

More on the Dog Track

A hearing will be held in Portland Friday on the proposed Clackamas county dog track at Wilsonville.

This promises to be one of the season's more interesting sessions, but we doubt if much will be settled. We still predict the final answer will come in the state legislature.

Forces already are girding in Salem for a show-down.

Briefly, the situation is this:

As far as state law is concerned, there is nothing to prevent a new dog-racing plant in Clackamas county. But powerful forces are leagued against this plan.

These include, not necessarily in order, (a) those who oppose any form of gambling, period (b) those who feel saturation already has been reached as far as pari-mutuel gambling is concerned in the Portland metropolitan area (c) those involved in the Multnomah Kennel Club and Portland Meadows operations which unquestionably would lose business to the new track and (d) Clackamas county residents who don't want a dog track in their midst.

Proponents include (a) those financially interested in the new plant (b) a majority of greyhound owners in Oregon who want another place to race their dogs and (c) Clackamas residents who see a potential tax gain for their county.

As far as the legislature is concerned, a bill by East County Rep. Howard Willits should bring the issue to a head. It would ban further dog-racing plants anywhere in Oregon, but might be of questionable legality.

No one can predict accurately how the legislature will go. A resolution already has been introduced in the Senate which would bar employment of a legislator by a licensee of the Racing Commission. It understood that quite a number of legislators have held race-track jobs. Many more have solicited and obtained jobs for relatives or friends at the tracks.

But as the law now stands, a new plant at Wilsonville would be perfectly legal. Only the legislature can rewrite the law, and no one can safely predict whether this will or will not happen. Powerful forces are at play.

Woman's Club To Hear Talks

The Sandy Woman's Club will hear Mrs. John Bryan speak on Holland and France at the Thursday, Feb. 7, meeting. Jasper Potharst, foreign exchange student from Holland, will also speak at the meeting. His topic is "Getting Acquainted."

at 1 p.m., followed by a 2 o'clock business meeting. Hostesses are Mrs. William Anderson, Mrs. Olin Bignall, Mrs. J. W. Latimer and Mrs. John Hilliard. Mrs. Duane Knapp is chairman of the meeting.

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TWO ATTEND SEMINAR

Two students from Sandy high school, Robert E. Sellers and Matt Shields, will be attending the Seminar for High School Musicians at Pacific University on Feb. 8, 9 and 10. It is conducted for the serious student of music who wishes to explore the possibilities of music as a career or who wishes to prepare himself for college.



Herb Ogden was busy shoveling snow from the sidewalk in front of his store last Monday, as was George Pullen in the background. (Sandy Post photo)

County Set to Spend \$80,000 for Oil, Fuel

Clackamas county expects to spend over \$80,000 in the coming year for gasoline, diesel fuel oil, grease and oil lubricants, according to contract awards announced by county commissioners.

In most cases prices were down a bit compared with 1962 prices. Contracts were opened the third week of December and were awarded for deliveries at various points in the county.

The Texaco Co. was awarded

the contract for premium gasoline delivered at Oregon City where the largest part of the fuel will be delivered. The price was .2032 cents a gallon.

The Shell Oil Co. received the contract for premium gasoline delivered at Brightwood at .2194 cents a gallon, the contract for all the regular gasoline at .1751 cents in Oregon City, .1905 cents at Beavercreek and .1925 cents at Molalla, and the award for multi-purpose lubricant at .108 cents per pound and the turbine oil at 52 cents a gallon. The contracts for kerosene at .214 cents a gallon, stove oil at .116 cents a gallon and bearing grease at .195 cents per pound went to the Union Oil Co.

The Tidewater Oil Co. received contracts for diesel motor fuel at all points in the county at .1059 cents a gallon in Oregon City, .1209 cents at Brightwood, .1119 cents at Molalla, .1089 cents at Barton and .1059 cents at Gladstone.

Tidewater also received contracts for diesel motor oil at 6730 cents a gallon, automotive motor oil at 4745 cents a gallon, universal joint grease at 1625 cents per pound, tractor roller lubricant at 1315 cents per pound, chassis lubricant at 1385 cents per pound, wheel bearing grease at 1490 cents per pound, compressor oil at 4330 cents per gallon and paint thinner at 4060 cents per gallon.

