It Takes A Little Thought

The primary election is close at hand. The day candidates are selected by their parties for the November run-off, only... but, nevertheless, a day of thoughtful decisions.

Candidates are seeking your nomination to offices of major responsibility... positions of trust and integrity. For this reason your decision should be based not on personality but on ability.

Too many times we hear a voter remark that he is supporting a candidate because he is a second cousin, or because they have never met the other guy, or because of sworn promises. It is very doubtful that a sincere candidate would place as much value on a vote of this nature as on one given because the voter had concentrated on assuring himself the candidate was, above all, the man for the job. Rather, the candidate would figure that he had really duped the voter into forking over a cherished right... his vote. Which, once given, cannot be redeemed.

Voters still have time to check the records and meet the candidates. This is an obligation that should not be taken lightly. The administration of your government is a serious business and it is up to the voter to assure himself that he is getting the best representation possible.

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Fighting Poverty In The Upper Brackets

Washington--Millions of the poor are fed up with talk about an antipoverty war that never reaches them, says Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, Secretary-elect of the World Council of Churches and Stated Clerk of the United Presbyterian Church of America.

Commenting on a near-riot which occurred during a so-called "Poor Peoples Conference" here in Washington, Dr. Blake charged that "money comes into their areas, but they never see it and nothing happens to charge their plight."

Rep. Bill Ayers, an Ohio Republican and an original supporter of the Federal Antipoverty war, has now come up with one reason why the poor never see the poverty money that comes into their areas . . . top-heavy payrolls for the so-called poverty fighters.

Charging that there is a "fantastic leakage in funds to help the poor," Ayres cited the following figures:

--6,484 permanent Federal employees are budgeted to run the poverty war at a cost of 53.4 million dollars in salaries alone.

--1,557 Federal poverty employees will draw annual salaries of $10,619 or more.

--25 Federal poverty fighters will be paid more than the base pay of General Westmoreland, who heads U. S. forces in Vietnam.

--36 Federal poverty bureaucrats will be paid more than Astronaut Neil Armstrong (a civilian employee) and 25 others will have the same salary grade rating as Armstrong.

--Five antipoverty workers will get more than the $26,000 salary paid to the U. S. Commissioner of Education who operates programs twice the size of the war on poverty which is budgeted at 1.7 billion dollars.

"The word has gotten out among Civil Servants in Washington that 'the big money is in poverty' but few know how big it is," Ayres says.

Observers here in Washington were not surprised by Ayres' figures since the lavishness with which the poverty war administration meets its payrolls has been the talk of the town for some months.

Last year Washington WAS shocked when it was leaked out of the Office of Economic Opportunity that numbered among the poverty fighters were quite a few reporters who were being paid upwards of $75 a day as "consultants" in the war on poverty. What caused the raised eyebrows was the fact that a number of these newsmen were also writing stories about the "great successes" in the poverty war for the newspapers for which they were supposedly working full-time.

A number of Congressmen and Senators from both parties have expressed deep concern over the entire situation. As one of them said privately last week, "we've got an explosive situation on our hands. The REAL poor got their hopes up when the War on Poverty was first launched. Now a couple of years have gone by and nobody but the bureaucrats in the OEO seem to have gotten a penny out of the program. Something has got to give and give soon."

Shortly after he made this statement, the blow-up at the Poor Peoples Conference which upset Dr. Blake took place thus confirming his fears.

Monday, May 9, is the chamber of commerce-sponsored Candidate's Night at the local grade school... the only public meeting I know of in this area prior to the primary election where candidates will have a chance to "speak their piece" and answer questions. The event in past years has always seen a full turn-out of candidates... because these people knew the value of a chance to seek the support of the public.

As far as I'm concerned there is nothing like a public meeting or a public debate to bring out the issues and put them on public record. This kinda makes it hard to work the back roads with all the big promises that are usually never kept anyway. 'Course there is always a certain amount of door-knockin 'cause it's never possible to get all the voters out at one place at one time. But... I think a sincere person, competing for an office of responsibility, should not hesitate to attend any, or all, public meetings to present his views. He has to convince the public of his qualifications, anyway... and where can it be done better than at a public event?

