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Gov. Straub In Nyssa Tuesday

Governor Bob Straub will be in Nyssa next Tuesday, October 21, for a brief visit. He will arrive about 2 p.m., will take a short tour of the sugar factory, and then will greet people on Main Street before departing for Ontario about 3:15 p.m. The Nyssa High School band will escort the governor down Main Street upon his arrival.

Governor Straub will have lunch with county officials at the Starlight Cafe in Vale, and after leaving Nyssa he will tour the Ore-Ida plant in Ontario that day. There will be a dinner at the Charolais Cafe between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m., after which he will appear at a Town Hall meeting at TVCC.

County Judge Roy Hirai will host the luncheon in Vale. Jake Fischer and Dick Tensen will escort him while in Nyssa, and Mayor Leonard Cates is the dinner host at Ontario.



MEMBERS OF THE TOWN & COUNTRY GARDEN CLUB put finishing touches to the new entrance park at the triangle on the north City Limits. Members pictured are, from left, Mrs. Mae Schireman, Mrs. Alice Payne, Mrs. Lyn Dohner, Mrs. Dorothy Nolen and Mrs. Velma Stam. Mrs. Margaret Sage was not present when the picture was taken.

The ladies have planted shrubbery, and bulbs which will bloom with red, white and blue flowers next summer to honor the Bicentennial.

Lions Club, city employees, and the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce all had a hand in bringing this little park to completion, but the Town & Country Garden Club members are most responsible for its being.

Nyssa School Board Adopts Policy On Book Selection

The Nyssa School Board adopted a policy regarding the selection of educational materials at the regular meeting of the board Monday evening.

Within the guide lines of the policy are (1) Philosophy of Selection, (2) Criteria for Selection, (3) Procedures of Selection, (4) Handling of Questioned or Challenged Material, and adoption of the School Library Bill of Rights.

In adopting the policy, the school board provided for a Review Committee consisting of seven persons arranged by the superintendent. It will consist of an administrator, two classroom teachers from the subject area questioned, an instructional materials specialist, a school board member, and two competent lay persons. The committee will make a written report of its findings to the superintendent, who in turn shall report the recommendation of the review committee to the school board, whose decision shall be final.

Of primary interest to parents and the general public are the procedures to be followed when a complaint against any material is received.

Complaints may be made in writing, by telephone, or in person. In each case the complainant will be supplied with the standard printed form which must be filled out before any action is taken. No promise of any action will be made, other than a review

of the challenged material. No material need be removed from use pending committee study and final action of the board.

Superintendent W. L. McPartland said that in the future the librarians and principals will be governed by this policy. Interested persons are invited to study the policy in detail in the administration office. In the event an objection is made, the complainant will fill out a Citizen's Request For Reconsideration Of A Book, which will then go to the Review Committee.

Bid Opening October 21

The next meeting of the school board will be on Tuesday, October 21 at 8 p.m. when bids on Phase II of the school rebuilding program will be opened. The meeting will be in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Phase II is the gymnasium and auditorium, and this construction amounting to nearly \$2 million has attracted the interest of about eleven prospective bidders, according to Superintendent McPartland. The public is invited to be present when the bids are opened.

Council Discusses Garbage Ordinance

The Nyssa City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, November 14 in the City Council chambers. In addition to the regular routine business, the Council discussed the garbage situation in detail and passed on first reading, Ordinance #454 a new garbage ordinance. Arrangements were made for garbage service to be continued by the Nyssa Sanitation Service until further notice.

Mr. Lloyd Bledsoe was present and presented the audit to the Council for the fiscal year 1974-1975, which showed the City Funds to be in good order and City Manager Schneider pointed out there was a cash balance of approximately \$11,000.00 and the tax rate for the City of Nyssa is reduced by 57c per assessed \$1,000 valuation.

A new package beverage liquor license, for selling package beer only was

granted approval by the Nyssa City Council to William M. Bawtheimer at 205 North Main Street.

A request by Mr. Kenneth Patton for a variance from the foundation requirements of the Uniform Building Code was denied by the Council. City Attorney Henigson commented on Senate Bill #538 which sets forth the rules for an election to repeal the Ethics Statement requirement. He advised that this must be an initiative petition coming from the people.

Resolution #296 was passed by the Council establishing procedure for a Disciplinary Hearing for the Police Department. In general the Resolution established the provision for the disciplinary hearing which designates officers of equal or higher rank. Findings of the Board will be referred to City officials for final determination.

Homecoming Week Observed at TVCC

This is homecoming week at Treasure Valley Community College. A number of the planned student activities in celebration are open to the public, and the students urge your attendance.

Tuesday evening, October 14, The New Theater will perform in the Weese Building at 7 p.m. New Theater is a pair of professional actors who perform a number of entertaining skits.

