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Drug Law Repeal Advocated

Mr. and Mrs. Van Schulthies, Nyssa chairmen of the Committee Against Liberal Drug Laws, issue the following statement concerning the initiative restoring criminal penalties for marijuana activities.

During the next few weeks, your neighbors will call upon you and offer you the chance to sign a petition concerning a matter that is vital to your family and your community. We urge all of you to give careful consideration to the importance of this petition.

The immediate past legislature passed a bill liberalizing Oregon Drug Laws to a degree that we feel infringes on the rights and privileges of all its citizens. We quote from a recent public hearing of the House Judiciary Committee, Jan. 16, 1974: "Lt. Watson of the State Patrol spoke of a recent incident where his unit was in contact with Nevada narcotic agents who informed them that a suitcase containing 14 pounds of marijuana was being shipped from Reno to Oregon by bus. When the suitcase was claimed in Oregon, the man who picked it up said it had been sent to Oregon rather than California, where he lived, because of Oregon's lower penalty structure." This is the beginning of a flood of marijuana sales that we can expect to cover our communities unless we act to repeal this law enacted by our public representatives in Salem.

The law enforcement officials of Oregon make the following comments concerning the immediate effect this new law has had on the use and sale of marijuana in our states....

"It would seem that the drug traffic in Oregon is on the upswing. This may be part due to the fact that our legislature has relaxed its stand on a once prohibited substance... (marijuana). This has led to experimenting with other and far more dangerous substances." - Sheriff Warren (Bud) Barnes, Washington County.

"Changing the law on an ounce or less has increased activity in drugs. Minimizing this one law has caused the judicial system to be lax in all of its decisions, regardless of the amount or activity in marijuana." - Sheriff Otho Caldera, Wheeler County.

"Since the enactment of the new law, users have become well aware that they will be dealt with as violators instead of criminals, if they restrict their personal possession to less than an ounce. Youths' reaction to the new law is that decriminalization has made marijuana more acceptable... i.e. if the legislature accepts pot, there can't be much truth to the idea that it is harmful, as a result, we are seeing our user/experimentor population age bracket drop from high school to Jr. high school, since the new law." - S. Evans, Undersheriff, Josephine County.

Today's space does not permit written argumentation, but it has been scientifically established that marijuana is harmful, and that it does lead to experimentation and possible to addiction to the so called hard drugs. We feel that you will agree that our children and young people deserve more consideration and protection than has been given them under Oregon's new marijuana law. Won't you join with us in the fight to protect our young people and their future from the chains of addiction? You have only the month of June to add your name to the petition restoring criminal penalties for Marijuana Activities.

Coast Guard Swears In New Commandant



Admiral Owen Wesley Siler, 52, became the 15th Commandant of the Coast Guard, in ceremonies last week in Washington D.C. He relieved Admiral Chester R. Bender, Commandant for the

past four years, who retired. Siler, born in Seattle, Wash., and a graduate of high school and junior college in Santa Maria, Calif., will lead the 38,000 member Coast Guard for the next four years.

A World War II combat veteran, the Admiral was sworn in by Claude S. Brinegar, Secretary of Transportation. The Coast Guard, a major agency of the Department of Transportation, is the only military service not part of the Defense Department.



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LETTER TO EDITOR

Editor, The Journal: Last week's issue had an editorial written for the Oregon Legionnaire. I would like to comment on two points.

The writer of the editorial stated: "We continue bitterly to resent statements... that Americans are a nation of wastrels." I do not know how many people he includes when he speaks of a nation of wastrels, but I think of three examples of waste found in this nation.

First, in many parts of our country productive land is removed from agriculture heedlessly. Here in Treasure Valley, for example, land which was barren for thousands of years has been made fruitful by irrigation. After only 30 years some of it is being paved over never to grow crops again.

Second, rivers and lakes are being polluted; their life giving ability is being destroyed.

Third, a too widespread policy affects people who are 65. People who are healthy, experienced and interested are told to stop working.

To me all these examples are instances of waste. To the extent that they are spread throughout the nation we are indeed "a nation of wastrels." I would prefer that the editorial writer resent such policies and practices than statements saying that they exist.

The editorial also makes the point "There is no such thing as people having 'too much' when they have worked to acquire it." I hope that such an attitude leaves room for the widow and orphan, for the physically and mentally disabled, for the many, many people who work to the utmost of their strength and have only bare subsistence. I believe that the world was made for all peoples to live with a measure of dignity. It can easily happen that the 'too much' of the rich is really the necessities of the impoverished.

Sincerely,
 Robert E. Simard,
 504 Locust Avenue, Nyssa

CARD OF THANKS

We gratefully acknowledge and thank our many friends and relatives for the flowers, memorials, food and other acts of kindness and sympathy at the time of the loss of our mother and grandmother, Edythe Prosser, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bell Mr. and Mrs. Delno Brock Mr. and Mrs. Bud Prosser and families

Nyssa Boy Breaks Ankle

Fifteen year-old Clayton Webb of Nyssa was taken by ambulance to Malheur Memorial Hospital Thursday, June 5 for treatment of injuries received while he attempted to deliver early morning newspapers.

