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Miss Sally Bush

All Salem today mourns the passing of Miss Sally Bush, one of the sweetest, kindest, gentlest souls that ever existed here or anywhere else, one whose life was full of good deeds and countless benefactions, one who through her 86 years literally lived up to every precept of the golden rule and did unto others as she would be done by. She never spoke a harsh word nor ever had an evil thought in her life and reaped her reward in a blessed tranquility, for "the path of the just is as a shining light that shineth more and more unto the perfect day."

Had Sally Bush lived in medieval times, she would have been enshrined and revered as a saint, so rare are such. She loved everything created, plants, flowers, insects, birds and animals, took loving care of and provided refuge for them. Like the Jains of India her principles were non-injury to any living thing, as if they had souls as well as humans. Perhaps she really thought so. Perhaps they have.

Miss Bush was the daughter of Asahel Bush, and inherited much of the progressiveness of Salem's pioneer editor and banker. She cooperated in every community effort for cultured progress and was always a heavy contributor to any cause enlisting her sympathy. Her homestead, "Bush's Pasture," has been dedicated to the city as a park by herself and brother to beautify and make attractive the community for which she has done so much.

The late Cladius Thayer, son of Governor Thayer, and Miss Bush's brother-in-law, in a volume of verse published some years ago, paid the following tribute to "Our Sally":

Some souls can make red petals grow
From yawning crevices of eternal snow;
On torrid sands, by desert sun deep burned;
On bare bald cliff, by hand of God upturned,
Can make lost Eden's faded bed to bloom
At very portals of engulfing tomb.
No mind so twisted from its high estate,
No heart so wrought, oblivious of heaven,
His love does not confer all-cheering heaven,
Heart chthonic upon this roll of fame,
How many hands will scroll our Sally's name!

The Importance of Voting

It is always important, if our democracy is to be preserved as a living, throbbing creature of government, that each qualified elector should vote; that he should exercise his right of free expression on every measure and every candidate presented for his judgment. Particularly is this true as regards candidates and even more vitally where candidates for legislative offices are concerned.

Through each of such officers elected the judgment of the voters who elected him is rendered a thousand times over in the ballots he casts in the execution of his official duties.

Important in any election, the practice of voting his own mind doubly true for each voter of Salem who tomorrow goes to his polling place to elect seven councilmen and a mayor to carry on the tremendous job of setting up an entirely new system of municipal government within the framework erected by the people last spring. In instituting the rules by which this new system is to function, these eight men will be speaking your thoughts and our thoughts in every vote they cast. It is your policy and that of your neighbors which will be reflected in the selection of a city administrator, key official in the conduct of city affairs.

Men charged with such responsibility cannot and should not be selected at random. They cannot be all of the same mould. If you and your ideas of government are to be truly reflected in the machinery these officials devise and install, you must have a sufficient interest in their selection to inform yourself upon the capabilities of each candidate and vote accordingly.

In expressing yourself on measures gracing the ballot you speak but once. In electing a candidate you exercise a discretion which will echo your judgment throughout his entire tenure in office. There is no room in such a situation for "slates" or "tickets," measured against a single dimension yardstick.

Have You Had Enough?

From over the nation there is rising an ever increasing voice of disillusionment and despair crying out, "I've had enough." It has developed from a whisper of discontent to a mighty crescendo emanating from democrats and republicans alike, protesting that they have had:

Enough New Deal bungling of the problems of war and the more intricate problems of peace.

Enough regimentation of the individual to the whims and eccentricities of domineering bureaucrats.

Enough temporizing for political reasons with the demands of labor and concessions to its leaders.

Enough attempts at regulation of economic problems by legislation which ignores the higher law of supply and demand.

Enough man-made attempts to stabilize economic conditions.

Enough controlled economy with its high prices, black markets, and enough evidence of partial attempts to hold wages and prices in line by juggling first one and then another.

For those citizens who have had enough of this worldwide political farce and wish to do something about it, there is a powerful weapon at hand in the ballots they will cast next Tuesday. Voters in the first congressional district of Oregon can best make themselves heard by marking their ballots for Walter Norblad for congress. He has all of the qualifications of the kind of representation we need in congress to clean up the mess which has accumulated in 14 years of the New Deal.