A student talent show is scheduled for 7 p.m., Thursday, October 16, in the Weese Building. A variety of

talent from the college and the community at large will be on the program.

The 1975 Powder Puff football game between the freshman and sophomore classes will be staged at the Ontario High School football field. Kickoff will be at 1:30 p.m.

The 1975 TVCC Homecoming Football Game with Yakima Valley Community College will begin at 1:30 p.m. Saturday afternoon at the Ontario High School football field.

Cow Hollow Area Welcomes Hunters

Once again the Cow Hollow area is getting set to welcome pheasant hunters. Hunting privileges on nearly 10,000 acres of land have been obtained and hunting tickets will go on sale at Sunset Market on Lytle Blvd. and at Skinner's Service at Owyhee Corners beginning at noon, October 16. Hunting maps will be available at the sales locations and at motels in the area.

The fees paid by hunters go to support the Cow Hollow Park and the summer recreation program for children living in the Cow Hollow area. Last summer the park program had two girls softball

teams and a Babe Ruth, Minors and Pee Wee team for boys. In all, 64 boys and girls participated in park activities, and in addition, two Girl Scout Troops and one Boy Scout Troop used the park for an overnight camping experience.

The park and the recreational program is supported solely by fees paid by hunters and volunteer labor from local residents of the Cow Hollow area. Physical improvements are being added as funds permit. Camping facilities are available for out-of-town hunters who desire to stay at the park.

Community Calendar Drive Begins Today

Nyssa High School band and flag corps members will be knocking at doors around town starting Thursday, October 16 to tell people about the publication of their annual Community Birthday calendar.

The birthday calendar will list schedules for school activities, meeting dates for organizations in town, and names and birthdays or

anniversaries of Nyssa area residents.

A picture of the High School Band and Flag Corps will be printed and bonded to the calendar. You will want this photo as a souvenir.

Competitive teams for contacting people for dates are headed by seniors, Tammi Frederiksen, Martina DeLeon, Joyce Haney, Curtis Moncur, Mike Parker, and Kelly Williams.

U.S. Bank Sponsors Young Farmer

United States National Bank of Oregon will sponsor the Oregon Farm Bureau's Young Farmer and Rancher competition, the bank and Farm Bureau announced jointly this week.

While a similar competition has been held sporadically in the past, this will be the first time in its new format with a regular sponsor on an annual basis.

This year's winner will be announced at the Farm Bureau's state convention early in December. In addition to recognition at the organization's annual banquet and award of a plaque, the winner will have all expenses paid to the national convention in St. Louis, where he or she will be entered in the national contest.

Town & Country Garden Club Decorates Entrance To City

by Lyn Dohner

A small vacant lot at the north entrance of Nyssa was transformed last Friday into a landscaped garden by the combined efforts of a few Town and Country Garden Club ladies, the Co-op manager and his helper, a couple of rockhounds and the boss at the Oregon Concrete Company.

First, armed with rakes and shovels, the ladies went to work, smoothing the ground, placing potted shrubs and planting them. They also made little flower beds and set them with tulips and iris that will wake up in the Spring in red, white and blue colors for the Bicentennial.

Ernie Metcalf and Mike Bashor of Nyssa Co-op then went to work with visqueen material, covering all the ground surrounding the shrubs and plantings, this their donation to the project.

The Garden Club ladies were permitted to go to Oregon Concrete yards with Glade Chadwick and choose the decorative rock desired, and this, also a donation, was trucked in and spread over the visqueen.

Next, and finally, a choice collection of rock and boulders were brought in and placed along the north edge of the area by Shorty Brandt and Wayne Moncur of the Nyssa Rockhounds.

This project was initiated by the Town and Country Garden Club and triggered by Mrs. William Schireman, then Club president. She enlisted the cooperation of the community and the Nyssa

Lion's Club with Alvin Allen, president, and Don Young directing the work.

Much work and preparation went into it. First permission was gained through Ed Child from Phillips 66 Corp. who owned most of the land, to use some of their property in the venture.

The Lion's Club part was to place the forms for the concrete footings and wall that would surround the area. This was done under the supervision of Wilbur Holcomb of the Holcomb Construction Company, who supplied the forms and the concrete that was poured into them.

City Manager, Henry Schneider gained permission of the City Council for aiding the job. He provided a fill to build up the spot, installed water lines and hydrant.

Mr. Ben Payne and Mrs. Francis Cammann of Nu Acres trucked in a load of fertilizer and spread it. Mr. Schneider gave the final preparation by rototilling the soil.

The City of Nyssa may well be proud of the small garden spot that greets visitors now as they enter town from the North.

