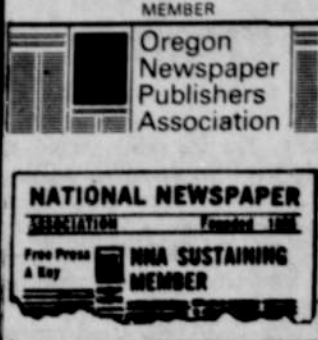


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WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT SMALL INDEPENDENT BUSINESS? MAYBE IT IS TIME YOU THOUGHT ABOUT IT

Small, independent business. You have heard about it. You have read about it. You have probably even benefited from one. But what do you really know about it?

In towns, villages and cities across the country, the small independent business located on Main Street U.S.A. symbolizes the American way of life. It is a dramatic story of courageous individuals who faced unknown challenges in a vast unexplored land, determined to succeed in spite of hardship and sacrifice. With strength and character, these men and women struggled to create a livelihood out of a lifestyle that required nothing less than industry and imagination.

Small business is as American as apple pie or the Fourth of July. Historians have recorded this event again and again. Adventurous colonists who voyaged to the New World came up against the cold winters and hot summers—climates unfamiliar to them. They realized immediately that this land was abundant with natural resources. Here was opportunity.

In order to survive, a spirit of unity, a camaraderie, developed. People realized that they needed each other. Together they established an exchange of goods and services. What one person made, another sold, and still another used. The embryo of individualistic enterprise was born.

This enthusiasm for the individual or family-owned operation manifested itself at all levels of business, be it manufacturer, wholesaler or retailer. The origin of this feeling was based on the thought that craftsmen and artisans could take pride in creating a product or providing a service. The concept that big was better did not exist. The triumphant idea of the moment was founded in the philosophy that the endeavoring makes the dreams come true.

Over the years, small business has survived the ups and downs of the economy. In the past, small business has played a rather quiet, behind-the-scenes role. The profile was low key. Not today.

Times have changed. The small business of the late seventies is not the same as the small business of the twenties or forties. For the small firm—the butcher, the baker—merely maintaining a business on a daily basis is difficult without having to be worried about the possibility of being caught in the ever tightening federal noose. The government has become the bane of small business. The most common problems stem from the fact that too often the Congress of the United States thinks big, not small. What is good for the boys in Detroit—the large car manufacturers—is not necessarily good for Sam's Shoes in Santa Rosa. There is a distinction. A great one. For this reason, the independents are banding together in the political arena. Proponents of their cause are making their feelings known. They are ready to take on a few rounds and win.

The small business community no longer wants to be hassled. They want their problems solved. They are tired of yelling "paperwork, taxation, regulation." They want to yell "freedom." So that they can, they are working toward seeing that laws are written which will be in their best interest. They want the U.S. Congress to realize that there are constituents out in the heartlands who mean what they say. They want action, they want answers. Now.

"Independents are organizing at the local, state and federal level," says Wilson S. Johnson, president of the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), the largest business organization of its kind in the country. "The climate is changing, by querying our 500,000 members on their position in regard to hot issues like energy, minimum wage, unemployment compensation and taxes, we can present an accurate opinion poll to Members of the U.S. Congress."

Small business is now in action. It is fighting on behalf of the 97 percent of the nation's businesses which are dubbed small and the 53 percent of the daily work force who are employed by these companies, who contribute 43 percent of the Gross National Product.

A MILESTONE FOR USDA

May 15 marked the 115th anniversary of one of the most important events in the history of the United States—the creation of an "agricultural and statistical bureau" we now know as the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

Actually, George Washington as early as the 1780's had advocated the creation of a board of agriculture. Sure enough, Congress, in typical fashion, "rushed" to get the recommendation passed, and just like that—a mere 75 years later—it was law. The final accomplishment was largely the result of a campaign promise that Abraham Lincoln had made to western voters.

Five days later on May 20, 1862, President Lincoln signed into law another act which, likewise, had a great effect on the nation's efforts at producing food. This was the Homestead Act, wherein heads of families could receive 160 acres of the public domain. Many problems and scandals concerning land development necessitated numerous changes in the law in coming years, but it promoted gradual settlement and agricultural development of the western states.

