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Double Purpose Eyed For College

Any question about support of vocational and technical training as part of a proposed community college for Douglas County must have been dispelled by published reports this week.

First, there was strong indication from industry leaders at a public hearing that vocational and technical training should be incorporated into any community college curriculum.

Then, the Umpqua Guidance Association, made up of people who should know about school dropout problems, took a four-square stand in favor of making vocational training a part of a community college course program.

Both groups saw such training courses as at least a partial answer to unemployment problems.

The Umpqua Guidance Association took the stand as a method of meeting the rising tide of school dropouts, who find themselves mercilessly thrown into an unemployment pool. Most of the time, the academic courses offered do not appeal to these dropouts, but learning to do something technical might spark their interest for further education.

The association feels the employment market also offers limited horizons to those having just a high school education.

Meanwhile, almost to a man, the industry spokesmen at the Thursday hearing of the Legislative Interim Committee on Technological Employment insisted vocational training would be helpful both to the industries and to the young people.

Many of those present said they

had to train their men from scratch. In fact one spokesman said he often has to hire men who have no previous knowledge of the raw material and product on which they will work.

They felt courses in both forestry and lumber generally, as well as such specific courses as welding, electricity, etc., would be of great value to the industries in achieving full production from their men earlier.

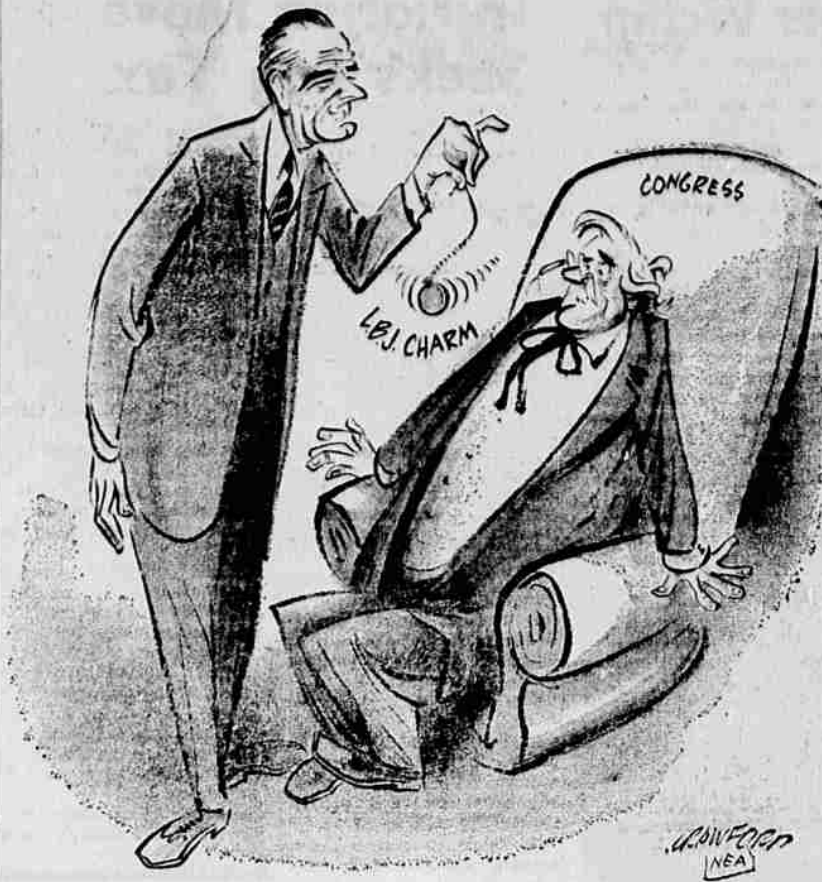
The Hanna Nickel Smelting Co. spokesman summed it up from the other side of the coin, i.e. how such training will benefit the man searching for a job: "If a person will go out and train himself, he won't have trouble finding a job."

The consensus was that raw, unskilled labor is a glut on the market, but skilled workmen are badly needed.

One man saw the age of vocational or technical training even at the high school age as a possible way of building "inspiration" into a young person to make him a better employee.

These decisions and discussions are interesting in light of the arguments which have arisen with the new community college programs all over the state. The original idea was to make community colleges lower divisions of the formal colleges in the academic field. However, now it appears a lot of people want the community colleges to serve a two-fold purpose—both as a low-cost lower division training ground for academic study and as a vocational-technical school.

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Opinions From Readers

Perhaps Assassination Guilt Can Be Collective

To The Editor:

Communism killed President Kennedy. I had nothing to do with it. I detest and abominate the crime. Why should I feel guilty — or you, for that matter?

Lee Oswald was born and reared in the United States. Why did he turn to communism at the age of 15 years? Was Oswald crazy? In my opinion he was no more crazy than a man who robs a bank. People are murdered in this country every day. It is only when a great man such as Kennedy is murdered that we realize the horror of the crime.

