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Malheur Officials See Incinerator Disposal

Several residents of Malheur County, including the county court, traveled to Ogden, Utah, December 10 and 11 to observe Weber County's disposal method for solid waste. The purpose of the trip was to confirm claims by an incinerator firm that burning garbage was the best, low cost method of disposal in Malheur County.

Judge Roy Hiral summed up the groups experiences in this way. "I went down expecting to see smoke from the stacks, fly ash, smells, noise

and all the other things we associate with industries and garbage. What I saw was a clean, nonpolluting plant that reduced 200 truck loads of garbage a day, to three dump trucks of ash. No noise, smoke, odors, no fly ash, and no water pollution. The process looks very promising to me."

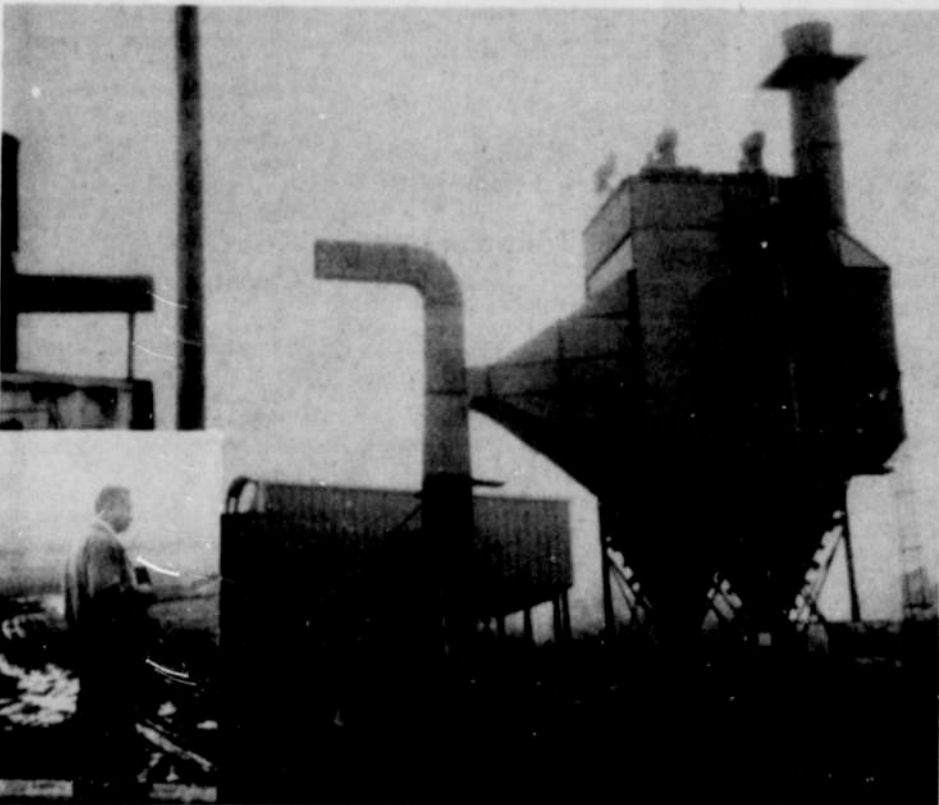
The county court met with officials of Weber County, the owners of the plant, and found that since 1966 garbage from all 170,000 residents of the county had been incinerated. The Weber

County incinerator had consumed as much as 310 tons of garbage in one twenty-four hour period. Weber County is satisfied enough with the process that they just spent over \$600,000 to build an additional incinerator to consume another 150 tons of garbage each day.

The incinerator that is proposed for Malheur County would have a capacity of 75 tons per day. It would also produce 72 million pounds of steam each year, enough to heat 900 homes. The steam

would be sold to a local industry to reduce fuel oil and diesel requirements. At the present time only Ore-Ida Foods in Ontario has indicated an interest in year-round steam purchasing.

The best preliminary estimates of construction and operating costs indicate that revenue from steam sales will offset these costs. This is the key that will ultimately decide if the incinerator is built. If the steam revenue does offset operating and buildings costs, then the county believes they will save \$180,000 during the next 20 years. This is the estimated cost of operating a landfill meeting state and federal regulations. The county would also save the cost of land and developing the land as a landfill site.



