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**Retain Reorganization Act**

(A Guest Editorial)

One of the initiative measures on the ballot this coming November is designed to repeal the 1957 School District Reorganization Act. In 1957 the people of Oregon created a law whereby small districts, by democratic action, could consolidate into larger districts for more efficient administrative purposes. Since this law was passed a large number of small districts have consolidated with larger units. It is generally felt that this was a step in the right direction for the improvement of educational opportunity for large numbers of students who had previously attended schools in districts too small to offer a well rounded program.

The Nyssa School District did not feel the effects of this 1957 law, for we had previously consolidated with the Arcadia and Oregon Trail Districts. It is unlikely, if this law is repealed, that it would have any effect on this district as it is now constituted. It is possible, however, should this initiative measure carry, that 50 people within a district could by petition force an election to determine whether or not the incorporation of any small district into a larger unit was still desirable.

Most of the units where reorganization has taken place have proceeded to build their educational plants to accommodate the increased enrollments resulting from consolidation. Should small units achieve the goal of separation from the larger unit, the waste of physical facilities would be almost as great as the loss to the youngsters of their greater educational opportunities.

While there was a great deal of opposition among the patrons of Oregon Trail when consolidation was approved, it is not evident now that there is any desire to return to the smaller units. The same can be said for Arcadia. Without doubt there are some in both areas who would like to see the old districts restored.

Just a year ago the districts near Adrian consolidated after many years of striving toward this goal. Plans are under way to provide the buildings to sustain the consolidated district under a single administrative board and superintendent. The people of this new district would undoubtedly resent any attempt to return to the many small units which prevailed there for so many years. If the repeal is successful, 50 people could force an election to determine whether or not any part of the consolidated district could break away from the larger unit. The directors of the larger district might be uncertain about providing an adequate plant for their increased enrollment. Uncertainty would prevail.

A vote to repeal the law allowing reorganization would be a step in the wrong direction as far as education in Oregon is concerned.

WALTER L. McPARTLAND  
 Superintendent of Nyssa Schools

**Study Class Slated At Methodist Church**

The text "Who Cares" will be used for the study class beginning Monday morning at 9:30 in the Methodist church parlor. The class is being sponsored by the Woman's Society of Christian Service and Mrs. Roy Knoedler will be leader.

Each section of the text was submitted to a consultant with training and experience in the subject covered in order to secure competent criticism and suggestions. The text deals with persons of special needs, problems they face and their efforts to achieve fullness in life. At the same time the role of the church is examined, as individuals, as a congregation and community.

**ST. PAUL'S GUILD HOLDS MEETING AT TAYLOR HOME**

St. Paul's Episcopal guild met Oct. 3 at the home of Mrs. Eddie Taylor with 11 members in attendance. Mrs. Jake Fischer conducted the business meeting, at which time plans for a rummage sale were discussed.

The Rev. Armand Larive was in charge of the program.

**MISSION CIRCLE MEETS**  
 Women's Mission circle of the Missionary Baptist church held a regular meeting Oct. 4 in the church. Election of officers was held. The doctrine of death was studied.

Next meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 18. Lesson will be "The Doctrine of Immortality."  
 All interested persons are invited to attend.

**Miss Leila Alampay Greets Friends, Discusses Activities in Journal Letter**

(The following letter, received by the Journal, was written by Leila Alampay, Nyssa's foreign exchange student during the 1961-62 school year. Miss Alampay, from the Philippines, resided with the Paul House family during her Nyssa stay.)

Sept. 11, 1962

NYSSA GATE CITY JOURNAL:

Hi, people! How is everybody? So far, the only people I've heard from are the Rineharts, the Wahlerts, and of course, my family. How about some letters from the others? I'll be very happy to get some Nyssa letters. Hope Rosa is having fun; if not as much, more than I had last year.

As of now, I have racked by brains as to what, where and how of college and I've been planning and changing my thoughts. But anyway, we've decided finally (I hope), that I'll take up secretarial studies for 1 or 2 years. The school finds the job for their students aside from giving a good training for office work.

**May Return to "States"**

I'm hoping an' wishing this will come true.

My aunt and uncle who have been in the States are asking me if I want to go back there with them. They like living there as they think the living standards are better and they're planning to return. If there are no problems involved, I've got a pretty good plan. While waiting for the time (1 to 2 years from now), I'll be taking up the secretarial course.

