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TRICK OR TREAT

By Charles V. Stanton

Halloween is to be observed Friday night. Young fry will join the ghosts and goblins. "Trick or Treat" will be the keyword. Neewollah (Halloween spelled backward) parades and celebrations will be held.

Halloween (thank goodness!) isn't what it used to be. Some of our older people will remember how no buggy was safe, how buggy and wagon wheels were changed, how wagons and buggies had a habit of appearing on ridges. The bossy cow had to be locked up. Outdoor plumbing fixtures were tipped over.

In those days we had small towns. "Pranks" were considered a part of the observance.

The older people like to exchange reminiscences, but they don't want the young folk to hear. Someone might get ideas.

Halloween pranks like those of the old days, can hardly be tolerated today. The speed with which we travel, the vast amount of personal property, the use of the automobile and truck in place of the wagon and buggy, all have had a marked effect upon the holiday.

Our modern celebration is taking a much better turn. Our older people are recognizing that the youngsters are entitled to a night of entertainment. Consequently, Neewollah celebrations are conducted. The tiny tots wreck their stomachs with "trick or treat," which some of them are too small to pronounce.

Very rapidly the movement is growing whereby the young people band themselves together to solicit for the welfare of others — some worthy cause. That, in my mind, is a perfect celebration of the holiday.

OREGON'S SURPLUS TAX MONEY

Gov. Robert Holmes, according to press reports, is telling the people that HE reduced their taxes. That He called the special session of the legislature for that purpose.

Let's look back a few months. It is true that Gov. Holmes did call a special session of the Legislature, when it was learned that an error had been made in computation of income, and that the state of Oregon would have a bigger surplus than expected.

Republicans had "dared" the governor to call a special session. He denies that he accepted the dare. Some observers hold different opinions. At any rate, the special session was called.

Anyone who will remember events will recall that the governor wanted only a token reduction in taxes. He wanted a liberal surplus. He wanted more money for schools.

A Republican group held out for a substantial cut. Readers will recall that in this column we protested the Republican demand for reduction as being too stringent.

A deadlock ensued. A compromise was reached. It wasn't the compromise wanted by Gov. Holmes. But now he is trying to take credit.

It also will be remembered that in this column it was urged that surplus money be spent to provide jobs. Then, and since, we have had record unemployment. We urged that the state of Oregon initiate a public roads program. Our county delegation even introduced legislation. But the legislature didn't pass. We have since been told that our plan was the right plan, but it wasn't adopted because the special session was wanted for political purposes.

Producers now are paying the highest authorized rate of unemployment insurance. There is no allowance for merit rating. The producer or merchant is tacking that extra expense onto the cost of the goods he produces or sells. The wage earner in turn is screaming about the cost of living.

You got back two-bits from your taxes, but you're putting out five dollars for the increased cost of the things you have to buy, because the governor wanted to play politics with the state's surplus money, instead of giving jobs to the needy.

He is boasting of his astuteness — and many people believe it.

— Saul Pett —

Paris (AP) — The last time I saw Port Washington, N.Y., the boulevards on the 8:05 were leering.

"Going to Paris, I hear," said a fellow commuter on the Long Island Railroad, with a knowing elbow in my ribs.

"Man! Paris! Man, oh man, oh man!" another man groaned.

Thus, long before I took my first walk in the narrow streets of Montmartre, I felt a heavy sense of national obligation, as though it were part of the franchise of American manhood, to be thoroughly wicked in Paris.

Now I know where this national leer comes from. It comes from Paris.

"Are you alone, monsieur?" asked the hotel clerk when I registered.

"I am alone."

"Ah, yes, monsieur, you will enjoy Paris."

On the Rue de la Paix, the lady in the perfume shop refused to believe I wanted perfume for my wife.

"Mais oui, monsieur," she said, smirking.

Stopped By A Man

And sure enough, going into the Louvre, I was stopped by a man in a beret who laughed like a muffled hyena. He flashed some postcards, and when I shrugged him off, he laughed again. By the time I got inside the museum even the Mona Lisa's smile seemed unduly familiar.

Coming out of Notre Dame I noticed a funeral on a side street, the mourners walking solemnly behind the hearse. In front of the cathedral another man in a beret tried to sell me postcards.

That night I joined a group of eight American men on an American express bus investigating "Paris by night." We made three

stops and at each were served a single glass of champagne, no more, no less.

