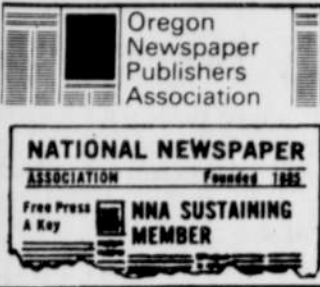


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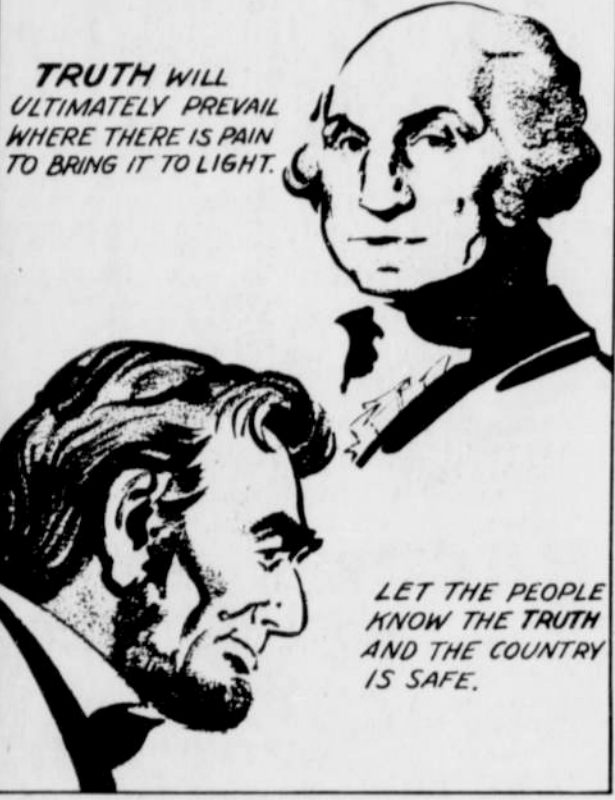


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It has been said that the difference between a politician and a statesman is one hundred years. This becomes more evident as we begin to hear the rhetoric of a national election year. It takes real statesmanship to speak out for or against issues which might adversely affect a candidate's reception at the polls.

Two of our great Presidents, whose birthdays we celebrate this month, had the courage to speak their true convictions.

George Washington aptly expressed his feelings when he said, "Truth will ultimately prevail where there is pain to bring it to light."

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor, The Journal:
 The First Conservative Baptist Church of Nyssa would like to express its appreciation for the services you have so kindly extended to us during the past year.

These services were brought to our attention at our annual business meeting and we made a unanimous decision to thank you for this.

Sincerely,
 Delores A. Stam, clerk

Editor, The Journal:
 I'm a candidate for the No. 7 position on the Board of Directors for TVCC. I was one of the two people who asked questions at the second hearing of the budget for TVCC. Some information given at that meeting has bothered me. We are asked to keep down inflation. Yet that 5 1/2% average increase in TVCC instructional salaries is inflationary in this geographical area. Other schools in the county aren't even thinking of coming close to the 5 1/2% average increase in instructional salaries. It would be quite interesting to have the figures on the average increases in instructional salaries each year for the last ten years at TVCC. Have salary increases always exceeded this 5 1/2% until this year?

Let's look at that 5 1/2% increase. We were told at the February 7 hearing that the increases would give the lower paid instructors more pay while those in the higher pay brackets would get less of a percentage increase. \$9,000 was one of the salary figures quoted with an increase of \$600. \$600 is 6 2/3% of \$9,000. That's 1 1/6% over 5 1/2%. Now let's go 1 1/6% below 5 1/2% (in order to get an average of 5 1/2%). That will be 4 1/3%. Now let's take a \$15,000 salary. I'm assuming that that is a top bracket salary. 4 1/3% of \$15,000 is \$650 increase. Has this instructor always gotten more of an increase than that, and this is a cut-back?

