

GUEST EDITORIALS

What Price Freedom?

Freedom is the exemption or liberation from the control of some other person or arbitrary power. Many consider it to be the absence of hindrance, restraint, confinement, or repression when the idea of freedom is viewed from personal ideals.

The struggle for freedom began in remote antiquity. It has taken two forms: one of which may be called negative, aiming to cast off restraint; the other positive, concerned with the means of individual or group advancement. These two aspects, freedom from and freedom for, remain the characteristic directions in the quest for freedom.

The founders of the United States know what they meant when they used the word freedom. They thought that true freedom was obedience to moral laws, lawful freedom, they said, was the right of decent men, governed by conscience, to make the free principal choices in life. The founders were not anarchists who wished to abolish government. They believed in practical, well-defined freedom.

Freedom has had its price throughout time. "Freedom from" has cost many their lives, homes, jobs, and families in the wars of independence. "Freedom for" has required that those aspiring for it must give up their old methods, customs, and way of life for new ones. Freedom under the law must be paid for by strict obedience to the laws upon penalty of punishment for any deviations.

Lack of respect for order, justice, and sound authority have had their part in diminishing the gift of freedom that has been handed down by many generations of men and women who have paid the price.

Kathy Sevens, Senior Division
Pacific High School

The price that we pay for freedom is very high. Whatever price we pay for it, it must prove that it is worthwhile.

Our young men pay for it by giving their very lives, fighting in combat for our nation, the United States of America. They pay for it by helping people in other countries fight for their freedom. This helps us, too, to keep our freedom.

Now, we are fighting in Vietnam to keep Communism from spreading through all of Southeast Asia, and eventually, possibly, the world. Many young men are giving their lives, each day, to fight for this freedom! This all follows a pattern begun by the Colonists in 1772, when they fought the Revolutionary War to win independence for America from England.

The Civil War, fought in America, 1861-1865, between the states, was a fight for the rights of all Americans to be free.

America was involved in World War I and II, in order to protect this freedom. She helped other countries defend theirs, too.

This freedom which I am talking about was planned by our forefathers. The plan which would protect the individual freedoms, was called the Constitution's "Bill of Rights".

Following World War II, the United Nations was formed on October 24, 1945, by the free countries of the world. The purpose of this organization was to protect and promote peace and understanding among all of the people in all nations. Many police actions have been carried out by this organization to stop aggression around the world. The United States has been the main contributing country to put in money and manpower necessary for this important organization. The United Nations has a very great deal to do with planning and maintaining freedom among all people.

The price of freedom is shared by every person in a free country. In the United States, we pay for it financially, by taxation on many things. The United States defense budget this year is more than 58 billion dollars. This is the highest budget we have had and it seems to be going up every year.

The price we have paid for freedom in lives and money has been high over the many years we have been fighting for it. But whatever the cost, we will always continue to pay for it, by whatever means necessary.

It is true that any freedom we enjoy, we must earn!

Richard Rush, Junior Division
Baker Rock Upper Elementary

Health Plan To Supplement Medicare

A new low-cost health plan designed especially for people 65 and over to supplement the federal government's Medicare program has been announced by Blue Cross of Oregon. This new program is called "Cover-Age 65."

In explaining the need for this additional protection, Frank F. Dickson, Executive Director of Blue Cross, stated: "Medicare brings to our Senior Citizens very broad and inexpensive health-care protection, but Medicare does have certain gaps such as limitations and coinsurance which could cause the individual out-of-pocket expense. We designed 'Cover-Age 65' specifically to help fill in these gaps so that, combined with Medicare, it will provide people 65 and over with a more rounded health-care program at a cost that would safeguard even the most limited budget."

Briefly, "Cover-Age 65" will add these benefits to the Medicare program:

It will pay the \$40 deductible required for hospitalization. (Medicare does not pay the first \$40.)

It will pay \$10 per day from the 61st to the 90th day of hospitalization (Medicare has a \$10 per day deductible for this period.)

"Cover-Age 65" pays for hospital outpatient services within 72 hours for minor surgery and

accidents.

It pays \$3 per day (to a maximum of \$270) toward medical or surgical expenses while hospitalized.

It will also provide worldwide protection for travelers, paying all of the above benefits plus those provided by the hospital portion--Part A--of Medicare. (In most cases, Medicare benefits are not provided outside the United States or its territories.)

Over 20,000 current Blue Cross members are eligible for Medicare benefits and "Cover-Age 65" will be made available to them. Others wishing to enroll may do so during the Open Enrollment Period which will commence the last half of April and will run for a limited period of time thereafter.

MELVIN JOHNSON

Graveside services were held Friday, 2 p.m., Port Orford Cemetery, for Melvin Johnson, 91, resident of Port Orford, who died Tuesday, April 5, after a short illness.

Smith's Funeral Home of Gold Beach handled funeral arrangements.

