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Governor To Visit Eastern Oregon

Governor Bob Straub today announced that he will visit Central and Eastern Oregon October 19 through 22 to conduct the third in a series of statewide public town hall meetings.

The four day town hall swing will take the Governor to Bend, Lakeview, Klamath Falls, Ontario, Nyssa, Vale, Baker and LaGrande.

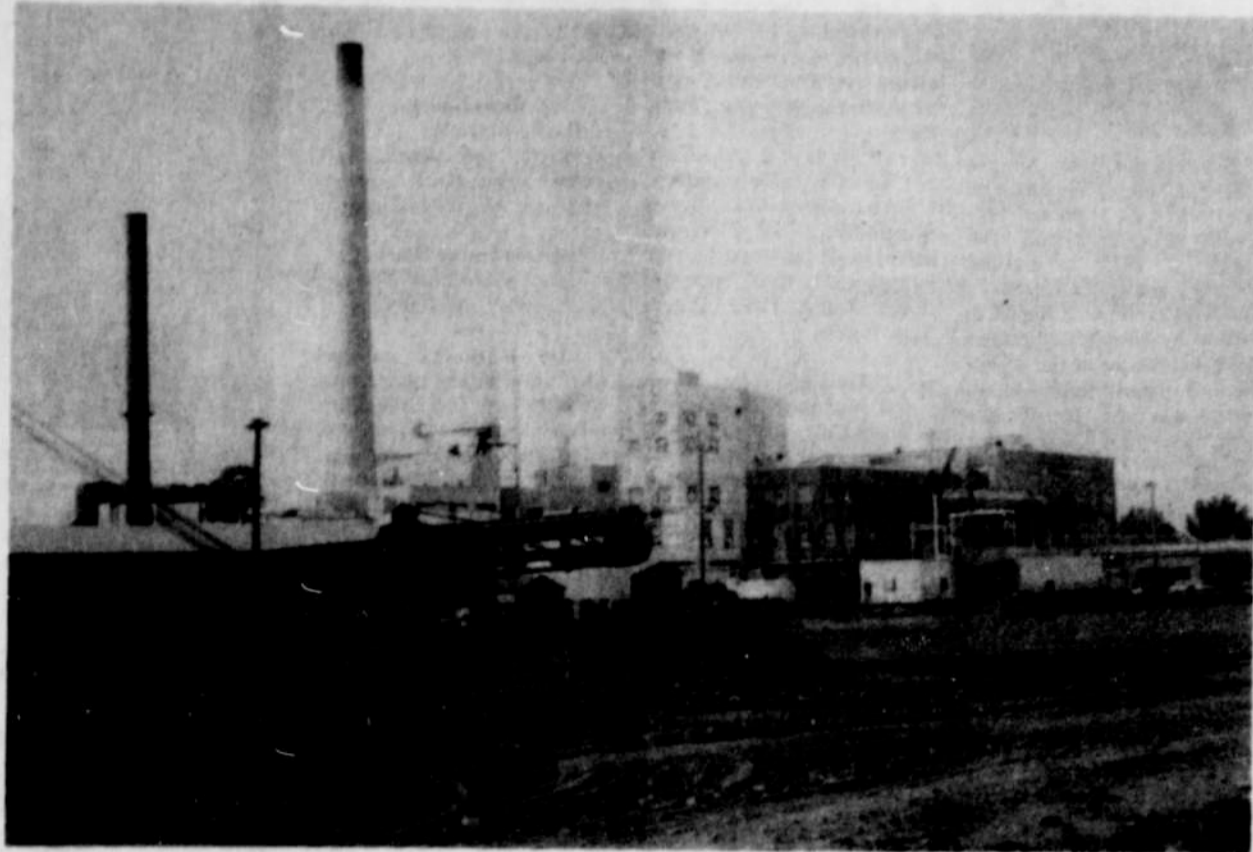
The Governor will have lunch with county officials in Vale at noon on October 21, and will be in Nyssa between 2 and 3 p.m., with a visit to the Amalgamated Sugar Company factory scheduled during that time.

