

State Research Center Study Important

The Portland City Club has just released a report on a research center for the state, but the report has a serious limitation.

It has called for what amounts to a doctoral study development at Portland State College. It seems to emphasize the need to bring PSC up to the university level.

Judging from the report, the need for such a full-fledged university is there, but any post-graduate center set up at the university shouldn't be traveling under the guise of a state-wide research center.

This seems to be the direction of the effort. It specifies the importance of a university to the economic health of a community and cites need for a graduate school and institute of advanced studies.

Probably Portland State should get a graduate school, but an advanced research center shouldn't be tied to this single school. It should be a research center for the entire state, available to the higher education institutions, as well as industry.

The state is already making studies of what it calls an Oregon Cooperative Center for Graduate Education and Advanced Research to be supported by both public and private colleges and universities and private industries. Not only would it be financed by them but it would serve them as well.

This state program is already in its third phase of study and needs state-wide support when the time for establishing the institute is reached. It probably will not get that support if it is tied to a rapidly growing college just out of its swaddling clothes.

The city club does a good job of emphasizing a need for such a research center in the state. After an introduction, it asks the question: "How can we develop new industries that will strengthen the economy and provide a solid basis for expansion in the years ahead?"

It points out that the past decade has made it clear that the two big industries, timber and agriculture, "are far from able to bring similar growth in our second century."

It notes a decline in the number of jobs made possible by timber and agriculture. It says that the rate of growth from 1946 to 1955 was among the five lowest in the United States. A comparison of the last three years with the base period of 1947-49 shows the rate of growth lagged almost 30 per cent behind that of the nation as a whole.

The report notes that Oregon's distance from mass markets is an example of the kind of limitation on the type of industry which would thrive with a location in the state. But at the same time, "Oregon's greatest industrial potential lies in exploiting this state's 'liveability', high productivity of labor, educational advantages and similar features supporting production of high value items of relatively small size and weight.

"In the fast-growing, but highly technical, defense industry and related research and development, Oregon has fallen far behind. Our state has 1 per cent of the total U. S. population, yet it has received only one-tenth of 1 per cent of federal defense contracts," it says.

It concludes that the reason could very likely be that Oregon lacks higher educational facilities required by scientists and engineers.

We agree, but we feel the entire state should be a part of establishing such a research center. Gov. Hatfield has recognized the apparent need and has long since put a study into operation. The Portland City Club's plan would draw only limited support and would open the old breach between the big city and the out-staters. The club's efforts to discover new ways of making our state better should be welcomed, but they should be considered in relation to the study now under way by the governor's group.



FIRST ROBIN

News Analysis



By ROBERT C. RUARK

Like the Stanislavsky acting method says, you got to suffer for your art, and I sure do hope Bobby Kennedy hasn't seen the piece about how the management boys in Russia are curing their writers of social irresponsibility. Talk about news management—whooee!

I see by my bootlegged copy of Pravda that Georgi Markov, secretary of the Moscow Writers Union, says that it is a lack of working background which has caused the Young Turks of the Soviet scribble trade to make the ideological errors which have struck more than one literary nose in the governmental crack. Young rebels like Yevgeny Yevtuschenko, Andrei Voznesensky and Vasily Aksyonov have been shooting off their faces and their pens lately, and Moscow is playing heavily eritic.

The fault, says Secretary Markov, is based on the fact that the angry young men haven't toted dat bale sufficiently to learn about life, which is what makes a writer a writer. So the management gentlemen have rectified that in a marvelously practical manner.

Writer Disappears

The writer Yevtuschenko, who made the serious mistake of speaking freely to the capitalist press, and whose unauthorized "Precoious Biography" was smuggled out of Russia to be published by a Paris newspaper, ain't been heard from recently. It is assumed that he is studying up on life down in a hole somewhere.

Mr. Markov revealed in his little message that Voznesensky is learning about life by "spending a large part of his time" at industrial plants somewhere in the Vladimir area, northeast of Moscow.

Mr. Aksyonov, who has been charged with misrepresenting the life and character of the Soviet younger people — a kind of Scott Fitzgerald of the Nyet Set — is going to Siberia by his research chores in the way real people live. Mr. Aksyonov presumably is heading for Siberia to study the part young people are playing in industrial construction. This is known, in some portions of southern America, as being sent to the road, or working for the state, and has produced some remarkable chain-gang laments.