THE MALHEUR COUNTY COURT, led by County Judge Roy Hiral (insert) visited the solid waste disposal plant at Ogden, Utah last week. Several residents from the communities of Nyssa, Ontario and Vale accompanied the officials to view the in-

cinerator, which takes care of all the solid wastes in the Ogden area. If built in Malheur County, Ore-Ida Foods is a potential user of the steam generated, which will offset most of the costs of running the plant.

Photo by Bruce Sarazin

National Potato Council Holds 25th Meeting

The National Potato Council celebrated their 25th annual meeting recently at the Holiday Inn, Fargo, North Dakota. This was the largest and most successful meeting ever held. While the growers were quite optimistic with favorable prices in the forefront, it was also recognized that there are many serious shortages and other problems that will affect potato growers, and seriously restrict potato production.

Officers elected during the meeting include: President-Clarence Parr, Burley, Idaho; Vice-Presidents (Seth Bradstreet, Newport, Maine), (Ed Stanstny, Malin, Oregon),

(Douglas Michael, Urbana, Ohio); Secretary-Obed Tweten, Hillsboro, North Dakota; Treasurer-Joa Penzien, Mt. Clemens, Michigan.

Resolutions adopted indicated a genuine concern with fuel and fertilizer shortages, slow payments, transportation, and potato contracting. The council, under the capable leadership listed above, will be working and speaking for the Potato Growers' interest throughout the country.

Fred Deffer, Nyssa, Chauncey Steele, Harper, who are on the Oregon Potato Commission attended from this area.

Adrian To Hear Christmas Concert

The Adrian Music Department will present its annual Christmas Concert, Thursday, December 20 at 8 p.m. in the High School Gymnasium.

Groups participating will include the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade band, High School Band, High School Choir and the newly organized High School Stage Band.

There will be no admission charge. Everyone welcome.

Dick Forbess Has Surgery

Dick Forbess is slowly improving after open heart surgery at St. Luke's Hospital in Boise. It is expected that he will be home in about two weeks.

Post Office Open for Holidays

Lee Dail, Nyssa Postmaster, said that the Nyssa Post Office will be open until noon the day before Christmas, and the day before New Years. City and rural carriers will deliver the mail as usual on these two days. Dail said the President had granted all Civil Service employees days off on these two days, but those that work will take their leave at a future date.

The Nyssa Post Office has Publication 17, "Your Federal Income Tax," on sale for \$1. This publication has become very popular for those who figure their own income tax, Dail said.

Sectional Postmaster John Rost of Boise said that the public has been very cooperative in mailing early this year, with the result that 22,576,000 pieces of mail went through the sectional office compared with 18,655,000 the previous year. This cooperation on the part of the public has made the holiday season operation one much smoother than in some years in the past in spite of the increased volume.

Kathryn Kunkel Yule Card Winner

Kathryn Kunkel, Nyssa High School student, was named "best of show" winner last week in the annual original Christmas card contest sponsored by Ore-Ida Foods, Ontario. Her winning entry will now compete with winners in other Ore-Ida plants and offices.

Kathryn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kunkel. She was also a best of show winner in last year's contest.

Reggie Grasmick, Fruitland High School, was first place winner in the senior division with Susanne Thompson, Fruitland, second and Joyce Haney, Nyssa, third.

Honorable mention in the senior division was given to Alicia Martin, Fruitland; Reggie Grasmick, Fruitland; Debbie Flynn, Fruitland; Lee Gwartney, Payette; and Randy Woods, Fruitland.

Kim Warr, Fruitland Junior High, was first in the intermediate division with Pauline Shigeta, Fruitland second, and Larry Sparks, Nyssa, third.

Honorable mention went to Apolonio Rodriguez, Nyssa; Rudy Longoria, Nyssa; Donna Crummett, Vale; and David Martin, Fruitland.

Ore-Ida officials at Ontario reported 157 entries received from area students.

