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THE GOLDEN YEARS



"So, - What else is new?"

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:
I'm fairly new to the Sandy area, but I've been here long enough to have a big complaint. I'm a mother of three small children. My husband is a truck driver, and is out of town much of the time, as of yet I don't drive, so when I go anywhere, I walk with my children and always use the crosswalk. I have never seen such disrespectful drivers in my life, including the city police.

I stood with my three small children, one in a buggy, in the pouring rain for a good ten minutes trying to get home from the drug store. With three children, it's pretty hard for us to run across the street, while drivers are doing well over the 25 mph speed limit.

This is not the first time, this has happened nearly every time I try to get across the street, it's the same story. I've even waited as long as 15 minutes.

Everybody just drives on by, if you are lucky enough to finally get somebody to stop in one lane, the other lane just keeps right on going. I know I'm not the only one this happens to so it looks like the city could do something about this problem. Nothing will ever be done until it is brought to light. That is why I'm writing this letter to you. What better way for the public to be informed than through the newspaper.

Thank-you,
Mrs. Lynne Dennison
124 W. Main
Sandy

Wartime phone tax reduced

A "temporary" wartime tax on telephone service that began in the 1940's as an emergency measure is finally on its way out.

General Telephone customers should notice slight reduction in telephone bills, according to a company spokesman. He said the ten per cent Federal excise tax paid on all local and long distance calls has been reduced to nine per cent. The reduction was effective Jan. 1, 1973.

The reduction will continue at the rate of one per cent per year until the tax is completely erased in December, 1982.

The tax, which is collected by the company for the government and which only applies to telephone utilities, is a holdover from World War II. Telephone companies have long opposed the tax, since it is felt that the tax discriminated against people who have telephone service.

The reduction is a result of the Federal Excise, Estate and Gift Tax adjustment of 1970.

The world's three leading automotive manufacturers in 1971 were General Motors, Ford and Toyota. Volkswagen was fourth.

The lives of Americans are insured for \$1.5 trillion—or about \$21,000 of life insurance protection for the average family.

To the Editor:
In regards to the recent action taken by Portland's Bureau of Waterworks and Mr. W. A. Liggett, which requires the big horse teams, logging in the Bullrun Watershed, to exhibit and put up with "diapers" has nothing to do with ecology but rather ignorance.

It must have been embarrassing to those horses to have all that publicity for such a ridiculous act. Since we've gone back to natural foods it seems that natural fertilizer is the in thing with ecologists.

It also seems that most watersheds are populated and have been populated with some type of wildlife and livestock for hundreds of years.

NO BIG THREAT!!
The real threat lies with the "money powers". Could we ever change the gasoline motor? Could we knock out cars and put in a massive non-pollutant transportation system? Not impossible but improbable.

The big hazard is what we Americans dump into our atmosphere—the very atmosphere that gives us life. I feel if we're going to be ecologists lets not worry about a little horse manure up in the Bullrun Watershed.

Mr. Liggett also stated "The deer would have diapers too if we could catch them". I wonder if the creator of the creature deer would have been insulted? Perhaps he made them fleet and wily for more reasons than we know.

Rena McKay
Wemme, Oregon 97067
P.S. For those of you who would be interested the "Diaper waste products" are being used on a lovely garden site.

WEATHER

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Jan. 4	45	35	.15
Jan. 5	44	28	.00
Jan. 6	40	28	.15
Jan. 7	38	28	.70
Jan. 8	37	20	.00
Jan. 9	29	20	.00
Jan. 10	32	29	.00

The Troutdale station weather readings are made by 5:30 p.m.

County traffic death rate remains same

Fourteen Oregon counties had fewer traffic deaths in 1972 than in 1971; seven others reported no more deaths in 1972 than in 1971, yet the state's annual traffic toll was the worst ever recorded.

Only one county, Wheeler, recorded a traffic death free year. It was also death-free in 1971.

Counties recording decreases in traffic deaths were: Baker, Benton, Clatsop, Douglas, Grant, Jackson, Jefferson, Lake, Lincoln, Marion, Morrow, Tillamook, Union and Wasco counties.

Those with the same number of deaths for the last two years were: Clackamas (44), Columbia, Crook, Gilliam, Wallowa, Washington and Wheeler counties.

The counties contributing to the new all-time record of 730 were: Coos, Curry, Deschutes, Harney, Hood River, Josephine, Klamath, Lane, Linn, Malheur, Multnomah, Polk, Sherman, Umatilla and Yamhill counties.

One in every 500 persons in the U.S. and Europe is blind. In Asia and Africa the ratio is one in every 100.

The output per man year of federal workers rose 7.7 per cent in the period between 1967 and 1971.

Bank debits show increase

Bank debits for the 22 reporting banks including Clackamas counties were up in November, 1972, compared to November, 1971, the University of Oregon Bureau of Business and Economic Research has reported.

Fact finder on Orient hears case

Fact finder, Dr. John Abernathy, met with the Orient School Board and teacher representatives last Friday. Each stated their case. Abernathy has until Jan. 17 to report his finding. He was appointed by Dr. Dale Parnell, state superintendent of schools, after a mediator failed to get an agreement from the parties.

Abernathy is a teacher of economics at Southern Oregon College. Some of the issues involved are salaries, teacher evaluation procedures and revision of grievance procedures.

In another meeting Saturday the Oregon Educational Association conducted a one-day preliminary hearing on conditions at Orient School. The meeting was at Sam Barlow High School and lasted all day and into the night.

