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Eric Leiberman



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

this case public lands — foots the bill.

There has never been a better time to decouple funding for schools and clear-cutting public forests. It's time to turn the Elliott State Forest into a biodiversity and carbon reserve. We have a looming climate crisis, the timber market is down and the policies of clear cut and spray poisonous pesticides have failed to address our these issues.

Let's stop the cut in the Elliott and support our schools without sacrificing a forest which holds more carbon per acre than any other in the world and which is habitat for the endangered spotted owl, marbled murrelet and coastal Coho salmon.

Let's protect these wild lands for our children and our children's children instead of passing on problems we couldn't solve.

*Trip Jennings
Eugene*

6. When the Fair is going on I get to work extra hours because everyone has to take two weeks off for a three-day event.

7. The rampant illegal activity, both drug and sex related (16 year old girls + 50 year old men = not cool).

I AM A HIPPIE. And I do not feel the Country Fair is a beautiful place. It's reprehensible, or at least what occurs after hours, which is the major attraction, is. I just wish others would sober up and realize that as well.

*Eve Cienfuegos
Eugene*

OF PROTESTORS AND POLICE

I very much agree with David Pirie's views on demonstrations and protestors in Eugene ("Be Polite, Protestors" 7/2). I have also worked in private security, as well as five years in the D.I.A. During that time I have had car battery acid thrown on me, and I saw a co-worker get hit with a "Carolina Pancake" — the principle ingredient was lye. He was burned severely before we could get his coat and shirt off. I might add that 85 percent of the individuals in the demonstrations and protests were quiet and orderly, making their views known without violence. It was the unruly 15 percent that caused the majority of the problems.

Ian Van Ornum should consider himself lucky. If he had confronted me and made the "spray with poison" remark, he would have gotten the crap beat out of him then and there, regardless of witnesses or charges filed. I think the EPD officers were very restrained.

*Lon Miller
Drain*

A FAIR FIASCO

My husband and I turned down four free camping passes to the Country Fair this year. Why would we turn down free passes to the biggest party of the year?

1. For starters, we don't want to hang out with thousands of drug-addled, drunk people.

2. We love camping, and we prefer to do it with just a few other people, or by ourselves.

3. The music there sucks. I acknowledge this is just a matter of taste.

4. We prefer not to trip over diapers, beer cans/bottles, and trash while "out in the wilderness."

5. I don't care what anyone says; I'm not willing to engage in inappropriate adult activities just because I'm "out in the wilderness" and intoxicated.

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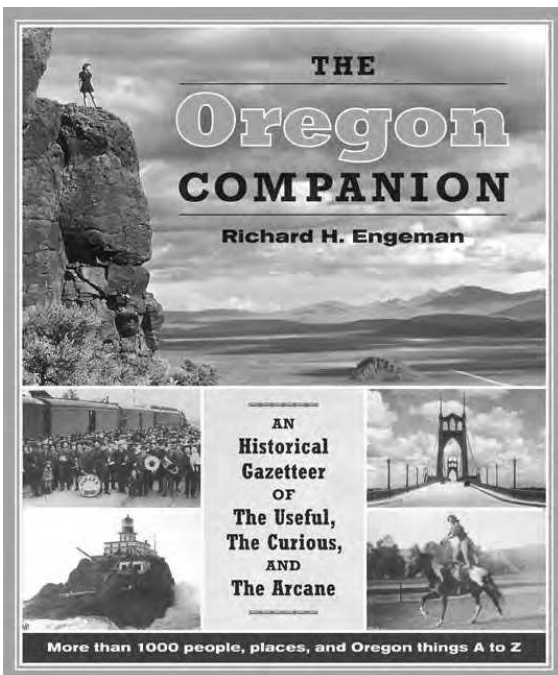
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