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### City Switching To **New Water Storage**

The City of Nyssa is still in the transition of switching to the new water system, which is creating adverse water conditions, according to City Manager Henry Schneider. The new 3-million gallon tank must be calibrated through automatic controls before the system can be accepted. This calibration is being done under contract, thus work scheduling is highly unpre-

When water from the new system is put into the existing lines, sedimentation and built-up particles which have been in the old line, shake loose and discolor the water.

The only means the City has toward combating this is to flush water hydrants to draw off the dark water.

With the advent of the 3-million gallon water tank, it is estimated that the Ranney Collector which draws water from the river will only be used four months out of the

year, which should greatly reduce suspended solids in the water. The public will be notified whenever hydrants are to be flushed except under emergency conditions, Schneider said.

Housewives Note Ralph Lowe, Water Superintendent. announced that City crews will flush water hydrants on Friday, June 13. He recommends that clothes washing and other sensitive water use be suspended or curtailed until flushing has been completed. "We're having the new tank calibrated so it can be utilized in the present system. This agitates the water which loosens old sedimentation coating the old pipes," Lowe We hope to get the said. water cleared soon and ask our people to bear with us during this transition period. I hope to start flushing the hydrants at 6:00 a.m. and we should be finished by noon

### Council Names Two On Planning Commission

The Nyssa City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 10, 1975 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall.

Along with regular routine business, a letter from the Hammond Development Corporation concerning their proposed Senior Citizen's Housing Project was considered. Inasmuch as Thompson Avenue does not have an immediate bearing on their construction the Council took no action to vacate this Avenue at this time.

Carl Burningham and "Chuck" Landreth were reappointed to four year terms to the Nyssa City Planning Commission.

The employees contract for the fiscal year 1975-1976 was signed by Mayor Don Olde-

The City Manager was given authority to install a flag pole at City Hall which could be seen from further away, and to negotiate in the buying of a street flusher

# 12th Annual TVCC Graduation Friday

Friday, June 13, marks the twelfth annual graduation Fea-Community College. tured speaker will be Debbie Crosby of Ontario, a leader in student affairs and a member of the graduating class. candidates Eighty-seven have applied for degrees and twenty-five practical nurses who have passed the State exams will receive diplomas. Festivities are scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. in the gymnasium.

Special music will be

presented by the Treasure Valley Chorus accompanied for Treasure Valley by I Sherwin Wilson of Payette, who will also play the Processional and Reces-

> Two underclassmen, Robin Nelson and Mike Goul will act as student marshalls, representing the honorary society, Phi Theta Kappa.

A highlight of the occasion will be the presentation of special honors to an outstanding male and female student by the local Kiwanis

### Annual Weed Review Friday

On Friday, June 13, between the hours of 10:00 12:00 a.m. and 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., the Malheur Branch will hold their annual weed trial review. This is the time of year when growers and interested persons in the area have an opportunity to view the weed research work going on at the Experiment Station and see how some of the information could be

applied to their farm.

Neil Hoffman, Station Superintendent and Chuck Stan ger, Agriculture Researcher will be on hand to discuss the plots with you.

They have weed work on alfalfa, mint, onion, potato and sugar beets. It is hoped that the time and date is in accord with your schedule, so you will be able to attend.

# Fire Telephone Set For The Summer

The U. S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will operate a 24-hour telephone to provide the latest information about forest and range fires on national resource lands in Oregon and adjoining states. The number in Portland is 503-234-2324.

Persons calling this number will get a recorded message about the current fire situation, areas closed to recreational use, predicted fire weather conditions and the fire danger in BLM

managed areas. The message will be up dated several times daily, and hourly during severe conditions, to provide the latest information. It will be available 24 hours a day, from June 9 until the end of the 1975 fire season next fall.

In addition to getting information, the caller may leave a recorded message asking for specific details about an area or a fire. These questions will be answered by BLM personnel as soon as

Last year BLM initiated the fire number in Oregon. It was used by both the news media and the general public. The special fire number let BLM fire control and information people handle a large number of calls more efficiently. It also reduced the use of regular telephone lines being used to dispatch firefighters, order supplies and other fire

control activities. The number to call is Portland, Oregon, Area Code 503-234-2324.



can be seen in the lobby of the First National Bank of Oregon for the remainder of the week. The Oregon State Bicentennial

throughout Oregon, and was brought here by the Oregon National Guard Tuesday,

### Oregon Wildlife Federation Holds Semi-Annua! Meeting

at Oregon State University.

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man, BLM Wildlife represen-

Later during the Saturday

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Local sportsmen were complimented by Oregon Wildlife Federation officials following that organization's three-day semi-annual meeting held at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, during the weekend. According to OWF President George Moorhead, of Salem, best ever to be held. Echoing praise was given by Phil Schneider, regional executive of the National Wildlife Federation.

