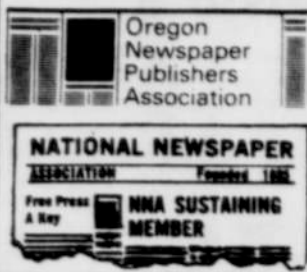


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No Child Exploitation Here

It is interesting how people in different parts of the country, with their different backgrounds and interests, look upon any given subject. We refer in this case to the Fair Labor Standards Act prohibiting children under the age of twelve from participating in the harvesting of crops.

The New York Times lauded the amendments to the act, approved by Congress this year, as one aimed at ending the "shameful exploitation" of children on the nation's farms.

They have little knowledge of how Oregon strawberry and raspberry crops have been harvested in the past, and Senators Hatfield and Packwood quickly got a temporary injunction repealing the ban for the present harvest season. The hearings on the merits of a permanent injunction will not be held until August 20 after all the berries have been picked.

The Oregon Senators were joined by Senators Jackson and Magnuson of Washington in objecting to the amendment, but their objections will probably be too few and too late.

Senator Hatfield, in a letter to the New York Times, pointed out that he applauds the efforts of the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee to stop the historic abuse of migratory children. In no way is he or the other senators interested in a "return to the injured bodies and unschooled minds that have always been a part of the grim harvest of child labor in the past," as charged by the Times.

He said that the Oregon Workmen's Compensation Board found that in 1973 approximately 10,000 children under twelve participated in Oregon's agricultural harvests. Of that 10,000 there was a total of seven injuries. They ranged from two cut fingers to a poison ivy rash.

Oregon law has prohibited children from working in the fields during schooltime for years, and in most cases the children are out of the fields by 2 p.m., so that pickers are not harvesting in the hot afternoon hours.

The senator added that he picked in these fields as a child, using the money to buy school clothes and to help his parents pay for his education. Like the majority of young Oregonians who helped in the harvests, he did this for a period of 3-4 weeks. He said that "to this day I consider this a valuable and healthy work experience that children of that age could obtain nowhere else."

Most of us would agree with the senator. The greatest hardship when I picked strawberries and raspberries was not on me, but on my mother, who had to get me up at 5 a.m. to get to the fields.

The law undoubtedly was designed to prevent child exploitation, but this and other laws, if enforced, are going to make helpless idiots out of a lot of kids who will grow up never learning how to work.

We agree that we must get away from the traditions that have seen migratory families traveling the country year-round, with the children getting little if any schooling, and losing all chance for productive lives. Oregon laws, at least, protect against this.

On the other hand, we know of no better place than a strawberry or raspberry patch, or other farm work, for a boy or girl to learn punctuality and dependability, and to earn a few dollars. Somewhere along the line every child has to learn how to work, and if he hasn't learned how by the age of 18, it is almost too late. Our federal laws are fast making invalids out of a lot of our young people, who won't know how to work even if they want to.

Fortunately we haven't had that problem here in Nyssa, where young people can find work in the sheds and the cannery, or in the fields. It could end though, if we're not careful. And that could be a tragedy, not only for the operators, but more so for the children.

Edna Stam Named Lung Disease Chairman

Mrs. Edna Stam, Route 1, Nyssa, has been named chairman of the Breath-of-Life Campaign to fight children's lung diseases, according to Terry Schunk 1974 state Campaign Chairman of the Oregon Chapter Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Mrs. Stam will lead volunteers in raising funds to support research and care program for children affected by lung damaging diseases like Cystic Fibrosis, severe asthma, chronic bronchitis, bronchiectasis, and a condition called "childhood emphysema." The goal for Nyssa is \$293.00 with the campaign kick-off with a house-to-house appeal on Sunday, September 15.

Cystic Fibrosis is an incurable genetic disease and

is inherited when both parents carry the recessive C/F gene. It is estimated that one in 20, or 10 million Americans carry that C/F gene, usually without knowing it. Current research, funded by the National Cystic Fibrosis Research Foundation, is seeking a practical test to identify these carriers. Because of improved therapy and constant research, many C/F patients are now living beyond infancy to their teens, and even into young adulthood. That same therapy is relieving, and often curing, children suffering from other related lung diseases.

"Most people don't realize that there are millions of children in the United States affected by 'pulmonary illness'," said Mrs. Stam. "For

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Editor, The Journal:

I would like to extend my thanks and appreciation to all those in Nyssa and Malheur County who gave me encouragement and support during the Miss Oregon Pageant—especially the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce and Ontario J.C.'s.

I was able to meet 17 beautiful and talented girls and felt very fortunate to become 2nd. Runner-Up to Miss Oregon.

It was certainly a wonderful experience and will bring back happy memories for many years to come.

Yours truly,
 Shan Rae Moss

NAZARENE CHURCH NOTES

Sunday, 7 a.m., Morning prayer at the Church.

9:45 a.m., Bible study and Christian Education Classes.

11:00 a.m., Worship service with message by Pastor Russell.

