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"Roosevelt Era Is Dead"

The traditional ferment of a national political convention has long been noted as a lot of wasted motion. Energy and thought designed to favorably present various candidates or to effectively present political ideas for inclusion in the literary document known as "The platform" seem like a large order of unnecessary exercise. For the candidate and the platform, when finally selected, are designed for a single purpose—the winning or securing of political patronage, advantage and position.

The Republican convention is an example that might be used in measure.

Before, during and after the political deliberations, from which Dewey and Warren came forth as the winning candidates, hours of radio time dissected, scrutinized and surmised the goings-on. Blanket coverage of all stations except the smaller ones replaced programs which radio addicts sorely missed. And the sum of influence that the network splurge occasioned seemed to be, mostly, that people other than Republican partisans realized there was a lot of noise to herald the fact that a couple of candidates were being selected.

But what contrast the current Democratic convention!

There are many sidelights to the doings at the 1948 convention city, Philadelphia. And many a repercussion will be felt between now and November, because of these doings.

The determined talk of replacing President Truman as a party standard-bearer has succeeded in widely disrupting once bold ranks of Democrats. That it was talk is highlighted by the fact that persistent attempts to "draft" an opposition candidate only brought forth refusals by such wanted men as Eisenhower and Douglas and only the tiny voice of Senator Claude Pepper saying, "O. K., I'll run. You talked me into it," after someone reportedly suggested the Florida firecracker for the job of stopping Truman.

Pepper was once fondly regarded as a liberal. He was even suggested as a running mate for Henry Wallace, in the new party. With his offer to put his name in the ring, "to keep alive the Roosevelt tradition", it proves out that the presidential bee did slip under his bonnet and he was only awaiting the proper circumstances.

The Roosevelt tradition, this year, has come in for quite a belaboring. One of the Roosevelt sons, assuming an inept role of president-maker, had spearheaded a drive to boot Truman from his seat of power and only succeeded in emphasizing his political ineptness when the dark horse he was grandly grooming thumbed his nose at the race.

The Republican convention took so many cracks at the Roosevelt tradition that it seemed FDR was still around, waiting for his turn at the microphone to blast and level the forbidding bogeymen so built up, with a few incisive remarks.

The Democrats, with their bickering and disunity, seem a far cry from the surging strength that so inspired the voters during the Roosevelt era. In the uninspired, slogging spirit of its convention, the difference is shown.

Come what may by the tides of politics before the next presidential election, one fact is now stratified: "The Roosevelt Era is Dead!"

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PLANS ARE LARGE

The largest and most complete fair ever to be staged or witnessed in Clackamas County is on the planning boards, reports the Oregon City BANNER COURIER.

One of the outstanding features of the fair plans, according to the account, is that not even newspapermen will be granted the prerogative of free admission, a trend which is being adopted at more and more such functions. Fair directors and even truck drivers making deliveries within the gates will be halted until they lay the money on the line for a paid admission.

Another possible leakage of admission dues, by which many an adventurous youngster the country across has viewed such fairs, will be closed off, with the erection of a "hurricane fence" to surround the entire fairground plant, at Canby.

Performers, exhibitors, concessionaires and everyone who had, in the past, strolled magnificently down the Midway sporting a flashy "Official" badge (which, as years went on, admitted the wearer to less and less) are now on the "Pay before you go" basis.

New buildings, greater entertainment, enlarged and modernized fairground buildings and a "revitalized corps" of supervisors are the symptoms of the streamlined plans.

Outstanding Herd On Auction, Due To Flood Damage

Due to severe flood damage to his farm, S. B. Hall, one of America's foremost scientific Holstein breeders, will auction off 50 per cent, or 40 head, of his prize "laboratory herd" at the Pacific International Livestock Exposition pavilion Monday, August 16. Another breeder will add 20 head of high quality animals to the sale for the same reason.

All feed on Hall's farm east of Portland on the Columbia River Highway—110 acres of pasture, corn and hay—was wiped out and he said it would be too expensive to carry over his entire herd.

