

## We Can Be Proud

(Guest editorial by Judge George L. Howeler)

Not long ago a man from Portland came into my office for a visit. Several years had elapsed since he had been in our community, and he was genuinely amazed at the changes that had been wrought in the meantime. He was impressed with the new appearance on Main Street, with the numerous new and renovated business establishments, with the new look in and around the bank building, and he expressed unmistakable admiration for the people of this area who had the obvious foresight and courage to move forward so confidently and so rapidly.

"How in the world did you accomplish it?" he asked with a bit of awe in his voice.

"It wasn't easy," I replied. "We had the support of numerous civic and other groups who pitched in and turned the tide in favor of tax levies."

"And so, before long," he observed, "Sandy will have a bigger and better water system, a brand new school, and a wonderful swimming pool."

"Don't forget the community college," I reminded him. "We voted for that, too. Before long we shall have an educational facility of which we can be justly proud—one that will make it possible for many of our young folks to continue their education and to prepare themselves for their vocations in this rapidly-changing world of ours—a community college that will become, I feel sure, a cultural and civic center for us here in the Sandy-Hoodland area—an institution of learning that will help us meet the many problems of daily living that beset us."

"You have an election in regard to that college coming up shortly, haven't you?" he asked.

"Yes," I said. "On April 21st we must vote on the operating budget of our Mt. Hood Community College."

"Do you think this area will go for it?" he inquired.

"It will if we stop to realize its importance and get out the vote," I answered. "I would be quite surprised

and very much disappointed if this progressive community of ours would vote negatively on the matter of operating the college just after it had voted so affirmatively for its establishment. In the first place, this operational budget will only cost the average homeowner taxpayer about the price of three packages of cigarettes per month or about ten dollars a year, and I know of no other investment that will give that homeowner so much for his money. In the second place," I continued, "the way to react toward increasing taxation is not by throwing the proverbial monkey-wrench into the community college works; you do it by modernizing your governmental structure, by eliminating duplications in public administration, by cutting down on waste of public funds, by electing able and honest persons to public office. You do it by reducing crime, alcoholism and drug addiction, by reducing the broken homes with their dependent children—you do it by providing an economical and practical education for the high school graduate who cannot afford the university or the private college; and you do these things by maintaining a fine community college in your area."

"Well, I must go," said the man from Portland. "You have a fine community—one that you can be proud of. I only wish," he added somewhat whimsically that I were not so firmly established in Portland. I would like to move out here, to have my business here, to live here. Good luck to all of you on April 21st."

I had a warm glow inside as he left. We who live here are prone to overlook the changes that take place within our community, and it sometimes takes someone from the outside to remind us of them.

As the man pointed out, we should be amazed at our own progress during the last year or two. We will have our new water system, our new school, our new swimming pool. Let's make sure that we shall also have our Mt. Hood Community College. Let's vote "YES" two weeks from today.

Connecticut and Washington. Oregon's share, of course, is largely in the Portland area and includes substantial business with Electronics Specialties.

Every state in the Union shares in the Boeing largesse. Boeing presently is in the process of hiring 15,000 new workers and thus even more business is likely.

All of which reinforces our feeling that neither Oregon nor Washington are economic islands, desperately feuding over industrial expansion. What helps one state helps the other.

## Servicemen Will Enjoy This

Slow mail delivery overseas long has been a major complaint of servicemen and Congress is getting ready to do something about it.

Letters, newspapers, small packages and tape-recorded conversations will be flown overseas under terms of a bill recently approved by the House.

This one really makes sense. Here at the Outlook, for instance, we have many overseas servicemen among our subscribers. Quite often, we hear complaints from their parents about "slow delivery" of papers and that when they do arrive, "it's usually in a big batch."

## What the Candidates Say . . . Now

If legislative candidates sing the same song next winter that they're singing now, taxes are going down.

Statements going into the Voters' Pamphlet are long on promises of tax savings. Nearly one-third of the candidates promise, one way or another, to do something about taxes.