Still another significant development took place in 1862, when agriculture and agricultural education was given a boost with the passage of the Morrill Land Grant College Act.

A form of agricultural education under such local societies as the Philadelphia Society for the Promotion of Agriculture had been in existence for several years. The Land Grant College Act of July 2, 1862, however, served to put this education on a national, rather than a local basis. These early efforts at informing farmers and gardeners of new methods, new crops and new practices were beset with many problems, but progress was made.

Thus, 1862, was a tremendous year for American agriculture, and the actions taken by the administration and Congress in that turbulent year in the middle of the Civil War have played a major role in bringing Americans the best and least expensive food system in the world.

We wish the USDA and American agriculture many more years of success, and can only hope that government and consumer leaders, many of whom know nothing about agriculture, do not ruin our great agricultural system with outlandish demands and an excess of bureaucratic restrictions.

The Packer

LETTERS
TO
THE EDITOR

Editors Note: The following is a copy of a letter to the Malheur County Court from Robert D. Butler of Vale.

Malheur County Court
 Malheur County Courthouse
 Vale, Oregon 97918

Subject: Proposed County
 Extension Building
 Gentlemen:

I appreciate your giving various people the opportunity to express themselves at the bid opening yesterday. Now as you consider the alternatives, I would hope that you would keep in mind two things.

First, whether you have the legal right, including the budgetary right, to proceed with this construction in Ontario.

Secondly, you are elected officials of Malheur County and are therefore theoretically responsive to the needs and requirements of the majority of the County residents. In view of the fact that you propose to construct a building with approximately 3,300 square feet at a cost of around \$123,000.00 when for approximately \$90,000.00 you could acquire a building with about 9,000 square feet, remodel 3,300 square feet of it and still have almost 6,000 square feet of floor space left for other county purposes, do you feel that if this matter was submitted to a vote of the taxpayers of Malheur County that they would approve that action? Particularly consider this in light of the failure of several money related matters at the recent election. I can't help but feel that you agree with me that if that question were posed to the people of Malheur County, that they would want to get the best value for the cheapest price. To me this smacks of wasting public funds and it is a well concluded principal of law that a County Court can be enjoined from wasting public funds.

Please give these matters your most serious consideration as you make your decisions.

Very truly yours,
 Rob't D. Butler, Chairman
 Industrial Development Committee

Vale Chamber of Commerce.

Editor, The Journal:

If you have never had the harassing experience of job hunting, you have much to learn. It was all new to me, being the "post script" in a family of seven older brothers who had been brain washed by my father—a professional man himself—with the philosophy, "make one dollar working for yourself, rather than two working for someone else." Also I had married a professional man, so had no knowledge of the vagaries involved in a round of job hunting until I accompanied a friend seeking work—any work.

First there are the employment bureaus devoted to your needs with a personnel who never dream they could ever be in your position. There you relate all the details pertinent to job hunting. I noted she was not asked if it was the true color of her hair, nor if there was any baldness in her family, if so on what side. In no instance was she required to prove she had all four of her wisdom teeth or enumerate any peculiarities on her family tree. This was in her favor, for I did know some of the limbs hang pretty low. The lesser being the time her father, returning home late, crawled over the wide hedge because he was unable to locate the gate. This might have put her on the red side of the ledger. None of this should have anything to do with sorting potatoes on a moving belt anyway. But when you feel the urge to "tell all" just go job hunting. You may feel six feet tall when you start out, but at the end of the day you will feel no taller than the heel of a buckaroo boot.

If you are lucky the employment bureau may send you right out on a possible job and when you get there the nice man may not seem to know what it is all about. His mind may be

on the letter writing in the bin or things may not be going well at home. A straight across the board "no help needed" would be appreciated by you, not the red flannel on the hook. It puts no meat and potatoes on the table.

