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Along The EDITOR'S BEET

Something we've been threatening to do since we knew we were coming to Nyssa is have a few ramblings now and then in a column that is neither serious nor comical, and neither editorial nor news. We've made mental notes of hundreds of things that have struck our fancy, but having spent two decades com-

pletely dependent upon a notebook for news notes, we'll have to let the typewriter do the thinking.

First impressions are extremely important, and, coupled with pleasant surprises, we believe this old Underwood should be able to fill two or three columns—but we'll try to hold it down.

We have watched Nyssa grow from a few miles away since the early 30's and have on five occasions been part of groups who had their eyes cast this way, not with envy but with admiration for the groups of farsighted people who get things done—people who are going somewhere and who know where they are going.

When the editor and his immediate superior—his wife—came to town, somewhat under the cloak of secrecy, we found that all those outstanding things we had been hearing about Nyssa and the community it serves were not unfounded. There was an air of friendliness and welcome, even before those we met knew why we were seeking a home. There were the questions which were difficult to answer, but which we accepted with welcome, knowing that they were from people interested in strangers and ready to extend a welcome.

The real estate dealers, we found, were anxious to help us locate a house and without exception they went beyond the line of duty and

suggested leads that meant no commissions for them. We found a house and can extend our thanks to several real estate men and their office girls.

About the biggest surprise was our first attendance at the weekly Chamber meeting where we asked if something special was taking place. "No," we were told, "You'll notice the chairs aren't filled yet, there are always several who are late." That was 12:05 and by 12:08 there were 41 members seated and discussing community problems with their neighbors. A question had been answered as to why Nyssa has thrived and prospered for so many years!

We have had the privilege of visiting the Lions club where similar attendance and enthusiasm prevailed—and were fined for wearing a Kiwanis button. That fine, we appreciated and felt we might soon be one of the boys.

The school system here has us completely amazed! Serving nearly 1600 students and staffed by teachers who are proud of their profession and headed by Henry Hartley whose administrative ability has been noted throughout both eastern Oregon and Western Idaho, it's another answer to a possible question as to what makes Nyssa tick. The school and the community are closely fused together and it is evident that citations are due for both the educators and the hundreds of interested laymen.

George Blunck and Bert Lienkaemper sorta scared us at first when some warnings were issued. George started telling us that competition was tough, so we thought, oh, oh, here's a guy in the oil business that's been giving somebody some trouble. As his grin widened, we knew he had something else to say, and it was: "Yes, my competitors make it rough in lots of ways—they're all such darned swell fellows that it's not like being in competition with them."

Bert says we gotta remember that Nyssa has so much to offer that an editor better be versatile—especially when it come to boating, fishing, hunting, fishing, baseball, fishing, boating and fishing.

Nyssa has two Chambers of Commerce. There's the official organization we mentioned above, then there's Tom Jones, secretary of the organized group who manages his own one-man Chamber that is definitely an atomic force of enthusiasm. It was a pleasure to go on a sight-seeing tour of the Union Pacific station, in which he takes great pride, and at the same time to hear

his detailed comments about Nyssa, its past and its future.

Disputing the old charge, "All government agencies are bureaucratic," the local post office where Postmaster Lloyd Lewis and his crew concentrate on good service and public relations. Already they have extended personal favors to the Journal where some difficulties have been encountered in getting the paper out on time. Like a private retail business, the post office staff to a man, are interested in the welfare of Nyssa, its trade appeal and the potential growth of which they and the rest of Nyssa are assured.

Driver Examiner Here Friday, April 25

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Nyssa Friday, April 25 between the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 p. m. Secretary of State Earl T. Newby announced. The examiner will be located at the city hall and all persons wishing licenses or permits to drive are asked to make application ahead of the scheduled closing hour.

Women's Fellowship Meets at Church

Members of the Christian Women's Fellowship met Thursday afternoon at the church. An election of officers was held with the following elected to serve the coming term: Mrs. Dick Mason, president; Mrs. Dan Pennie, vice president; Mrs. Marcella Wilson, secretary and Mrs. Elvin Ballou, treasurer. Mrs. Marcella Wilson had charge of the program, continuing on the theme of Latin America. Her topic was Mexico.

Conference Planned
Elder Clifford E. Young, an assistant to the Council of the Twelve Apostles of the L. D. S. church will preside over the Nyssa stake quarterly conference to be held Sunday, April 20.

