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## SPECIAL SESSION NO EXCUSE—

As mentioned last week, in this column, Wall Street and the gamblers in foodstuffs (wheat and all farm products), are using the age old excuse for the declining markets, that congress will be in session.

Taken from a national standpoint, there is no sane reason why either market should show such a violent decline. While it is true that building contracts are down, September was the first month to show a decline, in comparison to last years level. Household appliances have shown a marked increase over the same comparative periods last year, this is especially true of electric stoves, the sale of which has been especially good. The automobile industry expects another banner year and have 'stepped up' their production lines, and along with the 'stepping up' have, in some cases raised the price of their products. Retail store figures for September of this year, show a substantial gain over the same month of last year. With everyone in the retail business looking forward to a tremendous holiday business.

These gamblers are crying about super-regimentation of the stock exchange through the S. E. C. The only regulatory powers of this board, is the regulation concerning the placing of stock on the market and the matter of 'margin' required to purchase stock, after it is placed on the 'board.' As to the 'margin' required, we are at a loss to see why, when a person sells stock, he should not be required to be an actual owner of the stock sold. As it now stands anyone, who deals in stock, can go to any exchange and sell stock that he never had title to, and never intends to. This is termed 'short selling'. If a farmer went out and sold a thousand acres of land and accepted another persons money for it, without having a deed for the property, he would be guilty of every thing in the law books. And summarily brought before a court. The trick of 'short selling' of course is covered by a subsequent buying of that same stock at a lower figure.

The same condition exists as to farm products, except that there are more people effected by 'hedge sales.' In this case the farmer is the 'fall guy'. He's the one that produced the products that the gamblers in the Chicago 'pit' make money when the bottom drops out of the price, due to 'hedge selling'.

We are not, as a rule, one to shout 'there should be a law,' but if the present administration really wants to help the farmer, the way seems simple. Stop all 'short' or 'hedge' selling. Make the seller produce actual ownership of the stock or farm products that he is 'selling' (but which he is really betting that the price will go down).

Of course there will be those who will say, you are taking away our personal rights. Just what is this thing called personal rights? Isn't it the right to conduct yourself and affairs to your own satisfaction, so long as you do not impose on the rights of any other person. Nor does it include the right of anyone to shove the other to the wall.

## OPPOSITION—

IT is our sincere belief that any administration, of either national, state, county or city, should have 'opposition' parties. And we do not mean blind partisan opposition. Constructive criticism in most cases, as among individuals, is a mark of real friendship.

There seems to be a general impression among supporters of our national administration, that anyone who criticizes our present national incumbents, are back biters, traitors and un-American. Why this viewpoint? Thomas Jefferson, whom present day Democrats claim as their founder, but revered by all parties, came in for his share of the severest type of criticism. Theodore Roosevelt was another who had a critical opposition—Woodrow Wilson was another. All these men welcomed that opposition—of course not for the opposition alone, but for the mistakes that, that opposition was pointing out to them.

The present administration has done some wonderful things for this country. But let's be

honest, it has made some mistakes. And when we hear constructive criticism, don't put it down as un-American. That (criticism) is the reason for the existence of our form of government. It was founded on the principal of the majority rule, which again seems to have the wrong interpretation. The minute that the votes have been counted, the voting majority ceases to exist, and the majority then becomes ALL the voters. If that were not the case, we would not be a democracy but an autocracy. When you condone the silencing of opposition, by word or action, you are helping to throw democratic government 'out the window'. The first step of 'ism' types of government is to make criticism unfaithful, later when this becomes universal, to clamp down, official, on all forms of criticism, one of the first to come under this ban is the press. Later even individuals are denied their privilege of asking 'why'.

At the head of most editorial columns is the statement 'Politically Independent'. Such a statement heads our editorial column. And we mean just that. This paper will feel free to criticize anyone, or any program, by any public person or body, when we feel that, that person or body is not doing the most good for the largest number of our people.

