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Ballots Should Be Given Study

Regardless of party politics, study should be given men and measures on your ballot. The two important non-partisan measures are the three ways to vote on the county court house issue. You can vote to leave the million and a half earmarked for the construction of the building adding another half million in taxes for the construction of a two million dollar court house. By voting "Yes," on this issue you do not commit the county to either of the proposed sites. 1—Put the new building on the old court house site. 2—Put the new building on the old jail site. You can vote "yes" to two or three of the above propositions by voting to earmark the two million and by voting for either the jail or court house site. We would recommend a "yes" vote to earmark the two million.

Important also is the construction of a juvenile detention home now that the Skipworth home has been condemned as a fire trap. Approval of proposition 2 gives the county the right to build a detention home, the cost of which is not to exceed \$320,000. Approval of proposition 3 gives the county the right to construct a juvenile department, including a home, office building and court house not to exceed \$540,000. We would recommend proposition 2.

Voters should also authorize the county to maintain its garbage disposal sites.

On the democratic ballot, voters will choose eight candidates from among twenty for the state at large as delegates to the democratic national convention. There are also six candidates as delegates to the democratic national convention for the 4th congressional district, two are to be elected. Among the candidates known here are: Walter Dodd of Cottage Grove, Marvin Warlick of Eugene and Robert Straub of Springfield.

Two are candidates for the U. S. Senate on the democratic ticket, Wayne Morse, incumbent and candidate for reelection, and Woody Smith of Hood River. Two are candidates for congressman from the 4th district, Charles Porter of Eugene and David Shaw of Gold Beach.

Low Wallace of Portland withdrew as a democratic candidate for governor, leaving Robert Holmes of Astoria as the party's candidate. Two are candidates for state treasurer: Al Richardson of Polk county and Wiley Smith of Portland.

Eight are candidates for the state legislature from the 14th district, five are to be elected. The candidates are: Keith W. Bacon, Mrs. Florence Reek Cook, E. J. Evans, Richard Eymann, Mrs. Mary Gardner, C. A. Paddock, Keith D. Skelton, Glen M. Stadler, Robert Anderson is democratic candidate for county clerk.

For the first time in several years, a local man, James W. Hemenway, is candidate for county commissioner. Opposing him will be Harold K. McPherson. Two democratic candidates are seeking the office of county sheriff, James Carlile and Clell Pryor.

The republicans have 37 candidates as delegates to the national convention from the state at large, ten are to be elected. The GOP also have nine candidates to the national convention, from the 4th congressional district, two are to be elected. National interest probably centers on the U. S. senate race with four candidates, Geo. Altvater of Portland, Elmer Deetz of Canby, Phil Hitchcock of Clackamas county and Doug McKay, former secretary of the interior.

Geo. Elmo Smith has one opponent, Earl Dickson of Albany. Two are candidates for secretary of state, Mark Hatfield and William E. Healy, both of Salem.

Seven are candidates for the state representative, 14th district. Five are to be elected. The new candidates are Warren Korstad and Charles K. Hines. Up for reelection are: Edwin Cone, Eugene, a former resident, Earl Hill, Cushman; V. Edwin Johnson, Eugene, Ernest Schrenk of Creswell and Loran L. Stewart of Cottage Grove.

Five are republican candidates for county commissioner in probably the most interesting contest of the county. They are: Charles Doane, who is waging an active campaign; Ralph Fosnaugh, a former candidate; W. T. Lohrke, Robt. D. MacLay, a former county commissioner, and Ralph Petersen, the incumbent.

There is only one other contested county office this is for county coroner with Fred S. Buell, incumbent, opposed by Raymond McGaffey.

The Voters Pamphlet

The Voter's Pamphlet, printed by the state print shop at Salem, is supposed to be a guide to intelligent voting, but we question that the book is worth what it costs. In the first place too many voters toss them into the waste basket without even a glance at what they contain and in the second place, with the exception of giving both sides of a question, in voting on a change in the constitution or some other state issue, the pamphlet is more or less of a propaganda sheet for the candidate.

Aside from seeing a picture of the candidate, what you read about him is of little value. Even the announcement of a platform is pretty risky business, considering the fact that conditions might change over night and what remedy is good today, might be the worst thing that could be done tomorrow.

It seems to us of the two political groups, the democrats are by far the most vociferous. However, in measuring the current voters pamphlets, the republicans have 80 pages in the GOP pamphlet to 59 for the democrats. One big difference is that the republicans seem to have about twice the usual number of candidates for the position of delegate at large to the republican convention.

To those who are acquainted with Oregon politics, we would not have to let you have one guess as to what candidate had the most space in either of the pamphlets. To those who may not know, it was Oregon's senior senator, Wayne Morse.