Nyssa Police Chief, Alvin Allen said Webb had attempted to deter a dog which bit him once on a heel and in doing so, lost control of his bicycle, fell and broke an ankle.

Allen said that police arrived at the scene and administered first aid treatment to the injured lad.

"Nyssa has a leash law," Allen said, "and it is in force 24 hours a day. Residents must not allow dogs to run at large. If they continue to disregard the leash law, enforcement action will follow."

Bass Graduates

John Bass recently graduated from DeVry Institute of Technology at Phoenix, Arizona. He graduated in the top 3% of his class with a 3.9 G. P. A. John will attend the University of Santa Clara next fall.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Bass of Nyssa.

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St. Paul's Church Slates

Guest Speaker, Cove Sunday

The Rev. Harry Knisely from Bend will be guest preacher at St. Paul's Episcopal Church this Sunday at 11 a.m. The service will be Holy Communion. Amy Sarazin and Laurel Nevins announced that this Sunday will also be "Cove Sunday" at St. Paul's. "We are going to tell you all about the Cove camps and conferences and how much we want to go," they said. "Some from our community will also tell you about Cove and our Scholarship Program. This will be following the morning service, and while you're listening, we will serve you lunch-slides, too!"

Spofford Installs Rev. Croom

The Rt. Rev. William B. Spofford, Jr., Bishop of Eastern Oregon, installed the Rev. Letitia Croom as deacon-in-charge of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Nyssa, Friday night and of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church of Vale, Saturday night. Miss Croom was also inducted into the ministry of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church of Ontario Sunday night by serving as deacon during the Liturgy.

St. Bridget's News

Saturday Mass: Nyssa 7 p.m.
 Sunday Masses: Nyssa 8 and 11 a.m.
 Adrian 9:30 a.m.

Religious Vacation School is continuing this week. It started on Monday and will finish on Saturday. Various people of the parish, including junior high students, and three Sisters of St. Benedict are guiding the program for the children in grade school.

Last Tuesday night, June 4, a Recognition dinner honoring Sunday school teachers was held at the Eagles Hall. Teachers and their spouses were invited; 34 in all.

The regular monthly Advisory Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 10 at 8:15 at the parish hall.

Air condition units for the church are being wired and installed. The work will probably be completed within a week.

OBITUARIES

August Bugman Jr.

August William Bugman Jr., 16, of Ontario, died Wednesday, May 29, 1974 in a truck-bicycle accident on Highway 20.

He was born March 12, 1958, at Burns. He had lived in the Harper area and was a student at Ontario Junior High School. He had lived with Mrs. A. N. Dake, foster parent, for the past 14 months.

Survivors are his mother, Alma Jean Bugman in Idaho, and his father, August W. Bugman Sr., Nyssa. Services were conducted Saturday at Bertelson-Lienkaemper Chapel by the Rev. Fr. Cletus Kirkpatrick. Interment was at Evergreen Cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

With deepest gratitude we extend this word of thanks for the cards, flowers, and many kind acts of sympathy expressed by many friends. Special thanks to those who cared for my home while I spent several days at my son's bedside before he passed away.

Virginia Rookstool and family.

The Rev. Letitia Croom said that the new schedule for St. Paul's would be Holy Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, and Morning Prayer on the 1st and 3rd. Miss Croom was installed as vicar of St. Paul's as well as of Holy Trinity, Vale, in services this past weekend. She joins the Rev. Thomas Stevenson of Ontario and the Rev. Warren Sapp, in the Malheur County Ministry of the Episcopal Church.

The Women's Guild will hold a luncheon meeting at the home of Mrs. Greta Broad Wednesday, June 12.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

The Sunday School schedule is changed for the summer months. Sunday School will begin at 10 a.m. Children will go directly to their classes. Children thru 3rd grade will be in the Primary class with Susan Davis, teacher. Debbie Bratton will teach the Junior Class for older children thru the sixth grade. Youth class meets in the Fellowship Hall. The Young Adult Class in the Library with Don Somers. Mrs. James Stephens will teach Adults in the Church Parlor.

Morning Worship at 11 a.m.

Charge Conference with T. Askew Crumbley, superintendent of this district will meet Sunday June 9 at 5:30 p.m. in the church. At 7:30 Bible Study group meets.

Bible School will continue next week for children 3 years through sixth grade.

Churches Join

For Bible School

Daily Vacation Bible School is already underway at the United Methodist Church and will continue through June 14. The Lutheran, Episcopal and Methodist Churches have joined together to make this a bigger and better Bible School than ever.

The sessions start at 9 a.m. and are over at 11:30 a.m. Ages three years through sixth grade are welcome to attend and join in the fun.

