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DROWNING CLAIMS LIFE OF 19-YEAR-OLD AIRMAN

Marcelo Ortiz, a 19-year-old airman from the Mountain Home Air Force base, drowned Sunday afternoon, August 24, 1969, in a pond about two miles north of Nyssa.

Malheur County Deputy Sheriff Dick Pounds reported that the young airman was swimming in what is known as the Leseberg gravel pond on the Duffin property near the Snake river.

Witnesses said Ortiz had been swimming across the pond and was returning when he got into trouble a short distance from shore.

Brad Maxfield, manager of the Nyssa municipal swimming pool, recovered the body about 15 feet off shore.

Maxfield and three other Nyssa youths went to the scene after someone at the site of the drowning went to the pool for the facility's 'aquanaut' diving equipment. The other local youths who assisted in the search are Larry Wilson, Charles Bale and Alex Sutschkow.

The young airman, whose widow is the former Jenny Apadoca, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Apadoca of Nyssa, together with his mother, was visiting his wife and other relatives in Nyssa. Jenny has been staying with her parents while awaiting a new arrival in the family.



MARCELO ORTIZ

The deceased was a son of Pedro and Maria Ortiz of Lovell, Wyo.

Memorial services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Mountain Home Air Force base, with burial made at Lovell.

In addition to his widow and parents, the young airman is survived by four sisters, Mrs. Pete (Tomisa) Padilla of Nyssa; Mrs. Connie Paras of Chicago; Mrs. Carmen Valdez of Colorado Springs and Angela Ortiz of Lovell.

County Agent Urges Support Of Junior Livestock Auction

The 4-H junior livestock sale, slated at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, August 30, in Girvin hall on the Malheur county fairgrounds, will climax the 1969 4-H and FFA livestock shows at the county fair.

FFA youths, 4-H and FFA girls, as an accredited project and early business venture, have selected and cared for beef, lambs, and hogs. The junior sale is their market place wherein they realize the dollars and cents value for their year of labor.

Extension Agent Roger Fletcher, says, however, that the "success of this year's sale may be in jeopardy. We have never held an afternoon sale before and our sales committee is expressing concern over the inability of many businessmen to leave their businesses and attend. The stockmen and businessmen of the area have been our prime supporters, and we urge that they make a special effort to participate this year."

Anyone, however, may purchase an animal at the junior sale. The price bid is per pound on a live-weight basis and each animal offered for sale has been graded good or better. The weight of the animal is its live weight with a graduated pencil shrink depending on the distance hauled. The Ontario Livestock commission offers a support price on each animal so that a buyer, if he does not want the animal for personal use, may turn it over to the commission. The buyer pays the difference between the "support" and "purchase" price. A complete sales list

will be available Saturday morning at the 4H office in Girvin hall.

"The Junior Sale is a means of offering to 4-H'ers and FFA members a premium return for a premium job on their project," Fletcher said. "The success of the sale is dependent on response of the community-at-large. We trust that response will be good," the county agent added.

Charles Batt; Son, David Die In Auto Mishap

Tragedy struck the family of Nyssans Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Batt Wednesday morning when their son, Charles Batt, 37, and his son, David, 16, of Whittier, Calif., were killed in an automobile accident near Provo, Utah.

The accident victims were enroute to Nyssa to be with Charles' father, who was to have had major surgery that day at Caldwell Memorial hospital.

Charles was superintendent of a steel construction company at Whittier.

Other members of the immediate family include Mrs. Batt, the former Mavis Rock of Payette, and four other boys, Gary, 15; Douglas, 13; Donald, 10; and Danny, 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Batt and their son, Robert of Boise plan to leave this morning, Aug. 28 to attend funeral services to be held Saturday in California.

Further details were not available at Journal press time Wednesday afternoon.

NEW TEACHERS IN THE Nyssa school system, photographed in the cafeteria at



the Chamber of Commerce dinner Wednesday noon. In the upper photo (front row - 1 to 8)

are Jay Draper, math; Larry Blackburn, social studies; Mrs. Larry (Donna) Blackburn, Eng-

lish and German, Gary Condon, vocal music. Behind them are Max Brittingham, social studies; Gary Meggin, social studies and head basketball coach; Duane Buchtel, guidance; David Olmstead, high school P. E.; Gary Thompson, science. In the lower photo (front row) are Margaret Mecham, primary; Roberta Johnson, elementary; Verla Holton, pre-first grade; Mary Frahm, elementary. Standing behind them are Charles Chapman, elementary P. E., 1969 graduate of Pacific U. at Forest Grove; Mrs. Lona Contreras, Spanish; Virgil Seward, elementary, returned after one year's absence to get his masters. Not pictured were Dorothy Bivins, who has returned after a year's absence; and Vo-Ag Instructor Walter Adams who was at the Malheur County fair with the local FFA boys. The educational background and teaching experience on each was carried in the Aug. 7 issue of the Journal.