The first stop, the guide said in Brooklyn-accented English, was "to get us in the mood." This was a tiny Russian restaurant where we eight hell-raisers grimly watched a Russian soprano and a Hungarian guitarist.

Viewed Strippers

Things picked up at the second stop, a night club called La Nouvelle Eve, where we saw some strippers. The last stop was Moulin Rouge, full of acrobats, dancers, and pantomime comics.

No sex

Returning to my hotel I was given the big sell by two ladies of the "Protect Paris" Reputation for Sin Society. They were waiting on the curb.

Curiously they did not whisper like the postcard salesmen. They shouted, or I felt as if they were shouting, their promise of an interesting nightcap, complete with prices in francs and dollars. I said no thanks—I have witnesses—and kept on going.

The girls laughed, and I thought I heard a few slanders about my manhood.

Inside the hotel clerk seemed amazed I was still alone. Then his expression changed to sadness and finally, to hope.

"Bon nuit, monsieur," he said, handing me my key. "But tomorrow is another day, n'est-ce pas?" They'll never believe me back in Paris by night. We made three

"Hey, Look! WE'RE on the Menu!"



—Sterling F. Green—

Associated Press News Analyst

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President Richard M. Nixon, determinedly striving to push the Republican elephant into a stretch gallop, has found the going heavy and the footing slippery.

The durable Nixon was showing fatigue and irritability when he stopped here between tours this week. He had taken some rude blows. He was obliged to defend and explain the damaging words and actions of other Republicans. And he had seen new threats develop to his own political future.

His temper flared out in Minneapolis, where he barked an angry denial to a charge that hadn't been made—that he had avoided a stand on civil rights. Earlier, in Chicago, he had glared at a photographer who mislabeled him "Mr. Truman." The impolitic glare was captured on film.

As the vice president took off Wednesday for a final grueling, hop-skippping tour to Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Montana, Washington state and Alaska, it seemed to some of his supporters that sheer bad luck was dogging his footsteps.

Success important

For Nixon, a record of success in this campaign is important to his own presidential aspirations in 1960. Any outcome short of a Democratic sweep could be credited partly, at least, to his talents as a vote-getter.

Certainly his efforts have helped to revive dispirited Republican organizations in many spots. Further, he has helped to add more than a million dollars to GOP finances by his fund-raising appearances and his personal efforts.

But there was still doubt whether any significant shift in voter sentiment has been wrought by Nixon or by President Eisenhower in their strong attacks on "radical" and "spendthrift" opponents.

An Associated Press check accountancy indicated that neither the Republican headlines nor their opposite, Democratic numbers, former President Harry S. Truman and Adlai E. Stevenson, had changed the minds of many voters.

Prediction uncertain

So it was uncertain whether, as Nixon proclaimed in Lincoln, Neb., and elsewhere, the GOP has rebounded from what looked like sure defeat and that the campaign has become a brand new contest.

Neither Nixon nor Eisenhower, it became apparent has succeeded in healing the seemingly ruinous split of the top California Republicans, Sen. William F. Knowland and Gov. Goodwin Knight. The intraparty bitterness could do nothing but damage to Nixon's party in Nixon's state — and to the United States.

The stamp, samples of which were given The News-Review by Carstens, features major aspects of forest conservation, including new growth of young trees and the harvesting of mature timber under scientific forest management. The use of forests as home and shelter for wildlife, for protected watersheds and other such uses is depicted in the theme, Carstens points out.

"This is one of the finest examples of stamp art I have seen for quite a while," the postmaster asserted. "The stamp was printed on the Giori press in yellow, brown and green."

"This press," Carstens explained, "was acquired by the United States Bureau of Engraving and Printing from the Giori organization of Lausanne, Switzerland. It is an intricate printing press capable of producing multi-colored postage stamps from a single engraved plate."

Carstens says the new press will print up to three colors in one operation. It cost a quarter of a million dollars and is said to be the only one of its kind in the United States.

Although purchased from a Swiss concern, it was manufactured in Germany, Carstens says.

DOESN'T FULFILL THREAT

DALLAS (AP) — Louella Gray, 22, charged with robbery, became enraged at photographers while she was being questioned at the police station this week.

"If you don't stop taking pictures, I'm going to take my clothes off," she threatened.

The photographers didn't stop. But the shapely woman only pulled the neck of her sweater up to hide her face.