We all know, of course, that there's quite a distance between promise and performance. But at least, they're going on record.

Some of the statements are fascinating.

One man, for instance, invokes

everything but motherhood and John F. Kennedy. He's for "honest, sincere, efficient government; fair taxation, LBJ, Duncan, Straub."

Then there is the man who espouses "The new Republicanism. A new Republican." We don't exactly know what "new Republicanism" is.

Another says he "Lives like a Democrat, works like a Democrat, votes like a Democrat." A Democrat, we presume.

Finally, there is the man who ends with an indeed lofty sentiment.

"I will remember that each vote represents a human hope."



What's in a name? Plenty of fireworks if and when a name is misspelled. I found this out after last week's story on the Mt. Hood Chamber of Commerce annual dinner and installation. I take full responsibility for the boners in that instant, because we don't have a printers devil on whom to place the blame. We have taken care of the proper spelling, etc., in several instances in this issue. My friend and colleague, the "Snooper" has corrected all errors, I do believe. My apologies to those involved. Next time there's such an event, I'll turn my hearing aid up real loud to make the proper identification.

Reason the hearing aid was turned low, was because Dick Groener was making a political pitch as the speaker of the evening. Dick is running in the primary on the Democratic ticket for a seat in the state senate.

Seated in the Sandy city council chambers Monday evening, I was about half asleep as routine procedures were underway, when a loud "whump" wakened me from my slumbers. I remarked to those within earshot that someone had just been struck, meaning someone's auto had just been involved in a collision of some kind. True to my prediction, the phone rang, Officer Roger Nicodemus answered it, said there had been an accident, and started for the city police car. I grabbed the camera, and went right with him.

Scene of the accident was directly in front of the Sandy Post building. One of the owners of the three vehicles involved? Yours truly, J.C.C. A Buick Station wagon, a four-wheel drive Ford pickup, and J.C.C.'s Rambler were all welded together in one big lump. The Buick had struck the pickup from the rear, (it was parked at the curb), the pickup struck the Rambler, (it was parked at the curb), and there we were.

Driver of the Buick station wagon was cited by Sandy police for being under the influence and was arrested. Driver of the Ford pickup, only slightly damaged, went back to his pool game, and I went back to the city council meeting.

My insurance agent was in tears when I called to tell him of the damage to my auto. This makes the second claim since Feb. 1st, I killed a deer with my auto, in January wiping out the front end. Now I've been struck in the rear!

In spite of the high winds of the past week, some people insisted on burning trash, blackberry vines, or whatever. I have been asked to point out that permits are required for any kind of burning, and those permits are issued by the fire chief of the SRFPD. Now if you wish to burn anything, take a look at the weather, test the wind, then go to the fire department for your permit.

Dr. Albert P. Lamke, Sandy dentist, has moved from the Koch building to a new office in the Cedar Plaza shopping center. The Clackamas county dental society secretary called the office to make sure this note was in the Post. So there you are.

Robert Duncan is a candidate for the U.S. Senate on the Democratic ticket in the May primary. He has been campaigning in the area, and in the process, is handing out swatches of plaid wool. The significance of the plaid swatches is lost to me.

Is Mr. Duncan trying to get the point over that he is of Scotch descent? If so, perhaps he is being subtle in telling prospective voters he intends to be true to ancestral training if elected. In looking at my paycheck deductions, I think it's about time we sent someone who is a whole lot of "Scotch" to Washington.

Mrs. Georgia Vermaas took me on a flying tour of Welches school last Thursday noon. We surveyed classrooms, the playground and surrounding lagoon, and the teachers' mess hall. Navy men know that "mess hall" is a dining area. The word is not really derogatory, though in this instance, I think it should be. Mrs. Vermaas and I had lunch in the school library, and I found the Welches menu very tasty.

The next school board meeting at Welches is April 12, next Tuesday. It should be a very interesting meeting, one at which I would like to be present, but it's against my religion, I've told you I'm a devout coward.