FNB Of Oregon Approves Split Of Stock, 5 For 3

A five for three stock split was approved Monday by shareholders of First National Bank of Oregon at a special meeting in Portland, according to Ralph J. Voss, president.

An additional two-thirds of a share will be issued for each share currently outstanding, increasing the total to 5,313,149 shares. The additional shares will be distributed on or about Sept. 12, 1969 to shareholders of record on Sept. 2, 1969.

Earlier the board of directors of the statewide bank expressed its intention to establish an annual dividend rate of \$1.20 per share on the new total outstanding, which is the equivalent of \$2 per share based on the number currently outstanding. The dividend rate has been \$1.90 per share.

The increase should result in a boarder and more active market for the bank's stock, Voss stated.

The bank currently has nearly 2,000 shareholders including about 1,500 in Oregon.

DECLARES DIVIDEND

At the annual meeting of the

Adrian School Faculty Named

Glenn Ward, Adrian school superintendent and high school principal, has furnished a list of faculty members for the 1969-70 school term.

High school teachers are Richard Anderson principal; Barbara Beck, science; James Johnson, music; Noreen Kellum, commercial; Carol Schultz, girls' physical education; Andy Warrington, social studies and boys' physical education; Ann Watts, homemaking and English; Helen Webb, mathematics; Joe Witty, agriculture; Helen Conant, librarian.

Among elementary instructors are James Holton, principal; Lorena Comer and Juanita Maggard, first grade; Ellen

Brittingham and Beth Lowry, second grade; Gertie Jones and Mary Barnes, third grade; Pauline Hibbs and Kathleen Alexander, fourth grade; Anna Long and Virginia Timmerman, fifth grade; Mary Joyce and James Phelps, sixth grade; Emma Snyder, Carolyn Witty and Robert Bates, seventh and eighth grades.

Tuesday, Sept. 2, will be the first day of school for Adrian students. High school registration began yesterday and will continue from 8 a.m. through 4 p.m. today. Elementary and junior high students will register on the first day of school.

Amalgamated Sugar Reports Third Quarter Earnings Down

OGDEN, UTAH -- The Amalgamated Sugar Company today reported an August 1 quarterly stockholder dividend payout of 40 cents per share, following reported earnings for the nine months of an estimated \$3,412,000. The August 1 figure is down from earnings of \$3,820,000 for the same period a year ago.

The earnings total figured out at \$1.65 per share of common stock and reflects an 11 percent decline in income from a year earlier. This was caused primarily by the effect of higher interest rates on the Company's increased money needs. Increased borrowing was required for a major expansion project at its Nampa, Idaho factory, purchase of the larger 1968 beet crop, and costs of carrying a one-third larger sugar inventory as compared to the year earlier, President A. E. Benning reported.

"The inventory increase is the combined result of last year's large crop production and the restrictive effect of 1969 marketing allotments imposed upon company sales by the U.S.D.A.," Benning said.

"Earlier in the year it had been reported that both the volume of sugar sales and sugar prices were below those of a year earlier. Movement of su-

gar into the market has picked up significantly in the last several weeks, with the result that total sales volume now exceeds that of last year.

"Prices have also improved and now compare favorably with those existing at the same time a year ago. It is contemplated that both sales volume and prices will continue at current levels, suggesting that the industry, in response to the resurgent 1968 crop production, has reestablished its appropriate position in the market," Benning reported.

"This year's large crop

should enable both the company and the industry to maintain current levels of sugar marketing without the necessity of reducing prices as was required earlier this year to regain entry into the market," Amalgamated's President concluded.

WEATHER

DATE	MAX	MIN.
Aug. 20	93	55
Aug. 21	98	55
Aug. 22	100	57
Aug. 23	103	58
Aug. 24	98	65
Aug. 25	85	69
Aug. 26	89	47
Aug. 27	--	49
RESERVOIR STORAGE		
8/27/69	500,810	Acre Feet
8/27/68	225,020	Acre Feet

Nyssa Chamber Members Fete School Employees With Annual Dinner

Nyssa Chamber of Commerce members were hosts to the local school staff and part of the board members at a noon luncheon in the school cafeteria Wednesday. This is an annual affair and is used as an opportunity for both groups to get better acquainted and for the businessmen to know who will be taking care of their children for several hours each day for the next nine months.

