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Viet-Nam and Pres. Nixon

This is written before Wednesday's Viet-Nam Moratorium, but it is all too clear that the albatross which finished off Lyndon Johnson is also hanging around Richard Nixon's neck.

Stripped of all else, Nixon was elected president last fall because people thought he would find a way out of Viet-Nam.

But he hasn't and dissent with what is now "Nixon's Viet-Nam policy" is escalating almost out of sight.

Admittedly, Nixon is in an almost-impossible situation. He inherited a war, universally unpopular, from the Johnson administration. His present attempts at disengagement are a unilateral affair and no one is pleased. The hawks think we're surrendering and the doves think we're moving too slowly.

Nixon, above all, is a politician. At times, he must wonder why he ever wanted the job.

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By Bob Kaye

SEE IT

In opening up the subject of child training during the "nesting period" as I did last week, I risked entering an area where fools rush in and angels fear to tread. However a broad path has been already beaten by a thousand fools preceding me, so here goes.

Training in this sense means instruction or guidance so as to make more proficient or qualified. The objective in this instance is to inculcate self respect founded on a strength of character that will permit the child to cope with his life as an adult and to achieve maximum realization of his identity and his potentialities. This is a big order and few can claim complete success in reaching that goal. But most importantly the child must be motivated to try.

It is evident that the path to this "unreachable star" must be marked out in terms of standards of conduct and human values of what is the good, the true and the beautiful. Only when a life is based on such values can it be termed successful. The measure of this success is the depth of serenity and happiness with which the individual is blessed. So therefore a star must be hung in the child's sky. It must be his star alone and he must be motivated and encouraged to reach it.

Children are people. They are individual human beings as different from one another as are adults. Contrary to what some believe, a baby is not born as a blank sheet of paper on which anything may be written. Whether the differences stem from the genes and the chromosomes so beloved by the materialists, or by differences in soul experience as those who understand reincarnation prefer to think, or the whims of the creator, the fact remains that the psyche of each new born babe is uniquely its own from the time of birth.

Thus cookbook schemes for training children will never be more than partially successful. Children are simply not that uniform in the way their mental and emotional circuits are wired up. It's true I think that father's belt or mother's hair brush layed on a bare bottom will at times accomplish wonders. No substitute that we have been able to find seems as effective, but this has to be done with good judgement and discrimination. Above all without leaving a feeling of injustice. These procedures, however, apply only to training in behavior when the child is quite young, and, the situations are simple and clear cut.

For those whose instincts have been obscured by their education, probably the best way to learn how to train the behavior of a small child would be to study the methods and procedures of an expert dog or animal trainer, the one who gets results with kindness and affection. The young of our species has much in common with the young of the higher animals and training in behavior has to be approached in much the same way for all.

There are some who may be so confused in this age of confusion as to wonder why it is necessary to teach a child patterns of behavior that fits it to function in the prevailing culture. It is self evident that the person will have to learn sooner or later or else suffer an insurmountable handicap for the rest of his life. If evidence for this statement is needed, all one has to do is to look carefully at the behavior of so many of our young people today to find abundant confirmation.

A word of caution: behavioral training is not to be done with the thought of converting the child into a sort of robot that responds mindlessly to the parents' push buttons. This result is as disastrous as no training at all. The child has to be made to want to cooperate for its own sake. It has to be made to realize that antisocial or bizarre behavior is a mighty poor way to announce the coming of a prophet. I leave this elementary phase of my subject with the observation that what is cute at two is hell at six and disastrous at 16.

It is almost trite to observe that children are experimental, empirical and instinctive. In general they do not intellectualize, and therefore reasoning with a child in order to get it to do what it does not want to do, or refrain from doing what it wants to do, has severe limitations. The younger the child the less the effectiveness of such an approach, unless backed up by authority. Being experimental, it is child nature to try anything, venture on any path—lacking experience, to seek to acquire it, being empirical, to form judgements on the basis of personal observations, being instinctual, to naturally tend to look to the older members of their group and particularly their parents for authority and guidance. They will accept this authority until the day that it is proven wrong by their own experience or conflicts with the dictum of others in whom they have learned to place more confidence.

