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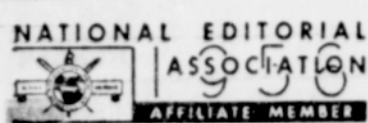
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### Comparative Study of Our City Government

Had the city decided to employ an expert in municipal affairs, instead of appointing a citizen's committee to make an analysis of the local city government, such a report would have been based largely on comparative data from other cities of like size either in or outside of the state for this is the most effective yardstick in measuring the good and bad points of our municipal government.

In order to determine something of the financial structure on which other cities operate, the committee examined the 1955-56 budgets of the following cities, all approximately in the population class of Cottage Grove: Sutherlin, Tillamook, Beaverton, Newberg and Milwaukie. Later the 1955-56 budget of Reedsport was received.

The committee agreed that it was the chief function to examine matters relative to the financial operation of such cities under study and to do so in an impartial manner, but to evade an attempt to sell its findings to the city council. Its findings were submitted for the council to accept or reject all or any portion of the report the council should deem meritorious.

As a public service we shall attempt to present a comparison of each of the seven cities with Cottage Grove in the next seven weeks. Taking Reedsport as the first city for such purpose, here are the essential facts as far as we are able to present them:

|                                                                                          | Cottage Grove | Reedsport    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Total of all expenditures                                                                | \$231,383.83  | \$247,855.75 |
| Total taxes needed                                                                       | 109,680.00    | 49,600.45    |
| Police Department:                                                                       |               |              |
| Police chief, salary                                                                     | 4,800.00      | 4,920.00     |
| Deputy chief                                                                             | 4,380.00      | 4,020.00     |
| Deputy Reedsport only                                                                    |               | 3,900.00     |
| 3 patrolmen—CG                                                                           | 11,700.00     |              |
| 3 radio operators                                                                        | 8,100.00      |              |
| Fire chief                                                                               | 4,800.00      | 540.00       |
| Ass't fire chief                                                                         | 4,380.00      |              |
| Salary 4 firemen                                                                         | 15,600.00     |              |
| Firemen wages                                                                            |               | 2,700.00     |
| City recorder                                                                            | *600.00       | 5,880.00     |
| Office clerks, recorder                                                                  | *3,840.00     |              |
| City manager                                                                             |               | 6,300.00     |
| Salary vol. firemen:                                                                     |               |              |
| While on duty                                                                            | 1,500.00      |              |
| City attorney                                                                            | 1,200.00      | 1,500.00     |
| City hall janitor                                                                        | 1,020.00      |              |
| * City recorder has job of water collector at \$4,200 and an office clerk at \$2,280.00. |               |              |

Reedsport apparently keeps its city taxes down by transferring profits of the water department to the general fund. However, school taxes there are higher than local school taxes, which nearly equalizes the over-all rate of the two cities.

### So Many Wrong Answers

Ralph T. Moore, writing in the current Oregon Voter, calls attention to the fact that a large number of public school pupils are missing the boat so far as knowing about the American way of life and just what this life has meant to us as individuals. A recent poll of about 1,500 high school pupils in an industrial city supports the view of military and industrial leaders that our public schools are weak in teaching the economic fundamentals of life in a representative republic, he says.

The poll was revealing in that it was a test of how many high school pupils know the wrong answers to the ordinary economic problems and illustrates the trend toward a socialistic or totalitarian form of government. For instance a majority interviewed showed a preference to price controls over free enterprise where the consumer controls prices through the exercise of his preferential franchise. Most interviewed believed that the owner of a business got too much compared to employees. Those polled believed as the communists that each should be paid according to his ability and each should be given according to his needs.

Of more concern to the military men is the ease which the Chinese Reds were able to brainwash about a third of the American prisoners. This indicates poor foundation in the vital faith and love of country which we must have if we are to endure as a nation.

It is said that large business concerns, particularly those in the merchandise field, are finding it profitable and expedient to send new employees through a brief, but intensive refresher course on how to add and write legibly. The refresher course was adopted because it saves costly mistakes later.

There have been complaints on unrealistic attitudes on the part of young employees. And there is great concern among the young for the thing called "security" in a world where even the job itself is not secure.

In many cases there seems to be a contempt for opportunity and a tendency toward sloppiness in job performance. An employee of this type will condescend to travel toward advancement, if he can travel in a comfortable vehicle. Self-help is too often neglected as one climbs on the band wagon, pays his fare and relaxes while being wafted to automatic success.

