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SMALLER COMMUNITIES LOSING COMMUNITY CENTER

Most rural people still look upon the school and the church as the community center. When the smaller school is lost through consolidation, the central meeting place of the community is lost. Perhaps this is the dominant reason behind the move of the Oregon state grange to have the proposed rural school consolidation law referred to the vote of the people in 1952. The law calls for unified districts, which in a lot of instances calls for consolidation with the nearby city schools.

We have come a long way in our public school educational program in the past ten years and the step has been a rather expensive one from a tax standpoint. Notwithstanding, this the public has recognized the need for good schools and the school budget is rarely voted down. However if the modernization trend continues at the same pace the next ten years as it has the last ten, we may witness a number of instances where the budget will be voted down.

Under the present program, it seems to us the plan of going out and bringing in the isolated student may be an impractical one in many instances. It's still up to the individual pupil as to whether he or she will take advantage of the facilities offered. Perhaps the reason people live in isolated places is because they choose to and such being the case the practicability of bringing them out of isolation is a doubtful one.

At any rate we are in for a number of changes and only time will tell whether they are better or worse.

OPPORTUNITY NEVER GREATER

The high school or college student soon to graduate faces the greatest opportunity we can remember if the student chooses to find employment. Industry is hunting the application in most instances rather than the applicant hunting the job. Because jobs are plentiful, it will be a temptation for the high school student to stop his training and find a job, but if you hope to enter the professional world, stepping out now might be the end of your professional career.

This opportunity is made by a manpower scarcity caused by the demand of the armed services, but even though you enlist in some branch of service you can still carry on an educational training, which might not otherwise be available to you. The important thing to remember is that this is a temporary situation, which may not exist even two years from now. If conditions change, you might have to be good to hold the job you have. You will progress and advance if you have the ability to adapt yourself to new surroundings or to what ever situation you have to meet. You will have to adjust yourself to new conditions and your success will depend on this.

Recently we talked with a newspaper man, who is now on the journalism faculty at the University of Oregon. As late as 1939, this man quit school a month early to accept a job on a Eugene newspaper as \$15.00 per week.

Roseburg Veterans Hospital will be included in modernization projects, but no major construction is anticipated immediately. This was the information given here by Gen. Carl R. Gray Jr. who succeeded Gen. Omar Bradley as administrator of veterans affairs—Roseburg News-Review.

"For the better part of a generation there has been far too much talk about 'security'—about wage floors and work-week ceilings and pensions and unemployment insurance. All this has implanted a false feeling that somehow somebody in Washington was going to take care of us. Now there is a threat to our real security. We won't lick that by any negative attitude of curtailment. This is a time to emphasize the positive—and get out the goods."—Wall Street Journal.

NO DISCORDS ON THIS GIFT PIANO



AN AMUSED AUDIENCE LISTENS as President Truman gives his famous rendition of "The Missouri Waltz" on a piano presented by the nation's leading manufacturers. One of the rarest pianos in the world, it is a "composite" assembled from raw materials of the United States and many foreign lands. Presentation was made at the White House in connection with the observance of National Music Week. Looking on (l. to r.) are: Thomas E. Rivers; Major William S. S. Marine Corps Band Director, and Otto Harbach. (International Soundphoto)

Letter From Washington Issues Narrow in MacA Debate

by Harris Ellsworth
Representative, Fourth District

Now that the sound and fury of the discussion of Korean war policy is slowing down, let's take a calm look at the controversy as it appears on the record. General MacArthur has clearly and completely stated the facts as he knows them and has given his opinions. He has done a great and patriotic service. President Truman and administration spokesmen have been heard.

On the record as of today, there is not really a wide difference between the recommendations made by MacArthur and the present attitudes of the administration. In my opinion, the significant thing to note is that the Truman-Acheson-Marshall policies have moved into coincidence with MacArthur only recently, whereas General MacArthur has not altered his position one iota right straight through since 1945. What a pity that there was not this great area of agreement with MacArthur months, if not years, sooner.

Both sides now agree that Formosa must be kept from Communist control. But as late as December 30, 1949, President Truman and the National Security Council issued a statement which said: "No military action in defense of Formosa or Hainan is to be expected. Formosa is not strategically important enough..." January 12, 1950, Secretary Acheson said in the course of a speech to the National Press Club: "This defensive perimeter runs along the Aleutians to Japan and then goes to the Ryukyus... The defensive perimeter runs from the Ryukyus to the Philippine Islands..." (note the omission of Korea and Formosa).

