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FREEDOM'S WAY

Speaking before the Oregon Publishers at the Eugene hotel Friday night, Harold E. Stassen, GOP presidential aspirant, told his hearers that the best way to preserve freedom was thru an informed public. He said in effect that the public should keep informed on what was going on in the world and contrasted the position of the average American with that of the average Russian where the Russians gathered around a bulletin board to read one copy of a newspaper. Public opinion is a strong factor in keeping freedom, free men enjoy. An informed public opinion may be a strong factor in avoiding another war.

But after listening to the interesting address of Ex-Gov. Stassen and reading a story in the current issue of the Reader's Digest on how little the general public keeps abreast of current events, we are inclined to believe that educating the public in the matter of keeping abreast of national as well as international affairs is a pressing one.

A reader's survey as shown in the Digest shows that our comic strips carry a far greater general interest than in keeping track of what's going on in the world.

DO WE WANT A LITTLE DICTATOR?

Lane county voters may have opportunity to approve or reject the county manager form of government, since the 1945 legislature passed a law allowing the various counties of the state to adopt the county form of management if they choose. Decision as to whether Lane county will attempt a vote on the measure will likely be made at Springfield tonight at a meeting called by the Central Lane Planning Commission.

The feeling here is that while there may be some advantages of adopting the county manager plan, the disadvantages outweigh the advantages by a good margin. If the county contemplated spending a large sum of money on an expansion program other than money spent thru the regular channels, there might be a good excuse for adopting the plan, otherwise the best policy is to vote the plan down.

The general reaction to the idea is that we might be inviting another Pendergast scandal with the adoption of the manager plan, since the affairs of the county would be turned over to a manager and he could in turn be influenced by a small "clique" who would attempt to run the county affairs. In other words if we approve of a dictator form of government, then we should approve of the manager plan. In some of the larger centers the manager plan hasn't proved to be the happy solution that backers of the plan claimed it would.

In brief, the way we see the situation is this. Two of the biggest expense items of Lane county or any other county so far as we know is for relief and roads. The relief is handled by an administrator, who probably would not tolerate the interference of a county manager and the county commissioners wouldn't relish the idea of a county manager trying to tell them how to build roads. The law defines the duties of the other county officers, most of whom are under bond.

How then would paying eight or ten thousand dollars out of the taxpayers' money to a county manager be justified? This is a question we would like to see answered.

TIME FOR A CHANGE

One thing we need to change and that is our form of county government to permit a county commissioner to serve a particular district in the county rather than the county as a whole as under our present setup. In many states, counties are permitted to be divided into commissioner's districts and a candidate for commissioner served only the people of his district, rather than trying to cover the county as a whole.

There may be disadvantages to a system where the county is divided into districts, but the disadvantages are far outweighed by the advantages in our opinion. In the first place the plan of dividing the county into districts lessens the efforts of the candidate in making his campaign and eliminates some of the costs which in the case of Lane county means trying to contact some twenty or thirty thousand voters and in the second place under the district idea, a candidate is only responsible to the people in his district. Since the territory he serves is smaller, he can give the job of road matters more attention and in the third place the present salary scale, which is too low, is more commensurate with the efforts the commissioner puts forth, and in the fourth place the district idea gives the less populated areas over the counties a greater voice in county affairs.

SMITH RIVER BRIDGE HEARING SLATED

Application of the Douglas County Court for a highway bridge across Smith River, approximately 2.75 miles above its junction with the Umpqua River near Reedsport, will be considered at a public hearing in the Reedsport City Hall at 1 p.m., March 24, it was reported by the U. S. District Engineer at Portland.

According to the Douglas county court's plans, the bridge will be constructed in three spans with a total length of 283 feet. The bridge's overall length, including approaches, will be 650 feet, said County Roadmaster Floyd C. Frear. One span will be retractable to permit navigation of the Smith River. — Roseburg News Review.

GRAVESIDE SERVICES FOR MULLINS INFANT

Gravestone services were held at the IOOF-Masonic cemetery Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. Feb. 25, 1948, for Jack Mullins, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Pascal L. Mullins of Disston, Oregon, who passed away early Tuesday. He was born Feb. 23 and passed away the 24th.

Survivors include the parents, two brothers, Bill and Don, and twin sister Guila Marie at home. Grandparents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pearson of Disston and Mrs. Sue B. Mullins of Roseburg, Oregon. Smith Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements with Rev. Frank Brown officiating.

Mrs. Edna Raymond of Eugene is visiting her son Carl Raymond and family at Dorena.

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THOUGHTLETS
By Carl B. Balch

Did you ever stop to think that many of our most treasured political privileges we now hold, were called visionary fifty years ago?

D. Elton Trueblood wrote: "The Bible school is the folk school of America."

It hurts some people in this country to think that people of other nations and other races are as intelligent as they are.

