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What Is Role Of Community College?

With a program of community colleges comparatively new to the state, its purpose in the life of a community is often misunderstood.

Douglas County is in the throes of formation of a community college district, and it is obvious that much still needs to be known about it here.

A man who has watched the growth of community and junior colleges over the nation this year gave a report on his concepts of the purposes and functions at a meeting of the Oregon Association of School Administrators.

Dr. D. Grant Morrison, specialist in the U. S. Office of Education on community and junior colleges, says some people see the community college as "an extended high school; others see it as a lower division of a liberal arts college; others as a trade and technical school. Some even look on it as an adult education and community service institution.

Dr. Morrison says a composite of these concepts probably makes up the real purpose of the community college. He says ideal outline of functions can better be established by viewing them through the eyes of student, faculty, community and the four-year colleges.

The student, he says, recognizes that with the presence of a community college, he has a chance to continue his education without the great financial load necessary in a formal college. The result is the chance for a skilled position, from which he is not eliminated by the reasons which might keep him from college otherwise.

Teachers, Dr. Morrison said, must look on community colleges as places where teaching is more important than basic research; studying is more important than writing; students and community contacts replace more cloistered halls; and that methods must be changed to keep in tune with this age of technology.

The community, he said, must recognize it as a means of upgrading of skilled personnel, as well as improving educational, cultural and artistic climate in the area; it encourages new industries; increases real estate values; and boosts payrolls.

Finally, the four-year colleges see it as a cooperating, not a competing, institution. The community college also makes it possible for the four-year college and university to put major emphasis on upper division and graduate work. Dr. Morrison points out that several states are approaching the place where three-quarters of the lower division students are in the two-year colleges.

He suggests that in planning a community college, it can avoid the major weaknesses often seen in such institutions by:

1. Providing in home communities more and broader opportunities for more youth and adults to continue their education beyond the high school.

2. Providing an adequate program of guidance which will assist each student in a realistic appraisal of his competencies and in the development of a vocational and educational goal which is appropriate.

If these aims are achieved, the community college will be fulfilling its role.

"It's Just a Little Workout We Have Every Couple of Years!"

Opinions From Readers

League Is No Debating Society, Writer Notes

To The Editor:

I refer to an article in the July 16 edition of The News-Review by Stacy Adams of Yoncalla in which he was very critical of the League of Women Voters for their refusal to debate the U.N. with the John Birch society.

I beg to disagree with Mr. Adams.

The League of Women Voters is not a debating society but it does serve a very useful purpose in American life, which is more than I can say for the John Birch society.

The patriot in America does not grab a gun and rush out to kill everyone who does not agree with him. Neither does he scream "fellow traveler" or "commie" at those people in public life who are trying their best to preserve a way of life that in the main gives to each person a chance to share in their own government.

While Mr. Adams does not define "idealists," it seems to me if it had not been for "idealists" American life, as we know it, would never have existed. I do not doubt but that the British called those same "idealists" misguided.

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Portlander Finds Many Opposed To Dunes Park

To The Editor:

Sen. Maurine Neuberger recently spoke on the program, "Let's Face It," over station KOIN-TV, Portland, favoring the proposed Oregon Dunes Seashore National Park. She made some statements that are at variance with my own observations.

I have, by letter, requested her answers to some pertinent questions, but I believe the general public should also give thought to some of her comments.

For example, she stated that opposition to the bill had died down. I ask how this can be reconciled:

—With the fact that there is a steady flow of individual letters to newspapers expressing opposition?

—With the fact that papers in the area directly affected are in opposition; not only the Siuslaw News but also the Charleston Empire Builder, the Bandon Western World and even the Port Umpqua Courier at Reedsport which formerly supported the proposal?

—With the fact of steady opposition of civic organizations, notably the Association of Soil Conservation Districts, the Oregon Reclamation Congress, the Junior Chambers of Commerce, the Coastal Ports Federation, the Oregon Farm Bureau, the Northwest Indian Council, the Florence Chamber of Commerce, the Florence Junior Chamber of Commerce, the Florence City Council, the Siuslaw School Board, the Siuslaw Port Commission, the Siuslaw Pioneer Society, the Coos Bay Chamber of Commerce? One hundred and twenty persons attending a recent "town hall" meeting in the North Bend area most loudly applauded two opponents of the Dunes bill speaking there.

—With the fact that the Coast Association, which formerly supported the plan, recently voted down a resolution to continue its support?

—With the fact that an attempt to get a memorial favoring the Dunes bill through the Oregon State Legislature was defeated last March?

