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Presidential Inauguration

Saturday, January 20, the American people will witness a ceremony which has been repeated every four years since 1789... the Inauguration of the President of the United States. It is an important occasion for all Americans. It is traditionally the time when we join ranks for the common good, and when partisan politics are put aside.

This year, though, it doesn't seem to us that partisan politics have been put aside. In the wake of an overwhelming landslide victory for President Nixon and Vice-president Agnew, with 61 percent of the popular vote and all but one state, Massachusetts, and the District of Columbia supporting the administration, there has not been the good feeling that one should expect from our national news media.

They insult the intelligence of the vast majority of the American people who support their president, and showed that support at the polls.

At a time when the president and his aides are working day and night to bring this despicable war to a decent finish, and it would seem that they are very close to winning this goal, we have seen a constant barrage of criticism, second guessing, and actions close to being treason.

This is a time when President Nixon, Henry Kissinger and the hundreds of others who are negotiating with the Communists need all the moral and spiritual help possible from the American people. Yet during these hard days we have seen constant carping in the press, members of Congress are talking about cutting off funds, and under the circumstances it would seem miraculous if a settlement can be reached.

We have always been a strong participant in partisan politics, and have never been hesitant to support the candidates of our choice. After the campaign is over, though, we have always given our support to the candidate who has been elected by the majority of the people to represent us. That is the American way.

We would like to see that same support now for President Nixon. We are coming into an era, hopefully, of peace. We face what may be the most prosperous years in the history of our country. We will observe the 200th year of our existence as a nation during this administration.

This would seem like a good time to close ranks. A good time to be thankful for our great heritage and unlimited opportunity. A good time to give thanks that we have an orderly progression in National leadership, with a say as to who will be our leaders.

As we witness the Inauguration this Saturday, the surest fact of all is that in January, 1977 there will be a new and different president inaugurated. And again, we will all have a vote as to who that president will be. In the meantime, and for the next four years, lets give our support to President Nixon.

SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

By W.L. McPartland

Last week the Gate City Journal carried an editorial a good summary of some of the problems regarding Nyssa High School's participation in the Greater Oregon League with the following schools: Vale, Burns, John Day, Madras, Prineville, Wahtonka at The Dalles, and Mac High at Milton-Freewater. The league we now participate in is the SRV League with the following schools: Weiser, Payette, Vallivue, Kuna, Emmett and Bishop Kelly.

Things that must be taken into consideration are (1) the opportunity to participate in State Championship playoffs, (2) loss of school time on trips, (3) teachers absent because of accompanying the team, and (4) money to finance the trips.

The Nyssa School Board must make a decision. The right decision is the one that the community believes in and will support. The School Board needs feed-in from every voter in the school district. What kind of a package will you buy? Please let us know. You can help us make the right decision by talking to your School Board members and returning the paper ballots.

Next Sunday three School Board members, Don Engstrom, Bill Schilling, Gene Stunz and I are going on a 2 1/2 day trip to visit the superintendents and school boards - Burns on Sunday evening, John

Day, Monday morning; Madras, Monday p.m., and Prineville that evening; Wahtonka, Tuesday morning, and Mac High Tuesday p.m. We will return home some time Tuesday evening. This trip will help us to determine what problems are facing the other school districts in the Greater Oregon League in regards to allowing Nyssa to become eligible for State playoffs.

A meeting with the Budget Board will be held Monday evening, January 29, 8 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room, Primary Building, to discuss this further.

SUGAR COMPANY EMPLOYEE INJURED

Ernest McCann, 43 of Parma was treated at Malheur Memorial Hospital for injuries suffered Saturday morning at the Amalgamated Sugar Company. McCann fell from a switch-engine-crane onto the tracks. He was pulled from the tracks by a fast-acting fellow worker before an oncoming train could strike him.

According to a plant official, McCann was working at unloading coal when the accident happened.

Journal Classifieds Bring Results!

OBITUARIES

Cecil R. Houston

Cecil Raymond Houston, 59, Ontario, died Sunday, January 14, 1973, at the Ontario Hospital of natural causes.

He was born October 7, 1913, in Council. He married Lyla Struve February 21, 1940 in Weiser. They moved from Weiser to Ontario in 1940 and have resided there since that time. He worked for the sugar factory in Nyssa as battery foreman for 25 years. He also farmed and did custom baling.

He is survived by his wife Lyla, Ontario; his mother, Mrs. Minnie Houston, Downey, California; one son, Jim Houston, Ontario; five brothers, Harold Houston, Springdale, Washington, Herman Houston, Ontario, Elven Houston, San Bernardino, California, Clarence Houston, San Gabriel, California and Jim Sigler, Boise; four sisters, Mrs. Joe (Ruby) Morton, Seattle, Mrs. Larry (Wilma) Christiansen, Burlington, Washington, Mrs. Don (Arlie) Struve, Downey, and Mrs. Julia Milner, Colorado; and two grandchildren. One daughter, Dorothy Houston preceded him in death in 1964.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m., Thursday, (today) January 18, at the Lienkaemper chapel in Nyssa with the Rev. Tom Nelson, pastor of the Fruitland Free Methodist church officiating. Interment will be at Hillcrest cemetery in Weiser.

