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Statesman Offers Belated Apology

We feel much better than at this time last week. It has drizzled rain for two days, the temperature has risen enough to melt the snow rapidly, so that we should be getting a good run-off into Owyhee reservoir, and the Statesman finally apologized for the error that made a smear on Nyssa's name.

The apology came rather belatedly—they waited six days after the error in spite of numerous calls to Boise from their local reporter, one from Nyssa city manager, a sharp statement from the mayor and an editorial by us asking for a correction.

If, as they say, our editorial complaint was the only one "registered" they had better get a new register so Mr. Brown will know what is really transpiring.

They weren't content to write a simple apology but made a personal attack on the Journal. We naturally resented this—it almost sounded as if the error was our fault and we should have kept quiet about it regardless of damage to the reputation of the town.

In fact we wrote a very "nasty" reply pointing out the inaccuracies in their editorial and noting the extraneous statements they injected into their apology to Nyssa.

But upon completing it we happened to note, on the same page with their editorial, Norman Vincent Peale's "CONFIDENT LIVING," so we didn't use our original. His column was on someone taking a verbal crack at you and his scientific-objective approach to the handling of it. He said to apply this test of four questions: (1) Is it true or false? (2) Who said it? (3) Is his opinion of any value? (4) Is he an honest or a prejudiced critic?

After applying the test in this case we concluded the answers were negative as to source and truth, hence we did not use the "nasty" editorial. Anyway, they gave us some good publicity. They said our paper was of "fair repute" and that is much more than we can recall their having said for any other weekly!

For their information, we have already blundered, will continue to do so and our readers will keep us off any pedestal. But we won't wait six issues to run a correction or apology when we learn we have committed a glaring error that is harmful to any individual or community.

MORAL FOR OTHER AREA WEEKLIES . . .

Don't try to be David and go after this Goliath, unless your sling shot is in perfect working condition and you are adept in the use of it.

EPISCOPAL LADIES PLAN ANNUAL PANCAKE SUPPER

Members of St. Paul's Episcopal guild met Feb. 7 at the home of Mrs. Jacob Fischer with 16 in attendance. Mrs. William Schireman led devotions.

Guest speaker was Mrs. G. J. Kuiper of Adrian who spoke on English customs.

The ladies made plans for the annual Shrove Tuesday pancake supper.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting by Mrs. Fischer.

Mrs. Glea Billings of Nampa visited Sunday with friends in Nyssa.

GIRLS LEARN TO TIE KNOTS

Girl Scout troop 99 met Feb. 8 at the home of Mrs. Dick Tensen, leader. The girls were instructed in tying various kinds of knots and also played games. Refreshments were served by Peggy Moore.

—Lona Shelton, Reporter

MEN ACCOMPANY BULLDOGS

Henry Zobell, Bob Thompson, Coaches Chick Quinowski and Jack Bowen accompanied the Nyssa Bulldogs and provided transportation to Milton-Freewater and Enterprise for the team's Friday and Saturday evening contests against the Mac-Hi Pioneers and Enterprise Savages.

Fathers, Sons Given Special Recognition At Methodist Dinner

Methodist father-son banquet was held Monday evening in the church social hall with 75 men and boys in attendance.

The "Apple Peelers," a barber-shop quartet from Ontario presented several numbers. Ed Fair, choir director at the local church, is a member of the group. Roger Maulding, talented young Nyssa musician, played a saxophone solo.

William Youngs of Boise was speaker of the evening. His topic, "True Patriotism," was based on the life of Abraham Lincoln.

Special recognition was given Norville Robbins, father having most sons present at the banquet, three; Harland Fox, youngest father present; and Walter Fox, oldest father in attendance. Four generations of the Fox family were represented at the dinner.

The Rev. Willis Ludlow was recognized for traveling the greatest distance, which was 180 miles from Wallowa, Ore.

The ham dinner was prepared and served by Woman's Society of Christian Service ladies.

SERVICE POOR, WIFE SAD, MAIL RUN OVER BY TRAIN!

A couple of weeks ago, the editor's wife, Mrs. Ted Brammer, ordered some materials from a firm in Lyons, Ill. Parts for a particular appliance (purchased in Arkansas from an out-of-town salesman) can be ordered only from this concern, the manufacturer.

