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Buss Belongs on Commission

We don't envy the County Commissioners.

The three-man board must pick a local area resident to represent our portion of the county on the Clackamas County Planning Commission.

Names of 12 qualified and capable locals have been submitted for consideration. The important decision is due next week.

The majority of candidates are affiliated with local land use planning groups in Sandy, Firwood, Boring, Cottrell, Hoodland and Eagle Creek.

This nucleus is a logical reservoir for such a position. These people are already in tune with the workings and implications of wise land use planning within the county, especially this area.

Three of the names submitted to the commissioners are members of a mountain group who formed to support the planned Cedar Ridge development.

The Railroad Is Running

Winds of change are blowing in the community college movement. That was all too apparent at the assembly of the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges which this writer attended last weekend in Airlie, Va.

Briefly, community colleges are adapting to changing life styles by offering more courses at different hours, to different level age groups, to different types of people.

The usual pattern in American life was (a) go to school (b) go to work and (c) retire. Now all three are mixing together. People take a job, then go to school to improve their qualifications. Others work, then retire, then go back to school to enrich their later years.

Community colleges are appealing more and more to adults. The average age in the Denver system this fall was 29 years old and at some colleges in Florida, the average is even higher.

Community colleges no longer can aim just at high school graduates, say those between 18 and 20. Getting a diploma no longer is as important as filling a particular need at a particular time.

Speakers at the AACJC assembly also emphasized that community

While spokesmen for the group deny that this is their only reason for forming, the commissioners shouldn't overlook this as being the original stimulus behind organization.

While several of the 12 candidates come highly qualified, the Post feels Ken Buss, of Sandy, would be a wise choice for the County Planning Commission.

Buss has illustrated his ability as co-executive officer of SCAN, the local Sandy area land use study group.

A civil engineer, he has had experience in various phases of design and construction of all sorts of projects ranging from county roads and streets to sewers, water, sewage treatment plants and major buildings.

Buss is currently a geotechnical materials engineer for the Mt. Hood National Forest. Considering his past experience and sincerity for the job, he seems to be the best person for the position.

colleges have a responsibility to know when not to lead. Sometimes, others can do things better. Moreover, a college must be as willing to lop off courses as to add them. Just because a course once was popular shouldn't mean it's forever.

The time of unlimited expansion for all schools is past and community colleges were urged to take the lead in rethinking old policies and programs. The ideal situation was described as one in which the institution joins hands with the community in seeking new ways to serve.

And how does our school, Mt. Hood Community College, score? Rather well, we think. Many of the things they talked about in Virginia already have been implemented at Mt. Hood. Like adult-enrichment courses, like classes at different places in the district, like classes in the evening when adult participation comes easier.

Future growth in community colleges will come from non-traditional services, offered to non-traditional audiences, in non-traditional ways. In other words, different courses offered to all ages in all sorts of settings. Mt. Hood already is on the way.

Trouble in the Middle East

East Coast newspapers seem much more preoccupied than those in the West about possibility of renewed Arab-Israeli hostilities.

Perhaps it's geographical proximity, perhaps there are financial overtones, perhaps it's military pressure. Whatever the reason, you get the impression that renewed fighting in the Middle East is almost inevitable.

The Israelis, one theory goes, are being forced into a pre-emptive strike by growing Arab strength. It's not considered unlikely that the Israelis may strike and seek to hold at least one of the major Arab oil fields.

The danger to the U.S., to all of the free world is incalculable. The West

would immediately be cut off from Arab oil and slow strangulation for many countries would be inevitable. Moreover, the long-feared confrontation between the two super powers, the US and the USSR, wouldn't be far behind.

The frightening prospects explain the intense U.S. effort to defuse the situation. Realistically, the Arabs have to give up their bombast about driving the Israelis into the sea. For their part, the Israelis have to give up some of the territory they've taken by force.

Israelis and Arabs eventually are going to have to live together in peace. Is a war necessary for them to see the light?

Supplemental budget passed

The Sandy city council unanimously approved its proposed \$46,232.72 supplemental budget Monday night.

The budget is based entirely on federal revenue sharing funds.

A unanimous answer



'THE O-O-O-N-NLY WAY TO FLY!'

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

Editorial writers continue to wall in the predicament of the school districts of Oregon whose boards and administrators have to call the voters to the polls again and again to pass an operating budget. The articles cry about wasting hundreds of thousands of tax dollars on these elections. And they point out that three Oregon districts, on the verge of slamming their doors on the students, were only saved by a drugging electorate at the last-ditch Nov. 5 election. The writers urge the Legislature to legalize something that will separate the voters from their franchise to turn down a budget.

In one district of nearly 1000 students, the superintendent was asked to furnish the school board with figures on the cost of a second election. The figure was \$381.00—for ballots, election board, poll books, advertising—the whole bit. Of course with the counties fumbling with the elections for the last year, this cost would multiply.

In many cases a board will

attribute a budget failure to "lack of communication," and will re-submit the same budget after a suitable period for brainwashing. Sometimes this gimmick works, but when it doesn't, the board reconvenes in a sweat for a frenzied session of fat-cutting, as they should have done in the first place. Most budgets fail because they are too high. In the above-mentioned district the fat-cutting amounted to \$46,000.00, and in another year, \$38,000.00.

The editorials don't mention the millions saved by astute voters in turning down these over-fed budgets. And let's not belabor the possibility that education will suffer for lack of these funds. Voters have had a belly-full of today's high school graduate, only half as well educated as his parents, at ten times the cost.

