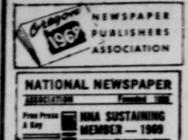
The Gate City Journal

DERICK NEDRY, Editor & Publisher RUBEN LOPEZ, Shop Foreman



SUBSCRIPTION RATES Single Copies.. In Maiheur County, Oregon, and Payette and

	~auju	. ~	- SPACE		*	
Idaho:						
One	Year.		_		\$4.	.00
	Month					
	where					
	Year.					
Six	Month	S			\$3.	.00

Published Every Thursday at Nyssa, Malheur County, Oregon 97913

Entered at the Post Office at Nyssa, Oregon, for Transmission through the United States Mails, as a Second Class Matter under the Act of March 3, 1879.

Christmas, 1969

No one really likes to change. Somehow that indicates to us a weakness in our character. If we change our minds, we think we are saying we are wrong. If we change our actions, we think we are admitting that we have made a mistake.

Yet, not to change is far more serious and dangerous. If we refuse to reconsider our thoughts, attitudes or actions, we are saying our judgements are perfect. I suggest that, Biblically speaking, Christ alone fits that precious category. It 'ollows, of course, that if we are not perfect, then all of our actions and thoughts have room for reconsideration, revision and gr. wth.

The central thrust of Christmas is change. Outwardly, our community has changed since Thanksgiving in quite a radical way. We now have gaily lighted streets, pine-scented homes, carol-singing congregations and beautifully decorated store windows. If the change stops there, our community, homes and congregations will have gained little from Christmas, 1969. If we open our hearts and minds to the possibility of thinking freshly and openly in the area of community relations and affairs, our own moral and spiritual life, politics, and recorded in the Bible. attitudes toward each other, then the Spirit of Christmas can produce some positive thrusts from each one of us in concrete terms of producing changes in our life, our community and

The Christ of Bethlehem makes all the difference. In Him we can have the strength to endure the statement, "I was wrong." In Him resides the possibility of "a better way." In Him we can claim forgiveness for all the mistakes, for the lack of enthusiam and initiative we have displayed. This forgiveness can open up to us a whole new world of exciting possibilities.

I don't advocate change for the sake of change itself. But if we refuse to be open to changes that ought to take place in us or the area where we live, then we either assume the role of God in determining that our judgements are always right, or we become lethargic, which is a kind of death. In either case, the meaning and joy of Christmas, 1969, will fade as Dessert Seed Company, Incor- lyn, which makes him 200 perquickly as the dead needles fall off our Christmas tree .- porated announces the passing cent American -- and also that Rev. Orville A, Jacobson, Pastor of Faith Lutheran, Nyssa away of its founder Ray Dessert, he was born exactly in 1900, and Grace Lutheran Church, Vale.



At Christmas, a special prayer: May mankind be blessed with "Peace on Earth." And a special wish: May your personal Christmas be a most happy one.

OWYHEE TRUCK & IMPLEMENT CO.

OWYHEE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Owyhee Community Church will be the scene of a Watch nite service and party on Dec. 31. Everyone is invited. There freshments will be served.

Nursing Home. Rev. Fred Dec. 28 (4-5 p.m.) on KBOI-TV Moxom was in charge. It was channel 2. raining so they were forced to Appropriately enough, he will

bilas will be guests of the posing it. Owyhee Church on January 2. They will tell of their helm the Young People's

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Fivewere visitors Dec. 21 at the having become acquainted when the Moxoms were teaching Bible School several years ago. They attended the services and program Dec. 21 at the Owyhee Community Church.

The Christmas program was very well attended. Those in attendance were well pleased said of his colleague; with the emphasis put into the birth of the Christ-Child, and His redemption of all peoples as



RAY DESSERT SUCCUMBS

Sr. in El Centrel, California which makes him 200 percent this past week.

Mr. Dessert was active in Copland has been no stranger the company until he retired to the Philharmonic's Young seven years ago, but remained People's concerts over the past Chairman of the Board until 12 his death.

MAN - HIS ARTS AND IDEAS

BY CLYDE T. SWISHER CHAIRMAN, DEPT. OF ENGLISH

NYSSA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

will be special singing and re- lecturer -- and a man con-19 a group of Young People Movies" as his topic for the sang carols for the residents Philharmonic Young People's of the Malheur Memorial Concert to be presented Sunday,

cancel plans to sing at various utilize material from four of homes. They retired to the his own film scores to illustrate church and held a practice for the meaning of background Mr. and Mrs. Ricardo Bram- the intricacies inhernet in com-

That Copland is the man to missionary work in Mexico. seasonal opener is attested by no less an authority than Leonard Bernstein, who has been incoat of the Center Point area volved in all previous Young People's Concerts, Bernstein's Owyhee Parsonage with Rev. and commitments in his new post Mrs. Fred Moxom. The Five- as laureate conductor of the New coats are friends of many years, York Philharmonic now preclude the narrating and conducting every one of the Young People's presentations.