—With the fact that in addition to the thousands of people represented in the foregoing list, a statewide meeting of the Oregon State Grange passed a resolution in opposition to the bill? A majority vote of delegates represented 26,000 members. I cannot equate this fact with any statement from either Sen. Neuberger or Sec. Udall that 26,000 people are "a few."

Sen. Neuberger said that the Cape Cod Seashore people who originally opposed establishment of the national park there are now "very happy with the national park" and that they "ask why the park wasn't made larger.

How is this to be reconciled with what the Florence Chamber of Commerce discovered when it wrote to all those on record in opposition at the Cape Cod hearings to ask if they had indeed changed their opinion? The majority (I believe 80 or 90 per cent) replied, and of these only one said he had changed his mind. Others reported they wished they had been better organized and could have made their opposition more effective. I would be pleased if Sen. Neuberger would cite her authority for the statement that the people in the Cape Cod park area had changed their minds.

Sen. Neuberger also stated that "every senator wants to take home a dam or conservation project and say, 'See, what a big boy I am.'" How does the senator propose to reconcile this with her previous public statements of sentiment and love and disinterested devotion to the Dunes?

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Resident Defends New Teen-Age 'Movements'

To The Editor:

In case you have wondered what the new movement (I hesitate to call it a dance) is the teen-agers are doing, it's called "The Surf." Don't be fooled. It's harder to do than it looks, especially without water!

As in any new dance there are by now many variations but basically the step resembles the foot action one might use to remain upright while riding a surf board—hence, the name Surfin'. Another new dance everyone is doing seems to tie in with water, too. At least it looks to me much like a duck shaking water off his back and other parts of it like a swimmer trying to slither out of a tight, wet bathing suit.

It's called "The Workout," and believe me it is. The dance has even spawned a new language—"wipe out", a "woodie," the "curl," "hanging five," and so on. As are most teen-age activities, it is all in fun, but somehow there always creeps in a element of discord. Many have criticized the Surf and Workout as bad taste, obscene, immoral and other things. Sound familiar? It does to me. It sounds like a replay of the noise I heard about three years ago when we were all doing the Twist.

The sound is the same, only the record has been changed. To most now the twist is just another dance. It didn't seem to cause any more delinquency and I don't think the Surf or Workout will either. A dance is only a movement or step, it's the person who does it that can make it something else. Let's not blame a dance for troubles that begin elsewhere.

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Kennedy Words Of 1960 Haunt Policy On Exiles

To The Editor:

About three months ago Rep. August Johansen of Michigan sent President Kennedy a telegram reading as follows:

"We must end the harassment, which this government has carried on, of liberty-loving anti-Castro forces in Cuba and in other lands. While we cannot violate international law, we must recognize that these exiles and rebels represent the real voice of Cuba, and should not be constantly handicapped by our immigration and justice department authorities."

It was pointed out, the words of this telegram are exactly those which Candidate John F. Kennedy used in a campaign speech at Johnstown, Penn., on October 15, 1960.

But then we shouldn't be worried because, as was said before, "Don't worry, they're still 90 miles away."

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Eugene Attorney Faces Income Tax Charges

PORTLAND (UPI)—Eugene attorney Charles L. O. Edwards has been given until Aug. 2 to prepare motions and enter a plea on charges of holding back money and evading taxes of persons who hired him to prepare their income tax returns.

He was indicted by a federal grand jury here last week.

He is charged with holding back more than $10,000 due the government on returns he was hired to file, and with failing to file his own income tax returns from 1959 through 1961.

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World May Face Profound Change

By PHIL NEWSOM
UPI Foreign News Analyst

Perhaps unfortunately for the bad taste that could come later, there is a mounting feeling that the world is at the threshold of profound changes. In Western capitals the hope is that it will be for the better.

Chief basis for this hope is the widening split between the Soviet Union and its Red Chinese allies, and the corollary belief that a split with Red China would make Nikita Khrushchev more amenable toward reaching understanding with the West.

Lending support to these hopes have been a number of factors:

—In Moscow, the ideological battle between the two Communist giants has been going according to the script laid down weeks and months ago by the warring propaganda organs of the two nations and no compromise appears in sight.

—Khrushchev's own apparent belief, as reported to NATO by Belgian Foreign Minister Paul Henri Spaak, is that now is the time to reach some agreement on at least a partial nuclear test ban and that such an agreement is possible in the talks which began this week.

—Of lesser importance but a straw in the wind, the arrival in Moscow this week, at the Soviets' invitation, of an Indian team seeking Russian air-to-air missiles and other arms and equipment whose use clearly would be intended as defense against Red China.

