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Sunset Valley

Lois Council
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The Pleasant Hour club held a card party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Strickland Jan. 22, for the purpose of raising money for the polio fund.

O. P. Council received a letter from a niece who lives in the southern part of Texas, saying that she sees many potatoes from Nyssa in the markets there.

Mr. and Mrs. Magnus Ekanger were dinner guests Sunday at the home of their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cleaver.

The meeting of the Sunset Valley Livestock club met at the home of Naomi Kanaster with 8 members and 2 guests, Mrs. Frank Holub and E. M. Hauser, the county leader, Naomi Kanaster will be the leader of the club this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Notheis were guests Sunday at a birthday party for Mrs. Collins at the Harry Collins home in Nyssa.

The group of ladies who are making shirts with the aid of the county extension instructions, met at the home of Mrs. Albert Notheis Tuesday.

The worthwhile club met at the home of Mrs. Pete Wilson with Mrs. James Langely as co-hostess Thursday. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Frank Perko, president; Mrs. Wilbur Chapin, vice president, and Mrs. Gabriel Astoreca, secretary-treasurer. There were 14 members present. Mrs. Donald Grant is a new member.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Price and family were dinner guests Sunday of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Groves in Parma.

Jack and Linda Price stayed at the Ira Price home over the week end while their mother was ill.

Mr. and Mrs. John Price and family attended the golden wedding of Mrs. Price's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Ford at Grandview, Wash., Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Price who have been visiting his brothers, Ira and Ed Price and families, accompanied his nephew and family, the John Prices as far as Pasco, Wash., where they will visit their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schuman.

Mrs. Julia Garner of Ogden is a houseguest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Garner.

Karla Kay Simpson of Nyssa is spending this week at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Simpson.

Word has been received by the Carl Simpsons that their son, Jack who is in service at a camp

INCOME TAX FACTS No. 2
Invest a Little Time In Saving Tax \$\$\$\$

(This is one of a series of articles on income tax changes. The articles are based on information provided by the American Institute of Accountants and the Oregon Society of Certified Public Accountants.)

"Why should I bother with that old tax form?" asked a young lady who started on her first job in December. "I don't need to because I got less than \$600." "You don't need to," her father explained, "but it will cost you money if you don't. How do you expect to get back the tax that was withheld from your pay?"

Do You Have To File? Here are the rules to help you decide whether to file a federal income tax return:

1. If your gross income was \$600 or more in 1954, you must file, unless you are 65 or older and had less than \$1,200 income.
2. If you had \$400 or more income from self-employment, you must file a return to report these earnings for social security purposes.
3. If you had any salary or wages from which withholding tax was deducted by your employer, you must file a return to get credit for the tax withheld.

Married Couples Generally it's best for married couples to file joint returns instead of separate individual returns, because the joint return gives them the advantage of income-splitting. That is, they are taxed at the rate which applies to half their total taxable income.

There are a few exceptional cases in which separate returns might result in a saving. When capital losses are involved, for example, it's best to figure both jointly and separately to see which results in less tax.

Head of Household If you are supporting a dependent, although you are single, widowed, divorced or legally separated, you may be able to qualify as a "head of household" and figure your tax on a special table that gives you part of the advantage enjoyed by married couples filing joint returns.

This year you can qualify for "head-of-household" status if you provide more than half the support of a parent and more than half the cost of maintaining the parent's household even if the parent does not live with you.

Incidentally, if your husband or wife died in 1952 or 1953 and you

have as a member of your household a dependent child or stepchild, you are now entitled as a "surviving spouse" to the same income-splitting benefits this year as you would have had on a joint return—unless you remarried before the end of 1954. Your privilege to file as a surviving spouse applies to the first two years following the year in which your husband or wife died.

Choosing the Right Form The simplest tax return is a small card, Form 1040A, on which you furnish a minimum of information and leave it to the government to figure your tax. This is all right if you are sure you can't save by itemizing your deductions and if you are not a "head of household."

You are allowed to use Form 1040A if your total income was less than \$5,000, consisting only of wages, dividends and interest, and if all but \$100 or less is listed on your W-2 withholding slips. On Form 1040 you figure your own tax. It may be used as a "short form" on which you find the amount of your tax from a table which allows you approximately 10% of your income as a standard deduction for contributions, taxes, interest paid, medical and dental expenses, etc. If your income in 1954 was \$5,000 or more you must use Form 1040 as a "long form." The long form permits you to itemize your deductions, whether your income was more or less than \$5,000. If you think your actual deductions may be more than the 10% standard deduction it's wise to list them and see whether itemizing saves on your tax.

Additional Information Be sure to read the official instructions. You can also get help from the Internal Revenue Service, which urges you to consult only qualified advisers.

Next article: Not All Your Income Goes In Your Tax Form.

Owyhee Community Church News

Those elected to church offices at the last meeting were: deacons, three year term, Harold Dail; two year term, Andrew Ekanger, and serving for a one year term, Ed Corfield. Newly elected elders are John Price and Grover Cooper. Committees appointed were: constitution, Mrs. Claude Wilson, Mrs. Harold Dail, Mrs. Gertrude Bigelow and Rev. Himple; S. S. and church finance, Mrs. May Wilson, John Price, Mrs. Grover Cooper and Rev. Himple.

The Women's Missionary group of the church served lunch at the Herschel Gregg farm sale on Monday. Mrs. May Wilson was the head of the committee in charge.

Sunday dinner guests at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Himple were Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wilson and sons, Duane and David.

This Sunday is communion Sunday at the church.

