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EDUCATIONAL EXPANSION

Charles V. Stanton

Fear of a proposal to provide state financial aid to Central Oregon Junior College at Bend causes the *Eugene Register-Guard* to speak editorially of "watering down higher education."

Eugene and Corvallis naturally are jealous of their favored positions as sites of the State University and State College. It is to be expected that they will "view with alarm" any policy that might weaken either of these fine institutions.

The Legislature has before it a bill which would grant to the Junior College at Bend a yearly sum of \$1,000 plus \$100 annually for each student. The *Register-Guard* fears that if money from the budget for higher education is made available to junior colleges it will not be long until other communities establish similar schools. This would result, the Eugene newspaper fears, in watering down the budget to the point that the whole system of higher education would be critically endangered.

If we are to stand on the premise that the budget for higher education is to remain fairly static, there is good reason for the fear expressed at Eugene.

Oregon's rate of growth is creating more and more of an educational problem. It is imperative that more money be made available, not only for higher education but for local needs as well.

Spreading Educational Opportunity

If more money must be supplied for higher education, should the increase in funds go entirely toward expansion of the University and College or should educational opportunity be spread out over the state through a system of Junior Colleges?

We have in Oregon an exceptionally fine University and College. Everything possible should be done to keep these institutions at the highest possible level.

The proportion of high school graduates who continue their education into higher fields of learning constantly is growing. On the other hand, a considerable number of young people do not go on to the University or College. Many of these doubtless would advance their education if local facilities were made available.

But before we can set up a system of Junior Colleges we must adequately finance our existing schools. We should take care of what we have before expanding our program.

It is my belief, however, that as soon as we can enlarge our budget for education, establishment of Junior Colleges should be one of the first steps.

Technical Education Needed

In addition to Junior Colleges, I believe we need more technical schools. The Oregon Technical Institute at Klamath Falls is constantly under fire. It has a most difficult time obtaining a bare operating budget. It is the orphan of the higher education system. Yet it has an outstanding record for achievement. Its graduates are in demand everywhere. It boasts that no graduate is unemployed.

For too many years we have directed our education toward white collar professions. But the great demand today is for technically trained men and women. Mechanized production demands skilled labor.

A few days ago I was talking with a man who operates a plant in which there are many complicated and expensive machines. These machines need expert mechanical supervision. They must be kept in minute adjustment. From time to time they suffer breakage. A man thoroughly skilled in all phases of the machinist trade is a key employee in this particular plant. This employer, however, has a hard time finding skilled mechanics.

Where in Oregon can a young man be schooled as a machinist? Facilities for learning the intricate and detailed profession of mechanics are few, and all too few students are being trained to meet the needs of mechanized industry.

Until more money becomes available for enlarging our school system, I can share fears of impairment of existing fine institutions by trying to spread the budget too thin. But, when the time comes we can make more money available for education, serious thought, I believe, should be given establishment of Junior College and technical courses at the local level.

Hal Boyle

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP)—Ernie Pyle died on a far Pacific isle 10 years ago this week, as the war he hated was drawing to an end.

He now lies buried in a U. S. military cemetery in Hawaii among the servicemen whose story he told with simple eloquence. But in another sense Ernie didn't stay overseas. He is back home here forever on the campus of Indiana University, where in student days he first dreamed of winning newspaper fame.

Certainly his spirit is enshrined here. Ernie remains a living symbol to hundreds of feeble young newspaper men and women who are bolstered in both heart and hope by the example of his career.

Ernie never was graduated by his alma mater. He quit during his senior year to go to work. Some of the oldtimers here say he left because of a broken romance with a red-haired girl. Others say, "No, it was just because he was Ernie—already restless to be on his way."

Once Pyle did leave the campus in January 1923, he stayed away for 21 years. He loved the university but said he wanted to remember it as he had known it in his youth. He came back only once in his lifetime—to take an honorary degree in 1944. A few months later he was killed by a sniper's bullet on Iwo Jima.

But today the personality of the shy, brooding farmboy who became the greatest battle reporter of his generation dominates his old school.

A \$500,000 Journalism building



In The Day's News

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ES. For the same reason British industrialists haven't been too keen about increasing their production.

