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Civil Rights Legislation Not Needed

We are in agreement with Ralph T. Moore, who recently wrote in the Oregon Voter that the civil rights planks in the two political party platforms are more or less obsolete, because these rights are guaranteed under the constitution and its merely a matter of enforcing the constitution. For political purposes, however, the civil rights planks are sweetened as much as possible to attract the Negro vote. The democrats worked hard at trying to dredge up a high sounding civil rights platform, which was designed to get the northern Negro vote and at the same time not radical enough to drive the south into the GOP fold.

It's no wonder that the political conventions had such a low TV rating that millions turned on their radios to find some other form of entertainment. On most touchy issues the average political platform is so vague as to be comical. For this reason it's rather foolish to expect anything worthwhile from a document of this sort or expect circumstances not to make some of the glowing promises impractical to carry out.

Generally the section of the country where you live affects in a large degree your thinking on subject matters of this sort. If you live in the deep south, where there is about three negroes to every white person, the chances are that equal rights would not mean near so much as when you are living remote from a condition of this sort. The south generally will have a more liberal view of bettering the condition of the negro as time goes on. Quite a few believe in helping him to raise his standard of living, but they are not ready to accept the negro as a social equal or permit interracial marriage.

Or maybe you are unable to understand what brings about a race riot in a certain section of the country, but if you lived there you might understand more readily local conditions that bring about situations of this sort.

For this reason we think all the sweet sounding political promises are just that much baloney unless the people are willing to carry them out and in the case of the negro, both the north and the south must grow more tolerant before the underprivileged obtain equal rights. This might come about through education or it might be just a case of living together long enough.

Measured by any yardstick, the negro has come a long way socially since the days of slavery. So instead of saying there ought to be "a law", for or against something, it is well to reflect if the law would be obeyed if we had it.

How Much Interest in the Schools?

How much interest do you have in the schools you patronize, either public or private and how long does this interest last? This is a question the school officials would like to know. If they knew the answer, the officials might do a better job for you.

With most of us, the interest doesn't last too long, probably a few years after we graduate from grammar or high school as the case may be and we can look forward to renewing this interest if we have a family and some member of the family enters school. Probably about fifty percent of the patrons join the PTA organization, if there is one in the community and about twenty percent of those who join take an active interest in the affairs of the organization.

Since about seventy-five percent of our tax dollar goes for the support of the schools, there ought to be a continued interest in the school affairs, but being human the average individual tends to forget what the schools may cost or what they may do for the community, once he has no connection with it for several years except perhaps to attend the football games and other athletic events, if the school happens to have a winning team.

In the meantime the span of human life has been lengthened which means a greater population of older people, who perhaps have gotten pretty well out of touch with what the schools are doing. In this event, the only recourse of the school is through the press, radio or TV to set at rest any unfounded rumor or to set the public straight on what is being done.

One of the best ways to measure up to the full responsibility of your citizenship is to try to keep abreast of the times and the changes so that you will know what is being done and why.

