



**Ye Snooper's Column**

Things About Nyssa's Shops

Comes Thanksgiving day. Surely, on this truly American feast day the people of the nation this year should pause to give thanks for the good things we have so abundantly received from the hands of the All Knowing.

Last year and the year before and the year before that back until 1918 some of us have wondered at times just why get excited about Thanksgiving. The winds of the Dust Bowl unleashed whole families and clans from their ancient secure moorings, forcing them to seek new homes in strange lands. Little Susie brought home the mumps along about Hal-loween and Johnny was still tral-ling about with a swollen jaw. Big John sprung a cold and developed a distinctly anti-social attitude towards everything and everyone. Mother Jones arrived for a nextend-ed visit and had to be bedded down each night on the living room couch and old Bess' calf died aborning.

But celebrate we did. Even if it was but bacon and eggs and spuds that graced the table in a new home on new lands, and the cold winds whistled beneath the gunny sack at the door sill. Didst pause and give thanks for our many blessings. For the freedom that was ours, for the opportunity to begin again, for the promise of better things to come, for the abundance and the increase that would surely follow the tilling of these new lands. Many there were who had already found that abundance, homes where happy families gathered to give thanks and to feast in every sense of the word homes where real want had not been known, homes where daily living was a gracious and a happy affair with fast days just another occasion for added jollity.

Last year came the octopus of war to Europe its deadly tentacles fast sucking the life blood of nations. There seems no escape for them. Here in this, our land, we are still safe from it groping bite, in the last few months has come a deadly fear gripping at every mother's and wife's heart that this nation too may not escape. A sickening fear and dread that the sons of another generation of fathers who gave their lives that Democracy might not die may be called upon to give their lives that this nation may not perish from the earth. The nation as we know it. The nation as our forefathers build-ed it. A free nation of free people. People free to think and to plan and to speak and to write and to read the things they find pleasing and good. Keeping these we shall ever be free. But if the call should come for these sons and fathers to go, these boys just come into man's estate, they will not falter nor regret

but will do the task that is set before them even as that other generation carried on and through and will add their leaf of victory in the crown of American heritage for other generations. Today we are arming and training and preparing. The last time we were caught napping and suffered a great and unnecessary penalty for our folly.

But yet there is peace in the land and it may remain. Prosperity seems to come smiling from around the corner, idle men return to work, the harvests are in, the land has given forth its increase and on Thursday the United States of America will pause to give thanks to the Almighty, each man and his family as their hearts dictate for his inestimable blessings to usward.

And the Snooper particularly will pause in humble gratitude for the many kindnesses and tokens of friendship that have befallen her the past year.

With some consternation this fall we have watched the rock throwing propensities of a group of small boys on their way home from school and wondered just how long it would be ere some damage was done. This afternoon it came. A rock sailed merrily through a parked car in front of our office and without more ado came to a dead stop on the front seat thereof. Shortly a lad came in to tell us that he knew the culprit and immediately set out to apprehend him. Apprehend him he did and some four or five others. All trekked into our sanctuary in fear and trembling and firmly clutched by our informer was a wee chubby mite of a lad, tears of remorse and fright making tiny muddy rivers down his cheeks. Between sobs he told us his name, that he was just eight years old that he had four sisters and a brother or the other way around, our memory fails us on this point. And that he was sorry. Then by questioning, each laddie owned up that he had had a part in the much lamented episode and that never again would any one of them throw a rock. We did our best to show them that they had transgressed and anyone of them might have thrown the rock that caused all the trouble or even worse. Even to wounding or killing a school mate. Shame faced they tiptoed out promising again to eschew all further rock tossing.

Chill winds have whipped down off the snow-capped mountains and have blown off the late clinging leaves from the trees, till now the trees stand in naked outline against the sky. But even in their nakedness they are not unlovely, it but gives one a chance to see how perfectly nature traces her art with angles and straight lines. The Japanese of all the artists of the world have learned her secret and portray it in their art, most perfectly so we read not long since.

But chill wind or no with some of that long lasting coal that the Thompson Fuel Yards do traffic in, burning on the grate or in the furnace the family homestead will greet all comers on Thanksgiving or any other day with a cheery warmth. To say nothing of the man of the house when he returned home from his labors. And even on Sunday when it comes time for his chore of emptying the ashes he will bless it, so few there will be and so few clinkers.

In Grandmother's home the mince meat making was a state affair with all hands turing to help out. The meat, a juicy lean piece of beef or perchance if the gods were good a bit of venison must be prepared and chopped in the big bowl by hand, then the apples and the raisins, the suet crisp and creamy white. If times were good some citron and orange peel candied, and then the seasoning. Aye there lay the proof of the cooks ability. To our memory nothing was ever measured. But there was some of this, a dash of that from the array of cans on the pantry shelf, some vinegar and some sweet cider and all was put in a big crock and hidden in the darkness of the cellar in early autumn to season. Often we took it up on ourself at unwashed moments to do a bit of sampling on the progress of the seasoning and never could understand the necessity of waiting for further improvement.

