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Murder Count Dropped Against Jesse Flores

The murder charge pending against Jesse Flores, 22, resident of the Payette Labor Camp was dismissed last Thursday by Circuit Judge Jeff Dorroh Jr., after a motion requesting this action was filed by Frank Yraguen, Malheur district attorney.

Flores had been in custody since turning himself into authorities after the partially clothed body of Margarita Haro, a 17 year old Ontario High School coed, was found in a roadside ditch by a local farmer. Flores had been the object of an "All-points" search.

In a press conference in Vale Thursday, the district attorney noted that Flores was not released as he is being held for Texas officials for alleged violation of probation.

Yraguen noted that the motion for dismissal came about after sessions in which Flores underwent questioning with the use of the polygraph (lie detector) and under hypnosis.

During these sessions, Yraguen said, "it was determined that Miss Haro either fell or jumped from the auto and that the defendant was not directly responsible for her jumping."

In a prepared statement, Yraguen noted that "the defendant not being...directly or criminally responsible for the falling or jumping to the side of the roadway,

towit, Highway 20 west of Vale, that the said Margarita Haro was picked up by the defendant and eventually placed in the back seat of the automobile."

Yraguen reconstructed the incidents which followed, as officials had determined they occurred through the lie detector test and questioning. He said they believed Flores picked up the injured girl who had suffered massive head injuries in the jump or fall from the car. When Flores determined she was actually dead, apparently finding no pulse and other life signs, he drove up the canyon road and dumped the body in a shallow roadside ditch.

The district attorney did comment that Flores had, in his estimation, used "poor judgement."

Yraguen closed his presentation saying "We don't feel the best interests of Malheur County would be served by pursuing a minor charge."

He noted that the material witness Elias DeLeon, had been with Flores only part of the time and told officials he had tried to clean blood from the car as ordered by Flores. DeLeon is being held for immigration authorities.

Flores signed extradition papers for the State of Texas Friday afternoon, and officers from that state are expected to pick him up on probation violation charges.

Seven Candidates For City Council Deputy Director Discusses Migrant Health Clinic



JACK H. ANDERSON
Retired Pharmacist

Several friends have asked me to run for the City Council. If elected, I would like to see some of our departments made more efficient.

I feel the taxpayers should be more aware of what the council is doing. I think our streets and alleys need some work, and now that I am retired I feel I can spend what time is necessary to help correct these conditions.



DICK E. BUTCHER
Mortician
Lienkaemper Funeral Home

My interest in running for the City Council is to help with improvements and expansion of the cemetery, and other areas of the city.

I think that Nyssa's future is bright, and I wish to be a part of it, and to help with its government. I would also like to see more inter-relationship between the city and our senior citizens.



GEORGE COFFMAN
Serviceman
Idaho Power Company

I am completing a four-year term on the Nyssa City Council, and am running for re-election.

I feel that the city has made progress during these years, and I have enjoyed this experience. I have learned a lot and feel that I can better serve in the future, and better know the needs of the community.



GILBERT HOLMES
Asst. to Dist. Manager
Simplot Soilbuilders,
Caldwell.

I have lived in the City of Nyssa 18 years, and in the area most of my life. I have raised my family here, and want to do the best possible for my community.

An opportunity to serve on the City Council, and to serve the people of Nyssa, would be a desirable goal for me.

Deputy Director Cornelius C. Bateson, Department of Human Resources, was in Nyssa, Vale and Ontario Monday to answer questions concerning the alleged awarding of money to the Valley Migrant League (VML) for migrant services for next year.

Bateson visited with the Gate City Journal that morning, accompanied by Larry Silveira, director of the Nyssa Service Center. He met with the County Court and news media at Vale in the afternoon, and appeared at a meeting in Ontario that evening, attended by about 50 persons representing the Department of Human Resources, county health personnel, and others.

Bateson said that no state money has been budgeted for the migrant health clinic, and none is available to continue funding the clinic. The VML has successfully operated health clinics in the Willamette Valley, Bateson said, and appears to have the know how to qualify for federal funds. He suggested that the county invite VML officials to a meeting and ask them exactly what their plans are.

Bateson said the health clinic contract, now operated



CORNELIUS BATESON

under the direction of Dr. David Sarazin, expires in June, 1975. Governor McCall and others have supported VML for the new contract, a move vigorously opposed by ten Eastern Oregon legislators.

