

## County Has 'Do It Yourself' Tradition

Douglas County certainly has reason to feel pride in its decisions in recent years to attack its problems on the local level.

The subject was one of considerable discussion by U. S. Rep. Robert Duncan this week when he visited Roseburg. He said that one of the major reasons for so much federal control is because local governments are not doing their duties well.

He applauded the work of the county in zoning the coastal area which would include part of the proposed Sand Dunes National Seashore but chided other counties for failing to take such action to protect the area from what he called "honky tonk" business operations.

During the same discussion, Duncan pointed out that local government's failure to act was also responsible for the entry of federal government into the field of pollution abatement in streams.

Douglas County, through its Water Resources Survey office and Water Resources Advisory Committee has kept a close watch on this matter. Its sanitary section of the county Health Department has kept a

close watch on pollution problems and has worked diligently to bring pressures to bear to correct them.

Pollution abatement also is a major consideration in the efforts to establish better streamflows in the county through the use of a system of dams. It will be given special emphasis in determining the amount of streamflow needed in constructing dams.

These are only two of the subjects which have been attacked on the local level. The county has established a virtual tradition of handling as many of its problems as possible locally.

Roseburg, for example, shunned federal aid to rebuild the downtown section of the city after the Aug. 7, 1959, explosives truck blast. Drain has become known as the "do it yourself" city because of its actions of solving its own problems.

These are indications of a frontier tradition which other counties and states could do well to adopt. Only when it becomes part of the warp and woof of the nation again will the costs and controls of federal government be whittled.

## Be Careful Of Christmas Trees

Roseburg Fire Chief LeRoy Seibold had some suggestions today on how to put up and maintain Christmas trees so that fire hazards are avoided.

A diagonal cut about one inch up from the base of the tree is one of the chief's suggestions. Such a cut allows the tree to take in more water and stay fresh longer.

The best type of stand for the tree, of course, is one that will contain water. After filling the base unit with water at the time of erecting the tree, water should be added regularly thereafter. A Yule tree will drink quite a bit of water even after it is removed from the forest and placed in the living room, Seibold noted.

It is doubtless unnecessary to point out the tree should be well sup-

ported. A teetery Christmas tree is a potential hazard. Avoid proximity to fireplaces or heating installations.

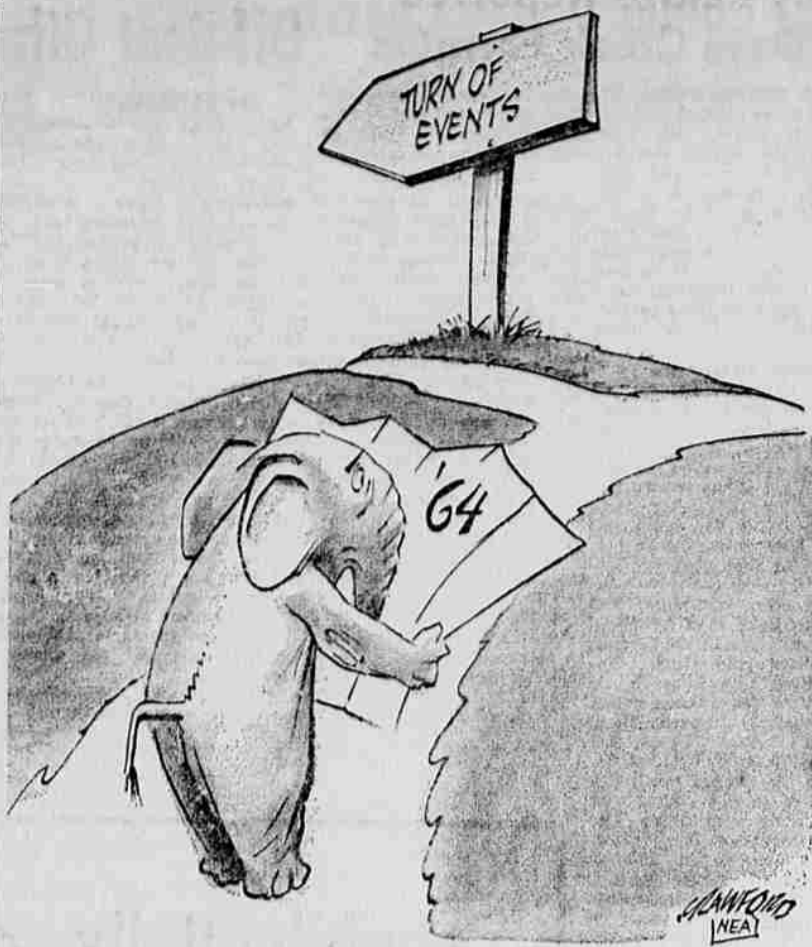
"As far as lighting decorations are concerned, use those which have the UL (Underwriter Laboratory) stamp of approval," the chief urged.

