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Men for the Viet-Namew Maw

Just how many American soldiers eventually will be sent to Viet-Nam? The ultimate answer probably rests in Peking or Moscow but even if the war continues to go "well", probably far more than twice as many as we have now.

Former Vice-President Richard Nixon says the figure of 500,000 is likely. Nixon recently completed a tour of South Viet-Nam and gave his 500,000 hint after conferring with military leaders there. Other estimates range up to 750,000.

The Johnson administration obviously is saying nothing with fall elections so close at hand. But the sharp increase in October draft calls makes it pretty evident what is happening.

We currently have something like 290,000 men in Viet-Nam and this force apparently is far too few for the job. A massive American commitment obviously lies ahead.

And with draft calls being doubled, it's difficult to see how the Administration much longer will be able to give privileged sanctuary to reservists. Some senators are demanding that reservists be given the same chance to serve in Viet-Nam as draftees. Sec. McNamara thus far doesn't agree.

But we suspect that with more and more men being drafted, reservists will begin to feel the pinch, too. There's little reason for them to stay at home while draftees are being sent into battle.

College Enrollment Looks Good

Preliminary indications are that Mt. Hood Community College will meet or exceed its enrollment projections this fall.

Actually, something over 30 per cent of the expected number of students already have signed up. Another 30 per cent are expected by Sept. 1 and the balance by the time classes start in mid-September.

The encouraging enrollment figures are especially significant in view of what has happened at Portland State. There, little more than half the expected students have showed up.

Mt. Hood really doesn't know what

to expect since there is no past history to draw upon. However, the State Dept. of Education has estimated a first-term student load (full time) of 751.

Obviously, then, something like 250 full-time students already are registered. And more are coming in daily.

Mt. Hood is enjoying the growing appeal of community colleges. It's an inexpensive type of education, close to home, and with a broad appeal to all types of students.

As we've said a dozen times before, people just haven't seen anything yet. The College bids well to become one of the biggest things ever to hit our area.



This beautiful Sandy yard could easily be permitted to turn to weeds and tall grass, but the owner takes pleasure in presenting a lovely scene for the benefit of passersby. Yes, this optical oasis is smack dab on Main Street, our town. Recognize it? (Post Photo)



Closeup of the wreckage of twin-engine airplane which crashed in Wood Village near Multnomah Kennel Club Monday indicates force with which plane struck ground. Bent prop blade is shown to the right of center. Twisted metal was thrown over a wide area. (Outlook Photo)

Chips and Whittles

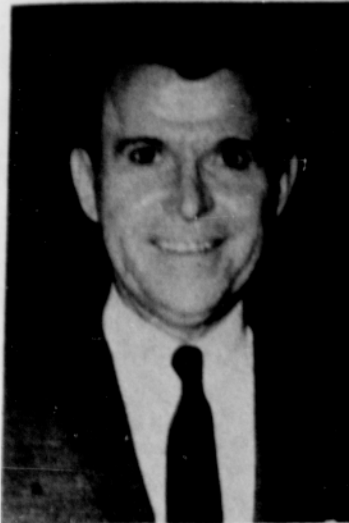
We hadn't realized we'd been working in a glass house until some of the stones we have been throwing lately were pitched back at us. It was shattering, too, to find they were right on target, as we discovered when we peeked out of the seldom used back door at the lot behind the office. Such weeds! Such trash! Such a mess!

Not wanting (if you'll forgive the metaphor mixing) any more of our pigeons to come home to roost, we went right to work with our red faces and cleaned it up. Anyhow, now we KNOW the pictures we've been taking lately have had some results.

Jo Lewis, the other 50 per cent of the office staff, took in the recent fair in Gresham and told us of her interview with Dennis Day. Jo reports that he was just like real people -- "only nicer than most" and was particularly interested in talking with her children-- "perhaps" she said, "because he and his wife have nine of their own and expecting their tenth in October."

Jo took several pictures of the singing star, one, taken with her daughter is now Bonnie's most prized possession, since he autographed it for her with a personal note. Another picture appears in this column.

Combine the personal warmth of this man with his vocal talent and it's no wonder that his popularity has survived over two decades in the fickle field of entertainment and that his fans include people of all ages.



