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Sandy High School Bond Election

Voters in the Sandy Union High School District will ballot next Tuesday on a vital bond issue.

The bonds will provide \$225,000 to build and equip a Vocational Skill Center at the school. Taxpayer cost would amount to about \$1 per year on a \$15,000 home.

For over two years the needs for vocational training buildings, equipment and curriculum have been under examination for over two years by a citizen committee appointed by the school board. Their recommendations have won enthusiastic approval on all sides. Literally no opposition to the project—and it has been explained throughout the district—has been

voiced.

Not to be overlooked is the fact that present high school facilities are already crowded to capacity. Within a year, or two at the most, increased enrollment of students ALREADY attending grade schools in the district will make provision of additional classroom space imperative.

The proposed Industrial Education building would not only solve this space problem, but will realistically answer the educational needs of a large segment of our young people who do not plan to attend a four-year college or university.

The project merits wholehearted support from every voter in the district. Vote "Yes" next Tuesday.

Federal Taxes Are the Real Culprit

No one particularly likes to pay taxes and we can understand those Oregonians who would like to do something about soaring property taxes.

But all our state and local taxes are but a drop in the bucket to what the federal government extracts from us, directly and indirectly.

Some people complain about our State of Oregon income tax. On this writer's last paycheck, the Social Security deduction alone was 50 per cent more than Oregon's income tax.

Carrying it a step further, the Social Security bite—which climbs inexorably every year as Congress adds more and more benefits—wasn't far from equalling property taxes on our home. Multiply the Social Security levy each week by 52 and it very nearly equals our property tax—currently the subject of so much dissatisfaction. And all of this, of course, is small potatoes compared to the enormous chunk the withholding tax takes each week.

Most of us will be working for the federal government until sometime next spring. It takes just about four months for most of us to get Uncle Sam

out of the way and to reach the point where the money we make is our own.

All this, of course, doesn't take into account the huge variety of hidden, or near-hidden, federal taxes. These are everywhere and increase the cost of everything we buy manyfold.

In short, if we really want to save money on taxes, attack the beast at its source—the federal government. None of us can do anything directly about federal taxes... except pay and pay and pay.

But we can let our elected representatives know that we're tired of the gills of federal spending excesses, that we can't stand for endless increases in Social Security, in burgeoning federal handout programs, in perpetuation of bureaucratic excesses etc. We should ask that a sharp look be taken at such things as the space program and at that most profligate waste of all, the war in Viet-Nam.

Because unless the taxpayers demand a halt to federal spending, our state and local taxes will soon be such a pitifully small part of the tax burden as to be utterly inconsequential. We can't attack the tax problem on the local level while letting the federal monster run amok.

Columbia Christian Studies Proposal to Move to Baker

Whether Columbia Christian College moves to Baker will not be resolved for at least a month, Mac Lynn, the college dean, said Tuesday.

The executive committee of the college went to Baker over the weekend to meet with board members of Magic Valley Christian College, Albion, Ida.

They toured the abandoned Air force radar site to determine its suitability for a campus if the two school merged.

Magic Valley said they would merge if the schools moved to Baker but would not move to Portland, a proposal that has been considered for some months.

Columbia Christian is now located at NE 90th Ave. and Glisan St., and has about 150 students in college grades. Magic Valley has a little more than 100 students.

A year ago Columbia Christian bought a 275-acre site near Gresham between SE 190th and 174th on Powell Blvd. Plans at the time were to build a new campus.

"A smooth white mound the brush-pile showed, A fenceless drift what once was road," Whittieel



Service Line

Technical Sergeant Ira T. Manwell, brother of Mrs. B. J. Horttor, Rt. 2 Sandy, has arrived for duty at March AFB, Calif.

Sergeant Manwell, a bombing-navigation systems technician, is a member of the Strategic Air Command. He previously served at Udorn Royal Thai AFB, Thailand.



PAIR OF PEREGRINATORS, Claude Gudge, left, and Jack Fahie, pose with "Kiwi" the Hoodland duo bought in New Zealand for use while touring the large island.

LETTER FROM CLAUDE...

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 through letters to the Sandy Post.

Sydney January 6

Sandy Post Editor,

We moved from the very posh Wentworth Hotel to the Mayfair Hotel in the Bohemian or hippie area of Sydney. This is one of the oldest and most interesting parts of Sydney. There is block after block of 100 year old masonry houses, mostly flats, pubs, hotels, and various shops. It is the relatively hippie area and the mead swinging part of town. We stopped for a beer in one of our hotel's three pubs this p.m. and got involved in a schelidic party of G.I.'s and our girls. Interesting, but we left quickly.

This a.m. tho, we took a ferry to Manly Beach and had a swim and sun on one of Australia's beautiful famous beaches. There is much surf boarding, also, and a tall shark tower—just in case.

Back to the hotel, and we met Judy for dinner—after our pub experience. Had a good steak dinner at King's Cross, and said our goodbyes for our departure to N.Z.

