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Oh sing to the Lord a new song.—(Psalms 96:1)

We may wonder if we can meet change in our work, in our way of life, if we can begin again. We can, if we want, to. This is an important realization. The persons who are unhappy are the ones who are looking backward, who are sighing for the good old days, who resist and resent the changes that inevitably come. Every time we see things in a new light, we are beginning again.

SHOULD TAXPAYERS REVOLT ON TVCC COLLEGE BUDGET?

The recent announcement by the Board of Directors of Treasure Valley Community college has hit area taxpayers like a bomb shell. They were ill-prepared for the news that the college would close permanently July 1, 1967 unless the voters approved a total of \$1,043,576 at the May 24 school election.

The amount is a considerable sum for a rural area having a population of approximately 26,000 and all the burden to fall on property taxpayers who are already struggling under their present tax load.

After the announcement was made in news media last week a 15 page booklet was distributed, house-to-house in Nyssa, by student volunteers. It was supposed to clarify the issue since it was a joint statement of the board, budget board, president of the college and the clerk. But to us it was a big alibi for what was acknowledged to be a case of lack of fiscal control, and mismanagement.

The board admits dereliction of duty to manage the use of funds but offers the excuse that they and the administration were busy "looking after the students' needs and the teaching faculty". The board members do serve without pay, they have their own businesses, but they ask for the job and were elected by the patrons of the district because of their ability to manage their own affairs and the interest they manifested in the college.

They make up an imposing list—the chairman successful accountant, one the head of the biggest industry in Ontario, one a dentist who was very instrumental in getting the school established, one a practicing attorney, and some prominent farmers. But they have proven to be much more careless with tax funds than they would have been with their own.

MANY QUESTIONS

There are undoubtedly hundreds of unanswered questions in the minds of the taxpayers. The main ones we have been asked are:

What banks loaned the money? When? Upon whose signature? Were any laws violated? When did the whole board learn about the loan?

Who was the business manager of the college? Did he have a previous record of incompetence in handling funds in a nearby Idaho town school? Was it rumor that he had mismanaged his own business leaving unpaid bills? If true, who hired him without investigation?

Has the board planned an austere budget based upon the present predicament? Is there any cut planned in the year-round athletic program? Is there any savings to be afforded by cutting out adult programs? Does the college need a public relations officer to sell the school when the enrollment has increased so rapidly there is neither funds or space to care for them?

It appears the board has permitted an "Airplane and Cadillac" background for the faculty and students when there was no money in the "grocery" fund.

We believe the proposal will be defeated in the May 24 election. But we also believe the people will support a junior college to care for those young people within the district, who desire to go on with their studies and live in their communities. But we suspect some "heads will roll" before such a program will be submitted—and it is possible they will not all be confined to the administration.

The average car holds six people. With 24,000 killed in a single year, we could make a funeral procession consisting of 4,000 automobiles, with dead people filling the cars. If the average car is, say 16 feet long, this would mean the funeral procession of the dead would be 64,000 feet long, or approximately twelve miles of nothing but hearses, driven by dead chauffeurs! -- (Listen News)

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RENEE SOMERS

Renee Somers was recently honored by the Nyssa Education Association by being awarded their annual scholarship to further her education. She has indicated that she plans to enroll at Oregon State university in Corvallis this fall and pursue a course leading to a degree in pharmacy.

In addition to being an honor student, Renee has also been involved in numerous school activities. She has been a member of the pep, concert and marching bands.

Club activities include GAA, Forensics and Science clubs. She has served as secretary for the two clubs and pep band.

Miss Somers has been very active in the local Methodist Youth Fellowship group serving as vice-president and publicity

Area Churches Participate In United Clothing Appeal

Churches in Nyssa and Adrian will participate again this month in the Church World Service Clothing Appeal. The used clothing will be picked up at Nyssa about May 15-17 by a truck from appeal headquarters in Modesto, Calif.

Persons who wish to donate may take their items to the church of their choice anytime before Sunday, where it will be boxed and prepared for shipment. Good clean used clothing, with at least six months' wear, is requested. Light summer clothing is particularly needed. Shoes of all sizes and blankets are also accepted. Handbags, heavy bedding, bathing suits and hats are not suitable for overseas shipment to refugees or disaster victims.

The Church World Service is a cooperative relief agency of twenty-seven denominations. It processes and ships clothing and blankets for distribution in some thirty overseas acute need areas. Last year more than 5 million pounds was exported.

A vacuum cleaner salesman came to a farmhouse and wanted to demonstrate his product. He emptied a sack of dirt on the rug and said, "Lady if this cleaner doesn't pick up all the dirt, I'll eat it."

"Just a minute," answered the housewife, "I'll get a spoon. We don't have any electricity."

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH NOTES

Members of Couple's club of Faith Lutheran church will meet tonight, Thursday, May 11, at 8:00 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Simantel. Members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

A festival worship service will be held Sunday, May 14 at 11 a.m. as the congregation celebrates Pentecost Sunday. Rev. Jacobson will speak on the theme: "Equipped to Live," based on John 14.

Adrian Community Church News

Members of the women's association of Adrian Community church will meet this afternoon at the parsonage.

Hostess Mrs. Elmer Rosenkilde will be in charge of the program and will be assisted with serving refreshments by Mrs. John Fahenbruch.

Church session members will meet at 8 o'clock this evening in the Glenn Ward home at Adrian.