The heat around us was intense, and with camera poised, I looked for likely shots for newsworthy photos. The place was the box factory on Alder Creek, last Monday afternoon. I spoke with Milt Fox who battled small flare-ups with shovel and dirt, and then another man approached. Clarence Freeman, mill owner wore a look of resignation, and all he said to me was: "You can't win 'em all!"

The BPW Style show was well attended Wednesday, March 30. Hardest working gal in view of the audience was Sara Berger, fashion commentator. Mrs. Berger son and daughter, Gary and Connie, modeled several different sets of apparel. I saw Howard in the audience, not modeling however.

If you are as concerned as I about the man who governs, then you should be a registered voter. Voter registration closes April 23. If you wish to vote in the Primary, May 24, you must be registered. You must register again if you have moved your residence, changed your name, like getting married, or divorced, or if you did not vote in the last general election. Remember, if you don't vote, you should never criticize anyone who holds a public office.

Roger Martin, a candidate for the Oregon house of representatives, was the speaker at the Sandy area Chamber of Commerce dinner meeting Tuesday noon at Nings. Roger is a young, articulate Republican, who seems to belong in the camp of the liberal Republican wing in Oregon. Tuesday he spoke on conservation of a natural resource, in particular the salmon runs in the Columbia and Willamette rivers. Roger is an advocate of closing the Columbia to gillnet fishermen, or enlarging the size of the mesh of gillnets, to permit the escapement of Steelhead.

A lot of sports fishermen agree with Roger and I concur in the steelhead issue, and size of the mesh of gillnets. However, I've been with gillnet fishermen as they make their drifts with the nets, and I have never seen them make the massive hauls of every type of fish in the river, that some people protest so loudly.

The Mt. Hood Bowling Lanes will change ownership within the next week or so. New proprietors will be Mr. and Mrs. Lou Langlois of Sandy. Lou has been managing the lanes for some time, but now will be the proprietor, with the right to make his own decisions and ability to carry them out. He said there will be some remodeling done, and the lanes will be refinished this summer. He's looking for a summer bowling program to help get his project off the ground. We wish him success.

The Happy House, a delightful name, is open, next door to the Curl Shop. I went over to get a picture, and there stood "Harvey." You remember Harvey, the giant rabbit that accompanies James Stewart in the motion picture of that name? In this case, Harvey was no hallucination, but a large stuffed rabbit. Mrs. Mary Nalbauer and her daughter will manager the store. Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Rader own the building.

Deane and Dixie Wesselink are the new proprietors of the Sno-Top Drive-In, to be renamed Dino's. They're getting a new sign, will have additions to the menu, and Dixie will feature king-size Dixie-cups, I wager. How about a Dino-burger?

Residents of Sandy should make a note to vote next Tuesday, April 12, on the proposed city budget. Because the budget committee has worked hard on this year's city financing, and have kept it below last year's spending, perhaps you will feel inclined to vote yes

## Cancer Society Slates Lunch

The kick-off luncheon for American Cancer Society's April Crusade was held at Rider's restaurant in Oregon City Friday, April 1. Clackamas county crusade chairman, Arnold Thomas, announced the appointment of two more area crusade chairmen, Norm Khulman, a teacher in the Estacada Junior high school, will serve in Estacada, and Richard (Dick) Olson will serve in Oregon City. Both men will be needing volunteers to assist them in the up-coming campaign.

The film showing in Oregon City was attended by 50 persons. Other showings are being scheduled in Estacada, Molalla and Canby. The films are educational, are shown without charge, and point out the danger signals which may be early signs of cancer. Thomas said, and pointed out that the early detection and treatment of cancer greatly increases the chances for a complete cure.

Mrs. Hazel Tyler of Mulino said she is being assisted in her crusade by the members of the Lions Auxiliary, Mrs. Marie Wells of Molalla reported the Molalla Jayettes are going to cover half of Molalla. The Dickey Prairie Extension Unit will canvas the outlying areas. Canby is still in need of an area chairman as are Lake Oswego and Milwaukie, Bob Rice of Oak Grove is seeking a residential chairman.

