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Adios, Amigos

The Nyssa community owes a debt of gratitude to the Rev. and Mrs. Frank Reyes, who this week completed their third season's supervision of the Nyssa labor camp program. It is difficult for those not closely connected with the labor camp and its several hundred farm workers to realize the tremendous good that has resulted from the program sponsored by local groups through the Oregon Council of Churches and especially the forthright leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Reyes.

At the camp, children and teen-agers as well as many adults, have learned valuable means of occupying their spare time. They have learned to make use of their many crafts and skills and above all, they have found that they are not "outsiders" in a "foreign land", but are part of this country's mixture of various nationalities that makes America tick.

Mr. Reyes has by no means confined his activities to the labor camp in efforts to promote better understanding between workers of Mexican descent and caucasians who make their permanent homes here. He has been ready at all times to translate English to Spanish or Spanish to English for no more remuneration than the Christian satisfaction he might have in giving a helping hand.

The problems of our summer workers have been brought to the attention of residents of this community and, by the same token, he has carried word of well-intended goodwill of the people of this area back to residents of the labor camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Reyes, both of Mexican descent, could well serve as emissaries of goodwill at any hemispheric or world-wide conference. That we won't suggest, for we don't want to lose them from Nyssa and we'll be ready to welcome them back next year after they complete similar work in other areas during the fall and winter months.

Speed Barriers Might Be Desirable

Several parents on North Fourth street are about ready to trade their investments in street improvements for the multiple trenches that marred the thoroughfare for several months.

Deep ruts at least slowed down traffic to give some protection to the dozens of school and pre-school children living on each side of what is now being used as a test strip for speeding automobiles. Reports from other parts of town indicate that speed barriers might be desirable on various other streets where the basic rule is being ignored.

The problem apparently is stalemated since "an arrest is difficult without a signed complaint and the license number, make and model of the speeding cars." The speed at which they travel makes it impossible to obtain any of the identifications.

We sincerely hope this information is available through some other means than a death or serious injury news story about some child.

Richard Nixon

(Sherman County Journal)

The Republicans went right ahead, and nominated Richard Nixon as vice-president almost by acclamation except for one dissenter from Nebraska who wanted to have a little fun. One is not many out of 1323.

Democrats say they are going to take Mr. Nixon apart during the campaign and no doubt they will such an endeavor. We think they will find nothing inside that is not apparent from the surface.

Mr. Nixon was a California lawmaker who made a reputation for ability and was sent to congress. There he was more active than anyone in building the case against Alger Hiss who later went to the penitentiary for lying. Mr. Nixon was rather active against communists in government and thereby earned the undying hatred of communists, pinkos, fellow-travelers and such who, with their followers, have been trying to run him out of government ever since. A lot of men now in office or in places of trust were pretty "liberal" in the thirties and they don't want it mentioned now. This kind is afraid of Mr. Nixon.

Then he went to the senate at 37 and to the vice-presidency at 40 which is a very fine record for a young man. It is enviable and envied.

As vice-president he has been more active than any one who has ever held that position. He has gone to Asia and South America and anywhere he has been sent he has universally made friends for us. He has conducted himself with restraint in the face of some of the most concentrated abuse that could be dished out by opponents.

Mr. Nixon is a politician. By that we mean that he is responsive to the public will. He is not an egomaniac who goes about preaching his own special brand of nation saving. He is not the sort of man the nation needs to fear for he is not one to lead us into new "isms." He keeps out of the limelight when he can, does his work, makes friends in the senate and lives quietly with his family. What's the matter with that?

Christian Church Notes

Morning sermon: "Origin of the Christian Church."

Sunday, Sept. 2, will begin a series of sermons on the Christian church:

- I—"Origin," Sept. 2.
- II—"Organization," Sept. 9.
- III—"Names," Sept. 16.
- IV—"Creed and Discipline," Sept. 23.
- V—"Ordinances," Sept. 30.
- VI—"Local (Church Birthday)," Oct. 7.
- VII—"Purpose," Oct. 14.

Christian Women's Fellowship met Thursday, Sept. 23. Mrs. Ken Pond was hostess to group No. 1 with 12 members, two visitors and a special guest, Mrs. Frank Reyes, present. Mrs. Joe Bellon had devotions. Members worked on a layette which was finished and turned into the labor camp for a needy family. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Pond and

Stranger In The County

By Bill Campbell

I'll have to admit I've written some sloppy columns. (Wilton Jackson will confirm this) but this one will be a dilly. The back shop is screaming for this goop so hold on to your hats and here we go! In other words, I'll toss this off and hope I won't get thrown in jail!

Notice the gang of caravans that have been swishing through Main street in Nyssa? They have been promotions for the various rodeos, etc in the area. Last week I really chased one of the fast-moving cavalcades—the convertibles were loaded with sweet young things—and asked a driver why he didn't stop in the business section.

"Business section?" quoth the driver, "I looked up at the lights and thought this was the used car district!"

I'm going to demand equal time and rights from my boss. After all, Nyssa's Ontario Argus correspondent got to introduce Al Ullman, demo candidate to all the potential voters in Nyssa. I demand that when Sam Coon hits the city I be given the same consideration and be allowed to present our able representative to the community.

While speaking of politics—and you know lights and politics are a fetish with me—did you happen to see the marquee at the Nyssa Theater last week? As you all know there was quite a to-do about a former president at the Democratic convention. So what does the sign read? "The Trouble with Harry!"

