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SHINE DURING 1959

By Charles V. Stanton

Douglas County's centennial committee is pushing a slogan, "Put on a shine during '59."

The slogan has as its purpose the inauguration of a clean-up, paint-up, fix-up campaign to be carried on immediately as a part of the centennial preparation.

"Oregon will be entertaining millions of visitors during the year," says Iris Helliwell, committee chairman. "Great numbers of these visitors will be stopping in Douglas County. We want to make them welcome. We also want to put on our best bib and tucker, just as we would for any other company. That's one reason we want all of Douglas County on dress parade this summer."

Effort of the county committee to institute a spirit of "true western hospitality," is most important. Every resident of the county, I believe, should be a booster. Not only should he be pleasant and friendly, but he should be informed, full of information concerning the surroundings familiar to him.

The centennial fever is beginning to grip the country. Here in Douglas County, where we have approximately one-third of the Pacific Highway in Oregon, we have a wonderful opportunity to be good hosts.

PARK SHOWS VALUE

Anyone who might be skeptical concerning Roseburg's Stewart Park needs only to visit that park on any day suitable for outdoor recreation.

Picnic spots are full and overflowing. The playground, particularly the steam locomotive, gets active use. Soon the municipal golf course will be in operation. The baseball diamond, now being readied for the season, will, I believe, be one of the finest in Oregon. Although it will be used principally for games of our American Legion team this year, it should, in my opinion, become the home of a league team in the relatively near future.

Stewart Park is a recreation park. It is made for activity, as well as for rest and relaxation.

Many cities have parks with tennis courts, handball courts, shuffleboard courts, golf links, softball and hardball diamonds, and many other such play facilities. Stewart Park is sufficiently big and well located to serve all of these purposes.

Personally, I believe Stewart Park is one of the finest projects the City of Roseburg ever has developed.

INDUSTRY IN OREGON

A few days ago I read in one of our leading periodicals in Oregon a complaint that we were being bypassed by industry.

Having recently returned from a trip through Nevada, Arizona and California, I can understand why so much of our industry is moving into the states of the Southwest. Those states offer living factors not found in Oregon.

On the other hand, Oregon, particularly as a timber state, has resources no other state can equal.

Too much of the time, however, we are trying to emulate our neighbors, seeking to get industries that by their nature belong elsewhere. We are neglecting, I am afraid, the opportunity to develop industries for which we are most suited — paper, chemicals, fertilizers, and other products made from wood and wood fiber. We have spent great sums of money and have wasted a lot of time in agriculture trying to pattern ourselves after some other locality. I'm afraid we're doing the same thing with industry, rather than trying to better utilize the resources we have, as indicated by burners at so many of our sawmills.

James Marlow

Moscow Journey To Aid Nixon Political Campaign

WASHINGTON (AP) — Richard M. Nixon, who wants to go places, is getting a lot of mileage out of the vice presidency, and not just in distance traveled.

True, he's traveled a lot—more than 200,000 miles since he took office in 1953. Although this is much less than the 560,000 miles logged by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, Nixon visited more countries: 54 to Dulles' 46.

In July, thanks to President Eisenhower's determination to make good use of his vice president, Nixon will chalk up another 10,000 miles when he goes to Moscow to open an American fair.

These trips have been good for Nixon politically, since they keep him in the public eye. None so far may have been so important for him as the trip to the Soviet Union may be.

There he talks with Premier Nikita Khrushchev and comes away looking good from the American viewpoint, so much the better for him. He can hardly lose. Khrushchev wants a summit meeting with Eisenhower. He is not likely to jeopardize it by giving Nixon a hard time.

Campaign Aims Obvious
If Nixon has a hand in arranging the summit meeting expected late this summer, that's more political savvy.

If anyone doubts Nixon is aiming at the Republican presidential nomination in 1960, all he needs to do is remember that Nixon last month added a veteran political campaigner to his staff: Herbert B. Klein, editor of the San Diego (Calif.) Union.

