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'Reverence For The Laws'

On the 12th of this month we celebrate the birthday of a great American who had profound compassion for his fellow man. Lincoln's stand for human dignity, equality and freedom of the individual has been a source of inspiration to generation after generation of Americans.

As we think of the humane causes to which Lincoln dedicated his life, we should not overlook the fact that he was also greatly concerned about the evils of crime. "...To the support of the Constitution and Laws," Lincoln said, "let every American pledge his life, his property, and his sacred honor; let every man remember that to violate the law is to trample on the blood of his father, and to tear the charter of his own and his children's liberty."

By Lincoln's standards, present-day criminals are tracking blood on our sacred heritage, impeding the progress of our society, and jeopardizing our hopes for the future. While final statistics are not available, preliminary figures indicate that crime in the United States last year increased approximately 19 percent over 1967. Particularly alarming was the sharp rise in armed robbery which was well above the national average for all crimes. Along with the rising volume of violations, the annual cost of crime has soared to more than \$31 billion.

In some instances, law enforcement has been sharply criticized for its handling of criminal matters. Certainly, we do not contend that enforcement officers make no mistakes and that law enforcement is above criticism. However, some critics skirt the real issues of crime to imply that the police are the major threat to public safety. This, of course, is pure nonsense.

The fear that grips the hearts of the American public today is not the fear of an officer with a badge. It is the fear of brazen criminals in our cities and communities. It is the mugger, robber, rapist, and murderer who make people afraid to walk the streets at night. And many citizens are becoming fed up with these conditions. They are calling for better protection and more policemen, and they are asking for swifter prosecution and stiffer penalties for vicious criminals. They know that crime, not law enforcement, is the enemy of a free society living under the rule of law.

Crime, regardless of its many causes, is a product of disrespect for the laws. Lincoln, as a lawyer and as President, gave high priority to "reverence for the laws." "Let it be taught," he said, "in schools, seminaries, and in colleges; let it be written in primers, spelling books, and in almanacs; let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in legislative halls, and enforced in courts of justice. And, in short, let it become the political religion of the Nation..."

Today, we can best pay tribute to Lincoln by upholding his principle - "Reverence for the laws."

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

The third session of Mandate Formation - "Church Compromised", will be held Sunday, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m. in the First United Methodist church in Ontario. The meeting will be held in cooperation with the Community Methodist church of Ontario, Methodist churches of Payette, Fruitland, Nyssa and Vale.

The leaders and subject matter to be discussed are Videlle Wolery, Mission of church and state; Ade Salto and Mass Yano, Mission and culture; Wayne

Sheldon and Cindy Vincent, Mission and Unity; Ronnie Yasuda, Mission and Money; and Shirley Jennings, Impossible Dream - a new form of worship. There will be nursery provided and all interested are invited to attend.

TVCC PLANS COURSE FOR NURE'S AIDES

A nurse's aide training and home health care aide training course is being planned at Treasure Valley Community college. Instruction will last for six weeks with 150 hours of classwork and on-the-job experience in hospitals and in

In Memoriam

DAVID KEVEREN

Services for David Paul Keveren will be conducted at 10 o'clock Saturday morning, Feb. 15, 1969 at the United Methodist church in Vale. Officiating will be the Rev. Virden Seybold. Interment will follow at Vale View.

David Paul, five-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert K. Keveren of 646 West Street South, Vale, succumbed Tuesday at the home of his parents, following an illness of 14 months.

He was born June 21, 1963 at Nyssa and was a member of the Vale United Methodist church.

He is survived by his parents; two brothers, Phillip Kay and John Robert of the home; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Keveren of Nyssa; his paternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Nellie Hobart of Belle Fourche, S. D. Also surviving are an uncle and aunt, on the maternal side, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Crook of San Clements, Calif.

Friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday at Lienkaemper Memorial chapel in Vale. The family requests that memorials be given to the Vale United Methodist church.

ANNA I. CHANEY

Funeral services for Anna Irene Chaney, a longtime resident of Western Idaho and Southeastern Oregon, were conducted Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 11, 1969 at Lienkaemper chapel. Officiating was the Rev. Carl Johnson Jr. of the Nyssa Assembly of God church.

Mrs. Chaney succumbed Saturday at Malheur Memorial hospital.

She was born Dec. 8, 1881 in Boise and was married to James R. Chaney on Nov. 14, 1900. Mr. Chaney had homesteaded in 1898 in the location which is now under Lake Lowell. The couple resided there until 1905 when they moved to the Big Bend area. Upon retiring in 1945 they moved to Nyssa.

The deceased was a member of the Nyssa Assembly of God church. She is survived by one son, Horace Chaney of Adrian; a brother, Charles Smith of Horseshoe Bend, Idaho; ten grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1949; one son and two daughters.

