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Give the Firemen Room

It is fortunate for Nyssa businessmen and home owners that no fires started around 9:30 p.m. Friday night for serious damage to property might have been inevitable.

Dozens of curious citizens for six miles chased the two fire department trucks out Gray boulevard to watch a chicken house go up in flames. When it became evident that one truck could handle the situation, the other was ordered to return to Nyssa. This was much easier said than done. Cars blocked the narrow road and it was necessary to push, pull, yell for drivers and in general waste several minutes before the blockade was broken.

Even more serious was the crowd that collected—much too closely—to watch the gasoline fire at Sixth and Main. Had the tanker exploded Nyssa could well have made headlines across the nation; headlines we can well do without.

The firemen have their jobs to do and the police can't handle a packed crowd streaming in from all directions.

Responsible citizens in the area should make it a point to protect life by assisting, not hindering the efforts of the firemen who have to take the chances. We can aid them by giving them room to work. And if they need moral support, give it to them from a safe distance!

Booster at Portland

The following comment in the Oregon Voter, published in Portland, speaks for itself:

"Emil A. Stunz, democratic representative of Malheur county in the 1955 session, has filed for re-election. He made a dandy record, voting in opposition to hair-brained legislation and in support of that which was sound. Deserves re-election."

Letters to Editor

Signed letters to the editor are welcomed and will be printed if they do not contain comments of a libelous nature or attacks on religious and racial groups. Publication of the letters does not signify the agreement of this newspaper with opinions expressed.

Route 1
Nyssa, Oregon
February 9, 1956

Dear Editor:

Was interested as a reader of the Journal in regards to the article named Religion in Life concerning the question, Can a Tavern Keeper be a Christian?

Being a minister, I believe that all Christian standards are set forth for us in the Bible, and hence Christians should take a scriptural stand where the Bible speaks on the subject. I know that no matter what religious group one may be with this same question has been asked hundreds of times.

My answer has always been that which concerned Israel who had gotten themselves into difficult and hard places, in respect to the very question we are talking about. In Habakkuk 2:15, the Lord is giving warning through his

Mrs. Torvald Olson Returns to Nyssa

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moore brought Mrs. Torvald Olson home from Boise last Saturday.

Mrs. Olson had undergone surgery at St. Alphonsus hospital.

prophet, "Woe, unto him that giveth his neighbor drink that putteth thy bottle to him, and maketh him drunken also . . ." and the latter part of verse 16 tells us, "the cup of the Lords right hand shall be turned unto thee, and SHAMEFUL SPEWING shall be on thy glory." Surely this verse should be taken in consideration, and heavily pondered in respect to the question in discussion.

Would anyone feel perfectly right in the presence of the Almighty when he will have to answer for "the things done in the body of this life" (2 Corth 5:10) to have to answer as the "agent" or means through which thousands and thousands have lost hope, character, wife, children, possessions and have absolutely nothing because of drink? The following scripture verses gives enlightenment on our subject. Proverbs 20:1; 21:17; 22:29-33; Isaiah 28:7-8; Luke 1:15.

Rev. Kenneth Himple
Owyhee Community Church

Stranger In The County

By Bill Campbell

Few reporters have received such a warm reception when reporting to a new job than yours truly when Bob Schilling tried to blow up his end of town and himself last Friday afternoon. Some folks commented that it looked peculiar to see Duane Alters and his new hired hand running from rather than toward the scene of the blaze, but it was only to pick up a camera. If that gas truck had blown I'd have established some kind of record for brief employment.

The first person I met was, of course, Ward Wieneke at the First National Bank for any newspaperman that isn't on good terms with the installment loan officer is just plain nuts.

Duane introduced me to almost every businessman in town within a space of eight hours so if, for awhile, I call everybody "sir" it simply means I can't assimilate names the first time around.

The only girl I've met, darn it, is that cute little heifer at Hugh Tobler's which will be good news to my yet-to-join-me wife.

Three things on Main street have impressed me. The general excellence of the stores and their window displays, the excess dirt along the curbing and the year-round display of Christmas lights.