The highlights of the tour will be town hall meetings with local citizens. Evening meetings are scheduled in Bend on October 19, Klamath Falls on October 20, Ontario on October 21, and in La Grande October 22. Brown bag lunches and town hall

meetings have been scheduled for Lakeview, October 20 and for Baker, October 22.

In addition to the town hall meetings, the Governor will meet with city and county elected officials in Deschutes, Crook, Jefferson, Lake, Klamath, Malheur, Baker and Union Counties, as well as address business and community leaders in Bend, Lakeview, Klamath Falls, Ontario and Baker.

Governor Straub visited Astoria, Tillamook, Newport and Lincoln City in August, meeting with hundreds of concerned Oregonians in town hall meetings. He visited Coos Bay, North Bend, Coquille, Medford, Ashland and Roseburg in a similar visit in June. The statewide visits are part of Straub's promise to insure Oregonians an active role in his administration.



THE FIRST TWO LOADS OF SUGARBEETS arrived at the Amalgamated Sugar factory, the start of this year's campaign.

Gilbert Wells, Nyssa manager, said that the plant is all steamed up, and slicing will start Thursday if enough beet deliveries are made. The campaign is expected to continue through January.

Dr. Clay Morgan Honored In Idaho

Dr. Clayton Morgan, son of Mrs. Jessie Morgan and the late Frank Morgan, and who formerly practiced medicine in Nyssa, was presented with the Idaho Hospital Association's "Star Garnet" award for outstanding service in the health-care field.

Dr. Morgan is now a Boise family physician, and the award was presented at the association's convention in Sun Valley last week.

Dr. Robert Smith, Pocatello, association president, made the presentation. He said Dr. Morgan "has continuously demonstrated his devotion to his community and nation in both his medical

and nonmedical activities."

Dr. Morgan serves on the Boise school board, serves on the board of the new family practice residency program, is a delegate to the Idaho Medical Association, and a charter fellow of the Academy of Family Physicians.

He is an active member of the St. Luke's Hospital medical staff in Boise, he has been a member of the medical records technicians program advisory committee at Boise State University, and is medical director of the BSU school of nursing and an associate professor there.

His brother, Ted Morgan, is a prominent Nyssa farmer.

97,000 Students Attend Community Colleges

At the end of the first week of classes, an estimated 97,000 students are enrolled in Oregon's 13 community colleges, State School Superintendent Verne A. Duncan announced today. This is a 12 percent increase over comparable fall term figures of a year ago.

Portland Community College, with an enrollment of about 30,000, is the largest post-secondary school in the state.

Carroll deBrockert, associate superintendent for community college services, said the economy is the major reason for the enrollment jump. "Many unemployed persons are seeking retraining in marketable job skills," he said. "Evidence of this," deBrockert added, "is that the average age of a community college student is 28."

deBrockert estimates that more than 208,000 students will attend community colleges this school year. This is 23,000 above the enrollment in 1974-75.

Meals On Wheels

The Nyssa Ministerial Association is attempting to form a Meals On Wheels program for the senior citizens of Nyssa. The plan is to provide five hot noon meals per week (Monday thru Friday) prepared by the Malheur Memorial Hospital and delivered by volunteer help. The cost will be approximately \$1.75 per meal and can be paid for with food stamps.

What we need to know now is the number of people who would like to receive these meals so that we can ask the Hospital Board for final approval. If you would like to receive these meals, call 889-7651, the Information and Referral Service for Malheur County and leave your name, address and phone number. If there are any questions, call Pastor Schmidt, 372-3331.

Water Cut-Off October 15

Irrigation water will be shut off in the North Canal next Wednesday, October 15, according to Adam Focht, manager of the North Board of Control.

Focht said that this is a little later than usual, but September was unusually dry, and the board had many requests to extend the water for the additional period.

Marriage Enrichment Series Planned

"Marriage can be a great adventure, but, like any adventure, it requires constant learning to relate in different situations, if it's going to be successful," points out Marcelle Straatman, Oregon State University Extension human development specialist.