And by pursuing this course, we feel that we will be living up to the best traditions of an American citizen and the true ethics of the 'fourth estate'.

# CHURCHES

Ministers or others interested in church publicity are invited to use the columns of the Journal to carry important messages and notices to their congregations. Please try to get your copy in by Tuesday of each week.

## ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. Stanley Moore, Pastor  
Church Services every Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock.  
Sunday School will meet at 10:30 each Sunday morning.

## L. D. S. CHURCH

Luther Fife, Bishop  
Sunday School 10 a. m.  
Evening service 7:30 p. m.

## CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Vern W. Martin, pastor  
Sunday school 10:00.  
Morning worship 11:00.  
N.Y.P.S. service 8:30 p. m.  
Evangelistic service 8:00 p. m.  
We extend a friendly welcome to one and all.

Bring the children and give us a trial. Meet in the basement of the Legion hall.

The young peoples society of the Homedale Nazaren church had charge of the N.Y.P.S. service Sunday evening in the local church at Nyssa. They gave a very inspiring program of readings and songs, followed by an interesting talk by their president, Mr. Noble Pullen, a former resident of this community. About twenty young people from Homedale took part in the service.

We have given them an urgent invitation to return and eagerly look forward to another visit from Mr. Pullen and his fine group of young people.

## KINGMAN KOLONY COMMUNITY CHURCH

Kermit A. Eckleberger, Pastor  
WE READ: "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge." When Christ comes into our hearts then there is that "beginning" of real knowledge that only comes from "above" and that knowledge is that we KNOW that we are saved from sin.

10:00 Sunday School. A welcome for all.

11:00 a. m. Morning worship. Theme: Who is born of God?  
7:45 p. m. Young peoples C. E. Juniors 5th to 8th grades. Seniors: High school and college age. Adults Question Hour.

8:30 p. m. Evangelistic service. Theme "When A Thief Preached A Sermon."  
Wednesday Evening prayer meeting at 8:00 Come out and enjoy the Fellowship in Christ.

## ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Ernest C. Knul, Pastor  
We are glad to report the good news for our all-day fellowship meeting. The blessings of the Lord was with us through out the day. As early at 10:00 a. m. people from various towns of Idaho and Oregon began to gather at the Assembly of God Church last Thursday, with a happy smile and a friendly welcome to all. A very enjoyable morning worship began at 10:30 a. m. with prayer, songs and praises unto the Lord. Brother Raymond Waldon of Sweet, Idaho, gave the morning message, which every one enjoyed. At the noon hour dinner was served to about a hundred and fifty in the

basement. The afternoon meeting began at 2:30 p. m. with prayer and singing. Brother Homer M. Doyle, of Boise at the piano and Mrs. Doyle as song leader. Everyone seemed to do their best at singing and God blessed us all. A scripture reading by various ones in the congregation on the subject of 'Grace', was enjoyed for a short session, followed by special songs and prayer. The afternoon message was given by Brother Curtis of Payette, Ida.

Lunch was served again in the basement at 5:30. Everything was free and everyone enjoyed the sweet fellowship around the basement tables as well as in the upper room. A street meeting was held by a large number of people in the evening with Brother John Campbell in charge. We have heard a good report of the street meeting. We hope everyone that heard it, enjoyed it.

The evening meeting again at the church started at 8:00 o'clock, with an attendance of perhaps about two hundred and fifty or more. The meeting opened again with prayer and songs, with Brother Doyle at the piano and Brother Parrish of Caldwell as song leader. Brother Carlson of La Grande gave the evening message, which we all enjoyed. It was truly a day of rejoicing for everyone that came. We thank God for his Love and the true fellowship with his people.

We extend a hearty welcome to any one that wishes to attend our regular meetings.  
Sunday school at 10 a. m.  
Morning worship at 11:15 p. m.  
Evening meeting at 8:00 p. m.  
Weekly meeting Wednesday at 8 p. m.