Both sides now agree that Communist China should not be seated in the United Nations. However, last fall it was freely rumored that we were about to recognize the Chinese Communist government and permit its seating in the UN. On September 19, 1950, the Wall Street Journal said: "Secretary of State Acheson secretly has decided to recognize Red China, and let the Red Chinese into the United Nations."

Both sides now agree on a much tighter blockade of China. Nothing much was either said or done about this before General MacArthur was fired and public opinion became aroused against our soft attitude toward Red China.

Both sides agree that we should not leave or be driven out of Korea. MacArthur says we should extend the limits of the "limited" war just far enough to insure victory. The President says we must "rock along and see what happens" (keep right on building up the casualty total).

General MacArthur says we should use the Chinese troops sitting idly on Formosa. The President and Acheson say "no." But let's check administration reasoning on this point. As late as August 30, 1950, Secretary Acheson told a Senate committee: "It would be a mistake for the United States to take action on Formosa which might give the impression to the Chinese Communists that aggression was threatened against them. Any such action might give the Chinese Communists an excuse to join in the Korean fighting." Then they did "join in the Korean fighting." Now the excuse is that if we bother the Chinese too much, Russia might join in the Korean fighting. We never learn, do we, that dictators move when they feel like it whether we give them an excuse or not?

General MacArthur believes we should pursue enemy aircraft to their bases and destroy both the planes and their nests. The President and Acheson say we must not do that. Follow them only to the Yalu River and let them come back next day and shoot some more of our soldiers; that is our policy now.

That, boiled down, is the essence of the MacArthur - Truman controversy. Actually, only two points of genuine disagreement remain: (1) Pursuit of enemy aircraft into Chinese territory and the bombing of enemy bases there; (2) Use of Chinese Nationalist troops.

If Truman moves as rapidly toward agreeing with General MacArthur during the next few months as he has in the last few weeks, we may see these last remaining two points cleared up—in favor of MacArthur. Then will he apologize and send the General back to Japan? Well, no, the "Man from Missouri" just does not do things that way.



Reminiscent of "Rosie the Riveter" of Pearl Harbor days, Oregon women are getting back into civil defense activities.

A civil defense meeting in Baker was attended by about 45 nurses and practical nurses... Mrs. Emma Sprague of Aloha, nearing her 86th birthday, completed a Red Cross home nursing course... In Banks, Mrs. Carbett Crowther recently donated her 16th pint of blood—an even two gallons. She has two sisters that have donated more than a gallon apiece.

Thirty-three members of the Josephine county sheriff's posse and auxiliary completed a 22-hour first aid course. Some of the members of the class will become instructors for future classes... In Oswego, PTA members got together with local civil defense council for a special meeting, which included a movie, report from each CD department and a question period.

In Madras, a class in amateur radio operation is being sponsored by the local high school. It is offered to the public without charge because of its importance in civil defense... Stayton's observer post is being operated in a house trailer loaned by a local automobile dealer... In Lebanon, plans are underway to register nurses, list buildings suitable for temporary hospitals, and procure emergency bedding and medical supplies.

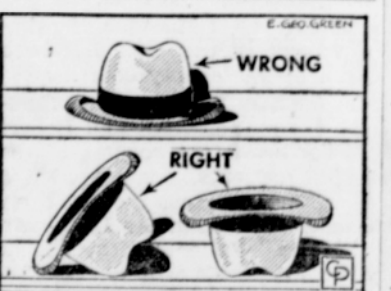
Marion county's civil defense organization added 100 sheriff's reserves. The men completed three months' training... Quilts, medical supplies and foodstuffs, to be used for emergency purposes, were donated by individuals and clubs

in Coquille. They were packed in durable containers and labeled... In Jackson county, Red Cross expects that the quota of 5000 persons trained in first aid will be filled by the end of the year. So far, 1025 students and adults have been trained, and 14 additional classes with an average attendance of 25 each are in progress.

Seventeen Seaside men with a variety of trades and abilities have formed a rescue squad. The unit has everything from carpenters and electricians to plumbers and heavy machinery experts... In the Coos Bay area, radio amateurs are spending their spare time constructing a civil defense communication building.