Parental authority depends

almost entirely these days on parental will power. The traditions that in earlier days were such a bulwark to the authority of parents have now been either discredited or are in serious question. I doubt whether history has ever seen the time when parents are in a more difficult and vulnerable position. They are strictly on their own today. Very early, the child will begin to test parental capacity to exert will power. Instinct instructs the child to develop its own strength of will and purpose and it can do so largely by opposing its will to that of its parents. The paradox is that the child will seek to get its own way but it does not necessarily want to succeed. It will have a sense that this would be unhealthy.

What would happen to the young lion if its mother could not control it? What would happen to the young bird if the mother failed to push it out of the nest? Nothing pertinent to the whole question of children's upbringing is more crucial to success than that the child should admire and respect its parents. One sure way for this to be lost is that the child should discover that it can dominate them and assume control. The collapse of order and discipline that is so rampant in the world can be directly attributed to the permissive and disrespectful attitudes that have grown up in the home. The children have been alienated from their parents for this reason and for others that we will talk about later.

CITIZENS COLLEGE FORUM

News and Views About Mt. Hood Community College by Karen Mills Public Information Officer

Mt. Hood Community College is concerned about meeting the needs of district citizens. The college has established, over the past three years, a comprehensive program which involves vocational training in many technical fields, college transfer offerings for those wishing to transfer to a four year institution, and adult enrichment offerings for special interest groups.

This fall quarter more than 260 adult enrichment courses are being offered throughout the community college district. Many of these courses are being offered at the high schools within the district.

Adult enrichment offerings are designed to offer "something for everyone" on a cost covering basis.

Ten or more people desiring the same course should make their desire known to the college.

Eyesore of the Week



Highway Beautification Project (Oregon State Style)

★ Letters to the Editor ★

October 14, 1969

To the Editor:
Sandy Post

Since this is our first introduction to winter on the mountain (Brightwood), I would like to share this experience with your readers.

During the "blow" last Sunday we lost electricity along with many other families. Trees were blown down against live wires. Upon investigation my husband discovered small fires burning in the woods close to our home. We hurriedly called our fire department saying it was an emergency. Within minutes three cars with volunteer firemen were here (up our funny narrow gravel road), next we could hear the fire sirens and two big engines arrive.

At that very moment the tiny flames sputtered out and it became a matter for PGE to clear the wires.

We were almost embarrassed by all the flurry we had caused but were assured by the firemen it could have become serious. It is very comforting to know that in case of another fire we can count on these fine friends and neighbors to come to our aid and quickly, too!

Our special thanks to the men of the Hoodland Fire Department.

Pete and Janie Carlson

October 10, 1969

To the Editor
Sandy Post

In answer to a letter about Clackamas County voting machines, printed in your paper over the signature of Mrs. Beulah Hand of Milwaukie, I would like to state for the record that Commissioner Telford did not sign the rental agreement with the Automatic Voting Machine Co. that contained the clause "It is further agreed that should either litigation or legislation be enacted in the state of Oregon which would allow Clackamas County to use the voting machines in its possession, all terms and conditions of cancelled contract No. 879-A shall revert to full force and effect with respect to all options and rental credits contained therein." Commissioner Schumacher and Commissioner Stefani only signed this agreement.

