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IDEAS FOR CENTENNIAL

By Charles V. Stanton

Oregon communities are being urged to plan entertainment features designed to attract tourists during next year's centennial observance.

Although the centennial is to be centered in Portland, every effort is being made to spread the centennial theme to each community and to plan local activities that will hold visitors and educate them in the fields of Oregon resources and opportunities.

The various entertainment features regularly scheduled in various communities will be prolonged. For example, the Pendleton Round-up, one of Oregon's spectacles may be booked for one or two weeks, rather than the normal period. Ashland's Shakespearean festival may be made an all-summer event.

A few days ago I noted in one of the Portland newspapers a letter from a subscriber urging a Columbia River boat trip, on the Show Boat plan, affording entertainment along with the scenic ride.

Plans are being discussed to increase facilities for the small boat trip down the Rogue River from Grants Pass to Gold Beach, one of the most beautiful and exciting trips anyone can make.

These are only a few of the many entertainment ideas under discussion—ideas planned to scatter visitors throughout the entire state, to keep them longer and to send them home with a liking for Oregon and a desire to return.

Local Ideas Needed

It would be well, I believe, that we began doing some serious thinking here in Douglas County on this subject. What can we do here to interest some of the hundreds of thousands of people who next year will pass through our county on the way to or from Portland? How may we best draw them to Douglas County should they be planning to go elsewhere? What entertainment are we able to provide?

We have two very valuable assets, I believe. One is Salmon Harbor and the other the Douglas County Fairgrounds. Both are on major highways. They can't be overlooked by anyone traveling either Highway 101 or Highway 99. Now, how can we make best use of both?

Salmon Harbor is a "natural." It will need only an organized promotion.

The season for Salmon Harbor corresponds with the period in which the heaviest tourist travel will be on Highway 101.

There are few people who do not enjoy catching a big fish. At Salmon Harbor they can have that experience. All necessary tackle is furnished. They need buy only a license, which can be procured for \$1. Few fishing resorts along the coast have the opportunity that is presented by Salmon Harbor to sell the traveler on the fun to be had by an offshore fishing trip.

Keep Fairgrounds Busy

Here in the central part of the county we have an opportunity to make use of fine facilities at our fairgrounds. We normally schedule several entertainments there each year, particularly the annual rodeo, county fair, dog trials and other events. Perhaps next year we could stop a great many visitors if we kept the fairgrounds busy more of the time.

Housing exists there for a very excellent historical exhibit. Many visitors will be interested in historical displays. The majority, however, will want something with action.

It might be well to be giving some thought to the various types of programs that could be put on throughout the year at the fairgrounds. It also would be well, I believe, to find some way to light the track and arena, making possible some night shows, races and other events for overnight guests.

The real beauty of Douglas County lies along east-west roads rather than the two north-south highways. We need some sort of promotion designed to draw visitors to the scenic beauties on both sides of our highways.

Do you have some suggestions? Can you think of some attractions Douglas County can use to draw and hold visitors to our state centennial?

A committee will be at work soon on definite plans. I'm certain that your suggestions would be of interest to the committee. Why not write them now in a letter for publication in Reader Opinions column?

IN THE DAY'S NEWS

By FRANK JENKINS

An experienced Washington correspondent, discussing business conditions, says:

"If talk could kill the recession, we'd be holding memorial services now—for this is the most inveterate business slump in history. Hardly a day passes in congress without at least a half dozen experts telling the lawmakers what went wrong, what should be done to set things right and gazing into some mighty crystal balls to guess at the future."

What's that ancient crack about too many cooks spoiling the broth? Whatever it is, I think it applies to the present situation. There is too much talk and too little common sense. The plain fact of the matter is that the party lasted too long and got a little too wild and so the hangover is inevitable.

Speaking of parties, President Nasser of the United Arab Republic, who has been partying and sight-seeing for three days, took time out for talks with Khrushchev and other Soviet officials about possible Soviet aid and co-operation with the new republic.

But such serious business will be dropped to attend an afternoon sports rally at the Lenin stadium

and an evening at the theater. He was one of the few non-communist leaders who took part in the May Day celebrations in Moscow.