Fancy Outruns Fact

In London, where hopes of an eventual accord with the Soviets always have run higher than in Washington, fancy has so far outstripped fact as to lead to speculation that partial agreement now on a nuclear test ban naturally would lead to an East-West summit.

The factors leading to these mounting hopes have been reported from Western capitals by correspondents with access to high sources.

But a note of caution is not amiss.

A warning note came from chief U.S. negotiator Averell Harriman who said before leaving ing London that a test-ban agreement is "not in the bag by a long shot."

Khrushchev admittedly has big problems on his hands.

But he did not reach his high estate in the Soviet hierarchy by giving away all the cards in his hand in advance.

In the Red Chinese he faces a formidable adversary.

Uses Threat As Weapon

One of his strongest weapons against them is the threat that he will reach accord with the West, a possibility which he now is encouraging.

On their part, the Chinese already have labelled the ideological talks in Moscow a failure, but they also say they can be patient.

Agreement can come now or a year from now or later. The Chinese have been careful not to stir the enmity of the Soviet people. All of their fire has been centered upon Khrushchev personally and they are banking on his downfall.

Meanwhile, they also will be careful to keep their lines to Moscow open.

As for a test ban, it already is too late for any such agreement to include either France or Red China, and without the latter especially, sooner or later must become almost meaningless.

If a change for the better is on the way, it still must be regarded as practically invisible.

It's hard to understand why some self-made men gave themselves such large mouths.

TWO SOLDIERS MISSING

SEOUL, Korea (UPI) — Two American soldiers swept away by the swift current of the Hantin River north of here were missing and presumed dead today, according to an announcement by U.S. Army authorities.

The two soldiers were not identified, pending notification of relatives. They were assigned to the U.S. Seventh Infantry Division.

The soldiers were swept downstream when they attempted to walk across the river early Wednesday.

WASHINGTON WINDOW

U. S. Is Living Too High Abroad, As Well As Here

By LYLE C. WILSON
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In the simple terms of what really goes on, the Federal Reserve Board's increase in its discount rate is in recognition of the unhappy fact that the United States is living beyond its income abroad as well as at home.

The immediate purpose of the rate increase is to make it more profitable to keep certain money on deposit and drawing interest in the United States than abroad; or, at least, not less profitable to have the money here than elsewhere.

If it works that way, the United States balance of payments position will be improved. The U.S. balance of payments position is the end result of the all international dealings between the United States and its people and foreign nations and their people. For some years now we have spent or given away abroad a lot more than foreigners have spent in the United States. This deficit in the international balance of payments is made up by payment in U.S. dollars.

Accumulated Dollars

Foreign individuals and governments happily accumulated these dollars immediately after the war. The U.S. dollar was so sturdy and so much sought that much of the free world used accumulated dollars as backing for its own currency. The dollar, literally, was as good as gold. Better, maybe, because it was handier in the pocket.

The U.S. gold dollar also had some gold backing, up to 25 per cent. About $12 billion of the gold hoard accumulated by the United States was and is required to provide that 25 per cent gold backing of the U.S. dollar. Foreign owners of U.S. dollars got a much better deal than that. Each of their dollars was backed by gold 100 per cent.

That came about because the Roosevelt administration committed the United States in 1934 to sell to foreigners gold at $35 an ounce. That commitment still holds. So a foreigner with U.S. dollars has been able to demand in exchange U.S. gold to the value of his dollars. The Citizens Foreign Aid Committee calculates that on Dec. 31, 1952, the U.S. gold reserve was $23.2 billion and the gold reserve of all other free world countries was $13 billion. The U.S. gold hoard today is down to $15.6 billion whereas the gold holdings of other free world nations had increased by Dec. 31, 1961, to $25.6 billion.

Some Still Hold Dollars

The committee calculated that from Dec. 31, 1952, to Dec. 31, 1961, the U.S. balance of payments deficit was about $19.6 billion. Our overseas spending in those years was that much more than we received from overseas. Obviously, many foreigners no longer regard the U.S. dollar as good as gold. But some still do hold dollars and that creates another problem.

The American Institute for Economic Research at Great Barrington, Vt., calculated in August, 1962, that those outstanding foreign dollar claims already exceeded the capacity of the United States to make good in gold. If the foreigners demanded their gold we could not pay up. This would create a catastrophic chaos in the free world where the dollar is a vital part of the international economy.