Once up, the trees should be checked periodically. If a bulb appears to be turning the tree needles brown, it is a good idea to re-arrange the lighting so that bulb is away from the dried area.

Some families leave their trees up for a few days after Christmas while others take them down right away. The chief's suggestion on this point: When the needles start to fall, it's time to take the tree down.

As a final suggestion, the chief urged occupants to turn off tree lighting before leaving the house!

## One That Wasn't on the Map



## News Analysis

# Civil War Brews In Bolivia Crisis



By PHIL NEWSOM

When Victor Paz Estenssoro returned from Argentine exile to become president of Bolivia after a successful revolt in April, 1952, a prime mover in his return was a labor leader named Juan Lechin Oquendo.

Since the 1940's the two had worked together in leadership of National Revolutionary Movement (MNR) and when Paz became president Lechin assumed the post of minister of mining and petroleum.

Lechin's power rested upon his control of the Communist-dominated tin miners' union. He himself has been described as a Trotskyite.

The MNR was leftist. But upon the question just how far to the left the two men separated. For his part, Paz declared:

"In an economically dependent country like ours an extremist revolution cannot be accomplished. Guarantees will be given to foreign capital on the condition that it brings real benefits to the country."

The Paz government has had

two main supports. One came from the peasants who received land under government agrarian reform. The other source was the United States which has supported the government with \$250 million. This year's aid program is budgeted at \$65 million.

U.S. aid to Bolivia is the largest per capita in Latin America.

The elections of 1960 named Paz president of the country for a second consecutive term and Lechin vice president.

But, although operating under the same party banner, the two men had reached the end of the political ways. Lechin went into virtual exile as Bolivian ambassador to the Vatican. He quit that post two months ago to take up active opposition to Paz, depending for his support upon the restless tin miners who still retained their weapons from the revolt of 1952.

His campaign, both anti-Paz and anti-United States, is based upon opposition to government efforts to clean up the mess in the nationalized tin industry.

Ridden With Fraud The mines, nationalized as one of the first acts of the 1952 revolution, are shot through with featherbedding and fraud. Exhaustion of once-rich veins, worn-out machinery and falling prices have added to the chaos in an industry accountable for 60 per cent of Bolivian exports.

Government efforts to introduce economic reforms, including reduction in the work force, have met violent resistance. "The resistance," stirred up by Lechin, reached a climax in the kidnaping of four Americans and six other foreigners as hostages for the release of three Communist leaders held by the government, two for murder and a third for fraud.

Inherent in the act were two threats. —The use of the 6,000-man miners' militia in civil war against the government, with the end result in case of government defeat a Marxist government.

—The establishment of a pattern of kidnaping first employed by Fidel Castro and later by Venezuelan rebels to dramatize any grievance against the home government or the United States.

## Reader Opinions

### 'Hate Pattern' Doesn't Involve All The People

To The Editor: In the aftermath of the tragic and senseless assassination of our President, I am constrained to make some pertinent observations:

The so-called "hate pattern" advanced by some persons as the indirect cause of such things is, I believe, overstressed.

It's true that too many of the old ways have been submerged or destroyed and that the new generation finds itself confronted with an entirely new order of things from that which we of the former generation knew.