Paul Eide of Brookings, self-proclaimed campaign manager for Allen Boice, candidate for county sheriff, said in a letter to the editor of this paper that Boice will not be available for any public appearances because his "full duty" is to his present employer. I think Boice should also remember that the position he is seeking should cause him to avail himself to the public that will decide his future... that is if he really is serious.

I knew of a feller in another section of the state years ago who thought he'd make a run for the sheriff's office. His experience was almost nothing but he could talk the hind leg off a plow horse... which is just about what he did. He criss-crossed his county bending the ears of everybody he saw; telling 'em what a lousy sheriff was in office and how he could make things so much better 'like he would stop all crime [illegible] preventing it first... which would naturally save the taxpayers scads of money; and he would clean up the jail... make the prisoners do all their own laundry... and read the Good Book and other religious literature; and conduct a radio program (this was before TV) for local children called "Sheriff Dudley's Juvenile Crime Prevention School of the Air." Plus a whole passle of other promises.

People in his county got to thinking 'bout all these promises that was supposed to benefit them so much that they up and elected him. And then found out how hard promises were to keep. In an effort to stop crime he had to triple his deputies; the county had to replumb the whole court house to accomodate washing machines and the first day they were used, two washers were overloaded and the jail was flooded with soap suds... allowing two trustees to walk past a jailer and out to freedom; the cry for "equal rights" among all religious denominations soon had the jail overflowing with their publications and the teenagers were crying "foul" because they felt the sheriff was already branding them as delinquents... and crime still continued. And they wished they had their former sheriff back because he had always done a good job and never made promises he couldn't keep. Moral: Person who buys "dark horse" may find he made blind deal.

Young son came home from school last Monday complaining of sore ears and running a temperature. Because he had been up and down for the past week, with sore throat and ear aches, bride and I decided it was time to take him to the doctor for a check-up. The receptionist called him and, because he's a pretty husky-type feller, I said I'd wait for him in the lobby... to kinda give him a taste of the grown-up feeling. But just as I started to leaf through a "Digest," the receptionist came back seeking help... seems young son forgot what was the matter with him.

Port Orford will not be without their annual fireworks display this July 4th... thanks to the chamber of commerce who last Monday voted to sponsor the popular display. Local fireworks have always been a big crowd-drawer because of the efforts of Ed Longton and his able crew who have put on the colorful show for many years. The Quarterback Club will also sponsor their annual barbecued steak feed that date... so I'm told. Now, if other clubs would get interested in putting on a few other events, we might work ourselves back into the Big Celebration class.

Two years ago I had the privilege to speak to Mrs. Calhoun's third grade class about newspapers. Failing to ask how much time I was permitted I succeeded in talking right through the classes' recess period. Last Monday I spoke to another of her classes... and was very careful about the time... I thought. Following are thank-you notes from the students... which tell you what happened this time.

Dear Mr. Peterson,
Thank you for coming to our room. I'll tell my mom and dad you took my picture. Thank you for showing and telling us things.
Your friend,
Tracey Werner

Dear Mr. Peterson,
Thank you for talking to us and for showing us your things and thank you for taking the picture of us. I just can't wait to see myself in the newspaper. Thank you for everything.
Your friend,
Lester

Dear Mr. Peterson,
I enjoyed your talk it was interesting too. Thank you.
Your Friend,
Carolyn Coonrod

Dear Dad,
Thank you for coming to my room we enjoyed your talk. I thought it was interesting. I know some things about it but now I know more about it.
Love, your daughter,
MaryJane

Dear Mr. Peterson,
I hope you can come again sometime. Thank you for taking our pictures. I enjoyed your talk. Thank you for bringing the newspaper. We was not very late for lunch.
Your friend,
David

Dear Mr. Peterson,
Thank you for coming to school to tell us about the newspaper. And about some other things too. I hope you can come and tell some more about the news.
Your friend,
Billy Carr

Dear Mr. Peterson,
I enjoyed your talk. I wish you could come again. I liked that old paper and that block paper. I cannot write too well.
Your friend,
Guy Hall

