THE Sandy Post

GREAT WAY TO THE MT. HOOD PLAYGROUND

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Some Rugged Individualism Still Remains

The lines of people waiting for government handouts are almost interminable these days. More money from Washington, D. C., is the answer for almost everything.

Not so everywhere, however. Some people still prefer to do things on their own, sink or swim on their own merits.

Take, for instance, the small eastern Montana community of Wibaux. Federal authorities, in their infinite wisdom, declared Wibaux county a "poverty pocket" and ordered force feeding.

Wibaux citizens didn't react in predictable fashion. Instead of greeting federal do-gooders with outstretched palms, they resurrected an old wagon and erected this sign:

"The Town of Wibaux was born in 1893 and lost its freedom and died in June, 1968."

It went on to say:

"The county officials were overruled by federal government employees after Wibaux suffered the humiliation of the false report of hunger and malnutrition in their county and the feds are forcing in a commodity distributing center.

"We mourn for the democracy Wibaux County once had. Fellow Americans, take heed of the trend!"

The sign, erected in front of the county courthouse, isn't far off U.S. 10. It is being seen.

JOINT EFFORT by sons of Girl Scout counselors at Oxbow was this large wooden fortress. Kids, including (from left) Jeff Goins, Jay Swails, Jim Stelzenmuller, Bill Rohrberg, and Scott Randall, constructed the "establishment" located in a woodsy nook at the park. Girl Scouts recently spent two days at the park. (Post Photo)

Area Schools List Opening Schedules

SANDY UNION HIGH SCHOOL

Sandy Union High School will begin classes for students with a full school day starting at 8:30 on Tuesday, Sept. 3.

The first day hot lunches will be served in the school cafeteria and the school buses will follow the same routes and time schedules as were being followed at the end of school last spring.

All students should bring their registration fees the first day. These fees are $10 if a student is taking Health and Physical Education and $8 if they are not taking Health and Physical Education. This registration fee covers the following items: book rental fee, physical education towel fee, hall locker fee, and non athletic student school insurance.

The School District has contracted for student school insurance with the Continental Assurance Company, Chicago, Ill. with the Walrad Insurance Company represented by George Morgan as our local agent.

Any student who has moved to our district since school was out last spring or if they were in our district last spring but failed to pre-register for this fall's classes, are urged to come in any week day from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. between now and Aug. 28, to register for the 1968-69 school year.

The following new certified personnel will be on the high school faculty this year.

Miss Jana Ince -- Girls' Health and Physical Education.

William Jordens -- Chemistry, Physics and Freshmen Science.

Neal Koone -- Director of Guidance.

Mrs. Rachael Larson -- Homemaking and World History.

Dennis Warren -- Boys' Health and Physical Education

Mrs. Patricia Wolf -- Homemaking.

In addition we are happy to have the following teachers returning from year leaves of absence.

1. Dennis Crow -- English and Drama.

Clifford O'Harrow -- Modern Problems, U. S. History and Social Studies Department Head.

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SANDY ELEMENTARY

Sandy Elementary School will open for the fall term on Tuesday, Sept. 3. Bus routes will be the same as last year except for a minor change or two. The hot lunch program will be in operation starting the first day of school with price of lunches remaining at $.20 for students.

All new students in the Sandy Elementary District and all first graders not yet enrolled are requested to enroll Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 28, between 2 and 3:30 p.m. Parents of first grade youngsters are reminded of state requirements to present a birth certificate and an Oregon Pupil Medical Record indicating a physical examination by the family doctor. These should be filed with the school at time of enrollment.

There is always the question of what school supplies a pupil will need the first day of school. To help parents with this problem a suggested list of needed supplies in each grade will be found posted near the school supply counter in each local business place handling school supply items. Additional items will be required in some classes at a later date.

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WELCHES GRADE SCHOOL

Welches school will open for the fall term on Tuesday, Sept. 3. Morning buses will run at the regular time. On the first day, school will be dismissed at noon.

The school lunch program will begin Wednesday, Sept. 4, the first full day of school.

First grade students and other students new to the Welches school district are to register at the school Tuesday, Aug. 27, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Proof of age and a physical examination certificate are required for all first grade students.

COTTRELL GRADE SCHOOL

Cottrell Grade School will open Tuesday, Sept. 3. The bus will leave the school at the same time and follow the same routes as last year. Students will receive supply lists from their teachers the first day and will be dismissed at noon.

Lunches will be served beginning Wednesday, Sept. 4.

Students new to the school may register in the office Thursday morning, Aug. 29, or Friday morning, Aug. 30.

Two new teachers have been hired for the coming year: Mrs. Virginia Smet will teach grade two and Mrs. Agnes Pinkney will teach grade five.

The custodian bus driver for the coming year will be Verne Redmon.

CITIZENS COLLEGE FORUM

News and Views About Mt. Hood Community College

ADULT ENRICHMENT COURSES

Adult Enrichment evening classes at Mt. Hood Community College will begin during the week of Sept. 30-Oct. 3.