We were, also, told at the hearing that merit pay is being considered for some of the more conscientious instructors. Dr. Skinner thought he could find some \$200's here and there. From a budget cut to the bone? An article in The Boise Statesman of Nov. 10 sets some guidelines for Merit Pay. Merit pay is a very controversial subject in education. I know two outstanding colleges who would be interested in knowing how to justly award Merit Pay.

I want TVCC to be a college that we in this geographical area that support it can be proud of. I know money is important for a good college. But I want that money to be spent well. I, also, feel that people who administer money should be concerned about the people who pay into that money as well as those who benefit from it. Who were you people on the TVCC budget committee thinking about and what was your intent when you used that 5 1/2% figure?

Adriana Kunkel
 605 Ennis Avenue
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THANK YOU!

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the many prayers, cards, flowers, and food and acts of kindness and concern which has been a real source of strength during my recent stay in St. Luke's Hospital and at home.

May God grant you his richest blessings.
 --Helen Gonyer

OBITUARIES

Raymond Fanning

Services for Raymond G. Rosen (Fanning), 15 who died Sunday, February 13, from an accidental gunshot wound were held at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15, at St. Bridget's Catholic Church by Fr. Robert Simard. Arrangements are under the direction of Lienkaemper Mortuary. Interment was in Nyssa Cemetery.

He was born July 20, 1956, at Oakland, Calif., and was a freshman at Nyssa High School. Survivors include: his parents Mr. and Mrs. George Fanning, Nyssa, two sisters, Valerie and Tonya, also Nyssa, grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Johnson, Twin Falls, and Mr. and Mrs. Smith Rosen, Twin Falls.

Andrew Graham

VALE - Graveside services for Andrew McDonald Graham, 86, who died February 9, Wednesday at Vale nursing home were conducted Saturday, February 12, at Valluive by the Rev. John K. Worrall, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church.

He was born August 16, 1885, in Glasgow, Scotland, and came to Malheur County in 1909. He married Geneva Byrne Jan. 1, 1929, at Vale. He resided in the Juntura and Westfall areas until he came to Vale, where he was named county assessor in 1920. He held the post until 1932. In 1922, he became a member of Vale Masonic Lodge No. 142, AF & AM.

His wife died in November, 1971.

Survivors include a stepdaughter, Mrs. Don (Barbara) Hughes, Anchorage, Alaska; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Don M. Graham, Nyssa, and 15 nieces and nephews.

W.W. Russell

Word was received recently of the death at Largslay, Montana, of Mr. W. W. Russell, brother-in-law of Emil Stunz. Emil and his brother, B. A. Stunz of Carson City, Nevada, left February 10 to attend the funeral. They traveled via plane to Great Falls, Montana, then boarded a bus for Glasco, Montana. They were met by family members at Glasco and traveled an additional 37 miles to Largslay where they attended funeral services.

Cleo A. Peck

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brammer of Nyssa, Oregon received recent word of the death of her brother, Cleo A. Peck, 57 at Phoenix, Arizona.

He died Thursday morning, February 10, 1972, following a lengthy illness. Funeral services were held Saturday in Phoenix with graveside rites conducted Monday at the Rosette cemetery near Sylvan Grove, Kansas.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH NEWS

The Nyssa Assembly of God Church, 115 Reece Avenue will have a series of revivals beginning February 20 and continuing through March 5. The services will be held each night at 8 p.m. with the exceptions of Monday and Saturday.

The speaker will be Blane Russell. Everyone in the community is most welcome to attend.

FIRST WARD RELIEF SOCIETY

The First Ward Relief Society will hold their weekly meeting Wednesday February 23 at 10 a.m.

The cultural refinement lesson "The Lord Led Me," will be presented by Becky Bates. Objective: To show that faithful servants of God can accomplish his purpose even among evil men or in a strange land. A baby sitter will be provided.

Rosa R. Smith

Rosa R. Smith, 93, Nyssa, died Friday, February 11, at Malheur Memorial Hospital. She was born Sept. 28, 1878, at Smithfield, Utah. She had lived in Nyssa for 46 years. Her husband, Isaac Leroy Smith, died in 1965 in Nyssa. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints.