Survivors are four sons: Alfred E. of Port Orford; Carol M., Coquille; Gerald W., Coos Bay; and Lonnie L., Jordan Valley.

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Expresses Views
On Hatfield,
Demonstrations

To The Editor:

I have been aware of Governor Hatfield's political ambitions for the last few years, since press notices mentioned his name as a vice-presidential candidate. I realize that political ambition is legitimate, but when a candidate begins a campaign with strong criticism of the President's policy, I see red.

It appears to me that his campaign manager, seeing the bad publicity from his opening five-day tour of speaking, has advised him to calm down and keep away from Wayne Morse. His remark, "Johnson's peace offensive is a colossal failure," is not consistent with his latest remarks where he urges every effort to carry on the peace offensive. His telegram to the Congressional Delegation was a shrewd political move.

I am much opposed to student (intellectuals) and faculty demonstration. The Berkeley image has spread to many schools, including Reed, Portland State, Michigan and others. The unwholesome image portrayed to the world is a boon to communism and detrimental to American prestige. Reed College "Vietniks" passing out leaflets with extracts from Hatfield's speech was a blot on his campaign.

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TO THE EDITOR

Since I was run out of Dixie by the C. B. I. (Confederate Bureau of Investigation), I have made the old Port my home and like it here. For proof of that, my wife and youngins and I have been living here high on eleven years. Since I live outside the city limits, I ain't going to take sides with nobody on the sewer question because I'm too clumsy to run, I can't fight, I got to get along with everybody. I've got a few things to say, though, that might be of interest to both sides. I can remember when old man Zeke Jones was in the horse and mule selling business down yonder in the "Deep South". Then a couple of guys named Ford and Ferguson introduced tractors in the neighborhood. I can remember uncle Zeke saying it would be the ruin of his business, and it was. But Uncle Zeke retired a successful tractor and farm implement salesman. I can remember also when it darn near caused a feud in the community, when someone suggested inside toilets. Toilets is what they called bathrooms in those days. Uncle Clem said it was the damndest thing he had ever heard. Putting a toilet on the inside of a house just wouldn't be healthy. Well I ain't no health expert, nor a doctor, but I know there was a lot less sick people in the deep south when the inside toilet caught on.

The real estate man never advertised 5 rooms and a bath... mostly 2 rooms and a bath. When there was frost on that path and other places, it could get down right miserable at 2 a.m. It could also get embarrassing in the summer time when you had company over for chicken dinner and the wind was blowing right hard from the end of the trail. Now since I have made this fair city my home, I wouldn't want no company to get offended if they were coming from the deep south and the wind was blowing hard from the far north.

Now Mr. Editor, I'd like to state at this point I ain't mad at nobody. If I've said something that might offend you, then I'm sorry. I would like for you to remember anything I say is like buying in a dry good store. If it don't fit or pinches a little, I can always take it back and exchange it for something more suitable. I'm 'a thankin' ya a lot.

Yours for progress,
The Louisiana Hillbilly

JOLLY MIXERS MEET

The Jolly Mixers 4-H cooking club held their meeting at Mrs. Keeler's house Tuesday afternoon, April 12.

Group one made vanilla custard and group two made potato salad.

Debbie Bright dropped out of the club due to illness.

unightly.

Gov. Hatfield has designated May 15 through 21 as Tree Farm Week in Oregon... in a salute to tree farming during its 25th anniversary.

Found out for sure Wednesday that we're losing one of our good businessmen to our neighbor to the north. Jack Rose is moving his auto repair to Bandon the last of this week and opening there about the first of May, though he and his wife will continue to live here. Sorry to see you go, Jack, but, of course, you have our wishes for a successful move.

Taking The
Hide Off

By LOU NORRIS, Director
Tax and Legislative Affairs

A lot of hide has been taken off the ranchers in Oregon by the action of Secretary of Commerce Connor in clamping tight export quotas on cattle hides.

The Secretary in his press release announced the export control would reduce live cattle prices by about 5 cents a pound of hide, which means about \$4 a hide. Oregon ranchers marketed around 250,000 animals in 1965 that went to slaughter, and at \$5 a head this amounts to \$1 million, all of which will come out of the "hides" of Oregon ranchers.

Department of Commerce officials argue that the quotas were necessary to assure an adequate supply of hides for domestic needs. The American Meat Institute authoritatively challenged the Department's contention that a shortage is possible.

Aside from the fact that the Commerce Department is in direct conflict with the espoused policies of the Department of Agriculture to build export markets for agricultural commodities, the action can be more correctly characterized as a thinly disguised effort to control prices.

Farmers and ranchers are becoming accustomed to being beaten over the head by the government's effort to control market prices. It's being done with sugar--it's being done with feed grains--and we have a situation in wheat in which the domestic market price for soft wheat in the Pacific Northwest is below world market levels.