7:00 p.m., Closing service of the Intermountain District Camp which has been in progress this week in Nampa. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, services are scheduled at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Monday, July 29-Aug. 3, Summer Camp at Victory Cove for Seventh grade students.

Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. Young Women's Bible Study at the home of Mrs. Dan Martin.

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Prayer and Bible study time at the church.

You are welcome to share a time of worship in any of these services.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Rev. Warren Sapp will be Celebrant, and the Rev. Letitia Croom, Deacon, for the eleven o'clock Communion service at St. Paul's Episcopal Church this Sunday. A coffee hour will follow the service.

Four more young people leave for the Cove Camp this week: John Kunkel, Amy Sarazin, Lisa Sarazin and Tiena Tensen.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH NOTES

The American Lutheran Church Women will hold a Blue Mountain Conference Meeting on August 6-7 at Pendleton Kiwanis Camp, according to the Rev. Walter Schmidt, Pastor. Registration is at 11 a.m. on August 6, and the cost is \$7 per person.

Guest speaker is Dr. Jan Gumprecht of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Registration is open to all high school age and above, and non-Lutheran guests are welcome. The theme of the convention is "God's Patchwork Quilt."

many of these children breathing is not the natural function we, who are lucky, take for granted." The Breath-of-Life Campaign supports not only research but 117 C/F centers for diagnosis and treatment across the country.

Oregon has a care, teaching and research center located in Portland at the University of Oregon Medical School. Anyone who would like to help with the 1974 Nyssa Breath-of-Life campaign should contact Mrs. Edna Stam, at 372-3267.

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THE NYSSA SENIOR CITIZENS have obtained a 10-year lease on the house at 216 Bower Avenue and have been working diligently to fix up the house for a senior service center. Pictured from left to right are: Hazel Smith, Edith Reece, Lew Meckem, Even Chard, Wyatt Smith, Blanch Weeks,

Erma Sparks, President of the Nyssa Senior Citizens, Lillian Mechem, and Edna McGinnis. The senior citizens meet every second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at the new service center. Everyone is welcome.

OBITUARIES

Fredrika Kollen

Margarette Wilson

Fredrika Kollen, 77, of Route 2, Box 1411, Madras, Oregon passed away in Madras July 11, 1974. Services for Mrs. Kollen were held Monday, July 15 at 2 p.m. in the Madras First Christian Church. Interment was also in Madras.

Mrs. Fredrika Kollen was born March 27, 1897 in Manhattan, Montana, to Mr. and Mrs. John H. Ter Telgte. She was married to Jacob John Kollen in Des Moines, Iowa, August 23, 1918.

Her survivors include four daughters, Connie Chard, Fanny Fuller, Mary Ramsey all of Madras and Jeanette Reed, Aisberg, Germany and four sons, John, Henry, Fredrik and Norman A. also all of Madras.

Her husband, Jacob John Kollen, preceded her in death.

Yoshiye Otani Kora

Yoshiye Otani Kora obit. Services for Yoshiye Otani Kora, 53, rural Parma, who died of natural causes Monday, July 22, 1974, at a Nyssa hospital, will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Kirkpatrick Presbyterian Church in Parma by the Rev. Stanley Bank. Interment will be at Parma Cemetery, under direction of the Lienkaemper Chapel in Nyssa.

She was born April 6, 1921, in Tacoma, Washington. She lived in the rural Parma area most of her life and was a member of the Kirkpatrick Presbyterian Church in Parma.

She had been a secretary for the Parma School District for the past six years. She was married to Masa Kora January 25, 1950, in Boise.

She is survived by her husband, of rural Parma; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Otani, rural Parma; two sons, Masa Jr., Portland and Matthew, at home; a daughter Susanne, at home; and two brothers, Ken Otani and Geroge Otani, both of Parma.

Memorials may be sent to the Kirkpatrick Presbyterian Church.

THANK YOU!

We would like to publicly thank all those that took part in our open house Sunday by attending, sending cards, phone calls or gifts thus making it one of the happiest days of our lives.

Dyre and Goldie Roberts

Dairy Honor Selections Made

Some 12 dairymen were recognized recently as "Dairy of Honor" recipients according to "Scotty" Joe Payne, President of the Dairy Products Commission.

Payne went on to say "that the Oregon Dairy Association sponsors the program and local dairymen were selected on the basis of attractiveness and appearance of buildings, fences, weeds along with cleanliness of cows and corrals. An attractive roadside appearance or appraisal of the dairy by consumers is one of the objectives of the program," Payne stated.

Those receiving the distinctive "Dairy of Honor" title were, Vale area, Harold Saunders, J. "Scotty" Payne, George Zinnie, Faw Farms, Marvin Rempel, Elvord Roy, Don and Kay Kittelman; others selected were Daryl and Dudley DeLong, Willow Creek; John and Larry White, Ontario; Laan and Martin of Adrian; and Robert Peterson, Oregon Slope.

The selection committee headed by Jens Sueneth, Salem were complimentary of Malheur's growing dairy industry and those receiving the "Dairy of Honor" recognition, Payne concluded.

Growers Receive Record Payments

The Amalgamated Sugar Company this week made a third supplemental payment to its growers for their 1973 sugarbeet crop.