Klein will be Nixon's special assistant in charge of press relations — he was an assistant to him in the 1956 campaign for his re-election and in the 1958 congressional campaigns — and will accompany him to Moscow. He is understood to have signed up with Nixon through the 1960 campaign. Through his Moscow trip, and

Nixon Acts Conservatively

Nixon could run himself on his international trips if he made any slips. But he is careful and conservative, as he knows he has to be, since he is in a secondary position now and directly answerable to Eisenhower for what he says and does.

Even a disastrous trip turned out all right for Nixon. This was his journey last year to Latin America where he was stoned and spat upon. It brought him a lot of public sympathy, and no criticism except for making the journey in the first place. The State Department was blamed for that, at least for not knowing Nixon might get that treatment because of anti-American feeling there.

This country recognized that what happened to the vice president was not aimed at him personally but was a reaction to American policies in Latin America.

Smoke-Jump Contingent Scheduled At Redmond

REDMOND (AP) — The U.S. Forest Service plans to station smoke-jumpers — airborne fire-fighters — at this Central Oregon town in the event of critical forest fire danger this summer.

The parachutists have been stationed at Cave Junction in extreme southwestern Oregon and flown here to fight forest fires in past years. But this year, plans call for at least six jumpers to be stationed here if the fire danger became acute.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Delayed fuse wisecrack:

Sen. Morse declares his intention to campaign against his Democratic colleague, Sen. Richard Neuberger, when Mr. Neuberger comes up for renomination and re-election in 1960.

Congratulations, Dick.

It looks like you've got it made.

More of the same:

On the way back to Geneva, after attending the funeral of America's great secretary of state, the foreign ministers conferred at length in a B-36 flying at some 30,000 feet elevation.

I suppose that's what one could call diplomacy at the highest level.

From Los Angeles:

A lumber company president and five companions have left here to try to conquer the Colorado River IN REVERSE (that is GOING UP instead of COMING DOWN) in two outboard boats.

"Why am I doing it?" the lumberman asked.

"I'm doing it because it's never been done successfully before. It's a challenge. I have the river in my blood."

Well, it's his money he is spending and it's his life he is risking.

I can think of more constructive ways to spend his money and risk his life, but I hope the time never comes in the United States of America when a man isn't permitted to spend his money and risk his life in whatever way he chooses—so long as the exercise of his right to do as he pleases with his life and his money DOESN'T INFRINGE UPON OR LIMIT THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS.

The Bureau of the Census has just published a study of public employment in which it gives statistics as to the number of people employed in federal, state and local GOVERNMENT throughout the

country. For some reason, it chose the month of April of the year 1957 and collected statistics as of that month. The figures are rather interesting.

For example:

In Oregon, the total number of people employed by ALL units of government in April 1957 was 75,988. The distribution was as follows:

Federal employees 19,217
State employees 18,618
Local gov't employees 38,153

In total, it looks AWFUL. But when broken down in relation to population, it isn't too bad.

In Oregon, the number of federal employees figures out at 108.6 persons per 10,000 population. In Washington, the corresponding figure is 200. In California it is 172. The national average is 131.

In Oregon, the number of state employees per 10,000 population is 105. In Washington, it is 85. In California, it is 71. The national average is 71, exactly the same as in California.

In Oregon (in April of 1957) local governments employed 216 persons per 10,000 population. In Washington, the figure is 240. In California, it is 256. The national figure is 210.

I suppose it takes a lot of employees to run the governmental affairs of 10,000 people.

Still—

It seems a bit out of keeping that in a remote and non-spectacular state such as Oregon—which has no immense government enterprises such as the spectacular atomic enterprise at Hanford up in Washington—FEDERAL civilian employees should outnumber STATE employees.

Personally, I'm inclined to go along with Thomas Jefferson in his statement that "that government is best which governs least."

Relman Morin

Too Much Peace And Quiet Made 1920s Complacent

NEW YORK (AP) — A current trend in the book-writing trade, as you may have noticed, concerns the decade often described as the era of wonderful nonsense, the 1920s.

Books about F. Scott Fitzgerald and Albee Semple McPherson, the great stock market crash, millions praying for Charles Lindbergh on the night he flew to Paris.

