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Escapee Held

Nyssa police officers arrested Sally Joanne Stone, Friday, October 11 on an escape warrant from California. Miss Stone had been employed at a local produce warehouse as a bookkeeper. She was arraigned in Nyssa Justice Court on Tuesday and waived extradition. Bail was set at \$62,000. Miss Stone is now lodged in the Malheur County Jail at Vale awaiting California authorities.

Commissioner Candidate Here

Scott Gillette, Democratic candidate for County Commissioner, and his wife Ruby were guests of the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce at their regular meeting Wednesday at the Twilight Cafe. Gillette will oppose W. C. "Bud" Hamack, Republican, in the November election for the seat now occupied by Emil Maag on the County Court.

Candy Strippers Elect Officers

The Candy Strippers of Malheur Memorial Hospital held their first regular meeting Thursday, October 10. Mr. Gale Christensen, administrator, welcomed the new girls and spoke on hospital policies.

Officers for the 74-75 year were elected: Martina De Leon, president; Jennie Shimomada, vice-president; and Kathy Thompson, secretary-treasurer; Ellen Moore was appointed historian.

Martina DeLeon was presented with her 200 hour pin.

The new Candy Strippers have received their orientation and are beginning their work. New Candy Strippers are: Harriet Lorenson, Adrian; Jennie Shimomada, Kathy Thompson, Donna Osborne, Ellen Moore, Maria Patino, Rosario Castellanoz, Irene Soliz, Leticia Ramirez and Georgia Alcoser all of Nyssa. Returning Candy Strippers are Martina DeLeon of Nyssa and Debbie Fisher and Glenda Lamb of Parma.

Colleen Brown

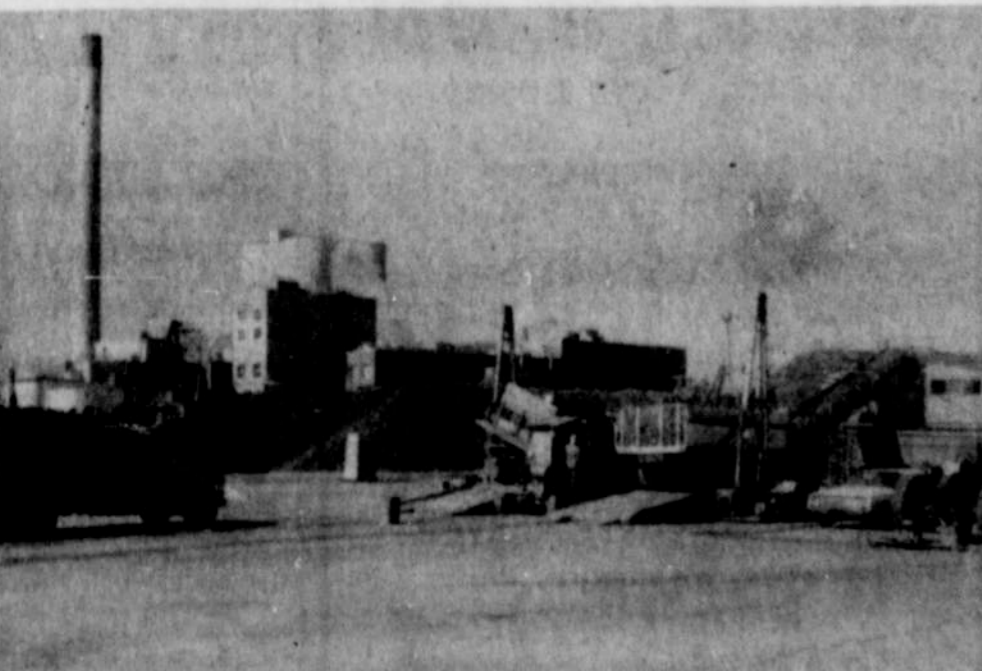
Portland Graduate

Colleen Brown graduated from Portland State University August 8 with a BS Degree in Psychology, Education and Social Science. She is presently substitute teaching in Portland and working at Nordstroms Shoe Store in her spare time.



SUGAR ANALYSIS TESTS are being run in the laboratory at Amalgamated Sugar on samples brought in from variety test plots. Don Oldemeyer, manager of seed production and development, is in charge of this

program. Laboratory workers include, from left, Carlene Savage, Glenda Barnes, Linda Sant, Oldemeyer, Lillian Roberts and Mary Chamberlain.



SUGAR BEET PILES are growing at the rate of 500 tons a day at the Nyssa factory

as growers complete their first week of harvest.



HUNDREDS OF NYSSA residents visited the new First National Bank all day Monday, including, from left, Case Vissor, Bill Purcell, County Judge Roy Hirai, Dale Adams and Dirk De Boer with loan officer Jim Gardner.

At right is First National's president, Robert F. Wallace (center) visiting with Nyssa manager George Craig (right) and Bob Kennedy, former Nyssan and now assistant vice president and regional loan officer, with headquarters in Portland.



