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Traditional Observances of Easter Planned by Most Churches of Area; Good Friday, Sunrise Services Slated

Through special services, programs by young people and traditional observances of Christ's betrayal, trial, crucifixion and resurrection, churches have again this year tried to stress the true meaning of Easter and the holy season.

Good Friday services are planned tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock in the Methodist church. Theme is the "Seven Last Words," with several ministers participating.

Million Dollar Rains Hit Area During Past Week

Rain, general over most of the area, starting Saturday of last week, has been worth millions of dollars to grain and cattle producers.

Reports show 47 inch falling Saturday, 37 inch Monday and .06 Tuesday night for a total of .90 inch. Travelers report rain in the desert area in the south part of the county. This will be a boon to those having cattle on the ranges as well as adding to the runoff into the reservoirs.

Water had been turned into the canals of the Owyhee project three days before the rain started and some farmers had begun irrigation. Some farmers predict they will not have to do any watering of row crops until near the middle of May, thus conserving water in the reservoirs.

Streamflow Prospects Poor

The April 8 report from the USDA predicts streamflow will be the lowest of any year since 1934. Water content of the snow cover on the Owyhee is only 26 percent of April 1 average, and on the Malheur is 17 percent. Lands dependent upon natural streamflow may have only one irrigation.

One bright spot in the picture is the large amount of moisture in the soil, making ideal conditions for rain and snow water to reach the streams and reservoirs.

Annual Egg Hunt Slated Saturday By Local Jaycees

The annual Easter egg hunt sponsored by Nyssa Jaycees will be held Saturday at Nyssa south park beginning at 1 p.m. Pre-schoolers and children in first, second and third grades will be permitted to participate, according to Gene DeMinck, project chairman.

The youngsters will be divided into groups to search for the eggs. Some of the eggs will be wrapped with a slip of paper containing names of Nyssa merchants who are donating prizes. When an egg is found with a merchant's name on it, the lucky finder should take the slip to the store and claim the prize.

A group of Jaycees and their wives gathered last Saturday evening in the DeMinck home to wrap 90 pounds of candy eggs for the hunt. Assisting with the project were Mr. and Mrs. Art Bosselman, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fanger, Dr. and Mrs. David Sarazin, Mr. and Mrs. DeMinck, Bob Chatain and the Rev. Armand Larive.

Nyssa Toastmasters Change Meeting Day

Meeting day for Nyssa Toastmasters has been changed to Wednesday morning, according to officers of the group.

At the meeting held last week in Brownie's cafe, basic speeches were given by Bob Sherbert and the Rev. Armand Larive. Sherbert's topic was "Take Profiting From Charity," in which he told of the fund-raising procedures of some charities.

"Monkeys in Africa" was topic of the speech given by the Rev. Larive.

Table topics were "In What Direction Should Toastmasters Go?" Jeff Ford was topic master; the Rev. Wallace Prowell, evaluator, and Art Colby served as toastmaster.

Good Friday Service Set Tomorrow Night In Methodist Church

Union Good Friday services will be held at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening in Nyssa Methodist church. Theme of the service will be "Seven Last Words," with seven ministers participating. They are Pastors J. L. Mussell, Noble Hunt, Armand Larive, Alvon Griffin, John Bullock, Robert McNeil and Paul Ludlow.

Special musical numbers are also being planned for the service.

The ministerial association is sponsoring Easter Sunrise services at 6 o'clock Sunday morning on cemetery hill.

Faith Lutheran Church
A Maundy Thursday communion service will be conducted at 8 o'clock this evening at Faith Lutheran church. Theme of the sermon to be delivered by Pastor John Milbrath is "Reconciliation Came to the Cross."

A Good Friday service with "Father, Forgive Them" as theme, will be held at 12:30 Friday afternoon in Faith Lutheran church. The senior choir will provide special music for both the Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services.

Regular Sunday services will be conducted Easter morning with Sunday school at 10 a.m. and the worship service at 11 o'clock.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Holy communion service will be at 8 a.m. and Sunday school classes will meet at 9:30 o'clock.

A second holy communion service will be at 11 o'clock, together with sermon by the Rev. Armand Larive.

Assembly of God
A special musical program will be given Sunday by Mrs. Demsey Barnhart during the regular 11 o'clock worship hour at the Assembly of God church.

Methodist Church
A Maundy Thursday communion service will be held at 8 o'clock this evening in the Methodist church.

Dual services will be conducted on Easter Sunday with the first to be held at 8:30 a.m. and the other at the regular 11 o'clock hour. Church school will be at 9:45 a.m.

