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THIS GUY HOOVER

Dave Hoover, the Deadwood Lane county farmer and opponent of Senator Wayne Morse for the United States Senate may emerge from the 1950 campaign as the political dark horse. At least he has made a rather impressive start and, from what we know of the campaign thus far, has surprised himself in the showing he has made.

Perhaps it is his background that has given him an unexpected shove, particularly with the rural people. He has sorter appeared as a barn yard philosopher and has been clever enough to manipulate himself onto the front page of practically every newspaper of the state. At the same time he has had the sense not to talk too much and be led into answering too many questions, some of which might pop up and embarrass him as the campaign advances.

The fact that two opponents withdrew in his favor first served to focus attention on this political unknown and has made the state politicians "perk up their ears a bit" to see what Hoover has that is lacking in the common candidate.

At any rate when he moved to the state in 1941, he buried himself more or less on a 404 acre farm and started to build a dairy herd and up to now he's doing what most of us would not like to do, milking seven cows by a kerosene lantern and living on a farm without electricity.

In looking back over the history of some men who have held office, one is impressed with the timing these men chose to enter the political field. And while we believe that there is a lot of luck attached to the timing, we must also credit the successful politicians with an unusual amount of foresight.

Whether you as an individual were an admirer of the late President Roosevelt for instance, you cannot fail to give him credit for an unusual amount of political foresight. In no other period of the American history could Roosevelt have achieved the renown that he did and there are many other illustrations in the history of the American government, where men have seemingly announced for office at the propitious time.

Who knows but Hoover may be one of these. Time will tell.

TOWARD ANOTHER ENGLAND

Maxwell Anderson, the distinguished playwright who authored "What Price Glory" and other Broadway hits, has written a little essay called "The Guaranteed Life." At the end of it he says this: "The power of government in the U. S. has grown like a fungus in wet weather. . . . Our government has turned into a giant give-away program, offering far more for votes than was ever paid by the most dishonest ward-heeler in the days of Mark Hanna. We move steadily toward the prefabricated state. Yet we see clearly that in England, socialism turns rapidly into communism, and that in Russia and Yugoslavia, communism gives neither freedom nor security. The guaranteed life turns out to be not only not free—it's not safe. Do we want a gangster government? That's what we're going toward."

This is the sorry fashion in which freedom is lost. And, ironically enough, while we are in the process of losing it we are robbing ourselves blind to pay the ever-growing costs of the paternal state. At a time when government revenues are enormous, and when there is relatively little unemployment, we have adopted deficit spending. It is clear that even a moderate drop in business activity, even a small-sized depression, would be a cataclysm under these conditions.

The recent elections in England, Australia and New Zealand showed a strong trend away from the "prefabricated state" on the part of the people who have experienced it at first hand. The big question for us is whether or not we can profit by such examples.

IT'S LATER THAN YOU THINK

We once read of a man reaching the age of eighty years, who had kept a diary of all of his activities. And we were reminded of the story of this man thru a sermon we recently heard. For instance this man had figured out how many years of the eighty he had lived he had spent in sleep, which was twenty-six. He went on to figure out how many years he had spent in eating, how many months he had spent in combing his hair and in washing his teeth. In fact he had the entire eighty years figured out to the minute, which might sound silly on first thought, but at least the man had the satisfaction of knowing how he had spent his eighty years and, if he had not accomplished what he hoped to, why he had not. Time is running out on lots of us, but we have never really made a serious effort to analyze our life and the way we have spent our life. If we are really honest, most of us would be rather disappointed with ourselves if we were to attempt to figure out just how much of the time we have lived that has been wasted.

We ride the auto to save time and make trips on the plane to same time, or at least use this as an excuse to ride the plane, but in our every day life we rarely use the same judgment in allotting or budgeting our time. Those who do can look back with a good deal of satisfaction for they are the ones that are usually successful.

Whether the one way grid system is right or wrong, a good many cities and towns are falling into line by adopting it. But in our own case, the city of Cottage Grove abandoned the one way street on Whiteaker, one of the best things done under the city manager form of government. We are having an increasing traffic problem despite the fact that one parking lot has since been established. If the business district continues to prosper, the traffic problem will have to be solved along with what to do with some of the 12 minute meters on the side streets in front of the feed and food stores.