Students registering for Adult Enrichment courses may do so at the first class meeting.

Persons taking MHCC classes at David Douglas, Reynolds, Gresham, and Sandy high schools may register for Adult Enrichment courses on the first class night at their respective locations. For further information contact Chuck Reinmuth at the college by calling 665-1131.

STUDENT ORIENTATION

Student orientation is scheduled Saturday, Sept. 28, at Mt. Hood Community college for persons who are planning to attend MHCC this Fall, according to Lyle Lapray, activities director.

At student request it is being held Saturday so persons working may attend.

This year's orientation will take place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will feature lectures, assemblies, films, tours, and exhibits.

The day will conclude with a student sponsored "Welcome" dance which will be held on campus from 9 p.m. to midnight for all new and returning students.

EXPANDING TOOLS OF KNOWLEDGE

At the beginning over two years ago there was nothing, but this fall quarter the results of efforts to build a fine college library will be apparent.

Through book contributions by the public and new acquisitions by the library staff, over 12,000 volumes are now on MHCC library shelves. These much needed educational tools provide the students with additional study resources. Persons wishing to make book donations should contact Hank Sliekers at the college library.

It's Your Law

Parking Lot Accident

Mrs. Jones parked her car in the supermarket parking lot while she shopped. When she returned, she found that someone had backed into the side of her car, causing considerable damage. The other driver had left without leaving his name.

Fortunately, another shopper witnessed the accident and informed Mrs. Jones of the license number of the other car. What can Mrs. Jones do about it?

The police usually will not make an accident report, or issue a traffic citation ocurring on private property.

The Motor Vehicle Code -- which sets forth the rules of the road--applies only to the operation of motor vechicles on public streets and highways, it does not apply to accidents on private property, such as a store's parking lot.

The police were glad, however, to obtain ownership of the offender's car from the license number and tell Mrs. Jones, so she could pursue her own remedies.

Even though the rules of the road do not apply off the street, the common law rules of negligence do. Thus, anyone who negligently causes injury or damage to another can be held civilly responsible for the damages. In this case, Mrs. Jones has a cause of action against the other person, and should be able to collect for the damage to her car.

Also, remember that the liability insurance carried by most vehicle owners does cover accidents both on and off the highway. Here the other car owners' insurance company would probably cover the damage to Mrs. Jones' car.

(Oregon's lawyers offer this column as a public service. No person should apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who is completely advised of the facts involved. Even a slight variance in fact may change the application of the law.)

Letters to the Editor

Letters from Sandy Post readers are welcomed on almost any subject. However, letters must be legible and signed with the name and address of the sender. Names will be withheld upon request. Since we reserve the right to limit length as space permits, please try to be as brief as possible.

Editor,
Sandy Post,

The City of Sandy and its adjacent area along the Sandy River is being put into a squeeze play between the State Planning Commission and the Bonneville Power Administration.

According to the State, Sandy's man industry is offering the public scenic views and reaction. To implement this decision the area along the Sandy River was zoned as a Green Belt to protect its scenic beauty.

Recently, a real estate broker from California, who wished to construct a 500 home housing development along this scenic Sandy River was refused permission because of this Green Belt ordinance.

Therefore, the area is left to the land owners to produce homes that will keep the greenery (trees, shrubs) intact.

On the other hand, the Bonneville Power Administration wants an easement for two 500,000 volt transmission lines. . . one of the lines will later be increased to 750,000 voltes.

To build these lines a 350 foot path would have to parallel the Sandy River, thus eventually destroying the Green Belt. The lines would then continue up the river bluff and cut a path through some of the city's prime residential property.

Consequently, Sandy is caught in a squeeze play between two government agencies. One states you can build homes only if you meet standards for preserving the Green Belt Zone, and the other claims it necessary to build two transmission lines through the area, thereby destroying the city's main industry--scenic beauty.

Approximately two weeks ago the city attempted to save this industry by proposing to BPA an alternate route which would go through some outlying farm land that is mainly used for pasture.

BPA has said they need about a month to make a detailed survey of this alternate route so that they can inform and consult with the land owners along it.

Sandy Mayor Harold Edes has said that he will ask for another meeting with the Bonneville representatives around the middle of September.

That's about the way things stand now.

Stan Bowman
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Sandy

Editor
Sandy Post,

A group of Clackamas County Citizens are sponsoring a petition to abolish voting machines, in protest of the long line of voters in some precincts and the many other problems that developed due to the machines used in this County.

The name of this group is "Citizens Committee to Abolish Voting Machines."

Anyone wishing to help the committee may contact the chairman, Josephine McKinney, Rt. 5, Box 347, Oregon City, phone: 656-1824; or Mrs. Ellen Gasser, secretary, Rt. 1, Box 105, Mulino, phone: 829-8088.