Nyssa LDS Second Ward
Farrell Peterson will give a talk on the "Meaning of Easter" at the morning service at Nyssa LDS Second ward. Scripture reading is also planned for the Easter morning program.

An Easter program will be given by members of the junior Sunday school classes.

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Fishermen Stranded Sunday at Reservoir

Three local men were the object of a search at Lake Owyhee Sunday when they failed to return from a fishing trip at the time they had planned.

The trio, Willard Willis, Bert and Dee Crump, took a boat out at noon, saying they planned to return about 4 p.m. When it grew later and they were still not back, Cal Hughes, resort manager, and Jim Henderson began looking for them.

After making several trips across the rough waters of the lake the two found the missing fishermen about 5 o'clock Monday morning. They had spent the night in a cabin approximately 12 miles from the resort after their boat had developed engine trouble.

Federal Insurance Offered to County Potato Producers

Malheur county potato growers are offered insurance on the 1963 crop by the federal government for the first time. The program follows plans and rates evolved from using Bingham county, Idaho, as a pilot county last year.

The plan, insuring potatoes against plant disease, insect infestation, drought, frost or any adverse weather conditions, covers almost all risks except the market price.

It covers the crop from planting time to harvest, or Oct. 20, whichever is earlier. A specific amount of production is guaranteed. When quality falls below 50 percent of number one potatoes the entire production is adjusted. Premium rates vary, depending on county history and the amount of protection selected by the individual farmer.

Coverage offered covers only one other Oregon county (Klamath), one Washington county and five in Idaho.

Fields for the Federal Crop Insurance corporation will be contacting local farmers to explain the program and take applications for coverage. Mrs. Clarence Saunders of Vale is local agent.



Once again it's Easter, a happy season, joyfully welcomed. A time that brings to mind the cross and the tomb; the crucified Savior, the risen Lord; the crown of thorns replaced by the diadem of the King of Kings. Thus, Easter, with its glorious message of spiritual rebirth and promise of life eternal is indeed precious. It is a time for the whole family to reaffirm faith, to pray and praise Him. Your local churches have planned a program for all.

Exchange Student Tells of Country At Colorful AFS Chilean Festival

The Nyssa school cafeteria was the scene of a Chilean festival held last Thursday evening. Patrons were greeted by members of Irl Nolen's All-American club and given a program, with cover designed by Mike Miranda, as they entered an atmosphere of a country celebration.

Decor of Chilean colors brightened the booths containing crafts peculiar to Chile, foods of the country and displays of art. Some pictures were painted by local talent.

Grant Rinehart, local American Field Service president, introduced Chuck Corak, student body head, who in turn presented Rosa Alvarez, exchange student from Chile.

History of Chile Given

Rosa gave an interesting history of her country, highlighted by the band playing both the Chilean and United States national anthems under direction of Bob Q. Smith, music instructor. The audience stood at attention, facing the flags displayed on stage together with the Chilean national emblem.

Clyde Swisher, English department head, read a poem written by a poet from Chile. Folk music was rendered by a flute trio comprised of Marcia Wyckoff, Carolyn Pond and Kathy McPartland, accompanied by Susan Schenk.

A group from Instructor Smith's string and brass section played two popular Chilean selections. Those participating were Gerald Wyckoff, John Berg, Greg Sumner, Wayne Riggs, John Wohlcke, Linda Hoffman with Miss Schenk at the piano.

Latin Dance Presented

A Latin dance was performed in costume by Nancy Lytle, Joe Grijalva, Kathy Farmer and Joe Estrada.

Those in attendance sampled the many different foods for a small fee at booths manned by high school students and adult advisers. Archery was enjoyed by many, as was fishing, films of Chile and an auction conducted by Roger Baker. The sale gave parents and students an opportunity to purchase items from Chile.

Mrs. Grant Rinehart, general chairman, said the number of students and parents involved in staging the festival was in the hundreds and she wishes to thank everyone who worked so diligently to make the event such a success.

All Prizes Unclaimed At Tuesday Drawing

Names drawn this week at Nyssa Bank Days event were Delbert Dacus, route 1, New Plymouth, \$50 jackpot; Melvin Feik, route 2, Nyssa, \$10 second award; and Harold G. Mallett, Ontario, third prize of \$5. No winners were on hand to claim their awards.

Jackpot prize will advance to \$75 next Tuesday afternoon.

