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I am very excited about a new program called C.O.D.E. that the Nyssa Insurance Agents and the Nyssa City Police are initiating. Every day one reads of houses and cars being burglarized and the number seems to be increasing at a very high rate and believe it or not, it is happening here. Everyone asks "What can we do?" or "Well, it really is a matter for our police department, isn't it?" No! It is the responsibility of everyone who owns something to see that it is protected. C.O.D.E. will help. You simply go by the police station and they will engrave your driver's license number on your belongings or you may take the engraver home and do your larger articles yourself. These items if stolen can then be traced when they are recovered. You will also be given a window decal that shows that your items have been marked for ready identification. Lets help ourselves, our police department and our town by backing this program all the way. Take time to mark those valuables so you will have them to enjoy.

I was in the mood for daffodils and Spring. Tuesday evening as I walked home. Many of the sidewalks were clear and the roads were dry and the temperature was almost balmy. Wednesday brought more snow, so I want to let those who can and do shovel the snow from their sidewalks, know how much those of us that walk to work, deliver mail and use those walks to go to town and back, etc., appreciate your efforts. There have been reports of several people who have taken bad falls. It takes a long time for broken bones to mend, especially if you are elderly. Many thanks to those businessmen also for keeping the sidewalks clear and making it easier for everyone involved.

Congratulations to Bill Stout of Stout Appliance on the opening of a furniture section in his store. Nyssa has been in dire need of a furniture store for some time. Thanks for thinking of our needs and helping our town to become better.

Many local merchants are having clearance sales this week. This will be a real advantage for shoppers as there are some real money savers. Take advantage and shop at home where the merchants are friendly and welcome you as customers.

Operation CODE Initiated In Nyssa

Due to a recent increase in residential burglaries and car prowls, Nyssa Insurance Agents in cooperation with Nyssa City Police are initiating a program called operation C.O.D.E. that will hopefully curb the problem.

The idea was introduced in Monterey Park, California in 1963 by Police Chief Everett Holladay when homeowners responded to a police circular and began engraving their driver's license number on all of their valuable possessions to identify them if stolen.

Since then, only 20 burglaries have been committed in over 5,000 participating households. By contrast, over 2,000 burglaries have been committed in 6,000 non-participating households during the same period. That's less than 1/10 percent for participants versus over 30 percent for non participants in the number of burglaries.

By engraving driver's license numbers on valuables, police can locate the owner of property by running the number through Motor Vehicles Division in Salem. This number also identifies articles when stolen so they can be entered into the NCIC - National Crime Information Center.

A recent recovery of suspected stolen property was hampered when the victim could not positively identify his property, had it

WARNING!



been marked this would not have been a problem.

The Nyssa Police and Insurance Agents encourage citizens to stop by the Police Station with their small articles - C.B.'s, tape player etc., and an officer will engrave the number for you. For larger articles such as T.V.'s the engraver will be on loan for three days.

Upon return each citizen will be given official window decals proclaiming "all items of value on these premises have been marked for ready identification by law enforcement agencies."

The window decals also act as a preventative measure.

Once a burglar knows the items in a house or vehicle are marked and can easily be traced he is likely to think twice about breaking in.



FIRST BABY OF 1976 is Jonathon Lee Lopez, born to Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lopez, 423 North 8th Street, Nyssa, at 2:17 a.m., New Year's Day at Malheur Memorial Hospital. The attending physician was Dr. David W. Sarazin.

The baby weighed six pounds eight ounces and was 19 inches long. He and his parents, Mike and Carol, will be recipients of many gifts given by Nyssa merchants, plus \$50 off on both the doctor and hospital bills. Little Jonathon joins a sister, Rhonda Ann, who is five years old.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wagner of Wilder, and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Phil Watson.

Nyssa. His great-grandmother is Mrs. Dora Lopez of Parma; and Mr. and Mrs. Bart Coons of Burns are great-grandparents.

Mike is employed by Amalgamated Sugar Company in the Beet Seed Laboratory, and Carol has been employed until recently at the Malheur Memorial Nursing Home, where she worked for two years.

Another New Year's baby was born at 10 a.m. that day to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blair of Andrews, Oregon. Dr. Sarazin was also the attending physician for this baby, named Shawn Lee. Grandparents are Mrs. Mary Hardin of Nyssa and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Blair of Andrews.

