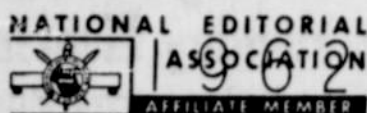


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Locating the Junior College

The Treasure Valley Community college district is one of four separate districts established in Oregon during the past year to take advantage of state funds made available by the 1961 legislature.

It consists of the major portion of Malheur county and a small portion of Baker county (encompassing the town of Huntington). On May 7 voters in the district approved the initial budget by a vote of more than two-to-one, with considerably more than one half the votes being cast in Ontario and Vale.

A great deal more interest had been generated in these towns than in the balance of the district since both were hoping and working to be the location for the newly established college. And Ontario had recently had quite a "squabble" over some of the school personnel and school practices, and this added to the number of voters in the college election.

Fortunately the college issue was not involved and since the location was unknown at election time our neighboring towns gave it extremely good support.

The Malheur Enterprise of Vale carried a lengthy editorial May 3 telling why it should be located there and set out the offer of the old high school building, repaired to usable order, together with 35 acres of ground—all at no cost to the college, as long as it was used for school purposes. This plan had previously been presented to the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce with an invitation to inspect both the building and grounds offered free.

Following inspection by a committee from the chamber, the body endorsed Vale as the best location for the new college since it would save the local taxpayers the value of the building (estimated at \$150,000 to \$200,000) and 35 acres of land (valued at \$35,000).

After the endorsement had been given the Vale location the Ontario chamber got busy. Secretary H. F. (Hap) Logue wrote a letter to the college board setting forth varied and sundry reasons why it should be located in Ontario. Among these were: (1) the movement for the formation was initiated by Ontario citizens, (2) nearer the population center of the district, (3) more accessible for tuition-paying students from the Idaho side, (4) more part-time jobs would be available there than elsewhere in the district, (5) it was understood from the beginning that it would be located in Ontario using high school facilities after school hours, (6) offers of private donations of \$500 each had been made if located there.

He also told of 55 acres of ground that was available for a site, but did not say if it would be donated.

On May 10 the Argus-Observer had an editorial favoring Ontario as the logical location with practically the same reasons given as in Logue's letter. In addition it said, "Unquestionably, Ontario will soon rank as the leading city southeast of the Cascades. This fact alone could warrant the establishing of a community college." Other quotes: "Ontario, undoubtedly, is the cultural center of the county. . . . This is evidenced by such organizations as the Community Concert association, the Knife and Fork club, etc."

Summing it up, it appears to us their appeal is: (1) we started the movement, (2) we voted strongly in favor of it, (3) we want it.

But we still have not seen any concrete, valuable offers to match that of Vale and until they do we'll advocate the temporary location in the county seat town where facilities are available for a daytime college at no cost to the taxpayer. It will be three or more years until the board will have to decide on a permanent location and we feel sure they will take all factors into proper consideration prior to that time.

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Family Week Theme
Featured in Program
At Methodist Dinner

Last week was "Family Week" in the Methodist church and Mrs. Merledean Robbins used this as theme of the program for the fellowship potluck dinner held Wednesday, May 9.

Cliff Main read "What Is a Boy?" and Mrs. Bill Wilson countered with "What Is a Girl?" Mrs. W. W. Foster answered both with "What Is a Family?"

Musical selections included a piano solo by Sherrill Jean Robbins and a vocal solo by Judy Wilson. Mrs. Joan Weymouth presented a girls' sextet which sang several numbers.

May birthday guests included Eva Klinkenberg, Linda Wilson, Ruth Thompson, Mrs. Mel Calhoun, Mrs. Dale Osborne and Mrs. Roy Knodler.

A pink and white birthday cake, table arrangements of tulips, peonies and iris were provided by Mrs. Bruce Jenkins and Mrs. S. C. McConnell.

A film was viewed, showing the value, education and help derived from having a laboratory school in which Sunday school workers are taught to teach, counsel and aid children. Such a school is being planned in the local church June 18-22 and will be staffed by professional people.

Pre-School Pupils
Tour Beck's Island,
Make Train Journey

Pre-school children of Mother Goose activity land were taken on a guided tour of Beck's island last week by Mrs. Mel Beck. The children crossed the river on a large barge and toured the island, seeing many beautiful sights.

The children went on a train trip last Thursday to Caldwell. Mrs. Dorothea Lewis, instructor, reports an interesting feature of the ride this year was viewing a large baggage car converted into a "party" car, containing festive decorations for the Elks trip to their Ontario convention.

Mrs. Don Savage assisted Mrs. Lewis on the train. Mrs. Don Sappe and Mrs. Deverl Manning met them in Caldwell and returned them to Nyssa.

Children making the trip included Denise Barton, Tommy Church, Carol Clapp, Lori Lewis, Randy Froerer, Lesta Lynn Manning, Linda Ray, Dean Sappe, Brad Ropp, Kirk Savage, Roger Voeller, John Bowen, Loralee Bates, Cindy McManus, Michael Toombs and Cheri Mann.

Annual spring closing exercises and graduation will be held Thursday, May 24, at 8 p.m. on the LDS stake house stage. The public is invited to attend.

MISSIONARY TO JAPAN
SPEAKS AT LOCAL CHURCH

Miss Phyllis Hartley, outgoing missionary to Japan, was a guest speaker at the Sunday evening service in the local Church of the Nazarene.

