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OPEN GAMBLING LEADS TO CORRUPTION

Today as in the past, we can hear a lot of argument to "legalize" gambling and make it open to everybody. This is an age old argument that has been going on for centuries for gambling had its origin in the early history of the human race. Some historians have come up with an interesting observation and that is that where gambling is made too easy it tends to corrupt the people and where ever a nation has declined, the interest of the people of the nation has been absorbed in gambling.

In the June 23rd issue of the Oregon Voter, the author of "Law Enforcement" goes into some detail in discussing the various aspects of gambling and its influence on the public. The lure of easy money has led to many evils including the sale of narcotics to children.

Unless officers are vigilant, gambling followed by gangsters, can invade the smaller communities as well as the metropolitan centers. Says the Oregon Voter:

"Enforcement of laws against gambling is as difficult as enforcement of laws against the social evil, against liquor abuses, against traffic violations and against a black market. Yet, only by laws against these offenses and the enforcement of such laws are such offenders kept within bounds. It is impossible to reach all offenders, but the firmer the law enforcement, the more they are driven to cover. Relaxation of law enforcement at once leads to an increase in the evils sought to be corrected.

"Peace officers as a class find enforcement of such laws distasteful. Their preference is for law enforcement against crimes committed against the body or property, or that endanger the public peace. By enforcement of anti-gambling laws, commercial gambling is forced underground, where it is less accessible to the gambling-minded public. Laxity in enforcement, and out it comes again, with its attendant corruption of police and other enforcement officers.

"Only by direction from those in authority by elective office is strict enforcement possible. Unless specifically directed to enforce the police will refrain from this duty. The decision whether there shall be strict enforcement rests with officials elected by the people. It involves something of the spirit of the crusader in an elective official to decide on strict enforcement. Governors, mayors, district attorneys, are the elective officers charged with the duty of enforcing the law. All have taken oath to enforce the law.

"Only a small majority of the people are afflicted with an insatiable desire to gamble. As with the liquor evil, its severe inroads are in its effect on this tiny minority. Accessibility of gambling establishments makes it easier for this class to gratify their impulses. There also exists among the majority of the American people an inclination to wager or gamble. Accessibility caters to this inclination. That is why accessibility is the key to the situation. When gambling is open to the public, continuously as a matter of public policy, it tends to absorb the interest of the people. They are inclined to devote their majority efforts to trying to enlarge their incomes by taking a chance on winning a lottery or on other forms of gambling, instead of centering their economic effort on trying to improve their status by industry. That is why a people to whom gambling is accessible gradually becomes degraded. All countries which still maintain public lotteries have shown some moral degradation."

AMERICA ON THE MOVE

The Nation's Business reports that Americans are moving in unprecedented numbers since the country's economy is being shifted from the production of civilian goods to defense orders. The change in population in many localities has been tremendous.

The report indicates that people are still coming west. In some of the eastern Atlantic states, there are two families moving out to one moving in, in the southeast it's about even, in the south two families are moving in to one moving out. In the Rocky mountain area the trend is about even, but on the coast two families are coming in to one moving out.

KOREA A PRIVATE WAR?

We have heard the expression several times that the conflict in Korea seemed to be sort of a private war and that the general public was not conscious of it, unless a member of the family was involved.

Recently we picked some statistics on the U. S. casualties in four major wars and here they are: Revolutionary war, including prisoners, 19,389. War of 1812, 6,765. Mexican war, 16,401. Spanish American war, 9,530. Total of the four wars 52,085. In the Korean war which includes the battle casualties only from June 26, 1950 to June 6, 1951 68,352.

The figures used in the first four wars were taken from the army almanac of 1950. As we pass the first anniversary of the Korean war, the losses we have suffered and the outlook for peace isn't very pleasing.

Trio Wins Prizes For Slogan Contest

Three Cottage Grove residents have been selected as winners in the travel slogan contest sponsored by the Pacific Greyhound Lines.

Winners were picked by a board of judges consisting of Mayor F. H. Doleman, H. E. Eakin, vice-president of the local branch of the First National Bank of Portland, and Miss Jean Gilliland, Chamber of Commerce secretary.