Josephine county bought 1000 copies of the federal booklet, "What You Should Know About Biological Warfare"... The city of Banks (north of Forest Grove) bought 100 copies of the same booklet for distribution at a meeting, and has ordered federal "alert cards."

FROM THE EDITORS' DESKS: Bill Jenkins of Klamath Falls Herald & News: "Low flying planes can enter your area thru a radar screen often without being detected by the mechanical eyes and ears of the operators. Then it is up to a human agency, the spotters, to pin them down and give their report by phone." James Weeks of The Dalles Chronicle: "A feeling of complacency is dangerous in times as uncertain as these. The shock of an attack, if it comes, would be much greater under conditions of mental unpreparedness than if the public had steeled itself in advance."



A hatmaker tells us never to lay a homing flat on its brim. Either rest it on the edge of curled brim and side of crown, or upside down. This will help the hat retain its proper shape.



Bibles For Russia



DURING the celebration in New York of the American Bible Society's 135th Anniversary, Miss Joan Smith helps pack cartons of Scriptures which will be shipped to Russia if and when the Soviet Union allows them to enter. Meanwhile, they are being sent to satellite nations in small quantities. The Bible Society elected Gen. Douglas MacArthur to an honorary life membership. (International)

We asked for oil and the court said it was their policy to insist upon a sixty foot right-of-way before surfacing any road. That involved the gift of a ten foot strip of land by each property owner. The court admitted this policy as their very own and in force even if the district affected and the district felt the width of the present road entirely adequate, and the subject of widening such road irrelevant and an evasion of the issue or expenditure of road moneys in that district.

Major Harold Allen Elected Chairman Fleet Supervisors

At a recent meeting of the Fleet Supervisors' Roundtable, Oklahoma City, Okla., Major Harold E. Allen was elected chairman for the coming year. Major Allen is chief of Tinker Field's Motor Pool, a job he has grown into, since as a kid in Cottage Grove, his hobby was overhauling Model T Fords.

Major Allen's hobby has grown into supervision of 1450 vehicles, the jeeps, tugs, tractors, station wagons and all makes of automobiles that comprise Tinker's vast Motor Pool. In addition to keeping things moving at Tinker by directing the activities of 240 personnel, Major Allen serves as a member of the Traffic Section committee of the State Safety Council.

Major Allen is the son of Weston Allen of Cottage Grove. He graduated from the local high school and Oregon State college. In 1940, he entered the Air Force, and since that time he has been attached to motor pools of various sizes in the states and overseas. Altogether Major Allen served 46 months in Europe during World War II.

Dale Adams, TESA graduated May 18 from Telemen school at San Diego and is spending a 10-day leave here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Adams. From here he will go to the U. S. Naval Air base at Point Mugu, Port Huenece, Calif.

NEW R.F.C. CHIEF CALLS ON TRUMAN



SHORTLY AFTER BEING NAMED Administrator of the reorganized Reconstruction Finance Corporation, W. Stuart Symington confers with President Truman at the White House. Symington was previously Chairman of the National Security Resources Board. (International Soundphoto)

Letters to the Editor

Dear Mr. Martin:

Last week's issue of the Sentinel carried your editorial discussing the policy of the Lane County court road improvement program as outlined to you by Judge D. T. Bayly. Judge Bayly told you that the court would like to blacktop the Delight Valley road if the property owners along the road would give a ten foot strip of land, enough to make a sixty foot right-of-way.

On May first, G. R. Sears with a dozen of Delight Valley property owners, visited Judge Bayly, L. G. Raish, R. D. Maclay—the county court—and presented to them a petition signed by one hundred five of the people of the valley asking for blacktop or some form of surfacing that will protect us from the dust menace of the present road. We explained that the road was adequately wide and that drainage ditches were being maintained. It is used as a way from the Row River logging districts to Saguinaw, a short cut eliminating the need for going through the traffic at Main and Highway in Cottage Grove. The Delight Valley road is the only way to Saguinaw for logging-trucks coming out of the Prune Hill district. Gravel trucks and commercial trucks serving the east of Cottage Grove area from Eugene use this shorter way through the Valley.

So there is dust. Houses and gardens along the way gasp from one dose of dirt to the next. Pass a truck and the road beyond is cloaked in mystery for a quarter of a mile. School children walk this road which in spite of dust, carries fast travel. The traffic scatters the gravel which is nearly every week patiently returned by the grader to loosely confuse the week end traveler and prepare the extra dose of dust for washday.

