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THEM'S MY SENTIMENTS

Charles V. Stanton

Reading editorial columns in other Oregon newspapers I often find some editor expressing a thought I wish I could put into words even half as well. I found one such gem a few days ago in the Astorian Budget, where the editor was commenting on a talk by Mrs. Louise Humphrey of Oregon Business and Tax Research. Mrs. Humphrey was expressing displeasure with the action of the recent legislature in doubling the percentage of withholding taxes.

The Astoria editor commented:

What she meant was that it is a narcotic that dulls the pain of tax payment to the point where we can virtually be killed by the tax payments without feeling the pain.

One hears grumbling about local property taxes because the taxpayer feels the full pain of payment. But we hear little or no grumbling about federal taxes, although they are far more burdensome upon the average citizen than property taxes.

We heard a citizen gumbling the other day: "This new high school better not raise my taxes. We taxpayers can't take any more."

There was a strong temptation to reply to him thusly:

"Listen, you dope. Your total property tax on your home is about $100 and about $50 of that is school tax. If this high school were to raise your taxes, it couldn't possibly raise them more than about ten bucks or thereabouts. Yet the federal government is snatching about $400 a year out of your paychecks and you don't even think about it. If you moaned about that in proportion to the way you are squealing about ten bucks a year school tax, you would go out and start a revolution."

To which I say, "Amen."

Trouble With Vaccines

The editor of the *Western World*, published at Bandon, discusses the hassel concerning polio vaccine.

He points out that trouble with vaccines is not something new.

When smallpox vaccines were introduced, for instance; it was thought necessary to bandage arms after treatment was administered. Practice demonstrated that bandaging often caused serious infections.

Following development of diphtheria vaccine, epidemics of tetanus occured until it was learned that tetanus was being transmitted from the blood of horses used in preparing the vaccine.

During World Was II, previously unknown factors in human blood were discovered when use of vaccine against yellow fever caused epidemics of hepatitis.

Some complications have occured with the introduction of nearly all vaccines, says the Bandon editor, and it is only though experience that safe standards are reached.

In addition to what the Bandon editor says, we should realize in connection with polio vaccine that it did not go through the normal testing procedure. Because of the sentimental element, the Infantile Paralysis Foundation made a big publicity play, timing the climax with the anniversary of the death of Franklin D. Roosevelt. It was a nice sentimental gesture, but it has contributed no end to the difficulties since encountered.

Had introduction of the vaccine been left to health authorities, to be put through channels indicated by experience to be most effective, there doubtless would have been less complication.

Sportsmen's Firsts

The Editor of the Oregon City *Enterprise-Courier* calls attention to some "firsts."

He says:

Oregon is noted for its "firsts" in government reform. It also, to be fair, has some "lasts" but they are not important—yet.

Two of the latest firsts come from sportsmen and wildlife conservationists. Both are sweeping the nation. Acceptance of the ideas and plans has been phenomenal throughout the land. This indicates the programs serve a real and recognizable need.

One of these firsts is the anti-litterbug campaign started in Portland by an Izaak Walton League chapter. It is developing such a wind that it might well blow every scrap of debris and rubbish from every public right - of - way, park and wildland retreat.

Oregon's innovation of a "Red Hat" day also originated by the Portland Waltonians, is being adopted in other states as fast as they can learn how it was organized here.

This promotion calls for everyone to wear a red hat on the day the deer hunting season opens. This stunt is aimed at attracting attention to the fact that legal game animals do not wear red hats but that humans do.

But—don't wear a red hat while dumping garbage on a public road or in a park. It might not be much protection from an irate Waltonian. Litterbugs, in red hats or not, are fair game.

Hal Boyle

MARYVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Hog calling isn't nearly as difficult as it sounds.

A lot of people who probably would like to take up hog calling for a hobby have turned to painting instead because they felt hog calling took more real inborn talent.

Robert Clark, a champion in this vocal art form, feels such people are defeatists—and give up too easy. Clark last week won the hog calling contest at the national hillbilly homecoming here for the third straight season.

Never defeated in action, the 43-year-old Hillborn farmer, a strapping six-footer weighing 260 pounds, met and survived an unexpected challenge this year. One competitor tried to outdo him by appealing to porkies with a dulcet call blown simultaneously through two steer horns.

It was a musical triumph and the pigs appeared impressed. But they sat silent on their hams.

However, when Clark strode to the platform and lifted up his old familiar cry, they squealed and ran frantically after this big Pied Piper in overalls.

Modest in victory, Clark explained later that nothing really stirs the soul of a hog more than a loud promising human voice at mealtime.

"The main thing in getting a pig's attention," he said, "is to have a loud voice.

