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Congressman Ullman Points the Way

When Congressman Al Ullman, in his appearance in Heppner Friday night, emphasized the need for positive thinking in selling democracy to the world, he hit this country's crying need of today right on the button.

"A lot of people are becoming hysterical on the far right," he said. "Their thinking is that if you are against communism, you are a great American, and that is enough. It isn't enough to be just anti-communistic. You have to know what you stand for."

These words are true, and should stand as a guiding principle for Americans in this critical time.

Our strength today can come from each individual manifesting the responsibilities of good citizenship, taking part in his local government, voting in each election, respecting the rights and privileges of others, realizing that our freedoms bring obligations and duties, showing goodwill towards others, and being concerned with the plight of those less fortunate than we.

It does no good to speak derisively of another system, unless we can demonstrate a better system ourselves. We have that better system in America, and we don't need to dissipate our efforts by the negative process of shouting at communism. As Congressman Ullman said, we have the strength and depth in America to win the world by living the ideals in which we believe.

However, we do have a great deal of work cut out for ourselves in "keeping our own house in order." We do a poor job of selling ourselves abroad oftentimes, and much of the world has an erroneous impression of us. Exchange students come here and are amazed that the lush and frivolous impression that they have formed of Americans is not typical at all, although we do seem to dote on that characterization sometimes.

A football team doesn't win by spending its time saying that the opponent is no good. It has to demonstrate its superior strength to come out on top.

We have attempted to buy world favor by outbidding communism abroad and have failed miserably. We have been inclined to be smugly complacent and contented with our high standard of living and the blessings we enjoy in the United States.

Now the time is here when each individual needs to develop his share of democracy's strength in positive ways. We don't need a "fallout shelter psychology." We need to demonstrate to others that we have a real concern for the downtrodden and the unfortunate and that we aren't the "high and the mighty."

It is ironic that we, who are sure we have the strongest system in the world, have retreated to a negative and defensive position. We sorely need to snap out of it, think positively and demonstrate our worth by conscientious attention.

This, as Congressman Ullman indicated, is the weapon that will defeat communism.

Many Families Have Gatherings On Thanksgiving

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Evans spent Tuesday through Sunday at the home of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Nyman, Seattle. Accompanying them from Portland was Mr. Evans' mother, Mrs. Emma Evans. On Thanksgiving day they were joined by Mrs. Evans' mother, Mrs. Ruth Alken, Seattle, with four generations present. The Evans celebrated their 21st wedding anniversary and Mrs. Nyman's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Harsin had as Thursday dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Liebe, Pilot Rock and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fossum, Pasco, Wn., parents of Mrs. Harsin.

The Darrel McLachlin family enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Hale.

Students home from college were Mickey Van Scholack and friends, Cliff Harris, Salem, Kenny Beck, Newport, Karen Wilcox, Gresham, and Karen Yoshida, Hawaii; Helen Graham, Cliff Green, Jay Sumner, Helen Graham, Dick Sherman and his friend Rose Marie Samek of Stayton, Gayle Cox, Kathy Spencer, Gerald Bunch, all of Oregon State; Larry Tibbles, Jeanne Collins, Tom Driscoll, Neal Penland, Lydia Van Houde, Dennis and Roger Doherty, from the University of Oregon; Bob Davidson, Jim Steagall, Stuart Gribble, Mary Slocum, Doris and Jim Morris, Bernice Thomson, Jeanne Schmidt, and David Creswick, from Eastern Oregon College; Jerry Anderson and friend, John Cortes, Bill Monagle, and Elaine Laird from the University of Portland; Renn Harris and Tom Glass from Willamette University; Ned Clark from Linfield; Bob Nichols, Nancy Moyer, Ruthie Peterson, and Bob Bryant, Northwestern School of Commerce; Bob Mahoney, Pacific University; Carole Anne Anderson, Columbia Basin College, Pasco; Connie Anderson, Susy McQuarrie, Mary Evelyn Tucker, Barbara Siwert from Oregon College of Education; and from nurse's training in Portland, Joan Spencer.

Week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Neill were his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Kinton of Salem, and three daughters, Sharon, Vicki and Nancy. Also here from Salem visiting with the Neills were Jim Waltz and Ralph Morgan. The group returned to their homes on Sunday.

Lee Flemings Feted On 40th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fleming of Kinzua celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary at the home of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cox, on Thanksgiving day. They were married December 21, 1921 in Monument and made their home there except for the past seven years they lived at Mt. Vernon for one and one-half years and now live at Kinzua, where Mr. Fleming has worked for five years at Kinzua Corporation.

Present for the occasion were three of their four daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Cox (Shirley); Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mellor (Clinta) and family, Dayton, Wn.; and Mr. and Mrs. Victor (Lorraine) Wiese and family, Milton-Freewater. Unable to attend due to illness in the family were Mr. and Mrs. Bob (Donna) Kimberling, Prairie City, and during the day she was surprised with a call from the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fleming were presented a swing rocker, a silver tray, and an artificial floral arrangement from their children and families, which includes 13 grandchildren.