## KINGMAN KOLONY L.D.S. SUNDAY SCHOOL

Meets in Kingman Kolony school house Sunday at 1:00 p. m.

## NYSSA METHODIST COMMUNITY PASTOR

Floyd E. White, pastor  
Sunday School 10:00 o'clock. Lesson topic: The Moral Issue in the Beverage-Alcohol Problem. Golden Text: Galatians 5:16.  
Morning worship 11:15. Sermon text: Proverbs 20:1. Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging and who-soever deceived thereby is not wise.  
Epworth League 7 o'clock. Denzil Store, leader.  
Evening worship 8 o'clock.  
Wednesday evening choir rehearsal at the church.  
Thursday, November 3, Ladies Aid meeting at Mrs. C. P. Overstreets.

## Two Minute Sermons

CHRIST AND SOCIAL RECONSTRUCTION  
Rev. Stanley Moore  
Pastor St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Jesus wrote no economic traits. He laid down no social legislation. On one of the rare occasions when He was asked to arbitrate the matter of a disputed inheritance. He declined to do so. "Man," He said, "who made Me a judge or a divider over you? Take heed and beware of covetousness, for a man's life consisteth not

in the abundance of the things he possesseth."

Therein comes light from the Christ. We are to take heed and beware of covetousness. We are to realize that the values of life are not to be measured by the yardstick of material possessions. We are to take the spirit of Jesus into our social system and by that spirit redeem and renew and reconstruct it. We are to apply the mind of Christ to our problems. As He deals with us, so we should deal with one another, upon the basis not of the market-place, but of the family; upon the basis not of human merit, but of everlasting mercy. The standards of the market-place are man's standards of this for that—so many pennies for so many bricks; so much compensation for so much production; a day's wages for a day's work, or an hour's wage for an hour's work. If an hour's wage means starvation, we are sorry, but we cannot help it. The standards which Jesus applies are the standards of family life, the standards by which father deals with son, and brother with brother. The harsh rigidities of the market-place, the hard tests of production-capacity which belongs to the Kingdom of God. The reason is that the nature of that Kingdom is fellowship; the principle by which it is governed is sympathy; and its highest law is love.

If the sufferings of the past few years have taught us anything, they must have taught us that this heavenly wisdom promises us that the wisdom of the world, inhibited by our present social structure, has not given us. Worldly wisdom has given us unregulated competition. It has turned large sections of modern business into battlefields. It has embittered the relations between the classes. It has made possible the gruesome paradox of over-production coupled with underdistribution; starvation has stalked the streets of cities whose warehouses were bursting with unutilized supplies. Depressions such as we have come through are caused by basic defects in our social system. The problem confronting us in our economic life is the problem of such reconstruction as will peacefully but speedily eliminate these defects. In spite of our rapid economic recovery this problem is still largely unsolved.

We do not need an economic revolution, to make the necessary change, so much as we need a spiritual revolution, and that has not yet come. What our people lack is neither material resources nor technical skill—these we have in superabundance—but a dedication to the common good, a courage and an unselfishness greater than are now manifest in American life. Our need is of a spiritual awakening which will make plain to us our brother's need and move us to find the way to meet it, neighbor dealing with neighbor not upon the principles of the hard and avaricious bargainer, but upon the principles of Jesus, the principles of family life, in a world grown now so large. It is the relationship of father and son of brother and brother in loving cooperation and helpfulness.

Rev. Stanley Moore

## Oregon Traffic Deaths

A Series of Weekly Articles on the Problem of Highway Safety—By Earl Snell, Secretary of State.

## OREGON TRAFFIC DEATHS

The relation of speed to accidents is something that is debated hotly whenever the matter is discussed. Many good drivers maintain that speed in itself is not a major accident cause, and they have some good arguments in support of their case. But whether or not the high speeds cause the accidents, there can be no argument on one most important phase of the question—speed causes the fatalities.