The concluding program will be Friday June 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the Lutheran Church and all parents and friends of Bible School participants are welcome.

OBITUARIES

Melvin Rookstool

Services for Melvin Keith Rookstool, 42, who died May 28, 1974 in Seattle, Washington following a car accident, were held Friday, May 31 at the West Home Chapel by Bishop Graden. Interment was at Forest Lawn Cemetery, Seattle.

Adrian Student

Utah State Grad

Mr. Rookstool was born April 20, 1932 at Callaway, Nebraska. He came with his parents, Freeman and Virginia Rookstool to Nyssa in 1936, where he grew to manhood. He attended school at Oregon Trail and Nyssa. Entering the Air Force in 1951 he served four years after which he farmed with his father for two years. He later moved to Portland where he worked for the Rose City Bus Company. He spent a year in Alaska and from there went to Seattle where he made his home and worked for the American Mail and Everett Steamship Corporation.

Mr. Rookstool was returning home from visiting friends when he was struck by another car, demolishing his car and fatally injuring him. He passed away 16 days later.

Survivors are his wife Jene; mother, Mrs. Virginia Rookstool, Nyssa; four brothers, Ansel of Stanton, Calif., Wayne of Orvada, Nevada, Harold of Othello, Washington, Claude of College Place, Washington; three sisters, Mrs. Mary June Whitman, Ketchikan, Alaska, Mrs. Betty Locke, Marina Del Rey, Calif., Mrs. Lola Toll, of Anchorage, Alaska.



PRESENTATION OF THE PAPAL edition of the New American Bible to the TVCC Library was made by Mrs. Timmie

Echanis, left, and Mrs. Georgia Yturri, right, in behalf of the Ontario Basque Club. Librarian, Jean DeBoer accepted on behalf of the college.

Oregon Scholars List Includes 3 Nyssans

Names of 1,500 students have been announced as 1974 Oregon Scholars by the State Scholarship Commission.

Students earning this honor are selected from all high schools in Oregon on the basis of their outstanding academic achievement. Students from Nyssa High School selected as Oregon Scholars are: Beth Ann Kassman, Debra Alexander and Miriam Kunkel.

Purpose of the Oregon Scholars award is to give recognition to the academic attainments of students who have excelled in high school, whether or not they have financial need which qualified them for state scholarships.

Nyssa Student

Earns OIT Honors

Glen M. Pattee, Nyssa, has been placed on the Dean's Honor list for Winter Term 1974 at Oregon Institute of Technology, Klamath Falls, Oregon. To achieve this honor, students must maintain a 3.00 to 3.50 grade point average. Oregon Tech is the four year polytechnic college in Oregon offering two and four year degrees in Allied Health Technology, Business Technology, Engineering Technology, and Industrial Technology.

Adrian Student

C of I Graduate

Bachelor degrees were awarded to 128 graduates at commencement exercises May 25 at the College of Idaho, according to C of I registrar, Doris J. DeLume. Six master's degrees were also awarded.

Steven J. Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Davis, Adrian, was among the graduates.

Adrian Student

Utah State Grad

Approximately 2100 students are candidates for degrees at the 81st annual Commencement at Utah State University. Vice President Gerald R. Ford is scheduled to be the Commencement speaker. Candidates for Bachelor's degrees, include William D. Baker, Education, from Adrian.

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News About SERVICEMEN

PFC Jose Ortiz

Marine PFC. Jose F. Ortiz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roman Ortiz of Parma, left Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, with the 34th Marine Amphibious Unit, for a six-month Mediterranean Cruise. He will participate in training exercises, and visit several Mediterranean countries while the unit is deployed.

SR Walter Myers

NTC San Diego - Navy Constructionman Recruit Walter L. Myers, son of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Myers of 539 N. First St., Nyssa, Oregon, graduated from recruit training at the Naval Training Center, San Diego.

He received nine weeks of intensive instruction in seamanship, small arms training, fire fighting, close order drill, first aid and Naval history.

He will now report to a formal school for specialty training or to a ship or shore station for on-the-job training.

COMING EVENTS

Friday, June 7

United Methodist Church rummage sale 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
 Golden Age rummage sale, Old Western Hotel 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Friendship Circle meet at Kathleen Wheeler, 516 N. 6th, 2 p.m.

Saturday, June 8 - Recovery Inc., First Christian Church, 8 p.m.

Monday, June 10 - Parent meeting at Nyssa Child Development Center, 8 p.m.

Stardusters meet at home of Myrtle Sasser 8 p.m.

Tuesday, June 11 - Tops #494, Beas Beauty Bar, Adrian 7:30 p.m.

Yellow Rose Rebekah Lodge, IOOF Hall, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, June 12 - Senior Citizens, United Methodist Church Social Hall, potluck 10:30 a.m.

Headstart Policy Committee meeting, Ontario Child Development Center 8 p.m.

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