Bateson said the federal government ruled that the Migrant and Indian Coalition (MIC), who operates day care centers here and in other parts of Oregon, is unqualified to direct the health clinic.

The general consensus of the several meetings was that the health clinic be continued, but under local direction if at all possible.



GEORGE W. PATTERSON
Pharmacist
Nyssa Rexall Pharmacy

I think that Nyssa is a good place to live and raise a family, and I would like to do something for its continued orderly growth. Serving on the City Council would meet that objective.

I plan to work for the benefit of the majority of Nyssa citizens.



JACK R. PITZ
Service Man
Cascade Natural Gas

I am running for re-election as a City Councilman to help serve my community. After two years experience, I feel that I have learned much to do a better job.

There are a lot of things that I think needs doing to make the city look better, and to be a better place to live in, and I would like to continue working towards that end.



PATRICIA N. SAVAGE
Secretary
Gate City Journal

Nyssa has been my home since birth, and I feel that every citizen should take an active part in city government if given the opportunity.

I think we will continue to grow, and good city government can help in that growth. I want what Nyssa wants, and I will work to that end if elected.

SEVEN CANDIDATES IN RACE

Seven Candidates for the Nyssa City Council to fill four positions have filed, with the election on November 5. The three with the highest number of votes will serve for four years, and the fourth will be elected for a two-year term.

The four positions are now filled by Mayor Larry Bauman, Ernie Metcalf, George Coffman and Jack Pittz. Coffman and Pittz have filed for re-election, but Bauman and Metcalf have decided not to run.

Pictures of the candidates and short statements are presented here for your consideration at the forthcoming election.

County School Enrollment Down 145 Students

Malheur County school enrollment is down 145 students compared to 1973 enrollment, according to figures released by the Malheur County IED office. Only two districts in the county showed an increase, and they were the Vale Elementary District with 24 students and

Arock with two additional students.

The largest loss was at Ontario, down 96 students from last year. Nyssa schools showed a decrease of four students, with the elementary enrollment up one student, the junior high up three students, and the high school down eight.

Losses by district are Annex 10, Brogan 8, Harper 4, Jordan Valley 18, Juntura 7, Rockville 1, Willowcreek 13, Adrian 16, and Vale Union High 13.

Total county enrollment is 5,830, down from 5,975 at the same time one year ago.

Onion Growers Look For Largest Onion

The Idaho-Oregon Promotion Committee is again looking for the largest onion produced in our production area. The rules of the contest are:

1. Competitor must be a member of either the Malheur County Onion Growers Association or the Southwest Idaho Onion Growers Association.
2. Onion must be grown in a commercial field on your farm.
3. Each grower is allowed one entry. He may change the entry at any time during the contest.

4. Entries may be submitted anytime between September 25 and November 14.

5. Onions may be delivered to either the Malheur County Extension Office, the Canyon County Extension Office or the Onion Promotion Committee's Office in Parma.

6. Onions will be stored in a dry, warm room and must be sound at judging time.

7. Prizes are \$60.00 - First; \$25.00-Second; \$10 - Third; and \$5.00 - Fourth.

The onions will be judged on size, color, shape and soundness. Judging will be done on Friday, November 15, 1974. All onions submitted, (if they keep) will become the property of the Southwest Idaho-Oregon Onion Promotion Committee.

Last year's winners were Ralph Bowman, Marsing; Woody Seuell, Nyssa; Ben Uda, Homedale; and Okano Farms, Nyssa; and Emmett Hartnett, Weiser. Remember that deadline again, November 14, 1974 so let's start getting some entries in!

If more information is desired on this onion contest contact Jim Burr at the Malheur County Extension Office in Ontario; Art Walz at the Canyon County Extension Office in Caldwell or E. D. Michaelson at the Idaho-Oregon Onion Committee office in Parma.

VETERANS DAY

Veterans Day is being observed on two different dates this year, with federal offices (including the post office) observing the holiday on Monday, October 28; and the schools, banks, city and state offices, and others on the traditional Armistice Day, November 11.

