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Like a Monkey on a String

Our respect for administration leaders in Washington goes up and down like a "Monkey on a String." We have disliked a great deal of domestic legislation which has been forced through congress by President Johnson in his "Great Society" program—namely, federal aid to education, the civil rights act that eliminates the states right to require a minimum of education to have a voice in our government, the acquisition of more land and the continual effort to run the farming industry from a desk in the capitol.

A number of these, along with the proposal to eliminate the Right-to-Work laws, have been abhorrent to us.

Then when the president takes a firm stand to contain Communistic Russia and China, we gain new respect for him and his advisers. This is added to when he decides to protect our American citizens in Santo Domingo. But does his own party support him? No, the Fullbrights and Morse' attack him, saying he is in the wrong and should "negotiate" with these ruffians who have never been known to honor an agreement when it was to their benefit not to do so. But the Republican leaders are strongly supporting him—so four years from now, if the program is successfully continued the Demos can take the credit.

In his March 28 "Report to Oregon" our Oregon senator says, "The United States has engaged in acts of international outlawry and acts that shock the conscience of much of the civilized world. If the American people do not take their government in hand and demand a stop to these activities, they may find the nations of the world so up in arms against us that our self-assigned mission to save Asia from Communism will encounter increasing opposition not only from the Communists, but from the very people we claim we are saving."

In this two-page letter, not one criticism of the Reds—most of it criticizing our use of the gas that made our enemies sick, not killing them!

And our other Oregon senator, Mrs. Neuberger, carries on a heavy campaign against cigarettes, asking that a warning be printed on each package and in ads stating that they are injurious to health.

How many of us who use the "weed" have not known this from the beginning of the habit? It seems that she might have picked out alcoholic drinks to better advantage.

Have cigarettes ever caused many crimes to be committed or been the cause of people being maimed and wrecked in auto accidents? Or have they been the cause of neglect of children and wives—or gambling away the weekly paycheck? In the case of our two senators from Oregon we have not had many reasons for a rise in respect.

ADRIAN COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

Women's Bible study group met April 28 at the home of Mrs. John Packwood in Big Bend. There were 14 women in attendance and the lesson was "Freedom of Sonship," presented by Mrs. Marie Moore.

On Monday, May 10, the Nampa Presbyterian church will host a vacation church school institute. Hours for the session will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and all prospec-

SERMON TOPIC ANNOUNCED

The Rev. Ralph A. Lawrence has announced that "What Mothers Are For" will be sermon topic for the special Mothers' day service next Sunday at Nyssa Methodist church.

Private teachers are urged to attend.

A meeting of the Presbytery will be held May 11 at the church in Nampa. M. O. Judd and Carl Lee Hill will represent the Adrian congregation.

May Fellowship Day Observance Planned Tomorrow Afternoon

United Church Women of the Nyssa-Adrian area will participate in a nationwide observance of May Fellowship Day on Friday, May 7, beginning with a potluck luncheon at 12:30 p.m. in St. Paul's Episcopal church. Women of the Christian church are in charge of the program with Mrs. Ed Pruyn serving as chairman.

Area residents are reminded that a truck will be at Nyssa Methodist church approximately May 8 to pick up clothing and other items designated for the Church World Service clothing drive.

Youth Discussions To Continue Sunday At Lutheran Church

The Rev. Wallace Prowell has reported that the youth program, "Fit to Be Tied," was well attended last Sunday evening and enthusiasm was displayed by those present.

This Sunday's program entitled "What It Means to Be Popular" will be held at 7 p.m. in Faith Lutheran church. A film, "How Much Affection," is included on the evening's program.

Youth of the four participating churches (Methodist, Christian, St. Paul's Episcopal and Faith Lutheran) as well as interested young people of other denominations are invited to attend.

LETTERS To the Editor

CITY OF NYSSA
 Office of Chief of Police

Dear Editor:

The following is a letter received the past week by the Nyssa Police department.

