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Something New in the Making

Something new will be added for the benefit of Nyssa and surrounding communities, thanks to three local organizations who are adding that extra something that might be known as "color" for all events of public interest.

A drum and bugle corps is in the process of being organized under the auspices of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Eagles lodge.

Enthusiasm has been high for several weeks among those making plans for the new addition to the community. Those "in the know" tell us that skilled musicians are far from a must and that the cadence of a small group of men marching to drum beats, together with bugle calls, can impress even an audience fed on tranquilizer pills.

The new corps will be ready and willing to serve on innumerable occasions, both military and otherwise, and as another "first" in the lower Snake river valley, it should be in demand far and wide.

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.

I note on the front page of your last issue that two of the Nyssa business men, non productive ones at that, recommended pay increases for the county officials.

Such pay increases can have no possible effect other than to raise taxes. In the eyes of certain people who are paid because they are somebody the former pay seems small, of course. In the eyes of those who actually produce, the former pay was most ample.

A great many of us who live in the county and pay ALL the county taxes are tiring of having certain self-appointed big boys speak for us on tax increases.

No Nyssa business man pays ANY taxes as they do not produce anything. All taxes levied against their property are shifted to the consumer.

—Harry Weidemann
June 17, 1957
Nyssa, Oregon

To the Editor
Gate City Journal
Dear Sir:

In your issue of the 12th of June you printed an editorial in regards to drinking in Nyssa. Three cheers for you as far as you went.

You blame the tavern operators for the condition but fail to place the blame where it really belongs—the city council and the police department.

You fail to recognize the fact

that 80 persons live in Nyssa on the profits of gambling and prostitution; that these 80 people earn about \$800 per month. That adds up to \$64,000 a month and \$320,000 in a five-month period. Add \$200,000 extra wages the Mexicans demand of the farmers to pay these leeches and you have over half a million dollars that goes down the drain in Nyssa alone. When you consider that Nyssa is only one of three towns in Malheur county, it adds to quite a sum of money.

Mr. Wm. Carson, president of Nyssa-Nampa Sugar Growers, called on Sheriff Elfering to stop gambling in Malheur county. He flatly refused.

My good friend, Mr. Tom Jones was once elected mayor of Nyssa on the promise to clean the town up but left the office broken hearted because the city council would not back a clean-up program and the people of Nyssa were too disinterested to help a fine man.

The wives of the men of the surrounding area would rather shop in Caldwell or Ontario or Parma where the police keep order and they don't have to rub elbows with tin horn gamblers and pimps. As a result Nyssa merchants are being further penalized.

The local city fathers issue licenses to the taverns and as a result have absolute control over them. The city fathers don't want state law enforcement; in fact I don't think they want any law at all. They sure haven't any at present.

Yours for making our town a decent place again
—Eugene Pratt.

Stranger In The County

By Bill Campbell
You know how we all become a bunch of shrinking violets when we sink into a dentist's chair? There's such an awful feeling of futility.

But if you want to see a dentist "all shook up" you should have been around when I attempted to take a picture of Doc. Cundall in order to make him a "man about" which he's not about to allow.

Like the rest of us, he too is "putting it off as long as possible," but I'll get him, so help me, I'll get him. Turnabout is fair play.

Tonight—Thursday—could be an historic one for Nyssa—if enough fellows turn out to support a marching drum and bugle corps. It would be some work but with a lot more fun if it jells. And it would be a decided asset to the community to have a representative organization that could blow its own—and Nyssa's horn when valley events take place.

Nyssa's only competition would be three-piece "cowboy" outfits which ballyhoo various communities in this locality. And if the Nyssa corps couldn't attract a lot more attention than the nasal musicians with off-chord guitars, I'll put in with 'ya pard!

To join the corps it is NOT necessary to know how to play an instrument. The temporary officers, however, insist candidates know their left foot from their right. This is not to be a bunch of cub scouts learning to parade.

Hope to see a lot of you Adrian and Parma boys tonight. I know Adrian has a Legion outfit and Parma has a small but active VFW organization. How about getting together for our mutual benefit and entertainment?

If you get the paper too late to act on the above invitation look for the ad regarding the corps elsewhere in the paper and shoot it on in to the Journal.

AND SAY! Talk about organizations . . . how about the Nyssa Beetmen? They murdered Emmett Tuesday night 15 to 2 and now the local fans are landing on Tobler for letting the opposition Tuesday night when they met Emmett . . . which means seven score—which they don't too often. But you save July 8. A corrected schedule has Boise coming to Nyssa. The winner of that one might take league honors. Makes seven straight for the Beetmen which is hard to beat.

You baseball fans are missing something if you are passing up these local contests. I've seen a couple on the local diamond that were as well played and had more thrills than the Saturday "game of the day" via TV. And less errors!