Hummmmmmm. That recalls another good crack. It goes like this:

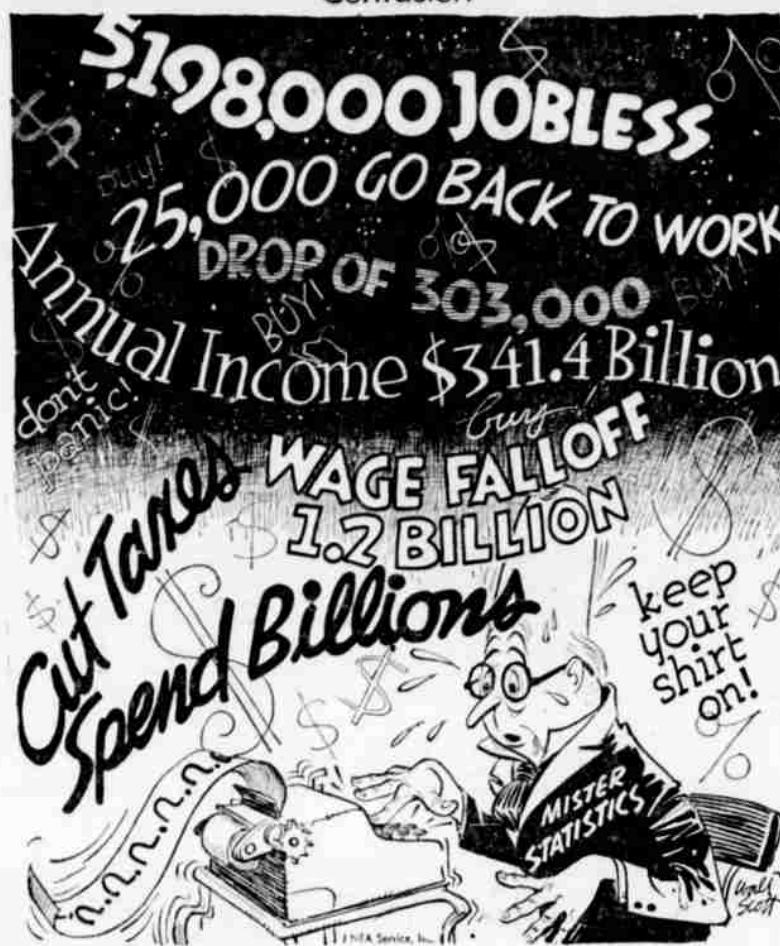
"A smiling young lady of Niger 'Once went for a ride with a tiger. They came back from the ride 'With the lady inside 'And the smile on the face of the tiger."

That's about where Nasser will wind up.

Industrialist Arthur Eugene Castle wants the United States to go out of the propaganda business as a means of winning the cold war. He says in a talk in New York that the U.S. Information Agency is a multi-million dollar flop and calls on the President to take our public relations out of the agency's hands and return them to our ambassadors and ministers.

He might be talking sense. Propaganda is based on WORDS. DEEDS are more important than words. The United States of America is better at deeds than at words.

Confusion



— Peter Edson —

WASHINGTON (NEA)—American and Russian moving picture exchange negotiators are meeting in Washington to arrange for showing U.S. films in Russia and U.S.S.R. films in America.

This will be the first result of the cultural exchange program between the two countries, signed last January.

Three Russian film officials, Aleksandr Davydov, Aleksandr Slavov and Gavril Vladimirov have been in this country a month on the deal. U.S. negotiators are Film Czar Eric Johnston and Turner B. Shelton, motion picture director for U.S. Information Agency.

When showings begin, it will be the first time in 10 years that American films have been seen by the Russian people. The one exception was "Tolstoy's 'War and Peace' acquired by the Russians from the Italian co-producers.

Russian films have been shown in the United States all through this period. Most were distributed by Artkino, Soviet government film export agency.

FOR THE PAST month, Russian negotiators have been viewing 54 American pictures on a list of 100 best films prepared by the U.S. industry.

So far the Russians have indicated a preference for American musicals like "Oklahoma" and prize pictures like "Bridges on the River Kwai." They have shown no interest in American westerns, crime pictures or social dramas.

Cartoons and short subjects will probably be handled in a television exchange agreement. A separate exchange will be arranged for 12 or 15 documentaries a year. Both the U.S. and U.S.S.R. have agreed that translated tiling of pictures, dubbing in of dialogue and sound track will be approved by each country before being shown in the other.

THE RUSSIAN negotiators brought 24 of their best films with them. U.S. exhibitors have been viewing these films for possible purchase on individual contract basis.

Among the first Russian pictures which will probably be shown in this country are the ballet pictures, "Don Quixote" and "Swan Lake," the classic "Quixote" and "The Don," "The Circus" and "The Cranes are Flying," a modern Russian drama.

