

Bricker Hits Social Plans

SALT LAKE CITY, Oct. 21—Gov. John W. Bricker of Ohio, asserting that welfare legislation was only evidence of good intention, said tonight that actual fulfillment of a social security program depended upon administration and sound government.

Defying what he said was the new deal claim to "exclusive guardianship" over social security,

the republican vice-presidential nominee, in a speech prepared for delivery here in the south high school, asserted that "America has always had a social security program." Furthermore, he cited republican contribution to social progress and said his party's platform now outlines a social security program which deserves support.

"As American citizens, we must realize," Bricker said, "That legislation is not a guarantee of social progress or social security. It is only as evidence of good intentions, the fulfillment of which depends upon the soundness and the security of our government."

Sidney Jenkins Now In New Guinea Area

Capt. Sidney C. Jenkins, formerly of Eugene, is now in New Guinea on the staff of the military government, among the group that will take over as the Philippines are occupied by American forces, it has been learned here. Jenkins this past summer graduated from the school of military government at Charlottesville, Va., and was at Yale university, studying Japanese when he was called to go to the Pacific area.

Capt. Jenkins flew to New Guinea, leaving San Francisco on September 29.

Mrs. Oren Weir Dies Of Traffic Injuries

Mrs. Oren Weir, formerly of Eugene, who has been living in Portland for a number of years, died in that city Saturday morning from injuries received when she was struck by a car.

She is survived by her husband, a daughter, Mrs. Charles Walter, and a grandson, Charles Walter Jr. No word has been received by Eugene friends as to the time of the funeral.

Five girls have the leads in Warners' "The Doughgirls"—Ann Sheridan, Alexis Smith, Jane Wyman, Irene Manning, and Eve Arden.

Funeral Pyre for Jap Ship



(NEA Telephoto) This towering cloud of smoke off Formosa shore entirely conceals Japanese ship struck by plane from one of fast carriers of Admiral Nimitz' Pacific fleet which struck Japan's great stronghold. The smoke, rising a mile high, conceals the city and harbor area. U. S. Navy photo.

Lane Political Workers About To Start Final Drive For Votes

By MARIAN LOWRY

With only two weeks and a day remaining before the Nov. 7 election, both republicans and democrats of Lane county get down to work now to put forth a little extra effort in behalf of the local candidates.

Calendars for both groups are clear of any major gatherings this coming week. This period just preceding the election is supposed to be the time when precinct workers do their most effective work—reminding of the old saying that elections are won in the precincts.

The period of "big" speakers and "big" meetings apparently is over for Lane county, which in the past two weeks has glimpsed and heard the two vice-presidential nominees (one of whom will be IT.)

Sen. Harry S. Truman, democratic vice-presidential candidate, gave a train stop talk here the past Thursday, and exactly a week before Gov. John W. Bricker, Ohio, republican vice-presidential nominee, made the main talk of his Oregon tour in Eugene.

Dewey Event

For republicans one more county-wide gathering is in the planning stage. "Dewey day," proclaimed for Wednesday of this week by republican organizations, will be observed locally under the sponsorship of the Lane county chapter of Pro America which has set Nov. 2 tentatively as the date for the event. This will be an evening meeting. At that time James A. Rodman Sr., Lane county republican central committee chairman, is scheduled to talk on "Double the Vote for Dewey," and someone will be on the program to give out information on the measures on the Nov. 7 ballot. Further details of the meeting will be announced later by Mrs. Henry A. Tromp, chairman of Pro America here.

On the Air, Doorstep

And the time has arrived for the usual barrage of radio talks and the clattering of front porches with literature in behalf of this and that candidate, and the "going in" in this effort to get into high gear really will come in the three or four days just ahead of elec-

tion day.

The Voters' Pamphlet, put out by the secretary of state, was received the past week-end by registered voters of the two parties, this service providing considerable reading matter for those wishing to brush up on biographies and platforms of many of the candidates and the material about the state measures on the ballot.

