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Where Does the Teachers Responsibility End?

When a teacher disciplined a pupil at a school function in the Unatilla region recently, the case seemed to have created a great deal of interest because the justice of the peace ruled in favor of the pupil. The substance of the ruling was that the teacher had no jurisdiction over the pupil after school hours.

We doubt the ordinary justice of the peace has the ability to set a precedent in the matter, but if he did, such ruling would be contrary to the conception some people have of the duties of a teacher. Some people would like to hold the teacher responsible for the action of the pupil, regardless of where the pupil was.

Furthermore some people would like to pass the responsibility of rearing their youngsters to the teacher, because bringing their children up in the way they should, can become awfully inconvenient at times and can seriously interfere with the liberties of the adult in many merry and hilarious parties. Yes, to be an ideal parent, one has to set a good example, which puts too much restraint on some people.

Unfortunately because the teacher can not have full control in bringing up the youngsters in the way they should go, has made necessary juvenile homes, jails and many other places of correction.

The Rat Race

A good many people have concluded that this business of living and getting ahead is pretty much of a rat race. We seem to travel pretty well in a defined circle. Shortly after the Korean War, we were led to believe that salaries or wages were tied pretty much to the cost of living, but this was evidently a beautiful theory, to be tossed aside when expedient. No segment of people reach the point where they are satisfied with what they earn. They want more, the manufacturer in turn raises the price of his product, which in turn calls for more wages.

While our standard of living rises through better living, our European neighbors are struggling along with conditions and wages not a great deal higher than pre-war. If we are to have more free trade, as many people urge for friendship sake, how shall we accept foreign goods made in most instances with cheap labor, without lowering our own standard of living? Without considering the implications of foreign goods in our own markets, it looks as though increasing wages will eventually bring trouble. Most everybody realizes that such increases will bring disaster, yet no one is unselfish enough to say he or she thinks wages and salaries have gone up enough and he or she is willing to hold the line.

Look at what has happened to building costs in the past twelve years. Such costs have practically doubled in the period. Building is just one classical example of what has happened and proves beyond a doubt that present costs are not tied to the cost of living.

We often see a group, or school or some governmental organization say that increased budgets are needed to meet increased costs, which are due in the main to higher salaries, yet figures released recently show the cost of living is about at a standstill.

Election Laws

Democratic party opposition to reform of Oregon's registration and election laws was marked by acute excitement when the two measures were presented to the house committee in the 1955 Legislature. Mrs. Jean Young, chairman of the committee which had formulated the measures by closely following National Municipal league models, appeared before the house committee and defended the bills on every detail, including the provision requiring the voter to sign two poll books. The reason for signing two books was that the Oregon election laws already required two poll books, one by each party, and it seemed reasonable to require the voter to sign both. The purpose of the signature was to verify the identity of the voter in the event of a contest in which illegal voting was alleged. On the floor of the house, in the senate committee and on the floor of the senate, democratic partisan opposition to the reform was extreme, based on the ground that the proposed amendments would have the effect of discouraging voting. The measures passed both houses by a partisan vote—republicans for, democrats against—with few minor exceptions.

Since 1955 democratic partisan denunciation of the two measures has reached the point of hysteria.

Portland Labor Council deserves credit for having permitted Mrs. Young to appear before it and explain the new laws. She was received courteously and attentively. Apparently the hysteria of democratic party leaders had little effect on the labor council's deliberations.

Just why the local leaders of the democratic party should resent so severely attempts made in good faith to effect needed reforms in election procedure is not clear unless it can be said (and we don't say it) that measures to eliminate fraudulent voting would apply far more to democrats than to republicans! If experience under the two laws indicates they need further fixing—possibly some way of reducing the poll book requirement from two to the one—the necessary amendments can be made by the 1957 legislature. Elections should be safeguarded in every possible way to prevent frauds, and efforts to safeguard them should in no sense meet with opposition based purely on party affiliation. —Oregon Voter.

B. McCormack Dies at Age of 74

Bernard McCormack of Dorena died at his home Thursday, April 26, following a long illness. He was 74 years old. Mr. McCormack came to Cottage Grove in 1930 as yard foreman for the Rose River Lumber company. He was born in Ireland December 19, 1881, and came to the United States in 1902 and to Cottage Grove from Oregon City in 1930. He was married to Frances Hewes in Oregon City in 1936. Mr. McCormack was a member of the Catholic church.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two step-sons: Frank Hewes of Culp Creek and Jack Hewes of Portland.

