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An Interesting Time of Year

Two weeks from today (Tuesday) is the general election, and it is hard to remember when there seemed to be so little interest. Particularly in the presidential race. Polls indicate that President Nixon is ahead about 70% to 30% over Senator McGovern, but we know that gap will close to about 55% to 45% by election day. The curious thing is, though, that we have failed to talk to anyone who admits he will vote for Senator McGovern. This is the first election in memory where we couldn't get an election argument, let alone a bet.

Things have heated up locally, with seemingly good races between Denny Jones and Tim Gallagher for State Representative from this district, and between Oscar Bratton and Robert Pierce for County Assessor.

Ballot Measure No. 9 has all the interest among the ballot measures in this area. Proposed and strongly supported by the Farm Bureau, it seems to have drawn opposition from almost every other group. School financing has become the whipping boy, but those who feel oppressed by property taxes should come up with an acceptable alternate.

If the election is dead, how about that world series? Perhaps the last two weeks have been baseball's finest. Starting with the five game playoff for the American League pennant, five games to decide the National League champions, then seven games in the series, and every game except one a thriller. For two weeks fellows like Catfish Hunter, Blue Moon Odom, Gene Tenace, Pete Rose and Johnny Bench have pre-empted guys like Johnny Unitas, Fran Tarkenton and Joe Namath. What's the name of that team up in Wisconsin, the Green Packers, or something like that? Too bad the seasons have to overlap so badly.

And how about the opening of pheasant season? Can anyone remember any nicer weather, more hunters, and fewer pheasants? We talked to hunters from all over Oregon Saturday, and they seemed to enjoy tramping around in the best fields, talking about how their dogs did this and that, and the pheasants were incidental. We can testify that the fairways were never greener, the greens never smoother, and even a few putts dropped.

The fact is that this is a wonderful country. And if elections, world series, football games, hunting, fishing, golf, and other diversions don't interest you, there's still a lot of crops to harvest and things to button down before winter sets in.

Speaking of winter, Saturday night is the end of Daylight Savings Time and we can quit work in the dark. Then the cows can get back on a regular schedule and we can hole in until spring.

Incidentally, don't forget to go to Nyssa's Homecoming football game with Kuna Friday night. We think the Bulldogs are the best ever!

SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

By W.L. McPartland

Ballot Measure No. 9 to be voted on in the General Election November 7 would eliminate the property taxes for operational expenses of elementary, secondary and community colleges.

The measure as proposed does not provide or suggest any replacement revenue sources of approximately \$772 million.

First, a review of the sources of revenue to replace the property tax is necessary. The personal income tax, sales tax, excise tax, and business tax are the major sources. If the measure passes, the legislature will meet and develop a tax package. The proposed new taxes would be referred to the people for a vote of acceptance.

I doubt very much if a yes vote on \$772 million could be obtained by the beginning of the school year. A crisis such as the closure of schools would probably be necessary in order to get a combination of new

taxes that would be able to obtain an affirmative vote.

Personally I believe that property should not be the major source of school operating budgets. However, it seems to me if any semblance of local control is to remain, then property should be a source of revenue.

For example, Nyssa's operating budget is over \$200 less than the state average.

Should the people of Nyssa be required to pay more for schools just because the State average is approximately \$870. A uniform state teachers' salary with the determination being made at Salem is not in the best interest of local control.

I believe a realistic look at our state tax program is in order. But, are you as an individual taxpayer going to be better off if the utilities and large industries are taken off the tax role by a drastic measure such as ballot Title No. 9?

OBITUARIES

Nora W. Vest

Nora W. Vest, 89, died Thursday, October 19, 1972, at the Malheur Memorial Hospital.

She was born April 7, 1883, in Denver, Colorado. She had lived in the Nyssa area for 41 years. Her husband, Grover Vest, preceded her in death.

She is survived by a nephew, Lester Weeber, Mountain View, California; two nieces, Mrs. R. F. Pall, Marager and Mrs. Curtis Jones, Caldwell.