Nyssa PTSA Holds Meeting

The Nyssa PTSA will meet Thursday, (today), October 17 at 8 p.m. in the multipurpose room at the primary building. The main point of business will be to elect a new secretary. Mrs. Kay Ferrenburg has been nominated and further nominations with the consent of the nominee may be made at this meeting.

All parents and students, especially senior students and parents that are concerned about college education for their children are urged to attend.

Discussion under the direction of Duane Buchtel, Nyssa High School Guidance Counselor, concerning college entrance procedures and financial aid will be the featured event of the evening.

October is National Membership month so everyone please join the Nyssa PTSA this year.

Legislators Ask Governor To Withdraw VML Support

Ten Eastern Oregon Legislators asked Governor Tom McCall Friday to withdraw his support of the federal appropriation request sought for extension of Valley Migrant League programs into Eastern Oregon.

In a joint letter to the Governor, Senator Robert Smith, Representatives D. E. Jones and Donald Oakes appealed to McCall to use the influence of his office to direct federal Comprehensive Education and Training Act funds to existing organizations serving migrants in Eastern Oregon.

The appeal said, "As you are aware Governor, the Migrant Indian Coalition has been servicing Eastern Oregon communities well for many years. We believe the MIC has done an outstanding job of servicing children and adult needs in our communi-

ties, and should not be placed in a competitive and duplicative situation with VML."

Earlier, the Deputy Director of the Department of Human Resources, Cornelius Bateson had told the legislators that the Governor had taken an official position in favor of VML. Bateson's comment came following a meeting at the Capitol between the Department of Human Resources' official and five Eastern Oregon legislators. At that time Bateson said the Department of Human Resources had not taken a stance on the matter.

Local Coed On Field Trip

Fifty four Oregon State University juniors and seniors will spend October 17 and 18 in the Portland area on a field trip sponsored annually by the School of Home Economics.

The trip, designed by a faculty committee to give the students an experience that will broaden their concept of their place as citizens in the community, will take them to business and industrial centers and social and civic agencies.

Included on the schedule are a senior citizens' center, the University of Oregon Medical School Child Development Rehabilitation Center, the Portland Develop-

Christensen Heads Hospital Association

Malheur Memorial Hospital Administrator Gale M. Christensen was installed as president of the Oregon Association of Hospitals Wednesday at their 40th annual meeting at Otter Crest on the Oregon Coast. He has served as president-elect for the past year.



GALE M. CHRISTENSEN Christensen came to Nyssa two years ago after many years as administrator of the hospital at Stayton.

ment Commission, a weaving mill, and a merchandizer's distribution center. Students also will have a dinner meeting with the Portland chapter of Home Economists in Business.

Students making the trip include Mardi Tensen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Tensen, Nyssa.

First National Bank President Paints Bright Picture For Nyssa Economy In Future

Robert F. Wallace, president of First National Bank of Oregon, told a Nyssa audience that agriculture represents the brightest spot on the Oregon economic scene. Wallace was in Nyssa Monday for the opening of the new Nyssa branch, and spoke before 115 businessmen and farmers at breakfast at the Twilight Cafe.

He painted a bright picture for Nyssa's economy, and the increased demand for financial services. He said that deposits increased more than 58 percent from 1970 to 1973, compared to about 37 percent growth for Oregon as a whole.

Wallace said that another very good indicator of Nyssa's state of economy is the "per capita" bank deposits which, between 1970 and 1973, increased about 53 percent in Nyssa compared with 45 percent in Malheur County, and only 29 percent in Oregon. Per capita bank deposits in Nyssa of \$6,628 at year-end 1973 are more than double that of Malheur County and two-and-one-half times that of Oregon.

Accompanying Wallace were Joseph A. Moore, senior vice president responsible for the administration of the bank's statewide offices; Grant W. Perry, senior vice president in charge of 26 Eastern Oregon branches including the Nyssa branch, and assistant vice president Robert Kennedy, formerly of Nyssa and now regional credit administrator of 13 Eastern Oregon branches. Two former Nyssa managers, Rod George, La Grande, and Tom Stenkamp, Prineville, and their wives were present for the dedication.

The full text of Wallace's speech is as follows:

Whenever First National opens a new branch office or we undertake a major expansion of an existing office, I've always enjoyed participating in the opening of the new facility. I look forward to visiting the 82 communities served by the bank, meeting with our 137

School Needs Beet Dirt

Nyssa schools need beet dirt!

Superintendent W. L. McPartland is requesting that farmers who need a place to dump their beet dirt can do so in the field directly north of the Ag Shop. This field needs to be built up before seeding to playgrounds, and any beet dirt received will be welcome.

McPartland said that openings have been made in the fence on both sides of the field to make it easy for truckers to dump their load.

branch managers and especially talking to the people we do business with. I'm glad to be here and particularly pleased that you could join us today in celebrating the opening of our new Nyssa branch building.