Gone are the days of closer companionship, closer family ties, more neighborliness, courtesy—and low taxes. But let's not blame the new generation for too much of this. We of yesterday had an entirely different set of conditions from those which now exist. We had to be close, friendly and neighborly.

We had to be more with our kinkfolk. We did not have the automobile, the travel trailer, the inviting highways to lure us away. We did not have radio, television, stereophonic reproduction and other means of entertainment. Too, each generation thinks it knows more than the last one.

The reasons behind such occurrences as the tragedy at Dallas have always been with us in my estimation.

In the creation of life, through hereditary processes and something in the genes and mutations of our creation in our mother's womb, about fifteen per cent of human beings are born as inherently non-conformists.

The fifteen per cent, of course, is an arbitrary, though generally accepted, figure. These people will not, or cannot, accept convention. Their behavior pattern is contradictory, antisocial, or-

ery, and in constant conflict with itself and its surroundings. It was the fifteen per cent of Hitler's Germany that led Europe to a blood bath and destroyed six million Jewish people. It is the fifteen per cent of Russia's hierarchy that would "bury" us. It's the fifteen per cent which created Castro's Cuba.

We could have disarmament if we could get rid of that fifteen per cent. Most of our laws are designed to curb that element. Our police force and our highway slaughter would be greatly reduced if it were not for this fifteen per cent. Chislers, liars, cheaters, thieves, rapists—I could go on and on—mostly come from this class.

Most of our criminals get a "bum rap" to hear them tell it. Every element of the business world, all of our government agencies must penalize and inconvenience all of us to set up rules and restrictions to protect against "fifteen percents."

This maddening, but ever present, element amongst us, by their warped psychopathic minds, keep us all in a turmoil. They accentuate this "Mad, Mad World" and run up the sales of tranquilizers. They run the gamut from being nuisances to paranoiacal murderers.

Oswald, reportedly the assassin of our President, was one of these, in my mind. Eighty-five per cent of we humans will, within reasonable limits, obey the law, pay taxes, be honest, decent citizens and neighbors.

What can we do with the other 15 per cent? I wouldn't know. Build bigger and better prisons more and more on questionable rehabilitation? Organize bigger and smarter police forces, then hope for the best?

You can't shoot 'em! Flehard Firman Sr., 1520 NW Mulholland Dr. Roseburg, Ore.

### State Board Sets Competency Goal

PORTLAND (UPI) — The State Board of Higher Education has adopted a policy that would insure competency by community college instructors.

Dr. Miles C. Romney said the policy was necessary to guarantee that community college credits can be transferred to institutions of higher education.

He is vice chancellor for academic affairs with the state system.

Under state law, the state board must approve courses in the colleges which are intended to be transferable and must also approve the hiring of instructors who will teach such courses.

The policy also stipulates that community colleges have adequate library facilities, and that they must not impair the effectiveness of instructors by asking them to teach too many different courses.

The scope of courses taught without intention of transfer credit is determined by the State Department of Education and the colleges.

### HAS ONE VOTE

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Democrat Jake Pickle, a contender for the congressional seat being vacated by Rep. Homer Thornberry, D-Tex., could count on at least one vote today — that of President Johnson.

The Chief Executive cast an absentee ballot Wednesday for the Dec. 17 election in Texas' 10th Congressional District. Thornberry has resigned from Congress, effective Dec. 20, to become a U.S. district court judge. Pickle, a former Johnson campaign worker, is opposed by Republican Jim Dobbs.

# In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The news at this moment in history? It has some interesting angles.

Mr. Kroosh is in trouble. Huge as his country is, it isn't producing as much food as his people need to keep them happy. In particular, it isn't producing enough wheat to provide them with as much bread as they want and need.

As everyone is aware, he has been buying wheat wherever he could lay hands on it. He has been having some trouble financing his wheat purchases.

What's wrong? Mr. Kroosh lays the blame on a bad growing season. But the real trouble seems to lie deeper than that. The soil is thin. It needs vast quantities of chemical fertilizer. To get the necessary amount of fertilizer, he's going to have to spend somewhere in the neighborhood of 42 billion rubles (about \$46 billion) to build the chemical plants needed to produce the fertilizer he must have to make his land produce enough food to keep his people contented with communism.

