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To escape comment or criticism, do nothing, be nothing, say nothing.

What Are Unemployment Facts?

Only part of the truth has been reported about Oregon's unemployment situation that has been publicized from coast to coast as "drastic." No one will deny there were more persons unemployed in central and western Oregon last winter than in other recent winter months. Neither can it be denied that loss of payrolls has its most detrimental economic effect in logging and industrial areas then spreads to other parts of the state and nation.

One thing that has never been explained and continues to be locked within the secret files of the Unemployment Compensation commission is the conglomeration of facts on individual circumstances. For instance, Malheur and Harney counties, with a total population of 30,580, were reported to have 700 job-seekers a few weeks ago. There were no reports of the number in each of the counties, which are entirely different insofar as their individual economies are concerned. No figures are released on how many of the unemployed are housewives, who had been employed on seasonal jobs then returned to the family kitchen, and the number of part-time workers who might or might not be transients from other areas in Oregon or even from other states.

It is possible that the "clientele" built up by various employment offices are factors that could easily be similar to the "customers" of a private business and reflect on the prestige of individual offices, the salaries paid and the size of the staffs necessary to process innumerable records.

Means of determining the eligibility of an "unemployed" person for compensation are best explained by one commission official who stated something like this: "We have no concern about circumstances involving an applicant's reasons for leaving a previous job. If he should burn down his employer's place of business, that is no concern of ours—he is still among the unemployed."

Such attitudes as these apparently have been prevalent for many years and are now beginning to strike at the heart of Oregon's economy just as hard as layoffs in sawmills and manufacturing plants. Employers who have maintained regular staffs, increased wages when warranted and added workers to their staffs are to be penalized because of the logging and manufacturing industries' sickness. Many small business firms will find their unemployment rates rising as much as 900 percent, which in dollars and cents can completely upset their budgets for operational expenses. They are finding that the better the wage, the more constant employment provided and the greater their efforts to expand, result in little more than heavier penalties.

Persons unemployed through no fault of their own deserve some assistance, but those who dip into the barrel with the blessings of public officials and by "legal means" as the law is being interpreted, should be screened more thoroughly.

It will take investigation by the public—employees and employers alike—to bring back justice, which is obviously absent and is just as detrimental to those who are working for wages as it is to the small business that political leaders of both parties are wanting to "help" during this election year.

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Methodist Group Holds Election Thursday Evening

The young adult fellowship of the Methodist church met Thursday, March 13, for a St. Patrick's day pancake supper and regular meeting.

The group chose as its project the decorating and furnishing of the church library. This will also serve as the church school meeting room.

Elected as officers were Mrs. Kenneth Toomb, president; Mrs. Roger O. Smith, secretary-treasurer, and Dick Pounds, project leader.

All college, working and young married couples are cordially invited to the church school class and the monthly social meetings. The next scheduled session is April 10.

Christian Church Notes

"Wherefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not vain in the Lord."—I Cor. 15:58.

Sunday, March 23, 9:45 a.m.—Church school for all ages.

11 a.m.—Sermon, "Christianity for Today."

6 p.m.—Orchestra practice.

7 p.m.—Youth group meetings.

8 p.m.—Sermon, "In One Hour—Desolate."

Wednesday, 7 p.m.—Prayer meeting and Bible study.

8 p.m.—Choir practice.

Saturday evening at 8 p.m. a select chorus from the Northwest Christian college will be at the Christian church in Ontario. Everyone is invited to attend.

Thursday, March 27, 2 p.m.—CWF group meetings.

8 p.m.—Loyalty class party.

METHODIST Church News

"He (Christ) is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the first-born from the dead, that everything He might be pre-eminent."—Colossians 1:17-18.

Thursday, March 20—Woman's society circle meetings. Margaret Toothman will meet at 2 p.m. with Mrs. Topf. Mrs. Crandall will present the program. Grace Weaver group will meet at the same time with Mrs. Will Findling, 805 North 1st. Mrs. Knoedler will present the program. At 8 p.m. Celia Cowan circle will meet with Mrs. Bob Wilson, 111 E. Hargood. Mrs. Hugh Tobler will present the program.

Saturday, March 22, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.—Western district MYF rally will be held in our church. Mrs. Maxwell Decker of Fort Collins, Colo., will be guest speaker at the banquet.

Sunday, March 23, 9:45 a.m.—Church school with classes for all. 11 a.m.—Worship service. Mr. Ludlow's sermon topic will be "I Believe in the Holy Catholic Church."

7 p.m.—MYF and MIF meetings in the church.

8 p.m.—Service of song and meditation.

Monday, March 24—Western District Woman's society meeting at Prairie City.

Tuesday, March 25, 9 p.m.—Wesleyan Service guild meets in the church parlor. Mrs. C. A. Wernick will be in charge of the program.

Wednesday, March 26, 8 p.m.—We will commence the church-wide study book on the Gospel of Mark. Mr. Ludlow will have charge of the class.