As we have said before the prime responsibility for this condition rests with the home. It is difficult to tell just how good a job the public schools are trying to do in instances of this sort, those responsible are falling down pretty badly. Our observations leads us to believe that the "pink" college boy obtained his shade of pink possibly from the home, but the schools are not very hard at work trying to rectify the situation.

### Serve-Yourself Spread

The shift to serve-yourself retailing is moving so rapidly that by 1960 one out of every three stores will use it to a major degree, says Gustav L. Nordstrom, executive secretary of the Folding Paper Box association.

Nordstrom bases his prediction on the type of entries submitted to the eleventh annual carton contest in San Francisco this month. He said there was an increasing number of cartons designed to do their own quick, convenient selling in non-food fields.

In hardware stores, Nordstrom noted, colorfully packaged items are taking the places of bins and trays of loose tools. Attractive counter display boxes containing pliers, saw blades, and do-it-yourself tools make it easier for the hardware dealer to sell and the consumer to buy.

Another important trend, Nordstrom said, is that toward increasing packaging of such textiles as towels, linens, blankets and notions. There were nearly three times as many entries in this group as ever before, he reported. "Both consumers and retailers," he said, "like the convenient, colorful cartons that help keep the merchandise clean and make gift items out of ordinary merchandise."



GIVING THEIR SEWING MACHINES a good cleaning are these women, under direction of two trained member-leaders of Mosby Creek Home Extension unit, Mrs. Roy England and Mrs. W. O. Noeth, standing center back in each picture. All of the machines, except one, were older treadle models which had served their owners well, some not new when purchased by the present owner. First newspapers were spread to protect the floor, then each woman was told to take off all removable parts from the head of her machine, starting with the needle, the presser foot, shuttle, and so on. As these were removed they were placed in an old pie tin lined with paper and filled with kerosene. A circle was drawn on the paper around each small part laid in the pan and the circle numbered in the order in which the part was removed.

### Joseph Bricher Sr. Resident Since '09

Joseph Bricher Sr. of 1018 N. Douglas street, Cottage Grove, passed away Saturday, March 24, 1956. He was 89 years of age. Rosary was said at Smith Funeral chapel, Cottage Grove, Monday at 7:30 p.m. Funeral Mass was at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic church Tuesday at 9 a.m. Interment in IOOF cemetery following. Father Carl Mai officiated.

Mr. Bricher was born near Kellogg, Minn., June 5, 1866. He made his home there until moving to Cottage Grove in 1909. He was married to Caroline Johnson in Plainview, Minn., in 1898. She passed away in 1946. Mr. Bricher was a member of the Catholic church.

He is survived by one daughter and three sons, Mrs. Agnes Fenton of St. Paul, Ore., Irwin, Joseph and Vincent, all of Cottage Grove; 19 grandchildren; one sister, Lydia of Los Angeles, and one brother, Chris, of Toledo, Ohio.

### Hatfield to Speak At UO Assembly

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene—Keynote speaker for an orientation assembly, to be held as one of the major events of the annual Greek Week here April 5 to 7, will be State Senator Mark Hatfield of Salem.

Hatfield will address sorority and fraternity members at 7 p.m. Friday, April 6. Dean of students at Willamette university, Hatfield is advisor of the Willamette interfraternity council and an alumnus of Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

Hatfield's talk will concern the advantages of fraternity life including contributions to community and campus living, academic aspects, and ideals.

Featured during the three-day Greek event will be a talent show, a community project, dance, picnics, and exchange dinners.

Co-chairman for the event are Judy Loucks of Salem and Richard Allen of Portland.

### Congress Recesses for Easter

Letter from Washington

by our Congressman, Harris Ellsworth

The day this weekly letter appears in print I shall be on my way to Oregon. Both houses of congress have scheduled a short recess beginning just before Easter and through the week following. I have no set schedule for the week I shall be home except that I will spend at least a day or two with my mother who lives in Eugene. Also, if I can get there in time, I will attend a ceremony dedicating a new wing on the Douglas county courthouse at Roseburg.

However, the time (one week) will be much too short for me to do all of the things I want to do. I want to talk with numerous people in Linn and Lane counties who are working on the flood control problem and who are supporting my effort to get construction of the Green Peter and Cougar flood control dams speeded up by building them on the partnership plan. Likewise I have several matters to discuss with people in the Coos and Curry coast counties. In Jackson and Josephine I hope to meet with as many people as possible and tell them about my bill to authorize a genuinely comprehensive survey of the Rogue valley by the army engineers. I want to be briefed on the flood damage suffered in December in nearly every section of our Fourth congressional district. How much of this ambitious program I shall be able to carry out I don't know but I am going to travel fast, and early and late!

