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What About the Councilmen?

Only a few days remain for candidates for the City Council to be placed on the November ballot. So far as known as this is written no names have been filed for the position of councilman or mayor. There never has been any particular interest manifested in city politics and the present situation is little or no different from past years.

Being a member of the city council must be regarded as more or less of a civic duty, but because the job takes time as well as a chance to make enemies, the ordinary business man shuns the job. To do a good job it seems, one must not be too dependent on the local public. And yet we have had some good councilmen who are business men.

For several years now, the matter of being a councilman is not a monthly affair. It's usually required a meeting at least two or three times a month and some months more than four meetings have been held, all for the sum of \$1.00 per month. We had hoped and still hope the majority of the present council as well as the mayor may see fit to serve another two years. The job of being a councilman has been quite a struggle in recent years, yet seems the progress of the community has reached a point, where the affairs of the city will not require so much time if men like the present council will continue to serve.

The struggle to bring the community up to standards enjoyed by communities of like size has been a hard one because there has been too much neglect in the past and many projects consummated in recent years have been belated. They could have been finished earlier at less cost and less time spent in trying to figure them out.

To maintain a standard of improvements to attract new residents, even to hold our own will require considerable free time, such as has been given in the past.

A Dormant Industry

In looking over the Bohemia mining district, once the principal industry of the section, it's not too far out of line to believe that the mines may again play an important part in our local economy, if and when the government comes to regard gold as a precious metal and not to be hidden away in some vault like Fort Knox. If the price of gold could be advanced to the level of our present economy, then we would feel optimistic that mining might come into its own, but since the price of gold has been stationary for the past 24 years, we will have to witness some changes in the price of gold with reference to other products we use.

There is lots of mineral ore remaining in the mines of the Bohemia section. Other metals, which in the past have been by products of gold might be made to pay at least a share of the mining costs, should the mining of gold again become profitable. A series of misfortunes, it seems have become commonplace in the development of Bohemia. As late as 1938-39 when the Higgins and Hinsdale interests took over the Champion mine, over 100 men were pulled out of the mine in 1941, when the war board classed the mining of gold as a nonessential industry and moved the men to the shipyards.

Maybe we should go on the gold standard, which is still advocated by a large number of people.

"Concrete" Evidence

A recent editorial in the Sentinel proved but one thing for sure, and that was that at least 12 people read it. The rest I'm not so sure of.

Following an editorial explaining the great pains (and unrewarding results) taken to get about two lines of copy on when the old Main Street steel bridge was built, at least a dozen people "volunteered" information as to exactly when it was built. Each, however, had a different idea as to when the project took place, with answers ranging from "about 1908" to "sometime in 1915."

Most of these answers were little better than guesses. Two old timers, however, came up with some fairly concrete evidence to prove the construction date.

Belle Burkholder is "sure" that the bridge was built before 1912, because "that was the year we bought our first Ford car." This seems to be fairly plausible evidence.

Clarence Morss, former Grove resident now living in Sacramento, Calif., is positive the construction date was before 1911. Morss claims that he and Armand Wynne used to work for the power company and had chiseled out a circular section of the bridge's foundation to install a telephone pole.

After that Morss left for Ashland to work for the power company there. This, he claims, was in 1911. On his recent visit to Cottage Grove Morss went to see the new bridge and noticed the section of the old concrete foundation with part of the telephone pole still attached. This evidence seems even more "concrete."

It was also pointed out to me that all this information could be obtained from the city records, so I jaunted over to the city hall to see which of the old timers was right. City Recorder Farney Edwards graciously looked up the information and when do you think it was built, 1910 or 1912? You're right, neither one.

According to ordinance number 389, signed by Mayor J. H. Chambers and City Recorder J. E. Yamey, the city council awarded the construction job to A. C. U. Berry for \$3,500 "this sixth day of September 1913."

Not meaning to cast aspersions on the memories of these old timers, but if it's OK with all of you I think I'll take the written records as the correct answer, even though such "convincing" evidence says nay.

"Let's Get That Farm Vote"

I sure wish the Sentinel could get hold of the editorial cartoon which appeared in the July 10 issue of the Christian Science Monitor, but seeing we can't, maybe it can be described to you.

It pictured a very tall, pyramid shaped pile of crop surpluses and showed a congressional candidate talking to a party strategist, who said, "But if you reduce the guaranteed price too much you'll lose the farm vote!"

Above the cartoon there read a headline "MONUMENT TO POLITICAL TIMIDITY?" Very appropriate indeed. A.M.

It seems that Oregon's replica of the Liberty Bell won't ring. That's something worth looking into.