Drivers License Will Contain Photos

Department of Motor Vehicles is moving toward implementation of the photo license program in July, 1976 which should assist police agencies in identification of traffic violators and traffic victims, as well as provide an over-all better system of identification of drivers, according to Municipal Judge Fred Robinson.

Bids have been opened from vendors who will provide the equipment to be used in the program and the bid should be awarded by the end of the year.

Here's how the program will be implemented:

During the first two years - July, 1976 to June, 1978 - drivers who have odd-numbered birthdates, such as the 1st, 3rd, 5th, 25th will renew their licenses by coming in person to a DMV field office. A photograph of the renewal reminder notice and the

driver will be taken and the license will be issued in the field office. (Since the renewal reminder notice becomes a part of the license itself, it becomes more important than ever that drivers keep DMV advised of any change of address.) The fee for the photo license, valid for four years, will be \$9.

Drivers with even-numbered birthdates are not scheduled to receive photo licenses until the period beginning in July, 1978 and ending in June, 1980. The law does provide, however, that these drivers may request a photo license and one will be issued. If they do get a photo license before they are normally scheduled to do so, the license will be valid for only two years and the fee will be \$5-\$1 more than at the present time.

\$3,136,000 Allocated For Oregon ACP

An allocation of \$3,136,000 has been authorized for Oregon's 1976 Agricultural Conservation Program (ACP) according to Russell Fulleton, Chairman of the Malheur County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee. The allocation, determined by the Secretary of Agriculture is based on conservation needs in Oregon. The allocation for Malheur County will be determined by State ASC Committee at their January meeting.

"The amount authorized includes amounts for technical services to the Soil Conservation Service," Fulleton said, "but it does not include amounts required for small cost-share increases or transfers to the Forest Service for technical services."

The national funding level of the 1976 ACP was announced at \$175 million.

Administered by ASCS, the ACP is designed to encourage the application of enduring soil and water conservation practices on farms. "The objective of the program is to obtain needed conservation on farmlands beyond that which the farmer would accomplish with his own resources," Fulleton said.

Cost sharing will be approximately 50 percent of the cost of carrying out approved soil, water and woodland conservation practices.

Fulleton pointed out that there is a \$2,500 payment

limitation on the cost-share practices. The program offers both annual and long term conservation agreements with farmers. State and county ASC committees are responsible for identifying the critical farm conservation problems and developing and approving practices for cost-sharing on a priority basis.

All ACP applicants will be given equal consideration without regard to race, color, sex, creed or national origin.

Malheur County farmers will be notified when the 1976 County program has been approved and the date when sign-up will start for 1976.

Labor Camp Thieves Caught

Break-ins at 32 of the 36 cabins in the Nyssa Labor Camp are being investigated by the Malheur County Sheriff's Department with the help of Nyssa Police Officers.

According to Deputy Frank Ceniga, the incidents occurred Thursday night and petitions will be signed against six juveniles believed to have been involved.

Ceniga said that a television set, a radio and miscellaneous articles were removed from the cabins. Some of the items have been recovered.

The youths entered the buildings by breaking windows, he said.

Bowers Appointed To Hospital Board

Marvin D. Bowers of Adrian has been appointed to the board of directors of Malheur Memorial Hospital, replacing Bill Percell who is moving to Redding, California. He has two years left on this term of office.

Bowers is on the Adrian City Council, and acts as Clerk/Recorder. He works for the Adrian School District as bus mechanic and head custodian.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowers have three children. Debra is married to Lenny Martin of Adrian, and they are living near London where he is stationed in the Air Force. Doug is a freshman in high school, and David is a third grader. Marvin has lived in Adrian since early childhood, coming here from Nebraska with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bowers.



Marvin D. Bowers

WEATHER

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Dec. 30	39	30	.14
Dec. 31	34	27	
Jan. 1	29	19	
Jan. 2	28	17	
Jan. 3	30	16	trace
Jan. 5	44	28	.59
Jan. 6	39	27	
Jan. 7	24		trace
Owyhee Reservoir Storage			
1-5-76	597,610	Acre Feet	
1-5-75	412,820	Acre Feet	



A NEW FURNITURE STORE has been opened in Nyssa by Bill Stout, owner of Stout Appliance. The store is an addition to the appliance store at 3rd and Main.

