



Lee Irwin, Publisher
Paul Keller, Editor Jo Espersen, Advertising Manager

Entered at the Post Office at Sandy, Clackamas County, Oregon, as second class matter under the Act of Congress of March, 1879.
Member of Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association and National Editorial Association
Published every Thursday by Outlook Publishing Co., P.O. Box 68, Sandy, Oregon 97055

SUBSCRIPTION RATES 668-5548
Annual Subscription in Clackamas and Multnomah Counties. \$5.00 In United States. \$7.00
Elsewhere in Oregon. \$5.50 Servicemen and Women. \$5.00

2 - SANDY (Ore.) POST Thurs., March 21, 1974 (Sec. 1)

Watergate: The Ways To Go

We've deliberately tried to sample opinion on Watergate recently and find four different camps:

(a) The Fire-Nixon-tomorrow camp. These people feel his guilt long since has been established and he should either resign or be impeached.

(b) The Don't-fire-Nixon camp. These people feel the Democratic-liberal-media axis is trying to do something with Watergate they couldn't accomplish at the polls. Nixon should stay, especially in view of his admitted accomplishments in foreign affairs.

(c) The Let's-wait-and-see camp. These people simply don't feel that the evidence is all in, that until Nixon is charged and convicted of something, he's innocent.

(d) The Country-can't-stand-it camp. These people think while there may have been hanky-panky, the trauma resulting from a presidential ouster could well ruin the country.

We would say that Camps b and c are getting smaller, Camps a and d are getting bigger. Fewer and fewer people are undecided, more and more are taking sides.

What will happen? We surely can't guess especially since Oregon isn't precisely the USA in microcosm. We're hardly typical. But there seems to be a very strong feeling that something—one way or another—should happen. People are getting terribly, terribly tired of hearing about Watergate.

Benefits from the Gasoline Crunch?

Now that the Arab oil boycott apparently is ending, we can say it:

The gasoline shortage wasn't all that bad!

Why such a dumb conclusion? Several reasons:

(a) It taught all of us to do a lot less driving, to skip unnecessary trips, to use public transport when feasible.

(b) It brought a 55-mph speed limit and that in turn brought a sharp reduction in traffic fatalities. The freeways are safer today.

(c) It made all of us drive more sensibly. No more jackrabbit starts, racing our engine; we kept our cars in better tune.

Hopefully, most of these things will

remain even after gasoline becomes more plentiful, especially the 55-mph speed limit.

There is absolutely no need to return to our wasteful ways, to use the automobile to go across the street.

Even though rationing will be avoided, we simply are not going to have all the gasoline we need. Conservation measures still will be continually necessary.

We aren't and never were amongst those who suggest the automobile should be forever sidetracked for some other form of transit. It's here and we need it. But more thoughtful use of our cars, more response to energy-saving suggestions won't hurt any of us.

Hoodland land exchange approved by BLM

Twenty-two acres of national resource land in the Wemme-Wildwood area under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management will be exchanged for 122 acres of land owned by William C. and Winnie B. Murphy of Beaverton, Salem BLM district manager B. T. Vladimiroff has announced.

The properties located in northern Clackamas County have approximately equal market value, he said.

The federal lands involved are 19 lots in a 40-acre homestead subdivision along the Sandy river. When first created in the late 1960s, the lots were made available to veterans only on a lease-and-purchase basis.

"Only 16 of the 35 lots went into private ownership," related Vladimiroff, "because many of the veterans failed to meet the terms of the lease, especially the requirement to build a suitable dwelling. Then the 1964 flood came through and severely damaged several homes and lots."

Vladimiroff stated that property damage from future floods will be avoided because the deed to Murphy will contain a restriction limiting the use of the flood-prone areas to park or non-intensive open space.

Murphy's lands are on steep hillsides adjoining BLM's Wildwood Recreation

Site. Vladimiroff pointed out these lands have scenic values that are important to the recreational development of the Mt. Hood area.