That suggests this thought: Can he finance all this — as well as nuclear weapons and space travel — along with all

the things his people are going to want to keep them happy? And—

If he doesn't give his people what they want, can he hold their confidence? And if he can't hold their confidence, what WILL he do? He can't put a soldier to watch each peasant.

That would take too many soldiers. And the soldiers also are going to want a lot of things that the people of the West have. History tells him that if he can't provide the things his people want, he's going to face BAD trouble.

What to do about it? Here's a word of advice:

Forget all this communist hogwash. Communism never has provided the people with the things they WANT.

Start with your farmers. They provide the food your people must have to keep them happy. Give each Russian farmer HIS OWN piece of land. Let him work it as he pleases. Let him KEEP WHAT HE MAKES.

The first thing you know, your farmers will be producing all the food your people need. We learned that trick at Jamestown and Plymouth. It WORKS. Communism DOESN'T work.

## Daily Bible Reading

By Roseburg

Ministerial Association

Scripture: Philippians 4:4-9

"The Lord is near; have no anxiety, but in everything make your requests known to God in prayer and thanksgiving."—Phil 4:6.

Is there one among us who is not burdened with anxiety, who has not prayed for the passing of anxiety, who has not cried with Job "I have no rest" from torture. Yes, our age has been dubbed as the "age of anxiety" and probably rightly so. "Have no anxiety"

Reinhold Neibuhr's formula for overcoming anxiety has brought comfort to many: "God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference."

Nowhere in the Christian gospel are we promised complete freedom from anxiety. Who can read the "Gethsemane experience of Jesus" and fail to feel the anxiety that writhed the Galilean's whole being on that fateful night. The Lord was surely near him; he made his requests known to God in prayer and thanksgiving. And yet, it was a bitter and miserable ordeal. However, he arose from prayer with the "serenity to accept the thing (the cross) which he could not change and remain true to his mission. He went forth with the courage to fulfill his mission by dying as a "Son of God," which he did on the morrow.

## District Board Appoints Rancher

Don Lilja, Canyonville rancher and retired Navy man, was appointed to the Canyonville School District budget board at the regular meeting of the board of directors this week in the high school, according to Supt. Norman York.

Lilja fills the vacancy on the budget board left by Leonard Clifton, whose term had expired. Others on the budget board include Oscar Hoverson, Harvey Ringen, Don Nicholson and Blake Hardy. Together with the board of directors, these men will work on the 1964-65 budget shortly after the first of the year.

In other business, the group heard a report on the recent school board convention at Portland by Charles Dowd, who, with York, represented the Canyonville board. It was also reported that the State Board will meet this week and at that time vote upon the proposed reorganization of Districts 19 and 8 (Canyonville - Myrtle Creek).

The Canyonville board voted agreement with the printed recommendation for a Douglas County curriculum Material Center to begin with a film library.

For some two hours of the meeting, according to York, the board members discussed the goals of the district to re-assess their thinking. Although written goals were not the purpose of the discussion, the group did decide that in many ways they were achieving their goals by furthering reorganization. With reorganization, not only the small percentage of young people going on to college will receive adequate preparation, but those to whom high school is the end of their education will have some kind of a trade, according to Mrs. R. E. Proctor, correspondent.

are welcome words, but do they really get beyond the sounding boards of our ear drums? Some do not feel the nearness of the Lord. Others rise from prayer confident that their requests have been denied and often they have been.

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Anxiety is inevitable; there will be many Gethsemanes, but he who "makes his requests known to God in prayer and thanksgiving" can arise serene, courageous, and at peace with God and man.

Rev. Clark S. Enz, Pastor First Methodist church Roseburg, Oregon

## Safe 'n Sound

BY ROY YOUNG

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## THE LIGHTER SIDE:



## If You Vilify, Use Creativity

By DICK WEST

WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Johnson has on several occasions recently urged the American people to refrain from name-calling and other forms of intramural insults.

This is certainly a laudable admonition and to it I would like to add an appeal of my own. My plea is this:

If you insist in reviling or vilifying someone, please try to be creative about it.

