

THE Sandy Post

GREAT WAY
TO THE MT. HOOD PLAYGROUND

Walter C. Taylor, Lee Irwin, Co. Publishers
Elizabeth Hartman, Editor

Entered at the Post Office at Sandy, Clackamas County, Oregon, as second class matter under the Act of Congress of March, 1879.

Member of Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association and National Editorial Association

Published every Thursday by Outlook Publishing Co., P.O. Box 68, Sandy, Oregon 97055

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

Annual Subscription in Clackamas and Multnomah Counties	\$3.50	In United States	\$4.50
Elsewhere in Oregon	\$4.00	Servicemen and Women	\$3.50

Page 2

Sandy Post, Sandy, Oregon

December 12, 1968

Redrawing the Prep Leagues

A recent study by a Washington State University professor doesn't do much, we're afraid, for the mess into which Oregon's prep athletic leagues have blundered.

We're referring, of course, to a study by Prof. Roger Wiley which made a few suggestions as to shifting about various schools to make more workable athletic leagues.

Wiley, for instance, proposed moving Astoria from the Metro league into the TYV. But this, and other of his suggestions, fall far, far short of answering the real problem.

The problem, of course, is the Oregon Scholastic Activities Ass'n's insistence on prep playoffs to end each football season. The OSAA wants only eight districts, to facilitate post-season. The OSAA wants only eight districts, to facilitate post-season playoffs, and thus far has stoutly resisted efforts for more meaningful divisions.

The Metro League has, or soon will have, something like 16 schools. It is completely unwieldy. So is the Wilco league, which adds a few, subtracts a few, almost every year.

If only the OSAA would face facts, any

number of logical, workable combinations are possible. You could, for instance, provide a very excellent eight-team league of the three Milwaukie schools, three in Gresham, Parkrose and Reynolds.

Or if Milwaukie should go the other way and join Lake Oswego, West Linn, Oregon City, etc., a good league still could be formed on the east side. You could take Gresham's three high schools, Parkrose, Reynolds, Sandy, The Dalles, and the new Hood River school. The combinations go on and on.

The OSAA also ultimately needs to do something about the state's Catholic schools, which very soon can forge a league of their own. Take Jesuit, Central Catholic, La Salle, North Catholic, Serra Catholic and Marist (Eugene) and you have almost enough.

But as long as the OSAA sets everything on a post-season football games, you're not going to get sensible alignments. For the good of everyone concerned, the OSAA might do well to scrap the prep playoffs. Few states, after all, even have them any more.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor
Sandy Post

WHO IS AT FAULT?

An old burn-out abandoned car sits just off the Lolo Pass Road on the North end of the Zig Zig River bridge. Many people had parked their cars here just for a restful hour to watch the river roll by, to eat their basket lunch, or to fish for the trout that were not always there. Now the burned wreck is there surrounded by coke and beer cans and other trash. People driving along now take a look and wishfully pass by. Who is at fault for such a thoughtless act of leaving the car?

The car was left there by a teenage boy because it stalled on the Lolo Pass Road. The sheriff had requested that it be moved because it hampered traffic. Two days later a front tire was missing. Then the usual vandalism over a period of time: headlights broken out, a window broken, cans and trash began to accumulate, doors left open, rest of the windows broken, a rear tire disappeared, the hood left up, more trash, and then there was a fire. The car still stands there with hood up, doors open, tires missing—a lone-some car just rusting away. Who is at fault, the teenage boy without respect for his fellow beings? Yes!

What kind of home does the boy have? Does he respect his parents and do they respect him? Do they give him guidance and does he have a normal home life with father-mother companionship? Who is at fault, his parents? Yes!

Why does the abandoned car with the cans strewn about stay there? Doesn't the public care? Do they like good scenery? Do they like people? Are they willing to help the teenage boy become a man? Are they satisfied to just pass by and never care what happens in their neighborhood? Are they at fault? Yes!

The sheriff and the police know that the abandoned car is there—or should, Do they want to help or do they find a reason why they cannot help? Are they at fault? Yes!

Have our county, state and national lawmakers neglected their duties in not passing laws that make it easier for the law-enforcing officers to control the activities of the careless and thoughtless with their show of disrespect for mankind, or for natural or created beauty? Are they at fault? Yes!

Have our judges and courts made it easier for the intentional or neglectful person to be offensive to mankind and disregard those who want to make this a better world in which to live? Are they at fault? Yes!

Why can't the local or county

officials have the mess cleaned up? Do they care? Do they consider it the job of somebody else? Are they at fault? Yes!

The Hoodland area is like a pretty woman, the basic qualities are there, but if her face remains unwashed, or if she does not wear clean and proper clothes, or if she expresses herself in vulgar language—her friends will not remain. Let those who are in position to act, act.

