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### Bomb Threats Senseless

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One thing that a bomb threat, such as received at Malheur Memorial Hospital Tuesday afternoon, does do, is demonstrate the efficiency of our capable staff at the hospital. It also demonstrates the skill and willingness to help of all our public servents, which includes police, fire, ambulance crews, power company representatives, and others in the community who will volunteer to help in an emergency.

Not to be overlooked is the willingness of nearby communities to help out, and ambulances from Vale, Ontario and Payette all volunteered their services, with the latter two transporting critical patients to Holy Rosary Hospital in Ontario,

What a waste of time and manpower, and so senseless, but it does show that our people and facilities are prepared to meet disaster if and when it strikes. The hospital staff had been drilled in a Disaster Plan, and they responded when such a thing seemed possible, if not imminent.

Gale Christensen, hospital administrator, called a news conference Tuesday afternoon after the necessary work had been done and the "smoke had cleared." It was apparent from the notes taken throughout the episode that all agencies reacted in business-like fashion, and everyone worked together. Christensen said that "all members of the staff responded perfectly, and not one order was questioned" during the long and sometimes hectic afternoon.

We commend our administrator; Mrs. Bennett, director of nurses; Chief Allen; and all police, fire, and hospital personel who responded so willingly.

Can you imagine the kind of a sick mind who would call in a bomb threat? It's bad enough when the schools are called, but to call a hospital where critically ill persons and new-born babies are involved is unpardonable. The trouble is that these threats are almost always a hoax, as this was one was, but responsible authorities cannot take the chance. Holy Rosary Hospital in Ontario received a similar threat last summer, requiring the same efforts and danger to patients that we experienced here Tuesday.

Two other cases of a "sick mind" came close to home last We lost our "Happy Farmer", Clarence Niccum, when a maniac stabbed him to death on a bus while he was on a vacation trip in the deep South. Niccum's assailant had reportedly served time in a mental hospital several times and had been

North of here in the New Meadows area a mentally deranged person abducted a 14-year old girl, and involved hundreds of persons in a man-hunt lasting several days. As a result, Bill Acker. McCall police chief for the past 11 years died of a heart attack, and a Caldwell man is in serious condition from gunshot

It's useless and futile to lament the fact that these sick people are out free in society, and perhaps the only thing we can do is to be as alert as possible to the fact and conduct "disaster And then we have people who are insisiting that we should be more lenient with criminals, abolish capital punishment, and relax our moral and social codes.

The one and only good that comes from these senseless episodes is to know that many people can be counted upon to help when needed. Volunteers searching the forests in bitter cold for an armed abducter, or evacuating hospital patients as the result of a bomb threat are just two good examples.



night, and a chaplain was the boy. "We had letters from counselling a soldier in a him, we kept talking about poorly lighted railroad sta- him and looking for him." tion. Turning in the Bible to "Suppose," said the pas-John 3:16, he urged, "Read tor, "your father's name had it." The soldier squinted and been dropped from your conread, "For God so loved the versation. Suppose there world, that He gave His only would have been no letters." forgotten Son."

word and His works. The boy. people of Israel did, for the historian recorded in Psalm Lord," said the pastor. "So 106:13, "They forgot."

remember the Lord," con- house where we can meet and fessed a boy. "What about talk about Him." "I need the time your father was in these reminders," replied the the service?" asked the pas- boy. Don't we all! tor. "Was it hard to forget

It was a dark and stormy him?" "Not a bit," answered

"That would have made a Many forget the Lord, His difference," admitted the

"It is that way with the He has given us the Bible, like "It isn't easy for me to your father's letters; and His

Bring Results! Journal Classifieds

#### **OBITUARIES**

### Clarence G. Niccum

Clarence G. Niccum, 75, Nyssa, died Wednesday, April 18, 1973, in North Carolina from stab wounds received while on a bus tour.

He was born January 17, 1898 in Perry, Oklahoma, He moved to Nyssa in 1937 and homesteaded 100 acres.