The Standard Oil Co. received bearing grease contracts at .195, .225 and .295 cents per gallon according to grades, and the Cascade Oil Co. was the successful bidder for a brand of paint thinner at 63 cents a gallon and Stoddard solvent at .2525 cents per gallon.

File Deadline For Aliens Here

District Director Alfred J. Urbano of the Immigration and Naturalization Service reminded aliens in Oregon today that Thursday, Jan. 31, is the deadline for filing address report forms as required under provisions of the 1952 Immigration and Nationality Act.

The Immigration official urged aliens who have not yet filed their address reports to do so no later than Jan. 31 to avoid possible penalties.

Failure to comply with the requirements can mean a fine, jail sentence and deportation for a willful violation.

Letters to Editor

To the Editor:
We depend on reading the advertising in your paper by the grocery stores, and were a little irked to fail to receive our copy of your paper dated either Jan. 3 or maybe it was Jan. 10. I am not sure which one it was.

We were more than a little irked to fail to receive the copy dated Jan. 24. I am positive of that date, for that evening a neighbor who did receive his copy of the Sandy Post, phoned us to ask if we had read the copy on page 6, headed Sign-up Now Due for Clean-up Aid. If he had not phoned us we would have missed the opportunity to ask for such aid as that aid means quite a bit to an elderly couple. We have 7½ acres of fir trees, many of them down, and many limbs torn from trees still standing, and such debris for our own safety should be removed before fire-hazard weather comes. So we are asking you to be sure our paper is mailed to us each week, and to remind the postal service to see that it is delivered to us.

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Eagle Creek, Oregon

UP and DOWN the MOUNTAIN

By JOE KIEFER



I am writing this column with deep sorrow.

You and I have lost a real friend, one that we shall never be able to replace.

What can I say, what can I write about the death of Ruth Elizabeth Bartley, only that she has gone to God.

I offer my deepest sympathy to my very close friends, Larry and Laurie Bartley who have lost a wife and a real mother.

I like to believe that I won't be afraid to die, but I hope and pray when my time comes to meet my God, I can be as brave as this dear person.

There is a story of an Indian child who came in one day from the wheat-field with a hurt bird in her hand. Running to the old chief, she said: "See! This is my bird. I found it in the wheat. It is hurt."

The old man looked at the wounded bird and replied slowly: "No, it is not your bird, my child — it is God's bird. Take it back and lay it down where you found it. If you keep it, it will die. If you give it back into God's hands, He will heal its hurts and it will live."

Indians Wisdom

What the old Indian said of

hurt birds is true of hearts hurt by sorrow.

No human hand can heal them.

The only safe thing to do in time of grief is to put our lives into God's hands, to commit them to Him.

His hands are gentle and skillful. They will not break a bruised need.

He will give us just the help we need and just when we need it.

How oft at the touch of that nail-scarred palm My storm-troubled soul has at once grown calm.

The tempest that surges I will not fear. For how can I sink if that Hand is near.

Christ has made death but a narrow star-lit strip between the companionship of yesterday and the reunion of tomorrow. To my buddy on many a snow slope, to a real friend of mine when the chips were down, for a strong man who cried because he lost someone he loved dearly.

Poem To Console

He will bring you together again.

You have walked in the shadows and walked in the light You have traveled the vale and the hill.

In the days that were stormy and the days that were bright Together you met good and ill. But now you are walking so strangely alone You hark for a step but in vain.

And yet the good Father, who loveth His own Will bring you together again. You are not forgotten, however you miss

The voice that once gladly you heard The lips that no longer will stoop for a kiss Or whisper a comforting word.

You are not forgotten, and tstill you can smile

That blessings were given, and then

That He who lets you be lonely a while Will bring you together again. Your loved one is absent, but cannot be far

While safe on the bosom of love That holdeth you also, and hope as a star

Is shining so brightly above. Oh faith can be patient whatever the time

To wait in the shadow and pain While nearer is coming the glory sublime

To bring you together again. We say good-bye but not for evermore

The call but summons to yon farther shore And when we too embark It is not for the dark

Of unknown seas, but for the welcome meeting With loved ones gone before, who wait our greeting.

Living in hope and faith we fear not death 'Tis but the gate of Life.

This has been one of the hardest columns I have ever written. I can't put in words the feeling in my heart.

May the soul of my dear friend, Ruth Elizabeth Bartley, rest in peace with God.

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