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## Nyssa's Annual Krazy Days Coming This Weekend

### School Board Reviews Trip

Members of the Nyssa school board, budget board and building committee held a short special meeting Monday night to review the recent trip made by some of those present to check on school buildings throughout Oregon.

Board members Mark Hartley, Gene Stunz, Don Engstrom, and Gerald Simantel; Superintendent W. L. McPartland; High School Principal Gene Chester; Dick Tensen, building committee; and Architect Bob Smith made the hurried two-day journey last week. They visited schools at Hermiston, Madras, Redmond, Cascade and Stayton, and spent some time in the State Department of Education in Salem. They were primarily interested in vocational plans and programs, general school layouts and gymnasiums.

Superintendent McPartland said that the trip was productive, and board members came back with several ideas that they hope to incorporate in plans for rebuilding the Nyssa schools.

### Betty Roberts Nyssa Visitor

State Senator Betty Roberts, Democratic candidate for the U. S. Senate opposing Senator Bob Packwood in the November primary, was speaker at the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce meeting Wednesday noon. Mrs. Roberts was picked by Democratic State Central Committee to replace Wayne Morse after he died.

Sen. Roberts is a resident of Portland, and has served four years in the State House of Representatives, and six years in the State Senate.



**HESSTON CORPORATION OFFICIALS** visited Nyssa Tuesday, and conducted a service school on onion harvesting equipment. The Hesston, Kansas based company and E & W Equipment Company, Boise, have recently developed a new onion harvester that Hesston is marketing.

Tuesday noon Hesston representatives and dealers lunched in South Park, above, and then went to the Wong Farms, Roswell, and the Kay Hara farm, Parma, for field demonstrations. They also showed their onion lifter, topper and loader, all manufactured by Hesston.

Twenty-seven men representing Hesston from all the western states attended the demonstration. Five flew in by company jet airplane, and the others converged on Nyssa by private auto. They toured the farms by Boise-Winnemucca bus.

Arrangements were made by Les, Monty and Craig Burbank of B & M Equipment Company. Among the company officials were Al Schulte, marketing manager, Logan, Utah; Frank Depew, vice president and director of marketing, Logan; Steve McDaniel, marketing manager, Hesston; and Woody Grotewald, North American sales manager.

At right, Craig Burbank and Monty Burbank have lunch with company officials.



### Reggie Grasmick Picked For American Student Who's Who

Who's Who Among American High School Students has recently notified Reggie L. Grasmick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Grasmick of Route 2, Parma, that he is to be featured in the Eighth Annual Edition of **Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1973-74**, the largest student award publication in the Nation.

Students from over 20,000 public, private and parochial high schools throughout the country are recognized for their leadership in academics, athletics, activities or community service. Less than 3% of the junior and senior class students nation-wide are awarded this recognition.

### FFA Slave Sale Monday

The Nyssa FFA Chapter will hold their annual Chapter Slave Sale this Monday, September 23 at 7 p.m. at the Oregon Trail Grange Hall. A potluck dinner will be served by the members and their parents starting promptly at 7 p.m. for everyone. All male and female FFA members, including the instructor will be auctioned off by Colonel Guy Sparks and Colonel Roger Baker to the highest bidder.

Conditions of the Sale are that they will work an eight-hour day. Payment can be made at the sale or after the member has worked. Anyone needing extra help this fall is invited to come buy a slave and get the job done. If you cannot make it but would like a slave you may call David Blaylock or Deryl Leggett at the Nyssa Vo-Ag Building, 372-3415.



REGGIE GRASMICK

Reggie was Ski Club president, art editor of the high school annual and newspaper, and won ribbons in art shows in Payette County. He won the Ore-Ida Christmas Card contest in 1974.

Reggie is now enrolled at the University of Idaho, Moscow. He has pledged Delta Chi Fraternity and will study to be an architect.

### Candy Strippers To Meet

The first meeting of Candy Strippers will be Tuesday, September 24 at the Malheur Memorial Hospital at 4 p.m. All high school girls 14 years and older that are interested in being Candy Strippers are invited to attend.

