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## The True Spirit Of Christmas Is Unchanged

Like life itself, the conditions at Christmas time are as changeable as the fleeting colors of a spectrum, but not always so beautiful.

Despite the irresponsible, inefficient and careless leadership that oftentimes gains places of importance in the world, and the depressing social and economic conditions that cause misery and heartache, the true spirit

of Christmas has remained unchanged and unchallenged. With the world half in war and half in peace, it is experiencing the first conditions of this kind in the history of the world. Men for the first time are waging "cold" war while at the same time waging "hot" war without the formality of a declaration of war, but like men of many ages they are engaging in the worst kind of aggression. Each Christmas is different except for the thread of truth that seems to prevent civilization from going completely berserk.

Faced with the prospect of 1951 shortages, the American people are probably enjoying their best selection of merchandise they will have in several years. The government will convert millions of tons of metals, textiles and other products to the rearmament program, causing a reduction in materials available to civilians. So again, we find change at Christmas-time.

During the few years since the end of world war II, American industry has developed new products that have changed the outward appearance of the Christmas celebration, but again the true spirit of Christmas remains unchanged. People are still giving to the poor, they are sacrificing to exemplify the spirit of the wise men who gave their mites to the Christ Child and they are contributing to the improvement of the public health.

The apparent hopelessness of the struggle to eliminate war from our civilization at times seems heart-breaking, but experience indicates that the true spirit of Christmas will probably linger in the hearts of men as long as there is a vestige of human life on earth. How men can learn so much and love so little is one of the ironies of our modern civilization.

**Leave On Trip—**  
Mr. and Mrs. David Beers left Thursday for Vancouver, Washington, where they will spend the holiday days with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Firestone. From Vancouver they will drive to California to visit in San Francisco and other California cities before returning to Nyssa.

## Health Unit Moves To Meet Emergency

At the regular executive board meeting, which is called for the second Monday evening of each month by Homer Anderson, president of the Malheur County Tuberculosis and Health association, Gene Clark of Vale, a vice president of the association, proposed an extended organization to meet emergencies not existing at the time of the reorganization of the association in September, 1947. These emergencies are created by the present threat of war and needs of the present limited staff of the Malheur county public health department, both urgent in their appeals to create within the county an awareness of local needs.

"The Malheur County Tuberculosis and Health association is essentially a volunteer group of people whose main object is education in health," Clark said. "We are hearing through the press and radio of all the advised immunizations for smallpox, typhoid fever and other diseases for the entire population. The Malheur county public health department recognizes the total inadequacy of the existent staff and has called on us for assistance."

"To this end we are asking each member of the larger board to respond to the emergency by meeting at the Moore hotel Tuesday, December 19 at 7:30 p. m. with the executive board to discuss and assist in planning these extended emergency groups."

## Good Program Is Given To P. T. A.

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She told of various physical defects that affect reading. IQ's have no relations to ability to read. Poor reading does not mean a pupil has low mentality. All children do not read at the same age. They should not be forced to read before they are ready.

"In the emotional field, the best thing you can give a child is a happy contented home. Each should be given tasks to do. Play teaches us to talk; teaches us to plan; teaches us to work together. Experiencing the satisfaction of success is important. Children need to be praised and need to stay with a job until it is finished. A child who reads well is usually well balanced emotionally."

"Socially, a child should enjoy a wealth of experience with people. Children should have pets. They then enjoy stories about animals more. If a child is taught to love the outdoors, he is helped in his reading because so many of our stories have outdoor settings."

J. L. Herriman talked on a plan for civil defense in Nyssa. Charles Steffens, treasurer, gave the financial report and Mrs. O. E. Chedelin reported that the unit has exceeded this year's membership quota of 255 by three. Mrs. Bates and her pupils won the room membership contest and received \$15. Mrs. W. O. Peterson led the group in singing, accompanied by Vela Dee Poulsen.

**Players To Be Honored—**  
The Nyssa chamber of commerce is completing plans for a banquet to be given in the Morocco Wednesday night, December 27 at 7 o'clock for members of the 1950 city baseball team. The Toastmasters club will furnish a speaker, Bernard Frost, and a toastmaster, who has not yet been chosen.

## GREETINGS

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