"Personally, I have always found it hard to whisper. But if you got a loud voice, you have to learn to control it."

But Clark disdained the suggestion that to succeed as a hog caller a man needed any particular personality in his voice, although he felt that a high tenor had certain natural advantages over a bass.

"The pigs ought to be able to hear you at least a mile away and come a-runnin'," he said. "I've got a brother who can bray like a jack, and you can hear him for two miles."

There are no national contests in braying like a jack, however, so the brother hasn't won the public fame that Clark himself has.

Some hog callers may try to make their cries as mysterious as the chant of a tobacco auctioneer's to untrained ears. But Clark's call is as crystal clear to his human auditors as it is to the pigs to whom his voice holds magic.

"Piggy, piggy, piggy, O-O-O-O-O-O-O-OH — HEEEEEEEEE, Pig."

The thrice-repeated word "Piggy" catches the distant hog's ear.

The "O-O-O-O-O-O-O-O-OH—HEEEEEEEEEEE" stirs pleasant memories of home in his stomach . . .And the short crisp exclamation "pig" must be given quickly and affirmatively. This creates a doubt in the hog's mind as to whether anybody really cares whether he comes home or not. So he comes as fast as he can, hoping he'll still be slopped.

"But by and large, you just have to have a loud voice," said Clark, honestly.

Hogcallers are among the cleanest livers of any sports champions. Clark, who still plays basketball at 43, says he never "had the habit of smoking or drinking in my life."

Anybody who wants to get into hog calling even as a part-time career had better hurry. It's a vanishing art.

Clark was one of seven sons raised on a 4-acre hill farm. He himself works now as a blacksmith in the Alcoa aluminum plant and has a 12-acre farm and six children.

"They used to let hogs root in the woods and you needed a strong voice to reach them over hill and hollow. But now they keep them penned," he remarked. "Anybody can call a hog that can see him."

The big hog calling champion paused and looked concerned.

"I have an awfully strong voice, and it comes to me naturally," he said. "Have I been talking too loud? I do find it hard to whisper."

The Hat and the King

Bruce Biossat

Argentine President Juan Peron's blows against the Catholic church fit the classic pattern of the dictator seeking to enlarge and consolidate his power. But the scale of present violence in Argentina suggests he may have unleashed forces this time that he may find hard to control.

When an ambitious man is driving for the top, he invites the support of many groups, particularly well organized groups which can channel their energies in his behalf.

But once he has reached a position of control, he finds that the groups who helped him are actually competitive with him, according to the measure of their strength.

So long as they exist as powerful nuclei around which men will rally, they are rivals for the dictator's power. And it is not in the nature of a true dictator to tolerate rivals.

One by one, by one means or another, he crushes them. He wants no group, no organization, no force left which can serve as a focal point for opposition strength. He wants a national society that is in effect a shapeless mass, which he may proceed to mold to his own will.

Peron has moved more slowly along this path than some of the world's more notorious tyrants. This has hardly been out of regard for his competitors — groups like labor, the press, and the church. His strength at home was not sufficient to permit him greater speed.

But he has moved. He has effectively enfeebled the Labor party, once his potent ally. He smashed La Prensa, one of the world's great free press outlets. And then he tackled the Catholic church.

Since November 1954 he has hurled vague and unproved charges against the church, has jailed priests, closed the Catholic newspapers, banned religious teaching in schools, and cut support for church schools. His newest step, a constitutional measure to separate church and state for the first time in Argentine history, lay at the root of the recent crisis.

Church and state are indeed separate in countries like our own. But we have a constitution which safeguards liberty of worship and other individual privileges. Peron would offer none to his nation's Catholic church.

Anyone who remembers the church's resistance to Hitler in Germany knows what trouble it can make for a tyrant.

But Peron was assaulting the religious faith of the great majority of Argentinians. The violence that ensued shows that he was in difficult terrain. He had no assurance the people would back him in this attack. Peron may at last have realized this. At least he made conciliatory motions.

Looking on from the outside, free men must hope that he will never gain that final measure of support, that the church will remain a force strong enough to act as a curb upon him. For any show of independence anywhere gives freedom a beachhead, and gives hope to men who love liberty though they do not have it.

In The Day's News

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miles of the Atlantic ocean. The patrol continued for hours.

It cost $50,000 in money.

It might have cost many lives—but fortunately didn't.

A screwball MODERN stunt?

No. It's an ANCIENT human trait.

Remember the fable of the shepherd boy and the wolf? He thought it would be fun to fool the villagers. So he cried WOLF! WOLF! The villagers came running to save him. He got a big kick out of it.

In fact, it was so much fun that he tried it again, and again the villagers came running. He kept it up until the villagers got onto him.