Nyssa, Oregon
 April 28, 1965

Chief of Police F. E. Petrie
 Nyssa Police Force

Dear Sirs:

We, the Nyssa Seminary class of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, wish to commend you for the fine job you are doing here in Nyssa. We appreciate all you do for us.

It's comforting to know that we have fine men like you willing to pin on a badge and protect us and our town. We hope that we will always honor the law, obey the law and sustain the law.

We feel that one of our biggest challenges we face in the immediate future is that of becoming responsible citizens of our nation. We feel that a vital aspect of citizenship is sustaining the law. Thank you for all you do for us.

Yours truly,
 Ruth Beck, Teacher
 Students:
 Peggy Lewis
 Laurel Beck
 Janan Bunn
 Gwen Nelson
 Alice Wilson
 Russell Myrick
 Patsy Waite
 Anna Anderson
 Junia Mitchell
 Darr Jensen
 Royce Bair

Salem Scene

by Robert L. Dornedde

While members of the 53rd session of the Oregon Legislature are hopeful of adjourning sine die by the end of this week or early next week, the outcome of some major pieces of legislation is still in doubt.

Of the six major legislative goals expressed early in the session by House Speaker F. F. "Monte" Montgomery (R-Eugene) and Senate President Harry Boivin (D-Klamath Falls), only half of these issues have gained complete House and Senate agreement.

A measure to appropriate funds for a water resource study — at the request of Governor Hatfield—gained early approval and has been signed into law.

A new competitive workmen's compensation bill offering broader coverage and increased benefits has passed both houses and is presently on the governor's desk.

Constitutional revision—a problem of three sessions now—seems headed for trouble. The Senate overwhelmingly rejected in early March two constitutional revision plans, but the House passed its version with only one vote to spare.

The House-passed bill—which the Senate rejected in a minority report—has been amended and ordered engrossed in Senate committee, however. Whether or not it will reach the Senate floor for a vote is unknown.

Likewise, congressional reapportionment has run into a snag with the Senate refusing to accept the House-passed plan and offering its own. If the House refuses to concur in the Senate

plan, a conference committee of House and Senate members will have to iron out a compromise.

In the area of tax reform, things seem to be progressing a little better, although inventory tax repeal and the amount of funds devoted to property tax relief will not be settled until sometime this week.

A change in the income tax law has already been made to allow parents to take a personal exemption for students over 18 years of age, providing he was a full-time student at least five months in the year. And a bill defining "head of household" to be treated as a joint return has passed the House but is still waiting action in the Senate.

A measure providing for capital gains treatment of individual income to conform with federal capital gains provisions has passed both houses and has been sent to the governor for his signature.

Meanwhile, a general fund budget of \$430 million can be expected for the 1965-67 biennium, with some revisions to take place in view of the announcement that substantially more revenue than had been earlier anticipated will be available next biennium.

Property taxpayers are likely to get the major benefit of these funds, since one of the major concerns of this legislature is to provide as much property tax relief as is at all possible.

Although it is increasingly more difficult to evaluate the outcome of these major issues in the final days of the session, it is generally agreed by capitol observers that this session will have accomplished its work with a more favorable image than that of the previous session.

Both Montgomery and Boivin have done excellent jobs in directing legislative attention to the more serious problems facing the state. From all indications their efforts will not have been in vain.

D. Nishitani Named Sub-District President At Sunday MYF Rally

More than 80 young people from Vale, Ontario, Payette, Weiser, Fruitland and Nyssa Methodist churches gathered Sunday at the local church for the spring sub-district rally. Theme of the rally was "The Campfire Glow." Slides of church camps were shown by the Rev. Tom Foster of Ontario and talks were presented by a number of youth who had attended camp.

A special feature of the rally was election of officers for the coming year. The new president is David Nishitani of Nyssa and vice president is Terry Sells, who is president of the local MYF unit.

