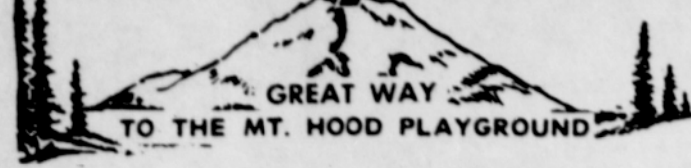


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Some Very Poor Advice

In their struggle for equal rights, Negroes sometimes are victims of extremely poor advice.

We think a case in point is the recent hassle over alleged racism in the University of Washington athletic department.

A group of Negro athletes met with University Pres. Charles Odegaard and Football Coach Athletic Director Jim Owens and presented a list of "demands."

One was for dismissal of a team trainer. But others were for such things as a voice in selection of coaches and, if you can believe it, the right to have a committee meet with coaches when a Negro athlete was coached to second string.

No self-respecting coach would stay 10 minutes under an arrangement like that. What the Negroes really are asking for is discrimination . . . in their favor. Otherwise, why couldn't

the Methodists on the squad form their own committee, or those who had red hair and freckles?

The argument of the Negro athletes is that they were being discriminated against. But as OSU's Dee Andros so aptly pointed out, "No coach is going to recruit a good football player and then leave him on the bench; not when his job depends on winning or losing."

The dissension at Washington seems to have been stirred by the same Negro militant who was so active in promoting the "boycott" by Negroes of the U.S. Olympic team. His advice seems particularly bad for sports is the one area in which the Negro has been in every sense an equal.

Unfortunately, the end result cannot be other than fewer scholarships for deserving Negro athletes. This is a high price to pay for poor advice.

Ross Morgan Bows Out

The high cost of campaigning caught up with Ross Morgan in his bid for the Secretary of State's job.

But it can't be all bad for the personable Greshamite. We're sure that as long as he lives he'll remember the recent testimonial dinner at the Gresham Elks.

Over 200 friends—plus a passel of relatives—gathered there that evening to pay homage to Ross. It was a tribute of the kind not many of us are privileged to receive. The home folks—the people who know him best—were out almost en masse.

Morgan didn't reveal any of the factors which caused him to bow out of the '68 race but money obviously was the big one. When he first en-

tered, he had promises of support . . . promises which just didn't materialize.

Rather than get into an ill-financed campaign, Ross felt it better to withdraw. His primary opponent—District Atty. George Van Hoomissen—had a much more amply-stocked war chest plus the ready-made publicity apparatus implicit in his job. The same can be said for the two Republican aspirants—Clay Myers and Monte Montgomery.

There is the obvious consolation that Ross still has two more years to go on his Senate term. Even though he may feel a momentary regret now, we hope that he'll decide in 1970 to remain in politics. We need more like him.

The President, The People and Viet-Nam

Very obviously, Lyndon B. Johnson is running the show as far as U.S. involvement in Viet-Nam is concerned. Very obviously, he intends to pursue his present "hard line" ever harder in the months ahead.

But just as obviously, Lyndon B. Johnson is out of touch—badly out of touch—with his fellow countrymen.

Columnist Max Lerner expressed it this way last week in the Los Angeles Times:

"Unquestionably there is a tidal wave of feeling against the war rolling over the nation. It is no longer restricted to college campuses and affluent suburbs and enclaves of intellectuals in the cities. It is invading working-class districts and small towns, and both the blue-collar and white-collar populations."

Take, for instance, the election in New Hampshire. It can only be counted a stunning repudiation of Johnson's war policies.

Take Bobby Kennedy's entrance into the presidential race. Probably there were a number of reasons. But one of the most decisive was a private Kennedy poll which showed John-

son's popularity plummeting everywhere because of the war. Kennedy reportedly felt if he did not enter the race and offer some hope of ending the war, a Republican victory was inevitable.

Take what the people are saying. We went on a California vacation last week wondering if the opposition we expressed and felt here would be as apparent there. It is. Only more so. People everywhere are saying what they think; a tidal wave of resentment is growing.

Pres. Johnson's only response thus far has been a few quips, a decision to escalate the war further, and ringing declarations like this:

"The people will not turn their backs on their leaders in a time of national crisis."

No they won't Mr. Johnson, as long as their leaders are leading. But no longer are we getting leadership from Washington. We're getting blind obedience to a bankrupt policy.

Pres. Johnson is not one to accept criticism of his policies. But he will have to listen to the ballot box. Oregon's turn will come soon.



STACKED STORAGE is offered in this city hall cubicle . . . and the article you want is generally on the bottom of the pile.

Letters to the Editor

Zoning Upheld

The Editor
Sandy Post
Sandy, Oregon

Dear Sir:
It is my personal belief that any relaxation of zoning along our rivers would be a step backwards. Our last Legislature created an agency for the control of air and water pollution. Industry and individuals have been asked to comply with rules and regulations to clean up our rivers and our air. To do this, millions of dollars will be spent. Why throw all this away because one group of people can't see any farther than today?

