

Crime programs clear first hurdle

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organization. This program deals with diversion of juveniles who are referred for counseling services instead of the alternative of entering the Justice system through the Juvenile Court. The agency will also act on referrals of the Juvenile Court. This \$61,000 Federal program has specific target areas of Milwaukie, Sandy and Estacada and has support of local police authorities, schools, and the Juvenile Court.

Funding for its second year of operation was approved for the Clackamas County Corrections program. The \$78,000 grant is used to provide probation services for Clackamas County District Court, and the Municipal Courts of West Linn, Lake Oswego, Milwaukie and Gladstone. The program, directed by Terry Gassaway, under the Courts supervision, has expanded under this grant to provide additional staffing. In addition to probation services, the agency also provides presentence investigation of persons convicted of misdemeanor crimes.

CRA Regional Programs approved and recommended to the General Advisory Board of CRA include some that also have impact in Clackamas County.

Funded for its fifth year of operation was the Columbia Region Information Sharing System, known as CRISS. The computerized system deals with the indexing and storage of Criminal Justice information, serving Law Enforcement, Courts, Corrections, and provides administrative and management data. Most major departments in the county now have CRISS terminals for data sharing. The CRISS system is capable of communicating with Oregon's Law Enforcement Data System, the National Crime Information Center in Washington D.C. and most police agencies in the United States.

Other regional programs were the District Attorney's Intern program which trains honor senior law students in prosecution, and the Metro Crime Lab, which is still under study for consolidation of various metropolitan crime detection laboratories, into a central laboratory serving the CRA Region.

Failing to meet the approval of the Criminal Justice Committee was CHRISTIE-West Linn Girls Home, sponsored by the Christie School at Marylhurst. A major regional program which also served in Clackamas County

was not approved. Regional Narcotics, seeking funds for its fourth year in operation will be terminated for federal funding at the end of June 1974.

Benson quits county post

There now is a vacancy on the Clackamas County Planning Commission. Richard Benson, chairman of the commission, resigned as of Tuesday from that position.

Benson submitted a letter of resignation to the board of county commissioners stating a need to spend more time with his family and that the time was "right" for him to leave.

Benson had been a member of the volunteer commission since 1969 and had served about a year and a half as its chairman.

Recently the county planners and the planning department have been under pressure from county residents. The residents have especially been critical over the commission's handling of the proposed county comprehensive plan.

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More than ever before, I feel that it is time to give serious thought to our buying habits. We, unfortunately, have experienced, and we are experiencing a deficit balance of payments between what we export and what we import. This, definitely, is not a healthy situation and one that we should evaluate seriously.

In July, 1972, one short year ago, the German Mark was worth \$.3180 or say 32c. Today it is worth 43c. This is over an 11 cent or over a 35 per cent increase. At the same time, the Japanese Yen was pegged at \$.00375 last July. Today it is .00385. In other words, our dollar has slipped drastically in the market place. Whenever we buy a foreign product it takes that many more dollars now to buy the same product than say a year ago. The same situation applies to traveling abroad. At the same time our American dollars are going overseas and are contributing to our deficit balance of payments.

I feel that we should all give serious thought that whenever we purchase foreign goods or services, just where are our dollars going and who is benefiting the most? Our prime concern should be the strengthening of our economy in relation to the rest of the world. Perhaps we should look at our hole card before we play the game.

If this sounds like a "flag waving" demonstration, I meant just that because "the country you help should be your own."

Sincerely, PETE CARLSON

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Longtime fair goer sees many changes



EVERETT SHIBLEY, Estacada, has served as superintendent of the agricultural and horticultural division of the Clackamas County Fair for the past 16 years; has attended every fair since inception of the annual event 67 years ago. His wife, Margaret, has been coming with him to the fair for 46 years. This year's fair will be held at the Canby fairgrounds Tuesday through Saturday, August 14-18.

Everett Shibley knows his way around the Clackamas County Fairgrounds, and he should. He has attended every fair held since its inception back in 1906 when, due mainly to the effort of granges in the region, the first county-wide fair was held at Marquam. He was at Chautauqua Park in Gladstone for the 1907 fair and remembers riding to Canby in 1908 to camp with his parents on the grounds that were to become the permanent location of the Clackamas Fair.

Fairs were a lot different in those days, Shibley recalls. Farmers came with their families in wagons, buggies, and on horseback from all parts of the area to display their produce and livestock and to enjoy the excitement and fraternization of the big "camp-out" that brought friends and neighbors together in the biggest community get-together of the year.

Shibley has served as agricultural and horticultural superintendent of the fair for the past sixteen years and has done much to help preserve the old-time country flavor of the fair. He wishes, however, that granges and other farm groups would participate more actively in the annual event. Last year, for example, less than half a dozen of the county's granges participated with booths.

Shibley was born on the farm he now operates—the Forest Home Stock Farm—seventy-four years ago. His grandfather homesteaded there in 1867 and the house Everett was born in 31 years later still stands. Both his parents, James and Mary, came across the plains with their parents in different wagon trains in the middle sixties and both became charter members when Springwater Grange was organized in 1893. Everett Shibley has been a member of the grange for sixty years and his wife, Margaret, joined in 1927.

The county fair tradition was built by the people who participated in the early days, Shibley notes. One of the first buildings constructed on the grounds, he recalls, was built by a man by the name of Grant B. Demick (later a county judge because he needed the

facilities to house his hogs.

All of the Shibley children have participated over the years in the activities of the county fair. Daughter Wilma (now Mrs. Joe Guttridge) was a 4-H princess at the fair and son Elwin was later chosen Mr. 4-H. Two of the boys—Elwin and Jim—exhibited the first Hereford beef cattle ever shown at the Clackamas County Fair and three other Shibley children, daughter Winifred, and sons John and Gilbert, were active at various intervals in 4-H activities connected with the fair.

Everett Shibley has been an officer in Springwater Grange ever since he joined in 1912 and has served as master for four or five terms. He is now chairman of the Clackamas County Grand Supply Co-Op Board, a member of the pomona executive committee, and pomona agricultural chairman. He was chairman of the building committee when Springwater Grange built its present hall in the early fifties. Margaret, too, has held several offices in the grange and now serves as pomona chaplain.

The Shibleys are also active in another fair—the Community Fair at Springwater, held each year on the third Saturday of September. The fair was started in 1923 and Everett has served as chairman of the fair committee for most of the 49 years since then.

Forest Home Stock Farm encompasses some 600 acres and earned the designation "Century Farm" a few years back. Here the Shibleys maintain a herd of some 70 cows and raise Hereford beef cattle. Although he no longer grows grass seed, Everett, is remembered as the man who pioneered the production of fescue in the region. He was selected as Cattleman of the Year in 1953 and is recognized throughout the Pacific Northwest for the superior quality of his Hereford stock.

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