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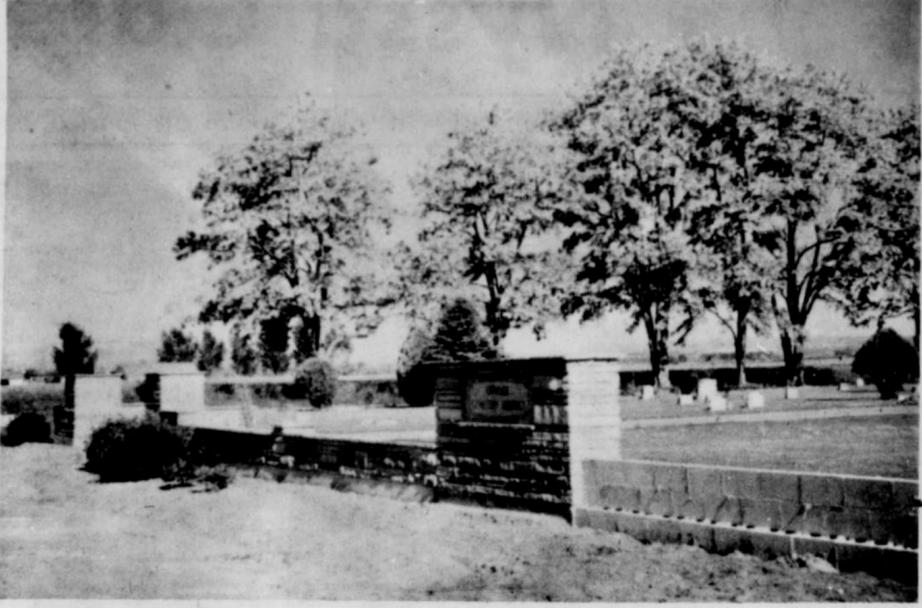
**OBITUARIES**

**LILA MITCHELL**  
 Services for Mrs. Lila Moon Mitchell were conducted at 1:30 P. M. Wednesday, May 21, 1969 at the Owyhee Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints by Bishop Farrell G. Peterson. Interment was in the Owyhee cemetery, under direction of Lienkaemper chapel of Nyssa.

Mrs. Mitchell, a former long-time resident of Sunset Valley died Saturday in a Spokane, Wash., hospital following an extended illness.

She was born Jan. 14, 1902, at Woodland, Utah. She had been staying at the home of her son, Val Mitchell in Othello, Wash., previous to her death.

The deceased is survived by a daughter, Lila June Mitchell of Othello, and two sons, Alfred Val Mitchell of Othello and Don James Mitchell of Basin City, Wash. She was preceded in death by her husband.



THE OWYHEE CEMETERY FRONTAGE, showing the beautification project, sponsored by members of the Owyhee garden club. The photo shows the gate, plaque stone and partially completed fence, all covered with Arizona stone. In the background are black locust trees in bloom. The garden club women have held a number of fund-raising events to help finance the project; they announce that the project is a civic one and urge contributions from interested individuals and organizations. They report that a number of generous donations have already been received. To add to the funds, the gardeners announce that they will sell fresh-flower bouquets on Thursday, May 29 on the M and W parking lot in Nyssa. The sale of Memorial flowers will begin at 4 p. m. and continue until they are all sold.

**NO TAX RELIEF**

A great many people are expecting the Oregon Legislature to do something substantial to provide property tax relief, while at the same time, they are providing very substantial increases in salaries for teachers and other public officials, new building programs and expanded public services generally. It is an impossible order.

Many people think that this relief can be provided through the passage of a sales tax, but there are also many people who are convinced that a sales tax might get on the books with some promises of relief in property taxes, but that increased budgets would soon eat up the additional revenue and the people would then be permanently saddled with a sales tax while their property taxes rose back to the old level and went beyond. This is a very real possibility, and, in fact, a very likely prospect.

Statistics compiled by the Oregon State Tax Commission show that the estimated annual cost to a family of four under the proposed three percent sales tax would be as follows: personal income \$6,000 to \$6,999 - \$110; \$7,000 to \$7,999 income - \$119; \$8,000 to \$8,999 - \$128; \$9,000 to \$9,999 - \$140.

As against this sales tax all the property owner would save, according to Tax Commission figures, would be the following: \$108 on a \$20,000 home; and \$62 on a \$30,000 assessed valuation.

A taxpayer might get some relief on his property taxes, but he might be paying this much or more in a sales tax. The latter might be less painful, but the net result wouldn't help him very much.