On the occasion of an all- the Copland program celebrating the composer's 60th birthday on a Young People's Concert broadcast on the network during the 1960-61 season, Bernstein

"It wouldn't be possible to list for you all the things Aaron Copland has done for the young during his lifetime -- the dozens of young composers he has rooted for and brought success to, the even more dozens whom he has taught at Tanglewood and at Harvard and at other places, and most of all, the many pieces he has written mainly to be preformed by young people. "The truth is that his music

is full of variety, and little thorny ones, and great majestic bushes, and then tiny shy little buds -- all kinds. One thing they all have in common is American roots. Don't forget that Aaron The Nyssa branch of the Copland was born in Brooka composer of our time."

> years. Including his "birthday party" -- which he

Conductor, pianist, teacher, guest-conducted his "El Salon Mexico" -- a total of eight sidered by many as America's broadcasts have been adorned most distinguished serious by 17 of his works. He was The Christmas program was composer -- Aaron Copland the soloist for his own Congiven on Dec. 21. December has selected "Music for the certo for Piano and Orchestra Orchestra; Rostropovich will be on the series, March 11, 1964 program entitled "Jazz in the Concert Hall," and he led the broadcast on Feb. 1, 1958, con-

ducting his Symphony No. 3.

"Nutcracker Suite") "Ameri- most of his life. ca's most popular composer." Considering the enormous and despondency and inner turmoil, style, in that.

has turned to Tchaikovsky for it, he portrayed in his works Swisher's column will appear in program content of "the human soul in the convul- the Jan. 8 issue,

hour program will be carried he portrayed was his own. today (Dec. 25) beginning at

in B-Flat Minor for Piano and weeping, heard in "Variations on a Rococo Theme."

Tchaikovsky, though the most

A second TV program which to be happy, the more discon- his right hand, he would hold I'd like to call to your attention tented do I become. A worm his chin with his left hand. He church program participants. music for motion pictures and is scheduled today (Dec. 25) gnaws continually in secret in was sure that some day he would on channel 2 KBOI at 2:30 p.m. my heart . . . I suffer from die as his mother had, from Sol Hurok, the impresario's torments which cannot be put cholera. Eventually, he did. impresario, has long been fond into words," Tchaikovsky said. of calling Peter Ilitch Tchaikov- This was the nub of the emosky (popularly known for his tional despair in which he lived

> perennial popularity in this despite the grief and self-pity of Tchaikovsky the man, it pales country of the great Russian he brought to so much of his in importance beside the monucomposer's works, there may magnificent music, Tchaikovsky mental musical heritage left by be more truth than poetry, Hurok could also musically delineate Tchaikovsky the composer. love and joy, warmth and tender-Showman that he is, Hurok ness. As one chronicler put vacation, the next of Mr.

"S. Hurok Presents," the latest sions of love, hate, joy and special in a series. The full fear." And the human soul

One incident in his childhood betrays the exceptional sensi-Appearing on the special will tivity that was to plague him be two world-renowned musi- all his life. When he was 5 cians, cellist Mstislav Rostro- years old he was given some povich and pianist Emil Gilels, desultory piano lessons. Though both, like the composer whose the instructions were hapmusic they will perform, hazard, the music excited him. Russian-born. Gilels will play One night, going to bed after Tchaikovsky's Concerto No. 1 hearing a concert, he was found

"The music won't leave my head," he whimpered. "It won't let me go to sleep."

Whenever Tchaikovsky con-Philharmonic in one selection towering of all Russian com- ducted an orchestra early in on the second Young People's posers, was also the most his career he was in continual dread that his head might slip 'The greater reason I have off his shoulders; his baton in As one observer of the com-

poser's complex nature said, "His character is a formidable contradiction of genuine passion Oddly enough, despite all his and hypocritical sham.'

However accurate a measure

Ed. note-Because of school

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH NOTES

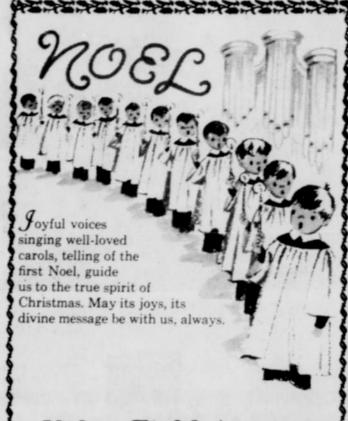
······

congregation Faith Lutheran will celebrate Christmas with a service at 7 p.n. for the entire family. A thirtyvoice youth choir composed of high school students from Nyssa and Vale Lutheran congregations will give two selections: a spiritual, "Mary, Mary, Where is Your Baby," and a cannon, 'Mary had a baby." In addition to the singing of carols and a special Christmas message, the celebration of the Lord's Supper will take place.

The high school students will enjoy a sleding or skating party, Dec. 29 beginning at 3 p.m. Cars will leave from the church

THE THE THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Recovery Incorporated, a non-sectarian, non-denominational, non-profit organization meets each Friday, at 8 p.m. at the Nyssa Christian Church, 5th and Ennis Ave. It is for anyone wishing to learn how to solve personal problems.



Nolan Field Agency



. for Christmas is here! One of the season's bright pleasures is exchanging holiday greetings. This pleasure is ours as we say, "Thanks" to our many loyal customers.

Adrian Mercantile

GEORGE and LOIS



COAST-TO-COAST STORE





THE NYSSA GATE CITY JOURNAL STAFF

Dirick and Margaret Nedry

Ruben Lopez Patsy Hicks

Betty Talbot Joy Huskinson