

Recyclers face conflicts

Opponents of recycling legislation have spent more than \$20 million to oppose its progress,



Representative Nancie Fadeley (D-Eugene) said when she spoke at the EMU Forum Tuesday afternoon.

Fadeley was featured as part of the "Oregon Livability Program," a series covering various environmental issues.

"The Oregon Bottle Bill has replaced motherhood in Oregon," Fadeley observed. She said one poll indicated 90 per cent approval for the bill.

Fadeley said rumors about closing breweries resulting from falling beer sales and apathy resulting from the Watergate aftermath may be the main reason Oregon's popular bottle bill hasn't been adopted by other states.

The consumer gets more beverage per bottle and more jobs are created than destroyed as a result of the bottle bill, she said.

Fadeley says the switch from an energy-intensive industry to a labor-intensive industry makes this possible.

An energy-intensive industry is one that makes heavier use of energy. A labor-intensive industry is one making more use of labor and thus creating more jobs.

Committee tightens gun control

WASHINGTON (AP) —The House Judiciary Committee approved a controversial bill Tuesday designed to outlaw the manufacture of handguns known as "Saturday Night Specials" and set mandatory jail sentences for persons convicted of using a pistol to commit a crime.

The 20-12 vote set in motion the procedure for the first House consideration of restrictive firearms legislation since passage of the 1968 Gun Control Act.

The vote followed the committee's defeat last month of a more restrictive gun control bill.

The new version would increase license fees for wholesale and retail gun dealers and require pistol purchasers to wait 14 days before taking possession of their handgun.

The legislation does not affect any handgun already in private ownership.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms has estimated that about 50 per cent of all handguns made in the United States in 1975 would fall in the

category of cheaply made Saturday Night Specials.

Judiciary Committee chairman Peter W. Rodino Jr. said he had been assured by some House Republicans that they would work with Democrats to pass the bill.

Rodino noted that President Ford has introduced handgun control legislation that contains provisions similar to the Judiciary Committee bill and that the version awaiting action by the Senate Judiciary Committee also has many similarities.

The substitute bill eliminated a section calling for establishment of a National Handgun Tracing Center to keep records on the manufacture, distribution and wholesale sales of handguns.

It also reduced the proposed increase in license fees for gun dealers. Fees would be hiked from \$10 to \$50 for retail firearms dealers and from \$10 to \$125 for wholesalers. The original bill called for license fees of \$200 for retailers and \$300 for wholesalers.

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"Only the risen Christ can remove the sting of death"

The Gospel is defined as "Good News." If Jesus Christ had died on the cross and then simply rotted in a tomb, then the Gospel would be nothing but "Bad News." Christianity would be the biggest joke ever pulled on the human race.

So it is proper to focus on the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Both the early church and the true Christian today strongly believe that Christ's tomb is empty. The historian Luke asserted in the first century that: "For forty days after His death, Jesus showed Himself to them many times, in ways that proved beyond doubt that He was alive. He was seen by them and talked with them about the Kingdom of God." (Acts 1:3)

In order to understand the evidence concerning the resurrection of Christ, it is necessary to look at some background information. First, the Pharisees hated Jesus with a passion that is hard to imagine. They were the worst hypocrites that you can imagine. They lived by the ritual of the Jewish law, but forgot that the laws of love and justice overruled their rituals. Jesus saw through their pretenses and called the shots as He saw them. If you want Jesus' opinion of the Jewish leaders read Matthew 23.

It is no wonder that these religious leaders wanted Christ dead. So when the opportunity came to kill Him, they grabbed it. They took Him in the middle of the night, tried Him and brought Him before Pilate. It is interesting to note that it was against the Jewish law to try a man for any crime in the night hours. So the thing we see is that they only obeyed their "sacred law" when it was to their best advantage.

When Jesus was dead, they took Him down from the cross. It is important to notice that the Romans were sure that He was dead. When the centurion pierced

the side of Christ with a spear, both water and blood spewed out, proof that He was indeed dead, for water separates from the rest of the blood when a person dies. This was a fulfillment of prophecy — read Zechariah 12:10 and John 19:34.

Jesus was buried in a tomb owned by Joseph of Arimathea, a secret disciple of Jesus. Apparently there were many secret disciples, for the Jewish leaders told the people that to openly proclaim Jesus as the Messiah would result in being banished from the Temple. (John 9:22)

The disciples of Jesus were now extremely scared. They saw what had happened to Christ. The One they had sat under and believed in so much was dead. It must have seemed like a cruel joke to them. They were afraid that the same thing might happen to them.

Only the seeing of Jesus alive again could explain the transformation that took place in the lives of these men. After seeing Jesus, they fearlessly proclaimed Jesus Christ risen from the dead. So strong was their belief that they submitted to persecution and death rather than deny their risen Lord. Such a transformation from fear to courage can only be reasonably explained by the resurrection.

Had they schemed, somewhere along the line one of these unlearned men would have broken under the threat of death, yet not one did. Their witness never wavered.

Jesus appeared to over 500 people in many different situations. He appeared to individuals, small groups and crowds of people. He exhibited His broken body, ate with them, directed their activities and gave them instructions about their future witness. It is an interesting note that Christ's first appearance following His resurrection was to a woman, hardly a story invented by Jewish men.

The empty tomb can be explained only by the supernatural power of God. Christ was placed in a new tomb which was sealed with a great stone and guarded by Roman soldiers. Jewish leaders took great pains to prevent any plots for a simulated resurrection. (Matthew 27:62-66)

Jesus body was not removed by His enemies — they would NEVER want even a hint of a resurrection. They could never produce a body to later refute the Apostle's claims of a risen Christ. His followers were too afraid for their own lives to attempt to overthrow the guarded tomb.

Only the risen Christ can remove the sting of death for the human race. The validity of the Christian message rests of the fact of His resurrection.

Personal knowledge of Christ involves both a rational and moral decision. He will not force you to recognize His saving blood. Argument alone will not win a person to Christ but the Holy Spirit will guide the honest truth seeker. Jesus Christ only reveals Himself to those who want to trust Him.

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