



Ye Snooper's Column

Things About Nyssa's Shops

He wasn't so very tall, maybe five feet two, and he wore glasses with heavy lens of the nearsighted. He was gaunt with days of overfasting. He was dirty and haggard with fatigue. His flimsy shirt and trousers flapped in the cold chill of the March wind. This lad that stood at our door and asked for food one evening early in the last week.

He ate his fill at our table and as he ate we noticed his hands, fragile and finely tapered as a girl's, the weariness in his eyes, the brave attempt to smile as he talked, the involuntary cynical downward droop to the mouth. Seventeen he said that he was, deserted by parents as a small boy, then sheltered and reared in a state orphanage. The only home that he had ever known, and they were the only people who had been kind to him in those long years and there were the comrades he had come to love. Then suddenly he was taken out of this security by his reconciled apparently penitent parents. Into another state, to enter a strange life of unfamiliar public schools and a home where no peace was and which was to soon to disintegrate again and fall. Then to be cast aside to drift as best he might. Here a job and there a bit of work for a meal. He had been taken from the state where he had refused at the orphanage and could not be re-admitted. A stretch at the C. C. C.'s had brought a few months of peace and happiness. And now he was returning to that haven of the Government for underprivileged boys.

That evening through the courtesy of the city officers he found a warm bath and a bed at the city jail, and the next day we found him permanent lodging and food and work wherein he might have learned a trade. But his loneliness was too great and Sunday he left without notice. Taking only those things that had been given him, without funds and with no food save a cold lunch to sustain him.

We were saddened, as we would have made his journey a little easier if only he had spoken.

More and more it has come to us in these last years that one of the outstanding duties of this nation, once this war madness has ended, if this nation is to progress and our people of other generations are to live in peace and security within its boundaries and if there is ever to be an alleviation of crime and poverty then boys and girls who are cast adrift to meet life unaided at so early an age in increasing numbers must be carried over those first difficult years of mental and spiritual adjustments by public benefit.

It is no use blaming their pitiful plight on anything. The condition

exists and increases, whether it be broken homes and divided parents, the lack of spiritual training and attendance at church or the inability to find work to gain a working knowledge of a lawful trade or profession that is the underlying cause.

It exists not in one state or even a few but through out the nation and if it is to be corrected and this nation continue as we know it today then the nation as a whole must face its duty and find the remedy. Our modern orphanages now care for the little ones and while many of these institutions are still to be found wanting in management and control still on the whole they seem to be schools for development and intelligent training of the child rather than the horrible hovels of Dickens day. At least in these United States.

Today this lad who shivered on our door step is honest and honorable, truthful and filled with ambition to find a working spot in the economical scheme of things and to carry on as a trusted and honored citizen of his country. But will he? Hunger and deprivation and strange bedfellows picked up in hobo jungles and atop freight trains may make him an out cast and an outlaw. That is the tragedy of it. He wants to be counted among the honorable. Hunger may make him a future inmate of some prison. The C. C. C.'s may save him.

Much is preached of late against government camps and training schools for the youth of the land. It leads to fascism and communism and military cast and everything else that is politically to be frowned upon, so opponents say. They have them in Germany and look what happened there.

But will it in reality? Not if they are kept out of politics. Certainly our orphanages and the C. C. C.'s have not. Neither have our thousands of military camps of the last war nor of the one for which we now arm and prepare. Why would they in times of peace. Many boys and girls do not need such schools. Fortunately only the small minority do. Why not governmental schools and training stations and even colleges for the underprivileged boy and girl from seventeen to twenty two who are physically unfit for military training to give them a chance with the more fortunate ones of this generation. Why not a place where they can live and learn, owned by the government that gave them birth. A place where they can be trained to be useful-faithful United States citizens, nurtured and taught by men and women especially picked and trained. Sympathetic, understanding men and women who would be close enough to them to help the weak ones and encourage the strong. What matter if these teachers were the uniform of their government. Nurses and doctors and teachers and bankers and trained officers of the army and the Navy and enlisted personnel. Every one do so now trying to keep this country from becoming what all of the opponents of Federally owned schools and youth institutions claim that they will lead to. And if only good can come from such mass instruction in times of threatened war and even invasion why not in times of peace when men and women especially chosen can be specially trained for so important a job.

No man is great or small in the sight of the All Knowing. He made us and loves all alike. But in this material scheme of living we have drifted far from the original design. But certainly a man can come like unto God when he cares for his little brother. To see his need and to supply it as best he can. And certainly the bread that he cast upon the waters will not return to his door in the form of bigger and better crime waves nor marches of a nations homeless and famished to it the doors of its Capitol.

