

OUT OF THE PAST

10 YEARS AGO

Reports from over the county indicate that crops and pastures are suffering from a severe shortage of water. Due to the mild winter with less snowfall in the higher elevations, the reservoirs are much lower than normal for this time of year.

Paul House, manager of North Board Control Owyhee project, reports they will deliver the four acre feet to those farmers in the gravity area while those getting water from canals supplied by pumping stations will get their normal amount.

Elmer Jaques has been named supervisor of field operations in South-western Idaho and Eastern Oregon for the J.R. Simplot Company, with headquarters in Caldwell. He has been manager of the Nyssa warehouse for seven years.

Mr. and Mrs. Jaques and Gary will move to Caldwell. Their daughter, Sharen, will remain in Nyssa where she is employed in the J.R. Simplot Co. office.

20 YEARS AGO

Genevieve Eachus, Nyssa High School student, has returned home from California with Nyssa's first "seeing eye" dog. Miss Eachus was awarded her Dalmatian guide dog "Thunder" at the graduation exercises of Guide Dogs for the Blind, Inc., at its training school in San Rafael July 21. In this 35th class were six blind men and women, given guide dogs at no cost to them, after four weeks of rigorous training.

The Nyssa LDS Stake celebrated Pioneer Day, July 24, with an all day outing at the Vale Park and a dance in the evening at the Nyssa Stake House. July 24 marks the arrival of the Mormon pioneers to the Salt Lake Valley.

30 YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Smith were "King and Queen" of the Nyssa Pioneer Celebration, held here last Thursday.

The new \$25,000 Union Pacific Depot, construction of which began January 3, 1911 is rapidly nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy about August 15, according to C.M. Jordan, supervising engineer for the Union Pacific.

The new streamline depot is constructed of steel and a specially made brick of the famous U.P. streamline colors of gray, yellow and red. It will be equipped with the latest of telegraph equipment and outside lighting. The building will accommodate passengers, express, and freight. A plot of ground just north and west of the depot will be landscaped.

40 YEARS AGO

Awakened by smoke and cracking flames, George Hill owner of the Idanha orchard discovered that his prune drier was ablaze at 2 o'clock Friday morning. The building was a mass of flames and the entire plant was destroyed. It is estimated that the entire loss is around \$25,000. Only a small insurance policy was carried.

Divot diggers from six towns met at Vale this morning for a tournament. Nyssa's foursome, consisting of C.L. McCoy, Ed Wilson, Dr. E.D. Norcott and Klaas Tensen, finished in second place with a score of 171 for nine holes.

50 YEARS AGO

Jack Sheets, who formerly conducted the Nyssa blacksmith shop on Second Street has returned to Nyssa and is again in business at the old stand, having bought the business and fixtures from Cole Younger. Mr. Sheets is well known and is bound to do well in Nyssa.

Mrs. Frank Hall gave a farewell party recently for Dirck Nedry, son of Mr. and Mrs. E.B. Nedry. A fine time was enjoyed in playing games on the lawn, by the little ones and Mr. Hall furnished them no little amusement by stealing some of their refreshments and getting himself locked in the garage. A fine dinner was served to the small guests, and all were given favors as souvenirs. Those attending were Darlene Dunaway, Betty Tensen, Tina Tensen, Harriet Sarazin, Calvin Wilson, Charlena and Claudina Crawford, Lillian Gibson, Donna Cook, Ivan Burnes and Dirck Nedry.

60 YEARS AGO

Thirty-seven carloads of bridge timbers, ties, posts, stays and galvanized iron flume piping have been shunted into the Nyssa yards within the past week for construction on the Nyssa-Buhl extension, and the side track capacity is pretty well congested.

Only about a dozen men have been engaged upon the task of unloading the cars as yet, but the Short Line expects to have a crew of fifty men on the job within the next two weeks. Unloading and hauling away the fluming is a light task, but it is different with the big bridge timbers, taking the entire crew at work at present all day to unload one car.

Sherm Tharp established a moving picture show in Nyssa last week, at the Nyssa Opera House and has been doing a land office business ever since. He now gives shows on Saturday nights only, and it is evident from the attendance that his venture will be a success.

Bridge Group Spends Weekend In McCall

Couples Bridge Club members including Mr. and Mrs. Ted Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Miner, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Tensen, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Stunz, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Larson and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wilson spent the weekend in McCall at the Stunz and Morgan summer homes.

This has become an annual affair and the group always announce a good time playing cards and enjoying water sports.

Group Plans Potluck Picnic

Members of the Rebekahs and Friendship Circle and their families will hold a pot-luck picnic at the home of Mrs. Merel Johnson, starting at 1 p.m. Sunday August 1. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish and either a salad or relishes, their own table service and lawn chairs. Ice cream and drink will be furnished.