WEATHER

DATE	MAX	MIN	PREC.
Dec. 12	42	30	
Dec. 13	51	34	.09
Dec. 14	47	35	
Dec. 15	45	30	
Dec. 16	45	34	
Dec. 17	47	38	.21
Dec. 18	49	37	.16
Dec. 19	28		
Owyhee Reservoir Storage	12/17/73	423,310 Acre Feet	
	12/17/72	482,820 Acre Feet	

Nyssa Chamber Hears About Sugar Industry

Nyssa Chamber of Commerce members were told about the sugar industry and its economy at their regular meeting Wednesday noon at the Twilight Cafe.

Jim Grunke and Don Bowers, Nyssa and Parma fieldmen were present, and showed a film on the growing and processing of sugar by Amalgamated Sugar Company. Grunke pointed out that 29,000 acres of sugarbeets are grown in the Nyssa district, resulting in 765,687 tons of beets, which in turn will result in 1,930,000 bags of processed sugar. Growers will have been paid \$12,100,000 for their crops, and 759 employees will be paid \$2,900,000 in salaries, big business for Nyssa. Grunke said that there are still 664 acres of sugarbeets to harvest, mostly in the Payette and Weiser area.

Secretary Ralph Lawrence announced the results of the election for four directors for three-year terms. Elected were Ernie Metcalf, Steve Fonda, Dirick Nedry and Dave Waldo. They will be inducted and new officers elected at the December 28 meeting according to President Rod George.

Corn Growers Meet Jan. 4

A meeting of interested sweet corn growers was held in the Farm Bureau office in Ontario, Monday, December 17 to discuss the possibility of forming a bargaining association. Nyal Rydall, Assistant Executive Secretary of Commodity groups of Idaho Farm Bureau, lead the meeting. He discussed the possibility of a tri-state bargaining group to represent the various bargaining groups in Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

Growers were represented from both Idaho and Oregon in the Snake River Valley.

They all agreed that a substantial price increase was needed to cover estimated 1974 cost of production.

The group voted to call another meeting to discuss prices and conditions. This meeting will be held January 4, in Room W-10 at TVCC at 1:30 p.m. All interested corn growers are invited to attend.

Christmas Concert Tonight

The annual Christmas Concert, sponsored by the Nyssa PTA will be presented Thursday evening, (tonight) December 20 at 8 p.m. in the school cafeteria. There is no admission charge. Everyone is welcome.

The all Christmas music concert is under the direction of the music and band directors, Jeff Sandberg and Ralph Werner. The High School Bands and the High School Choirs will present standard Christmas carols and other familiar Christmas songs and band numbers.



Perez Nominee To Air Force Academy

Manuel Perez, a Nyssa High School Senior, has received word from Representative Al Ullman that he has been selected as one of Ullman's nominees for the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado for the year 1974-75.



MAYOR LARRY BAUMAN helps Molly and Fred Koch unpack a portable television set, one of several gifts given to the Kochs by City Councilmen, city employees and wives at a combination going-away party, birthday party for Koch, and annual Christmas dinner of city employees and officials Monday evening at the Twilight Cafe.

The lower picture shows the Kochs joining with new City Manager Henry Schneider and wife Mary. The latter arrived just in time to join in the festivities and to meet for the first time most of the city employees and their wives. Schneider replaces Koch, who retired after nine years as Nyssa City Manager. Schneider was formerly city manager at Milton-Freewater for 6 1/2 years, and more recently has been at La Junta, Colorado. The Kochs left Nyssa Tuesday

to make their retirement home at Fort Collins, Colorado.

Mayor Bauman introduced each of the councilmen, who in turn introduced their wives and told a little anecdote, some serious, some humorous, about their relations with Koch over the many years. Then each department head introduced his wife, the men in the department, and their wives.

Ex-Mayor Cecil Morrison, Jr. was the only council member who served when Koch was hired, and he, City Attorney Hal Henigson and City Judge A.C. Sallee had some poignant remarks to make concerning their nine years of association. After all the remarks and associations of a memorable evening, it was "FAREWELL, FRED AND MOLLY, WELCOME HENRY AND MARY."

ASC Committee Names New Officers

Farmers recently named to serve as the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Malheur County Committee are: J. P. Bunch, Payette-Oregon Slope community-Chairman; Woodrow Seuell, Nyssa community-Vice-Chairman; Russell Fullerton, Vale community-Regular Member. Effective date of this term of office is January 1, 1974.

