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To the Editor

Of the Gate City Journal:

Certainly enjoy your paper and have no intention of trying to get along without it. We all had a lot of laughs over a poem in one of the comparatively late papers. It was about "Ones Get Up and Go Has Got Up and Went" and was very humorous. We aimed to keep it but it got lost. It said author unknown. . . Now if you know what I mean would you please send us another copy of the poem?

We have found the paper and my niece who types better than I do is making some copies of it to pass around; it really is a scream. Now I'm going to go and send this and you can use it as a news item. I love to see my name in the paper. But honestly, I do think my friends would. We had a lot of them, mostly homesteaders. Ours was a rough 80. Mr. Allen wasn't a veteran so that was all we could get. We sold it to Herb Fisher 10 years ago and came to Missouri where we got a nice level 40 acres. We lived in that little house down the hill on Columbia avenue.

Had the misfortune of losing Mr. Allen in 1955. The Journal published the notice so possibly all our friends knew about it. Now my problem is being so alone and liking Missouri better all the time than Texas. My one sister lives here and one brother in Chama, N.M. Mr. Allen has a daughter, Rosemary Green in Amarillo, Tex., and his one son, Irwin, Jr., an oil consultant in Caracas, Venezuela.

I like your paper and read it about like most people read their letters. Just don't want to miss anything about my friends.

Most sincerely,

Rebecca Jane (Mrs. I. B.) Allen
My address is Fairview, Mo., route 1, but temporarily here it is Burcham's Gift Shop, Shamrock, Texas.

Aug. 14, 1959

Editor,

Nyssa Gate City Journal:

My young folks took me with them when they went to Yellowstone. We saw so many things that were immeasurably beautiful and strangely different. But I think that more than by the inspiring geysers, the grand canyons and cataracts, the natural wildlife of this fabulous region, I was impressed by the quality of the timbre of the people who were there in multitudes, from all over our United States. They were intelligent looking. They were alert. They were orderly and kindly. In short, they were the right kind of people.

The polite young man who showed us to our cabin in the labyrinth of identical drab-colored flat tops, told me he was from Princeton university—a New Jerseyite. I'd have believed it if he had said that he was from U of O at Eugene, or BYU at Provo or UCLA at Los Angeles. The well-bred waitresses, the bell hops, the help everywhere in the park, were unmistakably collegiate.

At the crowded cafeteria and restaurant tables I looked at the faces, so diverse in makeup—yet all intelligent. The masses of people gathered to watch Old Faithful—their faces were tolerant and kindly and civilized.

My young people, with their quick young eyes, saw automobile plates from every state in the Union but three—and cars from Quebec, Saskatchewan and Ontario, Canada. They all had the general look of worthwhile people. As I said to the lady from Ohio at my elbow in a big dining room, "As long as we have people like this cross-section of America, the Russians aren't going to lick us."

Anna D. S. Pratt

Aug. 14, 1959

Editor,

Nyssa Gate City Journal

Nyssa, Oregon

Dear Sir:

Don't know if anyone back in the "Fastest Growing Community in the Great Northwest" will remember the name Bill Church. . . It's been nearly four years since my last visit with family and friends. The family being Mr. and Mrs. William E. Church, a smattering of aunts, uncles and cousins. The friends being??

No matter, the reason for this letter is the enclosed article.

It is seldom I write for the Army . . . or for personal use, for that matter. But, the enclosed story concerning the death of Specialist Criswell, who lived and worked with many of my buddies, delivers (I hope) a message to the public.

Having worked in the Army information business for some time, and being in that really-not-so-far-off-spot Alaska, I have come across many tragic situations. But the fact that this 21 year old soldier and his best friend traveled

so many thousands of miles together, and returned home after a long separation, only to have one of them die needlessly. . . This, I think, is a real tragedy.

The point being, if you could see printing the story in your newspaper as a warning to the family and friends which I mentioned, perhaps it might make them stop and think twice before adding that extra ounce of pressure to the gas pedal, or (maybe) having "just one more," and (again, maybe) it will call to mind ALL the safety principles that are a must when driving.

If not, thanks anyway. Sincerely yours, Sp5 Bill Church USARAL 10 APO 949 Seattle, Washington

Kuna, Idaho

Aug. 14, 1959

Editor and Publisher

Dear Sir:

I am sending you some news. Will you please print it in the Nyssa Gate City Journal at an early date? The Gate City Journal has been very good and kind and always helped us promote our pioneer picnic each year. We have taken the Nyssa paper for around 35 years. You and your family have a special invitation to come to the Owyhee pioneer picnic and have a day of fun and lots of good eats.

Will be seeing you all at the Owyhee pioneer picnic on Sunday, Sept. 6, at Nyssa city park. Fred Pullen.

Adrian United Presbyterian Church

Sunday, Aug. 23, the Rev. Harold Kurtz will be the speaker at the morning worship service.

Sunday evening, Aug. 23, the new United Presbyterian minister will be installed at the Roswell church. The Rev. George Keith, pastor of the Homedale Presbyterian church, will preach the sermon. All members and friends of the church are invited to attend this service.

Wednesday, Aug. 26, the Ruth circle Bible study group will meet at the home of Mrs. Austin Gilbert. Lunch will be at 12:30 p.m. Bible study will be led by Mrs. Raleigh McKinley at 2 p.m.

Miss Kay Borge gave a report at last Sunday's worship service on her attendance at a church camp recently held at Warm Lake, Idaho. Miss Karen McKinley told of her work with handicapped children at a summer camp where she was one of the instructors last summer. Miss McKinley will attend college at Northampton, Mass., this next school year, where she will further her education in this work.