Now my seven brothers had just as well send all those awe-inspiring diplomas back to the paper mill unless these people find work. Business places, plush offices, had just as well close their doors unless working people—men and women—are getting a pay check. Welfare is no answer to this problem nor is the unemployment check. To get a more meaningful understanding of this, try looking for a job yourself, you will love it.

Bessie E. Long,
 7 Long Drive, Nyssa.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

The following letter is an open letter from Marc E. Sprague to Dennis Savage, Nyssa Junior High School Coach.

Mr. Dennis Savage
 Nyssa High School
 Nyssa, Oregon
 Dear Dennis,

Because of your efforts on behalf of the Oregon State A.A.U., our State Junior Olympic Age Group Wrestling Program has been greatly improved. The State zone system was a big improvement over the past years and with some small adjustments for 1978, will go even better.

On behalf of all the people involved in putting on the Oregon State finals, would you please tell all the volunteers that represented your zone how much we appreciated each and every person's help. Good luck to you and your wrestlers for the balance of the '77 freestyle season.

Hope to see you at the nationals.
 Sincerely yours,
 Marc E. Sprague
 Oregon State A.A.U. Age Group Chairman

OBITUARIES

Ted R. Joyce



Recitation of the rosary for Ted Raymond Joyce, 19, Nyssa, who died early Friday May 20, 1977 from injuries received in a car accident were conducted Sunday at the Lienkaemper Chapel in Nyssa. The funeral mass was Monday morning at St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Nyssa with interment at Sunset Cemetery, Ontario.

He was born June 27, 1957, in Ontario, was a graduate of Nyssa High School and was a student at Treasure Valley Community College at the time of his death. Ted was very active in high school, participating in football all four years (first team defense, second team offense in all districts); baseball, 4 years; attended Boys State in 1974; was chosen Mr. NHS, 1974; wrestled in his junior year; played basketball his freshman, sophomore and senior years; sang in the choir for 4 years and was a member of the SRV Honor Choir in his senior year; was awarded the Calvin Wilson Memorial Award in 1975 and was sergeant-at-arms for the Lettermen's Club his senior year. Ted attended Mount Hood Community College in Gresham in 1975-76.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Joyce, Nyssa; three brothers, Jack, Juntura, Joe and Christopher, Nyssa; five sisters, Jane, San Francisco,

Oral Cancer
Detection Program
to be Friday

As part of the American Cancer Society's early detection program the dentists in the area are giving free oral cancer screening examination. All dentists in Ontario, Nyssa and Vale are participating, and any person may enter a dental office on Friday, May 27 any time from 2 - 5 p.m. and be screened for oral cancer.

The exam checks for cancer in and about the mouth to include the cheeks, lips, tongue, gums, tonsillar area, palate and floor of the mouth.

The importance of early detection is emphasized. Treatment is then more successful. Oral cancer as with most cancer of the head and neck may spread to all parts of the body from a relatively small beginning lesion.

Nationwide 23,000 new cases of oral cancer occur each year. Of people treated for cancers of this type about 67 percent are alive and well five years later, but the figure drops to 30 percent if the disease has spread. Too many, about half, have already spread to the lymph nodes by the time they are discovered. The beginning stages of cancer are usually painless.

Some of the more easily detectable signs and symptoms of oral cancer are the following:

1. Swelling, lump or growth anywhere in or about the mouth.
2. White, rough, scaly patches inside the mouth or on the lips.
3. Mouth sore that does not heal.
4. Unexplained numbness or pain anywhere in the mouth area.
5. Repeated bleeding or bruising in the mouth without apparent cause.

These conditions may not mean cancer, but if they do,

disfiguring surgery may be avoided if treatment is started early.

Many causes of cancer are unknown, but some contributing factors are alcohol, cigarettes, pipes and chewing tobacco, poor diet, excessively hot foods and drink, and over exposure to sunlight.

To take advantage of this opportunity only 5-10 minutes of your time will be required and since the purpose of the exam is for cancer detection only, dental problems will not be considered.