Company representative for the occasion was Lloyd L. Lortz, assistant general traffic manager in charge of sales and promotion for PGL.

Mrs. W. E. White, 304 Washington Avenue, won the first prize, a four day expense paid tour of

Rep. Harris Ellsworth Charges Administration With Using Back-Fire Against Public Opinion

In our heavily wooded country there is a method of fighting forest fires which is sometimes used in desperation. It is called "back-firing." Fires are not only fanned by the wind but generate their own wind which speeds them along. The back-fire technique is to go into the green timber a quarter of a mile or so ahead of the running fire and set a series of small fires across the path. When the big blaze reaches the line of small fires its momentum may be broken and the fire brought under control. If the back-fire plan fails to work and the fire sweeps on, no harm is done since it would have gone ahead anyway.

So the Administration has set up a "back-fire" against the sweep of public opinion against its foreign and domestic policies—against the public resentment over the firing of General MacArthur. The back-fire consists of something they call the "China Lobby". There might be such an organization. If so, it is supposed, according to administration spokesmen, to have used sinister or other influence in behalf of Nationalist China. If there is such an outfit I have never heard of it except from administration sources, and it surely has been a complete flop in its activities judging from the present pitiful condition of the Nationalist government.

Referring to the so-called China Lobby the following was stated by one of the back-fire builders: "It is alleged that from 1946 to 1949 the Central News Agency, a wholly owned instrument of the Nationalist Government, spent in the neighborhood of \$654,000,000 to influence American public opinion."

Now just think of how absurd that statement is. The sum six hundred and fifty million dollars equals many times the total amount expended by all the news agencies in America which operate on a complete nation-wide basis. I mean several times more than the combined cost of operating the United Press, Associated Press, International News, Transradio Press, etc.

Well, enough on the subject of back-fires but it is my guess that when you hear or read about something called the China Lobby, that's what it is, a back-fire—set for the purpose of slowing down the big blaze of public opinion which is about to consume the administration people.

The House is about to begin consideration of the new tax bill. It will come to the floor under what we call a closed rule. That means no amendments can be made on the floor. It will merely be debated and then the vote will be for it or against it—as is, just as the committee brings it to the floor. I do not like that procedure but must admit that when the end product is considered the people will get a better tax bill if we take the one worked out by the committee of experts instead of trying to write it on the floor with amendments.

The appropriations bill carrying funds for work on rivers and harbors was passed by the House. Although the total requested by the Bureau of the Budget was cut more than twenty percent, the funds allowed for work on the two big dams in the Willamette Valley flood control project—Detroit and Lookout Point—totalled \$15,000,000 each, which will allow work on both those important dams to proceed toward completion for the earliest flood protection and production of much needed power in the Willamette Valley.

Scout Troop Active At Camp Lucky Boy

Boy Scout troop 18, sponsored by the Methodist church, was at Camp Lucky Boy on Blue River from June 24 to July 1. The group was accompanied by Ron Zahler, who was assisted by Abe Hanks and Virgil Huff, both Explorer Scouts.

The scouts participated in many of the camp's activities. Included among the activities were swimming and boating instruction, knot tying, instruction in the use and the care of axes, camp cookery, an overnight trip to Scott Lake for hiking and camping as an individual troop, discussion and hikes for instruction in conservation practices which were directed by State Game Commission experts, fishing, and evening council campfires.

Zahler reports that troop 18 participated in many of the camp-wide contests including knot-tying, axmanship, fire-building, and a novelty races. Beaver patrol of troop 18 won first place in these contests.

Virgil Huff won first place in two competitions, Tommy Thrasher won one first place, and Abe Hanks won two second place awards.

Several of the boys passed scouting advancement requirements. Three of the troop, Jimmy Seitz, Tommy Thrasher, and Gary Schmitt, passed their first-class scout swimming requirement.

Edward Simpson, Jimmy Seitz and Wendell Fox passed the tenderfoot knot-tying requirements. Life-saving merit badge requirements were passed by Virgil Huff. All of the boys passed several of the requirements in hiking, camping, and fire-building, according to Zahler.

