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The Planning Review Committee



Of course, "he can't see the forest,—for the tree."

Gas shortage

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A spokesman for Smith Standard stations, said, "We see no change right now and we have plenty of gasoline to service our customers."

All service station owners reported business has been good recently and with summer coming they expect business to increase if the gasoline quota does not become too serious.

Granston at Sandy ARCO expressed the feeling of most area operators when he said, "I want to service my local customers first. If this means having shorter hours on the weekend to meet the week day demands of our local customers, this is what I'll have to do and have already done this month by closing Sun-

days."

Most of the operators also agreed a move to shorter business hours to extend the gas supply was better than placing a limit on each fill up.

None of the operators had any concrete reasons for the gasoline shortage. Although, in a letter from the Atlantic Richfield Company a Company spokesman stated the three main reasons were refinery equipment difficulties, shortage of crude oils, and inability to obtain gasoline from new sources.

Whatever the reasons, travel by car may be limited to short trips and no one knows how much longer you can drive into your favorite station and say "Fill it up."

Sandy dad's slate senior banquet

The annual "Senior Awards" banquet sponsored by the Sandy High Dad's Club is set for May 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the high school.

The Dad's will be serving a turkey dinner at the banquet and the public is invited to attend.

The graduating seniors will be honored at the dinner.

CITIZENS COLLEGE FORUM

News and Views About
Mt. Hood Community College
by Chuck Niemi
Coordinator of College
Information

Check the MHCC summer schedule for a host of other standard and special classes being offered this summer. Registration for the first five-week session is June 18 with classes starting June 19. The second session will hold registration July 23 with classes starting July 24.

If you did not receive a summer schedule in the mail, call 666-1561 for additional information.

Over 5,000 participants and spectators were on Mt. Hood's campus last weekend enjoying the college's excellent facilities.

Participants ran, jumped, threw, hit, sang and volleyed. There seemed to be a championship of some kind being contested all over campus.

Northwest community college trackmen competed Friday and Saturday for the NWAACC Track & Field title. Mt. Hood and Spokane Falls played three baseball games with the Eastern Division baseball crown in the picture.

The Oregon State High School boys and girls tennis championships were decided Saturday on MHCC's courts. And finally, 92 high school swing choirs and a standing-room-only audience enjoyed the sixth annual Northwest Vocal Jazz Festival.

Everyone is invited to the fifth annual MHCC Frog Jump Contest Friday, May 25, at noon in the main mall. The contest is sponsored by campus radio station KMH and the Broadcast Interest Group. Participants may bring their own frog or purchase one at the site for \$1.50. The frog jumping the farthest on three successive jumps is the winner.

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Fire Investigation Needed?

Is there a need for an investigation into the running of the Sandy Rural Volunteer Fire District?

This question has been circulating in the Sandy area with the recent resigning of several volunteers and the allegations they have made concerning the administration of the district. These allegations have been aimed at both chief Bob Rathke and fire board members.

This situation started over five months ago when several of the volunteer officers signed a letter citing 29 allegations against the chief and the board for improper administration of the district.

Since that time, the conflict first remained at a low boil inside the district and then finally it bubbled over into the community.

Now for the past several weeks all sides in the conflict have been publicly stating the different views concerning any problems which might exist in the district. Also, as many as seven volunteers have resigned.

For the most part, it appears that it is the longtime members of the volunteer force who are most upset with the district administration. The newer volunteers and a majority of the force are backing the administration.

The fire board members have taken a stand to back chief Rathke against the charges made by the resigned volunteers. The board also has moved to accept new rules and regulations concerning the structure of the volunteer organization, including the election of a president of the volun-

teers.

The new rules and regulations according to board chairman Ronnie Krebs, should solve many of the complaints the volunteers had.

Yet at the same time, those who have resigned state the new regulations give too much power to the chief.

And this is a point which the old-timers are most upset about, because they feel the chief does not have enough firefighting experience to handle all the responsibilities under the new regulations.

Chief Rathke has been here since July 1972 and was involved in a volunteer district in New Jersey since 1967. The board hired Rathke out of over 50 applicants for the position.

The Post stated in an earlier editorial that it is the fire board's responsibility to settle the conflict in the district. The prime consideration should be for good fire protection.

As we see it, the board has three choices: 1) To continue to back the chief and continue as they are now; 2) follow the advice of those who have resigned and let the chief go and again seek the aid of the resigned volunteers for the district; 3) or call for an outside investigation.

If the board selects either of the first two suggestions, the conflict will probably continue to boil in the community for months to come; while an outside investigation by an unbiased party may help quiet the conflict quickly and an adequate solution might be recommended to the board.

Turnout, Input Encouraging

It was encouraging to see a good turnout (over 50 persons) at the meeting Tuesday night on the city's comprehensive plan study.

Members of the city council and planning commission also expressed joy over the number of persons attending and the input they gave toward the plan.

The crowd was the largest to view the work on the plan, but considering the area concerned the number seems kind of small.