The chances of a fatal accident increases rapidly as the speed mounts. In all motor vehicle accidents it is estimated that there are 35 injuries for every fatality. In accidents at speeds up to 20 miles per hour there are 61 non fatal accidents to every fatality. But in speed of fifty or more miles per hour one accident in eleven is fatal, according to the best information obtainable by the National Safety Council.

All people who are competent to drive a car at a reasonable rate of speed and under favorable conditions are not qualified to become race drivers. The emergency that requires quick thinking and quick action at 40 miles an hour is much more of an emergency at 60. The streets and highways are for the use of everyone who can meet a reasonable test as a driver, and they must be made safer for the average driver and the pedestrian. I am convinced that this can be accomplished by the setting of a definite top speed limit, with some variation throughout the state, depending upon the nature of the highways.

Experience has demonstrated that such a speed limit will help eliminate Oregon's traffic deaths.

## Others Say . . .

Editorial opinions as seen by other editors. The opinions expressed may or may not agree with the policy of The Gate City Journal.

## AMERICA FOR AMERICANS

Spanish War Veterans at their annual convention passed resolutions demanding that the Secretary of Labor enforce the law and promptly deport all aliens who have been convicted of crime, declaring there are 3,000,000 such undesirable citizens in this country. That number strikes us as being too high, but even if of the number claimed it still means there are but one-half, or one-third, too many of this type of people in America, a country which it has long been supposed is primarily for Americans. We have had enough trouble caring for our own criminal population during the last few years without having to harbor these floaters, most of whom were run out of their own countries, f.w.o. whom can show where-in they entered this country legally, and thousands of whom are on relief rolls. It's high time that pleas like the Spanish War Veterans are making be given attention. America has always been for Americans—why not keep it that way?—The Emmett Messenger.

## GENERAL MARTIN AGAIN DEFLATED

Very recently Old Iron Pants was pawing and bellowing and puffing fire and profanity up and down the state, berating and sneering at the "crack-pots" and "nitwits" who were talking about wanting a special session of the legislature to do something about providing for the old folks. "Call a special session? Not by a d— sight!" said the general, and reiterated some of the opinions he expressed a while back when he said that \$10 a month was enough for a couple of destitute old folks. But suddenly, a week or two ago, a petition carrying a very large number of signatures was laid on his desk demanding a special session and the swelling went out of his chest. He is quite deflated. There are too many signatures on that petition to ignore, and it will not be at all surprising if he calls a special session and announces that he had intended to do so all along. He has already announced (don't laugh) that he strongly favors adequate pensions for old people.

In spite of his three years of chest-beating and bragging about his "fearless firmness," the general can renig and crawl and hedge and scuttle for cover faster'n a pup with a tin can tied to its tail. There's a campaign coming, and he hopes to again fool a large number of people—including the Townsendites.—Capitol Press.

## It Happened In Nyssa Years Ago

Interesting bits of history gleaned from the files of years ago.

## Thursday, October 27, 1910

The Gate City Journal is no longer published by the firm Vahl and Megorden but by the senior member Harold S. Vahl, having purchased the interest of O. A. Megorden Tuesday of this week. The Journal will come out as regular in the future as it has in the past and will be conducted along the progressive lines only and our ambition is to always have a paper that our town need not be ashamed of and as good a paper as the town can afford. It might have been a blessing to the people would they have an editor with more literary skill but then they may some day.

hos. W. Giaggett, of the land company, was in Ontario Monday. He had been to Nyssa where there was a meeting called to investigate a dam site in the Owyhee near Mitchell Butte.

The Commercial Club is prepared to pay the offer they made in duplicating the amount of all first prizes won at the Malheur Fair.

Miss Lena Farrell and W. W. Wilson, both of Owyhee, were united in matrimony on Monday, Oct. 19, 1910.

Last Thursday evening the band reorganized and is going to be busy this winter making music. The boys are busy in all quarters of the town tooting their horns.

Fred Klingback went to Ontario yesterday and had enough suit cases to hold a month's supply.

