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EDITORIALS

FREE PALAVER

By Paul Hennessey
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WE LOSE A PRINCE

In the American tradition we are not given to recognition of titles of nobility. (See Section 9 of Article I of the Constitution). But the Constitution which we love and respect does not inveigh against the privilege of any individual American who will build in his life a princely character and service to his fellow Americans. American history is dotted with rich examples of such lives and real Americans are fully justified in feeling a wholesome pride in conferring a title of greatness upon the memory of Lincoln and others whose lives added immeasurably to our noble heritage.

The death of Fulton Lewis, Jr. on last Sunday adds another star in our firmament of nobility. He loved God and country; he hated every insidious effort to undermine American ideals and objectives. He spent his unusually competent talents in an unending fight against any of low or high estate who would contemptuously tear down or dilute true Americanism; he feared only his free and willing obligation as an American patriot.

Persecuted as the defender of those who had gotten in the way of malicious ambition among the popular socialistic giants and intellectuals of our deteriorating national fabric, he endured the abusive censure, character castigation and economic and damning reprisals of an unconscionable clique of politically controlled news agencies bent upon the destruction of Americanism under the guise of protecting a species of free speech whose end is anarchy. Thank goodness, he was not the last. There are several others in the news and comment world, though their good influence is curbed and dimmed to a disgraceful degree by the organized and liberal news media, whose controlled news policies are licensed and used by the despotism of a bureaucratic government.

We are glad, too, that Fulton Lewis III gives indication of ability and purpose to carry on the most worthy work of an illustrious father.

Another American prince is fallen. But his light will not cease to shine.

MINORITY DISCRIMINATION AND ELECTIONS

The Great Society is dead set against discrimination. Well, anyway, against any discrimination that doesn't return favor to the Great Society. And how can such an expression of favor be registered? Through the ballot box, no less.

The Johnson administration has been accused by many very responsible people, democrats as well as republicans, of being somewhat less than honest or forthright or "level" with the American people about several things of vital importance. But in one area, accusations don't even have to be in order: It's an open secret that certain measures simply cannot be brought up for congressional action before the election because expected or possible adverse action on those measures would no doubt turn votes against Great Society candidates. And getting those votes balloted for those certain candidates is much more vital, for instance, than saving American boys' lives on the battlefields of Vietnam--or backing those boys in various other ways, for that matter.

The administration believes that a tax rise would halt inflation, and inflation is something that hits everybody. So, Mr. Johnson says he believes we can get along without a tax rise until after the election; taxpayers don't like to vote for candidates who had any part in raising taxes.

Unions are a minority, but a strong one. The New York transportation strike first of the year almost got action from Congress--about creating national emergencies. So when this airline machinist strike came along, both democrats and republicans demanded some action. But, comments U.S. News & World Report, "The President definitely was not interested in a law to be enacted in an election year to limit strike powers."

Negroes are a minority in the United States, but a minority with growing vote power. Congress has just about made up its mind to do something about the race riots; peaceful marches that always end in violence; Black Power killings and threats of super violence. Most of us doubt that the trouble-making Negro leaders have the blessing of more than a small minority of their own number. Nevertheless, Mr. Johnson and his aides are counting heavily on Negro votes in November and don't want to get on the bad side of Negro leaders three months before the election. So legislation against rioting and subversive peace-breaking will have to wait until the voting is done.

The liberal administration in Washington has some very elastic rules about discrimination. While back, when the House Committee on Un-American Activities was investigating the Ku Klux Klan, they didn't speak up at all for the Klan on the "right of dissent." But last week when the Committee was investigating the activities of individuals and groups who have been openly propagandizing for "and acting in behalf of the Communist government of North Vietnam or the Viet Cong," the great wave of liberals from all over the country began cursing the Committee for blocking freedom of speech. They evidently think it is fine for Carmichael to loudly advise his youthful Negro brethren to refuse to go into military service. Indeed, any utterance or aid favoring the Communist cause seems privileged with our liberal friends; along with moral criticisms of our bombing and "aggression" in Vietnam.

