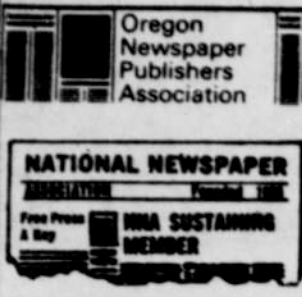


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Good Will Towards Men

We received a press release the other day in which all the chairmen of the various committees were listed as chairpersons. Unfortunately, it so agitated us that we threw the press release in the waste basket, and there were some local or area people listed in the news article who should have been recognized, and publicized.

Editors have options as to what news stories they run in their paper, and how they should be run, and we also have leeway in editing those stories. What we should have done is change the chairpersons to chairmen, and let it go at that.

The point of the irritation was that this press release came from educators. These persons, male and female, are those who most directly influence our children in learning the English language. There is some indication that they are having a hard time, and they compound their problems by using words like chairperson.

The term man as used in our language means people, and has been acceptable for many years. The women's libbers started this business of defining every word to mean male or female, and they have started something that is really going to mess up our language if it isn't stopped. Unfortunately, too many people in the publishing business are going along with it. No wonder kids have trouble learning the language, or even thinking straight, for that matter.

Webster defines man as a member of the human race. True, a male human being is a man, but in its broader sense, man means the human race, mankind, human beings collectively. Without getting too technical, we have gotten along for many years using the word man in most of our language without referring to sex. Englishman, fisherman, sportsman, watchman, policeman, just to name a few.

Last summer we were stopped by a flagman on a highway construction job, and it was pretty obvious that she was female. We asked her if she was referred to as a flagperson and she said, "I'm a flagman."

This is a big subject. We could go on and on, and of course couldn't convince those who would change the language. We can only hope that school teachers and journalists will continue to use some common sense. There are even some who would change the word's usage in the Bible.

And so, in the spirit of the season, we would end with the salutation "Peace On Earth, Good Will Towards Men." This includes not only men, but women, boys, girls, people. It means mankind. Not womankind, personkind, boykind, girlkind, but "mankind."

The Circuit Writer

by Rev. James Monroe

While at a recent meeting, I pinned on my name tag and ventured into the maddening crowd to make conversation and meet people. One dear, sweet little lady came up to me, with the following results:

"Hello! My name is Susie Baker, from just outside Twin Falls. I see by your tag you are Jim Monroe—from Nice-a."

"Well, it's Nyssa."

"No, just Miss-Never married, you see."

"No, it's really pronounced Nyssa."

"Huh? You mean Nice-a is not Nice-a?"

"No, actually it is Nice-a-I mean Nice. It's just that Nyssa is nice, not Nice-a."

"Well, I sure didn't know what you're talking about! What do they do in Nipsa?"

"IT'S N-Y-S-S-A, NYSSA/And, they make sugar."

"Well, you don't have to shout! And just because I'm single, you don't have to get fresh and call me sugar! I don't know who you think you are!"

Beginning to sense either a problem in the telling, or in the hearing, I felt the need to start from scratch. "My name is Jim Monroe from

Nyssa, N-Y-S-S-A, Oregon. In Nyssa, N-Y-S-S-A, Oregon we have a sugar factory that makes sugar, from sugar beets!"

"Oh, that's sweet." I couldn't tell if I was being put on or not. "What do you do, my excitable friend, work in the beet factory?"

I couldn't resist thinking "Beets me!" Fortunately, I could resist saying it, and answered, "I'm a minister."

"Well, I can see that. You're obviously not a Miss like me, but what job do you do?"

"I (pause) am (pause) a (pause) minister, m-i-n-i-s-t-e-r, in a church."

"Well, with all the speaking you do, you should really learn to speak clearer. If the Bible were written the way you talk, we'd all be in trouble!"

Watching Susie Baker move on into the crowd, I felt for the next person she would come across. But then, she was so refreshing, why feel sorry for him? Susie has a purpose in life, and maybe the next person will speak clearer, and help her fulfill that mission. After all, God has good use for all of us. Have a nice-a day!