Potato Shipment Rates Down 13c Effective Today

Effective today, April 11, potatoes shipped by carload lots from Malheur county will have rates reduced 13 cents per hundred pounds. The recent announcement by Norman L. Wiegand, Powell Butte, chairman of the Oregon Potato commission, said the new rates would restore competitive rate relationship with rates in effect since March 1962 for growers of southeastern Idaho.

The new rates will provide a saving of \$8.50 per 45,000-pound carload and would mean a savings of \$50,000 to \$75,000 annually for Malheur county shippers.

Union Pacific railroad and Northern Lines filed tariffs with the Interstate Commerce commission in March for the necessary reductions.

Kay Van Patten Wins United Nations Trip

The United Nations Pilgrimage contest, sponsored by IOOF lodge of the area, was held April 7 in Baker. Winner of the district contest was Kay Van Patten of Ontario. She is a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Van Patten.

Lynn Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Jackson of Nyssa, placed second in the competition and has been named as alternate for the United Nations trip.

Know Your Faculty

By WALTER L. MCPARTLAND, Superintendent of Schools

Nyssa's Fourth Grade Teachers

MRS. BETTY OFT went to high school in Fruitland and received her college training at the College of Idaho, Caldwell. Mrs. Oft has taught for three years in Idaho prior to coming to Nyssa. Mrs. Oft has boys attending Nyssa high school. Her husband operates a farm on the Idaho side of the river but the family makes its home in Nyssa.

MRS. MADGE THOMSON is from Kansas. She went to high school at Lyons in that state and attended college in Winfield, Kan. There she obtained a degree in music and earned a bachelor of science degree in education from College of Idaho in 1958.

Mrs. Thomson has taught 21 years, 12 of which were in Kansas. This makes her ninth year at Nyssa. She spent four years teaching in the Southard school

of Topeka, Kan., which was operated by the famous psychiatrists, Karl and Will Menninger. The Thomsons have one son who is presently serving in the armed forces in France. Mr. Thomson is a retired farmer.

MRS. ELAINE NELSON graduated from Bear River high school in northern Utah, went to Weber college at Ogden and received her bachelor of arts degree from Utah State college at Logan. She taught for three years in Utah and was a social worker for two years. Mrs. Nelson has been in Nyssa nine years. Mr. Nelson is a building contractor. The Nelsons have two children in the Nyssa schools.

MRS. GLADYS SPITZE went to high school at Luray, Kan. She attended State university at Manhattan.

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NYSSA'S STAFF of fourth grade teachers includes (seated, left to right) Mrs. Betty Oft, Mrs. Madge Thomson, Mrs. Elaine Nelson and Mrs. Eva Chadwick. Standing is Mrs. Gladys Spitze.

School Board Accepts Local Bank Bid On \$95,000 Bond Issue; Hears Request For Assistant to Music Director Smith

At a special meeting Monday night directors of Nyssa School District 26 adopted the school calendar for the 1963-64 term, awarded contract to First National Bank of Oregon for purchase of \$95,000 of school bonds and listened to a group of school patrons interested in obtaining an assistant music director for the coming year.

Prior to opening of the bond bids, minutes of previous meetings of the board and budget board were read and approved. Bills for the previous month were also read and approved for payment.

The effective interest rate of the successful bidder was 3.1474 for the \$95,000 in bonds, while that of the only other bidder, U. S. National of Portland, Ontario branch, was 3.2181 percent, making a difference of \$591.61 interest over a period of 15 years.

Low Bond Interest Rate

Both bids were considerably below the national average for this type of bond, according to information received by Dirick Nedry, district clerk-business manager.

Approximately 25 persons were in the audience in the interest of securing an assistant music director. As they were not organized and had no appointed spokesman, School Board President Warren Farmer gave each an opportunity to be heard.

It came out in the meeting that some people thought, from the release carried in the March 21 issue of the Journal, that Music Director Bob Q. Smith had resigned to accept a position paying more money than received in Nyssa. When it was learned that he had resigned because he felt with a student load of nearly 450 he was unable to do the program justice, patrons began a movement to try to retain him and get help for him.

Financial Problem Seen

President Farmer said he and all board members felt that Smith had done a remarkable job with the music department and had been most anxious to retain him but had felt they could not justify the additional money in the budget for an assistant. Farmer said this feeling was caused largely due to the voters having rejected the first two budgets submitted last year.

School Superintendent W. L. McPartland also voiced his feeling that Smith has done a remarkable job and said that he was well aware that he needed an assistant. Other than his large scheduled classes daily, McPartland said Smith's night work was "terrific."