Oregon School Law adequately provides for districts to adjust their tax-bases by election. Few tax-base elections would fail if boards would submit the figure of this year's budget to be next year's taxbase. But boards get

greedy—or lazy and want to add "just five or 10 per cent." So the election fails.

There is nothing the matter with the law, and nothing the matter with the voters. Boards need to hold tax-base elections presenting a base that will barely squeak by. And they will pass. If the press wants to enter the picture, it had best do so by fairly reporting the issues, costs and savings. And let's let our legislators know that we don't need any more bills referred to the voters which meddle with local school finance. They would do well to make the state devise an intelligible budget summary for publication.

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CRAG to discuss hiring specialist

by Margaret Hoard

The executive board of the Columbia Region Association of Governments (CRAG) will take action on hiring a communication specialist at its meeting Tuesday, Nov. 26, at 527 SW Hall, Portland.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. with a 15 minute tour of the new CRAG facilities, located on the third floor of the Portland State Book Store building.

The board normally meets Thursday but moved the date up to Tuesday next week, because of Thanksgiving.

Following the tour, agenda items to be discussed include a staff report on the Fasano Decision; release for public discussion of the Columbia-Willamette Region Comprehensive Plan; and a committee report on state bond highway project priorities.

The Metro Committee of the League of Women Voters has studied the need for a communications specialist at CRAG. They recommended investing funds in the communications position to aid the public in understanding of CRAG's function.

Alumni fund dance slated

Sandy High Alumni Association's annual scholarship fund dance will be held next Saturday, Nov. 30 at the Cosmopolitan Airtel on 82nd Ave. near the Portland airport. Music will be furnished by the Twilighters.

Admission will be \$5 per couple, with proceeds going to the alumni's scholarship fund.

This year the class of 49 is to be honored. All Sandy High Alumni over 21 are invited.

For further information call Janet Fox 659-4002, Joann Tuma 761-0319, or Sheila Jones 668-6322.

Hearing set on Sandy water

The Portland Metropolitan Boundary Commission has announced a public hearing on formation of a community water system to be located nine miles north of Sandy.

Called "Hideaway Hills," the community water system has been proposed for the east edge of Herrick Road and both sides of Latigo Lane.

The hearing will be held Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. in room 680 of the Multnomah County Courthouse, 1021 SW 4th Ave. in Portland.

Any interested person may appear at this time to testify on the proposal.

Mobile home turn down appealed

A denial by the Clackamas County Board of Adjustment on a request to use a mobile home for a temporary residence will be appealed to the Board of County Commissioners on Dec. 4, at 10 a.m. in Room 201 of the County Courthouse in Oregon City.

Walter R. Von Bergen has filed for the hearing. The mobile home is located on the west side of Keisecker Road just south of Reim Road in the Sandy area.

Von Bergen would like to use the home as a residence for his parents who require special care.

Boy hurt in tower fall

EAGLE CREEK—An Eagle Creek youth was reported in fair condition at Good Samaritan Hospital Tuesday, recovering from a broken ankle and burns received in a fall from a power tower near his home Saturday.

Mike Wallace, 14, was climbing the tower with his friend Rick Akre, 15, Saturday afternoon.

He was apparently caught in the electric field emanating from around one of the 50,000 volt lines and fell about 45 feet

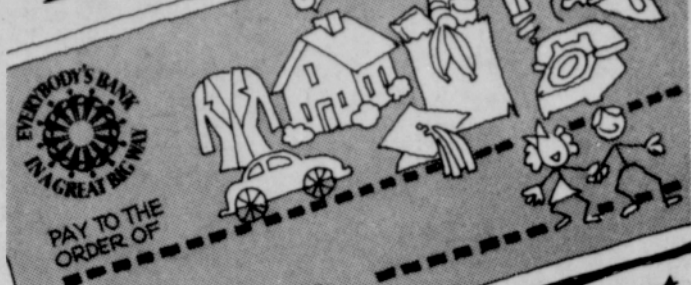
to the ground, according to Akre.

Akre hurried down the tower and extinguished Wallace's clothes, which had caught fire. He then ran to a telephone and called the Boring Fire Dept. rescue truck.

Wallace was taken to Gresham Community Hospital then transferred to Good Samaritan Hospital.

He suffered burns over about 40 per cent of his body. Wallace is the son of Betty and Bob Wallace of Eagle Creek.

It accounts for everything

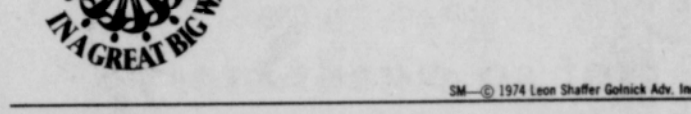


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Comparing this 1975 Chevy C10 Half-Ton Pickup* with its 1974 counterpart in the GM Proving Grounds City/Suburban Driving Schedule, the '75 Half-Ton, using unleaded gasoline, showed about a 14% reduction in fuel consumption over the '74 model using leaded fuel. As detailed in the box at right, this would amount to net savings of \$343 in 50,000 miles. Again, these savings will vary depending on equipment, loads, operating conditions and the price of gasoline.

New extended maintenance intervals help reduce operating costs.

Compare maintenance costs for the same two pickups. Following the Maintenance Schedule for recommended service, this '75 C10 Half-Ton Pickup, using unleaded fuel, could save about \$337 on parts, lubricants and labor over the comparable '74 model, using leaded fuel, projected through 50,000 miles of driving. That's because this new '75 C10 model has a catalytic converter and High Energy Ignition and needs fewer scheduled changes for spark plugs, oil, and filters, needs fewer chassis lube, and has no points or ignition condensers to replace.

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