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### City Government Important

As the election draws closer, and next Tuesday, November 7 is the big day, we feature our candidates for City Council this week on the front page.

These eight men are running for four positions in our Nyssa city government, and there are six candidates for three positions on the newly formed Adrian City Council.

These are mighty important positions, and these candidates are to be commended for their interest in local governments. Each of them is motivated only by a desire to serve his community. There is no reimbursement, and the only reward is the satisfaction of a job well-done.

This is the level of government that most closely affects our everyday lives, and the decisions that these councilmen will make helps to determine the course that our cities will take. The policy judgment that these men (apparently there are no women interested in city government) make determines the kind of police force we have, the way our streets are built and maintained, the way our parks are maintained, the quality of the water we use, the level of sanitation we can expect from our sewage treatment plant and our sanitary land fill (garbage disposal, the operation of our library, the fire protection we enjoy, and almost everything that affects the quality of living in Nyssa.

Our remarks are mainly about Nyssa, because Adrian is starting from scratch, and they have the monumental task of actually forming a government before their city council can govern or provide needed services.

With the importance of this city election, and the candidates we select to help run our city in the next few years, we would like to make a few observations which we think are pertinent to the years ahead.

First, the next council will be challenged to pick a successor to our able city manager, Fred Koch, who is reaching retirement age and has indicated that he will retire and go fishing in the not too distant future. This will be an extremely important decision, and one that can affect our future.

We think that our city council will be making some very important decisions in the next few years in the area of zoning and planning, and here we depend on the help and judgment of the Planning Commission, which will become more active in the future. As Treasure Valley grows, so will Nyssa, and that growth should be encouraged and helped with good planning, zoning that will accommodate new industry, and residential zoning that will provide for apartments, mobile home living, and the protection of residential areas now in existence.

The present council is studying and planning for more adequate water supplies and storage. This is perhaps our most immediate need, and much work will be devoted in this area.

We hear much criticism lately from many sources on the appearance of our city as we enter it, particularly from the north and east. This is a joint problem of the city council and property owners, and perhaps more attention should be paid to weed control and the general appearance of our sidewalks, roadways, and business establishments.

We have three fine parks and a modern swimming pool. Again, we have heard criticism on the maintenance of the parks this year. Its a big job, but our parks, pool, and recreation areas reflect on our pride as citizens of this community.

Nyssa has been blessed with good city government for many years, and citizen participation has been good when called upon to pass bond issues for the sewage plant, library, pool and other facilities which we need.

We are fortunate to have eight good men willing to fill four important spots in city government. We can depend on the four elected to assist the four holdover Councilmen in continuing us with good government, and they will need continued help from all of us.

One third of all 4-H'ers live on farms. Four out of every ten members live in towns with less than 10,000 population. A quarter of all 4-H'ers live in urban metropolitan areas.

**MALHEUR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**

OCTOBER 28 - Mr. and Mrs. Dale Sherry, Vale, boy.  
OCTOBER 29 - Mr. and Mrs. James Hintz, Ontario, girl.

**HOLY ROSARY HOSPITAL**

OCTOBER 25 - Mr. and Mrs. Phil Rich, Payette, girl.  
Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Netcher,

### NAZARENE CHURCH NOTES

**SUNDAY:** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., closing with a special number by the Primary Department playing the Tonal Bells.  
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Gospel Hour, 7:00 p.m.

**MONDAY:** Sunday School Clinic featuring two specialists from this District area who will meet with local workers at 7:30 p.m. to make recommendations for strengthening this ministry.

**TUESDAY:** Young Women's Bible Study, 9:45 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Bruce Richesin.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Bible study and prayer in the sanctuary, Teen in Youth Department lessons; Caravans for children 4 years through 6th grade, 7:30 p.m. Choir practice following at 8:30 p.m.

An interesting lesson on the Cape Verde Islands was reviewed by Miss Marie Coate at the Golden Hour Missionary Chapter meeting, last Thursday evening. There was good attendance and much interest was shown among the group as plans were made concerning ways to minister locally as well as to care for the needs of those serving as Missionaries.

November 7 is an important day; study the issues, and remember to VOTE.

Edward Everett Hale said, "I am only one man, but I am ONE man. I can't do everything but I can do SOMETHING. And what I can do, I OUGHT to do. And what I ought to do, by the grace of God, I will do."

—Rev. Robert Manley, pastor.

### CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

**SUNDAY:** Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. General election for Miss and Mr. Sunday School during the opening assembly.

Morning service at 11 a.m. Message, "The Amazing Power of the Blood of Christ."

The congregation will participate in the ordinance of the Lord's Supper.

Evening service at 6 p.m. Message, "Faith That Saves and Satisfies," based on Matthew 5:21-32.

**MONDAY:** Baby shower at the Heimann residence at 7:00 p.m.  
Special prayer meeting for the direction of God in the national elections at 8 p.m.

**TUESDAY:** General election all day. Be sure to vote.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Midweek service of Bible study and prayer at 7:30 p.m.

### FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH NOTES

Thank you to all the people of the community who joined us at "The Sonfolk Concert" last Sunday evening at Nyssa High School. The turnout was gratifying.