Chairman Harry F. Byrd of the Senate Finance Committee explained this situation in a speech the other day and added: "I regard this as our most serious fiscal and financial problem."

Byrd was being consistent. He abhors living beyond means whether at home or abroad.

In Days Gone By

Taken from the files of The News-Review

40 YEARS AGO
July 19, 1923

Actual work on the Moffat tunnel through the Continental Divide is expected to begin early next month. The tunnel will cut the rail distance between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans by 70 miles. Six miles long, the tunnel's west entrance is 4½ miles from Fraser, Colo.

25 YEARS AGO
July 19, 1938

Volleyball for both boys and girls will be added to the recreation program now being conducted at Finlay Field. More than 100 boys and three girls are taking part in baseball, more than a score of boys are enrolled in boxing and wrestling classes and 10 boys have joined the class in cartooning.

10 YEARS AGO
July 19, 1953

The Roseburg Women's Softball team won its fourth straight game at Finlay Field today, defeating William Electric of Oakridge 9-2 before a large crowd of softball enthusiasts.

Shooters from the Roseburg Rifle Club made an impressive showing at the Bay Rifle Club's fourth annual shoot held at North Bend.

—In The Day's News—

By FRANK JENKINS

Headline this morning:
BROAD SMILES IN MOSCOW.

The story under the headline goes on to relate that our Averill Harriman and Britain's Lord Hailsham were smiling at the close of the second round of the Moscow parley on a formula to outlaw nuclear weapons tests.

Before the opening of the day's talks, Russia's Valerian Zorin was asked if he believes the talks are proceeding satisfactorily. The correspondents report that he replied with a smile:

"In my opinion, YES."

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It all sounds super-wonderful.

But in the warm glow of good will that appears to be pervading the present meeting in Moscow, let's not forget Hamlet's famous crack to the effect that one may smile and smile and be a villain still.

In a big deal, it always pays to keep your fingers crossed until the papers are all signed.

Britain's Sir Bernard Lovell, director of the Jodrell Bank Radio Astronomy Observatory, is just back in England after a three week visit to Russia.

He says the Soviet Union is planning to build an "orbital platform," much like a flying hotel, that will operate out in space. It is expected to be completed within about five years.

The "platform," he says, will be assembled in space by joining together a number of space ships to form what he calls "a sort of hotel." He adds that it will be manned by a number of astronauts who will stay out there for spells of five to six days. Women, Sir Bernard says, will almost certainly take part in the enterprise.

What about us?

Well, a dispatch from Seattle this morning says:

"Five scientists entered a space chamber here yesterday for a test of an integrated life-support system such as would be needed on a space station or on a moon base. They may stay for 30 days, depending upon what they learn and how well they hold up.

"The test is being conducted by the Boeing Co., and is the first to include all elements of life support for a 150-man-day space mission. Crew members will bathe in a closed-circuit shower, designed for use under WEIGHTLESS conditions. It has a separate water supply which is filtered and chemically treated for re-use.

"Special diets of freeze-dried foods, some in squeeze tubes for simulated weightless feeding, include such items as shrimp cocktail, strawberries and peanut butter sandwiches."

Question:

Why the squeeze tubes?

Well, out in space, you know, one is WEIGHTLESS. So, if the astronauts' food were merely put on the table and the word given to come and get it, it would be likely to float around the room.

So it will be put in tubes, enabling the astronaut to grasp a tube containing his breakfast, his lunch or his dinner and eat while he floats around the space chamber.

There's always a way, you see, to get around problems.

How about a bath in the "closed-circuit" shower? It would be quite an experience to take a shower while floating around the room with the water flowing UP from your feet.

This space travel is going to be SOMETHING when we get around to it.

LIKED TO WATCH FIRES

OGOSE, Japan (UPI) — Police here blame a five-month-long series of forest fires on a 43-year-old Buddhist priest who threw flaming paper balls into the woods from his motorcycle while on his parish rounds because he liked to watch the trees burning.

NOW YOU NOW

By United Press International

Metal cooking implements were so highly prized in ancient Greece that copper pots were presented as awards at the Olympic games, according to Collier's Encyclopedia.

It's Your Law

The average person has only a vague idea concerning his rights in court. When unjustly charged with an offense, even a simple traffic violation, he is prone to feel that all is lost. Our laws, however, provide a number of protections to insure against conviction of the innocent.

Probably the most fundamental right of the accused is summarized in the well-known adage, "Every man is innocent until proved guilty." It is up to the prosecuting authorities to prove that the person on trial is guilty—and not the obligation of the person accused to prove that he is innocent.