First National and Oregon have been working together for a long, long time. Our bank received its charter in 1865, and as such, was the first nationally chartered bank on the Pacific Coast. We first opened our doors for business in Portland on May 7, 1866, more than 108 years ago.

Branch established in 1935

In 1933, when the Federal Glass-Steagall Act and the Oregon Branch Banking Act were passed permitting national banks to establish branches, First National promptly opened offices in eight other Oregon communities from Astoria to Pendleton and south to Salem. In 1935, the bank established the Nyssa office. First National's only office in Malheur County until the Ontario branch was opened in 1954.

By 1959, when Oregon celebrated its centennial year of statehood, First National recorded an important milestone when resources briefly touched the \$1 billion dollar mark, another first for banking in Oregon. An indication of the bank's accelerating growth is the fact that it took 80 years to reach the half-billion mark but only 14 more to reach the billion-dollar figure.

The period since 1960 has brought record employment, peak consumer income and widespread consumer demand. In that period, our resources have more than doubled to \$2.6 billion and the number of statewide offices has risen from 83 to 138. First National also is part owner of a Hong Kong Merchant Bank and maintains two representative offices in Singapore, Hong Kong.

Why a new Nyssa branch?

Why did the bank construct a new \$310,000 Nyssa branch office? This new building was one we had to have because your need for banking service has been expanding so rapidly. As your community grows, we at First National want to grow with you. And this new office indicates the confidence we share with you in the future of the Nyssa economy.

I'm sure you'll be pleased with the improved service now that construction is nearly complete. We now have a bank building with over 6,000 square feet of floor space.

This building is equipped with a new drive-in banking window, longer tellers' row, expanded officers' platform.

conference room, mezzanine level, larger safe deposit facilities and night depository. We're better equipped to serve you, and that is what this banking business is all about—service.

The growth of loans and deposits in Nyssa, particularly in the last four years, clearly indicates your community's prosperity and rising demand for increased financial services.

Nyssa high in Oregon

Deposits increased more than 58 percent from 1970 to 1973. This compares with slightly less than 37 percent growth over the same period for Oregon as a whole.

Moreover, deposit and loan growth here from mid-1973 to mid-1974 has substantially surpassed that of the state and of Malheur County.

Another very good indicator of Nyssa's state of economy is the "per capita" bank deposits which, between 1970 and 1973, increased about 53 percent in Nyssa compared with 45 percent in Malheur County and only 29 percent in Oregon. In dollars, this translates into "per capita" bank deposits in Nyssa of \$6,628 at year-end 1973, more than double that of Malheur County and two-and-one-half times that of Oregon.

Since we are just beginning the fourth quarter of 1974, I would be remiss if I did not offer some thoughts on the economic outlook for Nyssa and Malheur County in the months ahead.

Fortunately, we have a new growth element in the Oregon economy, one that is at the same time, Oregon's oldest. It is, of course, agriculture.

Agriculture bright spot

Agriculture represents the brightest spot on our economic scene. As you know, food prices rose very sharply last year because of worldwide food shortages and increased costs of production processing and marketing. Poor weather for two years running stunted the world agricultural output, and this alone would have caused excessive demands on the American agricultural industry. By then, we also have had the ripple effects of two devaluations of the American dollar. The result was simply that foreign currencies could buy much more of our output than ever before. American produce became a great bargain abroad and the resulting increase in demand forced prices up to record highs in many cases.

The effects are very noticeable here because agriculture and Malheur County are virtually synonymous, with nearly one-third of the

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Public Hearing Set For Septic Tank Rules

The Department of Environmental Quality has scheduled a public hearing on rule changes for septic tanks October 25 in Ontario.

The hearing will be promptly at 10:30 in the Yellow Room of Ontario's Moore hotel.

At issue is a proposed per-

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Date	Max	Min	Prec
Oct. 9	55	29	
Oct. 10	60	46	.21
Oct. 11	68	45	
Oct. 12	68	36	
Oct. 13	70	36	
Oct. 14	70	38	
Oct. 15	68	33	
Oct. 16		34	

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manent rule to honor valid written approvals for septic tanks, regardless of how long ago they were issued, until July 1, 1975. The holder of the permit would then have one year to construct his septic tank.

The proposed rule is identical with one adopted on a temporary basis June 21, 1974 and already in effect.

Also under consideration for permanent adoption is a standard specification for homogeneous perforated bituminized fiber pipe for septic tank disposal fields.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained at any DEQ office.

All interested persons may present testimony in person at the hearing or submit written material to DEQ headquarters, 1234 S. W. Morrison St., Portland.



FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OREGON President Robert F. Wallace speaks to 115 Nyssa businessmen and farmers Monday morning at a breakfast at the Twilight Cafe, hosted by First National as part of their opening of the new Nyssa branch building.

At the head table, from left, are Grant W. Perry, senior vice president; George Craig, Nyssa manager; Joseph A. Moore, senior vice president; Rod George, LaGrande manager; and Tom Stenkamp, Prineville manager. The latter two officers preceded Craig as managers at the Nyssa branch.