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PROGRESS REPORT

By Charles V. Stanton

A few days ago we told you we were in a mess, here at the office of *The News-Review*.

Now we volunteer the information that we also stink. Our Democratic friends have been telling us that for some considerable time.

They mean it figuratively. We mean it literally.

As we said before we're remodeling our front office. We're trying to carry out the "Timber Capital of the Nation" motif through the use of wood products.

But we didn't count on odors.

We have learned in the past few days that the smells of freshly cut Douglas fir, knotty pine, cedar and spruce are not compatible. Then, when you mix the odors of assorted woods with various types of paint, there is only one adequate descriptive word, and that is "stink."

And we still have our mess, although there has been a little improvement. At least we're getting our several departments boxed into their respective units. But the units are filled with odd pieces of lumber, boxes of nails, loose telephone cables, assorted containers filled with books, papers, pictures and junk from desks, drawers and shelves which we were forced to clear before work started.

Working By Feel

Because we will have new lighting fixtures, and because the old fixtures were in the way, we've had to rig up temporary lighting which is far from adequate. In fact, we're having to do a lot of our work by feel.

We are fortunate in the fact that our contractor, Roy Cornwell, has a night-working crew. That relieves us of having to work amidst the sound of hammering, sawing and scraping. In addition the electricians, painters, plumbers, telephone installers and others have been most considerate in working around and over our desks.

But even with all this very favorable working arrangement we no more than get our desks located in the morning, after they have been shoved around by the night crew, locate misplaced telephone directories, and discover the pile of work we had left over, before the crews start moving in again.

Another great detraction to efficient operation is that all employees have to spend the first couple of hours each morning inspecting the work done during the night and discussing the situation.

But we can look forward to the fact that conditions will get a lot worse before they get better.

Year Of Three Winters

When the painters, who have done only a small part of their job to date, start applying more paint, lacquer and varnish, mixing those odors with the scents of wood, and the floor covers spread their adhesives, and the electricians burn rubber while soldering connections, this place isn't going to smell exactly like a perfume factory.

Complicating our woes is the weather.

Dr. E. W. Carter, our flier friend, who has the office next door, terms this "the year with the three winters." Because the weatherman has fouled up the normal temperatures for this "banana belt" of Oregon and has given us nothing but "mean" readings during what normally is our summer season, we can't keep our doors open. So we must live with the pungent redolence in its undiluted form.

But we can report progress. It won't be long until we'll be all prettied up. We'll settle down to becoming acquainted with new arrangement.

We'll discover all the things we forgot to include in the plans and will receive a whole set of suggestions how the job should have been laid out in the first place.

Hal Boyle

NEW YORK (AP) — Even Paradise has its problems, every heaven its horror.

And now trouble has come to that Eden on the Atlantic. Southampton, the long island Utopia of the wealthy, where high society gathers in summer to rest up before facing the ordeal of another grim winter season Park Avenue — or Palm Beach.

Not that Southampton is any Babylon of the idle rich. Few of the rich there are idle. Above the soft wash of the surf, the sweet twitter of carefree birds, rises a steady whispering sound—the rustle of scissors clipping of bond coupons. If one pair of scissors wears out, the dowager of financial titan immediately picks up a spare pair and the clipping goes on. What good is a bond—or a hedge—if it isn't kept neatly trimmed?

This pleasant papery whisper has been characteristic of Southampton for a couple of generations. But now a new sound has arisen.

Noisy newcomers have invaded the quiet village—women wearing Bikini swim suits, men in shorts or nothing at all.

The bare sight of all this visiting epidemics is more than old-time Southampton can bear.

"Very unattractive," complained Mrs. T. Marlowe Robertson, mother of Angier Biddle Duke.

The head of the chamber of commerce says protests against the scant attire worn by these outsiders have come from "all walks of life" in Southampton. Presumably, this means that even the poorer millionaires are as outraged as the upper classes.

Who are these invaders who flaunt their unclad abdomens and legs so brazenly? One member of the chamber of commerce says they are "interlopers" from nearby low-cost housing projects, such as the one at Shinnecock Hills, who come to Southampton to shop.

Business may be business, but in this case the customer isn't always right. Not in staid Southampton, where anybody who shows money in public is regarded either as an impossible show-

off—or a tourist, who took the wrong road. Bills are paid by cheque.

