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STATE HIGHWAY SURVEY OF SUCCOR CREEK ROAD 70 PERCENT COMPLETE

Oregon House Speaker Robert F. Smith said this week that a State Highway Commission survey of the proposed Succor Creek Road is 70 percent complete.

Smith, who represents Malheur and Harney Counties, said that members of the Highway Commission are presently analyzing testimony given at a recent public hearing. If the testimony appears favorable, he said, the next step would be to place the proposed route on the highway system.

Smith said that R.L. Porter, State Highway Engineer, has told him that the Commission will take action on this by March at the latest.

The State Highway Division, Smith said, envisions some right-of-way problems with the Bureau of Land Management as lands set aside for recreational purposes are involved in the project.

However, Smith said, the Commission members feel that an agreement with the BLM can be reached through negotiation.

Smith said the Highway Commission is not yet able to forecast when construction of the highway will begin, but more information on the time-table should be available after the Commission meeting in February.

President Nixon Lauds Farm Productivity Record

President Nixon recently praised American farmers for providing this country's people the best food in the world at a lower percentage of family income than is provided for any other country in the world. For this, he said, the Nation owes the American agriculture a very great debt.

He cited the fact that the area of the American economy that has had the greatest growth in productivity is American agriculture, and said this has not been adequately reflected in agricultural income.

This report on the President singling out American agriculture for high praise was supplied by Walter E. Erickson, Chairman of the Oregon State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Committee.

President Nixon referred to the new Commission on Productivity, with a membership of top leaders representing American industry, labor, the academic community, and agriculture, saying that "a very significant point was made, not only in

Smith said the first step towards completion of the project is the road survey and a preliminary engineering study to determine the exact route which the 29-mile project will follow.

The State Highway Commission gave its approval to the Succor Creek Road project in November of 1969. At that time, Commission Chairman Glenn Jackson said that the road would be built with or without aid from the federal government.

Construction of the road will save travelers some 13 miles between Nyssa and Jordan Valley. It will also allow them to avoid the hazardous Marsing Grade in Idaho.

It would also divert traffic within the boundaries of Oregon through Nyssa, Ontario and into Baker.

An estimated 200,000 people per year travel this route from Oregon into Idaho, and trucks originating in Malheur County make more than 8,000 trips per year to and from southern states along this route.

It would also correct the error made when U.S. Highway 95 was authorized in 1932. That road divides Malheur County and diverts traffic into Idaho and points East.

first meeting, but in the second and third. On every occasion, it was this: That that area of the American economy that has had the greatest growth in productivity and that has the highest productivity per man hour, any way you want to rate it, is American agriculture."

Upon hearing this fact, the President said he checked further and found that "we are the best fed people, but at the lowest cost, the lowest percentage of our income, of any country in the world. And for that, we are most grateful."

Nixon continued, "I am not happy about the fact that agricultural income has not been at the rates that it should have been over the past few years. I think the farmer deserves a fair share of the Nation's increasing wealth and its increasing productivity, due to the fact that American agriculture is so productive."

At the same time, Nixon said, "We have problems of hunger in this country, and there are problems of hunger in all countries, rich and poor, around the world."

"But the problems of hunger in this country are, in terms of magnitude, nothing compared to what the problems are in countries that simply do not have the enormous productivity that we have."

"And so, as we look around the world and as we think of the future of the world and what is going to happen, we realize how much American agriculture can contribute." The President said he referred not

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JACL Officers



The new officers for the Snake River Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League include these persons pictured above. Front row from left: Tom Uriu, Weiser, president; Alice Nishitani, Nyssa, recognition chairman; Sharon Wada, Ontario, secretary; Ken Teramura, Ontario, treasurer. Standing from left

are Gish Amano, Weiser, and George Hirai, Nyssa, 1,000 club chairman; Fed Kuwahara, Jamieson, historian; Ken Fukiyage, Vale, board member; James Wakagawa, Weiser, recognition chairman; Jim Watanabe, Payette, first vice-president; Sam Mori, Ontario, official delegate.

Oregon Heart Fund Campaign Starts



Emil Stunz and Paul Penrod receive a check from Arlene Robb of the First National Bank of Oregon, Nyssa branch, as they begin the canvass of the business district for the Oregon Heart Fund.

Heart Week in Nyssa starts February 14, Valentine's

COLLEGE PRESIDENT TALKS TO CHAMBER

Dr. Emery J. Skinner, president of Treasure Valley Community College, was speaker at the regular meeting of the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce Wednesday.