About 65 instructors and school personnel, five board members and an unknown number of businessmen were in attendance. School employees were at the doors furnishing paper for names to be printed on and pasted on shirts. Teachers and other school employees were also tagged with names. The groups were assigned to tables in order that there would be a mixing of the groups.

School Superintendent W. L. McPartland introduced Chamber President Wayne Moncur who asked Rev. Robert W. Manley, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene to ask the blessing. Moncur then asked each chamber member to introduce the new teachers near them, tell a little of their background and what subject they would be teaching.

This was followed by groups singing led by Gary Condon, new vocal music instructor and accompanied by Nelda Schenk on the piano. "Smiles", "America The Beautiful", and "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow" were the numbers chosen. The women and part of the men did well on this but quite a number of lips for the host chambermen were immobile.

Dale Schraufnagel, president of the Nyssa Education Association introduced other officers of the group, acknowledged the importance of the work done by the librarians, clerks and maintenance crews. The school cafeteria cooks were then called into the room and given a big round of applause for the delicious meal served.

ALL IN READINESS

McPartland said all was in readiness for the start of school Tuesday of next week. Staff meetings and in-service training will be continued throughout the week.

BOARD MEETS

About 30 minutes prior to

RED CROSS BLOOD DRAWING

TODAY - AUG. 28
2 TO 6 P. M.

AT EAGLES' HALL

the lunch hour five members of the board met with the teachers for a get-acquainted meeting. Present were Board Chairman Vic Haburchak, Vice-Chairman Harold Kurtz, Gene Stunz, Ray Larson and Dick Tensen. Absent were Ira Ure, Jr. and Mark Hartley.

Kurtz gave the teachers a brief history of the area and told them of the dinosaurs and early man roaming the area, that he believed it was still a good place for man kind to live.

Stunz, said he believed "Pursuit of Excellence" was the biggest factor in a school. Larson welcomed the group, new and old back to the community. Tensen also welcomed the group and invited them to call on the board members when they had anything troubling them.

Nyssa Variety Close-Out-Sale Starts Friday

Mrs. Mike (Maybelle) McKague announced this week that she was having a close-out-sale of Nyssa Variety store with all stock and fixtures to be sold.

She said the 14 months she had owned the business had been most pleasant and rewarding but that due to ill-health had been forced to quit. She will rest for several weeks and then have surgery on one of her feet that was broken a number of years ago. Then she will be largely incapacitated for six months to a year she stated.

Mrs. McKague has gained the respect and friendship of those who have become acquainted with her in the short stay in the store and will be missed.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Michaels, owners of the building were out of town at press time and unavailable for any announcement on its future occupancy.



A NEW MEMBER OF THE FAMILY IN THE Roy Hirai home is Lutz Kliche, who arrived Saturday at the Boise airport from Germany. This photo was snapped just prior to a Monday evening reception in the Hirai home where fellow students, teachers and other residents of the Nyssa area honored the AFS exchange student. Members of the family (l to r) are Father Roy, Brian, Mother Emi, and Larry Hirai. Lutz is the young

man on the right. The Hirais have two other sons. They are Alan, who works for Boeing Aircraft and resides in Seattle; and Mike, who was graduated this spring from the University of Oregon in Corvallis. The latter is now vacationing in Hawaii, in the near future he will join the Armed Services and will be studying at an Army language school in Monterey, Calif.

NYSSANS GREET EXCHANGE STUDENT

Nyssa high school's American Field Service exchange student for the 1969-70 term, is Lutz Arnold Fritz Kliche from Niedersachsen, Germany.

He is the son of Hans Otto and Anna, Marie, Elizabeth, Hernime Kliche; and has two

sisters, Beate, 22 and Sabine, 19 years old. His father is a medical compiler.

Lutz is most interested in history, foreign languages, reading and politics. His favorite sports are volleyball and

table tennis. He also enjoys playing guitar in a jazz band. Lutz left his native country by plane and arrived Aug. 23 at the Boise airport where he was met by the Roy Hirai family with whom he will reside during the school year.

PLAN STYLE REVUE (EXCIVISION DE MODAS)



MRS. ROBERT (MARIE) WILSON (ON RIGHT) is serving this year as chairman of the fall style revue sponsored annually by members to Malheur Memorial hospital auxiliary. Co-chairman is Mrs. Fred (Margaret) Bracken (on left). They are being assisted by Mrs. L. A. (Greene) Maulding (center). The show, with a Mexican theme will be staged at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, September 6

in the multi-purpose room of the Nyssa primary school building where local stores will be showing the latest fall fashions as worn by selected models. Tickets may be purchased in advance or at the door. Authentic 'Mexican' articles will be on display. Additional information about the revue will be published in next week's issue of the Journal.