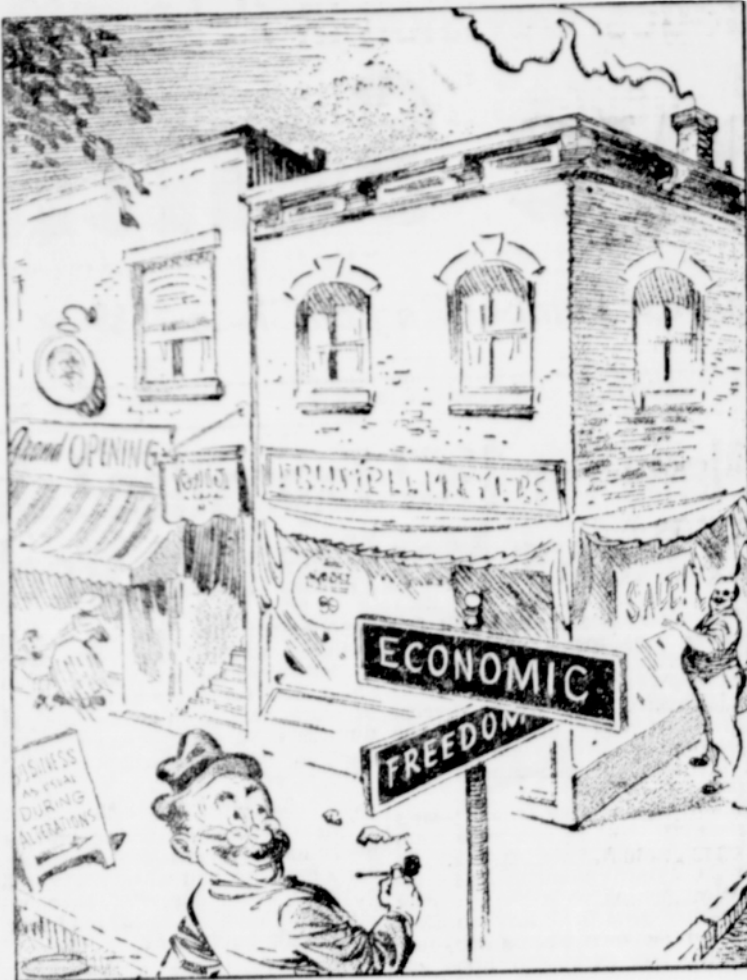
A Quiz

The following is reprinted from National Review: "Q. Which West European nation is the most pro-American? A. Holland, according to competent observers. Q. How much US government aid is Holland getting? A. Less than nothing. Holland is currently repaying U. S. credits extended just after the war. Q. But doesn't Holland like American dollars? A. Very much, of course. And it gets lots of them by selling well-made Dutch products in the American market, and by attracting an American capital investment of more than \$200 million since the war. Q. How did such a small country manage to lure so many dollars? A. By cutting red tape to a single official permit, by not interfering with effective operation of the affiliates and subsidiaries of American corporations, by permitting profits to be made and to be transferred."



ARMY SNOWMEN—U.S. Army infantrymen, dressed in white parkas and gloves, the latest in camouflaged arctic outer-clothing, man a light machine-gun outpost in defense of the early approach to the United States, the Alaska Command.

COMPETITION CORNER



The Freedom to Compete

In our American system, competition sets up the laws. The businessman must compete for capital, for new ideas, better quality, lower cost—above all, to win and hold the customer's choice. Economic freedom is the freedom to get into the thick of competition in the hope of building and maintaining a profitable enterprise. By contrast, socialism discourages risk-taking, stops competition, and really profits no one. American business does not do as it pleases; it does as the customer pleases—which is the hard way, but the best way for all of us.



WHO REALLY WON?

That was the problem out at the J.C. Race Track, Sunday, September 2, concerning a big 75 lap main event championship race. You would think for an event like this one, the lap checkers would be sure which drivers won the race. The majority of the spectators know without a doubt which driver should have been awarded the honors. It's really great when the judges can't say for sure and finally after about 15 minutes, place the winner, which was 1/2 lap ahead of the person now claiming the title, down as third place and another driver of the 75 lap race was ahead of the second place car by one full lap and followed him the last few laps of the race knowing he had passed this driver before and seeing no sense in risking having something happen by passing him again. His pit men had signaled him to take it easy knowing he had the race in his lap if he just took it slow so that his car would hold out through the rest of the race.

We have reason to believe that the driver claiming the title knows that it really belongs to the driver they have down in third place. There are no hard feelings between the two drivers. It would be hard to turn the glory down and say, "This doesn't belong to me," when the judges say he won and their decision is final unless the driver will admit that he knows he did not pass the car. The trophy and the money are not so important in this case. It's the idea of knowing you won and being down out of it because of things being mixed up in the checkers booth where for several laps they actually didn't know who had lapped who for a few rounds and what happens in one lap can mean everything for a driver.

It seems that it would take a wonderful sport, after knowing he had won this race, to let it pass without making a big scene which could very easily have happened if this driver had let it.

This is the viewpoint of several spectators.

Charlene Wales
 Beverly Cooley
 Charles Wales
 Victoria Nowak
 Augustine J. Nowak

OSC to Open 89th Year of Class Work On September 24

Oregon State college will begin its 89th year of classes September 24 following a week of orientation for new freshmen and transfer students.

OSC is Oregon's oldest state educational institution. Its October 27 Charter Day will fall this year on Homecoming Saturday.

New student week, which opens September 16, will include discussions on career opportunities, conferences with advisers on class schedules and fields of study, placement examinations, and programs and socials designed to acquaint the newcomers with OSC student activities.

Registration for both new and old students will be September 21 and 22.

Enrollment this year is expected to be around 6800, a jump from the 6160 total of the same term a year ago.

In a democracy, the opposition is not only tolerated as constitutional, but must be maintained because it is indispensable.

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School Will Open Monday, Sept. 10 At Lynx Hollow

By Mrs. Orville Lamb
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 LYNX HOLLOW School is scheduled to open at 9 a.m. Monday, September 10, with Mrs. Max Sears of Cottage Grove and Mrs. Issaola Fretwell of Eugene as teachers. Mrs. Fretwell will be principal.

A tea will be given Monday at the opening of school to welcome the teachers and mothers new to the community.

An election will be held Monday, September 10, to elect a director to fill the unexpired term of Kenneth Brown, who has moved away. Polls will be open from 2 to 8 p.m. A petition with the name of Robert Stewart for director has been circulated. Approximately two years of this term are to be served.

Porter Bros. sawmill shut down temporarily Thursday evening due to the several drops in the price of lumber the past few weeks. The mill will operate again when the price of lumber is up. Logging operations continue.

