

Citations Of Merit Will Be Given Firms Which Employ Handicapped Persons Here

Citations of merit from President Eisenhower will be awarded to several Roseburg firms and individuals this week for "their outstanding contributions to the principles of equal opportunity for the handicapped."

The announcement was made by Richard S. Gates, chairman of the Roseburg committee for observance of National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week, Oct. 3-9.

The 10th annual observance is being held throughout the country. Oregon Gov. Paul Patterson and Roseburg Mayor Percy Croft by proclamation have set aside the week to emphasize and highlight the abilities of the physically handicapped when properly trained and placed in suitable employment, Gates said.

The Oregon State Employment Service is engaged in a year-round program to increase employment of physically handicapped persons, according to Manager George T. Foster. Foster points out that the individual should be considered for a job solely on the basis of training, skill and ability, rather than on physical attributes.

Foster, a member of the local committee, reminded that "We need them as active, productive citizens. Employers in the Roseburg area who employ workers with physical handicaps praise their abilities, production and reliability."

Gates claims "no person is handicapped when placed on a job for which he is trained and qualified. A disability does not destroy ability—and ability is what employers want. Hire the physically handicapped on jobs for which they are qualified."

The principle objectives of Employ the Physically Handicapped Week are to promote better public understanding of the outstanding performance of physically handicapped workers when properly placed, and to inform the handicapped themselves of rehabilitation.

Sen. McCarthy Backers Plan Backers Meet

BALTIMORE (AP)—A testimonial dinner honoring Sen. McCarthy's former chief aide touched off Tuesday night what sponsors hope will be a nationwide "march on Washington" to save McCarthy from censure by the Senate.

Roy M. Cohn, who resigned as counsel for McCarthy's investigations subcommittee after the recent row between the Wisconsin Republican senator and the Army Department, was honored by 676 persons at the \$6-a-plate dinner here.

His speech and those of half a dozen others on the program were keyed to the defense of McCarthy and his fight against communism. Rabbi Benjamin Schultz of New York, toastmaster, urged the audience to "join thousands of people from all over the country at a solemn, dignified convocation in Washington on Nov. 11 to protest the smear of anti-Communists."

On Nov. 8 the Senate is scheduled to reconvene to consider a special committee recommendation that McCarthy be censured.

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Minstrel Show Talent Sought; Party Saturday

The story of "Cinderella" had a counter part in Roseburg this week. As Prince Charming sought his lady fair, a young director looked for potential acts for the forthcoming Elks Charity Minstrel Show.

The director had more than one shoe to fit. Director Gordon Howard said Tuesday the Minstrel Show would consist chiefly of comedy and musical material. He urged Douglas County folk interested in working in the show, or on its preparation, to attend the Talent Party Saturday evening in the Elks Lodge Ballroom.

There's a spot for anyone (or groups) who have an act that will work into the show, according to Howard. Right now the Minstrel Show needs some special acts, too. In the line of performers a call for a "bones" player, banjo strummer and ukelele "artists" were issued by the director yesterday. Likewise, solo voices, dancers, trios, quartets, and solo band instrumentalists can be used.

Any person interested in appearing in the Minstrel show is welcome at the Talent Party according to the Elks talent committee members. They said the Saturday night gathering is for all potential performers.

Likewise, painters, carpenters, scenery designers, stage lighters, typists, ticket salesmen, etc., were invited to the Talent Party.

Proceeds from the Charity Minstrel Show will go for Christmas Baskets, which will be distributed to needy families in Douglas County, according to Bob Raffensperger of the Elks Talent Committee.

Will Liberace Get Married? Hollywood Asks

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Will Liberace get married? He says no. Hollywood wonders.

The matinee idol of TV has been showing up at parties and premieres with a dancer named Joanne Rio. Three dates often mean an engagement to Hollywood minds, and reports have circulated that Liberace was on the brink of matrimony.

"I'm not ready to get married now," he told me. "There are too many things I want to do. I want to play in Europe and make movies. My kind of schedule wouldn't leave any time for marriage."

"The question of marriage hasn't been discussed," Joanne said. "We are very fond of each other, but it hasn't become any more serious than that. Lee is a busy man, and I have my career too. Besides he is leaving for a five-week concert tour."

Despite their denials, a member of her family indicated the romance was getting serious. Another intimate declared the pair will wed if (1) Liberace feels a marriage would not ruin his immense popularity with American females, and (2) he can break away from the close ties with his mother and family.

Eisenhower May Start More Active Campaigning

DENVER (AP)—President Eisenhower may notify Republican leaders at a political strategy parley here Friday that he has decided to play a more active role in the GOP campaign for continued control of Congress.

Presidential aides at the Denver White House said today the chief executive still had made no firm commitments, but they indicated he is showing increasing concern about reports from party leaders that Republican candidates face a hard fight in November election contests.