Mrs. Straatman will talk about attitudes and actions that strengthen marriages during the five week course on "Marriage Enrichment" beginning October 9, at 7:30 a.m. in the County Library in Ontario, reports Helen Conner, Malheur County Extension Agent.

Actually, the specialist notes, "marriage enrichment means the enrichment of individuals so they can enjoy more satisfactory life as mates, parents and community members."

The series is designed to help people take an objective look at some of the values and attitudes about men, women and marriage that exist in modern America, explains Mrs. Conner.

Each of the five lessons will focus on a particular aspect of marriage ranging from marriage expectations to communication to changing roles.

"We are not remodeling husbands or wives," Mrs. Straatman stresses, "but helping people take a good look at where they are now and where they want to be in the future regardless of present age or marital status."



Mrs. Straatman, who earned her master's degree in family studies from Central Washington State College, has had concentrated graduate work in family relations at the universities of Washington, Minnesota and Southern California and at the American Institute of Family Relations in Los Angeles.

She has taught family relations in both high school and college and adds that the "real test" of her knowledge and skills has come in her experiences as a wife and mother.

Registration for the course is now being accepted until October 6 at the Malheur County Extension Office in Ontario. The course, which is offered without charge, is open to all people regardless of race, color or national origin.

Wool Contest Plans Formed

The "Make It Yourself With Wool" contest will be held Saturday, November 8, in Ontario at Treasure Valley Community College. Entry forms are available from the Extension Office or Chris Moore, Route 1, Box 215, Vale, Oregon.

Contestants for the District 12 competition which includes Baker, Grant, Harney, and Malheur counties must be from 10 to 21 years of age. The purposes of the competition are to focus attention on the beauty and versatility of American wool and to encourage use of wool fabric or yarn in sewings, knitting or crocheting.

Pre-contest training dates will be held in two locations. The Ontario training for contestants, ages 10 to 21 will be held October 22 and 29 at 7:30 p.m. at Treasure Valley Community College, Room Ad 5.

The training for Vale area contestants will be held October 21 and 28, at 7:30 p.m. at the Vale Union High school.

Water Lines To Be Flushed

Nyssa Water Superintendent, Ralph Lowe, announced that due to the heavy rainfall Tuesday they were unable to flush the city hydrants. This will be done Tuesday, October 14 at 9 a.m.

Housewives are again advised not to use their washing machines at this time but to wait until the water is clear.

"50 And Still Nifty" Says Cees Hopman On Birthday

by Pat Savage

Neighbors and friends driving by the Cees Hopman home Thursday, October 2, kept wondering what Cees was doing on that old tractor in the middle of his front yard? Going by a day or so later they were still wondering, as the tractor and its driver were still in the same spot.

Thinking perhaps it best to enlighten these people and let them know that Cees had not flipped his cookies but rather had received some, in the form of dolls and the strange but familiar character on the tractor was not Cees but "Abraham."

According to Dutch tradition, especially in Northern Holland, when a person reaches fifty years of age he will see "Abraham." This is what Cees Hopman did. He saw and received three "Abrahams."

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Laan, her brother and sister-in-law from Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Nan Visser, Mr. and Mrs.

Herke Stam of Nampa, Mr. and Mrs. Arie Bakker and Mr. and Mrs. Dirk DeBoer created the life size image of Cees, even down to the cigar, and put him on the tractor which was Cees' very first tractor. The doll was formed out of chicken wire, then dressed to look like a farmer.

The group waited until they thought the Hopmans had retired for the night (a minute or so after 12) and placing the tractor in the front yard, they began to pound on all sorts of noise makers. The Hopmans were not in bed, however, but talking on the telephone to their daughter who is living in Holland.

A very surprised Cees Hopman invited all his friends inside where they enjoyed refreshments that had been prepared for the next evening, as all these same persons had been invited to help Cees and Ita Stam both celebrate their birthdays.

Alice Laan and Ita Stam had baked Cees two large

doll like figures out of cookie dough and decorated them with faces, clothes and writing with frosting.