One group is expected to attract buyers from the western half of the nation. It is composed of eight daughters of one of the highest ranking bulls in the country, Hallrose Progressor. Word was received this month that he had been designated a Gold Medal sire by the Holstein-Frisian Association of America. The honor signifies that through quality of his daughters he has become a proven sire as to both type and production. To date the animal has sired ten daughters and every one has met the rigid specifications required for this award—the first time such has happened in the history of the breed.

Of almost equal rating, though not so well known, will be eight daughters of another herd sire, Hallrose King Hazel, son of Sir Governor Inka, and six bulls, from babies to yearlings in the sale.

R. E. 'Rube' Evely, widely known authority on Holsteins who while superintendent of the Carnation farms at Seattle, worked closely with Hall in herd improvement programs, will manage the sale and advise with breeders.

Hall for 30 years was county agent of Multnomah county. Due to his outstanding breeding successes, he is frequently called upon to judge stock shows and classify herds in both North and South America.

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VISIT BEAVERTON

Mr. and Mrs. Connie West of Skamokawa, Wn., visited friends in the Beaverton area over the week end.

GROUND-BUSTERS

The 4-H Groundbuster club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Felsner. Reports on gardening were given and a tour of the members gardens planned.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Felsner.

MOVED TO SCHOLLS ROAD

Mr. and Mrs. Ell M. Roston, formerly of Tigard, have moved to Scholls Road near Progress.

RETURNS

Mrs. V. M. Philip has returned from Spokane where she visited for several weeks with her daughter and family.

NEW HOME STARTED

Work has begun on a new home for Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Huff on the property adjoining that of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Huff.

CONFERENCE

Among those attending the Presbyterian conference at Seabeck, Wash. are Myrtle and Fred Monohon and Dale Pickard.

Generosity is the flower of Justice.—Nathaniel Hawthorne.

The manner of giving shows the character of the giver, more than the gift itself.—Lavater.

MODERN PONY EXPRESS

As the modern pony express takes off for an overland dash from Portland to Newberg and way points, trusty Western postal employees at Sherwood will be ready and waiting in case steeds must be changed or other emergency matters come up.

According to the VALLEY NEWS, a regular mail car on wheels will be in service by August 1, to express regular morning mail direct to postoffices on the circuit and return, in the evening with outgoing mail for distribution out of the Portland terminal.

To stimulate interest—and encourage more people to send more letters and other mailable matters—postal bigshots have suggested the idea of a contest between points served in the selection of a name for these mobile post offices.

"Donkey Express" or "The Elephant's Trunk" would be a poor handle for this modern delivery service because those in the top swivel chairs rule that the name selected should not reflect unfavorably on any major political party. Names of famous people or places are more in line with what the post office wants.

Since July 1, Sherwood has been granted a first-class rating, because it sold more than \$40,000 worth of stamps in 1947. Since this is supposed to mean more clerical help and other post office equipment, the town looks forward to great improvement with the highway post office idea further promising as much as two to four hours saving on the receipt of mail deliveries.

STRANGE VISITORS

News from the vast acres over which the Columbia River spread its destructive flood waters, tells of many unusual visitors who drifted into homes and offices so affected.

One of the most unusual situations observed during cleanup of one home in St. Helens, reports the SENTINEL MIST, was the surprising corpse of a deep sea crab reposing in the river-washed kitchen of one house.

Of course, there was the expected sturgeon in possession of the living room and a lazy carp occupying the bedroom—both all the way dead, far from pleasant in odor. But the crab really took all honors for the unusual.

Some who heard reports of such a deep-sea denizen were inclined to discount the story, contending it was probably an oversized crawdad turned red.

The owners of the home, however, who disposed of the stinking corpus putrefactus, insist it was a crab, even though it showed up some 70 miles from the ocean.

The matter of cleaning up a home that has been flooded is said to be a trying one. In this particular instance all the in-laid linoleum was definitely "out-laid" and loose. Walls were marked up and a noisome layer of river silt was everywhere.