## LOCAL W. C. T. U. MEETING

The Women's Christian Temperance union met at the home of Mrs. Chas. Marshall last Tuesday afternoon October 19.

After the devotions by Mrs. Ed Wilde, president, business was transacted and reports of the State convention at Newberg were given by Mrs. Floyd White, Mrs. Faucher

and Mrs. Wild.  
It gives us something to think about when we hear the statement that there are 1,300,000 girls dispensing liquor in the United States. There are three times as many girls selling liquor as there are girls in college. What are you doing about it, citizens of Nyssa.

Two years ago \$25,000,000 of the taxpayers' money was invested in the establishment of a rum distillery in the Virgin Islands. This run, properly aged, is now on the market in the United States as government rum.

The next meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be November 2, at the home of Mrs. Brooks in Nyssa.

## W. C. T. U. COUNTY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETS

Wednesday afternoon, October 20, an executive meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Floyd White, with the county president, Mrs. E. M. Carter of Harper presiding.

Problems of the county and local unions were discussed for the new year. Suggestions were made for the membership campaign plan of 1938—"Building Bridges." Especially we need to repair the foundation; gain back the old members whom we need in our W.C.T.U. before we can make progress in the structure.

At this meeting the county board of directors were elected. Those from this union chosen were Mrs. Higby, director for L.T.L.; Mrs. Hazel Gildea, publicity director; Mrs. Douglas, director of soldiers and sailors department, which includes CCC camps.

The next County Institute meeting will be November 20 at Kingman Kolony. We plan to have a state speaker here in the near future. Watch this paper for the date.

## Lodge Meetings

Visiting Members Invited to Attend

## VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

Owyhee Post No. 3506

Meets: 2nd Friday at Legion Hall  
Jacob Kollen.....Commander  
Dwight Smith.....Adjutant  
W. C. Duffy.....Service Officer

## Auxiliary No. 3506

Meets: 2nd Friday at Legion Hall

Mrs. E. Cloninger.....President  
Mrs. Chas. Paradis.....Secretary

## I.O.O.F.

Gate City Lodge No. 214

Meets: Tuesday, 8 p. m.

Eagles Hall

Frank Bailey.....Noble Grand  
Don M. Graham.....Secretary

Rebekah

Yellow Rose No. 202

Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays

Eagles Hall

Mrs. Blanche McClure, Noble Grand  
Mrs. Frank Leuck.....Secretary

## FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES

Aerie No. 2134

Meets: Every Wednesday, Eagles Hall

Bernard Frost.....W.M.  
Leo Hollenberg.....Secretary  
Harry Miner.....Tyler

Auxiliary

Meets: 1st and 3rd Friday

Eagles Hall

Mrs. Chas. Leuck.....President  
Mrs. Ronald.....Secretary

## MASONIC LODGE

Golden Rule No. 147

Meets: Stated, 2nd Monday

Special, 4th Monday

Eagles Hall

Bernard Frost.....W.M.  
Leo Hollenberg.....Secretary  
Don M. Graham.....Tyler

Eastern Star

O. E. S. No. 131

Meets: 1st and 3rd Monday

Eagles Hall

Mrs. Bettie Forbes.....W.M.  
Mrs. Hilda Tensen.....Secretary

## AMERICAN LEGION

Nyssa Post No. 79

Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursday

Legion Hall

Harry Russell.....Commander  
Louis P. Thomas.....Adjutant

Auxiliary

Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursday

Legion Hall

Mrs. Sid Burbidge.....President

## COMMERCIAL CLUB

Meets: Every Wednesday noon

Schweizer's Cafe

A. L. Fletcher.....President  
F. T. Morgan.....Secretary

## TOWNSEND CLUB

Meets: 1st Friday

Homes of Members

D. R. DeGross.....President  
Mrs. A. V. Pruyn.....Secretary

Secretary's of all lodges or clubs are invited to send in to this paper the information contained in the above cards. Changes in dates of meetings or meeting halls must be sent in by Monday before publication.