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FOR Fluoridation

On the ballot at the May election will be placed the question of adding fluorides to Salem water for the purpose of averting tooth decay, of caries as the dentists call it. Two years ago a similar proposal was voted down by a substantial majority. The reasons for re-submitting the question are:

1. The Oregon Supreme Court has ruled that adding fluorides to water is a valid exercise of municipal power.
2. The growing mass of statistics showing the great advantages of fluoridation, particularly the comparative showings in the Newburgh-Kingston, N. Y., test over a 10-year period.

Two years ago the proposal was defeated by appeals to fear and prejudice propagated either by the timid, the ignorant or the designing. Salem voters this year should not be swept off their feet by the combination of quacks, faddists and self-servers who operated successfully two years ago. With amazing uniformity all competent and responsible authorities in this field endorse controlled fluoridation as highly beneficial in averting tooth decay and free of all the ills that have been wrongfully imputed to it.

Here is a partial list of those agencies which have endorsed fluoridation of public water supplies under the formula recommended:

- American Dental Association
House of Delegates of American Medical Association
American Association of Public Health Dentists
U. S. Public Health Service
American Public Health Association
National Research Council
American Hospital Association

Organizations in Oregon which have endorsed fluoridation include:

- Oregon State Dental Association
Oregon State Board of Health
Oregon State Medical Society

Reported as opposing fluoridation in Oregon are:

- Oregon State Association of Chiropractic Physicians
Oregon Association of Naturopathic Physicians
Anti-Vivisection Association of Oregon, Inc.

The very listing of those for and those against ought to be conclusive proof of the value and the safety of adding fluorides to water. The vast body of scientific evidence supporting fluoridation is convincing to such guardians of health as the Public Health Service both national and state and the state and national dental and medical societies.

In this state the most thorough study of the question by a citizen group which we know of was that of a committee of the Portland City Club last year. Its report was carefully prepared and fully documented. Its findings and recommendation are as follows:

- The fluoridation of public water supplies as a public health measure has been probably as thoroughly investigated as any public health measure ever proposed.
- The overwhelming weight of dental, medical and other scientific opinion in the United States and Great Britain confirms fluoridation of public water supplies as a safe and economic way of cutting the incidence of dental caries by at least one-half.
- The committee found no competent evidence in conflict with this overwhelming weight of scientific opinion.
- The initial cost of equipment for Portland will not exceed \$10,000 and the annual cost

thereafter will be between eight and fifteen cents per capita.

3. Fluoridation of water supplies is not a substitute for dental care, but fluoridation with or without dental care achieves a substantial reduction in caries maintainable by other means. Recommendation: Your Committee strongly and unanimously recommends fluoridation of Bull Run water of Metropolitan Portland as a desirable public health measure.

Here we have had a careful evaluation of scientific evidence by intelligent citizens of Oregon's leading city, and they join with professional, medical and public health organizations in endorsing fluoridation. In the face of this we do not hesitate to declare that opposition to fluoridation now is based on ignorance, fear, prejudice, self-interest, save that we would except from this classification those who may be opposed out of certain religious tenets.

Salem should not be victimized again by the false propagandists of dire ills that would follow fluoridation. The experience of hundreds of communities where water contains fluorides within the limits recommended believes that propaganda. To defeat the proposal on the ballot again this year, condemns the growing children of Salem to the certainty of dental defects which are noted in all communities whose water lacks the valuable tooth-building ingredient of fluorine. The Statesman urges a Yes vote on fluoridation.

Outfoxed Themselves

Not only did the farm bill fail to get the required two-thirds vote in the House to pass it over the President's veto, it failed of a majority. The vote was 211 against over-riding to 202 for. This is probably a better index of true congressional opinion than the previous vote by which the bill was passed. Either that, or a scramble of members to work on the "other side of the street" following the very effective talk of the President Monday night explaining his veto.