All former Candy Strippers that still have uniforms are asked to return them to Mrs. Dick Tensen, Candy Stripper Advisor.

### Income Tax Class Available

The Treasure Valley Community College Office of Community Education will offer Income Tax Preparation and Consulting for people interested in studying for their licensing examination. The class, which meets for 20 hours, will apply against the 80 hour relicensing requirement of the IRS and is approved by the Tax Commission. The class will organize Wednesday, October 2, at 7 p.m., in room C-23 of the Administration Building.

## SALES, CONTESTS, PRIZES FEATURES OF BIG EVENT WITH FUN FOR ALL

Nyssa merchants and business people are again sponsoring their annual **KRAZY DAZE**, and this will be the fifteenth celebration. The sale dates are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, with several events scheduled for Saturday only. This is the day when store owners, employees and kids all dress as crazy as possible; and several stores reserve their big giveaway specials for this date.

The Merchants Promotion committee has again arranged for the Journal to be distributed throughout the sales area. Those receiving the paper are advised to read the ads very carefully, because this annual sales event offers prices which can't be beat anywhere in the valley.

**Many valuable prizes** Each merchant will provide a box where those over 16 may register, and at the finish of business Saturday names will be drawn for prizes. The winners need not be present for the drawing, and they will be notified by the merchant.

### Sports Boosters Breakfast

The Nyssa Sports Boosters will sponsor the annual Crazy Days Breakfast Saturday morning in the parking lot adjacent to Bracken's. They will serve hotcakes, eggs, milk or coffee and juice. Store employees are urged to attend the breakfast, and they will be judged for their costumes at this time.

Early Saturday afternoon the kids fun gets underway with the big parade, led by members of the Nyssa Junior High School band under the direction of Frank Werner, and all dressed in crazy clothes. Adults, kids and pets who wish to dress up and compete for prizes will be welcome in the parade.

Participants are asked to be at the school grounds at the west end of Main Street by 1:30 p.m. so that the judges may award the prizes and the parade will get underway at 2 p.m.

The Journal will again award cash to the craziest dressed kids, with \$5 for first place, \$3 for second place and \$2 for third place. The contest is limited to kids in the 7th grade and below.

Merchandise prizes are being awarded by Bracken's, \$5 for the craziest dressed male above the 7th grade; Nyssa Firestone, \$5 for the craziest dressed female above the 7th grade; the Nyssa Merc, \$5 for the oldest person wearing goofy garb; and Wilson Bros. Dept. Store, \$5 for the youngest person with a costume entered in the contest.

The Nyssa Merchants Association will again offer prizes for the craziest dressed employees. Merchandise certificates will be given, redeemable at any Nyssa store, \$15 for first place, \$10 for second, and \$5 for third prize.

### Coin Scramble

A new attraction this year which is sure to attract the kids is a Coin Scramble, for want of a better name. It will be held immediately after the parade in the vacant lot between Gambles and Idaho Power Company on Main Street.

Ken Nyce, president of the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce, is in charge of this event. The chamber will provide \$75 in coins, in denominations from nickles to silver dollars. They will be raked into a sand pile, and on a signal the kids by age groups will go into the sand pile and keep any coins that they find. There will be a time limit, of course, and it should be wild and woolly, and profitable.

This fifteenth Crazy Days promises to be one of the best ever, and Nyssa merchants hope that you will come early for breakfast, stay for lunch, register for free prizes at the prizes at the stores, and take advantage of the bargains.

### Fertilizer Still Scarce

The state's Agricultural Development Division reported recently that a priority fuel allocation has been allocated to reopen the St. Helen's fertilizer plant of Shell Oil Company, according to Ernest Seuell, President of the Malheur County Farm Bureau.

Seuell went on to say this would mean some 20,000 tons of Anhydrous Ammonia badly needed for future agriculture production. If the allocation is granted according to Seuell it could increase Oregon's supply to 125 percent of 1972 stocks. If not we would be down some 15 percent from the 1972 level.

