he said.

Bob Moss, Payette, manager of Idaho Canning Co. said he could not make an estimate of corn lost but that very little had been damaged by hail Tuesday afternoon. Wind had some fields down, he said, but that if the rain would hold off from

now on through the harvest period they would "Go like mad" and get most of it taken care of with a minimum of loss. They planned to resume processing Thursday night-barring further rain.

AIDS BEET CROP

Nyssa District Manager of Amalgamated Sugar Co. Ray Larson said the weather had been real good for beets. The rains had washed nitrogen down into the soil and there was no longer a scarcity of irrigation water, as was feared before the rains came. He said he had

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First-Grade Registration Dates Listed

Registration for youngsters entering the first grade this school year will be held Aug. 22, 23, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. in the primary building it is announced by Clarice Poor, grade school principal.

Parents are urged to register children in advance so that delay and confusion are avoided on the first day of school.

PHYSICAL EXAM REQUIRED

Each beginner must have a physical examination, and the goldenrod sheet, complete with necessary information should be sent to the county health office at Vale.

Goldenrod forms are available at the offices of local doctors or the school administration.

Registration fee of \$1.75 which is used for the beginner's school supplies (except gym shoes) should also be paid in advance. School insurance will be available and may be paid when the youngster registers. Insurance fee is \$2 for the year.



LOIS SEUELL

She was named Malheur County Farm Bureau 'SWEETHEART' Monday evening. Lois is 18 years old, and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest M. Seuell of Adrian. She will represent the county in state competition during the Oregon Farm Bureau convention in November. Miss Seuell was graduated from AHS in 1968 and was valedictorian of the class. She plans to enroll this fall at the University of Oregon in Eugene. Named as alternate sweetheart is Miss Glenda Sunderland of Willow Creek. She held the 'sweetheart' title in 1967 and was a candidate again this year.



THIS NYSSA LAD, JOHN HIGHT, and his HEREFORD FAT Steer, 'SIMON', were the big winners at the 1968 Malheur County Fair. Simon was judged Grand Champion over all other 4-H and FFA entries. He weighed 1,140 pounds and was purchased at the Friday evening Fat Stock Sale by Feed Service Company of Caldwell for \$55 per hundredweight. John, a 4-H club member, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Hight who reside on Albertson's Island, route 2, Nyssa.



WILTON and MARGERY JACKSON'S CIRCUS CREW. They are (l to r) Megan, of the high-wire set; Jill, who is taming the caged, stuffed lion; and Tommy, the bear. This trio was judged overall winner in Nyssa's 1968 Back-To-School parade held Saturday. The Jackson children received the \$10 cash award given by the publishers of the Gate City Journal. And the staff photographer learned that the young 'performers' are among the most courteous children, as one by one they

expressed their appreciation for the prize. The Journal publishers feel that the award was well deserved. The task of being a judge is never an easy one, and in this case it must have been rough as there were so many 'cute' entries in this year's parade. After it was all over, all area youngsters, whether or not in the 'lineup' were invited to Nyssa south park for free ice cream. The event is sponsored annually by the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce. - GCJ Photo.