Burial was made in Canyon Hill cemetery at Caldwell. Serving as pallbearers were Howard, Willard and Oakley Smith, Robert Stubblefield, Harold Wall and John Cooper.

nursing homes. The five credit course will be taught by Mrs. Robert Behling. The class is limited to the first ten people who request enrollment. Cost to each student is \$2.50.

An organizational meeting is scheduled for 7:00 P.M. on Monday, February 17 in Treasure Valley Community college's classroom / administration building. For class reservation contact the Continuing Education office at the college.

Nyssa Hosts Contest For FFA Speakers

The Nyssa Chapter of Future Farmers of America hosted the Snake River District Parliamentary Procedure and Public Speaking Contest here this week, according to Stanley Sisson, Nyssa FFA advisor. Competing were FFA chapters of Adrian, Baker, Nyssa, Ontario and Vale.

First place in the speech contest went to Sam Harrison, Baker; second, Dana Bratton, Nyssa and third, Bill Brewer of Adrian. First and second place winners will advance to the Eastern Oregon sectional contest to be held Feb. 15 at La Grande, Ore.

BAKER WINS

Baker won in parliamentary procedure followed by Adrian, second, and Nyssa, third. First

Cancer Group Names Officers

A meeting of the Malheur County unit of the American Cancer Society was held Feb. 5 when 1969 officers were elected.

They are Bob Humphreys of Ontario, president; Bob Kennedy of Nyssa, vice president; Mrs. Augustus Tanaka of Ontario, secretary and Dwight Sargent of Ontario, treasurer.

Dr. David W. Sarazin of Nyssa is medical director for District No. 7 of the Oregon Cancer Society and was scheduled to preside at the annual business meeting held Feb. 12 at the Sagagawa Inn at La Grande. About eight members of the Malheur county group planned to attend the educational meeting.

COMING EVENTS

TODAY - 8 P.M. Eagles Auxiliary will hold special officers meeting at Eagles hall. Called by President.

TODAY - 8 P.M. Nyssa PTA meeting in school cafeteria. Speaker will be Bert Wilson, investigator for Bureau of Drug Control.

TODAY - 7:30 P.M. - Job's Daughter's meeting and initiation at Masonic hall.

FEB. 14 - 2 P.M. Owyhee Garden club will meet at the home of Mrs. Wilbur Holcomb.

FEB. 14 - 8 P.M. - National Farm Organization (NFO) meeting at Oregon Trail hall.

FEB. 18 - 8 P.M. Eagles Auxiliary valentines party for members and husbands. Pot-luck dinner.

FEB. 18 - 8:30 P.M. Eagles Auxiliary regular business meeting and initiation.

FEB. 18 - 5:30 to 8 P.M. - Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper at St. Paul's Episcopal church.

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BOOKS JUDGED

Adrian was the winner of the advanced project books and Ontario the beginning project books. Judges were Harry Hoch, Earl McCollum and Norman Millikin, all of Treasure Valley Community college, Gary Nielson, state farmer from Adrian, Dean Sisson, state farmer from Nyssa, and Harold Kurtz, director of the Nyssa Cooperative Supply.

ACCEPTED AT TVCC

Among students accepted at Treasure Valley Community college for the fall term 1969 are Nyssans DiAnne Marilyn Fife, daughter of the Leo Fifes and Patricia Ruth Peterson, daughter of the F. Neil Petersons, who will major in business.

Others include Kathrine Dianne Nelson, daughter of the Richard J. Nelsons, who plans to major in drafting; and Wendy Rae Bair, daughter of the Cecil R. Bairs, who will major in inhalation therapy.

Nyssa students who have been accepted at TVCC for the summer term are Suellen Shanks, daughter of the Lloyd W. Shanks', who will major in liberal arts; and Joyce Ann Cruson, daughter of the Douglas E. Crusons, an educational major.

OWYHEE COMMUNITY CHURCH

The Harvesters of Owyhee Community church will hold their annual meeting Saturday, Feb. 15 at the women's club house in Ontario. The session will begin at 10 a.m. Those attending are asked to take covered dishes and own table service. Coffee and punch will be furnished.

Rodney Frost of Boise will be speaker at the Feb. 16, Sunday morning worship service.



An eight-pound, 15-ounce daughter, Tonja Margaret, was born Jan. 19, 1969 to Larry and Lana Schenk of Las Vegas, Nev.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Schenk of rural Nyssa, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Eldredge of Las Vegas.

ADRIAN - Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lovitt became parents of an eight-pound girl on Feb. 9, 1969. She has been named Shelly Anne and joins two brothers.