What can Southampton do to recover its dignity? Well, a public meeting is planned to discuss imposing an ordinance that would paste a \$10 fine on anybody who comes into the village in attire that doesn't cover him properly from the shoulders to the point midway between the hip and the knee.

Something simply has to be done. The cops have already had to warn one man whose shorts were three inches too high, and a woman whose "halter" had slipped beyond the danger point.

It seems to me that a \$10 fine is a pretty feeble solution to Southampton's embarrassment, and a confession of weakness. It would be better for the dowagers to wear blinders or smoked goggles on their trips to the village, and ignore the hot pollution utterly.

Two other possibilities occur:

1. Make a real fight of it. Post builders and gardeners, armed with pickaxes and clubs, at the entrances to the village—and spear or whack down anyone approaching in attire that doesn't wear formal dress. These tactics worked well in previous centuries. Why not again?

2. Show 'em by example. Let the prim dowagers and gentlemen of Southampton don Bikinis and leotards and parade through Shinnecock Hills and other communities, demonstrating that even THEY too, look unattractive when dressed as Mr. and Mrs. Tarzan.

They might even take a tip from the late Ring Lardner, Lardner once wrote of how a club of elderly Florida shuffleboard players met a similar invasion. The old folks at their annual meeting passed a resolution raising dues from 25 to 50 cents a year "to keep the riffraff out."

Reader Opinions

ROSEBURG — There is a big job for the Parent-Teacher associations and the teaching profession to tackle, and the sooner action is started, the better it is going to be for the coming generation's education.

All over the state the past spring, property owners displayed the feeling that they had reached their limit in paying the lion's share of the cost of education. Budget elections were held the second and third time not alone in District 4, Douglas County, but in many, many other school districts.

Local feelings ran high, and there were charges of misrepresentation on both sides. The budget finally passed, though there is still much bad feeling in the district, which is bad for all concerned. Many taxpayers voted for the budget for the reason so forcefully put by Dr. B. R. Shoemaker. And many believe with "Doc" that there must be greater operating, regardless of where operating costs come from.

Another very good letter was from C. E. Young, of Glendale, who is not a resident of Dist. 4, but who shows that this is not a local proposition. His suggestion of a sales tax for school purposes only is certainly deserving of serious thought.

To top it all off, your Levity Fact rant by Louie Reizenstein, a couple issues back had a sermon in what might be only a text for most of us. It was so pertinent that we want to quote it again: "If the public will accept a boost in Oregon's gasoline tax to aid highway financing, why not a sales tax EXCLUSIVELY for support

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Something to think about: The West German government has been finding all it can do about communist uranium production in East Germany since the end of World War II. The survey, which has just been completed, says the Russians have produced enough uranium in this (East Germany) area to make 44 atomic bombs.

It adds: "THAT NUMBER OF BOMBS, GERMAN SCIENTISTS ESTIMATE, COULD DESTROY OR CRIPPLE EVERY MAJOR U. S. OR WEST EUROPEAN CITY."

The survey concludes with these sad words:

"According to the findings by the West German ministry for all-German affairs, all this uranium comes from territory that was held by the U. S. army at the end of World War II and was then turned over to the Russians for occupation."

More food for thought: Brazilian police crack down on Brazil's communists party (which had been outlawed but still managed to function). More than 100 communists have been arrested as a result of growing evidence that the Reds played a big part in the Brazilian riots touched off by Vargas' suicide early this week.

Well, that's the way the communists work. They get things organized to the best of their ability. Then — when comes an upheaval of any sort that upsets or weakens the existing order and throws everything into confusion — they STRIKE.

More on communist preparation for war:

The British admiralty makes public an estimate of another aspect of Russian military strength — the Soviet navy. It estimates that since World War II the Russians have spent the equivalent of more than 33 BILLION DOLLARS on their navy. It thinks Russian naval craft are probably able to use atomic tactical weapons and guided missiles.

It predicts Soviet naval strength within the next two to three years at 300 cruisers, 150 destroyers and 300 submarines — not to mention other categories of naval strength.

More thought food:

The Assembly of the World Council of Churches (now meeting in Evanston, Ill.) has before it a report which says that such doctrines as communism threaten the whole of human existence.