Prohibition, the gangster empire, the St. Valentine's Day massacre in Chicago, the Charleston, the Black Bottom, flappers with knee-length skirts and a fringe of beads around the equator, raccoon coats and hip flasks. Joke: "I always show up late at a party so that the girl'll have time to age."

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The 1930s brought the depression, economic disaster, then the dictators and militarists.

The 1940s were war and "cold war" years.

The 1950s? Well, you could characterize this period as the "learning to live on the brink" decade.

Yes, there was a lot of nonsense in the 1920s. It probably was the natural by-product of too much peace and quiet.

Sea Lion Caves Not For Sale

SALEM (AP) — The Oregon Highway Commission got a report that the owners of Sea Lion Caves aren't very interested in selling the state.

The Legislature asked the Highway Commission to investigate whether the caves, on the coast north of Florence, might be acquired as a state park.

C. H. Armstrong, state parks superintendent, told the commission that the owners seem unwilling to sell, but that negotiations would continue. He said they were interested in selling for \$500,000.

The commission must report to the 1961 Legislature.

Armstrong said the owners are installing a \$130,000 elevator to the caves, hoping this might increase their business 25 per cent. He said there were 38,359 visitors to the caves last August.

The commission authorized negotiations to acquire 720 acres for a new state park on the Crooked River Canyon near Terrebonne.

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Editorial Comment

THERE ARE SIGNS OUR SCHOOLS ARE GETTING TIRED OF THE 'CONTESTS'

Bend Bulletin

An article in a recent issue of the NEA Journal, professional magazine, American primary and secondary teachers, indicates that at least some teachers are getting more than a little tired of the endless essay contests.

Such a feeling is not new, of course. Ten or twelve years ago many teachers and administrators felt that the contests were a particular, was being overdone.

"Some of these contests are carefully planned efforts to reward talent. With these, teachers are happy to co-operate. Others, principally in the write-an-essay group, are poorly planned and are not particularly liked by teachers," the writer of the article states.

As a result a number of experienced teachers—and the number apparently is growing—are simply ignoring the contests altogether. As a result the sponsor doesn't get many entries, winners are low grade and the whole purpose is defeated.

Actually, any organization carrying on a program of this sort is liable to be doing so because some public chairman of a few years ago was too lazy to come up with a good idea. The essay contest was easy, and so it was started. Now the sponsoring organization feels it has to carry on.

According to one teacher, there are two principal reasons for not liking the contests:

First, many contests state that entries will be judged on their ideas. Classroom work focuses not only on ideas but on developing good prose, spelling, punctuation, and grammar. Teachers dislike having these skills discounted.

Second, teachers often have reason to believe that students will be

correspond to those the sponsor wants them to have. And in this country schools are supposed to be judged on how closely their ideas teach how to think, not what to think.

A few years back, it was customary in some schools to require students to enter the contests. Teacher time was taken up with screening essays, and the entries went to the judges.

Now many schools put a roster on the school bulletin board and let the students enter if they wish. Most don't.

Teachers for many years have recognized—rather quietly and in private—a lack of sense in most of these contests.

Now the subject is not so private. Perhaps the contests, dozens of them each year, will begin to die out.

THIS WILL BE OUR WAY
Pendleton East Oregonian

According to the Salem Capital-Journal, The East Oregonian has been "a thumping critic" of Gov. Mark Hatfield. We want to argue that this is not so.

The East Oregonian supported the re-election of Robert D. Holmes for two reasons. It was conceded the Holmes record was far from perfect, a statement that could be made of any administration that had preceded his in the state capital. But the Holmes record was on the whole so good that, in our opinion, he deserved a second term.

The second point we made was that Mark Hatfield was in too much of a hurry. It was suggested that he would benefit from two more years on the Board of Control as Secretary of State before seeking higher office.

We thought Gov. Hatfield's inaugural address to the legislature was excellent and said so. We said we thought the type of program he was carrying on was one that Oregonians had a right to expect from their young governor; that there was much in it which the legislature would find it difficult to reject.

We have disagreed with Gov. Hatfield's stand on the sales tax. We have thought the tremendous task that will fall upon the 1961 legislature could be either lightened or clarified, according to the results, if Oregonians were permitted in 1960 to vote on a sales tax.