Dr. Skinner explained briefly the proposed budget for the 1971-72 year, stating that the budget and levy as proposed will be down from the current year.

Most of the president's talk was on the present controversy between the college and the Migrant Education Board. He said that the college took the position that if they had the power to delegate authority, they had the power to rescind the authority, which is the action the college took. The college's purpose is education, Dr. Skinner said, and the college board felt that they could not have any part in sponsoring a program whose purpose seems to be of an activist nature.

TVCC FILM SERIES SHOWS FEB. 5

The second of Treasure Valley Community College's Great Film Series "The Animals", a French documentary with English narration, and W.C. Field's "The Golf Specialist" will be presented Friday, February 5 at 8:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, admission free.

"The Animals" is a beautifully photographed documentary directed by Frederic Rossif, who collected footage from all over the world for this astonishing study of the evolution of animal life on earth. With close-ups and slow motion, he exposes a wide variety of creatures in their natural habitats in combat, at play, and at their work of daily survival.

Onion Growers Elect New Directors, Hear Proposed Laws For Labor Dispute

An Oregon Farm Bureau official told area onion growers Tuesday that legislation is being introduced in Oregon which he hopes will protect both growers and workers during the coming season.

Howard Fujii, Salem, director of research and legislation, was a member of a labor panel which was featured at the annual joint meeting of the Southwestern Idaho and Malheur County onion growers associations.

Roy Hirai, Nyssa, was chairman of the panel which also included Frank Mercer and Phil Batt, both of Wilder.

An estimated 275 persons were at the meeting at the La Paloma Restaurant. In addition to the regular business sessions of both organizations, technical problems relating to onions were discussed by state and federal officials.

Fujii said Oregon's 10-year-old law which limits picketing of perishable crops at harvest time to regular employees of a farm has been a "real deterrent" to labor problems.

He declared, however, the Farm Bureau is primarily interested in a comprehensive farm labor management act which would attempt to clearly define rights of all parties concerned in labor disputes.

Nyssa FFA Takes Honors

The Nyssa FFA Chapter swept the record book contest honors at the recent Snake River District Leadership contest held at Vale January 28. The Chapter Secretaries book kept by Secretary Lurelle Robbins and assistant secretary Bill Holmes placed first, Ontario's book second and Vale's book third.

The Chapter scrapbook kept by reporter Jack Joyce placed first, Vale's second and Ontario's third.

In the Advanced record book contest Lurelle Robbins' book placed first, Bill Leggett's book from Baker second and Charles' Anthony's book from Vale third. Alan Fujishan of Adrian had the first place beginner's book, David Robbins of Nyssa the second place book and Denzel Robbins of Baker the third place record book. Lurelle Robbins also placed third in the co-op contest.

The Parliamentary team from Baker placed first in the parliamentary procedure contest. Team members from Nyssa were Bob Holmes, Fred Childs, Bill Holmes, Glen Gibson, Paul Skeen and Jack Joyce. Lamar Sieg from Baker placed first in the public speaking contest. Bob Holmes from Nyssa placed fourth in that contest.

Day, and runs through the week. At that time the general solicitation throughout Nyssa will be held. Mrs. Wilbur Holcomb, Mrs. Kenneth Danford and Mrs. Des Jones are chairmen of the local drive.

MARQUEZ NAMED TO MIGRANT BOARD

Louis Marquez, Nyssa, was appointed to the Migrant Education Board to replace Dale Appleton, Ontario, who resigned last week; and Terry Reilly, Nampa, was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Anna Marie Placencia, Caldwell.

The board voted against rescinding the action of two meetings ago, and agreed to continue to have legal counsel represent it in the injunction against the board of directors of Treasure Valley Community College.

A letter signed by 21 administrators and staff members of the program was again presented to the board. It stated that if the four people formerly on the payroll were rehired, the 21 would immediately resign.

Their letter endorsed the action of the TVCC board in assuming governing authority of the migrant education program for the remainder of the year.

Car Rollover Injures Youth

Glen Gibson 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Gibson, Nyssa, was injured in a one-car accident on Enterprise Avenue southwest of Nyssa Tuesday afternoon. He is listed in satisfactory condition after being taken to Holy Rosary Hospital, Ontario.

The accident reportedly occurred when Gibson took to the ditch to avoid hitting a car approaching from the west in the center of the road. There is no center line on this stretch of road.