School Safety Patrol Performs Important Duty

by Pat Savage

Parents, if your sixth grade student excitedly races home one afternoon from school exclaiming "I get to be on patrol this week!" Don't absentmindedly say "I think that's nice honey," and go about your business, because this job of patrolling the crosswalks at school is very serious business not only for your child but for 400 to 450 children each day.

These students volunteer to perform the duty of a patrolman for a week at a time with the captain serving for two weeks. The captain puts out the two "Sammys" or the two wooden patrol figures that stand in the middle of the street to mark the patrol area. The student who is captain is in charge of one patrol crossing while a teacher is overseeing the other crosswalk. Sixth grade teachers who help direct the school patrol program are: Mrs. Nadine Luther, Mrs. Beth Leggett, Newell Cleaver, Russ Aman and Mrs. McPartland.

These patrolmen are honored with a patrol party at the end of the school year and an outstanding patrolman and captain will be presented a traveling trophy each month plus individual certificates of appreciation. It is an

important job and these patrolmen need a lot of help, consideration and encouragement from other people.

There are two major crosswalks in use mornings and evenings, the one by Rays Food Fair and the one by Stunz Lumber. These are patrolled every morning and each evening, regardless of the weather. The first and second graders are helped across the street when they are dismissed by their teachers, as the sixth grade patrolmen start their duties about 3:20 p.m. The sixth grades and under, some junior high and high school students make a mad dash for the crosswalks about 3:30 and the buses leave at 3:40 p.m.

I approached the Elementary School about 3:05 p.m. last week and everything was very calm. There wasn't much traffic, a few trucks, teacher's cars in the parking area. Nothing to get excited about.

Upon leaving the building at 3:20 when I accompanied Mrs. Joy McPartland and the patrolman that day to the "Y". I was amazed at the number of cars. Upon inquiring, "Is it always like this?" Mrs. McPartland replied, "This is a mild day, wait till it rains."

We were joined at this point by Police Chief Alvin Allen. Either he or another officer helps at the street crossings each morning and evening. As a group of students approached the crosswalk I noted the patrolman sizing up the situation. Keep in mind this young sixth grade student is not exceptionally tall and all of a sudden there are between 30 and 40 students behind him.

The patrolmen try not to stop any traffic that is within the Sammys, so letting three trucks go by, he then extended his patrol flag and this troop of students filed across the street. Suddenly a car made a lefthand turn from Main Street to get into the parking area. This car passed in front of a line of stopped buses and cars and through a line of children standing off the sidewalk (but still off the highway) waiting to cross. The patrolman brought his flag back to stop the flow of crossing children when an older boy, looking neither right nor left crossed among the traffic which had begun to move. This young man was brought up abruptly by a call from Chief Allen and received a few choice words.

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Ray's Food Fair Robbed By Gypsies

A band of "gypsies" is being sought by Nyssa police and law enforcement agencies of the area following a \$3,900 daylight burglary at Ray's Food Fair here Monday at the busiest grocery-shopping hour, 5 p.m.

According to witnesses, the band fled via five cars which appeared to be traveling as a caravan. The caravan was believed heading for Idaho.

A couple of the women in the group reportedly distracted Lynn Ray, market manager, while others raided the office safe.

Police Chief Alvin Allen said that one of the witnesses reported there were eight gypsy women in the store at the time and another said there were six. A man traveling with them reportedly waited outside.

According to the police chief, the burglars were selective about the money they took. The coins, \$1 bills and checks were left behind.

A police teletype report received in Nyssa Monday listed a similar incident occurring one day earlier in Alturas, California. Descriptions on vehicles were obtained by police.

The money's disappearance from the safe was not discovered for some time. That fact was revealed when a cashier called the manager for replenishment.

Police said they were notified of the burglary at 6:20 p.m. According to Chief Allen there are no warrants for the suspected band. There were no actual witnesses to the money's disappearance from the safe.

TVA Slates Oct. Meet

Don Mickey, director of TVA, will be the guest speaker at the 8 p.m. meeting, Tuesday evening, October 21, of the Treasure Valley Association for Handicapped and Retarded Citizens, Inc. The meeting will be held in the Mary Kay School in Ontario.

All parents, members and interested persons are encouraged to attend.

WEATHER

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
October 8	59	32	
October 9	61	33	
October 10	66	47	.06
October 11	55	48	.13
October 12	58	41	.15
October 13	60	45	.10
October 14	61	39	
October 15		36	
Owyhee Reservoir			
10-15-75	492,850	Acre Feet	
10-15-74	366,570	Acre Feet	



PATROL CAPTAIN DOUGLAS MADRID and Patrolman Rick Gardner direct traffic on North Main Street after school. This busy pedestrian lane has hundreds of school

children crossing the street daily, and requires extra care from both motorists and children to avoid an accident. The school patrolmen do fine work in directing this traffic.