The only thing that goes as far today as it did ten years ago is the dime that rolls under the bed.

Tin Cans Are Not Ornamental

As of the opening of trout season, and from now on fishermen, and others, will be heading back to their favorite spots in the hills. And what will they find? Fish? Well, maybe. One thing they can be certain of finding, however. Last year's beer cans, nicely preserved by the winter snows, and the cans of the year before and for many years back, rusted now but holding up very well.

We don't suppose many of those who leave a trail of cans behind them in the woods really do so because they think it enhances the landscape, or because they enjoy the outdoors more if it is littered with trash. Some probably just don't care. Others probably think, "Oh, well, there are so many cans already, a few more won't matter." But if a thousand visits are made to an area in the course of a season, and only one can is left by each visitor that is quite an accumulation of trash right there.

At Lassen Park we saw some teen-agers walking around the parking area picking up trash and depositing it in the garbage cans. Of course this would have been unnecessary if careless people had not thrown the trash from their cars and had put it in the cans themselves instead. And we cannot expect a few public-spirited young people to clean up our entire mountain area.

We also saw some skiers come in from a cross-country trip, carrying packs on their backs. When they reached the road they took from their knapsacks the remains of their lunches, or whatever trash it was they had left from the trip and put it in the garbage cans. If they could pack trash out of the mountains on their backs those who go into the hills in automobiles or jeeps should be able to take along a box or bag to carry their cans and garbage back with them. Even if you are on foot, a beer can weighs less empty than it did full.

As for bottles left in the woods, they are not only unsightly but are actually dangerous. An instance has been told us of a grass fire right in Paradise which was caused by a piece of broken bottle which had been left in the grass and acted as a burning glass when the sun hit it. A bottle discarded in the hills can easily start a forest fire in the same way.

—Paradise (Calif.) Post

Weeklies Read 'Cover to Cover'

"Big city papers talk more and more about editorial influence and exercise less and less of it, while weeklies continue to gain an advantage of being able to care most," Lloyd Taft, son of the late Robert Taft, and assistant publisher of the Cincinnati Times-Star, told members of the Miami Valley Press Association recently.

"If Jane Doe is being married, the out-of-town paper may only be able to give the wedding small space, and 20 miles away it may go completely unnoticed, but in her home town paper the attention given Jane will rival that of Hollywood's most glamorous stars. It will be Jane's day."

Due to competition from television programs, the dailies are being forced to condense their news so that it can be read more quickly, Mr. Taft added. Evening papers also are pushing up the time of delivery so that subscribers can read the news before dinner.

"On the other hand," he said, "the weeklies, which are read at a more leisurely pace, continue to be read from 'cover to cover.'"

Thanks, Mr. Taft, for paying the weeklies such high tribute. It has long been our contention that the Oxford Press is the one paper most interested in Oxford and vicinity and it is our goal not only to report the news here thoroughly and accurately, but to handle it with a personal touch which is as kindly as we can make it without showing bias or favor. Help in attaining this goal is constantly sought and always appreciated.

The Oxford (Ohio) Press

Eight Easy Lessons

A New York radio and television firm is offering a new twist on the old story of promoting safe driving. Follow these rules, if you're determined to get there first—even if it's not all in one piece.

1. Don't let any other car stay in front of you, even if you have to do 90 to pass it. After all, how can you see where you're going if your view is obstructed?

2. Don't stop every two hours for a cup of coffee and a breather. What if it does make you more alert? It may add as much as 10 to 15 minutes to your trip. On a six-hour drive that's over two minutes an hour.

3. Keep up a running argument with your passengers to break the monotony of the drive. Don't fret about it being distracting—even if you do hit something, today's cars have the softest seat cushions in the world. Besides, you're insured, aren't you?

4. When you stop for lunch don't drink any prosaic beverage like coffee—any peasant can do that. Holidays call for cocktails—and for the rest of the trip you'll think you're floating. Maybe you will be.

5. Don't be a sissy about sleep. If you want to make time you've got to keep driving. When your eyelids feel heavy don't pull over and rest—haven't you any will-power? Suppose you do crack up—on today's super-highways an ambulance is seldom more than a few minutes away.

6. Don't take your eyes off your driving mirror. How else can you tell whether a cop is trying to catch you?

7. Use your ingenuity. Anyone can get where he is going by keeping to the right all the way, but it takes real ability to keep cutting in and out. And who knows—you may even get there safely, too.

8. Don't start your trip a bit earlier to save last-minute hustle and bustle. Sleep a little longer and make up the time by speeding—in three hours you might gain as much as 15 minutes.