Schneider pointed out two area of growing concern for persons interested in resource matters that were underscored by the meeting's speakers. According to Schneider, a talk and slide presentation dealing with the recreational management of the wild and scenic Owyhee River, given by Bill Hosford, Oregon Wildlife Commission district fisheries biologist, of Burns. Schneider complimented Hosford for raising the question of increased recreational pressure as an issue of increasing concern to

tative, made a surprise announcement commending sportsmen throughout the

state organization. 4-H Spring Fair Now Underway

The annual 4-H Spring Fair began Tuesday with the entering of exhibits from 1:00 until 6:00 p.m. at Ontario High School. 4-H members in clothing and knitting projects were also judged in style revue competition on Tuesday. Activities will continue Wednesday and Thursday with the highlight being the public style revue on Thursday evening at 7:30 in the Ontario High School Auditorium. Spring Fair gives 4-H members, ages 9 - 19, an

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June	4	80	55
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June	9	77	53
June	10	78	49
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6-11-75 705,600 Acre Feet 6-11-74 673,780 Acre Feet the eighty some collective years of dedicated service to the state and sportsmen's organizations by John Mc-Kean and Bob Holloway of the Oregon Wildlife Commission's Portland office.

A total of seven resolutions were adopted at the Sunday morning business meeting dealing with wildlife and resource matters. In addition, convention delegates and voting members approved a resolution supporting the state of Idaho's entry as a full-voting member into

> nition for their accomplishments by entering contests

presented during the style revue on Thursday. Many donors provide these special awards for outstanding 4-H members work in various areas. These donors include Evelyn's Fabrics, David's House of Fabrics, Ontario Sewing and Vacuum Center, the Malheur County Fair Board, Ontario Elks Lodge, Malheur County Farm Bureau, Oregon Wheat Commission, Oregon Sheep Growers, Mr. and Mrs. Elvord Roy, Malheur County Cowbelles, Richard and Elaine Russell, the Otter Trawl Commission, Hatches Book Store, and Vale Co-op.

Special awards will also be

Viewing of the exhibits is also open to the public from 12:00 until 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday and 12:00 until 9:00 p.m. on Thursday.

According to Eatern Orethe Columbia River Compact. gon Outdoorsmen President thus joining the neighboring Jim Atherton, the EOO may states of Oregon and Washintroduce a resolution at the ington. winter meeting of the OWF Another resolution adop-

ted by the OWF concerned support for granting the BLM with an Organic Act, which would aid that agency in the management of national resource lands, according to the BLM official Additional highlights of

the three-day semi-annual meeting of the Oregon Wildlife Federation will be summarized at the July 7 meeting, according to a club

### June 15-21 To Mark Contest

The 13th Annual Oldtime Fiddler's Contest will be held in Weiser June 15-21. This year's championship should be "the best one yet," according to General Chairman Rod Herriott.

The purpose of the contest is to preserve oldtime fiddling. Since there are no professionals in the oldtime fiddling field, the contest is open to anyone.

The contest is separated into five divisions: Junior-Junior (13 years of age and under); Junior (under 18): Ladies (over 18); Senior (over 65); and Nationals (men and women over 18).

Fiddlers in all divisions must play a waltz, a hoedown and a number of their choice. Only winners of other and exhibiting completed certified fiddling contests may participate in the Certified Winners' Contest. Contestants for this division will play trick and fancy fiddling numbers. Special judges will choose the Best Fiddler, Fanciest Fiddler, and Fanciest Dressed Fiddler from this group of experts.

Cash prizes totaling \$3,500 and trophies will be awarded to winners this year.

A parade, a public barbecue, booths downtown. well as several Bicentennial events are planned for the week of the contest. As part of the Bicentennial celebration, national radio and television, in the form of NBC's "Today Show," have been allowed to tape the festivities for future broad-

Tickets for all contest divisions may be obtained from the Weiser Chamber of 150,000 Under Architects' Estimate

# Caldwell Firm Low Bidder On School Construction

Nyssa school board members opened bids for construction of the high school and heating plant Tuesday evening, and awarded the contract to the Arvy Construction Company of Caldwell in the amount of \$1,318,117. Seven bids were received, with the low bidder approximately \$150,000 under the architects estimate.

### County Budget Hearing June 23

The Malheur County Court will hold a Public Hearing on the 1975-76 budget on Wednesday, June 25, at 10 a.m. in the county courtroom in Vale.

The proposed budget is \$839,441. It is within the 6 percent limitation and will not require a vote of the people. The current budget is 1791,926.

#### **Veterans Service** Officer Schedule

The Malheur County Veterans Service Officer, Frank K. Wilson, has announced his schedule where veterans can contact him for help in any veteran related problem.

He will be in Vale every Monday from 1 to 4 p.m. at the County Clerk's office, 473-3151.