Septic Tank

Permits Needed

The Malheur County Health Department is contract agent for the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, and they wish to remind anyone in Malheur County who is contemplating construction or installation of septic tanks, drainfields or pit privies that a permit must first be obtained from that office and zoning requirements of the county must be satisfied. County Sanitarian Ray Huff said that several structures have been noted recently which are not in compliance with current regulations; thus problems and delays have been created for the landowners. This requirement applies to rural areas as well as areas adjacent to cities in Malheur County.

By letter the State Department of Commerce has requested that citizen's report individuals which are plumbing for hire but are not licensed for such activities. In most instances unlicensed plumbers do not guarantee their work and do not perform installations following acceptable plumbing practices. If questions arise regarding any plumbing firm or individual telephone 889-7424.

Murphy Named Outstanding

William M. Murphy, Chairman of the Department of Agriculture at Treasure Valley Community College has been named an Outstanding Educator of America, according to an announcement by Edwin Haynes, Dean of Curriculum at the College. This award, for the year 1974-75, is in recognition of Mr. Murphy's contributions to the advancement of higher education and his service to the community.

Mr. Murphy is not only a dedicated teacher but a resourceful one, seeking new ways to make the students' course work both meaningful and practical.

He serves on a national seminar that is concerned with post high school education. It is composed of representatives from both education and industry and explores specific problems involved in matching student training with industry requirements.

Mexican Club Organizes

The Espanoamericano Club is organized for the academic year 1974-75 and expects to be focusing on Mexican culture, including food, dress, songs and dances. During winter quarter the group will sponsor "Mexican Week" on campus.

The club is open to both students and area citizens. There are no dues and the only requirement is that participants take part in the club activities. They meet at noon the first and third Fridays in Room 4 of the Lease Building.

Officers of the club are President, Sylvia Estrada; Vice President, Rosey Gloria; Secretary-Treasurer, Jill Kitamura and Publicity Director, Suzie Govedare. Sponsors are Ed Stephens and Joe Estrada.

Dr. Sarazin Receives Charter Fellowship in A.A.F.P.

Dr. and Mrs. David W. Sarazin have just returned from Los Angeles, Calif. where Dr. Sarazin attended the American Academy of Family Physicians Scientific Assembly. While there, Dr. Sarazin received a charter fellowship in the A.A.F.P.

The degree of Fellow, established by the 1971 Congress of Delegates, is the Academy's avenue to recognizing outstanding member efforts in the area of continuing education. To qualify for this degree, a member must either have passed the certifying examination in family practice, administered by the American Board of Family Practice, or have completed 600 hours of Academy-approved continuing education since becoming an active member.

Idaho Power Will Consider Malheur County In Future

A delegation from Malheur County attended the Treasure Valley Chambers of Commerce meeting in Nampa Monday evening, and heard Albert Carlsen, chairman of the board of the Idaho Power Company, say that Malheur County will be

considered in the future as a location for a coal-fired plant.

Jake Fischer told Carlsen that the county is behind Idaho Power 100 percent, and said that "If they don't want you in Idaho, we'll see that you're taken care of in Malheur County."

Carlsen was critical in his speech of the Idaho Statesman, who he said had distorted information in a series of articles opposing the plant in the Boise Valley.

He said that in the coming years the company will have to consider construction of several coal-fired plants, including one in Malheur County. "However, we've put a lot of time and money into the study of building the plant in southern Idaho, and that's where this one is going to have to go."

Carlsen said that the continued growth will require additional electric plants in the future. The location of a new plant is determined by availability of coal and water, geography and labor force.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Fischer and Judge and Mrs. Roy Hirai attended from Nyssa; and from Ontario were Mr. and Mrs. Hap Logue, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Leslie, Mr. and Mrs. Po Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Probasco.

Veterans Loans Highest on Record

The Department of Veterans Affairs granted 3,853 veterans' farm and home loans in the amount of \$84,686,639 in the third quarter just ended, for the highest number of loans and dollar volume on record for a quarter. H. C. Saalfeld, director, reported today.

This was \$5 million above the previous quarterly high of 3,697 loans for \$79,476,672 in the April-June quarter this year. For the July-September quarter last year, 3,318 loans were granted for \$67,040,576.

Saalfeld said loan applications also set a record in the quarter just ended, with 4,835, against 4,513 for April-June and 4,301 in July-September last year.