BIG BEND - Mr. and Mrs. Alan Bennett became parents of an eight-pound, 13-ounce daughter, Amy Lee, on Feb. 5, 1969 at Caldwell Memorial hospital. She joins two brothers, Joel and Todd. Mrs. Bennett and new baby stayed for several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sanders in Nyssa.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hanby announce the arrival of their 12th grandchild, born Feb. 4, 1969 to their son-in-law and daughter, Gus and Louise Flowers. The seven-pound, 13-ounce boy, Steven Clark, arrived on the second birthday anniversary of his brother, David.

MALHEUR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL 1969
Feb. 6 - To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Groves of Payette, a nine-pound, five-ounce boy, named Andrew Kent.

Feb. 8 - To Mr. and Mrs. Omis Short of Nyssa, a seven-pound, 14-ounce boy, Dallas Wayne.

Feb. 9 - To Mr. and Mrs. Larry DeLong of Vale, a girl.
Feb. 12 - To Mr. and Mrs. Gary Howell of Fruitland, a boy.

St. Bridget's News

Announced recently were results of an election and appointment of members to the Lay Advisory Board of St. Bridget's parish in Nyssa. Elected at large are E. Otis Smith, Wilton Jackson and Mrs. Eugene Pratt.

Elected as representative of the Men's group was Robert Kennedy; Altar Society, Mrs. Roy Hirai; and the CCD, Mrs. Don Stults. Appointed by the pastor were Luis Vendrell, James Grunke and Mary Haburchak, as high school spokesmen.

Continuity of the board has

MAN - HIS ARTS AND IDEAS

BY CLYDE T. SWISHER
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NYSSA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

As I mentioned last week, I'd like to continue discussing opera for a couple more columns. This week I should like to discuss briefly the various components of opera.

In the classic type of opera the explanations necessary to plot and action are presented in a kind of musical declamation known as RECITATIVE. This vocal style imitates and emphasizes the natural inflections of speech; its rhythm is curved to the rhythm of the language. Recitative gives way at the lyric moments to the ARIA, which releases the emotional tension accumulated in the course of the action. The aria is pure melody. It is what audiences wait for, what they cheer, and what they remember.

Grand opera is sung throughout. In opera the more popular variety the recitative is generally replaced by spoken dialogue. This is the type known among us as operetta (remember the Gilbert and Sullivan plays such as 'The Mikado' and H. M. S. Pinafore?) and musical comedy (the recent Broadway smash hit 'Hello Dolly' is a good example as is the movie version of 'Thoroughly Modern Millie'.)

The emotional conflicts in opera are linked to universal types and projected through the contrasting voices. Soprano, mezzo-soprano, and contralto are counterposed to tenor, baritone, and bass. The dramatic soprano is preferred for dynamic range and striking characterization, then lyric for gentler types. The coloratura has the highest range and greatest agility in the execution of trills and rapid passages. Corresponding to these are the dramatic tenor and the lyric tenor.

The ballet provides an eye-filling diversion in the scenes of pageantry that are an essential feature of grand opera. The LIBRETTO or book of an opera must be devised so as to give the composer his opportunity for the set numbers--the arias, duets, ensembles, choruses, marches, ballets, and finales that are the traditional features of this art form. The librettist must not only create characters and plot with some semblance of dramatic insight, but he has also to present these in terms of the lyric theater, fashioning situations that justify the use of music and could not be fully realized without it.

Opera lends itself to the grand style. The pomp and splendor of its great scenes are survivals from a time when opera was the chief diversion of princely courts. Everything is presented in vivid colors, larger than life-size. The spoken drama may concern itself with the clash of ideas; the opera concentrates on sentiments and passions.

Opera appeal primarily to those composers and music lovers who are given to the magic of the theater. It exerts its fascination upon those who love to hear singing; countless others are attracted for the very good reason that opera contains some of the grandest music ever written.

And what's on schedule at the Metropolitan Opera? This Saturday at noon is Puccini's 'Tosca'. Give a listen to KBOI radio.

been obtained by staggering the years in office, until most members eventually will hold office for three years. The Constitution of the Board was prepared by an interim committee and the group's first meeting will be held within a few weeks following the election.

A pot-luck supper was served at St. Bridget's hall for Nick and Nellie Smit, longtime active parishioners. The farewell dinner was marked with words of gratitude and a cake frosted with the message, "Good Luck to Nick and Nellie." As customary for active members moving out of the parish, a gift to be used in the parish was given in their name by the Altar Society. In this case a pitcher and basin to be used by the priest at the lavaso of the Mass.

A sledding party for high school students of St. Bridget's parish followed by a chili supper, was held recently. Those in attendance were John and Julia Elguezabal, John and Jane Joyce, Mike Apodaca, Manuel Defuentes, Mary Ann Dority, Debbie Adams, Mike and Maurice Smith, Mary Haburchak and Father Young.

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