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## Town Crier

By Pat Savage

First of all in answer to the many shouts heard over town about the blasted stop light at the "Y" school crossing, this is an Oregon State Highway operated sign over which the City of Nyssa has no control. Police Chief Alvin Allen assured me he has tried to obtain a key to the signal and was unable to do so. Many of us thought when they came to install the lights they were going to be done differently than they were, because we need some sort of safety factor there during school hours. Pending a study in Salem we are stuck with what we now have, or something like, "What you see, is what you got."

Our congratulations to Steve Buchtel, Nyssa Police Officer, upon his graduation last week from the Oregon Police Academy. The seven weeks training in Monmouth is mandatory for all Oregon officers during their first year of employment on the force. It covers the basics policemen need to know - criminal law, court procedures, defensive driving, firearms qualifications, search and seizure procedures and much more. Steve now joins 2,519 other persons who have successfully completed the academy in previous classes.

Two Nyssans were severely injured Sat. morning in different accidents both occurring at approximately the same time. Injured on the way to the Owyhee Dam was Vickie Savage when the jeep in which she was riding overturned. Harold Alexander was injured in a motorcycle-car accident near his home.

The first official bike path in Nyssa will open with ceremonies Friday, September 16, at 7 p.m. Following the ribbon cutting by Nyssa Mayor George Coffman, approximately 100 riders (and everyone is invited to ride) will cycle the route. Prizes for the funniest bike and others will be given. Get those bikes decorated and make ready to officially open the bike route.

I'm sure many of you remember the Harvest Festivals of the past. Well plans are underway to hold one this fall. It might not be as grand as those in the past, but remember this is only a beginning and greater things will happen next year. There are many ideas in the works, one being a machinery show. If anyone has any ideas about how to help make this a successful venture, contact Dennis Francis at the Merc or Jim Peterson at the Gate City Journal.



LOOKS AS IF school work has started again, as Mrs. Bauman helps her new students get back into the swing of things.



WAVING OF ARMS in the morning often means, yes, I want to eat in the cafeteria. As for these band students, many look as if

they should have stayed at home. But as school begins to be a regular routine again, this look will fade away.



MRS. BULLOCK looks as if she has her pick-up sticks for Arithmetic. See, school can new classes attention, as she uses

be fun!

## Family Film to Show Sunday

"The Climb" a film for the entire family will be shown Sunday evening, September 11 at the Christian Church at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Weatherization Tax Credits for Homeowners

Almost all homeowners in the state can expect to receive a tax break for weatherizing their homes under a new program adopted by the 1977 legislature, director of the Oregon Department of Revenue, John J. Lobdell said today.

October 4 is the effective date of the new law. Lobdell says that work done before that date is not eligible for the credit.

Lobdell says that in House Bill 2701, the legislature set up a program to allow homeowners an income tax credit up to \$125 or one-fourth of the cost of weatherization, whichever is less. Taxpayers, regardless of age or income, may claim the credit. The credit may be applied to the taxpayer's home or to rental property, but only one credit may be claimed for each year.

Weatherization work includes such items as weather stripping, insulation, vapor barriers, timed thermostats.

**NYSSA WATER USE**  
This chart is a daily pumping record from Wednesday 0900 A.M. through Tuesday 0900 A.M. of each week. According to the national average, Nyssa residents should use 425,100 gallons per day.