The House appropriations subcommittee which writes the appropriation bill for public works projects is holding hearings now. I am busy preparing rather voluminous testimony which I will present on a total of 14 badly needed projects in our district. Some of them are included in the President's budget and should be favorably treated by the committee. Others were not put in the budget and therefore may not get favorable consideration. There is a sort of unwritten rule of long standing that the house committee sometimes cuts projects out that are in the budget but never includes an item which has been left out of the budget.

That policy is tough on house members because in the senate where they have no such rule, worthy unbudgeted projects are often included. Thus the Senators get the credit and that, in a political sense, is pretty important because this is an election year. I am going to make the best effort I can to get the house to include money in the bill for all of our projects. If I get beat on some of them I hope they are put in by the senate and then I'll work with house members in the conference committee to keep the projects in the bill.

The big highway construction bill is nearing completion in the house committee on public works. The tax section has been completed by the ways and means committee. The bill may not reach the floor of the house before Easter but it surely will be a first order of business immediately after the recess.

Nobody seems to know what has happened to the bill known as the School Construction bill. The chairman of the rules committee has not set it for further hearings (seven witnesses are still to be heard) and no one on the majority side of the house where the legislative program is made seems to be interested in that bill.

Th Oregon election is certainly in the spotlight here. Nearly everyone I talk to asks me about it.

### Cub Scouts Parents Attend Pack Meet At Dorena Mch. 22

By Mrs. Florence Erikson  
Phone 68405

CULP CREEK—The pack meeting of Cub Scouts and parents was well attended at Dorena on March 22 with an entertaining program. It opened with the flag salute, skit by Den 5, songs, awards and games. Randy Brown, Terry Touren received their registration cards; Vernon Leach, Terry Alphin, bob cat pins; Vernon Hass bear badge; Calvin Little, Tommy Carr and Freddie Porisch received their wolf badges. Gold arrows were presented to Tommy Carr and Randy Brown; silver arrow to Randy Brown; lion badge and denner bar received by Kenneth Miller. The pre-pack committee meeting will be held at the Henry Monroe home Tuesday evening, April 10. Theme for April is "Bird Watchers." The pack meeting is to be held at Culp Creek on Thursday evening, April 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Oran Counts and family of Coquille were Sunday afternoon guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cranmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Cranmer and family of Newberg visited over the weekend with the Fred Cranmer family and the Leroy Pullan family.

A pre-nuptial shower was held honoring Bea Cranmer with Mrs. Ruth Fry of Blue River as hostess, Friday evening at 7:30 at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cranmer. Guests included Mrs. Don Davis, Frank Tanner, Kenneth Owen, Pete McGee, William Cooper, Elliot Erikson, Culp Creek, Leroy Pullan, George Hatt of Dorena, Wayne Smith, O. J. Thiel, Dean Cranmer of Cottage Grove, Harrison Mathis of Lynx Hollow, Leonard Cranmer of Newberg, Misses Barbara Lamm, Marietta Cranmer also of Newberg, Pat Vaughn, Sharon Tanner, Valeria Owen, Sharon and La-Vina Erikson, Sandra, Linda, Bunny Cranmer and Judy Pullan.

Games were played with Mrs. Wayne Smith, Mrs. Dean Cranmer and Sharon Erikson winning.

prizes. Many gifts were received by the honoree. Refreshments of cake, coffee, ice cream, tea, punch and tidbits were served.

Mrs. Elmer Goodell was hostess to the sewing club at her home Wednesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dean and family spent the weekend at Camas Valley with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Kizer.

Mrs. Frank Donnell of Goshen, Calif., came Monday for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Orland Burns, and family. Mrs. Burns sustained an eye injury recently and her vision has been greatly impaired. We wish her a complete recovery.

Darrell Lee Tucker is reported to be improving satisfactorily from an attack of rheumatic fever. Those who expect to vote are reminded that they must register before April 15 if they have not voted the past two years to be eligible voters for the next election. Ralph Ross is in charge of the registering in this area.

Stanley Cooper who is attending OTI at Klamath Falls spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. William Braithwaite of Newport, Wash., Mr. and Mrs. Bud Carrigan and son Ronald of Minnesota were Saturday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Violette and family.