D. O. Bybee Honored On Fiftieth Birthday

The nine married brothers and sisters of D. O. Bybee honored their brother, with a no-host supper at his home Wednesday evening, with places laid for 15, in celebration of his 50th birthday. Place cards were colored eggs held up by various colored velvet chicks. The two-tier white square birthday cake held 50 candles and made an attractive centerpiece for the long table. He was presented with several gifts among which was a hand-made two-toned leather wallet.

Another attraction for the brothers and sisters, was hand-painted eggs with hair, hats and faces which resembled the guests. Each couple found their own.

Relatives who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Russell Jordan of Nampa, Mrs. B. G. Bybee and Mrs. Loren King of Ontario, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hawes of Adrian, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon R. Moss and Mrs. Don Moss, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Bybee and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bybee of Nyssa.

CHURCH NOTES

ADRIAN UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Henry E. Moore, Pastor
Sermon subject for Sunday morning 11 a. m. "The Will to Finer Things".

Sunday night 8 o'clock the young people will meet 8:30 p. m. in a picture "Holding Back the Tide", a picture put out by the Moody Bible Institute. Public invited.

At the last board meeting a committee was appointed to present a plan to the congregation for building a parish house for special use of taking care of the Sunday school classes.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST (Christian)
Austin J. Hollingsworth, Minister
10 a. m., our church school meets for one hour with a program of teaching for the whole family.

11 a. m., morning worship. This is the hours for spiritual development. Some of the great happenings between Easter and Pentecost will serve as Sunday morning themes. This Sunday—"The Cure for Troubled Hearts".

6 p. m., orchestra practice directed by Lynn Lawrence.

7 p. m., C. Y. F. period with games, refreshments and a devotional service. Lyle Wilson, president, Doris Rigney program leader for this period.

8 p. m., our happy Sunday night hour. A mixed quartet, special numbers from our orchestra and a hymn sing. Sunday night sermon by the pastor "Word Pictures of the Twelve Apostles".

THE METHODIST COMMUNITY CHURCH
Donald S. Campbell, Minister
9:45 a. m., church school.
11 a. m., morning worship. Theme: "God's Chosen Plan." Anthem: "Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord" by Mendelssohn. Members will be received into the Methodist Christian fellowship.

7 p. m., Intermediate, Youth and Young Adult Fellowships.
8 p. m. The Campbells have invited any interested persons to the parsonage to hear the recording of Handel's "Messiah." It is sung by the British Broadcasting Chorus.

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Evangelistic service, 7:45 p. m.
Mid-week prayer meeting, 8 o'clock Wednesday evening.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. C. T. Crenshaw, Rector
Morning service, 9 o'clock. Holy communion and address.

MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday morning services, beginning 10 a. m.
Sunday worship services beginning 11 a. m.
Wednesday evening, prayer services, 8 p. m.

THE FREE METHODIST CHURCH
Adrian, Oregon
Church school, 10 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m.
Young People's study period, 7 p. m.
Evangelist message, 8 p. m.
Wednesday prayer service, 7:30 p. m.

L. D. S. 2nd WARD
D. Hubert Christensen, Bishop
Sunday—Priesthood meeting, 9:15 a. m. Sunday school 10:30 a. m. Sacrament meeting, 7:30 p. m. Tuesday—Relief society, 2 p. m. Wednesday—Primary, 4 p. m., M. I. A., 8 p. m.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
Fifth Street & Park Avenue
Rev. John L. Briehl, Pastor
Sunday church school, 10 a. m.

Divine worship service, 11 a. m. You are cordially invited to worship with us.

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Rev. Rembert Ahles, O. F. M.
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ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Frank C. Coley, Pastor
South 2nd and Reece Ave.
Sunday school, 10 a. m., classes for all ages.
Morning worship at 11 a. m. Evening Evangelistic service, 8 o'clock.

L. D. S. 1st WARD
Elden J. Yergensen, Bishop
Sunday—Priesthood meeting, 9:15 a. m. Sunday school, 10:30 a. m. Sacrament meeting, 7:30 p. m. Tuesday—Relief society, 2:00 p. m. Wednesday—M.I.A., 7:30 p. m. Wednesday—Primary, 4 p. m.

Tuesday evening Prayer and Praise 8 o'clock.
Friday evening, Young Peoples Christ Ambassador meeting, 8 o'clock. We are having an out-of-town speaker for this C. A. service. Everyone welcome.

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