We will not have foreignism preached by strangers within our gates to bewilder babes nor within the ranks of labor. They will have learned to love and to honor their country who has given them birth, who has cared for them and loved them in their infancy and early period of development. For the country will be typified to them by the understanding men and women who have helped them and led them through the trying years of adjustment. They will have become an integral and grateful part of the nation that was founded by the people and for the people.

And in that land of the people and for the people perhaps no better evidence of its cause is to be found than of the daily convenience that people here deem necessities that in other lands are luxuries for the favored few. Chief among these is electricity. That commodity that is to be found on almost every farm and home in town and country. Especially on this new land that man is fast making into an inland Paradise. But recently a stranger drove along the highway and was astounded to see the vast expanse of electric lights. He thought he must be in the heart of some industrial center. Imagine his amazement to find with morning light the actual size of our growing metropolis. The lights he saw were beaming from ranch homes along the way. And it has taken but such a short time really for so great an expansion. But the trained linemen and electricians of the Idaho Power Company with the vision and effort of the office executives have brought about this transformation from candle light to tung-

sten burners. And with electricity have also come much of the modern home convenience, aid in home making and care. Electric home appliances they call them. It is estimated that every average home of today has the services of four servants of another generation. And not the least of these conveniences is the electric refrigerator and right on the top list of these is the Kelvinator that Tom Nordale deest sell at his furniture mart at Main near Second.

But not all conveniences of the modern home maker must be purchased in such size as an electric refrigerator, for there is many a little aid saving gadget not larger than the size of a tea cup or less and Lucien Wray at his Dimo Store deest carry many a labor saver at the cost of a dime. Also he has at present plants of all kinds and of sizes for the garden maker. And does guarantee them to grow.

'Twas a happy lot that danced till the wee small hours to the peppy tunes tooted out by the Rythm Makers at the Eagles dance on Saturday eve and they will be giving them again and again. There the Terpsichorean lovers will find a pleasant spot and at a price that will allow every one to enter and make merry.

In the winter at the Thompson Feed and Seed Store it is just coal and chow for flocks and herds that one doest hear discussed but come spring and the chirp of the chick and the cackle of the hens do soon blend with the human chatter, chatter going on there the day through and now that Easter is about to enter the offing a fine white doe rabbit and her growing family do occupy the center of interest. Al says he is going to change their danty white coats to pastel shades for Easter day. But every day they do sell there Northrup Kings fine seed and Purina chows for fowl and beast.

These brisk March winds to whip up an appetite in ones innards till it takes a square meal to satisfy the gnaws. But what is a square meal without meat. Something deest surely lack without it. But Butch and Dick at the Nyssa Packing Plant do care to rthat for there one can purchase fine cuts or less for fair sun and thereby sustain the family in cold weather or hot.

And all the rest that it takes to make a cup o'tea or a ten course dinner one can purchase everyday of the week and on Saturday evenings at the Wilson grocery mart on Main near Second.

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RIVERVIEW

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Simmons and family who have lived in this community for over four years have traded their place with Tom Sparks of Arena Valley for a place in Hogan County, Missouri. Simmons are planning on having a public sale and will be ready to move within a month.

Norma Lee and Scott Osbourne had their tonsils removed Thursday and are getting along fine.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clowers and Violet went to Dead Ox Flat Sunday to visit Mrs. Clowers' brother and family Mr. and Mrs. Henry Scynieder.

The horses on the Rouse brothers place have been taken to summer pasture.

Mrs. Walter Thompson spent the 21st and 22nd in La Grande at a 4-H conference. She returned Saturday night.

Harold Blackburn went to Vale Thursday night to participate in the annual Music Festival.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Trent of Nyssa were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Barrett.

The Vest brothers are the first in this community to experiment with growing seed carrots. Several of the farmers have planted spring lettuce, and onions. Several of the farmers are contemplating on planning early potatoes but as yet no one is fortunate enough to have his in the ground.

Mrs. Joe Waud and Mrs. Ed Gononasion were business visitors in Parma Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Dowers had as their week end guests Mrs. Dowers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross of Greenleaf, Idaho.

The Stitch and Sew 4-H Club met at the home of Betty Blackburn. There were six members present.

Harriet Herrman who has been staying near Ontario with Mrs. Babcock returned home.

Leon Bailey who has been feed-

ing cattle at Vale the past four months returned to his home.

D. W. McGinnis is doing carpenter work in Nyssa.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Osbourne and sons Jack, Howell, and Larry, of Ontario were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Osbourne and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack French and sons John, and Richard were visitors in Fruitland Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Simmons Sunday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sparks of Arena Valley.

Sunday School at usual place at 2:30.

The Christian Endeavor will be held at the Joe Waud home. Leon Bailey will be leader.