Gordon L. Toomb

Gordon L. Toomb, 56, was born in Nyssa, Oregon, April 30, 1916 and died in the Boise Veterans Hospital, January 12, 1973.

He attended Nyssa grade and high school, graduating in 1934. He served for 31 months in the Navy during World War II. Most of that time was in the Naval Depot in Oakland, California.

He married Maxine Ware in October, 1970. Besides his wife, his survivors are one daughter, Joyce, of San Leandro, California; two step-daughters Cindy and Brenda Ware of Parma; one brother Robert Toomb of Payette; three sisters, Pearl Dickson of Vale, Mary Hatt of Nyssa and Georgia Parker of Adrian.

Services were conducted Monday, January 15 at the Lienkaemper Chapel of Nyssa by the Rev. Stanley Banks of Parma. Interment was at the Nyssa Cemetery. Pallbearers were John Dickson, Donald Hatt, Earl Ford, Robert Fangen, Jim Phifer and Paul Parker.

Charley Shelton

Frank Shelton of Nyssa received word Sunday of the death of his brother, Charley Shelton of Alma, Nebraska. Mr. Shelton passed away January 14, 1973.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank Dr. K. A. Danford, the staff at the nursing home, and friends, for all their kindnesses during the illness and death of our beloved father, Ray C. Lewis. —The family of Ray C. Lewis.

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We wish to thank all the friends for the many cards, flowers, food and kind deeds, during the illness and death of our beloved one, Agnes Johns Butler. —Jim Butler and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kidd.

NAZARENE CHURCH NOTES

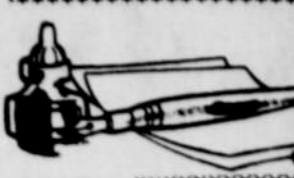
SUNDAY: Sunday School classes for all ages, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Family Hour - 6 p.m. with "Teens Hamlin Chapter" and Juniors meeting in their departments; adult study and discussion: "New Testament Evangelism Today." Evening Gospel Hour - 7 p.m.

TUESDAY: Young Women's Bible Study, 9:45 a.m. at the home of Rosemary Martin.

WEDNESDAY: Mid-week service time, 7:30 p.m. including Caravans, Teens, and Adult Bible study.

Choir practice at 8:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall work-nights - Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Golden Hour Missionary Chapter met Monday and Tuesday evenings at the parsonage to do special box work for missionaries. —Rev. Robert W. Manley, pastor.



Letters to the Editor

Editor, The Journal: The best solution to the S.R.V., greater Oregon League controversy, would be Sub-district play in the Oregon League.

The votes of the powers to be, however, may force Nyssa to go all S.R.V. or all Oregon, with round robin play in all sports, football, basketball, wrestling, baseball and track. Playing in either league has merits and certain drawbacks.

I have heard comments that the school board and the budget board are putting too much importance on the cost of returning to Oregon League play. As an ex-school board and budget board member, may I come to their defense.

When working out the programs and the budget for the coming year, I assure you that the benefits and the costs are considered. After many hours of work, it comes to a time of decisions. Since we can't have everything, which has priority? To put it another way, an "either" or "or none" decision. Should "X" number of dollars be spent for: "Science equipment and material", OR "teacher salary increases" OR "expanding the vocational program" OR "new band uniforms" OR "new textbooks and supplies" OR "extra money required to enter Oregon League play" OR "many other worthwhile programs". Don't sell these board members short. They look at all factors; value received, as well as cost.

After many hours, a budget is finally prepared, published, a public hearing held (Maybe attended by one or two other than board members) and an election held, with the patrons of the School District deciding the outcome.

To those who would favor dropping S.R.V. and going all Oregon, may I suggest: Form a Sports Booster organization which could go to the budget board and guarantee to finance without tax money, the following two things.

1. A bus, similar to a Boise-Winnemucca stage. This would allow our athletic teams to travel and return in a rested condition. Busses which would be adequate are sometimes available from government surplus. Cost \$3,000 to \$10,000.

2. Donations of a minimum of \$10,000 a year to the school athletic fund for travel expenses and to compensate for lost gate receipts.

—Sincerely Harold E. Kurtz

Editor, The Journal:

I would again like to go on record as being unalterably opposed to pending legislation which would ban commercial fishing on the Columbia. Current statistics on winter steelhead to anyone interested, prove conclusively that sport fishermen are getting the lion's share of today's catch.

For the record in 1970, the sport fisherman on the Columbia out-caught the commercials by a ratio of 13-1 and in 1971 they upped that figure by nearly 20-1. What then do they want? I think they want to totally eliminate commercial fishing which would then mean anyone without a boat and expensive gear would be denied finding this fine food available to them at their corner grocery store or super market.