In addition to the influence on the recreation site, a new trail to Huckleberry Mountain has been proposed which will cross or pass close by Murphy's lands.

"This exchange has not been an easy one for us," Vladimiroff reflected. "When we first announced our plans to classify the federal lands for exchange in May 1972, we ran into some stiff opposition from the adjoining landowners. The opposition disappeared, however, when Mr. Murphy agreed to let the present landowners have the first opportunity to buy the adjoining lot from him at the same price we used in our appraisal."

Although BLM has approved the exchange, Vladimiroff noted that there is still more to be done before it becomes final.

"A notice must be published in a local newspaper for four consecutive weeks and deeds must be examined by our legal staff. The notice provides the last chance for persons who wish to assert a claim to the federal lands or who object to the exchange. All claims or objections must be filed with our Portland office and with Mr. Murphy within the next 60 days," he said, "but we do not anticipate receiving any."

Meeting set in Damascus

The possibility of toll free telephone dialing between Damascus and Gresham will be discussed at a public meeting at 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, in the Damascus School cafeteria.

Bob Knutson from Continental Telephone, which serves the Damascus area, is scheduled to speak. Tom Kent from General Telephone, which serves Gresham, is also on the agenda.

Toll free dialing between the two areas has been discussed on numerous occasions during the past several years.

Presently, it's a long distance phone call from Damascus School to Sam Barlow High. Damascus School graduates attend Barlow.

It's also long distance to Mt. Hood Community College and the Boring Post

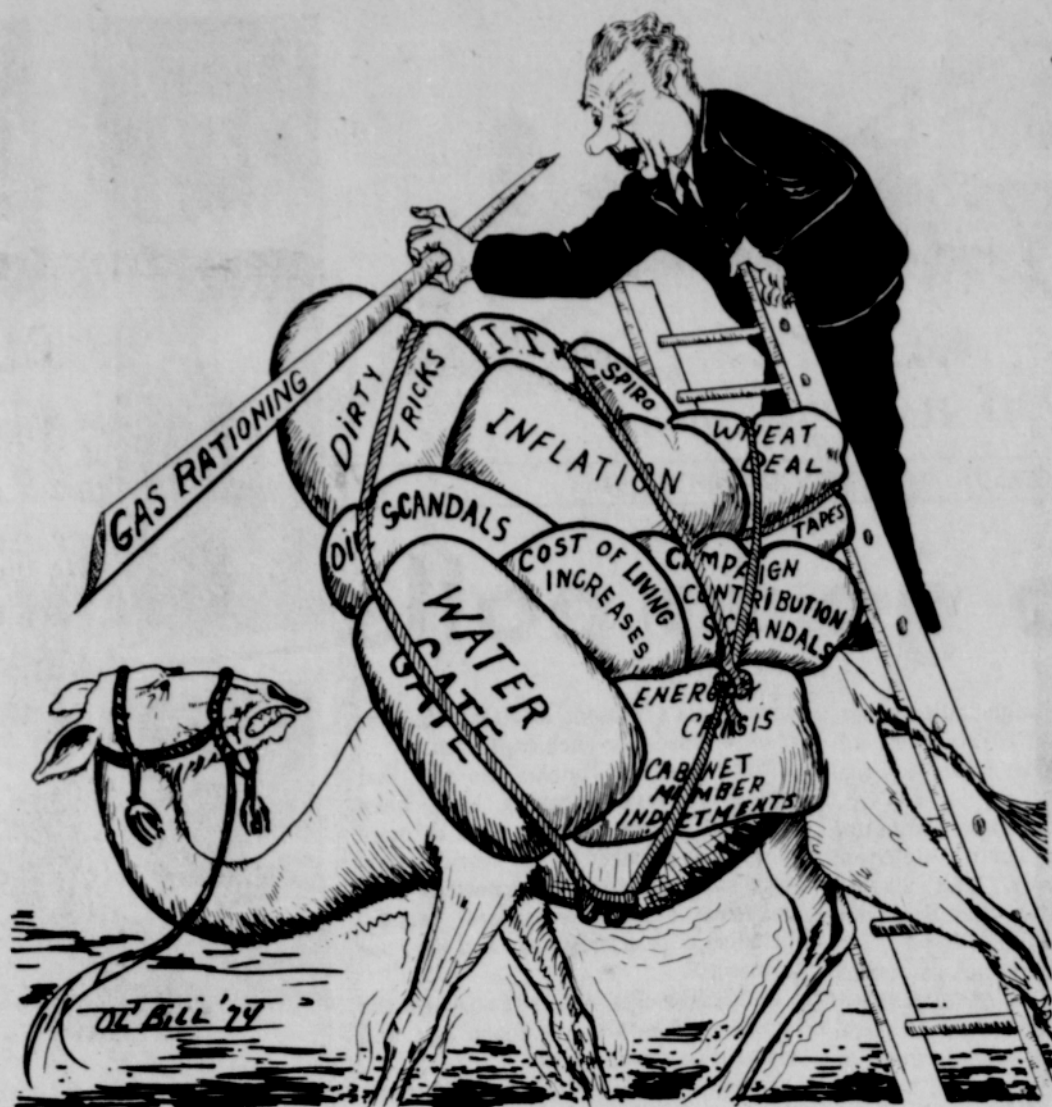
Office, which serves the Damascus area. The major question of whether to institute toll free calling or not revolves around one major question—cost.