Services were conducted, Tuesday, October 24, at the Nyssa cemetery by the Rev. Robert Manley, pastor of the Nazarene Church of Nyssa. Services were under the direction of the Lienkaemper Chapel.

Glen S. Adams

Services for Glen S. Adams, 68, former resident of Nyssa, who died Friday, October 20, 1972, in Pendleton. Services were held Wednesday, October 25, at the Lienkaemper Chapel in Nyssa. Interment was at the Nyssa cemetery.

He was born September 17, 1904, in Gandy, Nebraska. He married Norma Snow in Nebraska in 1938.

He worked for the railroad in Nebraska until 1946 when he and his family moved to Ontario where he operated a grocery store. He also operated a grocery store in Nyssa. He later purchased a ranch at Vale and lived there until 1962 when he moved to Pendleton where he operated an outdoor surplus store, until he retired in January of 1972.

He is survived by his wife, Norma, Pendleton; two daughters, Mrs. Kay Bergam, Richland, Washington and Mrs. Joyce McEntee, Brighton, Colorado; one sister, Mrs. Beulah Kelley, North Platte, Nebraska; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Primitivo C. Ybarra, Nyssa, and two sisters, Mrs. Gloria Lucero, Anton Chico, New Mexico, and Connie Ybarra, Portland.

Services were conducted at 2 p.m., Wednesday at the Lienkaemper Chapel and at 2 p.m. Thursday, (today) at the chapel with interment in Nyssa.

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CARD OF THANKS

We take this opportunity to thank our friends and relatives for the many acts of kindness expressed in word and deed, following the death of our loved one.

—Mrs. Ola Chard and family

ST. PAUL'S HALLOWEEN PARTY

St. Paul's Episcopal Church will be having a Halloween party and with a Halloween potluck to follow for the children, Sunday, October 29 at the church at 5:30 p.m.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday School for all ages each Sunday morning, 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship at 11 a.m. Bible Study, Galatians 2 - Youth group meets in Church basement with Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Russell, 7:30 p.m. Monday morning - men meet for prayer breakfast at Browns, 7 a.m.

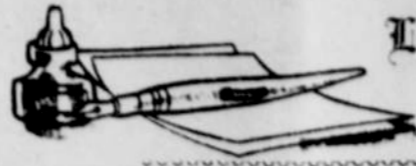
Wednesday, Bible Study and prayer, 7:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study Fellowship meets in Caldwell, Thursday. Bus leaves swimming pool at 8:20 a.m.

The Methodist Church extends a cordial invitation to all to attend these services.

Journal Classifieds Bring Results!

RUMMAGE SALE

Sponsored by St. Paul's Episcopal Church
 Thurs., Fri., and Sat.
 Oct. 26, 27, & 28
 From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Church Basement 5th and Bower



Letters to the Editor

Editor, The Journal:

The Nyssa PTA is sponsoring a Halloween Spaghetti dinner and Carnival October 28 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the High School. There will be many games for all ages and a spook alley. We are having this around Halloween time to have good entertainment for the family to attend and to help keep the young people off the streets. We want everyone to come and have a good time at the dinner and carnival. Approximately a third of the child's life is spent in school. Parents should always attend the school functions in which their children participate, if at all possible, and many others. The PTA is interested in helping to bridge the gap between the school and the home. We wish more parents would take time to come to our PTA meetings and meet more often with their child's teachers. Parents who are knowledgeable about and interested in the subjects their children are studying may also increase family ties. Parents who respect the school are likely to have children who will respect the authority of the school. We hope this coming year all parents will take more interest in PTA and come out and learn more about their school, children, and community. Thank you.

