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By Pat Savage

School finished its last day today, and is over for the summer amid cries of 'hurrah' and loud sighs of release. Summer is time for fun and sun, but rather imagine we parents will be listening to "Mom, what is there for me to do?" in about three weeks. Ah youth!

I am glad to see the Oregon State Highway crew is finally repairing that leaky spot under the underpass. Have heard many complaints about why doesn't the city take care of this. This isn't the city's responsibility, but the states' as this is a state highway. Also the maintenance under the underpass as well as the walkways are the states' responsibility.

Didn't you think graduation ceremonies Thursday evening were nice? I did. I especially liked the combination of the valedictorian and salutatorian speeches. They added a bit of humor, but were to the point. Even with the completion of the new auditorium, which would be available in case of bad weather, it seems nice to think that outdoor graduations could become traditional. I might add, that this class conducted themselves with the honor and dignity that behooves a Senior Class and certainly should make the community proud of them.

When answering a fire call the other evening, Nyssa firemen heard the remark, "There are too many firemen answering calls, especially when it is a small fire. It's costing the city too much money." In order to clarify this - these men all volunteer their services and receive no pay. The fire chief receives a small amount per month, but this is a flat fee. These men give of their time, and efforts, and they meet the first Monday of every month and practice every Monday night. These volunteers deserve our thanks and our consideration as they are most necessary. In this day and age if we can get that type of service for nothing, we've really got something going for us, every one of us!

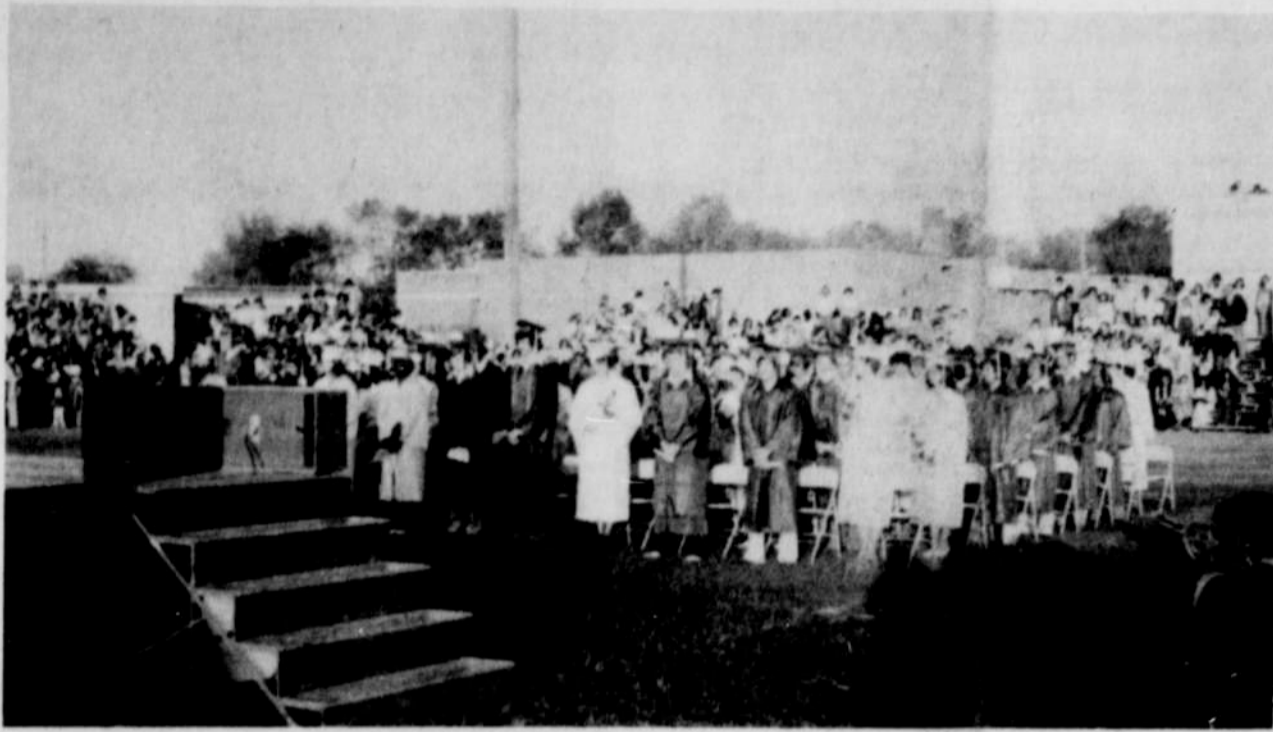
Don't forget to fly your flags Memorial Day and attend Memorial Day Services if you are home this weekend!