But today the modern bakery has replaced much of the toll so necessary in that earlier era. Their fine flavored concoctions and wholesome bread stuffs are as tasty and as nourishing as any that can be made and baked at home. At least it is true of the McClure's Bakery here in Nyssa where onl y the finest of ingredients go into their products and which they sell at so reasonable a sum. Mince meat pies and fruit cakes and breads of many kinds and cookies and rolls. Baked fresh by experienced bakers every day.

And if the loved ones are with us a beef stew will be more delectable than chicken under glass to a lonely and unhappy soul. And whatever meat it is that thy purse and thy desires wilt provide it can be purchased at the Nyssa Packing company market on Main near First at prices that are right.

And at Barney Wilsons Grocery mart on Main near Second already didst we catch the spirit of the holiday in his wares displayed. Fresh fruits and vegetables for the season, candied fruits, condiments and pickles and jellies, boxed dainties and

canned things to make the meal getting and easy affair.

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And at Tom Nordale's the past week didst spy out a most beautiful dining table that would lend grace and comfort to any feast and would ever be a thing of beauty in the home. Lovely it is of finish and line as the best of much prized early American things, dear to the hearts of interior decorators.

But 'tis a sad day for a feast when one is invited to distant places and when is already for the departure there and packed everything into the family car and the car begins to buck and refuse to budge along the way. 'Til thy John is weary of trying and his disposition becomes such as to make him a fit companion for a Jersey sire in a china shop. But this will not be thy lot if the jumping jallopy is taken into Ed Pruyns garage at Main and Second for a checkup and fix up.

What mater what makes the feast so long as the heart is happy.

**RIDGEVIEW**

James and Tarzan Johnson spent Sunday in Boise.

Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Kesler attend-ed a party honoring Mrs. S. P. By-hee of Nyssa Heights Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Nance Fallow and daughter, Lenioine and brothers, Jimmy and Casey Jolley and Clyde Akron of Weston, Ore., visited in Tom Osborn's home Sunday.

The women of the neighborhood gave Mrs. Ernest Johnson a handkerchief shower Thursday after Pot luck luncheon the afternoon was spent helping the hostess with sewing and mending.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frank of New Plymouth, Idaho visited in Tom Lee's home Wednesday evening.

Mr. W. O. Bailey has been ill for the past week.

Homer and Lyle Richardson of Orfino, Idaho visited their cousin, Elmer Hill Thursday.

Rev. and Mrs. Ray Chandler were visitors of Riverview S. S. school.

Ray Keller is thrashing near Hun-tington.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gonnason called in the Moss home Saturday while on business in Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blackburn have purchased a new car.

Leon Bailey and Charles Scott left Friday to bring in the Bailey cattle from off the range.

Mr. Guernsey of Vallajo, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thompson were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Olson of Nyssa.

Ruth Scott was confined to bed this week end with flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Goodfellows of Ontario were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Kesler.

Mr. Leroy Herman is installing electricity in his home and ranch this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Willis of Ad-rian were Sunday guests of Mrs. Ernest Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blackburn and family visited in Harper and Little Valley last week.

The community Sunday school meets at the Ed Wolfe home on Columbia Avenue. Christian endeavor meets at Herman's place on Sun-day evening. Mary De Lashmutt is leader.

Rev. Beam of Ontario Christian church was Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graham. He visited the Riverview Sunday school in the afternoon.

Mrs. Cora Keller of Baker, Ore-gon visited her son, Ray Keller last week.

**ADRIAN**

While on the way to the Union vs. Adrian football game on Armis-tice day, Claude Cook's car was dam-aged in an accident near Baker. Mrs. Cook was driving the car with six passengers in it. They were Miss Daphne Molstrum, Verne Lender-man, Wayne Woods, Norman Cram, Miss Marjorie Hopkins, and Gerry Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Deffer, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Parker and Mr. and Mrs. Walter McPartland and their families were Sunday dinner guests at the Duke Rohland home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Sherwood and daughter of La Grande arrived on Friday evening and spent the week end with the D. W. Patch family.

Miss May Du Bois, assistant Pro-fessor of Home Economics at Ore-gon State College who has been helping Miss Bertha Koldagen, state supervisor of Home Economics teach-ers, visited at the Adrian home school Friday. She was a dinner guest of Miss Bier, H. E. teacher.

Mrs. Howard Hatch attended the Jolly James meeting at the home of Mrs. George Eifers in Big Bend on Thursday.

Mrs. Howard Hatch visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Wymer in Parma Wednesday.

**JORDAN VALLEY**

Nick Mallea was visiting with Mrs. Joe Mallea and family Sunday.