Yours truly,
 Ruth Beck, President of Nyssa PTA

Editor, The Journal:

HOLLOWE'EN RESOLUTION
 WHEREAS, our children are beginning to express fears about the possibility of receiving harmful Hallowe'en treats;

WHEREAS, the local incidence of harmful objects or materials being placed in Hallowe'en treats is increasing; WHEREAS, some children from rural areas are brought into strange neighborhoods for Hallowe'en treats, and town children are increasing the distance of their visits to include streets and neighbors other than their own;

WHEREAS, the larger numbers of children, in some areas upwards to two-hundred, creates a hardship for some of our elderly or ill citizens; WHEREAS, this is a growing statewide problem; THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers, through education and publicity in the schools, community, and various news media, encourage parents to limit their children's trick-or-treating to the night of October 31st; parents to limit their children's Hallowe'en visits only to people who are known to each trick-or-treater; parents to accompany their trick-or-treaters; children to visit only in their immediate neighborhood, or generally, not more than twenty to thirty homes; parents to check their children's treats immediately upon their return home and while the children can remember from whom the treats were received; and children not to eat any treats until the treats have been approved by their parents. And be it also RESOLVED that each local Parent-Teacher Association promote organized Hallowe'en fun in their own areas and/or schools; and be it further RESOLVED that the OREGON CONGRESS OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS inform the public through the news media of their program and of the fact that with fewer homes being visited, any individual giving a harmful treat will more readily be identified and apprehended.

Tom McCall, Governor
 —Adopted at State Convention

CARD OF THANKS
 We, members of the family of Marie Earp, would like to express our appreciation for the many acts of kindness during her illness and following her death.

Special thanks to the Malheur Memorial Hospital and Nursing Home and Dr. Vanetti.
 —Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Thompson,
 Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Mc Ling

CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

SATURDAY: Junior High and High School youth go to Middleton for Halloween Party.

SUNDAY: Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. Be sure to come early enough to register to vote! Morning service at 11 a.m. Message, "What Will I Give the Master?" Part 4 based on Luke 6:46-49.

Evening service at 6 p.m. Message, "Tradition vs. the Word of God" based on Matthew 15:1-20.

MONDAY: Progressive Supper for adults. Meet at the church at 6:30 p.m. to travel together to the first home.

TUESDAY: Women's rally at New Plymouth at 9:30 a.m. Miss Melba Means, returned missionary, will be the speaker. Take a sack lunch.

WEDNESDAY: Midweek service of Bible study and prayer at 7:30 p.m.

SPECIAL NOTICE: An election eve prayer meeting will be held beginning at 8 p.m. on November 4. The purpose of the meeting will be to pray for God's power to make the election a successful contribution to the democratic way of government.

You are always welcome at this back-to-the-Bible church.
 —Arthur W. Coats, pastor.

RUMMAGE SALE

St. Paul's Episcopal Church will sponsor a Rummage sale Thursday through Saturday, October 26, 27 and 28, in the Church basement 5th and Bower.

Anyone wishing to donate rummage may do so by bringing it to the church during sale hours.

Measure No. Nine which have not been revealed to the public and I think the voters have a right to know everything about such an issue before they decide its fate.

All of us hate the high property taxes and all of us will continue to work toward some relief. Those are reasons we are very hesitant in coming out against a measure which is supposed to bring us a new, brighter future. However, I urge all citizens to shake the fear and intimidating threat, by fully and openly discussing Ballot Measure No. Nine before we see it in front of us next month. Let's find out what else might be hidden in the language of this controversial measure, then make our decisions.

My position will cost votes but that's the cost of trying to be an honest, non-politician. Now, let's get on with the job of talking about this and any other public issue that may be bothering us. Let's not make a mistake.

I would like the supporters of this measure to come out with a full explanation of why they have failed to admit all there is to know about Ballot Measure No. Nine. I think they have some questions to answer and I, for one, would like to hear from them.

I think they owe that to me, not as a candidate in this year's election, but as a voter.

Oscar B. Bratton
 Independent Candidate,
 Malheur County Assessor
 Route #1, Box 363
 Ontario, Oregon 97914

Faith Lutheran's 25th Anniversary To Be Held Sunday, October 29

Preparations are being made to observe the 25th anniversary of Faith Lutheran Church on Sunday, October 29. As with all anniversaries, it is a time to look at the past as well as to the future.