Potato Committee Meets Friday

The first meeting of the Idaho & Eastern Oregon Potato Committee for the Year beginning June 1, 1976 will be held at the Eastside Cafe, Ontario, Oregon, Friday at 1:30 p.m.

The agenda for the meeting will go according to the items listed on the attached schedule.

The meeting is being called in Ontario at this early date in order that regulations can be recommended early enough to allow processing in Washington D.C., in order to have regulations established for the beginning of shipments of the early crop.



NYSSA HIGH SCHOOL graduates stand in the sunset of a beautiful day as they received their diplomas last Thursday evening on the football field.

This was the second outdoor graduation since the loss of the gymnasium, and new facilities will be completed and available before the graduation of another class.

At right, School Board Chairman Mark Hartley presents a graduate with her diploma, assisted by Superintendent W. L. McPartland behind podium, and Counselor Duane Buchtel at left.

Science Students Leave For Coast

Twenty-three members of the Nyssa High School Science club will be leaving Saturday, May 29, for an eight-day field trip to the Oregon Coast and San Francisco.

Scheduled visits for the group include stops at the Oregon Institute of Marine Biology, OSU's Marine Science Center, Humboldt State University, California Academy of Science, Abbott Laboratories at Moffett Field, Lawrence Hall of Science at University of California (Berkeley). Also students will be sightseeing in San Francisco, Coos Bay and Lake Tahoe.

Adults accompanying the group include Mr. and Mrs. Gary Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Savage and Miss Mary Ombreg and Miss Joleen Reece.

OSU Graduation On June 9

Oregon State University is expected to confer a record number of degrees at its 107th commencement June 6.

Registrar Wallace E. Gibbs expects the number of degrees will be between 3,500 and 3,600. A record 3,498 degrees were awarded in 1973.

The number dropped to 3,480 in 1974 and to 3,400 last year when the total number of degrees awarded by OSU over the past 106 years passed the 75,000 mark.

The annual graduation ceremony is scheduled at 2 p.m. in Gill Coliseum.



American Legion Will Honor War Dead At Nyssa Cemetery

The American Legion will pay tribute with full military honors to the War Dead, Monday, May 31, at 11 a.m. at the Nyssa Cemetery. The main address will be given by Senator Robert F. Smith of Burns.

The services will be as follows: Welcoming address by Legion Commander Gary Cleaver.

Prayer by Carl Lassiter, Legion Chaplain.

Address by Senator Smith, Placing of wreath by the American Legion Auxiliary.

A gun salute by the firing squad.

Taps by buglers Mike Parker, Bruce Corn and Roger Blaylock.

The Memorial will begin Sunday evening when the

American Legion will place flags on each of the 155 graves of war veterans. The Auxiliary will place a wreath upon each grave.

Monday, Memorial Day, at sunrise the National Flag will be flown at half mast to show that the entire nation mourns its dead. At noon the flag is returned to full staff, signifying new hope for the future and for the living.

Malheur County Spelling Winners Announced

The finals of the Malheur County Spelling Contest were held at the Vale Middle School on Thursday, May 20, with thirteen (13) students from the various school districts in the County participating.

In the Elementary Section (Grades 1-6) the winner was Christian "Chris" Bohm of Jordan Valley with Sharon Iida of Ontario (Cairo Elementary) placing second and Kathy Payne of Vale third.

The winner of the Eighth Grade Section was Maxine Henderson of Ontario Junior

This same procedure will take place in 22 U.S. Military Cemeteries in foreign countries as well as in all cemeteries in the United States, according to Legionnaire Joe Maughn.

Following the services at the cemetery, a short service will be held at the River Park where a wreath will be floated on the Snake River honoring all veterans lost at sea.

High. Natalie Mower of Nyssa placed second and Jim Wilkins of Vale was the third place winner.

For the Eleventh Grade Section, the winner was Dawn Davis of Ontario Senior High with Sue Hiatt of Vale Union High placing second.