Frankly, the brand of slander being circulated nowadays is not only deplorable but boring. The minting of invectives, which might be defined as verbal taxi-dermy, seems to be a dying art.

One rarely encounters a person who is highly skilled at taking the hide off someone. At least, it is a rare experience for me.

### People Lose Interest

Weeks and even months go by without my hearing a single authentically original malediction. People apparently no longer take pride in inventing vituperation.

The standards of Billingsgate have dropped to the point where "sick, sick, sick" has come to be regarded as a clever expletive. If you denounce someone as a "rat lunk" you are credited with being a devastating wit.

Acrimony, as the President indicated, is at a high level, but it is conducted almost totally in cliches.

I haven't run across a truly stylish disparagement since Speaker John W. McCormack

D-Mass., professed a few years ago that he held a certain colleague in "minimum high regard."

One novel bit of execration did turn up not long ago, however, in a letter that Rep. Morris K. Udall, D-Ariz., received from one of his constituents.

### Ranks With Lowest

It said that "of all the rats and snakes elected to office in Washington to represent the people and carry out their wishes, you rank head and shoulders beneath the lowest."

I enjoy shutting my eyes and trying to visualize someone ranking head and shoulders beneath a serpent, but the picture won't come in.

Nevertheless, it does present a challenge. On that score alone it sinks high above the average contemporary tirade.

Another fulmination I have admired recently was directed at me by a doctor in Ohio who became incensed over something I had written.

He dashed off a diatribe suggesting that I had "descended from a long line of bachelors."

Now that is the type of Philadelphia that made this nation great. If we are going to abuse each other, let us at least use a little imagination.

## The Almanac

By United Press International

Today is Friday, Dec. 13, the 347th day of 1963 with 18 to follow.

The moon is approaching its new phase. The evening stars are Jupiter Saturn and Venus.

On this day in history: In 1642, New Zealand was discovered by Dutch navigator Abel Tasman.

In 1918, American soldiers attached to the Third Army crossed the Rhine River at Coblenz, Germany.

In 1928, the New York Philharmonic Orchestra premiered George Gershwin's tone poem, "An American in Paris."

In 1937, Japanese soldiers captured Nanking, China and began systematic looting of the city.

A thought for the day—British novelist A. Conan Doyle, physician and creator of Sherlock Holmes said: "Whenever you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth."

### BEER SOAKED SOCKS

LONDON (UPI) — Two automobile Association patrolmen found themselves ankle deep in beer Wednesday when they called to clean up 800 bottles of brew that were broken when a beer truck turned over.

"My socks are soaked in it," Patrolman Leslie Haines said. "The wife will never believe why."

## In Days Gone By

Taken from the files of The News-Review

### 40 YEARS AGO

Dec. 13, 1923

Carl E. Wimberly tendered his resignation today as district attorney for Douglas County. Guy Gordon was immediately named as his successor.

Taxes were in the news 40 years ago today. Taxes, not the turmoil of foreign nations, nor transportation, nor even the plight of the farmer, is the biggest issue before the American people at this time, in the words of Sen. Arthur Capper, of Kansas.

The senator said taxes amounted to \$64.63 per year for every man, woman and child in the United States.

### 35 YEARS AGO

Dec. 13, 1928

It was announced today that the new Rose Grade School will start classes tomorrow. Children in that area had been meeting in temporary quarters at the Baptist Sunday school building and the junior high

school. The old school had been abandoned when it was found in extremely poor condition.

Spencer Tracy and Mickey Rooney are the stars in the current big hit playing at the Indian theatre in Roseburg, "Boys Town."

In another news item today, Mickey Rooney is said to have raced at the fantastic speed of 100 miles per hour in an automobile he and a partner "souped up."

### 10 YEARS AGO

Dec. 13, 1953

The Heninger store in Glendale was reported broken into today. The burglars took \$106 in change from the office and scattered merchandise over the store.

## matter of fact



The privy purse in English government is the amount set aside in the civil list for the private use of the sovereign. During the reign of Queen Victoria this sum was 60,000 pounds yearly.

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