The evening was concluded with an installation service, organized by the outgoing sub-district president, Bonnie Sager. The Rev. Ralph A. Lawrence gave the charge of responsibility to the newly elected officers.

Jim Farmer
 Dawn Drown
 Connie Mitchell
 Scott Jefferies
 Chris Burningham
 Deborah Kay Brower

It is a great pleasure for any policeman to be thanked in any way for a job well done.

As different people of different areas have many different opinions of what they consider a good or satisfactory law enforcement body working within their immediate area or community, it is often difficult if not impossible for an administrative law enforcement officer to have any idea whether or not himself, his personnel and his enforcement policies are being accepted by the community and its citizens.

In my many years as a law enforcement officer I have always attempted to be a good citizen and a respectful policeman along with being an impartial and non-partisan policeman. Over these years I do not know of any time that the arrest of any person gave me any feeling other than sorrow or grief.

Yet my policies are and always will be so long as I am a policeman that the arrest be made regardless of whom they may be if there is any possibility of this person endangering his or her own welfare and/or that of others. I believe a healthy, safe and respected community is a must in part of the education of our young citizens and future leaders. The words of Abraham Lincoln, "A house divided against itself cannot long endure," are as important today if not more so than when he said them.

So it is with deep humility that we thank these young citizens, their teachers and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints for letting us know their feelings and appreciation for the few of us who are doing a job that is very seldom pleasant but is greatly rewarding at times such as this.

Respectfully yours,
 Nyssa Police Department
 F. E. PETRIE
 Chief of Police

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From This Corner...

By T. M. B.

Nyssa's month-long clean-up program officially ended Friday of last week. But we hope it will continue, unofficially, with all firms and private citizens continuing to make our town a better place to live. Much improvement has taken place — (we even lifted the face of the Journal building with new paint and a new sign) and it should be a continuing program.

Believe Tuesday's school election was the last one for the year. Seems we have had one almost weekly for a month or more. All local budgets have been passed and the school boards and citizens are dreaming the ones for next year, as it seems inevitable that they will continue to increase.

Crops look good now and are being worked daily by migrant laborers who have arrived in recent weeks. The local P.O. reports having a busy weekend making out money orders for these temporary visitors to our valley. And their local spending will boost the economy of our merchants.

IT'S A PECULIAR WORLD

"Washington takes over our money and then threatens to cut off our dole if we don't comply with their regulations. Foreign nations can trample our flag, wreck our embassies, tell Uncle Sam to go jump in the lake, and still they receive our money as foreign aid with no strings attached. Some things are hard to figure out." — Corrigan (Texas) Times.

Saw three rooster pheasants in one fight. They were taking turns like a tag team wrestling match with one partner missing. Could this indicate fowl trouble?

Recently lost 50 cents to Shay Bybee on an age bet. He looks

so young and is so vigorous it didn't seem possible he could be older than we. But we got the score evened when we won a buck on the outcome of a golf game. (Not our game, he's too much of a competitor.)

DID YOU KNOW?

—Of our welfare budget roughly half comes from our taxes sent to the federal government—35 percent from taxes we have sent to the state and 15 percent from local taxes we send to the county tax collector?

—The estimated payments coming to Oregon under "The Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965" from federal tax money is \$10.2 million? Or that California is slated for \$92.3 million, Washington \$14.8 million, Idaho \$3.2 million and Nevada \$1.3 million? (The formulas are too complicated to explain even if we understood them.)

—That one in seven persons will be hospitalized during an average year—that the average stay has been cut from 14 days in 1935 to 7.7—and that the average cost per day on short-term stays is \$38.91—figuring out at \$300 for the total average visit? Or that in a general hospital in Oregon the number employed to care for 100 patients has risen from 148 in 1946 to 241 at present?

CLOSING THOUGHT...

