Library Eugene, Ore. 97403 Nyssa Gate City Journal

68th Year 12th Issue

The Sugar City

Thunderegg Capital

University of Oregon

15¢ Per Copy

Craig Named Manager of First National Bank

New manager at First National Bank of Oregon, Nyssa Bouch will be George A. balg, who is presently Assistant Manager and Commercial Loan Officer at the Ontario Branch, announced Robert F. Wallace, President.

He replaces Rod George, who is transferring to the bank's La Grande Branch as Manager.



GEORGE CRAIG

Indexing New Method On **Property Assessments**

Malheur County Assessor, Oscar Bratton, said today that the word "indexing" is becoming increasingly important in real estate property assessments. Nearly all of the counties in Oregon are using this method to stay in compliance with the ratio standards required by the Department of Revenue's enforcement of O.R.S. 308.234 (property shall be assessed at 100% of its true cash value).

Bratton said that the counties are allowed a 10% tolerance from the 100% target before adjustment is required. Indexing is a blanket adjustment of property values by a percentage amount to bring the area into compliance. The goal, Bratton emphasized, is to have more equity in assessments by indexing properties that have not recently been appraised or areas having rapid change and growth.

This year, the Department of Revenue and the Board of Equalization have authorized the indexing of the following areas; The residentials of the City of Ontario, 4% increase to improvements. Vale farm property (Code 43) appraised on "market value", will receive 30% increase. Properties on "farm

use" value will receive 30% increase on improvements only.

ROD GEORGE

Vale tracts (Code 43), increase on land 5% and increase on improvements 30%. 'By using the indexing method," Bratton explained, "if the economy should take a downward trend assessed values can also be lowered to reflect lower property values and not have to wait for the six year reappraisal cycle for adjustment."

Judge Asks For **Owyhee Bridge**

County Judge Roy Hirai has contacted the National Guard asking for assistance in providing a temporary bridge to cross the Owyhee River where the old bridge was destroyed last fall.

Judge Hirai said that the guard is looking for a bailey ticipants. bridge, in fact two bridges are needed. He said that planned with "The Hagers" they have found two sets in Fresno, California but they have to determin bridges come under the heading of Army Defense Supply. If so, we can't have them as they must be available in time of war. If the bridges come under the head of Army Maintenance, there is a possibility that we can use them. the judge said. The National

Craig joined First National the Cottage Grove Branch. at the Hood River Branch in In 1964, he was assigned 1950. He received a numto the Stayton Branch as ber of assignments there General Loan Officer and prior to his appointment as four years later transferred Assistant Operations Officer to the John Day Branch. He in 1956. He moved to the Condon

Branch in a similar capacity two years later, and in 1960 was promoted to Installment Loan Officer at

was appointed Commercial Loan Officer at the Ontario office in 1969 and has been Assistant Branch Manager since 1973.

of the Board.

be open to families of at

least three members who

may exhibit a total of not

less than six and not more

than 15 items. It may in-

clude baked goods, flowers,

land products, art, handi-

work, and/or clothing items.

Capps said that pre-regis-

tration will be necessary to

insure adequate space, and

any family interested should

check the premium book

which should be available in

is planned again this year

with Saturday, August 17

tentatively set as the date.

There will also be an "Open

Class Horse Show" on Sa-

turday. This is a new event

for the Fair and will have

some 20 classes for par-

Candidate For

Governor

Special entertainment is

A Democratic candidate

for Governor in the Oregon

primary was a visitor to

Nyssa last Friday. He is

An "Open Class Dog Show"

May.

Craig is Treasurer of Executives Affiliated, a member of the Board of Realtors and is active in the Ontario Chamber of Commerce and Lions Club.

George, a First National employee since 1960, was named Assistant Operations Officer at the La Grande Branch in March, 1965. He

was named Operations Officer at the Nyssa Branch later that year and was assigned to the Bend Branch in 1967. He was appointed General Loan Officer at the Merrill Branch in 1968, and in 1971 was promoted to Assistant Manger of the Klamath Falls Branch. He has been manager of the Nyssa Branch since 1972.

George was President of Nyssa Chamber of Commerce, Co-Chairman of Malheur County United Appeal, and is also a member of the Volunteer Fire Department, the Nyssa City Council, and is a member of F.O.E. #2134.

Family Theme For Malheur County Fair

of Hee Haw fame giving two A "Fair for the Family" has been the goal of the shows on Thursday, August Malheur County Fair Board 15, and George "Goober" in its planning over the years, Lindsey of the old Andy Grifand this year they have selecfin series and current Hee ted this as the theme for the Haw program scheduled for 1974 Malheur County Fair, two performances on Fri-August 14 - 17, according day, August 16. An old-time to Gordon Capps, Chairman minstrel show "Down On The Levy" will be given Wednesday and Saturday evenings. With the motto "All In The Family" the Board will This show is under the direction of Wayne Phillips and sponsor a special "Family Exhibit." The display will

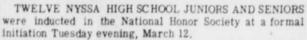
Sally Seiler. An admission charge of \$1.00 per individual, age six, and over, will be charged again this year. Buttons will be sold at the gates, but Capps stated there would not be a Pre-Fair Button Sale Contest this year. He said that the button will entitle the purchaser to attend all entertainment and events sponsored by the Fair Board throughout the four days of the Fair.