While talking to Mrs. Hopman later, she informed me that in Holland you may buy these Abraham dolls in the bakeries while here you must bake your own. The custom in Holland has been traditional for many years and comes from some scripture reading in the Bible that says "You will see Abraham your fiftieth year." The tradition had kind of died out over here and this is the first time they have made a large figure in this community. We have always baked the dolls from dough here however.

She says in Holland birthdays are big celebrations and family friends bring the "Abrahams" and you may receive several. The larger ones are usually made to appear as an image in reference to the person's occupation, farmer, gardener, businessman, etc.

The Hopmans came to the Nyssa area eighteen years ago. They live in rural Nyssa where they farm. They have four children, their son Nico, 20, a graduate of Nyssa High School is attending college at Ricks College in Rexburg; another son, Cor, 19, also a Nyssa graduate is employed at the Nyssa Co-op Supply; their daughter, Marianne, 22, and also a NHS graduate is employed and living in Holland and their youngest daughter Tina is in the 8th grade in the Nyssa Jr. High School. Their nephew, Andrew Stam from Holland is also living with them.

There is always a birthday message on the Abraham, and Cees' was no exception, reading "50 and I'm still nifty" and I think this traditional way of celebrating half a century is pretty nifty too.

Nominations Open For ASC Election

A significant change will be made in election of ASC committeemen this year according to Russell Fulleton, Chairman, Malheur County Agricultural Stabilization Committee.

In prior years the county has been divided into seven communities with community committeemen elected in each community. The community committeemen were then delegates to a County Convention at which they elected the County Committeemen. This year the county has been designated as one community. There is no longer a need for community committeemen and a mail election of all eligible voters will elect county committeemen, said Fulleton.

Nominating petitions are being mailed to all known eligible voters from which a slate of at least four candidates may be developed. One county committeeman and two alternates will be elected this year. No special

petition form is required, but the petition must include a statement that the nominee is willing to serve if elected and be signed by three eligible farmers. Fulleton said that most persons who are eligible to participate in ASCS programs are eligible to serve as committeemen. Nominating petitions must be filed in the County ASCS Office by October 28, 1975.

The mail election of county committeemen will be held December 1, 1975. Ballots will be mailed to all known eligible voters about ten days prior to the election date.

ASCs committee elections are open to all eligible voters without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

Further details on nominations and election may be obtained from the county ASCS office.

Police Get Loot

Melvin M. Lawless was arraigned on First Degree Burglary charges Thursday, October 2.

According to Nyssa police, Lawless was arrested October 1, following the burglary of the Steve Reece residence. Household goods, reportedly taken from the Reece home, were recovered at the time of the arrest.

Lawless, 24, of Kamiyah, Idaho, was released on his own recognizance at this time as the judge wishes to continue the case.



CEES HOPMAN AND ABRAHAM aboard the Hopman's first tractor, Abraham, a part of Cees' fiftieth birthday celebration was constructed by family friends. The

Hopmans reported much fun and merriment over Abraham and the gathering of old friends right after midnight was indeed a birthday Cees Hopman will never forget.



CENTER—STRIPING OF RURAL ROADS in the Nyssa area has been completed by the State Highway Department, according to Bob Haney, Road Supervisor of the Nyssa Road Assessment District No. 2.

Haney said that the job was done with Federal Revenue Sharing money, and every road in the entire Nyssa district was striped, including Lytle Boulevard to Vale, and the Owyhee Lake road to the dam.

Every road in the Nyssa district is oiled, according to Haney, and the district has been mainly on a maintenance program of resurfacing and improving since 1964, when most of the construction had been completed.

Perhaps no other rural district in the State of Oregon can boast of 100% improved roads. This is a great savings to all rural residents in convenience and vehicle maintenance, and center-striping adds much to the safety of the roads, Haney said.

WEATHER

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
October 1	77	41	
October 2	88	40	
October 3	85	40	
October 4	79	40	
October 5	81	41	
October 6	57	43	
October 7	55	48	62
October 8		32	
Owyhee Reservoir	10-8-75 496,070 Acre Feet		
	10-8-74 370,840 Acre Feet		