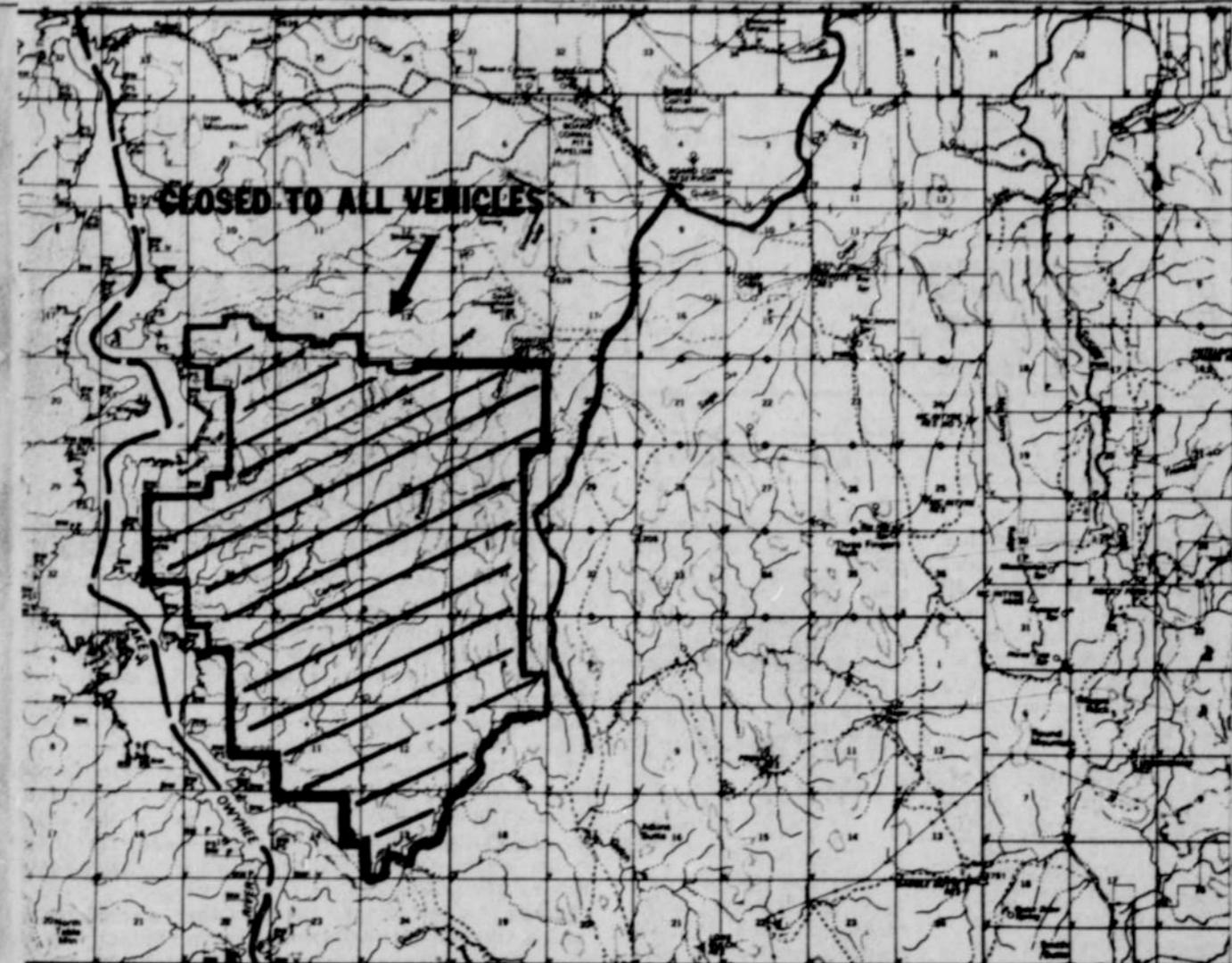
Date	Gallons Pumped	Per Capita	Temp.
Wednesday	772,000	11	272
Thursday	1,130,000	14	398
Friday	1,240,000	15	437
Saturday	1,264,000	16	446
Sunday	814,000	12	287
Monday	1,520,000	18	536
Tuesday	1,503,000	18	530

Date, Sept. 6, 1977 Population 2,834



RECENT OUT-OF-TOWN visitors to Nyssa were front row, left, Michael John Brannigan, and John Michael Aubrey. Back row, left to right, Nancy Brannigan, John Aubrey and Bobbie Aubrey. Mr. and Mrs. Brannigan and son are from Tampa, Florida where he is captain of the police department. The Aubrey family is from Louisville, Kentucky where he is a lieutenant with the police department.

The couples arrived by plane, August 9, and were houseguests of Police Chief Alvin Allen and wife Ruth. The couple when Alvin attended the National Police Academy in Washington D.C. in 1974.