Thursday, March 27, 2:30 p.m.—The Nyssa Home Extension unit will have a silver tea and afternoon entertainment in the high school cafeteria. Mrs. Wilbur Foster will be guest of honor as Oregon's Mother of the Year.

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Youth Fellowship To Host Visitors This Saturday

The Methodist youth fellowship rally will host 150 to 200 youth guests Saturday, March 22, at the Nyssa Methodist church, according to the Rev. Paul Ludlow.

Youths from eastern Oregon and western Idaho will be attending the meet with registration beginning at 10 a.m.

Mrs. Maxwell Beck of Fort Collins, Colo., will speak at 11 a.m. on "The World Is Our Parish" and again that evening during the banquet on "I Saw Tomorrow Marching By."

Local President Dennis Spitz, who will be welcoming the visiting youths, will be assisted by Gale Coleman, vice president. Larry Ties of Nampa, district president, will preside at the meetings.

RELIGION IN LIFE

By the Rev. Paul Ludlow

This is National Library week with the startling theme "Wake Up and Read." The book stores and libraries offer a tempting variety—something for the needs of everyone. So wake up, turn off the TV and delve into a good book. It may well be that if you wake up and read, you may wake up and live.

As a member of the clergy, I have been encouraging people to wake up and read the Bible which is a whole library of writings. This ancient volume which we revere and handle with care, but seldom read, can speak to the needs of our atomic age.

1. We need spiritual power to enable us to handle the new-found nuclear power. This we may discover in Psalms, Isaiah, the Sermon on the Mount. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." "My strength comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth."

2. We need some absolutes to tie in an age of relativity. In this ancient book we find love to be eternal and utterly dependable. The poem of love found in I Cor. 13 is unsurpassed in beauty and truth. When life is uncertain and fortunes are shifting, it is good to know that "underneath are the everlasting arms."

3. We need hope for the future in a world that could disintegrate in our time. From the distilled wisdom of the Book of Ages we find encouragement in the building of an eternal kingdom on earth in the lives of men. We find that the apostle was on the right track when he said to those who beckoned to lesser, more comfortable paths, "To whom shall we go; you have the words of eternal life."

So wake up, read and live!

Adrian Community Church News

Monday afternoon classes met at 2:45 p.m. The fifth and sixth grade pupils are being requested to ask for release time from now until Easter each Monday afternoon at that time. There will be no further Tuesday night practice. Adult choir practice is held each Wednesday at 8 p.m.

Sunday night was the last church study class in the present series. The last subject studied and discussed was entitled "The Church's Purity."

Mrs. Carl Hill was hostess last Thursday afternoon to the Mary and Martha Missionary society. Mrs. Harvey Bennett presented the devotion, Mrs. K. I. Peterson gave the prayer cycle and Mrs. John Auker had the mission study which was on the governments, religion, education, living conditions and the position of Christians in Egypt, Pakistan, India, Sudan and Ethiopia.

The newly elected president of the society, Mrs. K. I. Peterson, conducted a short business meeting, after which the hostess and co-hostess, Mrs. George Schiemer, served refreshments to the 15 members and one visitor present.

The women's Bible study group will meet at the home of Mrs. John Packwood next Wednesday for a 12:15 dinner and Bible study at 2 p.m.

Owyhee— Birthday Picnic On Succor Creek Heralds Spring

By Mrs. Chet Mills
Phone 3281

Kay McDonald and Linda DeHaven were among the group of girls Mr. and Mrs. Francis Deffer of Adrian took on a picnic at Succor creek Sunday to honor the birthday anniversary of their daughter, Karen.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Brewer and daughters were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Brewer. Afternoon callers were Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Deffer and Kathleen.

The annual associated clubs will meet April 5 at the high school in Ontario. Registration will be at 11 a.m. Members of the OKK club are being asked to bring vegetable dishes.

The Messrs. and Mmes. Claude Skinner, Kenneth McDonald and Donald Brewer attended an evening of fun at the Adrian high school Monday evening. First was a basketball game between the juniors and the town team. A PTSA meeting was then held and officers were elected for the coming year. Another basketball game was next on the agenda with faculty members and senior students competing. A cake walk was conducted at halftime. The evening was concluded with a pie auction and social. The affair was given to raise money for the PTSA and was highly successful, according to the sponsors.

The OKK club will hold its regular meeting this Thursday at the home of Mrs. Claude Skinner with Mrs. Ellis Walters as co-hostess. The roll call will be an Irish joke or song. Mr. and Mrs. Don Share spent Friday in Nampa visiting Mrs. Orville Grove, sister of Mrs. Share, who is in a hospital there, and Lawrence left Saturday to spend a few days in Payette.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Day spent Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ritchie. A birthday anniversary party was given honoring Mr. Ritchie. Mr. and Mrs. William Peutz, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Charley Newbill were dinner guests Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Brewer were dinner guests last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Tallman in Homedale. Mr. and Mrs. Duane Fenn were Saturday overnight guests at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crocker.

