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PROMISE SHOULD BE KEPT

Charles V. Stanton

Petitions have been filed with the Douglas County Court, proposing that road funds be limited to improvement and maintenance of existing roads and that no new construction be started except for completion of the unfinished "North Bank" road between Wilbur and Glide. The petitions are aimed particularly against the so-called "Short Route" between the Umpqua and Calapooia Valleys.

Favorable action by the court on these petitions would be in violation of a firm promise made to representatives of the Sutherlin-Oakland community by the court. Having pledged itself to build the connecting road, the County Court should, in my opinion, keep its promise.

It will be recalled that promotion of a Short Route started several years ago in the Sutherlin-Oakland area and was accompanied by some rather vigorous demonstration. Harsh language and actions entered into the controversy. The County Court at that time contended it would accept no route, "sight unseen" and, while favorable to the idea of a connecting road, insisted that exact location be left to engineering determination. Sutherlin advocates, however, were uncompromising in their demands for the specific location they believed best suited to their needs.

At the same time, the court had before it a proposal for the North Bank road, which the Sutherlin people contended was initiated only to block the Short Route.

Apology Submitted

The Sutherlin delegation finally held a "peace" meeting with the court, apologizing for the harsh language and insinuations previously spoken and published. Demands for a specific route were withdrawn in favor of a proposal that the site be left to the judgment of the court, after studies by the county road engineer of all of the alternate routes.

The court consented to the proposal and, to show its good faith, earmarked money for a sinking fund. The court elected to build the North Bank road while investigating the best location for the Short Route.

It now appears that the earlier fears of the Sutherlin people that the North Bank road would be used in an effort to block the Short Route seem to be justified.

From a practical standpoint, in my opinion, the Short Route is far more beneficial and valuable than the Wilbur-Glide road on the north bank of the river. This latter route, constructed on the theory that it would serve as an alternate logging road, was built on location, grade and curvature which preclude its use for heavy traffic while the main North Umpqua Highway, across the river, remains available. The location failed miserably to take advantage of the best grades for heavy trucking and, at the same time, completely ignored the many recreational potentials.

Competitive Advantage Involved

Roads are built by the county to improve property values, encourage property improvements, increase taxable valuations and provide essential transportation facilities. From the standpoint of increased property valuation the North Bank road will justify its cost in time.

On the same premise the Short Route will do exactly the same for Sutherlin and the upper Calapooia Valley. From time to time I have heard objections to the Short Route which I felt were based on the matter of competitive advantage.

Some Roseburg interests fear the proposed route would draw traffic away from Roseburg. Drain and Yoncalla fear a connection between the Calapooia and Umpqua Valleys would serve to divert traffic from the east end of Highway 38 in favor of Highway 225, between Elkton and Sutherlin.

But Douglas County is growing fast enough that no one will be seriously hurt by additional transportation and communication routes. Our communities, in my opinion, should be pulling together for the welfare of the county as a whole, rather than striving for competitive advantage at the expense of neighbors.

Most of all, however, I believe that the County Court, having made a promise to the people of the Calapooia Valley, should keep that promise.

Hal Boyle

NEW YORK (AP)—Curistone comments of a pavement Plato:

Have you made a do-it-yourself personal survival kit to protect you against the hydrogen bomb?

Probably not.

People who live on the edge of a night in time cease to fear the falling dark. So it is with us. We have dwelt for so many years now under the pall of potential atomic death that we have become accustomed to its shadow.

It had to be that way. No human being can remain frightened forever; he cannot endure a permanent panic.

So it is we have come to look for the silver lining in the black mushroom that first hovered in terror over Hiroshima. Today we have fewer nightmares over what atomic power will do to mankind. We prefer to dream what it can do for mankind.

Therefore it comes as a rude shock when an atomic expert suggests it would be a good idea for every American to stock his automobile with a week's supply of groceries and water against the possibility of atomic attack.