The winter runs of Salmon and Steelhead are increasing rather than decreasing and this joint partnership established in 1969 is working out quite well.

The fish in the Columbia are for all the people. Lets keep it that way.

—Senator William Holmstrom Rm 311, State Capitol Bldg. Phone 378-8700

Editor, The Journal:

It's budget time again, and again TVCC is asking for more funds. Enrollment is down but the salary budget is up. Besides the average 5 1/2% increase allotted last year, which will be built in the salary this year, another increase is asked plus a hidden increase called insurance. Does the taxpayer realize that the insurance alone will mean approximately \$150/year increase in salary for a single instructor and over \$300 for a married instructor. When the demand for Boeing's product was down, Boeing cut back their employee list. I even know of executives who took thousands of dollars cuts in their salaries in order to stay on the payroll. It was better than \$50/week relief checks. Also, they knew their responsibility load was less because of the cut-back.

The demand for a college education is decreasing. The K-12 schools have become the sacred cows, not the colleges. We have superintendents in the valley whose responsibilities include the education of over 1,200 students daily but their salaries are thousands of dollars less than the executive officers of TVCC where the enrollment is less than 500.

Dr. Clark Kerr, Commission Chairman of the Governing Board

Editor, The Journal: You are performing a public service by helping to air the Greater Oregon League controversy which I am pleased to see you do.

In your editorial in the January 11, 1973, Journal, you invited letters to the editor, but you put the ballot in the same issue of the Journal before future letters will be read by the subscribers. May I suggest that this ballot be disregarded and another be printed in the January 25, 1973 issue, using a different format to distinguish them. This will allow an opportunity for others to express their opinions and present information related to the controversy before the ballot can be marked.

In addition, would you please state in the next issue of the Journal how you determined the estimated cost of \$5,000.00 given in your January 11 editorial? —Donald L. Oldemeyer

(Good idea on the ballot! The \$5,000 figure was used based on the report that Vale budgeted \$6,500 for athletic travel. Ed.)

Editor, The Journal:

On February 10, 1972, Executive Order #11647 was put into law. This executive directive provided for division of the United States into ten federal regions to be run by Federal Regional Councils. Under this federal encroachment, city and county governments are merging, counties are merging with other counties, erasing state lines. These regional councils are now beginning to destroy our local government by usurping the powers of local control of locally elected officials. A good example of this regional government at work is the Council of Governments - COG - now active in Malheur County and elsewhere across the nation.

The people working in COG are not elected by you; they are appointed to their posts by executive directive and therefore cannot be removed by vote if you don't approve of their activities.

However in Coos County Oregon, the County Commissioners voted to withdraw from the Coos-Curry Council of Governments and were successful in preserving their local county government.

Let us encourage our Malheur County Commissioners to do the same. They are Mr. Emil Maag of Vale and Mr. Sam Hartley of Nyssa. Give them a call today.

Respectfully, Mabel Shaw, Ontario, Oregon

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THE REV. DAVID WIENS, new pastor of the Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ, is shown with Mrs. Wiens and daughters Betsy, left, and Gloria in their home at 614 Emison Avenue. The church is located across the street on the corner of 7th and Emison.

The Rev. Wiens was born and raised in Payette, Mrs. Wiens in Twin Falls. They have been Pentecostal missionaries for 14 years, with nine years spent in Alaska and five years in Peru. They have served the

church in McCall for the past three years. Many from this area have purchased the delicious peanut brittle made by Mrs. Wiens and sold at a roadside stand in McCall to help support the activities of their church.

The Wiens' have two older children, a married son Edward is a senior at Conquerors Bible College in Portland, and daughter Jolene is a first year student at the college. Betsy, 15, is a sophomore and Gloria, 14, is a freshman at Nyssa High School.

Reverend Bob's Column

Man has attempted in many ways to find the answer to the social condition. He has believed we could educate, culture and medicate man until he leaves off his anti-social behavior. He believed that the social condition demanded enlightened and civilized and culturally advanced men who could lead our world to the place where man would love his neighbor, justice would prevail and racial tensions would no longer be.

Two thousand years ago God saw the social condition and He realized that the situation demanded a new type of man who could help change men. Change them from the inside out, thus making their behaviour sociable rather than anti-social. These new type of men were people like Zachariah, Elizabeth, John the Baptist, Mary, the mother of Jesus and Simeon, whom I mentioned in my column last week. Men and women "filled with and controlled by the Holy Spirit." These were the First of many who would be "filled with and controlled by the Holy Spirit." Jesus, when He began the three-year journey from His place of Baptism on the banks of the Jordan River to Calvary, first was "filled with and controlled by the Holy Spirit." His disciples, the 120 in the Upper Room on the Day of Pentecost, The Early Church were "filled with and controlled by the Holy Spirit." The social condition demanded it. These "God filled and God controlled" people went everywhere preaching the Good News of Jesus Christ and all who heard and believed became not only socially acceptable but acceptable unto God. They became new men.

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