A total of four pages was taken up, telling about what an outstanding statesman the senior senator was, but nothing on his record as a senator, although he has been a member of the U. S. Senate for over 11 years. It looks as though he should rate at least a mention of some of the things he has done or perhaps it should remain as a civilian secret, for not long ago he conducted one of the longest filibusters in the history of the Senate and acquired the name of being one of the longest winded senators to ever serve in congress.

County Faces Bleak Future

"Lane county's future depends on men like Wayne Morse," ballot slogan of Harold McPherson, democratic candidate for county commissioner.



L.E. (PETE) MOCK is welcomed to Cottage Grove as our newest merchant. Pete is the owner of Mock's Buick, formerly Al Noser's Buick. He has been a partner in E. A. Mock and Sons, Eugene, since 1946. Born in Thunderhawk, South Dakota, Pete moved to Oregon in 1936. He spent a tour as an enlisted man in the Air Force from 1939-44. He and his wife, Barbara, were married in 1951. They have one daughter, Gail, 7½.



ABOUT DODD'S LETTER

To the Editor:
 Cottage Grove Sentinel
 Cottage Grove, Oregon

A letter to the Editor by Walter H. Dodd which appeared in the Sentinel a few weeks ago contained so many inaccuracies and mis-statements that I feel it should be answered in your columns. The letter referred in part to the Cougar flood control dam on the McKenzie River and to the proposal now pending in Congress that part of its construction should be financed by the City of Eugene. This is known as the partnership plan - partnership between the City and the Federal government.

The letter states that the Cougar dam partnership bill was defeated in Congress in 1954. That is not true. The bill passed the House of Representatives without a dissenting vote and was not reached on the Senate calendar prior to adjournment.

The assertions in the Dodd letter to the effect that the partnership plan would de-authorize the Cougar dam as a Federal project and delay its construction are clearly absurd. The principal purpose of the partnership bill is to speed up the construction of the Cougar dam which is so badly needed for flood control. If the City of Eugene is allowed to spend \$11 million on the project there will be no problem then in securing the necessary money to keep the construction of the dam at its maximum; whereas, without that money available we have to depend entirely on annual appropriations made by Congress. Mr. Dodd also conveniently overlooks the fact that the City of Eugene plans for the construction of power facilities at Cougar dam would mean fifty percent more power from that dam than present Federal construction plans propose.

The last sentence of the Dodd letter is especially misleading. It says, "As a federal project Cougar dam power will be available to all the people in Lane county; as a partnership dam with the Eugene Water and Light Board the power would be available only to the residents of Eugene." The City of Eugene will use the same amount of power as produced at Cougar dam no matter how the dam is financed. If the dam is entirely built by the Federal government the power will be fed into the Bonneville transmission system and purchased from Bonneville by the City of Eugene. If the city owns the generators it will produce the power and use it. In either case the rate paid by the people of Eugene for the power they use will be the same. The only difference so far as the transmission and distribution of the power from Cougar is that unless the partnership plan is adopted the government will be forced to build a transmission line from the dam to its substation at an estimated cost of \$2 million.

The facts in support of the partnership plan for the construction of Cougar dam are so clear and logical that they readily convince any thinking person of the wisdom of the plan except perhaps to those who see an opportunity to make political capital by opposing it.

Sincerely yours,
 Harris Ellsworth

LAW, HONESTY & JUSTICE

To the Editor:
 Editor's note: Several weeks ago, boys playing near a mud puddle in Portland found an old inner tube with several hundred dollars in it. They were honest enough to report it, but because of the law, were not rewarded for their efforts. Mr. Ashbury wonders how the same boys would react now if they found the money. He continues:

But it seems to me our state and federal governments are trying to get all they can in one way or another. In the state welfare or the old age assistance program they don't give much, but what little they give if you have any money at all they want a first lien on that so they will get it back or as much as possible, which I don't think is right. These people have been hard workers and taxpayers all their lives and deserve more than they get.

We elect legislators to go to Salem to make laws for the good of the common people. They spend all winter and come home after

passing some laws that are a detriment to a lot of us. I will give you an example: The State Unemployment compensation commission in the last legislature. All receiving Social Security and who work at some job, and who when they are out of a job apply for unemployment compensation have the amount received from Social Security deducted from unemployment checks. The last check I got was less per week than my Social Security check so I had to quit. This is an unfair law to us older workers that have to work some to make ends meet as we don't get a very large Social Security check. Our neighbor state, Washington, has not got such a skin game law in effect. I am not, and will not, go along with a bunch of law makers that pass this kind of law.