"Too many people are thinking of security instead of opportunity. They seem to be more afraid of life than death."
—James F. Byrnes

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PORTLAND, ORE.: It seems that Angna Enters, who dances, writes, paints and acts in Portland's Civic Theatre would be a good candidate for the allround Oregon girl.

FOREST GROVE, ORE.: College President Walt Giersbach recently turned beer joint dish washer for a day, all because of an impulsive offer to wash dishes to help raise money for European student relief.

He didn't know when he offered that Pacific student Tom Kiriakeidis, who owns a tavern, would have him pay off there.

MOLALLA, ORE.: All brash rash Irishmen who bragged of their Irish pedigrees and children as they celebrated the 17th of March, dropped their heads and moved over to make room for Bill Ireland—Molalla's candidate for legislature—at the head of the line.

Bill's boy's birthday was the 17th and that they agreed was sumpin'.

NAPA, CALIF.: Lured but not cured is the trouble of widow Mary Devere, who's currently suing Arthur Murry (of "dance in a hurry at Arthur Murry" fame) Dance Studios because she paid \$1,487 for a life-time course, and now a considerable portion of her life has gone by, but she claims she still can't dance.

HOOD RIVER, ORE.: Twenty-two-year-old Keith Petzold is the youngest manager of a first run theater in the history of the business.

Precedent breaking Mrs. J. J. Parker has given him the break, making him manager of the Broadway in Portland, after his deserving climb from projectionist, where he started at the age of 14.

NORTH BEND, ORE.: Fireman Dick Snead is home with a fractured rib. Why? He fell on a fire extinguisher last Sunday while fighting a fire.

PARKDALE, ORE.: Plain young John Smith is leaving the Valley. He's going to California and taking his guitar with him so he can strum as he hurrs and sings. He's going to see his name in lights soon, because he's got a regular job making records for the Four Star Records Corp.

Johnnie learned to play and sing during the war when he was a patient in a navy hospital. His own sad rendition of "Service Station Blues" is a success. It was just released and he's now nearing the top of the musical scale.

'Tis said by those who've heard Johnnie's balladering that he has both the husky haunt of Crosby's croons and the syncopated sex appeal that skyrocketed Sinatra.

Duck Preview for Seniors Apr. 14-16

University of Oregon, Eugene, March 27 (Special)—An all-campus assembly featuring speeches by President H. K. Newburn, Head Football Coach Jim Aiken, and Music School Dean Theodore Kratt will highlight Duck Preview weekend for Oregon high school seniors. The three-day event will be held on the campus April 14-16. A Friday night Vodvil show, student planned and presented, will open Duck Preview April 14. An annually-staged event for the benefit of the World Student Service Fund, the Vodvil has been planned this year to present the best in campus entertainment to the high school guests.

Saturday's events will open with the assembly at 10 o'clock, followed by a tour of the new Erb Memorial Student Union.

Luncheon at noon will be a special affair sponsored by the Associated Students of the University of Oregon. In the afternoon a baseball game and a water carnival will be on the agenda. Dinner at all living organizations will honor the guests.

A choice of events is planned for Saturday evening. Visitors may see the all-student production "Martha," or attend a special ASUO dance.

Special services will be held Sunday at 11 o'clock in all churches in Eugene. The final formal event of the week end will be exchange dinners at 1 p.m. These will enable high school visitors to meet with students in living organizations other than the ones in which they are housed.

Invitations were mailed this week to students in all high schools of the state.

MOUNT VIEW

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The Mount View P-TA will meet Thursday night at eight o'clock at the schoolhouse. There will be an educational moving picture shown, and the ladies are asked to bring a pie.

Odd Fact

A three-year-old girl in London, England, had to have all her teeth pulled and was fitted with a set of false ones, which she will have to wear for seven years or more until all her second teeth come in.

Washington Letter

Two weeks after this session of congress opened in my weekly letter for January 19th, I reported the rumor regarding the new and streamlined way of handling the annual appropriation bills. The rumor speedily became fact. I also pointed out that the ordinary functioning of the independent sub-committee would be watered down by the final review by an administration-controlled super "screening committee."