American film executives who have previewed the Russian pictures have been favorably impressed. There's none of the old propaganda and boy-meets-girl-at-the-frontier stuff.

AMERICANS IN RUSSIA know that the Russian government has

Northwest Would Get \$11 Million Under Bill

WASHINGTON (AP)—More than 11 million dollars worth of construction in the Pacific Northwest is included in a \$1,648,361,000 military construction program submitted to Congress this week by the Defense Department.

Most of the Pacific Northwest construction, \$9,965,000 worth, is planned in Washington. Oregon would get \$22,000 worth of work at Kingsley Air Force Base, Klamath Falls, and Idaho would have \$1,039,000 worth at Mountain Home AFB.

Of the Washington work, \$1,082,000 would be spent at Ft. Lewis, \$86,000 at the Bangor Naval Ammunition Depot, \$4,994,000 at Fairchild AFB, \$3,280,000 at Larson AFB, and \$933,000 at McChord AFB.

Tornado Strikes Hard In Texas; Damage High

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Texas Department of Public Safety reported 20 to 30 houses destroyed at Llaneta, near San Antonio in southwest Texas, by a tornado Friday.

Roots were blown off "quite a few houses," a telephone company spokesman told the San Antonio News. The roof of the La Costa school was ripped off, the department of public safety reported.

The safety department said there were no injuries or deaths.

been building up its film industry under the ministry of culture. Expanded production is an item in the five-year plan.

Money is no problem. 650 million rubles—about 160 million dollars—being budgeted for this year's new films. Also, seven million rubles were earmarked to convert Russia's 35 major studios for wide-screen film.

They are producing 140 feature-length pictures this year, of which 90 will be straight dramatic productions. Russian documentary and educational film production is known to be enormous.

Pictures are shown in the government chain of 20,000 movie theaters and 25,000 other halls where movies can be shown. The government takes all the admission money.

As a basis for comparison, the U.S. private film industry lists 15 major studios. They produce about 200 feature length pictures a year, at a total cost of around 100 million dollars. Distribution is through 23,000 theaters, including drive-ins.

Job Of Attracting Industry To Consume A Lot Of Time

OLYMPIA (AP)—The job of attracting new industry into Washington is going to take a lot of time and a lot of patience, says the state director of commerce and economic development.

In a candid discussion of the state's good and bad points, Director H. Dewayne Kreeger said that the U.S. and U.S.S.R. have agreed that translated tiling of pictures, dubbing in of dialogue and sound track will be approved by each country before being shown in the other.

Before new factories will be built, he insisted, the state must have a market for their products and a favorable business climate for their existence.

Washington is growing, but it will be several years before it has the heavy population necessary to create markets that will justify

California Firm Bids Low On OSC Training Reactor

SALEM (AP)—A California firm offered Friday to provide a \$100,000 grant to provide a nuclear training reactor for classroom use at Oregon State College for \$85,800.

The bid was submitted by Aerojet-General Nuclear Inc. of San Ramon, to the state purchasing division.

The project is financed by a \$100,000 grant by the Atomic Energy Commission. Oregon State is one of seven colleges and universities in the country to get such grants, and the reactor will be the first one in the state.

It will be used to train physics, chemistry, chemical engineering and mechanical engineering students.

Dr. George W. Gleason, dean of engineering at the college, said it will be fueled by uranium 235, and that the initial charge would last several years.

The reactor, to be in operation before the fall term opens, is to be 6½ feet in diameter, 9 feet high and weigh 22,000 pounds. Its lead shield is to weigh 7,500 pounds.

Eisenhower And Dulles To Make Visit To Ottawa

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles will pay an informal visit to Ottawa, Canada, on July 4-5.

They will be accompanied by Mrs. Eisenhower and Mrs. Dulles. Announcing plans for the visit Friday, the White House said the invitation was extended by Canadian recently received prime minister, John D. Diefenbaker.

During the visit Eisenhower will address a joint session of the Canadian Parliament.

This will be Eisenhower's second visit to Ottawa as President. He and the First Lady spent two days in the Canadian capital in November, 1953.

Sen. Morse Advises Close Watch On Timber Receipts

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Morse (D-Ore.) has asked Secretary of the Interior Seaton to keep a close watch on timber sale receipts from the Oregon and California railroad grant lands.

The purpose, to ask a supplemental appropriation for access road construction in the event actual receipts exceed those anticipated in the \$4,185,000 appropriation for road work.