We did not like a statement the Governor made recently to a labor union meeting. He spoke of the great amount of bad news about labor unions that appears in newspapers and the paucity of news about the good that unions do. We thought the statement unfair and wondered if it were made for political reasons.

We thought a mistake was being made when the legislature took over the responsibilities of the state Highway Commission by approving bonds for construction of a bridge across the Columbia River at Astoria. We did not like it when Gov. Hatfield encouraged this procedure by suggesting that bonds for work on Highway 42 should also be approved. We thought the governor should have pointed to the dangers inherent in the direction in which the legislative branch of the government was going.

A thumping critic of Gov. Hatfield? We think not.

When we disagree with Gov. Hatfield we're going to say so. And when he has performed well we shall say so. This probably won't satisfy some of the Republican press who will find no fault with anything the governor does. But we expect the governor to find it satisfactory.

Lookingglass PTA Holds Installation At Last Meeting

By HAZEL MARSH

An installation service for newly-elected officers of Lookingglass PTA was conducted at the group's last meeting of the year.

Mrs. Carlyle Ross of Winston Hills was elected president. Installed Mrs. Junior Carlie as president; Mrs. C. Tollefson, vice president; Mrs. Grant Nielsen, secretary; and Mrs. Robert Patterson, treasurer.

Committee chairmen announced by the incoming president include: Mrs. Raymond Buell, historian; Mrs. Casey Morgan, ways and means; Mrs. Carl Ellis, program; Mrs. B. G. Swinford, room mothers; Mrs. C. Tollefson, hospitality; Mrs. Tom Hubbard, spiritual life; Mrs. George Marsh, publicity; Mrs. Mary Ann Shriver, parent education, family life and magazine; Mrs. E. E. Oliviant, legislation; Mrs. Don Oliviant, school board; Mrs. Jon Wilson, health and safety; and Mrs. Elton Grass, skating club.

Speaker Present
Julian Helleck, county juvenile officer, gave a report on the juvenile situation and conducted a question and answer period.

Announcement was made concerning closing activities of the school. The plays and means chairman is planning a carnival to be held near the opening of school in the fall. Tentative date for the opening of school has been set at August 31.

Walter B. Samuelson, Publicity Chairman
Roseburg Senior High School

Reader Opinions

Cabot Said More Able In Brazil Envoy Post

To The Editor: It is a pleasure to read your thought-provoking editorial on the subject of the diplomat's life. We missed them while you were on vacation.

I was especially interested in your opinion on the Luce nomination to Brazil. My experience in Latin America, as a student, tourist, and later as a teacher, has convinced me that this was not a good nomination. Even though Mrs. Luce is an able person, I firmly believe that we need strong career diplomats in foreign posts, and especially in Latin America where the Communist danger is growing. And there are many highly qualified men in the diplomatic corps deserving advancement to these posts without the upper ranks being filled with political appointments.

Too many of the political appointees take the position merely to enjoy the exotic life and the glory involved, but do not do the work. Along this line it is interesting to compare the absenteeism of career and non-career chiefs of missions. According to a Department of State survey, vacations of non-career ambassadors averaged about 60 days a year in 1956. This is almost twice as often as career chiefs. How does Mrs. Luce's record in Italy compare with this? In 1955, she was absent from her post 87 days, plus being on vacation for 69 days. None of that was sick leave, or due to illness. In 1956, she was absent from her post 84 days, plus 23 days of vacation, and 95 days of sick leave. Even allowing for her long illness just before she resigned, this is not a very good record.

The President has now appointed John Moors Cabot, foreign service diplomat since 1928, and the present ambassador to Colombia. He speaks five languages (Spanish, Portuguese, French, English and German). He has had experience in most of the Latin American posts and is highly regarded in those countries. Mr. Cabot is trained for his post. It is my hope that other posts will receive close Senate scrutiny as did this one.

Berton M. Bailey
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Roseburg, Ore.

Band Students Write Thanks For Publicity

To The Editor: The band students of Roseburg Senior High School wish to thank The News-Review for publicity given our recent rummage sale. We also thank stations KRNK, KRXL, KYES and KPIC for their help in broadcasting our announcements. For contributions received and to the public for patronizing our sale, we also express our appreciation. The money derived from the sale will provide scholarships to the University of Oregon School of Music this summer at Eugene.