Steam cleaning outfits and disinfectant—lubricated with copious quantities of elbow grease—are called upon for the task of making the flood-visited home again livable. The cleanup takes about three weeks.

Vets Who Leave School Lose on VA Entitlement

Veterans studying in school or college are held legally responsible for tuition payments made by the veterans administration for periods they do not attend, the VA has announced.

Under a new VA ruling, veterans who drop from school before the end of a term or semester for which the VA has paid tuition must refund the amount paid for the time they do not attend, or else lose an equivalent amount of G.I. training eligibility.

Veterans who drop training before the VA is obligated to pay full tuition charges to the school will have their training entitlement reduced only for the time tuition was paid by the VA. After the VA must pay full tuition charges, however, veterans must make good the amount paid for any unused portions.

Amputees Given Extra Year for Free Conveyance

World War II veterans who lost the use of one or more legs at or above the ankle, have another year in which to apply for automobiles or other conveyances at government expense.

The deadline for obtaining the vehicles under the "autos for amputees" program was extended until June 30, 1949 by recent legislation. The previous deadline was June 30, 1948.

Congress extended the law another year to assist veterans who are still in hospitals or who have not yet applied for vehicles.

Saddle Club

Beaverton Saddle Club members participated in the Horseman's Frolic at Ray's Western Riding. Various clubs attended including the Washington County Posse who put on an exhibition drill.

Prizes were awarded high point riders of the day as follows: Seniors — first, Jeff Van Dyke, 100 points; second, Jess Howell, 80 points; third, John Day, 70 points. Juniors — first, Beverly Van Dyke, 140 points; second, Dwayne Hejkes, 70 points; third, Patty Huddleston, 50 points.

Some individual firsts were Dorothy Cobb, Obstacle and Boot Race; Beverly Van Dyke, Musical chair and Weiner Eating contest and Bill Murrell, Weiner Eating contest. The weather was perfect and everyone had an enjoyable time.

"Jet Jitters" No Health Menace Says Navy Dept.

The navy discovered by experiments at their aero medical equipment laboratory at Philadelphia that the noises made by jet engines are harmless to humans.

Although jets are known to produce high-pitched noises which while not heard are harmful, the navy men were unharmed. The men were comfortably protected against noise by a helmet or springband headphones, double kapok-filled "ear doughnuts" and cotton ear plugs.

The group, consisting of nine enlisted men and a medical officer, showed no outstanding ill effects. Seven reported they were more tired than ordinarily and five men lost weight varying from 5 to 19 pounds.

Workmen in the jet engine shops state that the jet noise is the cause of minor stomachaches and toothaches, however they complain more about the noise and vibration of powerful reciprocating engines.

Bureau of medicine and surgery experts who conducted the tests reached the conclusion that although ultra high-frequency sound does damage some animal tissues, ill effects upon human tissues appear unlikely unless the frequency is extremely high. They also stated that published reports of "supersonic sickness" give no clear evidence of physical injury and may be pure sensationalism, or be caused by "suggestibility."

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FLORIDA VISITOR

Miss Dixie Harrell is visiting relatives in Jacksonville, Florida.

AT CAMP MAGRUDER

George F. Gordon spent several days last week at Camp Magruder, Barview, Oregon.

AT SEASIDE

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Sheets spent the week end at Seaside, Ore.

AT BEACH

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cavaness left Thursday to spend several days at Twin Rocks on the coast where their daughter, Mrs. Robert Shepherd and daughters, Suzanne and Sally Jo have been spending the past week.

ALL CHURCH RETREAT

The fourth annual all church retreat of the First Methodist Church will be held Sunday, July 25 at Romig's seven acres. Sunday School and church will be held at the church. A pot luck dinner at the retreat. Transportation in charge of Tom Graf.

VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. J. Strickland and son are vacationing this week.

VISITING HOOD RIVER

Willie Anderson, of Lang Ave., is visiting friends in Hood River.

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