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Independence Day 1966

The Fourth of July falls on Monday this year. That means another long weekend of fun and recreation. But this year to a greater degree than in many years, we should pause to reflect on the true meaning of the Fourth of July. There are thousands of families across the land who face a sorer Fourth. Their sons and husbands are in Vietnam because as a nation, we are dedicated to the document which the Fourth of July commemorates.

That document is our Declaration of Independence from Great Britain, adopted by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776. It signifies the birth of a nation and a degree of individual freedom that exists nowhere else on earth. So long as the Declaration of Independence endures in the minds and hearts of American citizens, freedom will endure. So, with due humility and reverence, enjoy yourself on this Fourth of July, in the year 1966.

Just For The Asking

America's more than 211,000 "service" stations are so well named that we often take for granted the wealth of information and materials that are available from them, just for the asking. This summer, for example, service stations throughout the country will be on the job as friends in need to millions of vacation travelers. Station attendants will provide automobile tourists with road and weather conditions. They point out what to see, where to fish, where to hunt, where to sleep, various church locations, recreation areas and other points of interest. They can provide town-by-town, city-by-city travel information, complete with state and regional maps. And, for the tourist who has strayed off course, or is just plain lost, the station attendant can often offer rerouting suggestions taking the traveler back toward his planned destination with perhaps a few added side attractions.

Using up-to-date information provided by their respective oil companies, and state and local travel bureaus, service stations are top-notch, coast-to-coast travel guides for the American tourist. And it's all "just for the asking."

Nothing For Free

As the government and the medical profession seek to discharge their duties to older people under the medicare law, everyone should be reminded again and again that there is no such thing as a "free" service. Nothing in this world is free and nothing new has been created under medicare. By law, the taxpayers are paying some of the medical bills of a selected group of people. As time goes on, the law may be revised to include the care of other age groups. Medicare may eventually be extended until it becomes a national health service as was adopted in Britain nearly 18 years ago.

The British plan of government medical care which was to provide free service to all is threatened with a disastrous breakdown. A British Medical Association reports that, "Unless vast new sums of money are made available—from some source or another—the present concept of a hospital service must be abandoned. . . . Half of the nation's hospitals are more than 80 years old, and only two new general hospitals have been built since 1939. The British Medical Association report concludes: 'If the public wishes to have an unrestricted health service, it must be prepared to pay for it . . .'"

The medical profession in the United States is going to do everything possible to facilitate the operation of medicare. It will do its utmost to preserve the all-important, doctor-patient relationship that is so vital to the high medical standards to which we have become accustomed. It is the obligation of the people, all of us, to remember that medicare does not mean "free" medical care. The more that is demanded in the way of service from hospitals and doctors, the more it is going to cost unless we wish to end up with a bankrupt medical system as Great Britain appears to have done.

Small Enterprise . . . Big Job

In an age when business seems to have become a necessity in government, and industry—in fact in virtually any activity you can name—it is gratifying to find one place where size is not necessary to success and has no relationship to quality of service nor the importance of the enterprise. This is the hometown community newspaper.

A national directory of weekly newspapers reports that there are more than 8,000 "hometown" newspapers in the country. These newspapers reach approximately 32 million homes. While metropolitan papers have been beset by circulation troubles, strikes and shutdowns, the smaller papers have been flourishing and enjoying steady circulation increases.

The thousands of smaller papers are a bulwark of independent thought. Without them, there would be no freedom of the press. There would be no record of community life, no reporting of important community events, no expression of editorial views or opinions that gradually crystallize into public sentiment on issues of the day.

In fact, without the thousands of editors to give it meaning, the institution of a free press would wither and die and with it the freedom of the people. The local newspaper is a small enterprise that does a big job.



TO THE EDITOR

Stop bragging about your weather—Tuesday's high in Fresno was a whopping 108!

And don't let anything take the place of the Scratch Pad—that is the highlight of the paper.

Nell Kirkpatrick

TO THE EDITOR:

Do the people have a right to know about paid lobbyists at Salem—who they are, who they work for and, most important, how much money they spend to affect government decisions and what they spend it for?

If the law to require the registration and reporting of this information, with enforce-

ment procedures, is to be placed on the November 1966 ballot by the initiative method, your help is needed. I know the people would vote for it if they get the chance.

As a co-sponsor of this initiative, I have had printed up petitions and signature sheets. I'll pay the postage to get them to persons to circulate.

Some 45,000 valid voters signatures must be obtained, checked by the local county clerks and turned it to the Secretary of the State, all by July 7. More petition circulators are needed.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED. We have thousands of signatures, but will need many thousands more. Write me for a petition, or phone (collect if necessary.)