Walter B. Samuelson, Publicity Chairman
Roseburg Senior High School

Science Shrinks Piles New Way Without Surgery Stops Itch—Relieves Pain

astounding statements like "Piles have ceased to be a problem!" The secret is a new healing substance (Bio-Dyne)—discovery of a world-famous research institute. This substance is now available in suppository form, a natural, non-injurious, non-surgical way to relieve the pain and itching of piles. At your druggist. Money back guarantee.

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Melrose Parents, Teacher Honor Sixth Grade Students

By NETTIE WOODRUFF

Sixth graders of Melrose School were honored last week at an affair in the school cafeteria by their parents and teacher.

Romayne Brand of Joseph Lane Junior High School spoke on next year's activities. Citizenship awards were made to Georgiana Sanders and Calvin Lerrah. Their names will be engraved on the plaque as the outstanding boy and girl of the class. Fifth grade mothers were in charge of the evening's events.

Mrs. Mae Metzker has returned to her home in Baker following a visit here with Mr. and Mrs. George Showers. She also attended the Rebekah Convention in Roseburg.

Mrs. Faye Wheeler and daughter, Fern of Eugene, were here recently to visit the former's mother, Mrs. Royce Busenbark, a patient in Mercy Hospital.

Stationed in Korea
SP4 Charles Stringer and wife and daughter have arrived from Georgia to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Stringer. Charles will leave Wednesday for Army in Korea for 13 months. His wife, whom he married in Germany, and daughter will remain in Melrose.

Visitors at the Bernard Oliver home are Mrs. Oliver's mother, Mrs. Ed Moothart, and Mrs. Don Oliver and two children of South Dakota. En route here they visited at John Day. They left last week to visit relatives in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Hurley have moved to Coos Bay, where he is employed in logging operations.

Mr. and Mrs. Holmes Gabbert and two grandchildren of Portland and Dwight Gabbert and two children of Chico, Calif., spent a day last week in Melrose, stopping at the cemetery and the old Dunn place.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Trent and small son have moved from the Warner place to a residence in Roseburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Withycombe and daughter, Lynn, of Corvallis, spent a weekend with their parents, the Dale Busenbarks. They will be moving soon to Washington, where he will work this summer for the atomic energy commission.

Men of the Melrose Grange are in the process of putting new flooring in the hall's rest rooms. Working last week on the project were Harold Densmore, Paul Kreuger and Ed Reece. Mrs. Densmore served dinner to them. Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Busenbark joined the group for dinner. The men worked again the next evening. Visitors at the recent grange meeting included Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Walters and Nelda Norris of Riverside Grange.

Brian Pargeter accompanied several friends on an outing recently to coastal points.

Elkton Spring Festival Held

By MRS. C. W. HENDERER

The annual Spring Music Festival was held at Elkton Grange School last week, under the direction of William Hickerson.

Included on the program were the grade school band of sixth, seventh and eighth graders, the beginners' band of fifth graders, and the Tonettes, the fourth graders. Both high and grade school bands played several selections together. The third graders marched and sang, accompanied by the high school band.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Bowman spent Memorial weekend in Chelalis, Wash., visiting Bowman's aunt, Mrs. Lucy Shaw.

Roseburg Methodists Preparing For School

"God and His Wonderful World," is theme of this year's vacation Church School at Roseburg First Methodist Church, starting June 8 through the 19th, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each weekday.

A workshop for all workers is to be held Tuesday at 9:30 with care for pre-school children.

All children from 4 years through junior high may participate in sessions of nature study, drama, singing, games and various other activities. Mrs. Roy Crain is in charge of the children's nursery for the teachers only. Kindergarten is led by Mrs. Don Bailey. Mrs. Glenn Clute is in charge of primary grades. Juniors will be led by Mrs. John Price. Mrs. Phil Beckley is leading the junior highs.

A special feature of this year's school will be a sixth grade department. Mrs. Richard McDonald is planning a varied program of activities to appeal to boys and girls of this age.

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