Guy Wise was in an automobile accident near Ontario last week. Considerable damage was done to his car. No one was injured.

Mrs. Guy Wise has been on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Damasco Elordi has been sick with the flu the past week.

Those who were visiting friends and relatives from Boise this week were Miss Regina and Marguerite Madarieta and Rufus Elziagari and Gardner Spinner, Anna Acordogol-ta, Isabelle Mendieta and Bennie Mendieta.

Mrs. Bill Loveland has gone to Baker. She will be under Doctors care while there.

Mrs. Gabriel Elordi gave a waffle supper last Sunday night. Twelve guests were invited.

Mrs. Gene Smith and son and Miss Josephine Arrien all from Vale, were visiting with friends and re-latives this week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Eulogio Madariaga were visiting in Marsing last Tues-day.

Edward Arritola who has been trapping coyotes all fall has come home last Wednesday with blood poison in his left wrist.

Tony Yturri from Ontario, was a business visitor here last Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hatten are the proud parents of an eight pound boy born on Thursday morning.

Mr. Jim Griner from La Grande, Oregon, was visiting at the Madar-iaga home last week.

Mr. Sabino Madariaga has been on the sick list for a few days.

Miss Mary Mallea was in Caldwell on Thursday, Friday and Saturday on business.

Several men from Jordan Valley were in Boise Friday night to see the All Burro fight. Some were Ga-briel, Elordi John Mallea, Domingo Yturri, Justo Elzagari, Ike Corta-bitarti, Ruby Rimentaria, Sam Scott and Joe Berrojallis.

Mrs. Garlo Mendieta has been sick the past week. Her daughter is tak-ing care of her.

The baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Altag had the misfor-tune of burning her hand. She was taken to town from South moun-tain by Joe Cortabistarti. Doctor Jones is taking care of her.

Lt. McCaslin and wife from the COC camp have moved to St. Louis, Missouri. He was called to active ser-vice there.

Robert Long a foreman at the local COC camp with a party of five other hunters from Nyssa re-turned home on Thursday from a successful elk hunting trip around North Powder, Oregon. The six hun-ters brought in five elk.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gulvison have moved from Rockville into an apartment in the corner house.

**NEWELL HEIGHTS**

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Leach visited from Weiser Tuesday and Wednes-day visiting at the Jake Borge, Char-lie Harris and Earl Leach homes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Harris left on Saturday for Springfield, Missouri, to visit Mr. Marris' folks. Joe Def-fenbaugh, Mrs. Harris brother, ac-companied them. They plan to re-turn in the spring.

The community Sunday school will observe Thanksgiving Sunday morn-ing. The Junior boys class are in charge of the program. A pantomime Day, a duet by Ruth and Naomi will feature the first Thanksgiving Shaw, music by several of the clarinetists and trombone players as well as other numbers.

A week from Saturday Nov. 30, all pre-school mothers are invited to meet at the high school to orga-nize the pre-school study group.

Idamary Prouty left Tuesday eve-ning fro La Grande to undergo a tonsil operation Wednesday morn-ing.

Mrs. Bill Wood spent the past few days here from North Idaho at-tending to business concerning his mothers ranch which Mr. Gheen has been operating. While here he was a dinner guest of Tommy Russell at Buena Vista on Wednesday evening and a caller at the M. L. Kurtz home Friday evening.

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**FRANK KULLANDER**

Ross Prather who has been visit-ing his aunt, Mrs. Albert Welch left for his home at Farmero, Kansas on Monday.

**OWYHEE**

The Executive committee of the P.-T. A. met at the home of Mrs. Martha Klingback Thursday even-ing to plan programs for the year.

Lawrence Peutz expects to leave for Fort Wright Wednesday and later expects to be located in Alaska.

Fred Hite arrived home Sunday from Cascade where he had been working.

Mr. and Mrs. William Peutz and Mr. and Mrs. Werner Peutz and La-zrence were callers Saturday even-ing at Jack Simpson's home in Ore-gon Trail.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartsel Halcolm and two children of Ontario were Sun-day guests at the Fred Boness home.

Owyhee community club meets with Mrs. Earl Strickland with Mrs. Ruth McMillan as cohostess on Thu-sday, Nov. 28. It was postponed one week b ause of the regular date falling on Thanksgiving day.

**BUENA VISTA**

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Robbins of Wilder, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Scott and Dickie of Vale, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Florea and children were Sun-day dinner guests at the H. L. Day home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Topliff re-turned from Missouri and Iowa this week after several weeks visit with relatives and friends.

E. L. Jamison was an Ontario vis-itor Wednesday.

Mrs. C. C. Wyckoff was an Onta-rio visitors Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Thompson and son, left for Salem after spending several days visiting relatives in this district.

C. C. Wyckoff finished his beet topping last week.

Two mosquitos once lit on the fea-tures

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