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Church of Nazarene Shows Varied Gains; Elects New Officers

Fiscal church year for the local Church of the Nazarene closed April 16. When final reports were compiled, the following increases over the preceding year were noted: Sunday school attendance increased 11 per cent, finances increased \$1774, church membership up 21, membership in young people's society increased 38, membership in missionary society increased 23.

Annual church election of officers for the coming year was held April 19 with the following being elected: Don Wilson, Sunday school superintendent; John Sheppard, young people's president; Mrs. Robert Martin, missionary president. Newly elected church board consists of Bob Martin, Roger Tucker, Dwight Seward, Joe Hobson and David Alexander, trustees, Stewards are Russell Smith, Carl Clarkson, Gertrude Allmon, Roy Wild and Ellis Parrill.

Officers of the church school board, whose jurisdiction includes Sunday school, caravan, vacation Bible school, etc., were also chosen. They are John Price, Mrs. Dwight Seward, Mrs. John Sheppard, Mrs. Roy Wild, Mrs. Dean Lancaster and Mrs. Lester Reece. The 49th annual assembly of the Idaho-Oregon district will convene in Nampa next week. The Rev. Omar Barnhouse, pastor of the local church, will be giving the yearly report. At that time he will also assume responsibilities as president of the district Nazarene young people's society.

Journal Classifieds Get Results!

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.

TO THE EDITOR:

Last summer an item appeared in our Nyssa paper and in the Oregonian relative to the position of the Nyssa schools with the rest of the state insofar as the per pupil cost was concerned. We were justifiably proud of the fact that we were among the lowest in the state.

The main cost of any educational system is the salaries paid to the teachers. Therefore, if we are operating one of the low cost schools of the state, how do our teachers rank in salary with the rest of the state?

We find the average salary of all teachers in the state of Oregon has been \$200 to \$250 per year higher than the average salary paid to Nyssa teachers over the same period of time. If we compared the Nyssa salaries with the First Class districts of the state, the difference in averages would be about \$400 per year above the Nyssa average. This is based on averages for the past 10 years.

Nyssa Draws From Idaho

We feel that, in spite of our relative position salary wise in Oregon, we have been able to attract a competent staff of teachers. This has been due to the fact that our neighboring state has as a rule been on a lower scale than has Nyssa. We have not been able to attract graduates of Oregon schools.

It should be noted, however, that Idaho is aware that their graduates are leaving the state for higher salaries elsewhere and their schools are rapidly narrowing the gap between Oregon and Idaho salary schedules.

When this gap is closed we will be forced to "scrape the bottom of the barrel" to secure replacements. A school with a healthy salary schedule may have from 10 to 20 applications for a vacancy on the staff. Our administration has to go out and hunt for replacements now.

Oregon Loses Graduates

You may be inclined to believe that teachers salaries are too high or that they should not go any higher. Competition for the services of trained instructors is keen. Large cities actually send scouts into universities at this time of year in an attempt to fill

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Gann entertained Saturday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Ben Storm, Mr. and Mrs. John Reeves, Mrs. Fern Hatch, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Cox.

the vacancies in their schools. California and Washington pay higher salaries than most of Oregon, so Oregon loses graduates to these states. In order to stop this drain, our Oregon leaders keep trying to bring our salaries up so this loss of trained Oregon teachers will not occur.

It is competition for the services of teachers that drives teachers' salaries upward. If we can't meet the competition here in Malheur county, our schools will have to settle for what is left after the higher salaried groups have had their pick.

Must Compete With Others

We have been trying for years to get more of our high school students to enter the teaching profession. We have been able to win over a few through the years, but there again you run into the matter of remuneration. College students are aware that the average salary paid to college graduates, the first year out, is higher than the average salary of all teachers irrespective of years of experience. In order to attract more young people into the teaching profession we must be able to compete with the salaries of other professions.

The Nyssa school board and the budget committee have approved a salary budget for the coming year. It is a compromise measure, below the scheduled asked for by the Nyssa Education association. It leaves us and the school in the same relative position we have been in for the past several years.