Then—

Came the wolf!

The boy shouted and shouted, agonizingly, but nobody came and the wolf ate him up.

Human beings are strange creatures—and always have been.

But—

Let's add this FACT:

For every screwball human being there are THOUSANDS of decent, straightforward, honest, friendly, warm-hearted human beings who will go far out of their way to help other human beings who need help.

One trouble is that what the screwballs do and say MAKES NEWS, and we talk about it and comment on it. Too often, the kindly deeds of the vast majority of people are taken for granted and pass without notice.

The safety council of the state of Washington would like to see reminders on every automobile bumper that it is advisable to slow down and live.

The council has purchased thousands of stickers carrying that admonishment as a part of the latest campaign to reduce the death toll on Washington's highways. These stickers will be distributed to motorists throughout the state.

I suppose it will help.

Anything that causes people to THINK helps.

But I'm sure it would be MORE helpful if people could just be brought to realize that simple, common courtesy—that is to say, thoughtful regard for the rights of others—lies at the root of safe driving.

Reader Opinions

Socialism Interpretation Puzzles Reader Of N-R

ROSEBURG — (To The Editor) —I have been a reader of The News-Review for several years. I believe you have a very good newspaper. It don't take me long to read the paper, but in order to acquire knowledge and wisdom I like to dwell on the comic section and editorials.

Your editorials are generally constructive, except when they concern political matters. I seldom read any more about the "welfare state" since the Republicans are in office. I am glad that the "welfare state" is now safe in the hands of the wealthy people who have always enjoyed it. It would be pure socialism to extend the "welfare state" to all the people.

Times change, too, because you used to call Sen. Morse "Junior" but now that he is "senior" you call him "Loud Mouth" (sic).

Perhaps you could call senator Neuberger "Blabber Mouth." I am sure that by using these nicknames it would instill in our youth a greater respect for the chosen representatives of the people.

I generally vote "tweedel-dee-dee" but sometimes I vote "tweedle-dee-dumb."

Sen. Neuberger advocates public power, statehood for Alaska and Hawaii, and "dollars for diapers." Would this be pure socialism or just "creeping socialism?"

Just think, Sen. Neuberger was in Washington less than one year when he saved the White House aquirrels. Some senators will spend a lifetime in Washington and never accomplish that much. With all the "nuts" running loose in Washington it would be a shame to dispose of the squirrels. Besides, Sen. Neuberger might miss the squirrels if he ever lives in the White House.

I am glad that Sen. Neuberger is so young and courageous and not afraid to lift up old boards to expose the evil things in our social system.

Of course, Sen. Neuberger did not advocate "dollars for diapers" but he did speak out in behalf of happy and more secure families. He delivered a comprehensive, scholarly talk on the question of family allowances and stated his intention of submitting a resolution to the U. S. Senate asking for an appropriation of $26,000 to have the U.S. Senate study the Canadian system of family allowances.

We need not worry about anything like this in our generation. We can spend millions to fight the bugs in our timber, and other millions to combat the foot and mouth disease in Mexico, and millions to give to other people all over the world, but any money spent for our people is called socialism, even though it is a glass of milk for the school lunch or a shot for polio.

Our conservative rugged individuals of both political parties are so materialistic that they cannot distinguish between socialism and social justice. They love to lean against the wailing wall and pray and cry for the good old days—the days of low taxes, low wages and unlimited profits.

Frank Liening
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Roseburg.

Total Car Loadings Highest Since 1947

SEATTLE (AP) — Total car loadings for the first six months of this year in Washington, Oregon and Idaho north of the Salmon River were the highest since 1947, the Pacific Northwest Advisory Board announced Saturday. Loadings for the first half of the year were 597,681 cars, compared with 808,102 for the first half of 1947.

Forest products loadings set a new high for the period with 241,438 cars.

Grain and grain products were 46,260 cars, compared with 44,193 last year. Fruit car loadings were down to 17,938 from last year's figure of 19,534.

30-Cent Wage Raise Given Constructionists

PORTLAND (AP) — A 30-cent wage increase package, 20 cents of it retroactive to July 1, was granted this month to heavy construction and highway employes of Associated General Contractors here.

C. V. Keller, business agent for the AFL Cement Masons Local 555, said the settlement was reached with the AGC's heavy construction and highway division. The new contract provides for an hourly scale of $2.80 effective July 1 and $2.90 on Jan. 1, 1956. The previous scale was $2.60.

The agreement puts the new contract on the same level as that negotiated last week with the AGC building division and the Portland Home Builders Assn., Keller said.

