

Religion in the News

AMA Installation Celebration scheduled



Rev. John Jackson, President

An "Installation celebration" marking the seating of newly elected officers of the Albina Ministerial Alliance is scheduled Sunday, June 4, at 3 p.m. in St. Andrew's Catholic Church at NE 9th and Alberta.

Officers of the Alliance are the Rev. John Jackson, Mt. Olivet American Baptist Church, president; Father Gordon Dickey, associate pastor of St. Andrew Parish, vice president.

The Rev. Rozell Gilmore, Berean Baptist Church, secretary; the Rev. Dale Stitt, Mailory Avenue Christian Church, treasurer; Sister Sidney Tommison, Recording Secretary.

The Rev. Samuel Johnson of Highland United Church of Christ is social action director for the Alliance. The Rev. Thomas Strayhand of Allen Temple CME Church is chaplain. The Rev. A.L. Henderson of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church is director of program and publicity and the Rev. William Adix, chaplain at Emanuel Hospital is chairman for education.

The ceremonies will feature church choirs, honored guests and a fellowship reception. Community awards will be presented in the fields of education, social work, and community development.

The AMA represents 43 churches in Albina.



JoAnn Richardson

Piano recital featured

The Music Department of the Vancouver Ave. 1st Baptist Church, 3138 N. Vancouver Ave., will present JoAnn Richardson in a piano recital of Classical and Sacred Music on June 4, 1972 at 3:00 p.m.

JoAnn has been on several television stations and on the Oregon State Fair Talent Show, Command Performance. She has also received Superior Ratings in the National Federation of Music Clubs Festival. Just recently, Miss Richardson was selected as the alternate to play at the Oregon Music Teachers Association state convention from among 250 participants in the O.M.T.A. Syllabus examinations.

JoAnne is a senior at Rex Putnam High School where she is one of the accompanists for the choir and plays clarinet in the Advance Band. Also, she is one of the pianists for the Vancouver Ave. 1st Baptist Church of which she is a member.

Miss Richardson studies music at Marylhurst College under Sister Myrtle Edmonson.



Rev. Thomas Strayhand, Chaplain



Rev. Samuel Johnson, Social Action Chairman



Rev. William Adix, Education Chairman



Sister Sidney, Recording Secretary

(Not pictured: Rev. Dale Stitt, Treasurer.)



Fr. Gordon Dickey, Vice President



Rev. Rozell Gilmore, Secretary



Rev. A. Lee Henderson, Program Chairman

Mayor's office replies to AMA

Mr. Marcus Glenn New Albina Community Action Agency 707 N.E. Knott Street Portland, Oregon 97212

Dear Marcus:

This morning the Mayor's office received a letter from Rev. John H. Jackson and Rev. Samuel Johnson in which they expressed disappointment that no money from Summer '72 had been made available for planning for the older teens because the only money we had was from the Recreation Support Program, which is unrealistically restricted to 8 through 13 year olds.

It must be remembered that the committee did not place this restriction on the money; the Department of Labor did; and the Mayor's office cannot blatantly refuse to cooperate and thereby keep thousands of young children in this commu-

nity from enjoying their summer. This latter includes children who are served by the Albina Ministerial Alliance.

While it may be true that the \$15,000 allotment is to serve the 15,000 children in Albina, it is also true that the balance of the money is meant to serve all the rest of the city and figures out this way. There are about 89,000 school-aged children in Portland and they will be served with the remaining \$60,000. This is really little money for youth programs and we know it, but we are working on finding supplemental funds to implement these programs.

It was also announced at the last meeting that additional monies were being made available through the Park Bureau to implement older youth musicals and other kinds of recreation for the Albina residents as well as the other parts of the city, so I need not

remind you that any of your committees, including the Albina Ministerial Alliance, can make plans with the Park Bureau for this kind of programming.

In response to Rev. Jackson's and Johnson's letter, I would like to state that I feel no amount of money could be considered "riot insurance" nor do I feel that we should plan in a negative way. We must be positive and put together good preplanning in every area.

With this in mind, Mr. Bogue held an executive committee meeting yesterday to make some decisions regarding the use of some money which we have been given as "flexible" money. At this time, in addition to the Park Bureau funds, it was voted to give the Albina community, through you and the Albina Committee, an allocation for \$3,000 to better plan what you can do to work out programs for the 14 and older youth for this summer.

Mr. Bogue felt that you, as the chairman of the area committee, can best formulate plans; and he would like to be kept informed on your programming.

I am sending a copy of this letter to the Albina Ministerial Alliance. Additional funding for the summer programs has been coming in very slowly, but Marlene Stewart will contact you in a day or so to announce that programs can also be started for the younger children as early as the latter part of this week.

