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GREAT WAY TO THE MT. HOOD PLAYGROUND

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Little Grains of Sand . . .

While the powers that be are arguing over jurisdiction and looking for some passive legal method of halting the wanton, private rape of Oregon's public beaches—the brazen violation continues.

Despite long and angry howls of public protest, official action thus far has consisted of a few minor and ineffective writ-slappings and a major amount of departmental buck passing.

Surely, when the Oregon citizen visits his seashore he has a right to find its sands are forever there for the enjoyment of all and have not been highhandedly appropriated for someone's private castle.

We believe the state should protect this right no matter how much one community or private interest group might stand to profit from the prostitution of this public recreational resource and no matter how much protection they may have through legislative influence.

If the Governor is in a quandry as how to proceed, we politely suggest that he declare a public emergency—for it is—call a few units of the National Guard—maneuver them on the threatened areas so the sand-grabbers cannot operate and keep them there until the state can find, or enact, proper laws to guard our virginal beaches against present and future ravishment.

Preview of the Primary

We don't hold any brief for reliability of straw ballots. But we do think they're fun.

Hence, in this week's Post, we're printing a presidential preferential ballot on which voters can indicate their present choice for president.

We don't claim the poll will be any index of how our subscribers will vote three months hence. It will prove

only how those people who send in the ballot feel today.

And statistically, only those people who are strongly motivated one way or another will reply. Even so, we think it will be interesting to get a sampling of local opinion.

We've listed the leading presidential candidates and added a couple of other questions. No signature is needed. Let's see how you feel!

Salute to Troop 662

Sandy's two main thoroughfares got a major cleaning Saturday by the Boy Scouts of Troop 662 and you don't have to look twice to notice the wonderful improvement in the city's appearance.

We're proud of these boys who gave hours of their time to do the job as a community service as part of their observance of National Boy Scout

Week.

We think, however, that it is high time local government, citizens and merchants got together to provide some regular system of street cleaning maintenance.

Let's make sure that next year our Boy Scouts will have to look higher than Sandy gutters to find a needed service project.

A General Looks at Viet-Nam

Events of the past couple of weeks have completely shattered the Johnson administration's rosy rhetoric about Viet-Nam.

For months, we have been fed sugary statements about the "end of the tunnel", about the "inability of the Viet Cong and the North Vietnamese to launch any large-scale operations", etc.

Further comment on the credibility gap seems redundant.

However, we do think that comments by Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway are particularly appropriate right now. Gen. Ridgway fought the Communists as supreme commander of U.S. and U.N. forces during the Korean war. He is probably as knowledgeable a military man as we have in this country today.

He says:

"... we should ask ourselves

now if we are not, in this open-ended conflict, so impairing our strength through over-drawing on our resources—political, economical and military—as to find ourselves unduly weakened when we need to meet new challenges in other more vital areas of the world. For there surely will be threats that bear more closely on our true national interest."

The present situation in Viet-Nam is not comparable to that on the Yalu in 1950 when Ridgway was called in to rally shattered U.S. forces. But official Washington's mood of complacency—stemming largely from optimistic statements given by Gen. Westmoreland and Ambassador Bunker in a TV program last fall—has been badly shaken.

Gen. Ridgway was, in fact, called to a White House luncheon with Pres. Johnson recently. We can only hope that the president was listening.

It's Your Law

by Everett E. Cutter

Libel and Slander

"You're a dirty, rotten crook," Church told his neighbor one day as they argued in Church's garage.

"I'm not going to be called names," the neighbor said, "I'll sue you for slander."

Can the neighbor sue Church in this case?

Probably not. Unless a third party hear Church call his neighbor a "dirty, rotten crook," no defamation of character could occur, because no one beside and two of them—Church and the neighbor—heard it. Thus

The same would be true if Church had written such language in a private letter to his neighbor. It would not be libel because the charge was made in private. (Spoken defamation is known as slander. Written defamation is libel.)

However, if a third party should see the letter, or if Church had written a notice and posted it in his yard calling his neighbor a "dirty, rotten crook"—when the neighbor was, in fact, no such thing—then the neighbor could probably collect damages. By post-

ing the sign, Church would make the accusation public.