Starting next week we hope to develop a special sports section and all readers are urged to send in any news: hunting, fishing, grade school or organized sports. Just address "Sports" Gate City Journal. I'll probably be in the high school coaches hair a couple of times a week.

Speaking of schools, that Nyssa school district plant is a beauty as is the hospital. Wish I could say the same thing for the first building that greets the eye when a stranger steps off the train!

Our bookkeeper, Dolly Case, is suffering from an allergy. Claims the only new thing around is ME. Oh, fine!

Will be back next week. Bye now, and buy Nyssa!

Area Council Convenes at Portland

The Portland Area Council of the Methodist church which consists of representatives from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska convened in Portland, Oregon last Tuesday. The purpose of this meeting is to plan the campaign activities for the coming year.

National leaders in this field will be the instructors.

Reverend Ludlow will attend the council Tuesday through Friday.

Christian Church Come Doubles Meet

The Come Double class of the Christian church were hosts to the Loyalty and Fidelis classes last Friday evening. The occasion was the regular meeting of the Come Double class.

The subject was Predestination led by Earl Hastings.

A business meeting was held with the election of new officers. Robert Sherbert, president; Mrs. Gus Liming vice president; Mrs. Don Strickland, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. Dan Pennie social chairman. A committee was appointed to make plans for the annual smorgasbord.

Refreshments were served by the hostess.

CHURCH NOTES

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Rev. A. F. Stubblefield, Pastor
SUNDAY—
9:45 a.m. — Sunday school.
11:00 a.m. — Morning worship.
7:00 p.m. — Young People's service.
8:00 p.m. — Evangelistic service.

L.D.S. OWYHEE WARD
James A. Peterson, Bishop
Tel. 2592 Rt. 1, Nyssa
1st Sunday each month, observe fast day
8:45 a.m. Ward teachers' report meeting
9:40 a.m. Priesthood meeting.
12:00 Fast meeting.

Remaining Sundays
9:15 a.m. Priesthood meeting.
10:30 a.m. Sunday school.
7:30 p.m. Sacrament meeting.

Tuesday
2 p.m. Relief society.
(2nd Tuesday each month, work meeting 10 a.m.)

Wednesday
4:30 p.m. Primary.
8 p.m. M.I.A.

L. D. S. FIRST WARD
Charles Mann, Bishop
9:15 a.m.—Priesthood meeting
10:30 a.m.—Sunday school.
8:00 p.m.—Sacrament meeting.
Tuesday, 2 p.m.—Relief society
Wednesday, 4 p.m.—Primary;
7:30 p.m.—M. I. A.

L. D. S. SECOND WARD
Lloyd Lewis, Bishop

Sunday
Priesthood meeting, 9:15 a.m.
Sunday school, 10:30 a.m.
Sacrament meeting 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday
Relief society (sewing day, 2nd Tues., 10:30 a.m.) 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday
Primary, 4 p.m.
M.I.A., 8 p.m.

OWYHEE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. Kenneth Himple, Pastor
10 a.m.—Sunday school.
11 a.m.—Morning worship service.

7 p.m.—Young people's meeting.
8 p.m.—Evening worship.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST
Rev. Earl Hastings

Bible school—10 a.m.
Worship and Communion—11 a.m.

C. Y. F., Sunday evening—7 o'clock.

Evening services, Sunday—8 p.m.

MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Elder William Turner, minister

10 a.m.—Sunday school.

11 a.m.—Morning worship.

8 p.m.—Evening worship.

Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Prayer service.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL
Rev. Herbert Grosdidier

SUNDAY:
10 a.m., Sunday school.
11 a.m., church.

WEDNESDAY:
9:11 a.m., Kindergarten.

7:30, Y.P.F., second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Parma, Idaho—McConnell Ave.

Rev. Hale Miller, Minister

10 a.m.—Bible study.

11 a.m.—Morning worship.

8 p.m.—Sunday evening service.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Robert Jackson, Pastor

10 a.m.—Sunday school.

11 p.m.—Morning worship.

