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WHERE CREDIT IS DUE

Members of official investigative bodies and public regulatory have not hesitated to express their "expert" opinions on how the pharmaceutical industry should be run, how physicians should practice and how hospitals should be operated. And yet, neither drugs nor health care can be provided by agencies of government or members of Congress who are hardly qualified to operate on an inflated appendix or compound a precisely formulated antibiotic tablet capable of saving the life of a pneumonia victim. A recent development has demonstrated this fact once again and should be brought vividly to the public's attention.

A new strain of the Asian flu virus has been identified and has already hit some 500,000 people in Hong Kong and Macao. The U. S. is now threatened with a major epidemic of the new Asian flu this fall and winter. Government health officials have asked major pharmaceutical companies to undertake a crash program to develop, produce and distribute in mass quantities sufficient vaccine to control an Asian flu invasion of nationwide proportions. Several drug companies are presently undertaking the job which is a time consuming and exacting process and involves an estimated \$5 million investment to gear up for production. The Public Health Service has acknowledged that the drug companies face financial loss unless the new vaccine can be made available and is used in mass immunization before the flu epidemic strikes--if it does.

In 1918, before the days of flu vaccine and antibiotics to combat complications of the disease, 446,000 Americans died and the epidemic killed an estimated 20 million people around the world. Such a catastrophe will not happen this winter because of the research, production and distribution facilities developed by the U. S. pharmaceutical industry. This should be kept in mind, in evaluating the merit and the justice of future official criticism of the industry's practices and accomplishments. - Industrial News Review.

MORE ON TELE-CABLE

Fragmentary reports dribble back to constituents of the 14-community committee that has been drafting a model franchise for area cable vision. After several months study we are wondering if all of the pieces will ever get put together to satisfy the whim and need of each community, large and small. With such a divergence of interest, some say even now that only a miracle can bring this about. Meanwhile, it is apparent that the rights of Oregon cities in this compact are being totally neglected and bypassed. In reports made to the Ontario city council from its own representatives, no reference grants waiver rights to communities bringing signals from afar which originate in their own state even when these signals conflict with signals from a neighboring state which is closer. Malheur county communities particularly qualify in this ruling.

Rep. Al Ullman verified this fact to the Ontario city council on Nov. 3, 1967 when he stated, "A FCC procedure does exist which would permit waiver of non-duplication requirements" and he enclosed the FCC rulings. This ruling simple means that Ontario, Vale and Nyssa communities would always find the programs on their TV dial as listed even for the Portland stations without interference from the Boise stations.

The application of this ruling to the local situation has been called to the attention of the Ontario council repeatedly. Nothing seems to come of it. The Ontario Jaycees conducted a survey last summer which indicated citizens here favored local ownership of the cable company which promised full inclusion of these non-duplication rights. Councilmen Turner, Echanis and Powell voted for the local applicant in one of the few open breaches of council opinion. None of these councilmen have ever been invited to attend the valley meetings. This omission leads one to question whether Ontario is being fairly and impartially represented in these sessions? If so, why are such important things being overlooked in the projected franchise?

Being the larger community in the county, Ontario will inevitably drag Vale, Nyssa and other Malheur county communities down this hole at the same time. So the lot of these communities beign thrown into this valley pot can result only in an inferior and less effective cable system for Oregonians. The franchise provisions which the 14-community committee is designing has such



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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TO THE EDITOR:

May I express to those who supported me for election as second District Congressman my sincere word of thanks. The experience of being a candidate for public office has been very satisfying.

At the risk of leaving many people out, I would like to thank particularly Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wettstein, Paul Parker, Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Tanaka, Ed and Margaret Dilley, Don Oakers, Paul Van Petten, Mr. and Mrs. Mamuro Wakasugi, Bob Dye and Senator Anthony Yturri.

I would also like to thank the Gate City Journal for the continued coverage of my campaign in order to bring a more informed choice to the people of Malheur County.

Again, thank you all very much. - Sincerely, Marv Root.

Dear Sir:

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks "Memorial Day" service will be held on Sunday, December 1st at 7:30 p.m. in the Ontario Lodge No. 1690. The first Sunday in December of each year is dedicated as a day on which shall be commemorated by every lodge of Elks in sacred session the memories of departed brothers.

The program will be performed by the lodge officers, Exalted Ruler George Hardisty presiding.