We considered the results of such widening. Many homes are built close to the road. A ten foot slice off the front puts the logging trucks cozy close to the living room davenport. The larger farms contribute in acres (and new fences, no doubt). They have been contributing in taxes for many years—at least ten—for this surfacing. The first petition was presented to another court that long ago. This present one is number four, the old timers here in the Valley say. It seems say it was even hot, then poof! and it was north. Came the war, came promises—but now a new court and new hope and greater need.

We are in a state of national emergency. Down the side of our road are the power poles of the California-Oregon Power Company. These poles carry a through load of 110,000 volts. They carry an additional 20,000 volts for Mountain States Power. At tremendous expense, those poles would have to be moved if the highway is widened. Pacific Tel. and Tel. would have to move their lines from the other side of the road after having just completed their project of bringing better service to the Valley. Do we demand this extra unneeded expense at this time?

Mr. Editor, your visit with Judge Bayly as recorded in the editorial of last week would indicate that all that keeps us from pavement is the donation of said ten foot of land to make a sixty foot highway out of our present forty to forty-five foot road. When we presented our plea to the court, and we were in turn pre-

sented with this sixty foot policy, the question was asked, to-wit: Would we have the assurance of the court, any guarantee, that in case we gave the land demanded, we would get our surfacing now? This year? Next year? Ever? The answers were definitely negative. Just plain no.

We were dismissed.
Your truly,
Hazel Van Nortwick

TO THE LOT OWNERS COTTAGE GROVE CEMETERY:

We wish to thank all those who have so kindly contributed in any way so far toward our Annual Cleanup. We had our first cleanup. We are hoping that you will be generous and contribute your share. Many do their own lots and pay toward the general fund, which takes care of neglected spots and lots where we cannot ask any one to play, as we have no knowledge of the relatives whereabouts. Even when we write some relatives, it is in vain. If you care for your own lot, kindly do not DUMP RUBBISH in the alleys, unless you have paid for its removal for we just cannot do any work up there free when the labor is paid \$1 per hour. With 5 workers per day, that means \$40 per day.

We especially want to thank Fred P. Peters of the Peters Lumber Co., Eugene, who was generous to donate \$10 for his share, and stated he would send more if needed. Also H. H. Fox, Lake Creek, Oregon, who contributed \$10 also for the Corner lot and general fund, Miss Winnie Landess, Portland, \$5, and our heartfelt thanks to Mr. W. W. Bristow, of Bristow's Jewelry Store, Eugene, who out of the kindness of his heart contributed \$5 as he had read an account in the Eugene Guard of our Annual Cleanup. He has no lot in the Cottage Grove cemetery but said he was donating it to keep the good work going, and that the legislature should pass a law to provide funds to keep up old time cemeteries. I heartily agree with him. The only source of funds we have is from lot owners and some are just liabilities instead of assets. Mr. Bristow says the Masonic cemetery in Eugene is badly neglected also. His branch of the family are old time residents of the Grove, his father Darwin Bristow being president of the First National Bank of Cottage Grove, before he was connected with the Eugene First National.

We especially appreciate the help of the Rainbow girls who turned out in force. Those who volunteered their help on Saturday, May 19th were as follows: Rosemary Miller, Yvonne Ware, we want to hand it to her, she is a worker, Pat Kent, Rosemary Rickard, Donna Decker, Carmen Greville, Shirley Witters, Kay Greville, Edna Thompson, and I.

Vonnie Huggdahl. Two more girls came in the afternoon, whose names we failed to obtain. As this is a pioneer Masonic cemetery and many of the girls' mothers are Eastern Stars, it is particularly fitting that they should donate their services toward our Annual Cemetery Cleanup. Send or Mail your donation promptly, we work only this week and part of next. Time is fleeting, work is plentiful up there but funds are not. Thank you.

Miss Belle Burkholder, O. E. S. member 25 years. In charge of Annual cemetery cleanup 15 years. Cottage Grove Cemetery Assn., 225 No. Lane St., Cottage Grove, Oregon.

P. S. We do only lots paid for in advance, and take them in rotation according to the time the money is received, so if you want us to clean your lot, don't wait too long to send your dollar share, and possibly more, if you feel like it. We can use it. Thank you.

