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LETTER TO EDITOR

Editor, The Journal:
 I am writing this letter in response to Walter Burdette's letter about how the school buses hold up traffic and waste gas by doing so.

The school bus that I ride goes right by Mr. Burdette's house, so he must not be watching, as our bus pulls off at every stop at least once a day when it's on the right side of the road to pull over.

We, the students that ride my bus, are always getting sloshed around when we hit a pothole or a bump, when pulling off the highway to let cars pass.

So to finish up my letter, all I can say is, Mr. Burdette you must read your statistics in a magazine as our Nyssa school bus pulls off the road to let cars pass, so please look around before you write about something publicly.

Thank you,
 Debbie Bratton
 Nyssa High School.

Faith Lutheran

Thursday, December 13, Faith Lutheran Church Council meeting, 8 p.m.

Sunday, December 16, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

11 a.m. Worship, with this week's Advent theme being "Future." The service will incorporate special music and readings.

A coffee-fellowship hour follows worship in honor of Fred and Molly Koch, who will be moving from our community soon.

5 p.m., Sunday School Christmas Program entitled "Christmas is Jesus," incorporating a drama written by Harriet Lewis and entitled "Christmas with Grandma." The cast includes Penny Galloway (Grandma) and (Children) Kathy Wright, Sheila Runyan, Jeff Young, Terri Morrison, and Bobby Jones, and (Scripture readers) Dustin Kassman, Jim Looney, Laurie Wright, Tim Mecham, Shawn Young. Dustin Kassman will also be playing trumpet. There will be many special Christmas numbers by the Sunday School children. All are invited to attend this program.

Wednesday, December 19, Confirmation and Youth-Caroling Party, 6:30 p.m.

We want to thank the ladies of the Methodist Church in Nyssa who served us such a good dinner for our Annual meeting on November 18. Also thanks to Virginia Eastwood for the table decorations. The response to the Privilege (Pledge) Cards has been gratifying this year, with over 64% of our 1974 budget pledged so far. Pledges may still be received via the offering plate or by mail.

We wish to extend an invitation to the community to participate in the special services being offered by Faith during this Advent and Christmas season. And we pray that your celebration of Christmas might be joyous and centered in Him who has come to be our Savior.

Bill Lewis, Pastor.



INVESTITURE OF BROWNIE TROUP #169 was held Wednesday, December 5 at the Christian Church. The group of 16 girls meet every Thursday at the Church and Mrs. Dirk (Nancy) DeBoer is their leader.

Initiation consisted of the Pledge, the girl's repeated the 3-B's-- Be a discoverer, Be a ready helper and Be a friend maker, and each told her "Reason for Wanting to be a Brownie." Brownie pins were given each member. A treat of Brownie cookies was served.

A short business meeting was held. The Flag Salute was said and roll call was taken.



In the first picture, from left kneeling, is Valerie Fanning, Ronda Hendrick and Terri Carpenter; Back row from left, Sheryl Hansen, Melissa Loera, Kim Waddel, Patty Longoria and Simona Torres.

The picture at right shows, from left, kneeling, Sherri Sims, Amanda Savage and Sheila Welch; Back row from left, Lisa Diaz, Karen Webb, Danette Montgomery and Julie Sarazin.

Not present at the time the picture was taken was Teresa Espinosa.

Let's Hear It For The U.S.

A Canadian news commentator, Gordon Sinclair, recently delivered a thoughtful essay on what's good about America and Americans. We wish it had been written by an American, but for the most part our top commentators dwell only on our faults and usually in a caustic and cynical manner.

Here is what Mr. Sinclair had to say:

"This Canadian thinks it is time to speak up for Americans as the most generous and possibly the least appreciated people on all the earth.

"Germany, Japan and, to a lesser extent, Britain and Italy, were lifted out of the debris of war by the Americans who poured in billions of dollars and forgave other billions in debts. None of these countries is today paying even the interest on its remaining debts to the United States.

"When the franc was in danger of collapsing in 1956, it was the Americans who propped it up, and their reward was to be insulted and swindled on the streets of Paris.

"I was there. I saw it.

"When distant cities are hit by earthquakes, it is the United States that hurries in to help. ... This spring, 59 American communities (were) flattened by tornadoes. Nobody helped.

"The Marshall Plan and the Truman Policy pumped billions upon billions of dollars into discouraged countries. Now newspapers in those countries are writing about the decadent, warmongering Americans.

"I'd like to see just one of those countries, that is gloating over the erosion of the United States dollar, build its own airplanes.

"Come on, let's hear it!

"Does any other country in the world have a plane to equal the Boeing Jumbo Jet, the Lockheed Tristar or the Douglas 10?

"If so, why don't they fly them? Why do all the international lines except Russia fly American planes?

"Why does no other land on earth even consider putting a man or woman on the moon?

"You talk about Japanese technocracy, and you get radios. You talk about German technocracy, and you get automobiles.

"You talk about American technocracy, and you find men on the moon - not once but several times - and safely home again.

"You talk about scandals, and the Americans put their right in the store window for everybody to look at.

"Even their draft-dodgers are not pursued and hounded. They are here on our streets, and most of them - unless they are breaking Canadian laws - are getting American dollars from Ma and Pa at home to spend here.

"When the railways of France, Germany and India were breaking down through age, it was the Americans who rebuilt them. When the Pennsylvania Railroad and the New York Central went broke, nobody loaned them an old caboose. Both are still broke.

