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"Even OPINION is of force enough to make itself to be espoused at the expense of life." —Montaigne

Lincoln and the People

We wonder so often why Abraham Lincoln caught the imagination of all people for all time.

We think it's because he wasn't a genius in the original sense; that is, with an unusual intelligence like an Einstein, Galileo or Napoleon; but, rather, a genius in the common sense—one made up of 2 per cent inspiration and 98 per cent hard work.

Added to this determination was the man's feeling for the integrity of his fellow human beings. To him, the Golden Rule was to be applied to all men. Hence, we get his unflinching sense of honesty. Another ingredient to this mixture would be a natural knack towards eclecticism. Like the famous Roman Orator Cicero, Lincoln was a master at turning words and phrases, ad lib, into gems of prose that have been one of his chief claims to being so well remembered. Many of these famous words and phrases had already been said before but not in a way to be well-remembered.

For instance, the famous "government of, by and for the people" phrase was used as early as Jan. 26, 1830 by Daniel Webster in his second speech on Foote's resolution in this slightly different phrasing: "The people's government made for the people, made by the people, and answerable to the people."

Later, in almost the exact form of Lincoln's Gettysburg address on Nov. 19, 1863, but preceding it, were these words of Theodore Parker's from the essay "The American Ideal: A Democracy — that is a government of all the people, by all the people, for all the people; . . ." These exact words were also used by Parker in a speech in Boston on May 31, 1854 and in a later sermon on July 4, 1858.

But the occasion made them different and the emphasis is a key to Lincoln the man. Early accounts of the Gettysburg address stated that the man from Illinois had emphasized the "of, by and for" rather than "people." Now the astute biographers of Lincoln point to evidence which substantiates the theory that Lincoln said and meant his words to emphasize PEOPLE over all else. That he said, "... this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the PEOPLE, by the PEOPLE, for the PEOPLE, shall not perish from the earth."

Other keys to his character are found in his belief in DEMOCRACY: "As I would not be a slave, so I would not be a master. This expresses by idea of democracy. Whatever differs from this, to the extent of the difference, is no democracy."

On LABOR: "Labor is prior to, and independent of, capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor, and could never have existed if labor had not first existed."

On PROGRESS: "I shall try to correct errors where shown to be errors, and I shall adopt new views as fast as they shall appear to be true views."

On CONFIDENCE: "If you once forfeit the confidence of your fellow citizens, you can never regain their respect and esteem. It is true that you may fool all the people some of the time; you can even fool some of the people all the time; but you can't fool all of the people all the time."

And on the one thing that he based all his convictions on, FAITH IN THE PEOPLE: "Why should there not be a patient confidence in the ultimate justice of the people? Is there any better or equal hope in the world?"

We then find in this last statement of his, why he is still in the minds of all the people. For, Lincoln was the people. They were first, and uppermost, forever in his mind. Is it not indeed fitting that he should be forever in theirs?

... A patient confidence



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Capital Parade...

By Murray Wade

Better Diet for Convicts

Well-fed men do more work. Southern slave owners knew that.

State officials have just found it out.

Admitting that the present food ration, with a calorie content of 2,400 to 2,500 daily, for inmates of the Oregon State Penitentiary is sound, Warden O'Malley recommended that the board of control allow him to provide a better diet.

The board instructed O'Malley to prepare estimates of the exact funds needed and submit them to the emergency board.

O'Malley said state wards produce more than one-third of the food they consume. The prison last year produced \$242,659 worth of food and canned food valued at \$55,000. This year a freezing plant will be added to the processing department and the value of the food processed is expected to reach \$100,000.

"An inmate's food costs on the average of 27½ cents a day which is 1½ cents higher than the average cost in 1936. The cost of food produced by the convicts is not included in these figures.

Assail Pari-Mutuel Bets

A constitutional amendment to end Oregon's state-operated pari-mutuel horse and dog racing was endorsed by the Oregon Council of Churches meeting in the capital this week.