The comprehensive plan will in-

clude 30 square miles around the city of Sandy. Input is needed from all the residents in this area.

If you were unable to attend the meeting on Tuesday, the maps and information on the plan are available for study at the city hall.

We encourage the residents of the area to take some time before the next meeting to become informed on the plan and to be ready to lend the planners your ideas.

The next meeting is set for June 19, 7:30 p.m., city hall.

A Nation of Shortages?

Is ours—the richest, most-powerful country on the face of the earth—rapidly becoming a nation of shortages?

The answer, unfortunately, is "Yes."

We've been reading for months about the shortages. There isn't enough beef to go around, for instance, so the price is going out of sight.

Gasoline may or may not be rationed this summer but it obviously will be in terribly short supply and prices could climb to 50 or 60 cents per gallon.

Demands for electrical energy cannot possibly be met, partly because of the abnormally-dry weather. Brownouts and other means of curtailing power consumption are coming.

Soft-goods merchants say shortages are developing all over the place. No one will go without new clothes but they'll go without the cut

and the style and the material they may want.

In our own field—newspapering—there is a growing shortage of newsprint, the paper on which we print. It first will be noticed in terms of colored paper, next in the size of paper, finally in the very amount of circulation we can afford.

The squeeze already is on and will become increasingly severe in 1974 and 1975.

Why? Economic conditions are a factor, so are the demands of the ecologists which have forced some newsprint mills to close. We've had one newsprint price increase this year and another already is in the process.

Where will it all end? Who knows? In the face of unprecedented affluence, all of us have unfilled wants that money can't buy. Perhaps this is nature's way of restoring the balance. Again, who knows?

To the Editor:

"God is love, and where love is there God is," says St. John.

Therefore between a husband and wife who love one another, in the very act of intercourse God comes to dwell and is a third party to that act of love.

If a child is concerned, He is a third party (actually first party) to its creation!

Now picture a woman in a white and clinical room, being artificially inseminated by a doctor in a white coat with the sperm of an unknown donor!

Is love there between her and the donor? How can there be? Is God there, then? No indeed?

It is a cold and clinical act and does not relate to a husband and wife as "two in one flesh" as Christ Himself said they should be.

There is a bill out of committee and sent to the House at Salem, HB2834 legalizing and regulating artificial insemination. Such power in the hands of the State (and maybe later the Supreme Court) could regulate humanity into Hitler's Master Race.

Woman inseminated by brilliant men for an elite to rule; good farm women inseminated by big strong men for workers!

No more natural selection, love, marriage and family—state regulated birth of the fittest. What a cold and uncompassionate race we would become!

If you believe as I do in freedom under God; choice to pick a mate; choice to adopt and perhaps save a child from being aborted (if you are childless—and humane); if you are moved to let God regulate love and not the State, write and protest to the sponsors of this bill: Rep. McPherson, Rep. Burroughs, Rep. Jones, and Rep. Kinsey.

And watch for these names in the next election, remembering "that this nation under God, shall have a new birth of freedom."

Sincerely,
Mrs. P. J. Bernard
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To the Editor:

Dear Neighbors of the Mountain:

We the 28 girls of the Jr. Girl Scout Troup 271, would like to express our thanks and appreciation to everyone who has helped in our fund-raising activities, since September 1972, when we began to earn our expenses for a trip to the Oregon coast for 3 days and 2 nights plus a fun day at Pixieland.

With the support of the people of the mountain and many friends and neighbors, our Special Project for the scouting year has become a reality.

Our heartfelt thanks to all of you from all of us.

Junior Girl Scout Troop 271 Tracy Barnes, Cindy Bowman, Dana Bowman, Kim Bowman, Michele Bradley, Laurie Cleveland, Vickie Covey, Teresa Dibble, Susan Elle, Carol Grandy, Barbara Haugk, Carolyn Hickey, Lyone Hilt-

brunner, Denise Kelter, Ronda Konell, Stella Landis, Robin Leavitt, Brenda Massey, Nancy Olney, Ellen Olsen, Tami Peterson, Ann Serline, Shirley Seward, Libby Spencer, Margie Spencer, Kristi Stillwagon, Debra Turin, Jean Weissner and Leaders: Joyce Bowman Carol Konell and Karen Serline.

Charles Moore, MHCC apprentice millwright, was chosen recently Oregon Champion Construction Millwright for 1973. Two other MHCC students, David Klassen and Bill Allen, placed second and third respectively.

Moore qualifies for the 1973 International Grand Champion Construction Millwright contest in Omaha, Nebraska, in August.

The contest included eight hours of manipulative testing and a four-hour written test.

LEST WE FORGET...

OBSERVE MEMORIAL DAY!

Memorial Day should be more than just a day off from work or a special date on the calendar — it should be a time to reflect on the sacrifices that have been made to preserve this nation. Let's remember our dead servicemen and women by keeping this nation a citadel of freedom.