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NYSSA CHURCH SCHEDULES
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible school will be conducted at Bible Missionary church beginning May 21 through 25 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. and beginning May 28 through June 1 from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

Ages of children attending will be 4 to 12 years, inclusive. Activities will include Bible stories, singing and handicraft. All children will be welcome. The church is located at Second street and Beech avenue.

Further information may be obtained from Pastor Noble V. Hunt by dialing FR 2-2924.

SPECIAL MUSIC PLANNED
SUNDAY AT LOCAL CHURCH

A musical group from Northwest Nazarene college in Nampa will present special selections during the May 20 worship service and Sunday school hour in the local Church of the Nazarene.

According to the Rev. Omar Barnhouse, both vocal and instrumental numbers are planned.

LDS Church Officials
To Attend Conference

Elder Antoine R. Ivins, a member of the First Council of Seventy, and Mark B. Garff, General Welfare committee member, of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon) in Salt Lake City, will preside over meetings on Saturday and Sunday, May 19-20, during a quarterly conference of the Nyssa stake.

Conducting conference sessions will be Stake President Dehlin A. Erickson.

Visitors, as well as church members, are invited to attend the general sessions on Sunday. These meetings will be held at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at the Nyssa stake center.

MRS. SCHOEN ENTERTAINS
LUTHERAN LADIES GROUP

Lutheran ladies group met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Ron Schoen with 13 in attendance.

Following the business meeting devotions were led by Mrs. Jim Nichols.

Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Ogden Services Held
For Willard A. Skeen,
Early Utah Settler

Funeral services for Willard A. Skeen, lifelong resident of Plain City, Utah, were conducted Monday, May 7, 1962, in Ogden. The deceased, father of Frank V. Skeen of Nyssa, succumbed Saturday, May 5, after two months' illness.

Mr. Skeen was born Dec. 1, 1871, in Plain City, a son of William D. and Caroline Smith Skeen. He was united in marriage on June 27, 1901, to Naomi Tracy in Ogden. She died in 1946.

He was a cattleman and farmer and was one of the early settlers at Plain City.

In addition to his son of Nyssa, Mr. Skeen is survived by two other sons, Willard J. of Plain City and Charles W. of Ogden; a daughter, Mrs. Royal G. (Ivy) Carver of Ogden; 20 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by the grandchildren of Mr. Skeen, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Skeen and Doug Skeen of Nyssa.

Spring Picnic in Adrian Park May 27
Planned for Cub Scouts of Pack 436

By Mrs. G. E. Mackey

ADRIAN—Den mothers of Cub Scout pack 436 met Tuesday evening at the home of Fred Brownfield, cubmaster. Final plans were made for a spring picnic to be held May 27 at 1:30 p.m. in Adrian park.

Those present at the planning session were Mrs. Mackey, Mrs. Mrs. Gerald Mackey, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Tallman.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ashcraft were Mother's day dinner guests of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hamilton and Johnny at Melba.

Messrs. and Mmes. W. E. Ashcraft and Lawrence Burchett of Boise drove Sunday to Owyhee resort.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cartwright were Mother's day dinner guests of her mother, Mrs. Alma Hibbard of Notus.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Long, Mmes. Mary Henderson, William Looney and Mary, and Catherine Schiemer were Mother's day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merritt at Emmett.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Mackey, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Mackey and family went to Baker Saturday for a family dinner and reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Helton. The elder Mackey couple remained for a longer visit with their daughter.

Mrs. C. R. Mills and Ross were Sunday dinner guests of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Mills, in observance of Mother's day.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Parker and family were Sunday dinner guests of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Eason and family at Homedale. They also visited Mrs. Myrtle Parker in Caldwell.

Picnic in Parma Park

Messrs. and Mmes. Alvon McGinnis, Bill Willis and family, James McGinnis, Dick Davis and Steve, Tom Ferguson of Apple Valley and Miss Helen Hatch picnicked at the Parma park on Mother's day.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Deffer entertained at a Mother's day dinner Sunday. Those present were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Deffer, Mrs. Del Grannis and family and Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Deffer went fishing at Owyhee reservoir Thursday in observance of his birthday anniversary.

Mrs. W. W. Webb attended Adrian Garden club meeting Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bill Toomb.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Webb were Mother's day dinner guests of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Stam and family at Fruitland.

Browns Host Family Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Brown entertained Sunday with a family dinner. Those present were his children, Messrs. and Mmes. Don Patrick of Amarilla, Tex., Bob Eastman and family of Caldwell, Bob Brown and family and James Moncur and daughter of Boise.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Patrick left Monday morning for their home. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Duncan and family spent the weekend at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pate Duncan at Jordan Valley.

Mrs. George DeHaven visited Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Seid in Weiser.

METHODIST WSCS CIRCLES
SCHEDULE MEETINGS TODAY

Woman's Society of Christian Service circles will meet today at 2 p.m. Frances Major circle will meet with Mrs. R. H. Martin; Barbara Firl, Mrs. David Beers; Helen Barns, with Miss Gertrude Hicks and Mrs. E. Robinson.

Members of Evelyn DeVries circle will meet tonight at 8 o'clock with Mrs. Kenneth Toomb.

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