The Council voted to sponsor an initiative measure classifying the pari-mutuel system of betting with lotteries and other illegal gambling.

John Merrifield, a member of the executive committee of the United Churchmen told the Council, "Americans have done things bigger than anyone else but have not used the same talents in the church."

"Ernest Peterson, a religious editor, who recently returned from a trip through Europe said, 'The best answer to communism is a verile church . . . we need to bolster our faith that this still is God's world and will remain so.'"

Speaking about the devastat-

ed people of Europe he said, "If we pull out of Europe and these people get hungry, they'll walk towards a bowl of soup, even if it's held by a Red."

Healthy State

Public health in Oregon remained at a very high level during 1951, according to a report of the State Board of Health just released.

Although the total number of communicable disease cases was somewhat higher than for the previous year, the increase was due to epidemic incidence of influenza and measles, both diseases tending to run in cycles with years of unusually high cases.

The number of cases of poliomyelitis dropped sharply from the very high of the previous year, 360 cases being reported as compared with 520 last year. Incomplete returns indicate that the percent of fatalities will be about 3.3 compared with 5.4 in 1950.

Advertising Week

Importance of advertising and the part it has played in the life of the nation and its people was emphasized this week by Governor Douglas McKay in designating February 17-23 as Advertising Recognition Week.

The governor's statement: "I believe we can all agree that there is one basic principle that distinguishes us Americans from other people. It is a belief in the freedom to have ideas, to use ideas, to accept or reject ideas.

"It is the wide open competition of ideas in this country which is the key to success of the world's newest and most successful form of government and way of life.

Political Jerks and Starts

Lowell Paget plans to use 4-cent stamps on all mail leaving his Taft-for-President office. (stamp has a fine portrait of William Howard Taft, former president and father of presidential candidate Senator Robert A. Taft.)

Rep. Lloyd Crosby, Milwaukee, has filed for the unexpired two-year term in the senate, vacated by the death of Senator Manley J. Wilson.

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Our Town



By HARRY NORDWICK

TEMPER, TEMPER

Nothing unusual happened following the athletic contest between Ashland and Central Point last Saturday. It's been happening ever since a neanderthal man threw a coconut into a basket and initiated basketball.

Athletics are based upon competition. Competition breeds opposition with a will to win. The will to win is then regulated by the sportman's rules of the game called "sportsmanship," or not regulated, depending on training and ability to control personalities.

The latter consists of both the player, coach and spectators. The spectators' personalities are controlled by the action that takes place on the floor. The players are controlled by the coaches of both the teams. It is his duty to instill in them a will to win — tempered with discretion.

Thus, the coach controls the game play which controls the feelings of the crowds. If the game gets out of hand, the hand to look for belongs to the body of the coach.

Both coaches of last Saturday's contest were in predicaments. Leonard Warren is being pushed by his supporters to beat some of these "A" schools that have been pushing smaller Central Point around for years but, with the new district consolidated, will cease as of this season. He had beaten Ashland thrice and his supporters felt his team was the best.

Ashland's Charley Janderau and company were out to win their final game with Central Point to prove to their supporters that no matter how good they were, or bad, they could still win from "lowly" (sans end) Central Point.

The point to be made is that both of these coaches, whose records prove that they know better, let the game go as it would. Tiring and desperate Central Point was fouling Ashland's players trying the stall every few seconds. A stall is never popular with any crowd, especially when it is partisan to the team the victim of it.

The roughened play during the last half roughened the tempers of both sides until a final tripping (accidental or not it doesn't matter) ignited the spark which caused an Ashland player to throw a ball in the face of a Central Point lad.

The coaches could see this coming — the air was filled with "electricity." They should

Letter from Washington . . .

By HON. HARRIS ELLSWORTH
Member of Congress, 4th District

There seems to be a feeling in the air around here that some sort of a stop-shooting arrangement will be made in Korea. Late news from the truce-talk tent seems to bolster the feeling. It is pretty hard to figure just what the commies have been driving at with their absurd actions in the truce conference but I am going to try a little guessing about it — for whatever it may be worth.

