



Ye Snooper's Column

Things About Nyssa's Shops

And so Guam is to be fortified. Verily tis meet and right so to do if Uncle Sam is to have a stopping place twixt Honolulu and Manila. For Guam lies two weeks from one six days from the other. Or did by the old U. S. transports Logan and Thomas. Yet in a way it seemeth a pity.

During that far off time when this nation had nothing more to worry about then getting the Kaiser's armies licked as soon as possible and get home again we spent many months on that far away fly speck on the old Pacific's ample bosom. And 'twas as nearly heaven on earth as one can hope to find.

Like spring green leaves dropped from the blue heavens, the Marianas are bits of land springing up from unplumbed depths of this greatest of all oceans. And Guam is the most southerly. But not so far removed but that on clear days the mandated Japanese isle of Saipan ist to be seen very distinctly to the north and to the south there is Yap.

And no foreigner ist allowed to trespass these holdings to learn whether or not they are fortified and rumor ist that neither ist a native allowed to leave to give palaver of what transpireth here. So verily Guam has become the one foreign oasis in an otherwise Japanese controlled ocean.

And at present as accessible to an invader as it was in the days when our own war ships zoomed a shell across old Fort Santa Rosa in Pili Bay, that brought that fat Spaniard governor to apologize for his lack of courtesy in not returning the salute. But he was just out of ammunition. 'Twas then that he learned that Spain and the U. S. A. were at war.

So we moved in and in time the Spanish moved out, and the natives who had for a century been forced to stand with uncovered heads when a Spaniard passed by, and who had not been allowed to

use their out-riggers nor to sleep outside the compounds were treated as human beings.

Their new masters builded schools for them, supplied teachers a hospital and medical care, an agricultural experimental station where the chief problem was to perfect a tropical growing hay that would nourish milk cattle that babies and children might have milk it sufficient quantities.

Also laws were made whereby all the land was to be forever owned by the natives themselves and no person either white or colored might hold title to any part or parcel.

The new law givers didst try to overcome the natives strong leanings toward nudism so didst sternly decree that all persons of both sexes shouldst wear at least one garment. So was quite the custom to wear a battered chapeau, or perhaps a tattered shirt hanging in front as an apron and firmly knotted in the rear.

But they are a peacable happy kindly folk and nature hast abundantly provided for their every material need.

Bread, fruit and bananas, pine apple, coconuts which are food, drink and stimulant for them, nipa and bamboo for houses, mangoes, and avacadoes and fish in abundance. Who can blame them if they cursed with the marana habit.

Verily this little isle be akin to paradise. Its old volcanic hills and coral reefs all buried now neath a green and entangled jungle which hides nothing more deadly than an iguana or centipede or scorpion, and pushes down to the white sands circling unbelievably beautiful lagoons. Far out at the reef the tide breaks in soft white foam spending its energy and rippling in to lap at the tall trees bending and sighing in the wake of vagrant breeze.

And at certain seasons when the Southern Cross hangs low on the southern horizon like a lustrous jewel fishes run in the lagoons and the natives a fishing go. Wading far out in the blue glistening waters carrying flaring brands made of bamboo and coconut oil. But the youths remain on shore and sing a love chant as old as time to the maiden of their heart who fishes with the oldsters at the reef.

Yes a simple happy people are they, their love making, their fan-dances, their weddings, their births and their deaths and their own code of morals. And Uncle Sam has guarded them and aided them to become a self sustaining people.

And those who are sent from the States to do duty there remember long after their tour is ended the peace of the old plaza where in the early morning sun little brown children were lined up and all stood at attention while the band played "The Star Spangled Banner and old glory was run up. 'Twas not until then that the day was officially begun.

And at even the walk to the government house where if all went well at the cable station were posted the news notes of the day, the stopping to chat with friends under the overspreading trees while the navy band sent sweet music out upon air perfumed with the Reine del Noche. The brown frocked monks padding back and forth in sandled feet—and at ten the clear sweet call of taps at the barracks—and now it is to be fortified, gunned and manned, winged and anti winged. And so it must be if this happiness and peace is to remain—for to the north lies Saipan and Rota and to the south is Yap.

We didst chat this past week with Wiley Clowers who ist managing that new cream station here in Nyssa and he didst tell us of the modern sanitary handling equipment he hast installed for caring for the milk and cream that wilt pass through the station.

Verily he be a handsome chap with an honest blue eye and as friendly a smile as one couldst hope to find in this year of weal and woe. And he didst tell us that he be an old hand at this creamery business.