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 1 -** The ladies of Faith Lutheran-Nyssa and Grace Lutheran-Vale will have a luncheon (potluck), 1 p.m. Grace Lutheran in Vale, when Vivian Landvik of American Falls, Idaho will give a report on the recent National Convention of the American Lutheran Church Women, held in Cincinnati, Ohio.

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 1 - 6:30 p.m.** Junior Lutherans (church) 6:30 p.m. Confirmation (parsonage)

**THURSDAY, NOV. 2 - 7:30 p.m.** Church Council  
**SUNDAY, NOV. 5 - 9:45 a.m.**

Sunday School, 11 a.m. Worship (Holy Communion) —Faith Lutheran Church, 5th and Park, Nyssa. Where you are always welcome.

—Pastor Bill Lewis



### Letters to the Editor

Editor, The Journal:  
Is it so vital to have an "experienced" Public Official? Will he be working for your interests? Surely, their performance while acquiring experience should be considered. Think—vote right.  
—Walter Burdette  
Route 2,  
Nyssa, Oregon

other counties. At least six people from Malheur County work for Umatilla County, five in the Assessor's Appraisal Section, another is Watermaster. Two appraisers now work for the State of Washington. While County Government is arguing about paying a living wage for a qualified legal secretary in the Circuit Judge's office, they are paying nearly ten thousand dollars to train an unqualified, retirement aged Assessor. Some past and present members of this County Government, and friends, have fared well under this manipulated adjustment program. While claiming the support of the Department of Revenue in backing the County Assessor, they are in fact under investigation by that same Department of Revenue. Inequity of assessment by the Board of Equalization cannot be overlooked forever.

Small farms, rural tracts, business and home owners should be involved in county government. Put an experienced, qualified, licensed appraiser in the Assessor's office, or bare the shift of the tax burden. Can a man off the street fill your job better than one with nine years experience in your field?

Oscar Brattan has nine years in the Assessment and Appraisal field. Two years as Chief Appraiser, Malheur County Assessor's office.

—Sincerely,  
Bill Phillips  
Box 413  
Vale, Oregon  
Or Umatilla County Assessor's Farm Appraisal Section, Peedleton, Oregon.

**Journal Classifieds Bring Results!**

Criticism is never of much value without a suggested alternative. I would like to see a sales tax at the COUNTY level. This would be used as a property tax offset, keep local control, and let the non-property-owners share with the burden of local taxes. I would also like to see personal property taxes deleted from the tax roll, with the exception of Mobile Homes. This would be \$1,103,945 this year.

—Thank you and sincerely,  
Jean PAT Bond

### OBITUARIES

#### Lillian A. Cruse

Services for Mrs. Lillian A. Cruse, 76, of Route 3, Parma, who died Monday, October 30, 1972 in Malheur Memorial Hospital will be conducted at Dakan Funeral Chapel in Parma at 2 p.m. Thursday (today) by the Rev. Robert Mordhorst of Nampa. Interment will be at Roswell.

Mrs. Cruse was born May 13, 1896, in Indiana. She was married April 13, 1921, in Lebanon, Mo., to Lawrence Cruse. She taught school in Lebanon before the couple moved to Idaho.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Roswell, taught a Sunday School class for many years, was clerk of the church, and an active member of the Missionary Circle. She cared for children of the neighborhood during her years in the Roswell community.

Mr. Cruse is her only close survivor. She was preceded in death by three brothers and four sisters.

#### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to give heartfelt thanks to all friends and neighbors for the flowers, cards, sympathy and offers of assistance at the time of the loss of our loved one. It has been greatly appreciated.  
—The Glen Adams Family

#### ONTARIO TEACHER KILLED IN CRASH

A 27-year-old Ontario school teacher, Roy Isao Takahashi, was killed late Friday in a three car accident east of La Grande.

Oregon State Police who investigated the fatal crash said that Takahashi had crossed into the eastbound lane and his auto was struck by a truck, driven by Dennis Robinson. Robinson was not injured.

Moments after the crash a third vehicle became involved. A car driven by Dennis Thompson, 18, Spokane, crashed into the wreckage. Thompson was uninjured.

Takahashi was an instructor at the Lindbergh school in Ontario for the past three years and had moved here some time ago from Hawaii.

### Nephi Grigg Is LDS Speaker



F. Nephi Grigg will speak at a special meeting known as "Instalk" at the L. D. S. Church in Ontario, Oregon, Sunday evening, November 5, at 7:45 p.m.

"Instalks" are special meetings for Seminary, Institute and College age youth. However, parents and all other age groups, including the public, are cordially invited to this occasion.

Mr. Grigg is a native Idahoan, born at Nampa. He is a "booster" for Southern Idaho and Eastern Oregon and has headed many development projects in the area.

He was founder and president of Ore-Ida Foods until its merger with the H. J. Heinz Company.

He has a life-long record of service in his church and community. His record of active service in the Scouting Program covers 38 years. He has been awarded the "Silver Antelope," the second highest award in Scouting in America.

He and his family recently returned from Scotland, having filled a voluntary three year call as President of the Scotland Mission, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is a widely-travelled speaker at home and abroad in the interest of youth, home, family, marriage and business success.

He, with his family, currently lives in Salt Lake City.

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