His rhetoric well in hand, Mr. Markov, the bull gosse of the organized writers, was quoted: "It is to be hoped, too, that Yevtuschenko will draw conclusions from his bitter mistakes. No matter how highly the works of young writers may be praised, all must understand that early professionalism is harmful and there is no better school for a writer, even an experienced one, than the school of life."

Russians Masters In News Managing

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Theory Approved

I am 100 per cent in accord with portions of Mr. Markov's theory, but I think the experience should come before the man starts writing, not after. In my own case, I spent a lot of time running errands on newspapers, working for the WPA, going to sea, going to war, and hanging around low dives where alcoholic beverages were served before I touched pen to paper. If — during my early Joseph Conrad stage at sea — sweeping up sheep manure, sulphur, and phosphate rock had been allowable as credits on the literary experience course, I would have won the Nobel Prize at the age of 21.

But I don't think it is fair to take a gently reared youth like, say Truman Capote, who wrote his

first sonnet with a moist pacifier on his nurse's shirt front at the age of two, and fling him into a Georgia chain gang to gain experience after he has written "Breakfast at Tiffany's." Nor do I think it would be completely cricket to stretch with the Peace Corps in order to rid him of a mother fixation. They might try washing his mouth out with soap, however.

Thought Helpful

Certainly, yours truly is too old to learn about life for the crime of questioning the dubious doings of our leaders in Washington, and I should not like to be shipped off to Harvard, for instance, to learn about life as it is lived in Washington.

There is a grain of helpful thought, however, in Secretary Markov's message. It might be useful if some members of the Cabinet and Senate, such as Bobby and Teddy, put in an apprenticeship in the courts of law to learn about life before they start to tinker with the larger laws of the land. (Copyright, 1963 by United Feature Synd., Inc.)

Red Internal Strifes Aired By Hearst Jr.

STANFORD, Calif. (UPI) —William Randolph Hearst Jr., editor in chief of Hearst Newspapers, has warned against premature conclusions about the split between Soviet Russia and Communist China.

Hearst told a meeting of the Foreign Policy Institute at Stanford recently that "there is no end in sight yet to this bitter argument. For the United States to leap to any conclusion on the evidence available at this time would be foolhardy and possibly self-defeating."

The editor referred to Nikita Khrushchev and Chinese Communist leader Mao Tse-Tung as "two elderly hardheads." The editor added "don't bet against Khrushchev. These are my final words of advice."

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THE LIGHTER SIDE:



By DICK WEST

Have Some Fun With Adverb Pun

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Almost everywhere you look nowadays you find people exchanging "Tom Swifties."

For the benefit of the fortunate few who have been kept in the dark about this thus far, I shall now attempt to explain what "Tom Swifties" are.

A "Tom Swiftie" is a type of pun. Its roots lie in the Tom Swift adventure books that boys used to read about four decades ago.

If you recall these books, you may remember that Tom and his companions spoke in adverbs. Virtually everything they said was said adverbially. A typical bit of dialogue might go something like this:

"Don't worry, chaps, I'll find a way out," Tom said calmly.

"We're with you, Tom," the others said trustingly.

Now, if you make a quotation of your own and apply the adverb in such a way that it forms a pun, you've got a "Tom Swiftie."

For example, my wife and I had a "Tom Swiftie" conversation at the breakfast table this morning.

"What's the matter with this coffee?" I asked bitterly.

"You forgot to put sugar in it," she replied sweetly.

"It still doesn't taste right," I said blackly.

"Try putting cream in it," she muttered thickly.

"There's something else wrong," I said coldly.

"Maybe you didn't plug in the percolator," she said heatedly.

One of our local "Tom Swiftie" experts, Jerry Doolittle of the Washington Post, recently compiled a list that included:

"Where could that arrow have landed?" he remarked aimlessly.

An experienced "Tom Swifties" player would immediately respond to that with one of his own, like: "It's in my back," she screamed piercingly.

Or: "It's in my foot," he said pointedly.

Once you get the hang of it, you can make "Tom Swifties" fit almost any situation, such as this recent piece of news:

"I'm getting married again," Gov. Rockefeller announced happily.

"To whom?" asked Prince Rainier gracefully.

Astronaut Gordon Cooper's recent flight opened up many avenues for "Tom Swifties," adds.

"Everything is A-OK," NASA reported initially.

President Kennedy's legislative program likewise offers a fertile field for "Tom Swifties."