Democrats are not going to cooperate with Republicans in passing the soil bank feature of the vetoed bill. This appears to meet with quite general approval, but the Democrats will have none of it. That may be of political benefit to Eisenhower. It looks as though the Democrats in Congress had just outfoxed themselves on this farm legislation.

We can't quite make out why Judge Frank Reid gave countenance to the move of Woody Smith of Hood River to knock out the registration of Wayne Morse as a Democrat. The Lane county judge has set April 30th as a hearing date when Senator Morse is required to defend his registration switch. In a previous attempt by Smith in Marion county, Judge Val Sloper threw out the case. Smith's claim is that Morse is still a Republican, and that this puts him, a candidate for the Democratic nomination for senator, in the "unfair and unreasonable position of a Democrat opposing a Republican in the Democratic primary election." We had always thought a person's party affiliation was what he himself said it was. As for Morse, he can get plenty of Republicans to testify he isn't a Republican—and never was!

Forecast is now given by the staff of the congressional economic committee that the treasury will show a balance of about two billion dollars on its operations during this fiscal year, ending June 30th. It was a hard pull to bring the budget into favorable balance, a goal earnestly sought by conservatives in finance, but thanks to the prosperity of 1955, revenues are running well ahead of estimates and a substantial remainder will be on hand to apply on the national debt.

In California the state teachers' association and the state superintendent of public instruction have launched a campaign for higher salaries for teachers, with the public to provide an additional \$40,000,000 to meet the cost. That's good news for Oregon teachers because wages, like water, only in reverse direction, tend to flow to a common level. School boards, though, will wonder what they can do for money.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Is maybe the rage to be taking fomer bosses off pedestal, comrade husband, but is catching yourself trouble if you are including comrade mama!"



Some wag pinned a supposed-to-be telegram on the bulletin board of the state public service building. It was addressed to the Rainier Brewing Co. of Seattle and stated briefly: "Sirs: Hah! There is more life to Rainier." And signed by the Princess of Monaco.

"Dear Editor," reads a letter to the Statesman from a boy in West Africa, "I incurred your name and address from library at Lagos that you are good publisher in U.S.A. I am African boy 14 years old and live in Lagos the capital of Nigeria. I am 4 ft. 2 in. tall. It is over two years ago that I have been struggle to get your name and address . . ."

"I would like to exchange our products for U.S.A. products. African products such as tiger skin, slippers, crocodile bags, African combs, skins belts, salt, pepper, etc. American products, sweater size 36, shirts Nylon size medium, cap, soap, underwear. Editor I promise to reply by air mail. May God help you amen. Thanks. Yours in African, Yakubu Aweda, P. O. Box 441, Lagos, Nigeria."

Well, looks like Salem's chances of getting its very own TV station are about as remote as Dean Martin learning to sing. Newsstories say that Portland's KPTV has asked the FCC to transfer Salem's channel 3 to Portland. Latest issue of Broadcasting Magazine says that Glenn McCormick, KSLM owner, who first applied for channel 3, is willing to relinquish his claim if KPTV owners are ready to accept it. Channel 3 is a VHF station—very desirable. This leaves Salem only commercial channel 24—which nobody seems to want. The Harvey interests first tuned into this channel and later tried, unsuccessfully to peddle it to radio station KGAE . . .

Weary-footed workers in the Marion County clerk's office found little food for thought in the gripes from some voters who stood in long lines to register Monday and Tuesday nights. Lot of the liner-uppers could have easily registered before the 11th hour pileup. And those last two days of registration, incidentally, were the heaviest in the office's history. The big registration campaign brought in a lot of back-sliders. Even persons who were already registered got excited by all the shouting and either called the clerk's office or stood in line needlessly to find out they were already registered . . .

IT SEEMS TO ME

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characters involved a "Seattle and Spokane race track figure" and the man who represented the teamsters in some of their political campaign activities in Oregon in the fall of 1954, "was manager of the campaign of William M. Langley for district attorney of Multnomah county. The Oregonian promises further disclosures of the sequence of events as reconstructed by two of their top reporters, Wallace Turner and William Lambert.