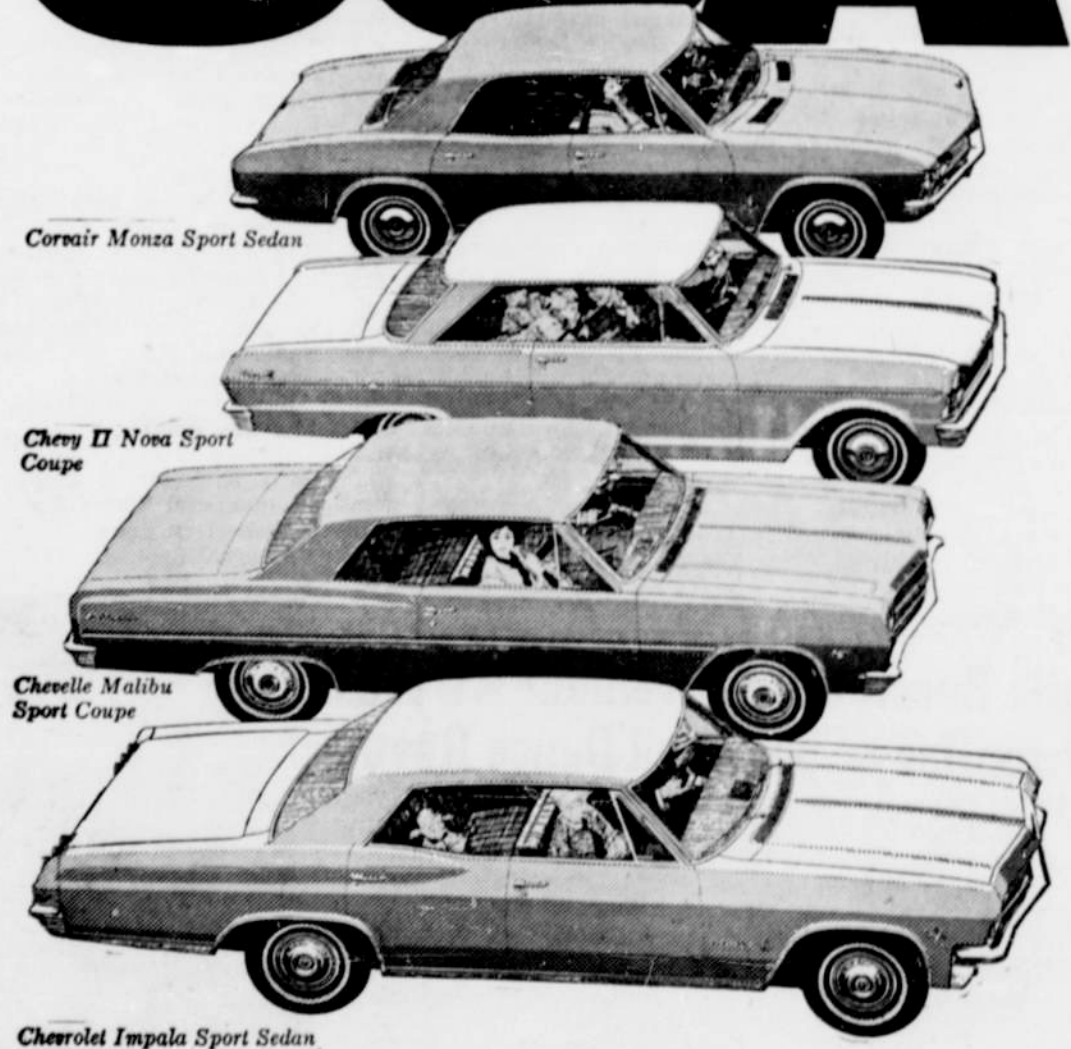
"He who has money to burn soon meets his match!"

ATTEND CHURCH SESSIONS

The Rev. and Mrs. Wallace Prowell attended an Oregon Assembly of Christian churches and Eastern Oregon convention of Christian churches during the weekend at La Grande. The couple visited Monday morning with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gillette in Baker.

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