Dear Mr. Peterson,
I enjoyed you and I would like you to come again and tell us more about newspapers thank you for coming.
Your Friend,
Billy Sharp

Dear Mr. Peterson,
Thank you for coming. I enjoyed your talk. And it was interesting. Thank you for showing us your things.
Your friend,
Jean Fedricks

Dear Mr. Peterson,
I enjoyed your coming and showing us all of the things you have to do to make a newspaper. When I grow up I want to be a news editor.
Your friend,
Billy Estes

Dear Mr. Peterson,
I enjoyed your talking to us very much and I like the big M. I like the picture.
Your friend,
Raymond Anderson

Dear Mr. Peterson,
I enjoyed your talk. We don't get the Port Orford News. I won't get to see the picture. Teacher might bring the paper to school.
Your friend,
Lennie Denary

Dear Mr. Peterson,
I enjoyed you coming to our school room. I am sure the rest of the class did to. It was nice of you to come to the class room. I know it took your time but you took time just to speak to us and show us the pictures. Thank you very much.
Your friend,
Cynthia Neal

Dear Mr. Peterson,
I enjoyed your talk. It was interesting I thought. Thank you for coming. We are studying about Indians.
Your friend,
Cindy Peck

Dear Mr. Peterson,
Thank you for showing us what and why we use it. I enjoyed your visit. We are studying about maps and Indians. I am so excited about getting my picture in the newspaper, but I don't get the newspaper. We wrote to you for our language. I like you.
Your friend,
Martha Flynn

Dear Mr. Peterson,
We had a good time. Please come again and tell us more about it. We liked the things your brought. We were not very late for lunch but that was o. k. I enjoyed your talk.
Your friend,
Billy Cobb

Took the family up-river Sunday for a picnic and on the way home younguns were asking where all the water in rivers goes. Bride was explaining how, eventually, a good share flows into the oceans and seas, etc. Smarting off, I asked, if that's the case how come the ocean is so salty. So the salt water fish have a place to grow up, she said. And that's all for this week.

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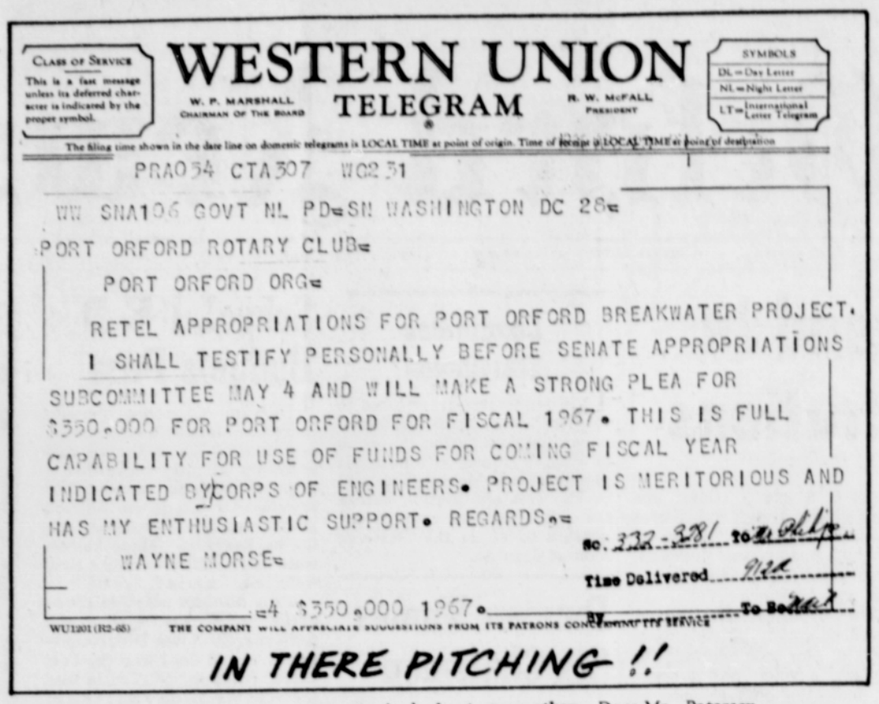

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LETTERS to the Editor

Experience Best

TO THE EDITOR

I have found Sheriff Wm. H. Gauntlett to have proven himself with our tax collecting and law enforcement, plus the many Civil matters that have been and must be processed through his office. I am sure many folks do not realize the many duties performed by his office besides law enforcement. EXPERIENCE IS THE BEST TEACHER.