7 p.m.—N.Y.P.S. and Junior meetings.

7:45 p.m.—Evangelistic service.

ADRIAN COMMUNITY CHURCH
(United Presbyterian)

Henry E. Moore, Pastor

10 a.m.—Bible school.

11 a.m.—Morning worship.

11 a.m.—Junior church.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
John L. Briehl, Pastor

SUNDAY:
10 a.m.—Sunday school.

11 a.m.—Divine worship.

COMMUNITY METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Paul Ludlow, Pastor.

Corner N. 3rd & Emison Ave.

9:45 a.m., Sunday school for all ages.

11:00 a.m., Morning worship.

7:00 p.m., Methodist youth fellowship.

FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
Rev. Lloyd N. Pounds.

Sunday, 10 a.m.

Sunday, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, 8 p.m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH
Rembert Ahles, O. F. M.

Mass—Sunday at 8 and 10 a.m. and daily at 8 a.m.

Saturday, 10 a.m. — Catechism classes.

BRETHREN CHRISTIAN CENTER MISSION
East 2nd and Ehrgood

10 a.m.—Sunday school.

11 a.m.—Morning worship.

7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic service.

Episcopal Church News

"O Lord, we beseech thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those who confess their sins unto thee; that they, whose consciences by sin are accused, by thy merciful pardon may be absolved; through Christ our Lord. Amen." (From the Penitential Office)

The lessons for Sunday, the first Sunday of Lent, are: Psalm 50; Isaiah 58; Matthew 6:1-18. We will use the Penitential Office p. 60 in the Prayer Book.

Study session Sunday night will be another review session of the first part of the Apostles' Creed: "I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord." Bible study will again be the approach.

Y. P. F. will meet Wednesday night at 7:30 at the church. Clyde Swisher has agreed to help with this group.

"Almighty God, who hastest nothing that thou has made, and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Methodist Church News

"Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled." Math. 5:6.

Mr. Ludlow left Monday morning for Portland to attend a conference of Methodist camp leaders, which will last through Friday, the 17th.

The men of the church have been breaking up and clearing away the cement from the old parsonage, basement, getting it ready for the work which will start soon on the new educational building. The Owyhee Irrigation Project carried away 10 or 11 loads of the broken cement, etc.

Thursday, Feb. 16 (Today) 2:00 p.m. the Woman's Society Circles meet as follows:

1. Larry Robinson Circle meets with Mrs. Grover Lytle. Mrs. Cochran will present the program.

2. Alice Hitchcock Circle will meet with Mrs. Robb with Mrs. Grasty in charge of the program.

3. Charlotte Alston Circle meets with Mrs. Keever with Mrs. Duane Holcomb presenting the program.

8:00 p.m. The Night Circle meets with Mrs. McPartland, Mrs. Thelma Huffman as co-hostess and Mrs. Duane Holcomb in charge of the program. Mothers of preschool children and Wesleyan Guild and cordially invited. Call the parsonage for transportation.

Friday, Feb. 17, 10:00 a.m. The Spiritual Life Classics will be presented in the forenoon for those who cannot attend the evening sessions. Mrs. McPartland and Mrs. Snider will lead this group, which will meet at the McPartland home.

Friday, 2:00 p.m., World Day of Prayer meeting will be held in the LDS Owyhee ward (6 miles out on the Adrian highway, 1/2 mile west of the Owyhee corners). All women are invited to join in this world-wide observance of the day of prayer. A nursery will be provided, so come and bring your children.

Sunday, Feb. 19, Mr. Ludlow's topic at the 11:00 service will be: "The Blessings of a Good Appetite."

The Sr. and Jr. Hi. MYF meet at the church at 7:00 p.m.

8:00 p.m. membership class. All are invited whether members or non-members.

Wednesday, Feb. 22, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Wednesday sessions for all Primary and Junior department children.

8:00 p.m. The Spiritual Life classics course will be presented at the parsonage. This is the second session—there will be four more meetings. All adults are invited.