He is survived by two sons, John Niccum, Sacramento, California and James Niccum, Pafour daughters, Mrs. (Betty) Gray, Baker, Wayne (Frankie) Lattin, Nyssa, Mrs. Irma Baker, Michigan City, Indiana and Miss Fern Niccum, Oakland; two brothers, Howard Niccum, Wendell, and Elza Niccum, Nyssa; a sister, Mrs. Alice Hacket, Grants Pass, Oregon; and 20 grandchildren.

Services were conducted at 2 p.m., Saturday, at the Lienkaemper Chapel in Nyssa, Interment was at the Owyhee Cemetery.

Family suggests donations may be made to the Association of the Blind.

#### Andrea Saunders

Services for Andrea Saunders, 4, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lorin C. Saunders, of Route 1, Meridian, who died of natural causes Thursday at home, were conducted at 11 a.m. Monday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Eagle by Bishop C. Leon Johnson. Interment was at Meridian.

She was born May 2, 1968 at Boise.

Surviving besides her parents are a sister, Jill, and three brothers, Cory, Brent and Lance, all at home in Meridian; a brother, Steve, who is a Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, student presently living in Jerusalem, Israel; her paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence R. Saunders, her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Elwood Flinders, Nyssa; and a great-grandmother, Mrs. Hallie Child, Mesa, Arizona.

Pallbears were her brothers, Brent, Cory and Lance Saunders and Bruce Saunders. Her brother, Steve, was an honorary

#### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the many friends who expressed their sorrow at the death of our father Clarence Niccum

-Mrs. Wayne Lattin and family

I wish to express my appreciatiom for the many kind deeds and Get-Well cards I received during my recent ill-

-Mrs. Oscar Schafer

We would like to thank all of our friends for the flowers and cards sent to Debbie during her iliness. Also a special thanks to Bonnie Ropp and her coworkers and all the people for the great success of the garage sale in Debbie's behalf. Jean Davis and family.



Editor, The Journal: On behalf of the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce, I would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the many people who helped to make Sa-

turday's Easter Egg Hunt a

A special thank you is extended to the High School Economics Classes who cooked and colored the eggs. Without the support of the community, programs of this nature would

Rod George

## not be possible.

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CHURCH

former pastor, will read the

Church from 1 to 4 p.m.

be at 9:30 p.m.

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Pedro Hernadez, Nyssa, boy.

HOLY ROSARY

APRIL 18 - Mr. and Mrs.

APRIL 20 - Mr. and Mrs.

APRIL 23 - Mr. and Mrs.

APRIL 24 - Mr. and Mrs.

Randall Crosby, Ontario, girl.

John Gonzales, Ontario, boy.

Vaughn Youngberg, Weiser, girl

John Bright, Ontario, twin girls

Mark Johnson, New Plymouth,

HOSPITAL

#### CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

A Missionary Cantata, "So Send I You" by John W. Peterson will be presented by the Conservative Baptist Church on Sunday, April 29 in the morning worship service at 11:00 a.m. The Cantata Director is Mr. Larry Bauman, Mrs. Gary (Sandi) Jasper is the pianist. Mrs. Larry (Donna) Blackburn is the soprano soloist, Mrs. Harlan Meyer, the alto soloist Mr. Larry Bauman, the tenor soloist, and Mr. Duane Buchtel is the bass soloist. Mr. Larry Blackburn will be reading

the part of the narrator. Come praise the Lord with us in song and listen as the challenge is given to every Christian SUNDAY-APRIL 29

Sunday School for all ages, 9:45 a.m. Worship Service-Cantata, 11

Hi/Time 7:00 p.m. Evening Services, 8:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY, MAY 2 - Pra-

yer Meeting and Bible Study 7:30 Cantata Practice, 8:30 p.m. THURSDAY, MAY 3 - Program on drugs presented by the Ontario Police Department,

p.m. Progressive Dinner following, Call 372-3358 for information. All young people are invited.