The expert, Dr. Stafford L. Warren, director of atomic energy projects at the University of California at Los Angeles, revealed he has done that for the last two years.

"In addition to canned goods," he said during an interview in Detroit, "I have bottles of water, a can opener, a hatchet, blankets, a tow rope and a 6-by-8-foot sheet of canvas in the trunk."

Obviously, Dr. Warren believes in being prepared, and every man

Oregon Political Picture Shaping Up With Filings

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

This is the way candidates for major political offices in Oregon appeared Wednesday.

U. S. Senate

Democrats: Wayne Morse, incumbent, will seek re-election.

Republicans: Lamar Tooez, Portland attorney, has announced.

Elmer Deetz, Canby dairyman, has filed.

Philip S. Hitchcock, Portland college aide, is considering.

Governor

Democrats: Robert Holmes, Astoria radio station manager, has announced.

Terry Schunk, Malheur County sheriff, is considering.

Republicans: Rep. Walter Norblad, Stayton, has announced.

Gov. Elmo Smith, John Day, is considering.

Sec. of State

Democrats: Monroe Sweetland, publisher, Milwaukie, has announced.

Republicans: Mark Hatfield, state senator, has announced.

Congress, First District

Democrats: Jason Lee, Salem attorney, has announced.

Republicans: Earl Newberry, secretary of state, is considering.

Congress, Second District

Democrats: Al Ullman, Baker real estate dealer, has announced.

Republicans: Sam Con, incumbent, will seek re-election.

Congress, Third District

Democrats: Edith Green, incumbent, will seek re-election.

Republicans: Gust Anderson, Portland labor leader, has been suggested but has been non-committal.

Congress, Fourth District

Democrats: Charles Porter, Eugene attorney, has announced.

Republicans: Harry Ellsworth, incumbent, will seek re-election.

Light Earthquakes Hit Snohomish, Skagit Counties

SEATTLE (AP)—Two light earthquakes shook parts of Snohomish and Skagit counties late Wednesday but caused no serious damage.

University of Washington seismographs recorded the first tremor at 4:57:27 p.m., and the second at 5:29 p.m.

Prof. Frank Neumann, university seismologist, said the first centered approximately 60 miles northeast of here in mountainous Skagit County area.

Harry Damon, publisher of the Twin City News at Stanwood, said the quake was felt strongly there. He called it the sharpest shock in several years. There was no damage, however.

The second quake apparently centered at Anacortes. Residents said it was "weak."

The tremors were the latest in a series in the areas in recent years. Neumann said they indicate a possible rupture in a northeast-southwest line from Lake Stevens in southern Snohomish County.

Eden Declares Relations With U.S. Better Now

LONDON (AP)—Prime Minister Eden, returning home Thursday from his consultations with President Eisenhower in Washington, declared relations between the United States and Britain are better than ever.

The two governments have only one difference of opinion, he told reporters at London Airport, that difference is in Far East policy.

Specifically Nationalist Chinese occupation of the islands off the Chinese mainland.

Eden said he never had made a more useful visit than that to Washington last week, followed by a shorter stay in Ottawa. He was accompanied by Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd.

The conferences with U.S. officials, he said, achieved a wide measure of agreement on world problems.

Chrysler Corp. Reports \$100 Million Net Profit

NEW YORK (AP)—Chrysler Corp., third largest of nation's auto manufacturers, Thursday reported a net profit of \$100,000,000 for 1955, equal to \$11.49, a common share.

This compared with net earnings of \$18,517,000 or \$2.13 a share in 1954. The company's business fell off sharply that year but staged a vigorous comeback in 1955.

Directors declared a dividend of 75 cents on the common stock, payable March 13 to holders of record Feb. 20.

aways or concrete caverns in the back yard?

The true peril of the awesomely destructive potential of atomic attack rises above the problem of individual safety measures.

It is a collective problem. The fate of civilized mankind, not the fate of the civilized individual, is the all-important stake. The answer must be a world answer, for if we have learned anything in this generation, we have learned that there can be no final individual security in an insecure world.