This will shock Portland and Oregon—and ought to shock the Teamsters' union. It shows how unscrupulous labor leaders who seize union controls may subvert the legitimate interests of labor for their own purposes. By using union power to threaten public officials and union power to discipline business non-cooperators, those in the racket can drain off

Time Flies

FROM STATESMAN FILES

10 Years Ago
Increasing the guard at Oregon State Penitentiary was declared necessary and first steps were taken when the State Board of Control inspected the prison from which 10 convicts have escaped in recent weeks.

25 Years Ago
Apr. 20, 1931
A highly polished, cracked three-inch shell casing was returned after more than 13 years to the former gunner who fired the first American artillery shot in the World War. He was Alex Arch of South Bend, Ind.

40 Years Ago
Apr. 20, 1916
Earl Flegel, 17, was chosen president of the student body of Willamette university in the election of student officers. Violet McLean was elected vice president and Fannie McKennon was chosen secretary.

Better English
By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "It says in the paper that rain is due."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "bestial"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Prejudice, precipice, perogative, perorate.
4. What does the word "indissoluble" mean?

ANSWERS
1. Say, "The paper says that rain is due." 2. Pronounce bestial, accent first syllable. 3. Preogative. 4. Not capable of being dissolved; undone, broken, or the like. "We want this to be a sacred and indissoluble union."

Rail Passenger Agent Assigned To Salem Office

Charles J. Stacy, traveling passenger agent for the Southern Pacific in Portland, has taken over the Salem area. It was announced Thursday.

No Memorial Suggestions Out of Race

"We have taken no vote to either accept or reject any model submitted for consideration for the Carl L. Moores Pioneer Memorial," Karl Wenger, official of the Moores Trust Fund, said Thursday night.

Wenger's statement came in reply to recent rumors that certain models of the memorial have been eliminated, particularly the one entitled "Spirit of the Oregon Pioneer" by Salem sculptress Mrs. Frances Kells Mac Collin.

Belief by some that the Mac Collin work was out of the running resulted Wednesday in nine Salem citizens writing an open letter to the city council requesting that the sculptress' work be reconsidered.

Referring to the letter, Wenger said, "Someone has the impression that we've rejected her work . . . that's not the case at all."

A final decision in the Moores matter will probably be made next week, Wenger estimated, adding that trustees are still collecting information on various subjects, one of the most important being a location for the memorial. The three sites given most consideration are Bush Pasture, Willson Park and Marion Square, Wenger said.

A trust fund, now equal to about \$30,000, to erect a memorial to the Oregon pioneer, was set up by the will of the late Corroll L. Moores, former state employe who died in 1937.

Public Records

CIRCUIT COURT
John G. Harms, Ralph Harms and Ada Harms, Vernie Harms and Thais Harms, Mildred L. A. Doran and Andrew Doran, Neva P. Owen and Dean Owen, Charles E. Cheffings, Clarice M. Stovall and James Stovall, Vivian M. Miller and Victor Miller, Thelma M. Royce and Robert Royce vs Rollin O. Pope and Florence E. Pope. Civil suit, complaint alleges failure of defendants to fulfill terms of a certain written contract, and seeks judgment totaling \$43,250.

Richard J. Philbrick vs Ruth M. Philbrick. Divorce decree granted to plaintiff; property settlement confirmed.

Thomas J. Thompson vs Clarence T. Gladden, warden of Oregon State Penitentiary; Plaintiff's petition for writ of habeas corpus granted.

Cecil T. Bradley vs Clarence T. Gladden; Defendant's action in involving petition for a writ of habeas corpus dismissed.

Probate Court
Estate of John A. Gregg, deceased; Final account approved. Estate of Jacob Muehlhaupt, deceased; Order set June 6, 1956 as date for hearing estate's final account.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS
John Lee Brentlinger, 25, student, Lowell, and Hazel Elizabeth Dotson, 25, student, Independence.