Einstein Signed Document Calling For World Rulers To End Threat Of Conflict

LONDON (AP) — Just before his death Albert Einstein and eight other eminent scientists signed an appeal to world rulers to end war lest nuclear weapons destroy mankind.

Bertrand Russell, the 83-year-old British philosopher who is now an earl, drew up the manifesto. He disclosed its wording and the details connected with its signature at a news conference attended by 200 persons.

Russell said he received Einstein's signature to the document a day before the propounder of the theory of relativity died in the United States April 18. Einstein called Russell "the dictator of the enterprise."

Russell said Einstein informed him April 11 he was "gladly willing to sign your excellent statement."

Russell wrote to 20 scientists involved in nuclear work on both sides of the Iron Curtain seeking approval of his document. Only nine signed. Nine said no and three never answered.

The statement drafted for government leaders of the major powers said:

"Here, then, is the problem which we present to you, stark and dreadful and inescapable: Shall we put an end to the human race; or shall mankind renounce war?"

Russell disclosed Einstein had suggested Danish physicist Niels Bohr, Nobel prize winner and one of the key men behind the atom bomb, take a leading role in the development of the appeal. Bohr declined.

Russell said on March 4 Einstein wrote him asking him to take over the enterprise as "dictator" and give orders.

Russell said the atomic bomb of Hiroshima was now ancient history "like bows and arrows."

Asked if it was necessary to have a popular campaign in the East as well as the West for a ban on war so as to avert the use of nuclear weapons, Russell said:

"It is very vital now to have a popular campaign. I think the American government has already been influenced toward sanity by popular opinion and I think if popular opinion had been a little less impressed, the American government might have made some very disastrous mistakes in handling Far Eastern questions."

Russell was asked if he thought Red China would have an atomic or hydrogen bomb in the immediate future.

"I don't know about the immediate future," Russell replied. "It is quite clear they will have it sooner or later."

Small Girl Has Needle Removed From Hand

SPOKANE (AP) — Ten-year-old Patricia Tidd thought she broke her hand recently but it turned out that something else was needling her —a needle, embedded in the palm at least a year ago.

She went to a doctor after a fall and an X-ray showed the needle between the thumb and the center of the palm. It was a regular sewing needle with an eye, only the tip was gone.

Dr. J. W. Epton, who removed it and used a needle of his own for two stitches, said it must have been in the hand at least a year. Otherwise the hand wasn't hurt.

"She isn't a bit interested in sewing and has no recollection of how or when the needle got there," said the girl's mother, Mrs. Earl Tidd.

Senators, Coon Disagree On Fate Of 'Partnership'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Oregon's Democratic Sens. Morse and Neuberger think the administration's 'partnership" program for hydroelectric development in the Pacific Northwest is dead.

But Rep. Coon (R-Ore) disagrees.

The two senators said in a statement after Senate and House conferees recommended money for three Pacific Northwest dams:

"In our opinion, the partnership power issue died in the Pacific Northwest July 7 (Thursday) when the Senate-House conference committee approved funds to start construction of three new federal dams—Cougar and Hills Creek in Oregon and Ice Harbor in Washington.

"Partnership advocates have insisted we must surrender generating facilities to private utilities because Congress would appropriate no more funds for federal dams. That argument was repudiated this afternoon.

"Let us go forward now with the great Bonneville public power program that has meant so much to the Northwest in the past."

But Rep. Coon said the statement was "political double talk."

Coon said: "What we need in the Northwest is all the money we can get from both the federal government and local, non-federal interests. Oregon senators seem to be more concerned with political propaganda than the production of power."

Virginia Parks Must Be Opened To Negroes

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — A federal judge has ruled Virginia cannot continue racial segregation in a state-owned park hitherto reserved for whites—whether operated by the state or under private lease.

Judge Walter Huffman ruled here that the state cannot deny Negroes the use of Seashore State Park near Cape Henry and cannot make any lease with a private operator that would discriminate against any race.

Authorities indicated the ruling unless upset, would prevent the lease—possibly even the sale—of public schools for private, segregated operation.

Hoffman said he was aware of "the impact of this decision on the state park system in Virginia." The state operates eight parks exclusively for whites and a ninth exclusively for Negroes.

Polio Cases Over Nation Climb Up 40 Per Cent

WASHINGTON (AP) — New cases of polio reported for the week ended July 2 totaled 12 per cent above the figure for the preceding week but 40 per cent below the total for the corresponding week last year, the Public Health Service said Thursday.

The service said a total of 331 cases had been reported for the week, excluding Montana which had not yet made its report but which had reported two cases for the preceding week.

"Since the beginning of the year," the service said, "a total of 3,706 cases of poliomyelitis has been reported as compared with 4,697 for the same period of 1954.

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