But —

The report adds —

Inequality, discrimination, injustice, aggression and other abuses are not absent from democracies.

Here's an instance:

Senator Prescott Bush of Connecticut is holding a hearing in New York which is probing into loans. Yesterday a senate investigator, Myron Hedges, said a big apartment project (Farragut Gardens in Brooklyn) is already beginning to crumble despite the fact that it is only three years old.

This project is said to have brought its promoters four million dollars in "windfall" profits.

We hear a lot in these days about DEDICATED communists.

A dedicated communist is a person who has dedicated his life to the advancement of communism throughout the world.

That suggests a thought: We need more Americans who are dedicated.

You may say: "What do you mean by more dedicated Americans?"

This, I think, is the answer: We need more Americans who are ready to say WHAT CAN I DO FOR MY COUNTRY and fewer Americans who go on saying WHAT CAN MY COUNTRY DO FOR ME?

of public schools? The latter is just as essential as the former, and would work just as satisfactorily in Oregon as it has for years in California and Washington.

Whenever "sales tax" is mentioned, everybody throws up their hands and parrot the fact that Oregon has turned it down several times. (Yet we are willing to ape California and Washington when it comes to daylight saving time.) One big reason for the sales tax being turned down in Oregon is that it was offered as "just another tax." But with the school business becoming so critical, and real property already groaning under the load, some other income must be found, or our schools will certainly suffer.

Real property carries the bulk of the load. To be sure, a big chunk comes from the state general fund. This is derived, we understand from income tax collections. Now we get the bad news that the general fund may run out of being a fund, by reason of a big slash in income taxes. The state is already authorized to stick on a property tax against real estate when income taxes fail to carry the load, provided the so-called "six-mill limitation" passes.

This tax would be added onto the already big school tax. In some counties, due to various different formulae for figuring taxable valuations, this would amount to more than six additional mills. In Douglas County, where assessed valuation is only about 20 percent, it might hike our property tax double the "six percent limitation." In which event, property in Dist. 4 but outside the city would be close to a hundred mills, and might exceed that figure within the city.

Very little intelligence is required to see that much property would soon not be paying taxes, simply because the tax had become confiscatory. And certainly, delinquent taxes will not support our schools in the manner to which they have become accustomed.

The writer has talked with some candidates for legislature, and finds at least some of them who agree that something MUST be done, and see no alternative but the sales tax. But insist that the sales tax must be levied for only one purpose, viz. to ease the tax burden on real property, by using it for educational purposes only.

This is where the P.T.A. and the educational lobby comes into the picture. They can do it, just as easily as they won support for the budget last spring. Unless they do take on the job, it is hard to see why we won't have the same thing every year, until eventually the scales will tip the opposite direction.

Nor can they wait till next April. As the legal lights say, "Time is of the essence." And Time won't wait until the next budget election.

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Long List Of Republicans Will Stump For Sen. Cordon In Battle With Neuberger

By A. ROBERT SMITH
News Review Correspondent

WASHINGTON — A long line of Republican personalities will be hitting the Oregon trail this fall to go to the aid of Sen. Guy Cordon (R-Ore.) in his political duel with State Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, according to GOP National Committee man Jess Gard.

Gard spent much of the past week in the capital checking out the marching orders of the prominent campaigners for Cordon.

"There will be a flood of them, if they all come through," said Gard, although declining to give their names at this early stage.

In addition to the brief visit of President Eisenhower in September to dedicate McNary dam, Gard said Vice President Nixon is certain to come into Oregon to help Republicans whip up enthusiasm for their incumbent senator.

The scheduled visit to the Oregon state fair Sept. 10 of Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson is considered non-political by Gard, meaning Benson's purpose is not to praise Cordon. An aide to the cabinet officer said Benson is going to the state fair in response to an invitation from Gov. Paul Patterson and that he will stick strictly to agricultural issues.

"The secretary feels the best politics is to go out and talk to farmers about farm problems," said Benson's aide.

Most of the other speakers are expected to be drawn from the congressional stable where Cordon has risen to become a lead horse in the Republican team, for there lies the foundation of the forthcoming Cordon campaign: the legislative record of the 83rd Congress and the contention that Eisenhower needs a GOP-controlled 84th Congress to finish the term in office to which he was elected in the 1952 landslide.