Our hotel is run on the old English plan—we get bed and breakfast. Also the staff, all look like ancient, 2nd generation English, household servants and speak accordingly.

Also, they are building a new subway under this area, so every few hours it sounds like Saigon as they let loose a few tons of dynamite.

But overall Sydney is the most beautiful place we've been and we wish we had more time to explore the continent itself.

Sydney is similar to San Francisco, but there are so many more inlets of water, it seems that everyone lives by the shore. I took several very good pictures as we took off. Tuesday we took a Qantas airline flight over the Tasman Sea to Auckland. Auckland is situated on a 7-mile wide peninsula connecting two harbors which join the Pacific Ocean on one side and the Tasman Sea on the other. A city of 580,000 people and they all live near the water. The city reminds me of Portland about 30-40 years ago. Very few large buildings, and it is a little run down and not very modern.

Our hotel is very old-country, bed and breakfast British, and they dress for dinner, so we went down the street to a Chinese restaurant. We felt more at home.

Tonight is the first night since we left Japan nearly three months ago, that we could comfortably have worn a jacket. Nice to be cool for a change.

As a matter of statistics, Bangkok, Thailand (Siam) was our furthest point to the west from home. We were nine hours time difference. Jakarta, Indonesia (Batav, Java) was our furthest milea, reconing for our air ticket. At that time we were about 11,000 miles from home. We have returned eastward again,

but still have to go south to Wellington. (Note—It isn't any harder to hang on here—down under—it is up there.)

We moved across the bay today to the Princess Towers at Jorthcote. This is a new motel with tourist apartments. Has a heated pool and a beautiful view of the bay. So we bought beer, booze and breakfast for the next three days. Also decided to take a bus ride to Wellington instead of flying. So we leave Saturday a.m.

We took another tour this p.m. Most places tours have been expensive and taxi's cheap. Here it is the opposite. So we saw a good part of the scenery, but more interesting we went far enough out of town to see the bush country. North Island is semi-tropical, so the bush is very thick, but has palm trees and other exotic vegetation. Especially beautiful are the prevalent and luxurious fern palm.

With 50" of rainfall a year and many grasses and evergreens, the country looks much like western Oregon. The 45 degree parallel of latitude

south passes through South Island as the 45 parallel north passes through Oregon near Salem.

Thursday and Friday we took a short tour, moseyed around town and loafed in general. Then we really lucked out again. I got to comparing notes on motel business with the board chairman of the Princess—Mr. Maurice Bennison. Had a few drinks and dinner together and he insisted we drive his kiwi-a-go-go demonstrator down to Wellington. This is basically a Volkswagen, but it looks like a cross between a jeep and a dunes buggy. They are being made in N.Z. for export to the beaches of Noumea. Our Kiwi is the second one made, it has a red and white striped canvas top with fringe on the sides, and is a real eye catcher.

Needless to say, we enjoyed every minute of our drive today (Saturday) down here to Lake Rotorua. The country drive reminded both of us very much of the drive from Sandy to Estacada. Like Rotorua is about 20 miles in circumference, and is in the midst of a great thermal area. All the motels here have hot spring baths. And there are many drives and parks in the area with very hot water, bubbling mud, and steam or hot water geysers. Very

UGN Schedules Feb. 5 Meeting

The 17th annual meeting of the Tri-County United Good Neighbors will be held Wednesday, Feb. 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the ballroom of the Portland Sheraton Motor Inn.

The dinner-meeting is open to UGN contributors, volunteers, and public throughout Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties.

United Good Neighbors conducts one annual campaign for support of 97 local and national health, welfare, character-building, and rehabilitation services in the tri-county area.

Open Burning

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may, in fact, be very harmful, causing many many pounds of pollutants and gases to pollute the air".

"Open burning will now be attacked very vigorously, and all fire districts were notified this week of our actions should unauthorized open burning be carried on. We hope that the fire districts will, in turn, inform fire permit holders of the consequence of their actions in burning unlawful materials in violation of our articles," Hatchard concluded.

The CWAPA board of directors, under the chairmanship of M. James Gleason, Multnomah County, consists of Robert L. Glesenger, Columbia County, Fred Stefani, Clackamas County, Francis J. Ivancie, City of Portland, Mark A. Grayson, City of Portland. Prohibition of open burning is the direct result of an order from the board of the program director in a meeting held December 13, 1968. When Commissioner Gleason emphasized that a permit to burn is not a permit to violate air pollution control rules of CWAPA.

SANDY WOMEN'S CLUB

The program for Thursday, Feb. 6, has been changed.

Mrs. Alfred Faust of Sandy will be the featured speaker instead of Claudio Venturi, Sandy's AFS student from Rome. She will give a talk on Bolivia, where she spent some time as a nurse.

Claudio will appear in Mrs. Faust's place on the March program.

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