Why not be foresighted and make your hospital reservations before you start your trip—accommodations are always scarce during holidays and weekends.—Valley News

Sour but Needed

Amid the chorus of pleased comments on improving business conditions in the United States the National Planning Association has sounded a sour note. Yet its report, entitled "Opportunities for Economic Expansion," deserves attention. For its emphasis is on growth and opportunity rather than on a static or closed economy.

It concedes that the recent unlamented recession was a mere dip, reducing industrial production by only 6.7 percent, compared with the 17 percent in the 1949-50 slump. Probably, too, it was compiled before the most recent and vigorous increases in employment were recorded. Thus its estimate that the nation is in danger of losing some \$25,000,000,000 by next year through failure to fully employ its manpower and resources may be upset by further gains in employment.

Even so, the report has a valid point in urging Americans not to overlook the fact that an unnecessary unemployment is a waste which the nation should seek to prevent. This is a case which Prof. Sumner Slichter of Harvard has often eloquently argued. While recognizing that a certain amount of "play" or flexibility is required in a free economy and that some changing of jobs is even a sign of health, the goal should be the fullest possible employment.

With a rapidly increasing population that means that sights must be repeatedly raised. Gratitude for the current encouraging upturn should not produce a complacency which ignores the demands for further progress.

Christian Science Monitor

Will of your own is more likely to help you succeed than the will of a rich relation.—Indianapolis Times.

PLEASE!

A LOT OF US MAY NOT GET ANY MORE HELP BECAUSE THERE'S NO MORE MONEY LEFT IN THE MARCH OF DIMES!



YEAH—THAT'S BECAUSE THOUSANDS OF US GOT VACCINE AND GAMMA GLOBULIN SHOTS THIS YEAR

GIVE TO THE EMERGENCY MARCH OF DIMES - NOW!

Any Kicks? Write—
BOX 66

Dear Editor:
The Military Department of Oregon has noted with great interest your editorials of July 8 and 22, 1950, pertaining to the National Guard Armory of Cottage Grove.

It must be appreciated that this Department, the Adjutant General, and the Governor of Oregon, as commander-in-chief of all military establishments under his control within Oregon, can not complacently stand by or acquiesce in stating their position and action towards such misinformation being published.

A brief resume of the history of events surrounding your armory should be of real interest to you and the citizenry of Cottage Grove. The following represents only a few pertinent facts:
1. The original construction cost in 1930 was \$43,943.98. The architectural design, the first of its type in Oregon, was promoted by the present Adjutant General and is still regarded as outstanding in beauty and military practical design.

2. For the reason the Oregon National Guard, including that outstanding unit at Cottage Grove, was inducted into federal service on 16 September 1940, there was immediately proposed the matter of whether to close the armory or offer its facilities to the community. A decision which was believed to be to the best interest of the community and the state resulted in this Department directing a communication dated September 9, 1940 to the then mayor, Mr. Cleo Morelock, offering the use of the armory to the City of Cottage Grove for the period of the emergency in which our country was then engaged. A letter dated September 24, 1940 was received indicating the acceptance of the use of the armory and its facilities and included the appointment of a board for operation, maintenance, care, and use of the properties. The board was composed of Messrs. W. L. Workman, George Matthews, and Jess Lansing, Sr. Through the following years to about early 1946 the armory building was, therefore, under the appointed board's jurisdiction.

3. The Military Department in the name of the State of Oregon taking over the armory properties and facilities, following the close of its active war responsibility, found itself faced with the problem of a building badly in need of complete renovation. This was accomplished step by step and year by year within limits of funds available to this Department out of its general appropriation by the legislative body.

4. To the present date there has been expended since the year 1946 a sum in excess of \$15,000 out of state appropriated funds for direct improvements to the armory.

5. An inspection of your armory made by the Assistant Adjutant General and the writer on about April 22, 1950, resulted in a report of a general condition of the armory to the Adjutant General in part as quoted:

"The general appearance of exterior was good. Well polished, lawn and shrubs trimmed; windows clean. Interior was in an excellent state of maintenance, clean, painted, and polished. The overall appearance is excellent and outstanding."

Again in the report which covered eleven armories inspected, these words are quoted: "The Cottage Grove Armory is considered to be one that has fine supervision, a considerable

amount of individual effort expended toward upkeep, an apparent keen sense of responsibility by all who use its facilities for the proper consideration and upkeep of all the properties, and an alertness of duty to the military and community within which it rests."