MUNICIPAL COURT
Otis F. Rock, 408 N. 23rd St., charge of driving while intoxicated taken under advisement; charge of driving while license suspended dismissed on motion of city attorney; found innocent of driving with no license.

John Frederick Hassel, 240 N. 18th St., forfeited bail on charge of driving while intoxicated Oct. 7. Neil James Tuck, 316 S. 12th St., charge of disorderly conduct, fined \$25.

David Houser To Quit Salem Police Force

David (Mac) Houser, Salem police force detective for the past 19 years, has accepted an investigative job with a national insurance firm, Chief of Police Clyde Warren announced Thursday.

Houser has submitted his resignation but will not leave the department until May 2, Warren said.

Houser is the third officer to leave the Salem police department for a job with a private concern within the past eight months. Others were Detective Ralph Hamack and Sgt. Joseph Schuett.

In his resignation, Houser expressed regret at leaving the department, but stated that he could not afford to turn down the insurance firm's offer.

"We hate to lose him," Chief Warren said. "It will be difficult to find as capable a man as a replacement."

"We realize, however, that it is hard to compete with private industry and business in getting and keeping good men."

Houser has been with the department since 1942, when he started as a rookie. His duties with the city have included the investigation of most major crimes within the city in recent years.

Houser's first assignment with the company will be in Eugene, he said.

No replacement will be named until his resignation becomes effective, Chief Warren said.

Boaters Plan Cruise Sunday

Salem Boat Club will sponsor its first cruise of the season Sunday, May 6, Ray Morrow, cruise-master, announced Thursday.

The cruise will be a one-day affair and will travel upriver to Hayden Island at Eola. Games and family picnics will be included.

This is the first of more than a dozen cruises that have been planned for the summer, Morrow said. Boaters wishing to go on the trip or obtain additional information may call 3682 days or 36398 evenings, Morrow said.

Wreck Brings Damage Suit

A \$15,102 personal injury suit based on a New Year's Eve traffic accident was filed Thursday in Marion County Circuit Court by Rose Marie Knoller against James Pollard.

The complaint alleges negligence on the part of Pollard in a collision on Highway 99E about four miles south of Salem shortly before midnight on Dec. 31, 1955.

Mrs. Knoller, who was a passenger in the car driven by her husband, is seeking judgment for \$15,000 general damages, \$50 doctor's fees and \$52 for ambulance and hospital expenses.

The Oregon Forestry Department said Thursday it is having a hard time finding trained men.

The department has 15 vacancies for junior foresters. Only two have been hired in the past year.

Lowered Coulee Reservoir To Cut Snow Runoff Crest

PORTLAND (AP)—The huge reservoir behind Grand Coulee Dam in Washington will be lowered this Spring in an attempt to absorb the worst of the Columbia River flood crest and ease flood danger at downstream points, Army Engineers said Thursday.

Brig. Gen. L. H. Foote, North Pacific Division Engineer, outlined the proposal Thursday at a meeting of the water management sub-committee of the Columbia Basin Inter-Agency Committee in Penitentiary, B.C. Bureau of Reclamation officials approved the plan.

Warm weather this month has reduced the flood threat a little by starting the snow runoff ahead of time. But a huge amount of water remains in the mountain snowpack and forecasters are not ready to revise their earlier predictions of a major flood potential.

The U.S. Soil Conservation Service said a mid-April snow survey showed snow water depth at 22 snow courses dropped an average of 2.1 inches since April 1. Snow melt was greatest at lower elevations.

A jury in the Multnomah County Circuit Court returned a judgment against Schruink in the amount of \$12,200, which was in excess of his \$10,000 bond. Thular B. Hammons was plaintiff in the action.

Following return of the judgment Schruink filed a supersedeas bond to guarantee payment of the judgment.

The Supreme Court gave no indication when the cases would be set for hearing.

