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The Legislature and Politics

Malheur county's two legislators, Sen. Tony Yturri, a Republican, and Rep. Emil Stunz, a Democrat, are qualified to serve the people of eastern Oregon and the rest of the state. Both men are seeking information about the desires of the people before they go to Salem next month for the 49th legislative assembly.

They are asking individuals and organizations for suggestions and without doubt they will comply with the wishes of the majority. Mr. Stunz, by his past record has shown he definitely represents the people. Mr. Yturri, an Ontario attorney and life-long resident of Malheur county with a vast background of public service, has many times demonstrated his qualifications to serve Oregon well.

The Gate City Journal has long taken a dim view of new laws just for the sake of adding confusing legislation to Oregon's long list of entangled statutes. It is hoped that those asking for legislation will consider the greater need for improvement of existing laws rather than adding new ones that might be unworkable.

In spite of Republican dominance in the past, Oregon has a record of increasing centralized government that the Democratically controlled state administration is in a position to halt. Whether or not the desired change of trend will come about is a matter that will be decided after the legislature convenes. Bureaus have become the rule rather than the exception in Oregon and some changes might be refreshing providing political reprisals on both sides do not enter the picture to too great an extent.

The two men from Malheur county are not politically controlled by their respective state parties and they have many times indicated their interests are for the overall good of the state and its people.

Taxation is another matter that will most assuredly bring a multitude of headaches to the legislature. There are innumerable commitments for less taxes and more services while budgets requests are expected to be far beyond the state's ability to raise funds.

Unfortunately, some of Oregon's other 35 counties will not be represented by straight-thinking men who consider the welfare of the people and the state first and politics second.

Stranger In The County

By Bill Campbell

Wheel! I bet Santa had one of his most thrilling rides of all time when he went through Nyssa on his dog sled last week—and I've a feeling that Fred Bennett will concur.

Propelled—and that's the right word — by seven dogs, Santa breezed down Main street without even getting into high gear. The owner of the team, LaMar Huntman of Ashland, Idaho, figured what with Santa's weight, over 200 and his—also over 200, the dogs would have their work cut out for them but they actually GAINED speed coming up the underpass from the sugar plant!

Inasmuch as there was no snow, wheels were put on the sled . . . sans brakes. The dogs were running on pavement for the first time and found the "track fast." But the kids enjoyed the show and hundreds clustered around both the team and Santa at the old gym.

You might be interested in knowing a little about the team and its boss.

LaMar has been breeding racing dogs for years and in 1953, 1955 and 1956 won top prizes in the American Dog Derby held at West Yellowstone. This is the "classic" of sled dog racing.

LaMar, racing in the open classification, beat the field with "Torgee" Hounds, a breed he has developed by crossing Stag Hounds and Red Irish Setters! He also has teams of Siberian Huskies, and the White Huskies, five of which were on Santa's sleigh.

This might amaze you—or perhaps not, after seeing the dogs go through Nyssa. They can AVERAGE 40 miles per hour on a short course and have done better than a 20 mile per hour average over a 10-mile race! And a champion sled dog, according to Huntman, can move 2000 pounds from a standing start! They pry the sled from side to side and tough dogs have been known to break their toenails digging in under the terrific pressure they exert.

The Siberians, while the most handsome, were not brought to Nyssa because they are a "one man dog" and considered to be too dangerous to bring around children.

This coming Saturday Santa returns at 2 p.m. via helicopter. Those who have not seen the "whirley birds" should get a real kick out of this. Parents can see Santa when he lands on First across from the Ideal Gas company or meet him at the gym. He'll also tour the downtown stores during the afternoon, so no matter where you have the kiddies, they'll have a chance to meet their buddy before the afternoon is over.

Well, I can say one thing! OUR Christmas star light works!
Time to stop as I've run off

Christian Church Notes

Morning sermon: What should I believe about prayer. Evening sermon: Revelation 10. CYF and Chi-Rho meet at the church.

Finance building and property committees will meet at the church Dec. 19, at 7:00 p.m. Bible study and choir to follow.