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LETTER TO EDITOR

Editor, The Journal,

The Honorable Don Oldemeyer,
Mayor of the City of Nyssa
Dear Mayor Oldemeyer:

Congratulations to you and your employees for the fine safety record the City of Nyssa attained in 1974-75.

Perfect records such as yours don't just happen. They require cooperation, a safety awareness, and perhaps most important, a positive attitude on the part of all. Each of your employees was directly involved in achieving the zero accident frequency mark and is to be commended for this accomplishment.

Again, Congratulations. We at the State Accident Insurance Fund and the League of Oregon Cities hope you will continue to build your safety record in the future.

Very truly yours,
H.W. McCauley
SAIF Assistant Manager

OBITUARIES

Helmer C. Ostrom

Services for Helmer C. Ostrom, 68, Nyssa, who died Friday, December 12, 1975, at his home, were conducted Tuesday at the Lienkaemper Chapel in Nyssa by Pastor Walter Schmidt. Interment was at the Nyssa Cemetery under the direction of the American Legion of Nyssa.

He was born August 21, 1907, in Cloquet, Minnesota. He came to Idaho in 1929. He had served with the U. S. Army in World War II in the South Pacific.

He married Wilma M. Sterner, May 24, 1932, in Klamath Falls, Oregon.

He came to Nyssa in 1947 and worked with his father, John Ostrom, in the Nyssa Lumber Co.

He was a member of the American Legion, the POE and the Lutheran Church.

He is survived by his wife in Nyssa; a daughter, Mary Jean Murphy, Superior, Wisconsin; two brothers, Bart Ostrom, Nyssa, and Edward Ostrom, Boise; a sister, Mrs. H. A. (Ruth) Boe, Tucson, Arizona; six grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Otto E. Coffman

Services for Otto E. Coffman, 91, Nyssa, who died Tuesday, December 9, 1975 at a local hospital, were conducted Friday at the Lienkaemper Chapel in Nyssa, by Elder William Lowrance. Interment was in the Nyssa Cemetery.

He was born March 19, 1884, in Cloverdale, Indiana. His wife, Cora E. Coffman, died in 1968.

He moved to Nyssa from North Dakota in 1937 and worked for the Bureau of Reclamation until his retirement in 1955.

Surviving are a son, George Coffman, Nyssa; a daughter, Mrs. Iona Greig, Nyssa; two brothers, Wilbur N. Coffman, Nyssa, and William W. Coffman, Goodlettsville, Tennessee; and six grandchildren.

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Adrian Teacher Of The Week

RICK HERRICK is Adrian's "Teacher of the Week." Herrick grew up in Newberg, Oregon where he attended school. He received his BA degree in music from George Fox College, Newberg. This is his second year as band instructor at Adrian. He has a wife, Nancy and two children Leslie and Catherine. His hobby is working on old cars for collectors items.

Adrian Christmas Program Tonight

A Christmas program is scheduled at Adrian school (TONIGHT) Thursday, December 18 in the high school gymnasium at 7:30 p.m., it was announced by Rick Herrick, band instructor. Students from kindergarten age, thru high school will be participating in the program.

Christian Church Christmas Program

The Nyssa Christian Church will hold a Christmas program Sunday, December 21 at 6 p.m. Everybody is welcome.

Wednesday, December 24—Christmas Eve Service, 6 p.m. If you do not have a church home where you worship regularly, now is a good time to visit and see for yourself. 5th and Ennis Avenue is a great place to worship the Lord.

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Youth meeting 5 p.m.; Evening service, 6 p.m.; Bible study and prayer, Wednesday, 8 p.m.

Advent Christmas At St. Paul's

The young people of St. Paul's Episcopal Church will offer their Christmas program this Sunday, December 21, at the 11:00 o'clock service of Morning Prayer. As we draw nearer to the Christmas festival the Bible lessons for this fourth Sunday in Advent take us to the brink of the Christ event, with the story of Mary who was the appointed agent through whom the Christ entered into the world.

The Christmas Festival Eucharist will be held on Christmas Eve, December 24, at 11 p.m.

the Owyhee Cemetery. Mrs. Riess was born, November 19, 1957, in Idaho. She married Ralph W. Riess, Jr., at Newport, Connecticut, November 23, 1974. He had been stationed with the U.S. Army in Germany.