Rosary was said at the Smith Funeral Chapel Sunday at 7:30 p.m., and funeral services were held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic church Monday, April 30, at 10 a.m., with interment in Rest Haven Memorial

park, Eugene. Father Carl Mai officiated.

Jacob Lindamood

Jacob M. Lindamood, a former Cottage Grove resident, passed away at a Salem hospital Saturday, April 21, 1956, at the age of 69. He was born June 12, 1876, at Republic, Kan., and was married there December 21, 1904, to Viva Nixon, who survives him.

Besides his wife he is survived by four daughters: Mrs. Alma Sears, Cottage Grove, Mrs. Ruby Blank, Beaverton, and Mrs. Nina Morgan and Mrs. Gail O'Conner, both of Medford; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one brother, Clem Lindamood, Nebraska and one sister, Mrs. Hazel Anderson, Kansas.

Funeral services were held at the Walker cemetery Tuesday, April 24, 1956, at 10 a.m. The Rev. D. Hugh Peniston officiated with Mills Mortuary in charge of arrangements.



To the Editor: The publicity from the Sentinel for the Heart Campaign in Cottage Grove has been wonderful.

I am sure a great share of the campaign's success in your area can be attributed to the fine support you gave during the Heart Campaign.

You can be certain that the money collected will be prudently spent for research to increase medical knowledge and to improve present day treatment. It also will provide education to bring current and accurate information to the general public in all areas of the state, community services such as programs on weight control, rheumatic fever prevention and cure, and a state-wide magazine for young shut-ins.

Will you please contact Mrs. Gas Walther, P.O. Box 506, Cottage Grove, our local chairman, for "last minute" total and include it in your news story?

The Oregon Heart association staff members, Mrs. Leon A. Goldsmith, executive director, Mr. Henry Keneally, and Mr. Wade Patterson, join me in expressing our most grateful thanks to you for "lending a hand to help a heart."

Sincerely yours,
 Henry Andrae

Dear Sir:

With reference to the April 26th issue of Cottage Grove Sentinel from page article under heading "Council Receives Bid for Widening of Whiteaker Avenue."

The writer notes a reference to the vacating of Washington street which uses our name in a false statement. Your article states "The purpose was to allow Floyd Githens, Inc. to use this street for parking." This statement is false and the writer requests that you publicly retract the statement.

The real facts of the case which you could have had for the asking before printing erroneous statements are: The East end of Washington Street which is bounded by the Richfield Oil Station property on the North, the Southern Pacific Railroad on the East and Floyd Githens Investment Company property on the South, has been for the past number of years a mudhole and nuisance to all of the adjacent business property and certainly not an asset to the appearance of Cottage Grove as seen by the traveling public who use the Pacific highway. The writer called this to the attention of the City Council by verbal conversation with Mayor Jess Hill who advised that the City was very short of funds for street improvement. I then suggested that since it would be practically impossible to make this street usable as a street by crossing the Southern Pacific tracks and Oregon Pacific and Electric switching yards, I would be willing to contact the Richfield Oil Co. property personnel and the Southern Pacific property personnel and see if they would desire to vacate the street and then pave the property at our own expense and use same for free parking area for any citizen who desired to park in that area. The only stipulation being that no one would be permitted to park more than one car. Since the Richfield Oil station was short on parking space they wholeheartedly agreed to share in the cost of the paving and to the use of this property as free public parking area with the one single stipulation as stated above. The Southern Pacific Company was neutral and assured me of no objection on their part. I then contacted Mayor Hill and asked him to request permission from the City Council to vacate this property so that it might proceed with the plan which would benefit all people who trade in that general area and would be no cost to the city. It would eliminate an unsightly problem to the City at the same time put the vacated street property back on the tax rolls where it rightfully belongs. At the City Council meeting the evening of April 23rd it was decided to appoint the committee to investigate the feasibility of this plan thru the City Attorney and any other interested parties.