In The Day's News

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ed award of a SECOND Nobel prize Tuesday to three Russian physicists who discovered and developed what is known as the "Cherenkov effect," which is believed to have been put to practical use in Russia's Sputniks.

I think we know. Moscow will be prouder than Punch of it. Moscow ballboys whatever is GOOD for communism. It belabors and bedevils whatever seems to be BAD for communism.

That gets us back to Pasternak. His prize-winning Dr. Zhivago is a novel describing approximately four decades of Russian life — with particular emphasis on the four decades that have elapsed since the Russian revolution, as a result of which the communists took over. In his book, he wrote of communist Russia realistically and reflectively, describing the bad along with the good.

His offense lies in writing a book that discloses communism for what it is — not what the communists CLAIM IT IS.

How did Dr. Zhivago get published?

It was published by an Italian. It has since been published in 18 countries — but NOT in Russia. There is considerable doubt as to whether Pasternak will be allowed to go to Sweden to accept the Nobel award and the \$41,000 that goes with it.

It is probable that he can spare the \$41,000. The book has been immensely successful and is believed to have made a lot of money for its publisher. It seems probable that the publisher would not have set aside the royalties due the author.

The problem lies in getting the money to him — or in getting him away from Russia so that he can get the money.

A word in conclusion.

What are the Nobel prizes? There are five of them:

1. For the most important discovery or invention in the field of physics.

2. In the field of chemistry.

3. In physiology or medicine.

4. For the most distinguished literary work of an idealistic nature.

5. For the most effective work of international peace.

The average value of the prizes is about \$40,000. Those for physics and chemistry are awarded by the Royal Academy of Science in Stockholm, the prize for medicine by the faculty of medicine in Stockholm, for literature by the Swedish Academy of Literature in Stockholm and the peace prize by a committee of five elected by the Norwegian parliament.

The money, which comes from the interest on an endowment of about \$9,000,000, was provided by a Swede, Alfred Bernhard Nobel, who invented dynamite, among other things. He lived and worked in the last half of the last century, and his inventions and the factories he set up to produce them made him one of the richest men in the world in his day.

Holmes, Hatfield Split On Tax Report Release

PORTLAND (AP) — The final portion of a survey of Oregon's tax structure should be released before the Nov. 4 election, Secretary of State Mark Hatfield said here.

"No issue should be beyond debate," Hatfield, the Republican candidate for governor told the Portland University Faculty Club.

"My opponent says his tax program is in that report. I'm not going to buy a pig in a poke," Hatfield said.

Earlier, Gov. Robert Holmes, the Democratic candidate, said the report should not be released until after the election — lest it become a campaign issue.

Two preliminary portions of the report already have been released.

Labor's Attitude Told On City Solicitation

We of the Roseburg Labor Temple Association would like the public to understand the situation which was brought to light recently in The News-Review concerning the Chamber of Commerce controlling the solicitations in our city and our appeal to the Board of Directors.

The Central Labor Council of Roseburg has been a member of the Chamber of Commerce for quite a number of years and the Roseburg Labor Temple Assn. felt that we, as members, should go through the proper channels in order to show our willingness to cooperate with the organization.

Each year ads are sold for a board at the Labor Temple to help finance payments of the taxes on our building. Roseburg is one of the very few cities in the state that non-profit organizations are forced to pay taxes on their real estate. We are aware, in spite of some politicians' statements that we are in a period of prosperity, that at least in Roseburg, business has not been as good as in the past. However, cost of this advertising is very small and anyone, for any reason, can decline buying an ad for this board. We wish to make it clear that we are not asking the businessmen to pay our taxes anymore than they are asking us to pay theirs when we buy their merchandise or services. We are not asking for charity but are offering a genuine advertising service to the business people of Roseburg and requesting that they set aside a small per cent of their advertising expense to place their names on our board where our membership may see who is willing to co-operate and feel more inclined to spend their wages with the merchants who do.

There is some criticism about 40 per cent being paid to the solicitor; however, our committee (which, by the way, is not a secret committee) feels that this is a fair percentage for this man to receive for his work. Part of the contract stipulates that all materials needed for this board be purchased in Roseburg and the solicitor, while selling the ads, will spend a good percentage on meals, hotel room, gas and other necessary items while in our city.

We are aware that this controlled solicitation is not a law and there is probably justification for screening out-of-town solicitation. However, it is hard to understand, this being a democratic country, why secret committees are necessary.