Surviving are her husband, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Orr, Stockton, California, and a sister, Mrs. Melanie Tischandore, Meridian.



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Gospel Singers To Hold Benefit

The 5th annual Christmas Benefit Gospel Music Jam-boree will be held Saturday, December 20 at 7:30 p.m. in Jewett Auditorium in Caldwell.

Admission will be one Christmas gift for a resident of the Idaho State School or a hospital donation of \$1.50 per person.

Gospel groups performing will be: The Maranathas, Mike Titts and Company, the Waymark Singers, Children of the Son, the Son Shiners and the Kings Witnesses. Everyone is invited to attend.

Nazarene Church News

Thursday, December 18, Prayer and Fasting group will meet at the Church, 12 NOON

Sunday, December 21, Morning Prayer at the Church, 7 a.m.

Sunday School classes meet together for opening to prepare for Children's Christmas Program in the Sanctuary 10 a.m.

Worship Service with message by Pastor Russell, 11 a.m.

Choir practice 6:30 p.m. Evening Service will feature a Sing Christmas Tree by the Junior Choir; followed by a Teen Drama, "To All People," directed by Mr. and Mrs. Tim Clarkson, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 23—A Vesper service to be held in Manley Hall, 7:30 p.m.

"May you have a happy Christmas. It is not enough to prepare your home and your pantry for this occasion. Let every heart prepare Him room."

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH NOTES

Thursday, December 18 - ALCW Christmas party at the parsonage, 8 p.m.

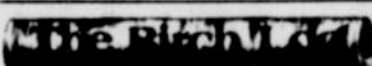
Saturday, December 20 - Rehearsal for Church Christmas program 3 p.m.

Sunday, December 21 - Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship service 11 a.m. Immediately following the service the Evangelism Committee will meet.

Monday, December 22 - Christmas program, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service.

UNTU YOU IS BORN THIS DAY IN THE CITY OF DAVID A SAVIOR WHO IS CHRIST THE LORD."



Francisco Franco, R.I.P.

by John F. McManus

Belmont, Massachusetts — The vilification was predictable. Francisco Franco had been a target of the Left ever since he led Spain's army to victory over the Communists in the bloody Spanish Civil War of 1936-1939. When he died on November 20, the character assassins of our press rejoiced at one more opportunity to soil his name, and in some cases applauded his passing. Some could not hold back their delight in reporting that their implacable foe was gone, even as the Communism he fought marches on.

To listen to Franco's enemies, the opposing sides in that Civil War were fascism and a form of democracy under a so-called Republican Government. The truth is that the Republican Government was a Moscow puppet, and the democracy it was seeking to impose was out-and-out Communist tyranny. Which is certainly why its forces happened to include Communist cadres from all over the globe (including America's Abraham Lincoln Brigade), and why thousands of Catholic priests and nuns were mercilessly slaughtered — some burned alive in churches filled with their congregations.

Franco and Hitler

When Franco accepted command of Spain's forces in 1936, the Communists were well on the way to victory. He accepted help from both Hitler and Mussolini, a move which the vultures who have always sought his hide would never let the world forget. Of course, the same critics studiously avoid mentioning Franco's later refusal to allow Hitler's tanks to pass through Spain in 1940. Saying no to twelve panzer divisions massed on his border, at a time when his own country still lay in ruins, told a great deal about Franco. So, too, did the immense help he gave to 200,000 fleeing Jews by providing them with Spanish passports — a deed which the Jews themselves recognized but which Franco-haters ignore.

The vilifiers of Franco also refuse to take note of the fact that the Hitler they sanctimoniously

OUT OF THE PAST

10 YEARS AGO

Nyssa Mayor Grant Rinehart told members of the Chamber of Commerce Wednesday that the city needs a new public library and rest rooms badly. He also said that a study should be started to change the traffic pattern through the commercial section of the city.

Mrs. Orland Cheldelin served as chairman for the annual display of Christmas arrangements staged Saturday and Sunday in the social room of Nyssa Methodist Church.

