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New Officers Head Grain Millers Union

Charles Belveal, Nyssa, was elected president of the American Federation of Grain Millers, local No. 290, in Nyssa last week. He succeeds Garold Leavitt.

Other officials include Glen Marcum, Nyssa, vice president; Henry Tetrick, Parma, recording secretary; Dale Haney, Nyssa, financial secretary; Don Sloggett, Adrian, sergeant-at-arms, and Norbert Sarazin, Nyssa, new trustee.

Named to the Inter-factory committee were Tom Church, Nyssa, and Larry Rose, Caldwell. Members of the recommending committee will be Glen Marcum, Richard Mejia, Nyssa, and Wilbur "Andy" Anderson.

The committee on political education for the Idaho district, includes Jerry Watkins and Norbert Sarazin for the Oregon district.

Stewards are Marcum, Jess Rodriguez, Nyssa; Ernie Fisher, Parma, and John Hanson, Fruitland. Three were named to the Safety Committee with the fourth to be appointed by the new president. Safety Committee members are Art Cartwright, Nyssa; Sloggett, and Allen Benoit, Nyssa.

Larry Rose and Ernie Fisher were named as delegates to the Oregon AFL-CIO state convention and to the Oregon Industrial Union committee convention.

City Council Agrees To Several Budget Items

Following a briefing by City Manager Henry Schneider on the Senior Citizen's status and anticipated budgetary requests, the Nyssa City Council in special session March 20, felt that it was not economically feasible to fund two Senior Citizen groups. They agreed to provide rent on a combined building and coordinators office which could be used by all Senior Citizens.

Mike Burgwin, Senior Citizen's Advisor, will be requested to assist in locating a suitable building for such use.

The City of Nyssa has been having their building inspection done by a State of Oregon inspector, but the Council members chose to join forces with Malheur County, Juntura, Jordan Valley and Vale to hire a Building Inspector to cover the county, with the exception of Ontario who employs their own inspector. The Council approved the motion to notify the State to discontinue the inspection function for Nyssa effective July 1. Nyssa's share of the proposed City-County budget for a building inspector is based on the population figure of 2730 and will be \$1,706.25.

After discussion of costs estimated for the City to meet the requirements of the fourteen goats of the Land Conservation and Development Commission, the Council unanimously agreed to objections of these requirements, as they are very dictatorial and cannot economically be afforded at this time. The in-depth estimates were \$3,520 for staff review and expenses and \$11,700 for consulting work and \$2,770

for citizens participation. The Council feels that the present Planning Commission meets the needs of the City, and the sewage treatment plant is above state standards, while the water system has a storage capacity above state requirements. Nyssa is not faced with air pollution and other problems prevalent to the other side of the state, so the Council requested the LCDC to keep their goal requirements confined to their own problem areas.

The approving of the motion to budget \$360 for both COG and EDA membership was passed unanimously. Considerable time was spent on a decision to fund the call-box and radio maintenance program. Mayor Don Oldemeyer discussed the maintenance agreement. A motion passed that approximately \$2000 be put into the budget for call boxes and the maintenance for fire truck radios.

Julie Ross Beef Princess

Julie Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ross, Jordan Valley, has been named beef princess of Malheur County at the annual spring session of the Malheur County Livestock Association.

Miss Ross, a sophomore at Jordan Valley High School, succeeds Jeannie Pascoe, Jordan Valley, as Beef Princess.

Debra Peutz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Peutz, Adrian, was runner-up in the contest sponsored by the Malheur County Cowbelles.



THE NEW OUTFIELD SIGNS at the Adrian baseball field were erected last week, a few of which are shown here. More than 50 signs were sold by lettermen, with the profits from the signs used to purchase new baseball uniforms. The signs are 4'x8' plywood, and were lettered by students and painted by Curt Hardman and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Maynard.

The new field was constructed by the Marsing Job Corps and measures 306 ft. at the right field line, 360 ft. to center field, and 311 ft. at left field. It is surrounded by a 6' fence, and includes dugouts and a batter's cage. The field has excellent drainage, and has been used by college teams such as TVCC and Boise State when their fields were too wet to use.

The players at right are Jay Kygar and Satchio Hori showing their new uniforms and a close-up of one of the signs. Coach Eugene Dockter said that Adrian fans turn out in force to see their Antelopes play.



Nyssa Police Cite Youth

Nyssa Police have cited Wilford Harris, 19, Nyssa, with attempting to elude police officers following a high speed chase through town Thursday, March 20 which ended two miles west of Nyssa on Alberta Avenue when the Harris vehicle ran off the road and rolled over. Officers said Harris reached speeds of 110 miles per hour and lost control of his vehicle when he attempted to negotiate a series of curves. The young man was taken by ambulance to Malheur Memorial Hospital and treated for cuts and lacerations of the head. He was released Sunday.