We prefer to cast our sympathy and admiration and encouragement with the minority made up of our three hundred thousand lads who are fighting and dying for American ideals over there--in and out of election years.

TOMMYROT

We wish that it were mandatory for every teen-ager and adult in our 190 million population to read the open letter of a Louisiana mother of two, published by the Beaumont Enterprise

WASHINGTON AND

"SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

The bureaucratic tendency seems to be that if you have a bad problem, then create an even worse situation.

To many people the recent speech by the Secretary of Defense in Montreal recommending that all young men be obliged to serve for two years in some sort of government capacity was really a lulu.

The proposal is that if young men cannot qualify for the military draft they should be drafted for the Peace Corps, the War on Poverty, or some other grandiose Federal project.

It is quite surprising that any responsible official of the government of the United States of America would ever come out with such recommendation, although it does perhaps help explain the thinking that produced the ill-fated Edsel.

Manipulation of the youth on a compulsory basis has been the standby of every totalitarian system ever devised. There has long been in Russia the Young Communists who have been the most active opponents to any form of religion.

And in Nazi Germany nobody exceeded the zeal of the Hitler Youth in committing depredations against mankind.

It is unfortunate that young men are drafted for military service. This tends to degrade the honor and pride felt by

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many young men to serve their country in uniform.

And while in times of great national peril the concept of a citizen's armed force has served the American nation well, it is perhaps time to consider, if the nation is to continue to get involved in similar somewhat foggy affairs as Vietnam, to plan for a small, well organized professional military force such as the legions of ancient Rome, or the guard regiments of Victorian England.

But to take two years out of a young man's early years to while away in some obscure non-military governmental project is a waste, and can lead to dangerous consequences.

Of course, one factor in this whole proposal is that if this were done, it would make those drafted for military service feel better about this situation. Yet it is hard to see how a young man in the swamps of Vietnam, dodging bullets from both foe and off-and-on again allies would be greatly comforted by the knowledge that his less physically qualified counterpart is standing under the shade of a Central American banana tree teaching children how to speak English.

It is most difficult to equate any professions of democracy with a system that would force young men to postpone the start of their careers for two years to shuffle around aimlessly in some ill-hatched plan dreamed up by bureaucracy. The young men and the nation would be much better off if they are employed by private enterprise.

For after all, they also serve who pay taxes.

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Mrs. Palmer states her case admirably and wishes that our President, civilrights workers, agitators and other do-gooders would quit trying to cram down our throats "an idea as idiotic as hot weather, crowded living quarters, low income, hard working conditions and all the other excuses they try to pass on to the people as being reasons for these riots we are having. I for one cannot nor will I swallow such tommyrot."

Mrs. Palmer, we can assure you that you have a vast army of confederates who dislike the repulsive diet as much as you do

TAXES AND INFLATION

A modern practical mystery is the seeming general acceptance of the idea that inflation can be prevented by raising taxes. The President has made it clear that were this not an election year, higher tax rates would already be in effect. The amazing thing is that influential business men have joined Congressional leaders in suggesting that the administration had better not wait to get the election over, but put the tax into effect quickly.

The idea is that if the people of the nation were forced to divert their available cash into the tax pot instead of spending it for automobiles, TVs, higher priced cuts of meat and vacation transportation costs, the economy would be slowed down and the inflationary spiral halted.

Would it? When a troop of cavalry hears the command "Halt", the whole column stops. But the horses and riders don't fall down dead. Nor would inflation be erased if the people of the nation spent a billion dollars less from now until Christmas. Should this course be followed, it would put a lot of people out of work, since a slowdown in business would mean decreased labor forces all over the country. Is that desirable? Hardly, just for a postponement of inflation.

What is causing inflation, anyway? The real cause is a government fiscal policy which for years has been spending billions of money it does not have, while creating, out of thin air, credit for banks, industry, commerce and welfare, making two dollar bills out of one. But the two bills are worth no more than the one used to be. Instead of paying fifty cents a pound for bacon, the shopper now pays a dollar.