About the time the goods was supposed to arrive, a letter was received from the firm stating that a check must accompany the order—so, even though unhappy, Mrs. Brammer reordered and mailed the order together with remittance. The reason remittance wasn't sent originally was that the firm provides no parts list indicating prices.

Tuesday of this week (about the time the goods was to arrive, again) Mrs. Brammer's letter and check were returned in "beat-up" condition, together with the firm's memo stating, "We are returning herewith your check and letter. The check is too damaged to be good and we will fill your order promptly upon receipt of replacement. As you will quickly see, the envelope is marked 'Damaged in Handling in the Postal Service.' This came with other damaged mail with the notation, Run Over by Train."

Moral of the story . . . "Buy in your hometown where you can be sure of prompt, courteous service—and where merchants know whether or not you can be trusted for payment."

COQUETTES GIVEN LESSON ON PREPARING VEGETABLES

Members of Coquettes 4-H club met Feb. 7 at the home of Mrs. Charles Chapin, leader.

Mrs. Chapin gave a demonstration on cleaning and cooking raw vegetables and served them during refreshment period.

The group discussed plans to attend an officers' training meeting scheduled Feb. 10 in Ontario.

Next meeting of the club will be Feb. 21 in the Chapin home.

—Rita Piercy, Reporter

Juvenile Officer Speaks to Ladies Of Adrian Church

The monthly general meeting of the Women's Missionary society of Adrian Community Presbyterian church was held Feb. 8 in the home of Mrs. Wesley Piercy. Anna Pratt led devotions, after which County Juvenile Director Verne Flock was introduced. He spoke on organizational activities, work and duties of his office and the Malheur county court.

A prepared questionnaire had been sent to Flock prior to the meeting so that his informative talk was based on subjects such as how the juvenile department functions, jurisdiction of the juvenile court, qualifications and training required of a juvenile officer.

He also discussed where juvenile children are detained (at this time there are no facilities available other than the county or city jails); facilities available for psychiatric, physical (medical), social and academic cases; probation cases; parental responsibilities; how the county juvenile department is financed and the status of the foster home program in the county.

During a question and answer period, the juvenile director said, "The citizen's individual responsibility is to look on the county juvenile office and the juvenile court as a community project, to be receptive to new ideas to changing problems, and to exercise the voting privilege for the betterment in handling and resolving juvenile delinquency at the right time, in the right way."

Mrs. Raleigh McKinley, president of the society, conducted a short business meeting, after which the hostess served refreshments to 16 members and two visitors in attendance.

ATTEND BOISE CONVENTION

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kouns attended a cattle feeders convention Friday and Saturday in Boise.

UTAH COUPLE VISITS

Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Hansen of Smithfield, Utah, are visiting her brothers-in-law and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cottle and Mr. and Mrs. Frell Blair.

From This Corner . . .

By T.M.B.

If the old-timers—the ones who told us it didn't get extremely cold or hot here—are right, our cold weather is about gone. We can expect considerable more moisture yet, but spring is "just around the corner."

Farmers will soon be planting spring crops, the grass will green up and many of us will get the fishing and new car fever. Does man ever get so old he doesn't like to see spring and all the changes it brings forth?

The only thing that keeps us from being real elated is that our national congress is back in session. There are essential programs that need to be carried out but we can't help remembering that this is an election year. That's a time when the welfare of the people in general takes a back-seat to the actions of the politicians in their efforts to get elected. And nothing but voters back home can slow them down—and they can't do that by remaining quiet. That signals acquiescence to the office seeker.

Remember, if you're just average you are as near the bottom as the top. An average is the point where the best of the worst meets the worst of the best. It is no longer enough to learn the tricks of the trade—in these highly competitive days you must learn the trade.

Seth H. Mosely said, "Iron is galvanized, rubber vulcanized, corn hybridized, salt iodized and people hypnotized. But we are agonized when President Kennedy utilized—and our dictionary authorized—the word 'finalized.' Why, oh why, must our language be gobbledygooked?"

Hollywood is the only place where they put beautiful frames in pictures.

Wife at airport, "Be sure to write me, darling, if it is only a check."