There is much to understand and know to be a tax collector and sheriff, and better to be a well trained one like Sheriff Gauntlett. He is an asset to all of us in Curry County and I really think we should keep him.

Let's not take on a student to train. It will take much time and expense to try and duplicate Sheriff Gauntlett. I have learned that the efficiency of his office shows a good tax collecting record and fewer jury trials. This has been and will continue to be a great saving under his supervision.

I am judging from 20 years of police work for the city of Los Angeles, over 11 years as City Recorder for Port Orford, and 20 years a Realtor in Port Orford, each position meant much training. And my real estate work took me to Sheriff Gauntlett's office many times with Tax problems, and all were met with courtesy and the KNOW HOW. EXPERIENCE IS THE BEST TEACHER.

Sincerely,
W. D. Spencer

TO THE VOTERS:

We appreciate the services of the Editor for printing our views concerning Gladys Caughell, Republican candidate for Curry County Treasurer.

We have known this candidate for many years. Either we have had the opportunity to personally work with her through the schools or other employment, or investigate her work record and know it to be one of honesty, efficiency and desirable personality.

Her work record has been progressive and efficient and we feel she has the ability and experience to give us excellent service as County Treasurer. We recommend you cast your vote in her favor on May 24.

Citizens for Gladys Caughell
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L. E. Kreutzer, Langlois

To the Editor:

A reminder of the people to send in the questionnaire sent them by the West Coast Telephone Company.

We would like to know why it is Gold Beach, Agness and Nesika Beach are on one exchange? Why Port Orford, Langlois and Bandon could not be on one exchange?

We would like to know why the most up-to-date modern equipment cannot be installed in this area?

We would like to know why more lines could not be installed so as to reduce the number of people now being served on one party line?

We would like to know why it takes so long for repair service after a difficulty has been reported by the people and often by the telephone operators who discover unsatisfactory conditions?

Two weeks ago I reported my own phone not working satisfactorily, two different operators noticing the unsatisfactory condition told me "they would report it;" as yet the condition is still the same.

When people are paying a high price for this type of utility are they not entitled to first class service? Is it impossible for a large company to serve its patrons satisfactorily and efficiently?

If our constant complaints are hard to believe we gladly invite top officials of the company and members of the Public Utility Commission in Salem to come and reside in rural northern Curry County, live as the rest of us do, children in school, taking part in community and business affairs and see if they would appreciate the conditions.

We like our local management, am sure they would like to provide us with the type of service we have asked for, but the top management has not been convinced that we are still "not living in the stone age down here."

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Heavy construction operations are presently underway on Agness Road Project located approximately four miles south of Powers.

There will be minor delays throughout the project limits with the possibility of delays of up to one hour on some sections.

Unavoidable delays of more than one hour may be encountered but will be rare.

A detour of approximately one half mile will take traffic around one portion of heavy construction and should facilitate traffic flow and eliminate much of the delay(s) that may be encountered.

When the project is finished, the road will carry two lanes of traffic between Powers and Elk Creek.

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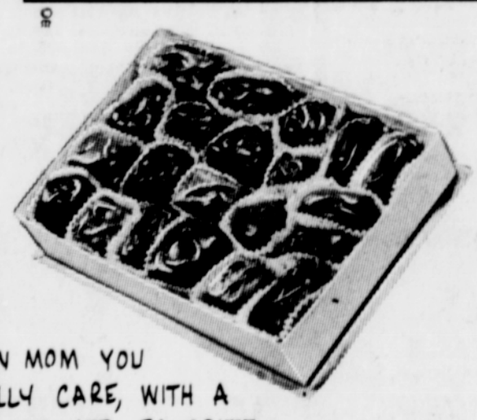

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