Dr. Emery Skinner, President of Treasure Valley Community college will deliver the keynote address.

Music will be provided by Mr. Ed Bradshaw, organist and tenor.

The public is cordially invited to attend the service. Yours truly, - Roger D. Graves, chairman.

You pay (high) for Trading Stamps. Also, to prove that they are used to gyp, an Ontario store offered 50 trading bonus stamps FREE with purchase of one pound of cranberries at 39 cents. A Nyssa store sold the brand, one pound for 23 cents. "Something for nothing" is usually a gyp. - Walter Burdette, Nyssa.

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Letter to the Editor:

Saturday, November 9, I attended the Oregon State-UCLA game in Corvallis and saw a marvelous show put on by the Nyssa High School Band.

Many people around me remarked about the large size of the band as well as their excellent sound and execution.

Nyssa residents can be proud of their school music program and its director. - Very truly yours, Howard H. Hudson, 117-48 S. W. Summercrest Pl., Tigard, Oregon 97223.

Nov. 11, 1968

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Brammer:

Thank you for the very impressive coverage of school highlights presented in the Gate City Journal during National Education Week.

Your thoughtful work certainly kept education in the news.

Sincerely yours, - Christine McPike, chairman NEA week, Nyssa Elementary School.

gargantuan complexity that even the Boise Broadcasters who figured prominently in this picture earlier have given up the whole thing according to reliable reports. Only factory bids and one or two big, big companies from out of state will be able to bid. No provision is being made for smaller companies to bid specific segments of area such as the Oregon section. We are being led around by the Idaho Municipal League as if we had a ring in our nose. Why should specific area bids

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Dear Editor Brammer:

It was my good fortune to observe Nyssa High School's marching band on two occasions this year; once during a Treasure Valley Community college football game and again at the Oregon State University-UCLA game. Their finest moment was at Corvallis when playing before 41,000 spectators.

I was more than proud for many of the band members I recognized were those I knew as grade schoolers.

Congratulations to Craig Northrup and the young men and women of whom Nyssa residents may feel justifiably proud.

Sincerely - Jeff Ford, Assistant Dean of Instruction, Treasure Valley Community college.

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Gentlemen:

I am a Freshman at Willamette University in Salem, Ore., and have as my roommate a resident of your town-- Gary Ross.

The next time he mumbles "our team won" I want to know "who."

Therefore, I am asking that you send to me a subscription to the Nyssa Gate City Journal.

I don't know what it will cost but just bill me here and I'll send back a check. The subscription may run for the standard year or however you work it. I can always have the address changed if necessary. Respectfully yours, - Donald K. Olsen.

OBITUARIES

CLARENCE E. ELLIOT

Funeral rites for Clarence E. Elliot were conducted Monday morning, Nov. 25, 1968 at Lienkaemper chapel, with the Rev. Arthur Skogan officiating. Interment was made in the cemetery at Roswell.

Mr. Elliot, 68, succumbed Friday at a Caldwell hospital, following an extended illness. He was born Nov. 11, 1900 in Illinois, and had been a construction worker prior to his retirement.

He is survived by two sons, Kenneth of Prosser, Wash., and Donald Elliot of Stanfield, Ore. Also surviving are ten grandchildren; three brothers, Loyd and Floyd of Nyssa and Ray Elliot of Olympia, Wash.; one sister, Mrs. Gladys Lutes of Natchez, Wash.

THOMAS JOHNSON

Funeral services for Thomas Charles Johnson were conducted Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 27, 1968 at Lienkaemper chapel. Officiating was the Rev. Wallace Prowell of the Nyssa Christian church.

Mr. Johnson succumbed Monday at Malheur Memorial hospital, following an extended illness.

He was born Nov. 25, 1894 at Ironside, Ore., the fourth child of Thomas J. and Avo (Joslin) Johnson. While still a child, the Johnson family moved to the Ontario area where the deceased attended a rural school.

Mr. Johnson served in the armed forces during World War I, most of the time in France.

On July 4, 1920 he was married to Merle B. Leuck at Ontario. After their marriage they moved to a farm near Nyssa and later homesteaded a farm west of Nyssa where they resided until 1943. Mr. Johnson worked for the Owyhee Irrigation project until his retirement in 1957.