The history of this church began on Palm Sunday, March 30, 1947 when the first service was held at the Veteran's Housing Administration building then located on South Third and King Avenue with an attendance of 20 members. This building was to be their church home until June when evening services were held at the Episcopal Church until plans could be completed for their own church building. Pastor Roland G. Wuest was the first pastor.

Lots at the corner of Park and North Fifth Street were purchased and on October 7, 1948 the old Christian Church building was purchased and moved to the present location. The first service to be held in this church was Thanksgiving Day, 1948. Plans for remodeling the church began with the front addition being built.

Pastor Wuest was succeeded by Pastor Sherwin Schmidt. When Pastor Schmidt left, the Lutheran Church was without a pastor for almost a year.

Pastor John L. Briehl was installed on July 1, 1951. This time Faith Lutheran was to enjoy a pastor for the next eleven years and with it came

growth in membership and church improvements. Lots adjacent to the church were purchased in 1959 and a new parsonage was built and dedicated on September 25, 1960.

Pastor John A. Milbrath accepted a call to Lebanon, Oregon, he was succeeded by Pastor Orville Jacobson who remained almost five years until he accepted a call to Ocean Shores, Washington.

The congregation has now been served the past year by Pastor William R. Lewis who came from Bethany Lutheran Church in Spokane, Washington.

The little church which was moved onto a lot cleared of sagebrush has undergone numerous changes during the past 25 years. No longer does it occupy a lot surrounded by sagebrush. Homes, lawns and trees now surround it. Its interior has had a face lifting with carpeting, wood paneling, light oak pews replacing the dark ones, the altar railing being removed and air conditioning having been installed. Church records now show 190 baptized and 138 confirmed members. Time and progress have changed God's house of worship but He remains the same—yesterday, today and tomorrow.

Members of Faith Lutheran extend an invitation to all to join in the anniversary celebration.

NAZARENE CHURCH NOTES

SUNDAY: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. followed with special choir numbers by the Young People directed by Gary Condon.

Morning Worship, 11 a.m. Evening Gospel Hour, 7 p.m. TUESDAY - Young Women's Bible Study, 9:45 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Dwight Seward.

WEDNESDAY - Nov. 1, Missionary study, 7:30 p.m. with lesson review by Mrs. Joe Hobson.

Caravans for children 4 years through 6th grade; also devotional service for teens.

—Erlene Johnson, pastor

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY: Sunday School classes for all ages, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m. Sunday evening, youth groups meet at the church, grades 4 through high school, 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY - CWF - Craft day at the church

WEDNESDAY - Choir practice, 7 p.m. Bible study, 8 p.m. THURSDAY - Womens Bible study, 9 a.m.

Friday - Good News Club, for children of all ages, 3:30 p.m.

—Erlene Johnson, pastor

Ruth McNeill F.O.E. President

Sister Ruth McNeill, Madam State President of Fraternal Order of Eagles of Pendleton, is a native Oregonian. She joined the Pendleton Eagles Auxiliary #28 in 1951 and served as the Auxiliary Drill Team Captain for eight years, before holding an office. She served as their Madam President in 1964-65 and just completed her sixth year as Madam Trustee. She was elected to her first state office at Klamath Falls in 1966 and was installed as Madam State President in Tillamook in 1972.

A no-host dinner was held at the Twilight Cafe, with a meeting following. At the meeting the State President reported on her official trip to Atlanta, Georgia to the Grand Auxiliary Convention. Grand Madam President, Ruby Bigoni from Portland was installed as Junior Past Grand Auxiliary President for 1972-73.

It was reported the next National Convention will be held in Seattle, in 1973.

Latin Assembly of God Church

Sunday, church activities begin with Sunday School at 10 a.m., followed by worship service, 11 a.m.

Sunday night service, 7:30 p.m.

Bible Study every Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

Royal Rangers, every Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

Young people's service, every Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

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