Sheriff's Bond Case Appealed

Appeals were filed in the State Supreme Court Thursday in cases involving Terry D. Schruink, sheriff of Multnomah County, and the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland, based on the recovery of \$12,278 for failure of Schruink's office to complete service in a civil action within the statutory period.

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War Danger in Mid-East Cut by Cease-Fire Pact; Doubt Seen for Permanent Agreement

By J. M. ROBERTS
AP News Analyst

Fear of an immediate war in the Middle East has been greatly eased by the cease-fire agreement between Israel and Egypt produced by Dag Hammarskjold's mediation mission.

The adherence of Jordan and Syria should not be so difficult to obtain.

The important point is whether this return to the armistice terms of 1949 can be made to stick. There is considerable doubt.

If the Western powers, having obtained this first objective, now slacken their efforts to produce a lasting settlement, another crisis will begin building up immediately.

For this is not merely a political conflict. It involves personal hatreds, especially on the Arab side. Arab forays into Israel will not stop until the cease to be welcomed by the authorities of their governments.

It also involves the Russian effort to obtain a position in Middle East affairs, and the Western determination that she shall not succeed.

They recognize her presence not merely as a threat to peace and stability, but also to their access to oil.

If the cease-fire can be extended to all of Israel's borders, and the cross-boundary raids stopped, the chief product will be time. Time in which to seek permanent settlements of such things as boundaries and the Arab refugee problem.

The refugee problem could have been settled long time ago. The Western powers have been prevented from seeing that the displaced Arabs were reimbursed and resettled under circumstances at least as good as they enjoyed before they left Israel.

Settlement has been prevented by the Arab governments, which use refugee hatred in their preparation for reconquest. Hammarskjold has made no apparent dent in this determination for reconquest.

Something also will have to be done about the arms race. So far, Russia's offer to help solve Middle Eastern problems has not included any definite suggestion on this point. The test can be made through a Western offer to make arrangements about the amounts and types of arms which anyone can sell to the nations in the area.

The United States has not furnished arms to Israel during the current crisis because it did not

appear that the Communist shipments to Egypt had actually upset the balance of power. Israel is still credited with being able to take care of herself for the time.

If the Communist buildup of Arab military strength continues, however, the West will be unable to stand idly by until Israel can really be threatened with extermination.

The U. N. secretary general, following a program suggested by the Western powers, has set the stage. The acting, however, must be done by the powers.

he has swallowed, give him milk mixed with the white of an egg, milk and flour, or baking soda and water.

If you can, determine what the poison contains. You can usually learn this from the label on the container. The following antidotes should be used for the following poisons:

Arsenic—Give a mixture of two tablespoons of powdered burnt toast, one spoon of milk of magnesia and four spoons of strong tea.

DDT—Give two tablespoons of epsom salt in two glasses of water. Then give lots of strong tea or hot coffee.

Phosphorus—Four ounces of hydrogen peroxide. One tablespoon of sodium bicarb in a quart of warm water. Then give four ounces of mineral oil. Do not give animal or vegetable oil. Keep all oils and fats out of the diet for several days.

When using insecticides, don't spray them widely about a room. Instead, direct them toward the spots where they are needed. It's a good idea, too, to keep the children out of a room until you have finished spraying.

The greatest danger to youngsters, however, are the insecticides which are just left lying about. It's most important, of course, that such poisons be kept on a high shelf or in a locked cabinet out of the reach of inquisitive little hands.

But, no matter how much I caution you, some of your children are going to swallow some of these insecticides or powders accidentally this summer.

If your youngster is one of them, you'll want to know what to do. First, call your doctor. He'll give you the proper advice.

If you can't reach him, you'll have to give your youngster an antidote. If you don't know what

to do, here are some suggestions:

Keep all oils and fats out of the diet for several days.

Give two tablespoons of milk of magnesia. Then give him a glass of milk.

Strychnine — Give the same mixture as the one used to combat arsenic.

In each case you must also induce vomiting.