Karl Marx said: "Atheism comes before communism comes."

Communism is not just a system of economics. It is first and foremost a denial of God.

A Christian, Jew or Moslem, or any person who believes in God, cannot at the same time be a communist. A Christian communist is a contradiction.

When people ignore God it is not long before they deny Him. If there is no heaven, there is no hell. If there is no judgment, there is no judge. If there is no judge, then everyone can pursue his own happiness and break all of God's Ten Commandments. (Only, avoid the police and keep out of jail.)

No doubt Oswald was happy when he killed Kennedy.

Today the name of God can hardly be mentioned in our public schools. In some schools children are not permitted to sing the "Battle Hymn of the

Republic." How many children, or adults, can recite the Ten Commandments?

At the same time Gus Hall, and other communists, are invited and welcomed to our colleges to indoctrinate our students in the evil philosophy of atheistic communism.

It is not a question of being a liberal or a conservative. It is a question whether we are to be for God or against Him. Lee Oswald was a product of our own materialistic society.

Perhaps there is such a thing as collective guilt.

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Patriotism, Golden Rule Are Important To Life

To The Editor:

In my letter to Reader Opinions recently I said that stressing patriotism and Americanism might prevent another Lee Oswald.

I failed to say that the Golden Rule and the Ten Commandments might also help.

To me, life itself is based on them. Patriotism and the Golden Rule go together.

I don't know if Lee Oswald had a bringing up in a church. I haven't read of it. He surely didn't show it. Our penitentiaries are full of people who didn't practice the Ten Commandments.

I think patriotism and Americanism in the schools and everywhere, a hickory stick in the woods when needed, a love of God and the Ten Commandments in the home could prevent these tragedies.

May God help us prevent another coward from shooting our President in the back!

Let's all sing loud and clear, so they can hear us in Russia.
"God Bless America, Land That I Love."

Mrs. Juanita Cobb
150 N.E. Promise
Roseburg, Ore.

Times To End Coast Edition

NEW YORK (UPI) — The western edition of the New York Times, with a listed circulation of more than 85,000, will cease publication one week from today.

In announcing the demise of the western edition Thursday, Arthur Hays Sulzberger, chairman, said the action in no way affects the New York edition or the New York Times international edition published simultaneously in Paris.

Financial loss was given as the main reason to discontinue the western edition, which has been published in Los Angeles since Oct. 1, 1962.

Sulzberger pointed to the high costs of remote simultaneous publication with the parent New York edition and the lack of sufficient income to defray these costs. The West Coast edition is distributed throughout 13 western states.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

As this is written, the little island of Zanzibar, in the Indian Ocean just off the east coast of Africa, appears to be one of the hottest spots in a world that is full of hot spots.

African nationalists have overthrown the island's 250-year-old Arab government and are proceeding to get rid of the Arab rulers. Three of them, this morning's dispatches tell us, are to be hanged publicly. Another one will be doused with gasoline and burned alive. A wealthy Arab merchant has been ordered to kill his sons and daughters and then kill himself.

Lesser Arab dignitaries are being compelled to lie down in the street, stripped to their underwear, and sing songs in praise of the rebel leaders who have overthrown the centuries-old Arab regime. The rebels have arrested American diplomats.

It's a changing world we're in.

Zanzibar? It's a flyspeck island with an area of 640 square miles. The Portuguese discovered it in the 1500's. Two hundred years later, the Muscat Arabs drove the Portuguese out and have been there ever since. Zanzibar is famous as the world's chief source of cloves. It's chief business is the growing, harvesting and exporting of cloves.

The island group of which it is a part is known to history as the Spice Islands. The Spice Islands have been famous in history. When Columbus stubbed his toe on the Western Hemisphere in 1492, he was seeking a water route to the spice regions and was terribly disappointed when he found what had happened to him.

Why was spice so important in those days? It's an interesting story. In those days, there was no refrigeration. So their meat tended to get pretty high, pretty

quick. The spices, notably cloves, tended to keep the meat edible for a longer period of time.

It was a Big Business. Genoa and Venice became great and powerful cities because they were the European centers of the spice trade. The spices came up the east coast of Africa and through the Red Sea. Camel trains carried them across the Isthmus of Suez, and ships carried them to Genoa and Venice.

That brings us around to canals.

A canal was dug across the Isthmus of Suez, thus enabling ships to avoid the long haul around the southern tip of Africa. Eventually, Arab Egypt grabbed the Suez Canal. Much trouble followed.

In the course of time, we dug a canal across the Isthmus of Panama, thus ending the long haul around the tip of South America. Now there are threats that the Republic of Panama may grab the Panama Canal.

Here's one for the book: In Washington, Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield proposes that the U.S. and other maritime nations help finance a NEW SHIPPING CANAL across Southern Mexico, by way of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec.