The situation with hides is just part and parcel of what appears to be in store for the entire economy.

Farm Bureau has asked President Johnson to suspend the export control on hides. But such a request is sure to fall on deaf ears until such time as the government indicates a willingness to exercise some restraint on its own spending policies.

ANGLING REPORT

Rogue River salmon fishing, at the moment, is nothing to get excited about. An occasional fish is being picked up but they are few and far between.

Those fish taken so far have been in the 15-20 pound class and both boat and bank anglers have scored.

Flood water releases from Emigrant Reservoir combined with snow and rain runoff have kept the Rogue in poor fishing condition. As the river clears salmon fishing should improve.

OSU Work - Study
Program Receives
Million Dollars

Oregon State University--An allocation of \$1,015,250 has been received by Oregon State University to use next year in its Work-Study Program--a financial aid program to help needy students to complete their education.

The federally-sponsored program provides part-time work for students during the school year and full-time work during the summer.

About 400 students are working on campus this term at a wide variety of jobs. President James H. Jensen reported. With the new allocation, approximately 1,000 summer jobs will be available on campus and throughout the state with 83 co-operating cities and county agencies.

All students participating in the program must be making satisfactory progress toward graduation.

Under the program, the federal government (Department of Health, Education and Welfare) pays 90 per cent of the student wages. The university departments and cooperating agencies pay the other 10 per cent, plus employer costs.

Dennis L. Crawford is administrator of the Work-Study Program at OSU.

June high school graduates who plan to enroll at Oregon State this fall will be eligible for the summer Work-Study Program, he said, provided they qualify on the basis of need.

By developing job arrangements with city and county groups throughout the state, students may have work in their home communities during the summer, Crawford explained. The Work-Study jobs do not take the place of regular staff positions, he continued. They are jobs that permit added services and that let the university carry on some functions that would not be possible under regular budgets.

OSU's Work-Study allocation for the period from July 1, 1965 to June 30, 1966 was \$504,000. About 600 different students benefited from the work program. Nearly all who applied have been aided, Crawford noted.

BREAKFAST HELD

The E. S. A. Sorority members attended a come-as-you-are breakfast Saturday morning at the home of Jean Samudio.

The Girl of the Year award was presented to Helen Stole. Members attending the breakfast were Frances Smith, Judy Bens, Thelma Foster, Helen Stole, Jean Samudio and guests Jean Gee and June Jamieson.

NOTES BIRTHDAY

Della Royer was 75 on Sunday, April 10. Helping her celebrate were Gail, Palma, Gary and Terry Lynn Carmine, Claude, Hilda and Jimmy Alsip, Ryeck, Kathy, Darlene, Shirleen, Dick and John Johnson, Richard and Cheryl Parrot, Ann, Kathy, Penny and Beverly Strain, Frances Denn, Monty Aakrom, Allen Gentry, Karen Siewell and Fred Royce.

Saturday, April 9, was Palma Carbine's birthday.

RETURNS HOME

Sydney Lindberg has returned from Winlock, Washington, where she attended the funeral of her aunt, Miss Anna Sorenson, who died on March 25, at the age of 88.

NEW ARRIVAL

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Fromm of Springfield became parents of a new daughter, Cheryl Ann, born March 29, 1966.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fromm of Springfield, former residents of Port Orford. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Tom Meade of Port Orford. Paternal great-grandparents are Mrs. Nellie Fromm and Mrs. Dora Hatton.

Mrs. Meade has returned to her home after spending a week with her daughter and family.

RETURNS TO HOSPITAL

Jimmy McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. George McDonald, Port Orford, returned to Carwell Air Force Base Hospital in Fort Hood, Texas, Wednesday, after spending a month convalescing there.

He is expected to spend quite some time in the hospital due to injuries he received in an airplane crash in Texas recently.

FROM ROSEBURG

Mr. and Mrs. Al Fray of Roseburg, were recent house guests of Mr. and Mrs. George McDonald, on their way home after spending two weeks vacationing in California.



Those appearing before Justice Lloyd Bates in Justice Court since last report were:

Oliver Carl Enlund, obstructed rear vision, \$15; Ernie George McDonald, no operator license, dismissed; Leonard Leroy Roach, VBR, dismissed; Dennis George Gurney, VBR, \$35; Carl James Palmer, no rear view mirror, \$10; William Alexander McCallum, no muffler, dismissed; Gordon Lawrence Kinter, Jan. 22, no operator license, dismissed; Charles Collins Morgan, Feb. 13, VBR, \$25; Alvin Carlstad, Coquille, March 19, failure to dim headlights, \$10; Gerald Lawrence Noel, Reedsport, March 25, no clearance lights, \$10; David Lloyd Dukatz, Albany, March 21, obstructed vision, \$10, \$10 suspended; Leslie Clare Ringer, Bandon, March 24, truck speeding, \$16.

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