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Letters to the Editor

Nossebro, Sweden Dear Friends:

Hi! As they say in Swedish. I've made it to Sweden! Twenty of us exchange students are scattered about the country. I'm now learning to speak the Swedish language. It's a funny feeling to hear them talk and not to understand a thing!

Mother and Dad Lundquist met me at the train depot June 29th. We live 7 miles from Nossebro, out in the country. Father Sven farms and raises 300 pigs. Mother Ruth is a housewife and is kept busy with her daily chores about the home and garden. Brother Danny (13) has been very helpful in teaching me the language though he speaks no English. Ann Marie is 15 and a typical teenager. She works away from home 1/2 a day. Anita (20) is home on weekends. I have a neat family! Only wished I could speak it. Now, I know how a foreigner feels, but each day, I find it getting better. I'm not as homesick as I once was.

The country is just beautiful... So hilly and green. They are now harvesting their wheat.

There's a lots of trees around here and woods behind the house. Sun rise begins at 2:30 in the morning so its never dark too long. The highways are quite narrow compared to ours, but the cars are also small... mostly Volvos and V.W.'s. My family has a Mercedes and a V.W. van. Sister Ann Marie just got a new Moped (a bike with a motor) for her 15th birthday. Once they are 15, they can ride one. If you are not 18 - you cannot drive a car, so you drive a moped and if you aren't 15 you ride a bicycle. I get to ride a bicycle--AFS ruling does not allow us to drive--but it's fun now that my legs have stopped aching.

Our home is very large with many rooms. One thing I've noticed is that there are no screens on doors or windows. Our home is nicely furnished as one would see on the state side.

The food is very good!! Mother Ruth is a wonderful cook. Pastries, galore. I enjoy their hard bread (like a big cracker) Smor (butter) and cheese. The largest meal is at lunchtime.

Snacks are at 9:30, 3:30 and before bed. I may have to join the "weight watchers" once I get home. Food on the whole is like American food but with a little different taste.

The weather is comfortable. One day it was 83 degrees and they thought it was so hot (almost too hot to work) I thought they were kidding. When they think its nice and fair I almost have to wear a coat and mittens (not really). I told them how hot it gets in Nyssa--they didn't believe me.

All in all the Swedish people are very friendly. They're blonde and nice looking. I have a wonderful family here. The kids look much younger than the kids our age at home.

The fest (dances) is lots of fun. They are very crowded like our armory dances. Everyone enjoys dancing here. The fast dances are the same but they also dance the waltzes and polkas. I find it hard to follow the guys as I'm not used to it (it gets embarrassing after stepping on their toes about six times). The music is mostly English plus Elvis Presley and Simon-Garfunkle numbers.

Sunday, we went to Mastrand, on the west coast to see the AFS'ers (one year students now about to go back to the US). Also met YFU (Youth for Understanding) summer student there. She asked me where I was from. When I mentioned Eastern Ore-

gon she asked me if I ever heard of Nyssa. WOW! I told her I lived there. It turned out her grandparents are the LeRoy Hermans of Nyssa. What a coincidence! I also met another exchange student from Ashland, Oregon. The one-year students speak the language fluently all the time. They told me they have trouble translating into English. They say they think and even dream in Swedish. It was very interesting to talk and listen to them. After we talked and ate we went to an amusement park in Goteborg. I met some students from Japan who started to speak to me in Japanese. All I could say was "Talar in Enleiska" which means can you speak English. I managed to converse and explain I was from America. So many foreigners from various countries are on a work program.

Oh yes, there I had my first hamburger--not at all like ours we get at the A and W. Ice cream and chocolates are great--so you can tell what I have been eating.

Everyone plays soccer like we play baseball in Nyssa (how's our team doing?). Ann-Marie and the girls play and they have a very strong team.

Last week I received a phone call from my chaperone. She called to see if every thing was all right. The AFS is a neat program and even more so now

that I see how they run everything. All I can say, it's a wonderful program. In a few short weeks I have learned to understand the friendship among the people of the world. To Mr. Fonda, AFS members and all the Nyssans who helped make this trip possible I thank you. It's really GREAT and the AFS is COOL!

Thank you, Jan Saito

Editor, The Journal: Our 1971 Japan Nite Obon Festival has come and gone. It was indeed a success again this year. We of the Idaho-Oregon Buddhist Temple, Reverend T. Hirota, and the committees that worked on the project, wish to thank you for your part in the success of the annual event. As long as the public enjoys the event, we shall try to make each one better than the last. With your help it will be possible.

Thanks again, your cooperation and support is sincerely appreciated.

Yours very truly, Japan Nite Obon Festival George Iseri, Publicity Chairman

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