It is to be hoped that the threatened bolt of the democrats against the administration takes place. Not that the bolters should become republicans but that a more natural, instead of an artificial political alignment would be established.

At times, when one feels that there is no decency left in the world, some one or some group does something that restores one's faith in human nature.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mr. Editor:

What's the matter with the City Council? Aren't there already enough joints to supply the beer guzzlers with sufficient liquid damnation, without sticking one within a few steps of a church, despite the protests of the church people?

It is said that the man claims that he can bring in a petition with more names than the one presented by the church folks. Doubtless he can. He might even get the names of some of those who have drunk not wisely but too well, and laid them down in drunkard's graves. It has been done. And he might get the names of some noble citizens from the headstones of the cemetery. That, also, has been done. Doubtless, when he presents his petition, he will say, "Let the majority rule." And, indeed, in a government like ours, the majority should rule.

But if the majority of the citizens prefer to have the streets of the city filled with drunken men and women, and the children exposed to the temptations of liquor and all that usually goes with it, still let the majority rule. But God pity Cottage Grove.

Sincerely yours,
George L. Moxley.

CITY BRIEFS

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Ritchie and son Norval of Yoncalla visited Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Warren.

Dr. Allan Ferrin left today for St. Paul, Minnesota where he will take further study in pathology at Ancker hospital. Dr. Ferrin has been at the home of his parents, Superintendent and Mrs. H. B. Ferrin, since his return from Japan.

Mrs. A. M. Fuller of Denver, Colorado arrived Monday for an extended visit with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hap Hayes.

Jim Racknor left Monday by bus for Tule Lake, California to attend the funeral of a close friend. He will also visit friends in Klamath Falls.

Dr. Harry Irvine of San Diego, California arrived Monday and joined his wife and baby James Richard, who have been visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith. Dr. and Mrs. Irvine and baby went to Portland for a visit with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Harry Irvine.

Mr. and Mrs. James Owens of Tacoma, Washington were week end guests at Mrs. Owens' brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hennessy.

Mrs. Ransom Cone is spending a couple weeks at Baker visiting an aunt, the Rev. Mrs. Bisconer.

Eight members of the First Methodist church attended the Lane sub-district Methodist Men's

Mrs. Jim Abbott and son Quanna of San Jose, California spent a few days last week on their farm north of Cottage Grove. The Abbotts have built them a home in San Jose and Quanna has purchased a gum and stamp machine route and is kept busy servicing the machines.

Keith Keller, student at the Oregon Vocational school at Klamath Falls, spent the week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Keller.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Berry left Tuesday for Klamath Falls, where they will visit a son for sometime. Mr. Berry also expects to do some carpenter work on a new Christian church under construction there.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Martin, Tom Gallo, Mrs. Joan Williams and W. J. White attended the Oregon press conference banquet at the Eugene hotel Friday night and heard the address of Ex-Gov. Harold Stassen, republican candidate for President on "The Struggle for Freedom".

James Powell, of Drain a former resident was transacting business here Monday.

C. A. Blodgett, police chief, is attending a conference for police chiefs of Oregon and Washington held in Portland this week. The conference is sponsored by the FBI.

Barton Holderman Ph. M. 2/c, Navy Medical Research Institute, Washington, D. C., is on a 30-day leave and is spending the time here with his grandmother, Mrs. Eva Holderman, and aunt, Mrs. Cleo Morelock, and family. Barton has been in the Navy nearly six years and at Washington, D. C. for 18 months. He will return at the expiration of his leave.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Blackmore of Forest Grove spent the week end at the home of their parents and other relatives.

About 45 people attended the pot luck supper given for Royal Neighbors and their families Tuesday night. A social evening was enjoyed following the supper.

The Rev. and Mrs. D. Hugh Peniston are temporarily domiciled at the Roy Short residence pending the purchase of a manse by the Presbyterian church.

OUR AMERICAN RIGHTS
By Elmer J. Kent

Among the privileges given us is the right to worship God according to our own conscience, maybe it should have gone farther and placed some restriction on unnecessary interferences. In last week's paper we read where petitions bearing more than 300 signatures of local people protested the placing of a beer tavern only a short distance from one of our new church buildings, a place dedicated to the higher things of life, ter, grandson or mine, as no restrictions are placed, the rich, the poor, the learned and unlearned are all welcome. This writer, while not caring for refreshments of that nature, has many friends and relatives who do, and has always maintained a liberal view, and we believe the churches of our city have interfered very little with any legitimate business, although their better judgments may have told them the influence emanating from there, was not always the best. But perhaps we have been too lax, too liberal in thought, for when we see little children waiting in front of a tavern for that mother who at that time in their lives should be his or her guiding star, need we wonder about broken homes or child delinquency, and dear ones that mother has just as good a right there as that dad. It was regretful that a motion to rescind the license was lost for want of a second, and we hope all right thinking people, regardless of church affiliation or otherwise, will unite to oppose anything that might have a tendency to desecrate the sacredness of this building or the teachings that will make for a better Cottage Grove through years to come.

