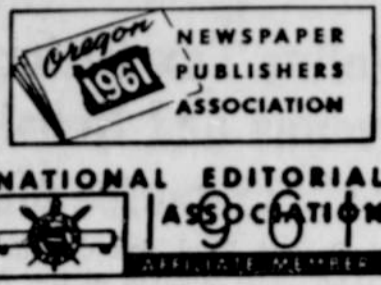


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Letters to Editor

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Nyssa, Oregon August 21, 1961

To the Editor:

Where is Nyssa's Chamber of Commerce? Ontario is trying to get up signs to pull travel on highway 20-26 through there.

In fact, they have a sign west of Cairo and are trying to get the state signs alike.

Turning north at Cairo is going the wrong direction to Boise, plus added traffic and city restricted speed. Maybe Ontario wants to collect more fines for speeding.

Highway 20-26 is now better than ever—new from Parma to Caldwell junction. Time can be saved by going through Nyssa.

—WALTER BURDETTE

Nyssa, Oregon Aug. 16, 1961

To the Editor:

Nyssa Gate City Journal:

When I was a girl nobody in this country had ever seen a starling, nor heard of one unless he had read Shakespeare or some other poet. But one time I read that some educated idiot back in 1690 had imported 80 starlings to New York in an effort to have in this country all the birds that Shakespeare wrote about.

They did the same thing at Victoria, Australia, about 70 years ago. But there they thought the starlings would rid them of insect pests. But the birdies pounced on their ripening fruit.

Starlings have Chinese ideas about birth control and nest two or three times a year. They mi-

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Visitors at the home of Dr. and Mrs. John Olsen last Thursday evening were the Rev. and Mrs. Armand Larive.

grate from here to almost any yonder. So pretty soon they wreak havoc on fruits, berries and cereal crops. Now, alas, not only 3000 miles away in New York but right here in Eastern Oregon, they eat us out of feedlots and orchards.

In Western Oregon holly farmers in Monmouth caught 23,225 starlings in five runs around Christmas. They installed a huge nylon net with 1000 watt lights at the far end to attract the birds. Crews of drivers one night a week flushed the starlings out of holly orchards into the net.

Robert Long—"Pud" Long to his friends—head of the Federal Fish and Wildlife service in the Malheur area, told me that the greedies ate 14,000 pounds of French fries in 2 1/2 days at one of the Simplot plants. I understand that they ate 5000 pounds at the Ore-Ida plant in 1 1/2 days.

Long says the government is experimenting in contact poisoning on the Snake river islands where these birds roost by the thousands. He said the way they count dead birds is to count them in an area so many feet by so many feet and in that way they are able to estimate how many are killed.

The Oregon legislature appropriated \$20,000 for 1959-61 starling control. A few public-spirited citizens working by themselves can't beat these pests. It is a job for all.

So the next time you hear someone yakking about public spending, find out first who is griping and why. Big corporation's don't like to spend tax money unless it is their ox that is gored. Secondly, was everybody's money wisely spent or was it squandered by pin-headed wastrels?

—ANNA D. S. PRATT



PHOTOGRAPHED while rehearsing for the Nyssa LDS stake MIA musical production, "Promised Valley," are (left to right) Jay Gibson as Fennely Parsons and eight of his ten red-headed sons, Kay Huffaker, Wayne Taylor, Steve Jensen, Mike Bake, Craig Lewis, Glen Gibson, Jay Gibson, Jr., and Paul Skeen.

Musical Extravaganza to Be Staged August 29-30 at Nyssa LDS Church

"Promised Valley," an extravaganza comprising music, dance and drama, will be presented Aug. 29-30 in Nyssa LDS stake house beginning at 8 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

The production results from combined efforts of the Nyssa stake MIA membership of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Highlight of the performance is the 50-voice chorus which has been rehearsing for the past three months. Participants are from all seven wards of the Nyssa stake. Accompanists are Mark Huffaker and Nettie Kapp.

Vocalists cast for the lead roles are Lou Wettstein as Jedediah Cutler, Patricia Skeen as Celia Faraday Cutler and Jay Gibson as Fennely Parsons. Although the vocal roles also entail acting there are some entirely dramatic roles which will be played by Darrel Williams as Quimby Leighton, Marjorie Peterson as Emma Faraday, Doug Holladay as Jamie Logan, Dale McClane as Colonel Broderick, Harold Saunders as the leader.

Kaye Huffaker as Leonard Parsons; Paul Robinson, Zarabel; Van Bake, Willis; Orvin Jorgensen, Caleb Faraday; Judy Jenkins, Mrs. Parsons; and the other nine red-headed sons of Fennely, Bryce Carver, Wayne Taylor, Wesley Hansen, Steve Jensen, Mike Bake, Craig Lewis, Glen Gibson, Jay Gibson, Jr., and Paul Skeen.