Queer thing is, the laboring man seems to like it. In 1964, when Johnson and his minions said "Reelect us and we will give you some more of the same," they gleefully voted them back in and now the dollars they are getting are approaching the three-for-one point. They are not too happy about it and the rest of us are not, either.

Our inflation could be stopped. Indeed, it could gradually be reduced if the people of the United States would rise up and see to it that our socialistic government STOP trying to be wet nurse to a whole nation of able-bodied and self-sufficient individuals. NOW. Nor are those the words of a crackpot. It is just plain common sense--American sense.

Rough Ramblings

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was in trouble. Fortunately, the water was not over HIS head as Andy is no swimmer either. He was able to rescue her.

Let that be a lesson to parents who let their children "swim" in the Rogue thinking they will be safe as long as they are riding on an innertube. The Rogue is a very treacherous river... and no one who is not an excellent swimmer has no business in those waters.

SPORTSMANSHIP????

From a columnist for the Oregon State Commission comes the following comments on the approaching deer hunting season:

"Last season it took plain luck to find a deer in the open, or it took an army to drive them there. And hunters worked hard for their deer, probably harder than in any previous season.

This season we look for a change. Food will be considerably harder to come by as a result of the short supply. There will be no bountiful banquet spread within easy reach; rather the kitchen will be more like Old Mother Hubbard's cupboard. Deer and other big game will have to

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This means that big game animals will be in the shrub and open country more often and for longer periods of time. And they may be up and around several times to snack on what food they can find. And, as we said in the beginning, we predict a mighty fine season.

THIS IS CALLED SPORTSMANSHIP?????

UNCLE MASON SEZ.... First time I heard of deer being referred to as "big game"

First time I ever heard of deer being referred to as "big game". Thought lions, tigers and other big game of the world.

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Chief's Blotter



TRAFFIC COURT

Alan Verne Biley, 1010 Crown Ave., C. P. Holding a speed contest - \$65.00 fine

Clifford Gerald Minor 121 Manzanita St., C. P. Parking in alley - \$5.00 - forfeited

Floyd Davis 6374 Ponderosa, C. P. Blocking driveway - \$2.50 - forfeited

William Lester Schleigh 358 E. Villas Rd., C. P. Intoxicated - \$35.00 fine - suspended Placed on probation

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to Editor:-

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gorber and daughter, Patricia Ann, Naperville, Illinois, paid a pleasant surprise visit at the home of Captain and Mrs. Julius Lusky, 444 Central Valley Dr. live, this past weekend.

Mr. Gorber, brother of Mrs. Lusky, finally visited her after a 20 year lapse. Due to the nature of his work and Mr. Lusky's work, which involves traveling, the two families were able to have a "real family visit".

Charles Lusky, nephew of Mr. Gorber, hopes to have something in common with his uncle, such as electrical engineering, and to know more about uncles. The modern equipment of today, such as the tape recorder will enable the men to exchange ideas. Charles visited the Argonne Laboratories earlier this year and was able to witness some of the best science of today. Mr. Gorber, Charles uncle, works at this laboratory. Both the Rogue Valley and the state of Oregon impressed the visiting family with the "free outdoor camping facilities" along the roadsides as well as the lovely roadways.

E. Lusky

ctors who attended this workshop. This was the culmination of nearly two years of planning by State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Leon P. Minear and his staff.

Teachers returned to their school districts to conduct workshops with local teachers on the latest research and methods of teaching reading and writing.

Teachers and administrators from participating districts met for informal discussions and planning sessions throughout the conference proceedings.

The communications conference was the fifth summer workshop organized under the Oregon Program, the result of a

\$3.5 million Ford Foundation grant to the State Department of Education in 1962.

NATURAL GAS SERVICE TO EAGLE POINT RESIDENTS...

Eagle Point became the fifth municipality to receive natural gas service from the Medford system, V.V. Lyman, vice president and division manager of California Pacific Utilities Company, announced last week. The feeder main was connected Tuesday, Aug. 16. Company service crews are converting customers' tank appliances to the use of natural gas.

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