Mrs. William Cooper accompanied Mrs. Jack Jones and her mother, Mrs. Brinkley, of Salem to Salem Friday after she had visited her daughter the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Violette and family, Mr. and Mrs. Millard Ward and Karen were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Violette in Cottage Grove. Other guests were their daughter and son-in-law and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Ross of Roseburg.

Mrs. Elliot Erikson entertained the Cub Scouts of Den 3 and 4 at her home Thursday afternoon in honor of their son, Eugene, whose ninth birthday was March 18. Ronald Rounsaville also was a guest. Games were played with prizes going to Gary Dean, Duane Violette and Ronald Rounsaville. Refreshments of hot chocolate, cake and ice cream were served by the hostess.



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### So They Say



when she told of the poor pictures on her TV set. Now, she smiles . . . for Ed's fixed the set . . . at a fair price!



THE SEVEN WOMEN photographed at work on their machines are, seated, at far left, front to back of picture, Mrs. Everett McCoy, Mrs. Bryson Sandifur and Mrs. Elgin Crane. Behind them, standing, Mrs. Faye Kox works to remove a part from her electric machine. Seated at far right, back to front of picture, are Mrs. Roy Kennedy, Mrs. Dale McCoy and Mrs. Sig Nelson. When Mrs. Nelson took the metal plate from the head of her machine she found two small buttons and a tiny metal eye, a part from the machine which she had never missed.

### Ad-Rime Musings

Inspired by the Sentinel's current Ad-Rime contest is this poetic contribution.

The lady walks into a shop  
To wait upon her the clerks all  
hop

She prices this, examines that,  
Til the manager longs to use his  
"gat."

After searching through every-  
thing in the store  
"I was just looking," going toward  
the door

As she leaves she says with the  
air of a queen  
"I do all my shopping in Eugene."

In Eugene she wanders from store  
to store  
Never finding just what she's  
"looking" for

She searches through every store  
in town  
Riding the elevators up and down,  
She tries on hats and coats and  
gowns

"Not just what I want," she says  
with a frown  
Nary a dollar's worth does she buy  
But nothing escapes her eagle eye.

Every item on every shelf she  
finger, muttering to herself  
The clerks all hurry up to her,  
"Something, Madam?"

"No dear," she'll purr, then as  
toward the door she'll rove,  
"I can find better bargains in  
Cottage Grove."

Mrs. Roy Payne  
1436 Parks Rd.  
Cottage Grove.

During World War II, the Army shipped by sea transport some 144,000,000 (M) tons of cargo.

Lions scored 333 out of 572 attempts for an average of .582.  
Ron Rice paced the individual scorers with 365 points in 23 games for a .159 average. Leon Hayes scored 262 in 23 games for a .139 average. Rice led in free throws also with 79 out of 127 attempts for a .623 average, but Hayes had the highest average with .713, scoring 62 out of 87 attempts.

|              | Games | TP  | Ave. |
|--------------|-------|-----|------|
| R. Rice      | 23    | 365 | .159 |
| L. Hayes     | 22    | 262 | .139 |
| D. Castle    | 22    | 231 | .105 |
| J. Nichols   | 23    | 155 | .067 |
| B. Angell    | 23    | 131 | .057 |
| L. Burleson  | 18    | 77  | .041 |
| B. Peters    | 19    | 27  | .014 |
| G. Woodworth | 17    | 21  | .012 |
| T. Picknell  | 20    | 16  | .008 |

### COMPOUNDING The NEWS

By Phil Varley

We see where the Director for the National Institute for Human Relations claims that teachers are numbered among the best wives. He reports the school-marks are lovable, eager to marry, and less addicted to "yak-yak-yak" than most other women. It may be just that they get so tired from talking to some of the less enthusiastic students all day that it's a relief to be quiet.

The Director also says they have a deep affection for children. It might be interesting to get a reaction on this from the kid who was caught chewing gum in class today. Whether the Director is a good judge or not on this subject, he's on the right track. School teachers deserve a large helping of praise. They miss out on it sometimes. If a child gets good grades, we give him credit; if he gets poor ones . . . we blame the teacher!

In Irvington, N.J., a fellow tried to pay the fine on a traffic ticket with a home-made \$10 bill. That's carrying "do-it-yourself" too far. Do-it-yourself is something that doesn't carry over into prescription service. That takes a specialist . . . and we specialize in prompt, accurate prescription care. Rely on your Rexall pharmacist at

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