NYSSA HEIGHTS

Visitors arriving at the S. P. Bybee home Tuesday were Mr. Bybee's mother, Mrs. B. L. Bybee and sisters, Mrs. Gordon Ray, and Mr. Mrs. Russel Jordan of Ogden, Utah and Mrs. Don Moss of Salt Lake City. They all attended a wedding shower for Mrs. Howard Bybee in Ontario Wednesday afternoon and departed for their homes Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hamilton of Wilder, Idaho were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Sinter.

E. R. Anderson is confined to his bed.

S. P. Bybee and J. E. Kyser made a business trip to Boise Sunday.

Mrs. John Wolfe of Alberta Valley spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. E. R. Anderson.

Mrs. Dutesh of Nyssa is assisting at the E. E. Botner home during the illness of Mrs. Botner, who is improving.

Norma Suiter was an over night guest of Doris Henderson of Fruitland Saturday.

Among those attending the annual meeting of all surrounding clubs held at the Oregon Trail school house Saturday afternoon were Mrs. V. L. Kesler, president; Mrs. Pete Wakewood, vice-president; Mrs. Harry Gahan, Mrs. F. J. Cahill, and Mrs. J. E. Keyser. They all report having had a nice time. They are members of the Just-a-Mere.

Sunday callers at the S. P. Bybee home were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garner of Rupert, Idaho. Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Bybee of Ontario and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bybee.

Donald and Francis Ford, Jay and Ray Bybee, Tommie Ridder and Melvin Kelch of Nyssa gathered at the Corbett home where they played games by the yard lights.

Marion Suiter and Delbert Malloy had their sheep sheared Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Woodard visited Sunday evening at the Glen Suiter home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Corbett and sons spent Sunday in Notus, Idaho at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Norris.

Mrs. Pete Wakewood will be hostess to the Just-a-Mere Club on Friday, March 28th at the home of Mrs. J. E. Keyser.

Don Rardon, planted 10 acres of potatoes the last of the week on the E. R. Anderson farm.

Work has been received from Mr. and Mrs. Dave Beers of Corte Madera, California, that they expect to return in a few days to their

ranch in this vicinity.
Mrs. Joe Woodard, Mrs. R. C. Smith and Mrs. Jess Ford are among those working on the mattress project.

LINCOLN HEIGHTS

Robert Goodell, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Goodell, who is a member of the FFA of Ontario, recently received five dollars as first prize in a speech he delivered. This gives him the privilege to represent Ontario at Nyssa in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Smith and son were Sunday dinner guests at the Bob De Grass home in the Richland district.

The Patch and Chat Club met at the home of Mrs. Hazel Leavitt. She was assisted by Bertha Grammon, Lucile Hickey, and Mrs. Bechem. Georgia Mc Neal gave an interesting report on "Converging on the Coast", as part of the Oregon History Study. Several Polly Ann gifts were given. At the close of the meeting a lunch was served at which the St. Patricks motif was carried out. Thirty-two members and three visitors were present. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Lyle Anderson.

Frank Ike has returned to the home of Avery Anderson. He is recovering from a recent operation at the Veterans Hospital in Boise.

Mrs. Annie Harris entertained at a Sunday dinner, the occasion being her birthday.

Miss Grace Weldon who is employed in Ontario, spent Thursday night at the home of her parents.

Lewis Johnson threshed clover last Monday.

Leonard Goodell went to Boise Friday to get Bill Mc Nutty, who is attending school there. Bill will spend his spring vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mc Nutty.

OWYHEE

Mesdames Charlotte Kygar and La Vone Culbertson were hostesses to the Owyhee Community Club Thursday. Mrs. Gerald Slippy was a guest. First prize in a guessing game was won by Doris Klingback and the consolation by Mrs. Bertha Culbertson. The club meets in April with Mesdames Bianchi and Mildred Hite.

Twelve members of the O. K. K. attended the Associated Club meeting at the Oregon Trail school house. Mrs. Ruth Mc Millan represented the club at the program with a reading.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dunn and daughter of Brogan were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. McMillan Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mc Donald and daughter Kay and Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Atkins of Homedale were evening callers at the Klingback and T. M. Lowe homes Thursday.

Mrs. S. D. Bigelow has been ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Little who I sheep on the Chas. Bradley ranch have gone to Jordan Valley for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Newbill were Sunday callers at the Ellis Walter home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nannery enroute from Los Angeles to Seattle are visiting Mrs. Nannery's sister Mrs. Oral Hite.

Mrs. John Wall and son James left their home at Creston after a visit at the T. M. Lowe home, Thursday.



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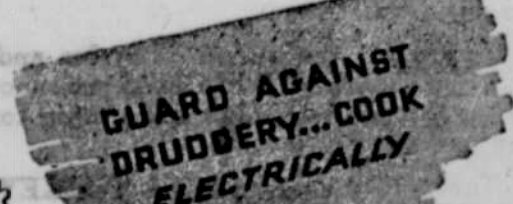
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