The people of Nyssa, whose children will receive their basic education in the Nyssa public schools, must make the choice. If the budget is defeated, one place where cuts may be made is in the salary schedule. If this happens we will have made a bad situation even worse. It should be noted that the raise in teachers' salaries is a small part of the increase in the budget.

Other areas where cuts might be made would be in the elimination of the retarded children's program or in the guidance program in the high school. We feel that these programs are very much worth while and if instituted will fulfill a long felt need in our educational program.

Welfare Committee of Nyssa Education Assn. FRANK PARR Chairman

Cooks Prepare Breakfast



THE REV. PAUL LUDLOW, Clifford Fox, Orland Cheldelin and Mrs. Russell Gressley are pictured as they will appear, along with others, Friday and Saturday mornings in the kitchen of the Methodist church. They are shown preparing hotcakes like those that will be served at the church-sponsored annual spring breakfast. The breakfasts will be served April 28 and 29 from 6 to 9:30 a.m. to the public in the church social hall. The group promises diners all they can eat and menu will consist of pancakes, sausage, eggs, fruit, milk or coffee.

Mrs. Marion Powell Is Guest Speaker At Guild Meeting

Wesleyan Service guild of the Woman's Society of Christian Service met Thursday evening in the Methodist church fellowship hall for a covered dish dinner. Mrs. Mural Lewis and Mrs. Oscar Hendricks were hostesses to the 17 members present. Special guest was Mrs. Marion Powell of Boise, conference secretary of the Wesleyan Service guild. The ladies were joined for dinner by the Rev. Paul Ludlow and the Rev. Stanley Andrews.

Devotions and program were held in the sanctuary with Mrs. Powell in charge. "Woman's Changing Roles" was program topic. A question and answer period followed on subjects pertaining to work of the guild.

The Western district guild meeting held Sunday in Ontario Methodist church was attended by seven local ladies. Mrs. Ruth Barnes of Caldwell, district secretary, presided with the Nyssa group in charge of devotional service. Those attending were Mmes. Mary Hatt, Leo Gonyer, Paul Ludlow, Mural Lewis, C. A. Wernick, Al Chadwick and Miss Myrtle Lett.

UNITED CHURCH WOMEN PLAN MAY FELLOWSHIP

United Church Women of the Nyssa-Adrian area will sponsor the May fellowship day meeting Friday, May 5, in the Christian church. Ladies of that church will host the potluck luncheon slated to begin at 12:15 p.m.

Mrs. W. W. Foster is chairman for the 1:30 program entitled "The Church, Free and Responsible." A film, "How Free and Responsible Are You?" will be shown and a guest speaker will be present.

Each lady attending is asked to bring a covered dish. Rolls, coffee and punch will be furnished.

Nyssa Churches Join In Clothing Drive Appeal for Refugees

Local churches are joining together in a drive to collect clothing for the needy overseas.

Area residents are asked to take used clothing to the church of their choice. In turn, bundles will be taken to the Methodist church to be picked up May 9 by a world service center truck.

Most needed are men's clothing; blankets; teenagers' clothing, for both boys and girls; children's garments of all kinds and infant wear, including layettes.

Articles may include suits, overcoats, trousers, overalls, dresses, skirts, caps, gloves, mittens, robes, sweaters, mufflers, underwear, stockings, cloth remnants for sewing, sturdy work shoes, children's shoes and women's shoes in larger sizes.

Clothing will be sent to the Congo, Near East, Indonesia, Ghana, Pakistan, Philippines, Tibet, Korea, Chile, Japan and Taiwan. It will be distributed through church world service centers.

METHODIST WSCS SLATES FOUR-DAY RUMMAGE SALE

Members of Methodist WSCS will hold a rummage sale Friday and Saturday of this week and Monday and Tuesday of next week in the old Journal building.

Items to be offered for sale include wearing apparel, shoes, household articles, tennis and track shoes, bathing suits, a sewing machine and several formal in excellent condition.

CHURCH GROUP HAS DINNER

Thirty members of the Co-workers class of Nyssa Church of the Nazarene gathered Monday evening at the Darrell Williams home for potluck dinner and an evening of fellowship.

Annual Spring Breakfasts

ALL YOU CAN EAT!

Pancakes — Sausage — Eggs — Fruit Milk or Coffee

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