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Presidential Race No Contest

Although we may not be the most competent of political observers, we feel compelled to make a definite statement and for a definite purpose.

The coming presidential election will be no contest whatsoever. Lyndon Johnson cannot possibly lose. Setting aside all other considerations and qualifications, he is riding in the shadow of a martyred, hero president.

Johnson is an able man, but Donald Duck could ride on this ticket and win, hands down.

We cannot understand the mad Republican scramble for the also-ran position.

What both parties should concern themselves with at this moment in American history is placing as many as possible of their party stalwarts in Washington in positions of authority. The Democrats should do this to strengthen Johnson's position. The Republicans should do it for the opposite reason. It is their only hope for the next four years.

But what is happening? Everyone is scrambling to buy a mansion that has already been purchased, while excellent smaller edifices nearby stand almost alone and unattended.

Where are the king-makers of yesterday who would have seen this situation and seized upon it with both hands? The traditional smoke-filled rooms must be just full of smoke. No astute politician, in our humble opinion, could miss this cut-and-dried position; nor would he fail to take advantage of it.

A presidential election is a bloodless battle. It is a war of sorts. A good general pulls out of an impossible position and retrenches. He infiltrates. He uses his intelligence to inform himself for future moves. Above all, he does not waste his men and materiel attacking an impossible front. Where are the political generals of both parties?

We are ready and willing to go way out on a limb and state flatly that Lyndon Johnson will win by a landslide—it, simply, in all reason, cannot be otherwise.

The American people came to love Kennedy and his wife. He died in the service of his country. Johnson is the closest thing the people have to their dead president. Anyone who knows the sense of fair play and loyalty of the American voter must realize at once that this is a 'made' situation that cannot fail.

This editorial is not written to influence anyone. We are a small country weekly which has little or no political significance. We are neither Republican nor Democrat, but we are honest in the belief that this presidential campaign is going beyond all reason. We simply felt compelled to state.

If we have offended, we are sorry. If we have helped, even in the smallest way, we are glad. If, when the election is complete, we are wrong, we will publicly admit it.

We thank you for the time you have taken to read this and for the time you may take to think about it.

4-H Camp Begins Next Week

Nearly 200 4-H Club members from throughout Clackamas County are expected at the first session of the County 4-H Camp to be held at Camp Colton, June 8-13, according to Harold Black, county extension agent, 4-H Club work.

Another 140 Club members are registered for the second session which will be June 15-20. Two weeks of 4-H Camp are scheduled this year because of the numbers of members wishing to attend Camp. The Lutheran Church Camp at Colton is used for 4-H Camp before the church camping season begins.

Mrs. Miriam Beasley, Oregon City will be program director. Mrs. Ben Dick will be camp nurse.

The following will be assisting with crafts and activities during the first week of camp: Mrs. Charles Bossen, Eagle Creek; Mrs. Warren Fleming, Concord; Mrs. Sid Gorbett, Colton; Mrs. J. Jones, Oregon City; Mrs. Robert Andrews, Oregon City; Mrs. Larry Guthrie, Barton; Mrs. Stan White, Sunnyside; Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Fox, Sunnyside; Mrs. Joe Huff, Oregon City; Bill Headrick, Shubel; Bob Kreiter, Milwaukie; Ray Beeler, Jennings Lodge; Al Parker, County Farm Forester; Andy Landforce, Wildlife Management Specialist, Corvallis; and Betty Ashbaugh, Afton.

Zundel and Dave Passon, County Extension Agent.

Older club members who will be serving as counselors during the first session are Jerri Allen, Viola; Mary Anderson, Colton; Marilyn Beard, Gladstone; Deynee Calvin, Colton; Carolyn DeCristoforo, Milwaukie; Nancy Forman, Barton; Margery Gierke, Williamette; Lynda Hinkson, Logan; Dorothy Kancel, Beavercreek; Nancy Marchant, Park Place; Mary Beth McKinney, Park Place; Janet Miles, Canby; Beverly Neumayer, Shubel; Bob Beasley, Park Place; Mike Bell, Colton; Roger Daugherty, Molalla; David Seward, Colton; Steve Root, Brightwood.

SERVICE LINES

Gerald Phillips, fireman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald G. Phillips of Rt. 3, Boring participated in an extensive sea assault exercise called "Operation Pine Tree" off the coast of Southern California May 20-28 while serving aboard the Navy tank landing ship USS Kemper County.

JERRY L. VAN HAELEST, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius L. Van Haelst of Rt. 2, Sandy, is attending basic training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

JOHN P. CLARK, seaman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Clark of Rt. 2, ROLLAND J. LONGSTREET, interior communications technician fireman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Longstreet of Rt. 2, both of Sandy, have returned to duties with the Seventh Fleet in the Far East aboard the Navy attack aircraft carrier USS Bon Homme Richard, after a tour of duty with the "Concord Squadron" in the Indian Ocean.

Army PFC Harley R. Parmenter, son of Mrs. Phayus K. Parmenter, Rt. 2, Boring, is serving with the 14th Armored Cavalry Regiment's 1st Reconnaissance Squadron in Fulda, Germany.

Parmenter is a surveyor in the squadron's Howitzer Battery. He entered the Army in April, 1963, and completed basic combat training at Fort Ord, Calif.

The 24-year-old soldier was graduated from Gresham high school in 1957 and attended Clark college, Vancouver, Wash.

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New officers of the Sandy Women's Club were installed by Mrs. Howard Berger at ceremonies last week. Left to right, in the front row, are Mrs. Harold Tharp, president; Mrs. Duane Knapp, vice president, and Ollie Kanak, secretary. Second row, Mrs. Augusta Bruns, historian; Mrs. Charles Frasier, trustee; Mrs. Ivan Barker, trustee; Mrs. William Anderson, chairman board of trustees, and Mrs. Lewis Hall, treasurer.

Summer Recreation Program

By AUDREY COLSON

The rainy weather did not dampen the spirits of the Sandy area children on the first day of the Summer Recreation. Approximately 100 children have signed up for the recreation program and about 50 for the swimming program. Last week I reported that you did not have to pay the swimming fee of \$3.50 until the first day of the lessons, but I must retract that statement. The swimming fee should be paid by this Friday to be sure your children go to the swimming lessons. The reason for this rule is that last year some children were signed up and accepted and others were turned down, then the first day of the lessons, the first ones did not show up and others could have gone. So if the fee is paid then we will know for sure that the children really mean to take the lessons and it gives everyone a better chance to know just how many will really be going. The ones that pay the swimming fee will have first chance to go swimming. You can sign up at the all purpose room of the Sandy grade school anytime this week or next. Check with Lyle Jarvis or Gail Maroney about the details. This really is important. Parents must also realize that there is no supervision on the playground or in the all purpose

room from noon to 1 p.m. The directors and staff go home for lunch and the buildings are locked up. Please keep that in mind.

Mrs. Boothby Wins May Klozet Prize

The \$20 gift certificate, which is awarded each month by Ellen's Klozet to a lucky visitor, was won for May by Mrs. Tom Boothby of Rt. 2, Sandy.

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