Survivors include three sons, Clifford Leroy, Thomas Ned and Isaac Ray Smith, all of Nyssa; a daughter, Mrs. Almira Ellis, Middleton; 26 grandchildren and 40 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Tuesday, February 15, at the Owyhee Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints by Bishop Farrell Peterson. Interment was at the Owyhee Cemetery under the direction of Lienkaemper Chapel.

Joseph L. King

Joseph Lemuel King 86, passed away February 4 in the Baker Hospital following a severe stroke.

Mr. King was born September 6, 1885 in Placerville, Oregon and received his schooling in Hereford and Unity. He was married February 20, 1907 to Maude Terman at Hereford. They moved to Big Bend in 1922 and were very active community workers during the 42 years they lived here. He served on the School Board, the Drainage Board, and the Election Board many times. He was a member of the Big Bend Grange for many years and the Parma Adventist Church. They retired and moved to Baker in 1964.

Funeral services for Mr. King were held Tuesday morning, February 8 at Baker with burial there. Mr. King is survived by his widow, Maude, and a son, Lewis; three grandchildren and two great-granddaughters; two brothers and a sister.

The Big Bend Grange draped their Charter Monday evening in his memory. The Church at Baker had planned to honor the Kings on their 65 wedding Anniversary February 19 along with a couple of young people who wanted to share their wedding receptions with them.

Those attending funeral services from Big Bend were, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Avery, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Witty and Carl, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Witty, Mrs. Dye Roberts, Mrs. Horace Chaney. Others attending from this area were Mrs. Nora Stark, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gammel, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Yeakel, all of Parma; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stradley, Mrs. Frone Stradley, Mrs. Kathy Ashcraft, all of Fruitland; Mrs. Eileen Udlinek of Nyssa; Mrs. Dorothy Quick of Marsing; Mrs. Bill Spears and Bob of Vale.

SECOND WARD RELIEF SOCIETY

There will not be a regular Relief Society Tuesday, February 22 at 10 a.m. Instead there will be a special film "Help for Army" plus a second film and program to be held at 7:30 p.m. February 22.

Everyone is invited to attend this program.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday School, classes for all ages, 9:45 a.m.
 Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m.
 Sunday evening, CYF, for all Jr. and Sr. High youth, 6:30 p.m.
 Sunday evening, 5th and 6th grade group, 6:30 p.m.
 Sunday evening, Bible Study, (Special study now on the Devil) 7:30 p.m.
 Wednesday, Choir practice, 7 p.m.
 Wednesday, Bible Study, 8 p.m.
 Friday, Good News Club, for children of all ages, 3:30 p.m.

ADRIAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

A nice crowd attended the congregational fellowship dinner held at the school cafeteria February 9. Hosts for the evening were the Irvin Topliffs, Verl Bishops and Mrs. Bill Toomb.

Following the dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farmun of Roswell told of their recent trip to Ireland and showed slides of the country.

The Women's Association met February 10 at the home of Edna DeHaven in Adrian. Twelve women were in attendance and roll call was friendship calls made the past month. It was voted to give Betty Crocker coupons to the Kidney Fund. Members were asked to bring them to the next regular meeting.

Mrs. Stanley Banks gave a talk on "The Contribution of the Jewish People to America." The dish for the least coin was passed.

The Adrian Women's Association will be guests of the Roswell Women's Association March 8 for a 12:30 luncheon.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH NOTES

Sunday School teachers are to meet at the church Friday, 5:30 p.m. and 8 a.m. Saturday to attend the Treasure Valley Sunday School convention in Caldwell.

Sunday's schedule: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; Bible Study at the parsonage, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, February 23: Lenten Worship Service, Jesus Our Pioneer (Hebrews 2:10) 8 p.m. All are welcome at Faith, 5th & Park, Pastor William Lewis.

Methodist Couples

Valentine's Dinner

The Methodist Couple Club held a Valentines Day dinner February 14 with nineteen couples attending.