The three first place winners will now go to Salem to compete in the State finals which will be held during the State Fair this summer.

Much interest and enthusiasm has been generated for the contest and it is hoped to make it an annual event in Malheur County.

Deadline Nears To Order Fiddlers Tickets

June 7, is the deadline for ordering tickets by mail for the National Oldtime Fiddlers' Contest in Weiser, June 22-26.

Lois Lee, ticket chairman.

Amalgamated Declares Dividend

At its regularly scheduled meeting May 20, the Board of Directors of The Amalgamated Sugar Company declared common stock dividend No. 145 amounting to 75¢ per share on stock payable on August 1, 1976 to stockholders of record on July 16, 1976.

The announcement was made by Chairman of the Board and President A. E. Benning.

said that from experience it has been learned that it is necessary to have ten to twelve days to process mail orders, correct occasional errors and misunderstandings. That is the reason for a June 7 deadline.

After that date, tickets may be purchased at the Chamber of Commerce office in Weiser on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

May Hiatt Wins Hog

May Hiatt of Nyssa was winner of the hog given by Les Schwab Tire Center, according to Clyde McClung, manager. Mrs. Hiatt won with a guess of 200 pounds for the hog.

Malheur County Voters Elect New Circuit Judge, Defeat Levy

Over 8,000 Malheur County voters went to the polls Tuesday, and followed the trend in neighboring Idaho rather than Oregon in picking their national choices.

Malheur Republicans gave Ronald Reagan 2898 votes to 1147 for President Ford, although the president was the party's choice in Oregon. Idaho Senator Frank Church received 1767 votes. Jimmy Carter had 965, and Governor Jerry Brown of California was third in Malheur County with 253 write-in votes on the Democratic ballot.

In the non-partisan ballots District Attorney Frank Yraguen soundly beat Circuit Judge Jeff Dorroh by a nearly 3 to 1 margin, and voters turned down Malheur County levy by about the same margin.

Don Engstrom received the most votes for Justice of the Peace, Nyssa District, with 848. He and incumbent Judge E. Otis Smith, who received 595 votes, will campaign for that position in November. Everett Ballou was third with 354 votes.

County Clerk Bob Morcom said that about 300 absentee ballots have not been figured in the complete but unofficial returns, as follows:

Measures Ballot
No. 1 - Expands Veterans Home-Farm Loan Eligibility, 6071 Yes, 1854 No.
No. 2 - Discipline of Judges, 7044 Yes, 791 No.
No. 3 - Housing Bonds, 2957 Yes, 4515 No.

No. 4 - Authorizes Vehicle Tax for Mass Transit Use, 1493 Yes, 6019 No.

Malheur County Levy
\$95,950 outside the 6% Limitation, 1531 Yes, 5523 No.

Non-Partisan Ballot
Judge of the Supreme Court, Position No. 2, Firley A. Field 2851, Berkeley Lent 4178.

Judge of the Court of Appeals, Position No. 1, Steve P. Chez 754, Lee Johnson 2148, Henry Kane 1393, Robert A. Lucas 2289.

Judge of the Court of Appeals, Position No. 3, R. W. Kitson 2757, Herbert M. Schwab 3828.

Judge of the Court of appeals, Position No. 4, William S. Fort 2950, William L. Richardson 3476.

Judge of the Circuit Court, Ninth Judicial District, Jeff D. Dorroh 2195, Frank Yraguen 5911.

Justice of the Peace, Nyssa District, Everett B. Ballou 354, Don R. Engstrom 848, E. Otis Smith 595.

Democratic Ballot
President of the U. S., Birch Bayh 3, Jimmy Carter 965, Frank Church 1767, Fred Harris 7, Hubert H. Humphrey 107, Henry M. Jackson 38, Edward M. Kennedy 137, Ellen McCormick 44, Morris Udall 51, George Wallace 112, and Jerry Brown 253.

Representative in Congress, 2nd District, Al Ullman 2951.
Secretary of State, Al Denmore 693, Dick Groener 253, Phil McAlmond 431, Blaine Whipple 1001, and Caroline Wilkins 73.
State Treasurer, Mel Gordon 939, Marvin J. Hollingsworth 1015, and Jewel A. Lansing 1042.
Attorney General, James A. Redden 1857, Don Willner 1197.
County Commissioner, Lauren King, 2543
County Assessor, Floyd J. Holton 2791.
County Sheriff, Robert G. Ingram, 3275.