A Hoodland Resident
(Name withheld)

Editor's Note: Hoodland residents Claude Gudge and Jack Fahie are on an extended tour of the Orient and South Seas. Claude is keeping friends up-to-date on their progress and experiences by sending letters to this column.

To the Editor:

Manila, November 29,

Before we leave Manila, I'd better pen some of my impressions and experiences from my notes. On all my trips out of the country, I keep a daily diary. Amazing how often I refer back to these notes.

There are many good and varied restaurants in this area, from high class to native street vendors. I've written about the best and the worst I have experienced. Two of our regular ones are the dining room at the American Embassy, which is right across the street, on the sea wall of Manila Bay. (Our hotel faces across Roxas Blvd. to the bay). This is very American and is for government employees only (it says). Also near us is the Taza de Oro. This also is very American, but Filipino or American food can be had for a reasonable price. Also an American cup of coffee for 20cents. Had dinner at the Taza one night with the PC boys. One of the local TV commentators was spouting off in the restaurant and directing his sarcastic remarks at our table. His references were related to "Yankee go home", and "Why not embrace communism—gently" in case the yankees do pull out. Of course we had to ignore him, but it was interesting until he got too carried away—then we got up and left. This happens frequently to the PCV's and one of them is in the hospital with a kicked knee, and one carries a big knife scar on his arm to prove it.

So, Manila has:

1) Touts—fast taxi meters—pornographic floor shows—houses of ill repute. 2) Dirty streets—irregular and unrepaired sidewalks and streets.

3) Corrupt workers and officials.

4) Unsafe streets, with guards on all buildings and barred doors and windows. 5) Spoiled and wasted food and supplies.

6) Black market in money and U.S. goods.

7) Three million, plus, people (most of them living in poverty with no hope of improving their environment).

8) Many construction projects—roads and buildings—and housing.

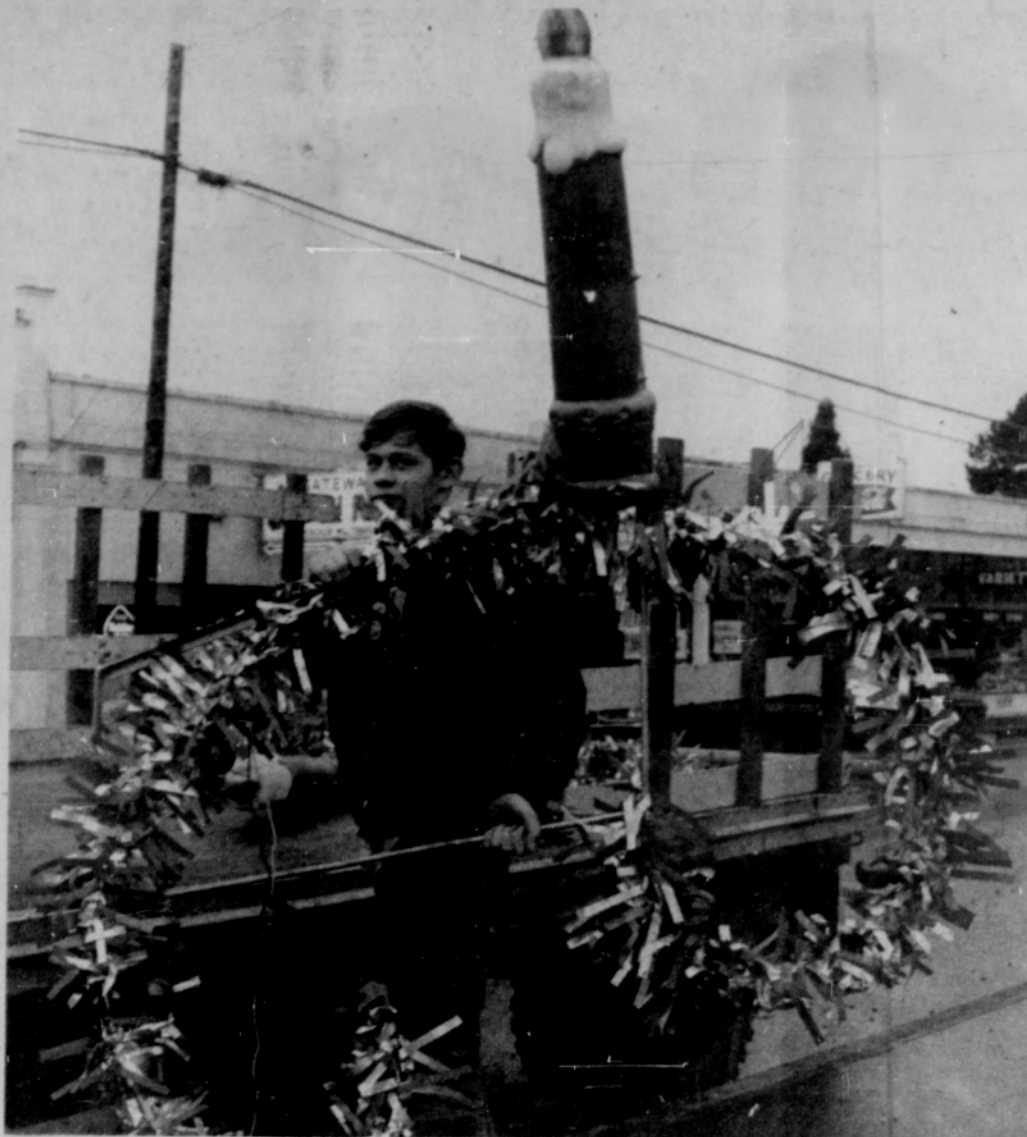
9) Many beautiful parks, monuments, buildings and homes.