The deceased was an active member of Nyssa Christian church and of IOOF Gate City Lodge No. 202.

He was fond of farm life and caring for his livestock. In later life, his favorite hobbies were reading and fishing.

In addition to his widow of Nyssa, Mr. Johnson is survived by two daughters, Mrs.

cable companies is to be forfeited along with many rights. Is this what the people want? We pose these questions to the citizens of Malheur communities now, before it is too late and many months of pointless conference with the 14-community committee delays for another year or so the arrival of cable television in this valley. - /s/ Lee Smith, President, Treasure Valley Cable Vision.

OWYHEE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rodney Frost was speaker on Sunday, Nov. 24 at Owyhee Community church. He will also speak this coming Sunday, Dec. 1.

Prayer meeting was held Nov. 20 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Phelps. Nine local residents attended, as well as Rodney Frost. Next prayer session will be held Dec. 4 at the Boyd Haney home in Nyssa.

Among those attending an all-day American Sunday School workers' conference held Nov. 23 at the First Baptist church in Caldwell were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dail, Janet and Sharon, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Haney, Roger, Joyce and Barbara, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lorensen, Harriet and Gloria, Mrs. Clara Corfield, Mrs. Dorothy Pattee, Miss Sandra Ward, Mrs. Gary Nielsen and children, Mrs. Bill Nielsen and children. The Haney children sang a special number during the program.

St. Bridget's News

Women of St. Bridget's Catholic Altar Society will meet at 12 noon for a potluck luncheon on Tuesday, Dec. 3 at the parish hall. A brief business meeting will follow the luncheon.

On the evening of Nov. 23, a chili feed and card party were held in the recreation hall of the church. Mrs. John Dority served as chairman for the event.

Speaker for the afternoon will be Lorraine Tillman of Boise. Vocalist Ed Bradshaw will provide the musical portion of the program.

A special feature of the Wednesday afternoon meeting will be 'Holiday Hair Fashions' presented by Mary Rich of the Payette Beauty School.

Reservations may be made by contacting Betty Lewis at 889-6538. A nursery will be available at the Ontario Church of the Nazarene.

ADRIAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

Members of the women's association of Adrian Community church met on the afternoon of Nov. 14 in the home of Mrs. Leroy Bennett in Big Bend. Fourteen women answered roll call by reporting on the number of friendship calls made during the month.

A letter, from the Eastern Oregon hospital at Pendleton, was read. It requested gifts for Christmas for nearly 900 patients.

The group voted to allow \$39 to pay the shipping charges for clothing to be sent overseas by the Church World Service. Mrs. K. I. Peterson took a box of sheets to be mended for Malheur Memorial hospital in Nyssa, and each one present took some of them home.

Plans were made to serve dinner at the Presbytery meeting to be held Dec. 10 in Adrian. The women also voted to serve lunch at the Nov. 27 Larry DeHaven farm sale.

It was announced that there will be a box for Christmas gifts for Eastern Oregon hospital placed in the vestibule.

The container was placed there on Nov. 24 and will remain there through Dec. 1. Gifts should not be wrapped. There is also a box at Looney's store and one at the Adrian Merc. The gifts must be in Pendleton before Dec. 10.

Patrons who desire to submit their names, as donors, should enclose slips containing their names and addresses.

Those wishing to give money should make their checks out to E. I. Silk, M. D., Box A, Pendleton, Ore., 97801.

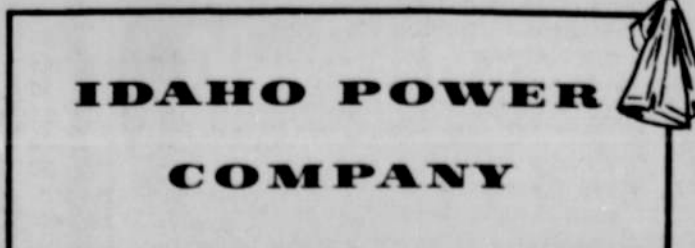
On the suggested gift list are toiletries of various kinds, remnants of material, embroidery thread and yarn, sheet music and records, musical instruments (any kind), books (Western preferred), table games, shirts, bath robes, new clothing, cakes, cookie or pudding mixes, handkerchiefs, stationery, socks, pipes, tobaccos, candy, nuts, soap, combs, brushes, electric razors, cuddly toys, and new puzzles.



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