Sincerely,

SENATOR ED FADELEY,
Chairman of Committee for Disclosure of Influences on Government
222 Legal Center Building
Eugene, Oregon



From what I hear everything is all set for the big celebration come Monday... except maybe the soap box races. Oh, they'll be run I guess... only maybe with a shortage of cars. The way I hear it is that some of the dads had taken their sons up the Hill for a little practice but didn't think the young-uns were pouring enough coal... er sumpin'... so they decided to test run the rigs themselves. But... so the word goes, they apparently had a little trouble, somehow, and wound up needing to make some repairs. I know it wouldn't be crickets to names names... but I could say you may find out by a close examination of the cars... or if you overhear anybody looking for a handicap before entering the race.

But all in all it should be a good day of family fun... from flapjacks to fireworks... so plan to be in town.

About 8:30 Tuesday evening my phone rang and a lady's voice inquired if I was Mr. Peterson. I naturally said yes... then she said, "I'm Mrs. So and So from the Lane Co. Builders and I'm right aren't I, you do own your own home, don't you?" When I replied that I didn't she said she wouldn't bother me because I wouldn't be interested in her offer then. And before I could ask any questions she hung up. But... I'll bet the offer would have been a super special on siding or roofing or a paint job... or worse. That's the first phone pitch I've encountered but I am convinced that if anybody has something to sell and it's strictly on the up and up they don't have to hide behind the anonymity of the telephone.

It takes a long time to find people who make good friends... and then a while to cement a friendship into something lasting... lasting beyond the differences that crop up—sometimes... and in many cases dissolve relationships. You know the kind I'm talking about... friends that are around when you need 'em, as well as around for fun and socializing.

The type of friends who become, in many cases closer, even, than a relative... I guess you could say the very sincere and extremely honest friends who are really there when they are with you and very gone when they aren't. The first people you think of when you plan to do something special... the first people who arrive in the time of need... regardless.

That's the kind of people Frenchie and Betty DeLamar are... real solid. And now, after nearly 11 years, they find it necessary to leave. Needless to say, their going will leave a sad void in our lives, and in other's. I'm also very sure that Frenchie will be definitely missed from the sheriff's department... you'll have to go a long, long way to find another man more dedicated, fair and impartial, or honest, in the pursuit of his duties. And he was this way as the city chief of police... when he operated a fishing boat, worked at the mills... or whatever.

But circumstances beyond their control have prompted their leaving. Nothing I can say will keep them here... all I can say is that Benton county will definitely gain from Curry's loss and I wish them all the good fortune people like they justly deserve.

Jerry MacLeod, who writes South Coast Angling, pulled a funny this week, without intent, when he said "Bar conditions have been good the last few



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TO THE EDITOR:

On June 17, 1966, the Interim Committee on Education, Oregon State Legislature, passed a resolution to the effect that a bill be prepared and presented to the forthcoming session of the legislature for the reorganization of intermediate education districts throughout the State.

Interested citizens, school patrons and the general public should be informed to keep abreast of current activity by

days but morning fog continues to be a problem... (At least the bride thought so.)

Oregon Department of the American Legion will hold its 48th state convention in Newport July 7-9, with an estimated 3,000 members and their families attending.

Want to thank good friend Nell Kirkpatrick for her kind words... found in letter to Ed. And I might add, Nell, that things can get too hot for me around here without the temperature going up... and that ain't bragging!

Should mention that the Gold Beach up-river marathon boat race will be held at noon Monday... so I did.

A guy told me the other day he found a new way to add to his personality... he lies a lot. The sax player, name of Ed Kviz... we call him Zippy, that works around here without the temperature going up... and that ain't bragging!

A last reminder... don't forget—if you have any items suitable for the CMSI auction... and almost every item is... you can leave it at the Jensen Center (Port Cleaners) or call Port Orford Variety to have items picked up. The more items, the merrier.

Several local residents attended a telephone meeting Tuesday evening, June 28, at the Coquille Community Building in Coquille. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Art Sweet, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McLeod and Mrs. Everett Isenhardt of Langlois, Mrs. Smith Honeywell and Mrs. Neonta Hall.

Telephone manager, Bruce Eddy, will be appearing on Channel 11, KCBY-TV, Coos Bay, soon to discuss this subject due to the vast interest in southwest Oregon. Mr. Eddy is also scheduled to speak to the Chamber of Commerce in Coos Bay today, Thursday, on the subject.

Big Game Rules Are Available

Big game hunters are advised that copies of the 1966 big game regulations synopsis are now available at license agencies throughout the state.

As in the past, the synopsis contains a general summary of big game seasons for quick reference, plus detailed regulations on all hunts. Boundary lines of all game management units, early and extended seasons, and controlled hunts are spelled out in detail.

Hunters are urged to check carefully instructions for filing applications for unit permits and controlled season tags. Close attention should also be paid to regulations on arms and ammunition, tagging requirements, general license regulations, and the summary of definitions.