But it's a great town, and we've had a very good time.

Had Thanksgiving dinner with the Schaffers, and it was very American—cooked by her two Filipino maids.

Typhoon "Toyang" struck central Luzon, but missed Manila. Much crop damage, with winds up to 86 mph. Had a power outage in Manila for a few minutes.

(Continued on Page 3)



SANDY BUSINESS DISTRICT got all dressed up for the holidays Sunday as crews braved rain and wind to mount decorations on poles. (Post photo)



SALEM SCENE

by ERRETT CUTTER

HOLD-THAT-LINE BUDGET ONLY HALF THE ANSWER

The 1969-71 record state budget presented by Gov. Tom McCall last week proposes a moderate, economy-minded spending program based upon current levels of revenue and relying heavily upon continuing steady economic growth.

It proposes no tax increase or new taxes. It contains no major new programs, no major expansion of existing ones. Linked with a state government reorganization and streamlining program, it seeks to hold the line on costs of state government administration.

But in many ways the new budget is most interesting for what it presupposes or does not say.

It does project an increase of 23.4 per cent in general fund expenditures over this biennium, beginning with a \$33.8 million balance to be carried over. It assumes that continuing expansion of the state's economy will produce the necessary additional revenue at current tax levels.

While the budget contains \$38 million for local property tax relief, that amount is not considered sufficient to provide relief of the magnitude demanded by the sizeable vote for the 1 1/2 per cent limitation measure. Significant relief will require a new revenue source—a state sales tax or increased income tax—or to take some of the burden off local property taxes.

Legislators generally vote property tax relief as their number one item of business when they convene here next month. But if they do not produce a program, or if voters defeat the program the legislature is likely to refer, then property tax relief adjustments in the budget must be considered.

For example, the budget contains no general fund appropriations for senior citizens' relief or for inventory tax relief. The homestead exemption offset would require \$5.3 million to continue; inventory tax relief would need \$26.7 million from the general fund to fulfill legislative intentions to phase out half the tax from 1966 to 1970.

Other adjustments needs may well arise from the governor's proposed government reorganization. The budget is tailored to restructured state government and many of its items are contingent on its adoption.

Reorganization proposals, under "Project 70's", are the result of months of intensive study by a task force of four professors of political science, public administration and business administration. Their intention is "to give Oregon citizens and their elected leaders some control over coming events, so that they and their institutions of government will not be overwhelmed by the problems of the 1970's."

Plans would group many state agencies with related functions in nine new or expanded main departments under the governor.

LUMBER TERMINOLOGY

The first official use of the word, "lumber," referring to sawn timber, appeared in the U. S. in Boston records of 1663. The English used the term, "lumbered up," in referring to logs, timber and boards, which littered the harbor. Later the colonists began to refer to such timber simply as lumber, he National Forest Products Association reports.

2,400 YEAR-OLD WOOD PRODUCTS

Evidence of the infinite durability of wood has been discovered near the village of Vraona on the East Coast of Africa. According to the National Forest Products Association, 15 wood vases, carved in geometrical designs and preserved in mud are more than 2,400 years old.