SKI CLUB TO RUN BUS TO SANTIAM PASS

The Bohemia Ski club will run a bus to the Santiam pass, Sunday the 29th, Bill Workman announced yesterday. Several members of the club will ski in class B. in Ski meeting. Tickets will be on sale at the Edwards Outdoor store.

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A course in arts and crafts entitled "Art and its Environment" will be given to anyone who is interested by the Oregon State System of Higher Education. The class will meet on Monday evenings in the Jefferson school in Cottage Grove, the first meeting being held on Wednesday, March 17, at 7:00 p.m.

Miss Robert Jones will be the instructor, and the course will grant two quarter hours of college credit. The fee for the course will be \$7.00. Anyone interested contact Miss Lila Graham.

BALDOCK TO ADDRESS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, will be guest of the Chamber of Commerce at a dinner on March 9th, it was announced at the fortnightly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night. It was also announced that the new 1948 membership placards would be ready for distribution at an early date.

Loren Stewart, official of the Pope and Talbot Lumber Co., gave a short talk on the various ways of processing timber.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF TIMBER SALE

Sealed bids, marked outside "Bid for Timber", and addressed to the Regional Administrator, Bureau of Land Management, Region I, Swan Island Administration Building, Portland 18, Oregon, will be received until and opened at 10:30 a.m., Pacific Standard Time, March 9, 1948, for the purchase of all merchantable timber designated for cutting upon tracts hereinafter described: the cutting and removal of the timber to be carried out in accordance with the forest practice rules approved on July 7, 1938, by the Secretary of the Interior. Each bid must state the amount per thousand feet, board measure, that will be paid for each species and the total consideration which will be paid for the timber. No bid for less than the appraised value will be considered. Each bid must be submitted in duplicate and be accompanied by a deposit. The deposit must be in the form of a certified check on a solvent bank and in favor of the Treasurer of the United States. The amount of the deposit will be \$5,000.00 provided the total amount bid is over \$5,000.00 and less than \$50,000.00; it will be \$10,000.00 provided the total amount bid is over \$50,000.00 and less than \$100,000.00; it will be 10% of the amount bid when the bid exceeds \$100,000.00. If the total amount bid is less than \$5,000.00, the deposit shall be the amount of the bid. The deposit will be returned to unsuccessful bidders; applied as a part of the purchase price of the successful bidder; or that portion of the deposit representing the minimum required by law, shall be retained as liquidated damages if the high bidder does not execute contract and furnish satisfactory bond within thirty days of acceptance of the bid or cannot furnish evidence of his ability to comply with the local marketing requirement. This evidence must be submitted with the bid and shall conform with the requirements as set forth in this advertisement. In sales over \$10,000.00, the successful bidder will be required to furnish a sworn financial statement, in duplicate, showing ability to fulfill the terms of the contract. A bond on all sales will be required in an amount computed at the rate of at least 20 per cent of the first \$10,000.00 of the bid, plus 10 per cent of any additional amount of the bid in excess of \$10,000.00. Payment for timber will be required in advance of cutting, payment in full at the time of filing the contract being required in sales amounting to \$10,000.00 or less. In larger sales, at the option of the Regional Administrator, payment may be made in a number of installments scheduled to keep pace with the rate of timber cutting and payable upon demand from the Regional Administrator. The right is hereby reserved to waive technical defects in this advertisement; to reject all bids, or to award the timber for the amount of the highest bid to other than the highest bidder when necessary, pursuant to the Act of August 28, 1937 (50 Stat. 874), in order to provide a continued supply of timber to local industry and contribute to the permanence of the community which is dependent upon such industry. Timber sold in accordance with this advertisement must be manufactured within the marketing area as designated for each tract described below in accordance with the Orders of the Secretary of the Interior, No. 2285, and Nos. 2380 to 2390, Incl.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON FINAL ACCOUNT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Executor's of the Last Will and Testament of FRANK HECK, Deceased, have filed their account for the final settlement of the said Estate in the Circuit Court for Lane County, Oregon, and that Tuesday, the 9th day of March, 1948, at the Circuit Court Room of said Court, in the County Court House in Eugene, Lane County, Oregon, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, has been by said Court fixed as the time and place for hearing of objections thereto and for final settlement of said Estate.

MARY E. HECK and LILLIE MARGARET HECK, Executrix's of the Estate of FRANK HECK, Deceased, HERBERT W. LOMBARD, Attorney for Estate.

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dated December 11, 1946 and November 29, 1947, respectively. Further information regarding this sale may be obtained at District Offices of the B.L.M. located at Salem, Eugene, Roseburg, Coos Bay, and Medford, or at the office of the Regional Administrator, W. H. Horning, Swan Island Administration Building, Portland 18, Oregon. Dated at Portland, Oregon, this 13th day of February,

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