Stout bought the former Herman Town garage, and opened his appliance store in July, 1971. Since that time he has remodeled the front part of the building which is occupied by Farmers Insurance company, Nolan Field-Waldo Insurance, and Bob Thompson Realty, all facing Main Street. Stout Appliance and a large parking lot faces on 3rd Street, and now the furniture store occupies an additional part of the building, with the extreme back end used for storage

and appliance repairs.

The new furniture store will be stocked with basic furniture, including dinette sets, bedroom suites, box springs and mattresses, occasional and end tables, mirrors and lamps. Stout will continue to feature Quasar TV, Sharp Microwave ovens, and the complete Hotpoint line of ranges, refrigerators, washers, dryers, dishwashers and freezers.

"People in Nyssa have been very kind in their patronage," Stout said, "and I hope that basic furniture items will be an additional service and addition to the business community."

Review Of 1975 Events Recapped From Front Pages Of Journal

JANUARY

2. - The Nyssa school board proposed a bond issue of \$2,354,000 for rebuilding the Nyssa schools destroyed by fire June 5, 1974.

2. - The medical staff of Malheur Memorial Hospital elected Dr. Thomas J. Fuson president and Chief of Staff of the hospital for the 1975 year.

9. - The first baby of 1975 was born to Mr. and Mrs. Byron Tanner of Big Bend on January 5. The baby was named Sherwin Carlos. Dr. David W. Sarazin was the attending physician.

9. - W. C. "Bud" Hammack was sworn in as new County Commissioner by County Judge Roy Hirai. Hammack succeeds Emil Maag, long-time commissioner.

9. - Three Adrian city councilmen were given the oath of office. They are George Cartwright and Marvin D. Bowers for four-year terms, and Phillip E. Webb for a two-year term. Cartwright was elected mayor, and Bowers was named city clerk/recorder.

16. - Four new city councilmen were sworn into office on the Nyssa City Council. These were George Coffman, Patricia Savage, George W. Patterson and Dick Butcher.

Coffman, who is on his second term, was elected President of the Council, and Don Oldemeyer was elected Mayor.

16. - Grace Stringer, long-time resident of Nyssa, was found dead near her home of exposure.

23. - A gleaming silver tray was presented to Arline Robb by her fellow employees for her 25 years of service to the Nyssa branch of the First National Bank of Oregon.

23. - The current winter quarter enrollment at TVCC is up markedly from the winter quarter a year ago. The present enrollment is 703, compared with 534 full-time students one year ago.

30. - Nyssa voters approved the \$2,354,000 bond issue to rebuild the schools. The final tally was 598 yes votes and 530 no votes, for a total of 1128. This was the largest number ever to vote at a school election, according to Superintendent W. L. McPartland.

30. - Jake Fischer was installed as president of the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce at their annual banquet. Albert Carlsen, chairman of the board of Idaho Power Company, was the principal speaker and installing officer. New directors installed were John Messick, Margaret Bracken and George Patterson.

Fischer succeeds outgoing president Ken Nye.

30. - Larry Blackburn of Nyssa was chosen by the Ontario Jaycees as winner of the Distinguished Service Award. Blackburn is sports-caster for radio station KSRV.

FEBRUARY

6. - Ernest Seuell, Adrian was re-elected president of the Malheur County Farm Bureau. John Turner, Vale was re-elected vice-president and Joe Hobson, Ontario, was again named the voting delegate to the state convention.

13. - School board member Gene Stunz was one of nearly 300 school board members from 42 states who met in Washington, D.C. to discuss education legislation with their U.S. Senators and Representatives.

13. - Palmer Equipment Company opened their new, modern facility to the public with an open house. Their new location is just across the Snake River on the Idaho side. Mr. and Mrs. John Palmer have been the Case dealer in Nyssa since 1960.

20. - The Nyssa eighth grade basketball team, under the direction of Coach Vernon Lords, won the SRV championship. This team has won 26 games without a loss in the 7th and 8th grades.

27. - Frank Pittz joined the Nyssa Police Department replacing Carl Zellars, who left for a police job in Umatilla County. Pittz, his wife Janon, and three children are from Chowchilla, California.