During the day friends stopped in to visit and congratulate them on their anniversary.

Services Held For John H. Ray

Graveside services were held at the IOOF cemetery in Ione Friday for John Hamilton Ray, who died November 20 of a heart attack in Madras.

Ray was born March 10, 1918 at Granger, Idaho, the son of V. M. and Lena Ray. In 1929 he moved with his parents to Ione. He attended Ione High school and served in the U. S. Army during World War II. In 1947 he was married to Marlee Gurley. Ray had followed construction in Oregon and Washington since 1954 and lived in Madras at the time of his death.

He is survived by his widow, Marlee, Madras, and six children at home; Shirley Ann, 14, Carol Lee, 13, Maxine Lillian, 12, Robert Allen, 9, Gary Lee, 7 and Donna Louise, 6.

Attending the services from out of town were his widow and six children of Madras; Mr. and Mrs. Al Sheehan, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Larson, Estacada, and Claude Brashers, Lyle, Wa.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Borman were their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dunlap, Corvallis. They returned home Saturday.

Lexington Church Sets Observance Of Womens' Day

By DELPHA JONES

LEXINGTON—The Lexington Christian church is observing Womens' Day at the church on Sunday morning with the women in charge of the services. A speaker, Mrs. Earl Soward of Heppner, is scheduled for the morning services, and a coffee hour is planned immediately following church.

The Women's Fellowship group met for their regular meeting at the church parlors with Rena Marquardt as hostess. The devotional, "Our Talents, and are we using them to our best," was given by Dona Barnett, with singing led by Mrs. Trannie Parker. A report was given on the bazaar by Mrs. O. G. Breeding. The next meeting is scheduled for December 19 at the Cecil Jones home. At this time our secret sisters will be revealed, and we will draw for the coming year. Following the business meeting, Mrs. Effie Ritchie gave a most inspiring talk on the trip to Purdue and also showed films of the different phases of the convention. Following this, refreshments were served. Those present were Miss Dona Barnett, Mrs. Trannie Parker, Mrs. Walter Smith, Mrs. Bill B. Marquardt, Mrs. June Davidson, Mrs. Cecil Jones, Mrs. Lonnie Henderson, Mrs. Floyd Smith, Mrs. O. G. Breeding, Mrs. Larry Cokenouer, Mrs. Roy Campbell, Mrs. Cora Allyn and guest speaker, Mrs. Effie Ritchie of Milton-Freewater.

Marlene Smith, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Walter Smith, had minor surgery in Hermiston Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cokenouer spent Thanksgiving holidays in The Dalles.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Breeding had as dinner guests on Thanksgiving their daughter, Mrs. Floyd Smith and family.

Mrs. Carl Marquardt and Mrs. Bill B. Marquardt were Pendleton visitors one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Davidson and family spent Thanksgiving eve at the ranch home of Mr. Davidson's mother, Mrs. Mabel Davidson, from Ione.

Mr. and Mrs. George Steagall and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Steagall and Mrs. Emma Brehears spent the Thanksgiving day at Kinzua with Mr. Steagall's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sittens.

Lyle Allyn of Oakland, Cal., was a visitor several days last week with his mother, Mrs. Cora Allyn, and brother, Louis Allyn.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Henderson and children were Thanksgiving day visitors at the Grant Henderson home in La Grande.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hunt entertained the following on Thanksgiving with a dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Van Winkle, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Ledbetter and children, Mrs. Bertha Hunt, and Mrs. Opal Key of Heppner.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kilkenny entertained the following with a dinner at their ranch home on Thanksgiving: Mr. and Mrs. Don Greenup and family, Mrs. Eliene Wyman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Spaulding and daughters, and Mrs. Alta Cutsforth of Heppner.

Warner Golden Wedding Soon

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Warner of Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hays of Corvallis are holding a Golden Wedding reception honoring their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Warner, at the Lexington IOOF hall on Saturday, December 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kilkenny, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cutsforth, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Cutsforth Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Miller were among those who attended the house warming for Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cutsforth at their new ranch home near Heppner.

Mrs. Florence McMillan and daughter Patricia Sawyer and children of Pendleton returned home Friday from a week spent in Winston at the home of Mrs. McMillan's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Irvin.

Mrs. Cora Allyn is confined to her home this week with a cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Yocum and children were Wasco visitors on Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Cutsforth entertained the following at their mountain cabin on Thanksgiving day: Mr. and Mrs. Darell Lash and Mr. and Mrs. Don Whetmore and daughter Linda of The Dalles, Mr. and Mrs. Armin Cutsforth daughters, Lisa and Donna.