Vote 12 X. Walter Norblad for congress from the first Oregon district.

Recommendations on Ballot

Herewith, in condensed form, are the Capital Journal's recommendations on ballot measures:

- State-Wide Ballot
Governorship succession: Vote 300 yes.
Army building tax: Vote 303 no.
County board school tax control: Vote 304 yes.
Chinese property rights: Vote 306 yes.
Anti-legislative filibuster: Vote 308 yes.
One additional state senator: Vote 311 no.
Coastal stream fishing: Vote 312 yes.
Gross income tax for pensions: Vote 315 no.
State school support tax: Vote 317 no.
Marion County Ballot
New courthouse levy: Vote 300 X yes.
County PUD measure: Vote 319 X no.
Salem City Ballot
Anti-parking meter act: Vote 501 X no.
Providing method for election of city judges: Vote 502 X yes.
Making city charter conform to state laws: Vote 504 X yes.

Actions You Regret



Sips for Supper

By Don Upjohn

Tomorrow is election but running our eye down the ballot we do not see where any of the leading candidates have much opposition to worry about. Ed Rogers, candidate for county commissioner who has no opposition, expects to go through his first election without too much worry, he being a farmer figuring on getting to sleep counting sheep instead of tentative votes tonight.

The lady atop the courthouse hasn't expressed herself as yet as to how she feels about the new courthouse measure but she still hangs onto the scales of justice with a firm hand. We haven't heard what will become of her if a new courthouse is constructed.

Our friend Gardner Knapp has sent word around to us to remind the customers once more that the show "Life with Father," with an all flesh and blood cast and not local talent, will wind up election day affairs at the Salem high school auditorium Tuesday night and it is hoped to a full house, as it is for the very worthy cause of helping students who need the boost to get through Williamette.

That quiet, retiring modest little lady, Miss Sally Bush, who Sunday closed her eyes in her last sleep at the home which had been her's through a life well past four scores of years, left behind numerous loving hearts who had enjoyed her benefactions. They always were accorded in privacy and almost with a shyness, so loathe was she to have them seem in any way a public gesture. Those who knew her best also knew that it was her belief it were

Novelties

(By the Associated Press)

Big Medicine Fails
Madras, Ore., Nov. 4 (AP)—The white's man's faith in his traditional source of weather information—from Chief Tommy Thompson of the Celilo tribes—has dimmed.

When a white neighbor asked the venerable chief what could be expected soon in weather, the chief gravely pronounced: "Don't know. My radio's broke."

Attractive Jail
North Bend, Ore., Nov. 4 (AP)—The city police officer isn't quite sure what would be the best thing to do if he arrests a drunk and finds it necessary to give the offender a place to sleep it off.

When the state liquor store's lease expired here recently the city council voted to allow the store to use the jail temporarily.

Matrimonial Interlude
Spokane, Nov. 4 (AP)—The daily livestock sale at the Collett auction house was interrupted while the auctioneer took care of some private business.

While 200 friends and buyers looked on, Auctioneer Harry Collett was married on the barker's platform to Miss Ruth McKinney.

After the ceremony, Collett served refreshments, then continued the auction.

Salem Vet Attacks Taxicab Driver
Portland, Nov. 4 (AP)—John Richard Baxendell, 26, Salem, was arrested on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon here late Saturday night, accused of beating a taxi driver on the head with a hammer. Police reported William C. Larsen, 34, said Baxendell struck him numerous times without warning as he drove him to the veterans' hospital. The Salem resident was held in lieu of \$5,000 bail.

Ants are the dominant insects of Australia.

MACKENZIE'S Column

By DeWitt Mackenzie (AP Foreign Affairs Analyst)
John Bull's municipal council elections give us further good indication of the general political trend in his tight little island—good enough, in fact, so that we are safe in labeling it as being fairly close to middle-of-the-road, with a moderate tendency to the left.

Final results in 360 cities and towns show this apportionment of the 2,319 seats; labor (socialist) 1,041, conservative 647, independents 534, liberals 96 and communists one. The laborites scored a net gain of 159. However, we shouldn't overlook that at the same time the conservatives not only held their own but made a gain of four. Equally significant is the fact that the communists hold only one seat, as against the six they had before.