Britain needs more production in order to be able to sell more goods abroad so as to be able to buy more food and more raw materials, which she must have to keep her economy going. For this reason, the Conservative government would doubtless have liked to cut the tax rate much more, but for a rather interesting reason didn't dare to.

The reason is this: A cut in taxes means an increase in the spendable income of the British people. If the British people have more money to spend, they will spend it in acquiring for themselves more of the products of British industry—such as automobiles, refrigerators, washing machines and all the modern gadgets that go to make life more pleasant.

If they do that, they will absorb BRITISH INDUSTRY AT HOME, thus leaving LESS to be exported. If British imports continue over a long period of time to exceed British exports, the British economy will go to pot and the country will go broke.

That's a strange world, isn't it? It brings up an interesting incident of the conference of 29 Asian and African nations that is being held in Indonesia. The Japanese delegate told the conference that the world's most urgent need is a ban on the USE OF FORCE anywhere on the globe.

He said: "If the nations do not abolish war, WAR WILL ABOLISH NATIONS."

That's putting it pretty straight. Japan, which went to war in an effort to improve its economy, finds itself as a result of war with a WRECKED economy. Her delegate at the Indonesian conference is speaking with the conviction that comes out of hard experience.

Linda Christian Seeks Divorce From Power

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP)—Linda Christian says she wants a divorce from Tyrone Power because of "grievous mental suffering."

She filed suit for divorce Tuesday in Santa Monica—while British actor Edmund Purdom, whose name has been linked with Miss Christian's, was agreeing in a Los Angeles court to postpone his divorce action for 90 days.

Purdom, 28, is estranged from his wife, Tina, 27. He has denied any romantic interest in Miss Christian.

Linda, 30, asked for a divorce from Power, 41, on grounds of extreme cruelty. Her complaint did not detail the cruelty charges. She asks custody of their two daughters, support for herself and them, and all community property.

Her complaint said the couple separated Oct. 12. They were wed Jan. 27, 1949 in the ancient Santa Francisco Catholic Church in Rome.

nie Pyle Journalism scholarships during the post-war years. Many of them went to war veterans, and Stempel said most of the winners have gone on and done well in newspaperwork.

"Ernie himself had a good academic record while he was in school," he remarked.

Standing before the glass case that holds his typewriter, the same typewriter I had so often seen Ernie beat out his copy on during the war years, I had a haunted feeling, as if the man himself were invisibly present.

Certainly if he could know what has been done here in his name I'm sure Ernie Pyle couldn't ask for a happier memorial. He was a man of unceasing small kindness in his lifetime.

Now a decade after his death he remains an inspiration and a concrete help to struggling youngsters learning the writing craft he himself ennobled.

Ways, Means Committee Approves Construction Of Buildings At \$14,904,000

By PAUL W. HARVEY Jr.

SALEM (AP)—The Oregon Legislature's Joint Ways and Means Committee Wednesday approved construction of \$14,904,658 worth of state buildings in the next two years.

The amount is the same as recommended by its five-man building subcommittee. The committee took its action after defeating 8-6 a motion to suspend the entire building program if the people refer and defeat the Legislature's tax program. This motion was made by Rep. Henry Semon, Klamath Falls, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee.

This program will be sent to the floor in five bills, as follows: \$10,305,000 for 10 state institution projects, including the beginning of the mental hospital near Portland and the reformatory north of Salem. \$3,925,000 for buildings at the university and state colleges. \$14,360 for shop building construction at Oregon Technical Institute at Klamath Falls. \$169,000 to move the printing department from the Agriculture to the Finance Building in Salem, and to remodel the Agriculture Building.

\$50,208 for Fish Commission construction at the Alsea hatchery and Clackamas laboratory. The committee indicated it would sponsor a night caucus of the Legislature to explain the program. A bill establishing the minimum butterfat content of milk at 3.8 percent was passed by the House and sent to the Senate. There has been no legal minimum since the

disagreement between the Senate and the House over how to increase income taxes seemed likely.

Smog Is Blamed For Lung Cancer In Animal Tests

PASADENA (AP)—Smog is the greatest single cause of lung cancer, says a top research scientist in the field of air pollution and its relation to public health.