I'll try to get a scholarship; just like my aunt and uncle try to do, to go to college. After college, I could try to apply for a job over there and then—I'd have a big, big chance of going back to Nyssa!!!

Plans, plans... I've got lots of them. I'm just hoping there will be no financial problems.

**Losses Weight in Philippines**

I've lost some of the pounds I'd gained! When I arrived in Nyssa, I was 86 pounds, and when I left I was 100. While in California, I gained "mother five" and that made 105 pounds. But now, I'm scrawny, weighing 94 pounds. I'm eating loads but I still can't regain those "Pounds of Flesh." I guess it's the weather—some of my FAT has just evaporated because of the heat! (I think Philippine weather is VERY recommendable to those who like to be SLIM.)

I've been really busy since Aug. 12—visiting and receiving visitors, giving talks, writing articles for different magazines and helping our school (Mapua) interview some applicants for next year's AFS.

I'm also helping mother with the chores at home since our helpers went home to their province. It's harvest time over there now. Aside from that, I'm also helping my uncle in his painting jobs.

**Have Pet Parakeet**

My sister Thelma (I call her Teks) just got a parakeet from one of her friends in the office. The bird's name is GJ (George Jeffreys) after the guy's name. He surely is noisy (the bird, I mean). To mother, he is noisy, but to Teks and me, he is singing. He is quite a show-off, too. My

**Missionary Baptist Church News**

**Rev. Carl V. Burns, Pastor**  
 Schedule of Sunday Services:  
 9:45 a.m.—Sunday school with classes for all ages.

11 a.m.—Morning worship service.  
 7 p.m.—Bible training course.  
 8 p.m.—Evening worship service.

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.—Prayer meeting and Bible study.  
 All are very welcome to each service; always a gospel message.

**Farewell Service Scheduled Sunday For Kent Anderson**



KENT ARDEN ANDERSON  
 ... Called to Serve Mission

A farewell testimonial for Kent Arden Anderson will be held at 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 14, in the Nyssa First ward chapel prior to his departure on an LDS mission. The young missionary is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton D. Anderson, route 2, Parma.

President Ray Dewey of Emmett will deliver the address during the evening program. Musical selections will be provided by Mrs. Dereld Baxter of Caldwell, Eldene Atkinson of Emmett and LaVae Goodman of Roy, Utah.

Remarks will be by Bishop Frel Blair.  
 Following the testimonial service, the missionary will be honored at an open house reception.

brother Rey (Reynold) and I repaired our bird cage and he's lots happier now (I think). He just loves bananas and guavas.

Talking about pets, my eldest brother Romy (Romeo) has two white mice couples, and the two mommies had eight babies each. Now we have 20! They are really cute now that they have their white furs on.

Mother thinks we can open up a pet shop. We have mice, a bird, some goldfish and rainbow fish. I think I'm going to get a cat or a dog. I prefer a bulldog or a poodle because a cat might eat Thelma's bird.

Well, guess this is all the news I can think of. I miss the different colored autumn leaves, too, aside from missing Bonnie and Nyssa. Till my next letter,

Love,  
 Leila

**ATTENDS LDS CONFERENCE**

Mrs. J. E. Brower attended the LDS Relief society general conference from Tuesday until Friday of last week in Salt Lake City. Mrs. Eliza Weston returned to her home here with her daughter following a month's visit in Utah.

**Adult Fall Inquiry Classes to Begin October 16 at St. Bridget's Church**

The Fall Inquiry class of St. Bridget's Catholic church will begin Tuesday, Oct. 16, at 8 p.m. and will be held in the Ryan room of the new Catholic Rectory on Fifth and Locust avenue in Nyssa. It has been announced by Father John Baumgartner.

These classes are for adults only and will cover such topics as man's quest for happiness, the creation, the fall of man, preparation of the world for a redeemer and the story of Christ. Other subjects scheduled for discussion are revelation, the Trinity, the Mystical Body, grace, the sacraments and modeling of lives after that of Christ.

Sound film strips will illustrate some of the talks, Father Baumgartner said. Since these classes will be conducted on an informal basis, questions from members are always welcome and will be answered. There are absolutely no obligations and no fees.

Private classes covering the above subjects will also be given should Tuesday night be an inconvenient time.

These instructions are primarily intended for those who are not Catholic but any Catholic wishing further instructions in religion is welcome to any or all the sessions.