The petitions will be circulated throughout the county as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,
Josephine McKinney
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Oregon City, Ore. 97045

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Coinage Metal

At the end of 1967 a total of 31 denominations of pure nickel coins was in circulation in 17 countries, and 228 denominations of cupro-nickel coins was in circulation in 79 countries.

Work Eyed On Banfield

Nothing is likely for several years in Highway Department plans to upgrade the 181st exchange on the Banfield freeway.

He explained that traffic conditions, while not ideal, are not bad at 181st and thus work has been deferred.

The state plans to build two new exists at 181st and Banfield. One, for eastbound traffic, will take off some distance west of the present exist and will merge gradually into 181st, southbound. The other, for westbound traffic, will be entirely new; there is no westbound exit at 181st at present.

No changes are planned in the other eastbound exit, nor the westbound entry onto Banfield.

Ultimately, the state plans to update Banfield from 122nd to roughly Troutdale. The work will include wider shoulders, better drainage, a wider median strip and new paving overlaid on the old.

Column Comments

A recent news article in one of the Portland papers discussed effectively what they called the suburbia myth. This may be a myth to some, but anyone who has visited the east coast or lived near a metropolitan area has known about this myth for a long time. In the east it isn't uncommon at all to find in the country a housing development which might include 800-1600 homes. The developers have essentially built a small city, with streets, curbing, small lots, and featuring two or three basic house plans.

The result is a sterotyped assembly of streets that resembles a city street in any residential area in every respect except that it is usually 10 to 15 miles out in the country and surrounded by farm land. The simple act of moving to the suburbs may not achieve privacy, nor necessarily improve the beauty of your surroundings. In fact, the exact opposite may be true due to the type of agricultural industries present in rural areas.

In the long run, probably no-one benefits from hop-scotch type of housing developments in rural areas. The people who owned the land originally gain little usually, because the price at which they sold the land was low. The people who didn't sell and who still owned land in the area suddenly find their land to be more valuable. They also have higher property taxes and other inconveniences - more traffic on the highway, etc. There is also the increased problem of sewage disposal, domestic water, expanded highways, new schools - to mention a few.

On the other hand, to develop the tight controls which would limit this type of development are so severe that few want them. Yet such a beautiful picture can be portrayed of the advantage of a gradual continuous ontward growth of cities utilizing land as population expands in an ever increasing circle. Then, schools, sewers, and highways could be developed outward in a planned and orderly manner. It would also reduce speculative land values in rural areas.

It is nice to see the myth of suburbia exposed a bit and the point made that a move to the country isn't all fresh air, sunshine and gorgeous views.

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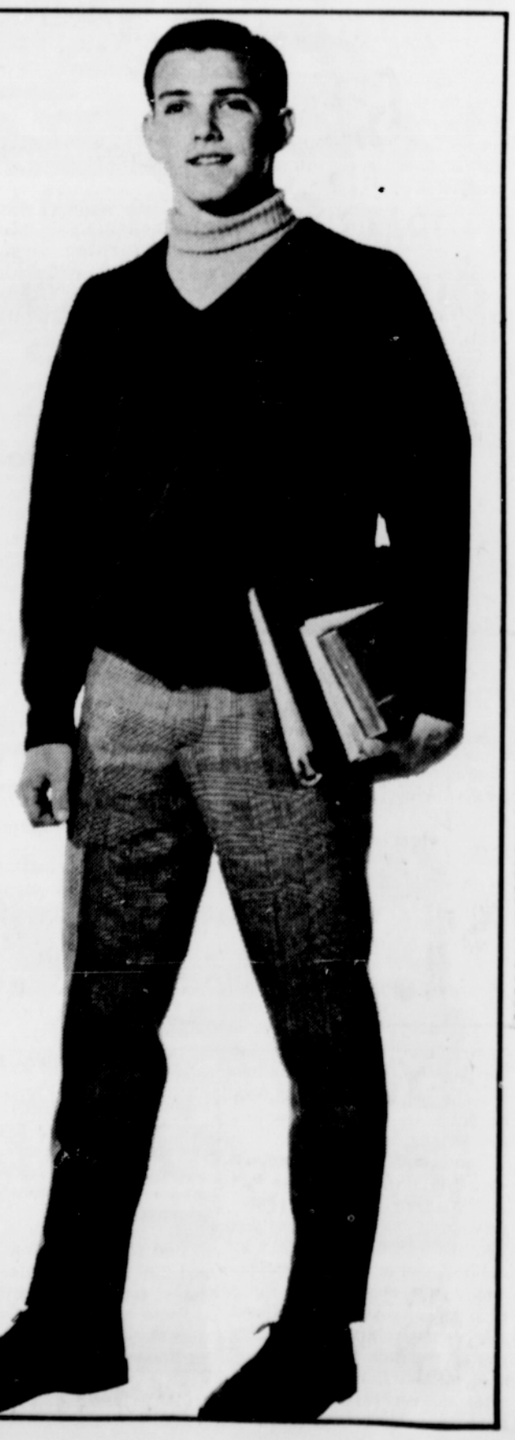

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