This tends to confirm the consensus of observers that when John Bull installed his brand new socialist government last year he had no intention of becoming a long-haired radical. It certainly demonstrated anew that there is no trend toward the extreme left.

However, this middle-of-the-road England is a far different country from what it was when your columnist first went there 30 odd years ago. You wouldn't think it possible that there could be such a vast social, political and economic change in that comparatively brief span.

During the past generation there has been a leveling off. Great fortunes and estates have been broken up by heavy taxation. The landed gentry is fast disappearing, and with it many cherished traditions. Meantime there has been an upward surge of the lower strata of society.

Not long ago Minister of Education Ellen Wilkinson announced the government's intention to reform Britain's educational system and "remove those class distinctions which are a handicap in democracy." Miss Wilkinson proposes to make the ordinary schools so good that it will seem absurd not to send all children to them.

Conservative Vote Helped
Well, she will find that easier of achievement these days. An interesting aspect of the new Britain is that a lot of conservatives have helped to bring it about by voting socialist because they believed in the need of reform.

That's what put the present

Forum

Contributions to this column must be confined to 300 words and signed by writer

FORUM S.H.

To the Editor: Can it be that the great state of Oregon is populated with strong men and women that can pass up the toll worn aged for the worshipped dollar, that can in the end cause more grief than joy.

If so we should make J. L. Lewis our president and try going forward on those lines. I myself can see little for Lewis or his followers to be proud of.

They watch and wait for the time when their homeland is at their mercy then strike. Now they think they have caught grandma in a like condition.

C. L. Lising, Salem, Oregon.

To the Editor: In connection with the campaign now being conducted to foist a public utilities district upon the people of Marion county I would like to tell of a personal experience which to me tells the story.

A short time ago with my family I took a quick trip to our beach cottage at Newport. Three small children to be fed and put to bed. No lights, no power. No nothing. PUD service.

The neighbors told us that a sound truck had been telling them every day what hours the power would be off. That day it was between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. Actually the lights came on weekly about 9:45. Candles for lights, no power for cooking and no power for heaters. Shades of our grandfathers! Let's be pioneers again and sleep in a tent.

Thinking of the loss of food in refrigerators and lockers, inconvenience in cooking and cost of candles and oil for lamps, including the uncertainty of service, I could not help but compare it with the efforts of the Portland General Electric company and the great extent to which they go to give continuous, regular service to the public.

I know from personal knowledge how hard the company and their men during flood, snow, wind or rain, try to and do keep their service in operation, for which all of them deserve a great vote of thanks from us all.

Who was paying for the New-socialist government into power—and what will oust it if it stubs its toe.

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port sound truck? The customer! Who was suffering the consequences? The customer! To me it is strictly a P. U. Deal! John D. Minto. Salem, November 2.

Louis R. Jenkins At Furstenfeldbruck Now at Furstenfeldbruck

Insure Good City Government

In January Salem makes the change to a City Manager form of government. For Mayor R. L. Elfstrom, a civic leader, has no opposition.

Give him a strong city council whose members understand and are friendly to the new, progressive form of government.

We recommend the election of the following:

Ward One: James H. Nicholson
Mr. Nicholson is a young business man, veteran of World War II.

Ward Two: Albert H. Gille
Incumbent.

Ward Three: W. W. Rosebraugh
A former councilman, a man of broad business experience, interested in all civic betterment.

Ward Four: R. O. Lewis
Incumbent. Successful manufacturer, chairman of council committee on fire department.

Ward Six: Dan J. Fry
Mr. Fry is a former councilman, of wide experience in business and government (served for six years as secretary of the state board of control); was a member of the 1944 and 1946 committees which drafted plan for city manager form.

IN WARDS FIVE AND SEVEN THERE IS NO CONTEST, THE INCUMBENTS, DAVID O'HARA AND HOWARD MAPLE, BEING THE ONLY CANDIDATES

LET'S GET OUR NEW FORM OF GOVERNMENT OFF TO A GOOD START BY ELECTING A WELL-BALANCED TEAM TO ORGANIZE IT. OUR ONLY INTEREST IS THE CITY'S WELFARE. WE RECOMMEND VOTING FOR ABOVE CANDIDATES.

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By A. A. Lee, Sec'y., Salem, Oregon

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