For the month of September the veterans' department granted 1,309 loans in the amount of \$28,620,320, down from the previous month's all-time record 1,786 loans totaling \$39,376,414. September last year accounted for 1,118 loans for \$23,215,209.

WEATHER

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Oct. 16	70	34	
Oct. 17	70	33	
Oct. 18	69	33	
Oct. 19	67	33	
Oct. 20	65	35	
Oct. 21	49	39	
Oct. 22	54	39	.15
Oct. 23		32	

Owyhee Reservoir Storage
10-23-74 369,420 Acre Feet
10-23-73 385,400 Acre Feet

CCC Loans Available For Grain Producers

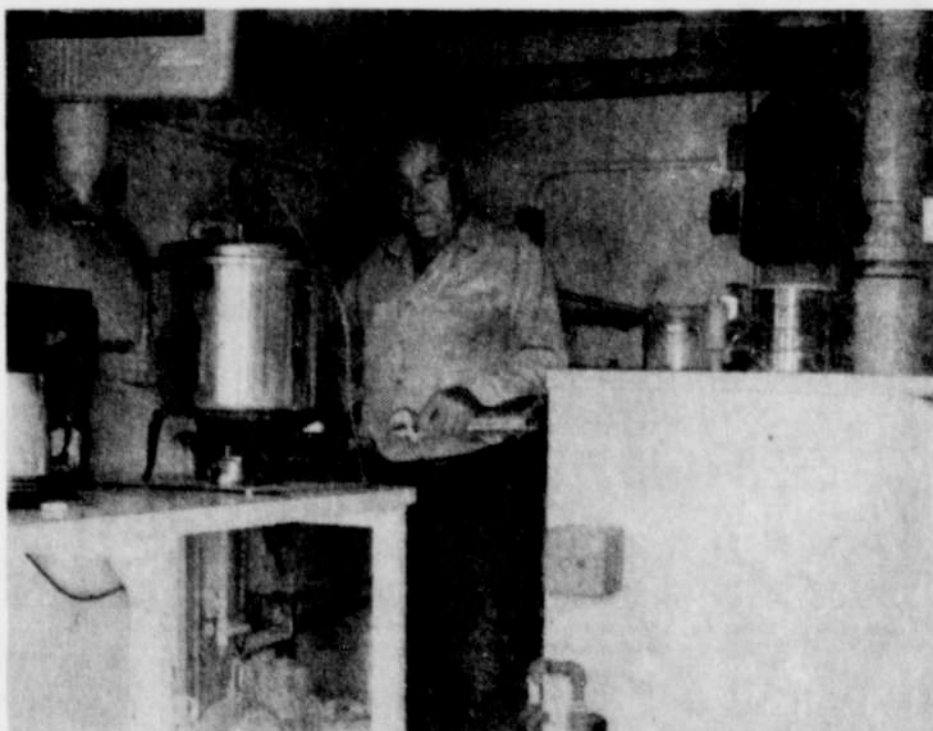
Paul Bunch, Chairman Malheur County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service announced that the Office of General Counsel has determined that since there is no set-aside requirement under the Wheat and Feed Grain programs, all wheat and feed grains are eligible for Commodity Credit Corporation loans. Formerly only wheat and feed grains produced on

farms with an allotment were eligible for loans. This new ruling now makes wheat, corn, barley and grain sorghum stored on the farm or in approved warehouses eligible commodities.

Bunch pointed out that the announcement comes at a time when some producers may greatly benefit from its provisions. It can provide a means for growers of these commodities to obtain operating capital and still hold their crop for disposal when time, conditions or price may better suit their particular situation.

The interest rate for the loans is presently 9.375 percent.

According to Bunch, interested persons should contact the Malheur County ASCS Office at 1252 S. W. 4th Ave., Ontario, for details on the program.



SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANT OPERATOR Frank Lawrence was commended by Nyssa City Manager Henry Schneider for his initiative in constructing a distilling boiler to provide pure water for chemical analysis tests.

distillery shown above out of a pressure cooker, and at a cost of less than \$50. The still turns out a gallon of distilled water every three hours, more than enough for all his tests, and for the batteries in city vehicles.

Lawrence said that the effluent discharged into the Snake River exceeds state standards, and is approximately 92 percent pure. In his words, the plant works "perfect." He said the lab is not totally complete, but the budget includes funds for additional equipment.