And friendliness and cheerful grins from smart blond chaps doest ever reminds us of those lads Bert and Charlie who doest belabor at the Powell service station and doest dispense the best in gas and oil with non erasable grins and a cheery greeting so that if one arrives in a pout they art bound to leave without it.

And that sale at the Gamble store doest go merrily on with bargain prices all over the store for articles that have never a sign of wear nor tear.

We didst this past week end gorge ourselves upon those delicious Danish and Swedish pastries that the McClure brothers do so deliciously bake at their palisserie and were saddened to think that with the great surplus of edibles rotting in our store houses that folks in many lands are starving and have not the opportunity for such feasts as we have each day on our family tables. If only some smart one would devise a scheme where all peoples did eat their fill, surely we would have no unsolved production nor unemployment troubles. But it does seem that that solution must come in another era.

And speaking of fine foods this past week Barney Wilson at his food emporium didst have on hand some extra dandy oranges, big and

round and deep in color with an aroma that didst remind us of the fat juicy ones we went to find in our Christmas soomdwilfwell so long ago. So we didst purchase a lot and were not disappointed for the flavor wast all that we remembered it to be and more. And truly a tasty breakfast juice they do make. And we have read that food savants have found that no one yet hast ever partaken too much of the juice of these fruits. And delicious they would be sliced as garnishes for a baked ham.

And Omer doest still hold forth at the Owyhee Drug Store where one may have the most intricate of perscriptions compounded with unfailing accuracy or purchase a lolly pop that be as toothsome as the first strawberries of spring.

'Twas a grand sun that shone on Monday after an over dose of fog and gray skies and none didst seem to enjoy it more than our flock of chicks for merrily they cluck and scratch and oft did the proud young cock raise his head and crow, just for the cheer joy of hearing his own voice. But Mr. Rooster ist not the only one who loves to list to his own voice. There do be two legged beings of the homo genes who make a loud adove not over him.

But 'tis not so of Al Thompson and son. For when they crow tis sure to be over a thing worth while. And now they be crowing over the fine young chicks they wilt soon be merchandising. Strong and sturdy and of pure blood strains so that all who buy wilt be assured of raising the lot providing they do their share towards caring for them once they are home.

And at our cleaners the Nyssa Tailors on First near the Post Office Main near Third they are crying a clarion call for come save your monies. For now they do be having a fine special that wilt go far towards making it possible to get the whole family smarted up for the Easter season. 'Tis a three for two sale. Bring three for the price of two. Truly tis too good to miss.

And at Herschel Curry's the past two weeks there hast been on display a noble showing of new Valentine wares. Big heart shaped boxes of red, filled with candies of the finest sort and a whole box of candy hearts. What lass doest not blush in glee to find one that reads "I Love You," on ehr desk or for that matter what wife and mother wouldst not thrill and beam in pleasure were she to find one at her plate on the morn of St. Valentines if birth? Then there are a noble assortment of valentines, fancy and plain and all at prices that we can afford.

And what with Valentines in the near offing there art sure to be plans galore for parties on that night of all nights and then tis the time for dainty refreshments daintily served. And none can serve thee better on this score than Jimmy Daehoulsen at the Ramsey grocery mart at Second and Main.

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ARCADIA

Mr. and Mrs. George Moeller Mrs. Anna Dail and sons and Mr. and Mrs. John Zittercob were all guests of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Mathewley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bullard, Mrs. Anna Dail, Mr. and Mrs. Zittercob all went to Twin Falls Monday to see about buying some cattle and to visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Bohy and Mr. and Mrs. Roy McIntyre drove to Boise Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Orris and Mr. and Mrs. Al oBy went to Weiser Tuesday and while there they called on Mrs. John Carr.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Butler Jan. 15 a daughter. The little miss weighed 7 pounds and has been named Margaret Aida.

Sam Henry has returned from the hot lakes much improved.

Lee Dail shelled corn for Sam Henry Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bullard were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ames Johnson Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. Bullard, Mrs. Lloyd Orris and Margie Orris called on Mrs. Vern Butler Saturday.

Joe and Lee Metcalf of Wilder called at the Bill Hipp home Saturday.

The Arcadia Sunshine club wilt meet at the home of Mrs. Will Holliday Feb. 2, with Mrs. Vergil Holliday and her mother Mrs. Clarence Bird as hostesses.

Dale Lakey and daughter are on the sick list this week.

From Boise—

Miss Sue Keizer, a nurse at the St. Luke's hospital in Boise, spent Sunday with her parents in Nyssa.

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SUNSET VALLEY

Quite a few farmers in the valley have received their soil conservation checks and find that they will come in mighty handy.