Police Chief Alvin Allen said the department had received several calls during the day that Harris was speeding through town and that the vehicle was excessively noisy. Police attempted to pull him over after he ran a stop sign, but he took off, starting the chase.

4-H Leaders Meet Tonight

Lori Lewis, Ontario and Vickie Schaffeld, Vale, will present a 4-H record keeping training on Thursday, March 27, 7:30 p.m. at Treasure Valley Community College Administration Building, C-21. All 4-H Leaders and members are encouraged to attend, states Carol Knothe, Malheur County Extension Agent.

Highlights of the evening will include the showing of slides of the National 4-H congress in Chicago. Lori and Vickie, active Malheur County 4-H'ers, won the Chicago trip last December. Two record keeping sessions, one for younger members and one for older 4-H'ers will be presented. Further the Ontario FFA Chapter will give pointers on Parliamentary Procedures to those in attendance. Spring Fair books will be presented to 4-H Home Ec leaders.

DISTRICT THREE

- Linda Hernandez Adrian
- Sherry Tidwell Adrian
- Adolph Rotter Route 3, Parma
- Le Ann Gonzalez Adrian
- Melissa Baker Adrian
- Shelly Crawford Rt. 1, Homedale

Registration For Senior Citizen Housing Today

Hammond Development Corporation of Salem is planning a 40-unit apartment project in Nyssa, utilizing federal funds available through a Farmers Home Administration program for low and moderate income housing for senior citizens, according to Jack Miller, its president.

The proposed apartment project will consist of two rectangular 2-story buildings forming an L-shape, with enclosed recreational areas. The Nyssa apartments will offer primarily 1-bedroom units, off-street parking, a utility area with washers and dryers, and a recreation room. Each unit will feature a complete kitchen with built-in appliances and a combination living room and dining room area. Designed specifically for senior citizens, each unit will open into an indoor central corridor, giving easy access to facilities offered in the apartment complex.

Utilizing Farmers Home Administration financing, the rental schedule for qualified senior citizens will be lower than that of other apartments with comparable facilities.

The proposed facility will be similar to a 40-unit project recently opened in Bend, which was completely occupied with senior citizens in less than 30 days.

Hammond Development Corporation presently has nine apartment housing projects financed through federal programs, located in Portland, Salem, Newport, Eugene, Bend, Prineville, Woodburn, and Monmouth. Rev. Robert Hutchinson and Rev. John Worrall, together with representatives of Hammond Development Corporation, will have a meeting with all those people interested in the apartment project at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Nyssa, at 2 p.m., Thursday, March 27.

(See picture on Page 9).

Residential Cancer Drive Starts April 1 to 7

The annual residential canvass for the American Cancer Society will start April 1 thru April 7, it was announced by Pauline Church, neighborhood captain. A volunteer will be calling at each home. Nyssa did not have a canvass last year, so please be generous with your donation.

Canvassers this year are: Misses Emily Snyder, Mardi Cole and Shan Moss. Mmes. Mary Lee Chadwick, Verda Steinke, Nora Graham, Nellie Wahlert, Betty Rinehart, Myrl Towne, Kay Patterson, Eileen Oldemeyer, Dorothy

Owners Warned Remove Junk

The Nyssa Police Department has mailed registered letters to a number of citizens instructing them to get rid of abandoned vehicles. Police chief Alvin Allen said the citizens have violated the discarded vehicles ordinance and have been given ten days to remove the vehicles. Failure to comply will automatically authorize the city to remove the vehicles and charge the owners.

Allen said the department is also looking into violations of the garbage and litter ordinances and those found to be in violation will also be sent registered letters shortly instructing them to comply.

Potato Planter Demonstration

The cooperative extension services of Oregon and Idaho, along with J. R. Simplot and Ore-Ida Personnel, are sponsoring a get acquainted with your potato planter day. The purpose of this is to give the growers of the area a chance to talk with factory representatives of several companies, and discuss with them the proper way to operate both pick and cup planters to obtain optimum stands for maximum production.

The date that has been set is April 8, and it will be held in two different locations. The first will be at the Hank Gross farm in the Wilder area. The time for this program will be from 9-11 a.m. New planters will be present for you to look over. In the afternoon from 2-4 p.m. of the same day, the meeting will be at the Malheur Fair Grounds. Other topics to be discussed will be seed piece size, spacing, treating and handling.

All growers are urged to attend one of the programs.

Registration Begins Monday

Monday, March 31, is the registration date for spring quarter classes at Treasure Valley Community College. Students will be registered alphabetically according to the following schedule:

- 9:00 a.m. G-H
- 9:15 a.m. R-S
- 9:30 a.m. I-L
- 9:50 a.m. D-F
- 10:10 a.m. U-V
- 10:30 a.m. A
- 10:50 a.m. N-Q
- 1:00 p.m. C
- 1:30 p.m. W-Z
- 2:00 p.m. B
- 2:30 p.m. M
- 3:00 p.m. T

6:30 - 8:00 OPEN

Cattlemen Should Call Committee

Because of the large number of cattle being shipped from the NFO collection point at Nyssa, shippers are asked to notify the beef committee the Thursday ahead of the Monday delivery date.