Knutson from Continental Telephone pointed out Tuesday that toll free is a deceptive description of opening up the phone lines.

Costs for establishing toll free calls would be borne by telephone subscribers, probably through a rate increase. People who are currently making many toll free calls to Gresham would benefit the most from dropping toll charges.

The cost would be shared, however, by all subscribers in the Damascus area, the majority of whom make few or no calls to Gresham each month.

General Telephone, likewise, would pick up a share of the cost.



"THE L-A-S-T STRAW"

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

Days ago it was a society that casually treated the service station owner with respect and congeniality—when it was convenient. But times have changed. No longer are S. S. owners asked curly for a fill up and "take a look at the engine, Mac."

Instead, humanity confronts the S.S. owners with a facet of human nature almost as pathetic. Now we see the apologetic, shamed, begging citizen with a five paragraph explanation (truth or not?) of why they need gas again this week. And (stuttering) they ask hesitantly if it would be possible to have five gallons to make it home. Then two days later that thoughtful little gift, a bottle of booze, a tip, a bribe—they play with the touchy subject of buying favor or contempt.

Nowadays S.S. owners are faced with the depressing business of handling a life line that the proud, contemptuous people of yesterday took for granted, and the anxious people of today beg for. It seems strange to wish for customers to come in and say, "Fill her up, and what the hell took so long?"

But it would make times seem normal and even the rudeness of yesterday is preferable to the new friends (buddy-buddy all of a sudden), the little gifts that aren't truly gifts but a little reminder to don't forget about "me" and that dirty feeling of being liked and used simply because we hold the keys to the gas pumps and not liked simply because we're good people.

Sincerely yours
Joyce Boston
Brightwood

To the Editor:

I wish to extend my kindest regards to the Sandy Rescue Squad and the Sandy Ambulance Service for the fast, efficient and most courteous service extended to me when so desperately needed Saturday morning, March 9.

Lewis R. Johnson

To the Editor:

What is in a name? Cedar Ridge—perhaps not less accurate than Timberline Rim. Why not Evergreen Ridge, but then the aspiring Alder trees would still be slighted.

Now, if the proposed development goes in I have a better name—BROWN'S BOOM TOWN.

Respectfully,
Margaret Ann Fielding
P.O. Box 112
ZigZag

P.S. A song—Mr. Burns?

To the Editor:

I consider it most irresponsible journalism when a person like William E. Sanderson is chosen to write a so called "news story" regarding the Clackamas County hearing on Cedar Ridge.