Harold Ogdon of Mosby Creek Road, timber feller for Porter Bros., was taken to Cottage Grove hospital and given out patient treatment. A tree had partially fallen on Ogdon and his legs and body are badly bruised but there are no serious injuries as first feared.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Medford were called to Eugene Tuesday afternoon as their son Sam had suffered a foot injury at a mill. A bone in the left ankle was broken and ligaments pulled loose from the heel when Sam fell from a log. He is hospitalized for a while and will wear a cast on the leg for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lamb left Friday for several days' visit with his brother Walt Lamb, sister Mrs. Nellie Chapman and families at Cave Junction. Their son Dean will return home with them to attend school. Dean has been working for several weeks at Cave Junction. George Quackenbush is doing the chores and looking after the property.

William J. Ulmer

William J. Ulmer, 59, of New York City, passed away at a Eugene hospital Wednesday, August 29, 1956. He was born in New York March 11, 1897, where he made his home. He had been in Cottage Grove visiting his sister, Mrs. Geraldine Woodward. He was a member of the Episcopal church and Pelham Lodge No. 712 AF&AM of City Island, New York. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Woodward, 2 brothers, Harold and Charles of New York; 1 daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Jones of Pennsylvania, and 2 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Smith Funeral chapel, Monday, September 3, 1956, at 2:30 p.m. Elder W. C. Lovelace officiating. Interment in the IOOF-Masonic cemetery.

Nothing is more honorable than a grateful heart.

Millions of Fish Released in July

Salmon fingerlings released by the Oregon fish commission in various waters of the state during July totaled close to 2 1/2 million fish, according to Iverne French, fish commission director of fish culture.

Fall Chinook salmon releases from the Bonneville hatchery and Oxbow hatchery near Cascade Locks accounted for more than two million of the total July liberations. French said other species liberated during July were 230,000 spring Chinook salmon from the McKenzie river and Oakridge hatcheries; 390,000 silver salmon from Big Creek hatchery near Astoria; 40,000 steelhead from Siletz river hatchery, and 5,000 chum salmon from Big Creek hatchery.

French said liberation trucks have been busy this month also. About 500,000 spring Chinook salmon from the Oakridge hatchery have been released in the Middle Willamette river and 160,000 fall Chinook were released into Tanner creek at Bonneville hatchery. Silver salmon liberations, 500,000 from Big Creek hatchery and 225,000 from Fall Creek hatchery near Astoria, were also noted by French.

Total 1956 salmon and steelhead liberations to date from fish commission hatcheries have been close to 19 million fish. More than 8 million fish are still on hand at the commission's 15 hatcheries and will be liberated within the next year, according to French.

Harriet Masters

A former resident, Mrs. Harriet Masters, passed away Friday, August 31 at 10 p.m. at the home of a son, Roy Masters, in Portland. All of her four children were present.

Surviving are the two sons and two daughters: Roy and Eugene of Portland, Mrs. Mearle Surley, also of Portland, and Mrs. Edith Evermoes of Montana.

Bessie A. Stewart

Bessie Ann Stewart, Route 1, Creswell, passed away at Cottage Grove August 30. Funeral services were conducted at First Assembly of God church, Eugene, Tuesday, Sept. 4, at 1:30 p.m. The Rev. E. Elsworth Kroghstad officiated and interment was in the Christus Garden of Lane Memorial.

The deceased was born at Springfield, Mo., February 2, 1882, and was married to Chesney H. Stewart at Stillwater, Okla., November 30, 1910. Besides her husband, she is survived by five children: Neoma Sloan, California; Oneta Shorter, Okinawa; William, New Mexico; Robert, Creswell; Sarah Durham, Eugene; one sister, Lulu Le Master, Washington; three brothers, Jim, Bert and Fred Lucas, all of Oklahoma; and 22 grandchildren.

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—Lucius Seneca

Fire Department Fights Stump Fire

The fire department was called out twice this weekend to fight the right of way of the Bonneville Power Co. out Lorane highway to fight brush and burning stump fires.

The first call came about 7:45 Friday night. Firemen returned at 7:45 Saturday morning to fight an outbreak of the same fire about three-fourths of a mile from the original fire.

Friday afternoon, the fire department met defeat in trying to reach a forest and brush fire about two miles north of the city. They were unable to get their truck near the fire. The Western Lane Fire Patrol was called to fight the fire.

A car fire was reported Monday at the Winterhaven Market where a Roseburg woman, Mrs. Galloway, pulled over after her motor caught fire. The Hudson was badly damaged.

Trap Shoot Set This Weekend

A registered trap shoot will be held Saturday and Sunday, September 8 and 9, at the Cottage Grove Rod and Gun Club.

Traps will open for practice at 6 p.m. Friday. The day shoot, which opens Saturday morning, is held annually in commemoration of the dedication of Hileman field and clubhouse. This is the eighth such meet.

A Tribute-- To Our School Teachers!

Today, as no time before in history, the school teacher is recognized as the builder of tomorrow's America! With juvenile delinquency increasing apace, and foreign ideologies creeping into our school books, it is high time that glowing tribute was paid to these patient men and women who instruct our young. Let's remember that teachers are human beings, not machines. Let's give them the support and confidence they so richly deserve. Let's attend P-T-A meetings and contribute something more than children. This community is fortunate in having such fine schools and outstanding educators. We applaud their work and their good American achievements!

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