Republican Ballot
President of the U. S., Gerald Ford 1147, Ronald Reagan 2898.
Representative in Congress, 2nd District, Terry L. Hicks, 821, Cecil R. Kariker 942, Thomas H. Mercer 1489.
Secretary of State, John P. Kelting 2464, Norma Paulus 1036.
State Treasurer, Irvin Mann 761, Clay Myers 2481 and John Smets 428.
Attorney General, Stan Bunn 578, James W. Durham 1565, William Jolley 999, and Lyndon Wilson 352.
State Senator, 13th District Robert F. Smith 3549.
State Representative, 60th District, Denny Jones 3329.
County Commissioner, Leon D. Sheets 935, N. A. "Nick" Toole 1725.
County Assessor, Oscar B. Bratton 2526.
County Treasurer, Jean "Pat" Bond 3334.

Arcadia Landmark Still Serves Ted Frahm Family

By Neil Bowers

About three and a half miles north of Nyssa is a very interesting landmark of the Arcadia community and probably, one of the first homes ever built in the valley. It is the home of Ted and Bonnie Frahm and their family and has been since 1932.

The original builder is lost in the murky past. I have talked to every "old timer" in the Arcadia community and around. They all say the same, "It was there when we came, and it was new, then."

Mrs. Frahm says it was built in 1863. If so, it must have been built by some one from the south with dreams of a cattle empire. I talked to Earl J. Blackaby—the house was there in his memory. In the book, "The Gambler's Wife" by Melinda Jenkins—a former owner-she tells of buying it from Mrs. Charlie Emison, wife of C. R. Emison. Robert Kiesel has a transcript of a trial in 1926, in which C. R. Emison testified as to his father owning land at the location and of himself riding all over this land and also the K.S. and D. lands in 1881. He doesn't mention the house. Mr. Laneghan, father of Bob Laneghan of Boise and Mrs. Oscar Shafer, told his family of his young days as a cowboy, for the Bill Ross and the 7-UP Smith cattle spreads. He rode all over this part of the country. He said that this place was owned by a woman and was a road house for

travelers to stop and rest or stay. There was a half mile of property between the K.S. and D. and the house.

The house has been much larger than it is now. It has fourteen rooms at present. Several rooms have been built on to the original. At one time an addition was built on to the east side, that served as a kitchen and upstairs sleeping rooms. It had an outside stairs to the upstairs. Another addition was a saddlery or "tack room", very essential to the early ranch. Both of these have been removed by Frahm's and sit outside the yard. Both are kept up in good condition.

The house is of Victorian architecture, with porches and balconies and bay windows that reach to the roof. The edges of the roof are trimmed with scalloped cornices and little turrets with tiny balconies on the corners. The roof has many gables. The outbuildings are also trimmed at the roof edge but with less detail.

Beside the front door, is a small window, with a pattern many old quilts are made like. The front porch is small with carved posts and railings that match the balconies above. The front hall has a 20-foot ceiling. A stairway goes to the second floor. The stairway is mahogany with hand carved newell posts and railings. There is a landing at the bottom and also about halfway up. The upper part of the house has a ballroom which opens onto the balcony.

There are several rooms upstairs. Every room in the house has a ten foot ceiling and all the doors have transoms. Transoms were one answer to air circulation through the house in early days. Also in the entry hall are two windows in the upper part of the outside wall—they seem rather out of context with the rest of the house.

Mrs. Frahm says every board in the house is straight and without knots. Even the large dimensional lumber used for stringers and framing. Although built long ago, before insulation, the house is warm, and also, cool in summer, without benefit of air conditioning. A coal furnace heats it now.

Quite the most colorful people, who have lived in the house were the Jenkins. He was a gambler by profession, known as "Klondike" due to many years spent in the gold fields of Alaska. They came back with a bundle of money and he bought this place about 1900. She had started buying and racing horses. They had an oval track on the place south of the house and he had a fancy cupola built on the top of the house, so he could watch the boys training the horses. It was decorated with stained glass. When Frahm's moved there, it had been torn off by Cooney Bowers.

Wainscoting has been used throughout the house as was the "decor" at the turn of the

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TRUSS-JOIST BEAMS are being installed in the new gym, with the huge laminated beams over the playing floor visible at left.