The best survival kit in the troubled atomic age can be carried about easily by anyone in his pocket. It doesn't require a can opener, and it will sustain you longer than a basement full of groceries.

As a matter of fact, it fits readily into the heart, and has for 2,000 years. It is the "Sermon on the Mount."

Strand Believes People Wouldn't Stand Limitation Of Enrollment In Schools

CORVALLIS (AP)—President A. L. Strand of Oregon State College believes the people will not stand for limiting enrollment in state schools even though registrations continue to outstrip facilities.

But the college executive says that at the same time "taxpayers are in a poor mood" to shoulder the cost of additional buildings and more and better teachers.

What's the answer to this dilemma?

"We have to make the best of it," the executive says.

Strand believes that the people will respond to the needs of higher education "as they have to the needs of elementary schools for the past 10 years," although "public higher education in America is due to be in arrears for an extended period."

The college president estimates that by 1963 Oregon State possibly could handle 8,500 students with facilities completed under the present building program.

"But by 1963, by conservative estimates," Strand, writing in the February issue of the Oregon State alumni magazine, says, "the demand on the institution will be to take perhaps 10,000 students, at least 9,000 if scholastic requirements for admission are raised sharply."

Declaring he does not believe the public will stand for a limitation on enrollment, Strand says

such a restriction in itself could aggravate the problem.

"Taking away the privilege of higher education except for the most qualified students could easily aggravate the number of high school graduates who clamor for entrance," he says.

The college president says in addition, that since World War II a tremendous market has developed for college graduates, in industry, agriculture, business, education and many other fields have a continuing need for them.

"Will the public desire us to cut down production at the very time the market is best? I think not," he says.

Yet, how about the cost?

"In Oregon the tax picture is indeed gloomy," Strand writes. "With a heavy surtax on incomes passed by the Legislature in 1955 . . . and with agriculture suffering a marked decline of prices, taxpayers are in a poor mood. The first claim on any new income for higher education should be for a substantial increase in salaries of our present corps of teachers," he says. "Unless we are able to keep them and add to their number, additional housing and additional classrooms will have a hollow sound."

Strand, considering the "credit side" of the picture, says, "let us not forget . . . Americans have great faith in education that goes back to the earliest times."

U. S. District Judge Upholds Confidential Information Use By State Department

WASHINGTON (AP)—U.S. District Judge Joseph C. McGarraghy Thursday upheld use of confidential information by the State Department in denying a passport application.

The decision is in direct conflict with one by U.S. District Judge Luther W. Youngdahl in another passport case last Nov. 22. Youngdahl held the department must base its decision only on evidence appearing in the record.

Judge McGarraghy ruled in the case of Weldon Bruce Dayton, a scientist of Corning, N.Y.

In denying Dayton's passport application, the State Department acknowledged that it relied in part on confidential information which it did not make known to the scientist.

In his ruling in November, Judge Youngdahl directed the State Department to grant a court-like hearing to Leonard B. Boudin, a New York attorney. Youngdahl held that all evidence entering into the decision must be on the record and that Boudin "may have the opportunity to meet it and the court to review it."

The government has appealed the Youngdahl ruling. The case now is awaiting argument in the U.S. Court of Appeals here.

Ultimately the Supreme Court is expected to be called upon to resolve the question of whether the State Department may rely, at least in part, on information provided by unidentified informants.

Judge McGarraghy said in a memorandum opinion that the denial of Dayton's passport application was "a reasonable exercise" of discretion by the secretary of state under valid regulations.

And, he said, the denial was "not in violation of the due process requirements of the Constitution."

Nowhere in his brief opinion, however, did McGarraghy mention directly that the use of confidential information was involved.

Dayton sought a passport to go to Bombay, India, to accept a three-year appointment at the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research.

In denying a passport, the State Department said Dayton would be under supervision of Dr. Bernard Peters, "an alleged member of the Communist Party and suspected Communist espionage agent whom Mr. Dayton has been associated both socially and professionally."