Tuesday he will be at the Nyssa City Hall from 1 to 4 p.m., 372-2264.

Wilson will be in Ontario every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to noon, and from 1 to 4 p.m. at 2032 S. W. 4th Avenue, Phone 889-6649.

Veterans may also contact Wilson at his home, 889-9065

Dr. Jerry Bellon, head of

culum and Instruction at the

University of Tennessee.

Knoxville, has received a

Fulbright-Hays grant for

educational research in Ger-

many during June and July.

He is the son of Mrs. Mae

Bellon of Nyssa and the late

Joe Bellon.

Bellon Receives Grant

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for buildings was \$1,248,500. Alternate bids accepted included \$9,717 for lockers; \$21,100 for library furniture and equipment; \$37,300 for laboratory equipment; and \$1,500 for formica doors; for the total of \$1.318.117. The mechanical contractor will be Vandegrift Plumbing & Heating of Boise, and Quality Electric of Boise is the electrical contractor.

Other bidders, including alternate bids, were Opp Construction of Nampa with a total bid of \$1,323,223; E. E. Steinlicht, Bend, \$1,334,780; Luekenga Construction of Nampa, \$1,357,176; Valley Inland Pacific Company of Tualitan, \$1,398,900; The Timber Company of Hermiston. \$1,399,186: and Riverman and Sons, Portland,

\$1,490,400. The building committee, which has worked closely with the school board during the entire planning period, was present at the meeting and approved unanimously each of the alternate bids with one exception. Dex-O-

which would have cost an additional \$1,075 was turned down in favor of ceramic tile, which they considered a more proven product.

The building committee also recommended to the board that golden buff bricks be used on all the new buildings. They had previously toured several new buildings in the Boise area before making the selection.

Arvy Construction was the contractor for the new First National Bank of Oregon building in Nyssa, and had previously built the new addition on the Malheur Memorial Hospital Nursing

Ron Van Auker, president of Arvy Construction, said that his men will be on the job immediately after signing of the contract, which calls for completion of the construction in 365 calendar days. Van Auker commented that the closeness of the bidding "indicated good architectural planning on the part of Smith & Hasegawa, architects.

# Nyssa Night Rodeo Plans Are Shaped

Plans are shaping up very well for the Nyssa Night Rodeo, according to Rodeo Board Chairman Larry Culbertson. Members of the Owyhee Riding Club have been at work on the rodeo grounds, preparing it for the annual event. An improvement of the grounds is a new Powder River Calf Chute for

The purpose of Bellon's

pilot program for education

His study porcedure will

involve interviewing mem-

bers of four selected higher

education institutions in Ger-

many and formally observing

The Council for the Inter-

national Exchange of Scho-

lars nominated Bellon after

reviewing qualifications of all

applicants. His is one of the

short-term exchange grants

awarded to scholars in the

The Fulbright-Hays pro-

gram is authorized by the

Mutual Educational and Cul-

tural Exchange Act of 1961.

of the Memphis City Schools

Evaluation Project and a

consultant for evaluation of

school systems in Ohio and

Bellon has been co-director

and 21. Robyn Ketchum of Payette will be Reigning Queen at the rodeo this year, assisted by her Princesses Debby Good-

man of Vale and Rhonda

use in the roping contest. The

rodeo will take place June 20

Rhoades of Caldwell. In addition to the regular rodeo events, there will be steer stopping. Limited to residents of Malheur County. contestants for this event must have amateur status, with winnings for the year of the Department of Curri- research is to study and observe educational developno more than \$100. A special chant's barrel race. There will also be calf riding for

children of ages 9-14. Leading this year's parade will be Grand Marshall Loyd Adams, a well-known pioneer and teller of early-day stories of the area. He is also a founder of the Owyhee Riding Club. Also included in the parade are floats, antique cars and machinery. Many well-known saddle groups, such as the Payette Valley Riders will participate.

The books will be open at Farmers Insurance Company June 17 and 18 from 1-7 p.m.

The Owyhee Riding Club is requesting that all residents of the area dress in Western fashion during the week of the rodeo. The club states that those needing further information should call 372-



Dr. Jerry Bellon



COMPLETING 25 YEARS OF SERVICE with First National Bank of Oregon, branch manager George Craig was presented with a diamond tie tac by Sylvia Grasmick from the Nyssa staff. Former associates of the Ontario branch were also present for the reception last Thursday, and gave George a golf

George Craig started his career with First National at the Hood River Branch June 5, 1950 as a bookkeeper. He took military leave to serve with the U. S. Navy from 1951 to 1955, and then returned to Hood River. He went to the Condon branch in 1958, Cottage Grove in 1960, Stayton in 1964, John Day in 1968, and then was assistant manager at the Ontario branch until April 1, 1974 when he assumed the managership of the Nyssa

George and his wife, Mary Ann, have three children, Tom 22, Pam 18, and Ron 6.