Three Candidates

For Commissioner

County Clerk Bob Morcum announced Tuesday that a third candidate has filed for Malheur County Commissioner. David R. Moffitt, 27, an

Ontario Democrat has filed for the position currently held by Emil Maag. He joins Scott Gillette, Democrat, and Bud Hammack, Repub-



The ceremony was under the direction of Clyde T. Swisher, advisor, and senior members of the society. In order to be invited to membership, students must earn a cumulative 3.5 GPA, and show positive qualities in leadership, character and services.

New initiates are shown in the top photo, and they are, front row from left Lori Saito, Kathy Kurtz, Loralee Bates, Jennie Shimomaeda and Pam Bock. Standing from left, are Miriam Kunkel, Connie Barnes, Wilma Staples, Raymond Wiley, Kathy Shell, Lori Lewis and Kathy Ward. At right are the senior honor society members. Seated, from left, are Beth Ann Kassman, Manuel Perez and Debbie Alexander; standing are Monica Smit and Dwight Calhoun.

TVCC Budget Election Tuesday, March 26

Treasure Valley Community College voters will go to the polls March 26, to vote on the 1974-75 operating budget. Polling places will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Voters will also select

three members to serve on the College Board of Education. Running unopposed Home Ec Courses

Offered By TVCC

Three Home Economic courses will be offered by the



BLM Issues Call For SRV Firefighters

son. Thayer is running for a three-year term and the With several fires already others for four-year terms. in the dry southwest, the Bu-The proposed general fund reau of Land Management at budget for next year will re-Vale, Oregon is starting to require \$1,891,986. Local tax cruit members for the 1974 payers are being asked to SRV crews.

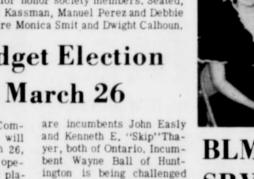
All persons wishing to be-

come a member of an SRV

(Snake River Valley) fire-

their own doctor, and return it to the Vale BLM fire office before they can apply to be a SRV crew member. New members are reminded to bring proof of citizen-

ship with them when applying. Pictures of SRV crew members from previous years will be accepted if



by Mike Singleton of Jamie-

contribute \$718,151 of that

amount with the balance

coming from state funds and

Nyssa Girl Elected To Phi Beta Kappa

Ninety members of the University of Oregon 1972-73 senior class have been elected to the University chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, national scholastic honorary.

Since 1971, with the adoption of a grading system in which grade point averages are no longer computed, Phi Beta Kappa has identified eligible candidates during the months following the June commencement.

Qualifications for membership include 168 term hours of credit with 50 percent or more in liberal arts courses and with a cumulative grade point average of at least 3,50.

The new Phi Beta Kappas-elect, all of whom were graduated in June, 1973, or earlier, include Margaret Lorraine Wilson Maxfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Houston Wilson, Nyssa.



BASKETBALL COACH GERALD TALBOT AND COUNTY Judge Roy Hirai shared the podium at the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce luncheon last Wednesday at the Twilight Cafe, Talbot introduced his basketball players, guests of the chamber, who are now in Eugene for the state basketball tournament. Judge Hirai talked to chamber members about the possibility of forming a Port Commission.

the results of their survey to Col. Darrell Doering, who is head of the Oregon Military Department, and their information should be available by the end of the week. The Nyssa Road District

started grading the old road from Mitchell Butte to the dam on the Oxbow trail. They ask people to use this road rather than the ditch banks, as these roads can be very dangerous,

Nyssa Students Accepted At TVCC

Two Nyssa students, Silvia Serrano and Lee Ollison have been accepted for the Fall Term, 1974-75 at Treasure Valley CommunityCol-

Miss Serrano will major in Sociology or Business, and Ollison will major in Law Enforcement,



JOHNNY WOODS

Woods is a native of Texas, and has worked with many band leaders in the country, including Hank Williams and Jimmy Dorsey. He spent three and one-half years in the Air Force as a captain, and is also a journeyman electrician.

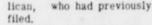
A new-comer to politics, Woods believes that he can serve Oregon as governor because he has learned the problems of the people through his travel in the state playing shows in most of the principal cities,

WEATHER

DATE MAX. MIN. PREC.

Mar. 13 53 34 trace Mar. 14 42 Mar. 15 49 34 .13 Mar. 16 54 39 Mar. 17 62 44 trace 35 Mar. 18 56

Mar. 19 53 28 Mar, 20 18 Owyhee Reservoir Storage 3/20/74 693,490 Acre Feet 3/20/73 658,620 Acre Feet



Tuesday was the deadline for filing, and Morcum said that in addition to his own filing as a Democrat for County Clerk, Daisy Morrell, Johnny Woods, well-known Democrat from Ontario has filed for that position.

