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**OBITUARIES**

**Ruby E. Morehead**



1929 Photo

Services for Ruby E. Morehead, 72, who died Tuesday, November 6 in a Denver nursing home, were conducted at 2 p.m. Friday at the Lienkaemper Chapel in Nyssa.

Miss Morehead was born in Nyssa July 1, 1901, the daughter of Cornelius and Elizabeth Morehead, early pioneers of the area. She attended elementary and high school in Nyssa, graduating with a scholarship in 1918. After the family moved to Boise she earned a diploma from Link's Business College. She worked for several years as an accountant in Boise for Oakley and Sons, later attending the University of Washington and earning a BA degree with honors. After operating a trucking firm in Boise and working for the Navy in Portland, she took a job as an accountant with the Rural Electrification Administration (REA). She worked for the REA in both Portland and Washington, retiring in 1971 after more than 30 years.

She was a life-long member of the First Presbyterian Church and was in Christian Endeavor work for several years in the Boise Church. Survivors are a brother, Raymond E. Morehead, Denver; three sisters, Mrs. Daniel (Verna) Taylor, Downey, Calif., Mrs. Edith L. Waskey, Sun City, Ariz., and Mrs. Gladys Connor, Boise; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Pearl.

**LETTERS TO EDITOR**

Editor, The Journal: I want to thank everyone who helped me win my bicycle and \$10.00 bonus. The contest was good experience for me. I learned from my selling subscriptions to the Gate City Journal.  
Sharon Dail

Editor, The Journal: I wish to thank everyone who purchased a subscription to the Gate City Journal from me and my sister. Because of your help I won first place in the contest and a beautiful bicycle. I hope that each of you will enjoy your subscription.  
Karen Hutchinson

**OUT OF THE PAST**

**10 YEARS AGO**

Clyde T. Swisher, chairman of Nyssa High School's English department, will leave this weekend to attend the National Conference of Teachers of English to be held in San Francisco. He will attend workshop sessions dealing with selection of materials and methods of teaching advanced placement courses. Swisher will be a participant in a roundtable session dealing with teaching of Shakespeare at the high school level.

Gary Sadamori and Ted Barton, sixth grade students in the classroom of Mrs. Mary Hatt, received honors for their school patrol duties during September. Gary is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sadamori and Ted's parents are Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Barton.

**20 YEARS AGO**

A crowd estimated at nearly 5,000 people, based on the number of paper plates used at the barbecue, were guests of Nyssa last Saturday at the first annual Harvest Festival sponsored by the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce and the Business Men's Association, a committee of the chamber.

With weather ideal for the event, youngsters started flocking to the grade school grounds early Saturday morning where about 700 of them were divided into various age groups for the events planned by Elmer Cruson and his committee. Shortly after 11:30 lines began forming near the old gym where three beebes barbecued by Felix Johnson, potatoes, gravy, onions, coffee, soft drinks and all the "extras" were served by members of the Nyssa School faculty and the Methodist Women's Society of Christian Service.

As the families were provided with their plate dinners, more guests arrived to keep four lines of people extending from highway 20 to the serving tables for about three hours. Rex Voeller, who made the Nyssa Theatre available for a free show, said they were packed in, double in a seat in some instances, with a few sitting in the aisles.

Nyssa's Municipal band, ably directed by Leon Burt, played a public concert to its largest audience of the season.

Dancing started at 9:15 p.m. but the first annual Harvest Ball was officially opened by Harvest Queen Sylvia I, Sylvia Jayo, and her court following impressive coronation ceremonies. Her court included Princesses Phyllis Cheldelin, Vela Dee Poulsen, Betty Jean Strickland and Maryann Alford and their attendants, Gene Sevoss, Rod Holcomb, Carl Bair and Ramon Bergam. Elsie Pierce was personal attendant to Queen Sylvia.

Queen Sylvia I and her court led the procession of dancers to the ballroom floor to the fascinating music of Charles Steffens and his seven-piece orchestra.

**30 YEARS AGO**

On display in the Atkeson Real Estate window are two 30-pound beets, raised on the W.A. and D.O. Bybee farms. These are the largest beets

known to be harvested in this or surrounding vicinity.

Mrs. Ed Frost, who is in charge of the block leaders conducting the war fund campaign in the residential sections of Nyssa, reported that persons contacted have given liberally.