Rev. and Mrs. Ludlow Return From Berkley

Rev. and Mrs. Ludlow returned from Berkley, Calif., where they attended the Earl Lectures and Pastoral Conference of the Methodist church. The conference is sponsored by the Pacific School of Religion of which Rev. Ludlow is an alumnus.

Speakers for the conference were Dr. Nels F. S. Ferre, professor of theological Seminary. The faculty members of Pacific College conducted the workshops for the ministers.

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RELIGION IN LIFE

By Paul L. Ludlow

A minister friend of mine is a pacifist in the best sense of the term. During the last war he was misunderstood by some people of whom one said with considerable sarcasm, "You Think You're so Good, I Suppose You never sinned in Your Life." To which my friend replied, "O Yes, I've Done My Share of Sinning, But I Don't Want to Add Murder To the List."

Probably not all of us would agree that participation in war made us guilty of murder, but the incident started me thinking. Do we tend to cover up all our wrongdoing and unchristian attitudes by saying "No One is Perfect, We are All Sinners So One More Sin Won't Matter"? The embezzler of corporation funds may rationalize that the money was first obtained by crooked deals; the drunkard may say with considerable truth that the person overate, and how many take refuge from their sensual sin in Dr. Kinsey's sex statistics?

It seems to me that there are two principles involved here: 1. You can't neutralize a wrong by indulging in another one. As my friend, the minister said, "Why Add Murder to My Already Long List?" 2. It is not good to compare ourselves with our fellowmen for we always tend to set up our virtues against the faults of others, or we consider our trivial weakness in comparison to the gross sins of another. In one of the parables of Jesus, a self-righteous man was congratulating himself for being better than the quite obvious sinner by his side. Jesus condemned the self-righteous and praised the repentant sinner. But his words to the sinner were "Go and Sin No More."

We are all plagued by sins of the spirit . . . pride, envy, anger, and despair, but it won't help our case any by adding lust, gluttony, and murder to the list.

Adrian Presbyterian Church Notes

Each Monday the youth church clubs meet at the church after school.

Wednesday evening each week, choir practice.

Friday a ham dinner will be served at the church between the hours of 6:00 and 9:00 p.m. Tickets may be purchased from K. I. Peterson.

Mary and Martha society met at the home of Mrs. John Auker Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Verle Bishop, assistant hostess. Mrs. M. L. Kurtz gave the devotions and Mrs. Edna Cowling presented the Prayer Circle. For the program Mrs. M. L. Judd reviewed the book "The Revolutionary Faith," by Floyd Shacklock. During the business meeting it was decided to make a project of sending garden and flower seeds to Rev. and Mrs. Harold Kurtz who are at the present time in Addis Ababa but will be going out to their assigned mission station in October. They have asked for garden seeds to take with them, so all who wish to help donate seeds, (mostly garden seed), please leave them at the parsonage with Rev. Moore, or give them to Mrs. Kurtz not later than Sunday, Feb. 19.

As many ladies of the church who can, are urged to attend the World Day of Prayer, Friday afternoon at the Owyhee LDS church.

Dr. A. W. Stewart, secretary of the American Board of Missions and Dr. DeWitt Safford, field secretary, will be here Saturday, Feb. 25 to inspect the new par-

sonage and church school rooms. It is hoped the church school rooms will be finished and ready for use on Sunday, Feb. 26.

Seventeen young people enjoyed the progressive dinner given for them on Monday evening. The group met at the church and then traveled in three cars to five different homes in the community. First stop was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Perkins where they were served tomato juice. Vegetable soup was served to the group by Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Bosely and Vi Lee for their second stop, with Mr. and Mrs. Elver Nielsen furnishing the group on their third stop with a carrot and pineapple moulded salad, the group also watched and enjoyed the TV program, "I Love Lucy."

Mrs. Wayne Robb, Mrs. Charles Chapin and Mrs. Kenneth Himple served the main course to the group at the Robb home. Here the group enjoyed their dinner amid Valentine decorations and ate by candle light. The group ended their journey at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Arai where the group enjoyed singing, and then were served punch, ice-cream, cake and candy. Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bullard and Rev. Himple accompanied the group.

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