I live on Sunnyside Road in Clackamas County, and am in the Mt. Scott Water District who in turn purchases our water from the Clackamas Water District who in turn draws water that we all drink, from the Clackamas River. Therefore, I contend that everyone in Clackamas County should be concerned about all rivers in our county and should have a voice in their control and use. No one group should have the right to destroy or weaken zoning of these rivers.

Each year our population grows rapidly and with this our water supply will decrease. Now is the time to protect it. If we are thinking towards the future, we don't want to be in a position like many people on the East coast, where sewage is discharged into a river and 500 feet below, water is drawn off, run through a strainer and used for human consumption. Surely we should learn something from mistakes made by others.

I am for complete, tough, enforced laws and zoning of all rivers in this state. I also am of the opinion that those wishing to do away with planned zoning in this day and age should see their doctor and ask for psychiatric treatment.

Thank you
Arthur D. Berner
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Mt. Hood Unit is sponsoring a Spring Bridge tournament March 22, 23 and 24 at the Silver Skate Ice Arena, 1210 NE 102nd.

Afternoon games are at 1:30 p.m. and evening games at 8 o'clock. On Sunday the play is at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Engraved trophies will be awarded for all championship pair events.

All players on Saturday will be guests at a free buffet dinner between sessions. Coffee will be served during the entire tournament.

Jones Candidate For Former Post

Veteran Clackamas County Commissioner Darrell Jones filed Monday for the Democratic nomination as Commissioner, Position 3, a position identical to the one he held for 12 consecutive years.

Jones, 50, is a resident of Lake Oswego. For the past year he has been employed by the State Highway Commission and assigned to establishment of the Willamette River Greenway project.



He said he believes in the necessity of "Government with the consent of the Governed," and that County business should be transacted only with the support of a wide majority of the County's population. He also promised a strict watch on spending to guarantee "low cost, but effective County Government."

On planning, a topic of major discussion over the past two years, Jones promised to work diligently for the benefit of the entire county.

"I think we need to make a definite distinction between urban and rural needs," Jones said, "and we must be absolutely certain that no County department or Official will be arbitrary or 'High-Handed' in dealings with Citizens of the County. Our County Government needs to be attuned to the needs and wishes of our citizens, while at the same time recognizing the independence of the population centers and the vast, sparsely populated rural areas."

Garden Club Sells Tickets

Mrs. Fred Jones was hostess at her Lusted Road home for the March 12 meeting of the Powell Valley Garden Club.

Mrs. Arthur Cox announced that tickets are being sold for a raffle sponsored by officers of the District Garden clubs. Prize in the raffle is an oil painting by Helen Williams, a local artist. Mrs. Williams is a member of the Powell Valley garden club and her art work was shown to members at the meeting.

The meeting featured a demonstration on the pruning and complete care of roses.

Mrs. Deane Stapleton, vice president, reported on a district meeting which she attended a week earlier.

X-Ray Unit to Visit April 2 at Bank

Scheduled to visit this area in April is the County mobile chest X-ray unit.

The visit will be Tuesday, April 2, in front of First National Bank, 2nd and Roberts. Hours are 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 3 to 6 p.m.

Mrs. Mary Vallette of Gresham is in charge of the visit.

Gresham Police Recover Nine Bikes; Want Owners

Nine bicycles have been recovered by Gresham Police and are waiting to be identified, according to Police Chief Rod J. Broster.

He asks local citizens to stop by and identify the bikes. "We'll be more than happy to return them," he said.

Offices are located in the basement of Gresham City Hall.

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It's Your Law

by Everett E. Cutter

Like sap in springtime, vituperation rises in the spring of election years. As election day nears, political candidates face a swelling tide of insult and innendo. One gets the impression that in the political arena anything goes.

Such an impression does, in fact, have some basis. The law of defamation (libel and slander) puts the candidate in a special category. It allows others to attack him in ways forbidden if he were just a private citizen. Criticism nourishes democracy.

The law says it is better that a candidate suffer some abuse than that political debate be stifled.

Of course, such defamation can not be unlimited. Politicians don't lose all their civil rights

by running for office. If the attacker knows the accusation is false and he huris it in malice, the candidate can collect damages in court.

But he has no redress if the accusation is made in good faith, even though false.

For instance: A candidate for governor, described bluntly as "not qualified" for the office, was held to have no grounds for complaint. Right or wrong, said the court, the charge was an honest opinion, given in this case in sincere effort to enlighten the public.

All in all, a candidate without a thick skin may suffer real anguish. When the brickbats are flying, he must find comfort in recalling that Washington was

called "treacherous", Jefferson a "robber", and Lincoln a "baboon". Their reputations have all survived.

And so has our Republic.

Auxiliary Sets Rummage Sale

The spring super market rummage sale at Wynne Watts school, 722 NE 162nd, will be this week-end, March 22-23. Sponsor of the annual sale is the Louise Home Auxiliary.

Mrs. Lyle Hammack is president of the auxiliary. Mrs. B. L. Holman, a member of the group, has announced that clothing, housewares and furniture will be on sale.

Hours for the sale are 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The sale will be in the school basement.