A section also covers juvenile hunting regulations. Parents are urged to check this section if they intend to take youngsters hunting this fall.

Shop in Port Orford

The Interim Committee on Education in the above regard because it will certainly affect education. The current law in establishing the present I.E.D.'s has been in effect since 1963. Present thinking on reorganization of the I.E.D.'s by the Interim Committee is that between 12 and 18 districts should be established and that each of the 36 counties in Oregon, including those operating under a county unit system, would be included in one of the reorganized units. One of the suggestions on the State level is that Coos, Curry and Douglas counties form one of the reorganized districts.

Concern by thinking people can affect the direction taken to form reorganized districts to make certain that such reorganization will improve the education for children and not hinder present efforts to provide quality education.

History quite generally proves that in any large centralization of services where a large urban area is to be served along with a large rural area that the rural area is short-changed, if for no other reason than sheer weight of numbers or percentage based on numbers.

I would urge that people be kept informed on this issue, as well as any other issues which might confront the 1967 legislative session.

Sincerely Yours,
RAY NEUGART, Supt.
Curry County Intermediate Education District

Timber Sale Is Announced

Supervisor J. R. Philbrick, Siskiyou National Forest, announces two timber sales this week, totaling an estimated 8,900,000 board feet of timber, on the Powers and Gold Beach Ranger Districts.

United States Plywood Corporation, Gold Beach, was high bidder for the Quosatana Link timber sale of 4,100,000 board feet. Estimated volumes, advertised prices, and bid prices are as follows: Douglas-fir and other coniferous species 3,700,000 board feet, advertised price \$35.80, bid price \$68.70; Port Orford cedar, 400,000 board feet, advertised and bid price \$81.20. Total advertised value was \$164,940.00 and total bid price was \$286,670.00. This is located on the Gold Beach District.

Georgia-Pacific Corporation of Coquille was high bidder for the Clay Hill Salvage timber sale of 4,800,000 board feet of timber. Estimated volumes, advertised prices, and bid prices are as follows: Douglas fir 4,700,000 board feet, advertised price \$32.90, bid price \$58.00; western hemlock and other coniferous species, 100,000 board feet, advertised and bid price \$13.80. Total advertised value was \$156,010.00 and total bid price was \$273,980.00. This is located on the Powers District.

Supervisor J. R. Philbrick, Siskiyou National Forest, announces a recent sale on the Powers Ranger District, totaling an estimated 11,300,000 board feet of timber.

Moore Mill & Lumber Co., Bandon, was high bidder for the Middle Fork Sixes Salvage timber sale of 11,300,000 board feet. Estimated volumes, advertised prices and bid prices are as follows: Douglas fir 10,400,000 board feet, advertised price \$30.85, bid price \$58.35; western hemlock and other coniferous species 700,000 board feet, advertised and bid price \$13.30; Port Orford cedar 200,000 board feet, advertised and bid price \$105.90. Total advertised value was \$351,330.00; and total bid price was \$637,330.00.

Counties Asked To Adjust Levies

The Oregon Farm Bureau federation has recommended that the county's share of the cigarette tax for the coming fiscal year be used to reduce county tax levies.

Lou Norris, tax and legisla-

tive director of the OFBF, said the county's share would approximate 90 cents per capita for the coming fiscal year. Norris stated that it would be appropriate for the counties to treat the revenues from the cigarette tax as anticipated revenue and adjust levies accordingly before the July 15 deadline.

The Farm Bureau spokesman noted that a number of counties have already indicated they would use the money in this manner, but some counties have said they would treat funds as unanticipated revenue and would carry the funds over to the ensuing fiscal year.

Norris said that it is his opinion that voter approval of the cigarette tax was due to the fact that it was presented as a property tax relief measure and that counties are morally obligated to use the money to reduce levies.

Complete Red Cross Course

A Port Orford woman, Mrs. LaMoine Paris, was among 14 from Coos and Curry Counties who completed the Social Welfare Aid Training Course given recently at the Red Cross office in Coos Bay.

The four-day training course was for the purpose of preparing Red Cross volunteers to assist in the Service to Military Families Program.

The class was taught by Mrs.

Frank Fairweather, National Red Cross Volunteer Field Consultant from Medford, and covered all aspects of Red Cross responsibility for assisting service men, veterans, and the dependents of both.

Mrs. Vivian Casebeer, executive secretary for the Coos-Curry Chapter of the American Red Cross, coordinated the program and also attended the sessions.

Wed In Mexico

Jo Ann Keeler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Keeler, became the bride of Bobby L. Worell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Clark, Port Orford, on June 13. The couple was married in Tijuana, Mexico, and are now living on Silver Butte road.



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