Farmers needing fertilizer for next year should place their orders now rather than wait, Seuell concluded.

## Landmark Looney Supermarket Sold After 29 Years In Adrian

By Merlin Mann

After 37 years in the grocery business, the last 29 in Adrian, Bill Looney has called it quits, sort of.

Bill and his wife Ruth decided to sell the Looney Super Market that has been a landmark in downtown Adrian for the 29 years the Looney's operated the market. And the buyers are just moving across the street to reopen the market which was closed for three weeks for remodeling. The store opened under the direction of Gale and Jody Martin last Saturday and a Grand Opening is being planned soon.

While Ruth Looney has decided to teach second grade at the Adrian elementary school, Bill will take a rest - but only after helping the Martins get their feet on the ground. He'll remain at the store for another six weeks to two months.

The Martins, who now own a farm machinery and welding shop across the side street from the market, will move their retail business into one end of the grocery store. The welding shop will be managed by their son-in-law Keith Baldwin.

Looney is looking forward

to his retirement. "I wanted to quit while I can still walk down a river bank to fish. And you can't do that in here."

Looney, who will be 62 this fall, said, "You don't especially like to admit it, but I'm just getting too old for the business." And after 37 years he needs a rest.

Looney started in the grocery business in Emmett and was tutored by none other than Joe Albertson, now head of the Albertson chain super markets. "If you can't learn the grocery business from him, than you aren't capable of learning it," Looney praised his former boss.

And Looney learned the business well. He built the Adrian store up from a gas station, making two building additions, and he built a clientele that he'll have trouble telling good bye. "I'm going to miss it. I can't get over the fact that I like people," he said.

"But business has been good to me. I put four kids through college," he proudly points out. His daughter, Mary, 19, is in her second year of college at the College of Idaho. His sons are: Bill, Jr., 35, a college professor living at Moses Lake, Wash.,

Cliff, 32, a lawyer in Vale, and Dave, 29, a federal probation officer in Portland.

The Looneys will continue to live in their house behind the market, and Bill is convinced the Martins will do well. "They've been in the retail business for a long time, so the adjustment won't be a problem," Bill said. "The hardest part is keeping up on the latest merchandise, what the people want, and what grade they want. Now days with everything going up, you also have to stay up on price changes."

The Martins and Bill have been spending long hours readying the store for business. Last week before the Saturday opening, they spent Thursday and Friday in the store 'til midnight getting the store in shape.

Jody is pleased to be moving into the grocery business. "I think it'll work out just fine," she said. "People say it will be harder, but I don't think they realize how much steel I've been handling in the welding shop over the years."

And when the Martins settle down in the store Bill Looney is going to take his rest. "I can see some fish out there that need catching."



JODY MARTIN & BILL LOONEY go over plans for the change of ownership, as the Martins take over and Looney retires from the grocery business after 29 years in Adrian.

### WEATHER

DATE	MAX.	MIN.
Sept. 11	72	50
Sept. 12	71	46
Sept. 13	74	40
Sept. 14	78	38
Sept. 15	80	39
Sept. 16	86	41
Sept. 17	85	41
Sept. 18		44
Owyhee Reservoir Storage	9-18-74, 404,900 Acre Feet	
	9-18-73, 402,440 Acre Feet	



**NEWCOMERS TO NYSSA** are Mr. and Mrs. Dan VanDyke, and he is now associated with the law firm of Henigson, Stunz and Fonda.

Dan is from western Oregon, and his parents farm near Yamhill. He attended San Luis Rey College, San Luis Rey, Calif., and received his law degree from Northwestern School of Law, Portland. He took and passed the bar exam in July, and was sworn in last

Tuesday at the State Capitol by the Oregon Supreme Court.

Mrs. VanDyke (Cindy) is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Muldoon, Nampa, and graduated from Valluvue High School and Marylhurst College, near Portland. She taught one year in Hometown, the second year in McMinnville, Oregon, and is now a 6th grade teacher in the Fruitland schools.

The young couple are making their home at 718 Locust Avenue.