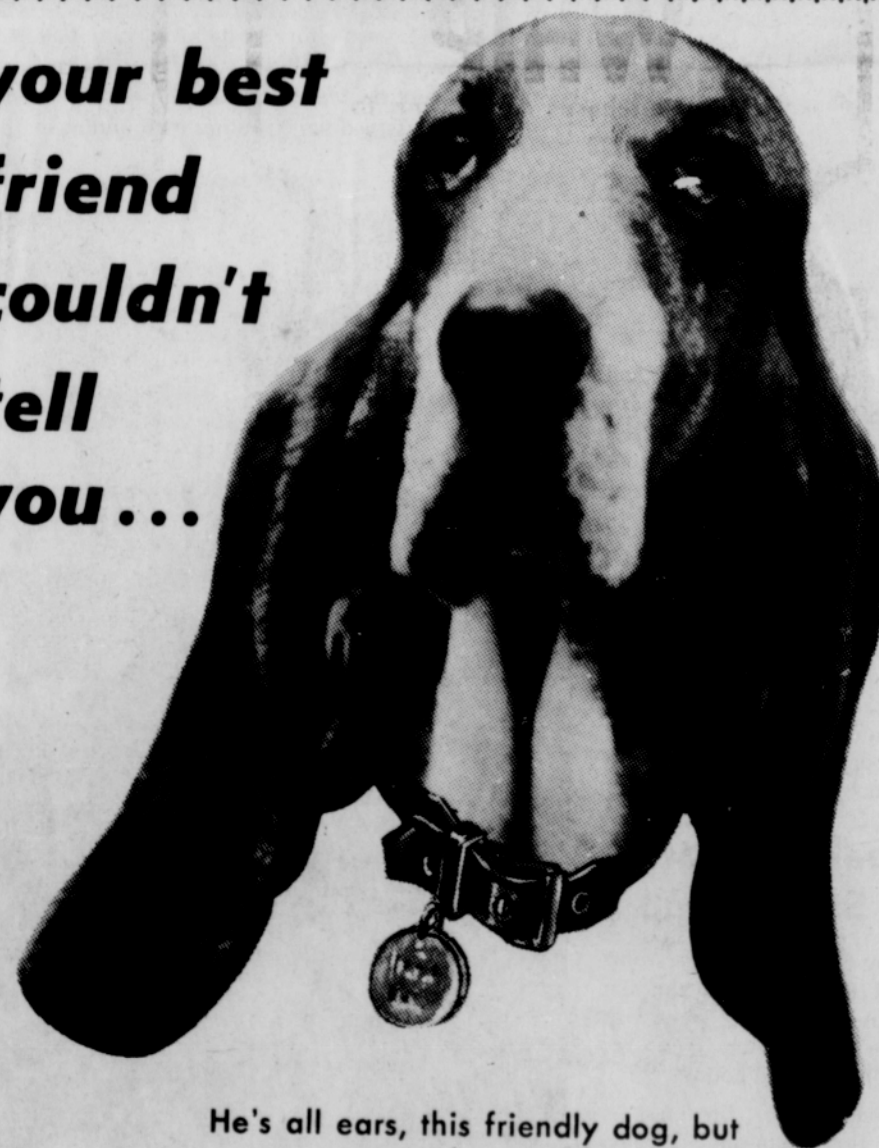
Nowadays colleges are emphasizing education. One university has gotten so strict that it won't give a football player his letter unless he can tell which one it is.—Prism.

It appears from reading the newspapers that four "hand-picked" taxpayers have lodged a suit in the courts that now puts Clackamas County back in the voting machine business as the terms and conditions of cancelled voting machine contract No. 879-A would now be in full force and effect for what could be a very, very long period of time if the decision of the local court is appealed to the Oregon

Supreme Court and possible the United States Supreme Court.

Sincerely
THOMAS D. TELFORD
Clackamas County Commissioner

your best friend couldn't tell you...



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CWAPA Dates Public Hearing

Pursuant to the provisions of Oregon Revised Statutes, 449.890, a public hearing will be held by the Board of Directors, Columbia-Willamette Air Pollution Authority, Room 680, Multnomah County Court House, at 10:00 a.m., Oct. 24, to consider air pollution control rules and standards proposed for adoption by the Board.

Interested persons may appear and be heard or present written statements concerning proposed rules and standards. It is requested that persons or agencies who wish to be heard at this hearing, notify this agency by Oct. 22.

A copy of the proposed rules and standards may be obtained upon request to this Authority, 1010 NE Couch Street, Portland, Oregon 97232, phone: 233-7176.

There's only one drawback to keeping an open mind: You catch an awful lot of rubbish that way.—Wall Street Journal.

PEOPLE IN SANDY HATE LITTERBUGS — BE LOVABLE —



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