The local P.O. could use a big calendar with large numerals. The advertising must not

show according to postal regulations—hence most firms do not care to donate one of these expensive jobs bought for the advertising. Anyone have a solution for them?

For every man who lives to be 85 there are seven women still alive. So what?

Most of the people in the world fit into one of two classes. They are either working on a solution to a problem or are part of the problem.

Freshman in barber shop: "How long will I have to wait for a shave?"

Lyle Miner, after a close inspection: "Oh, about a year—maybe two."

DID YOU KNOW?

Alaska is our biggest state and has the fewest people—226,000?

The Agriculture department says the children's free-lunch program costs \$1 billion per year?

The U.S. public spends more than \$3 million each day for newspapers?

An estimated 12,253,000 wives hold jobs?

Killing frogs with a sling shot is now illegal in California?

CLOSING THOUGHT . . .

Perhaps it would help if we'd Look at the Present in the Light of the Past for the Purpose of the Future.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gundry and family of Boise visited Saturday with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Obenchain and family.

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Nyssa Chapel Rites Held for Lewis Dunne

Funeral services for Lewis Sherwood Dunne of Boise were conducted Monday afternoon, Feb. 12, 1962, at Lienkaemper chapel in Nyssa. The Rev. Omar Barnhouse of Nyssa Nazarene church officiated.

Mr. Dunne, an uncle of Dr. K. E. Kerby of Nyssa, was born May 3, 1884, in Mountain View, Mo. He succumbed Friday, Feb. 9, at Malheur Memorial hospital.

Among survivors are two sisters, Mrs. Grace Kerby and Mrs. E. A. Reynolds of Boise; one brother, Ellsworth Dunne of Carthage, Mo.

Interment was in Nyssa cemetery under direction of Lienkaemper funeral home. Mr. Dunne's nephews served as active pallbearers.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Strickland and daughters were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Ballou and family.

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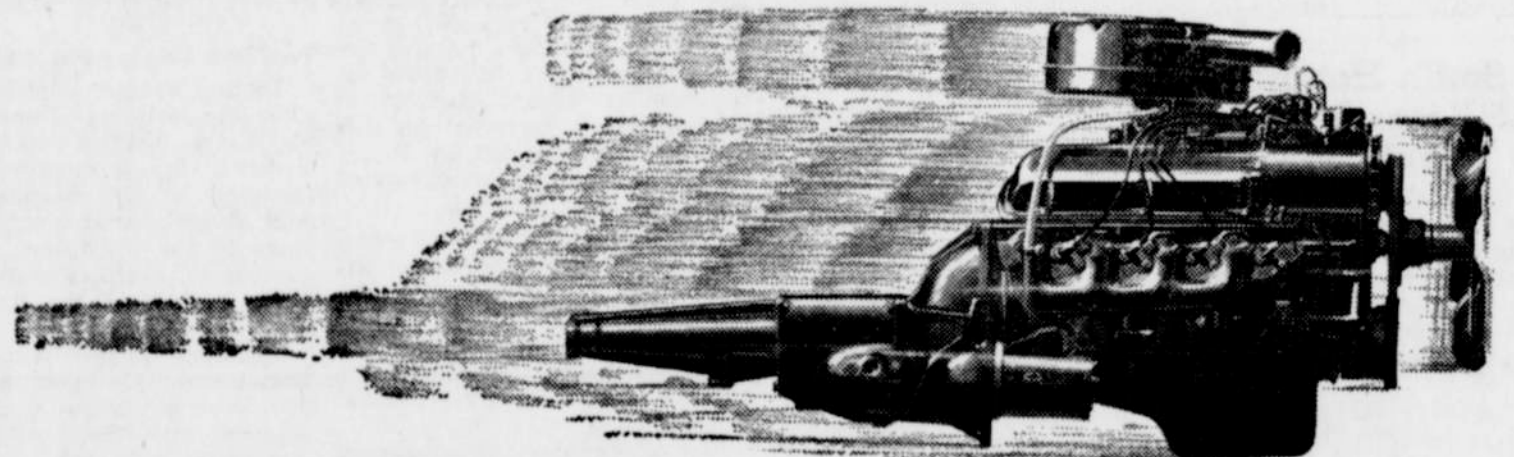
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