Eldon Slippy was an overnight guest Saturday of Billy Martin. Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Brewer were dinner guests Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene McConnell of Caldwell.

Lee Strickland spent Sunday assisting Oee Schweizer with the branding of his cattle. Sandy Day of Ontario spent last week end visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Day at Owyhee dam.

Mrs. Ellis Walters entertained last Thursday with dinner for the Mmes. Joe Bellon, Nellie Newbill, Angie Cook, Ethel Cleaver and Bessie McConnell, all of Nyssa, and Mrs. Al Thompson of Adrian.

Accident Victim Recovers

Earl Crocker is in Malheur Memorial hospital at Nyssa recovering from injuries received Saturday afternoon in a two-car collision on the road from Owyhee dam.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mendonza were in Boise Saturday to visit their daughter, Josephine, who is staying with her aunt, Mrs. Celas Arana.

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Survey of Students Shows Desire For Six-Week Summer Session

(From the Nyssa Bulldog)

A survey of NHS students indicates that 25 percent are interested in a six-week summer school. The sessions would be held at Nyssa from early June to the middle of July.

Although this survey shows Nyssa's desire for the session, definite plans cannot be made until word is received from Ontario, Vale and Adrian, indicating their interest.

Subjects to be offered at the school will be announced in the next issue of the Bulldog.

Chapter Names Spitz President

(From the Nyssa Bulldog)

Dennis Spitz, third-year FFA member, was elected chapter president at a meeting held Tuesday, March 11.

Named to assist Spitz was Smith Matsunaga as vice prexy, with Sophomore Dean Sisson being called to the secretarial post.

Ray Vander Oord, as newly elected reporter, will gather and classify chapter news. Receiving FFA funds will be the duty of Treasurer John Peterson.

The chapter named Lloyd Cutlers as sentinel. The new officers will be installed during the chapter's next meeting April 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Strickland went to Boise Wednesday afternoon to visit Mrs. H. B. Ward at St. Alphonsus hospital. They spent the night with the latter's husband at his home there.

Leonard Wood of Prairie City and his bride spent Monday evening at the home of his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Wood, on their return trip from Winnemucca, Nev. The couple were married Sunday.

Afternoon guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Bosely were Mrs. Nellie Newbill and Mrs. Bob Mathews and son, Jimmy, all of Nyssa.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Walters of Boise and Ellis Walters left last Thursday for Seattle, Wash., on a business and pleasure trip.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Bosely have received word that the Rev. Bob Kriner, who has been quite ill following a major operation three weeks ago at Good Samaritan hospital in Nampa, is now improving.

A potluck dinner was held after morning services at the Owyhee Community church Sunday. The Rev. Chester Rutledge of Portland was the afternoon speaker.

Mrs. Nellie Newbill of Nyssa was a week end guest of Mrs. Ellis Walters.

Vernon Slippy, Richard McEwen and Joel Price accompanied Adrian Boy Scouts on an overnight camping trip up the Owyhee river Saturday.

Speaker Answers Questions at PTA

(From the Nyssa Bulldog)

Dr. Gene Odle, director of student personnel for the College of Idaho, was guest speaker at the March 13 meeting of the Nyssa PTA.

"Do we teach facts or how to think?" "Is a guidance program worthwhile?" and "Who should go to college and college for whom?" were some questions answered in the discussion presented by Dr. Odle.

An accordion group instructed by Jack Hunt of Caldwell provided music for the program. Diane Wilson Smith, Linda Reece, Dean Mason, Sidney Lancaster, Aleta Anderson and Carolyn Tensen composed the ensemble.

The entire program was arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Grant Rinehart, program chairmen, and refreshments were served by chairmen Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Adams and their committee.

Nyssa Journalists To Join National Quill and Scroll

(From the Nyssa Bulldog)

Initiation bound are four second-year Bulldog staff members. They will travel to Caldwell March 24 to participate in the Quill and Scroll installation with Caldwell journalists.

The local four are Annabel Arai, Elaine Crisp, Jim McWilliams and Glenn Walker, all of whom have completed requirements to join Quill and Scroll, the national high school journalism society.

Stipulations to be fulfilled in order to join Quill and Scroll are: must have a two average; done superior work in some phase of journalistic or literary endeavor; must be recommended by the adviser or school principal, approved by the executive secretary; and must have written a total of 75 or more column inches of news.

Annual Ham Dinner Slated for Tonight

St. Hubert's Altar society will sponsor its annual ham dinner tonight (Thursday) in the Nyssa high school cafeteria from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Chairmen of arrangements are Mrs. Frank Jayo, Mrs. Herman Towne and Mrs. Vic Haburachak.

Proceeds from the event will be applied on the building fund for construction of a new Catholic church in the near future. The public is invited to attend the dinner, the chairmen stated.

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