The action resulted in checks totaling \$13.5 million being mailed to growers throughout Utah, Oregon, and Idaho.

During a year when sugar prices have reached all-time highs, the sugar company has now made payments to beet growers in excess of \$76 million, with the final settlement for the 1973 crop still to be made in October, reports company president and chief executive officer A. E. Benning.

"These record payments have been made this year because world competition for available sugar supplies has resulted in domestic sugar prices reaching record levels," Benning explained. "And through their participating contracts, growers share—and will continue to share—in the proceeds from our sugar sales," he remarked.

In a special letter that accompanied these latest payment checks, the company gave its growers an overview of what they can expect in the future without a Sugar Act.

With the expiration of the Sugar Act to take place in early 1975, which will place U. S. sugar needs on an open world market like that of oil, it will be virtually impossible for the U.S. beet industry to predict future sugar prices with the exactness of the past.

This means that local growers will more than likely be looking at modest initial payments for their beets followed by a series of supplemental payments as the year progresses and as sugar prices warrant.

For the foreseeable future, Benning added, sugar prices appear firm, mainly because of the tight sugar supply situation in the world.

"The circumstances of high prices and relatively low sugar supplies should encourage farmers to sizeably increase their beet acreage in 1975," he concluded.

IRS Refund Checks Remain Undelivered

Nearly half million dollars in undelivered federal income tax refund checks from Oregonians have been returned to the government because they were unclaimed according to the Internal Revenue Service.

Many of the checks were mailed Friday, July 12. The IRS however, is urging taxpayers who have not received checks after allowing reasonable time for mail delivery since the 12th to contact its offices.

In all refund inquiries, the taxpayer should be prepared to provide the name and address as it appeared on the return, the actual name and address if different, the social security number or numbers and the type of form filed.

Average refunds for Oregon have been averaging \$335.00 for the 1973 tax period.

The IRS said the most common reason for an undelivered check is that the taxpayer has moved and left no forwarding address with the U. S. Postal Service. In all cases, a taxpayer will have to complete 3911, Taxpayer Statement Regarding Refund, to have the check remailed to an address other than that used in filling the return.

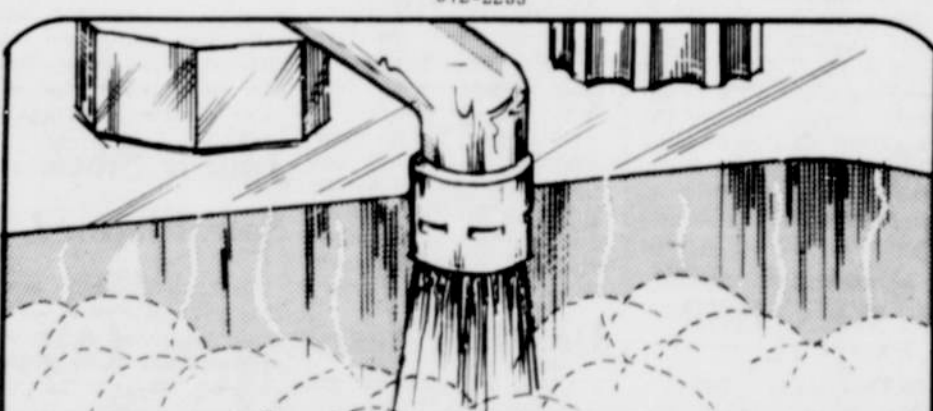
A taxpayer who suspects his check may have been lost or stolen, should also get in touch with his local IRS office as soon as possible so that tracers can be put on the missing check.

Additional refunds may have been delayed because of errors or omissions on tax returns. Taxpayers affected should follow the instructions received from the IRS in order to speed up issuance of their checks.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my many friends and neighbors for the many cards and flowers during my recent stay in the hospital. They were very much appreciated.

Mrs. Luit Stam



Is your garbage disposer an energy disposer, too?

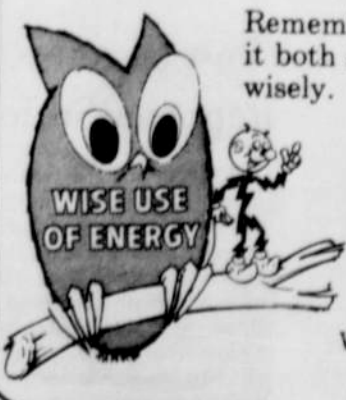
One of the major uses of energy in the home is heating water. That's why it's a good idea to make your hot water use energy wise.

For instance, if you have a garbage disposer, use cold water when you run it. Hot water simply isn't necessary and is a waste of energy.

Other hot water energy tips:

- Repair leaky faucets. A leak of one drop per second for a month will pour 200 gallons of hot water down the drain.
- Wash clothes only when you have a full washer load. Also, use cold water settings when possible.
- For automatic dishwashers that don't have partial load settings, rinse and hold your dishes until you have a full load.
- Keep in mind that showers take less hot water than baths.

Remember: Water and the energy to heat it both are important resources. Use them wisely.



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