Boys who attended camp are Abe Hanks, Virgil Huff, Gary Schmitt, Dennis Crawford, Jimmy Seitz, Don Duncan, Edward Simpson, Don Crane, Wendell Fox, Clark Peterson, Tommy Thrasher, and Michael Bomar.

Zahler stated that this year's camp was unique in that the scouts did all their own cooking rather than eating in a central mess hall.

The bill which is generally referred to as the Universal Military Training and Selective Service bill has been finally approved. The last action in the long legislative procedure of making a law is the approval of the report of House and Senate conferees.

A bill is often drastically amended by one House after it has been passed by the other. A conference committee composed of ranking members from the proper legislative committees of both House and Senate meets and adjusts the differences between the two bodies. The final draft of nearly every important piece of legislation is written in that way. Inasmuch as the conference is limited to the principles contained in either the House bill or the Senate bill or both, it is usual practice for both Houses to accept a conference report.

The final or conference draft of the UMT-Draft bill is basically the House bill rather than the Senate bill. The House version of the most important features of the bill was accepted by the Senate. Perhaps the two most controversial and most discussed details of the two bills was the draft age limit and the method of starting UMT. The House 18½ age limit for selectees was approved as was the House procedure for establishing a commission to work out the details of a UMT plan.

It should be noted that this legislation does not actually set up a system of UMT. It merely provides for the establishment of such a program. The Congress must act once more—on the report of the UMT commission—before any training program is started.

The people of Gold Beach and the lower Rogue River country recently sent a group of very able representatives back here to Washington to appear before the Board of Army Engineers in behalf of the proposed harbor development at Gold Beach. The delegation was headed by Earl Foster of Gold Beach and included the able and distinguished attorney John C. Kendall of Portland, former circuit judge for Coos County, and engineering consultant Don Gurnee. I attended the hearing and was greatly impressed by the excellence of the presentation—both oral and written.

It seemed to me the Board could not fail to approve the project after hearing and reading such overwhelming evidence of need and benefits. For example, it was shown that the government itself will lose more than the entire cost of the project every ten years by not harvesting the allowable cuts on its timber acreage. That timber, if not used, will simply rot back into the soil. Little or no harvesting of Forest Service timber is being done now because of the lack of transportation. The Board will give a decision on the project at its July meeting.

It takes a long time to get such a project to the construction stage. In 1948 the first hearing was held on this project. The District Engineer made a favorable report in 1949 which was approved by the Division Engineer and sent to Washington for Board approval. The Board made a study and came up with the statement that it was "unconvinced". Hence the hearing was called. Next step will be authorization of the project by Congress. After that it will be eligible for appropriations. All of these steps take a lot of time, but if the Board of Army Engineers gives its approval I think we will eventually have a small but exceedingly valuable harbor at Gold Beach.

BIRTHS

Cottage Grove Hospital

ADAMS - To Mr. and Mrs. Willie Adams, Cottage Grove, a daughter, Cheryl Ann, June 27, 1951.

ARNOLD - To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Arnold, Cottage Grove, a daughter, Nancy Lynne, June 27, 1951.

BIGELOW - To Mr. and Mrs. Francis Bigelow, Drain, a daughter, Betty Ann, June 29, 1951.

ROSS - To Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ross, Cottage Grove, a son, Donald Vern, June 29, 1951.

TUCKER - To Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Tucker, Cottage Grove, a son, Terry Frank, July 1, 1951.

HUNGERFORD - To Mr. and Mrs. James Hungerford, Cottage Grove, a son, Bobby Ray, July 1, 1951.

IKOLA - To Mr. and Mrs. John Ikola, Cottage Grove, a son, Ronald Lee, July 2, 1951.

KOCH - To Mr. and Mrs. Earl Koch, Lorane, a daughter, Nancy Lee, July 2, 1951.

GITHENS - To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Githens, Cottage Grove, a daughter, Christine Lynn, July 3, 1951.

Sacred Heart Hospital
MITCHELL - To Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur P. Mitchell, Route 2, Creswell, a daughter, June 29, 1951.