Mrs. Charles Sievers, president of the Clackamas County Unit of the American Cancer Society, announced the next no-host luncheon will be held at Rider's on Friday April 8. All board members, area chairmen and volunteers are urged to attend.

## Country Cousin Night

The Mt. View chapter of Eastern Star will meet next Tuesday, April 12, at 8 p.m. at the Masonic Temple. The evening has been designated as "Country Cousin Night," with members from the mountain, Gresham and Troutdale to be in attendance.

on this year's budget. I think you should.

My Drinking Uncle wanted to take up skin-diving, but he's afraid of water, naturally, because he never drinks the stuff. His fellow skindivers have renamed him the "Chicken of the Sea." Sorry Charley . . . J.C.C.

## CITIZENS COLLEGE FORUM

News and Views About Mt. Hood Community College

The college staff provided the program for the Margaret M. Scott elementary PTA meeting on March 22. The staff was impressed with the school, its fine principal, Mrs. Martha Englert, and the excellent manner in which John Breece, a member of the board, explained the school district budget. The successful budget election reflects the fine leadership and interest that lay citizens have in the schools. The well-kept appearance of the Margaret Scott school also gave additional evidence of the fine school maintenance programs that are conducted in this area.

## ADMISSIONS OFFICE

The class of 1968, Mt. Hood Community College's pioneering "first class," can start to make applications for admission on April 15, according to Harry Bradley, dean of students. Although additional classes will be added as planning continues, a prospective student will be able to obtain a class listing at this time that will enable him to study and determine what courses he may wish to enter. A catalog will be available in May. Many of the courses to be offered will be available during the daytime, with laboratories and other courses requiring permanent equipment installations to be held in local high schools and other facilities in the late afternoon and evenings.

## PGE MEETING

On March 28, Dr. Earl Klapstein addressed The Men's Forum of Portland General Electric Company. Company officials and employees expressed great interest in the development of the community college; for nearly an hour Dr. Klapstein conducted a question and answer period. There were many suggestions for courses that might be offered cooperatively by the two institutions--these courses to be offered at PGE for students to learn skills related to the electrical and electronics industry. At this meeting, Dr. Klapstein met Leo Banasky, who has been instructing students in electrical drafting. This kind of instructor is extremely difficult to find because of the exacting nature of the subject. This is just another one of the many ways

in which vocational-technical instructor applicants are located.

## PUBLISHER REMINISCES

At a recent trip to the Gresham Outlook, Harry Bradley, dean of students, and Alan Goodell, administrative assistant, had a pleasant conversation with Lee Irwin. Irwin and Bradley have a number of mutual acquaintances from Seattle and Northwestern Washington. It is gratifying to recognize that an editor-publisher in the area is knowledgeable about and sympathetic toward higher education. Irwin was for some years on the journalism faculty at the University of Washington, so he has an understanding of the needs of higher education.

## JOINT BOARD MEETING

On Tuesday, March 29, the Board of Directors and administrative staff of Mt. Hood Community College met with the board and superintendent of the Reynolds school district at the Reynolds high school library. Dr. Earl Klapstein, president of Mt. Hood Community College, explained the progress of the college, problems in getting started, and the hiring of staff members for instruction. The Mt. Hood board expressed confidence that Mt. Hood will become one of the finest community colleges in the nation. The Reynolds board offered support and assistance in making the college a valuable asset to the district community.

The college was commended for proposed vocational and technical education plans. Duane Peterson and William Miller both expressed great concern that, at this time, industry is hesitant to locate in the Portland area because of a shortage of trained personnel for the jobs that are available. With the development of the comprehensive programs in vocational-technical education, Mt. Hood Community College hopes to do a large measure of remedying the trained-worker shortage.

## SANDY GRANGE

Sandy Grange will meet Saturday, April 9, at 6:30 p.m. for pot-luck. All grange members are invited to attend.

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