Report Received On Blood Appeal

In the report on the last Blood Drawing held in Nyssa, information was not available on the "last-minute appeal" for O-Negative blood. This appeal was made during the drawing held December 22 at the Eagles Hall in Nyssa and word has now been received that the results were true to Nyssa's fashion of an enthusiastic response of 52 pints of type O blood received.

This type blood was urgently needed for open heart surgery that was performed in Boise.

In addition to those listed as receiving pins at the last blood drawing are: one-gallon pins Warren Fewkes, Orville Needs, Rollo Kent; two-gallon pins Sheila Cartwright and Jeanne Strickland; Ron Staples received a three-gallon-pin and Betty Fox was a four-gallon-pin recipient.

The Nyssa Blood program is sponsored by the Nyssa Jay-C-Ettes, with Mrs. Alvin Allen as chairman and the Malheur Memorial Hospital, with Mrs. Ralph Lawrence, chairman. They wish to thank everyone for their cooperation and to remind the Nyssa citizens that the next drawing will be held May 12.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION TRAINING PROGRAM NEW AT NYSSA HIGH SCHOOL

The start of 2nd semester marked the beginning of Extended Vocational Training at Nyssa High School.

The Malheur County Intermediate Education District Office, in conjunction with the High Schools in Ontario, Nyssa, Vale and Adrian has obtained funding under Title III to initiate an exploratory program in Vocational Education.

This program under the direction of Sam Banner, Malheur County Vocational Education Coordinator, includes a model office program at Ontario and Nyssa, the one at Nyssa is being taught by Dale Schraufnagel. A building trades program at Vale and Nyssa is being taught by Bill Hood. Farm mechanics is being taught by Larry Bauman in Nyssa, and he teaches Welding and Basic House Wiring at Ontario.

This program at Nyssa is the first program other than Vo-Ag to be vocationally oriented and designed to increase the students employability in specific areas.

The Model Office, though not completely equipped, will train the students in office skills under simulated office conditions to prepare the student for entry level employment and all areas of office work.

The building trades is carpentry oriented and has already undertaken the construction of a room separator for the model office and a rest room to be installed at the Snake River Boat Landing. Another project planned, time permitting, is the renovation at the Band Shell in South Park.

The Farm Mechanics Class is designed to help the boys to operate, repair, and maintain the expensive farm equipment in an orderly and efficient manner, to properly maintain equipment in a manner that will eliminate expensive break downs, and to learn the basic theory, application and maintenance of hydraulic systems.

Conservation Districts To Meet February 11

The Adrian and Malheur Soil and Water Conservation Districts will hold a joint annual meeting at the Starlite Cafe in Vale on February 11. It will start at 7:30 p.m. with a no host dinner. All persons interested in soil conservation are invited to attend the session.

A special feature of the meeting will be a talk by E.W. Anderson, State Range Conservationist for the Soil Conservation Service. His topic will be "Range Lands in Oregon."

Winners of the District's speech contests for youth of high school age and under will present their talks on Wildlife Conservation in a Soil and Water Conservation District. The winner of the Adrian contest is Julie Ross of Jordan Valley. Rex Maag of Jamieson won honors in the Malheur District.

The group will be entertained by vocal selections by the Arrien sisters of Juntura. Lewis Johnson of Vale will act as Master of ceremonies.

The business session of district cooperators will see the election of supervisors to fill vacancies on the board created by expired terms of E.V.

Area Farmer To OACD Board

Hans Solomon, a Ridgeview area farmer and member of the board of supervisors of the Adrian Soil and Water Conservation District, has been elected to the post of director of the Oregon Association of Conservation Districts according to Dean Blaylock, who is chairman of the Adrian District Board.

Salomon will represent area 11 on the OACD board of directors. He will coordinate activities between the various conservation districts and represent their viewpoint at meetings of the state board of directors.

Area 11 covers Soil and Water Conservation Districts in Malheur, Grant and Baker counties.

Newcomers To Nyssa



Rev. and Mrs. Roy L. Kilby are shown with their three sons, Lee, Ryan, and Pat. He is the new minister of the Park Avenue Baptist Church, and the family lives at 206 Ennis Avenue. They are from Asheville, North Carolina where Rev. Kilby taught Bible at the Grassy Branch Baptist Church for seven years. He received his theological training at Moody Bible Institute. Rev. Kilby helped in revival services in Nyssa last September, and liked it so well that he accepted a call to serve the local Baptist church on a full-time basis.