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LETTERS to the EDITOR

Editor:

We applaud the lack of indebtedness which Malheur county enjoys in its county government. Years of wise administration a decade ago contributed to this situation which provides citizens with a new court house, jail and other facilities debt-free today.

It is not the present indebtedness that taxpayers are complaining about. It is the sharp increase in the fixed costs of government in the court house at Vale that alarm us. Departmental budgets have risen consistently with each budget meeting. Since 1957, minimum increases have been at least 40 percent.

Some departments, juvenile for instance, have soared 400 percent in six years. In six years the county clerk's budget has jumped from \$15,234 to \$25,700, a gain of 60 percent. It's gotten to be such a practice each spring at the court house that every official in the building automatically anticipates a blanket raise. The county court's

budget shows 100 percent gain in the same period. Where do we stop?

County Loses 500 Population

Meanwhile, what's happening to our citizens who foot these bills which our public officials casually strap to our backs? Census officials reflect that in the last six years, our county has actually lost population. We have less citizens but it costs 50 percent more money to administer government to us. It looks like expenses should go down, not up under these conditions. Malheur county actually lost 500 population in the last census.

But examine the economy of our county. While local government soared in salaries and other expenses, cattle prices have remained almost the same. Costs to this industry have risen and income has virtually stood at a standstill for six years.

How about the dairy farmer? His butterfat price today is even

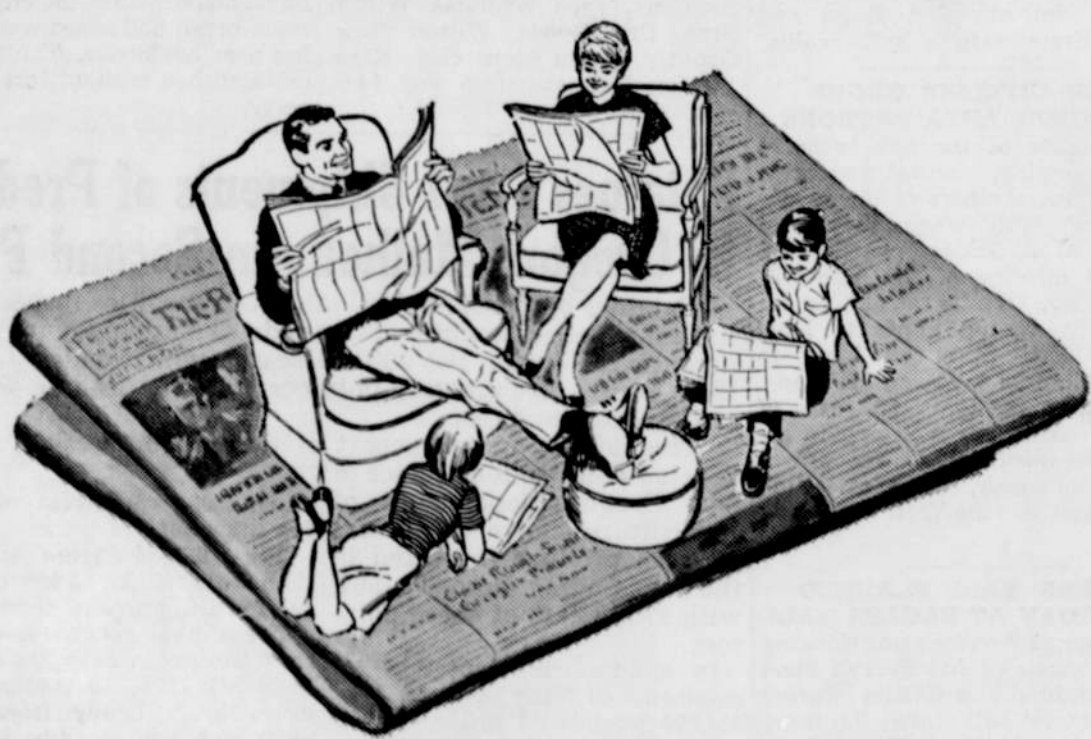
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Churchmen to Speak On Holy Scriptures

Discussions concerning the Holy Scriptures will be held Oct. 19, 20, 22, 23, 26 and 27 at the Firemen's hall in Parma, according to Chairman Sam Hanby, representing the Church of Christ.

The six evening discussion sessions will begin at 8 p.m. and will be led by M. L. Bartholomew, pastor of the Church of God (Seventh-Day) of Cleveland, Ohio; Evangelist Roy Wilson and Herman Pope, moderator from the Church of Christ in Mountain Home, Idaho.

Propositions to be discussed will include "The Day for Christian Worship," "The Days of the Crucifixion and Resurrection" and "How Salvation Is Produced." All residents of the area are cordially invited to attend each meeting, Hanby concluded.

OWYHEE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Arthur Skogan, Pastor

Sunday school—10 a.m.

Morning worship service—11 a.m. Junior and senior young people's meetings and adult Bible study are at 7 o'clock Sunday evening and the worship service begins at 8 p.m.

A singingspiration is held the second Sunday night of each month.