"Get busy on my tax bill," he told Congress cuttingly.

"But Medicare was one of my

campaign promises," the President pleaded brokenly.

If this fad follows the usual pattern, the next step will be for someone to bring out a "Tom Swifties" coloring book.

PARIS (UPI) — Composer Igor Stravinsky has canceled a planned appearance in Bergen, Norway, because he is "tired," a spokesman said here Monday.

He said a doctor advised the 80-year-old composer not to attempt the trip, which involved changing planes at both Copenhagen and Oslo.

Stravinsky arrived in Paris last Thursday after conducting a concert in Zagreb, Yugoslavia. He is scheduled to appear in London, Hamburg and Milan before returning home to Los Angeles.

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The Editor's Corner
By Charles V. Stanton

Dr. Earle B. Stewart Played Key Role In Getting VA Here

One of the persons most responsible for the fact that Roseburg was brought out of its doldrums by being selected as a site for the Veterans Administration Hospital, more than 30 years ago, is one of the city's best-loved citizens, Dr. Earle B. Stewart.

While many people had a part in the selection, Dr. Stewart, without question, was the one who contributed most. He was in a position of great influence, through the American Legion, and was able to make direct and favorable contact with the Veterans Administration and with congressional leaders.

Dr. Stewart started his career in Glendale, later moving to Roseburg as a partner in the medical firm of Sether, Seely and Stewart.

One of his earliest experiences was one he has never forgotten and one he loves to recall. Bill Bradley, a colorful figure of the early days on the upper Umpqua, was found critically injured. He had been trampled by horses in a corral.

Perry Wright, who as a young man had taken a homestead in the Caps Blahoe country, came to Roseburg during a period of storm seeking help. The river was running full, as a result of flood, but had to be forded. Wright made the dangerous trip to Roseburg. Stewart agreed to attempt the return with him to what since has become known as Bradley Flats.

The men of the party risked their lives time after time. They finally reached the cabin and the injured man. But his injuries proved fatal and he was buried near the cabin where a marker since has been erected.

Activity Increases

Stewart served as a commissioned officer during the First World War. Returning to practice in Roseburg he became very active in organization of the American Legion. He served as commander of the Department of Oregon, which he served most effectively because of his fine record, he was chosen a national committeeman, a position he held for a number of years. He was a close friend of many of the men of national importance in the American Legion. He and the late Mrs. Stewart were guests of a party headed by National Comdr. Paul McNutt on an anniversary trip to Paris.

Dr. Stewart's close contact with the American Legion and the Veterans Administration was an exceedingly important factor in the selection of Roseburg as a site for the Veterans Administration Hospital.

(To Be Continued)

NOW YOU KNOW

Plank roads, built in the eastern United States in the mid-19th century, speeded transportation and cost only \$1,500 a mile but were soon abandoned because the wood wore out rapidly, according to the National Geographic Magazine.

Fund Raised

The Roseburg Chamber of Commerce raised a fund sufficient to send Dr. Stewart to Washington, D.C., early in April of 1900, where

The Almanac

By United Press International Today is Wednesday, May 22, the 142nd day of 1963 with 223 to follow.

The moon is new. The morning stars are Venus, Jupiter and Saturn.

The evening star is Mars. Those born today are under the sign of Gemini.

On this day in history: In 1807, former Vice President Aaron Burr went on trial for "treason" in Richmond, Va. He was acquitted the following August.

In 1943, Soviet Russia announced the dissolution of the Communist International (Comintern), founded in 1919 to promote world revolution.

In 1953, President Eisenhower signed the controversial tidelands oil bill, guaranteeing coastal states the rights to all minerals in submerged lands within their historic boundaries.

In 1962, a Continental 707 passenger jet carrying 46 persons crashed in southeastern Iowa while en route from Chicago to Kansas City. A lone survivor died hours after the mishap.

A thought for the day—Plato said: "Human nature cannot know the mystery of an art without experience."

In Days Gone By

40 YEARS AGO May 22, 1923

A nation-wide freight rate cut was ordered today by the Interstate Commerce Commission. The cut in the West will amount to about 13 1/2 per cent.

25 YEARS AGO May 22, 1938

Adolph Hitler, chancellor of Germany, was warned by the British and French today that war would not be tolerated. The statements came in the wake of the Czechoslovakian report it would defend itself against German aggression. The sharp British and French warnings allayed Europe's war fever.

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10 YEARS AGO May 22, 1953

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