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EDITORIALS

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

A good deal of talk is going the rounds concerning the name for the new high school soon to be built in the new consolidated school district, which includes Central Point, Gold Hill, Willow Springs, and Table Rock, with perhaps Tolo to be added if the election carries in that district on August 29. Several suggestions have already been made, with a good many people seeming to favor "Table Rock" as the new name.

Which may be all to the good, but somehow the editor of this newspaper has a feeling that the new name when chosen should not be that of one of the old districts comprising the consolidated district. We believe that an entirely NEW name should be chosen. So we have put our brains in stew and have come forth with this for the proposed name—the "Central Valley High School." What could be more appropriate?

The "Central" part is practically true, for the new building will be in almost the geographical center of what has always been known as the Rogue River Valley. (The line dividing the county in the center north and south crosses the valley less than half a mile north of the new school site.) East and West, while the exact center of the county lies east of here several miles, yet Central Point lies in about the center of the "civilized" portion of the county. So we say the "Central" part of our proposed name is very appropriate.

A Tribute to AA

Fourteen years ago a country doctor, whose career was being wrecked through heavy drinking, found a way out of his "Lost Weekend" through the help of a New York broker, a fellow sufferer who had cured himself through service to others. That meeting resulted in the formation of the national organization we know today as Alcoholics Anonymous.

In this fourteen year period, AA has done what the Chicago Sun-Times, in a recent editorial, calls "one of the most remarkable jobs of our generation." It points out that the rehabilitation of problem drinkers by AA members, each of whom are on call night or day to go to the aid of a victim, is of inestimable value. Each victim saved means a family also saved. Each AA means less work for doctors, hospitals, welfare agencies and even the police. Said the Chicago Sun-Times:

"Moreover, the movement has been one of the greatest single factors in teaching all of us that the evil of drink is not in the bottle. It is in the maladjusted individual who turns to the bottle to escape from real or imagined frustrations.

"A lot of us used to think that if the bottle were removed, the evil would disappear. That's why we tried National Prohibition. Painfully, sometimes bloodily, that magnified our mistake up to a size where all but the most fanatic 'dry' could see it.

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POINTS WEST

By Vivian McMurtrey

PORTLAND, ORE: Thelma Taylor, the little 15-year-old high school girl who was murdered by a fiend, is gone. Her parents are "little people" and their world is black. It has stopped. Her mother doesn't cry. She can't. Her grief is the silent choking kind. Her father is back at work driving a Portland Traction Co. bus, but his hands are clenched as though frozen. Her three-year-old sister thinks Thelma is coming home yet and is waiting to hear the end of the story she started last week. The title of the story is "Babe in the Woods."

Thelma's parents have a justified grievance against the Portland police department, but where or to whom can they turn for help? Maybe readers can supply the answers.

Thelma was kidnapped early Friday when she left to pick beans. At 5:30 that evening, her parents state they called the police and continued calling every hour to urge that the wooded areas around St. Johns be searched.

The police claim they weren't

called until Saturday, which coincided with the time they first stirred themselves.

Thelma died Saturday morning, but all Friday night she was captive in the hands of a sadist on a wooded river bank within a few blocks of the St. Johns police precinct, struggling for her life, which might have been saved if these same men who were swapping baseball scores had answered her parents' frantic calls. Wonder what the Canadian Mounties would have done in a similar situation?

What can be done? Does it matter? Thelma is gone now.

SALEM, ORE: Herbert Hoover has now become the country's grand old man and political parties are all taking him to their bosoms as their own. 'Tis nice to know that there's an exception to the old rule that great men are only honored too late, after they are gone.

It is also interesting to know that right here in the Northwest we have (and Hoover himself acknowledges same) the greatest living authority on Hoover's life and work. He is Mark Hatfield, new political science prof at Willamette university.

HILLSBORO, ORE: Filberts are in the news these days. There's much talk about grading, weighing and marketing, and much argument over protective tariffs.

One wonders why no one tries an educational program for American homemakers and teach them to use this exclusively Northwest delicacy in pastry cooking.

PORTLAND, ORE: The picture of Anna Roosevelt Dall Boettiger and Sheriff Mike (on his way out) Elliott sharing a microphone at the Democratic picnic at the Oaks park

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last Sunday was a dirty trick on Anna. This is a strictly non-partisan complaint.

PRINEVILLE, ORE: Seventy-three-year-old Mrs. Tilda Amundson last week completed a fireplace which she built for her son and daughter-in-law with her own hands. She used native stone "in an artistic and practical manner that would put many a man stonemason to shame," said an eminent authority on fireplace construction.

Weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Clark were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hanson of Beaumont, Calif. They are on their way to visit their daughter and family at Eugene, Oregon. They came via Salt Lake City and Reno, Nevada and found it very warm. They will return the coast route and visit another daughter in Hollywood. Then to their home at Beaumont, which they regard as the finest climate in Southern California.

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