The Eugene Central Labor council (AFL), according to its announcement last week, is due to consider the state and national candidates and the measures this week, the group the past week having made its endorsements for county and city officers. It is expected generally that the local council will concur with the State Federation of Labor (AFL) endorsements issued some time ago, for the local council usually not varying, unless there is a local man up for a state office, a situation that sometimes brings a different endorsement from the state backing—and the local man in this election, Wayne L. Morse, republican nominee for the six-year term in the United States senate, has received the state AFL endorsement already.

Sunset Home—

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ings, the home has grown with the years to include seven buildings and a central heating plant. The association owns a half-block, ideally situated close to the center of town, and offering both sun and shade to the aged folk who dwell there. Three cherry trees, a pear and an apple tree grow on the grounds, and there are a tall fir and other shade trees. On the central plot of lawn, benches and swings are arranged, where the "home folks" gather daily to visit and talk. "Problems of the world are settled here every day," Mr. Thorpe smilingly commented.

The main building holds the dining room and kitchen and other apartments and was erected in 1928. The brick courts which extend through the center of the plot are built for permanency. These courts are a chain of small apartments, each suite containing living room, bed room and bath, with tiny kitchenette in the living room corner, concealed behind doors.

Accommodates 65
Sixty-five persons is the limit which the home comfortably can accommodate, although up to 72 have been cared for, under crowded conditions. "If we had 163 rooms, we'd have them all filled," the superintendent remarked.

There are 24 beds in the infirmary, including a ward for eight, and two two-bed wards; there are 12 single rooms, and the courts. In addition to the elderly ones who live there, the home has 14 employees, besides the superintendent and his wife.

Average age of home members is between 75 and 80, while the extremes are under 50 and above 90. Two classes of members are taken, life members and monthly guests. The former must be 65 or older, but there is no age restriction on the monthly guests, nor any other ruling except that they must need care.

The dining room where meals are served at 8 a. m., noon and 5:30 p. m., is the general assembly hall of the home. The infirmary has its own diet kitchen. Flower-centered tables in the dining room, "homey" and inviting with white napery, are collapsible. On Sunday afternoon they are folded away, the chairs of robin's-egg blue are set in rows. A velvet drape is hung over the south window, and a folding pulpit is opened up before it. Then church services are held, to which all are invited and which many attend.

Magazine Outlines Lane Post-War Plan

Lane county's efforts to solve post-war economic problems have been described and lauded in an article, "A Town to Come Home To," written by Miss Patricia Lochridge, and published in the November Woman's Home Companion.

Miss Lochridge points out that "out of talk and questioning came the formation of the Lane County Planning Council," which was determined "not to rely on state and federal planners."

Lane county's plan may not necessarily work for all communities, says the author, but she states, "The town is doing a bang-up job and I believe with Yank (service magazine) that every American should know about it." In conclusion, Miss Lochridge emphasizes Lane county's taking the initiative by saying, "The important thing—in Eugene (as well as other parts of the country)—is for Americans to sit down with their neighbors to see what needs doing, putting first things first; to try to do what they can for themselves with what is at hand. That is the American way."

Hasselrooth—

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of Elks and the McKenzie River Masonic lodge.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Alta Hasselrooth; his mother, Mrs. Hannah Hasselrooth, who makes her home at the Willamette street address; one son, Glenn R. Hasselrooth, New York City; two sons and several cousins, living mainly in Salem, Ohio, and Oakland, Calif.

Funeral services will be announced through the Branstetter-Simon mortuary, after the arrival of the son.

Members are urged to attend their own church services if they are able to do so; nothing is compulsory at Sunset home.

Arriving in Eugene this week is Rev. A. N. Egger, coming from Everson, Wash., to take his place as Mr. Thorpe's successor at Sunset Home. He will be accompanied by his wife, and one of their daughters, whose husband is in service. The couple has four adult sons and daughters.

Mr. Thorpe will remain in residence at the home for six weeks or longer, to acquaint the new superintendent with his duties and to bridge over the change of heads for the old folk.

Mrs. Thorpe is leaving soon for a visit with members of their family in California, and he will join her for the later holidays. Their later plans are not yet definite, but they may return to Eugene.