Gene Heliker spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Ione at the home of his father and family, Mr. and Mrs. Don Heliker, and his grandmother, Mrs. Vida Heliker.

Congressman Al Ullman of Baker and Washington, D. C., was a week-end visitor at the Cutsforth cabin in the mountains. He spoke at a special dinner in his honor in Heppner Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Padberg and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Klingler, and son Billy, Bill Padberg and Kenny Jones were among those motoring to Sisters for the Ione-Sisters football game on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Marquardt and children spent Thanksgiving at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Messenger, Sr., of Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Green had their children home for Thank-

Chaff and Chatter

Wes Sherman

THIS WAS the first white Thanksgiving that I can recall experiencing, having lived in slightly different climates most of my life, and it seemed novel and unique—just as if Christmas were coming early. Apparently snow on Turkey Day isn't too uncommon in the higher reaches of eastern Oregon and some folks who hail from Montana and similar spots said that they are accustomed to nothing but snow from October through April.

The exultance that the farmers felt for the snow is a contagious thing for everyone knows how

important it is here. But I can imagine how the snow was greeted in Eugene and Roseburg, except by the kids, who like it anywhere.

WITH SO much cause for Thanksgiving, it is hard to understand why more folks don't express their feelings. The South Morrow Ministerial association had a fine service at 10 a. m. on Thanksgiving day in the Christian church, but only about 50 persons attended. Pastor Ken Robinson, a fluent and thought-provoking speaker, had an excellent message. Although we admit it was hard to get ready on one of the few days of the year we have to relax with the paper put to bed a day early, that old turkey bird tasted much better after attending this service.

There is something especially fine about seeing these ministers join together and cooperate in an interdenominational service, realizing that although they differ in some doctrinal beliefs, they are all working for the same general goal.

SAY, IT is good to see Dr. A. D. McMurdo back down to the office after breaking his collar bone some weeks ago. He was out to the dinner for Congressman Al Ullman, and that is the first time we have seen our across-the-street neighbor for some time. It's strange—no one ever expects a doctor to get sick or hurt.

JUDGE OSCAR PETERSON has many talents. Another came to light this week with the publication of his book, "75 Years of the Valley Lutheran Church." The judge edited the book, and it is a very fine edition that many, even those not in the church will enjoy. The old pictures that the judge collected for the work turned out amazingly good in the book, and there are some dandies in it. Old-timers will enjoy look at the family and group pictures, and the old farm scenes hold interest for all. This is a mighty neat job, and it will remain valuable for gener-

ations, now that the judge has preserved it in printed form. Probably few realize how costly it is to print such a book (we know), and the editor will never come out financially, nor does he expect to. But he has made a fine contribution to history.

IT DIDN'T take the public long to get the idea on the guessing contest at Christmas Opening, and it turned out to be quite a game. We were amused at one little guy who came in here—Larry Bellenbrock. He had his sister write his name on a guessing slip and then guessed that the number of words on the front page of the G-T on display was 9750. He noted a wry smile on the face of someone in the office and that made him suspicious, so he said to his sister, "No, change that. Make it—ahh—three thousand—ahh—four hundred—and—ahh—ninety-five."

Little did he know that the second guess was just 62 above the correct figure, and he was closest at that point. However, later Gordon Hutchens came in with a guess of 3433, and he was the winner. We had one guess of 8,977,000 words. Wow, what a job someone would have us do.

MIKE WHITESMITH proved to be a wool-puller over the eyes when he phenagled things so that Mr. and Mrs. Sherman would be surprised with the Chamber of Commerce Certificate of Recognition at the Farm-City banquet. He had to do some elaborate figuring to get one of the blank certificates out of the Chamber files, because the files, you see, are located in the Gazette-Times office. Mike must have a spy across the street to watch when the Shermans were both out of the office at the same time—a thing that rarely happens. But he managed it, and although we became a little suspicious when he told us that the writer, as Chamber secretary, and his wife had to sit at the head table (even though the president didn't sit there), it certainly came as a surprise.

It caught us very thoroughly tongue-tied when the presentation came, but Mr. and Mrs. want to say at this point that if we are entitled to such recognition, our faithful and hard-working staff surely deserves a big share of it. If we have been doing a good job here, it is also because of the fine cooperation and en-

couragement of the wonderful people in Morrow county. It certainly makes it a great deal more enjoyable when everyone seems to be pulling for you.

WE SHOULDN'T write so much about Ed Gonty, but he is always in the news. Do you know that he hasn't been able to open his store safe yet after these many weeks that the combination became discombobulated? What's he going to do when it comes time to make out income tax, with all his papers locked securely inside?

Mr. and Mrs. Jerol Bailey and daughter Melanie were Thanksgiving guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bailey, at their home at Salkum, Wn.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl King and Frankie and Mary Shannon spent the holiday with relatives in Corvallis.

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