Delivery day is each Monday by noon for butcher cattle and the second and fourth Mondays for feeder cattle.

Hogs are shipped when there is a truck load. Shippers are asked to contact Alva Goodell if they have hogs to ship (563-372-2898).

Property Values Higher In Malheur County

Malheur County Assessor, Oscar Bratton, said today that nearly 5,000 increase notices will be mailed within the next few days to property owners in the Ontario, Nyssa and Vale areas.

Bratton said that this is the result of the six year reappraisal cycle of residential in the City of Ontario, started in 1973 and finished this year. Ontario assessed values increased by 25% to 30% on typical reappraised properties. Assessed values just tabulated show nearly an \$8,000,000 increase. (\$7,917,310).

Ratio studies of Nyssa and Vale residences, by the Department of Revenue and the Assessor's Office, have made it necessary to apply an index (raise by a percentage amount) of 50% on land and 20% on the improvements in Nyssa and 40% on land and 20% on improvements in Vale, increasing the assessed value in these cities by \$1,592,560 and \$857,560 respectively, to bring them into compliance with Oregon assessment laws.

Bratton explained that the greatly increased replacement

costs (materials and labor) and the higher selling prices of new and older residences are the reason your values are increasing. The Oregon statutes require that we appraise at 100% of market value. (O.R.S. 308.232)

Any group desiring further information by a personal question and answer session with us, should contact the Assessor's Office.

"I need not tell you," Bratton said, "that property taxes are high, but the Oregon Legislature has made a provision for people who are having difficulty due to low incomes. If your household income is less than \$15,000 I would encourage you to apply for the Home Owner's Tax Refund. Last year 44.8% of the property owners that applied in Malheur County received all of their property tax refunded."

Bratton said that if you need further information concerning your property tax refund you should contact your local Department of Revenue Office at Ontario.

Highway Improvements In Succor Creek Area

Bids will be received by the Oregon Transportation Commission on Thursday, April 10 in Salem on ten projects estimated to cost \$3,500,000.

Highway Division officials estimate that the construction work will provide employment opportunities for an estimated 435 Oregonians.

The estimate stems from a construction industry formula which holds that for every million dollars spent on highway construction, 125 jobs are created. Of these, 50 are directly related to construction of the project while another 75 fall within industries closely related to highway construction such as steel, asphalt, concrete and paint.

One of the projects is in Malheur County, and involves widening Succor and Cow Creek Bridges on the I.O.N. Highway, 8 and 17 miles north of Jordan Valley. Plans call for the present 26-foot wide Succor Creek bridge to be replaced with a 36-foot wide bridge, and that the Cow Creek bridge be widened by 6 and one-half feet. Completion time is 120 calendar days.

WEATHER

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Mar. 19	50	41	.08
Mar. 20	50	35	.06
Mar. 21	40	27	
Mar. 22	41	32	.14
Mar. 23	49	29	.04
Mar. 24	53	35	.09
Mar. 25	40	37	.48
Mar. 26	23	03	

Owyhee Reservoir Storage
3-26-75 613,870 Acre Feet
3-26-74 697,270 Acre Feet

Youngsters Excited As Contest Nears End

This week the candidates are listed in order of their standing. Five bicycles will be given. Two bicycles for district one, those living outside the city; two bicycles for district two, those inside the city; and a 5th bicycle has been added for district three, for youngsters in the Adrian area.

Those contestants not earning bicycles will receive a cash commission. Votes were counted up through last Saturday inclusive.

DISTRICT ONE

- Brenda Sims Route 1, Nyssa
- Lane Seward Route 2, Parma
- Debbie Mosley Route 2, Nyssa
- Holly Buck Route 1, Nyssa
- Becky Tyner Route 1, Nyssa
- April Teague Route 1, Nyssa
- Marla Rodriguez Route 2, Nyssa
- Gail Lassiter Route 1, Nyssa
- Brett Ballantyne Route 2, Nyssa
- Dezra Bones Route 1, Nyssa
- Jerry Hoshaw Route 2, Parma

DISTRICT TWO

- Gary South 401 Maple Ave.
- Jim Looney 525 N. 5th St.
- Allsa Allen 411 Emison Ave.
- Andrew Morrison 101 N. 5th St.
- Bobby Gomez 612 N. 9th St.
- Nancy Longoria 414 So. 9th St.
- Randy Wade 112 N. 6th St.
- Kim Moore 701 Emison Ave.
- Sonia Rodriguez North 3rd. St.
- Todd Hatch 207 N. 5th St.
- Brian Benoit 602 N. 9th St.