Hosting the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Metcalf, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Art Cartwright.

After the dinner there was a program presented. Mrs. Alice Nishitani sang "I Love You Truly"; Winona Robbins gave a reading, "Valentine Remembrances"; and a "Middle-Wed Game" written and narrated by Mrs. Marie Wilson was played. Mr. and Mrs. Willis Bertram were winners of a special Sweetheart cake.

NYSSA CHRISTIAN CHURCH BURNS MORTGAGE AFTER MANY YEARS OF WORK

By Arlene Robb

Burning of the mortgage on the Christian Church, Sunday, February 6, was the culmination of a beginning that started over thirty years ago.

A group of those interested in such a church met for some 22 Sundays under the leadership of various ministers from the valley sponsored by the Layman's League of Southwest Idaho.

On October 6, 1940 the Congregation was organized with 54 charter members. J. S. Beem of Ontario was the first minister, and the meetings were held in the Old Legion Hall.

This group incorporated on October 26, 1941 and bought the Nazarene building. It was moved to the present site of the Christian Church on lots donated by Mr. and Mrs. Lon Fry. Two years later the present parsonage was purchased. During 1948 the church building was sold to the Lutherans and moved to its' present sight when the young congregation began building the present structure. Building was slow, and until the basement could be completed for use, the church services were held in the old gym.

These were lean years and most of the work on the building was donated by members. Rock was hauled from the Owyhee Canyon and a loan from the Board of Church Extension saw the exterior of the building completed. Masonry on the rock work was done by Webb Pennie, a builder of several such structures in the area and a charter member of the church. The cornerstone ceremony was held in June, 1952, but the inside was not completed and services were still held in the basement.

In 1955 a loan to finish the building and re-finance the loan in effect made it possible to dedicate the completed building on the 20th anniversary of the church in October, 1960. Much labor was again done by members and friends of the church in completion of the building before its' dedication. A charter member, Robert Dewey was the first minister ordained in the church, though he did not serve in that capacity in the local church. Joan Bellon and Jim Jefferies was the first couple married in the new edifice.

During the life of the Christian Church in Nyssa nine full time ministers and several interim pastors have served the congregation. Rev. Erlend

Johnson, the present minister, and his family came to Nyssa in July, 1970.

The final push to complete the payments on the building was in the form of a challenge from interim pastor, Wayne Cuthrell, as he encouraged the congregation to put forth effort to get on top of the load. The last two years have seen some real efforts made to meet this challenge, and over \$16,000 was raised by the congregation to make the burning ceremony for the mortgage possible.

NAZARENE CHURCH NOTES

Special guests in Sunday evening's service will be Rev. and Mrs. Grady Cantrell of Nampa. Rev. Cantrell is district superintendent of the Idaho-Oregon District of the Church of the Nazarene. He previously served as pastor of Boise's First Church of the Nazarene, and has been the special speaker here in Nyssa for a series of special services a few years ago. He will be preaching in the service Sunday evening as well as sharing observations from the work of churches on this district.

Mrs. Cantrell is president of the district's missionary society, working with local groups in missionary education, enlistment and support. Mrs. Cantrell will present a vocal number as a part of the service next Sunday evening.

Sunday school workers will be sharing the inspiration this week, Friday and Saturday, of an area convention being held in Caldwell at the First Baptist Church. The interdenominational convention is sponsored each year by the Treasure Valley Sunday School Association. Rev. Orval Butcher, pastor of Skyline Wesleyan Church in Lemon Grove, California, will be speaking in each session, and there are age and interest group seminars scheduled for each of the four sessions. The convention begins about 7:00 p.m. on Friday and will continue with three sessions on Saturday.

Pentecostal Church

Sunday School is at 10 a.m. and church services at 11 a.m. Sunday evening services at 8 p.m.

Wednesday evening services and Bible study at 8 p.m. The Pentecostal Church is located at the Corner of 7th and Emison. —Carl Lassiter, Pastor.



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