Man Set Ablaze From Gasoline In Holdup Try

EVERETT (AP)—An Everett holdup was set ablaze in his automobile near here early Thursday when Sheriff Bob Tweitchell described as a holdup and an apparent attempt to kill the victim.

Leo St. Aubin, 55, was reported near death of burns from gasoline which he said was tossed into his car.

Before lapsing into unconsciousness after a passing motorist found him lying on the ground with his clothes still burning and his nearby automobile aflame, St. Aubin told of being stopped by two masked men, the sheriff said.

St. Aubin said the holdup occurred about 5:30 a.m. as he was driving slowly along the road in the fog six miles south of here.

The men, wearing masks of dark cloth, stopped his car, took his wallet containing \$2 and then threw a can of gasoline into his car.

"All I remember was a blinding flash," St. Aubin said.

With his clothing aflame, he managed to open the door, crawl out and roll on the highway until another motorist came along.

The motorist called the sheriff's office and firemen from Fire District No. 1. Sheriff's deputies found the empty wallet 70 feet away.

Hospital attendants said St. Aubin had extensive body burns and little hope for survival.

St. Aubin, who was single, operates a fleet of trucks which haul sand and gravel.

AUTHORIZES FLORIDATION

WOODLAND, Wash. (AP)—This farming center is the first Cowlitz County town to authorize fluoridation of town water supply.

The town council has approved the move and equipment will be installed in accordance with State Health Department regulation.

Stevenson Will Hit Private Vs. Public Power

SAN DIEGO (AP)—Adlai Stevenson said Thursday he will hammer away at the private vs. public power issue in a swing through the Pacific Northwest in the coming week.

Stevenson will leave here Friday afternoon and is scheduled to arrive at Portland, Ore., at 9:40 p.m. Aides said he will talk on power development in the Pacific Northwest, where Democrats have charged the Eisenhower administration with favoring private interests. Stevenson has been resting at the ranch of a friend since ending an eight-day California campaign trip earlier in the week.

He will go on to Seattle next Tuesday to address a \$25 a fund-raising dinner. The following day he will speak at a \$5 a plate luncheon in Kennewick and then fly to Boise, Idaho, later Wednesday afternoon.

A revision of his Washington state plans, announced Thursday by Goodwin Chase, Ellensburg banker and chairman of the state reelection committee, eliminates previously-planned visits at Ellensburg and Yakima on his flight east from Seattle.

In their place, a Yakima In-

Ten Trucks Remain Tied Up At Coos Bay Dock

COOS BAY (AP)—Ten trucks loaded with lumber and plywood remained tied up at Central Dock here Thursday because longshoremen refused to unload them behind a picket line of Teamster Union members.

The trucks were driven by non-union men. An effort by the non-union drivers to get a fork lift and unload their own trucks Wednesday failed in a flurry of shouts and reports that at least one blow was struck.

Ed Mattox, president of the Teamster local, said a number of the non-union drivers were signing up with the union. The picketing started Tuesday.

Peter Edison

WASHINGTON (NEA)—The Buraimi Oasis has been the center of one of the touchier minor issues in the Eisenhower-Eden talks. This oasis is a pinpoint on the map roughly 15 miles in diameter inhabited by perhaps 10,000 Muscat and Omani tribesmen way down in the southeast corner of the Arabian peninsula.

Though the United States has no interest in Buraimi, it has been sucked in. King Saud of Saudi Arabia wants the U. S. to mediate a dispute with the British over boundaries of the Southern Arabian coastal states.

If the United States is not successful in settling this dispute, Saudi Arabia threatens to take it to the United Nations.

THIS WILL GIVE the Communists another opportunity to throw the harpoon into what they call the western imperialistic powers. The charge will be aggression.

It is another instance of the well-known international situation becoming all fouled up over some remote and worthless real estate subdivision like Quemoy, Matsu, Dien Bien Phu. Only in the case of the Buraimi Oasis, it isn't worthless. Underground there is oil, which explains a lot.