Choir practice at the church on Thursday night at 7:30. Music for the Easter program is being planned and all choir members are urged to attend.

Prayer meeting and Bible study was held Wednesday night at the Joe Stephen's home in Cow Hollow.

The Young People's Valentine party will be at the church Monday, Feb. 14 at 7:30 p.m. All young people are invited for the evening of games and recreation.

On Tuesday, Feb. 15, missionaries Chuck and Jerry Parmenter, who are serving under the Alaskan central mission, will speak and show slides at the church.

On Friday, Feb. 18, there will be a potluck dinner at the church at 7:30.

Old Christmas cards are desired by the Missionary group of the church to be cut up and prepared for the use of the missionaries on the foreign fields. Children in foreign lands prize the cards which missionaries give as rewards for Bible reading and memory work. Send your old Christmas cards to the Owyhee Community church, route 2, Nyssa.

Monday night 10 of the young people of the church went sledding and toboggan riding with the assistance of Charlie Culbertson, who pulled the sleds with his tractor. Afterward Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stephens served the young people cocoa and popcorn at their home.

parsonage. Some have given days of labor and others have given money to pay for some one to work in their place.

The regular church board meeting will be with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hill Thursday evening, Feb. 10.

The regular monthly meeting of the 20-40 club will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Kurtz, Thursday, Feb. 3, 7:30 p.m. A potluck supper before the regular business meeting.

The ladies of the church gave a household shower Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Wesley Piercy for Mrs. Herbert Macchule. Mr. and Mrs. Macchule and son, Herbert, arrived in December and are employed on the George Schiemer farm. They formerly lived in the eastern zone of Germany. Mrs. Macchule received many nice linens and kitchen utensils along with canned fruits, vegetables, jams, jellies and packages of frozen meat. Mrs. Piercy and Mrs. Lynn Hurst served as hostesses.

Methodist Church News

"Ye are the Light of the World."

The general meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will be held this afternoon, (Thursday), at the home of Mrs. Carlos Buchner at 2 o'clock.

We extend our appreciation to Irl Nolan for the redwood offering plates which he made and donated to the church.

The theme for the 11:00 o'clock service for next Sunday will be "When Life Bears Down and You are Discouraged."

The MYF meets at 7:00 o'clock; also the fellowship hour with classes on "India."

Rev. Taylor will give the second message in the series, at 7:45, "Plowshares and Pruning Hooks," called "What About the United Nations."

The official board of commissions meet at the church at 8:00 Monday evening. Detailed plans will be announced for the Lenten series of Sunday evening services.

Wednesday children's church school at 4:00 p.m.

Midweek services at 8:00 O'clock. Meeting place to be announced later.

Committees are now being formed for the new building studies, and any person wishing to work on a particular committee, make the facts known to Melvin Spitze.

ATTENDS CONFERENCE

The Rev. John Briebl, pastor of Faith Lutheran church, left by train for Connel, Wash., where he will attend the annual conference of Lutheran churches. He expects to return home Thursday.

Church of Nazarene Notes

"The Land of No Compromise," was the topic of the Sunday morning message by Rev. Robert O. Jackson, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene. This was the introductory message for a series of youth week services conducted by students of Northwest Nazarene College of Nampa.

Rev. George Ferguson, student youth evangelist delivered the evening message developing the theme, "Love Perfected." Duets, trios and musical numbers were given by members of the Christian Worker's band of NNC.

Youth week activities include services Wednesday night at 8 p. m. and Sunday night at 7:45 p. m. with Rev. George Ferguson, speaker, and music by the Christian Worker's band of NNC.

Friday night the adult department of the Nazarene Young People's society will give a banquet for the teenage department at the Nu Acres hall.

Rev. Jackson will bring the morning message at 11:00 a. m. Sunday on the following theme, "The Meaning of Salvation." The text will be taken from Acts 16:30, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

The morning message will be preceded by the Sunday school which begins at 10:00 a. m. There are 13 classes in the school, divided so as to meet the needs of all ages with three classes for pre-school children, five classes for the grades, one class for high school and college youth and four adult classes.

During January and February the pastor is preaching each Sunday upon themes submitted by the laymen of the church.

This is the Friendly Church where you are a stranger but once.

CLASSIFIED FOR RESULTS

Adrian Presbyterian Church Notes

Newly elected church officers were officially installed by Rev. Henry Moore at 11 o'clock worship service Sunday morning.

The regular meeting of the Fidele Amicae society will be Thursday afternoon at the church with Kaye McDonald and Shirley Skinner, hostesses. The parcel post sale will be planned and a date set for it to be held.

A letter, from a recipient in Germany of a Care package sent by the Sunday school, was read at church school Sunday morning. The money from the birthdays is used for this purpose. It is felt that each one will want to get his birthday offering in so more packages may be sent. If you should be absent the Sunday closest to your birthday, bring your offering the first time you are present.

The building committee appreciates the fine response on the part of members and friends of the church in their help on the

of Boise, returned with them. Pamela was born Jan. 29. They will remain at the Newgens for several days. The children's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Wilson of Parma visited them Tuesday.

Patricia Rice visited Sharon Field Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stoker and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Montgomery went to the basketball game in Caldwell Monday night.

Mrs. Harold Lenon of Twin Falls and two sons, Jimmy and Steven, visited at the home of her brother and family, Gabriel Astoreca from Tuesday to Thursday.

Nyssa Dog Licenses Due

All Nyssa dog owners are asked to get their dog licenses at the City Hall any day between 9 A. M. and 5 P. M.

DEADLINE, FEB. 14

After that date, all unlicensed dogs will be picked up and disposed of immediately.

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