The plain, bald truth of the matter is that there can be very little tax relief except through the federal government, and there will be no tax relief through the federal government as long as we are spending \$80 billions annually on war. This country simply cannot provide the facilities and the services which the people want and need here at home while carrying on a full-scale war in Vietnam. It is that simple. The war is wrecking us. (Wallowa Enterprise)

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH NOTES**

The high school youth of Faith Lutheran church will meet at 6 p.m. May 23 at the church to journey to Weiser Hot Springs for a swimming party with the young people of Grace Lutheran, Vale, and St. Paul's Lutheran, Ontario. After swimming the group will roast wieners.

The eighth grade Confirmation class of Faith Lutheran will have their Catechism review, 8 p.m., May 27, at the church. Each student will answer questions on the basis of Luther's Small Catechism and give a short talk concerning their Christian faith. Members of the class are: Nancy Ross, Debbie Orr, Scott Kido, Richard Grasmick, Jennifer Ure and Carol Nelson. Members and friends are cordially invited to attend.



**ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

A May 18 reception was held after church for 1969 Nyssa high school graduates of St. Paul's Episcopal church in Nyssa. They are Barbara Tensen, Ann Zittercob, Bob Church, and Sue Schenk. Coffee and cake were served and the graduates were presented with gifts.

**First Missionary Baptist Church**

The Rev. Raymond Payne, a missionary to Australia, will be speaking at 8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday evenings, May 21-22 at the First Missionary Baptist church, located at Second and Ehrgood streets in Nyssa.

It is announced by Pastor James W. Dotson, that refreshments will be served after the Wednesday evening service so that those attending may become better acquainted with the Rev. Payne and his family.

The public is cordially invited to attend the evening meetings.

**Rummage Sale**

St. Bridget's Altar Society will hold a rummage sale, Saturday, May 24 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the old liquor store building on N. Second street next door to the Gate City Cleaners.

**OWYHEE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

A meeting of the women's missionary circle was held May 20 in the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Robb near Adrian. Vacation Bible school teachers met May 19 at the home of Director Mrs. Harold Dail.

**CIRCLE MEETING**

WSSC Circle met May 15 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Beers. There were 19 members and one guest. Mrs. Grover Lytle served as co-hostess, with Mrs. Orland Cheldelin in charge of the program.



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**Tensen, Wilson Selected Girl, Boy For Year 68-69**

Seniors Barbie Tensen and Larry Wilson captured the high honors of Boy and Girl of the 1968-69 school year. Barbie was recently selected girl of the month for April and Larry, boy of the month for May.

Barbie is currently co-valedictorian with a 4.0 GPA and is planning to study education at Oregon State University next fall. She recently received a \$1,000 scholarship from Oregon PTA and is privileged to be included in Merit's Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Barbie stated that her junior year was her favorite because the classes weren't too difficult and it was fun working on the prom.

Also very active as a senior, Larry has participated in such varsity sports as football, basketball, and track. He also has served as Letterman's club president. Larry chose his senior year as his most exciting year at NHS. Planning to study liberal arts, Larry will enter Treasure Valley Community College next fall. - NHS Bulldog.



ENDING A YEAR OF BUSY ACTIVITIES ARE SENIORS Barbie Tensen and Larry Wilson, chosen Girl and Boy for the school year 1968-69. Barbie and Larry were selected from candidates who had won previously through the year.

**WORK SMARTER - NOT HARDER**

EVERY MOTHER AND grandmother should have a few finger plays in mind to use with children at critical moments when they need diversion.

Mrs. Roberta Frasier, Oregon State University Extension family life specialist, says old favorites such as "Here's the church, here's the steeple" and the "Blackbirds" are as popular with this generation as with previous ones.

If you don't remember any of these plays, check with your friends and you'll soon build up a repertoire. You'll have fun reminiscing and may recall finger plays you haven't thought about since childhood.

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**Weekly Sermonette**

Faith in the Lord, however small, is better than faith about the Lord, however great. That is why it is written in Psalm 37:3, "Trust in the Lord."

Why trust in the Lord? For salvation. Education cannot produce it. Morality cannot merit it. Psychiatry cannot accomplish it. Wealth cannot buy it. You are saved by a gift of love you get by trusting in the Lord.

How does one trust in the Lord? The Psalmist answers, "With all your heart." A man said to his friend, "The name of that firm is 'Head and Heart.' Poor Heart died and left Head all alone." A faith that is all of the head and not of the heart is futile. It is with the heart that one believes and becomes right with the Lord.

After trusting, what then? "Do good," says the Psalmist. "Our Lord went about doing good," testified a woman; and she added, "I am afraid that I just went about." One is not saved by doing good, but because he is saved he does good. Faith procures salvation, and doing good proves it.

What will become of one who trusts in the Lord with all his heart and does good? "So shalt thou dwell in the land," comes the reply, "and verily thou shalt be fed." He who has faith in the Lord will never be forsaken by the Lord.

A sharp tongue is the only tool that grows keener with use.

The right of free speech does not confer the right to cry 'fire' in a crowded theatre.

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