"Atmospheric pollution holds the answer to lung cancer more than any other single agent," Dr. Paul Kofin, University of Southern California pathologist, told the National Air Pollution Symposium here. His connecting smog with lung cancer climaxes more than four years of experiments with thousands of animals under a U.S. Public Health Service grant. Dr. Kofin and his research team conducted the experiments at the USC medical school and the Los Angeles County General Hospital.

The scientist said the study showed that smog "has a prolonged accumulative effect" as a tumor inducer.

"We have no concept of the dosage of smog required," he added. "But I feel that the amount encountered during an ordinary sojourn in many cities may be too much."

His experiments have all been with animals subjected to artificially created smog.

The pollutant which is the irritant causing the cancer, he explained, is at least one type of hydrocarbon in the oxidized state. Hydrocarbons are found in auto exhausts, industrial emissions and in gasoline vapors.

His conclusions will be the basis for new experiments aimed at detecting which hydrocarbon is guilty and what chemical state it is in when it does the damage, he said.

JUDGE APPOINTED

CORVALLIS (AP)—Appointment by Gov. Paul Patterson of Emilie E. Larkin as Benton County judge was announced Wednesday. Larkin, who was county assessor will fill the vacancy left by the death last week of George Mc Bee. Larkin, 30, had been employed in the assessor's office 19 years.

Radford, Robertson Leave On Emergency Trip To East; Formosa Tension Is Hinted

WASHINGTON (AP)—Adm. Arthur E. Radford and Asst. Secretary of State Walter Robertson took off for Formosa Wednesday on a suddenly ordered trip which the Defense Department said is related to the "tense situation which continues in the area."

Radford said he expected to be away from Washington about 10 days and that while in Formosa he "presumed" that he would meet with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek.

The Pentagon statement said the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the State Department's Asian expert will consult with officials of the Nationalist government.

The talks will be carried out under the terms of the mutual aid treaty with Formosa.

The first consultation under the treaty was held March 3 when Secretary of State Dulles went to Taipei with Adm. Robert B. Carney, chief of naval operations.

Pentagon aides said that Radford had been scheduled to go to Europe in a few days to take part in a command exercise organized by supreme headquarters of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization powers.

These officials said however, that the situation in the Far East prompted President Eisenhower and the State Department to cancel Radford's trip to Europe.

Robertson and Radford will stop in Honolulu, where they will confer with Adm. Felix B. Stump, the Navy's Pacific command in chief, before proceeding to Formosa. They're due in Taipei about noon Sunday, April 24.

300 Pickets Riot At Lake Success Gyroscope Plant

NEW YORK (AP)—About 300 massed pickets rioted Wednesday at the main entrance of the Spero Gyroscope plant at Lake Success.

One nonstriker trying to gain entrance to the plant collapsed and died of a heart attack. A policeman's leg was broken. A striker broke an arm.

Two village policemen on duty with riot guns were afraid to make any arrests, lest they provoke further violence. They sought reinforcements in vain.

About 100 automobiles were damaged as the pickets fought to prevent non-strikers from entering the plant.

The violence broke out on the second day of a strike of CIO Electrical Workers in a dispute over a new contract. The strike halted production of electronics equipment for the armed forces.

Many pickets formed human chains at the entrances to the plant, jumped on automobiles of supervisory employees reporting for work, rocked the vehicles and in one case picked up a small foreign car with the occupants in it, and bounced the car on the road.

Nine thousand electrical workers struck at midnight Monday to back their demands for a wage boost of 18 cents an hour. The company had offered 12 cents, spread over three years. Present wages of the strikers average \$2 an hour, with an additional four cents in welfare benefits.

W. German Treaty Needs British, French Action

BONN, Germany (AP)—The United States and West Germany Wednesday deposited in Bonn the treaties to restore sovereignty to West Germany and to permit Allied forces to remain on German soil.

West Germany will become sovereign, however, only when Britain and France—the other two occupation powers—take the same action. French President Rene Coty so far has not signed the treaties, pending talks at the end of this month between Premier Edgar Faure and West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer on the still troublesome Saar issue.

In a ceremony at the federal chancellery, U.S. High Commissioner James B. Conant and Adenauer formally deposited the two treaties signifying their governments' completion of the ratification process.