He says it would relieve traffic in what he called the inadequate Panama Canal and so might help to quiet present tensions in Panama. He adds that we might USE ATOMIC EXPLOSIVES to do the excavating!

Thus, he adds, it would get us out from under the Panama thumb.

It might, indeed. But— At the same time— it would get us under the Mexican thumb.

Such is life.



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from the PRESSBOX

By VIN BRENNER

Got to wondering Wednesday if about half the people who quit cigarettes after the government's report last week hadn't already given up the battle and gone back on the weed. Would be interesting to know how many quit Saturday or Sunday but were back smoking by Wednesday.

I called Chris the photographer Monday about 3:30 in the afternoon and he didn't seem to be his usual happy, wisecracking self. Detecting a difference from his normal behavior, I asked him what was the matter and he said, "I'm trying to quit and am getting quite upset in the process."

Not realizing what he was talking about, I kidded him about knocking off work in the middle of the afternoon and he then informed me he was talking about quitting cigarettes—not work.

Haven't checked back since to see if he's still on the wagon or not.

Gordon Stewart says he's going to quit newspaper, television, radio and magazines—and keep on smoking.

I certainly am surprised not to have gotten several answers to last week's bridge problem by this time.

The puzzler is so old that, although my faded clipping is from a Minneapolis Star of years ago, I thought the hand would have made its way out here long ago and that many bridge addicts would come up immediately with the answer.

It has been so long since I worked it myself that I didn't remember how to play the hand and was afraid that I might have to "eat crow" or spend a long time reworking the problem. Was sure, though, that I'd get enough correct answers that I could put the solution in the column without going to a lot of work myself.

The only person who has told me she figured the thing out is Mrs. Alma Parks, who works here in The News-Review. At least there is now one person in the area who doesn't think I was kidding when I said there was a solution.

Guess we'll wait until next week before printing an answer. Surely there must be many others who will work it out before then.

The editor of the Hope, Ark., Star says "The tragedy of the people is — We start off with a country and wind up with a government."

You've heard a thousand times "The best thing about going away is coming home." I don't believe that could be any more true than for anyone from Roseburg going to Klamath Falls in the winter time.

Mrs. B and I drove over Wednesday afternoon and back on Thursday.

We didn't realize, I guess, that Klamath's 4,200 feet plus elevation would make the difference in the weather that it does. It was cold there Wednesday night and unfamiliar snow was on the ground.

It snowed all morning Thursday and the trip over the Green Springs route coming home in the afternoon was possible only because of the use of much despised auto accessories — tire chains.

The scenery was beautiful up on the top, with the trees heavy with snow, but you'd have to love a person like a brother to make that round trip to see him.

The boys on the K. Falls paper were quick to remind me that I had given them the berries last fall when Roseburg was No. 1 in the state in the football poll and the Pelicans were nowhere in sight.

This week the positions are reversed in basketball and they wanted me to know about it.

NAMED CHAIRMAN

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Margaret K. Hickey, public affairs editor of the Ladies Home Journal, was named chairman of the Citizens Advisory Council on the Status of Women Thursday by President Johnson.

In Days Gone By

Taken from the files of The News-Review

40 YEARS AGO
Jan. 18, 1924
Auto Suggestion: It is easy enough to be pleasant. When your automobile is in trim.

But the man who's worth while is the man who can smile. When he has to ride home on his rim.

County Agent B. W. Cooney today called upon State Veterinarian W. H. Lytle to aid in the investigation into the strange malady which has already caused losses amounting to between \$12,000 and \$15,000 to the goat breeders of Douglas County.

Some goat breeders have lost four and five hundred head, which at a value of \$4 per head, makes the loss a very serious matter. C. H. Maupin in Elkton and L. E. Goodburn of Sylton Valley have lost many head from their large herds.

25 YEARS AGO
Jan. 18, 1939
The first boxing card to be staged in Roseburg in more

than three years will be offered on the night of Thursday, Jan. 23, at the Roseburg Armory under the sponsorship of Umpqua post of the American Legion. The card is being arranged by Rudolph Ritzman, assisted by Pat Padelford, former Roseburg boxer.

10 YEARS AGO
Jan. 18, 1954
Lyle Wescott is the newest member of the Roseburg Police force. He has been hired to replace Elmer Swales, who moved to California. Wescott is a former police reserve member.

Roseburg Jaycee committee heads are planning the first annual State Junior Chamber Junior Ski Tournament ever held in the United States, to be held at the Hoodoo Bowl ski area on Santiam Pass. Committee members are Paul Peterson, Fred Weber, Bill Allen, Don Hagedorn and Alan Knudson, general chairman. The sanctioned event is for junior racers between the ages of 14 and 18, either boys or girls.

Here's the smart way to keep 'check' on money!

Pay your bills by check. It's safer, and your cancelled checks are positive proof of every bill payment. Saves you time, too! See us for checking accounts and other banking services to suit your every need.

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