Colic in Horses
Horses fed largely on coarse roughage and forced to drink ice-cold water are easy victims of colic.

Men in Service

Gene L. Durham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Durham of Cottage Grove, telephoned his parents recently to notify them of his promotion from master sergeant to second lieutenant in the air force. At present he is attached to the air transport wing stationed at Great Falls, Mont. Durham is a member of the Oregon State college graduating class, and will receive his degree in engineering, June 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Radway have received word from their son, Pvt. Earl Radway, saying he had arrived at Camp Drake, near Yokohama, Japan, and has been assigned to the 87th anti-aircraft artillery. Pvt. Radway enlisted in the army Nov. 15, 1930, and received his training at Fort Bliss, Tex., and Fort Ord, Calif.

Herbert Fuller, LISN, arrived Saturday by plane from Washington, D. C., where he graduated from Class A Lithographers school. He will spend 10 days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manley Fuller. From here he will go to Patuxent River, Md., for duty at the naval air station.

Eldon Hudgins SA and Ronald E. Hite SA, both stationed on the USS Henrico, Bremerton, Wash., are home on a 14-day leave. Hudgins is spending his leave with his wife and parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hudgins, while Hite is at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. Hite. Both took their boot training at Great Lakes Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill., and then were transferred to Bremerton. They will return to Bremerton at the end of their leave.

Gary Leathers SA is on a 14-day leave from San Diego, where he completed his boot training. He is spending the time with his wife and parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Leathers. From here he will go to Tongue Point Naval Base, Astoria, where he expects to be for at least six months.

Glenn L. Ems, fireman, USN, formerly of 404 South Second St., Cottage Grove, is back in the United States after more than six months' duty in the Far East. His ship—the destroyer tender USS Hamul—recently arrived in San Diego, Calif., from Korea where she equipped and repaired destroyers in the area.

Pvt. Vernon L. Dunham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor, traveling on delayed orders, is visiting friends and relatives here. He was recently stationed at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and is a graduate of the medical technician school there. He is awaiting far eastern assignment and expects to leave here June 3rd.

George Anderson Jr., EMP-2/e and Mrs. Anderson left Tuesday for Bremerton, Wash., where he is stationed on the USS Essex. He had a 12-day leave, and they spent the time here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Walther.

Aliene J. Johnson

Aliene Jane Johnson, age 34, 60 Willamette Court, passed away at Cottage Grove Hospital Thursday, May 17, 1951, following a brief illness. She was born at Burley, Idaho, Nov. 16, 1917, and when a child came to Cottage Grove with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeph Turner. She attended the local schools and made her home here ever since. She was married to Paul Andrews in 1934 in Eugene. In 1948 she married George Johnson in Cottage Grove. Mrs. Johnson was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints, Eagles Auxiliary and Women of the Moose.

Surviving are four sons and two daughters: Thomas, Stephen, Rosemary and Richard Andrews and Kenneth and Melba Johnson, all at home; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeph Turner of Hood River; two sisters, Mrs. Audrey Applegate of Vancouver, Wash., and Mrs. Marion Montgomery of Hood River; one brother, Weston Turner of Alaska; and grandmother, Mrs. Ida Turner of Seattle, and many other relatives.

Funeral services were held at Smith Funeral Chapel Sunday, May 20 at 2:30 p.m. with the Rev. Victor King officiating. Interment was in the IOOF cemetery.

Sgt. Eldred Clark

Graveside services for Sgt. First Class Eldred B. Clark will be held in Willamette National Cemetery in Portland Tuesday, May 29, at 2 p.m., with the American Legion in charge. Eldred Brenton Clark was born June 12, 1912 in Creswell, and was killed in action in Korea July 10, 1950. He is survived by his father, James E. Clark of Roseburg and a sister, Mrs. Nedra Staton of Bend. Sgt. Clark was a member of the American Legion in Roseburg.

G. W. ARMSTRONG DIES IN CORVALLIS

G. W. Armstrong, brother of Dr. C. P. Armstrong, died at Corvallis May 13, following a very brief illness. The death of Mr. Armstrong occurred just eight days after that of his wife, Mrs. Eva Armstrong, who passed away May 5. A heart condition caused death of both Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong, who were interred in the IOOF cemetery at Junction City.