If the neighbor was, in fact, a "dirty, rotten crook" and Church could prove it, then, of course, the neighbor could collect nothing. The truth of Church's statement would be a perfect defense against both libel and slander charges.

"That's Not MY Fault!"

Ned was digging a flower bed in his newly acquired property when—ZAP—sparks flew as his shovel chopped into a power line. The line was connected to some outdoor lights erected by the former owner.

"I'll sue the son-of-a-gun," Ned howled as the emergency squadman dressed Ned's burned hands.

"That's not MY fault," the former owner said when Ned called, "You should have been careful digging around those lights."

close to the surface," Ned replied.

Will Ned recover any damages?

Possibly. A seller has some continuing responsibilities, especially if he conceals dangerous hidden defects. The seller in this instance knew he was not installing the cable at the proper depth and should have warned Ned.

The fact that you sell a piece of property does not relieve you of all the responsibility. The seller should notify the buyer, for instance, of an old, unused well or cistern on the property which is covered, but not filled in. Otherwise, he could ultimately be liable for any damages should someone fall in.

If the cistern's existence is not known to the seller, however, he probably would not be liable. He must know of the defect to be held responsible for it.

Wood Village Voting

Wood Village voters were to have balloted on a \$100,000 bond yesterday, Feb. 14. The bond would provide funds to extend and enlarge water storage, supply and service.



A CLEAN SWEEP of 1-1/2 miles of highway was made by Sandy boy scouts Saturday. The boys worked for five hours to gather the rubbish from gutters and sidewalks . . . leaving a clean vista behind them . . . at least temporarily . . . for one thoughtless person was observed sweeping out store litter into a just cleaned gutter! (Post photo)

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I am attaching a copy of a letter from the State Highway Commission concerning the completion of the route U.S. 26 from Alder Creek to Zig Zag.

Will you print this letter so that all your Hood Land subscribers will have this information.

J. D. Chamberlain,
President

February 8

Mr. J. D. Chamberlain
President,
Hood-Land Chamber
of Commerce
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Hay Stolen, Barn Locked

The barn of a Sandy man is now padlocked and the area "bear trapped" after he discovered he had been losing a ton of hay for ten days.

John Mills reported the loss last week to Clackamas County Sheriff's deputies and said he had taken positive steps to prevent further loss of the bales of Alta fescue hay.

Troutdale Man Discovers Safe

Last Monday a Troutdale resident, Rankin Davis, discovered a safe submerged in the waters of Beaver Creek near the Columbia Street bridge in Troutdale.

The criminal investigation division of the County Sheriff's office reported that the safe was taken in a robbery several weeks ago in Bothell, Wash. City Marshal E. A. Carow notified the Multnomah County Sheriff's office who took charge of hauling it out of the creek and identifying it.

Davis and Carow reported that the safe was empty.

Skiers to Choose 'King Winter'

A dance Saturday, Feb. 24, at Thunderhead Lodge, Government Camp, will celebrate the crowning of "King Winter" by Pe. Land's Skiyente Ski Club.

Nominated and voted upon by club members, the "King" will be a man from the Portland-Mt. Hood area who has contributed outstandingly towards skiing; whether it be on ski patrol service, regional and national races or ski school development.

Price of admission to the dance, which will begin at 8:30 p.m., is \$1.50. Dancing will be to live music by the George Skinko Combo.

Report Incorrect

A story last week concerning Bill Elliott's candidacy said he was presently serving with the VFW in two positions.

Elliott states that he served at one time as VFW post commander and state encampment chairman. However, he is not serving in either capacity at present.

Benefit Dance Set at Armory

Oral Hull Foundation for the Blind will benefit from a sing-along dance-along set for Feb. 24 at the Gresham National Guard Armory. The affair will begin at 9 p.m. and continues to 1 a.m.

Proceeds will go to the development of a 22-acre park along the Sandy river at the foot of Mt. Hood.

Music will be furnished by Bill Wagner and the Night-crawlers. Members of Gresham Women of Elks will wait on tables who are co-sponsors with the Oral Hull Boosters club for this event.