Other highlights will be an Indian scene with dancers from the Ontario ward. Dancers from Ontario Second ward will set the stage for a gulls and cricket scene. "Upper California" will be danced by Nyssa First and Second wards with a duet performed by Neva Flake and Dennis Judd; solo dancers, Wayne Taylor and

Oregon Truckers Plan 'Lights-On' Driving As Holiday Safety Aid

Oregon Trucking association will participate in a "truck light" campaign over the Labor day weekend to remind travelers to drive safely.

Truck drivers will keep lights turned on continuously over the traditional weekend in the "Truck Lights On for Safety" campaign, a nationwide trucking industry drive to help cut down highway traffic accidents.

Truck lights will be turned on both day and night from 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 1, until 8 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 5, according to W. A. Scott, Portland, president of the Oregon Trucking association.

"Every year the country suffers a tragic loss of lives and countless injuries on the holiday weekends when people 'hit the road' for fun and relaxation," the OTA official said.

"Last year," he pointed out, "this country lost 555 people in traffic accidents on the Labor day weekend. That's an unconscionable and needless loss and our efforts are directed at reminding our people and everyone else who sees a truck with lights on that safe, careful driving is the only solution."

Scott added, "In effect, our 'Truck Lights On for Safety' campaign will say, 'Let's make this the safest holiday of the decade.'"

TAKEN ILL WHILE HUNTING Jack Zittercob became ill Sunday while hunting antelope near Burns and was taken by ambulance to the Ontario hospital where he is now under observation.

IOOF Officials Slate UN Delegate To Tell of Trip

Ross Mills, district deputy grand master, and Fred Kratzberg, noble grand of Nyssa IOOF lodge No. 214, attended a planning meeting held Saturday in Baker. Purpose of the meeting was to plan the United Nations Pilgrimage program so it can start at the beginning of the school year or shortly thereafter. The subject was chosen and will be released to all high schools at the beginning of school.

Miss Patricia Wright, winner of this district for 1961, is available to all churches, lodges and other organizations which wish to have her show pictures and explain her trip and what she learned. She attended United Nations meetings for a week. Anyone wishing to contact her may call at the Har-old Wright home, FR 2-3211, or contact Ross Mills at FR 2-2421.

Miss Wright was present at the Baker meeting and gave a report of her trip. She stated there were 915 boys and girls from all over the United States and Canada who made the tour in 1961.

Mills and Kratzberg were chosen as district co-chairmen of the Odd Fellows' U. N. program for the southern part of the district, including Malheur, Baker, Union and Wallowa counties. They were also elected as executive committeemen for the ensuing year.

While in Baker, Mills and Kratzberg visited Dale Dewey who is a member of the Nyssa lodge.

From This Corner . . .

By T. M. B.

Khrushchev's henchmen have taken another nibble of our freedom, and as usual we have offered our protests. And as usual he has ignored them. We are still ready to negotiate in spite of the fact he has just ignored a pact signed by his country as late as 1949.

One weekly publication said the question that confronted Western leaders was what kind of measures could now be taken that would be "EFFECTIVE" but not "PROVOCATIVE." Can anyone find any measures that would get the job done that would not provoke Mr. Khrushchev???

Possibly we Americans don't show our worry and face the issue after it arises instead of planning for it but it seems our apathy and lack of understanding of Communistic aims is pathetic. In most of our communities we are more concerned with crop prices and "business-as-usual" than what is happening to us, including the biggest military budget in history.

"No king ever wielded a scepter more powerful than a 5 cent pencil in the hands of an American citizen when he sits down to write his congressman or senator." (From the first Hoover report)

"Then it is the brave man chooses, While the coward stands aside, Till the multitude makes virtue Of the faith they had denied."

Salt brings out the sweetness in sugar, and hardship brings out the strength of humanity.

Mistaken ideas . . . the number of millionaires and the need of all colleges for finances. The bureau of internal revenue reports only 139 people reporting incomes of \$1 million or more, and a re-

cent statement in a news weekly that colleges and universities hold more stock in oil companies than in any other American industry.

"Quite a lot of indigestion is caused by people having to eat their words."—Harry E. Kruse.

"The real music lover is the woman who applauds when her husband comes home singing at 3 o'clock in the morning." —Kenny Bennett.

Suppose a fish ever goes home and lies about the size of the bait he stole?

Fishing is a chance to wash one's soul with pure air, with the ripple of the stream and the shimmer of the sun on the blue waters.

It brings meekness and inspiration from the glory and wonder of nature, and charity toward tackle-makers. It brings mockery of profits; the quieting of hate and lift of the spirit. And it brings rejoicing that you do not have to decide a darned thing until next week. . . . An Assyrian tablet of 2000 B.C. says:

The Gods do not subtract From the Allotted Span of Men's Lives The hours spent in fishing. —From a Speech By Herbert Hoover

LOCAL PASTOR ATTENDS PORTLAND CHURCH MEETING

The Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Mussell of the local Assembly of God church left Wednesday for Portland where they will attend general council of the Assemblies of God.

It is expected that at least 8,000 persons will attend the sessions to be held in the new Memorial coliseum. Gov. Mark O. Hatfield gave the welcoming address Wednesday evening, Aug. 23, during the opening service.

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