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editorially speaking . . .

YOU DON'T HAVE TO ALIBI YOUR ABSENCES TO US, WAYNE

In a typical fit of self-justification, our Senator Wayne Morse recently stood up and called loudly upon Oregonians to look at his voting record in the senate which some quibbling group of diehards had questioned.

"I don't miss major roll calls; furthermore, with the exception of the majority and minority leaders, no member of the Senate sits in his seat more hours than I do," he stoutly maintained.

Their curiosity peaked by this blatant protestation, some Oregonians did, indeed, look at the record, and this is what they found in the authoritative Congressional Quarterly.

In 1946, 21 senators had better roll call records than Senator Morse; in 1947, 54 senators were present at more roll calls; in 1948, 42 senators had a better record; the record for 1949 is incomplete; in 1950, 73 senators had better attendance records than our senior senator; in 1951, 53 had better records; in 1952, 35 senators beat him; in 1953, 61 senators were more faithful to the roll call; in 1954, 45 senators were ahead of him, and in 1955, 56 senators had a better record.

To our restless Wayne, constantly on the prowl for any glowing ember of half-truth which will get his name and picturesque face into the newspapers, and justifiably nervous a good bit of the time in his disquieting attitude of "the devil take my constituents, I will do as I please," the futile hours he manages to stay put in the senate undoubtedly do seem long and trying.

After all, brought to chair finally in the Senate, he is only one of many high-strung, egocentric prima donnas; and senators, we have observed, are singularly unimpressed by other senators, in spite of their colleagues' self-acknowledged wit and wisdom.

We little doubt but what these brief encounters with the humdrum details of law-making seem long and fruitless for Oregon's senior senator. We understand his itch to be elsewhere.

Senator Morse need not go to great lengths to explain or misrepresent his extended truancy from the United States Senate to Oregonians. Those who know him have long accepted this dereliction as being the rather heavy price they must pay in return for having such a brilliant, wide-thinking fellow represent them—Reprinted from Malheur Enterprise, Vale, Ore.

HIT ME . . . I DARE YOU!

Tried to drive up Second street lately during the noon hour? It will cost you a nervous breakdown, we are sure, by the time you have finished playing tag with the groups of Crater High students who are using the whole street as their personal path into town.

We don't mind the youngsters walking down the street, but we certainly object to their insolence and devil-may-care attitude.

We have noticed numerous cars edging along, swinging into the wrong lane and trying not to hit a youngster as the high school boys and girls strut up the middle of the street.

We suggest that a course in pedestrian safety and courtesy be instituted for the kids before someone gets killed.

VIST SISTER, BROTHER

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Parsley of Sioux City, Iowa, left for home yesterday after visiting with his sister and brother in Central Point since Saturday. His sister and brother-in-law are Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Taylor and his brother and sister-in-law are Mr.

and Mrs. Lyle Parsley and family. The Iowans are vacationing.

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A BRIEF GLIMPSE . . .

Into the Past . . .

From the Files of the American

10 Years Ago . . . 1945

At regular meeting of Myers-Holland post 129, American Legion, it was decided to have the formal laying of the cornerstone of their new Memorial hall the afternoon of November 11, 1945, at 2 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Myers have recently completed redecorating and repairing their home from one end to the other, and it is certainly lovely.

Mrs. Don and Mrs. Everett Faber left for the Willamette valley Wednesday where Mrs. Don will visit her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Ramsay at Albany.

Mr. Ockerman is helping Mr. Walter Franks build new cement walks all around his house.

J. M. Weidman and son, C. H. Weidman, of Iowa, who recently received an honorable discharge from service, are visiting at the home of their son and brother, Marshall Weidman.

20 Years Ago . . . 1935

Rev. Robert Charles Lewis was installed as pastor of the Federated church at a meeting of the Presbytery of southwestern Oregon held at the Federated church Wednesday evening.

Misses Geraldine Jones and Fern Cherryholmes of Medford entertained in honor of Phyllis Turpin of Central Point with a shower at the latter's home Friday night.

A group of about 20 friends and neighbors of Mrs. Katie Wright gathered at her home Saturday night to celebrate her birthday.

Jeanne Paula Fisher passed away at a local hospital Monday night after three weeks illness.

Harvey Taylor fell out of a tree at his home and broke his leg recently.

Geraldine Tex will leave Monday to visit relatives in Sacramento and Los Angeles for a few weeks.

Book Briefs

From Central Point
Public Library

Avis Van Hoy



We have received more new books from the Medford library, and several of them are for children. One non-fiction book, "Things Around the House," is a book explaining how different things we use everyday work, and is for children of about the 5th grade. Also in the non-fiction group for children we have "Jet Planes," "Tale of the Prometheus Moth," "This is the Moon," and "I Will Build My Church." There are several fiction books for smaller children, and some for

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the back room, and include the older issues of all the magazines we have been receiving, except the "National Geographic," which we will keep in order to have a complete set for reference material.

Pfc. Donald Page Ill in Hospital

Pfc. Donald J. Page, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Page, Route 1, Central Point, is confined to a hospital at Castle Air Force Base, Merced, California.

Private Page, who is well known in this area, entered the hospital for treatment October 17. It is expected that he will be a patient for about six weeks. He has been in the service for 18 months.

GARDEN CLUB TO MEET

Central Point Garden club will meet at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, November 2, at the home of Mrs. Milo Lamb. Program will be arrangements.



WHAT'S DOING

J. H. Creager, your Telephone Manager for Central Point

Housewife rates her telephone "tops"

"Of all my household items," says Mrs. F. G. Dominey, "I think my telephone is the most useful. I can't count all the ways I depend on it. For example, I do a lot of my shopping by phone. Then there are the calls for repairs, to make appointments, to round up my youngsters in the neighborhood, and for a hundred and one other things. And that doesn't include all the pleasure our phone brings us... as a fast, easy way to visit friends and relatives. I certainly don't know what we'd do without it." Most people we've talked to agree with Mrs. Dominey about the usefulness of the telephone. Isn't it true that few things which serve so well cost so little? Pacific Telephone works to make your telephone a bigger value every day.



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Merton S. Lyster, Senior Switchman for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company in Medford, was recently presented with a thirty-year service emblem at a luncheon at the Medford Hotel. Mr. Lyster started work for the Telephone Company in San Francisco in 1925, and transferred to the Medford office in 1943.

The service emblem was presented by F. L. Pittard, Division Plant Manager, Portland.