METHODIST BOARD MEETS

Methodist official board will meet during the evening of Oct. 20 at the church. Commission meetings are slated to begin at 7:30 with the board meeting to convene at 8:30 o'clock.

PLAY MINIATURE GOLF

Members of the junior high Sunday school class of the Nazarene church and their teacher, Mrs. Dwight Seward, spent Monday evening playing miniature golf on a course near Caldwell.

IN APPRECIATION

I take this opportunity to thank the Adrian volunteer firemen for their promptness in answering the alarm and their efficiency in extinguishing a blaze near my residence on Saturday. I sincerely feel that through their efforts, my home was saved.

—Mrs. Lois Williams.

slightly less than received six years ago. Farm income has declined and we must not forget that agriculture is our basic industry. It employs more people than any other occupation or industry. The health of agriculture should be the first consideration when county officials heap on more costs to the taxpayers. They haven't thought of this.

Next week, I would like to submit another article and show just exactly where a saving could be made in county government. It should be real enlightening because it will prove that our county court has had its head buried in the sand when it comes to economy and sound administration.

Very truly,
FRED E. BURGESS

Sunday Farewell Service to Honor LDS Missionary



ELDER W. RALPH TALBOT . . . To Leave October 26

Elder W. Ralph Talbot will be honored at a farewell testimonial at 8 o'clock Sunday evening, Oct. 18, in the Nyssa LDS stake house on Alberta avenue. The young missionary is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Waynard Talbot of route 1, Nyssa.

He was graduated from the local high school with the class of 1962 and attended Treasure Valley Community college at Ontario for one year.

Elder Talbot will enter the mission home in Salt Lake City on Oct. 26 and will be assigned to the West-Central States mission field.

WORLD WAR I VETERANS TO MEET SUNDAY IN VALE

Veterans of World War I and the ladies auxiliary of district 6 will hold their quarterly conference Sunday, Oct. 18, at the Grange hall in Vale.

Program and entertainment will begin at 12:30 p.m., with luncheon to be served at 1 o'clock followed by a business meeting.

According to Fred E. Burgess, commander of Malheur Barracks 352, this is the first time that a district meeting has been held in Malheur county. All World War I veterans are urged to attend.

TO SPEAK AT LOCAL CHURCH

According to the Rev. Wallace Prowell, a representative from Gideons will speak briefly on work of the organization during the Sunday worship service at Nyssa Christian church. Annual offering for Gideons will also be taken that day.

VISITORS FROM IDAHO

Mr. and Mrs. Art Wilson of Rexburg, Idaho, and their son, Art Wilson, Jr., of Idaho Falls, left Tuesday afternoon after spending several days with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Rulon Trost and family.

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Ladies to Assist In Preparing Food For Auker Harvest

Women's association of the Adrian Community church met last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John Fahrenbruch with Mrs. Tina Schiemer as assisting hostess. The Rev. Elmer Rosenkilde showed two films, "The Broken Mask" and "Through These Hands," to the 16 ladies in attendance.

The first film told the story of how a Negro student overcame prejudices in college and among an all-white church congregation. The other was the tale of a small boy who received emergency treatment at a hospital in Seoul, Korea.

It was reported that there were 26 friendship calls made during the previous month, and recently elected officers were installed by Mrs. R. D. McKinley.

The group voted to notify all members that a "summer" offering will be taken at the next meeting.

Attending the session from the Big Bend area was Mrs. Ernest Seuell who asked the ladies to take food to the home of Mrs. John Auker on Oct. 15-16 when neighbors and friends will gather to harvest the Auker beets. It is anticipated that 50 or more plates of food will be prepared.

Classifieds Bring Results!

DISCUSSIONS CONTINUE ON RELIGION - POLITICS

The second in a series of discussions on religion and politics will be held at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 18, at the Nyssa Methodist church, according to the Rev. Ralph A. Lawrence.

The pastor's sermon topic for Sunday morning worship service will be "This Church Is a Launching Pad."

General topic for a session slated at 8 o'clock Sunday evening will be "A Look at the New Nations in Asia." A film strip entitled "The New Nations Challenge Christianity" will be shown.

HAWAIIAN LUAU SLATED BY NYSSA LDS FIRST WARD

Nyssa First ward of the LDS church will hold a Hawaiian luau Saturday evening, Oct. 17. Serving of traditional roast pork and other Sunny Isle dishes will be from 7 to 9 o'clock.

The public is invited and tickets may be purchased at the door or may be secured from any member of the ward.

CHURCH LADIES PREPARE CLOTHING FOR MISSIONS

Ladies of the Golden Hour missionary chapter of the Nazarene church, under leadership of their president, Mrs. John Sheppard, spent Tuesday preparing clothing for mission fields. It has been reported that response from members resulted in the most used clothing collected for such needs.

Pastor Reports Plans For 'Laymen' Sunday At Nazarene Church

"Laymen Sunday" will be observed Oct. 18 at the Church of the Nazarene, according to Pastor John Bullock. Laymen will participate in the services, the Rev. Bullock said. Under the church government, laymen have a very important voice and position in the institution's affairs.

Each local church has a board consisting entirely of laymen with the pastor as chairman. One-half of the district general assembly's roll is made up of elected laymen.

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