The big "one-package" bill which came out was prepared with great speed. All hearings were held behind closed doors. The deliberations of the sub-committees were kept secret from the other members of congress and the public. The huge bill containing 431 printed pages received only a few minutes over three hours of final consideration by the complete appropriations committee.

This bill provides for the expenditure of a total of 27 and one-quarter BILLIONS of dollars, but only a handful of experts and the executive agencies concerned know very much about what is in it. In my opinion, this is no way to legislate on spending money when our government is in such desperately bad financial condition. Next year it will be necessary to appropriate an additional \$150,000,000 (about \$400,000 per day) just to pay the INTEREST on the deficit created this year.

The Administration members have done some bragging (knowing public desire for economy) about cutting more than a billion off the budget request—but there is a big catch in that economy claim. Economy should be made in government operation. The bill makes insignificant cuts in administrative and operating departments but extremely heavy cuts on items involving permanent investment on improvement projects now under construction. Here is the record: Cuts in eight of the regular departments average around 5 per cent. The cut of the budget for river and harbor and flood control work was 25 per cent.

The charges made by Senator McCarthy that communist sympathizers are employed in the U. S. State Department, some of them in high places, caused great excitement here.

So far as I am concerned I would like to believe that the State Department is practically pure and that the charges constitute merely a partisan outburst without much basis in fact. Unfortunately, the attitude of the President and State Department officials has convinced me that there must be a great deal of very damaging truth in what Senator McCarthy has said. If there is nothing to hide, if there is nothing to be ashamed of, or if there is nothing dangerous to our security in the records of anybody employed by our government, let the President and the department come clean on the whole thing and allow the senate committee to have access to ALL information on this subject. As this is written they are looking as guilty as the boy with his face covered with jam.

Which reminds me to relate the little yarn that people are laughing over around here now. It goes something like this: A motorist in downtown Washington stopped a pedestrian and asked this question: "How do you get to the State Department?" The pedestrian replied: "You go to Harvard Law School, then turn left."

DELIGHT VALLEY

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Registered voters of school district #191 are requested to be in attendance at the meeting scheduled for 8 p.m. Wednesday evening, April 5 at the school house for the purpose of electing a director to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of the present chairman, Wm. F. Norris. There are other equally important items to be determined and it is hoped that a large percentage of the voters in the valley will be out.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Norris have sold their home to Mr. and Mrs. John Long of Cottage Grove, former owners of the Grove Hardware. Mr. and Mrs. Norris will move to Springfield early in April and Mr. and Mrs. Long and family will be taking up their new residence as soon as interior decorations are completed.

Again and yet again residents are rightfully indignant at the inconsideration and abuse received at the hands of not only those from outside the district, but equally from those within our own valley area by the dumping of garbage and rubbish along the roadway. If you are so particular that you cannot stand to bury your garbage and trash on your own grounds, do you think others enjoy the contamination from your refuse? Apparently the only solution for those who are harassed by this flagrant misconception of decency is to report it to the authorities, and insist that action will be taken.

The 4-H Sunshine Chefs are very busy these days practicing for their achievement day tests, which will be held at the school Friday evening, April 7, with Mrs. Melba Heide, district leader of Lane county in attendance. Keep the date open folks and encourage our young people by attending their program.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wright entertained at dinner on Friday, March 24 honoring their daughter, Mrs. Tom Wright of Creswell, on her birthday anniversary. Guests besides the honoree were Mr. Tom Wright and children, Mr. and Mrs. George Waske, and Mr. Herman Waske of Goshen and Carlis Siebert of Latvia.

Mrs. Fred Norris who resided in what is known as the Horn tract left Tuesday morning for her home in Alberta, Canada. Saturday evening callers at the home of "Uncle Jack" and Frank Joll were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wright.

JIM SMITH NEW AGENT
Jim Smith, formerly a resident of Arkansas has been appointed local agent for the Federal Life and Casualty Co., of Detroit, Mich. He will be glad to serve the public on medical, life and hospital insurance. The Federal Life and Casualty Co. is offering a new plan on medical and hospital care. See the announcement of the Federal Life & Casualty Co., appearing elsewhere in this issue.

Mr. Smith is a resident of route 1.