This is also to inform you that Floyd Githens, Inc. is the authorized Ford dealer in Cottage Grove and maintains a full quarter block of paved parking on the corner of 8th and Whiteaker Street for the use of their customers and themselves. The Floyd Githens, Inc. has no need for other parking areas. Neither would it be convenient for them to use Washington Street due to the distance. Floyd Githens, Inc. has no financial interest in the property adjacent to Washington Street.

For your further information Floyd Githens Investment Co., an Oregon Corporation with Floyd Githens as principal stockholder, owns the property occupied by 3 Boys Market adjacent to South side of Washington Street but this company is not in the automobile business and does not own any automobiles, so therefore has no use for company or personal parking facilities in the area of Washington Street. However the buying public could use this area to a good advantage and since many of them are folks from out of town spending their money in Cottage Grove it appears to me this would be one good move on the part of the City Council to help the Cottage Grove Chamber of Commerce bring in the outside dollars they are struggling so hard to get for all businesses in Cottage Grove.

Anytime in the future when it is necessary to use our name in your paper we will be pleased to give you the facts if you will show us the courtesy to ask for such.

Yours very truly,
 Floyd Githens, Inc.
 Floyd Githens



THE JAYCEES clean up their race track in the hope of having races start in the latter part of June. Will Dodge (left) puts some dry wood on a wet log, while Al Reilly sprays fuel on it in an attempt to get the decayed wood to burn. The burning took place in the park and picnic area behind the partially finished grandstands, last Sunday.



BILL GITHENS (left), past president of the Jaycees, receives a token of appreciation from the new president, Al Reilly, at the Jaycee annual installation banquet held at the Presbyterian Church last Friday.

To the Editor: Once again for the Twentieth Time we will again attempt our Annual Task of Task of Cleaning Up the Masonic-IOOF Cemetery in preparation for Memorial Day. "The life of the dead is placed in the memory of the living." So said Cicero, an ancient Roman and it is as true today as in his time. If we do not remember our dead, no one else will. We strive to take care of the spots where they rest to show our love and enduring memories of those who have gone before us to a better land than this. Let us forget! May 30 is the day set aside for honoring our beloved dead. We work only from May 15 and end on May 30. So if you wish us to take care of the lot which you have up there, please send us the necessary funds. For a good sized lot we cannot do this work for less than \$3. Some have already sent me more than that, without being notified. I began May 1 to mail personal cards to all lot owners of whom I have knowledge. Each year this is necessary as we do not have perpetuity at our feet. I do have to ask for your contribution in advance so I can go ahead and hire the necessary labor. Several have already made application to me for this work, but I cannot hire them until I know I have sufficient funds to pay the helpers. The time is limited and first come, first served.

Mail to Miss Belle Burkholder, 225 N. Lane So., Cottage Grove, Oregon. In charge of the annual clean up since 1936.

Mrs. Nellie Stump

Nellie Orene "Ma" Stump of Black Butte passed away at Cottage Grove hospital Wednesday, May 2, 1956, at the age of 70. Funeral arrangements will be announced later by Mills Mortuary.

The deceased was born Nellie Nutt September 2, 1885, at Medford, and married in Chicago, Ill., to Harry E. Stump, who survives her. The couple moved to Cottage Grove 32 years ago from Portland. Mrs. Stump and her husband had been employed for many years by the W. A. Woodard Lumber company.

Debra A. Swan

Graveside services will be held at Rest Haven Memorial park cemetery, Eugene, Thursday, May 3, 1956, at 2:30 p.m. for Debra Annette Swan, six-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Swan, 407 N. 16th street, Cottage Grove. She passed away at home Monday, April 30. The Rev. Sydney Gaither will officiate, Smith Funeral chapel directing. Little Debra was born in Cottage Grove, November 9, 1955, and is survived by her parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Swan of Cottage Grove and R. D. Conner, California.

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The Cubbyhole

Every person has a different reason for picking up a weekly newspaper to read. There are always certain items that fall within their realm of interest. The other articles are generally bypassed with a glance.

The same applies to the persons who write the newspaper articles. By studying several issues of any weekly, you can tell what the staff, generally two or three persons, is most interested in. All or most items of general news interest are included in the paper, but the projects, organizations, and features that the writer takes an individual interest in are liable to receive more careful attention than the others.

May Seem Unfair

This may seem unfair to persons whose interests lie in other items, but the limited amount of time allowed the news writer holds him to detailed attention to only a few articles. Therefore, it is natural to give preference.