#### NAZARENE CHURCH NOTES

FRIDAY - District Convention, all day, at Nampa Franklin RoadChurch of the Nazarene, closing with a musical presentation, "Love," by Teens at 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY - Don't forget to 'spring ahead' and advance your clock one hour so you will on time for Church services! Early morning prayer time,

Sunday School Classes for all ages, 9:45 a.m. Family hour for Juniors,

Teens and Adults meeting in separate session, 6:00 p.m. Evening Gospel Hour, 7 p.m. TUESDAY - Young Women's

Bible Study at the home of Mrs. Betty Jones, 9:45 a.m. WEDNESDAY - Mid-week service with Caravans, Teens and Adult Bible Study, 7:30 p.m.

Choir practice at 8:30 p.m. Have you taken the time to determine whether you are neglecting the important center of your Christian life? Be as honest with yourself as you can be. Soil erosion is something to worry about; also SOUL ERO-

You are invited to join us in our Worship services.

#### -Rev. Robert Manley, pastor. Pentecostal Church Of Jesus Christ

SUNDAY SERVICES: Sunday School for all ages, Mr. and Mrs. John Dority of 10 a.m.

Sunday School busing available..call 372-5078

Youth Service, 7 p.m. Evangelistic Service, 7:30 p. LaRee was born April 4 and true when the offense is often

WEDNESDAY: Bible Study ounces. She is the couple's first classes for Adults and Youth, child. Grandparents are Mr. a very minor affair between 7:30 p.m.

#### FX HEY X FX HE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

WEDNESDAY - Choir Practice, 6:55 p.m. THURSDAY - Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. FRIDAY - Good News Club-

for children of all ages, 3:30 Bible Study, 8 p.m. SUNDAY - Sunday School hagen, Parma, boy.

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.

### THANK YOU!

I wish to thank everyone who thought of me by sending flowers, plants, cards and visithe Caldwell hospital following recent surgery.
—Sam McConnell ting me while I recuperated in

## ARCADIA

BY AVO MOELLER \*\*\* PHONE 372-2733

ARCADIA - Mr. and Mrs. Parley Feik were dinner guests Easter Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Everton May 5, the Women's Presbyterial will be held at Adrian and family in Nampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Thompson Next Sunday, the worshipser- and family from Ft. Lewis, vice will be held at Roswell at Washington, spent the weekend II a.m. and church school will at their home here on Clark Boulevard.

Sunday, April 29, the Prescelebrating their 75th Anniver- night with Mr. and Mrs. Parsary and Adrian Church congre- ley Feik. gation is invited to attend. The

geles, a former pastor, will in the home of Mr. and Mrs. vitt of Nyssa. bring the anniversary sermon. Fred Norman on Lincoln Hei-The Rev. Wayne Douglass, a ghts. scripture and the Rev. William 20 at the home of Mrs. Arrie ded Memory Address) Ailes, Synod Education Consul- Bakker, due to the absence

combined choir and Junior choir tary, there was no meeting to rapidly calculate the radiawill sing anthems. The wor- held. The afternoon was spent tion dosage needed to treat ship service will be followed in a social hour. Mrs. Bakker cancer patients who are underby a potluck dinner at 1 p.m. served refreshments to the ones going cobalt treatments. Dr The meat, rolls and drink will present. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mason mo- culates how much radiation will be furnished by the Women's Association. Families are re- ved from the tennant house on be distributed over each of the

or deserts. Everyone is wel- by Dick Corn. An informal program of gree- Boise was a luncheon guest tient's body showing the area tings, music and reminiscing Monday in the George Moeller where the malignant tumor is will begin about 2 p.m. One home

feature will be hearing from representatives appointed 25 guest Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. of the few hospitals in the counyears ago and the appointment Jim Houston and family in the try to be using the latest verof representatives for the 100th Tom Farley home in Ontario, sion of this radiation therapy