NEW REAL ESTATE OFFICE TO OPEN
G. A. Andrews and Jess Hill both of the London community plan to open a real estate office here next week. Mr. Andrews stated Saturday. The two men will be associated and office together, but the firm will not be a partnership, Mr. Andrews explained.

The new office will be in the Stuffer apartment building on 7th street, just north of the Cottage Grove Ice works plant. Mr. Andrews has operated a real estate agency from his home in London for several months.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lester Blackmore and two children came over from Curtin Sunday to visit his sister, Mrs. Lawrence Funk and family. Joe Abeene is visiting friends, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Kelly this week in Cottage Grove.

Mrs. Frida Adams of Latham spent Friday afternoon with her sister, Mrs. Claud Abeene. Mrs. Leon Mortner got caught in a tricky rain shower on Monday and got her new Easter bonnet wet. She hopes it doesn't fade or shrink. She was attending a 4-H advisory Committee meeting.

Mrs. Morton has a keepsake of intrinsic value that would go well with her thimble collection, a tiny bouquet of withered violets, picked from the Garden of Getsemane in the Holy Land, a tuck-in enclosure in one of the interesting letters from her sister, Mrs. W. A. Woodard on an European trip through the Holy Land. The Woodards are on their return, to arrive home April 16.

Mr. and Mrs. George Andrews have gone to spend a few days in the Rouge River valley to visit their son and daughter at Gold Hill and Ashland.

London Merry-makers
London Merry-makers card club met March 15 in Springfield with Mrs. Arlie Sugg who served a luncheon of sandwiches, fruit salad, walnut pumpkin pie and coffee and received seven hostess gift aprons from her guests. Prizes for the afternoon scores went to Mrs. Wm. Perini, high and Mrs. Joe Miller, second who were given linen table cloths as prizes. Mrs. Julian Small received a grocery list tally for low score.

Next meeting is next week, April 6 with Mrs. Claris Abeene, at London.

Creswell Resident Services Saturday

Mrs. Lena Anna Schilling, age 89 years, passed away at the home of her daughter, Miss Clara Schilling, Route 1, Creswell, March 24, 1950, following a lingering illness.

She was born July 1861 in Auma, Germany, where she was married to Richard Schilling July 19, 1885. The couple came to the United States in 1888, settling in Chicago, Illinois, where she made her home until coming to Creswell in 1945. Mr. Schilling passed away in 1936.

Survivors include one son, Al-fred Schilling, Chicago; three daughters, Miss Clara Schilling and Mrs. Margaret Berge, both of Route 1, Creswell, and Mrs. Martha McMakin, Clarendon Hills, Illinois and four grandchildren.

Private services were held Saturday, March 25, at 3 p.m. at Smith's Funeral Chapel with cremation following at the Eugene Crematorium.

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SPORTS

Baseball Returns To Cottage Grove

New to Cottage Grove this year is America's favorite pastime, baseball. This is the first year Cottage Grove has had the sport since 1942 when Tom Preece was head coach.

The Lions haven't much to look forward to as far as a brilliant season is concerned but will gain valuable experience for future years.

The squad will be made up mostly of juniors, but some sophs will be dating the line up too.

Eugene will be favored to take the district title and go to the tournament as they have back the nucleus of last year's state runner up.

The Lions will rely on the pitching arms of Ben Hilliker and Jack Siebert to produce some wins this season.
LIONS ROAR

C. Grove Gunners Have Perfect Day Shoot Another 75

Seven shooters from the Cottage Grove Rod and Gun club shot a perfect score Sunday and enabled the local club to retain the top spot in the Oregon Journal's third annual state telegraphic shoot Sunday. The seven compiled perfect scores in the fourth event to enable the club to retain the lead by a three point margin for a total of 38 points. Albany, the runner-up club, took sole possession of the second spot with four wins and a tie.

Shooters over the state faced a weather handicap with rain and hail squalls in the western part of the state, while snow fell in many places in eastern Oregon. Fifty-five individuals made straight among the 42 clubs participating.

Six of the seven Grove shooters who scored a 25 included: Ralph Peck, C. O. Anlauf, Harry Rente, Dave Lowe, Glenn Weeldreyer and Clay Gaidabini.

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