

# Sandy Post

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## Same Goal, Different Ways

In a Post editorial last week, we indicated the Sandy Fire District board needed to take action to protect the fire protection safety of the area.

In conversations this week with the fire chief, board members, and volunteers, it appears the district is working this way.

Those who oppose the current fire district administration have also indicated this is the goal they have

been working towards: better fire protection for the district.

The district has had seven men resign over the conflict between the administration and several members of the volunteers.

The pity of the whole situation is that everyone is really working towards this same goal of improving the fire district. Its just that they cannot seem to agree on the same way to do it.

## How Long Does A Review Take

The review committee charged with investigating charges against the Clackamas County Planning Department and its director James Hall is now in its sixth month.

The committee held its 10th session on Monday night, but no recommendations based on the investigation have yet been made.

When the investigation was proposed back on Nov. 1, 1972, no one would have believed it would drag on this long. For everyone concerned, it would have been better for a quick and thorough investigation to have

been conducted.

We have no doubt the review committee is trying to do a good job, but the importance of this committee's work and the effect of the county's planning department on the future of this county calls for quick action.

If the charges against the planning department and the director are correct, then it is urgent steps be taken to make some changes.

Whether the charges are correct or not, it is time for the County Commissioners to move to get some faith restored in our county government.

## Unfair Competition?

If you operate a small business in Oregon, you're probably not going to like HB 2260.

HB 2260, in effect, would put the State of Oregon into direct competition with every businessman in the state.

It would allow the state "to furnish to other governmental subdivisions materials, equipment and supplies having single unit price of less than \$500."

The concept isn't new; removal of the \$500 restriction is.

The state's buying power is such that prices would be lower than those charged by a privately-owned business. This might sound fine to the taxpayer.

But what about the taxes the business pays? What about the jobs it provides? Slice its business by one-third or one-half and you'll slice the taxes it pays and the jobs it provides by the same amount.

The state has enough to do without getting involved in tax-subsidized competition with retail business.

## County budget committee works to balance budget

The next hearing on the proposed Clackamas County budget for 1973-1974 is May 29, 10 a.m. at the Oregon City Courthouse.

At the first meeting of the budget committee, an unbalanced budget was presented.

The budget contained a deficit of \$446,260 and now the committee is faced with either cutting the budget or finding additional revenue sources to balance it.

Mrs. Anna Payne, Milwaukie, was selected as chairman of the six-member

budget committee at the meeting held May 10.

Total proposed budget for the year amounts to \$14.1 million or \$1.4 million over the current operating money schedule. The general fund budget amounts to \$6.5 million, but will have to be shaved to stay within the six per cent limitation set by law. Any amount over the limitation must face a vote of the people.

The county commissioners Tom Telford, Bob Schumacher and Fred Stefani moved to have the county stay within the limitation.

## Stefani recall movement dies

The recall movement against Clackamas County Commissioner Fred Stefani seems to have died.

Final campaign contribution statements were filed last week by backers on the recall movement.

Spokesman for the backers said the movement had stopped but would not state any more.

The recall effort was started on March 9 when petitioners filed a notice of the recall with the county clerk. State law requires

the petitioners to secure the signatures of about 9600 people to place the recall issue before the voters on a special ballot.

However, no petitions have been filed with the county clerk's office.

Those who headed the recall movement were Bill Sanderson, of Viola, Bob Quigley, Martha Boettcher and Warren Schafer, all of Milwaukie.

Quigley and Mrs. Boettcher were listed as the major contributors to the campaign spending \$150 each.



Auctioneer: "We're gonna sell it, but we don't want any cracks about its origin."

Spectator: "I don't think I would either."

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

Have you ever been hit by falling rock, or hit rock on the road by the Laurel Hill section of U.S. 26 near Government Camp? The Mt. Hood unit of EMCO, League of Women Voters, are checking into the amount of public support for a request to the Highway Department to screen this hill to keep the rock from tumbling down on the highway. If you have been hit and would like your name to be listed with others on a request to the Highway Department for screening this area, please forward your name and address to me. This has too long been a hazard to skiing and other highway traffic.

Mrs. Karen Serline  
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To the Editor:

In my letter which appeared in the April 26, 1973 edition of your newspaper, I made certain statements which I have been told might be misconstrued. I made reference to a faction of the Hoodland Planning Group who are engaged in developing certain properties at the junction of Lolo Pass and Truman Road. I did not mean to imply in any way that the group or any of its members was engaged in any illegal activity nor did I mean to cast aspersions on the members' character or reputation. I believe that these members are upright citizens with a fine reputation in their community.