Perkins and family from Cald- pital is leasing the machine on weeks in Massachusetts has well visited her parents Mr. an annual basis from a computer fall learning how to operate and Mrs. Orville Needs Fri- company in Massachusetts, Pur day night.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlen Meyer FRIDAY, APRIL 27 - Golden Age Rummage Sale, Western and Cara Lee went to Three forts is to get as uniform a ning an entire treatment pro-Hills, Canada, where they at-Rummage Sale, United Metho- tended the graduation of their dist Church 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. daughter Christine at the Prai-SATURDAY, APRIL 28 - Gol- rie Bible Institute. On the den Age Rummage Sale, Wes- way they visited Mr. Meyer's tern Hotel 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. niece and husband, Mr. and Merry Widows meet at Leona Mrs. Toi Kertula in Avon, Montana. Christine accompanied Recovery, Inc., First Christ- them home for the summer, but will go to Florida in the fall Adrian American Legion Pan- where she will be employed.

Mr. and Mrs. George Needs cake Feed. Adrian Grade School from Priest River, Idaho and TUESDAY, MAY 1 - TOPS, Mrs. Bill Ball from Caldwell #494 Adrian Grade School, 7:30 visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Needs on Satur-WEDNESDAY, MAY 2 - Gol- day. Sunday they all attended den Age, Library Mtg. Rm., a family dinner in Homedale.

12 noon, bloodpressure checked Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Robbins THURSDAY, MAY 3 - Job's accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Aus-Daughters, Masonic Hall, 8 p.m. tin Robbins from Lincoln Hei-FRIDAY, May 4 - Jr. Var- ghts to Baker Sunday where sity Quiz-Nyssa competes for they were dinner guests of Mr. Championship, Channel 7 5:30 and Mrs. Lewellyn Robbins and

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bullard, Mr. and Mrs. Don Bullard and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Boyack and Nancy from Meridian and Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Fisher and family from Boise, Mr. and Mrs. Pat (Carrol) went to Owyhee Dam Sunday Dority of Portland are the pa- afternoon for a picnic. rents of their first child, a

Amy Stradley was a dinner daughter born April 16 in Port- guest Sunday in the home of pounds 10 1/2-ounces and has family.

Paternal grandparents are for it -- I must be getting old. Word was received that Mr. Little things that would, at one Morning worship service, 11 and Mrs. Rick (Norene) Sell time, go unnoticed now show of Topeka, Kansas are the pa- themselves to me in a glare rents of a baby girl. Lissa of light. This is particularily

> weighed seven-pounds and three repeated. My big present pet peeve is and Mrs, Charlie Smith of Nyssa me and the TV companies. They will intone upon my ears, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sell "This show will be shown to morrow night at 8 o'clock, ' o'clock Central time and 5 o'clock Pacific." Now you tell what happened to the Mountain Time? I'm certain that the broadcast chain don't intend to forget about such places as Boise, Butte, Salt Lake, and Denver. I'm also certain they would like to have the people of New Meadows spend their cash on TV advertised products. I doubt if time is so precious they can't say, " 6 o'clock Mountain." This is no oversight because it's

done ALL of the time, not just once in awhile. At one time I excused the chains with the reason that all pictures aren't seen in all places at the same time but when the President speaks or there's a national happening what do we hear but, "This may be heard tonight at 9 o'clock, 8 o'clock Central and 6 o'clock Pacific." We hill billies in the Rockies can forget about it. There must be a reason of some sort, but I don't know what it is.

Another little thing that bugged me greatly in the Idaho legislature. Have you ever noticed how low the railing is in the gallery of both houses? I realize the things have been there for some 50 years and that nobody has ever fallen over them to date BUT every time I saw someone backing into the one in the house I caught my breath. I watched several directors of Choirs and bands stand with their backs to that low parapet and direct a group, I always worried about them fumbling over onto the floor of the house. I didn't used to worry about such things. But, Oh well I don't feel older.

### ooooooo Dr. Dennis Leavitt **Operates Computer** Fighting Cancer

Above his computer console, "Humans like curves and pt.
Dr. Dennis Leavitt has taped tures. This computer win a the following message:

"It is unworthy of excellent men to lose hours like slaves in labor of calculation.