Senator Cordon Declares Action Comes From Work Not Words



SEN. GUY CORDON Tuesday afternoon was a visitor in the studios at KRNR, where he taped an interview by Bob Grant, news director. (Paul Jenkins photo)

By CHUCK GRELL, Staff Writer, News-Review

Sen. Guy Cordon, taking a good look at his home county for the first time since he returned from Washington to campaign on Aug. 28, spent most of Tuesday morning wringing hands and renewing acquaintances.

The senator led a caravan of Republican followers on a four-hour tour through the south-central part of the county. He visited Winston, Myrtle Creek, Riddle and Canyonville.

Only in the latter two towns did he speak publicly, as early-morning audiences failed to materialize in any great number in the first two.

In Riddle, he took a swipe at Oregon's other representative in the U. S. Senate—Wayne L. Morse. There, he interrupted his own talk on O&C legislation to declare that "legislation can't be passed by having a free-wheeling tongue. It has to come through hard work."

Also in Riddle, he brought in the subject of water conservation for the first time. He said a study of the river basin is needed, and added that "there's no reason why we can't get irrigation water on the uplands."

Gov. Paul Patterson's O&C salvage timber sale program for the winter, a move designed to supply logs after the summer's disastrous lumber strike, drew his support in Riddle.

Later, in Canyonville, Cordon pointed to the team now in Washington, D. C., from Oregon. He referred to his position in the Senate; to Rep. Harris Ellsworth's in the House of Representatives; and to the cabinet post now held by Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay, former governor of Oregon.

"Oregon now is in a rare position, and that's something to remember," he informed the 150 persons there. The team, he pointed out, is related in McKay secretaryship; Cordon's chairmanship of the Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, membership in the Appropriations Committee and chairmanship of the Subcommittee on Interior Appropriations; and Ellsworth's membership in the House's powerful Rules committee.

There, he told his listeners that although he often sponsors money bills on the floor of the Senate, he "won't shovel cash out of the treasury, but will look for dollar-for-dollar value gained."

For that remark, he drew applause. The trip, which was to end back in Roseburg at noon, was slowed several times. Just north of Myrtle Creek, the caravan was stopped by a trucking accident on the bridge (see picture and story elsewhere).

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Brownell Creates New Unit To Probe Scandals

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WASHINGTON (AP)—Swinging from the activities of ousted FHA official Clyde L. Powell, a Senate Banking Committee spotlight centered today on alleged "windfall" profits made by private promoters on apartment projects built with government-backed loans.

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Cordon Promises To Plug For Army Engineers' Study Of Umpqua Basin Conditions

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Dr. Earl Neurow Heads Christmas Seal Campaign

Dr. Earl Neurow, just returned to practice in Roseburg after a hitch in the Navy, has been appointed chairman of the 1954 Christmas seal sale, according to Mrs. William F. Amiot, executive secretary of the Douglas County Tuberculosis and Health Assn.

Mrs. Amiot said Dr. Neurow had been active in work of the organization before going on Navy duty, and Mrs. Neurow was at one time secretary of the organization's office.

Community chairmen's names also were announced by the association directors. They were in Roseburg Tuesday for an institute led by Miss Jean LeMede, Portland, state seal sales director. The school was held in the association offices in the Pacific Building.

Community chairmen include: Mrs. Carl Koehler, Astoria; Mrs. Juan Schwendener, Camas Valley; Mrs. D. W. Gill and Mrs. Oscar Hoover, Canyonville; Mrs. R. A. Moore, Days Creek; Mrs. Ray Goltzer, Dillard; Mrs. Hugh Whipple, Drain; Mrs. Robert L. Fisher, Glendale; Miss Ada Wood, Glider; Mrs. O. B. Madenwald, Myrtle Creek; Mrs. John Edwards, Oakland; Mrs. Al Herra, Reedsport; Gardiner and Winchester Bay; Mrs. Vern Zysset, Scottsburg; Mrs. Tom Minor, Sutherlin; Mrs. William Belcher, Tillamook; Mrs. Ralph Church, Winchester; Mrs. Albin Nelson, Winston; and Mrs. Howard Parks, Brockway-Tennille.

No chairman have been appointed for Riddle and Elkton-Kellogg.

'Higher-Ups' Passed Secrets

PARIS (AP)—The central figure in France's defense leaks scandal insisted again Wednesday that "higher-ups" had passed important military secrets to the high command of the Communist Party.

Andre Baranes, reporter for the fellow-traveling Daily Liberation made this statement in the course of a closed grand-jury-type hearing which brought him face to face with his editor and boss, Emmanuel d'Astier de la Vigerie, pro-Communist member of the National Assembly.

Baranes originally said he transmitted important defense data to D'Astier and to Jacques Duclos, No. 2 French Communist, after getting it from highly placed civil servants working for the national defense council.

Emerging from the hearing shortly after noon, D'Astier told newsmen that Baranes' testimony was all "fables."

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