James M. Olsen  
Zig Zag  
District Ranger

To the Editor:

On behalf of the board, administrative staff and students—we wish to thank the patrons of District 13 for the strong support given the school budget at the annual school election, May 7. Having a budget enables us to move immediately on the problems facing the district. We can now get the needed programs underway, employ the additional staff needed and make certain purchases avoiding some of the increased cost that comes with delay.

We pledge to you our best efforts to buy the most education possible through funds available due to the passing of the budget. Your support is a real plus on the side of the high morale necessary for quality education.

Earl Covey, Principal  
Welches Grade School

To the Editor:

I see by the morning paper (Oregonian, May 9) that the Clackamas County Planning Commission is "recruiting" help to work on the proposed "Comprehensive Plan".

At the two days of hearings held in Oregon City April 16 and 17, and in all of the hearings held since that time around the County, including the one held in Sandy, Monday, May 7,

numbers of people signed cards indicating that they were willing to do just that. Some of us who have attended more than one meeting have signed more than one card, so the Commission has no lack of volunteers to assist with "coming up with further recommendations".

Considering the scope and magnitude of the "Plan" the meeting in Sandy, Monday night was very poorly attended. The adoption of this plan will affect every person who lives in Clackamas County from this time on. I was disappointed that Richard Benson, the chairman of the Planning Commission would not let me give any of the background of the "Plan" when I testified Monday. He stated that the Commission would not "permit" nor "tolerate" any discussion of the origin of the "Plan".

From what I have been able to gather from studying the "Plan" and discussing it with members of the "Advisory Planning Commission" who helped prepare the "Plan", it appears that the "Plan" is weighted, perhaps excessively so, in favor of those who stand to gain financially from its adoption, i.e. builders and subdividers.

If any of your readers would like to exchange information with me as to what can or ought to be done to help balance the "Plan" and make it more truly "Comprehensive", I would enjoy hearing from them.

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To the Editor:

Well, God did it again! He isn't going to let us exterminate ourselves by pollution from petroleum products. He let us run out of them first!

The best solution to a problem is usually the simplest.

Mrs. Shirley Roth  
Rt. 3 Box 484  
Boring

To the Editor:

On March 9 of this year, papers were filed with the Elections Department asking that I be recalled as a Commissioner of Clackamas County. I have now been informed that a final financial statement has been filed and that the participants have withdrawn from the effort.

The recall attempt took me completely by surprise. I have always conducted my office with complete honesty and I feel I have acted in the best interests of the residents of the county. While there are opposing sides to just about every matter we are asked to make a decision on, mere disagreement with those decisions is not basis for recall, if they are made honestly and in good faith.

I have had an opportunity to discuss points of view with several of the principals in-

## Centennial books still available

Over 1,400 copies of the Sandy Centennial and Barlow Road Days books have been sold, according to Mrs. Marie Schwartz.

Mrs. Schwartz reported to the Sandy Area Chamber of Commerce that about 500 bound copies had been sold and an estimated 900 soft cover copies have been sold.

The book, "Sandy Pioneers, Early Settlers and Barlow Road Days", is still available to the public.

Mrs. Schwartz said several copies have been given and sold to libraries in the area.

## The Sandy Post's Find Your Name Feature

If your name appears in today's Classified preceded by two stars (\*\*\*) you will receive a pair of reserved seat tickets to the 1973 Shipstad and Johnson Ice Follies with special guest stars, Trixi Schuba and Snoopy. Ice Follies plays at Memorial Coliseum, May 15 through May 20.

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**ENTER NOW:**  
ALL ENTRANTS MUST BE GIRLS 5 TO 12 YEARS OF AGE, LIVING IN THE SANDY AREA.

The city of Sandy is celebrating its Centennial on Aug. 10, 11 and 12th and we'd like to have a "Little Miss Oregon Trail Savings" representing us during the celebration... and the big parade!

The Queen and her 4 princesses will be chosen Saturday, Aug. 4th at 2 p.m. in the Sandy High School cafeteria... so you must enter now... or before July 16th by depositing coupon below at our Oregon Trail Sandy Branch, Corner Cherry and Proctor.

Judging will be on the basis of the most original Centennial Costume, and judging will be final.

... SO ENTER NOW AND HAVE FUN AT THE FESTIVITIES AND RIDING THE OREGON TRAIL SAVINGS FLOAT.

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THE CURB work along the north side of Proctor Ave. was the first part of the improvement project. The crews are now working on the south side curbs. Once the

south side is completed the blacktopping will start. The work has caused the traffic on Proctor to be closed to only one lane of traffic during working hours.

(Post photo)