Boundaries of the proposed Honeycomb Primitive area which borders Lake Owyhee on the west are now being posted as closed to motorized vehicles for 18 months, Fearn M. Parker, manager of the Vale District, Bureau of Land Management, announced this week. The closure was official August 5 but posting was delayed for accurate survey of the area's boundaries.

Parker said the Honeycombs area, with its highly fragile soils, already shows some vehicular damage and that closure is to preserve the botanical, zoological, cultural, geological and scenic qualities. The area will be open to foot and horseback travel.

The proposed primitive area has a number of interesting attractions. It is a highly scenic area and is ideal for backpackers in the spring and fall months. Summer months are not conducive to exploring the colorful formations because of high temperatures, especially as all water must be carried in.

## PTSA Plans Bike Path to Meeting

The Nyssa PTSAs (Parents, Teachers, Students, and Administrators), begins it's year also this week. The Executive Committee will meet Thursday, September 8, from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Art room of the High School to approve plans for the year, the various chairmen have been working on through the summer.

The regular meeting of the year will be Thursday, September 15, in the School Cafeteria, where the school and community will receive the new superintendent, new teachers, new students and parents in the community.

The programs for the year will attempt to bring "Today's Family in Focus." A meeting will be held each month on the second Thursday, (September is the exception). The Executive Committee will meet on the first Thursday from 7 to 8 p.m.

This week also, a survey is underway, sent home with the students, to determine how this community feels about violence on TV. The National PTA has done its part, holding eight hearings around the nation to determine the effect of too much violence on children. Finding that it increases aggressive behavior, initiative in some cases and paranoia in others, the National PTA held a series of training sessions to train trainees in each community. It comes back into the home now to do its part.

The place to go for information and to put in your 2 cents worth, is the Nyssa PTSAs meeting Thursday, September 15.

## WEATHER

Date	Max.	Min.
Aug. 31	69	44
Sept. 1	76	44
Sept. 2	85	43
Sept. 3	89	45
Sept. 4	90	53
Sept. 5	88	59
Sept. 6	92	57
Sept. 7	85	55

Owyhee Reservoir Storage  
9-7-77 200,110 Acre Feet  
9-7-76 458,020 Acre Feet

THE NYSSA SCHOOL DISTRICT proudly announces the names of their new teachers for the coming year. They are, front row, left to right: Dora Gallegos, first grade, EOSC senior intern, La Grande, Oregon; Marta Vasquez, fourth grade, Hillsboro, Oregon; Wanda Wilson, first grade, Ontario; Ken Ball, junior high physical education, math, reading, coaching, Huntington, Oregon; Jim Casad, junior high art, reading, coaching, physical education, Jacksonville,

## Madam President to Visit Eagles Auxiliary



She worked on many committees, both local and state.

She served as drill team captain of Auxiliary #4 in 1950, and then as madam president in 1954-55. In 1963, she transferred to east Portland, #3256, where her husband, Dale, was an officer of the Aerie.

In June of 1970, she was elected as state trustee at the annual convention in Coos Bay and has been serving the state since.

Mrs. McWilliams was installed as Madam State President in June, 1977, at Medford, Oregon.

## Aging Council Now Accepting Applications For Volunteers

Malheur Council on Aging is now accepting applications for volunteers to serve the elderly in the Vale, Ontario, and Nyssa Areas.

The volunteers will assist the elderly through existing volunteer programs as Dial-A-Friend, a telephone reassurance program; Friendly Visiting, visiting the elderly in their homes; and Escort, transporting the elderly to and from doctors for appointments and to Senior Citizen's meal sites.

Please contact, Mary Clark Malheur Council on Aging Volunteer Coordinator for more information or to apply by calling, 889-7651.



Florida; Kim Casad, first grade, Jacksonville, Florida. Back row, left to right: Mike Howell, vocational agriculture, Heppner, Oregon; Dan Ellsworth, commercial music, La Grande, Oregon; Gary Welch, choral music, Spokane, Washington; Russ Aman, second grade, Nyssa; Bob Jensen, high school art, Medford, Oregon; Frank Hernandez, student teacher, EOSC, La Grande, Oregon; Terry Peterson, high school science, Wilmington, North Carolina.