Paul Harmon, president of the Oral Hull Foundation, will be song leader and master of ceremonies. Door prizes will be awarded.

The Gresham Armory is located at 500 NE Division.

Those wishing to purchase tickets in advance should contact George Howeller, Sandy, 668-4034, Loretta Henke, Gresham, 665-4679, or Marie Webb, Portland, 254-2744.

JV's Lose Pair

By Mike Hite

SANDY JV'S 49; PARKROSE, 54
Dan Waritz's six-point burst midway in the second half forged the Parkrose Junior Varsity in front Friday night and the baby Bronchos went on from there for a 54-49 victory over the Sandy J.V.s.

Waritz ended up with 18 points, high for the game. Brent Peterson had 13 markers for the Junior Bucks including another nearly impossible shot, this one an over-the-head five foot jumper which he nonchalantly banked in.

SANDY JV'S 47; WY'EST, 49
Freshman Bob Perry's field goal with less than ten, one minute remaining brought the Wy'east Junior Varsity from behind Tuesday night and the Eagles held on for a 49-47 win over the Sandy J.V.s.

The Eagles led 29-28 at half-time but Leon Verdoorn who had 21 points, led a Pioneer rally which put the visitors, 47-45 with two minutes showing and they stayed in front until Perry hit his key shot.

'Meadows' Open Thurs.

Mt. Hood Meadows, which has been operating only Saturday and Sundays, will be open Thursdays also, from Feb. 22 through April 25.

The Bible, or portions of the book, have been translated into 1,230 languages, some 300 of them no longer used by an existing people.

Busy Firemen Answer Three Monday Calls

Three fires Monday kept Sandy firemen and equipment on the move.

A chimney fire, reported at 7:30 a.m., at the Otto Hemmer home, was quickly brought under control with only minor damage resulting.

An 11 a.m. grass fire on Bluff Rd. and another, at 2 p.m., on Langensand Rd., gave the volunteers of Fire District #72 further unwanted exercise.

Some companies are raising prices now, even before costs go up. They don't want to take a chance on the inflationary boom's being a dud.—Changing Times.

New Home Show Opening Saturday

The 19th annual Portland Home Show will open at 1 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 17 with the Portland Memorial Coliseum laded with the latest creations for the enjoyment and convenience of the modern home owner and apartment dweller. The nine-day show will run through Sunday, Feb. 25.

In full scale presentations of a model suburban home, a "playboy pad" type apartment for the swinging set and a family vacation home, the Portland Home Builders Association carries out home building's national theme "The Name of the Game is Living."

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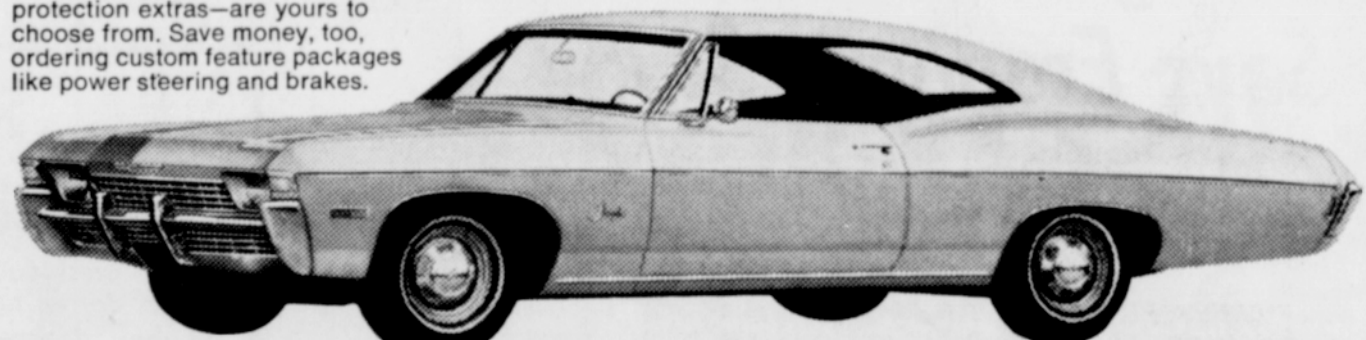


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