Our vigorous war action in Korea was both unexpected and unwanted by the Reds. It threw them off base and put them on the defensive in their world-wide propaganda war. They apparently wanted to keep the Korean affair at the local revolution level, but when we entered and were about to clean the thing up the Kremlin jumped their Chinese stooges into the fray. As a military effort, that move met with some success but it seriously hurt their efforts to win over the doubtful countries, and apparently worried their satellites who saw the price the Chinese Reds were paying for their allegiance to Russia.

The whole situation was blowing up the principal commie propaganda line which runs something like this: "We are the true friends of the people and will save you from being cannon fodder for the capitalist butchers." Furthermore, the Chinese were staggered by the enormity of their casualties in Korea. Internal trouble was developing there as news reports of commie purges last year clearly indicated.

So the Kremlin hastily developed the "Peace Front." It started with Malik's speech from which developed the truce talks, and more or less concluded with the big "Peace Rally" or youth convention in East Berlin last summer. Part of the game in the Korean truce tent was to enrage us to the point of calling off the conferences. With that the

have stopped it. Sure, they are human. But a coach is expected to be unhuman during the course of a game. He can get excited — but he must always keep discretion uppermost in his mind. He is the guardian of sportsmanship — he keeps the game clean. He molds the conduct of his players and the conduct of the crowd.

This corner feels that both coaches should work quite a bit harder at self-control. Their temper is the key to the player-audience-coach reaction. As for future games with Central Point, why not? Both schools are worthy competitors in the Rogue valley and both can meet again next season under the "rules of the game" with the following thought in mind: "discretion is the better part of valor — and TEMPER."

"Peace Front" propaganda attack would have been a success and their accusation of "war mongers" would stand up. But our people stuck it out.

Now the only way the Kremlin can save its vaunted claim of actually having hatched the dove of peace, is to let some sort of truce come off in Korea. But if that happens we had best keep our powder dry!

For some years the President and his secretary of state have been evading the constitution of the United States, which provides that treaties with foreign governments be ratified by the United States senate. The administration has been making "agreements" or "contracts" with other governments which, because they were not called treaties, could not be acted upon by the senate. Many such commitments were, in fact, treaties. I have introduced a bill in the house which, if enacted, would put a stop to this practice. I hope the foreign affairs committee will give my proposal some consideration.

NEWS ITEM: "\$6 million is spent annually just to keep U.S. dogs free of fleas." Surely this figure must include the dog-catchers, too!



Answer Man . . .

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THE STATE OF OREGON IN
AND FOR THE COUNTY OF
JACKSON

JOHN C. COLLINS, GRACE C.
COLLINS and C. B. COL-
LINS, partners, dba Ashland
Lumber Co., Plaintiffs,

vs.
ALBERT HOOKSTRA, a single
man, Defendant.

To: ALBERT HOOKSTRA, the
above named Defendant.
IN THE NAME OF THE
STATE OF OREGON: You are
hereby summoned and required
to appear in the above entitled
court and cause and answer the
Complaint of the Plaintiffs on
file herein against you within
four weeks from the date of the
first publication of this Sum-
mons; and you will take notice
that if you fail to so appear
and answer, Plaintiffs will take
judgment against you in the
sum of One Thousand Seven
Hundred thirty-five and 58/100
(\$1,735.58) Dollars, with interest
thereon from the 31st day of

July, 1951, and for their costs
and disbursements herein to be
incurred.

And, you are further notified
that by virtue of a Writ of At-
tachment duly and regularly is-
sued in the above entitled court
and cause by the Judge of the
Circuit Court of the State of
Oregon in and for the County
of Jackson to the Sheriff of
Jackson County, Oregon, the
said Sheriff did on the 1st day
of October, 1951, attach and
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