Until the British Iraq Petroleum Co. found oil in this area, nobody gave a hoot what its boundaries were with Saudi Arabia. Various

border lines have been proposed for over 200 years. The British base their claim on the area to a 19th century protectorate over the Trucial Oman states.

To jump over a lot of history, in 1952 King Ibn Saud—father of the present king—proposed a plebiscite to determine sovereignty. The British proposed arbitration, to which Saudi Arabia finally agreed.

A TRIBUNAL UNDER Justice Charles De Visscher of Belgium was convened in Geneva a year ago. Just as it was about to hand down its decision last September, the British walked out.

In October, a small force of Arabs under British officers seized Buraimi Oasis, drove out Saudi Arabian police and notified the Saudi Arabian government not to cross a boundary line some 200 miles inland, first proposed in 1935.

If the dispute could be confined to this one issue, it might be settled easily. But it gets all fouled up with every other problem in the Middle East, and some in Britain.

The British need oil. Their coal production at home cannot be expanded. They have lost much of the oil wealth they had in Iran. The British Empire is shrinking. But it wants desperately to hold every possession it can.

IN CONTRAST, THE U.S. privately owned Arabian-American Oil Co., which holds the concession in Saudi Arabia, operates happily with more oil than it knows what to do with. It pours hundreds of millions of dollars in royalties into Arabian treasuries.

The British cherish the Saudi Arabians use this wealth to thwart British—and American—interests in the Middle East. They accuse Saudi Arabia of playing footsie with the Communists. They blame Saudi Arabia for stirring up the recent riots which prevented Jordan from joining the Baghdad Pact. Saudi Arabians deny both charges.

In the interests of preserving American-British friendship, the British think the United States should use its influence to make the Saudi Arabians cooperate better.

PRIESTLY WINNER—Highest honor in American chemistry, the Priestly Medal of the American Chemical Society, is going this year to Prof. Carl S. Marvel of the University of Illinois. Professor Marvel is an authority on synthetic rubber and plastics. He will receive the gold medal in April at the society's 129th annual meeting in Dallas, Tex.

Senate Sugar Bill Sent To House

WASHINGTON (AP)—A Senate-passed bill to give U. S. sugar growers a larger share of the domestic market was sent to the House Thursday by missing from it was a proposal that part of the increase be earmarked for growers on Western reclamation projects.

The bill was passed Wednesday after two days of debate. Sen. Fulbright (D-Ark) was the only opponent, describing the law as "nothing more nor less than a gigantic subsidy."

Among proposed amendments by senators and recommendations by the administration which were rejected was one by Sen. Magnuson (D-Wash.). He argued that a reasonable amount of the increased domestic quota should be allotted to new acreage on reclamation projects suitable for sugar beet production.

He had in mind particularly, Magnuson said, new acreage in Washington's Columbia Basin.

The bill as passed also reshuffled quotas for producers both at home and abroad. The house passed sugar legislation is somewhat different form last year.

PROPOSE ECONOMIC BLOC

TOKYO (AP)—The President of Japan's Export-Import Bank said Thursday his nation should form a Southeast Asia economic bloc. Formation of strong Japanese trading relationships in that area would counter "economic infiltration of the United States and European countries," Masamichi Yamaguchi told a news conference.

WAREHOUSE SPACE WITH TRUCKAGE FOR RENT

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Reader Opinions

Students' Appreciation Expressed In Polio Drive

ROSEBURG (AP)—We the members of the Roseburg Senior High School wish to express a most heart-felt thank you to every one who helped to make our 1956 Polio Drive such a success. We wish to thank you for your kind cooperation, generosity, and most of all your patience. If it were not for the collecting of old rags, coat hangers, or bottles, it was the selling of tickets to banquets, style shows, and many other crazy, but profitable, projects put on by the different classes.

We want you to know that each and every one of us worked on the polio campaign