27. - An indictment against Malheur Memorial Hospital District was dismissed by District Attorney Frank Yraguen. The district was accused of obtaining funds from the State of Oregon through welfare recipients by filing false prescription invoices.

MARCH

6. - Hammond Development Corporation of Salem revealed plans for a 40-unit senior citizen complex in Nyssa, to be located at South 5th Street and Thompson Avenue.

6. - Marion Tracy, Nyssa Councilman, was elected chairman of the South Eastern Oregon Council of Governments at their meeting in Juntura.

6. - The Nyssa Lions Club presented a check for \$200 to the Lions Sight Program at the Charter Night banquet last Tuesday.

13. - Ore-Ida Foods of Ontario opened a new \$7.5 million addition to their plant. Governor Cecil D. Andrus of Idaho was special guest and featured speaker.

20. - A proposed \$829,428 operating budget for TVCC was defeated by the district voters by a margin of 53 votes. The count was 1159 yes and 1212 no.

20. - A joint installation of the Nyssa and Adrian Jaycees was held Friday at the Eagles Hall. National Director Bob DuMilleu was the principal speaker and installing officer.

27. - Julie Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ross of Jordan Valley, was named Malheur County Beef Princess at the annual spring session of the Malheur County Livestock Association.

APRIL

3. - Five happy youngsters were awarded bicycles in the Gate City Journal subscription campaign. Winners were Gary South, Jim Looney, Brenda Sims, Lane Seward and Melissa Baker.

3. - Mr. and Mrs. Richard Daugherty of Adrian were killed in a pickup-train collision at Noye crossing, one and one-half miles west of Parma.

10. - Bruce Corn was honored as the Star Chapter Farmer of 1975 at the annual FFA Awards Banquet. Mike Parker was installed as FFA president for the next year to succeed Corn. Barbara Holmes was named the Star

Green Hand, and was also installed as chapter secretary.

17. - Kathryn Kunkel was named delegate and Lori Miner alternate to Girls State by the American Legion Auxiliary.

17. - Alvin Allen was elected president of the Nyssa Lions Club, to take office in June.

24. - The Nyssa American Legion Post No. 79 selected Neal Oldemeyer and Terry Fife to attend Oregon Boys State. Gary Cleaver was elected Commander of the Legion Post.

24. - The Amalgamated Sugar Company has picked George Hobbs, Nyssa factory superintendent, to be superintendent at Nampa. Moving up to the Nyssa factory is Nelson Hiner from the Minicassia factory.

MAY

1. - New Nyssa Postmaster is Harold Pook of Boise, replacing Lee Dail, who retired. Pook is a native of Emmett, and has been in the Postal Service since 1960.

1. - Four members of the Nyssa Planning Commission resigned rather than file an Economic Interest Statement required by the State of Oregon. They are Henry Anderson, Glade Chadwick, Art Bosselman and Guy Sparks.

1. - The Adrian Legion Auxiliary named Sherri Price as delegate to Girls State, and selected Joy Cameron as alternate.

8. - Voters in the TVCC College District and the Adrian School District approved their budgets at the annual school election. Nyssa voters elected Don Bullard for a four-year term on the board, replacing Don Engstrom.

8. - Nyssa School board sold \$2,354,000 in bonds to the U. S. National Bank of Oregon at an effective interest rate of 6.8842 percent. The only other bidder was the First National Bank of Oregon with a bid of 6.9551 percent.

15. - B&M Equipment Company suffered extensive fire damage when their storage warehouse was destroyed. Damage was estimated at \$75,000.

15. - Cindy Osborn of Adrian was crowned as Malheur County Dairy Princess and will compete in January for the title of Oregon Dairy Princess.

22. - Kathy Shell and Jennie Shimomae were named valedictorian and salutatorian for the Nyssa High School Commencement, and Tony Bennett and Betty Jo Wenke were valedictorian

22. - Robyn Ketchum of Payette was picked as queen of the Nyssa Nite Rodeo, and Rhonda Rhoades, Caldwell, and Deby Goodman of Vale new named princesses.

29. - The Avenue of Flags was dedicated on Memorial Day as the result of purchase of 50 flags by the Nyssa American Legion Post No. 79. Attorney Gene Stunz was speaker at the Memorial Day services at Nyssa cemetery.

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