The 18 Oregon counties in which O&C lands lie are entitled by law to receive 75 per cent of the timber revenues. In recent years, however, they have agreed to divert 25 per cent of the revenues to road construction. Congress annually makes an appropriation pegged to anticipated revenues.

During Senate consideration of the Interior appropriation bill containing the O&C money, Morse obtained from Sen. Hayden (D-Ariz.) Appropriations Committee chairman, a statement that Hayden would be willing to consider a supplemental request if actual revenues exceed present estimates.

Morse asked Seaton to instruct the Bureau of Land Management director to cooperate with O&C counties to "make the necessary analysis of developments to take full advantage of this opportunity."

MORE CRANBERRIES

BANDON, Ore. (AP)—The Pacific Northwest cranberry crop will be about 10 per cent larger this year, the general manager of the National Cranberry Assn. reported Wednesday.

Ambrose Stevens, whose association markets 75 per cent of the nation's cranberries, said he expected growers would get higher prices this year.

vestment bankers, said business will turn the corner by midyear and the recovery will be faster than after the two previous recessions in 1954 and 1949.

Less optimistic was Myron S. Silbert, vice president of Federal Department Stores Inc., who told a congressional committee that a general business recovery is nowhere in sight. Department store sales for 1958, he said, will be down three to four per cent from last year.

The government's latest figures on employment could be interpreted in a good or a bad light, depending on where you sat. The nation's unemployment total declined last month for the first time since October. But the decline—78,000 was much smaller than the 300,000 to 350,000 normally recorded at this time of year.

Total employment was up 596,000 to 82,800,000. Unemployment totaled 5,120,000.

President Eisenhower said the downward trend in unemployment shows that the business decline is flattening out. George Meany, head of the AFL-CIO, said the figures prove the recession is getting worse.

Wall Street apparently sided with the optimists. The stock market reached a new 1958 high.

Corporate earnings reports for the first quarter showed profits down sharply from a year ago but no worse than had been expected and in some instances not quite as bad.

The family economics bureau of the Northwestern National Life Insurance Co. said job offers for June college graduates this spring are down 50 to 75 per cent from a year ago.

Executive pay fell the economy again. The New York Central trimmed salaries of all employees earning \$15,000 or more a year.

Price cuts made news when Sears, Roebuck & Co. mailed out its summer sales catalogue. Average prices are down 18.2 per cent from the regular spring and summer book.

Planning Assn. Proposes Cutting Nation's Taxes

WASHINGTON (AP)—The National Planning Assn. recommended Friday that taxes be cut from seven to eight billion dollars a year and government spending be stepped up by four billion.

H. Christian Sonne, chairman of the association and president of the South Ridge Corp., Jersey City, N.J., said these steps are needed to restore an expanding economy.

"Further action during this session of Congress cannot long be delayed," he told the House Banking Committee.

Elsewhere there were some indications in government statistics that people may be starting to buy more.

Some conceded there is a possibility the program he urged may be premature, but he said: "In the situation I think it is more prudent to err on the side of acting too boldly than too timidly."

The National Planning Assn. describes itself as a nonprofit, nonpolitical organization established in 1934 and devoted to planning and the professions.

On another front the National Grange, a farm organization, rec'd public works improvement programs in city and rural areas suffering economic distress.

Grange Master Herschell D. Newsum told the committee that from a long-range standpoint, "it could be the most important agricultural legislation of this Congress."

Mrs. Stupfel was born in Liverpool, England, of Irish parents and came with them to Oregon 40 years ago.

Reader Opinions

Democrat Party Chairman Disputes Davis' Claim

The Douglas County Democratic Party has had so many indignities respecting the claim of Robert Davis, a non-partisan candidate, that he was the choice of the Democratic Party for public office nine years ago that I feel obliged to set the record straight.

The assertion is made in the Voters' Pamphlet and elsewhere, "Nominated and elected in 1949 by both Democratic and Republican parties."

Here are the facts—this time you can be the judge. Mr. Davis was not elected to any public office in 1949. He is a Republican and was APPOINTED in 1949 by a Republican governor to fill the unexpired term of a Republican district attorney in this county. He ran as a Republican for the same position in the May 1950 primary on the Republican ticket. No Democrat filed for that post. His was the only name on the ballot.

Courthouse records show there were then 10,215 registered Democrats. How many of them do you suppose voted for Mr. Davis? Exactly 109. Thus, his claim may be technically true on paper. This trivial number was sufficient under the law.