In the case of this writer, as may be seen in past issues of the Sentinel, the top five interests are: 1) Features of interesting persons and projects, especially those about youth; 2) Scout and other youth activities; 3) sports of all kinds; 4) Jaycee activities (more will be said about giving specific organizations preference); 5) Disaster, such as fires, accidents, etc. That last item may seem rather morbid for a chief interest, but disaster is the most widely read of news items and is also one of the most interesting topics to write about.

What's Your Preference?

In order to be as fair as possible to other persons, this writer is persuading people to send in a list of their five interests, either general or specific, so that the Sentinel can determine what items should be given extra attention. Every community is different, as an individual is different, on its consensus of interest.

There are some people who feel that this writer should be more enthused about city government, politics, religion or certain organizations. It is unfortunate that such cannot be the case, but it is not and probably will never be the case, so it is necessary for the people to be heard about their opinions. So let's hear from you! Address mail to The Cubbyhole, Sentinel, Box 66.

Public Relations Chairman

On the subject of organizations, some are not getting the coverage they deserve. It is impossible for us to give them the coverage they deserve, especially with the amount and variety that exist in Cottage Grove. Therefore, each organization should appoint a public relations chairman to supply the newspaper and any other news outlet with, at least, the important information on projects and activities. The city of Cottage Grove does it through the Chamber of Commerce, so why shouldn't the organizations do it through their own public relations chairmen.

Fair Board

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for all animals this year, with the possible exception of some tarpaulin covered frame buildings for some of the animals.

The lumber that is being used in the present buildings was donated by W. A. Woodard Lumber company to the fair board building committee. All the rest of the materials have been purchased with fair board funds.

Community Projects

The fairgrounds and the Western Oregon Exposition to be held there are entirely community projects, therefore, the materials and labor should come from the community. So far, only a few persons have volunteered their services or materials.

The reason for the necessary expansion is that there are inquiries for exhibits of livestock and other items in excess of four times the present capacity, said Dr. H. A. Hagen, in a talk to a Sentinel reporter. They are getting the new grounds started in a hope to be able to accommodate these displays.

Meeting Hall

Because the South Lane Exposition, a non-profit fair, is to be held only three days out of the year, (August 23 through 25 this year), the fair board hopes to have other organizations use the grounds and buildings during the rest of the year for meetings and other events, said Forrest Woods, another member of the fair board. The meeting hall (or community building) is planned on the

grounds especially for that purpose.

First in 1933

The first fairs started in Cottage Grove around 1933 in the old fire hall, according to Dr. Hagen. They started as 4-H fairs to give the members a chance to display their products.

For approximately 10 years the fair was held in the armory, and later, for a few years, in Jefferson school.

During that period, the PFA started to use the fair as a system to display their products. Later Hebron and Dorena grange became active in fair work and still later London and Creswell granges began participating in the South Lane 4-H fair.

About three years ago the name of the fair was changed to Western Oregon Exposition Inc. Last year, it was held on the corner of 5th street and Washington avenue, taking up the Cottage Grove Motor Co. sales building and the vacant lot adjacent to it.

Jaycees Donate Land

Early in 1955, the Cottage Grove Junior Chamber of Commerce donated the new tract of land to Western Oregon Exposition, Inc. Construction could get started only recently because of the extremely damp winter.

With decent community assistance, Cottage Grove and South Lane Exposition Inc. will have a good fairgrounds for the fair in August and in future years.

South Lane Stamp Society Welcomes 3 New Members

South Lane Stamp society welcomed three new members into the organization at the April 26 meeting, as Mrs. Hubert Carlson, daughter Mary Lou, and son, Harvey, were entered on the society's roll. All three new members are general collectors, with preference for the stamps of the United States.

Guest lecturer at a meeting Thursday evening was Darwin Hancock of Eugene, president of the American Topical association division of "Stamps on Stamps."

Mr. Hancock explained the activities of the national stamp organization to the society, and then displayed many pages of his album collection of over 3000 birds on stamps topical series.

Included in the magnificent collection were many sets and single stamps of which only three or four exist. Several stamps shown had been smuggled out of Communist dominated countries to Mr. Hancock by correspondent friends at risk of life, and they



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