You may be assured that the Military Department would be the first to criticize and immediately initiate such action as would be required to put any armory or facility up to operative and appearance condition which would reflect with honor and dignity the interests of the military, the community, and the state of Oregon.

An open invitation is most cordially extended to you and all citizens of Cottage Grove to personally inspect and view the armory with particular attention directed to its state of upkeep, the facilities made available to the Guardsmen of Cottage Grove using its facilities in training, and a report of the uses to which your armory is offered for civic, educational, philanthropic endeavors, and cultural benefits.

Sincerely yours,
Carl H. Cover
Ass't. Director
Armories & Facilities
For the Adjutant General

Dear Editor:

About the naming of the pioneers, there is a real protest that the names of only a comparatively few are being given. True, they were the old pioneers, but it is also true that many soon followed them and they too experienced the same hardships, the same as those who came before them, and these conditions held for many years.

So let there be a memorial placed for all pioneers.

There is a real feeling of protest with many over this attitude of what some feel is "me and my wife, my son John and his wife, my four and no more," as one white headed oldster put it. Name on request.

OSC Urges Students To Arrange Housing

OREGON STATE COLLEGE—Students planning to attend Oregon State college this fall have been advised to start making housing arrangements even though classes are still a month off.

Early arrangements—especially in the case of married students—offer better chance for selection to personal likes and needs, officials point out. New student week is September 19 to 25. Classes start September 27.

Adequate dormitory space is assured for all single men and women who wish to live in residence halls on the campus, according to Robert C. Koehler, director of dormitories.

Two new 60-man cooperative dormitories—Heckart and Reed lodges—will be ready for the opening of school but both are already filled. Accommodations are still available, however, in other cooperative houses where students share housework responsibilities.

Campus housing for married students is all taken but prospects for off-campus housing in private homes and apartments are "fairly good." Such reservations must be made by person but lists of off-campus housing are available from Mrs. Rose Duthie, head of the college housing-office in the commerce building. Room and board for single men in approved off-campus homes is plentiful.

Doyle Higdon

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two years of the U. of O., an average grade of 3.6, which is better than half A's and B's. He also held academic scholarships since enrolling in the university. Higdon had been taking business courses preparatory to enrolling in law school.

Higdon was born in Eldorado, Kans., August 3, 1904, and came to Cottage Grove five years ago from Blythe, Calif. He was a graduate of the local high school with the class of '32. He was a member of Druids, Junior men's honorary, and the Beta Theta Pi fraternity at the university, and also a member of the Christian church.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Higdon; two sisters; Phyllis and Sue, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Doyle, Douglass, Kans.

The body was shipped to Hilliard Funeral Home, Douglass, Kans., where funeral services were held Wednesday. Interment was at Potwin, Kans. Mills Mortuary was in charge of local arrangements.

Hausotter, a resident of the Lorane area for the past 14 years, was born July 7, 1920, at Riddle, Ore., and was married February 13, 1944, to Mildred J. Brockelsby at Eugene. He was a veteran of World War II, member of the Eagles lodge and the Lorane Grange.

Surviving are his widow; two children, Richard and Roxanne, at home; father, Paul Hausotter, Hawthorne, Nev., mother, Mrs. Caroline Hausotter, Riddle; two brothers, Charles E., Hawthorne, Nev., and David, USAF, Germany; five sisters: Betty A. Ripenan, Marie Boyd, Ellen Pearson and Joanne Mealler, all of Riddle, and Jane Cook, Myrtle Creek.

The body was taken to Canyonville for funeral and burial. Mills Mortuary was in charge of local arrangements.

Bohemia Trek

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on this road used recently for logging purposes.

Stops were made at the Fairview lookout and the Vesuvius mine before proceeding on to the Champion mine cookhouse, where lunch was served. After lunch and after a short meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, Bill Bartels Jr., who owns the Champion mine with his father took a party thru the mill and mine tunnel.

Others joined a group going to the Johnson meadows. The outing was pronounced a success and the group voiced an opinion that the Bohemia trip should be made an annual occasion. Chick Hiltbrand, Chamber manager, said the trip next year would be arranged to coincide with the centennial celebration and that the trek would be made a two or three day affair.

Visitors making the trip included Kenneth Nielsen and Robert Maclay, county commissioners from Eugene; Gene Renard, manager of the Lane county park commission; Herman Head, president of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce and member of the Lane county park board; Bill Cash of Oakridge, Dick Tubman of the Umpqua forest service and John Watts of Portland, chairman of the Oregon Development commission.