ATTENTION HUSBANDS



SURPRISE THAT
VERY SPECIAL GIRL
OF YOURS WITH
A WIG OR WIGLET
for Christmas

Make your shopping easy with
a Gift Certificate from
Sandy's Newest Beauty Salon—
"THE GOLDEN COMB"

★ SPECIAL THIS MONTH ★

Exquisitely Hand Tied

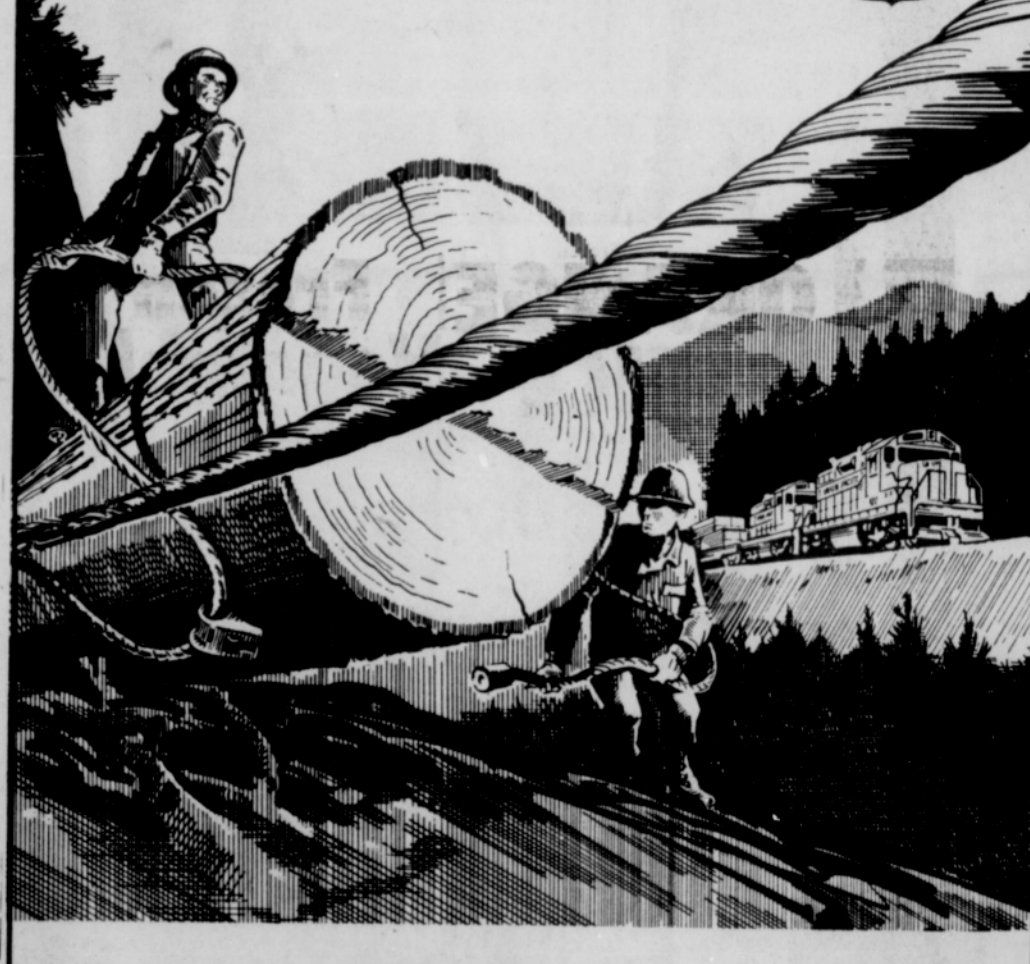
Wigs \$50 & up Wiglets \$10 & up

OPEN MONDAY thru SATURDAY 9-5

pulling together

To the early settler, Northwest forests offered both opportunity and challenge. The transcontinental railroad became the link between producer and customer that helped the Forest Industry grow. Union Pacific keeps pace with this vital industry by supplying different types of rail cars designed for efficient handling of the many products of our forests. Another example of pulling together...

Union Pacific and the Great Pacific Northwest.



Christmas Magic

FOR YOUR HOLIDAY HOME ALL YEAR LONG

PRICES
TO FIT EVERY
BUDGET



LIVING ROOM SETS

Traditional, Modern,
Early American

DINING GROUPS

Choose from Formal
Sets, Dinettes, or
the Latest in Break-
fast Sets. We Have It!

DECORATOR CHAIRS AND RECLINERS

Lounge Chairs with Otto-
mans, Modern, Traditional, etc.

COMPLETE CARPET INSTALLATION

"WALL TO WALL"
AND RUG SIZE

SMALL
ROLLS
OF
CARPET

Lay-A-Ways
For Christmas

LISTEN
To Gresham Radio
KRDR
For Additional Values

Shop Daily Mon. - Sat. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

No Down
Payment 3 Years
To Pay

FIRST PAYMENT NOT DUE UNTIL FEBRUARY - 1969

AMITON FURNITURE

GRESHAM'S OLDEST & LARGEST FURNITURE STORE
MAIN AT SECOND
GRESHAM

Your
BANKAMERICARD
welcome here