The Lions are looking better at every outing, also. They now have plenty of spoons. Their next big project is to eliminate "instant coffee" for the good old brew made with the beans, not the shavings.

Why not hook some big coffee outfit into furnishing same. Has been done, brothers, has been done.

Getting back to sports, at the last report Stan Thompson, son of Bob Thompson, who is now pitching for Daytona in the Florida league—a St. Louis Card farm club—has a 3-2 record. He's better than the standings might indicate.

Imagine having a 3-3 ballgame going for you in the ninth and with two out and a man on second your third baseman drops a pop fly and the man on second scores!

Nyssa Stake MIA Attend Convention At Salt Lake City

Several members of the Nyssa stake MIA attended sessions of the annual convention for MIA workers of the LDS church held in Salt Lake City Friday through Sunday. Thousands of members of the organization were present for the sessions.

The theme of the convention was "Put Leisure to Best Use" and those attending were told their assignment was to take care of the leisure time of LDS youth.

In a score of departmental meetings workers were shown by dramatization, workshops and discussion, ways to reach and guide youth, and how to use the MIA youthbuilding programs in their own wards and stakes.

Present from Nyssa were Henry Zobel, Frelle Blair, Mrs. Ersel Beus, Mrs. Charles Mann, Mrs. Owen Froerer, Mrs. Joel Mitchell, and Karma Kesler.

The youth of the stake were represented by a group of 14 singers from the Parma ward who participated in the all-church music festival Friday and Saturday nights.

Methodist Church News

"And Jesus said unto him, no man having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

Thursday, June 20 (today), 2 p.m.—Woman's society circle meetings: circle 1 will meet at the home of Mrs. George Coleman and circle 2 meets with Mrs. Gene Grasty. The night circle will meet at 8 p.m. with Mrs. Du-an Holcomb.

Gene Grasty would appreciate it if you would call him if you have any spare time this week and can help with painting in the new building.

Sunday, June 23, 9:45 a.m.—Church school with classes for everyone.

11 a.m.—Mr. Ludlow's sermon title for the morning worship service will be "Looking Back Can Be Fatal; Remember Lot's Wife" 7 p.m.—MYF and MIF meetings at the church.

Reservations for the Woman's society summer school of missions, July 8-12 at Caldwell, must be in by next Sunday, June 23. Please contact Mrs. Clyde Snider.

Owyhee Community Church Notes

And now, little children abide in him, that when he shall appear, we may have confidence and not be ashamed before him at his coming—John 2:28.

Bible school started June 10, with 137 children enrolled the first week, and 163 attending the second week.

Apnicen will be held Friday. All children are asked to bring sack lunches.

Bible school will close with a program Friday night at 8 p.m. Prayer meeting will not be held this week.

Better we should give Daytona Nyssa's third baseman. I'll bet 50 to 1 he would have caught it and made it look easy. Fillmore, I'm talking about.

But when you start talking about shopping, talk up Nyssa—the merchants won't let you down. Bye now; buy Nyssa.
—Bill.

Christian Church Notes

Morning sermon—"God and American Liberty."
Evening sermon—"The Golden Candlestick."

The second and third year juniors were host to the first year juniors and intermediates at a weiner roast held in the park Friday evening, June 16. The first completed the evening.

Daily vacation Bible school ended with a program held Sunday ended with a program held and second year beginners sang songs and gave memory verses. Intermediates gave illustrated talks using a Bible history chart. All junior, primary and intermediate students sang songs.

The Come Double class met at the Don Strickland home for a picnic and hill climb. Members and their children reported a good time climbing Mitchell butte Sunday afternoon following the picnic.

Rev. Moore Leaves For Church Assembly

Adrian—The Rev. and Mrs. Henry Moore left Monday for points east—Rev. Moore to attend a general assembly meeting of the Presbyterian church in New Concord, Ohio, and after the meeting to join Mrs. Moore who went directly to Tennessee to visit relatives for a month. Dr. Shube of Caldwell is filling the pulpit of the Adrian Presbyterian church during Rev. Moore's absence.

LOCAL NEWS

Nephi Buck returned to his home here Saturday after spending several days at Othello, Wash., visiting relatives.

The J. I. Brady home will be the scene of a family reunion this week end when Mr. and Mrs. Q. D. Clarkson and family, Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Elroy B. Brady and children of Hawaii arrive for a visit. The Elroy Brady's are flying to the mainland from Hawaii and will drive here from San Francisco. They expect to remain for a month.

Word has been received here that J. B. Roberts, a former Nyssa resident, will undergo major surgery this week at the St. Anthony hospital in Pendleton.

Judith Ann Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Roberts, came home Saturday from St. Luke's hospital in Boise where she underwent surgery.