In case some of your readers might miss the point, William Sanderson is "OJ" Bill who drew the two most vicious and

most objectionable cartoons against Cedar Ridge. He also wrote a letter to the Oregon City Enterprise-Courier which was filled with as many distortions about the Cedar Ridge proposal as were his cartoons.

How then, could he write a fair and unbiased article?

It is obvious to all of us who attended the hearing and listened to the testimony that he didn't.

Aren't you just a bit ashamed?
Fred Thornberg
Wemme

To the Editor:

Until I read William Sanderson's coverage of the Clackamas County Commission hearing, I had thought that names made news.

Apparently, Mr. Sanderson didn't want it known that all 22 of those who appeared for Cedar Ridge were residents of the Hoodland Corridor. Nineteen of them are permanent residents and include most of the area's elected leadership. The remaining three are part-time residents. Of the 16 who appeared in opposition, only two are permanent Mt. Hood residents and another two own summer homes in the area. Of the balance, only six even reside in Clackamas County.

No wonder Jerry Redding, chairman of the Welches school board, leaped to his feet to exclaim: "It is obvious that a great number of people from Portland and Milwaukie think we residents of Hoodland, who actually led the way toward planning in this county, don't have enough sense to protect our own environment."

No one reading Bill Sanderson's article could have any grasp of the true facts. These facts are that those of us here in the Hoodland area, who pioneered in planning by initiating and supporting the Mt. Hood Comprehensive Plan, are for Cedar Ridge.

Those who oppose it include many who opposed the plan and who now try to subvert it.

It is no accident that Hugh Smith, a Portland attorney and Rhododendron summer-home owner, who appeared against Cedar Ridge, represents interests who fight to bring additional dams into Hells Canyon. In both instances, he represents those who would step backward. Many of us who are for Cedar Ridge, in contrast, know that growth will come to Mt. Hood. We want it to come in an orderly and planned fashion. And when a project, like Cedar Ridge, meets and exceeds the requirements of our plan, we approve.

OJ' Bill can't distort that.
Dick Sellar
Alpine North
ZigZag

To the Editor:

To many of us who have homes along streams or in wooded areas of Hoodland, the greatest calamity that could happen to us would be if another home were built on either side of our property or directly across the way from us. This kind of apprehension is

understandable, for many of us have left the city to get away from its crowded areas, noise and smog. And unfortunately, unless we have acquired a home or built one on a sizeable piece of land, we are extremely vulnerable to such an eventuality as having a home erected as close as 20 feet to our own.

Not everyone shares our point of view, however. Retired people, younger city dwellers wanting a second home, and tourists seeking proximity to ski lifts, golf courses, mountain trails and fishing streams,

(Continued on Page 5)

CITIZENS FORUM
News and Views About
Mt. Hood Community College
by Jim Huldren
Coordinator of College Information

Plans are in the works for the observance of the college's eighth annual charter week coming up in just about a month. Everything from concerts and plays to a child care conference, baseball game, exhibits and lectures will be included in the two-day agenda. Demonstrations by students and staff in many of the vocational-technical areas are planned to inform the visiting public of skill programs offered to students. Times and activities will be released later this month, but mark April 25 and 26 on the calendar for the "Somethin' Always Going On Days" at Mt. Hood.

Corbett High School is hosting spring term's only After Six class in self-defense. Harvey Segur is the instructor for the weekly gathering in what he terms non-combatant self-defense training. Just what the course entails, I am not sure, but it sounds like there is going to be a lot of running involved.

Speaking of running, handball and paddleball enthusiasts can now run their hearts out in the courts at Mt. Hood each Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The four courts will also be open to the public from 6 to 7:45 a.m. Monday through Friday starting next week.

Another evening class slated for spring term begins Wednesday evening. Community Choir is the title of the new course to be instructed by Tom B. Lewis, who will assist in the choral program at Mt. Hood. It is a college credit course and, as Lewis stated, open to community people ages 17 to 77. The Creative Arts Division has more information on this one.