Another important protection is the right to have a witness whose testimony you may need subpoenaed to appear in court and testify. It is the duty of every citizen to testify if he has information important to a lawsuit and is called upon to do so. The courts can and do enforce attendance in court and the giving of testimony.

Certain other safeguards are valuable to you. A person may refuse to testify in any proceeding if he has a reasonable belief that his testimony could be used as a basis of a criminal proceeding against him. This does not mean, of course, that confession given freely and voluntarily cannot be used in evidence. But it does mean that an accused cannot be compelled to take the witness stand. Nor can his failure to testify be commented upon by the prosecution.

These are but a few examples of the numerous safeguards our courts provide to protect the innocent against false accusations of crime. But many of these rights would be valueless without the assistance of a lawyer, who has been schooled in legal principles and rules of statute or decision involved, to invoke these rights. The "right of counsel" must be granted to every accused person brought before any court in the state. In capital cases, if an accused person cannot afford to pay for legal counsel and desires it, the court must appoint a lawyer to represent him.

Every person charged with an infraction of the law has the right to consult counsel before making any plea. This applies to cases in every court—including justice of the peace court, municipal courts, traffic courts and district courts. It does little good to consult a lawyer after you have pleaded guilty and paid the fine, for then the damage has been done.

The courts are open to you any time one of your legal rights has been denied or any of your property has been unlawfully taken. This is one of your most precious rights. The courts are the only peaceful means of enforcing your rights.

(Oregon lawyers offer this column as a public service.)

The Almanac

By United Press International

Today is Friday, July 19, the 200th day of 1963 with 165 to follow.

The moon is approaching its new phase.

The morning stars are Jupiter and Saturn.

The evening star is Mars.

On this day in history:

In 1848, at the first woman's rights convention, bloomers were introduced, a radical departure in women's dress.

In 1870, the Franco-Prussian War began.

In 1914, German armies began to retreat across the Marne River in France, after their last great world war offensive in France.

In 1941, the World War II "V" for Victory campaign was launched in Europe with a broadcast by British Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

A thought for the day—Author William Somerset Maugham said: "People ask you for criticism, but they only want praise."

THE LIGHTER SIDE:

Boiled Nuts Tickle Palate Of Gourmet

By DICK WEST

WASHINGTON (UPI)—I don't care what anybody else says about boiled peanuts, me and old Billy like them.

Me and Billy think that boiled peanuts are just about the best things a person can put in his mouth. To me and old Billy, they are plumb scrumptious.

I got kind of riled, and I imagine Billy did too, at some of the things they said about boiled peanuts on the floor of the House of Representatives this week.

But they were Yankees mostly, so a body doesn't have to pay them any attention. What does a Yankee know about good eats?

Billy, he's a congressman from Florida. Name's D.R. Mathews, but most folks call him Billy.

Brings Up Bill

He brought up this bill to exempt boiled peanuts from acreage controls. Billy explained that a boiled peanut isn't really a peanut. Billy said it's a vegetable.

"If boiled peanuts were air conditioned they would taste like artichokes," Billy told his colleagues. "If boiled peanuts were dehumidified, they would taste like swamp cabbage."

Since boiled peanuts are vegetables, Billy said a peanut farmer oughtn't to have to count them in with the rest of his peanuts under his government planting allotment.

I had a little trouble following his reasoning, but Billy put it over all right. The House passed the bill by voice vote. That Billy is a great talker.

What got me was the way some of the other Congressmen acted when Billy passed around a few boiled peanuts for them to sample.

Some of them came out of the cloakrooms gagging and making faces. Rep. Harlan Hagen, D-Calif., said he fed one to a pigeon on Capitol Hill and it wouldn't eat it either.

"Many people eat these things and many survive," commented Rep. Robert Dole, R-Kan. dolefully.

If, as Gertrude Stein once wrote, "a rose is a rose is a rose," then it follows that "a peanut, is a peanut, is a peanut," Dole argued.

Shucks, if I didn't know the difference between a rose and a peanut I wouldn't admit it. The next thing you know somebody will be claiming that a rose is a vegetable, too.

What a lot of people don't understand is that boiled peanuts are a delicacy, like caviar. Not just every Tom, Dick and Harry fancies the eggs of a virgin sturgeon, and it's the same way with boiled peanuts.

To enjoy boiled peanuts, you've got to have an educated palate. Their brine pungency and soggy texture can only be appreciated by persons with sophisticated taste buds.

But if your gastronomical apparatus is properly tuned, boiled peanuts are one of the delights of this earth. Right, Billy?