RUMMAGE SALE
Saturday-Sunday
May 13-14

Bldg. Next to Merc
Job's Daughters

EARN SCIENCE DEGREE FROM RICKS COLLEGE

Lynda L. Triplett is among 544 students graduating this evening, May 11 from Ricks college, according to Eldred Stephenson, director of admissions.

Lynda, the daughter of Mrs. Elaine Smith, will graduate with an associate in science degree. Of the graduating class there are 84 who will receive associate in arts degrees from the two-year LDS church college; 425 associate in science degrees; 18 junior college diplomas, and 17 who will receive one-year certificates for successful completion of work.

Said one married man: "I'm very happy. I have a wonderful home, a good job, and the finest wife in the country."

Replied the second married man: "With his wife in the country, who wouldn't be happy."

chairman, and she has been the Faith-Witness chairman of the MYF Idaho conference.

Honors received by Renee include being selected "Girl of the Month" for November and city recorder on student government day.

Renee will be employed by the Idaho Power Company this summer after which time she will study at OSU. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Somers of Nyssa.

NAZARENE Church News

Mrs. Jack Jamison was honored Thursday, May 4 with a surprise farewell shower. The shower was given by members of Golden Hour Missionary chapter at the home of Mrs. Hal Poe. Mrs. John Sheppard served as co-hostess and Jean Alexander was in charge of devotions. Refreshments were served to the 30 women present.

The Rev. and Mrs. Jack Jamison are planning to move to Nampa where the pastor has accepted a position as sociology instructor at Northwest Nazarene college in Nampa.

A teenage cruise was taken Sunday evening by 19 young people from Nyssa Church of the Nazarene. They then held a fellowship hour in the Kenneth Saunders home.

Gary Seward and Larry Saunders were among Nazarene Church caravan of boys who went on a Friday overnight camping trip.

BIRTHS

May 7.--To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Peeples of Nyssa, a 7-pound, 1/2 ounce girl, Verda Jean.

May 9.--To Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Valenciano of Nyssa, a 7-pound, 10-ounce boy, Juan Jose.

CATHOLIC WOMEN ELECT OFFICERS

Members of St. Bridget's Alter Society met last Tuesday in the Parish hall.

A pot luck luncheon was served and election of new officers was held.

The new officers are Marleen DeMinck, president; Mary Hurbach, vice president; Linda Lane, secretary and Veryle Smith, treasurer.

Plans for the rummage sale to be held May 23 were discussed. Silvie Smith, outgoing president, was presented with a gift.

Coffee and donuts were served after 8 o'clock mass.

dersen was first counselor in the Genealogical Society for several years.

Meetings will be held Sunday at 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. in the Stake Center. Stake President Dehlin A. Erickson, 1131 S. W. 6th Avenue, will conduct. Visitors are welcome.

Owyhee Community Church News

SUNSET VALLEY—Mmes. Wayne Robb, Jeanne Hardman, Gabe Astoreca and Ken Lorenson were among women attending a Sunday afternoon silver tea-candlelight service sponsored by the Pioneer Girls of Owyhee Community church.

Activities were under direction of Mrs. Jack Glaze and the event was held to honor the girls' mothers. Several women were presented with potted plants.

Jodi Holcomb and Bobbie Kurtz were recent overnight guests of Carmen Astoreca after the church young people went to a skating party in Ontario.

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Social Security Taxes And How They Have Risen

How much will an employee pay in social security taxes in future years, even if Congress does not pass increases this year? The California Packing Corporation in its company magazine recently spelled out for its employees what they are already slated to pay. Starting the table with the original tax (1% of the first \$3,000 of income or at most \$30 in a year) back in 1937, the table traced increases in 1950, 1951, 1954, 1955, 1957 and 1958. In the latter year the employee paid 2.25% of his first \$4,200 income or at most \$95 yearly.

In 1959 the rate and base both went up, and the maximum annual payment went to \$120. In 1960 and 1961 the employee paid 3% on \$4,800 income and the maximum was \$144. From 1963 through 1965 the employee paid 3.625% on a \$4,800 wage base or at most \$174.

FROM THERE ON THE TABLE READS:

In 1966, you paid 4.2% of the first \$6600 of your income or at most \$277
In 1967 and 1968, you'll pay 4.4% of the first \$6600 of your income or at most, yearly \$290
From 1969 through 1972, you'll pay 4.9% of the first \$6600 of your income or at most, yearly \$323
From 1973 through 1975, you'll pay 5.4% of the first \$6600 of your income or at most, yearly \$356
From 1976 through 1979, you'll pay 5.45% of the first \$6600 of your income or at most, yearly \$360
From 1980 through 1986, you'll pay 5.55% of the first \$6600 of your income or at most yearly \$366
From 1987 on, you'll pay 5.65% of the first \$6600 of your income or at most, yearly \$373

DOWN MEMORY LANE WITH . . .



Author Unknown

Come, Mother, let's wander down long ago lane,
Let's live for awhile in the past;
Let's travel with memory guiding our steps
Through years that have faded so fast.
Let's sit in that old-fashioned parlor again
And there I'll take hold of your hand,
The lights will be low and I'll whisper the words--
The words only you understand.

We'll dream of those buggy rides under the stars,
The dances and fun that we had;
And while we're remembering days that are gone
We'll skip all the ones that were bad.
We'll walk down the road past the little red school
And pause for a glance through the door,
And maybe we'll see there a scene to recall
The years that have gone on before.

Yes, Mother, let's shed the gray hairs for awhile,
Let's call back the years that are gone,
Pretending we're young with our hearts full of love--
The love we've depended upon.
Then after we've traveled that long ago lane
With memories playing their part,
Let's see if those memories balance the love
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