About two thirds of the politicians that run for office are not hurt with too much honesty and the longer they are in office the worse they get. A lot of them want to get in office because they want to get some law passed that will help them and their associates in their particular business for their own personal gain. This is not only in one case but hundreds of others put through to squeeze the little man out like the big lumber industries and other big businesses.

When you go into court to settle some controversy you don't always get honesty and justice. I got beat in the only law suit I was ever implicated in just because the lawyer and witnesses could make up and tell big lies. We found out afterwards that their lawyer had trained them just what to say, and no wonder of this as there are a lot of lawyers who are too crooked to lay straight in bed.

I knew a man in Nebraska who had a poor, rough 20 acres of land and had a hard scratching to make a living. He got into politics and was elected sheriff. In a few years he had all kinds of money and property. Another poor fellow was elected to County Commissioner and it was not long until he was wearing kid gloves and had a share in a bank.

I knew of a man in Nebraska who was sent to the electric chair on circumstantial evidence. It was this that the murdered man was last seen in his company. Right here in Oregon some go free and another is punished for the crime. There was the Fong trial. I think they had a fair trial and a fair jury, but they got two or three trials so as to cost the State more money. They convicted that man Sack for the murder of his own wife. Seems like they want to board him a little longer, either to drain his pocket book or give him another trial, either way will do the job. After all judges and juries are human beings like ourselves. We are all infallible and we all make mistakes and I am glad there are a lot of judges that own up that some decisions proved to be a mistake.

Mrs. Ashbury
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 Cottage Grove, Oregon

ABOUT THE ELECTION LAWS

To the Editor:
 Thank you for printing the article, "Election Laws," from the Oregon Voter.

Oregon Democrats have raised

such an uproar over the "new election laws," that for a while they had all fooled into thinking that every Oregon voter had to re-register. But after checking with an election authority, a Democrat, incidentally, we were told to pay no attention to the ballyhoo, that it was political bunk.

The only two changes in the election law are the requirement for each voter to sign the two poll books, and the privilege under certain circumstances, of registering by mail. If the coming primary election is as quiet as the average, you could knit a pair of socks or write a letter to the editor in an election booth without delaying a single voter. Some of the Democrats are even howling about the law that went into effect in 1950. Up to that time we lived outside of the Cottage Grove city limits and got our mail inside the city. We voted in the Silk Creek precinct. In 1950, although we had been living in the same house for years and voted in the same precinct, we had to re-register and either move inside the city limits or get our mail outside. We didn't have to tear our hair out, nor threaten to secede from the Union. We set up a mail box and continued to vote in the Silk Creek precinct. The ridiculous performance of the Democratic politician and press over the election law is just an example of Democratic political strategy to date, just a conglomeration of silly, childish bunk, a great deal over nothing.

There are two notable exceptions. Both Stevenson and Kefauver have come out plainly and flatly for de-segregation with time to accomplish it in, but the smaller fry are doing everything possible, short of civil war, to stir up the south against the Eisenhower administration over de-segregation. Nettled by their failure to turn the Republicans against Nixon, a certain group of Democrats are making gutter rats of themselves by attempting to smear and belittle the character of Richard Nixon's wife, (May Redbook). Four years ago a dirty campaign against Nixon, which was proved to be lies, boomeranged on those who started it. If the Republicans have to teach the Democrats that lesson over again we can do it in 24 hours.

Thinking, responsible Democrats had better start cleaning up their ranks.

Mrs. Virgil G. Gabriel

To the Editor:
 Dear Sir:

We wish to thank you for printing our letter of last week concerning the annual cemetery cleanup of the Masonic-IOOF cemetery. Any one who has a lot in the cemetery is requested to mail us \$3 for a full sized lot or \$2 for anything less, as that is the minimum. If you want to do your own lot, you are privileged to do so, but we beg of you, remove all debris you take off the lot and put it in the alleyway. It is perfectly visible and detracts from the looks of lots. We just cannot take care of any lots for which we are not paid in advance, for we do have to hire our help to do the work. I have all the help I can pay so please don't apply for work. I want to thank those who have already contributed their shares, more than we asked in some cases, without being notified. The writer is especially grateful to those persons. As I do have to write personal cards to all lot owners to notify them that I will again supervise this work for the 20th time beginning May 15 and ending May 29. Time is short, and first come, first served. To illustrate how the Sentinel gets around, a lady read about this cleanup in the Sentinel. She lives in Seattle, but is a former resident here, and now wants me to do her lot in Taylor Lane cemetery. Here's hoping we all cooperate so we can do a good job. Mail contributions to Miss Belle Burkholder, supervisor, 225 E. Lane St., Cottage Grove, Oregon.