Stalking the woolly caterpillar is just one of the activities planned for Biology 1974, a science class for youngsters beginning April 6. Registration deadline for the MHCC and OMSI sponsored course is March 30. The five Saturday session class is open to youngsters in grades one through eight.

Japanese poster exhibit scheduled

An exhibition of recent Japanese posters will be on display in the Mt. Hood Community College Center March 25 through April 5.

This display of over 50 posters represents some of the best recent posters produced in Japan. The colorful exhibit includes posters for travel, televisions, cosmetics, plays, exhibits, automobiles and books. Many are experimental and produced at the designer's own expense as an art form just for exhibitions. The majority of the posters are printed offset

and the rest with silkscreen process.

The posters are notable for their high quality photography and unusual printing techniques.

These posters are circulated by the Western Association of Art Museums.

Exhibit viewing at MHCC is free to the public. Hours are Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fridays to 5 p.m.

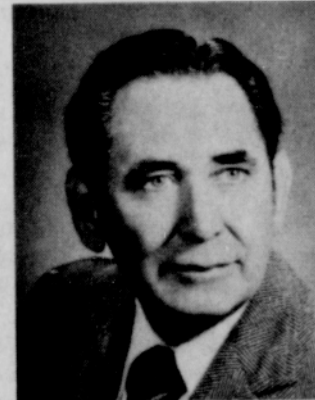
Day attends short course

Sandy Building Inspector Tom Day attended a special three-day short course at Oregon State University with 145 other building inspectors March 4-8.

The training is offered by the university's School of Engineering each year as a public service for building inspectors from cities, counties and industries throughout Oregon.

SAFECO INSURANCE
Personalized Service
Homeowners & Commercial
Auto & Life Insurance
RAY GUNESCH
222 S.W. Harrison
Suite G-1
226-2541 665-4804
PORTLAND, OREGON

DEMOCRAT GENE FRANKLIN FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER



GENE FRANKLIN

Gene Franklin started earning his clothes and spending money as soon as he was old enough to pick cotton and push a lawn mower, in his native state of Arkansas. Because of economic need, he accepted the responsibilities of adulthood before his 16th birthday. He moved to Oregon at age 17. He worked at labor, clerical and sales jobs and served in the Army Air Force before completing his education.

Franklin is a certified public accountant. He has 21 years experience in public accounting, with extensive experience in auditing counties and other municipal governments. He is a graduate of the University of Oregon and Northwestern School of Law of Lewis and Clark College. He believes his experience and knowledge of county government would be very helpful in performing the duties of county commissioner.

He has lived a busy life, and he believes in the dignity of all labor.

He believes good country roads are essential. With costs materially increasing and gas tax revenue decreasing, the problem of providing good roads is increased. He believes the general fund may have to share some of its revenue with the road fund. He prescribes full value for money expended in all departments, without impairment of essential services.

He believes the county should promote mass transportation, including light rail passenger service, but mass transportation should not be an operation of the county, and mass transportation will not materially lessen the need for county roads.

He believes planning and zoning needs should be determined by a cross section of the people on the local level.

Franklin is concerned about credibility of government at all levels. He prescribes open records and plain, honest truth. He is dedicated to the principles of paying as little tax as necessary and getting full value for your money. He will be a practical county commissioner.

Ed. by Gene B. Franklin, 1426 21st Street
Milwaukie, Ore. 97222; Feb., 1974

COW POKES By Ace Reid



"I don't understand ole Wilbur . . . cattle prices at the bottom, hay prices at the top, he ain't had rain for two years, and he's broken hearted because he's lost the lease on his ranch!"

Clackamas County Bank
1936
If you have had "hard luck" or "Good Luck" we are here to serve you.
Clackamas COUNTY BANK
Sandy's INDEPENDENT Bank
SANDY OREGON 668-4141
HOODLAND BRANCH, WEMME 672-3131
Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
OPEN FRIDAYS 'TIL 6 P.M.