Actually, what place is there for such claims of dual political party popularity in a campaign for the high non-partisan office of circuit judge unless it is for partisan political purposes? Any candidate for public office generally is affiliated with some political party. With this we have no quarrel, but no candidate for a non-partisan office has the right to engage in political subterfuge to win votes. Office seekers, themselves, are not non-partisan—the position they seek may be.

The Oct. 21, 1957, issue of The News-Review told us that the Douglas County Republican Party organization picked Mr. Davis as its Republican "non-partisan" candidate for circuit court judge. We know him as an able Republican politician who has consistently followed the Republican party line and loyally supported its policies and candidates. Few, if any, Democrats will be deceived by his present advertising claims of past Democratic support or present claim of non-partisanship.

Let's give Dan Dimick the credit he deserves. It was his own personal decision to run for the non-partisan office. He was not "picked" to do so by the Democratic party. He is not now trying to straddle a political fence and be something that he is not as a vote getting device.

Two years ago, Dan Dimick was elected to the Senate—probably the first Democratic senator in the history of Douglas County. Republicans and Democrats alike agree that he has produced an unsurpassed voting record. He has worked long and hard for all of the people of Douglas County, without regard to politics. He is an able and impartial public servant. Dan Dimick has the qualifications, and he deserves the honor of being elected circuit court judge for Douglas County on May 15 by all voters, irrespective of political party. He has earned our full support and we wish him well.

Ted Mouché, Chairman Douglas County Democratic Party, Route 2, Box 702, Roseburg.

Reason For Backing Women Candidates Stated

Noting the Enterprise, the Winston-Dillard local weekly, dated April 30, my reaction and that of many of my neighbors to the paid advertisement for school directors was one of nausea.

Since when do we have to resort to politics and paid ads to choose directors for our school system? It's my belief that politics have no place in our school system, and judging from the mess we have had in District 116, its time to dispose of the politicians and elect some honest, hard-working folks to represent the taxpayers and tell them how their money is being spent, and seeing to it our children receive an education instead of being a party to a lot of political hubbub.

Why are these business men who have been meeting two or three times a week, (and some of them have served as school directors), trying so hard to put their candidates in office? Why are they so afraid of anyone else serving on the school board? It is my opinion the 19 men who endorsed the paid advertisement are 19 good reasons to support Daisy Fox and Donella Ledgerwood. It's high time to have people in our school board who can put personalities aside and act in the best interests of the school.

BRITONS 3,800 Years Ago Gave Modern Headache

SALISBURY, England (AP)—A colossal engineering feat pulled off by ancient Britons 3,800 years ago gave British government engineers a headache Friday.

With a powerful derrick, they have been trying for two days to put back into place one of the giant stones of Stonehenge—a job done originally without benefit of modern gadgets.

This 24-ton piece of rock is part of the famous Stonehenge monument, a 320-foot ring of giant stones used for magic rites by the ancient Druids. The stone fell out of place in 1900.

The British recently decided to put it back up and on the basis of modern engineering plans, it was supposed to be done last Wednesday.

"Getting an absolutely level platform is proving difficult," said a spokesman of the project on the job.

"The weight of the stone and the crane and equipment immediately makes everything uneven as soon as it's put on the ground."

But those ancients must have figured a way.

Dillard School Board Candidates Criticized

In the April 30 issue of the Enterprise, a small weekly newspaper mailed to residents of School District 116 (Dillard District), you will find on Page 3 a large paid advertisement for Bob Johnson and Jim Richey, who are running to fill two positions on our school board.

These two men are endorsed by 19 local men who call themselves a "Committee for Better Schools" in District 116. Several of these men have served on our school boards in the past.

I am interested to know why these solid citizens think a paid advertisement—for a non-paying job—was necessary. Perhaps it is that two honest, well-informed Christian women will be elected. I personally believe we need a woman's viewpoint on our school board. Maybe they could help straighten out the mess some of our men made of school affairs. Such as:

First, \$9,000 down the drain, paid to get a superintendent to resign.

Second, refusal to keep our high school principal though he was cleared of all charges made against him.

Third, refusal to rehire coach Douglas Duffey.

Fourth, payment by our school of \$197.10 for "shades for the office area" which is on the north side of the building—when our children are sharing text books, our football field needs turfing, we have no landscaping, etc.

Fifth, what has happened to our Winston Grade School? We voted the bonds for its erection, some amount of money has been spent for land, leveling, grading, etc. Our children are still double shifting.

Let's elect some good solid American mothers to our school board! Mrs. Florence Murray, Box 141, Winston.

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