Hospital Patients

Visiting hours at the Cottage Grove Hospital are as follows:
Medical and surgery patients: 2 to 3 p.m.
Maternity patients: 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.
Evening hours for both departments are from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Patients entering the local hospital other than maternity cases from June 27 to July 5 were: Mildred Eckles of Santa Paula, Calif.; Don Walton of Elkton; Mrs. Dorothy Conner of Lorane; Mrs. Leila Lemley, Peggy Calvin and Teri Ann Ritchey, all of Drain; Russell Crites of Culp Creek; Miss Barbara Smith of Portland; Mrs. Nora Perdue and Constance Bailey, both of Creswell; and Mrs. Juanita Hayes, Mrs. Edith Kennedy, Albert Henderson, Howard Dudley, Frank Rone and Mrs. Gladys Lane, all of Cottage Grove.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

Folks, try to see the musical talent we have at home.

Nowhere can a band so good as we have be found and pupils that play in this band are just children of the Jefferson grade school and they are working hard. So is their leader, Mr. Rickman. At the concerts, few people outside of the parents of the band members attend.

It was decided at the last concert to give the band members more encouragement by passing the hat. So come out and hear the grade school band and help the band two ways: by your presence and a few cents will go a long way. The entertainment is free.

Cleaner entertainment can't be had. So think it over and give the band members a lift by your presence at the next concert.

A mother of a band member

CURTIN

Mrs. Grace Thompson, Reporter
Phone 12FB

A Sunday school picnic was held at the Crane ranch last Sunday with quite a number present. Just another reminder to people of the community that Sunday school is being held each Sunday morning at the Curtin schoolhouse at ten o'clock and it is a special opportunity for the youngsters. The attendance has been averaging about 20 each Sunday.

Charles W. Booher took Mr. and Mrs. Frank Booher and Darrel of Cottage Grove to Portland Tuesday where Darrel left for Kentucky after spending a ten day furlough with relatives. Darrel is a cook in the Army.

Leslie Crane suffered several fractured ribs while working with the cat Thursday. He received medical attention in Springfield. Curtin residents were without electricity from 7:15 p.m. Monday until eleven o'clock Tuesday when a tree was accidentally felled in the electric line, breaking them.

Mr. and Mrs. Veri Miller, Mary and Michael left early Saturday morning for Klamath Falls to visit her brother and family, returning home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Redifer and Marvene left early Sunday morning for a ten day vacation trip to Lakeview where they will join their son and family and together they will journey on about fifty miles to a lake where the two families will camp out.

Ed Wilkenson has left the superintendency of the local sawmill and is reported to be working at the Mountinside Lumber mill at Leona.

Mrs. Eldon Thompson takes this opportunity to thank her many friends for the many deeds and kind words of sympathy during the bereavement of her father.

Mrs. John R. Sowles was hostess Thursday to the neighborhood people honoring Mrs. Sam Gilman and Mrs. Eldon Thompson, whose birthdays occurred on that day. Present for the picnic dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Bernell Goin, Emily and Leslie; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Suiter; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gilman; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hill and Martin Jr.; Mrs. Sidney Meacham, Gene and Dorothy; Mrs. Otto Gregory; Mrs. Eldon Thompson; Mrs. Flora V. Holt; Mrs. Charles W. Booher, Michael, Diane, and Lauren; and the hostess, Mrs. Sowles.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Executor of the Last Will and Testament of JOHN RAY HENDRICKS, sometimes known as J. R. HENDRICKS, Deceased, by the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Lane County. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same, duly verified with proper vouchers, to the undersigned at the law office of Herbert W. Lombard, Wiser Building, Cottage Grove, Oregon, within six months of the date of the first publication of this notice. Dated and first published June 14, 1951. RUSSELL E. SMITH, Executor. HERBERT W. LOMBARD, Attorney. 45-5t-49

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of CHARLES A. CHAPMAN, Deceased, has filed her account for the final settle-

ment of said Estate in the Circuit Court for Lane County, State of Oregon, and that Tuesday, the 24 day of July, 1951, in the Circuit Court Room of said Court in the County Court House, Eugene, Lane County, State of Oregon, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon, has been by said Court fixed as the time and place for hearing of objections to said Final Account and for final settlement of said Estate. OPAL E. WAGNER, Administratrix. HERBERT W. LOMBARD, Attorney for Estate. 46-5t-50

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