If you need additional information, please call her.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Mary V. Tobkin
Administrative Secretary
Office of the Mayor

May 23, 1972

Be honest with thy self

by T.N. Noffa

Honesty is a small word, but so important in lives. Through our efforts of fast living, man has forgotten the necessity to be honest with himself. Through this, we have come up with so much dishonesty in ourselves that we look at everyone with a suspicious eye. We examine ourselves in our church today, and as we look over our church and see so many empty pews, we fail to be honest enough within ourselves to know that without the help of God, man can do nothing within himself. We look at our way of walking, talking and fighting each other, and then we go into the world and tell them to come in and serve this God I'm serving. The world is asking us a question. Is it really this God you are serving causing you to do some of the things you are doing? . . . causing you to say some of the things you are saying? God answers that question in the Holy writ. He styled us as the light of the world, as a man being a light that sets on a hill that cannot be hidden, by letting His light shine before man. And he styled us as salt of the world. But when salt has lost its savor, it is fit for nothing but to be trod under the foot of man. Then we have lost our saving power. But there is a key to the problem of the spiritual society that men are doing to try to uplift the name of Jesus. That old time religion, the religion that James was speaking of undefiled before God and has turned us around and created in us a clean heart, and a right mind and renewed our spirit, not wisdom and folly of this world, but happiness with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. In the beginning God created heaven and earth and



Rev. T.N. Noffa

the Holy writ itself began by announcing the divine plan and the theme of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We think of the highway that Isaiah was talking about. This highway of holiness, when he stated that there would be no uncleanness on this highway. It didn't only mean the men of yesterday, but the men of today as well. As Isaiah stated, a highway shall be there and a way. And it shall be called the way of holiness. The unclean shall not pass over it but it shall be for the wayfaring men, though fools shall not err therein.

If thou would enter into life, keep the commandment, "be honest with thyself." The key is this, Jesus said he has left an example for us to go by. Walk ye therein. Man has been able to cope with every problem of life, except the facts of coming to Jesus as he is. In the crucial state of the world today, we need to go back to the old landmark, back to that salt God has styled us as. We need to get new salt. Instead of trying to use that old salt over and over when it has no savor power.

ber of young people within our party, nominated its candidates for the many offices to be filled in the crucial 1972 election. I pledge to conduct a vigorous campaign in support of the nominees of our party. I am convinced that thousands of Republican and Independent voters will join us in defeating those who would continue the foreign and domestic crises being thrust upon us by the Nixon Administration.

Morse thanks voters

I thank my many friends and supporters in the Democratic party for nominating me. I also thank Bob Duncan and Don Willner for campaigning in support of party unity. The three of us, in our statements at the Klamath Falls convention, pledged that we would discuss the issues as we saw them and support the nominee of our party. Tuesday the Democratic voters, including an overwhelming num-

ber of young people within our party, nominated its candidates for the many offices to be filled in the crucial 1972 election. I pledge to conduct a vigorous campaign in support of the nominees of our party. I am convinced that thousands of Republican and Independent voters will join us in defeating those who would continue the foreign and domestic crises being thrust upon us by the Nixon Administration.

Zest of Life

By Carnegie "Happy" Pullen

Jesus Christ; That Magnificent Person of God!

Christ is the prototype of a humanity that is yet to be; not the great exception, but the great example.

George Seaver

Jesus Christ was the purest, highest and most visible manifestation of the Godhead ever to visit this planet earth. He submitted Himself to human birth and became a flesh and blood man, thereby identifying Himself with humanity. He was perfectly obedient to the will and word of God; responding to and harmonizing perfectly with the will of God until the very Spirit and Presence of God, the Father, dwelt in Him and radiated out from Him to do mighty miraculous works in the world.

Jesus so united Himself to God, the Father, by His total obedience and responsiveness to God's Spirit that He could say, "I and the Father are one . . . And he that hath seen me hath seen the Father. . ."

"Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me, the words I speak unto you I speak not of myself, but the Father that dwelleth in me. He doeth the works. . . Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me; or else believe me for the very word's sake."

"Verily, verily I say unto you, He that believeth in me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father."

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son."

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"If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it."

"If ye love me keep my commandments." John 14:15.

At another place He said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, if a man keep my sayings he shall never see death." John 8:51.

"But if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments." Matthew 19:17.

The Apostle Paul was inspired to say concerning Jesus: "In Him dwelleth the fullness of the Godhead bodily." Col. 2:9. Paul also wrote: "Though He were a Son, yet learned He obedience by the things which He suffered; and being made perfect, He became the author of eternal salvation to all them that obey Him." Heb. 5:8-9.

Apparently Christians have not yet suffered enough to learn this great lesson. Since Jesus Christ was the highest manifestation of God of which we have direct knowledge, His model heavenly conduct must be our constant glorious ideal and Goal - the model and example we must continuously strive to emulate. His words of supreme excellence; the very sublime wisdom of God, the Father, given to man in the "Gospel of the Kingdom of God," in the Red Letters of the four Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, for our salvation, transformation and glorification; we should by all means, and at all times, and in every way possible, strive above all things to obey in every detail - "every jot and tittle" of His commandments and instructions.

His words, above all other words should be on our lips; His precepts should be our rule of life; and His commands and instructions should be the

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