The last six months—since the day Cordon and Neuberger filed as opposing candidates for the Senate—has seen a decided shift of advantage toward Cordon, Gard declares, as a result of the home-stretch drive by Congress in implementing the bulk of Eisenhower's legislative program.

That is, in the first year of the 83rd Congress, when the administration was busy setting up commissions to study various tough and ticklish questions, Republicans were placed on the defensive by the Democrats who claimed the GOP had no program to promote the national welfare. Democrats were joyously dusting off the "do-nothing" signboards left over from Harry Truman's successful campaign of 1948.

Last January, however, the president came up to Capitol Hill with

positions is popular, nor easy to defend. It is much easier to say we should snub Russia, cut Red China, rattle the saber, and "get America out of the UN and the UN out of America," as the patriotic sloganeers like to put it.

Most politicians, and particularly demagogues, would feel compelled to take the easy path. Some demagogues like to suggest that when they wave the flag and shout patriotic slogans they are somehow engaged in a difficult, thankless enterprise. In fact, what they are doing is the easiest thing any politician could possibly do.

It is much harder to do what Mr. Eisenhower is doing: take a position in which the self-interest of the United States is not so obvious, a position which measures the country's gain or loss over a long term.

Perhaps, as Harsch indicates, only a man occupying the White House, with its vast power and prestige, could dare to look beyond the obvious and to consider more than the immediate political advantage.

But if that be so, there is still no law compelling a President to stress reason, caution, and the larger considerations of national welfare. We must be thankful Mr. Eisenhower chooses to, and hope that his example is followed by men who alone could not dare such a course.

As Harsch noted, none of these



We have written before in this column about Madam Dorion who accompanied Wilson Price Hunt and his actor party overland to Astoria. But there is scarcely space in one article to do credit to a woman who, in the writer's opinion was a greater heroine than Sacajawea.

She was the wife of one Pierre Dorion, a French-Indian, a man Hunt wanted in the worst way as interpreter for his overland party to the Pacific. But Dorion would not go, only under condition that the Astor party allow his wife and two children to accompany them.

Hunt grudgingly agreed, but almost lost his guide when the latter returned to the starting point to get his squaw who ran away after Dorion beat her in a drunken frenzy. Sobered, the husband was extremely repentant and insisted on returning for his wife.

There is little doubt that Sacajawea and Madame Dorion met when the former, who was accompanying the Manuel Liza trapping party met the Hunt party. If this meeting took place, doubtless Sacajawea, who had accompanied Lewis and Clark to the Oregon country five or six years before, had much to tell Madame Dorion who was on the way.

The hardships suffered by the party in descending the Snake

river is a story in itself. But through it all, she showed the greater hardihood of any member of the party. Although far along in pregnancy, she carried her youngest child, about two years old in addition to the heavy burden usually delegated to a squaw. In spite of the handicap, she kept pace with the others and at no time held the party back.

Dorion displayed the affection he held for his wife by purchasing a horse for her use. At times when the party was suffering for want of food and the horse would have furnished the need, Dorion stood adamant and would not allow the members of the party to kill his wife's horse.

The baby was born near the site of North Powder, Oregon, and the mother mounted her horse the following day and rode twenty miles to the Grande Ronde valley. The baby died in about a week.

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Independents Get Preference

WASHINGTON (AP) — The National Labor Relations Board ruled Friday in favor of the independent international Longshoremen's Assn. as collective bargaining representative of longshoremen and checkers on the embattled New York waterfront.

The board said its decision on challenged ballots made it impossible for the AFL's International Brotherhood of Longshoremen to overcome the independent's lead.

As a result, NLRB said it would certify the independent ILA as bargaining representative.

The board reported its screenings of ballots cast in the second election between the warring groups last May 26 now show 9,407 for ILA and 9,144 for the AFL union.

The AFL, which ousted ILA last fall and formed its own union for waterfront workers, had challenged 666 ballots on grounds they

were cast by supervisors not eligible to vote. The board sustained (91, but a spokesman said: "That left only 175 in controversy. It made the ILA clearly the winner because even if the AFL got all 175 of these challenged votes it still would not be sufficient to overcome the 263-vote lead of the ILA."

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