One week was not nearly enough time in which to do all the things, go to the places and see the people I wanted to when I was home in Oregon during the Easter Congressional recess. Since May 2 has been set as the date for the hearing on my bill in Congress which will make early action possible on two badly needed flood control projects in Linn and Lane counties, I have devoted most of my time and effort to that problem. I feel that it is of the utmost importance for the people at home to know all there is to know about the so-called "partnership" plan for the construction of those Santiam and McKenzie river dams. I am doing my best to make the facts available to everyone. I believe the Linn and Lane county flood control committees are doing likewise.

The partnership plan which is approved by President Eisenhower simply means that greater and faster development of multiple-purpose projects can be made if local as well as Federal money can be used in their financing. The Cougar and Green Peter dams are relatively small flood control dams which can and should be built as my bill provides—with local participation.

It takes "a sharp saw to cut a straight line." Modern tools in sharpened condition are essential to craftsmen in any line. The surgeon, the carpenter, the engineer and the businessman all require the best available tools.

So it is with those individuals and organizations whose responsibility it is to work for the education and character development of our youth. A city's richest resources, its boys and girls, certainly deserve the best we can provide for them.

Those entrusted with the job of guiding these young people into responsible and productive adulthood, including all thoughtful parents and citizens, realize the urgent need for the kind of tools that are required to help youngsters "saw a straight line" and grow into the kind of men and women who will carry on our religious, political, and social traditions through their years of responsibility.

The choice we make is whether we build the facilities and provide the leadership by which youngsters grow, or whether we pay the greater price that will certainly be exacted if we fail this generation of youth.

Proposed Changes In Right-Of-Ways To Be Discussed

PORTLAND (AP)—Proposed changes in right-of-way regulations for getting at timber on Oregon and California revested lands—objects of strong controversy—will be discussed at a special meeting here Tuesday.

Edward Woolzer, director of the Bureau of Land Management, will meet with representatives of the 18 OAC counties and with spokesmen for opposing views of the proposals.

Opponents of the changes say the present regulations are better and that the proposals would reduce competition. These opponents include small operators, the Oregon State Grange, the CIO International Woodworkers and the AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers.

Those who favor the change say the BLM found the old regulations unworkable and charge that opposition has become an emotional issue. This favoring group includes most of the large timber operators.

The State Advisory Board of the BLM drafted the changes which were altered slightly by the BLM and put in the form of an order in February.

The regulations are intended to provide for use of timber access roads under rules which will compensate those who build them yet not impose unreasonable fees or other barriers to those who must move logs over them.

Dept. Of Defense Asks Appropriation For Construction

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Defense Department Wednesday asked Congress for authority to spend \$2,354,352,300 on construction projects.

It said \$1,305,319,600 would go for construction in the continental United States, \$852,697,300 for overseas construction and \$396,335,400 for "classified (secret) and other" projects.

Nearly half of the total spending would be by the Air Force for which \$1,173,790,000 was asked. The Army and Navy shares are \$543,365,000 and \$581,197,300 respectively.

Also included in the total is 56 million dollars for a new headquarters for the Central Intelligence Agency. The CIA has not yet settled on a site for the headquarters and this sum includes six million for purchase of land.

The over-all figure includes \$329,983,300 for housing for military personnel and their dependents.

WASHINGTON (AP)—Three Oregon locations are listed for \$2,637,000 in the Defense Department's construction fund request presented to Congress Wednesday.

Klamath Falls is slated to get the biggest part of that—\$1,991,000.

Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) said he was advised that the Klamath Falls breakdown calls for \$992,000 worth of construction at the airport there, which the Air Force plans to make into a major interceptor base, plus \$999,000 for units of housing.

Portland International Airport is down for \$554,000 worth of work including pavement, utilities, storage facilities and personnel facilities.

The only non-Air Force request for Oregon is the Navy proposal for \$92,000 worth of construction at the Tongue Point Naval Station, Astoria.

The request to Congress is first for authorization, then for appropriation of money in the fiscal year starting July 1.

SUIT THROWN OFF

KLAMATH FALLS (AP)—Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg threw out of court Tuesday a damage suit brought against the Southern Pacific Railroad by John T. Quinn of Portland.

Quinn alleged that on a trip from Oakland to Portland he got off a train in Klamath Falls, missed it when it pulled out, then was handled when he got aboard the following train.

The judge said he got on the second train without a ticket for it and was not entitled to be there.

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