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The Cubbyhole

by Dave Cooper

Spring is here, whether the weather admits it or not. Spring to the boy is the opening of camping season and the time for hikes and outdoor sports. It is the beginning of the season for fun and adventure for the boy, if he gets the opportunity.

The Boy Scouts of America has for years offered boys an opportunity to make the most of the warm months of the year by offering camping sessions, overnight hikes, Camporees, etc. The Scouts allow the boy a chance to go on a week, a day, or an afternoon trip that would be impossible if he had to depend on his parents to make the arrangements. Expert supervision is given by both professional and volunteer adult Scouters.

Youthful Stage
 The Bohemia District Scout Council is no different from any other district council, with the exception that it is in a youthful stage. It offers the boy the same opportunities as elsewhere, except that the volunteer manpower is limited and inexperienced in many phases.

District Revived
 The Bohemia District Council was almost nil for a long time, until last year when Taylor Young, a few experienced scouters like Lance Naisb and Elmer Mader and several men inexperienced in the field revived the old organization.

Since then the group has done a remarkable job towards setting up Scouting in this area on the basis in which it operates in other parts of the Oregon Trail Council. Scoutmasters and most unit committees have worked hard to do the best for their individual units.

Pappas and Mommas Needed
 Improvement is definitely noticeable, but there are still dragging feet and in most cases those feet belong to the poppas and mommas of the boys in Scouting. For poppa there is plenty of room on the District Council or the unit committees in which his help is definitely wanted and SERIOUSLY needed. Momma's help is needed in Cubbing as Den Mothers and various other positions.

At the present, all the jobs are done by a handful of devoted persons whose time and abilities are being spread too darn thin over too many projects. The lack of the opportunity to have certain persons concentrate on one phase of the big job produces, in some cases, inferior workmanship. If the necessary help was available, no person would receive an overload and the jobs could be done in the superior fashion they deserve.

The Scout enrollment in Bohemia District is constantly on the increase, so the adult Scouters should be increasing also.

Family Day
 As a favor to your boy, this writer urges you to visit the family portion of the Scout Camporee being held at Wilson Creek Recreation area on Cottage Grove Reservoir, on Sunday, May 20. The day will be set aside for family

games and events. A minister representing the Cottage Grove Ministerial Association will give services for the boys and their families at 9 a.m., following breakfast. From there the day will be devoted to family fun.

This is the best opportunity to become acquainted with what Scouting means to your boy.

Disabled Veterans Entitled to 50c Fishing License

By Phil Varley

With the trout season in full swing, war veterans 25 percent or more disabled were reminded today that they are entitled to fishing licenses for 50 cents.

The Lane County Department of Veterans Affairs in issuing the reminder, said the veterans must have been an Oregon resident prior to applying for the license. His disability must be current, and it must be certified by the Veterans Administration.

Veterans of the Spanish American war, the Philippine Insurrection and the Boxer rebellion do not have to prove disability.

County veterans' service officers and the state veterans' department can assist disabled servicemen in filing for the benefit.

The veterans' department also reminded men on active duty with the armed forces in Oregon that they are entitled to fishing licenses in this state at the same price as residents. Servicemen may apply at any sporting goods stores which issue game licenses.

For further information, please feel free to contact: W. A. Bortz, Service Officer, Lane County Veterans Service Veterans' Memorial Building, 1626 Willamette Street, phone 4-8234, Eugene, Oregon.

Rummage Sale Planned
 By Baptist Circle

Martha circle of First Baptist church will sponsor a rummage sale Saturday, May 19, at the Grove Auto Sales showroom, 5th

and Washington streets, commencing at 9:30 a.m. All women of the church will be asked to contribute to the sale.

Across the nation the weather during the past month has been as erratic as a rookie baseball pitcher. And for some reason colds have been hitting one out of every five people on the average. The sneeze has taken the place of conversation. In the midst of this, however, the U. S. Public Health Service claims to have isolated the common cold germ - some-thing scientists have been trying to do for years.

The common sniffle is one of the biggest little annoyances in the country. Nearly everyone gets into the act, and it inspires more home-made remedies than you'd care to try in a lifetime. Obviously, the bug isn't licked yet, but at least the microscope jock-ys are on the trail. If they succeed we'll all have to find some other excuse to stay home from work.

In Tennessee a school janitor's wife just gave birth to her sixth set of twins. A card-playing friend suggests this sounds like a full house with the deuces wild.

Speaking of colds, as we were above, you'll find complete stocks of the best in cold remedies on our shelves. Don't take a chance with those Spring sniffles. Pick up your needed cold or cough remedies from

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6-Yr.-Olds to Visit School at Latham

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