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### Along The EDITOR'S BEET

Americans this week are celebrating the signing of the Declaration of Independence and with the Fourth falling on Friday, a triple holiday will be enjoyed in most parts of the nation.

There are frequent protests that formal celebrations are becoming

and that fishing and excursions have taken precedence over the patriotic speeches and parades of bygone days. Much can be said for the old-fashioned celebrations that marked the anniversary of this country's severance of allegiance to Great Britain. Any school boy experiences a certain amount of unconscious thrill when he reads or hears about the parades and Fourth of July speeches extolling the American republic and the events leading up to its founding. In modern times, such celebrations are a part of history rather than current events. Now the American people are

mixed up. They care little for celebrations and sometimes scorn the orators who remind them of the ideals of their forefathers. The American people are escapist and are running fast. From what they are running, no one knows, but their flight leads them in a circuitous route that eventually returns to their starting point of toil and worry.

In spite of fast cars that in a few hours can take them distances 50 times greater than the signers of the Declaration of Independence could travel in a week, and even with labor-saving machinery and conveniences, the average American is burdened with far greater toil than were his forefathers of 1776.

"Old-fashioned celebrations" here or anywhere else probably would not return the spirit of '76 to the American people. They refuse to accept any of the responsibility for present-day problems and are inclined to accuse "politicians" of the middle third of this nation. They are forgetting their American history and ignoring the fact that the politicians are themselves and that those immortal documents of the late 18th century give them powers and privileges never enjoyed by any other people.

Those men who signed the Declaration of Independence 176 years ago and who were largely responsible for our Constitution and the Bill of Rights were not in complete agreement on principles. They spoke for the people with the same degree of authority given our public servants of today, but the people were ready to speak out.

Even though the average person of the 18th century was considered "less literate" than the 20th century American, they had a sense of moral obligation and they knew what they wanted. They wanted freedom and they wanted a republic with a government having sufficient powers to guarantee their freedom. The American people then were fearful of government control and the usurpation of the rights they gained in coming to this continent. They were extremely conscious of the tyrannical rule of England.

Today we hear the protests of individuals and groups who long for the good old days when the power of government was used only as a moderator. The argument that laws should be for the majority has sound reasoning, but the people are the ones responsible for the increasing number of laws that aid the minority and strangle the majority. There is evidence that many of

### Social Notes

#### Civic Club Members Take Garden Tour

Eighteen members of the Nyssa Civic Club enjoyed their annual flower garden tour Wednesday, June 18, with a covered dish luncheon at the home of Mrs. Ray Wilson at Parma.

Beautiful flower gardens were visited at the homes of Mesdames R. H. Young, Ray Wilson and Gough of Parma. This was the concluding spring meeting of the Civic Club until their annual style show scheduled for September 17.

#### Announce Engagement

Otto F. Market announced the engagement of his sister Miss Alma M. Market of 500 Southeast 3rd St. Evansville, Indiana, to 1st Lt. Ralph E. Maze, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Maze, of route 2, Nyssa. The wedding is to be a July event. Miss Market is a graduate of Lockyear Business College of Evansville and presently employed at Swift and Co., Lt. Maze is a graduate of Nyssa high school and the Army Officers Candidate School at Fort Riley, Kansas, and is now stationed at Camp Breckenridge, Kentucky.

#### Pink and Blue Shower

Mrs. J. L. Church and Mrs. Glea BHINGS were co-hostesses at a pink and blue shower honoring Mrs. Bernard Eastman. Each guest received an appropriate favor and Mrs. Eastman won high in cards. Out of town guests were Mrs. Bernard Eastman, Sr., and Ada Hewitt of Payette and Mrs. Boyd Cole of Ogden.

#### Entertained At Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Nielson of Nu Acres entertained at a dinner Sunday for four members of their family whose birthdays occurred during June. Guests included Lewis and Tom Nielson of Nu Acres, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nielson and family of Ontario, Mr. and Mrs. Elver Nielson and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Nielson of Nyssa.