Ned Dyal has been wondering why everyone ignores the yellow painted curb in front of the Sandy Post Office (U. S. Gov't variety, that is). That yellow paint means NO PARKING, brothers and sisters, and Ned says there's no use in having that handy, dandy, drive-up-to-mail box on the curb when you can't get near it.

★ Clackamas County Commissioner Reports

During the days of yesterday, following the days of harvesting the hay, grains and crops, and after the round-up, there was a time prior to the beginning of the fall and winter farm work when the rural population relaxed a bit. This was the time of the community, county and state fairs.

As new areas developed in exhibiting, the time table for holding these fairs was somewhat rescheduled. The county fairs, normally held in mid-September, were advanced to mid-August to allow greater participation in fair activities and exhibits by youngsters in 4-H and Future Farmers of America. While this was so, many a student's heart was saddened as one of the principle pleasures of the school year was eliminated -- "the day at the fair with his or her classmates".

Your writer recalls the years of the mid 20's when an allowance of a dollar would provide a gala day of entertainment and goodies at the fair. Popcorn, candied apples, or a huge scoop of real ice cream could be purchased for five cents. For a nickel or a dime you could get the best ferris wheel or merry-go-round ride. It was no wonder so many school youngsters, who looked forward to that grand day at the County Fair, were disappointed when the fairs were rescheduled.

It was amusing to listen to and watch the huckster promote his various wares and gimmicks, which on occasions resulted in harsh comments being made by his victim. The huckster soon gave way to the super salesman, the hackney and trotting races gave way to horseracing and catching the greased porker on the run became a thing of the past.

Yet, Clackamas County Fair has continued to increase in popularity. Dedicated persons, serving on the fair board, have kept the Clackamas County Fair in a true community and county atmosphere thus making our fair the finest county fair on the Pacific coast. The ingredients of quality and quantity of exhibits are outstanding. The number of agricultural exhibits this year will be greater than normal due to the early growth.

Letters to the Editor

Editor: The article "Sheriff Reports Value of Stolen Property Up" in last week's Sandy Post was most informative, but leaves a lot of questions unanswered. The police have indeed been busy, but the article leaves me wondering what happens after all these arrests are made. Of the 91 felony and 146 misdemeanor arrests mentioned, how many resulted in acquittal, probation and suspended sentences? How many of those arrested will actually be incarcerated and for how long?

A column from the District Attorney's office (similar to the Sheriff's report) would be very enlightening, particularly to the cabin owners who have been subjected to vandalism and burglary.

Yours very truly,
Mrs. H. M. Hagen

More than 1500 4-H boys and girls will exhibit many projects including work in home economics, general projects, livestock, poultry and rabbits and judge the same. Over 200 Future Farmers of America will exhibit dairy and beef cattle, sheep, swine, rabbits and poultry as well as crops and construction units.

Added attractions, dear to all, will be many. Hundreds of head of livestock, some valued in the thousands of dollars, will be shown. Five nights of barbecued dinners will be available at a nominal cost. There will be style revues galore, are exhibits, quarter horse showings and a multitude of exhibits. Grand professional entertainment will be at the fair for the enjoyment of everyone.

A free rodeo will be another added attraction every night with a grand finale Saturday night, August 20th, of a fireworks display.

All this and ample free parking is available for the price of admission to the grandest County Fair at Canby, Oregon on August 16, 17, 18, 19th and 20th. Let's go!

'Til next Wednesday,
STAN SKOKO
Clackamas County Commissioner

CITIZENS FORUM
News and Views About Mt. Hood Community College
COUNSELING DIRECTOR ARRIVES

Tom Neilsen, director of counseling, has arrived at MHCC. Neilsen has a master of science degree in psychology from Eastern Washington State College where he was a graduate teaching assistant. He has taught at community colleges both in Washington and Idaho. In addition to his counseling responsibilities, he will teach psychology. His wife, Jacqueline, and one-and-a-half year old son, Tod, are currently setting up home in the college district.

STUDENT HOUSING NEEDED
The number of students completing applications for enrollment this Fall is increasing daily. The college has started a housing service in order to provide students with information about housing availabilities in the area.

Owners or managers of apartments and rooms are encouraged to call the college and advise the housing service of the type and price of rental units available for students of MHCC.

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