"I can name you 5,000 times when the Americans raced to the help of other people in trouble. Can you name me even one time when someone else raced to the Americans in trouble?

"I don't think there was outside help even during the San Francisco earthquake.

"They will come out of this thing with their flag high. And when they do, they are entitled to thumb their nose at the lands that are gloating over their present troubles.

"I hope Canada is not one of these."

DEATH NOTICE

Louis Skinner

Mr. Louis Skinner age 78, long time resident of Owyhee Corners passed away Tuesday, December 11 at Malheur Memorial Hospital. Services are pending.

CARD OF THANKS

I take this opportunity to thank all members of the Malheur Memorial Hospital and Dr.'s Kirby and Danford, for excellent care during my recent surgery.

I also thank my family, friends and neighbors for the many flowers, cards and letters. Your thoughtfulness will never be forgotten.

—Percy Capper.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank my friends and neighbors for their thoughtfulness and kind considerations during my recent stay in the hospital.

The visits, flowers and cards were sincerely appreciated. A special thank you to neighbors who took care of me during my illness at home.

—Olive Oldham

CARD OF THANKS

To all those who so graciously gave of their time and efforts to hold open-house for us and to our friends and families who honored us by attending, we offer our heartfelt thanks and appreciation.

We shall cherish this memory, always.

—Mr. and Mrs. Glet Brown

CARD OF THANKS

The American Legion Auxiliary of Adrian wishes to thank members and non-members who donated cookies, those who helped pack cookies and the women who took the Christmas goodies to the Veterans Hospital in Boise. Thanks to all.

The American Legion Auxiliary #109

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Hometown News

Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mel Beck were Mel's sister Mr. and Mrs. William Buxton from Caldwell.

Mrs. Art Cartwright spent Sunday, December 2, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Parker in Boise. It was their 64th wedding anniversary. They attended church at the Log Cabin United Brethren Church where Mr. Parker (he is 88 years old) is still active as song leader. There was a dinner after church which was attended by other family members in honor of the couple.

Sunday dinner guests in the Tom Eldredge home were Mr. and Mrs. John Metzler, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Brown, Frank Eldredge and Mrs. Mabel Bingham all from Fruitland and Mr. and Mrs. Art Eldredge from Sweet, Idaho.

John Weeks, son of Mrs. Elanthe Weeks came to visit his mother December 1 and became ill. He went to Caldwell and after treatment for kidney stones came back to spend the week recovering at his mothers. He left for his home in Seneca this past Monday.

Leo Gonyer returned home December 6, after spending six days at the Caldwell Memorial Hospital where he underwent surgery. He is home now and recovering a little more everyday. He may have visitors now, according to Mrs. Gonyer.

Mrs. Gonyer spent several nights with Mrs. Frances Bates of Caldwell, former teacher in the Nyssa School System.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Blackburn and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Condon attended the Ontario Caldwell basketball game in Caldwell Saturday evening. Larry announced the game. The couples went into Boise for dinner after the game.

BRIDGE ACTIVITIES

The Couple's bridge club enjoyed dinner at the Twilight Restaurant Sunday evening. Following dinner, bridge was in play at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Oldmeyer. High score winner for the evening was Mrs. Gale Christensen. Second high score went to Gerald Simantel.

The Wednesday Afternoon Bridge Club met recently at the home of Mrs. E. Otis Smith. Mrs. Jessie Morgan was guest player.

Prize winners were Mrs. Tom Hall, Mrs. Morgan and Mrs. Muri Lancaster.

Mrs. Kay Brendle hosted the Thursday Afternoon bridge club December 6. Guest players were Mrs. Billie Fisher and Mrs. Ethel Mary Rhodes.

Prize winners were Mrs. Brendle and Mrs. Fisher.

Church Directory

- NAZARENE CHURCH NOTES**
- Friday - Children's Christmas program practice 3:30 p.m.
- Sunday - Early prayer time at the Church, 7 a.m.
- Bible study for every age group, 9:45 a.m.
- Service of Worship, 11 a.m.
- Choir practice, 6:30 p.m.
- Evening Gospel Hour 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday - Caravans for boys and girls, 7 p.m.
- Teen time and Adult Bible Study, 7:30 p.m.
- Christmas Choir practice 8:30 p.m.
- Take time to worship. Take time to pray. Take time for God. Take time today.
- Robert W. Manley, pastor
- St. Bridget's News**
- Mass Schedule, Nyssa, Saturday, 7 p.m.; Sunday 8 and 11 p.m.
- Adrian, Sunday, 11 p.m.
- A special Program of Prayer will be held Saturday afternoon from 1 to 6 p.m. on December 15 at the parish hall. There is room for 20 people. This will be for adults and high school students.
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- Sunday at Mass will be the election of two new members to the parish advisory board. They will serve during 1974.
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- First Communion preparation with parents will start on Sunday December 16 at 7. This will help children learn from their parents.
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- Our Bishop, Thomas Conolly, came from Baker last Sunday to confirm 11 people who had been preparing for the previous month. This was followed by a potluck dinner in the hall for about 75 people. A fine blending of the spiritual and social.
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- Christmas Mass will be at midnight Christmas Eve and at 11 a.m., Christmas Day, with some of the special music of Christmas.
- After the 11 a.m. Mass on December 16, coffee and cookies will be served. Also, some of the children have prepared a short Christmas program.

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