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MAGNIFYING OUR DIFFERENCES

It is regrettable, but nonetheless true that this locality has gotten a rather unsavory reputation in having the conduct of some of its residents paraded in big type and blown up by the outside press.

Election issues often develop into a campaign of personalities and two main issues facing the voters tomorrow, the county manager plan and more especially the city manager plan, are running true to form in this respect.

And we were told Saturday that an outside paper intended to intervene and was standing by to blow up our differences and tell the outside world how good scrappers we were.

The surrounding cities and communities are growing because the citizens of these communities are working together. Drainage is being handled, a big increase in the city budget. Previously this community built a swimming pool, which was a credit to cities much larger.

CAN'T DRAW ANYTHING FOR THE THIRD PARTY

According to a current history of the major party platforms since the founding of the republic, the two major parties have invariably taken from the third party its best points and these points have been eventually incorporated into the democratic and republican parties.

Some of the so-called most progressive issues the American people eventually accepted are usually lifted from the third party. But in listening to and reading the addresses of both Henry Wallace and Senator Glen Taylor, we can't think of a thing that either have advocated that the people could want or use.

The only think we can think of that may be in the way of a new development is that Taylor may learn to strum a few new tunes on his guitar and after the election this may come in handy, because Idaho says she does not want him as a senator anymore.

EX-GOVERNOR SPRAGUE FOR MCKAY

Ex-governor Chas. Sprague of Salem again spoke out for Senator Douglas McKay in McKay's current fight for the republican nomination for governor. Sprague's opinion carries considerable weight with those who know him, and the newspaper fraternity of which he is one, is no exception.

Here is an excerpt from a radio address, Ex-Governor Sprague delivered in Portland Friday night: If Oregon voters let the elements represented by bookie and gambling and slot machine syndicates entrench themselves in our political life, they will endanger the integrity of their government and open the state to the forces of evil.

Sprague, who said he is throwing his full weight of influence behind Senator Douglas McKay for governor, urged the people to nominate and elect as governor one whose record shows he has the resolution and moral character and executive competence to resist pressures for lax laws and lax enforcement.

Comparing the legislative records of two candidates for the governorship — McKay and Governor John Hall — Sprague asserted that Governor Hall has almost consistently voted with the liquor and gambling interest, and that McKay has voted the opposite way.

Sprague pointed out Oregon needs as governor a man of unimpeachable integrity, business ability, warm personality, decisiveness and courage and a good working knowledge of the state, and he was convinced McKay passes all these tests with a high rating.

OVERFLOW CROWD HEARS CITY MANAGER HEINZ

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parking meters and telling the audience that he and his aged mother lived on a pension of some \$62.00 per month and he couldn't see why the policemen had any kick coming at lesser pay when he served for nothing in the police reserves in 1940.

Frank Gill also aired a number of gripes, and among other things wanted to know why the papers and more especially the Sentinel failed to tell the people what the city manager had done and was doing.

The audience also heard from two policemen present that the matter of equipping and dressing a policeman took more than a little pocket change. One lady asserted that shirts for the uniforms cost from \$30.00 to \$35.00.

HIGH ARMY SCORES MADE BY C. G. STUDENTS

The young men graduating at Cottage Grove High School this month may consider themselves well above the average, as measured by the standard established by all the men serving in the Armed Forces during World War II.

Eighty per cent of those taking the U. S. Army qualification tests made scores well above the standard score of 100 to 104, and seventy per cent scored above the minimum acceptable as qualifying for Officers Candidate School.

DELEGATION TO PORTLAND Wednesday the Rev. Hugh Peniston, Mrs. W. H. Daugherty, Mrs. Harold Wolfard and H. B. Ferrin motored to Portland to consult architects relative to a new church building for the Presbyterians.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir: In the Eugene Register Guard of May 11, 1948 under "Is a Change Necessary", the sponsors of the manager plan are getting rather personal.

In regard to the \$673,900.00 road funds it would have built about thirty miles of road up to the state standard. If used that way there would have been at least fifty bridges broken down and would have been down and impassable and a thousand miles of County road along with the bridges.

In regard to the Assessor's Office there are four men working. If you would put up the money I would be glad to put on four more men. I would prefer four from your executive committee as they know so many things about county business that are not so.

In regard to the sale timber why didn't some of you look ahead and buy timber land? All of you had the same chance. These lands had no taxes paid on them for 25 to 40 years and we sold on the price of timber at that time.

You claim that the County Court fails to keep any minutes of County business. You are partly right as when we want a box of tacks, lead pencils, bottle of ink or flag for the pole in the park we don't keep any minutes.

At this time we are making the budget for the coming fiscal year. You are absolutely wrong that the County Judge and Commissioners are the heads of the County government in name only. You say each elective officer is entirely on his own, that the County Court has no authority over the various departments. This is not so.

The State Auditors claim that Lane County keeps its books in shape better than any county in the state except Multnomah. The District Attorney says that no money shall be paid out unless it is O.K. by the County Court.

It doesn't take a very smart man to find fault or to say "we think" or "we believe." We are still waiting for any definite proof that the change would be any improvement and if the tactics now being used by the proponents of this new scheme are an example of what we can expect under a manager plan, then I have had enough.

Yours truly, CLINTON HURD County Judge.

May 14, 1948

Dear Mr. Editor, We are just a group of young people, the majority of us are not old enough to have a vote, but we would like a voice in the way the city government is run.

Under the city manager system we have progressed further at less expense and with more efficiency than ever before. If we had the right to vote in the coming election, May 21, we would vote in the favor of the manager system. WE WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONTINUED ORGANIZATION OF THIS DEPARTMENT IN CASE THE MANAGER SYSTEM IS ABOLISHED!

Also at this time we would like to say this to the public who we think are discontented with our Department and who have constructed and spread rumors about the Department. If those people think the force is made up of nothing but "kids", and is something of a joke, let them take more interest and help out with action rather than words.

Sincerely Yours, THE COTTAGE GROVE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

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Place: Home for the Aged, situated on Lake Dorena.

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NEW STAMPS

Four Chaplains Stamp The Post Office Department recently announced the issuing of a new postage stamp commemorating one of the most stirring episodes of World War II.

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BIRD MAKES FINAL APPEAL TO VOTERS

(Continued from page 1) tration of our city by our own people and not imported castoffs from other cities. Let's keep this a town where the poor or laboring man can keep his home and not be turned out in the streets by tax foreclosures.

We need our tax dollars spent for streets and needed improvements and our schools but we don't need the extravagance of our present overmanned city government with reckless disregard of the man who pays the bills.

Another thing—as a city official Heinz should know that to accost a citizen on the street, threaten him, and call him a "yellow dog" should be beneath the dignity of a Public Official.

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the expense of Heinz's job, but nothing like that has been done so what could we expect from a council in the future under the manager form of government.

Folks, there is a ballot to be cast for decent government and in spite of all the organizations working for Heinz and the Manager form of Government these still exist in Cottage Grove a great number of people who will say "WE WANT A CLEAN CITY".

General Robert E. Wood, head of Sears, Roebuck & Company, is working on a plan to give Chicago boys a chance at country life.

By the time this is read, all of our friends will be voting on many issues, one of which is our form of City Government.

A Cleveland pigeon that was entered in a 100-mile race nine years ago, just returned. Its owner has no idea where it's been.

RE-ELECT Harris ELLSWORTH Republican for CONGRESS

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