Mrs. Charles Witty gave a most interesting talk and showed pictures of their trip to Mexico at the associated women's meeting last Thursday. Mrs. Henry Moore led the devotions.

Episcopal Church Notes

St. Paul's of Nyssa Welcomes You! Sunday, Aug. 23, 1959—Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity. 9:30 a.m.—Morning prayer. 9:30 a.m.—Church school.

Christian Church News

Earl Hastings, Pastor Sunday, Aug. 23, 9:45 a.m.—Church school for all ages. 11 a.m.—Morning worship. 6:45 p.m.—Christian youth fellowship for all high school youth. 8 p.m.—Evening worship and fellowship hour. Wednesday, Aug. 26, 7 p.m.—Planning session. 8 p.m.—Bible study and prayer. Thursday, Aug. 27, 2 p.m.—Christian women's fellowship at the home of Elvin Ballou. Sunday, Aug. 30—Fifth Sunday rally at Payette.

CHRISTIAN MISSION CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

East Second and Ehrgood Darrel Warn, Student Pastor Aug. 23, 1959: 10 a.m.—Sunday school. 11 a.m.—Worship service.

Methodist Church News

The Rev. Paul Ludlow, Pastor All college age young people are invited to attend the older youth camp at McCall, Idaho, from Sept. 5 to 9.

Thursday, Aug. 20 (Today), 2 p.m.—Woman's society circle meetings. The circle of which Mrs. Coleman is chairman will meet with Mrs. Evan Tobler. The circle whose chairman is Mrs. Topliff will meet with Mrs. Charles Garrison.

8 p.m.—The Celia Cowan circle will meet with Mrs. Walter McPartland.

Sunday, Aug. 23, 9:45 a.m.—Church school for everyone. 11 a.m.—Worship service in the sanctuary. Mr. Ludlow's topic will be "The Forgiving Are Forgiven." 7 p.m.—Methodist youth fellow-

From This Corner . . .

By T.M.B.

Having gone through three tornadoes, one of which blew me out into the yard and completely destroyed our home, the Monday night earthquake was rather mild, here in Nyssa.

I had imagined that an earthquake was a slight tremor of the earth that one felt first through the vibrations coming up through the feet into the body. But to me it was more like the listing of a ship.

I was in Bennett's Cafe getting a news item from Fred and Jack Anderson and thought I was dizzy, since neither of them mentioned anything at the time. However, Fred talked to Jennie almost immediately after and she had heard the announcement over the radio, and he then said he thought that it had been a "quake."

Jennie had been ironing and a shirt that she put on the back of a chair was tilted off onto the floor.

Quite a number of people have given their reaction, under an item by Carole Wilson, and while there was no damage here, it was very severe to the northeast near Yellowstone park, and a number of people lost their lives.

One comical aspect followed it here when Arlene saw Hal Brendle of Peterson Furniture on Main street taking a few steps, sliding his hand along the plate glass window and then straightening up for another step or so before repeating the same process. She said, "That fellow sure is drunk."

Hal was cold sober, had been awakened by what he thought was Mrs. Brendle having a small night-mare, and had come down to check the store and see if the windows or doors were cracked. Many slept through it and learned of it from the Tuesday morning papers.

It has been cloudy and sprinkling part of this Wednesday. Seems rather unusual to us but Mr. Graham of Nyssa route 1 said he remembered one year it started raining about the 1st of September and rained until near the first of June—almost every day. As long as we can get irrigation water for the crops I'll take the sunshine in heavy doses instead of that much water.

"There's an article here telling of the death of a woman's third husband. She has had them all cremated." The other old maid said, "Isn't that life for you? Some of us can't get even one husband while some women have them to burn."

The near-polite young man didn't arise and give the woman his seat on the street car but he

did inform her where he was getting off and told her to "be on her toes for his seat."

Some so-called bargains are not profitable—especially when it is something that you don't need or can't use. Do you remember some of your neighbors who bought things in the "rationing" days of World War II just because they were difficult to get? I still know some people who are that contrary and stubborn.

Last Sunday's paper carried an item of the Malheur County Farm Bureau asking the Oregon Game commission to increase the 1959 bag limit on pheasants due to their doing so much damage to their crops. This is a case where my sympathy is all with the farmer. . . I'm more than ready to help them out now. But the game commission said NO and has cut the limit down to three cocks. It was four last year.

We noticed a recent headline—ARMY REPORT SAYS FORCES INADEQUATE—in which Lt. Gen. Arthur G. Trudeau said, "If we put ourselves in a position of inferiority with respect to being able to meet the challenge of conventional warfare on the part of the Soviets, there is likelihood we would have no alternative except recourse to atomic war." (I thought us country boys were the last to know we can't compete with Russia on a manpower basis.)

DO IT TOMORROW—YOU'VE MADE ENOUGH MISTAKES FOR ONE DAY!

History does repeat itself—A Youth Conservation Corps has been proposed again. It has been many years since the death of the CCC, which was a depression measure for the youth in Roosevelt time.

The Teamster magazine carried an item, LET YOUR CONGRESSMAN KNOW—meaning know that how he voted on the labor bill would be the main issue in the next election—as far as the union was concerned. I believe the members of Congress have all so learned that the people were wanting them to pass a strong labor bill, and that their votes could also be counted at election time. I just hope the senate feels as strongly about it as did the lower house.

Another truth—BIG BUSINESS men are human; they accept government loans while shouting, "Keep the government out of business." (Just plain selfish, ain't we?)

OUT OF CAST

Lloyd Mackrill of M & W Market has his arms out of casts for the first time in seven weeks. Both of Mackrill's forearms were broken when he was thrown from a horse in late June.

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