**Student Classes Now Under Way**

Already under way are religious instruction classes for students of grades 1 to 8 and high school. All these classes are held on Mondays. In Nyssa, high school students meet Monday mornings from 7:30 to 8:30 in the parish hall and classes are conducted by Sister Camillus and Sister Christine. Grade school students meet Monday afternoons from 4 to 5 o'clock in the parish hall.

Teachers for the various grades are: grade 1, Mrs. Sam Smit; grade 2, Mrs. Don Lytle; grade 3, Mrs. Herman Towne; grade 4, Mrs. Christina Fischer; grades 5 and 6, Mrs. George Vandewall; grades 7 and 8, Sister Camillus.

Superintendent of the grade classes is Sister Christine. Also assisting are Victor Haburchak, Barbara Smit, Nancy Lytle and Janice Burns.

**Classes Held in Adrian Church**  
 In Adrian, released time for religious instruction is on Monday afternoons from 2:45 to 3:35 and classes for Catholic children are

**Letters to Editor**  
 Pendleton, Ore.  
 Oct. 8, 1962

Dear Brammers:  
 We surely do enjoy the paper even more since we moved. Keeps us in touch with the folks at Nyssa.

We have bought a home in Sherwood Heights here at Pendleton so will have a permanent address now: 3116 S.W. Kirk, Pendleton, Ore.

Has been a busy summer for me. Just returned from Utah where I stayed while our daughter had back surgery. I brought the 13-month-old baby back so don't get much unpacking done.

Thanks so much for all your kindness to us.

MILETA FIFE

**United Nation Theme Used by Methodists At General Meeting**

Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service members held their general meeting Oct. 4 in the church sanctuary. A United Nations theme in decorations and worship setting was used.

Mrs. Eugene Butzer led devotions paying tribute to Dag Hammarskjold and Mrs. W. W. Foster was program leader for "The United Nations Family."

Mrs. Kinsey Keveren presided during the business session, at which time it was announced the Lenora circle will serve the Methodist Men's dinner on Oct. 15. Members are invited as guests of the Vale society at a 12:30 luncheon Oct. 16 to hear a report of the sixth assembly of the society held in May at Atlantic City.

Mrs. Paul Ludlow reported that the first session of the study class on "Persons of Special Needs" will be held next Monday morning at 9:30 in the church parlor. Mrs. Bill Wilson will be society representative for the World Community day observance Nov. 2 sponsored by United Church Women.

Guests were Mrs. Leo Beers of Sausalito, Calif., and Cora Stockfleth, formerly of Payette, with the latter becoming a member of the group.

Mrs. Cecil Evans and Mrs. Roy Knoedler were hostesses to the 23 ladies in attendance.

**Homecoming Dinner To Be Held Sunday At Christian Church**

A homecoming potluck dinner will be held following church services Sunday morning at the local Christian church, according to Mrs. Elvin Ballou, a member of the planning committee.

Scheduled to speak during the program are Mrs. J. S. Beem of Ontario who will give a history of the local church and the Rev. Bob Dewey, a former member who is now minister of the Home-dale Christian church.

Special music and group singing are also planned for the afternoon program.

All former members and friends of the church are invited to attend this special gathering.

**ENTERTAINS EX-PRESIDENTS**

Mrs. Angie Cook entertained Monday afternoon for members of the Past Presidents club of the American Legion auxiliary. Nine ladies were in attendance.

**Rev. Carl Burns Is New Minister Of Local Church**



THE REV. CARL V. BURNS  
 ... Serves Missionary Baptists

The congregation of Missionary Baptist church wishes to announce that they now have a full-time pastor in the field.

The Rev. Carl V. Burns has accepted a call to the local church and has moved with his family to Nyssa.

The new Nyssa minister was born in Alabama and moved to California in his early teenage years. His home was established in Watsonville and at the age of 17 he was converted and united with the Missionary Baptist church there.

He was called to the work of the ministry two years later and studied for the work from that time until the present.

The Rev. Burns and his wife, Hilda, have five children. They are Judith, 12; Nadine, 10; Jimmy, 9; Jerry, 7 and Calvin, 2. The family is now residing in the church parsonage at 203 North Second street.

The minister extends an invitation of welcome to all who wish to call upon him, whatever the occasion may be. It is his desire to serve the Lord and help make the community a better place in which to live and raise families.

**LEAVES FOR UTAH**

Boyd Blair left Oct. 4 for Ogden and Logan, Utah, to visit relatives prior to entering the LDS mission home Monday in Salt Lake City.

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