Mr. Bunch is serving his third year of a three-year term, Mr. Seuell is serving his second year of a three-year term, and Mr. Fullerton is serving his first year of a three-year term.

Alternates elected were Charles Farley, Payette-Oregon Slope community and Elver Nielsen, Nyssa community.

The 1974 election was held at a county convention, December 12, 1973, at the Malheur County ASCS Office, Ontario, Oregon.

Elected were farmers chosen as convention delegates at recent ASC community committee elections throughout the county.

ASC county and community farmer-committees are in charge of local administration of such national farm programs as the Feed Grain Program, Wheat Program, Acreage Allotments and Marketing Quotas, National Wool Program, Sugar Program, Commodity Price Support Loans, and Storage Facility loans.

The ASCS county office, 1252 S. W. 4th Ave., Ontario is headquarters for the

county committee, and serves as the farmers' local contact for business connected with participation in the program administered by the committees. These programs encourage conservation and increase farm returns by means of price supports and market supply-management, as well as by payments.

Bloodmobile To Be Here Dec. 28

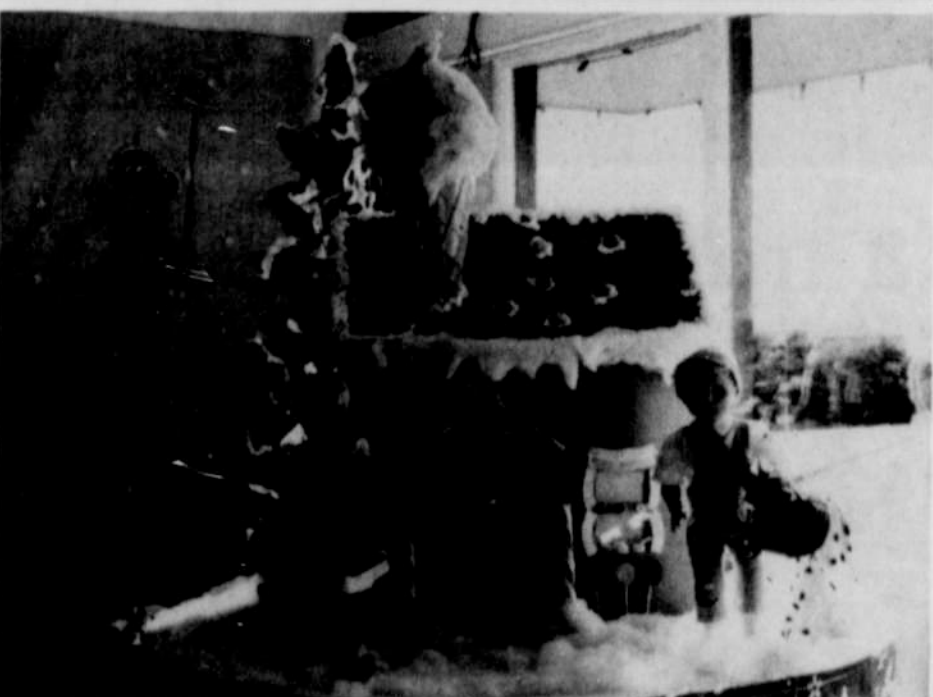
The bloodmobile will again be here December 28, according to chairman Mrs. Robert Wilson. It will be at the Eagles Hall from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. This is for a good cause and everyone that possibly can is urged to donate a pint of blood.



NEW OFFICERS of the Malheur Potato Bargaining Association to serve for the 1973-74 year were elected at the Board of Directors meeting Friday at the Nyssa Public Library meeting room. Keith Tallman, center, was re-elected president; Abe Saito, left, is vice-president; and Kenneth

Wettstein was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Holdover directors are Masa Nishahara, Jack Pressley, Ted Morinaka, Shay Bybee, Clyde Ward, Laurel Amick and Max Barlow. New directors are Harold Trenkel, Hiro Kanezono, Melvin Ballantyne and Don Brewer.



CHRISTMAS IN NYSSA would not be complete without the annual lighting and decorations at the home of Jake and Nona Fischer on Alberta Avenue. Brightly lighted and

decorated on the outside, Nona's creation on the inside of the big picture window features Hansel and Gretel and the gingerbread house revolving on a pedestal.