

Boring man candidate for top school post

A Boring man has announced his candidacy for Oregon state superintendent of public instruction.

Gene Lehman, innovator of a phonetic spelling lab, said, "I am running because I believe no other candidate will question the two basic premises of our education system: government control and tax financing."

He said he considers those "fatal flaws" in the public school system.

"I believe that government control, especially compulsory attendance, has created an economically unworkable and educationally inefficient school system," Lehman said.

"All of the proposals for manipulating tax programs are simply avoiding the basic issue. I think we have to develop a means of financing education that is not dependent on taxation," he said.

Lehman said he supports learning networks that are independent of government control and financing. Schools of any kind can participate in these networks, he said.

The networks are capable of reaching students and teachers directly through television, radio, newspapers, learning centers and home programs.

One such program has



Gene Lehman

been developed by Lehman. The Phonetic Spelling Lab Learning Networks concentrate on helping students from all levels improve basic language skills.

"Learning centers can produce much of the teaching and learning material according to individual needs, creatively adapting or innovating at will," Lehman said.

The candidate believes that less government control would improve education in the state.

"Schools should not be government tools for social engineering, mass medication or conformity to whatever is currently in favor," he said. "Government mandated programs have created a school system with so much bureaucratic regulation that teachers have little time or energy left for teaching."

Lehman is married and the father of three children.

For March, May elections

Primary candidates finish filing

A full slate of candidates and levy decisions will greet area voters when they go to the polls for the March 30 election.

Locally, two seats on the Sandy Elementary Board are being contested. Sharron Cox, who was appointed to fill a vacancy, is seeking re-election to the seat for the remaining year. She is being challenged by Geraldine Richardson, a Firwood-area resident.

The second open seat, a full four-year term, attracted three candidates. Paul Hayball, a Kelso-area resident, William Lenon of the Dover area, and Dorothy Mills of the Firwood area are vying for that position.

The city of Sandy will ask voter approval of a \$400,000 operating levy. The budget would cost taxpayers an estimated \$6.94 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

Sandy Elementary District will ask voter approval of an

operating levy. The district got good news recently when it learned that state appropriations exceeded earlier projections, lowering expected tax rates.

A three-year serial levy to fund senior centers countywide will also be on the ballot.

Here is a complete list of candidates in races of interest to Sandy area voters in upcoming elections.

MARCH 30 ELECTION
Sandy Elementary Board.
Pos. 4: Sharron Cox, Geraldine Richardson.

Pos. 5: Paul Hayball, William Lenon, Dorothy Mills.

Cottrell Elementary Board.
Pos. 4: Linda Loomis.

Welches Elementary Board.
Pos. 4: Carol Harmon, Thomas Morrison, Carl Ostergren.

MAY 18 ELECTION
Governor: Democrats—

Steve Anderson, Don Clark, Ted Kulongoski, E. Allen Propst, Jerry Rust, Stan Terry, Archie Weinstein, M.A. Yegge.
Republicans—Vic Atiyeh, Bruce Broussard, Cliff Everett, Walter Huss, John Smets, John M.W. Todd

Labor Commissioner: Democrats—Jim Chrest, Mary Wendy Roberts, Anne Stegen.
Republicans—Sherry Reynolds, Mike Wooton.

Superintendent of Public Instruction: (non-partisan)—Verne Duncan, Lydia Graham, Bill Kendrick, Eugene Lehman, Rod Monroe, Jack Reynolds.

U.S. House, Dist. 5: Democrats—Larry Gray, Oregon City; Greg Kauffman, Oregon City; Mike Kopetski, Salem; Ruth McFarland, Boring; Dave McTeague, Salem.
Republicans—Denny Smith.

Oregon Senate, Dist. 13: Democrats—Joyce Cohen, Lake Oswego. Republicans—

R.C. Smelser, West Linn.
Dist. 14: Democrats—Jean Roberts, Mehama; Steve Starkovich, Canby.
Republicans—Joe Davis, Silverton; John Thompson, Welches.

Oregon House, Dist. 23: Democrats—Jim Brochis, Estacada; Robert Shiprack, Beavercreek; Carolyn Smith, Welches.
Republicans—Dianne Oliver, Sandy; Mark Pihl, Canby.

Dist. 26: Democrats—Robin Lindquist, Gladstone.
Republicans—David Alarid, Oregon City; Charles Stoudt, Gladstone.

Clackamas County Commissioner: Democrats—Duane Bock, Milwaukie; Vince Ferrante, Oregon City; Dale Harlan, Milwaukie; Diane Quick, Happy Valley; Stan Skoko, Milwaukie; Scott Taylor, Canby. Republicans—

Patrick Blue, Oregon City; D.L. "Don" Broetje, Milwaukie; Beverly Henderson, Lake Oswego.

Clackamas County Clerk: Democrats—Bill Anton, Oregon City; John Kauffman, Canby; Norman J. LeVee, West Linn; Dale M. Martin, Gladstone; Juanita Orr, Lake Grove; Jeannie Sharp Phillips, Milwaukie; Douglas Poppen, Canby; Burt Redick, Oregon City; Carl Roley, Oregon City.

Republicans—Carol Bogumil, Oregon City; Benton Marberry, West Linn; Robert W. "Bob" Rielly, Milwaukie.

Clackamas County Treasurer: Democrat—Thelma Hooper.

Clackamas County Surveyor: Democrats—Martin Gage, Oregon City; John H. Keeley, Beavercreek. Republicans—Lloyd Green, West Linn; Thomas Milne, Oregon City.