A spokesman for the OEA told The Outlook that the matters discussed were confidential, but if a further formal hearing is conducted there may be a report of the findings.

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Plan Calls for Conservation

In our review of the just completed comprehensive plan for the Mt. Hood community, we were glad to see the plan place a large emphasis on the conservation of the natural environment of the Mt. Hood area.

As it states in the CH2M report, everyone is for enhancing and conserving the area's "natural environmental living qualities". The question which must be answered is in what way or ways should the community grow and still protect this natural environment.

It is obvious the number of residents is growing each year and the number of recreational users is multiplying each year. The report, in fact, predicts an increase of double the number of visitors during the next 20 years. Currently it is estimated over 900,000 visitors come to the area annually.

To meet the needs of the increasing population in the Mt. Hood area, more housing and services will have to be built.

According to the CH2M report, there is one major way of helping to control these new developments for the protection of the natural environment. This can be found in the "Issues, Problems and Needs" section of the report.

It simply states: "The need to require developers to bring an environmental benefit to the area. In other words, the onus should be on them to show how their development will enhance the environment."

To go along with this, the report recommends strip developing along Highway 26 be avoided and new businesses be developed in existing business districts.

The people of the Mt. Hood community will have their first chance to review this report at an open meeting on Jan. 20, 2 p.m. at Welches Grade School.

In the meantime, those wishing a copy of the 136 page report can purchase it from the Clackamas County Planning Department in Oregon City.

The Tri-Met Tax: An Alternative

A considerable head of steam is building up in the legislature to siphon off highway funds for mass transit.

Highway funds are "dedicated", that is constitutionally limited to use on highways, public parks etc. But this could be changed by legislative enactment and subsequent approval by the people.

Gov. McCall and a number of legislative leaders have endorsed the idea of giving mass transit a chunk of these admittedly sizable highway funds.

And if the diversion ultimately is successful, will this then eliminate the odious Tri-Met tax? The Tri-Met

tax, of course, is levied solely on businesses to support the erstwhile Rose City Transit System and the Blue Bus lines.

Businesses in the Tri-County area (Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington) are taxed to support mass transit regardless of any possible benefits. If highway funds eventually become available, might this then do away with the Tri-Met tax?

Equity and justice certainly would appear to say so. But once enacted, few taxes ever go away. Businesses can hope... but not much more.

Getting Ready for Spain

The Sandy Post sponsored trip to Spain this Spring will be the topic of a meeting set for Saturday night.

The meeting will be held in the Sandy city hall basement at 7:30 and everyone is invited to "get in the mood for sun and fun in Spain."

The trip will be from March 14 thru March 28 and plenty of sun is forecast for the trip.

We hope to see you at the meeting, and hope you join the rest of us when we take off for Spain this Spring. Don't be left in the rain.

Mt. Hood plan ready

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benefit to the area. In other words, the onus should be on them to show how their development will enhance the environment."

A low density planned development (maximum four housing units per acre) is recommended depending on the soil suitability, water supply, and the availability of sanitary sewers.

The report calls for a service district to be formed to meet the water and sewer needs for the mountain area.

Also, it recommends future commercial establishments occur in "existing shopping centers or in new centers located to best serve the community. Strip development along Highway 26 should not occur."

The CH2M report recommends a detailed development plan be made for each of the village districts (Government Camp, Rhododendron, Zig Zag, Welches,

Wemme, Brightwood and Cherryville.)

The recreational use of the area is expected to increase each year with it reaching 1,800,000 visitors per year within 20 years. This means the mountain area must look at facilities to handle the expected increase.

This would include a shuttle bus system for the winter sport users.

The over-riding factor throughout the CH2M report is the conservation of the Mt. Hood environment.

For those wishing to get a copy of the report, it is available from the Clackamas County Planning Department in Oregon City for five dollars. The cost covers the printing costs.

Chamber officials have stated, they hope to have copies available for sale at the meeting on Jan. 20. Also, copies are to be placed in the Welches Grade School library and each member of the HPG has a copy.

County deputies investigating two area deaths

The Clackamas County Sheriff's office is investigating the death of two persons in the Sandy-Hoodland area during the past week.

Mrs. Marilyn E. Clark, 31, of the Hoodland area was found by her husband in the front seat of the family car near Road 28, Rhododendron.

Investigating officers reportedly found empty sodium selenate containers in the

car, and a note. Mrs. Clark was last seen leaving for work Tuesday.

Investigators reported no evidence of foul play in the death.

Results of a coroner's investigation also are still pending in the death of Ivor Stack, 71, who was found Thursday morning in a ditch near Sandy.

A sheriff's office spokesman indicated no criminal activity appeared to be involved in the case.

Classified contest

A contest to name the new girlfriend of Clarence, mascot for The Outlook's Peachy Classified Section begins this week.

Prizes of \$15, \$10 and \$5 donated by Wally's Thriftway stores at 162nd and Division and at 847 E. Powell, Gresham, will be given to winners.

Contestants may enter as many times as they wish by filling out an entry blank from the Classified Ad Section.

Entries, which must be postmarked before midnight, Jan. 31, will be judged by three Outlook staffers.

Sandy Centennial coins cost less, value high

Due to a printing error, in last week's Centennial story, the price of the sterling silver coins was listed at \$100. This should have been \$10.

They are available at the Clackamas County Bank, through Howard Berger or through Bill Richardson, who is heading up the Chamber of Commerce committee.

COW POKES

By Ace Reid



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