**40 YEARS AGO**

Either dad or the dentist must do some tooth-pulling, if local school children with defective teeth are to benefit from a dental survey made Tuesday by Dr. E.D. Norcott and Miss Edna Flanagan, public health nurse. Of the 207 children examined, 83 per cent, an extremely large percentage by the way, were marked needing dental care.

Only 34 children were marked O.K. while 172 needed dental care. Of this number, 129 had permanent teeth decayed, 54 needed extractions and 31 needed dental cleansing.

In the upper grades, 12 pupils had from five to nine permanent teeth decayed and 73 had from one to five.

**50 YEARS AGO**

The new Nyssa brass band made its initial appearance before the public last Monday evening and "put it over" big. The local band was assisted by a part of the Weiser band, the combination numbering 65 pieces, under the direction of Prof. Spiea.

**60 YEARS AGO**

Charles Schweizer and Miss Alta Hansen, of the Owyhee were married in Vale Monday, November 3. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. E. Gamble and has lived on the Owyhee since childhood. The groom is a prosperous young stockman of that section.

The goblines were out on Halloween, but after indulging in a few pranks, which caused them much merriment, they met with some real hard luck, for several special deputies were abroad that night and the luckless sprites were surrounded and neatly nabbed. After enjoying the hospitality of the city for several chilly hours the boys were liberated and acknowledged that the joke was on them.

**Gospel Singing**

**Saturday, Nov. 17**

Everyone is cordially invited to hear and sing along with The Galleians and The Son Shiners at Willow Creek, Saturday night, November 17, at 8 p.m. in the school gymnasium. For the best in gospel music, you have to see and hear it to believe it. Come and join in the fellowship and music, it is free.

**Christian Church**

SUNDAY - 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School Classes for all ages. 11 a.m. - Morning Worship 6:30 p.m. - Youth groups meet at the Church-grades 4 through High School. 7 p.m. - Evening services for the whole family WEDNESDAY - 7 p.m. - Choir Practice.

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**COMING EVENTS**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15-OKK Club, home of Mrs. Mary Hatt.

Nancy White Circle of United Methodist Church, at David Beers home, 2 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16 - Episcopal Church Guild, rummage sale in Church basement 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

United Methodist Church, rummage sale 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Golden Age-rummage sale, Western Hotel 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Recovery, Inc., First Christian Church 8 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19- Golden Rule Chapter, Masonic Hall, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20 - TOPS #494 Adrian Grade School 7:30 p.m.

MALHEUR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

November 8 - Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Shaw, Ontario, girl.

November 12 - Mr. and Mrs. Mario Muniz, Nyssa, girl.

November 13 - Mr. and Mrs. Michael Singleton, Jamieson, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Moser, Ironside, boy.

HOLY ROSARY HOSPITAL

November 8 - Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Martin, Ontario, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Smith, Ontario, boy.

November 9 - Mr. and Mrs. James Davidson, Ontario, boy.

November 10 - Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Soland, Ontario, girl.

November 11 - Mr. and Mrs. Isabel Loera, Nyssa, girl.

November 12 - Mr. and Mrs. Abel Monzo, Ontario boy.

November 13 - Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Pond, Ontario, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Guadalupe Torres, Weiser, boy.

**Homes Robbed**

Numerous firearms, a television set, tape recorder and fur-lined coat are among the items missing from two Oregon Slope residences as the result of burglaries.

Oregon State Police said today that the investigation of the burglaries which occurred Sunday evening began Monday morning and continues.

The burglaries occurred at the Wesley Roberts and Lawrence Skousen residences. Police said that they do not have any suspect at this point.

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**Reverend Bob's Column**



BISHOP GARY THOMPSON

This is another in the series of biographical sketches of the ministers and churches of Nyssa and Adrian.

For the next three weeks I will be writing of the life and ministry of the Bishops and churches of The Church of Jesus Christ of Later-Day Saints of the Nyssa Stake. This week's Bishop is Gary Thompson. Gary is a born native of this area.

He was born January 5, 1944 at Ontario and attended school at Adrian. He graduated from OSU in June 66 and began his science teaching career at Heppner, Oregon. After teaching there for three years he and his family came to Nyssa where he is teaching chemistry and other sciences at Nyssa High School. He received his Master of Natural Science degree at the University of Idaho, June 1971.

Bishop Thompson is a convert to the Church of ten years and during this time has held several positions in the Church. He has served as a Ward Clerk, a Branch President, a MIA President, which is the Church youth organization and an Elders Quorum President. He attended the Institute of Religion at OSU while going to school there and received his Testimony of the Gospel during his studies. The Institute of Religion is sponsored by the Church at most larger college campuses. He was called by the Stake President to be Bishop of Nyssa First Ward of the Nyssa Stake on April 15, 1973.