Appeals court hopeful campaigns in Sandy

Jonathan Newman, candidate in the May 18 primary election for the Oregon Court of Appeals, emphasizes the importance of bringing a "fresh viewpoint to the judicial process" in his statewide campaign.



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"Independent and fresh insight of appellate courts is strengthened if new talent on the appellate court, such as the Court of Appeals, is not always drawn from within the court system," said Newman who was campaigning in Sandy last week.

An attorney in private practice for more than 28 years, Newman listed intelligence to deal with the increased complexity of the legal system, an understanding of conflicting points of view, an ability to work on a variety of problems simultaneously, hard work and patience as essential to a private practicing attorney as well as an appellate judge.

"The private practicing lawyer has much to contribute to an appellate court," he said. "His experience has been in dealing directly with the varied human, personal and occupational problems of clients."

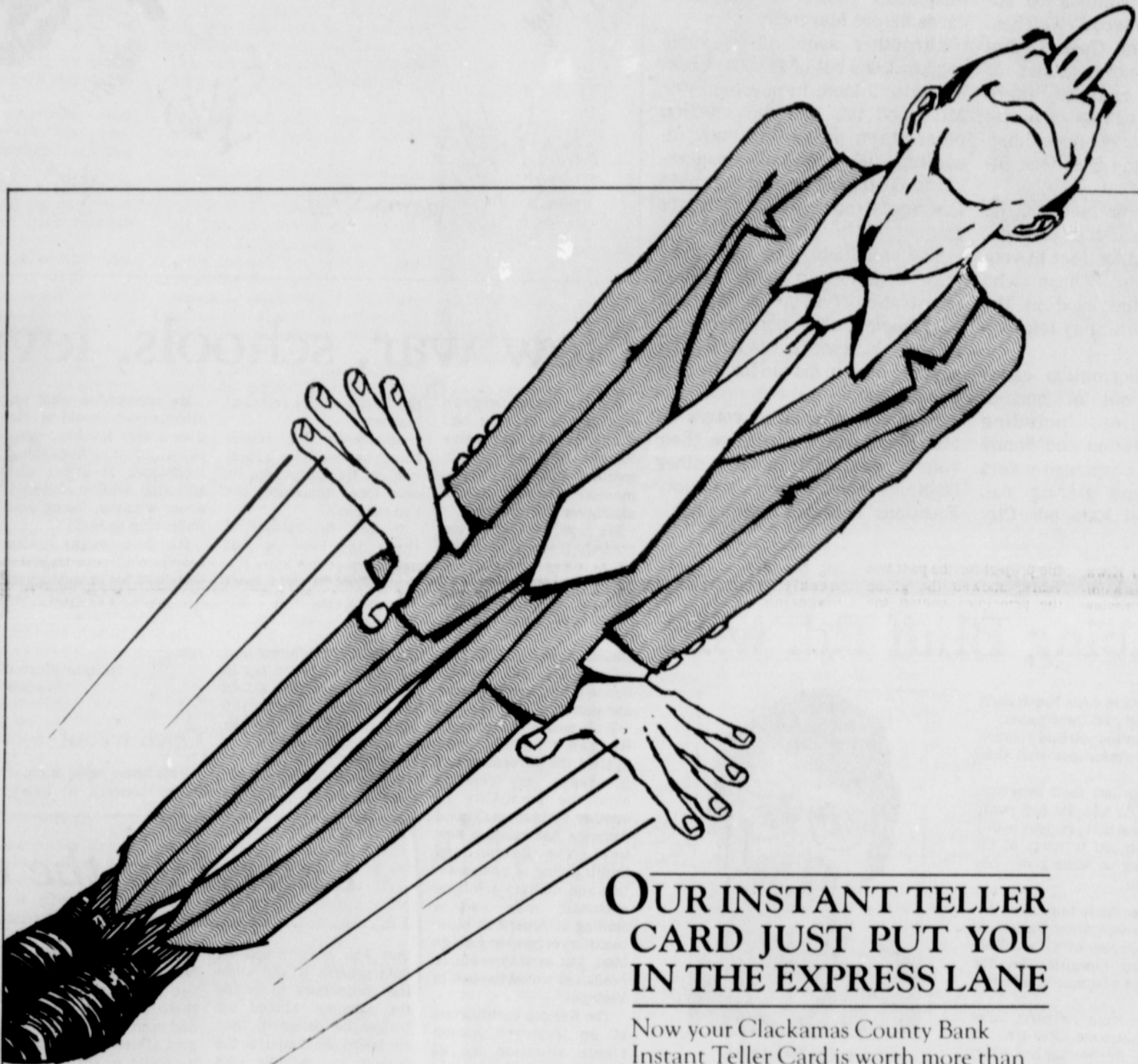
"A lawyer who has worked in the field of general private practice can bring

a perspective to the appellate court's deliberations which should help the decision-making process."

Newman's private practice has ranged from settling up small businesses to solving employment disputes, from advising clients on real estate transactions to guiding individuals through government procedures.

He has served as a Multnomah County Circuit Court judge "pro tem" and as a U.S. District Court trial master. He was a member of the Portland School Board for 11 years.

"I believe that an able practicing lawyer from outside the system, who is concerned about human problems and their fair solution, by bringing an independent and fresh view to the work of the appellate court, has much to offer the public in effective and useful service," Newman said.



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