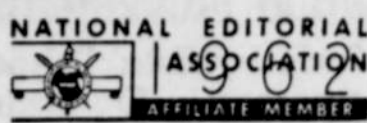


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Entertainment Given By Young Musicians At Methodist Dinner

Huge shamrocks, white daisies and daffodils in green top hats greeted approximately 65 guests at the March fellowship dinner held last Wednesday evening in the Methodist church. A birthday cake decorated in green and white was provided for the occasion.

Members celebrating anniversaries during March were Bill and Patrick Troy Calhoun, Craig and David Robbins, Dana Bratton, Barbara Brock, Elaine Kurtz, Pat and Larry Wilson, Mmes. Paul Ludlow, Cecil Evans, Edna Ludlow of Hillsboro and Russell Gressley.

Mrs. Merrillanne Robbins introduced Gregg Sumner and John Wohlcke who entertained with musical comedy numbers. Charades, musical chairs and a mystery guessing game concluded the festivities.

Hostesses were Mmes. Bill Wilson, Cyrus Bock and Norville Robbins. These fellowship dinners, which are potluck affairs, are sponsored by the Church board. They are held the second Wednesday of each month honoring members having birthday anniversaries during the month.

METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Services are being held each Sunday evening at 8 o'clock in the local Methodist church. Sermon topics for the services are the "Deadly Sins."

Sermon topic for the Sunday morning service on March 25 is "Not by Magic," one of a series on the temptations of Jesus.

LUTHERAN LADIES HEAR WORLD MISSIONS REPORT

Women of Faith Lutheran church met March 12 at the home of Mrs. William LaBounty with 15 members in attendance.

Mrs. Ben Storm gave a report on world missions. Following the business meeting, Mrs. Ken Danford led devotions.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Cecil Morrison, Jr., and Mrs. LaBounty.

Next meeting will be April 9 at the home of Mrs. Stan Thompson.

Guest Missionary To Speak Monday At Adrian Church

The Rev. Bert J. Bingle will speak at the Kingman Memorial Community church (United Presbyterian church in the U.S.A.) at 8 p.m. Monday, March 26, according to the Rev. G. J. Kuiper, local pastor.

Mr. Bingle has been a missionary and pioneer in Alaska for 30 years. Accompanied by Mrs. Bingle, he is enroute to Alaska.

This service, sponsored by the United Presbyterian Women's association of the Adrian church, is a union worship service of Presbyterian congregations of this area. The public is invited and the utmost will be done to seat everyone, the Rev. Kuiper said.

GUESTS IN DUUS HOME

Miss Gloria Curry spent the weekend with Delores Duus. The girls are classmates at Eastern Oregon college in La Grande. Mr. and Mrs. Ted Burton of Ontario visited Sunday evening in the Duus home.

IFYE Delegate Louis Pratt Discusses Modes of Transportation in Costa Rica

(Letter dated Jan. 12, 1962, from Louis (Frank) Pratt, Oregon International Farm Youth Exchange to Costa Rica)

Christmas was a very happy occasion for me and New Year's eve was pretty nice to me also.

A few days ago I went to a bullfight with my host father. He didn't tell me where we were going; consequently, I didn't take my camera along. It was the last bullfight of the year. Well, I guess I just missed the chance for some good pictures. I went bird hunting with my host brother the other day and shot several little birds.

I am now with host family number 11. Monday I will move to my 12th family. Right now I'm in a little community called Venecia about 25 rocky miles to the Atlantic side of Villa Quesada—only one road in and the same one out. I can look over into Nicaragua from where I am.

Transportation Varies Greatly

Relatively very few families in Costa Rica own automobiles. The problem of transportation is approached in many different ways. Modes of transportation vary considerably from extensive bus systems to the primitive ox carts.

Nearly every town and city in Costa Rica is linked by bus lines. Buses also cover many rural areas wherever road conditions permit.

The buses or bus lines are privately owned or owned by companies. Nearly all of the buses are diesel powered, as fuels, especially gasoline, are relatively expensive here.

Truckers and trucking companies provide the principal supply lines throughout the country. Most of the goods and materials for export and import to and from Puntarenas, Costa Rica's principal port on the Pacific, are carried by trucks. Truckers haul agricultural commodities from the rural markets to urban markets, buying the goods at one end of the line and selling at the other.

Railroads Limited by Terrain

Railroads in Costa Rica provide an important link between the east and west coasts and the interior. Although extension of the railroad is limited by the rugged terrain, it is the only means of transportation between certain parts of the country. The railroad is the main supply line between the interior and Port Limon, Costa Rica's principal port on the Atlantic.