The CWF Christmas party will be Dec. 13, 2:00 p.m. Friendly calls will be made by everyone Friday evening from 7 to 10 p.m. Special board meeting Friday at 7:00 p.m.

The JYF and their leader, Mrs. Elvin Ballou, met at the home of Mrs. Ken Pond Dec. 6. The lesson entitled "Surprise Packages." The meeting also included singing, a Bible quiz, scripture, memory verses and an object lesson entitled "God's Best Gift." Refreshments were served by the hostess.

The Come Double discussion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Strickland, Dec. 6. Bishop Lloyd Lewis was guest of honor and speaker. Refreshments were served.

The women of the church presented a program Sunday evening, Mrs. Emerson Bingham was in charge. Mrs. Elvin Ballou was pianist, Mrs. Dan Pennie gave devotions. Mrs. Dorothy Bibbey led the prayer. A special song was presented by Mrs. Lester Oden and Mrs. Robert Sherbert. A play entitled "Displaced" was presented under the direction of Mrs. J. C. Smith. The cast was Mrs. Gus Laming, Mrs. Clyde Bohannon, Mrs. Earl Hastings and

too much, perhaps, about dogs. Which reminds me—Pica the pup(?) has a satisfied glint in her eye! OH, NO!

Bye now and buy first in Nyssa. Recommended by the guy who buys early—Christmas eve.

Methodist Church News

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ, the Lord." Luke 2:11.

Dec. 13, 2 p. m. (Today)—WSCS will hold their general meeting at the home of Mrs. Gene Grasty, 314 Walnut Street. Mrs. Bill Wilson will present the program and Mrs. Ray Huffman the devotions. All women of the church are invited.

Dec. 14, 7:30 p. m. choir practice at the parsonage. Very important that every member be present.

Dec. 15, the Celia Cowan Circle 4 will have a Christmas food sale, at Eder Hardware at 9:30 a. m.

Dec. 16, 9:45, church school classes for everyone.

11 o'clock worship service—Mr. Ludlow's sermon topic will be "Fulfillment."

4:30 p. m. Christmas Vesper service presented by choir and guest soloists, including organ numbers. The public is invited to this candle light service.

7 p. m.—Jr. and Sr. MYF meet at the church.

The Celia Cowan Circle is changing its regular meeting from Dec. 20 to Dec. 17—8:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. W. L. McPartland.

NEW MIA WORKERS SUSTAINED RECENTLY
Two new workers in the Nyssa LDS second ward MIA who were sustained recently were Rahe Williams, who just recently returned from Argentina mission and Deane Irving, who recently returned from a Spanish-American mission.

Mrs. Glen Strickland, Mrs. Ken Pond led in presenting a Litany. Hostesses were Mrs. Paul House, Mrs. Joe Bellon, Mrs. Harry Kingrey and Mrs. Margaret Carver.

Evangelist H. W. McCLISH Will Continue Conducting Meetings Thru Saturday, Dec. 15

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Owyhee Community Church News

Thought of the Week:
"What a different world this would be if people would only magnify their blessings the way they do their troubles."

The We-2 group of the church will have their meeting Friday at 8 p.m. in the church basement. Each one is asked to bring a Christmas present worth 50 cents. In charge of the meeting this month are Mr. and Mrs. Homer Whitman.

The Christmas program of the Sunday school will be Sunday evening, Dec. 23 at the church.

The Rev. Sitenoff, Jewish missionary and preacher, will speak at the church in January. He has recently toured the land of Israel and city of Jerusalem and tells

New Officers Sustained Sunday

New officers for young men, MIA, sustained at the LDS Nyssa stake conference at the Nyssa stake house Sunday last week were Henry Zobell, superintendent, Ardith Huffaker, Vale, first assistant and Frank Skeen, second assistant.

Out-going officers were Nephi Gregg, Ontario, superintendent, Ross Butler, Vale, first assistant and Garland Christensen, Ontario second assistant.

of Bible prophecy concerning the nation of Israel.

The Country Preacher, Rev. Demcy Mylar, will conduct evangelistic meetings at the church for one week, Feb. 3-10.

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