20 YEARS AGO

Nyssa retail stores did more gross business in proportion to its population than any other town in the county during 1954 and it surpassed other towns in at least one line of business, according to a preliminary retail trade census of business released this week by the U. S. Department of Commerce.

Retail sales here amounted to \$7,122,000, or about 22 percent of the total \$27,541,000 in retail business sales in Malheur County. During the same period Ontario's sales were \$12,551,000 or about 43 percent of the total of the county.

Ted Morgan is the new president of the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce, elected Wednesday noon by unanimous ballot along with a full slate of nominees who had no opposition. Other officers are Gus Liming, vice president; Ham Chadderton, secretary and Gene Gray, Don Moss and Eddie Traylor, members of the board of directors.

30 YEARS AGO

The prisoner of war camp at Nyssa was closed last week and the approximate 500 prisoners were sent to Pittsburg, California, port of embarkation, Thursday night. Captain E. E. Gasch, camp commander announced. The prisoners were later reported to have been sent to Rupert, Idaho because of lack of transportation to Germany.

Nyssa experienced its coldest weather of the winter the night of December 17 when the mercury slid to four degrees above zero, according to reclamation bureau figures.

Word has been received that Grover Findley has

arrived at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, from overseas duty.

Milton Green, who served in the United States Navy during World War II, has received a discharge and is now with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Green of Lincoln Heights.

40 YEARS AGO

A gold strike which may rival the wildest dreams of gold-seeking prospectors came to light this week with the news of a strike on the Mrs. Florence Chase ranch eight miles southwest of Nyssa. The current story is that the find was made some time ago but was kept a secret until recently. Mrs. Chase's ranch is on new land of the Owyhee project.

Many people who have seen mining booms before are willing to wait until more developments are revealed before becoming excited about the proposition. However, should the further testing of the ground show a continuous high assay value, Nyssa is apt to become one of the biggest mining towns anywhere.

50 YEARS AGO

Dick Tensen has been busy during the past few days handing out cigars to "the boys" and receiving their congratulations over the arrival, via stork air line, of a fine 8-pound boy, which arrived on Wednesday last at the Ontario hospital. The youngster, named Dick George, Mother and child are doing fine. Heretofore Dick's boys have all been girls, and the arrival of the real thing at last has caused a smile that won't come off.

Baptist Church

Everyone is welcome to attend services at this Bible teaching church.

Sunday Services - Sunday school classes for all ages, 10 a.m.

Worship Service - in the Sanctuary with the message by Pastor Dale Mitchell, 11 a.m.

Evening Service - Message and fellowship, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday Evening - Bible Study and prayer at the church with choir practice afterward, 7:30 p.m.

Youth meeting, 7:30 p.m. A friendly smile, a warm handshake and the words of the Lord await you at Park Avenue Baptist Church, on the corner of North Third Street and Park Avenue.

abhor subsequently became the formal ally of Communist Russia via the infamous Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact. Why no similar condemnation of the Communists? As always, whatever helps the Communists receives attention; whatever exposes them for what they are is ignored.

A Closer Look

The reports of Franco's death were full of calls for Spain to alter its form of government. Those same writers and those same newspapers never issue a similar call to Soviet Russia, Red China, and all Communist nations, where reasons for change abound. Persons outside of Spain who do not care for Spain's way of doing things should mind their own business as long as Spain is no threat to them or their country. Rather than meddle in Spanish affairs, outsiders ought to look more closely at what they are condemning. For Spain under Franco has been one of the few bright spots in an increasingly darker world.

An honest report about Spain would refer, as some have, to the economic "miracle of Spain," and to the emergence of a large middle class, the backbone of any productive nation. It would note that, after thirty-six years under Franco, Spain has less crime, less drug addiction, less alcoholism, and less divorce than virtually any other country on earth. Then it would mention that Spain has wisely avoided the numerous recent wars which have brought increased suffering and more despotism to the world. Finally, if a reporter cared to do so, he could wonder out loud whether those who cry for change in Spain really hope that she will duplicate neighboring Portugal's plunge into tyranny.

Root In Peace

In a more sane and honorable day, Francisco Franco's passing would have been lamented worldwide. For the Spain that he left behind was a far better place than the ravaged country he inherited. May he rest in God's peace.

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