Chas. Ditty sold his oats and Mr. Hobson has been hauling them.

The Worth While club met at the home of Mrs. Maude Cooper with 17 members present and three visitors. During the afternoon the members tied a comforter for the hostess. Oregon history will be the conversation for the next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Mabel Queck on February 2.

The V. F. W. Ladies Auxiliary honored Mrs. Jake Kollen with a stork shower Tuesday at the home of Mrs. C. M. Paradis in Nyssa.

Mrs. A. L. Nothies is on the sick list this week with a bad case of quincy.

Mr. and Mrs. Moffett were supper guests at the L. R. Kendall home last week.

John Lawson and Ed Mortensen was at the Don Linville house warming in Owyhee Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Black, Paul Ransom and A. Schneider were at the Ontario sale Wednesday.

Mrs. G. McKee and Mrs. C. M. Paradis were callers at the J. A. Black home Thursday.

L. R. Kendall lost 8 newborn pigs last week.

Mr. Bock who is staying at the Reffett home is on the sick list.

Bud Nothies, John Reffett and son and Pete Cloninger were out rabbit hunting Sunday.

Cal last week.

A. L. Nothies lost a 3-month-old The Tsch boys left last Tuesday with a load of H. Hintz grain for Dallas and returned home Friday with a load of H. Hintz grain for yards in Nyssa.

Leslie Ditty and W. L. Bolitho played pinocle at the Ira Chadd home Saturday night.

H. Hintz bought a work horse last week.

Mrs. L. R. Kendall visited with Mrs. L. Wilson of Nyssa Wednesday.

Mr. Stanton of Boise has taken his sheep from the L. E. Newgen place to the Dunaway sheep sheds.

Otto Wolfe was in Nampa Thursday getting repairs for his combine.

Bernice Wolfe spent Thursday at home.

Bob Reffett, Jim Chadd, Bud Nothies and Pete Cloninger were at the 4-H meeting at Oregon Trail school Friday night. The purpose of the meeting was to start Baby Beef, Pheasant and Swine clubs and if any boy is interested, see Mr. Hopkins at the Oregon Trail school or Mr. Hansen.

Quite a few flocks of ducks have been seen in the different grain fields in the valley and also the howling of coyotes, every night seranading everyone in the valley.

Johnny Hamilton and Gilbert Anderson are clearing some more ground getting ready for spring planting.

Roy Rookstool helped E. E. Cloninger butcher a pig.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Parker and family were guests at the E. E. Cloninger home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Parker and E. E. Cloninger were at the Nampa sale Monday sold their pigs.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Newgen and H. Terra went to the McPherson auction in Parma Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Landreth spent the week at his parents' home.

Mrs. Rhoda Landreth and Mrs. Edna Landreth were visitors at the Newgen home Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Mayes is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Kay Hunter called at the N. A. Mitchell home Saturday afternoon. Mr. Hunter is going to buy some hay from Mr. Mitchell.

Connie Kollen called on Vera Mitchell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Mitchell and daughter were dinner guests of the N. A. Mitchells Saturday.

Wm. Orr is working on the new high school building in Nyssa.

Jake Kollen and Connie Kollen attended the opening dance given at the new Veterans Memorial hall in Parma Saturday night.

Mrs. Lila Mitchell and John T. Moon made a business trip to Ontario last week.

Mrs. Charles Chritton called on Mrs. Jake Kollen Sunday afternoon.

Miss June Mitchell was a guest of Mary Roberts Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles and daughter were guests at the W. T. Buffington home Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shope of Twin Falls are visiting with the Charles A. Chrittons this week.

Charles Chritton has ordered 500 chicks from Buhl Idaho. W. T. Buffington also ordered 350 from the same place.

NEWELL HEIGHTS

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Corn and family visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Doner of Huston, Idaho Sunday.

Miss Rose McGinnis spent the week end with her sister in Nyssa.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hardman, parents of Mrs. Ross Healy, moved Friday to their new home near the Healy farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Pinkston and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Thrasher of Kingman Colony were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pinkston.

Alven McGinnis, Cecil and Claude Smith helped Glenn McGinnis over the week end to build a homestead house on his new land in upper Newell Heights.

Maurice Deffenbaugh, brother of Mrs. Wm. Harris attended the basketball game in Nyssa Saturday night.

Mrs. Crystal Clark of Kingman Colony called on Mrs. Lester Goulet Friday to discuss plans for a special committee meeting, to work out a program for the next P. T. A. pre-school group meeting, which is to be held at the Clark