#### Christian Women Fellowship

Group 1 of the Christian Women Fellowship met at the home of Mrs. Ralph Curry with 12 members present.

Mrs. Dorothy Bibbey led devotion and refreshments were served by the hostess.

Group 2 had their meeting at Mrs. E. H. Strickland with Mrs. Glenn Strickland as assistant hostess. Devotions were led by Mrs. Bob Dewey. Eight members were present and four guests. Refreshments were served by the hostesses.

#### CHURCH NOTES

**ADRIAN COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Henry E. Moore, Pastor  
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.  
Sermon subject—"What is Hope and Who Has It?"

#### FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST (Christian)

Austin J. Hollingsworth, Minister  
10 a. m., Sunday school. Classes for all.

10 a. m., morning worship. Rev. John Daly, guest preacher during pastor's vacation.  
No night worship for several weeks.

#### ADRIAN UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Henry E. Moore, Pastor  
Morning worship, 11 a. m.

#### ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Frank C. Coley, Pastor  
South 2nd and Reece Ave.  
Sunday school 10 a. m.  
Childrens service in basement auditorium at 11 a. m.  
Morning worship 11 a. m.  
Evening evangelistic service 8 p. m.  
Tuesday evening prayer and praise 8 p. m.

our present-day laws — local, state and federal — are in complete contrast to those principles laid down by the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

The U.S. Constitution which followed the Declaration of Independence, was a masterpiece framed for the protection of individuals from the possible Tyranny of any group. In many instances the guarantees of freedom are ignored by those who would have more power and they are forgotten by those who can easily lose their freedom.

Usurpation of power is as evident in state governments as it is in the federal government, but here again it is caused by the apathy of the people who this year would have one extra day to give some thought to the meaning of the Declaration of Independence.

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#### MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Elder Haskell Dane, Pastor  
Sunday school, 10 a. m.  
Morning worship, 11 a. m.  
Young peoples services, 7 p. m.  
Evening worship, 8 p. m.  
Wednesday evening prayer service 8 o'clock.  
We invite everyone to these old time landmark Baptist services.

#### THE METHODIST COMMUNITY CHURCH

Donald S. Campbell, Minister  
9:45 a. m., church school.  
11 a. m., morning worship.  
7 p. m., Youth Fellowship.

**L. D. S. 1st WARD**  
Gordon Ray, Bishop  
Primary Wednesday 10 a. m.  
Sacrament Sunday 8 p. m.

#### THE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. Glen Abba, Pastor  
Sunday school, 10 a. m.  
Morning worship, 11 a. m.  
N. Y. P. S. and junior meeting, 7 p. m.  
Evangelistic service, 7:45 p. m.  
Mid-week prayer meeting, 8 o'clock Wednesday evening.

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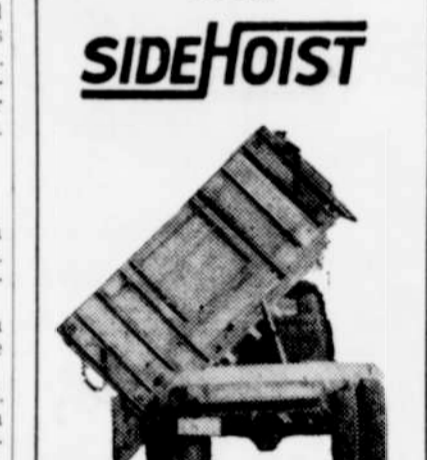
Rev. C. T. Crenshaw, Rector  
Evening service, 7:30 p. m.

#### CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Tuesday—Relief society, 2 p. m.  
Wednesday—Primary, 4 p. m., M. I. A., 8 p. m.

#### THE FREE METHODIST CHURCH

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Church school, 10 a. m.  
Morning worship, 11 a. m.

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