Joe Clarkson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Q. D. Clarkson, Portland, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Duus to Nyssa when they returned from attending their son's wedding over the week end. Joe will visit here with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Brady. Another grandson of the Brady's, Chucky Brady, Emmett, returned to his home after spending two weeks visiting with his grandparents.

James McKinley, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. McKinley, Adrian, Steven Sayre, son of Mr. and Mrs. Athol Sayre, and Donald Ashcraft, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ode Ashcraft, Hometown, all students at Adrian high school, and Jerry Matsunaga, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matsunaga, son of Mr. and Mrs. student, returned over the week end from attending Boys State on the Oregon State college campus at Corvallis.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Storm and Bob and Miss Linda Johnson, Mountain Home, were overnight guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Capper a week ago Saturday.

Supervisors Here For OCC Migrant Work in County

The Misses Carolyn Miller and Carolyn Fredrickson arrived in Nyssa last week to make their headquarters for administration of the Oregon Council of Churches' summer migrant camp program for all of Malheur county.

Miss Miller said the program for the season is not complete, but will include vacation Bible school, crafts, games and visits to camps at Nyssa, Adrian, Ontario and Vale. Volunteers are wanted from the various local communities to assist with the program and visits to all churches in the area will be made to obtain volunteer personnel.

A student at Yale Divinity school, New Hampshire, Conn., Miss Miller is starting her fourth year in migrant ministry. She was associated with the Rev. and Mrs. Frank Reyes in phases of the work and served in Caldwell two years ago with Spanish-American migrants.

Miss Fredrickson is embarking on her first year in the migrant work during her summer vacation from the University of Oregon where she is a sophomore majoring in elementary education.

The two supervisors are making their home with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Foster in Nyssa.

Ethiopian Home Being Built By Kurtz Family

Newell Heights—The Rev. H. E. Kurtz has written that they are making progress on their home being built in Ethiopia where he and Mrs. Kurtz are stationed as missionaries.

All poles are erected for the walls which will be made of mud and the windows and door casings are completed. Once the roof, which will be of corrugated iron, is in place the rainy weather won't interfere too much with the work, he reported. Their garden is producing well and there is an ample supply for canning. Seeds are Oregon grown, having been sent by the Mary Martha Missionary society. Cuttings of several varieties of fruit trees from Kenya were sent to Rev. Kurtz and a berry patch is being started.

"Well, I want you to know that the corner 'supermarket' has nothing on us," Rev. Kurtz commented. Weekly plane service has been resumed with the coming of dry weather in the airstrip vicinity. However, rains will be heavier on the high elevations, he reported.

Some 18 teachers helped in the school for the 70 or more attending. The theme "Pioneering for Christ" was carried out by those preparing the material for the two week's study.

Church School Ends With Picnic

Newell Heights—Many parents and friends from Newell Heights attended the program given by boys and girls who attended daily vacation church school for the past two weeks. School closed with a sack lunch picnic Friday noon.

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BISHOP BARTON VISITS

Wednesday evening at the St. Paul's Episcopal church Bishop Lane W. Barton of the eastern Oregon missionary district met with the local congregation.

Let the Bible Speak

When you came to town did you go to the church where there were the largest crowds? Or did you go where most of the business men, lawyers, judges, professors and rich people go?

Matt. 7:13-14: "Enter ye in at the straight gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: because straight is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life and few there be that find it."

I Cor. 3:19: "For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God." Luke 6:24: "But woe unto you that are rich! for ye have received your consolation."

Mark 10:25, Luke 18:25: "For it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God."

Matt. 7:15: "Beware of false prophets which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves." The 16th verse says: "Ye shall know them by their fruits."

Then the Scriptures go on telling that if they were of the tree of Christ they would be like Him, the church as His bride would be twain with Him. Judge ye for yourselves; is the church you go to the church that Christ and His apostles set up on the day of Pentecost or is it the church that man has set up since Christ and all the apostles have died.

Refer to the Scripture above: "Ye shall know them by their fruits." If they do not worship the same way the apostles did "they are ravening wolves in sheep's clothing."

John 5:39: "Search the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me."

Do you testify of Christ as He is and of His bride (the church) as He left in His will and testament?

Do you assemble yourselves together on the first day of the week to break bread and take of the cup, the fruit of the vine?

The apostles did—Acts 20:7. Let us notice how Paul commanded the church at Corinth to take of the Lord's supper. I Cor. 23:28.

I I Cor. 14:15: "I will pray with the spirit; and I will pray with the understanding also; I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also."

There are many other things they did in the church but you must study your New Testament and learn of the ways of the Lord.

If there are any questions or you would like to study any part of the New Testament with me, please call 3318.

Or if you would like to study Sunday morning or Wednesday evening in a class, you may call or go to Parma on the hill by the water tower or at Ontario on S.W. 1st St. and S.W. 6th Ave.

There you will find people trying to learn more of God and His ways.

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