Sometimes, as a newspaperman, I feel that those of us who follow this rather strange and lonely trade should cooperate a little more, regardless of competition. This is to offer my advice—which won't be taken—to budding journalists in Malheur county who are not quite sure which end is up on a Speed Graphic. Shoot inside shots at 200 and 22.

I told you I was in a foul mood today.

My wandering medic returned from Michigan last week and I pumped Doctor Joe a little more—not about his trip to Michigan but about his early years in Nyssa.

This episode I think you'll like. Seems that back in 1912 Doc and the then minister of the Presbyterian church (a man much ahead of his time) decided to throw a pie social to raise funds for a library. The good brethren and sisters of the church turned out and after about two hours the till read \$475 net. Doc decided that such a contribution would not suffice and took off for a spot where sat a bunch of men playing cards.

His plea was eloquent and the cardplayers, almost in tears.

Mrs. Mary Marshall. Group No. 2 met at the home of Mrs. Robert Sherbert with five members present. Devotions were led by Mrs. Sherbert. They also worked on a layette for the camp. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Methodist Church News

"For we are laborers together with God; you are God's field; you are God's building." I Cor. 3:9.

Thursday, Aug. 30 (tonight), 7

shouldered their way into the social.

In 15 minutes, after spirited bidding, the library was \$200 richer!

Just between you and me, it is my hope to keep Doc Sarazin talking long enough to compile a book about his lighter experiences dating from 1906 to the present.

Next week: The great Nyssa robbery!

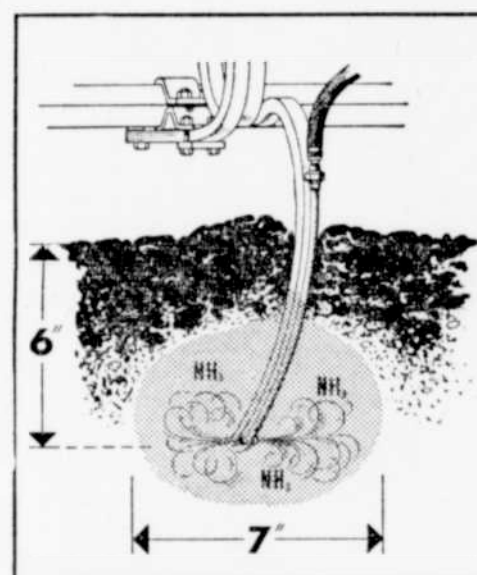
Had quite a Saturday evening. First I went to the Fiesta, an event which really sold me—if any more selling was necessary—to the value of Frank Reyes and his wife to this community. Frank will have left Nyssa by the time this is published and it's hard to pat a man on the back who is heading South, but I know I'll miss him—those who have read his Spanish column will miss him—and the city, in which he has labored so hard will truly feel a distinct loss. God has blessed such a man and all of us who knew him are the better for it.

After the Fiesta I dropped in at the Eagles lodge for a few minutes and heard a lot about the plans for the regional convention to be held in September.

THEN I went over to visit Ella Mae Johnson. Ella Mae owns the cafe on First street and if you haven't tasted her chicken you just 'aint been livin'. My wife and I were honored to be included among the guests. The canapes (snacks to you peasants) were delicious as was the punch. The birthday cakes were something to behold and the gifts were piled mighty high. A lovely party for a lovely little woman.

Well, guess I'll toss this in. How about tossing your money in the LOCAL tills. We'll all be ahead if you do. Bye now, buy in Nyssa.

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Fidelis Amicae will meet with Mrs. Moore Thursday, Sept. 6. Each girl please bring the tea towel she has hemmed so it may be stamped, also anything that is prepared for the God's Acre sale or any patterns.

Sept. 9 the teachers of the Adrian schools will be our guests. Each member is asked to attend church that Sunday and take part in this community fellowship.

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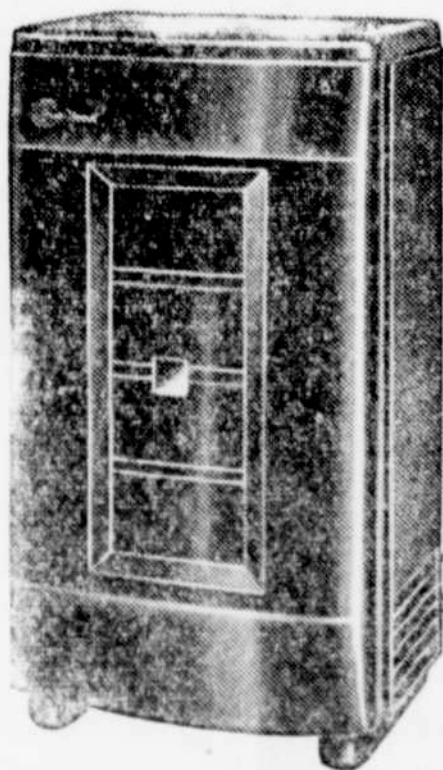
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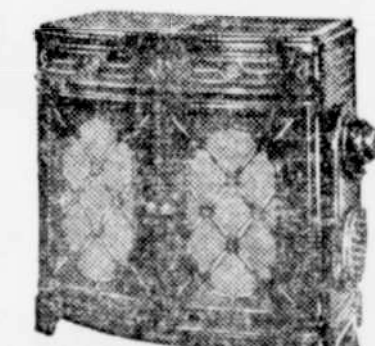
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