South Lane Fair

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test blue ribbons at the Fairs, are requested to retain their entries until they hear from the National Needlecraft Bureau in New York. Upon receipt of the winners' names from the Fair secretary, the Bureau will send complete information and entry forms directly to the contestants to aid them in preparing their entries for the national judging.

Blue ribbon winners, who will receive entry identification tags from New York, are asked to sew these tags securely to their pieces to avoid loss. The judges advise, for the sake of appearance and ease of handling, that no cardboard or paper backing be sewed to the article. Excellent care will be taken of each piece before, during and after the New York judging, and all entries will be insured from the time received until they are returned to their owners.

Phebe E. Young

Funeral services for Phebe Evelyn Young, 242 North J St., Cottage Grove, were held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, August 14, at Mills Mortuary, with the Rev. Donald Anderson officiating. Interment was in Taylor-Lane cemetery.

Mrs. Young was 84 years old and had been a resident of Cottage Grove for 60 years. She was born Phebe Evelyn Carlie, March 31, 1870, at Hillsboro, and was married March 27, 1887, at Goldendale, Wash., to John Young, who preceded her in death in 1920. Mrs. Young came to Cottage Grove from Washington. She was a member of the Christian Church.

Surviving are one brother, William Carlie, Myrtle Point; four sisters: Mrs. Rose Belieu and Mrs. Viola Waterman, both of Myrtle Point; Mrs. Lillie Herron, Coos Bay, and Mrs. Mary Peterson, Cottage Grove; two half-brothers: M. P. Carlie and Harvey M. Carlie, both in Canada; and several nieces and nephews.

ROUGH ON RED

Shed a tear for the plight of the Communist Party organizer who, so the story goes, wrote this complaint to his superior:

Lions Elect International President



Monroe L. Nute

Monroe L. Nute of Kennett Square, Pennsylvania was elected International President of Lions International at the Association's 37th Annual Convention in New York City. Lions International with more than half a million members in 11,000 clubs in 58 countries and geographical locations is the world's largest service club organization.

11 Hearings Set For Fall by Milk Marketing Adm'ton

A series of 11 hearings in nine milk marketing areas of the state will be held by the Oregon Milk Marketing Administration during September. The hearings are expected to yield information which the State Board of Agriculture can use as a basis for amendments to minimum price schedules and pooling regulations now in effect in Oregon fluid milk markets.

Milk producers and distributors are being asked to prepare current figures relating to their individual costs for producing and handling milk for presentation at the hearings, according to W. S. Weidelf, Milk Administrator. This data will be supplemented by information obtained from independent surveys and audits conducted by the Administration.

Opportunity will be given for producer-distributors of raw milk sold in gallon containers to show their costs as some of these dealers have claimed that they can distribute milk at rates considerably lower than existing minimum prices set by previous price schedules.

The September hearings are the third in a series of semi-annual hearings instituted by the State Board of Agriculture in 1953, when the state was restricted for more efficient administration of the Milk Marketing Act. Formerly a provision of the law required that a hearing be held in each county of the state before prices of rules could be changed in that county.

Among the 11 hearings scheduled is one which affects this district and includes Linn, Benton and eastern Lane counties, known as the Upper Willamette area. This hearing will be held in Eugene.

Unemployment Hits Near Record

With unemployment continuing near record summer levels, payments to those unable to find work reached \$1,008,812 last month, highest July total in the 17-year-history of the State Unemployment Compensation Commission.

Local offices estimated 37,500 persons were actively seeking jobs August 1, not including up to 25,000 others involved in labor disputes. A fair proportion of those on strike were reported as engaged in temporary work. Bean picking and other late harvests are expected to ease unemployment problems in many sections during the coming weeks.

The estimate of 37,200 active jobseekers has been exceeded only once at this season (in 1949) and compares with 38,900 a month ago and 24,600 last year. Unemployment edged slightly higher during July in the metropolitan area, and around Astoria, Coos Bay, Bend, Eugene, Salem, The Dalles and Tillamook.

Approximately half of last month's payments went to those in the metropolitan area, while Eugene led other offices by a good margin. With workers directly involved in labor disputes ineligible for compensation, only about 20 per cent went to those in woods industries. Trade led all groups with 24 per cent, while food processing and miscellaneous manufacturing each contributed about 15 per cent.

Weekly claims were running from 40 to 50 per cent ahead of a year ago and about the same in the summer of 1949. Since the start of the new benefit year last month, 28,891 persons have filed requests for compensation, and increase of 45.5 per cent over the same period in 1953.

Woman work in an Eastern electrical plant turns out mirrors so tiny that it takes six to cover the head of a pin; used in laboratory research. In her spare time she does fine sewing!