We generally associate secret committees with Ku Klux Klan, Communism and small children. In our opinion, it certainly does seem in poor taste for a Chamber of Commerce to have one. As this committee's decision is final, it seems a little unjust that an organization, being denied the privilege of solicitation, cannot appeal to this committee. Of course this is impossible, since no one knows who they are. Imagine what would happen to a labor union if they should set up a secret committee and give them the sole right to tell our membership which stores to patronize. We no doubt, would be accused of being Communists, Socialists, or dictators and also guilty of boycotting merchants; and I imagine we would also have a government committee investigating us immediately and probably at the request of this same city secret committee.

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In driving around the country the last few weeks I've seen hundreds of acres of land — brush and weeds that any novice can tell at a glance has no stock of any kind on it nor has had for a long time. In many cases the residence isn't located near this huntable land; the fences are already on the verge of falling. In fact, about all you can see that has been done is the addition each year of a few more nice new "No Hunting" signs.

Yet, with all of this, we find that no adult pheasants were released in our area this year because there is no place that the Game Commission could release birds where hunters could go without being a "friend of a friend," a "Kissin Cousin" or a "Politician."

But today I saw one of these "gentlemen" that advertises his name so proudly each year with a "not on my property" slogan.

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Reader Opinions

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Voters Too Often Don't Recognize Ability, Claim

An election is too often a painful reminder that voters accept the sacrifice of ability without a glance of recognition. It's an inexcusable waste, particularly in an office which demands well-defined qualifications and training. The assessor's job is an example. For ten years Morris Bowker has been more than competent in his work.

No reflection on the other candidate, but it takes years for any man to learn an assessor's job thoroughly. And taxpayers would have to pay the price for these years of instruction. Then why would any voter choose to spend when they could save by voting for Mr. Bowker. Obviously some will vote against high taxes. Yet just as obviously, the assessor cannot raise or lower taxes at will. The voters themselves set their own taxes when they make the budget. And through our representatives, we voters make the laws which decide what share of the budget each taxpayer must bear. Does the assessor have more than one vote? Does he have any choice but to meet the demands of the budget and of the law? If he contributes efficiency and hard work and integrity, is it not shameful to vote him out of office? At any rate, it is a bit silly of us taxpayers to cut off our noses to spite our faces.

I was county juvenile officer under Mr. Bowker when he was county judge in 1938 to 1940 and believe I am as familiar with county business over a period of 30 years as an — in Douglas County.

My hat is off to Pete Serafin and the "Red Hat" organization for the work they are doing to help more and more land owners realize that a conscientious, considerate hunter isn't going to be detrimental to their property.

And the way to find out how much of a conservationist and how considerate this man is who's asking for permission to hunt is to ask "Mr. Let's see your Red Hat pledge card."

Any man who hasn't taken time to fill one out hasn't taken time to consider the future of hunting in Oregon and is a danger to all good sportsmen.

Barrett B. Brejcha,
774 N. E. Knoll Ave.,
Roseburg, Oregon.

Democrat To Vote For Man Who Knows His Job

I'm an ordinary guy who got jolted into investigating a public service. Just because of a spot and some worrying about expenses — yours and mine. All of us 75,000 people in Douglas County have a share in this service. We've got a big stake in having it run well but cheaply. We can't shove off the responsibility on the "naughty Democrats" or on "naughty Republicans." But we do shove it off on one man. He is the works for a crew of twenty people. And what we pay to run this service depends on him: On his knowing all the jobs of his crew.

I mean our county assessor. Do you know what it costs to train the skilled people needed? \$60,000 in wages alone. Even with the right technical background and talent. Even at a beginning low pay ranging from \$3,000 to \$4,500 a year. And who with ability works for peanuts unless his boss is worth the sacrifice? The wage price-tag gives no clue to the assessor's overtime, it just takes in the training time of 17 people. Two years to train a draftsman. One year to train an appraiser or an accountant. Draftsmen are at a premium, but our assessor has two of the best. If you think plating Douglas County's 5,000 sections is a breeze, get one of them to show you how to figure the intent of a 2-year old deed. There are 10 appraisers for a county the size of Connecticut, and 3 bookkeepers for its 40,000 accounts. That accounting system is the best to be had, and Morris Bowker set it up.

I'm a Democrat. I never voted for one, nor for any unnecessary Republican. But I've blamed well going to vote for a man who knows his job, Morris Bowker.