JOB'S DAUGHTERS

Job's Daughters Bethel No. 33 met May 11 at the Masonic Hall with Barbara Holmes, honored queen presiding. The meeting was preceded by a dinner for all the mothers and was served by the honored queen and her mother, Della Holmes.

Escorted and introduced were Della Holmes, past guardian, guardian pro-tem; Foy Sasser, associate guardian; Jackie Chadwick, grand representative to Alberta Canada in Oregon.

A baked food sale is scheduled for May 14 and 'Go to Church' Sunday, May 15.

Election of officers was held. Newly elected are: Whitney Morrison, honored queen; Jackie Chadwick, senior princess; Kelly Mills, junior princess; Sheila Runyan, guide; Irene Teague, marshal.

The first delegate to Grand Session in June is Barbara Holmes and Karen Hutchinson is second delegate. Plans for Grand Session in Salem June 16-17-18 of June were discussed.

Whitney Morrison announced her installation will be at 2 p.m., Sunday, May 29 and will be an open installation.

The next meeting will be May 25.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May 26 - Philip Callahan
 May 27 - Bill Kouns
 May 28 - Stacy Glenn,
 David Hopper, Emily Cleaver
 Don Bates.
 May 29 - Nellie Newman
 May 30 - Mary Ann DeLeon, Don Wilson.
 June 1 - Kaylene Robbins
 June 2 - Irene Galindo,
 Chuck Landreth, Gladys Nicholson.

Ernest J. Godin



Services for Ernest J. Godin, 53, Nyssa who died of natural causes, Saturday, May 21, 1977 at Malheur Memorial Hospital in Nyssa were conducted at 2 p.m., Wednesday at the Nyssa Lienkaemper Chapel by the Rev. Dale Mitchell of the Park Avenue Baptist Church. Interment was in Nyssa Cemetery.

He was born May 3, 1924, in Massachusetts and married Carmetta Fletcher Nov. 2, 1959 in New Mexico.

Surviving are his wife, one daughter, Fayette Marie and two sons, Ernest (Gene) and Richard all of the home; another daughter, Mrs. Carrie Maley, Anaheim, Calif.; two brothers; four sisters and three grandchildren.

Ross Mills

Ross Mills, 66, long time Adrian area resident died Tuesday, May 24, 1977 in the Caldwell hospital.

Funeral services will be Friday at 2:30 a.m. at the Lienkaemper Chapel with interment at the Owyhee Cemetery.

A full obituary will be printed in next weeks Journal

Eileen, Vancouver, Wash., and Pat, Margaret, and Sheila, all of Nyssa; and a grandmother, Mrs. Grace Fake, Portland.

CHURCH SERVICES

Park Avenue Baptist Church

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

Sunday, May 29 - Sunday School for all ages, 10 a.m. Worship Service in the sanctuary with message by Pastor Dale Mitchell, 11 a.m.

Tuesday, May 31 - Youth group meets in church basement. All area young people invited, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, June 1 - Prayer meeting and Bible study at the church 7:30 p.m.

Nazarene Church News

Friday, May 27 - Closing service of District Assembly at Boise First Church, 7 p.m.

Sunday, May 29 - Morning Prayer at the church, 7 a.m.

Christian Education Classes, 9:45 a.m.

Children's Church, 11 a.m. Morning Worship with message by Pastor Russell, 11 a.m.

Evening service will be devoted to a "Singspiration" the Gospel through song and praise, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 1 - Bible Study at the Nursing Home, 4 p.m.

Bible Study and Prayer Service, 7:30 p.m.

Reputation is what men and women think of us; Character is what God and angels know of us.

Adrian Presbyterian Community Church

Sunday, May 29 - Church Services, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School Classes, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, June 1 - Choir Practice, 7 p.m.

Monday, June 6 - Vacation Bible School.

THANK YOU!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the wonderful friends for their kindness and support in our time of need. The death of our son and brother Ted is a great loss to the family but we treasure many happy memories. Your sincere caring has helped us all so much and we are proud to be a part of such a beautiful community.

Ray, Mary, Jane, Jack, Eileen, Joe, Pat, Margaret, Sheila and Chris Joyce

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