Scheduled Music Activities

It was brought out that Smith had 339 students in regularly scheduled classes studying instrumental music. Of these 84 are in the sixth grade, 137 in the seventh and eighth grades with 118 in high school.

One choral group, from sophomores through seniors, has about 52 and one class on theory of music is held one hour each day.

Unscheduled, Smith has a stage band program with 36 students in two classes that meet Thursday night from 7 to 8:45, a pep band that functions during basketball season, two combo groups and all the students interested in

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R. Zobel's Project To Be Exhibited At Regional Fair

Royce Zobel, Nyssa junior high student, with his project on "Synthesis of Amino Acids" took a first place ribbon at the district science fair held April 6 in Nampa.

First and second place winners in local science fairs in both junior high and high schools from Mountain Home to Baker were eligible to enter the regional meet held at Northwest Nazarene college.

Nyssa high school students whose projects were entered included Victor Haburchak and David Sumpter, while Theo Ashby, Darrell King, Zobel, Sallee Morgan, Bobby Smith, Nancy Boydell, Marilyn Stephen and Clinton Robbins were represented from the junior high school.

Approximately 150 exhibits were on display, most of which were winners at local fairs. Quality of the exhibits, workmanship and degree of difficulty of the projects was outstanding.

For the first time in the history of science fairs in the local school system, Nyssa will have a contestant in the northwest regional fair in Portland as Zobel has entered his project in the large exhibit. Northwest region includes winners from Idaho, Oregon, Washington and Montana.

Board Approves Hospital Budget; Voters to Decide

Members of Malheur Memorial hospital's budget board met Tuesday evening with the hospital board of directors for their annual budget session.

Budget board members are Maurice O. Judd, chairman; Dick Forbess, secretary; Leonard Hewett, Bob Webster and Harold Sisson. Board of directors includes John Stam, Everett Heldt, Ted Morgan, Tom Drydale and Victor Haburchak.

According to Charles J. Smith, hospital manager, the men approved a tax levy of \$44,196.56, \$22,000 of this amount exceeds the 6 percent limitation and will be voted upon by residents of the district. Board members set the budget hearing for May 14 with election to be held May 24.

The \$22,000 figure is the amount over last year's budget and includes \$11,700 to reduce bank indebtedness; \$3,600, roof repair; \$1,600, fire doors; \$1,400, dishwasher replacement; \$400, wall repair and paint; \$1,100, equipment repair.

Total operating expense is estimated at \$304,000 which includes an emergency fund of \$50,000. Estimated operating expense last year was \$305,000.

Prior to the budget meeting, a letter from the fire marshal was read to the board of directors. The correspondence pertained to the required fire doors.

The board was advised that Mrs. Virginia Steffens and her FHA girls had furnished paint and were in the process of redecorating the hospital lobby.

Board members have asked the Journal to express their appreciation to Mrs. Steffens and her students.

Morgan Sets Record At Local Sugar Bowl

Walan Morgan set a record Tuesday evening at the local bowling lanes by rolling a 723 scratch series. This is 55 pins above the previous high recorded in league play. Alan Bennett held the previous high, 668.

In his first game, he started with two strikes, then a split which caused a flat in the third frame. He finished that game with strikes and began the next with seven (making 16 consecutive strikes). His luck ended when a two pin decided to stand in the eighth frame of the second game.

Morgan's 723 series consisted of 266, 245 and 212 games. His handicap series totaled 798. His team had a 3307 total series which proved he was also getting support from his team members sponsored by Bingham's Service.

Adrian School Board Studies Alternatives For Elementary Plant

At the regular meeting of Adrian school board members held April 9, it was decided to give up either the elementary recreation room or cafeteria for a classroom during the coming year, according to Superintendent Glenn Ward. The board will make the decision after carefully studying the alternatives, Ward said.

Patrons of the district are urged to contact their respective board members to voice their opinions.

If residents have questions on the budget they are urged to attend the budget meeting on April 16 in the elementary cafeteria.

Sunrise Service Set Early Easter Morning By Ministerial Group

An Easter Sunrise service sponsored by the Nyssa Ministerial association will be held at 6 o'clock Sunday morning on cemetery hill.

A program will be presented by youth of the various churches. Carol and Mary Pond will render a vocal duet and an instrumental duet will be presented by Dave Saunders and Terry Martin. The Easter message will be given by Bob Maine.

Opening prayer will be given by the Rev. J. L. Mussell and the Rev. Paul Ludlow will offer the closing prayer.