I asked Gary to tell me a little about the organization of the Church. In response he said, "For those who are not acquainted with the organization of the Church a few words of explanation are required. The World Headquarters of the Church is in Salt Lake City, Utah. From these offices the First Presidency of the Church preside over the more than three million members of the Church around the world. The President of the Church is Harold B. Lee, who is sustained as a Prophet, Seer, and Revelator by Church members. The world is divided into regions over which a Regional Representative officiates. Within the regions are Stake Organizations presided over by a Stake President. The Nyssa Stake President is Melvin Neilson of Parma. Each Stake is divided into Wards. A Bishop is called to preside over the Ward. There are two Wards in Nyssa to serve the residents of the area. All of these are approved by the First Presidency of the church and serve for an indefinite period of time. All officers and teachers of the Church serve as unpaid servants of the Lord. The Nyssa First Ward has been served by many capable Bishops in the past and the Church as experienced much growth in this area."

I then asked Bishop Thompson how he felt about his work in the church. He said, "I have enjoyed my work in the Church in the past and currently find great joy and satisfaction in my present position. Although I feel very young and inexperienced in my calling, I have great examples to follow and very capable and willing people to share the Lord's Work."

It has been a pleasure to tell you of the ministry of Bishop Gary Thompson and the people whom he serves.

**Adrian-Presbyterian Community Church**

The Women's Association met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Mable Piercy in Adrian. Mrs. Marie Moore was co-hostess. Seventeen ladies were present. Mrs. George De Haven, president, had charge of the meeting. The devotionals were given by Mrs. Mable Piercy. Roll call was answered by the number of friendship calls made during the past month. The minutes were read by Mrs. Edythe Prosser, and the treasurers report given by Mrs. Winifred Bennett. Bills were presented and allowed. Plans were made to visit patients at the Nursing Home in Ontario after the church dinner and bazaar the first part of December. The ladies talked over their plans to serve lunch at the Elfers' sale in Big Bend Saturday.

A committee was appointed to meet with the president to plan the menu for the church dinner. A potluck dinner for the ladies will be held December 6 in the church basement, when the ladies will meet to do any cleaning needed and set up the tables for the dinner. The least coin dish was passed and the meeting adjourned.

**Nazarenes Hold Special Services**

SPECIAL SERVICES are continuing each evening this week at the Church of the Nazarene. The Rev. and Mrs. Michael Grimshaw are the workers in this series of meetings designed for spiritual inventory and renewal.

Beginning at 7:30 each evening, the services include the ministry of the crusade choir under the direction of Mr. Grimshaw, vocal musical selections from Mr. and Mrs. Grimshaw, along with organ music presented by Mrs. Grimshaw. The preaching of the services will be done by Mr. Grimshaw who has been an active evangelist and pastor in both the United States and Europe.

The Church of the Nazarene is located at 5th and Good Ave., and friends in the community are encouraged to share in these services. The series will continue through next Sunday evening.

**NAZARENE CHURCH NOTES**

THIS WEEK full attention is given to the Spiritual Life Crusade which is in progress each evening at 7:30 p.m. The Rev. and Mrs. Michael Grimshaw are the special workers directing both vocal and instrumental music, as well as the preaching of God's Word.

Sunday, 7:00 a.m. Early prayer time.  
9:45 a.m. Bible Study for all age groups.  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship with Message by Evangelist Grimshaw.  
7:30 p.m. Last service of Spiritual Life Crusade.

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Community Thanksgiving service Christian Church.

You are invited to meet Christ and to worship in our services. To make Him real to others, He must first be real to you. -Rev. Robert Manley, pastor

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH NOTES**

Sunday, November 18 - Dedication Sunday, when memorials and improvements to the Church will be dedicated at the 11 a.m. Worship hour.

Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Dinner will be held Sunday, November 18 at 7 p.m. at the Nyssa United Methodist Church with the ladies of that Church serving the dinner at \$2.00 per plate. The meeting is for all confirmed members of the congregation. There will be informal fellowship with singing and some special numbers and the business meeting will consider the 1974 budget, plus election of four new Church Council members.

Wednesday, November 21 - We urge everyone to attend the Nyssa Community Thanksgiving Worship Service at the Nyssa Christian Church at 8 p.m. You are always welcome at Faith Lutheran Church, Fifth and Park. Pastor Bill Lewis

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