The story is told; we should stop here. But we want to tell of the 93-year-old wispy lady who was sitting up, gallantly smiling and insisting upon feeding herself, although a white-uniformed nurse was in attendance; a neighborhood nurse who comes in when needed to assist at the home. Detecting the old lady's Teutonic accent, we tried to greet her in rusty high-school German, but found she could not hear us. Writing her obituary two days later, we knew a sense of personal loss for a spirit so keen in one so frail.

We could tell of a little, silk-clad gentlewoman, rocking back and forth in her room, "chained to her rocking chair." Indeed, . . . but smiling, and greeting visitors with scholarly diction.

We could tell of one who is blind, and one who is deaf-and-dumb; many who are deaf. These are the exceptional cases, however. Most of the home people are as in the picture above, mothers and fathers in the sunset years, very much aware of life and its problems, although most of these problems have for them been put aside.

McVoy—

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only for a few hours and I would not pretend to suggest what you should do on such limited knowledge."

McVoy will bring with him an array of lantern slides and charts to show the method by which a factual approach is being made to area problems and to central business district problems in Portland.

In Portland, McVoy has "taken on where Robert Moses left off." The famous Moses plan for post-war Portland merely sketched a long range program to make Portland a more efficient place in which to live and do business.

Stabilizing Values
The most graphic of McVoy's presentations is that for the proposed "Civic Center" which is not merely a plan to "beautify" Portland but to stabilize property and business values in the whole central area between the Willamette river and 10th street and from Burnside to the Hawthorne bridge.

To a large meeting of the Portland chamber of commerce, McVoy recently showed some startling figures:

1. From 1900 to 1930 this area shows almost constant increase in taxable valuations and business, hitting a valuation peak of 100 millions in 1930.
2. Since 1930, the valuations of the area have "eroded" to only \$75,000,000.
3. There is a "sound central core", modern and in full use, which hit a peak of \$62 millions in 1930, but has slid off to \$50 millions.
4. There is a DECAYING FRINGE which had a peak of \$45 millions in 1930, slid off to \$40 millions in 1930, is now down to \$24 millions and still sliding.

The diagnosis, according to McVoy, is Portland's failure to solve its problems of traffic management and land use, and his recommendations for Civic Center include:

1. Wide clearance in the area near the river to provide better traffic access to the business district.
2. Adequate parking facilities for people who want to do business in downtown Portland.
3. Regroupings of public buildings, federal, county, state and city in their proper relation to each other and to private business with which they deal.
4. Broad lateral thoroughfares on each side of the business area.

McVoy's figures indicate that over a period of years, Portland's investment in rebuilding its business center to meet modern traffic needs will pay out in stabilized tax values and improved facilities for all types of business.

Factual Approach

The factual approach on the broader problems of the Portland urban area is quite similar. His contention is that planning for any part of an urban area—whether it is a business center, a sub-center, an industrial area, or a residential suburb—cannot be done intelligently unless it is related directly to the whole.

"Naturally one of the results of intelligent planning is to make a community more beautiful, but the big problem we find is to make people realize in the long run that it SAVES MONEY and tax costs."

The Eugene Realty board recently initiated a movement to raise \$15,000 to get "a master plan" or a series of basic engineering studies and layouts for the suburban areas, and it has raised some funds for this purpose.

However, as a result of recent conferences with the Central Lane Planning council, it has been ag-

reed tentatively to get together to put this effort on a broader basis, in which Eugene, Springfield, and some 30 outside districts will have a voice.

Fred Stickels, president of the Central Lane Planning council, says that Friday night's meeting of the entire council with McVoy will be open to the public but it will be only the first of regular meetings of the entire council which he hopes to schedule through the winter months.

Over the summer considerable

work has been done by the Central Council's committee on problems under E. H. Springfield, the sewer committee under Cloyes, the land use committee under Harvey Hill, the trier committee under Boehnke, and the committee under Roy Wagner. Tentative plans already been suggested for legislation which all communities in areas of Oregon can solve mutual problems.

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