Taxi service is available around nearly every town and city. For taxis, small cars are preferred for their greater economy and maneuverability in traffic. Each cab must bear a special license plate which costs approximately \$500.

Four-wheel-drive vehicles are widely used because they are the only type of vehicle that can travel many of the roads of Costa Rica. Jeeps and other four-wheel-drive, like other types of vehicles, are imported from many different countries.

Two-Wheeled Vehicles Popular

There are many motorcycles and bicycles in the country. The two-wheeled machines are popular, not only because of their adaptability, but also because of the relatively high cost of cars.

Automobiles and parts are very expensive due to high import taxes. For example, a Volkswagen here costs approximately the equivalent of \$3000; the Datsun, a small Japanese-made car, costs approximately \$5400. Other problems are to be faced by motorists. Service and parts are sometimes difficult to obtain. Road conditions greatly shorten the life expectancy of the automobile also.

The ox cart then continues where the automobile leaves off. The oxen provide economical transportation in terrain where it is often difficult for a man to walk. As the oxen are slow and somewhat awkward, ox carts are considered to be the family truck rather than the family car.

Horses Used by Rural Families

Many rural families own horses for riding and carrying supplies and materials. Many of these people who do not own land, or don't want to use land for pasture, support their horses on the grass that grows along the edges of the roads.

Even with the wide variety of transportation available, many people are walking. Some people cannot afford to use the available services. Some people do not have accessibility to these services and in many cases it is just more convenient to walk.

With the combination of narrow roads, buses, trucks, ox carts, horses, livestock and pedestrians, driving conditions are often hazardous. Traffic control in general is sparse, inconsistent and is largely left up to the drivers.

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Airman Donald L. Crisp

Airman Donald Crisp To Receive Training At AF Missile School

Donald L. Crisp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Crisp of Nyssa, will receive training at the United States Air Force school for missile mechanics at Chanute Air Force base in Illinois.

He was selected for the advanced course on the basis of his interests and aptitudes.

Airman Crisp recently completed basic training at Lackland Air Force base, Texas. He was graduated from Nyssa high school with the class of 1961.

Owyhee Community Church News

Members of the youth group attended a March 15 social rally at the Oregon Slope Community church. Highlights included singing, games and refreshments.

Guest speakers Sunday evening were the Rev. and Mrs. Ricardo Brambila of Mexico City. Mrs. Brambila is the former Esther Benedict.

We-Two group will meet at 8 o'clock Friday evening, March 30, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stephen for an evening of fun, food and fellowship.

Regular Sunday services are:
10 a.m.—Sunday school.
11 a.m.—Morning worship hour.
7 p.m.—Youth group meetings and adult Bible hour.
8 p.m.—Evening worship.

Mid-week prayer meeting is held at 8 p.m. each Wednesday.

METHODIST MEN MEET TONIGHT IN ONTARIO

Regular monthly meeting of Treasure Valley Methodist men is being held this evening at 7 o'clock in the Ontario church.

Nyssans planning to attend should meet at the local church at 6:30 p.m. for transportation.

Attendance Drive To Be Held in April At Christian Church

"Crown Him King" is theme of the Sunday school attendance campaign which is to be held during April at Nyssa First Christian church, according to Pastor Wallace Prowell.

This Sunday, March 25, will be "sign-up" Sunday and the setting of attendance goals by each class.

Purpose of this campaign is to challenge every member to attend every Sunday in April and to strive to "Crown Him King" in every activity of life.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank all the many people and organizations whose generosity of time, money and professional skill made the Lee Miller memorial clock possible.

—Mrs. Mary Miller and Family.

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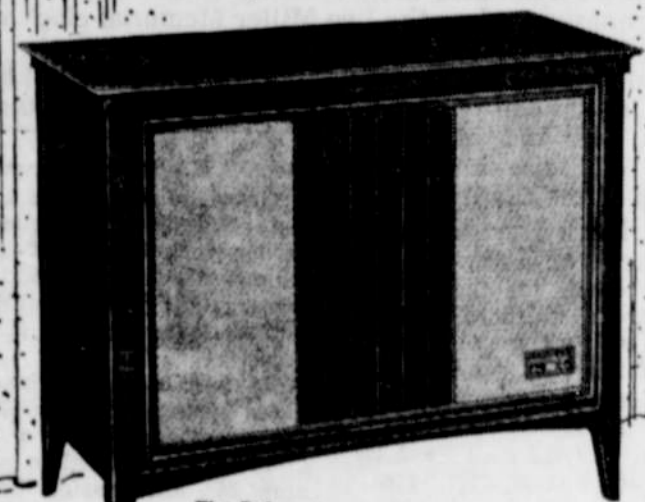
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