Albert Gaschler, Republican, has filed for County Surveyor, and Nita Bellows, Ontario, has filed for re-elec tion as Ontario Justice of the Peace.

Two Named To National Positions

Two Amalgamated Sugar Company people were recently elected to top executive positions in the American Society of Sugarbeet Technologists (ASSBT).

They are Hugh G. Rounds, director of research and technical services at the general offices in Ogden, Utah, who was elected president; and Dr. Donald Oldemeyer, manager of beet seed production and development at the company's Nyssa plant, who was named to the board of directors of the society, representing the Intermountain region.

Announcement of the new assignments came during the organization's 18th general meeting held at San Diego, California in late February.

Above Average Water Supply Forecast

With the exception of Bully Creek watershed, above average water supplies are forecast for water users in Malheur County. Despite low February precipitation, reservoir storage and soil moisture remain high and excellent to good spring and summer stream flows are expected.

"What happened to the snowpack on the BullyCreek watershed? Apparently the rain and snowmelt in late January took it off and it

Treasure Valley Community College Office of Continuing Education spring term. Mexican Cookery will meet

Tuesday evenings, 7-9 p.m., in the Ontario Jr. High School Home Economics Room, beginning March 26. The instructor will be Mrs. Gri-Cost is \$15 for malda. residents of the college district.

Fresh Flower Arrangement will be offered Monday evenings 7-9 p.m., in the Natural Science Lab of the Administration Building. The first class meeting April 1. Ron Palmer will instruct. Cost is \$15 for district residents.

Family Meals is scheduled Thursday evenings 6:30-9:30 p.m., in the Ontario Jr. High School Home Economics Room. This is a meal planning course under the instruction of Mrs. Pauline Coleman.

Art Course At Adrian

Treasure Valley The Community College Office of Continuing Education will offer a Painting Class in Adrian spring quarter.

The course, taught by Mike McGuire, will meet Tuesdays, beginning March 26,

from 2-5 p.m., in the grade school.

didn't get replaced,'' so went the conversation on the snow marker flight on March 8, that Adam Focht, manager of Owyhee North Board of Control; S. Duane Town, District Conservationist for Soil Conservation Service at Vale, Oregon and pilot Casey Jones of Ontario Flight Service made. Four and one-half hours of fairly low altitude (especially by the marker) flying and observation of 23 snow markers gives one a good idea of future run off.

student tuition. Speaking about the college budget. President Emery Skinner, urged citizen support. He stated that the Budget Committee, composed of local citizens, spent many hours in meetings developing the proposed budget. He said he was particularly appreciative of the cooperative efforts shown by the joint budget board-staff salary committee in reaching agreement on salaries. He said

that members of the Board of Education also had expressed appreciation to the staff for the cooperation they demonstrated during salary deliberations. Chairman of the College Board of Education, Sherman

Turner, stated, "the proposed budget reflects the considered efforts of the Budget Committee and the staff. The continuing impact of inflation is a concern to all of us. We have done our best to maintain a sound level of support for the College without placing too great a burden of increased cost on the taxpavers.

fighting crew may pick up physical examination forms at the Vale BLM fire control office beginning March 26. The fire office will be open to process SRV crew applications between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. every Monday and Wednesday after March 25

Rod Coleman, SRV coordinator at Vale, said only those crew members who did not have physicals last year, or new members, must have physical examinations this year. Those persons needing physicals must get the physical form, be examined by

4-H Livestock

Judging Postponed The 4-H Livestock Judging Training Schedule for March 23 in Jordan Valley has been postponed until April. The rain, snow and mud is the reason for the postponement.

Malheur County 4-H Youth Agent Ron Mobley says that this training will be rescheduled sometime in April.

the crew members will bring them and their plastic payroll cards to the fire control office. The BLM will cooperate

fully again this year with the U.S Immigration Service in citizenship matters, Coleman emphasized.

International Food

Training Friday

An International Foods Training event for any interested adults and youth, has been scheduled during Spring Vacation on Friday, March 22 at 1:30 p.m. This informative session will be at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Ontario.

The event, sponsored by the Malheur County Extension Office, is open to all in the 7th grade and above whether enrolled in 4-H or not. Highlights will include Mexican and Japanese cookery. If you wish to attend, please call the Extension Office - 889-9129 to pre-register.



THIS ACCIDENT WAS THE RESULT of an apparent fatal heart attack Thursday morning, resulting in the death of Jose Rodriguez, Sr., 66, Nyssa.

Nyssa police speculate that Rodriguez suffered a heart attack just as he en-

tered the intersection at 2nd and Main Street. His car jumped the sidewalk on the southeast corner of the intersection, and struck the parked car of Rusty Talbot.