Dr. Leavitt, a radiation physcist in the radiation therapy Mr. and Mrs. Steven James department at St. Joseph's Hosbyterian Church in Roswell is from Meridian spent Sunday pital is one of those "excellent men" who is wasting little time these days in making la-Mr. and Mrs. George Moel- borious calculations. Dr. Lea-Rev. John F. Shaw of Los An- ler were dinner guests Sunday vitt is a brother of Michael Lea-

The tool that's freeing him from this time waste is a digital The Arcadia Club met April computer he calls EMA (Exten-

Under the patient hands of Dr. tant, will lead in prayer. The of the president and the secre- Leavitt, EMA is being used Leavitt explained that EMA calquested to bring their own table Ernest Stephensen farm to a 4,000 points in a cancer paservice and salads, vegetables house on Gem Avenue owned tient's "contour," A contour, the doctor said, is something Mrs. Terry Priest from like a cross-section of a pa-

> Lyla Houston was a dinner St. Joseph's Hospital is one and refresh display." Mr. and Mrs. Terry Lee planning computer. The hos-

chase price is \$42,000. dosage of cobalt energy as possible into a cancer area to kill about a half hour. the malignant cells. The comcells are adversely affected by record of the plan, contact with radiation, but can cer cells die off faster than

tually maps out on a television- and it is very important as a like screen called an oscillo- reference for follow-up treatscope where to place cobalt ment and a guide to planning beams to achieve uniform ra- other patient programs, diation dosage

If Dr. Leavitt were to do manually all the calculations EMA does to produce one radiotherapy treatment program, he said it would take more than one full work week. Until the hospital leased EMA, the doctor said cobalt treatment planning was done manually, but the plans did not approach the accuracy that EMA achieves.

With an easy smile and realso a part-time instructor at pists and nurses. the University of Minnesota, exland. The baby weighed 5- Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dail and digital computer. He patiently importance of the human elehuman as possible.

"Computers like numbers makes the whole thing go. and rows and calculations,"

oscilloscope (viewing screen the interface between the

man mind and the computer.

In operating the machine, is: Leavitt first feeds into it pertinent data on a particul patient. As part of this fir step, the doctor, on a sep rate drawing board, traceson the patient's contour win highly sensitized mental instr-This action is visit ment. recorded on EMA's screen when the doctor is through, to completed contour is visit

on the screen. Once this data is entere the computer establishes ago over the contour of 4,000 point at which the dose distribute will be calculated. Then Dr. Leavitt begins experiments with various beams to see which placement will achieve the ber energy distribution

He does this by typing conmands to the computer on his typewriter-like computer console. For example, if he types B on his console, this is is interpreted by the computer & mean the command An E means "erase beam." "calculate isodose curves;" G- "go back to replan," and

A- "set current beam angle." Dr. Leavitt, who spent three the computer, types these commands, and others The idea behind EMA's ef- very rapidly. He said plan gram for a patient takes him

When the Doctor is satisputer also calculates how to ar- fied that a particular plan has range the beams so healthy achieved the optimum dose for tissue is safeguarded from the a patient, the computer's plotradiation as much as possible. ter, a separate unit, will pro-Dr. Leavitt noted that all duce a printout or permanent

This record, said the doctor, is something that manual cal-EMA, said the doctor, ac- culations could never produce

Once Dr. Leavitt has set up treatment plan, it is up to the doctors in the radiation therapy department, headed by Dr. Paul Mendelman, to review the data and implement the plan.

"I've got the clean end of the job," said Dr. Leavitt with a smile, EMA's work stops with calculations, charts and graphs and the actual patient treatment, he said, is up to the laxed air, Dr. Leavitt, who is human element-doctors, thera-

Dr. Leavitt unwittingly emcedure of how to operate the phasized his point about the answered a stream of layman- ment when, following the interlike questions and made an ef- view, he momentarily misfort to present EMA interms as placed his key to the computerthe key which, like a car key,

"If I ever lost this," he said the doctor, eyes twinkling muttered, and shook his head behind dark-rimmed glasses, at the awful prospect,

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